

PENSIONS AND INCREASE OF PENSIONS FOR CERTAIN  
SOLDIERS AND SAILORS OF THE CIVIL WAR, ETC.

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APRIL 20, 1926.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered  
to be printed

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Mr. FULLER, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted  
the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. R. 11446]

This bill is a substitute for the following House bills referred to  
said committee:

H. R. 546. Eliza J. Bogle.  
560. Elizabeth Lockwood.  
569. Mary H. Robbins.  
575. Lucy H. Woolard.  
579. Harriet L. Messenger.  
627. Earl Kelley.  
628. Frances Server.  
634. Margaret Hayes.  
664. Margaret Tucker.  
665. Emma Schaumburger.  
698. Mary H. Briggs.  
712. Lizzie H. Elliott.  
756. Hannah O'Brien.  
824. Sadie E. Oliver.  
826. Ella F. George.  
864. Laura W. Pratt.  
866. Mary L. Stewart.  
869. Sarah L. Adams.  
916. Anna Williamson.  
938. Emily J. Farrar.  
954. Louesa Butcher.  
976. Mary E. Harl.  
981. Annie E. Lamb.  
997. Mary Brownfield.  
1012. Eliza O'Neil.  
1014. Elizabeth Pringle.  
1018. Loucretia C. Robinson.  
1019. Elisabeth Rossell.  
1029. Sarah E. Zinn.  
1032. Sarah C. Young.  
1033. Mary A. Stroup.  
1034. Mary A. Bowser.  
1035. Emma J. Smith.

H. R. 1036. Sophia J. Long.  
1038. Susanna Imler.  
1087. Henrietta Downing.  
1122. Martha K. Patterson.  
1142. Hannah M. Barker.  
1150. Mary A. Stowell.  
1200. Fannie S. Bush.  
1203. Emma R. Hamilton.  
1204. Susannah G. Newcomb.  
1263. Emma J. Childs.  
1288. Louisa R. Webber.  
1291. Emma L. Davis.  
1296. Nellie M. Withee.  
1326. Joanna Simpson.  
1332. Elizabeth Hutchison.  
1349. Nancy A. Ginn.  
1367. Mary M. Walker.  
1381. Elizabeth Belgard.  
1385. Lucinda Lunt.  
1423. Louise Mowers.  
1430. Cornelia Kenfield.  
1437. Eliza A. Spraker.  
1457. Charlotte Tyndall.  
1468. Rosie Adams.  
1494. Josephine Dodson.  
1529. Betsy A. Cranker.  
1577. Lillie Hamby.  
1584. Maria J. Burnham.  
1606. Anna M. Crosby.  
1636. Nancy M. Moore.  
1638. Angie M. Reed.  
1709. Mary J. Welch.  
1725. Robert Zink.

<p>H. R. 1755. Laura A. Martin.      1778. Clara J. Cunningham.      1782. Jennie E. Baker.      1786. Sarah C. Childers.      1787. Mary E. Cunningham.      1788. Sarah E. Dragoo.      1802. Litha C. Silvers.      1812. Donia C. Eakins.      1825. Sarah E. Sunderland.      1832. Henrietta Reed.      1875. John M. Christy.      1885. Elizabeth Miller.      1889. Mary E. Gates.      1979. Kate Rhea.      2014. Mary J. Tullis.      2019. Talitha J. Steward.      2023. Martha McGonagle (in-            sane).      2038. Avarilla C. Culler.      2092. Clara J. Crozier.      2094. Silas A. Weaver.      2112. Ellen A. Baker.      2148. Elizabeth Exby (now            Sierer).      2153. Betsy F. Ballou.      2219. Ettie H. French.      2241. Eliza M. Inman.      2289. Mariah E. Smith.      2309. Alice G. Guyer.      2349. Martha A. Turner.      2377. America Williamson.      2400. Mary E. Hollingsworth.      2401. Martha E. Schooler.      2406. John H. Milstead.      2409. Sarah J. Arbuckle.      2415. Mary Powell.      2425. Elizabeth A. Richards.      2432. Eliza Hammond.      2446. Marion L. Ross.      2447. Mary L. Taylor.      2455. Mary J. Harcourt.      2459. Julia Farrell.      2474. Elizabeth G. Snyder.      2476. Amanda M. Finney.      2512. Mary A. Helm.      2513. Amelia C. Keck.      2517. Anna Pruden.      2523. Jennie B. Slayton.      2556. Amelia A. Collins.      2559. Martha C. Hunsberger.      2614. Eva Christina Loth.      2621. Mary J. Rickard.      2629. Mary E. Whitmore.      2630. Maria E. Witter.      2661. Ellen E. Godfrey.      2672. Callie Wagner.      2692. Joseph M. Christy.      2693. John Quinn.      2778. Martha J. Forsythe.      2783. Sarah F. Kanouse.      2844. Louisa Ward.      2861. Sam Meador.      2923. Louisa Kemp.      2940. Leonora D. Mullen.      2945. Annie Goodwin.      2988. Phebey T. Miller.      2999. Emily V. Buskirk.</p>	<p>H. R. 3027. Margaret A. Warner.      3028. Henry W. Key.      3046. Ophelia Shoemaker.      3065. Delia M. Hall.      3101. Sarah A. Eby.      3144. Jennie Benjamin.      3145. Ann Ryan.      3154. Maria Dalton.      3198. Mary M. Jones.      3199. Matilda Miller.      3255. Andrew Caldwell.      3306. Elizabeth L. Henson.      3426. Lucy Wolfgang.      3460. Marilla Matthews.      3467. Sarah Ann Turner.      3470. Mary J. Shranger.      3471. Margaret J. McKean.      3505. Ella J. Hunsberger.      3519. Abigail A. Butler.      3527. Cornelia J. Lester.      3556. Viola Holmes.      3574. Cora R. Burton.      3579. Laura A. Anderson.      3678. Sedate C. Cooley.      3695. Amelia Weber.      4147. Maggie Neidig.      4149. Lovina E. Willoughby.      4160. Alice Mansfield.      4165. Myra C. Hawley.      4181. Georgie A. Fifield.      4207. Hannah Dyslin.      4264. Malvina Jenkins.      4298. Mariah Feagley.      4318. Ellen Hughes.      4330. Deborah E. Bowling.      4346. Amelia A. Keith.      4348. Nancy E. Dillon.      4379. Artie Noles.      4384. Albert O. Tucker.      4398. Mary H. Appleton.      4616. Sarah J. Somerlott.      4624. Louisa Semmel.      4629. Edna M. Brownell.      4687. Eliza J. Johnson.      4707. Mary A. Crow.      4709. Mandane Wright.      4710. Melissa Vorhees.      4712. Maria J. Pierce.      4713. Mary H. Bell.      4851. Annie M. Todd.      4880. Elizabeth Moore.      4904. Emma M. Tallentire.      4907. Lucinda A. Gregg.      4946. Susan J. Waite.      4981. Thomas Colburn.      4999. Harriet A. Hoffer.      5052. Mary E. Hervey.      5053. Harriet Johnson.      5065. Sarah E. Roebuck.      5067. Emma J. Shade.      5097. Lizzie C. Castelo.      5106. Flora Odell.      5109. Granville Tobey.      5113. Mary A. Smith.      5114. Sarepta Richards.      5137. Mary Garlinghouse.      5160. Jennie Hunter.</p>
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H. R. 5162. Emma A. Wright.	H. R. 7341. Mary C. Whitlock.
5166. Margaret J. Baker.	7406. <b>Melvina Foster.</b>
5175. Lydia A. McGrew.	7411. George D. Helwig.
5281. Weston G. Sabins.	7422. Lillian L. Near.
5311. Emily F. Smith.	7431. Lucia Clark.
5325. Melissa B. Roberts.	7442. Katie J. Jerolmon.
5326. Marcelia S. Brodt.	7500. Carrie R. Royster.
5328. C. Jennie Congleton.	7511. Cynthia A. Shafer.
5424. Martha J. McGonagle.	7531. Rachel A. Boyer.
5426. Maria Tway.	7546. Mary Rogers.
5428. Ella Buchanan.	7553. Maud Works.
5450. Jane Ayre.	7639. Lucinda J. Gibson.
5476. Emeline Reed.	7699. Jemima Fritcher.
5479. Emilia Radt.	7718. Laura B. Garland.
5482. Harriette A. Boyd.	7731. Nancy C. George.
5500. Catherine Rutherford.	7769. Lucretia Burton.
5523. Amanda Lowry.	7782. Lucina McGhee.
5534. Melissa E. Gaines.	7802. Hannah J. Bradford, now Blake.
5537. Mary Jane Worthington.	7880. Caroline Dawson.
5538. Theodosia D. Whitaker.	7925. Christenie R. Henthorn.
5562. Alice E. Miller.	7926. Marlin L. Rankin.
5625. Mary E. Masterson.	7931. Anastasia Carroll.
5654. Sarah E. Reed.	7990. Mary E. Baldwin.
5745. Catharine Fielding.	8053. Albert Garrett.
5790. Elizabeth Penland.	8092. Emma Dally.
5801. Margaret C. Ebbert.	8172. Frances M. Bartlett.
5807. Anne M. Luman.	8238. Leah Senft.
5910. Elmina C. Standley.	8277. Addie F. Holihan.
5916. Mary M. Sams.	8280. Dora B. Ervin.
5919. Sarah A. Noxon.	8281. Roseannah Jackson.
6019. Jennie E. Wynn.	8298. Ellen Lanham.
6032. Mary E. Garrett.	8299. Frances Kenney.
6036. Fannie S. Nuss.	8330. Emeline Phinney.
6150. Clarissa Bard.	8340. Rosina Hesse.
6153. Adalaide Belleau.	8370. Clara Fisher.
6209. Florence Crowell.	8440. Jennie M. Kloos.
6221. Emily Roof.	8499. Emily G. Lee.
6222. Mary C. Witherby.	8500. Bridget Lyng.
6224. Nancy I. Hankins.	8544. Annie P. Winnaugle.
6263. Nannie Kirby.	8547. Mary J. Hudson.
6288. Ann M. Heckaman.	8604. Emma L. Hardendorff.
6299. Lydia Lau.	8621. Nancy J. Baldwin.
6307. Catharine Hoffman.	8626. Leora E. Wallace.
6310. Sarah J. Laucks.	8678. Emma E. Hill.
6311. Elizabeth Lowe.	8682. Etta L. Wheeler.
6328. Jennie E. Derby.	8700. Nancy H. Berry.
6416. Nancy M. Chapman.	8729. Mary E. Everitt.
6436. Claudia B. Tribble.	8780. Annie M. Stains.
6453. Nona Buck.	8782. Orin Brewster.
6617. Cornelia A. Dowell.	8792. Abbigail Himes.
6623. Bettie E. Garner.	8811. Nancy J. Hicklin.
6660. Curtis C. Kirgan.	8813. Sarah E. Edwards.
6675. Maggie Kinart.	8840. Mary J. Lyon.
6841. Mary Jane Howells.	8843. Hannah Cook.
6869. Eveline Mooney.	8867. Elsie J. Robinson.
6882. Delila Golden.	8877. Edwin Fears.
6926. Samantha A. Coffey.	8880. Mary E. Morris.
6928. Libbie B. Sanders.	9014. Ada Laxson.
7000. Robert Lewis.	9027. Annie E. Grissom.
7002. Rosabelle Wade.	9066. Helen L. Milmine.
7046. Anna Jesmer.	9087. Jennie A. Moore.
7130. Rilda A. Redding.	9143. Sophia Bouchard.
7131. Sarah A. Eckstein.	9146. Frances Ransom.
7235. Etta Burns.	9149. Elizabeth Hart.
7237. Mary E. Pearson.	9153. Catherine Spicer.
7239. Nancy Wright.	9243. William H. Brown.
7332. Lou Ogden.	

H. R. 9281. Bernerd Rogers.  
**9301. Annie M. Hewitt.**  
 9333. John A. Maples, alias John Maples.  
**9354. Sarah E. McQueen.**  
 9359. Delia J. McKeon.  
 9361. Susan L. Dean.  
 9365. Florence C. Woods.  
 9378. Mary E. Perkins.  
 9385. Anna Kress.  
 9401. Emma E. Chase.  
 9403. Mary C. Sutton.  
 9405. Rebecca Miller.  
 9406. Sydney Morgan.  
 9411. Jennie E. Benedict.  
 9423. Elizabeth E. Switzer.  
 9523. Florence J. Glover.  
 9526. Lucinda A. Mosher.  
 9540. Matilda A. Jackson.  
 9548. Anna M. Mucho.  
 9680. Louise Barber Snow.  
 9705. Almira Tulley.  
 9711. Ann Lawler.  
 9732. Martha A. Smith.  
 9739. Cynthia J. Case.  
 9756. Mary M. Norton.  
 9767. Louisa J. Flowers.  
 9794. Julia L. Stretch.  
 9799. Martha Wilson.  
 9802. Mary E. Woodward.  
 9837. Margaret E. Giles.  
 9847. Margaret McWhinney.  
 9886. Ida M. Snell.  
 9891. Mary Ann Clark.  
 9909. Ann E. Reamer.  
 9922. Maria L. Peirce.  
 9955. Clara M. Willey.  
 9974. Frances C. Owen.  
 9977. Hattie H. Hill.  
 9992. Marion L. Holvenstot.  
 10015. Mary Burdick.  
 10016. Anna L. Shannon.  
 10032. Elizabeth Clarke.  
 10036. Isabella Ross.

**H. R. 10045. Jennie Burt.**  
 10065. Laura E. Waddle.  
 10074. Anna Weishar.  
 10102. Matilda Long.  
 10110. Celia A. Woodward.  
 10114. Sarah S. Blair.  
 10150. Emily Robinson.  
 10153. Bertha A. Pyne.  
 10163. Sarah M. McDonnell.  
 10175. Grace D. Shepherd.  
 10182. Nannie E. White.  
 10189. Peter Breen.  
 10214. Henrietta Cromwell.  
 10218. Mollie M. Corya.  
 10231. Emily R. Gray.  
 10255. Sarah C. Smith.  
 10256. Lucy E. Horton.  
 10257. Sarah E. Shuster.  
 10282. Isabella Caffey.  
 10283. Mary James.  
 10287. Hulda Brubaker.  
 10326. Nancy E. Dietz.  
 10340. Parelee Moore.  
 10372. Caroline Stuckenberg.  
 10401. Elizabeth Renfrow.  
 10449. Martha J. Groves.  
 10477. Calsina Gilman.  
 10517. Julia A. Harvey.  
 10524. Emily D. Daniels.  
 10535. Adaline Alexander.  
 10536. Sarah E. Alexander.  
 10555. Hattie E. Greene.  
 10566. Nancy Bassett.  
 10653. Sophia Foland.  
 10671. Howard L. Rader.  
 10678. Anna Hamilton.  
 10705. Althea Marsh.  
 10743. Sarah J. Campbell.  
 10758. Nancy Nathan.  
 10840. Sarah Ann Scott.  
 10910. Mary Morgan.  
 11005. Susan McColgin.  
 11032. Martha Rose.

H. R. 546. Eliza J. Bogle, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Leon, Kans., is the widow of Joseph S. Bogle, late a private, Company H, One hundred and sixtieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 2, 1864, to September 7, 1864, and who died December 28, 1912.

He and this claimant were married September 12, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 756322.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of eczema of arms and legs and the infirmities of age.

She has \$700 at 4 per cent annual interest. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 560. Elizabeth Lockwood, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Wichita, Kans., is the widow of Edgar N. Lockwood, late a private, Company A, Sixth Regiment Michigan Cavalry, and Company D, First Regiment Michigan Veteran Cavalry, from

February 14, 1865, to March 10, 1866, and who died November 7, 1898.

He and this claimant were married September 12, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 502495.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfit for self-support and is not able to contribute to her own support by reason of age and affliction from neuralgia.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 569. Mary H. Robbins, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 401 East Third Street, Wichita, Kans., is the widow of Hiram L. Robbins, late a private, Company G, Ninety-third Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 5, 1862, to May 16, 1865, and who died June 22, 1892.

He and this claimant were married January 13, 1876. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 407632.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of general weakness, loss of memory, bad hearing, and senility.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support. It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 575. Lucy H. Woolard, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Wichita, Kans., is the widow of Washington W. Woolard, late a first lieutenant, Company H, Twenty-sixth Regiment Illinois Volunteers, from November 1, 1861, to November 1, 1862, and who died January 9, 1882.

He and this claimant were married February 24, 1858. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 199966.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attendance because of affliction from cerebral hemorrhage and loss of motor ability. The condition is permanent and progressive.

She has neither property nor income of any nature and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 579. Harriet L. Messenger, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Bridgeport, Ohio, is the widow of John Messenger, late a private, Company B, First Regiment West Virginia Cavalry, from August 6, 1861, to July 8, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 270751 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died September 4, 1923.

He and this claimant were married February 3, 1875. She has been denied pension as the widow of the soldier for the reason she was not legally married to him, he having had at the time he married the claimant, a living undivorced wife, who died April 15, 1910. This claimant, therefore, did not become the legal wife of the soldier until that date. Claimant had knowledge of the former marriage of the soldier, but was advised and apparently firmly believed that a divorce had been granted the soldier from his first wife. The court records, however, fail to show that the decree was ever entered, al-

though the records show that the suit was instituted, notice served and testimony taken in the case.

There is but little if any doubt the claimant married the soldier in good faith, believing that there had been a legal separation of soldier and his former wife. She lived and cohabited with him for a period of 48 years.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give claimant a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows that she is in very poor health and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic myocarditis, endocarditis, nephritis, and varicose ulcers of legs.

She has title to real estate valued at \$500. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 627. Earl Kelley, aged 38 years, whose post-office address is North Vernon, Ind., is the helpless and dependent son of Jerome Kelley, late a private, Company B, Sixth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from September 3, 1861, to September 22, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 157135 at the rate of \$17 per month, and who died March 29, 1910.

The claimant's parents were married November 3, 1864. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a helpless and dependent person since the age of 13 years by reason of congenital disease (lues) of eyes and resulting loss of vision. He is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person because of blindness.

He has no means or property of any consequence and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 628. Frances Server, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is Vevay, Switzerland County, Ind., is the helpless and dependent daughter of William H. Server, late a wagoner, Company G, Eight-second Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 8, 1862, to June 9, 1865, and who died April 17, 1900.

The date of marriage of claimant's parents has not been shown. The mother died in 1888. The soldier remarried and his second wife, Margaret, his former widow, is now a pensioner under certificate No. 557818.

The evidence presented indicates that the claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she is mentally incompetent, of congenital origin. She is in condition to require constant supervision and care and is an object of charity.

She has no property or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian on a separate voucher.

H. R. 634. Margaret Hayes, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Versailles, Ind., R. F. D. No. 2, is the widow of George W. Hayes, late a private, Company G, Thirty-fifth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from September 24, 1864, to June 22, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 399010 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died May 12, 1923.

He and this claimant were married March 8, 1881, and they lived together as husband and wife until 1916, when they became legally separated. Later they became reconciled and were remarried September 24, 1919, and thereafter lived and cohabited as husband and wife to the date of soldier's death. The evidence presented indicates that she is now the soldier's legal widow but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was remarried to him after June 27, 1905.

Under the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatic arthritis, impaired hearing and sight, arteriosclerosis, and senility.

She has a home place valued at \$900, but has no other means or property of any consequence. Her income is \$30 a year from the sale of milk and eggs. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 664. Margaret Tucker, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is 87 West Street, Green Island, N. Y., is the widow of William J. Tucker, late a private, Company A, Second Regiment New York Infantry, from May 14, 1861, to May 26, 1863, and who died March 25, 1886.

He and this claimant were married July 14, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 388132.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic rheumatism, lumbago, and senility.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 665. Emma Schaumburger, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Albany, N. Y., is the widow of Henry Schaumburger, late a private, unassigned, Seventh Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from September 11, 1862, to September 24, 1863, and from February 9, 1864, to May 7, 1865, and who died January 12, 1901.

He and this claimant were married April 14, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 510278.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from cataracts of both eyes, with vision almost gone, accompanied with general loss of strength. She also suffers from arteriosclerosis.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 698. Mary H. Briggs, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is 44 North Street, Gloversville, N. Y., is the widow of William R. Briggs, late a private, Company I, Tenth Regiment New York Cavalry, and Company I, First Regiment New York Provisional Cavalry, from September 22, 1862, to July 19, 1865, and who died February 6, 1897.

He and this claimant were married May 8, 1858. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 459037.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of extreme age, chronic myocarditis, and chronic nephritis.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 712. Lizzie H. Elliott, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Barto, Pa., is the widow of John A. Elliott, late a private, Company B, Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from April 21 to July 27, 1861, and from June 30 to August 3, 1863, and who died July 6, 1913.

He and this claimant were married September 29, 1898. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 823330.

The medical evidence shows she is in such physical condition that she is unable to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support by reason of affliction from rheumatism.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 756. Hannah O'Brien, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is College Corner, Ohio, is the widow of Cornelius O'Brien, late a private, Company I, One hundred and fifty-second Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 2 to September 2, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 628002, and who died July 26, 1907.

He and this claimant were married February 14, 1907. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic rheumatism, great physical debility, and disease of nervous system.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 824. Sadie E. Oliver, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 832 Main Street, Brockton, Mass., is the widow of William F. Oliver, late a private, Company B, Eleventh Regiment Maine Infantry, from October 18, 1864, to October 17, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 406859 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died March 6, 1923.

He and this claimant were married July 31, 1914. The evidence presented indicates the claimant is the legal widow of the soldier;

but she has no title to pension since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is disqualified for physical labor or from earning a support by her own efforts by reason of affliction from neurasthenia, sciatica, dyspepsia, and low blood pressure.

She has title to a home place valued at \$2,000, \$133 deposited in a bank, and a \$50 Liberty bond. Her only income is interest on deposit and on bond and \$100 annual rent from her home. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 826. Ella F. George, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 42 Highland Street, Brockton, Mass., is the widow of A. Morrison George, late a corporal, Company E, Fifth Regiment New Hampshire Infantry, from September 30, 1861, to October 29, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 49925 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died November 29, 1918.

He and this claimant were married November 10, 1909. The evidence indicates that claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support by reason of poor eyesight and crippled foot.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 864. Laura W. Pratt, aged 54 years, whose post-office address is Brattleboro, Vt., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Barney F. Pratt, late a private, Company B, Sixteenth Regiment Vermont Infantry, from August 28, 1862, to August 10, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 230747 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died January 28, 1921. The mother of this claimant died July 11, 1873.

The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of mental incompetency.

She is in condition to require care and supervision of another person most of the time.

She has no earning capacity and no means or property of any consequence. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month, and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 866. Mary L. Stewart, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is 116 Elliott Street, Brattleboro, Vt., is the widow of Frederick T. Stewart, late a private, Company B, Sixteenth Regiment Vermont Militia Infantry, from August 28, 1862, to August 10, 1863, and who died February 8, 1919.

He and this claimant were married May 23, 1901. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 884570.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person because of senility, arthritis, enlarged liver, and indigestion. She also is subject to falling spells (not epilepsy).

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 869. Sarah L. Adams, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is Grafton, Vt., is the widow of George W. Adams, late a private, Company D, Sixteenth Regiment Vermont Infantry, from August 29, 1862, to August 10, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 910240 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died April 23, 1922.

He and this claimant were married January 8, 1907. The evidence submitted indicates that claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from high blood pressure, rheumatism, hemorrhoids, and lack of incoordination.

She owns a house situated on leased land valued at \$400. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 916. Anna Williamson, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Marion, Kans., is the widow of Essic Williamson, late a private, Company G, One hundred and sixth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 5, 1862, to February 28, 1865, and who died August 12, 1887.

He and this claimant were married September 23, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 265888.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from general neuritis, which is permanent and progressive.

She has a home place and furnishings valued at \$1,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 938. Emily J. Farrar, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Monroe, Nebr., is the widow of Wilkinson Farrar, late a private, Company A, Sixty-fifth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from November 12, 1861, to November 30, 1865, and who died September 29, 1889.

He and this claimant were married November 28, 1878. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 272565.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from excessively high blood pressure (230 — 160 mm.) and chronic cystitis.

She has no property and no income other than her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 954. Louesa Butcher, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Fenton, Mich., is the widow of William Butcher, late a private, Company I, Sixth Regiment Michigan Cavalry, and One hundred and first Company, Second Battalion Veteran Reserve Corps, from September 12, 1862, to July 19, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 678270 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died July 2, 1920.

He and this claimant were married November 1, 1906. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension, for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she requires almost constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism, neuritis, and weak, irregular heart action.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 976. Mary E. Harl, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Ripley, Ohio, is the widow of Nicholas Harl, late a private, Company F, Twenty-seventh Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from March 6, 1864, to September 21, 1865, and who died September 4, 1916.

He and this claimant were married June 7, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 828316.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from cataract of both eyes, with total obscurity of vision in left eye and some vision possible through right eye.

She has a life interest in a home place valued at \$500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 981. Annie E. Lamb, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is New Richmond, Ohio, is the widow of Silas Lamb, late a private, Company A, Sixth Regiment United States Colored Cavalry, from September 27, 1864, to April 15, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 669481 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died December 14, 1923.

He and this claimant were married April 14, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of goiter, arteriosclerosis, and disease of nervous system.

She has a home valued at \$370. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 997. Mary Brownfield, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 78 South Main Street, Fairchance, Pa., is the widow of Thomas Brownfield, late a private, Company A, First Regiment

West Virginia Cavalry, from June 22, 1861, to September 12, 1864, and who died July 13, 1884.

He and this claimant were married April 14, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 238544.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from rheumatism and bronchial asthma.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1012. Eliza O'Neil, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Point Marion, Fayette County, Pa., is the widow of Henry O'Neil, late a private, Company F, Seventh Regiment, and Company A, Eleventh Regiment Missouri Infantry, from June 1, 1861, to January 15, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 135988 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died February 18, 1921.

He and this claimant were married April 11, 1912. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from myocarditis, neuritis, and impaired vision.

She has \$400 on deposit in a bank on which she receives 4 per cent annual interest. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1014. Elizabeth Pringle, aged 46 years, whose post-office address is Dawson, Fayette County, Pa., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Alexander G. Pringle, late a second lieutenant, Company D, Third Regiment Potomac Home Brigade, Maryland Infantry, from May 24, 1862, to May 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 709324, at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died December 16, 1924.

The parents of this claimant were married November 29, 1869. The mother died January 10, 1891.

The evidence shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person from date of her birth by reason of affliction from abdominal hernia and elephantitis of lower limbs.

She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death.

She has no means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 1018. Loucretia C. Robinson, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Elk Lick, Somerset County, Pa., is the widow of George W. Robinson, late a private, Company A, Second Regiment Potomac Home Brigade, Maryland Infantry, from August 6, 1861, to September 28, 1864, and who died July 11, 1892.

He and this claimant were married October 27, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 373205.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from neuritis, neuralgia, and disease of stomach and liver.

She has a home place valued at \$600. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1019. Elisabeth Rossell, aged 86 years, whose post-office address is Vanderbilt, Pa., is the widow of James Rossell, late a private, Company G, Sixteenth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from September 16, 1862, to June 15, 1865, and who died July 5, 1910.

He and this claimant were married February 9, 1859. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 708520.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of right-sided hemiplegia of arm and leg, arteriosclerosis, general weakness, and debility from extreme age.

She has a house and lot valued at \$1,200, \$800 loaned out, and \$40 deposited in the bank. Her annual income is \$40 and her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1029. Sarah E. Zinn, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 68 South Center Avenue, Somerset, Pa., is the widow of John H. Zinn, late a private, Company F, Seventeenth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from December 30, 1863, to June 27, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 362656 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died February 20, 1919.

He and this claimant were married July 27, 1914. The evidence indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic endocarditis, interstitial nephritis, arteriosclerosis, and high-blood pressure.

She has a home place valued at \$4,000 and incumbered in the sum of \$1,510. She also has held for her interest stocks and cash in bank valued at \$1,750 from which she receives in dividends, or as an annuity, \$120. She also receives \$120 for rent of rooms in her home. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1032. Sarah C. Young, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is 522 Fifth Avenue, Altoona, Pa., is the widow of Martin L. Young, late a private, Company C, Eighty-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from September 21, 1861, to June 18, 1862, and who died September 25, 1906.

He and this claimant were married February 19, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 627417.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to follow any gainful occupation and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic myocarditis and arteriosclerosis with hypertension.

She has no means or property of any consequence. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1033. Mary A. Stroup, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is East Freedom, Pa., is the widow of Samuel Stroup, late a corporal, Company E, One hundred and twenty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 1, 1862, to May 18, 1863, and who died September 17, 1881.

He and this claimant were married January 12, 1862. She is now pensioned at \$40 a month by special act of Congress approved September 18, 1922, under certificate No. 199532.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from endocarditis with hypertension. The condition is permanent.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1034. Mary A. Bowser, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Claysburg, Pa., is the widow of Daniel L. Bowser, late a private, Company K, Fifty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from February 19, 1864, to August 30, 1865, and who died November 8, 1902.

He and this claimant were married January 13, 1876. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 556868.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from high blood pressure and arteriosclerosis.

She has a home place valued at \$2,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1035. Emma J. Smith, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is 804 Howard Avenue, Altoona, Pa., is the widow of George Smith, late a private, Company E, Forty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; Company I, One hundred and nineteenth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry; and Company B, Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry, from August 26, 1861, to June 28, 1865, and who died May 3, 1916.

He and this claimant were married July 4, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 811097.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support by reason of affliction from arteriosclerosis and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1036. Sophia J. Long, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D., box 78, Saxton, Pa., is the widow of Anon Long, late a private Company I, Twenty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, and quartermaster sergeant, Company I, Third Regiment Pennsylvania Provisional Cavalry, from June 16, 1863, to January 4, 1864, and January 5, 1864, to October 31, 1865, and who died January 21, 1916.

He and this claimant were married June 19, 1866. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 810208.

The medical evidence shows the claimant is wholly unfitted for self-support because of affliction from bronchial asthma.

She has no property of any consequence and no income aside from her pension.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1038. Susanna Imler, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Osterburg, Pa., is the widow of John R. Imler, late a private, Company C, Eighty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from October 3, 1864, to July 13, 1865, and who died February 6, 1904.

He and this claimant were married June 20, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 621767.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support and in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and lack of energy and strength.

She has no means or property of any consequence, but appears to have an annuity of \$200 a year as her dower interest in her husband's estate. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1087. Henrietta Downing, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Long Beach, Calif., is the widow of Charles Downing, late a private, Company A, Eighth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, from November 17, 1863, to July 17, 1865, and who died November 13, 1906.

He and this claimant were married November 2, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 638256.

The medical evidence submitted shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from complete paralysis of right side.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1122. Martha K. Patterson, aged 86 years, whose post-office address is 322 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the widow of Henry B. Patterson, late captain Company G, One hundred and thirty-second Regiment Ohio National Guard Infantry, from May 2 to September 10, 1864, and who died July 28, 1907.

He and this claimant were married September 8, 1859. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 633291.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attend-

ance of another person because of bronchitis, resulting general debility, anemia, and senility.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1142. Hannah M. Barker, aged 63 years, whose post-office address is 738 Auburn Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y., is the widow of James H. Barker, late a private, Company B, Seventy-fourth Regiment New York Infantry, from June 19 to August 3, 1863, who was a pensioner under Certificate No. 762590 at the rate of \$8 per month, and who died July 4, 1905.

He and this claimant were married April 20, 1889. The soldier was pensioned under the general law for disease of liver and resulting disease of rectum contracted in service and line of duty. This claimant filed a claim as his widow, based upon death caused as a result of disease of liver and rectum.

The death certificate shows that the immediate cause of death of the soldier was chronic myocarditis and that the contributing cause was the disease for which he was pensioned. Medical evidence was furnished to show that the condition of heart was the direct result of enlarged and engorged liver, ulcerated, bleeding, and protruding hemorrhoids. The Bureau of Pensions, however, declined to accept that theory or to give her the benefit of any doubt there may have been and rejected her claim.

She has not title under existing laws for the reason that the soldier rendered less than 90 days of service.

Under the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status, she having shared for many years the handicap with which the soldier was afflicted.

She is now wholly unable to follow any gainful occupation.

She has a one-third interest in a dwelling house valued at \$9,000, and which is encumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$1,000.

The annual rental value of the property is \$500. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1150. Mary A. Stowell, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is 32 Eagle Street, Fredonia, N. Y., is the widow of John C. Stowell, late a private Company H, One hundred and twelfth Regiment New York Infantry, and Twenty-eighth Company, Second Battalion Veteran Reserve Corps, from August 20, 1862, to July 19, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 220735 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died Septemebr 25, 1920.

He and this claimant were married June 15, 1899. At the time of his death the soldier had pending a claim for increase which was completed by this claimant and the increase and accrued pension paid to her as his legal widow.

She has been denied pension as his widow under the act of March 3, 1899, it having been shown that she and the soldier were living apart at the time of his death.

As shown by the evidence presented the law in this instance works an injustice to a worthy woman. She was legally married to him

but on account of his dissolute and immoral habits she could not with any self-respect live and cohabit with him as his wife, hence their separation.

In the circumstances your committee does not hesitate to recommend that the technical objection to her title be waived and that she be given a pensionable status.

The medical evidence presented discloses the fact that she is in a practically helpless condition and requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from senile cardiac failure and nephritis.

Evidence also shows she is in destitute circumstances, being entirely without means, property, or income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1200. Fannie S. Bush, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 149 South Main Street, South Norwalk, Conn., is the widow of Edwin H. Bush, late a private, Battalion E, Twelfth Regiment Connecticut Infantry, from November 8, 1861, to August 12, 1865, and who died July 29, 1909.

He and this claimant were married December 17, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 699195.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from neurasthenia and the infirmities of age.

She has a dower interest in an estate valued at \$5,250 and encumbered in the sum of \$2,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1203. Emma R. Hamilton, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is 2888 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, Conn., is the widow of Stephen K. Hamilton, alias Stephen Kerrigan, late a private, Company C, Thirty-sixth Regiment New York Infantry, from May 13, 1861, to July 15, 1863, and who died April 5, 1922.

He and this claimant were married February 24, 1901. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 939238.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of Bright's disease, arteriosclerosis, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1204. Susannah G. Newcomb, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 1194 East Main Street, Bridgeport, Conn., is the widow of Jeremiah Newcomb, late a private, Company I, Second Regiment Connecticut Heavy Artillery, from January 29, 1864, to June 8, 1865, and who died November 25, 1919.

He and this claimant were married May 18, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 885381.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support and not able to engage in any kind of gainful occupation because of a compound fracture of right ankle and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1263. Emma J. Childs, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 51, Weeks Mills, Me., is the widow of Royal S. Childs, late a private, Company D, Thirteenth Regiment Vermont Infantry, from September 6, 1862, to July 21, 1863, and Company H, First Regiment New York Light Artillery, from August 23, 1864, to May 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 619762 at the rate of \$38 per month, and who died December 22, 1918.

He and this claimant were married February 12, 1914. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has, approximately, one-fourth of normal earning capacity by reason of weakness, the result of cardiac asthma, varicose veins, and being 60 pounds overweight.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1288. Louisa R. Webber, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Hartland, Me., is the widow of Allen Webber, late a private, Company K, Twenty-second Regiment Maine Infantry, from September 10, 1862, to August 14, 1863, and Third Battery Maine Light Artillery, from September 21, 1864, to June 17, 1865, and who died June 8, 1920.

He and this claimant were married October 21, 1861. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 906800.

The medical evidence shows she is bedridden and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from the infirmities of age and fracture of hip bone.

She has a life use of a home place and \$500 in the bank. Her only income other than her pension is the interest on the bank deposit at 6 per cent per annum. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1291. Emma L. Davis, aged 65 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 4, Belfast, Me., is the widow of George W. Davis, late a private, Twelfth unassigned company, Maine Infantry, from March 31 to May 10, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 915267 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died November 5, 1920.

He and this claimant were married August 19, 1915. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension for that reason, since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic myocarditis, organic disease of heart, and indigestion.

She has title to a home place valued \$800. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1296. Nellie M. Withee, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Hartland, Me., is the widow of Ezra Withee, jr., late a sergeant, Company E, Third Regiment California Infantry, from October 5, 1861, to October 30, 1864, and who died March 23, 1899.

He and this claimant were married February 27, 1881. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 490883.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of stomach trouble, recurring attacks of diarrhea, and cancer of the face and breast.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1326. Joanna Simpson, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is Highland, Ulster County, N. Y., is the widow of Joseph Simpson, late a corporal, Company A, Eightieth Regiment New York Infantry, from February 22, 1864, to January 29, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 376364 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died February 12, 1922.

He and this claimant were married July 20, 1910. The evidence presented indicates she is the soldier's legal widow, but she has no title to pension as such under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is afflicted with chronic nephritis and recurring attacks of rheumatism, disqualifying her 50 per cent for labor or for following any gainful occupation.

She has no property of any consequence and her only income is that derived from her own labor which amounts to, approximately, \$200 a year. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1332. Elizabeth Hutchison, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Nobleville, Ind., is the widow of Richard Hutchison, late a sergeant, Company A, One hundred and fifteenth Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from July 17, 1864, to February 10, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 280663 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died February 27, 1924.

He and this claimant were married November 23, 1910. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires the regular care and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism in all extremities.

She has a town lot valued at \$300. She has no income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1349. Nancy A. Ginn, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Veedersburg, Ind., is the widow of Alexander D. Ginn, late a private, Company I, Fifth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from April 20 to August 21, 1861, and who died April 18, 1906.

He and this claimant were married September 18, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 641213.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic rheumatism and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1367. Mary M. Walker, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Veedersburg, Ind., is the widow of John Walker, late a private, Company K, One hundred and fiftieth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from February 23 to August 5, 1865, and who died April 24, 1909. He and this claimant were married March 21, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 687105.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of spine of 40 years' duration.

She has stock in a building and loan association valued at \$600 from which she derives an annual income of \$36. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1381. Elizabeth Belgard, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Ottumwa, Iowa, is the widow of Eliger Belgard, late a private, Company A, One hundred and fifty-first Regiment New York Infantry, from September 13, 1862, to May 31, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 271151 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died May 27, 1925.

He and this claimant were married December 20, 1910. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because it is unsafe for her to be left alone or to allow her to walk along the street because of impaired vision, loss of memory, and senility.

She has a life interest in a house and lot valued at \$1,500, also \$50 in the bank. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1385. Lucinda Lunt, aged 51 years, whose post-office address is Ottumwa, Iowa, is the widow of Henry W. Lunt, late a private, Company F, Seventy-third Regiment, and Company F, Forty-fourth

Regiment Illinois Infantry, from July 28, 1862, to August 28, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 712613 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died August 14, 1923.

He and this claimant were married August 28, 1913. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support or for engaging in any gainful occupation by reason of the results of an operation for disease of gall bladder.

She has title to a home place valued at \$3,500 and encumbered in the sum of \$1,200. She also has mortgage notes valued at \$4,500 from which she derives an annual income of \$240.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1428. Louise Mowers, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 24 Thomas Street, Holley, N. Y., is the widow of John Mowers, late a private, Company C, Twenty-second Regiment New York Cavalry, from November 30, 1863, to August 1, 1865, and who died January 22, 1921.

He and this claimant were married July 12, 1876. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 907480.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support by reason of progressive cataract of both eyes, with steady loss of vision, and it is but a question of a short time when she will require constant aid and attendance of another person. In addition to loss of vision, she suffers from general weakness and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1430. Cornelia Kenfield, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 504 Plymouth Avenue South, Rochester, N. Y., is the widow of Wesley Kenfield, late a corporal, Company G, One hundred and fourth Regiment New York Infantry, from November 2, 1861, to June 14, 1862, and who died June 12, 1906.

He and this claimant were married July 30, 1857. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 622585.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from partial paralysis, chronic endocarditis and myocarditis, and subacute cystitis.

She has Liberty bonds worth \$1,400. The interest on the bonds and her pension are her only sources of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1437. Eliza A. Spraker, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Aroca, N. Y., is the former widow of William H. Daniels, late a sergeant, Company G, Twenty-second Regiment New York Cavalry, from June 15, 1861, to June 30, 1863, and from March 6,

1864, to August 1, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 200803 at the rate of \$25 per month, and who died July 23, 1914.

He and this claimant were married October 25, 1866. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions, and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has been denied pension under the act of August 7, 1882. It appears in evidence that the soldier and claimant lived and cohabited as husband and wife from the date of their marriage in 1866 to about May, 1887, when the soldier left his home in Bath, N. Y., ostensibly to take up a soldier's claim somewhere in the West. Until about 1890 she occasionally received a letter from him; after that date he did not write to her, and on August 12, 1900, believing that he was deceased, she contracted marriage with one Henry Spraker and lived with him as his wife to the date of his death, October 10, 1914. Her cohabitation with Spraker is held to be illicit and adulterous, notwithstanding the fact she married him in perfect good faith, believing that after the lapse of 10 years, during which time she had no tidings from him, that he was deceased.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and senile dementia.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1457. Charlotte Tyndall, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 12 Center Street, Union City, Pa., is the widow of John W. Tyndall, late a landsman, United States Navy, from August 27, 1864, to June 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 12357 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died January 29, 1924.

He and this claimant were married August 8, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions, and has been paid the sailor's accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

She is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from disease of mitral valves of heart.

She has a life interest in a home place the value of which has not been disclosed, \$500 at interest, and \$350 deposited in a bank. Her income is the interest on the \$500 above. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1468. Rosie Adams, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is Marion Center, Pa., is the widow of John Adams, late a private, Company K, One hundred and fifty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from February 19, to November 2, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 35878 at the rate of \$40 per month, and who died October 23, 1916.

He and this claimant were married April 17, 1912. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support owing to the infirmities of age.

She has a house and lot valued at \$800 and \$1,800 cash in the bank from which she derives an annual income of \$72. She has no other property or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1494. Josephine Dodson, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is 1416 West Twenty-third Street, Oklahoma City, Okla., is the widow of John Dodson, late a private, Company B, Sixth Regiment Iowa Cavalry, from September 27, 1864, to October 17, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 656448 at the rate of \$24 per month, and who died April 16, 1919.

He and this claimant were married April 9, 1909. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has title to stock in a building and loan association from which she derives an annual income of \$120. She has no other property or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1529. Betsy A. Cranker, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Oxbow, N. Y., is the widow of John P. Cranker, late a private, Company H, One hundred and eighty-fifth Regiment New York Infantry, from October 7, 1861, to June 5, 1863, and from September 9, 1864, to May 30, 1865, and who died April 30, 1922.

He and this claimant were married September 30, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 938022.

The medical evidence shows she is bedridden, helpless and requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of general senility, hypertension, general debility, and loss of mind.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1577. Lillie Hamby, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 411 West Symms Street, Norman, Okla., is the widow of William Hamby, late a private, Company C, Seventeenth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from September 5, 1864, to September 20, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1026972 at the rate of \$24 per month, and who died November 18, 1916.

He and this claimant were married November 18, 1907. The evidence presented shows she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows that on account of her feeble condition she is unable to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute materially to her own support.

She has real estate valued at \$600 and \$500 in cash from which she derives an annual income of \$75. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1584. Maria J. Burnham, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 151 Eagle Street, New Haven, Conn., is the widow of Harry Burnham, late a corporal, Company A, Fourteenth Regiment Connecticut Infantry, and Company B, Second Regiment Connecticut Heavy Artillery, from April 13, 1864, to August 18, 1865, and who died March 13, 1882.

He and this claimant were married October 3, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 370489.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support and that she is not able to follow any gainful occupation because of affliction from enlarged heart, high blood pressure, and arteriosclerosis.

She has no property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1606. Anna M. Crosby, aged 42 years, whose post-office address is Delhi, Delaware County, N. Y., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Wallace Crosby, late a private, Company G, One hundred and first Regiment New York Infantry, from January 14 to August 22, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 75979 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died June 6, 1923.

The parents of this claimant were married November 22, 1875. The evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that since prior to age 16 she has been a cripple, afflicted with loss of use of left leg, the result of an attack of infantile paralysis when a child.

She has only a few articles of household furniture and has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

~~It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.~~

H. R. 1636. Nancy M. Moore, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is 211 Walnut Street, Holyoke, Mass., is the widow of Otis Moore, late a private, Company D, Fifty-second Regiment Massachusetts Militia Infantry, from September 8, 1862, to August 14, 1863, and who died June 26, 1913.

He and this claimant were married September 30, 1857. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 775044.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of result of cerebral thrombosis, which occurred several years ago, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1638. Angie M. Reed, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Granville Road, Westfield, Mass., is the widow of Henry C. Reed, late a private, Company C, Forty-sixth Regiment Massachusetts State Militia Infantry, from September 24, 1862, to July 29, 1863, and who died March 11, 1905.

He and this claimant were married February 1, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 599919.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and affliction from cardiac-vascular-renal disease.

She has \$150 in the bank. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1709. Mary J. Welch, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Bay City, Mich., is the widow of Philip W. Welch, late a private, Company C, One hundred and fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from June 2, 1864, to July 11, 1865, and who died September 6, 1909.

He and this claimant were married April 4, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 691247.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of retroperitoneal and mesentric neoplasia, multiple and growing quite rapidly of late and to the extent that they fill about one-third of the abdomen, probably involving the liver. Her physician testifies that he has tapped claimant's abdomen once a month since December 9, 1924, taking off each time from 15 to 18 quarts of fluid. The condition is progressive.

She has no means or property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1725. Robert Zink, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Decatur, Macon County, Ill., whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the records of the War Department, as follows:

The records show that Robert Zink was enrolled October 20, 1861, at Laclede, Mo., and was mustered into service November 25, 1861, as musician, Company C, Eighteenth Regiment Missouri Volunteer Infantry, to serve three years; that he deserted March 30, 1862, at Pittsburg, Tenn., and that he returned to his company October 16, 1862. He was honorably discharged as a musician January 31, 1864, as Pulaski, Tenn., by reason of his offer to reenlist as a veteran volunteer, and he so reenlisted at that place February 1, 1864, in the same organization for another term of three years. He deserted again January 5, 1865, at Beaufort, S. C., and never thereafter returned to his command or reported his whereabouts or the cause of his absence to the military authorities, although his company remained in service until July 18, 1865.

Applying for a certificate in lieu of his lost discharge certificate as of his first enlistment in Company C, same company and regiment, this soldier in a letter dated April 28, 1910, recorded in this office, stated with respect to his separation from the service under his second enlistment, that while his company was encamped a short distance from Beaufort, S. C., some of the boys sent him to town for molasses, where he fell in with a family who talked to him about home and friends; that he remained overnight and when he returned to the camp next morning found his regiment had gone; that he then went back to Beaufort, thence to Hilton Head, where he was advised by the colonel of a New York regiment there stationed to go home, and that he accordingly took the steamer for New York and from there went home to Fort Wayne, Ind.

This record of service bars claimant's title to pension under existing laws for the reason he deserted from his last contract of service.

The records show that he rendered two years and eight months actual service and received an honorable discharge from his first contract of service. While the War Department refuses to remove the charge of desertion and give him an honorable discharge from his last service, the old soldier is certainly entitled to credit and recognition for the service he did actually render as a soldier.

He had one honorable discharge and your committee has heretofore established precedent for a more liberal construction of existing laws, especially the first section of the act of May 1, 1920, which provides that 90 days' service and an honorable discharge shall give title to pension. No mention is made regarding the manner of separation from a prior or subsequent service.

The evidence presented shows claimant is identical with the soldier of record by same name.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give claimant a pensionable status.

He is physically unable to earn a livelihood for himself and wife.

He has title to a home place valued at \$5,000 and \$400 on deposit in a bank, and \$500 in  $4\frac{1}{4}$  per cent bonds. His income consists of interest on bonds and a railroad pension of \$864, or a total income of \$868.26 annually. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended that his name be placed upon the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

**H. R. 1755.** Laura A. Martin, aged 59 years, whose post-office address is 1719 West Main Street, Marion, Ill., is the widow of Joseph C. Martin, whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the records of the War Department, as follows:

The records show that Joseph, borne also as Joseph C. Martin was enrolled August 14, 1862, in Union County for three years, and that he was mustered into service as a private September 11, 1862, at Camp Anna, Ill., with the company. The muster rolls of the company report him present or otherwise satisfactorily account for him until the special muster roll dated April 19, 1863, reports him to have deserted at Fort Pickering, Tenn., March 6, 1863. He surrendered himself and was received at Cairo, Ill., May 9, 1865. His name next appears on the roll of Company A, Eleventh Illinois Infantry, to which organization Company C, One hundred and ninth Illinois Infantry, had been transferred in April, 1863, for May and June, 1865, which bears the following remark: "Deserted from One hundred and ninth Illinois Infantry March 10, 1863; returned to Eleventh Illinois Infantry March 21, 1865, awaiting trial." He was transferred July 8, 1865, to Company B, Eighth Illinois Infantry Volunteers, and was dishonorably discharged from the service in General Orders, No. 37, dated First Division United States colored troops October 14, 1865, by sentence of a general court-martial, a private, for desertion.

The medical records show him treated as follows: August 13 to 21, 1865, for intermittent fever; August 20, 1865, to September 14, 1865, for remittent fever; October 9 to 14, 1865, for intermittent fever, and that he was returned to duty.

Nothing has been found of record to show that this soldier entered into more than one contract of enlistment or that he ever received an honorable discharge.

It appears from the record that he was held to service for a period of one year and one day, when dishonorably discharged. He was a pensioner at the time of his death at the rate of \$72 a month under the act of May 1, 1920, under certificate No. 864799. He had been previously pensioned for total disability under the general law for disease of respiratory organs, contracted in service and line of duty.

The existing laws technically deprive this claimant, his legal widow, of title to pension for the reason he did not secure an honorable discharge from his only contract of service.

Your committee is disposed to waive such technicality and give her a pensionable status. She was married to the soldier April 27, 1898, and lived with him as his wife to the date of his death, and has been paid his accrued pension.

The medical evidence shows she is not physically able to follow a gainful occupation by reason of defective vision, the result of bilateral cataracts.

She has a home place valued at \$1,700 but has no other property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1778. Clara J. Cunningham, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is Indianola, Iowa, is the widow of David W. Cunningham, late a private, Company G, Fortieth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 18, 1862, to June 6, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 216457 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died January 17, 1919.

He and this claimant were married March 10, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension as his widow under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is unfitted for self-support by reason of ill health and general weakness, the result of an attack of erysipelas two years ago, and the infirmities of age.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,450. Her income is a small amount she receives from rent of a room in her home and \$10 a month from county relief fund. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1782. Jennie E. Baker, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 1621 Dewey Avenue, St. Joseph, Mo., is the widow of William M. Baker, late a private, Company K, Ninth Regiment Missouri State Militia Cavalry, from November 25, 1863, to May 18, 1865, and who died October 22, 1924. He and this claimant were married June 6, 1884. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 954979.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from myocarditis and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1786. Sarah C. Childers, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Plattsburg, Mo., is the widow of Commodore P. Childers, late a private, Company L, Twelfth Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from February 29, 1864, to April 9, 1866, and who died December

14, 1892. He and this claimant were married February 9, 1871. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 524558.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the periodical aid and attendance of another person because of senile debility.

She has a home place valued at \$1,500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1787. Mary E. Cunningham, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 517½ South Sixth Street, St. Joseph, Mo., is the former widow of Merit Cunningham, late a private, Company H, Thirty-fourth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 20, 1862, to March 18, 1863, and who died August 21, 1914.

He and this claimant were married December 23, 1895. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month as his former widow under certificate No. 951645.

The medical evidence shows she suffers from weak heart, nervousness, acute indigestion, and dizzy spells, and by reason thereof is unable to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support. She requires periodical aid and attendance of another person.

She has no property and no income other than her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1788. Sarah E. Dragoo, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Tarkio, Mo., is the widow of George N. Dragoo, late a corporal, Fourth Independent Company, Ohio Cavalry, from August 11, 1862, to May 28, 1865, and who died August 4, 1924.

He and this claimant were married October 10, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 954206.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from diabetes and chronic articular rheumatism of all joints. She is unable to dress or care for herself.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,500 and encumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$400. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1802. Litha C. Silvers, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 1208 South Twenty-third Street, St. Joseph, Mo., is the widow of Cornelius Silvers, late a private, Company G, Seventeenth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from March 17, 1862, to May 26, 1865, and who died October 9, 1909.

He and this claimant were married April 7, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 693747.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to need the personal aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from nephritis and hypertension.

She has no means or property of any consequence. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1812. Donia C. Eakins, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is 805 East Main Street, Enid, Okla., is the widow of James A. Eakins, late a private, Company C, Third Regiment Iowa Cavalry, from February 29, 1864, to August 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 316185 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died October 10, 1923.

He and this claimant were married December 19, 1911. The soldier had pending a claim for increase to \$72 a month at the time of his death. This claimant completed the claim, which was allowed and paid to her as his legal widow. She has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute materially to her own support by reason of affliction from congestion of the liver, complicated with anaemia.

She has title to property incumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$2,500, the income from which is not sufficient to pay the fixed annual charges and special taxes assessed against the property. She has no net income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1825. Sarah E. Sunderland, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is May, Harper County, Okla., is the widow of Francis M. Sunderland, late a private, Company I, Eleventh Regiment Indiana Infantry, from July 3, 1861, to May 9, 1862, and Company D, Fifth Regiment Indiana Cavalry, from July 15, 1862, to June 15, 1865, and who died November 19, 1904.

He and this claimant were married August 1, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 798268.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from disease of kidneys and heart.

She has title to a home place valued at \$200. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1832. Henrietta Reed, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is 2831 High Street, Pueblo, Colo., is the widow of Orville S. Reed, late a private, Signal Corps, United States Volunteers, from December 23, 1863, to August 26, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 882048 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died September 27, 1924.

He and this claimant were married January 16, 1906. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she suffers from general infirmities of age and is not able to contribute materially to her own support.

The claimant has real estate valued at \$5,000 and incumbered in the sum of \$2,000. She has \$1,500 loaned at 8 per cent annual interest, which is her sole income. The real estate consists of two buildings, now vacant, rental value of which is not disclosed.

It is apparent she has no net income therefrom after paying fixed annual charges. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 1875. John M. Christy, aged 50 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 3, Long Bottom, Meigs County, Ohio, is the helpless and dependent son of John A. Christy, late a private, Company K, Second Regiment Ohio Heavy Artillery, from August 10, 1863, to August 23, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 320716 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died April 23, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married March 3, 1870. The mother died February 20, 1903. The claimant has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier.

The evidence presented indicates that he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a helpless and dependent person all his life by reason of inherited blindness.

He has title to 30 acres of land valued at \$300 and incumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$100. His only income is \$180 a year received from his stepmother, who has remarried since the death of the soldier. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 1885. Elizabeth Miller, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Clay City, Ind., is the widow of David D. Miller, late a private, Company G, Second Regiment Indiana Cavalry, from October 7, 1861, to October 13, 1864, and who died April 19, 1906.

He and this claimant were married May 20, 1858. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 612853.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of organic disease of heart, asthma, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 1889. Mary E. Gates, aged 47 years, whose post-office address is 29 South Sixth Street, West Terre Haute, Ind., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Martin Gates, late a private, Company H, Fifty-eighth Regiment Indiana Infantry from October 18, 1861, to July 25, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 334876 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died March 27, 1918.

The parents of this claimant were married August 5, 1877. The mother is deceased. The evidence indicates that the claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that in early childhood she suffered an attack of measles which resulted in arresting of both mental and physical development so that she now has only the mental and physical capacity of a child 12 years of age. Her weight is 69 pounds, and so far as contributing to her own support is concerned she is helpless.

She has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death.

She has no means or property and no income. She must depend on others not legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 1979. Kate Rhea, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Soldier's Home Annex, Grand Rapids, Mich., is the former widow of Eli Howell, late a private, Company D, Forty-sixth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from October 16, 1861, to October 26, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 799504 at the rate of \$15 per month, and who died November 14, 1916.

He and this claimant were married August 8, 1905. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension. She was married to one John Rhea, October 15, 1917, who died December 8, 1917. She has not since remarried. She has no title to pension as the former widow of the soldier for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic rheumatism, gallstones, eczema, and deformed feet.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2014. Mary J. Tullis, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Elkton, Ohio, is the widow of Seth C. Tullis, late a private, Company C, Sixth Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from April 22 to August 28, 1861, and from October 7, 1861, to August 7, 1865, and who died September 27, 1898.

He and this claimant were married December 24, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 472946.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of almost total loss of vision, weak heart, and senility.

She has title to a house and 1 acre of land valued at \$300. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2019. Talitha J. Steward, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Bainesville, Ohio, is the widow of Eugene H. Steward, late a private, Company E, Sixty-second Regiment Ohio Infantry, from February 15 to June 2, 1862, and who died September 11, 1922.

He and this claimant were married February 19, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 926135.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic infection of gall bladder, indigestion, organic disease of heart, and general weakness from age.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,000. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2023. Martha McGonagle (insane), aged 80 years, whose post-office address is 3119 Lincoln Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, is the widow of Robert McGonagle, late first lieutenant, Company I, Ninety-eighth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 11, 1862, to June 1, 1865, and who died July 16, 1905.

He and this claimant were married August 17, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 636548.

The medical evidence shows she is a helpless person and requires the constant care and attendance of another person by reason of mental derangement, insanity. She is now on parole from the State hospital for the insane.

She has a house and lot valued at \$3,000, the annual rental of which is \$120. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 2038. Avarilla C. Culler, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Columbiana, Ohio, is the widow of Abraham Culler, late a private, Company M, Third Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from September 8, 1861, to August 8, 1862, and who died September 26, 1914.

He and this claimant were married February 12, 1901. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 829670.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from hemorrhages into retinæ of both eyes with marked impairment of vision, myocardial and renal degeneration, and the infirmities of age.

She has \$181 in the bank and \$1,800 in Liberty bonds, from which she receives an annual income of \$76. She has no other property and her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2092. Clara J. Crozier, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is Moira, Franklin County, N. Y., is the widow of William Crozier, late a private Company F, One hundred and forty-second Regiment, and Company E, One hundred and sixty-ninth Regiment, New York Infantry, from March 10, 1864, to August 12, 1865, and who died April 10, 1902.

He and this claimant were married January 27, 1900. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 862257.

The medical evidence shows she is blind in one eye with a progressive cataract in the other, and is so afflicted with chronic rheumatism as to require periodical aid and attendance of another person.

She has a house and lot valued at \$1,000, house furnishings worth \$300, and \$75 in the bank. She receives \$10 a month from rent of second story in her home. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$40 a month.

H. R. 2094. Silas A. Weaver, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Au Sable Forks, N. Y., whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the records of the War Department, as follows:

The records show that Silas A. Weaver was enrolled and mustered into service December 22, 1863, at Plattsburg, N. Y., as a private of Company L, First New York Engineers, to serve three years, and was honorably discharged the service March 17, 1864, at Hilton Head, S. C., for disability, a rejected recruit.

The evidence filed in O. I. No. 1102812 indicates the claimant is identical with the soldier of record by the same name. He has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason he rendered less than 90 days' military service (87 days).

This committee has heretofore considered this class of claims solely upon their merits and wherein it is shown, as in this case, the proposed beneficiary rendered 80 days or more faithful service and received an honorable discharge, a pensionable status should be given.

The medical and other evidence indicates he is too advanced in years to contribute to his own support and that he suffers from a weak and irritable heart, an inguinal hernia, chronic bronchitis, myocarditis, and chronic intestinal indigestion.

He has no means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 2112. Ellen A. Baker, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 804 Hamilton Street, Ogdensburg, N. Y., is the widow of William H. Baker, late a private, Company C, One hundred and forty-second Regiment New York Infantry from August 20, 1862, to June 7, 1865, and who died August 19, 1908.

He and this claimant were married November 3, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 660683.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person on account of disease of urinary organs, neuritis, myocarditis, and senile tremors.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2148. Elizabeth Exby, now Sierer, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Broughton, Ohio, is the former widow of Thomas Exby, late a private, Company A, Seventy-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry; enlisted January 5, 1864, and died in service January 7, 1865.

He and this claimant were married January 17, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 64008.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of broken bone of hip and the infirmities of age.

She has no means or property of any consequence and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2153. Betsy F. Ballou, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 158 Davis Street, Greenfield, Mass., is the widow of Irving W. Ballou, late a private, Company D, Twenty-fourth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from August 4, 1862, to December 4, 1864, and who died November 8, 1893.

He and this claimant were married February 16, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 408351.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from the infirmities of age and loss of both legs.

She has a life interest in a farm from which she derives \$36 a year income. She also has \$176 deposited in the bank, and a \$50 Liberty bond. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2219. Ettie H. French, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is 940 Fifth Avenue, Marion, Iowa, is the widow of John H. French, late a private, Company D, One hundred and seventeenth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 12, 1862 to June 22, 1865, and who died December 31, 1903.

He and this claimant were married January 1, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 572063.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from cataracts of both eyes, weak heart, neuritis, general weakness, and the infirmities of age.

She has title to a home place assessed for taxes at \$1,800. She has personal property from which she derives an annual income of \$150, including room rents. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2241. Eliza M. Inman, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is Camden, Oneida County, N. Y., is the widow of William M. Inman, late a private, Company C, Ninety-seventh Regiment New York Infantry, from November 1, 1861, to November 5, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 463773 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died February 11, 1925.

He and this claimant were married July 16, 1907. The evidence indicates claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title as such under existing law for the reason she married him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is disqualified for hard labor, by reason of affliction from anemia and arteriosclerosis and is physically frail.

She has a life interest in a house and lot, a home place, valued at \$2,000, and \$1,260 deposited in a bank, from which she derives an annual income of, approximately, \$140. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2289. Mariah E. Smith, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Yamhill, Oreg., is the widow of David B. Smith, late a private, Company A, Tenth Regiment, and Company K, Twenty-ninth Regiment Maine Infantry, from August 26, 1862, to May 31, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 388591 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died November 19, 1921.

He and this claimant were married November 2, 1915. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law, for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not physically able to contribute to her own support by reason of the infirmities of age. She is weak mentally.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2309. Alice G. Guyer, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is Woodburn, Oreg., is the widow of John P. Guyer, alias John P. Guire, late a corporal, Company H, One hundred and forty-fifth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from April 27 to September 23, 1864, who was a pensioner under the name of John P. Guire under certificate No. 682986 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died August 2, 1924.

He and this claimant were married May 22, 1907. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows that her earning capacity is reduced to one-half of normal by reason of age.

She has a house and lot, a home place valued at \$1,500, \$600 cash in bank and a \$100 Liberty bond. Her income is \$28 a year in interest and an undetermined annual profit from keeping boarders. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2349. Martha A. Turner, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is South Bend, Wash., is the widow of Joseph H. Turner, late a sergeant, Company H, Forty-eighth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from September 10, 1861 to August 15, 1865, and who died June 23, 1905.

He and this claimant were married February 3, 1864. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 630527.

The medical evidence shows that she is wholly unfitted for self-support and is practically helpless because of results of paralysis of long standing.

Her only property consists of a small cottage valued at \$200. She has no income aside from her pension and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2377. America Williamson, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is Soldiers' Home, Ind., is the widow of Zachariah T. Williamson, late a private, Company K, One hundred and thirtieth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from December 7, 1863, to December 2, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 333713 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died December 24, 1920.

He and this claimant were married January 9, 1913. The soldier had pending a claim for increase at the time of his death, which was completed by this claimant, allowed, and paid to her as his legal widow.

The medical evidence shows she is 40 per cent disabled for self-support or for being employed at any gainful occupation because of disease of nervous system and varicose veins.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2400. Mary E. Hollingsworth, age 73 years, whose post-office address is Princeton, Mo., is the widow of William A. Hollingsworth, late a private, Company E, Second Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from August 15, 1861, to September 19, 1865, and who died January 5, 1923.

He and this claimant were married November 8, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 932865.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of heart and kidneys, arteriosclerosis, and general senility.

She has no property, and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2401. Martha E. Schooler, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Mill Grove, Mo., is the widow of Job Schooler, late a private, Company C, Twenty-third Regiment Missouri Infantry, from August 26, 1861, to September 22, 1864, and who died July 22, 1917.

He and this claimant were married October 16, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 843549. The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age. She is very weak and feeble. She has a home place valued at \$3,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support. It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2406. John H. Milstead, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Pattonsburg, Daviess County, Mo., whose military history is set forth in excerpts of reports from the records of the Comptroller General's office, General Accounting Office, as follows:

Replying to your letter of the 3d instant, making further inquiry relative to the service of John H. Milstead in Company G, Fifty-first Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia, you are advised that the roll of Captain William B. Milstead's Company G, Fifty-first Enrolled Missouri Militia, from August 19, 1862, to April 30, 1863, shows that one John Milstead, corporal, was enrolled

and ordered into active service August 19, 1862, relieved from duty January 13, 1863, having had an actual service of 86 days. He was paid on said roll for a service of 2 months and 26 days by the State of Missouri, and that State has been reimbursed by the United States. Soldier signed his name to the pay roll as "John H. Milstead."

In reply you are advised that the roll of Captain Lee Henry's Company G, Fifty-first Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia, from July 21, 1864, to August 31, 1864, shows that John H. Milstead, first corporal, was enrolled and ordered into active service July 21, 1864, and had 20 days' actual service, for which he was paid on said roll.

The roll of the above-named company from August 31 to October 4, 1864, shows that the soldier was enrolled and ordered into active service July 25, 1864; relieved from duty October 4, 1864, and had 2 days' actual service, for which he was paid on said roll.

The payments referred to above were made by the State of Missouri and said State has been reimbursed by the United States.

The evidence presented indicates that the claimant is identical with the soldier of record as disclosed in the foregoing report.

The service indicated does not confer title to pension under existing law. Under the rules and practice of this committee he has an equitable title and should be given a pensionable status for the reason the organization in which he rendered service, as shown by the official record, was actually a part of and cooperated with the Federal Army during the period of time indicated.

The medical and other evidence presented shows claimant is unable to contribute to his own support by reason of affliction from high blood pressure and the infirmities of age.

He has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 2409. Sarah J. Arbuckle, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Princeton, Mo., is the widow of George W. Arbuckle, late a private, Company H, Third Regiment and Company L, Seventh Regiment, Missouri State Militia Cavalry, from April 4, 1862, to April 4, 1865, and who died July 21, 1906.

He and this claimant were married April 8, 1877. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 619013.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires the aid and attendance of another person most of the time by reason of atrophy of the optic nerves, with resulting blindness.

She has 60 acres of land valued at \$1,800 and encumbered by mortgage of \$1,535. The income is only enough to pay fixed annual charges on property. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2415. Mary Powell, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Princeton, Mo., is the widow of John L. Powell, late a private, Company I, Fourth Regiment Provisional Enrolled Missouri Militia, from May 18, 1863, to November 30, 1863, and who died May 12, 1918.

He and this claimant were married March 17, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 854129.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of organic disease of heart, asthma, and the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest, estimated to be worth \$200, in a home place. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2425. Elizabeth A. Richards, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 487 Second Avenue, Troy, N. Y., is the widow of Reuben R. Richards, late private, Twelfth Independent Battery New York Light Artillery, from September 11, 1862, to June 14, 1865, and who died August 9, 1893.

He and this claimant were married May 25, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 408965.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unable to contribute to her own support or to be employed at any gainful occupation because of the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500 which is encumbered in the sum of \$2,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2432. Eliza Hammond, aged 98 years, whose post-office address is Fort Edward, N. Y., is the widow of Charles Hammond, late a private, Company B, Second Regiment Vermont Infantry, from August 18, 1862, to April 20, 1865, and who died December 17, 1903.

He and this claimant were married July 12, 1852. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 583420.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly and permanently disabled and in need of constant aid and attendance because of the infirmities of extreme old age.

She has title to a small dwelling house, a home place, valued at \$800. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2446. Marion L. Ross, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is Shushan, Washington County, N. Y., is the widow of John D. Ross, late a private, Company H, One hundred and twenty-third Regiment New York Infantry, from September 1, 1864, to June 8, 1865, and who died November 19, 1893.

He and this claimant were married October 1, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 402531.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of heart and liver with arteroma of arteries.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2447. Mary L. Taylor, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Berlin, N. Y., is the former widow of Isaac N. Morton, late a corporal, Company A, Fourth Regiment Vermont Infantry, from December 29, 1863, to July 13, 1865, and who died May 31, 1883. He and this claimant were married April 5, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 937381.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of loss of sight of one eye and cataract in other eye, and myocardial degeneration.

She has \$500 in bank. Her only income other than her pension is \$136 a year from her daughter to whom she has conveyed her dower interest in her husband's estate in consideration of the payment of the sum above stated.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2455. Mary J. Harcourt, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Stillwater, N. Y., is the widow of Robert Harcourt, late first sergeant Company K, Forty-first Regiment New York Infantry, from November 5, 1863 to December 9, 1865, and who died December 1, 1913.

He and this claimant were married May 15, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 772418.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic lumbago, sciatica, and uric acid diathesis present but variable as to severity.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2459. Julia Farrell, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is 2 Van Averys Avenue, Troy, N. Y., is the widow of Peter Farrell, late a first-class boy, United States Navy, from August 13, 1864, to September 4, 1866, and who died March 27, 1911.

He and this claimant were married October 23, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 739475.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic rheumatism and diabetes.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2474. Elizabeth G. Snyder, aged 87 years, whose post-office address is 3315 Freemont Avenue, Camden, N. J., is the widow of William Snyder, late a private, Company F, Twenty-fifth Regiment New Jersey Infantry, from August 30, 1862, to June 20, 1863, and who died December 25, 1896.

He and this claimant were married November 7, 1876. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 443725.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic arthritis of feet and hands.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2476. Amanda M. Finney, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Camden, N. J., is the former widow of Theodore F. Tomkins, late a private, Company G, One hundred and ninety-second Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from July 11 to November 11, 1864, and who died March 1, 1872.

He and this claimant were married January 17, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 851193.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of blindness and pulmonary tuberculosis.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2512. Mary A. Helm, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Savona, Steuben County, N. Y., is the widow of Zachariah S. Helm, late a sergeant, Company E, Fiftieth Regiment New York Engineers, from September 16, 1861, to June 13, 1865, and who died December 1, 1918.

He and this claimant were married March 17, 1887. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 864109.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic myocarditis, arteriosclerosis, rheumatism, and neuritis.

She has title to a house and lot, a home place, valued at \$1,800, and \$319 in the bank from which latter she receives interest at the rate of 4 per cent. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2513. Amelia C. Keck, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 505 William Street, Elmira, N. Y., is the widow of Jacob S. Keck, late a private, Company I, One hundred and forty-third Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from September 18, 1862, to June 12, 1865, and who died May 22, 1906.

He and this claimant were married November 12, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 613755.

The medical evidence shows she is afflicted with chronic interstitial nephritis, arteriosclerosis, and disease of heart, rendering her unable to care for herself. She requires constant care and attendance of another person.

She has \$250, but no other means or property, and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2517. Anna Pruden, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Cameron, N. Y., is the widow of Samuel A. Pruden, late a private, Company I, Twenty-third Regiment New York Infantry, from May 16, 1861, to February 10, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 516072 at the rate of \$24 per month, and who died June 20, 1907.

He and this claimant were married January 17, 1878. She has been denied pension under existing laws for the reason she has been unable to show by competent testimony that the soldier's first contract of marriage has been dissolved either by death or divorce. The soldier's contention to this claimant always was that he had been divorced from his first wife. She accepted his statements to her as true and was never called upon or deemed it necessary to verify the statement of the soldier until she made application for pension.

The only information she has been able to secure is that the soldier and his first wife separated and that she remarried and moved to the State of Michigan where all trace of her has been lost.

The claimant, as the testimony indicates, married him in good faith, lived with him as his wife to the date of his death, or for a period of approximately 30 years, and bore him six children.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

The medical and other evidence shows she is wholly unable to earn a support for herself, and that she is in reality an object of charity. No one is legally bound to her support. She has no means or property and no income.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2523. Jennie B. Slayton, aged 65 years, whose post-office address is Pultney, Steuben County, N. Y., is the widow of Walter C. Slayton, late a private, Company G, One hundred and eighty-ninth Regiment New York Infantry, and Forty-second Company, Second Battalion Veteran Reserve Corps, from August 30, 1864, to June 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 318573 at the rate of \$22.50 per month, and who died February 28, 1916.

He and this claimant were married January 16, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from cardiac weakness, senile debility, digestive disturbance, and insomnia.

She has a house and lot valued at \$450 and \$250 cash in the bank. She has no income of any consequence. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2556. Amelia A. Collins, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Soldiers' Home, Hot Springs, S. Dak., is the widow of Henry C. Collins, late a private, Company E, Thirty-second Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 4, 1862, to August 9, 1865, and who died September 11, 1912.

He and this claimant were married July 4, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 756596.

The medical evidence shows she requires personal aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from myocarditis, asthma, and varicose veins with resulting ulcers.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2559. Martha C. Hunsberger, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Hot Springs, S. Dak., is the widow of Isaiah Hunsberger, late a sergeant, Company A, One hundred and fourth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 8, 1862, to June 17, 1865, and who died August 23, 1907.

He and this claimant were married April 29, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 656071.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic nephritis and disease of spine, interfering with locomotion.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2614. Eva Christina Loth, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is 507 Tiffin Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio, is the widow of Joseph Loth, late a private, Company I, Twenty-eighth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from July 10, 1861, to July 23, 1864, and from March 3, 1865, to March 3, 1866, and who died February 25, 1920.

He and this claimant were married July 31, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 888702.

The medical evidence shows she suffers from arteriosclerosis with myocardia insufficiency. On account of these afflictions she has no earning capacity.

The only property she has is a life interest in a home place, from which she derives no income. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2621. Mary J. Rickard, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 1907 Hayes Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio, is the widow of Zina S. Rickard, late a private, Company B, One hundred and ninety-seventh Regiment Ohio Infantry, from February 20 to July 31, 1865, and who died May 27, 1921.

He and this claimant were married June 8, 1897. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 906344.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to care for herself and must receive aid and assistance from others by reason of very weak heart, with resulting fainting spells, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2629. Mary E. Whitmore, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Fremont, Ohio, is the widow of John J. Whitmore, late a corporal, Company I, Seventy-second Regiment Ohio Infantry, from October 22, 1861, to September 11, 1865, and who died July 3, 1873.

He and this claimant were married March 4, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 372165.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of growth in stomach and fractured hip.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2630. Maria E. Witter, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Tiffin, Ohio, is the widow of Jonathan Witter, late a private, Company H, One hundred and first Regiment Ohio In-

fantry, from August 11, 1862, to April 30, 1863, and who died April 14, 1894.

He and this claimant were married March 14, 1877. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 402591.

The medical evidence shows she is in poor health and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of chronic bronchitis, lumbago, and disease of stomach.

She has no property. Her only income is her pension and \$10 a month from county commissioners. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2661. Ellen E. Godfrey, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Highland Falls, N. Y., is the widow of John T. Godfrey, late a private, Company D, Sixth Regiment Massachusetts Militia Infantry, from July 8 to October 27, 1864, and from June 19, 1865, to June 19, 1868, and who died November 24, 1923.

He and this claimant were married April 4, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 948020.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person because of arthritis deformans affecting all principal joints of the body. She is bed-ridden and the condition is permanent.

She has a residence property valued at \$3,000. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2672. Callie Wagner, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is 43 Victor Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, is the widow of Theodore M. Wagner, late a private, Company C, Eighth Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from March 8 to July 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 788348 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died January 17, 1922.

He and this claimant were married April 10, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic myocarditis.

She has residence property, a house and lot valued at \$5,000, from which she receives in rent of rooms \$300 a year. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2692. Joseph M. Christy, aged 49 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Long Bottom, Meigs County, Ohio, is the helpless and dependent son of John A. Christy, late a private, Company K, Second Regiment Ohio Heavy Artillery, from August 10, 1863, to August 23, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 320716 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died April 23, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married March 3, 1870. The mother died February 20, 1903. The claimant has no title to pension

under existing laws for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death.

The evidence presented indicates he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has had no useful vision since childhood; he has been practically blind all of his life. The affliction is congenital.

He has title to 57 acres of land valued at \$700 and encumbered in the sum of \$250. His annual income is \$60, paid by the county to him as a blind person. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 2693. John Quinn, aged 48 years, whose post-office address is New Mansfield, Ohio, is the helpless and dependent son of John Quinn, late a private, Company H, Eighteenth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from September 25, 1861, to November 9, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 509406 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died November 27, 1901.

The parents of this claimant were married March 1, 1854. The mother died August 8, 1901.

The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a helpless and dependent person all his life by reason of mental incompetency. He is in condition to require constant care and supervision of another person.

He has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to him through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 2778. Martha J. Forsythe, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is 35 North Twelfth Street, Indiana, Pa., is the widow of John Forsythe, late a private, Company D, Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, from September 2, 1864, to June 13, 1865, and who died August 14, 1914.

He and this claimant were married March 4, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 782158. She seeks increase in her pension for and on account of a crippled and dependent daughter of the soldier, Margaret Ann, who is now 47 years of age, and who, since the age of 1 year, has been a crippled and dependent person by reason of a fall which resulted in deformity of back, left leg, arm, and face.

Neither this claimant nor the crippled daughter have means or property, or income from any source except the claimant's pension.

The crippled child is dependent upon the pensioner for support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 a month to the helpless and dependent daughter, Margaret Ann, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 2783. Sarah F. Kanouse, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Copenhagen, N. Y., is the widow of David M. Kanouse, late a sergeant, Company F, Thirty-sixth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from February 25, 1864, to July 12, 1865, and who died April 8, 1908.

He and this claimant were married September 30, 1862. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 679345.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of senility and chronic neuritis.

She has bonds valued at \$1,000. Her income is the interest on the bonds and her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2844. Louisa Ward, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is Camden, Tenn., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Thomas A. Ward, late a private, Company B, Seventh Regiment Tennessee Cavalry, who enlisted August 15, 1862, and died in service November 3, 1864, in Andersonville Prison.

The parents of this claimant were married in 1860. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow at the date of her death July 3, 1923.

The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier, and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life, an imbecile, of congenital origin.

She is entirely without means or property, or income from any source, she having depended upon her mother for care and support to the date of her death. There is no one legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 2861. Sam Meador, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 1915 Third Avenue north, Nashville, Tenn., is the helpless and dependent son of Pleasant H. Meador, late a private, Company A, Ninth Regiment, and Company E, Twenty-third Regiment, Kentucky Infantry, from September 25, 1861, to June 14, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 527650 at the rate of \$15 per month, and who died November 29, 1910.

The parents of this claimant were married about 1854. The mother is supposed to be deceased.

The evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a practically helpless and dependent person since 1881, or since he was 11 years of age, by reason of loss of vision. He has been practically blind since that age and unable to provide for himself.

He is in indigent circumstances, being without means, property, or income from any source except what small profits he makes from selling lead pencils. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 2923. Louisa Kemp, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 6, Medina, Ohio, is the widow of Loren Kemp, late a private, Company B, First Regiment Ohio Light Artillery, from March 7, 1864, to July 22, 1865, and who died October 13, 1923.

He and this claimant were married February 13, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 943682.

The medical evidence submitted shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of total paralysis of entire right side, the result of an apoplectic stroke.

She has a life estate in a house and 11 acres of land valued at \$1,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2940. Leonora D. Mullen, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Holden, Mo., is the widow of George F. Mullen, late a private, Company E, Forty-first Regiment Missouri Infantry, from April 22 to August 18, 1861, and from September 5, 1864, to July 11, 1865, and who died April 5, 1924.

He and this claimant were married July 7, 1880. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 952481.

The medical evidence shows she is confined to her bed and requires regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of injury to her back and hip, with resulting neuritis.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500 and encumbered in the sum of \$1,200. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 2945. Annie Goodwin, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 700 East Thompson Street, Eldorado Springs, Mo., is the widow of Wilson Goodwin, late a private, Company C, Twelfth Regiment Kansas Infantry, from August 22, 1862, to June 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 918342 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died August 16, 1922.

He and this claimant were married November 10, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to follow any gainful occupation and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from a malignant disease of pelvic organ, resulting severe hemorrhages, with constant general weakness.

She has property valued at approximately \$1,000, which includes a small home place. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2988. Phebey T. Miller, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is 2515 North Seventh Street, St. Joseph, Mo., is the widow of William H. Miller, late a corporal, Company C, Second Battalion Ohio National Guard Cavalry, from October 17 to December 16, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1105921 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died July 8, 1921. He and this claimant were married December 25, 1885. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid soldier's accrued

pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason that the soldier rendered less than 90 days of military service.

Your committee has heretofore given favorable consideration to this class of claims and has uniformly extended the benefits of existing laws to widows of soldiers who were pensioners at the time of their death, if as in this case, the evidence disclosed that they had lived and cohabited as husband and wife for a long number of years, reared children and were left without adequate means of support.

In this case the medical and other evidence indicates that the claimant is physically unable to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support. She has title to a home place valued at \$2,000, which is encumbered in the sum of \$800. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status and recommends that her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 2999. Emily V. Buskirk, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 2813 Glenview Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif., is the widow of Marshall D. Buskirk, late a private, Company I, First Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry, from March 16, 1864, to July 19, 1865, and who died January 9, 1904. He and this claimant were married October 29, 1871. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 576912.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of spastic paralysis and constitutional nervous debility involving every functional center of her system.

She has title to one-third interest in a home place valued at \$4,750 and incumbered in the sum of \$3,280. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3027. Margaret A. Warner, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Crothersville, Ind., is the widow of William H. Warner, late a musician, Thirty-eighth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from October 21, 1861, to September 6, 1862, and who died July 5, 1908.

He and this claimant were married June 23, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 656107.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person on account of affliction from gallstones, sensility, total blindness of one eye, and restricted vision of the other eye.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3028. Henry W. Key, aged 56 years, whose post-office address is Marengo, Ind., is the helpless and dependent son of Theophilus Key, late a sergeant, Company H, Thirteenth Regiment Indiana Cavalry, from December 21, 1863, to November 18, 1865, and who died March 17, 1915.

The parents of this claimant were married December 20, 1860. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 790236.

The evidence presented indicates the claimant is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a cripple, a helpless and dependent person, since he was 12 years of age, the result of white swelling of right leg and hip joint disease of left hip. The swelling of right leg resulted in disease of bone in that limb. He is also seriously afflicted with protruding piles and prostatitis.

He has personal property valued at \$1,000, but has no other means or property, nor income from any source except \$75 a year earned at clerical work. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 3046. Ophelia Shoemaker, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Rome, Ind., is the widow of John T. Shoemaker, late a private, Company M, Eighth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from July 28, 1862, to September 17, 1863, and who died August 31, 1909. He and this claimant were married June 5, 1881. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 689980.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of old dislocation of hip joint and chronic bronchitis.

She has 2 1/2 acres of land and a small house valued at \$500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3065. Delia M. Hall, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Townshend, Vt., is the widow of Charles H. Hall, late a private, Companies I and F, Fourth Regiment Vermont Infantry, from August 15, 1862, to June 19, 1865, and who died June 19, 1910. He and this claimant were married February 18, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 706449.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and that she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person on account of organic disease of heart, varicose veins of both legs, ulcer on left eye, and disease peculiar to her sex.

She has property valued at \$500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3101. Sarah A. Eby, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Elm, Lancaster County, Pa., is the widow of Samuel P. Eby, late a private, Company K, Twentieth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from January 23, 1864, to May 29, 1865, and who died March 10, 1913. He and this claimant were married September 28, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 757446.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from paralysis.

She has a house and lot valued at \$800 and encumbered in the sum of \$225. Her pension is her only source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3144. Jennie Benjamin, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is 86 University Avenue, Rochester, N. Y., is the widow of Watson K. Benjamin, late a private, Company A, Fiftieth Regiment New

York Engineers, from February 6, 1864, to June 13, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No' 942655 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died July 28, 1921. He and this claimant were married July 30, 1913. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence presented shows she is not able to contribute materially to her own support by reason of affliction from chronic arthritis deformans and flat feet.

She has \$800 in a bank. Her only source of income is from her employment as a housekeeper. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3145. Ann Ryan, aged 88 years, whose post-office address is 369 Court Street, Rochester, N. Y., is the widow of Timothy Ryan, late a corporal, Company D, Twenty-eighth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from September 24, 1861, to December 12, 1864, and who died September 4, 1887.

He and this claimant were married June 26, 1854. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 427821.

The medical and other evidence shows she is helpless and bed-ridden and requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest in a cottage valued at \$1,000, from which she derives an annual income of approximately \$90. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3154. Maria Dalton, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Soldiers' Home, Lafayette, Ind., is the widow of William L. Dalton, late a private, Company A, Twenty-ninth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from August 14, 1862, to June 22, 1865, and who died February 7, 1924.

He and this claimant were married April 14, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 953980.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support, and at times requires the aid and attendance of another person by reason of high blood pressure and the infirmities of age, which condition is permanent and progressive.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3198. Mary M. Janes, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 965 North Sierra Bonita Avenue, Pasadena, Calif., is the widow of John E. Janes, late a private, Company B, Eighty-fifth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 28 to September 27, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1118802 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died March 17, 1925. He and this claimant were

married September 5, 1905. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is unable to follow any gainful occupation because of chronic arthritis, myocarditis, and gall-bladder trouble.

She has title to 40 acres of land valued at \$600 but income therefrom is nil. She also has bonds valued at \$4,140, income therefrom \$260; 3,000 shares D. R. oil stock value \$300, income therefrom \$90; 150 shares Reed gold-mine stock, valued at \$112.50, income therefrom \$12; 10 shares Cawston ostrich-farm stock of no value, and 5,000 shares California refining company stock of no value. The total market value of all stock and bonds \$5,452.50 with a total annual income therefrom of \$362. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3199. Matilda Miller, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 1463 Pine Avenue, Long Beach, Calif., is the widow of Benjamin C. Miller, late a private, Company H, One hundred and fifty-fifth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from March 30 to August 4, 1865, and who died May 12, 1910.

He and this claimant were married May 1, 1862. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 705559.

The medical evidence shows that she is entirely helpless and requires constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from arteriosclerosis, myocarditis with decompensation, mitral regurgitation, chronic nephritis, and chronic gastritis. The condition is permanent and progressive.

She has neither property nor income and no one is bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3255. Andrew Caldwell, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is box 145, route A, Imperial, Calif., late a private, Company D, Seventy-second Regiment Enlisted Missouri Militia, from August 8, 1862, to January 31, 1863; from October 6 to October 21, 1863; and from September 25 to November 14, 1864. Whole number of days of actual service 219, for which period of time he was paid by the State of Missouri and the State was reimbursed by the United States.

The claimant is not a pensioner. He has no title under existing laws for the reason the organization in which he rendered the service was organized for State purposes only. The evidence presented shows he is the identical person who rendered the service.

While such service does not give him title to pension, under the rules and practice of this committee he has a pensionable status, and justly so as viewed by your committee, for the reason that as a matter of fact the organization with which he served was actually a part of and cooperated with the Union Army during the period of time stated.

The claimant is now an old man wholly unfitted for self-support on account of his age, general debility, and defective vision.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 3306. Elizabeth L. Henson, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 520 Woodford Street, Bowling Green, Ky., is the widow of Charles L. Henson, late a private, Company C, Ninth Regiment Kentucky Infantry from September 15, 1861, to December 15, 1864, and who died September 30, 1898.

He and this claimant were married December 26, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 475426.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of bronchorrhœa, rheumatism, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3426. Lucy Wolfington, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 136 North Evans Avenue, Evansville, Ind., is the widow of John B. Wolfington, alias John B. Hall, late a private, Company H, Twenty-fourth Regiment New York Cavalry from December 21, 1863, to June 26, 1865, and who died December 19, 1911. He and this claimant were married September 11, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 736240.

The medical evidence shows she has no serious malady but is totally disabled for work of any character by reason of the infirmities of age. She suffers from neuralgia and physical weakness and her steps are uncertain.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3460. Marilla Matthews, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Black River, N. Y., is the widow of Eugene Matthews, late a private, Company A, Thirty-fifth Regiment New York Infantry, from September 27, 1861, to January 5, 1863, and from August 26, 1864, to June 23, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 825134, at the rate of \$50 per month and who died September 23, 1922. He and this claimant were married November 12, 1914.

She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions, and has been paid the soldiers accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason she married the soldier after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence filed in support of this bill indicates that she is in a practically helpless condition and requires more or less care and attention of another person, by reason of affliction from inflammation of bladder and resulting incontinence of urine. She also suffers from constipation, cramps in feet and legs and exhibits nervousness and a trembling condition, and can not go out unattended.

She has no means or property of any consequence, nor income from any source, and must of necessity depend upon those not legally bound to her support for subsistence.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3467. Sarah Ann Turner, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 426 west Front Street, Clearfield, Pa., is the widow of Thomas Turner, late a private, Company E, One hundred and eighty-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from March 29, 1864, to July 14, 1865, and who died August 13, 1897.

He and this claimant were married March 28, 1886. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 461846.

The medical evidence shows that the claimant is permanently unfitted for self support because of tumor of the breast, probably malignant, and the infirmities of age. The tumor has caused and may again cause hemorrhage.

Her only property consists of \$300 in a bank set aside for burial expenses. She has no income aside from her pension and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3470. Mary J. Shranger, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Curwensville, Pa., is the widow of Garret B. Shranger, late a private, Company A, Forty-fifth Regiment and Company G, One hundred and fifth Regiment of Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 28, 1861, to February 14, 1863, and from October 4, 1864, to June 28, 1865, and who died March 15, 1900.

He and this claimant were married in July, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 498103.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of senile cystitis and recurring attacks of epileptic seizures, which on occasions render her unconscious for 24 hours.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3471. Margaret J. McKean, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Howard, Pa., is the widow of John B. McKean, late a first sergeant, Company I, Fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry, from June 1, 1861, to June 11, 1864, and who died November 8, 1924.

He and this claimant were married October 5, 1865. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 957997.

The medical evidence shows the claimant is wholly unfitted for self-support and in need of at least periodical aid and attendance of another person because of chronic indigestion and the infirmities of age together with complication of diseases.

She has title to a badly run-down farm valued at \$1,500. She has no other property of any nature and no income. No one is legally bound to her support and she depends upon contributions from her son for a livelihood.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3505. Ella J. Hunsbarger, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 518 Clearfield Street, Clearfield, Pa., is the widow of David Hunsbarger, late a private, Company H, One hundred and tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from March 1, 1864, to May 29, 1965, and who died March 7, 1921.

He and this claimant were married February 20, 1877. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 909413.

The medical evidence shows she is in need of periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of arteriosclerosis, irregularity of heart action, and recurring attacks of colic.

She has a life interest in a home place valued at \$3,700. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3519. Abigail A. Butler, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is Holcomb, N. Y., is the widow of Joseph B. Butler, late a private, Company G, Twenty-seventh Regiment New York Infantry, from May 27 to November 8, 1861, and who died January 6, 1889.

He and this claimant were married October 19, 1878. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 301657.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from diabetes melitis and disease of heart.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support. It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3527. Cornelia J. Lester, aged 59 years, whose post-office address is Penn Yan, N. Y., is the widow of Cassius Lester, late a private Company G, One hundred and fourth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 1, 1864, to June 7, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 501644 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died November 8, 1924.

He and this claimant were married March 19, 1911. The claimant has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in fair health, approximately one-half disqualified for manual labor by reason of advanced years.

She has a life interest in a house and lot valued at \$3,000 and one vacant lot valued at \$150 and \$3,000 cash loaned out, from which she derives an annual income of \$180. She has no other means or source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3556. Viola Holmes, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is 1007 West Spencer Street, Creston, Iowa, is the widow of Alfred Holmes, late a musician, Company K, One hundred and seventy-eighth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from September 2, 1864, to June 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 883525, at the rate of \$22.50 per month, and who died June 29, 1924.

He and this claimant were married June 5, 1887. This claimant has been denied pension for the reason that at the time she and the soldier were married he had a living undivorced wife who survived him. It appears in evidence that the soldier and the first wife were married in 1857; they later separated, and, according to information furnished by the soldier, were divorced in 1877. No record has ever been found of such proceedings. The first wife remarried after separation from the soldier.

In the settlement of the soldier's estate, in Union County, Iowa, this claimant was recognized as his widow. She appears to have married the soldier in good faith and lived with him as his wife for a period of 37 years. Your committee is, in the circumstances, disposed to give her a pensionable status.

She is seriously disabled with muscular rheumatism and weak mentally and is unfitted for self-support.

She has a life interest in four acres of land, presumably a home-  
stead, valued at \$2,000. She has no other property and no income.  
No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3574. Cora R. Burton, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is Arvada, Colo., is the widow of Hiram S. Burton, late a private, Company B, Seventy-second Regiment, and Company H, Thirty-third Regiment, Illinois Infantry, from December 24, 1863, to November 24, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1145988 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died October 1, 1925.

He and this claimant were married September 10, 1906. The evidence presented indicates she is his legal widow. She has no title to pension as such, for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require peri-  
odical aid and attendance of another person on account of physical breakdown.

She has real estate valued at \$3,400, which includes her home place (valued at \$2,000) encumbered in the sum of \$1,600, besides an indebtedness of \$500. She has no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3579. Laura A. Anderson, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is Denton, Tex., is the widow of John L. Anderson, late a sergeant, Company K, Fourteenth Regiment Missouri Home Guards, from August 12, 1861, to April 6, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 269649 at the rate of \$22.50 per month and who died August 13, 1919.

He and this claimant were married September 7, 1905. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension for that reason, since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute materially to her own support by reason of affliction from high blood pressure.

She has real estate valued at \$10,000, and her annual income therefrom is approximately \$300 a year. A portion of the real estate is encumbered in the sum of \$1,200. She declares under oath that her net income from the property is \$172.47 a year. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 3679. Sedate C. Cooley, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is Clarks Hill, Ind., is the widow of Milo W. Cooley, late a private, Company G, Twenty-sixth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 30, 1861, to January 15, 1866, and who died March 22, 1912.

He and this claimant were married January 12, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 740898.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of stomach and liver, also poor vision.

She has real estate valued at \$800, which is all the means or property she has. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 3695. Amelia Weber, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Lonaconing, Md., is the widow of Frederick Weber, late a private, Company C, Second Regiment Potomac Home Brigade, Maryland Infantry, from March 24, 1865, to May 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 999554 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died November 7, 1924.

He and this claimant were married April 13, 1870. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason he rendered less than 90 days of military service. He was pensioned by special act of Congress approved April 2, 1900, at \$8 a month and increased to \$50 under the provisions of the act of May 1, 1920.

The medical and other evidence shows claimant is the legal widow of the soldier and that she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic rheumatism and arteriosclerosis.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500 and \$1,800 in cash in the bank from which she derives an annual income of \$50. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4147. Maggie Neidig, aged 53 years, whose post-office address is Upper Sandusky, Ohio, is the helpless and dependent daughter of Valentine Neidig, late a private, Company K, Fifty-fifth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 23, 1862, to June 9, 1865, and who died February 2, 1906.

The parents of this claimant were married September 25, 1855. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 610061.

The evidence shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of blindness.

She has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier.

She has property worth approximately \$800. Her only income is \$80 a year from the State as a blind person's pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 4149. Lovina E. Willoughby, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Nevada, Ohio, is the widow of Levi P. Willoughby, late a private, Company F, One hundred and twenty-third Regiment Ohio Infantry, from April 23 to August 28, 1861, and from March 30, 1864, to June 14, 1865, and who died April 28, 1898.

He and this claimant were married July 28, 1853. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 477843.

The medical evidence presented shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from total blindness and arthritis deformans.

She has no property and no income other than her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4160. Alice Mansfield, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is 420 Hamilton Street, Redwood City, Calif., is the widow of Joel H. Mansfield, late a private, Company F, Second Regiment Massachusetts Cavalry, from September 27, 1863, to May 31, 1864, and landsman, United States Navy, from August 27, 1864, to June 17, 1865, and who died April 22, 1916.

He and this claimant were married January 14, 1884. The evidence indicates the claimant is the soldier's legal widow.

The soldier was not a pensioner. His claim (O. I. 683934) was rejected for the reason he deserted from the Navy and enlisted in the Army without securing a discharge certificate from his first contract of service. He rendered 1 year 5 months and 26 days of faithful service.

This claimant has no title to pension for the same reason the soldier's claim was denied.

Your committee has heretofore given favorable consideration to this class of claims wherein it was shown the proposed beneficiary rendered 90 days or more of service and received an honorable discharge. (The same rule applies in widow's claims.) The soldier husband in this case rendered 9 months and 21 days' service under his last contract of service and was honorably discharged therefrom. In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give the claimant a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is a permanent cripple by reason of an injury to her back and she suffers from paralysis of right leg.

She has a house and two lots valued at \$4,000 and encumbered in the sum of \$2,350. Her only income is approximately \$100 a year from rent of rooms in her residence. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4165. Myra C. Hawley, aged 65 years, whose post-office address is 295 East San Fernando Street, San Jose, Calif., is the widow of Truman M. Hawley, late a private, Company C, Eighth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, from May 9, 1861, to June 2, 1863, and June 18, 1864, to July 17, 1865, and who died July 10, 1904.

The soldier and this claimant were married July 8, 1878. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 587279.

Medical evidence shows she suffers from the result of a broken right arm.

She has no property of any consequence and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$40 a month.

H. R. 4181. Georgie A. Fifield, aged 63 years, whose post-office address is 16 Somerset Street, Bangor, Me., is the widow of Charles H. Fifield, late a private, Company I, Fourteenth Regiment Maine Infantry, from September 3 to November 7, 1864, and from March 14 to August 28, 1865, and who died October 3, 1910.

He and this claimant were married October 10, 1895. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 826321.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of valvular disease of heart, aortic regurgitation, aortitis, and attacks of angina pectoris. Prognosis very grave.

She has no property and her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4207. Hannah Dyslin, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 724 Champlain Street, Rochester, N. Y., is the widow of Ezra Dyslin, late a private, Company K, First Regiment New York Light Artillery, from October 1, 1861, to October 17, 1862, and corporal, Company G, Eighth Regiment New York Cavalry, from February 16, 1864, to June 27, 1865, and who died December 31, 1906.

He and this claimant were married July 20, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 631627.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of arteriosclerosis and senile dementia.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4264. Malvina Jenkins, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 245 College Street, Bowling Green, Ky., is the widow of Henry Jenkins, late a private, Company K, One hundred and ninth Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from June 19, 1864, to February 6, 1866, and who died July 10, 1902.

He and this claimant were married January 9, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 540655.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodic aid and attendance of another person and is temporarily helpless because of chronic nephritis and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her only income.  
No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4298. Mariah Feagley, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Evansville, Ind., is the widow of Mark W. Feagley, late a corporal, Company C, Sixty-fifth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 1, 1862, to June 27, 1865, and who died March 21, 1914.

He and this claimant were married November 14, 1883. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 778437.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of impaired vision and hearing and senility.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4318. Ellen Hughes, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Omaha, Douglas County, Nebr., is the widow of Patrick Hughes, alias Patrick Keagan, late a private, Company D, Twenty-sixth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 10, 1862, to September 19, 1863, and Company F, Thirty-fifth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from January 15, 1864, to March 15, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1187614, at the rate of \$30 per month by special act of Congress approved March 3, 1921, and who died October 9, 1924.

He and this claimant were married in July, 1862.

The evidence presented indicates this claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such under existing laws for the reason the soldier did not receive an honorable discharge from his first contract of service.

The official records show that he rendered more than three years and three months of faithful service, was honorably discharged from his last contract of service and was a pensioner through the recommendations of this committee and in fairness it is disposed to give this claimant a pensionable status, who, as the soldier's wife, suffered the vicissitude and anxiety incident to active civil war.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of senility, mental depression, and incontinence of bowels and bladder.

She has no property and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4330. Deborah E. Bowling, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is 25 Jason Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, is the widow of Nicholas Bowling, late a sergeant, Company B, Thirteenth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 29, 1861, to June 19, 1864, and who died April 17, 1898.

He and this claimant were married August 15, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 465195.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to provide for herself by reason of extreme age and impaired vision.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4346. Amelia A. Keith, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is 1568 Aberdean Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, is the widow of Mathias Keith, late a private, Company D, Eighth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 10, 1961, to January 5, 1864, when discharged to reenlist as a veteran volunteer. He was mustered into service in the same company January 5, 1864, and served faithfully until November, 1864, at which time he was placed under arrest and confined until May 8, 1865, when tried by a general court-martial. He was found guilty and sentenced to be confined at hard labor for one year. He never thereafter rejoined his company and regiment, hence never received a discharge from his last contract of service, and was denied pension for that reason.

He declared in a sworn statement that he knew nothing about having been tried or convicted of a crime by court-martial, but that he was accidentally left at Mobile, Ala., when the regiment took transports for New Orleans, and that on account of sickness and other delays he was never able to catch up with his command.

However, the records show that he rendered more than three years faithful service and had one honorable discharge.

Your committee has established precedent for a more liberal construction of existing law; and wherein it is shown, as in this case, the soldier rendered 90 days of service and was honorably discharged, the applicant should be given a pensionable status.

The soldier and this claimant were married May 6, 1874. He died July 16, 1924.

The evidence shows she is his legal widow. She has no title to pension as such for the reason the soldier did not receive an honorable discharge from his last contract of service.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from multiple neuritis, arteriosclerosis, faulty vision, and disease of heart.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed in the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4348. Nancy E. Dillon, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is Central City, Ky., is the widow of Ezekiel Dillon, late a private, Company G, First Regiment Potomac Home Brigade Maryland Cavalry, from February 27, 1864, to June 28, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 751511 at the rate of \$24 per month and who died March 6, 1914.

He and this claimant were married November 25, 1894. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason that at the time she married him she had a living undivorced husband, whom she married in 1882 and who deserted her in 1883. Believing that he was dead she married the soldier in 1894. The first husband secured a divorce from her May 1, 1896. The probate court of Muhlenberg County, Ky., recognized the claimant as the legal widow of

the soldier in the settlement of the estate and in the transfer of real property.

The medical evidence indicates that she is wholly unable to contribute to her own support and that she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of mental incompetency and insanity.

She has a home place valued at \$750. She has no income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4379. Artie Noles, aged 38 years, whose post-office address is Bergman, Ark., is the widow of John T. Noles, late a private, Company F, Seventy-seventh Regiment Ohio Infantry, from June 29, 1863, to March 8, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1020053 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died May 20, 1919.

He and this claimant were married October 5, 1908. The evidence indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support by reason of slight paralysis and rheumatism.

She has a life interest in a home place valued at \$400. Her only income is the small amount derived from her own industry. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 4384. Albert O. Tucker, aged 88 years, whose post-office address is Little Sisters of the Poor, Washington, D. C., late a private, Company K, Eleventh Regiment Connecticut Infantry, from November 1, 1861, to July 23, 1863, and Company D, First Regiment Maine Sharpshooters, from November 28, 1864, to February 13, 1865.

His claim for pension (O. I. 1483852) has been denied for the reason he has no title to pension under existing laws, he having deserted from each contract of service.

By a special act of Congress, approved March 4, 1925, he has been given an honorable discharge from Company K, Eleventh Regiment Connecticut Infantry, to date July 23, 1863.

Under the rules and practice of this committee such action gives claimant a pensionable status.

The official records show that he had 1 year and 11 months of faithful service and that he was also a prisoner of war. It is in connection with his having been captured by the enemy that he was designated as a deserter from the First Regiment Maine Sharpshooters. Except for the charge of desertion, one having been removed, his service was honorable.

He is now a very old man and is entitled to consideration for his long military service. He is in condition physically to require constant aid and attention of another person. He is also without means and is now in a charitable institution. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 4398. Mary H. Appleton, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is 872 Washington Street, Bath, Me., is the widow of Charles F. Appleton, late second lieutenant, Company B, Thirtieth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from January 21 to August 21, 1862, and who died October 24, 1910.

He and this claimant were married April 20, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 717523.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic arthritis, with ankylosis of hips and knees, and hypertension.

She has title to real estate valued at \$1,500, from which she receives an annual income of \$70, and she has \$300 on deposit in a bank. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4616. Sarah J. Somerlott, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Angola, Ind., is the widow of Andrew Somerlott, late a corporal, Company A, Twenty-ninth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from September 20, 1861, to June 24, 1865, and who died January 8, 1919.

He and this claimant were married August 12, 1865. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 863842.

The medical evidence shows she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person and is wholly unfitted for self-support because of affliction from weak, irregular heart action, shortness of breath, and the infirmities of extreme old age.

She has title to a home place valued at \$2,000 and household goods worth, approximately, \$100. She has no income aside from her pension and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4624. Louisa Semmel, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 5 Kelly Street, Rochester, N. Y., is the widow of Charles Semmel, late a private, Company D, One hundred and eighth Regiment New York Infantry, and unassigned detachment, Veteran Reserve Corps, from July 28, 1862, to June 26, 1865, and who died September 29, 1897.

He and this claimant were married April 30, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 502178.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of hemiplegia, hypertension and cardiac, renal, and vascular disease.

She has title to commercial property, a store building valued at \$7,000, which is encumbered in the sum of \$3,000. She derives an annual income of \$470 from the property, less taxes, insurance, and interest on loan, amount not disclosed. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4629. Edna M. Brownell, aged 52 years, whose post-office address is Pittsford, N. Y., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Kingsley Brownell, late a private, Company C, Twenty-first Regiment New York Cavalry, from August 14, 1863, to July 21, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 142418, at the rate of \$50

per month, and who died June 17, 1924. The parents of this claimant were married January 2, 1869. The mother died in 1916.

The evidence submitted indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier, that she has been a helpless and dependent person since she was 2 years of age, and that she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of complete paralysis of lower extremities, the result of an attack of scarlet fever when she was 2 years old.

She has no means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 4687. Eliza J. Johnson, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Manchester Kans., is the widow of Merit C. Johnson, late a private, Company A, Ninety-second Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 11, 1862, to June 21, 1865, and who died March 4, 1919.

He and this claimant were married November 22, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 873484.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from a complication of diseases, principally rheumatism.

She has a home place valued at \$700. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4707. Mary A. Crow, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 448 North Walnut Street, Logan, Ohio, is the widow of Samuel B. Crow, late a private, Company E, Ninetieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 2, 1862, to June 13, 1865, and who died November 23, 1925.

He and this claimant were married September 3, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 968910.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to need constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from disease of heart, arteriosclerosis, and senile emaciation.

She has a house and lot valued at \$1,200 and \$1,200 at interest, and the annual income from the latter is \$60. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4709. Mandane Wright, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Bainbridge, Ohio, is the widow of James S. Wright, late a private, Company K, Eighth Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from February 18 to November 10, 1862, and from February 27, 1864, to July 30, 1865, and who died June 21, 1905.

He and this claimant were married February 25, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 605321.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism and disease of heart.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4710. Melissa Vorhees, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 7, Logan, Ohio, is the widow of William Vorhees, late a private, Company B, Thirteenth Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from October 13, 1864, to July 4, 1865, and who died July 7, 1923.

He and this claimant were married November 30, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 944385.

The medical evidence presented shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic laryngitis and chronic disease of heart. She is wholly unfitted for self-support.

She has a small house and lot valued at between \$200 and \$300. Her only income other than her pension is the small amount contributed for her support by her daughters. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4712. Maria J. Pierce, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Logan, Ohio, is the widow of Robert Pierce, late a private Company C, Thirtieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from July 25, 1861, to August 13, 1865, and who died August 29, 1913.

He and this claimant were married April 21, 1864. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 768816.

The medical evidence shows the claimant is but 64 inches in height and weighs 240 pounds. Most of flesh is confined to hips, abdomen, and thighs. She suffers from ankylosis of left knee joint, the result of an injury some 14 years ago, and can not walk without assistance, and then only for a few steps.

She deeded a dower interest in property valued at \$1,000 to her daughter, a widow, in exchange for agreement to furnish her a home. She has no other property except \$200 stock in an ice cream company, the 7 per cent dividend therefrom being her sole income aside from her pension.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4713. Mary H. Bell, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Kingston, Ohio, is the widow of David Bell, late a corporal Company K, One hundred and fifty-fifth Regiment Ohio National Guard Infantry, from May 2 to August 27, 1864, and who died July 17, 1911.

He and this claimant were married March 28, 1876. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 728682.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attendance of another person and is wholly unfitted for self-support because of affliction from rheumatism. The condition is permanent and progressive.

She has neither property nor income, and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4851. Annie M. Todd, aged 63 years, whose post-office address is 776 Twenty-fourth Avenue, San Francisco, Calif., is the widow of James T. Todd, late a private, Company G, One Hundred and Fourteenth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 5, 1862, to August 15, 1865, and who died May 4, 1920.

He and this claimant were married October 5, 1881. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 901506.

The medical evidence shows she is partially helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of loss of sight of left eye and profound deafness.

She has \$400 deposited in the bank. Her income is 4 per cent annual interest on deposit and her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$40 a month.

H. R. 4880. Elizabeth Moore, aged 48 years, whose post-office address is 3306 Holmes Street, Kansas City, Mo., is the helpless and dependent daughter of James A. Moore, late a private, Company C, Forty-third Regiment Missouri Infantry, from August 13, 1864, to June 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1003717 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died July 13, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married August 22, 1869. The mother died May 18, 1913.

The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person, mentally incompetent, all her life. She has been adjudged insane and a guardian has been appointed.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 4904. Emma M. Tallentire, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 249 Highland Avenue, Ashland, Ohio, is the widow of John R. Tallentire, late a private, Company E, Sixty-fourth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from November 6, 1861, to January 12, 1865, and who died March 6, 1916.

He and this claimant were married April 6, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 808191.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from myocarditis and the infirmities of age.

The evidence shows she has a dwelling house, valued at \$4,500 and encumbered in the sum of \$2,800. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4907. Lucinda A. Gregg, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Homer, Ohio, is the widow of Arthur C. Gregg, late a private, Company B, Twentieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 18, 1861, to July 17, 1865, and who died April 25, 1922.

He and this claimant were married September 26, 1895. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 922076.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person because of Bright's disease and the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest in a home place valued at \$700. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4946. Susan J. Waite, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Cohocton, Steuben County, N. Y., is the widow of Benjamin F. Waite, late a corporal, Company I, One hundred and sixty-first Regiment New York Infantry, from September 22, 1862, to September 20, 1923, and who died December 25, 1923.

He and this claimant were married August 21, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 951472.

The medical evidence shows she is confined to her bed and requires constant care and attention of another person by reason of affliction from total blindness, bronchitis, and the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest in a home place valued at \$500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 4981. Thomas Colburn, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Stockton, Kans., and whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, as follows:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, and to advise you that the roll of Capt. Adam Flesher's Company A, Forty-first Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia, from July 29, 1862, to April 30, 1863, shows that Thomas Colburn was enrolled as a private July 29, 1862; ordered into active service July 29, 1862; relieved from duty April 18, 1863; and had 23 days' actual service.

Opposite his name on said roll, in the column of remarks, appears the following: "Discharged on surgeon's certificate."

He was paid on this roll for a service of 23 days by the State of Missouri, and said State has been reimbursed therefor by the United States.

The service indicated does not give the proposed beneficiary title to pension under existing laws, but under the rules and practice of this committee claims of this character have been given favorable consideration for the reason, as shown in this case, he rendered service in an organization that became a part of and cooperated with the Federal Army. His service was paid for by the State of Missouri and the State was reimbursed by the Federal Government. While his service was for a period of less than 90 days, the official records show that he was discharged on a surgeon's certificate of disability.

The evidence is cumulative as tending to show that for a number of years the claimant suffered from the disability for which he was discharged and that he has never fully recovered from the disability.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give the claimant a pensionable status.

He is now a very old man and is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from left inguinal hernia, arteriosclerosis, enlarged prostate, and impaired hearing.

He has a home valued at \$1,200, which is encumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$780. He has no other property or income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 4999. Harriet A. Hoffer, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Traeger, Pa., is the widow of George Hoffer, late a private, Company C, Eighty-fourth Regiment, and corporal, Company H, Fifty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 22, 1862, to May 31, 1865, and who died August 27, 1907.

He and this claimant were married March 21, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 639209.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of anemia, chronic bronchitis, senile asthma, and marked arteriosclerosis.

She has no property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5052. Mary E. Hervey, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Atlantic City, N. J., is the widow of Henry W. B. Hervey, late a corporal, Company E, Two hundred and fifteenth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from July 14 to November 18, 1864, and from April 11 to July 31, 1865, and who died July 5, 1889.

He and this claimant were married April 12, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 359497.

The medical evidence shows she is practically blind; she is blind in left eye and vision of right eye is reduced to 7/200, enabling her to see and avoid large objects only. The condition is due to cataract and glaucoma.

She has no means or property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5053. Harriet Johnson, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 127 North Texas Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J., is the widow of John Johnson, late a private, Company G, Ninth Regiment New Jersey Infantry, from April 10 to July 12, 1865, and who died April 15, 1902.

He and this claimant were married April 27, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 553260.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to be employed at any gainful occupation continuously by reason of recurring epileptic seizures, and when thus prostrated requires the constant aid and attendance of another person.

She has a home place valued at \$1,000 and encumbered in the sum of \$500. Outside of her pension her only income is the amount she may be able to earn by her own feeble efforts. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5065. Sarah E. Roebuck, aged 90 years, whose post-office address is Whitefish, Mont., is the widow of Lawrence R. Roebuck, late quartermaster's employee, employed December 1, 1863, and died in service February 25, 1864.

He and this claimant were married October 6, 1854. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 407940.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of infirmities due to extreme age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.  
No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5067. Emma J. Shade, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is 1730 Emerson Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, is the widow of Simon Shade, late a private, Captain Wightman's company, One hundred and twelfth Regiment Ohio Infantry, and Company G, Sixty-third Regiment Ohio Infantry, from August 14, 1862, to July 8, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 754485 at the rate of \$12 per month and who died December 5, 1909.

He and this claimant were married February 14, 1907. The evidence submitted indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is suffering from chronic bronchitis and disease of thyroid gland and by reason thereof she is unable to engage in any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5097. Lizzie C. Castelo, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Toledo, Ill., is the widow of Calvin B. Castelo, late a private, Company D, Fifth Regiment Michigan Cavalry, from November 10, 1862, to June 26, 1865, and who died March 26, 1917.

He and this claimant were married February 27, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 831697.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism, nephritis, systitis, and general debility.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,200. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5106. Flora Odell, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 4, Dawn, Mo., is the widow of Andrew J. Odell, late a private, Company F, Fourth Regiment Provisional Enrolled Missouri Militia, from October 6, 1864, to March 14, 1865, and who died December 29, 1903.

He and this claimant were married February 18, 1900. The evidence shows she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has been denied pension as such under act of March 3, 1899, for the reason that she and the soldier were not living together as husband and wife at the time of his death.

It appears in evidence that he deserted her without legal or just cause and without fault on her part. In the circumstances your committee is disposed to waive the technical legal objection to her title to pension and to give her a pensionable status.

She has title to a hill farm valued at \$900 and encumbered in the sum of \$300. The annual income from the property is nominal, not to exceed \$25 a year net. She has no other income. She is in condition physically to require regular aid and attendance of another

person by reason of affliction from disease of heart, kidneys, and bladder, and a general physical breakdown. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5109. Granville Tobey, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is 2006 Benton Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo., whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the records of the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, as follows:

In reply you are advised that the roll of Capt. Mills Dawson's Company D, First Battalion, Provisional Enrolled Missouri Militia, from December 1, 1864, to March 12, 1865, shows that Granville Toby, or Tobey, was enrolled as a private December 1, 1864; ordered into active service December 8, 1864; relieved from duty March 12, 1865, having had 105 days' actual service. He was paid for his service on an individual pay voucher from December 8, 1864, to March 12, 1865, three months and four days, by the State of Missouri, and said State has been reimbursed by the United States.

The evidence presented indicates that this claimant is identical with the soldier of record by same name as shown in report referred to.

While such service does not give claimant a pensionable status under existing laws, under the rules and practice of your committee he has an equitable title, and justly so, for the reason that the official record shows that the Federal Government recognized the organization as part of the Federal forces by reimbursing the State of Missouri for payment for service rendered.

Claimant is unable to contribute to his own support for the reason that he is practically blind, has chronic diarrhea, and an injured ankle. He has no means or property, and no income.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give him a pensionable status and recommends his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 5113. Mary A. Smith, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is Milan, Mo., is the widow of Thomas R. Smith, late a private, Company H, Third Regiment Iowa Infantry, from May 31, 1861, to January 13, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 23773 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died May 26, 1920.

He and this claimant were married January 13, 1897. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason she had been unable to show that she had been legally separated from a former husband, one James L. McLain, to whom she was married July 9, 1876.

The evidence indicates that this claimant and McLain lived together as husband and wife until some time in 1878 when McLain deserted her. In October, 1879, she filed suit for divorce from him. She appeared in court and by attorney on the date set for trial, and at the close of the proceedings she was advised that the divorce had been, or would be, granted her. She states under oath that she had supposed that she had been divorced until the question arose in the prosecution of her claim for pension as the widow of the soldier. It appears that for some unknown reason the proceedings for divorce from McLain were dismissed, for what reason, or on what ground, such action was taken the records of the court do not disclose.

It is quite convincing from all the evidence in the case that the claimant believed that she had been divorced from McLain at the time she married the soldier, and that she really married him in good faith, believing that her contract of marriage with McLain had been legally terminated.

McLain is now deceased, and in the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status as the soldier's widow.

She is not physically able to contribute to her own support by reason of her age and affliction from rheumatism.

She has title to real estate valued at \$850 and encumbered in the sum of \$300. Her only income is the small amount derived from her own feeble efforts. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5114. Sarepta Richards, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is St. Louis, Mo., is the widow of Clark S. Richards, whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the records of the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, as follows:

Having reference to your letter of October 28, 1924, relative to the service of Clark S. Richards, you are advised that the roll of Capt. James Reid's Company E, Fifth Enrolled Missouri Militia (Col. Thos. J. C. Fagg) from September 3, 1861, to February 7, 1862, shows that C. S. Richards was enlisted as a private September 12, 1861, and was discharged February 7, 1862. He was paid on said roll for a service of 4 months and 25 days by the State of Missouri, and said State has been reimbursed by the United States.

The evidence in the case indicates that the claimant's husband and the soldier of record are identical and that she is his legal widow.

The service indicated does not give title to pension under existing law, but under the rules and practice of your committee she has an equitable title and should be given a pensionable status for the reason the organization with which the soldier served was, as a matter of fact, actually part of and cooperated with the Federal Army during the period of time indicated.

The medical and other evidence presented indicates that by reason of claimant's age and resulting general weakness she can not contribute to her own support.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5137. Mary Garlinghouse, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 407 Elm Street, Rockport, Ind., is the widow of Aurelius D. Garlinghouse, late a sergeant, Company I, One hundred and seventeenth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 2, 1863, to February 24, 1864, and who died August 8, 1913.

He and this claimant were married December 13, 1869. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 766804.

The medical evidence shows she is permanently and wholly unfitted for self-support and in such condition as to require the constant aid and attendance of another person because of rheumatism

of hips, legs, ankles, and feet. All these joints involved are ankylosed to three-fourths of normal function. The applicant is a hopeless cripple.

She has title to a house and lot valued at \$1,950, from which she derives an annual income of \$36. She has no other property or income of any nature aside from her pension and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5160. Jennie Hunter, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 512 Davidson Street, Watertown, N. Y., is the widow of Henry R. Hunter, late a private, Company E, One hundred and eighty-fourth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 25, 1864, to June 29, 1865, and who died July 10, 1914.

He and this claimant were married May 10, 1870. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 781676.

Medical evidence shows that due to a major operation performed some four or five years ago she is wholly unfitted for self-support. The condition is permanent.

She has title to a small home place valued at \$2,500 and about \$2,000 in personal property. Her annual income amounts to \$122 and her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5162. Emma A. Wright, aged 57 years, whose post-office address is Turon, Reno County, Kans., is the widow of Benjamin Wright, late a private, Company K, Forty-second Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 4, 1861, to September 28, 1864, and who died August 29, 1917.

He and this claimant were married November 13, 1881. The claimant is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 837122.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to work at any gainful occupation or contribute materially to her own support. She is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of obesity, cardiac hypertrophy, cystitis, and chronic gastric catarrh.

She has a house and lot valued at \$700 and \$500 in a bank, from which latter she derives an income of \$20 a year. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$40 a month.

H. R. 5166. Margaret J. Baker, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 23 West Eighteenth Street, Anderson, Ind., is the former widow of Irvin D. Baker, late a private, Company I, Seventieth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 5, 1862, to June 8, 1865, and who died June 25, 1898.

He and this claimant were married September 28, 1880. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 518736.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism and general debility.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5175. Lydia A. McGrew, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is 1404 Center Street, La Fayette, Ind., is the widow of James F. McGrew, late a private, Company A, Forty-third Regiment Ohio Infantry, from October 1, 1861, to November 13, 1864, and who died December 22, 1916.

He and this claimant were married November 12, 1896. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 848592.

The medical evidence presented shows she suffers from tenderness and pain in spine and muscles of back, neurasthenia, vertigo, and senility. The condition is permanent. She requires periodical aid and attendance of another person.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5281. Weston G. Sabins, aged 45 years, whose post-office address is rear 49 Cedar Street, Fairhaven, Mass., is the helpless and dependent son of Philander G. Sabins, late a private, Company A, Second Regiment Massachusetts Cavalry, from February 24 to June 9, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 562370 at the rate of \$27 per month, and who died May 2, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married October 22, 1867. The mother died September 20, 1909. Claimant has no title to pension under present law for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death. The evidence presented shows he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that since the age of 5 years has been a helpless and dependent person by reason of total blindness, the result of an attack of spinal meningitis.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 5311. Emily F. Smith, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is rear 38 Pearl Street, Newark, Ohio, is the former widow of David F. Byhlmyer, late a private, Company K, Thirty-fifth Regiment Ohio Infantry, and unassigned Veteran Reserve Corps, from September 23, 1862, to April 25, 1865, and who died May 2, 1875.

He and this claimant were married January 8, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 823806.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute in any manner to her own support and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of extreme age and recurring attacks of gallstone colic.

She has no property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5325. Melissa B. Roberts, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Jamestown, N. Y., is the widow of Albert H. Roberts, late a private, Company C, One hundred and sixty-ninth Regiment New York Infantry, from December 31, 1863, to July 9, 1865, and who died June 23, 1917.

He and this claimant were married June 1, 1871. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 883338.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from organic disease of heart and chronic nephritis.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5326. Marcelia S. Brodt, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 35 Elm Street, Mayville, N. Y., is the widow of James W. Brodt, late a private, Company B, Tenth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from August 24, 1864, to June 23, 1865, and who died April 2, 1922.

He and this claimant were married February 19, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 916949.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and valvular lesion of heart.

She has no property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5328. C. Jennie Congleton, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Quaker Bridge, N. Y., is the widow of Wilber E. Congleton, late a private, Company C, Thirteenth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from August 17, 1864, to June 21, 1865, and who died February 11, 1915.

He and this claimant were married January 13, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 788019.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of a large goiter, arteriosclerosis, and resulting heart irritation.

She has a home place valued at \$300. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5424. Martha J. McGonagle, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is rural route No. 10, Washington Court House, Ohio, is the widow of John McGonagle, late a private, Company K, One hundred and sixteenth Regiment Ohio Infantry, and private, Company C, Sixty-second Regiment Ohio Infantry from August 18, 1863, to August 8, 1865, and who died July 11, 1909.

He and this claimant were married April 16, 1867. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 689327.

The medical evidence shows that she is totally and permanently unfitted for self-support and is in need of constant aid and attendance of another person because of intracapsular and ununited fracture of hip. She is entirely unable to dress herself or tend to the calls of nature unattended.

She has no property of any nature and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5426. Maria Tway, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 757 Percell Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the widow of Williamson T. Tway, late a private, Company G, Thirty-third Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 24, 1861, to July 21, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 482182 at the rate of \$36 a month, and who died July 2, 1913.

He and this claimant were married January 30, 1906. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of uterine fibroids, severe hemorrhages as a result of the fibroids, and insanity. She has been confined in a State asylum since August 30, 1920.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 5428. Ella Buchanan, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is 227 West High Street, Bellefontaine, Ohio, is the widow of Clinton C. Buchanan, late first sergeant, Company A, Third Regiment Ohio Infantry from April 19, 1861, to June 24, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 747849 at the rate of \$25 per month and who died February 6, 1915.

He and this claimant were married February 15, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of total blindness, which is apparently temporary but may become permanent.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5450. Jane Ayre, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is 1506 Broadway, Brooklyn, N. Y., is the widow of Peter Ayre, alias Peter Eyre, late a landsman, United States Navy, from December 7, 1863, to December 5, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 37646 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died February 16, 1923.

He and this claimant were married September 5, 1901. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has been denied pension as his widow under act of March 3, 1899.

The sailor suffered from pulmonary tuberculosis, and being unable to support himself and family he entered the Sailor's Home at Bath, N. Y., where he remained until his death. He and this claimant were never legally separated, and she was recognized as his

widow in the distribution of his effects and, as stated, was paid his accrued pension.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status as his widow.

Medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of heart and kidneys and the infirmities of age.

She has no means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5476. Emeline Reed, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is 140 Graham Avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa, is the widow of Charles F. Reed, late second lieutenant, Second Battery Iowa Light Artillery, from August 8, 1861, to August 30, 1864, and who died October 17, 1889.

He and this claimant were married January 28, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 285153.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of general arteriosclerosis at an advanced stage.

She has a house and lot valued at \$3,000 which is encumbered in the sum of \$1,500. Her only income outside of her pension is \$5 a month from public-welfare commission. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5479. Emilia Radt, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 6812 Virginia Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., is the widow of Frederick W. Radt, late a private, Company G, Eighty-second Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 22, 1862, to August 14, 1863, and who died April 8, 1891.

He and this claimant were married September 8, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 378608.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of rupture and general asthmatic condition.

She has \$1,000 at 4 per cent annual interest. Her pension is her sole income outside of the interest on above sum. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5482. Harriette A. Boyd, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is Smyrna, Del., is the widow of John L. Boyd, late a private, Nield's independent battery Delaware Light Artillery, from August 11, 1862, to June 23, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 969567 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died November 14, 1925.

He and this claimant were married December 12, 1914. The evidence indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person and the advice and attention of a physician because of affliction from cardiac asthma.

She has a life interest in a house and lot, a home place, valued at \$750 and which is encumbered in the sum of \$400. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5500. Catherine Rutherford, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Vanatta, Ohio, is the widow of David Rutherford, late a private, Company B, One hundred and forty-second Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 2 to September 2, 1864, and who died October 30, 1924.

He and this claimant were married April 6, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 956163.

The medical evidence shows she is afflicted with articular rheumatism and neuritis of the arms and neck. The condition is so severe that she is practically helpless and is wholly unfitted for self-support.

She has neither property nor income and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5523. Amanda Lowry, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 8705 North Twenty-eighth Street, Omaha, Nebr., is the helpless and dependent daughter of John K. Lowry, late a private, Company F, Forty-sixth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from December 10, 1861, to July 22, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 778765 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died January 25, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married March 17, 1863. The mother died May 4, 1914.

The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier, and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life because of congenital deformity of hip joints and pelvis. She is now in condition to require the regular aid and attendance of another person.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 5534. Melissa E. Gaines, aged 45 years, whose post-office address is Hutchinson, Kans., is the former widow of Ransom M. Raymond, late a sergeant, Company A, Eighth Regiment Missouri State Militia Cavalry, from December 18, 1861, to January 25, 1865, and who died October 21, 1912.

He and this claimant were married July 20, 1903. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 953790.

The medical evidence presented shows she requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of almost total blindness. She is practically deaf in both ears, has permanently stiff right knee joint, can not walk without crutches, and suffers from chronic heart trouble and anemia.

She has a home place valued at \$1,200, which is encumbered in the sum of \$900, and about \$200 worth of household furniture.

Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5537. Mary Jane Worthington, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 216 Blake Street, New Haven, Conn., is the widow of Thomas E. Worthington, late a corporal, Company B, Twentieth Regiment Connecticut Infantry, from August 2, 1862, to June 13, 1865, and who died June 14, 1910.

He and this claimant were married September 3, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 710069.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unsuited for self-support and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from recurring attacks of vertigo, arteriosclerosis, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5538. Theodosia D. Whitaker, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 756 Rock Creek Church Road, Washington, D. C., is the widow of Edward W. Whitaker, late first lieutenant Company C, Second Regiment New York Cavalry, from April 19 to July 31, 1861, and lieutenant colonel First Regiment Connecticut Cavalry, from August 21, 1861, to April 29, 1864, and brevet brigadier general, Volunteers, from May 3, 1864, to August 2, 1865, and who died July 30, 1922.

He and this claimant were married June 7, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 925016.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support by reason of affliction from incipient arteriosclerosis, general debility, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5562. Alice E. Miller, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Edgemont, Md., is the widow of Henry J. Miller, late a private, Company D, Sixth Regiment Maryland Infantry, from August 20, 1862, to June 8, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 85136 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died February 12, 1924.

He and this claimant were married December 26, 1912. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legal widow of the soldier, but she has no title to pension for that reason, since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and can not follow any gainful occupation by reason of affliction from hemorrhoids, an inguinal hernia, and mental weakness.

She has no means or property of any consequence and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5625. Mary E. Masterson, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Knox, Ind., is the widow of James F. Masterson, late a private, Company H, One hundred and fifty-third Regiment Indiana Infantry, from February 11 to September 4, 1865, who was pensioner under certificate No. 692387 at the rate of \$19 per month, and who died May 18, 1917.

He and this claimant were married June 4, 1900. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason that, having married him subsequent to March 3, 1899, she did not live with him continuously to the date of his death.

The evidence clearly discloses the fact it was no fault of the claimant that they liyed apart; that the soldier was a cruel, dissolute, and dissipated person; that he beat and abused the claimant unmercifully, and that for that reason she would have to leave his home and go to the home of her children. He would promise her he would reform, and she would return to him only to have repeated the former cruel and disgraceful treatment. This shifting back and forth continued to within about one year of the soldier's death. The inflexibility of the act of March 3, 1899, prevents the consideration of the question of who may have been at fault and operates to deprive this claimant of title to pension as the soldier's legal widow.

Your committee is disposed to waive the technical legal objection and to give her a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support by reason of affliction from varicose and ulcerated veins and odemitus condition of extremities.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5654. Sarah E. Reed, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 462 Putnam Avenue, Cambridge, Mass., is the widow of James Reed, alias Gustavus E. Reed, late a private Company E, Sixty-first Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from February 19 to April 27, 1864, and from November 21, 1864, to June 4, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1122741 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died May 9, 1925.

He and this claimant were married December 6, 1905. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension for that reason since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and that she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from cholecystitis, cinchosis of liver, arthritis, and rheumatism.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5745. Catharine Fielding, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Woodbury Heights, N. J., is the widow of John H. Fielding, late a private, Company E, Tenth Regiment New Jersey Infantry, from February 8, 1864, to July 1, 1865, and who died April 11, 1920.

He and this claimant were married August 23, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 905005.

The medical evidence presented indicates she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of cancer of uterus, which is a progressive and permanent condition.

She has no property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5790. Elizabeth Penland, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Chandler, Bancombe County, N. C., is the widow of Joseph S. Penland, late a private, Company A, Eleventh Regiment Tennessee Infantry, from August 7, 1864, to the close of the war, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1211821 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died December 18, 1922.

He and this claimant were married November 8, 1866. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason the soldier was absent from his command on detached service when his company was mustered out, and for that reason failed to receive his discharge. He was pensioned by special act of Congress, approved September 18, 1922, having satisfied your committee that he had a just and equitable claim and that his military service was for a period of more than 90 days.

The medical evidence shows claimant is not able to contribute to her own support by reason of loss of motion of right lower limb, sciatica, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 5801. Margaret C. Ebbert, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Ruffs Dale, Pa., is the widow of William N. Ebbert, late a private, Company G, Fourteenth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from August 27, 1862, to May 30, 1865, and who died February 10, 1916.

He and this claimant were married September 19, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 812109.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of general debility resulting from advanced age.

She has no property and no income other than her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5807. Anne M. Luman, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is Cumberland, Md., is the widow of Theodore Luman, late a first lieutenant and adjutant, Second Regiment Potomac Home Brigade, Maryland Infantry, from September 17, 1861, to October 4, 1864, and who died December 31, 1900.

He and this claimant were married June 30, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 533052.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person on account of chronic endocarditis.

She has no property. Her only income other than her pension is \$68 a year school board pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5910. Elmina C. Standley, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Unicoi, Tenn., is the former widow of William P. Standley, late a private, Company H, Tenth Regiment Tennessee Cavalry, from July 10, 1864, to August 1, 1865, and who died August 28, 1886.

He and this claimant were married September 11, 1861. She is now pensioned as the former widow of the soldier at \$30 a month under certificate No. 408790.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of disease peculiar to her sex and the infirmities of age.

She has title to a few acres of stony, unproductive land, which serves only as a home place. She derives no net income from the land. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5916. Mary M. Sams, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is E. 1624 Hartson Avenue, Spokane, Wash., is the widow of Francis M. Sams, late an adjutant, First Regiment Arkansas Infantry, from March 25, 1863, to March 19, 1864, and who died June 10, 1912.

He and this claimant were married February 17, 1862. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 753921.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unable to contribute to her own support, and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of general debility, feebleness, and the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 5919. Sarah A. Noxon, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Schroon Lake, N. Y., is the widow of Hemon Noxon, late a corporal, Company E, One hundred and eighteenth Regiment New York Infantry, from July 28, 1862, to June 13, 1865, and who died August 17, 1925.

He and this claimant were married March 20, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month as his widow under certificate 967756.

The medical evidence shows the claimant is wholly and permanently unfit for self-support and is in need of constant aid and attendance because of affliction from total blindness and the infirmities of extreme old age.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,800, but has no other property and no income aside from her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6019. Jennie E. Wynn, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is Berrien Springs, Mich., is the widow of William H. Wynn, late a private, Company L, Second Regiment Michigan Cavalry, from September 7, 1861, to August 17, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 814511 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died April 9, 1925.

He and this claimant were married December 24, 1908. The evidence presented indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unable to contribute to her own support by reason of affliction from chronic disease of gall bladder.

She has title to real estate valued at \$3,000 and encumbered in the sum of \$1,200. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6032. Mary E. Garrett, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is 648 South Warren Street, Syracuse, N. Y., is the widow of Frank B. Garrett, late an adjutant, First Regiment United States Colored Cavalry, from August 9, 1862, to February 4, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1131716 at the rate of \$12 per month and who died May 16, 1909.

He and this claimant were married May 11, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to be employed at any gainful occupation by reason of affliction from inflammatory rheumatism, the result of an attack of influenza a few years ago, and high blood pressure.

She has an undivided one-half interest in real estate valued at \$4,750, from which she derives an income of \$475 per annum. She has no other property or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6036. Fannie S. Nuss, aged 63 years, whose post-office address is Catawissa, Pa., is the widow of Henry F. Nuss, late a private, Company F, First Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Light Artillery, from July 27, 1861, to June 9, 1865, who was pensioned under certificate No. 733178, and who died November 21, 1924.

He and this claimant were married November 23, 1912. The evidence indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from neuritis, high blood pressure, and the results of an attack of apoplexy.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6150. Clarissa Bard, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Walnut, Ill., is the widow of Austin T. Bard, late a private, Company F, One hundred and forty-sixth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from December 14, 1861, to April 21, 1862, and from September 5, 1864, to June 12, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1174648 at the rate of \$16 per month, and who died July 3, 1917.

He and this claimant were married September 11, 1871. She has been denied pension as the widow of the soldier for the reason her first husband, from whom she was not divorced, survived until 1913, and being subsequent to June 27, 1905, she has no pensionable status under existing laws. Claimant became the soldier's common-law wife after 1913.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cardiac asthma, arteriosclerosis, high blood pressure, and chronic intestinal indigestion.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6153. Adalaide Belleau, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 5, Peoria, Ill., is the widow of Abraham Belleau, late a corporal, Company A, One hundred and twenty-fourth Regiment New York Infantry, and Company E, Twentieth Regiment Veterans' Reserve Corps, from July 28, 1862, to July 1, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 150327 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died August 23, 1923.

He and this claimant were married August 17, 1874. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason that at the date of her marriage to him he had a living undivorced wife, one Emma Wilbers, who survived until March 22, 1919. The soldier and claimant lived together continuously from the date of their marriage to the date of the soldier's death. She had no intimation or knowledge he had a wife living in New York State until she made application for pension. The soldier and claimant lived in Illinois during their married life. She therefore was an innocent party and married and lived with the soldier in perfect good faith for a period of nearly 50 years, which includes a period of four years after the death of the first wife.

In the circumstances your committee is persuaded this claimant should be given a pensionable status as the soldier's widow.

She is in very poor health and can not survive long. She is now in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and arthritis deformans.

She has a home place valued at \$1,500. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6209. Florence Crowell, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 33, South Dayton, N. Y., is the widow of Martin Crowell, late a captain, Company H, Sixty-eighth Regiment New York Infantry, from June 25, 1863, to July 29, 1865, and who died June 19, 1893.

He and the claimant were married March 24, 1887. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 384265.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support by reason of her age.

She has a home place valued at \$300 and encumbered in the sum of \$125. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6221. Emily Roof, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Chaumont, N. Y., is the widow of Abram Roof, late a private, Company M, Tenth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from August 6, 1862, to May 15, 1865, and who died November 3, 1924.

He and this claimant were married December 16, 1896. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 961184.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless because of affliction from paralysis of right side and requires the aid and attendance of another person to clothe and care for her.

She has a life interest in a small house and lot, the value of which has not been disclosed. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6222. Mary C. Witherby, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Cape Vincent, N. Y., is the widow of James L. Witherby, late a private, Company E, Tenth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from August 20, 1864, to June 23, 1865, and who died September 13, 1913.

He and this claimant were married April 8, 1879. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 768720.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of broken bones of foot, Bright's disease, and cancer of right breast.

She has a home place valued at \$700. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6224. Nancy I. Hankins, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. 4, Oakwood, Ohio, is the widow of Benjamin F. H. Hankins, late a sergeant, Company C, Sixty-eighth Regiment, and sergeant, Company E, One hundred and ninety-second Regiment, Ohio Infantry, from April 22, 1861, to October 22, 1861, and May 2, 1864, to February 28, 1865, and who died March 20, 1913.

He and the claimant were married February 25, 1865. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 758980.

The medical evidence shows she requires the constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from myocarditis, arteriosclerosis, and intestinal nephritis. The condition is permanent.

She has real estate, presumably a home place, valued at \$600 and mortgaged for \$230. Her income aside from her pension is nil, and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6263. Nannie Kirby, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Route C, Fresno, Calif., is the former widow of Richard S. Draper, late a private, Company D, First Regiment New York Marine Artillery, from December 18, 1861, to May 15, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 868590 at the rate of \$8 per month, and who died March 14, 1903.

He and this claimant were married December 15, 1892. The evidence on file indicates that she was the legal wife of the soldier and was his legal widow to the date she contracted marriage with one Frank Hurlbut, March 16, 1905, from whom she secured a divorce July 31, 1914. On the 5th day of October, 1914, she contracted marriage with one Calvin C. Graybill, who divorced her on the ground of desertion. On July 22, 1918, she contracted marriage with one Lindsay Kirby, who died March 10, 1921.

She has been denied pension as the former widow of the soldier for the reason that the divorce from her subsequent husband, Calvin C. Graybill, was not without fault on her part. The decree of divorce was entered in an Iowa court while the claimant was residing in the State of Washington, and was secured by Graybill on false evidence, for as a matter of fact he had deserted her, leaving her destitute on a rented farm in Iowa. She contends that she had no notice of the suit and therefore had no opportunity to defend herself. At the time Graybill secured the divorce from her she had a pending suit for divorce in the State of Washington, charging him with deserting her.

From all the evidence in the case your committee is inclined to the opinion that the claimant was imposed upon by Graybill, and that she was entitled to a divorce from him and for that reason is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

The medical and other evidence indicates that she is in very poor health and is practically helpless and unable to contribute to her own support.

She has no means or property, or income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6288. Ann M. Heckaman, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is 446 Salem Avenue, York, Pa., is the widow of George W. Heckaman, late a corporal, Company I, Eighty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 2, 1862, to May 29, 1863, and from March 14, 1865, to June 29, 1865, and who died April 11, 1917.

He and this claimant were married January 17, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 828174.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person on account of organic disease of heart, arteriosclerosis, and general debility from old age.

She has a home place value at \$1,300. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6299. Lydia Lau, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Laroue, York County, Pa., is the widow of John K. Lau, late a corporal, Company D, One hundred and sixty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from April 23, 1861, to July 27, 1861, and from November 8, 1862, to July 28, 1863, and who died October 9, 1921.

He and this claimant were married April 14, 1901. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 915556.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from ununited fracture of hip bone and the infirmities of age.

She has no means or property of any consequence. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6307. Catharine Hoffman, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Turnpike, York County, Pa., is the widow of Peter B. Hoffman, late a private, Company I, Eighth Regiment Maryland Infantry, from October 29, 1862, to August 8, 1863, and who died August 20, 1915.

He and this claimant were married December 31, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 798765.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cataract of both eyes, general debility, and disease of stomach and liver.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6310. Sarah J. Laucks, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is 427 West Philadelphia Street, York, Pa., is the widow of Benjamin Laucks, late a private, Company E, One hundred and sixty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Drafted Militia Infantry, from November 9, 1862, to July 28, 1863, and who died December 3, 1911.

He and this claimant were married January 15, 1860. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 735848.

The medical evidence shows she is physically helpless and requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism, almost total blindness, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6311. Elizabeth Lowe, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is York Haven, Pa., is the widow of George W. Lowe, late a private, Company G, Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry, and Company F, One hundred and ninetieth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 10, 1861, to June 28, 1865, and who died January 9, 1861.

He and this claimant were married March 24, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 513147.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from arteriosclerosis, myocarditis, and senility.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6328. Jennie E. Derby, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Round Lake, N. Y., is the widow of George Derby, jr., late a private, Company F, Second Regiment New York Veteran Cavalry from July 8, 1863, to March 28, 1864, and who died November 21, 1920.

He and this claimant were married April 21, 1880. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 899138.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of fractured arm, nervous exhaustion, and the infirmities of age.

She has title to real estate, a store and dwelling combined, valued at \$1,900 and encumbered by mortgage, taxes, etc., in the sum of \$1,700. Her annual income is \$10 a month rent from the store and her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6416. Nancy M. Chapman, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is Landover, Md., is the widow of Austin J. Chapman, late a corporal, Company C, Twelfth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from November 15, 1861 to July 16, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 918854 at the rate of \$25 per month, and who died April 15, 1918.

He and this claimant were married May 7, 1867. The claimant has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the accrued pension of the soldier but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she did not become the legal widow of the soldier until March 11, 1911.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unable to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person on account of the infirmities of age and general debility.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6436. Claudia B. Tribble, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Aurora, Mo., is the widow of Alfred Tribble, late a corporal, Company E, Seventh Regiment Missouri State Militia Cavalry, from April 1, 1862 to April 11, 1865, and who died December 18, 1907.

He and this claimant were married October 31, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 711704.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from myocarditis, asthma, and arthritis deformans.

She has a home place valued at \$1,600, which is encumbered by mortgage in the sum of \$600. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6453. Nona Buck, aged 45 years, whose post-office address is 623 East Second Street, Carthage, Mo., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Evan Buck, late a private, Company C, Fifteenth Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from November 27, 1861, to May 12, 1862, and from August 1, 1863, to October 31, 1863, and from November 1, 1863, to July 1, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 671377 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died April 29, 1925.

The parents of this claimant were married April 9, 1871. The mother died February 12, 1904. The evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person since she was three years of age as the result of an attack of spinal meningitis, resulting disease of spine, and suspended growth.

She has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier. She requires the constant aid and attendance of another person.

She has no means or property and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 6617. Cornelia A. Dowell, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is Wiley, Colo., is the widow of John Dowell, late ordinary seaman, United States Navy, from May 11, 1861, to July 7, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 790 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died August 24, 1924.

He and this claimant were married March 29, 1911. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legal widow of the sailor. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support because of spondylitis deformans and marked kyphosis of all dorsal vertebrae.

She has title to a four-room cottage assessed for taxation at \$770. The rent of \$12 a month from the cottage is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6623. Bettie E. Garner, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 115 Minnesota Avenue, Danville, Ill., is the widow of Icil B. Garner, alias Isam B. Garner, late a private, Company G, Sixth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, from May 4, 1864 to November 5, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 665065, and who died July 5, 1919.

He and this claimant were married January 26, 1909. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under

present law, for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the chronic bronchitis, colitis, disease of right kidney and urinary organs.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6660. Curtis C. Kirgan, aged 41 years, whose post-office address is Glasgow, Ky., is the helpless and dependent son of Alfred D. Kirgan, late a sergeant, Company F, Fifth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from September 28, 1861, to July 16, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 522938 at the rate of \$12 per month, and who died June 24, 1906.

The parents of this claimant were married November 19, 1868. The mother died September 22, 1900. The soldier remarried August 26, 1902. His second wife, Flora, is now pensioned as his former widow under certificate No. 967162. She does not exercise care or supervision of this claimant and in no manner provides for his support.

The evidence indicates the claimant is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a helpless and dependent person since he was 5 years of age, when he had his back broken and lost the sight of both eyes.

He is now, and has been since his father's death, an object of charity, wholly unable to earn a support for himself. He has no means or property of any consequence, nor income from any source. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 6675. Maggie Kinart, aged 58 years, whose post-office address is 517 South Third Avenue, east, Newton, Iowa, is the widow of Samuel Kinart, late a private, Company H, Fortieth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 12, 1862, to August 2, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 668134 at the rate of \$30 per month and who died February 22, 1918.

He and this claimant were married June 29, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension as his widow under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence presented shows she is one-half disqualified for the performance of labor or for earning a livelihood and is in condition to need periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of nervous system and inflammation of gall ducts.

She has title to a home place valued at \$4,000, and has a mortgage note for \$4,070 from which she derives an annual income of \$203.50. She has no other means and no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her name be placed upon the pension roll at the rate of \$30 per month.

H. R. 6841. Mary Jane Howells, aged 56 years, whose post-office address is Oak Hill, Jackson County, Ohio, is the helpless and dependent daughter of Robert D. Howells, late a private, Company C, One hundred and seventy-ninth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from September 1, 1864, to January 17, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 426997 at the rate of \$14 per month and who died May 5, 1891.

The parents of this claimant were married April 12, 1863. The mother was pensioned as soldier's widow under certificate No. 316432. Her pension terminated September 11, 1920, by reason of death.

The claimant has no title to pension under existing law for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier. Evidence shows she is the legitimate daughter of the soldier.

The medical and other evidence filed shows she has been an invalid since prior to age 16 and has always depended upon her parents and others not legally bound to her support. Her illness commenced about the period of her puberty, when nervous symptoms developed from which she has had no permanent relief, leaving her a nervous wreck.

She has a home place valued at \$1,000 and \$500 in stock in a coal company from which she receives \$57 a year. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 6869. Eveline Mooney, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Coalgate, Okla., is the widow of Jacob C. Mooney, late a private, Company C, First Battalion, Fourteenth Regiment United States Infantry, from May 27, 1862, to June 27, 1865, and who died April 7, 1893.

He and this claimant were married December 5, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 396559.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and impaired vision.

She has no means or property of any consequence. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 6882. Delila Golden, aged 49 years, whose post-office address is Seneca, Mo., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Jacob Golden, late a private, Company K, Fifteenth Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from September 19 to October 31, 1863, and from November 1, 1863, to July 1, 1865, and who died January 29, 1923.

The parents of this claimant were married December 18, 1870. The mother died April 26, 1894. The soldier was married to Rachel McCircle March 27, 1898. She survived him and is now pensioned as his widow under certificate No. 933887.

The evidence indicates claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier, and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of mental incompetency.

She has title to one-third interest in 60 acres of land valued at \$600. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 6926. Samantha A. Coffey, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Walnut Ridge, Ark., is the widow of George H. Coffey, late a sergeant Company C, Third Regiment United States Infantry, from October 14, 1864, to November 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 521938 at the rate of \$12 per month, and who died November 4, 1905.

He and this claimant were married April 6, 1877. The evidence presented shows claimant is the legal widow of the soldier. On account of the soldier's dissolute habits, cruelty and failure to contribute to the support of claimant and their five children, she deserted him about 1891 and they never again lived or cohabited as husband and wife. This claimant continued to care and provide for their five minor children, while the soldier proceeded to a distant State and began living with another woman in adultery. He and the woman were driven out of one or two communities, and finally to avoid further trouble he contracted marriage with the woman. He had two children by her and when she died he abandoned the two children and went to a soldier's home from which he was dismissed because of his filthy habits, and soon thereafter died.

The Bureau of Pensions conducted a special examination of this claimant's claim for pension to determine whether the claimant was his legal widow. In every locality where the soldier resided after his abandonment of the claimant an inquiry was instituted and the court records searched with a view to ascertaining whether the soldier secured a divorce from the claimant, all with negative results. Declining to give this claimant the benefit of the doubt, her claim for pension was rejected on the ground she was unable to prove that the soldier did not secure a divorce from her.

She is described as a very worthy and honest woman and of excellent character.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is in a practically helpless condition physically and is wholly unfitted for self-support.

She is without means or property and has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 6928. Libbie B. Sanders, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is 20 Knickerbocker Street, Ballston Spa, N. Y., is the widow of Harvey J. Sanders, late a private, Company H, Sixteenth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from December 29, 1863, to August 21, 1865, and who died May 4, 1902.

He and this claimant were married August 26, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 537532.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unable to earn a support for herself or to engage in any gainful occupation because of arteriosclerosis and myocarditis.

She has a home place valued at \$700 and \$50 in the bank. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support. It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7000. Robert Lewis, aged 86 years, whose post-office address is 4723 Washington Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo., late acting assistant surgeon, United States Army, from September 23, 1863, to April 6, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 454029 at the rate of \$17 per month for chronic diarrhea, disease of rectum, and disease of mouth, the result of scurvy.

His pension was erroneously increased under the act of May 1, 1920, to \$50 and subsequently reduced to the original rate of \$17 a month for the reason he was not an enlisted man, but was in service under contract. However, it is the opinion of your committee that inasmuch as this claimant was pensioned under the general law for disabilities incurred in service and line of duty he has at least an equitable claim for increase in his old age.

The medical evidence shows he has lost his teeth, the result of scurvy, and suffers from loss of hearing, general debility, and the infirmities of age, and by reason thereof is wholly unfitted for self-support.

He has real estate valued at \$500 from which he derives an income of \$150 per annum. His pension is his only other income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his pension be increased to \$50.

H. R. 7002. Rosabelle Wade, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is 1215 West College Street, Independence, Mo., is the widow of Myron C. Wade, late second lieutenant, Company F, Ninth Regiment Michigan Infantry, from September 6, 1861, to August 10, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 588758 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died April 12, 1922.

He and this claimant were married September 9, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows that while she is able to care for herself, she is not physically able to follow any gainful occupation or to contribute materially to her own support by reason of a general physical weakness and severe deafness.

She has \$800, a mortgage note, presumably drawing 6 per cent annual interest. Her only other income is the small sum she is able to earn at house work. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7046. Anna Jesmer, aged 93 years, whose post-office address is 512 Alexandria Street, Carthage, N. Y., is the former widow of Aaron Mandigo, late a private, Company M, Eighteenth Regiment New York Cavalry, enlisted December 28, 1863, and died in service August 14, 1864.

He and this claimant were married June 11, 1857. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 84217.

The medical evidence shows she is in a helpless condition by reason of extreme age and affliction from an injured hip and nearly total blindness.

She has no means or property of any consequence. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7130. Rilda A. Redding, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is Greenville, Bond County, Ill., is the widow of Richard M. Redding, late a private, Company E, One hundred and thirtieth Regiment Illinois Infantry from August 12, 1862, to January 29, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 264182 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died April 1, 1918.

He and this claimant were married June 1, 1915. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires the regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of blindness, diabetes, and large tumor.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7131. Sarah A. Eckstein, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is 903 East Washington Avenue, Greenville, Ill., is the widow of George Eckstein, late a private, Company H, Eighty-second Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 21, 1862, to June 9, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 882433 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died July 25, 1923.

He and this claimant were married June 19, 1909. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of deformed knees, ankles, and feet.

She has a home place valued at \$1,000. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7235. Etta Burns, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Clyde, Kans., is the widow of Dennis Burns, late a private, Company I, One hundred and ninety-first Regiment Ohio Infantry, from July 30, 1863, to March 5, 1864, and from March 2 to August 27, 1865, and who died January 12, 1925.

He and this claimant were married January 7, 1872. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 960358.

Increase in her pension is sought for and on account of a helpless and dependent daughter of the soldier, Allie Burns, who, as shown by the evidence presented, has been a helpless and incompetent person all her life and is now in condition to require periodical aid

and attendance of another person by reason of mental incompetency and a crippled leg.

Neither the claimant nor the incompetent daughter have means or property except a home place valued at \$1,500. The only income they have is the claimant's pension. No one is legally bound to their support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 a month to the helpless daughter, Allie Burns, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 7237. Mary E. Pearson, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 628 La Street, Lawrence, Kans., is the widow of Ira A. Pearson, late a private, Company I, Thirty-third Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 9, 1862, to July 17, 1865, and who died November 12, 1901.

He and this claimant were married September 23, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 653983.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of partial paralysis and injury to hip.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7239. Nancy Wright, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Fountain City, Tenn., is the widow of Rufus Wright, late a private, Company G, Seventh Regiment Tennessee Mounted Infantry, from December 1, 1864, to July 27, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 844322 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died September 17, 1915.

He and this claimant were married May 17, 1914. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support by following any gainful occupation by reason of affliction from chronic nephritis and myocarditis.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at \$30 a month.

H. R. 7332. Lou Ogden, aged 54 years, whose post-office address is 521 Sheridan Street, Jacksonville, Ill., is the widow of Wyatt Ogden, late a private, Company G, Sixty-fifth Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from December 27, 1863, to January 8, 1867, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 607205, and who died February 16, 1924.

He and this claimant were married February 19, 1909. The evidence presented shows she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from

heart disease, disease of nervous system, arteriosclerosis, and the infirmities of age.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7340. Almira Henderson, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Greenfield, Ill., is the widow of William T. Henderson, late a private and sergeant, Company G, Sixth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from September 6, 1861, to January 6, 1862, and July 25, 1862, to July 14, 1865, and who died January 18, 1916.

He and this claimant were married November 10, 1865. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 811056.

The medical evidence shows she is permanently unfitted for self-support, and requires the constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from rheumatism and chronic disease of gall bladder.

She has no property of any nature and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7341. Mary C. Whitlock, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Franklin, Ill., is the widow of Alexander Whitlock, late a private, Company G, One hundred and first Regiment Illinois Infantry, from May 25 to August 27, 1861, and from August 14, 1862, to October 30, 1863, and who died June 26, 1919.

He and this claimant were married June 5, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 877333.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and loss by amputation of right arm.

She has a home place valued at \$600 and \$150 in the bank. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7406. Melvina Foster, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is 7129 Glenmore Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., is the widow of Decatur Foster, late a private, Company K, One hundred and forty-third Regiment Illinois Infantry, from May 13 to September 26, 1864, and who died February 8, 1916.

He and this claimant were married January 19, 1897. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 932307.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of edema of extremities, body and face, disease of heart, and chronic interstitial nephritis.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7411. George D. Helwig, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 710 H Street SW., Washington, D. C., late unassigned, Fifty-second Regiment New York Infantry, from August 24 to November 14, 1864.

The evidence submitted shows claimant is identical with the soldier of record. He has no title to pension under present law for the reason he rendered less than 90 days of military service.

Your committee has heretofore considered this class of claims solely upon their merits and wherein it is shown that the proposed beneficiary rendered 80 days or more of faithful service and was honorably discharged it has been held he has at least an equitable title and is justly entitled to some consideration outside of the strict letter of the law.

The claimant in this case is now well along in years and is shown by medical evidence to be unable to contribute to his own support and is really in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from a bilateral indirect inguinal hernia, which is retained by a double truss, with large hernia mass on right side. He also suffers from chronic cystitis, prostatitis, and disease of kidneys.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 7422. Lillian L. Near, aged 65 years, whose post-office address is Sandy Creek, Oswego County, N. Y., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Benjamin C. Near, late a musician, Company H, Ninety-fourth Regiment New York Infantry, from February 10 to July 26, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 310406, at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died November 20, 1894.

The mother of the claimant died October 9, 1894. The evidence presented shows she is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a mentally incompetent person all her life, being physically incapable of any kind of labor, and that for many years past she has been an invalid.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month, and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 7431. Lucia Clark, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 707 South Filmore Street, Osceola, Iowa, is the widow of David H. Clark, late a private, Company K, Second Regiment Iowa Infantry, from May 24, 1861, to October 2, 1862, and Company E, Seventh Regiment Iowa Cavalry, from April 29, 1863, to December 2, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 353296 at the rate of \$10 per month, and who died December 10, 1899.

He and this claimant were married November 17, 1867. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has been denied pension as his widow for the reason he was not discharged from his last contract of service.

His first contract of service was faithfully performed and he was honorably discharged therefrom.

Your committee has heretofore given favorable consideration to this class of claims and there appears to be no reason why the precedent should not be followed in this instance.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic rheumatism, neuritis, and the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest in a modest home place valued at \$450. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7442. Katie J. Jerolmon, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is 65 Fourth Avenue, West Haven, Conn., is the widow of Robert W. Jerolmon, late a private, Company G, Fifteenth Regiment Connecticut Infantry, from August 6, 1862, to June 27, 1865, and who died November 10, 1904.

He and this claimant were married May 2, 1881. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 590369.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from nephritis, arteriosclerosis, obesity, and cardiac hypertrophy.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7500. Carrie R. Royster, aged 58 years, whose post-office address is 1021 Eleventh Street, Boone, Iowa, is the widow of Robert D. Royster, late a private, Company K, Sixteenth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from April 21, 1864, to July 19, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 721041 at the rate of \$72 a month, and who died July 15, 1924.

He and this claimant were married July 20, 1911. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from arteriosclerosis and high blood pressure.

She has title to a home place valued at \$1,200, but has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7511. Cynthia A. Shafer, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Gettysburg, Ohio, is the widow of Henry Shafer, late a private, Company B, One hundred and ninety-fourth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from February 8 to October 24, 1865, and who died January 23, 1921.

He and this claimant were married December 7, 1860. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 910195.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of extreme age and affliction from chronic nephritis and arteriosclerosis.

She has \$1,400 deposited in the bank. Her pension and the interest of \$84 a year on the deposit are her only sources of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7531. Rachel A. Boyer, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Wampum, Pa., is the widow of Esta Boyer, late a private, Company D, Third Regiment Potomac Home Brigade Maryland Infantry, from February 28 to May 29, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 712091 at the rate of \$12 per month and who died April 26, 1907.

He and this claimant were married March 3, 1867. The evidence presented shows she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason he rendered less than 90 days of military service according to the interpretation of the War Department reports, which show that on April 30, 1865, he is reported absent without leave since April 28. The record also states that he was released May 18, 1865; it is therefore assumed that he had been in confinement from April 30, to May 18, 1865, although there is no record to show that he was tried by court-martial or otherwise or that he was confined in the guardhouse or prison for any period of time or ever under arrest.

The actual period of time he was held to service was 92 days, and he was honorably discharged. He was a pensioner under the general law under certificate No. 712091 for disease contracted while in service and line of duty.

In the circumstances, your committee is disposed to waive the technical and untenable objection to claimant's title to pension and to give her a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and that she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of chronic nephritis, edematous extremities, and disease of nervous system.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7546. Mary Rogers, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Seneca Falls, N. Y., is the widow of Patrick Rogers, late a private, Company G, Ninth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from December 16, 1863, to July 13, 1865, and who died April 5, 1923. He and this claimant were married August 4, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 935069.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from valvular disease of heart and the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$1,500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7553. Maud Works, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is Hawley, Minn., is the widow of Wright Works, late a private, Company B, Sixtieth Regiment New York Infantry, from September 24, 1861, to November 30, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 37368 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died October 9, 1925.

He and this claimant were married May 13, 1907. The evidence shows she is soldier's legal widow. She has no title to pension under

existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of abdominal hernia, following two operations, one for gallstones and the other for abscess of gall bladder. This with the infirmities of age renders her practically helpless.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7639. Lucinda J. Gibson, aged 90 years, whose post-office address is Verona, Mo., is the widow of William K. Gibson, late a sergeant, Company B, Seventh Regiment Provisional Enrolled Missouri Militia, from April 1, 1863, to February 29, 1864, and who died February 14, 1908.

He and this claimant were married March 16, 1853. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 650698.

The medical evidence shows she requires the constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction of facial nerve and the infirmities of age. She also suffers from injury to the knee joint, rendering it impossible to walk without aid.

She has title to a house and lot, presumably a home place, valued at \$1,000. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7699. Jemima Fritcher, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 5, Boone, Iowa, is the widow of Simon V. Fritcher, alias Simon Fritcher, late a private, Company C, Fiftieth Regiment New York Engineers, from August 25 to November 14, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1177716, at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died April 26, 1925.

He and this claimant were married April 5, 1885. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason he rendered less than 90 days of military service.

Your committee has heretofore considered this class of claims solely upon their merits, both soldier's and widow's claims, and wherein it is shown, as in this case, that the soldier rendered 80 days or more of faithful service and was honorably discharged, the proposed beneficiary has at least an equitable title and if shown to be in indigent circumstances should be given a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows she is in bad physical condition and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from a large cystic goiter and arteriosclerosis.

She has real estate valued at \$2,500 and encumbered in the sum of \$1,575. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7718. Laura B. Garland, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Velpen, Ind., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Thomas Garland, late a private, Company C, Fifty-eighth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from October 1, 1861, to August 12, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 29551 at the rate of \$30 per month and who died July 25, 1913. The parents of this claimant were married November 16, 1864. The mother died September 22, 1879.

The evidence shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a mentally incompetent person nearly all her life, the condition being the result of an attack of brain fever when she was 4 years of age. She is now in condition to require regular aid and attendance of another person.

She has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 7731. Nancy C. George, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Mentor, Tenn., is the widow of Claibourn M. George, late a private, Company D, Sixth Regiment Tennessee Infantry, from November 13, 1862, to June 30, 1865, and who died December 10, 1916.

He and this claimant were married July 2, 1873. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 839836.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and is in need of at least periodical aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from chronic inflammatory rheumatism and hypertrophied heart. She is confined to her home and walks only with the assistance of a cane or of another person. The condition is permanent.

Her only property consists of 120 acres of poor land valued at \$3,000. She has no income of any nature aside from her pension, and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7769. Lucretia Burton, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 28, Newfane, N. Y., is the widow of Esquire D. Burton, late a private, Company K, Eighth Regiment Michigan Infantry, and Company D, Battalion of United States Engineers, from September 20, 1861, to September 25, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 853510, and who died January 12, 1920.

He and this claimant were married September 7, 1910. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions, and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic nephritis, valvular disease of heart, and senility.

She has a life interest in 40 acres of land valued at \$4,000, which she rents to her daughter conditioned on payment of taxes and general upkeep and board and lodging for the claimant. She also has

\$1,500, from which she receives an annual income of \$90. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7782. Lucina McGhee, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Vinton, Ohio, is the widow of Marion McGhee, late a private, Company K, Sixtieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from March 23 to November 25, 1862, and who died July 5, 1883.

He and this claimant were married December 26, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 215474.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of heart and old fracture of hip.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7802. Hannah J. Bradford, now Blake, aged 90 years, whose post-office address is 167 South Avenue, 49, Los Angeles, Calif., is the former widow of Charles Bradford, late a sergeant, Company D, Thirtieth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, enlisted October 15, 1861, and died in service July 14, 1863.

He and this claimant were married October 31, 1852. She is now pensioned as former widow of soldier at \$30 a month under certificate No. 23724.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of blindness. She is physically helpless from the infirmities of age.

She has no property, and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7880. Caroline Dawson, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Cattaraugus, N. Y., is the widow of Alexander Dawson, late a private, Company D, Ninth Regiment New York Cavalry, from September 2, 1864, to June 6, 1865, and who died March 24, 1912.

He and this claimant were married March 28, 1861. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 744919.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of arteries and being nearly blind. She is unable to feed or dress herself and is unable to walk unassisted.

She has a dower interest in a home place valued at \$2,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 7925. Christenie R. Henthorn, aged 53 years, whose post-office address is 2209 Park Avenue, Parkersburg, W. Va., is the widow of Richard L. Henthorn, late a private, Company F, One hundred and eightieth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from September 21, 1864, to July 12, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 958992 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died December 2, 1924.

He and this claimant were married October 28, 1909. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension but she has no title to pension for that reason, since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and she is physically unable to fill any gainful position by reason of affliction from gall bladder infection and gall stones.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7926. Marlin L. Rankin, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Ravenswood, W. Va., is the helpless and dependent son of Thomas B. Rankin, late a private, Company I, Eleventh Regiment West Virginia Infantry, from August 14, 1862, to June 17, 1865, and who died January 2, 1911.

The parents of this claimant were married April 1, 1869. The mother was pensioned as soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 720749.

The claimant has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier.

The evidence presented shows he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been totally blind since he was 3 years of age and dependent largely upon others for support.

The evidence shows he has real estate, presumably a home place valued at \$400 and encumbered by mortgage in the amount of \$100. His income from preaching is negligible.

No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 7931. Anastasia Carroll, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is Warren, Mass., is the widow of John Carroll, late a private, Company D, Fourth Regiment Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, from September 30, 1862, to August 24, 1863, and from August 20, 1864, to June 17, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 420260, at the rate of \$27 per month, and who died May 29, 1918.

He and this claimant were married September 6, 1909. The evidence presented indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension at such under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to earn a support by her own exertion and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of a general nervous breakdown and general debility.

She has a house and lot valued at \$2,000 and \$1,723 on deposit in the bank, from which latter she derives an annual income of \$77.52. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 7990. Mary E. Baldwin, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is Groton, Conn., is the widow of Charles H. Baldwin, late first sergeant Company D, First Regiment Connecticut Heavy Artillery, from May 22, 1861, to September 25, 1865, and who died February 27, 1900.

He and this claimant were married May 5, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 493727.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of arteriosclerosis, high blood pressure, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her only income other than her pension is \$78 a year from State aid. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8053. Albert Garrett, aged 43 years, whose post-office address is 908 Fifth Avenue, Leavensworth, Kans., is the helpless and dependent son of David Garrett, alias David Gard, late a private, Company F, Eighty-third Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from August 23, 1863, to October 9, 1865, and who died June 9, 1906.

The parents of this claimant were married November 10, 1867. His mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 615483.

The evidence presented indicates he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that he has been a mentally incompetent person all his life, the condition being congenital in origin. It also discloses the fact he is not able to earn a support by his own exertion because of his mental weakness.

He has no means or property of any consequence and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month and that it be paid to him through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 8092. Emma Dally, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is 409 East Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn., is the widow of William R. Dally, late a private, Company I, Twentieth Regiment, and Company F, Thirty-fifth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from March 7, 1864, to March 15, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 657337 at the rate of \$17 per month, and who died February 11, 1914.

He and this claimant were married October 1, 1881. She has been unable to establish her claim for widow's pension at the Bureau of Pensions. It appears in evidence that she was married to a German in 1874, who was a fugitive or a deserter from the German Army. Soon after their marriage he returned to Germany to effect the settlement of an estate in which he was interested. He never returned and it is presumed the army authorities caught and executed him as a deserter. At any rate he never returned and the claimant states under oath that she has never seen or heard from him, except that she received word from his father that her husband was dead. The time or place of his death was not stated.

In 1881 the claimant, believing the report of her husband's death, was married to the soldier and lived with him as his wife for a

period of, approximately, 33 years, or from the date of their marriage to the date of his death.

In the circumstances your committee is of the opinion the claimant should be given a pensionable status as the soldier's widow.

Medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of the infirmities of age and arteriosclerosis.

She has no means or property and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

**H. R. 8172.** Frances M. Bartlett, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 105 Delmar Avenue, Evansville, Ind., is the widow of Benjamin F. Bartlett, late a private, Company B, Third Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from April 15, 1864, to June 26, 1865; and who died November 9, 1905.

He and this claimant were married January 14, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 610170.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and total blindness.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

**H. R. 8238.** Leah Senft, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 1058 East Market Street, York, Pa., is the widow of Franklin Senft, late a private, Company K, Two hundredth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 26, 1864, to May 30, 1865, and who died January 17, 1925.

The soldier and this claimant were married May 9, 1871. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 959892.

The medical evidence shows she is entirely unfitted for self support and is in need of the periodical aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from infirmities of age.

She has dower interest in property assessed at \$1,320 but has no other means or property, and no income aside from her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

**H. R. 8277.** Addie F. Holihan, aged 65 years, whose post-office address is East Brookfield, Mass., is the former widow of James W. Ross, late a private, Company H, Eighth Regiment New Hampshire Infantry, from December 10, 1861, to February 11, 1863, and who died June 19, 1906.

He and this claimant were married February 6, 1882. This claimant was formerly pensioned as the soldier's widow under certificate No. 639561. December 27, 1917, she was married to one John H. Holihan, and was divorced from him May 15, 1924. She has been denied restoration of her name to the roll for the reason she allowed the second husband to secure a divorce from her by default upon the advice of counsel. The divorce was secured on the ground of desertion.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to waive the slight legal objection to the restoration of her name to the pension roll.

The medical evidence shows that she is in very poor health and not able to contribute to her own support. She is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic dyspepsia, rheumatism, and hemorrhoids.

She is in indigent circumstances, without means or income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be restored to the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8280. Dora B. Ervin, aged 49 years, whose post-office address is 302 South Locust Street, Carterville, Minn., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Clinton Ervin, late a private, Company B, One hundred and fifty-first Regiment Illinois Infantry from June 2 to October 3, 1862, and from February 14, 1865, to January 24, 1866, and who died April 10, 1918.

The parents of this claimant were married December 24, 1866. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 860474.

The claimant has no title to pension under present law for the reason she attained the age of 16 prior to the death of the soldier.

The evidence indicates she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of congenital paralysis of lower extremities and is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person.

She has neither property nor income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 8281. Roseannah Jackson, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Oronogo, Mo., is the widow of Martin W. Jackson, late a sergeant, Company F, Twenty-sixth Regiment Illinois Infantry from August 10, 1861, to July 20, 1865, and who died January 14, 1913.

He and this claimant were married August 9, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 762128.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from fractured hip and the infirmities of age.

She has title to a home place value at \$300. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8298. Ellen Lanham, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 305 North Day Street, Virden, Ill., is the former widow of Burrell Earles, late a corporal, Company F, Forty-fourth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from July 1, 1861, to September 25, 1865, and who died September 25, 1875.

He and this claimant were married December 12, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 954946.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person and is not able to engage in any gainful occupation or to contribute to her own support by reason of physical weakness and senile changes.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8299. Frances Kenney, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Taylorville, Ill., is the widow of Abraham Kenney, late a private, Company F, Twenty-ninth Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from February 4 to November 6, 1865, and who died April 16, 1906.

He and this claimant were married August 23, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 624753.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from asthma, chronic bronchitis, and senility.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8330. Emeline Phinney, aged 66 years, whose post-office address is Milton Junction, Wis., is the widow of George Phinney, late a private, Company H, Twenty-third Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from August 20, 1862, to July 4, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 502809 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died November 17, 1924.

He and this claimant were married July 4, 1906. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity by reason of general weakness and run-down condition.

She has a home place valued at \$3,000 and \$700 cash in bank. Her only income is interest of \$21 on the bank account. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8340. Rosina Hesse, aged 87 years, whose post-office address is Keokuk, Iowa, is the widow of Lewis Hesse, late a private, Company A, Third Regiment Iowa Cavalry, from August 30, 1861, to September 14, 1864, and who died June 6, 1905.

He and this claimant were married March 9, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 600357.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of bad eyesight, chronic nephritis, and general weakness.

She has a double dwelling house, value not disclosed, which is encumbered in the sum of \$350. Her only income outside of her pension is a small uncertain rent from the dwelling house. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8370. Clara Fisher, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Weston, W. Va., is the widow of Jacob W. Fisher, late a private, Company D, Fifteenth Regiment West Virginia Infantry, from August 15, 1862, to June 14, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 583784 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died January 27, 1923.

He and this claimant were married June 29, 1909. The evidence in the case indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is practically helpless by reason of disease of nervous system and senility.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8440. Jennie M. Kloos, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is St. Cloud, Fla., is the widow of Henry Kloos, late a corporal, Company E, Tenth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from August 24, 1861, to September 28, 1864, and who died March 5, 1917.

He and this claimant were married April 12, 1898. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 839853.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of total blindness and injury to left leg.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8499. Emily G. Lee, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Deferiet, N. Y., is the widow of Newel F. Lee, late a private, Company E, Sixtieth Regiment New York Infantry, from September 10, 1861, to October 29, 1864, and who died January 26, 1918.

He and this claimant were married October 26, 1868. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 849404.

The medical evidence shows she is nearly blind and requires the almost constant assistance of another person. The condition is progressive.

Her only property consists of some \$400 in a bank, from which she derives an annual income of \$16. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8500. Bridget Lyng, aged 87 years, whose post-office address is 540 West Main Street, Watertown, N. Y., is the former widow of Luke Burke, late a private, Company E, Fifth Regiment New York Heavy Artillery, from December 28, 1863, to September 22, 1864, when he died in service.

The soldier and this claimant were married August 30, 1857. She is now pensioned as his former widow at \$30 a month under certificate 842297.

The medical evidence shows that she has suffered from chronic rheumatism for five years last past and that she has been unable to walk for four years. She also is afflicted with chronic heart disease and is almost totally blind. Because of her extremely bad physical condition, she has been confined to her bed and requires the constant aid and attendance of another person. The condition is permanent and progressive.

She has neither property nor income and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8544. Annie P. Winnaugle, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Huntingdon, Pa., is the widow of William F. Winnaugle, late a corporal, Company E, Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from June 24, 1863, to January 6, 1864, and from February 3, 1864, to July 20, 1865, and who died January 5, 1924.

He and this claimant were married November 25, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 945456.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from diabetes and neuritis.

She has no property and no income other than her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8547. Mary J. Hudson, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 221 Howell Street, Providence, R. I., is the widow of David Hudson, late a musician, band, Fourth Regiment Rhode Island Infantry, from September 16, 1861, to August 16, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 854712 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died March 26, 1925.

He and this claimant were married July 31, 1907. The evidence presented indicates that she is the legal widow of the soldier but she has no title to pension for that reason since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of cataract of both eyes, resulting in almost total blindness, inflammatory rheumatism, arthritis, myocarditis, and endocarditis.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8604. Emma L. Hardendorff, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 35 South Pleasant Street, Amherst, Mass., is the former widow of Charles A. Gates, late a private, Company E, First Regiment Maine Heavy Artillery, from July 21, 1862, to June 6, 1865, and who died February 1, 1872.

He and this claimant were married October 28, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 856845.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of total blindness and senile dementia.

She has deposited, jointly with her daughter, \$1,500 in a bank, from which she derives an annual income of \$75. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8621. Nancy J. Baldwin, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 932 Warrington Avenue, Mount Oliver Station, Pittsburgh, Pa., is the widow of John Baldwin, late a private, Company C, Eighty-eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from March 29, to June 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 968953 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died April 8, 1925.

He and this claimant were married in June, 1869. They separated in 1904, and on the 16th day of June, 1904, the soldier secured a divorce from the claimant. In 1906 they became reconciled and began living together again without a ceremonial marriage. They appear to have lived and cohabited as husband and wife from the latter date to the date of the soldier's death. Not having become the soldier's common-law wife until subsequent to June 27, 1905, she has no title to pension under present law. She has been paid his accrued pension.

The medical evidence shows she is physically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

Her only property consists of \$700 in a bank. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8628. Leora E. Wallace, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is Boonville, Cooper County, Mo., is the former widow of William H. Wallace, late a private, Companies C and E, Twenty-fourth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from July 6, 1861, to November 15, 1865, and who died June 21, 1892.

He and this claimant were married November 22, 1877. The claimant contracted marriage with one N. R. Pace November 28, 1905, and at a later date he deserted her, went into a distant State (Arkansas), and in 1916 secured a divorce from her, notice being by publication. The claimant declares under oath that she was the injured and innocent party and that the divorce was secured by fraudulent evidence, and that she had no actual notice of the proceedings against her until after the judgment and decree had been entered.

In the circumstances, your committee is disposed to waive the technical objection to her title to restoration of her name to the roll under certificate No. 530326.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of an old fracture of right foot and wrist and general weakness.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be restored to the pension roll as the former widow of the soldier at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 8678. Emma E. Hill, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Cromwell, Ind., is the widow of Seth Hill, late a private, Company B, One hundred and fifty-second Regiment Indiana Infantry, from February 16 to August 30, 1865, and who died February 20, 1924.

He and this claimant were married September 7, 1870. She is now pensioned as his widow at the rate of \$30 under certificate No. 947112.

The medical evidence shows she is permanently helpless and requires the periodical aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from cataract.

She has title to two town lots valued at \$1,300. She has no income of any nature aside from her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8682. Etta L. Wheeler, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 67 Perry Street, Brockport, N. Y., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Ferdinand A. Wheeler, late a musician, Company C, Eighty-sixth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 26, 1861, to March 2, 1863, and from March 9, 1864, to June 21, 1865, and who died July 6, 1896.

The parents of this claimant were married January 23, 1869. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death under certificate No. 457766.

The claimant has no title to pension under present law for the reason she attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier.

The evidence indicates she is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of congenital paralysis affecting her lower extremities and one arm. She is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person.

She has no means or property and no income from any source.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 8700. Nancy H. Berry, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Irving, Ill., is the widow of William S. Berry, jr., late a private, Company H, Ninth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from April 19 to July 26, 1861, and who died June 8, 1914.

He and this claimant were married December 26, 1861. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 780904.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from old fracture of right hip bone, amputation of right foot, and old fracture of left leg, and arteriosclerosis.

She has no property, and her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8729. Mary E. Everitt, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Berkeley Springs, W. Va., is the widow of John H. Everitt, late a private, Company F, First Regiment Potomac Home

Brigade Thirteenth Maryland Infantry, from August 30, 1861, to May 29, 1865, and who died January 9, 1920.

He and this claimant were married March 23, 1865. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 885801.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attendance of another person, because of affliction from arteriosclerosis and carcinoma of liver. The condition is permanent and progressive.

The claimant has no real estate. She has an income of \$119.50 from personal property, the nature of which is not disclosed. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8780. Annie M. Stains, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Burnham, Pa., is the widow of George H. Stains, late a private, Company C, Fifty-third Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from October 10, 1861, to June 30, 1865, and who died May 4, 1882.

He and this claimant were married June 6, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 340805.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of senility and ununited fracture of hip bone.

She has no property, and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8782. Orin Brewster, aged 50 years, whose post-office address is Waupaca, Wis., is the helpless and dependent son of Joel T. Brewster, late a private, Company G, Fourteenth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from September 12, 1861, to January 29, 1865, and who died June 20, 1913.

The parents of this claimant were married November 3, 1867.

The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death, May 5, 1915. The claimant is now pensioned as the helpless and dependent son of the soldier at \$12 a month under certificate No. 807827.

The evidence presented indicates that he is still in a condition of mental and physical helplessness; that he is not able to in any manner contribute to his own support by reason of a sub-normal mental and physical development.

It is important and necessary that he have an attendant always present.

He is entirely without means or property or income from any source. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended that his pension be increased to \$20 a month and that it be paid to a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 8792. Abigail Himes, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Thomasville, Pa., is the widow of Peter A. Himes, late a private, Company G, One hundred and sixty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Drafted Militia Infantry, from November 24, 1862, to July 28, 1863, and who died May 20, 1916.

He and this claimant were married December 21, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 811980.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of the infirmities incident to extreme age.

She has a home place valued at \$450 which is encumbered in the sum of \$50. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8811. Nancy J. Hicklin, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 723 Fayette Street, Indianapolis, Ind., is the former widow of Jonathan Hicklin, late a corporal, Company K, Fifty-fourth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from December 10, 1861, to October 15, 1865, and who died September 29, 1904.

He and this claimant were married July 27, 1891. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 936890.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to walk and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from interstitial nephritis and impaired vision.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8813. Sarah E. Edwards, aged 72 years, whose post-office address is 1237 Sheffield Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., is the widow of Robert Taylor Edwards, late a private, Company D, One hundred and fiftieth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from February 14 to August 5, 1865, and who died May 8, 1925.

He and this claimant were married August 10, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 963041.

The medical evidence shows she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of arteriosclerosis and the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$1,200 and encumbered in the sum of \$700. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8840. Mary J. Lyon, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Russell, Warren County, Pa., is the widow of Charles Lyon, late a private, Company D, One hundred and ninetieth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from December 19, 1863, to January 16, 1865, and who died March 2, 1916.

He and this claimant were married January 2, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 809240.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from fracture of leg and chronic endocarditis.

She has \$680, from which she receives annually in interest \$34.80.

Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8843. Hannah Cook, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Portsmouth, R. I., is the widow of William M. Cook, late a private, Company F, First Regiment Rhode Island Light Artillery, from March 27 to June 27, 1865, and who died May 18, 1917.

He and this claimant were married October 18, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 832250.

The medical evidence presented shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support and is unable to earn a support by her own exertion by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has no property, and her only income is her pension and \$120 a year from the county. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8867. Elsie J. Robinson, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 3616 Noble Avenue, Richmond, Va., is the widow of Thomas J. Robinson, late a private, Company H, Second Regiment Ohio Heavy Artillery from August 17, 1864, to June 17, 1865, and who died April 24, 1922.

He and this claimant were married April 18, 1878. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 927991.

The medical evidence shows she is helpless and unable to walk or to feed or care for herself and requires the constant aid and attendance of another person because of paralysis and arthritis of right knee.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 8877. Edwin Fears, aged 58 years, whose post-office address is Hillview, Ill., is the helpless and dependent son of Sylvester J. Fears, late a corporal, Company A, Sixty-first Regiment Illinois Infantry from February 4, 1862, to September 8, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 511919 at the rate of \$8 per month and who died February 8, 1902.

The parents of this claimant were married August 16, 1866. The mother is deceased. The claimant has no title to pension for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the death of the soldier.

The evidence shows that he is the legitimate son of the soldier and that since childhood he has suffered recurring attacks of epilepsy with resulting dementia precox. The epilepsy has taken character of grand mal.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month, and that it be paid to him through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 8880. Mary E. Morris, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is 726 Freedman Street, Jacksonville, Ill., is the widow of Martin V. Morris, alias John C. Brooks, late a private, Company E, Twelfth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, from August 29 to November 14, 1861, and from June 27, 1862, to June 16, 1865, and who died November 11, 1924.

He and this claimant were married May 3, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 958368.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person

by reason of affliction from gall stones and cholecystitis, which is probably malignant.

She has a home place valued at \$1,200. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9014. Ada Laxson, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Rives, Tenn., is the widow of James W. Laxson, late a private, Company A, Sixteenth Regiment, and Company I, Twelfth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from March 15, 1864, to May 25, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 615139, and who died April 17, 1920.

He and this claimant were married August 7, 1910. The evidence presented indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require, practically all the time, the aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic rheumatism and incontinence of urine.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9027. Annie E. Grissom, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Braddyville, Iowa, is the former widow of William Davidson, late a private, Company F, Twelfth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from November 5, 1864, to November 4, 1865, and who died April 17, 1907.

He and this claimant were married July 16, 1887. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month as the former widow of soldier under certificate No. 633852.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic bronchial asthma, digestive disturbance, emaciation, and cardiac trouble.

She has a home place valued at \$900. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9066. Helen L. Milmine, aged 62 years, whose post-office address is 813 Maple Avenue, Belvidere, Ill., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Luke Milmine, late a private, Company C, Thirty-eighth Regiment Iowa Infantry, who enlisted August 15, 1862, and died in service September 9, 1863.

The parents of the claimant were married March 12, 1857. The mother is deceased. The claimant and her brother were pensioned as minor children of the soldier to the date each became 16 years of age under certificate No. 52032.

The medical evidence shows she is the legitimate daughter of the soldier, that since 14 years of age she has been deformed and crippled as a result of curvature of the spine, and that for about six years last past she has been in a helpless condition, requiring constant aid and attendance of another person, by reason of rheumatoid arthritis.

She is in indigent circumstances, entirely without means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 9087. Jennie A. Moore, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 323 Broadway, Boise, Idaho, is the widow of Madison M. Moore, late first lieutenant, Twelfth Independent Battery, Ohio Light Artillery, from April 1, 1862, to March 31, 1865, and who died February 24, 1915.

He and this claimant were married October 28, 1882. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 799710.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of being so severely injured by a fall that she can not move about on her feet, which, with the infirmities of age, makes her practically helpless.

She has \$1,000 at interest at 4 per cent. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9143. Sophie Bouchard, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Cadet, Mo., is the widow of Matthew Bouchard, late a private, Company B, Thirty-first Regiment Missouri Infantry, from July 19, 1862, to June 13, 1863, and who died April 7, 1920.

He and this claimant were married September 10, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 890856.

She seeks increase in her pension for and on account of Frederick Bouchard, shown to be the legitimate son of the soldier, who has been a helpless and dependent person since prior to age 16 years by reason of mental incompetence, he having been born an idiot. He has no means or property and is entirely dependent upon this claimant for support.

The claimant has title to a home place valued at \$1,300 and \$500 worth of personal property. She has no income of any consequence except her pension. No one is legally bound to support either her or the helpless son.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 a month to the helpless son, Frederick Bouchard, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 9146. Frances Ransom, aged 69 years, whose post-office address is Milan, Mo., is the widow of Daniel T. Ransom, late a sergeant, Company L, Twelfth Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from February 23, 1864, to April 9, 1866, and who died July 30, 1924. He and the claimant were married October 11, 1874. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 954464.

The medical evidence shows she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of the disabilities of age.

She has title to a home place valued at \$2,500 and encumbered by mortgage of \$2,000. She has no other property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9149. Elizabeth Hart, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 538 South Buckeye Street, Wooster, Ohio, is the former widow of David Garver, late a private, Company H, Forty-second Regiment Ohio Infantry, from November 8, 1861, to July 7, 1863, and who died September 3, 1867. He and this claimant were married October 29, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 273429.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require almost constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of extreme age.

She has 20 acres of farm land with a house and barn on it valued at \$1,500 and from which she receives an annual rental of \$25. Her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9153. Catherine Spicer, aged 63 years, whose post-office address is Minnesota Soldiers' Home, Minneapolis, Minn., is the widow of Asher Spicer, late a private, Company D, Eleventh Regiment Illinois Infantry, from December 27, 1862, to September 1, 1863, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 671235 at the rate of \$50 per month, and who died December 24, 1924.

He and this claimant were married June 29, 1908. Evidence indicates she is the legal widow of the soldier. She has no title to pension as such for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of old fracture of arm, disease of heart, and general weakness.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9243. William H. Brown, aged 92 years, whose post-office address is McFall, Gentry County, Mo., whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, as follows:

The rolls of Capt. J. T. Musselman's Company I, First Regiment Capitol Guard, Kentucky Volunteers, show that W. H. Brown, private, was enrolled June 7, 1864; mustered into service July 6, 1864; and served to January 26, 1865.

He was paid for his services on said rolls from July 6, 1864, to January 26, 1865, 6 months 19 days, by the State of Kentucky, and said State has been reimbursed by the United States.

The evidence presented indicates that the claimant is identical with the soldier of record as indicated in the report referred to. Such service does not give title to pension under existing laws, but under the rules and practice of your committee he has a pensionable status for the reason that as a matter of fact the organization with which he served was actually a part of and cooperated with the Federal Army during the period of time indicated.

The medical evidence presented indicates he has no earning capacity and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person

by reason of affliction from arteriosclerosis, disease of kidneys and bladder, and the infirmities of age.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 9281. Bernerd Rogers, aged 87 years, whose post-office address is Bordentown, N. J., late a private, Company C, First Regiment New Jersey Infantry, from May 22, 1861, to July 18, 1863, and Ahl's Independent Battery, Delaware Light Artillery, from October 1, 1864, to July 25, 1865.

He is not a pensioner. He has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason he was not honorably discharged from his first contract of service. He rendered 1 year and 11 months of hard and faithful service and received an honorable discharge from his last contract of service.

This committee has established precedent for a more liberal construction of existing law, especially the first section of the act of May 1, 1920, and when it is shown, as in this case, the proposed beneficiary rendered 90 days or more of honorable service and received an honorable discharge he should be given a pensionable status. The service from which he was honorably discharged was for a period of 9 months and 25 days.

The medical and other evidence submitted shows claimant is a very old man and that he is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic disease of kidneys, constipation, poor vision, and the infirmities of age.

He is entirely without means or property. He has no income from any source, but depends on those not legally bound to his support for subsistence and shelter.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 9301. Annie M. Hewitt, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is Deposit, N. Y., is the widow of George P Hewitt, late a private, Company I, Forty-third Regiment New York Infantry and Third Independent Battery, New York Light Artillery, from September 9, 1861, to June 24, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 691987 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died November 22, 1924.

He and this claimant were married August 19, 1908. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has no title to pension as such for the reason she married him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic rheumatism and disease of heart.

She has no property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9333. John A. Maples, alias John Maples, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Cyclone, Mo., whose military history is set forth in an excerpt of a report from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, as follows:

The roll of Capt. James C. Thomson's company, Stoddard and Dunklin Counties, Volunteer Militia of Missouri, from May 20 to July 30, 1865, shows that John Maples was enrolled as a private March 1, 1865, mustered into service April 10, 1865, and relieved from duty July 20, 1865.

He was paid for his services on an individual pay voucher from March 1 to July 20, 1865, 4 months and 19 days, by the State of Missouri and said State has been reimbursed by the United States.

The evidence in the case indicates that the claimant is identical with the soldier of record under the name of John Maples. The service indicated does not give him title to pension under existing laws, but under the rules and practice of this committee he has a pensionable status, and justly so, for the reason the organization he was identified with was actually a part of and cooperated with the Federal Army during the period of time indicated in the report referred to. Your committee is therefore disposed to give him a pensionable status.

The medical evidence shows that by reason of the infirmities of age the claimant is wholly unable to contribute to his own support.

He has no means or property and no income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$50 a month.

H. R. 9354. Sarah E. McQueen, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Wonewoc, Wis., is the former widow of Oel Morrill, late a corporal Company B, Twelfth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from September 30, 1861, to July 16, 1865, and who died July 26, 1884. He and this claimant were married October 2, 1874. She is now pensioned as former widow of the soldier at \$30 a month under certificate No. 890531.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from disease of heart, rheumatism, and the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$700 and encumbered in the sum of \$320. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9359. Delia J. McKeon, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is 52 Spring Street, Hartford, Conn., is the widow of Philip McKeon, late a private, Company B, Ninety-sixth Regiment New York Infantry, from April 10, 1865, to February 6, 1866, and who died December 19, 1906.

He and this claimant were married January 17, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 624165.

The medical evidence shows she is afflicted with periodic asthma and cardiac hypertrophy to such a degree as to wholly unfit her for self-support. She requires periodical aid and attendance of another person.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9361. Susan L. Dean, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is South Franklin Street, Holbrook, Mass., is the widow of Otis B. Dean, late a private, Company I, Forty-second Regiment Massachusetts Militia Infantry, from July 16 to November 11, 1864, and who died March 2, 1918.

He and this claimant were married June 7, 1875. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 845587.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of lack of vision, deafness of one ear, rheumatism, and impaired general health.

She has real estate valued at \$3,000 and encumbered in the sum of \$250. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9365. Florence C. Woods, aged 56 years, whose post-office address is Washington, Ind., is the widow of Henry Woods, late a private, Company H, Twenty-fifth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 19, 1861, to August 18, 1864, and from October 19, 1864, to September 14, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 211354 at the rate of \$72 per month, and who died January 3, 1926.

He and this claimant were married February 26, 1907. The evidence presented indicates claimant is the legal widow of the soldier, but she has no title to pension for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self-support and in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism, nephritis, indigestion, and heart trouble.

She has title to real estate valued at approximately \$5,000, which includes a home place valued at \$1,800. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9378. Mary E. Perkins, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is 103 West Henry Street, Elmira, N. Y., is the widow of Jacob D. Perkins, jr., alias Jacob Perkey, jr., late a private, Company B, Eighty-fifth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 26, 1861, to June 27, 1865, and who died June 7, 1923.

He and this claimant were married May 7, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 937161.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from almost total loss of sight, chronic myocarditis, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9385. Anna Kress, aged 67 years, whose post-office address is 1031 North Tenth Street, Sheboygan, Wis., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Nickolaus Kress, late a private, Company

B, Forty-fifth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from October 8, 1864, to July 17, 1865, and who died October 24, 1895.

The parents of this claimant were married in September, 1854. The mother died in 1896. The claimant is shown to be the legitimate daughter of the soldier. She is now a pensioner at the rate of \$12 a month under certificate No. 704097, as a helpless and dependent daughter of the soldier.

The evidence shows that she is still not only a helpless but an incompetent person. She is deaf and dumb and afflicted with rheumatism.

She has no means or property and her pension, which is paid through a duly appointed guardian, is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$20 a month and that it be paid to her through a legally appointed guardian.

H. R. 9401. Emma E. Chase, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is 985 Plainfield Street, Providence, R. I., is the widow of Augustus L. Chase, late landsman, United States Navy, from August 5, 1861, to September 30, 1862, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 35374 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died August 27, 1911.

He and this claimant were married December 10, 1910. The evidence presented shows she is his legal widow. She has no title to pension for that reason since she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from arteriosclerosis and two attacks of cerebral hemorrhages affecting left side.

She has no property but has the income from two cottages amounting to \$600, less expense of upkeep, contributed to her son to whom the property was conveyed after soldier's death. Her net income therefrom is, approximately, \$300 a year.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9403. Mary C. Sutton, aged 57 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Guntersville, Ala., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Andrew Sutton, late a private, Company E, Twelfth Regiment Tennessee Cavalry, from December 14, 1863, to July 1, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 256712 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died May 15, 1924.

The parents of this claimant were married May 9, 1867. The mother died March 12, 1912.

The medical and other evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that in early childhood she had an attack of infantile paralysis resulting in a crippled condition of left leg and mental weakness. She is now a cripple and weak mentally, physically frail, and unable to contribute to her own support.

She has no means, property, or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 9405. Rebecca Miller, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Waynesboro, Pa., is the widow of Ezra Miller, late a private, Company E, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Drafted Militia Infantry, from October 16, 1862, to August 12, 1863, and who died October 13, 1904.

He and this claimant were married June 20, 1893. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 830876.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from senile cataracts, dropsy, and myocarditis.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9406. Sidney Morgan, aged 84 years, whose post-office address is 1418 Washington Street, Huntingdon, Pa., is the widow of William M. Morgan, late a private, Company B, One hundred and ninety-second Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from February 14 to August 24, 1865, and who died January 22, 1917.

He and this claimant were married September 1, 1860. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 837550.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of arterial hypertension, with cerebral arteriosclerosis, and general debility.

She has a home place valued at \$1,800, which is encumbered in the sum of \$437. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9411. Jennie E. Benedict, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 6715 Greenview Avenue, Chicago, Ill., is the widow of Oscar Benedict, late a private, Company M, First Regiment New York Light Artillery, from September 28 to December 20, 1861, and who died April 23, 1907.

He and this claimant were married September 21, 1868. The soldier was not a pensioner. The claimant has been denied pension for the reason her late husband rendered only 84 days of military service.

Your committee has heretofore considered this class of claims solely upon their merit and where it is shown that the soldier rendered 80 days or more of faithful service and had received an honorable discharge it has been held that the proposed beneficiary has at least an equitable title to pension.

The evidence shows she is the legal widow of the soldier. She is physically unable to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of arthritis and facial neuralgia.

The evidence also shows that she has a one-third interest in a house and lot valued at \$6,000, which property is encumbered in the sum of \$2,500. Her income is one-third of the rent on house, or \$200. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9423. Elizabeth E. Switzer, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Wheeling, Mo., is the widow of John Switzer, late a private, Company A, Seventeenth Regiment Iowa Infantry, from February 28, 1862, to May 26, 1865, and who died May 24, 1890.

He and this claimant were married April 3, 1878. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 298720.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and is in need of the personal aid and attendance of another by reason of affliction from the infirmities of age and cataract of both eyes.

She has a home place valued at \$1,000. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9523. Florence J. Glover, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is Salinas, Calif., is the widow of John G. Glover, late a private, Company L, Fifth Regiment Michigan Cavalry, from August 20, 1862, to September 2, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 39590 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died August 13, 1923.

He and this claimant were married September 19, 1869. They lived and cohabited as husband and wife until April 13, 1897, when this claimant secured a divorce from the soldier. Later they became reconciled and were remarried March 27, 1916. She has no title to pension as his widow under present law for the reason her last marriage to him was after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is unable to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from valvular disease of heart and the infirmities of age.

She has title to property and cash in bank valued at approximately \$1,532, and her annual income therefrom is \$28. She has no other property or income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9526. Lucinda A. Mosher, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Ojus, Dade County, Fla., is the widow of Warren Mosher, late a corporal, Company H, First Regiment Mississippi Marine Brigade Infantry, from September 24, 1861, to January 22, 1865, and who died June 15, 1924.

He and this claimant were married July 26, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 951923.

She seeks increase in her pension for and on account of a helpless and dependent daughter of the soldier, Harriet Mosher, now 55 years of age, and who has been a helpless and dependent person since she was 8 years of age, at which age she suffered an attack of typhoid fever which resulted in paralysis of right side.

Neither she or the claimant have any means or property, and their sole income is the claimant's pension. No one is legally bound to the support of either. The helpless daughter depends upon this claimant for subsistence and shelter.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 a month to the helpless daughter, Harriet Mosher, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 9540. Matilda A. Jackson, aged 87 years, whose post-office address is 201 North Second Street, Boonville, Ind., is the widow of Lockhart F. Jackson, late a private, Company I, One hundred and thirty-sixth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from October 14, 1864, to October 16, 1865, and who died March 31, 1891.

He and this claimant were married July 4, 1849. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 440825.

The medical evidence shows she is permanently disabled and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from paralysis, rheumatism, and disease of kidneys.

She has no means or property and no income except her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9548. Anna M. Mucho, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 1201 Woodlawn Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind., is the widow of William F. Mucho, late a private, Company E, Eleventh Regiment Indiana Infantry, from April 16 to August 4, 1861, and who died June 18, 1913.

He and this claimant were married October 18, 1863. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 763783.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person on account of results of cerebral hemorrhage and arteriosclerosis.

She has title to real estate valued at \$3,500, from which she derives an annual income of \$240. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9680. Louise Barber Snow, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 6 Garfield Street, Waverly, N. Y., is the widow of Edward Snow, late musician, Company I, and principal musician, Ninety-seventh Regiment New York Infantry, from October 8, 1861, to September 20, 1862, and from January 1, 1864, to July 18, 1865, and who died June 8, 1920.

He and this claimant were married May 21, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 892792.

The medical evidence shows she is not now helpless, but is fast approaching that condition. She requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic cystitis, neuralgia, myalgia, myocarditis, and low blood pressure.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9705. Almira Tulley, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Columbia City, Ind., is the former widow of James A. Spear, late captain Company B, Seventy-fourth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 1, 1862, to June 9, 1865, and who died January 21, 1866.

He and the claimant were married September 21, 1865. She is now pensioned as his former widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 272913.

The medical evidence shows that claimant is suffering from cancer, is confined to her bed the greater part of the time, and requires the constant attention of a special nurse.

The total value of her property amounts to about \$600. She has no income of any nature except her pension, and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9711. Ann Lawler, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 557 Evergreen Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., is the widow of Roderick Lawler, late third sergeant Company D, Thirty-sixth Regiment New York Infantry, from May 13, 1861, to July 15, 1863, and who died February 26, 1912. He and this claimant were married September 20, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 772242.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from hemiplegia and senile dementia.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9732. Martha A. Smith, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is 96 Middlesex Avenue, Swampscott, Mass., is the widow of Frederick M. Smith, late a private, Company K, Thirty-ninth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from July 27, 1862, to February 16, 1863, and who died November 28, 1917.

He and this claimant were married June 26, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 849000.

The medical evidence presented shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from nonunion fracture of left hip, general arteriosclerosis and weak heart.

She has no property, and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9739. Cynthia J. Case, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is Paw Paw, Ill., is the widow of Francis M. Case, late a private, Company K, Seventy-fifth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 12, 1862, to May 2, 1863, and who died June 1, 1922.

He and this claimant were married October 10, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 919244.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of extreme age and affliction from blindness. She also is crippled to such an extent she is hardly able to get around.

She has title to a house and lot valued at \$4,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9756. Mary M. Norton, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Newtown, Bucks County, Pa., is the widow of Joseph N. Norton, late a corporal, Company K, Ninth Regiment New Jersey Infantry, from February 24, 1864, to July 12, 1865, and who died January 13, 1916.

He and this claimant were married November 29, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 809104.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9767. Louisa J. Flowers, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Box 228, Paducah, Ky., is the widow of Thomas B. Flowers, late a private, Company B, Thirteenth Regiment Kentucky Infantry, from October 2, 1861, to January 12, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 312649 at the rate of \$20 per month, and who died April 19, 1912.

He and this claimant were married August 15, 1867. The evidence presented indicates that the claimant lived and cohabited with the soldier as his wife from the date of their marriage to the date of his death. The soldier had been married prior to the date of his marriage to this claimant. He was granted a limited divorce from first wife in November, 1858, and the first wife died in November, 1868. Because the divorce from the first wife was not absolute and that she was still living when he married this claimant, and that the State of Kentucky does not recognize common-law marriage, this claimant has been denied pension as the soldier's widow.

She apparently entered into the marriage contract with the soldier in good faith and this committee is disposed to give her a pensionable status.

She is shown to be in feeble health and in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of senility.

She has no means of property and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9794. Julia L. Stretch, aged 92 years, whose post-office address is Home for Veterans of Grand Army of the Republic and Wives, Sixty-fifth and Vine Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., is the widow of John C. Stretch, late a private, Company I, Eighty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 24, 1861, to March 18, 1865, who was pensioned under certificate No. 893045 and who died November 11, 1912.

He and this claimant were married September 6, 1907. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension, but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has no property of any consequence and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9799. Martha Wilson, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is Elizabeth, W. Va., is the widow of Henry Wilson, late a private, Company D, Eleventh Regiment West Virginia Infantry, from November 23, 1861, to June 16, 1865, and who died December 8, 1913.

He and this claimant were married March 9, 1891. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month and \$12 additional for Harvey M. Wilson, a helpless and dependent son of the soldier.

The medical evidence presented indicates that her son is still helpless and dependent and in condition to require the constant care and attendance of another person by reason of paralysis and mal-development of lower extremities; also atrophy of left arm, hypertension of digits, left inguinal hernia, and mental weakness.

Claimant has no means or property and no income except her pension. The helpless son is dependent for subsistence and shelter on this claimant. No one is legally bound to the support of either.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 to the helpless son, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 9802. Mary E. Woodward, aged 58 years, whose post-office address is Lexington, Ky., is the widow of Milton Woodward, late a private, Company E, One hundred and twenty-first Regiment United States Colored Infantry, and Company I, Thirteenth Regiment United States Colored Heavy Artillery, from May 20 to November 18, 1865, and who died January 13, 1914. He and this claimant were married June 12, 1896. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 899422.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to contribute to her own support and is in condition to require more or less care and attendance of another person by reason of her age, insomnia, and indigestion.

She is shown to be in indigent circumstances, being entirely without property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$40 a month.

H. R. 9837. Margaret E. Giles, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Richmond Furnace, Pa., is the widow of Jacob Giles, late a private, Company D, Two hundred and ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from September 1, 1864, to May 31, 1865, and who died August 13, 1921.

He and this claimant were married January 25, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 912755.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of general senility.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9847. Margaret McWhinney, aged 53 years, whose post-office address is 119 Card Avenue, Wilmerding, Pa., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Hamilton McWhinney, late a private, Company C, One hundred and thirty-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 7, 1862, to April 1, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 125088 at the rate of \$17 per month and who died March 26, 1912.

The parents of this claimant were married November 2, 1866. The mother died in 1892. The evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that since prior to age 16 she has been a helpless and dependent person as a result of an attack of spinal meningitis.

She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she reached the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death.

She has no means or property and no income from any source.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 9886. Ida M. Snell, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Lapeer, Lapeer County, Mich., is the widow of George L. Snell, late a private, Companies K and L, Third Regiment Michigan Cavalry, from October 1, 1861, to October 5, 1865, and who died November 1, 1902.

He and this claimant were married November 7, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 548878.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from high blood pressure, neurasthenia, and general debility.

She has \$400 in cash from which she receives an income of \$16. Her pension is her only other source of income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9891. Mary Ann Clark, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 918 South State Avenue, Freeport, Ill., is the widow of Benjamin Clark, late a private, Company H, Seventy-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from September 11, 1861, to October 3, 1864, and who died October 31, 1922.

He and this claimant were married February 25, 1861. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 924272.

The medical evidence presented shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person on account of paralysis of whole body and heart trouble. The condition is permanent.

The only property she has is a small amount of household furniture. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9909. Ann E. Reamer, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Keysville, Va., R. F. D., is the widow of John Reamer, late a private, Company F, First Regiment New York Engineers, from November 18, 1861, to December 13, 1864, and who died December 30, 1895.

He and this claimant were married April 11, 1882. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 426181.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of fracture of hip bone and the infirmities of age.

She has 22 acres of land valued at \$300. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9922. Maria L. Peirce, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is 249 Grant Street, Portland, Oreg., is the widow of Samuel T. Peirce, late a private, Company D, Twelfth Regiment Maine Infantry, from November 26, 1861, to October 21, 1862, and from February 24, 1865, to March 2, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 243671, and who died November 28, 1921.

He and this claimant were married October 11, 1905. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows her earning capacity is reduced to 20 per cent of normal by reason of rheumatism affecting her hands and especially her knees.

She has no property and her only income other than her pension is \$20 a month contributed from the county fund. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 9955. Clara M. Willey, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is 1 Douglas Court, Cambridge, Mass., is the widow of John W. Willey, late a private, Company K, Thirty-third Regiment Massachusetts Infantry, from July 25, 1862, to June 11, 1865, and who died November 7, 1895.

He and this claimant were married March 2, 1880. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 418936.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the aid and attendance of another person by reason of myocarditis, cardiac asthma, varicose veins with resulting varicose ulcers, and incontinence of urine.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9974. Frances C. Owen, aged 88 years, whose post-office address is Oquawka, Ill., is the widow of Zachariah W. Owen, late second lieutenant Company C, Fourteenth Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, from August 21, 1862, to September 16, 1863, and who died December 12, 1882.

He and this claimant were married January 7, 1858. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 266658.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from deafness, partial blindness, incontinence of urine and feces, and impairment of mind.

She has no property, and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9977. Hattie H. Hill, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 2241 Durant Avenue, Berkeley, Calif., is the former widow of Albert B. Abernethy, late a sergeant, Company G, Eleventh Regiment Michigan Cavalry, from September 21, 1863, to June 23, 1865, and who died August 15, 1875.

He and this claimant were married December 2, 1869. She is now pensioned as the former widow of the soldier at \$30 a month under certificate No. 181081.

The medical evidence shows she is in a feeble condition physically and wholly unfitted for self-support by reason of her age, high blood pressure, arteriosclerosis, and rheumatism.

She has \$200 at interest at 6 per cent and \$1,800 at interest at 7 per cent. Her pension is her only other source of income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 9992. Marion L. Holvenstot, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Markesan, Wis., R. F. D. No. 3, is the widow of William E. Holvenstot, late a private, Company B, Third Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from January 15, 1864, to July 18, 1865, and who died January 16, 1894.

He and this claimant were married July 8, 1867. She is now pensioned as the soldier's widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 420388 and seeks increase in her pension for an on account of Nina Holvenstot, a dependent and mentally incompetent daughter of the soldier, who is now 40 years of age.

The medical evidence shows that the daughter is helpless and requires the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from paralysis of spine and chronic gastritis, also deformity and disease of stomach. The evidence also shows that she has been a helpless and dependent person since she was 14 years of age, as the result of an attack of infantile paralysis.

The claimant is also shown to be in condition to require more or less personal aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from general senility and excessive blood pressure.

She has title to a home place valued at \$700. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month to include \$20 to the helpless and dependent daughter, Nina Holvenstot, subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 10015. Mary Burdick, aged 80 years, whose post-office address is rural route 2, Howe, Lagrange County, Ind., is the widow of Lewis B. Burdick, late a private, Company K, One hundredth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from August 21, 1862, to May 16, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 100164 at the rate of \$30 per month, and who died July 2, 1907.

He was married to this claimant August 8, 1868, and secured a divorce from her March 14, 1896. On the 8th of June, 1908, it was ordered by the court that the decree of divorce be set aside and declared for naught because of fraud and deceit perpetrated by the soldier in obtaining the decree of divorce.

After he had secured the decree of divorce from claimant he was married to one Rebecca Lawson, July 22, 1897, whom he deserted in 1901. She filed petition for and was paid one-half his pension as a deserted wife to the date of his death, and was also paid his accrued pension after his death, thus establishing legal widowhood. She was denied pension as his widow December 6, 1907, on the ground that her marriage to soldier was subsequent to the date of passage of the act of June 27, 1890, under which her application was filed. She, Rebecca, died October, 1913.

This claimant made application for half the soldier's pension June 13, 1899, which was denied for the reason she was not then the soldier's wife, he having divorced her. Her claim for widow's pension, filed November 27, 1907, was also rejected on the ground she was not the soldier's widow. At the June term, 1908, in the chancery of Wayne County, Ind., the claimant succeeded in having the decree of divorce annulled and declared for naught.

After the annulment decree the claimant renewed her claim for pension as soldier's widow, which claim was denied for the reason the decree of divorce obtained by the soldier March 14, 1896, was valid and that the order of the court of Wayne County of June 8, 1908, vacating the decree was ineffectual for that purpose.

Claimant still insists that the decree and judgment of the court granting the divorce from her was obtained by fraud and deceit; that she had no notice of the divorce proceeding, and was given no opportunity to defend herself in court; that she lived with the soldier as his wife for a period of 28 years, and that he left her to care for and educate their only child, then surreptitiously had their marriage contract dissolved.

The claimant is now wholly incapacitated for self-support and is in condition to require personal care and attention of another person by reason of affliction from impaired vision and hearing and senility.

She has property valued at \$1,500, but has no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her name be placed upon the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10016. Anna L. Shannon, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is 816 South Harlem Avenue, Freeport, Ill., is the widow of Robert M. Shannon, late a private, Company M, Second Regiment Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and Company A, Fourth Regiment Veteran Reserve Corps, from July 24, 1862, to June 21, 1865, and who died October 25, 1895.

He and this claimant were married May 19, 1868. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 420626.

The medical evidence shows she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of fracture of fibula, chronic kidney disease, and mild chronic bronchitis.

She has neither property nor income and no one is bound legally to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10032. Elizabeth Clarke, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 105 Grove Street, Passaic, N. J., is the widow of Livingston Clarke, late a sergeant, Companies G and D, Twenty-first Regiment New York Cavalry, from December 5, 1861, to August 9, 1862, and from December 23, 1863, to July 7, 1865, and who died July 4, 1905.

He and this claimant were married July 6, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 605323.

The medical evidence shows she is not able to engage in any gainful occupation and that she is wholly unfitted for self-support because of affliction from mitral and aortic lesions of heart and loss of memory.

She has no property and no income other than her pension.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10036. Isabella Ross, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 2, Cleves Pike, Westwood, Cincinnati, Ohio, is the widow of Thomas Ross, late a private, Company E, Fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserve Infantry, and Company C, Third Regiment United States Artillery, from June 21, 1861, to June 29, 1864, and who died July 17, 1917.

He and this claimant were married May 22, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 834075.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from frequent hemorrhages from lungs, bronchitis, and asthma.

She has no means or property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10045. Jennie Burt, age 41 years, whose post-office address is Lodi, Wis., is the helpless and dependent daughter of James Burt, late a private, Company A, Fortieth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry from May 19 to September 16, 1864, and who died September 7, 1913.

The parents of this claimant were married November 14, 1869. The mother was pensioned under certificate No. 769012 to the date of her death.

The evidence presented indicates the claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that since birth she has suffered from curvature of the spine, has one undeveloped eye, a deformed hand, and chronic chorea. Her physician states that she is confined to her bed for about one week each month (menstruation period), and at such times requires the regular aid and attendance of another person.

She has an undivided one-half interest in a 160-acre farm appraised at \$4,500, one cow, furniture, and farm machinery, all valued at \$100. The property was left to claimant by the will of her mother. There were two legacies of \$500 each which became a charge against the farm and \$600 of which is still owing, and this claimant is bound for \$300 of that amount, the legacies having been assigned to claimant and other part owner of farm. Her only source of income is from the farm which amounts to, approximately, \$150 a year net to claimant. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 10065. Laura E. Waddle, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is 1454 East Fifty-fourth Street, Chicago, Ill., is the widow of John Waddle, late a private, Company D, Eighth Regiment Ohio Cavalry, from February 9, 1864, to May 25, 1865, and who died May 5, 1900.

He and this claimant were married December 23, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 494494.

The medical evidence shows she is helpless and requires the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of injury to spine from two severe falls within the past five years.

She has no property and her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10074. Anna Weishar, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Ironton, Wis., is the widow of Jacob Weishar, late a private, Company D, Twenty-second Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from August 15, 1862, to June 12, 1865, and who died December 21, 1897.

He and this claimant were married November 26, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 468254.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities incident to extreme age.

She has \$3,000 in real estate bonds which are regarded as worthless by reason of default in interest payments thereon. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10102. Matilda Long, aged 92 years, whose post-office address is 116 East Parin Street, Muncy, Pa., is the widow of Henry A. Long, late a private, Company F, One hundred and fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from March 15 to August 25, 1865, and who died June 30, 1912.

He and this claimant were married October 9, 1856. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 748818.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and recurring attacks of epilepsy.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10110. Celia A. Woodward, aged 82 years, whose post-office address is Greene, Butler County, Iowa, is the widow of John N. Woodward, late a private, Company I, Ninth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, from October 9, 1861, to January 8, 1863, and who died April 2, 1918.

He and this claimant were married December 24, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 858083.

The medical evidence shows she has no earning capacity and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from chronic sciatic rheumatism and the infirmities of age.

She has a home place valued at \$2,500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10114. Sarah S. Blair, aged 68 years, whose post-office address is 318 Horner Street, Elmira, N. Y., is the widow of Hiram G. Blair, late a private, Company E, One hundred and forty-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 11, 1862, to June 24, 1865, and who died April 19, 1914.

He and this claimant were married September 14, 1897. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 816542.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from glycoma in both eyes, with vision almost obscured.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10150. Emily Robinson, aged 89 years, whose post-office address is box 338, Central City, Ky., is the widow of Rumsey Robinson, late a private, Company B, One hundred and fifteenth Regiment United States Colored Infantry, from August 8, 1864, to June 10, 1866, and who died December 6, 1899.

He and this claimant were married May 2, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 493128.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10153. Bertha A. Pyne, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. Number 2, Downers Grove, Ill., is the widow of David B. Pyne, alias David B. and William B. Wood, late a private, Company H, Third Regiment Missouri Infantry from February 20, to December 28, 1863, and second lieutenant Company H, Fifty-

first Regiment United States Colored Infantry from December 28, 1863, to March 18, 1864, and who died June 2, 1909.

He and this claimant were married June 25, 1881. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 724987.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfitted for self support and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from the infirmities of age.

She has an equity in a home place valued at \$3,000, and encumbered in the sum of \$1,200. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10163. Sarah M. McDonnell, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 132 Buckley Street, Bristol, Pa., is the helpless and dependent daughter of Francis McDonnell, late a corporal, Company F, Third Regiment, Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, from February 27, 1864, to November 9, 1865, and who died March 22, 1911.

The parents of this claimant were married July 4, 1858. The mother was pensioned as the soldier's widow to the date of her death, February 12, 1926, under certificate No. 722738.

The evidence presented shows claimant is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and that she has been a helpless and dependent person all her life by reason of an injury to her spine when she was 18 months old, which resulted in paralysis of lower extremities.

She has no means or property, nor income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 10175. Grace D. Shepherd, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Bowling Green, Mo., is the widow of Meredith E. Shepherd, late a corporal, Company I, First Regiment Provisional Enlisted Missouri Militia, from April 30 to November 14, 1863, and who died December 19, 1881.

He and this claimant were married October 13, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 435148.

The medical evidence shows she is now in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and affliction from chronic myocarditis, chronic bronchitis, traumatic neuritis (injury to spine), and old fracture of hip.

She has title to a house and two lots valued at \$2,000, and encumbered in the sum of \$1,600. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10182. Nannie E. White, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Low Moor, Iowa, is the widow of George F. White, late a private, Company I, Third Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry, from December 30, 1861, to April 18, 1863, and who died December 2, 1918.

He and this claimant were married May 7, 1860. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 867504.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant care and attendance of another person by reason of cardiac enlargement, arteriosclerosis, and broken compensation.

She has a house and lot valued at \$2,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10189. Peter Breen, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is 182 South Street, Lowell, Mass., is the helpless and dependent son of Terrence Breen, late a private, Company I, Eleventh Regiment Massachusetts Infantry from June 13, 1861, to May 14, 1862, and who died December 7, 1872. The parents of this claimant were married February 21, 1861. The mother was pensioned as the widow of the soldier to the date of her death, September 17, 1909. The claimant is now pensioned as the helpless and dependent son of the soldier at the rate of \$12 a month under certificate No. 703910.

The evidence presented indicates that he is still helpless physically and in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of crippled and deformed condition of lower extremities of a permanent character.

He has title to one-half interest in a deceased brother's estate valued at \$3,000 and settlement now pending in probate court. His income is \$180 a year from State and city aid and his pension. He has no other income. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his pension be increased to \$20 a month.

H. R. 10214. Henrietta Cromwell, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Trenton, N. J., is the widow of Arthur Cromwell, late a private, Company A, Twenty-second Regiment United States Colored Infantry from December 5, 1863, to October 16, 1865, and who died January 2, 1919.

He and this claimant were married January 31, 1862. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 871766.

The medical evidence shows she is fast approaching that stage of senility as to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of organic changes developing. The condition is progressive.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10218. Mollie M. Corya, aged 76 years, whose post-office address is 317 West Fifth Street, Greenville, Ohio, is the widow of William T. Corya, late a private, Company D, Fifty-fourth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from June 10 to September 26, 1862, and who died November 11, 1923.

He and this claimant were married November 19, 1868. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 945471.

The medical evidence shows she requires periodical aid and attendance of another person because of the infirmities of age and general breakdown.

She has no property. Her only income other than her pension is \$120 a year from soldiers' relief fund. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10231. Emily R. Gray, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Nowata, Okla., is the widow of Elsey Gray, late a private, Company C, Sixth Regiment Kansas Cavalry, from January 3, 1862, to January 10, 1865, and who died January 14, 1918.

He and this claimant were married September 10, 1865. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 851282.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of senile decay.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10255. Sarah C. Smith, aged 60 years, whose post-office address is 604 East Eleventh Street, Wilmington, Del., is the widow of David R. Smith, late a private, Company D, Eleventh Regiment Maryland Infantry, from March 9, 1864, to June 15, 1865, and who died December 3, 1917.

He and this claimant were married December 26, 1898. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 908280.

The medical evidence shows she is an invalid and requires periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from pulmonary tuberculosis and tuberculosis of bladder.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10256. Lucy E. Horton, aged 70 years, whose post-office address is Milford, Del., is the widow of Seymour C. Horton, late a corporal, Company E, One hundred and fourteenth Regiment New York Infantry, from August 6, 1862, to August 25, 1863, and who died February 29, 1912.

He and this claimant were married November 27, 1872. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 743162.

The medical evidence shows she has been bedridden for 40 years, the result of childbirth. She also is totally blind. Because of her afflictions she requires constant aid and attendance of another and is absolutely helpless.

She has no property of any nature and no income aside from her pension. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10257. Sarah E. Shuster, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is Bentonsport, Iowa, is the widow of Isaac Shuster, late a private, Company A, Seventh Regiment Missouri Cavalry, from September 9, 1861, to October 11, 1864, and who died June 30, 1915.

He and this claimant were married March 1, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 802072.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cardio-vascular renal disease and the infirmities of age.

She has one acre of land valued at \$75. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10282. Isabella Caffey, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Lambertville, N. J., is the widow of John M. Caffey, late a corporal, Company E, One hundred and seventy-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Drafted Militia Infantry, from October 16, 1862, to August 7, 1863, and who died August 5, 1907.

He and this claimant were married July 3, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 633163.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from interstitial nephritis and myocarditis.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10283. Mary James, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is 609 Bruce Street, Rockford, Ill., is the widow of George James, late a private, Company B, One hundred and forty-sixth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 29, 1864, to July 8, 1865, and who died January 11, 1916.

He and this claimant were married November 21, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 807861.

The medical evidence shows she is utterly unable to contribute to her support by reason of almost total deafness, general weakness, and senility.

She has no property and her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10287. Hulda Brubaker, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is 504 West Douglas Street, Freeport, Ill., is the widow of David Brubaker, late a corporal, Company F, Second Regiment Iowa Infantry, from December 14, 1863, to July 12, 1865, and who died July 19, 1920.

He and this claimant were married October 31, 1861. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 898973.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cataracts of both eyes, large hernia and chronic nephritis.

She has a home place valued at \$3,000. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10326. Nancy E. Dietz, aged 64 years, whose post-office address is Cridersville, Ohio, is the widow of William Dietz, late a private, Company D, One hundred and fifty-first Regiment Ohio Infantry, from May 2 to August 27, 1864, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1042488 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died October 10, 1925.

He and this claimant were married December 24, 1913. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid the soldier's accrued pension, but she has not title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism and myocarditis.

She has two residences, one of which it is assumed she occupies as a home and the other she rents for \$200 a year. The value of the two pieces of property is \$4,000. She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10340. Parelee Moore, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is Linn, Osage County, Mo., is the widow of Jesse Moore, late first sergeant, Company I, and quartermaster sergeant Thirty-second Regiment Missouri Infantry from September 8, 1862, to January 25, 1865, and who died June 27, 1921.

He and this claimant were married September 16, 1858. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 906468.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age.

She has a life interest in a house and lot valued at \$500. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10372. Caroline Stuckenbergs, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Freeport, Ill., is the widow of Augustus Stuckenbergs, late a private, Company H, Fifteenth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from May 24, 1861, to July 28, 1862, and who died March 21, 1907.

He and this claimant were married May 1, 1864. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 641397.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of chronic bronchitis, asthma, myocarditis, and arteriosclerosis.

She has title to a home place valued at \$4,500. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10401. Elizabeth Renfrow, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is 65 West Ninety-fifth Street, New York, N. Y., is the widow of Martin V. Renfrow, late a private, Company B, Sixth Regiment, Missouri Cavalry, from November 25, 1861, to January 3, 1865, and who died August 26, 1900.

He and this claimant were married January 28, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 523885.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant aid and attention of another person by reason of disease of kidneys and bladder, anemia, low blood pressure, severe deafness, and greatly impaired vision.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10449. Martha J. Groves, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is Pleasant City, Ohio, is the widow of David Groves, late a private, Company H, One hundred and sixty-first Regiment Ohio

Infantry, from May 2 to September 2, 1864, and who died August 11, 1902.

He and this claimant were married April 10, 1899. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 825335.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person because of general weakness, due to senility.

She has a house and lot valued at \$1,500. Her only income other than her pension is from occasional rent of rooms. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10477. Calsina Gilman, aged 55 years, whose post-office address is Mazomanie, Wis., is the widow of James W. Gilman, late a private, Company A, Twenty-fifth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, and a corporal, Company B, Fiftieth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from July 29, 1862, to January 17, 1863, and from February 23 to August 25, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 370985 at the rate of \$22.50 per month and who died September 26, 1915.

He and this claimant were married October 29, 1913. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension but she has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person because of affliction from arthritis deformans, rendering her practically helpless.

She has title to a house and lot valued at \$1,900, which has an annual rental value of \$240. (Claimant states under oath that property is vacant about one-half of the time.) She has no other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10517. Julia A. Harvey, aged 75 years, whose post-office address is Ellendale, N. Dak., is the widow of George L. Harvey, late a private, Company D, Thirty-second Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from August 21, 1862, to June 12, 1865, and who died March 12, 1911.

He and this claimant were married April 17, 1873. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 725102.

The medical evidence shows she is practically helpless and in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of crippled condition from an old fracture of left shoulder and bone of left thigh, and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10524. Emily D. Daniels, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Shattuck, Ellis County, Okla., is the widow of Lemuel Daniels, late a private, Company G, Ninth Regiment Iowa Cavalry, from August 3, 1863, to February 3, 1866, and who died August 16, 1908.

He and this claimant were married September 22, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 669396.

The medical evidence presented shows she is in condition to require the constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cataracts resulting in blindness in both eyes.

She has no property. Her only income other than her pension is the voluntary contributions of her son and daughter. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10535. Adaline Alexander, aged 77 years, whose post-office address is Winfield, Kans., is the widow of James M. Alexander, late a wagoner, Company F, Twelfth Regiment Indiana Infantry, from October 19, 1861, to May 19, 1862, and from June 9, 1862 to June 8, 1865, and who died June 27, 1914.

He and this claimant were married February 27, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 779568.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical or regular aid and attendance of another person by reason of rheumatism and the infirmities of age.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10536. Sarah E. Alexander, aged 79 years, whose post-office address is Meadow, Tenn., is the widow of Francis M. Alexander, late a private, Company A, Third Regiment Tennessee Infantry, from February 10, 1862, to February 23, 1865, and who died November 17, 1891.

He and this claimant were married November 28, 1867. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 375925.

The medical evidence shows she is wholly unfit for self-support and is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of disease of stomach, liver, and kidneys. Because of the combination of diseases she is often confined to her bed for days and sometimes weeks.

She has \$1,000 but her pension is her only income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10555. Hattie E. Greene, aged 61 years, whose post-office address is box 164, Conimicut, R. I., is the widow of Samuel R. Greene, late sergeant, Company C, First Regiment Rhode Island Cavalry from December 6, 1861, to August 3, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1119872 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died December 1, 1922.

He and this claimant were married September 5, 1911. She was established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension under present law for the reason she was married to him after June 27, 1905.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to only partially contribute to her own support by reason of an affection of brain, giving rise to rapid heart action, insomnia, and loss of concentration.

She has real estate valued at \$2,500 and intangible property valued at \$1,000. She has no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10566. Nancy Bassett, aged 85 years, whose post-office address is 1309 Parmalee Street, Rockford, Ill., is the widow of Perris Bassett, late a private, Company I, Thirty-seventh Regiment Illinois Infantry from August 30, 1861, to February 5, 1863, and who died March 31, 1910.

He and this claimant were married December 2, 1874. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 703411.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require periodical aid and attendance of another person by reason of extreme age.

She has title to a residence property valued at \$3,000, the income from which is her room and board. She has no other property and her pension is her only other income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10653. Sophia Foland, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is 822 West Second Street, Anderson, Ind., is the widow of Isaac P. Foland, late a private, Company E, Thirty-fourth Regiment Indiana Infantry from September 21, 1861, to February 3, 1866, and who died May 23, 1923.

He and this claimant were married October 30, 1870. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 938282 and seeks increase for and on account of Mary D., a helpless and mentally incompetent daughter of the soldier, who, as indicated by the evidence presented, is the legitimate daughter of the soldier and has been a helpless and dependent person since birth, the condition being congenital.

The evidence also shows claimant is physically unable to support herself and the mentally incompetent daughter by reason of her age and affliction from rheumatism.

She has a three-room house valued at \$400 and a home place valued at \$1,500. Her only income aside from her pension is \$9 a month from the three-room house. The helpless daughter is dependent entirely upon this claimant for shelter and subsistence.

No one is legally bound to the support of either.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month, to include \$20 to the helpless and mentally incompetent daughter Mary D., subject to the usual provisions and limitations of the pension laws.

H. R. 10671. Howard L. Rader, aged 49 years, whose post-office address is Belfast, Northampton County, Pa., is the helpless and dependent son of James Rader, late a private, Company L, Two hundred and second Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 31, 1864, to August 30, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 896049 at the rate of \$22.50 per month and who died April 14, 1920.

The parents of this claimant were married December 27, 1862. The claimant's mother died May 8, 1924. Evidence indicates claim-

ant is the legitimate son of the soldier, and that he has been physically incapacitated for self-support since prior to age 16, as a result of an attack of infantile paralysis at the age of 6 years. The disease resulted in atrophy of the left leg and arm. In addition thereto he is blind in one eye. He has no title to pension under existing laws for the reason he attained the age of 16 years prior to the soldier's death.

The only property the claimant possesses is \$1,000, from which he derives an annual income of approximately \$50. No one is legally bound to his support.

It is recommended his name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$20 a month.

H. R. 10678, Anna Hamilton, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Roaring Spring, Blair County, Pa., is the widow of Baxter Hamilton, late a private, Company C, Two hundred and fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, from August 9, 1864, to June 2, 1865, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 528978 at the rate of \$72 per month and who died January 21, 1925.

He and this claimant were married January 5, 1879. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has no title to pension as his widow for the reason he had a living undivorced wife at the time he married claimant. Upon the death of the first wife the claimant became the soldier's lawful wife and hence now is his widow.

The medical and other evidence submitted indicates she is in exceedingly bad physical condition and requires constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of affliction from myocarditis, interstitial nephritis, with periods of decompensation of both heart and kidneys and resulting anesthesia.

She has no means or property of any consequence and no income. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10705, Althea Marsh, aged 78 years, whose post-office address is R. F. D. No. 1, Rockford, Ill. is the widow of Willard P. Marsh, late a private, Companies C and E, Third Regiment Wisconsin Cavalry from January 11, 1862, to August 27, 1865, and who died January 1, 1923.

He and this claimant were married September 29, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 929045.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of senility and affliction from chronic gastritis and partial blindness.

She has no property and her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10743. Sarah J. Campbell, aged 73 years, whose post-office address is Lufkin, Angelina County, Tex., is the widow of Charles S. Campbell, alias Charles S. Sproul, late a private, Company E, Twelfth Regiment Michigan Infantry, from January 2, 1864, to February 15, 1866, who was a pensioner under certificate No. 1163146 at the rate of \$50 per month and who died July 9, 1922.

He and this claimant were married April 11, 1902. She has established legal widowhood at the Bureau of Pensions and has been paid his accrued pension. She has been denied pension as his widow under the provisions of the act of March 3, 1899.

It appears from the evidence submitted that by such action this claimant was done an injustice for the reason that there is no evidence tending to show that she and her husband, the soldier, were legally or otherwise separated. On the contrary, the evidence shows that they lived and cohabited as husband and wife from the date of their marriage to the date of his death, he having been temporarily absent from his home at work as a carpenter. There was apparently no thought of separation. The soldier was a poor man and it was incumbent on him to leave his home temporarily to find employment.

In the circumstances your committee is disposed to give the claimant a pensionable status.

The medical and other evidence shows she is physically unable to follow or engage in any gainful occupation by reason of the infirmities of age and general debility.

She has no property and no income from any source. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her name be placed on the pension roll at the rate of \$30 a month.

H. R. 10758. Nanny Nathan, aged 96 years, whose post-office address is Lansing, Mich., is the widow of Morris G. Nathan, late a private, Company B, Twenty-fourth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from June 15, 1861, to April 3, 1862, and who died February 5, 1903.

He and this claimant were married May 31, 1857. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 562871.

The medical evidence shows that she suffers from myocarditis and is totally blind. She is permanently and absolutely helpless and requires the constant aid and attention of another person.

She has neither property nor income and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10840. Sarah Ann Scott, aged 81 years, whose post-office address is Scales Mound, Ill., is the widow of Thomas Scott, late a private, Company E, Ninety-sixth Regiment Illinois Infantry, from August 9, 1862, to June 10, 1865, and who died February 15, 1924.

He and this claimant were married March 28, 1869. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 947370.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of cystitis, total loss of vision of right eye, and impaired vision of left eye following an operation for cataract and glaucoma.

She has no property. Her pension is her sole income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 10910, Mary Morgan, aged 71 years, whose post-office address is Rockford, Ill., is the widow of James Morgan, late a private, Company C, Thirteenth Regiment Wisconsin Infantry, from October 11, 1861, to June 11, 1862, and who died January 19, 1883.

He and this claimant were married September 16, 1875. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate 340886.

The medical evidence shows that she is practically helpless and is in need of at least periodical aid and attendance of another person because of mucous colitis, rapid heart action, and general rundown condition.

The claimant has neither property nor income of any nature aside from her pension, and no one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 11005. Susan McColgin, aged 83 years, whose post-office address is 721 North Morgan Street, Rushville, Ind., is the widow of William W. McColgin, late first sergeant, Company C, Fifty-ninth Regiment Ohio Infantry, from September 16, 1861, to November 1, 1864, and who died October 14, 1884.

He and this claimant were married April 3, 1866. She is now pensioned at \$30 a month under certificate No. 220480.

The medical evidence shows she is in condition to require constant aid and attendance of another person by reason of the infirmities of age and affliction from chronic bronchitis and myocarditis.

She has no property. Her pension is her only income.

No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

H. R. 11032. Martha Rose, aged 74 years, whose post-office address is Marengo, Ill., is the widow of John Rose, late a private, Company L, Second Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, from August 9, 1862, to May 29, 1863, and February 27, 1864, to July 13, 1865, and who died May 30, 1903.

The soldier and this claimant were married November 8, 1876. She is now pensioned as his widow at \$30 a month under certificate No. 562213.

The medical evidence shows she requires constant care and is wholly and permanently unfitted for self-support because of affliction from arteriosclerosis, high blood pressure (180), valvular sclerosis (cardiac), infection of gall bladder, and general exhaustion of age.

She has title to a homestead valued at \$1,800 and some \$200 in personal property. Her income aside from her pension is nil. No one is legally bound to her support.

It is recommended that her pension be increased to \$50 a month.

