Maj. Gouverneur Kemble Warren was the first district engineer of the St. Paul District. He was sent to St. Paul in August of 1866 to fulfill a congressional order for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to conduct surveys of the Upper Mississippi River and its tributaries.

Warren was considered a hero in the Battle of Gettysburg for holding Little Round Top from rebel troops. An 8-foot bronze likeness of Warren sits upon Little Round Top today.

In the St Paul District, Warren is remembered for establishing the district and quickly going to work on navigation, surveying and other issues in the Upper Midwest. He was able to put together the most detailed and comprehensive map of the northern plains.

The district’s towboat, the MV General Warren, is named in his honor.

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