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The Minute Man records action by the General Officers, the Board of Trustees, the Executive and other National committees, lists of members deceased and of new members, and important activities of State societies. In order that The Minute Man may be up to date, and to insure the preservation in the National Society archives of a complete history of the activities of the entire organization, State societies and local chapters are requested to communicate promptly to the Secretary General written or printed accounts of all meetings or celebrations, to forward copies of all notices, circulars, and other printed matter issued by them, and to notify him at once of dates of death of members and other changes in their rosters.

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The President General's Message

Companions: In my unanimous election as President General you have bestowed upon me the highest honor a companion of the Sons of the American Revolution can receive, and I deeply appreciate it. In return I pledge the best that is within me in the way of hard work, constructive thought, and enthusiasm to advance the interest of our Society. I am confident of the outcome if I can have the cordial and hearty support and co-operation of every State Society, chapter, and companion, which I feel I will receive, in view of the harmony and good fellowship which prevailed at the recent National Congress and which is so essential to the success and upbuilding of any organization.

With the inspiration of the splendid administrations of my immediate predecessors, Mr. Barrett and Mr. Rogers, and the other Past Presidents General who have so loyally served the Society, I take my office with a strong hope of continued progress.

A President General should have a constructive program looking toward increased growth and strength of the Society. Space prevents my reference to some things which I think would be helpful, but I would like to mention a few which I regard as the most important, stressing several which I briefly spoke of in my speech of acceptance at the National Congress.

National Headquarters

I place first in importance our National Headquarters, as we must have a suitable building consistent with our standing as one of the great patriotic societies of the country and for the efficient and economical administration of our affairs. Our prestige is at stake in our immediately raising $250,000 for its purchase and maintenance. The response for one year to the splendid appeals and hard work of Henry F. Baker, Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, was disappointing, with only $1,091 pledged. At our recent National Congress, when most of our delegates saw our beautiful building for the first time and better understood the project, we obtained, under a plan conceived and carried through by Past President General, Col. Louis Annin Ames, over $65,000 in additional pledges. This plan contemplates the giving of $150,000 by 300 companions, State Societies, and chapters pledging $500 each, to be known as "Donors of the Building," whose names will be inscribed on a tablet at Headquarters. Thus far 70 companions and 30 State Societies and chapters have become donors. The remaining $100,000 is to be raised by companions giving less than $500, whose names as sustaining members will be inscribed in a book which will be one of our cherished possessions. It is to be hoped many of our companions, State Societies, and chapters well able to give will generously do so, either in increasing their pledges to $500 or in giving now, in order to have the privilege of becoming donors. Many companions have and more doubtless will wish in this way to establish memorials for loved ones for each $500 pledged. The total of approximately $87,000 so far pledged is encouraging, but $63,000 more must be raised. It is inconceivable that we will fail, and I am confident every companion will wish to have a part in the purchase of the building and its future maintenance. Pledges, no matter how small, will be gratefully received and will be most helpful in swelling the total; but to attain our goal the personal solicitation of every companion is necessary by active committees in each chapter and State Society, and I earnestly request that this be done at once.

Membership

Membership is the life blood of any organization, and must be constantly augmented or the organization either stands still or retrogrades. We can never materially grow in size and activity from increased membership in existing chapters and State Societies, important as that is, except by the constant formation of new chapters all over the country, which has built up in the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution their splendid membership of 150,000, with 2,400 chapters, as compared with our 20,000 members, with only 270 chapters. Existing chapters can, however, greatly increase in size by obtaining from the local chapters of the Daughters the names of their members whose fathers, sons, and brothers are eligible to our Society, which is a most fruitful way in which to add to our membership.

Stoppage of Losses

The stoppage of our appalling losses each year in resignations and dropping for non-payment of dues is one of the serious problems we face. In the past seven years we have elected 11,000 new members, but have lost over 5,000 from these causes, with inevitable death taking over 2,500 more, making our net gain each year small. Our dues are trifling; so what is the reason and remedy? Opinions will greatly differ, but we can do much to retain our membership if we will make some of our meetings and activities so interesting and attractive as will induce companions to wish to remain with us. Evidently, purely patriotic activities are not alone sufficient; but what else can be done without lessening in the slightest degree the dignity and prestige of our Society, which we must always maintain? In war or in a great crisis, I believe the vast majority of our people are thoroughly patriotic, as the history of our country has shown, but in times of peace our activities are mostly dormant in actively keeping patriotism alive. We must hold more meetings, engage in more activities, and inject into our Society at times more sociability and good fellowship. We cannot do many things, in a social way, which helps keep the Daughters of the American Revolution intact and which appeals to women. We can, however, occasionally, and it has been successfully tried in a few chapters, have good and outstanding speakers discuss live and up-to-date subjects of interest to the average member and which brings him to meetings. Monthly luncheons in large chapters, like Buffalo, have in this way attracted many more members than a purely patriotic occasion. Golf tournaments have also been of interest to many, as has been shown in the activities of the Pennsylvania Society. Get-together meetings, more in the spirit of cordial sociability and good fellowship than anything else, by chapters not too far distant, have been a great success in western New York.

With so many existing organizations of all kinds, those which interest and attract members grow the fastest. Although the activities of organizations like Rotary, Kiwanis, and the Masons differ from ours, the fine purposes and objects for which they are founded would not alone attract and keep the large membership they have unless sociability and good fellowship were constantly promoted. If we do not interest our membership and induce it to come to our meetings and gatherings, our patriotic activities are curtailed, with only a comparatively few men in each State Society and chapter doing the work, which prompts the dropping out of many whose only connection with the Society is in the payment of dues. We must, of course, carry on all of our patriotic activities and teach a love for our Flag, but in the other activities I have mentioned we can always bring in a touch of patriotism. The solution of this problem merits
the serious thought and consideration of every loyal compatriot, as we can never
rapidly grow until we stop or reduce the heavy losses we have each year from
resignations and dropping for nonpayment of dues and which materially affects
our net gains.

YOUNG MEN
We should make a constant effort to enroll young men, as the average age of
our compatriots is beyond middle life, exacting each year a heavy toll in deaths.
In the past seven years we have lost over 2,600 members by death. But how can
we get the younger generation to join us unless some of our meetings and activi-
ties interest and attract them?

PUBLICITY
More publicity, consistent with our standing and prestige, is a vital need in our
Society. Very often our meetings and splendid patriotic work are never men-
tioned in the press, or only in a brief way, on an inside page of a local paper,
with the result that few know the work we do. Our prestige could be immeas-
urably increased if every State Society and chapter would see that the press
mentions in a prominent way every meeting and activity, which would also serve
to attract new members. An active committee for the purpose should be ap-
pointed in every State Society and chapter.

LIBRARY
Now that we have National Headquarters, we should commence laying the
foundations of a fine library of historical, genealogical, and biographical works,
which would be of great value not only to our compatriots, but to the public. I
appeal to our compatriots to send to Headquarters books of this kind.

THE MINUTE MAN
The MINUTE MAN is of the greatest importance and value, as it is the only
means of direct contact with very many of our compatriots who do not or cannot
attend meetings or who do not take part in our activities. Our well-edited and
interesting publication tells of the splendid patriotic work we are doing all over
the country, with items of patriotic interest which serve to make our members
believe they belong to a worth-while organization. Every cent spent on it is
justified, and I think any reduction in size or in the information given would be a
great mistake.

STRONGER NATIONAL SOCIETY
I strongly believe we will never materially progress until we have a much
stronger and more centralized National Society to guide, direct, and impart its
enthusiasm to the State Societies. Only hearty co-operation will give to the
National Society the prestige and power it should have. If the Thirteen Original
States had continued to go their way as they started to do, instead of fully
recognizing the National Government, as they later did, we would not be the
powerful nation we are today, and perhaps we would be several nations. Mr.
Barrett in his able administration did splendid work in developing our Society
along National lines, as has Mr. Rogers in his equally able and progressive
administration. Our National Headquarters ought to and will greatly help to
promote this national spirit.

My message has been much longer than I had intended, due to my intense
interest in the Society and my keen desire to inform you of a few important
matters which I regard as essential to our future growth.

We are proud of our splendid patriotic record of nearly forty years; we have
at last realized our dream of National Headquarters; we have in our Society as
fine a body of representative citizens as there are in the country, including the
President of the United States; we are gradually increasing in numbers and
activity; so let us, with renewed effort and enthusiasm, better solve some of our
problems, keep the fires of patriotism burning, and do our part in transmitting
to future generations the precious heritage left to us by our forebears.

GANSON DEPEW,
President General.

THE EDITOR SPEAKS
With this first number of the new volume of our magazine, No. XXIII, THE
MINUTE MAN departs from stereotyped custom and calls attention of compa-
triots to a somewhat radical departure, in the arrangement only, of some of the
material. We hope the changes will appeal to all as an improvement, and they
are made at the suggestion of more than one experienced publisher, with a view
to enhancing the appearance and the attractiveness of our magazine, not only to
our own membership, but also to the casual stranger who may see it but once, the
eligible prospect whom we may wish to interest in becoming a member, or to
the prospective advertiser, whose examination is, without doubt, the most critical.

Our General Officers are given a permanent position on the inside cover page,
where they may at once be readily found. The lists of State and Chapter Officers,
however, are relegated to a position among the latter pages of the book, not
because they are less important—far from it—but it has been sensibly pointed
out that, while these lists are most important to all members of the Society, their
former position in the immediate first pages of THE MINUTE MAN presented a
relatively uninteresting appearance to almost anyone picking up the book to peruse
its contents or to examine it as a publication. It was necessary to pass over
eight or more pages of stereotyped material before arriving at the most prominent
or most interesting contents of the book. These arguments appealed to the
Editor as sound and worth consideration, and, after consultation with several, it
has been decided to adopt these relative positions for the respective items men-
tioned, feeling sure that our compatriots will readily adjust themselves to looking
for their information with regard to State and Chapter Officers in the new and
more appropriate position assigned them. They may be found in this issue
beginning on page 145.

Another change, which it is felt will be most heartily approved, is that of date
of issue of THE MINUTE MAN. Hereafter the magazine will be in the hands of
compatriots on or before the first of the month of issue instead of almost the
last, and the months of issue will be July, October, January, and April. This
will make it more convenient to get out the issue immediately following the
Annual Congress and bring the number immediately preceding it closer to the
Congress, making it more feasible to give a preliminary program of the events
to occur and otherwise adjust the two other issues to a more equitable division
of the year. This will make it essential to receive copy for each issue not later than
the first day of the month preceding date of issue.

Therefore, please note that copy for our October issue must be in the hands
of the Secretary General by September 1, 1928.
Brief Biographies of Newly Elected Officers

GANSON DEPEW

President General

GANSON DEPEW, of Buffalo, New York, was elected President General at the Thirty-ninth Annual Congress of the National Society, at Washington, D. C., May 23, 1928.

He has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution for 32 years, having joined the Empire State Society February 14, 1896, associating himself with the Buffalo Chapter. He was elected President of that Chapter in 1925, elected President of the Empire State Society in 1926, 1927, and 1928, and served as Director General of the National Society during Mr. Rogers' administration, in 1927. He is a nephew of the late Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, who was the first President of the Empire State Society, holding the office for ten consecutive years. His Revolutionary ancestor was Rev. Josiah Sherman, brother of Roger Sherman, one of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Josiah Sherman was an able writer and preacher during the Revolutionary War, and also served as chaplain of the 7th Regiment of Continental Line, Connecticut, in 1777, taking part in the Battle of Germantown, Pennsylvania, October 4, 1777. Mr. Depew had other ancestors who served our country during the Colonial and Revolutionary period, two of whom came from England and France in 1634 and 1660. Mr. Depew is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars, The Huguenot, The Holland, as well as several historical societies.

He was born in Buffalo, New York, March 6, 1866, and was educated in the public and high schools. In 1887 he entered the law office of Greene, McMillan, Gluck & Pooley, attorneys for the New York Central Railroad Company and other large corporations, and was admitted to the bar in 1890, becoming a member of the firm in 1892. Later the firm name became Pooley, Depew & Spratt, and in 1902 Mr. Depew left the law to associate himself with his father-in-law, Frank H. Goodyear, in the lumber, coal, and railroad business in Pennsylvania. He became general counsel of the Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad, President of the Goodyear Lumber Company, and President of the Buffalo and Susquehanna Coal and Coke Company.

Five years ago Mr. Depew retired from business and has ever since been prominently identified with the civic and club life of Buffalo. He is past president of the Buffalo Lumber Exchange, one of the oldest business organizations in this city; of the Automobile Club of 12,000 members, and of the Country Club. He is a director of the Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad Company, Great Southern Lumber Company, Buffalo Fine Arts Academy, and Millard Fillmore Hospital. He is President of the Buffalo District Golf Association of twenty-four clubs, in many of which he is an honorary life member, and is also a member of the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association.

He is a 32d degree Mason, affiliated with the Shrine, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and Greater Advertising Clubs, as well as a member of many of the private clubs of Buffalo. He has been a trustee of the Grosvenor and Buffalo Public Libraries, operated by the city, and from 1919 to 1914 was a vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the oldest in Buffalo. His most recent civic activity was his successful leadership in April last of the twelfth annual Joint Charities Campaign of the City of Buffalo to raise $800,000. His life is a very busy one, but he expects to devote the main portion of it until next May to the Sons of the American Revolution.
OLIVER BENEDICT BRIDGMAN
Vice-President General, North Atlantic District

Oliver Benedict Bridgman, elected Vice-President General for the North Atlantic District, was born in Rochester, New York; son of the Rev. Charles De Witt Bridgman, D. D., and Lucette Benedict Bridgman, and descended from James Bridgman (on his father's side), who came to this country prior to 1665, and Lieutenant Thomas Benedict (on his mother's side), born in England in 1617, and died in Norwalk, Connecticut, in 1689. He was lieutenant in Captain Byron Newton's company, organized in Jamaica in 1665. Vice-President Bridgman is the senior member of the brokerage firm of Bridgman, Bates & Company, and a member of the New York Stock Exchange. Was one of those who organized and succeeded in having mustered into the National Guard, April 2, 1889, Troop A, cavalry, being the first cavalry command in the State for many years; later, it having grown and been recognized as a very necessary part of the State forces, it was increased to four troops and a machine-gun troop, all from men who were on a waiting list, and became Squadron A, one of the best-known and most efficient cavalry commands in the country, of which he was the commanding officer for over twelve years. He was made colonel of the first regiment of cavalry organized in the State, of which Squadron A was a part.

During the last war General Bridgman was on the reserve list of officers and was offered a commission in the Ordnance Department, U. S. A, but, feeling he could be of more use elsewhere, declined it and, giving up his business on the Stock Exchange, went to Spartanburg, South Carolina, when the 27th Division was located there and gave his time in organizing and conducting a club solely for the enlisted men. After the Division left he returned to New York and was made chairman of the Civilian Board for Candidates for the Artillery School at Zachary Taylor. At the same time he was largely interested in the Liberty Loan drives in New York.

During the Mexican Border mobilization General Bridgman served as assistant to the Adjutant General of the State of New York. He is now on the retired list of officers as brigadier general.

General Bridgman is a vestryman of the Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York City; President of the Association of Ex-Members of Squadron A, to which office he was elected for life; Vice-President, Empire State Society, and President of the New York Chapter, S. A. R.; Governor of the New York State Society of Founders and Patriots of America; Vice-President of the Albany Society; member of the Standing Committee, Society of the Geneese; member of the Standing Committee, New York Society, Military and Naval Officers, World War; Director of the American Flag Association; Trustee of the Home for Old Men and Aged Couples; member of: Army and Navy Club of America; American Yacht Club; The Church Club; Union League Club; St. Nicholas Society; Society of Colonial Wars; Society of American Officers; Society of American Wars; France-America Society, and The Pilgrims' Society. He originated and directed the ceremony of the "Massing of the Colors," which is one of the if not the most beautiful ceremonies and service to the Flag, which is held each year on the Sunday afternoon preceding Armistice Day and which has been taken up in several other cities throughout the country and generally under the auspices of members of the S. A. R.

CORNELIUS CHRISTIANCY
Vice-President General, South Atlantic District

Cornelius Christancy, elected Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District, at Washington, on May 23, was born in Sangamon County, near Springfield, Illinois, on November 5, 1870, the son of Cornelius Evert Christancy and Frances William Hesser. He is at present one of the Vice-Presidents of the Florida State Society and also Chairman of the Committee on Increased Membership for his State Society.

Mr. Christancy received his schooling in Illinois and Kansas, and at an early age his parents removed to California, where he grew to manhood at Coronado Beach. Since 1891 he has been a resident of Florida and became a large land owner in the State of his adoption, an orange grower, and in other ways identified with its great development, being at the present time president of the Daytona Beach Real Estate Board and Chairman of the Agricultural Development Committee of the State Board. He founded the town of Allandale, in Volusia County, Florida, where his residence is and has been for twenty-five years.

Mr. Christancy is a member of the Georgia State Society of Colonial Wars by virtue of his descent from Cornelius Christiancy, of Schenectady, New York, who fought in the Indian Wars, and who was a grandfather of Cornelius Christiancy, who fought in the American Revolution. He is a member of the Holland Society of New York, his original immigrant having arrived from Walloon now a part of Belgium, in 1637. His father served in the Civil War, having enlisted on the first call, and was discharged at the end of the war. His mother, born at Fredericksburg, Virginia, in January, 1846, is now living in San Diego, California, an honorary member of the United Daughters of the Confederacy. His maternal grandmother, Mary Lear, was the daughter of Mr. Lear, secretary to General Washington, and in whose arms George Washington died. Mary Lear married Dr. William H. Hesser, of Fredericksburg, and Mr. Christiancy's mother was born in the house across the river from Fredericksburg, which was given to her grandfather by General Washington.

On October 21 Mr. Christiancy married Martha Prince Howes, of Dennis, Massachusetts, the daughter of William Crowell Howes, an early member of the S. A. R. Mrs. Christiancy is a member of the D. A. R. They have two sons and a daughter, the older son being a member of the Florida Society of the S. A. R.

NORMAN MILNER COUTY
Vice-President General, Southern District

At the 39th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, held at Washington, D. C., May 20 to May 23, 1928, Norman Milner Couty was elected Vice-President General of the Southern District, which is composed of the States of Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee.

He is the son of Charles Edward Couty, born in Macon, Georgia, and Jane E. Witt Couty, born in Nelson County, Virginia, while the subject of this sketch was born May 29, 1864, in Hancock County, Kentucky.
After having attended the public schools of Louisville, Kentucky, he was engaged in the pharmaceutical and tobacco lines of business for many years.

The corporation conducting the latter line having been acquired by the American Tobacco Company in 1891, he was associated with the American Tobacco and Allied Tobacco Companies as traveling auditor and assistant auditor until his resignation therefrom in 1906.

As a member of the Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution, he has served on the Board of Managers, been Chairman of Membership Campaign Committee for two years, and is now serving his second year as Treasurer of the Kentucky Society.

Owing to his descent, upon the maternal side of the family, from a Huguenot ancestor, who assisted the Marquis Oliver de la Muce and Charles de Saligny in the founding of Manakintowne, in the Colony of Virginia, 1609-1700, he is a National Vice-President of the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin, in the Colony of Virginia.

DAVID EDWIN FRENCH  
Vice-President General, Central District

DAVID EDWIN FRENCH, son of Henly Chapman and Harriet T. (Easley) French, was born in Giles County, Virginia, July 26, 1871. He is a descendant of a long line of Colonial ancestors, a number of whom served in the American Revolution, and among them were Matthew French and John Chapman, for whom chapters in the D. A. R. have been named.

He received his early education in the public schools and the high school at Pearisburg, Virginia; studied law and was admitted to the bar in May, 1895. He located in McDowell County, West Virginia, and remained there until 1905, when he located in Bluefield, West Virginia. He was city attorney of Bluefield from 1908 to 1913 and was a member of the West Virginia State Senate from 1910 to 1914.

He is a member of the Baptist Church, a Mason, Knight Templar, Shriner, and Elk. He is active in the business and civic life of his community. For over twenty years he has been actively interested in banking and is now president of the Bluefield National Bank. During the World War he was Chairman of the Four Minute Men of the City of Bluefield and Mercer County, West Virginia; local Chairman of the Military Training Camps Association, and a member of Mercer County Legal Advisory Board.

He was married November 15, 1896, to Minnie, daughter of Capt. William A. and Louise (Hare) Reid, of Summers County, West Virginia. Mrs. French is a writer of verse and stories and a member of the League of American Pen Women. She is also a member of the D. A. R. and Regent of John Chapman Chapter of Bluefield. They have five children: David Edwin, Jr., John R., Harriet Louise, Francis C., and Elizabeth Wilson.

He is President of the West Virginia Society, S. A. R., and Vice-President General of the National Society, S. A. R., for the Central District, embracing the States of Indiana, Ohio, and West Virginia, elected to the last office at the Washington Congress, May 23, 1928.
Mr. Robertson traces his Revolutionary ancestry on his maternal side to the Reese family, of Frederick County, Maryland. His ancestor in the Revolution, Lieutenant Frederick Reese, was commissioned by Governor Thomas Johnson as Lieutenant in the Linganore Battalion of Frederick County, and became captain of the Maryland Militia after the close of the Revolution. Lieutenant Reese also served as a member of the Committee of Safety for the Middle District of Frederick County, Maryland, in 1775.

Lieutenant Reese's son, Capt. John Reese, served in the War of 1812 with distinctive valor, and in fact the line of ancestry shows some one having fought in every war in which the United States has been engaged, including the Colonial period.

On his paternal side Mr. Robertson is a direct descendant of the Clan Donnachaidh, of Scotland, which later became the Clan Robertson.

Mr. Robertson has been a member of the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution since December 12, 1912, and has been Secretary of the Society since April 19, 1918. He is intensely interested in everything of a patriotic and civic nature and has been identified with a great many movements along these lines in his native city.

After having been educated in the public schools of Baltimore and graduating from the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute, he entered the engineering field with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, later joining the Southern Railroad and being placed in charge of special work over the entire system. During the construction of the Grand Central Terminal in New York City he was in charge of the design of the terminal, which is one of the outstanding engineering projects in this country. The last engineering position he held was that of assistant valuation engineer for the Western Maryland Railroad on the Government valuation of the railroads.

For the past seven years Mr. Robertson has been devoting his time to the interest of organizations. Besides being Secretary of the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, he is Secretary of the Civilian Club of Baltimore, the Baltimore Life Underwriters Association, the Maryland Kennel Club, Inc., the Engineers' Club of Baltimore, and many others. By special appointment of the Mayor of Baltimore, he also acted as Executive Secretary for Boys' Week in Baltimore in 1922, 1923, and 1924, when Baltimore and New York City took the lead in this most important work in the interest of boys.

Mr. Robertson's political affiliations are Democratic and he is a member of the First English Lutheran Church of Baltimore. In addition to the above-named organizations, he is a member of the Merchants' Club, Baltimore Country Club, Baltimore Athletic Club, St. Andrews Society, Society of the War of 1812, Maryland Historical Society, American Society of Civil Engineers, and the Florists' Club of Baltimore.

He has been a delegate from the Maryland Society to the National Congresses at Rochester, Detroit, Hartford, Buffalo, Springfield, Nashville, Salt Lake City, Swampscott, Philadelphia, Richmond, and Washington, and has been Chairman of the National Credentials Committee at the Philadelphia, Richmond, and Washington Congresses.

On November 25, 1908, he was married to Loutie Moore Meissel, a direct descendant of William Moore, who served in Capt. Henry Gales' Quantico Company, Salisbury Battalion, of the Maryland Militia.

They have two children, Emma Sadtler Robertson and George Sadtler Robertson, Jr., the latter a student at the Johns Hopkins University and a member of the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.
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and all Presidents of State Societies
The National Headquarters Committee

THE following letter and the reply to it are self-explanatory and it is felt that the work of completing funds for our National Headquarters, so ably inaugurated and begun by Mr. Baker, will be splendidly fulfilled under the direction and supervision of the new chairman.

Very truly yours,

Ganson Depew, President General,

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Jossiah A. Vanorssel,
Frank B. Steele, Secretary General.

The following telegram was received in response to the above:

Ganson Depew, President General, S. A. R., Buffalo, N. Y.

Your request of June 16th received. If it is an imperative duty, I accept.

Louis Annin Ames.

SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Compatriots are referred to our advertising pages for information as to available copies of Year Books and the Official Bulletin.

Upon request, the Secretary General will furnish to any State Secretary or Registrar a copy of a special ruling with regard to the mailing of membership certificates, obtained from the Third Assistant Postmaster General.

The patronage of our compatriots and readers is respectfully urged for our advertisers, and you are requested to mention THE MINUTE MAN when writing them. This will help us to hold our present clients and to obtain new ones.

A number of copies of "Washington's Journey" are available at National Headquarters, postpaid, upon receipt of $1.00. This is an interesting and authentic monograph, reciting the details of Washington's journey from Philadelphia to Cambridge to take command of the American Army in 1775. It is illustrated by colored prints and a map of the route and should be an acceptable addition to any home library.

A happy suggestion was recently issued from National Headquarters to all State Societies which have furnished a President General that a photograph of
these honored compatriots be furnished to adorn the walls of our new building. It is pleasant to announce that the suggestion has received favorable responses from all the societies involved, and our gallery of Past Presidents General is growing. It was hoped that they might all be received in time to be placed before the 39th Congress met; but, while this was not quite possible, a number did arrive and we hope soon to have the roster complete. They are being placed in chronological order on the wall of the beautiful winding stairway and already have attracted most interested attention.

The District of Columbia Society has the distinction of being the first of the State Societies to go “over the top” in raising its quota for National Headquarters, and as such received the banner offered as a prize by Chairman Baker, of the Headquarters Committee. This was presented with appropriate remarks at the session of the Congress, Tuesday morning, May 22, and accepted by President Wales, of the District of Columbia Society. In addition to its quota of $10,000 the District Society became a Donor by the further contribution of $500 from its treasury.

The North Carolina Society, after being presented with its new beautifully engrossed Charter at one of the sessions of our recent Congress, in return made a gift to the National Society of the State Flag of North Carolina. This is the first State Society to honor its parent Society with the emblem of its Commonwealth, and we sincerely hope the example will be followed by others. A collection of the flags of all the States would be highly prized and would be available for a most colorful display upon occasions of ceremony in which the Society may participate.

A set of four attractive postcards showing exterior and interior views of National Headquarters will be mailed on receipt of twenty cents; an unusually fine set of eight views of Washington may be obtained for eighty cents. Sales of these cards will net an excellent percentage, which will be used for the benefit of the Headquarters Fund.

It is suggested that chapters purchase the Headquarters views for brief reminders of meetings. One compatriot secured a previously refused subscription to Headquarters through these cards.

Address the Secretary General.

A GIFT OF HISTORIC INTEREST

The National Society is deeply indebted to Mrs. James H. Dorsey, of Baltimore, Maryland, for the gift of an elm tree seedling, a “grandson” sapling from the historic Washington Elm, which through her courtesy was sent to Washington and was planted on the front lawn of National Headquarters as a permanent gift to the Society. With the sapling was sent a history of the parent tree and this off-shoot, illustrated, which is to be carefully cherished and preserved at Headquarters.

Similar gifts have been made to the National Society, D. A. R., and to the Children of the American Revolution. A brief ceremony of dedication and acceptance was planned during the term of the Annual Congress at Washington, in May; but unfortunately severe showers prevented these outdoor exercises being carried out. It is hoped that sometime, when there is a gathering of Executives at Headquarters, some formal recognition of this highly prized gift may be made.

The grateful thanks of the Executive Committee, on behalf of the entire Society, were conveyed to Mrs. Dorsey following the Congress.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Held at Hotel Mayflower, Washington, D. C., May 20, 1928, 2 p. m.

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the time and place above stated, at which there were present:

President General Rogers, presiding.

Henry F. Baker, Wilbert H. Barrett, Harry F. Brewer, Frederick W. Millsbaugh, Rulf Sl. Schanck, Ganson Depew, and Josiah A. Van Orsdel; and Frank B. Steele, Secretary General, ex officio.

The following National officers and guests were also present: Past President Generals R. C. Ballard Thruston, Louis Amin Ames, J. Harry Preston, Majors Washington I. L. Adams, Hon. Harvey F. Remington; Vice-President Generals Ernest J. Clark, George S. Godard, Howard C. Rowley, Sam P. Cochran; Registrar General Francis B. Culver; Treasurer General Louis A. Bowman; Genealogist General W. Mac Jones, and President Kenneth S. Wales, of the District of Columbia Society.

The meeting was followed upon an invitation lunch by President General and Mrs. Rogers, and before proceeding to the transaction of business, upon motion of Past President General Ames, it was unanimously voted that the committee spread upon its records its appreciation of the hospitality of President General and Mrs. Rogers.

On the motion of Judge Van Orsdel, duly seconded, it was voted that the privilege of the floor be granted to all compatriots present.

The Secretary General submitted the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held at Cleveland, Ohio, on Friday, February 24, 1928, printed on pages 485 to 491 of the March issue of THE MINUTE MAN, which, upon motion of Director General Millsbaugh, duly seconded, were approved and ordered placed on file.

The Secretary General read a report of his activities since the last meeting, which on motion of Director General Brewer, was approved.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, it was voted that the National Society accept the invitation of the General Synod, Dutch Reformed Church, to send a delegate to its 300th Anniversary Celebration at New York City, June 9 to 11.

On motion of Director General Millsbaugh, it was voted to recommend to the 39th Annual Congress that the payment of dues for 1928 by the Mississippi State Society be waived, providing that the State Society likewise waive payment of said dues by its members.

On motion of Director General Brewer, it was voted that the Committee on Comity be instructed to co-operate with the American Legion in asking Congress to direct the preparation of a list of all soldiers in all American wars.

On motion of Director General Van Orsdel, it was voted that the Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee be requested to present the committee’s report at a joint meeting of the Trustees and Executive Committee this evening to which representatives of State societies be invited.

It was voted to refer to the incoming Executive Committee (1) the proposal that the National Society sponsor the publication of a book tentatively entitled, “The Amazing Benjamin Franklin”; (2) the remission of initiation fees requested by the Society in France.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting of the Executive Committee adjourned.
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

HOTEL MAYFLOWER, WASHINGTON, D. C.,

May 20, 1928—8 p. m.

Pursuant to duly published, the Board of Trustees met at the time and place so stated, there being present:

President General Ernest E. Rogers, presiding.

Vice-Presidents General George S. Godard, Ernest J. Clark, John F. Jones, Winford L. Mattoon, Charles T. Schouten, Howard C. Rowley; Secretary General Frank B. Steele; Registrar General Francis B. Culver; Treasurer General Louis A. Bowman; Genealogist General W. Mac Jones; Chaplain General Rt. Rev. Philip Cook; Trustees George S. Godard, of Connecticut; John Paul Earnest, of Washington; Dr. J. D. Iglehart, of Baltimore; Benjamin N. Johnson, of Massachusetts; Dr. Frank W. Holt, of Michigan; Thomas W. Williams, of New Jersey; James C. Breckenridge, representing Mr. Linn Paine, of Missouri; Francis C. Wilson, New Mexico; Louis Annin Ames, of New York; Loren E. Souers, of Ohio; Thomas S. Brown, of Pennsylvania; Sam P. Cochran, of Texas; Amos J. Ackiss, of Virginia.

Secretary General Steele submitted minutes of the meeting of May 18, 1927, at Richmond, Virginia; also the minutes of four meetings of the Executive Committee, held respectively at Richmond, Virginia, May 18, 1927, New London, Connecticut, August 6, 1927, at the National Headquarters in Washington on October 20, 1927, Cleveland, Ohio, February 24, 1928, and Washington, D. C., May 20, 1928. On motion of Colonel Ames, it was voted to approve and ratify all the actions of the Executive Committee as recorded in those minutes.

There was submitted for approval by Secretary General Steele the action of the Executive Committee in granting a charter to the State Society of North Carolina. Upon motion of Mr. Rowley, it was voted that the action of the Executive Committee as representing the trustees of the National Society, in granting the charter to the State Society of North Carolina, be hereby ratified and approved.

Director General Van Orsdol, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following amendments to be acted upon at the proper time, in accordance with Article 5 of the Constitution:

Amend Article XIX by adding the words: "Provided that nothing in these by-laws is to be construed as prohibiting the Society from acquiring property for its own use, upon which there may be a mortgage or other lien, nor to prohibit it from placing a mortgage or other lien upon its property, or from the payment of such indebtedness or the interest thereon."

Vice-President General Rowley presented the following proposed amendment to the by-laws, to be acted upon at the next or some subsequent meeting:

Insert after the word "trustees," in the second line, the words "held during or immediately after the election congress of the Society," so that Article XXI will read as follows: "These by-laws may be altered or amended by a vote of three-fourths of the members present at any meeting of the Board of Trustees, held during or immediately after the election congress of the Society, notice thereof having been duly given at a previous meeting."

The subject of dual membership was discussed generally, but no action taken.

Upon the completion of the business of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, the meeting resolved itself into a union meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, the Executive Officers, National Headquarters Committee and invited guests. Past President General Remington moved: "That we consider ways and means of progressing with our headquarters building and completing the payment for the purchase of the same." A report of progress was submitted by the Committee on National Headquarters, by its Chairman, Director General Baker. General discussion ensued, in which very many participated. Upon motion of Director General Schanck, which was accepted by Past President General Remington, the motion was amended to include the appointment of a committee in order to make a survey of ways and means for promoting this work, said committee to report on Tuesday morning to the congress.

After full discussion, upon the question being called for, the question was put and the motion prevailed without dissent. Thereupon the President General announced the appointment of the following committee: Colonel Louis Annin Ames, Chairman; Wilbert H. Barrett, of Michigan; Benjamin N. Johnson, of Massachusetts; R. C. Schanck, of Pennsylvania; Harry E. Baker, of Maryland; Howard C. Rowley, of California; Louis K. Torbet, of Illinois; and the meeting thereupon adjourned to resume at 10 p. m., on Monday, May 21, 1928.

NORTH ROOM, HOTEL MAYFLOWER,
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21, 1928, 10:50 p. m.

The joint meeting of the Trustees, Executive Committee, and Officers was resumed, with Director General Baker presiding.

Past President General Ames, Chairman of the Special Committee on Ways and Means, appointed at the preceding session, reported plans for the raising of funds with which to make further payments on the purchase and maintenance of the National Headquarters Building, and upon motion, duly made and seconded, it was voted that the report be approved.

Plans for the presentation of the subject on the following morning, before the Congress, were discussed in detail, and at 11:30 p. m., upon motion, duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn.

FRANK B. STEELE,
Secretary General.

CONSTITUTION DAY, 1928

This day has become so universally celebrated that it is felt that only a reminder is needed to our State and chapter officers to keep the date, September 17, in mind and plan well ahead for this celebration, which, as all know, was first suggested by the present chairman, David L. Pierson, Secretary of the New Jersey Society, and which the National Society has sponsored and furthered with enthusiasm ever since, until now it is nation-wide and has been cordially endorsed and the observance promulgated by numerous civic and patriotic organizations throughout the country and its recognition extended over a full week in most communities.

Let not our own familiarity with the custom lead us into indifference or indolence, but let our compatriots continue to be foremost in all local plans for the suitable observance of this anniversary, which means so much to this country.

As usual, each President of a State Society is ex officio expected to be responsible for the observance in his own State, and is hereby requested to immediately make plans to carry out the finest celebration ever, on Monday, September 17, 1928.

Further notice and more detailed suggestions as to plans of the Committee on Observance of Constitution Day will be sent later directly to State and chapter officers.
Synopsis of Proceedings of 39th Annual Congress, National Society, S. A. R.

 Held at Washington, D. C., May 21-23, 1928

First Session

Monday, May 21, 1928—9:30 a. m.

For half an hour preceding the opening of the Congress, the delegates and guests enjoyed the unusual distinction of listening to the United States Marine Band, Capt. Taylor Branson, Leader, whose martial music furnished an inspiring incentive to the patriotic spirit which manifested itself throughout the Congress. As the assembly call was sounded by the bugle, the National Officers, with their guests, preceded by a guard of Minute Men in Continental uniform, appeared at the entrance and slowly wended their way to the platform, amid prolonged applause. The Minute Men were in command of Col. M. A. Winter. When the colors had been brought to the platform, the flag was duly saluted, and President General Rogers called the Congress to order. The invocation was pronounced by Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D. D., LL. D., Chaplain General of the Society.


Hon. Sidney F. Taliaferro, Commissioner of the District of Columbia, delivered an address of welcome in behalf of the people of the District, and was followed by Mr. Kenneth S. Wales, President, extending the welcome of the District of Columbia Society. Mrs. William Sherman Walker, Vice-President General of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, presented a message of greeting and of good fellowship from her organization, and likewise Mrs. David D. Caldwell, State Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the District of Columbia Society, expressed the assurance of welcome from the local organization.

Mrs. Josiah A. Van Orsdel, President of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution, welcomed the Congress, to all of which greetings the President General responded.

The President General then presented his annual address to the Congress, as follows:

ANNUAL ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT GENERAL ERNEST E. ROGERS

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, in its 39th Annual Congress assembled, appreciates deeply the invitation extended by the District of Columbia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to convene in Washington, D. C. It is customary to meet in various cities of the United States, and the previous meeting of our Congress here in Washington was thirty-four years ago.

The Federal City, Washington wrote in 1798, "will be a beautiful one a century hence." Ambassador Jusserand, in 1916, wrote, "Little more than a century ago the hill on which rests the Capitol of the Federal City and the ground around it were covered with woods and underbrush. . . . As far now as the eye can reach the picturesque outline of one of the finest cities that exist is discovered; steeples and pinnacles rise above the verdure of the trees lining the avenues within the unaltered frame supplied by the blue hills of Maryland and Virginia. The will of Congress, the choice made by the great man whose name the city was to bear, the talents of a French officer, caused this change." At this season of the year we can see the city in the fullness of its splendor enhanced by the beauty of Nature.

Our National Society, organized April 30, 1889, was incorporated by Act of Congress, June 5, 1896, in the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia. In order that we may adhere to the purposes and objects for which we exist, may I read them as set forth in the Constitution of our National Society:

"The purposes and objects of this Society are declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational, and shall include those intended or designed to perpetuate the memory of the men who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; to unite and promote interest in this respect amongst their descendants; to interest the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, and as well as documents, relics, and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, and to carry out the purposes expressed by the preamble of the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people."

While we have been instrumental in accomplishing much, yet, with our increasing membership, and with State societies in every State but Nevada, it is incumbent on us to have a National outlook.

During the past fiscal year purchase was made of permanent National Headquarters at 1227 Sixteenth Street Northwest, at the Scott Circle. Our Society will now be enabled to meet the rapidly increasing demands for assistance from the State Societies. This property is most advantageously situated. The offices of the Secretary General and Registrar General are located in the building, and much of the routine can now be conducted there, thus relieving the President General of many details.

It was my privilege, when returning to Washington at the conclusion of my patriotic pilgrimage, to bring greetings from all over the country to Secretary General and Mrs. Steele, who have made hosts of friends among our compatriots, and whose faithful services we so greatly appreciate. We are fortunate in having a painstaking Registrar General in the person of Mr. Culver, who is ably assisted by Mrs. Culver.

Director General Henry F. Baker, Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, has devoted much time, effort and personal means to the furthering of this project. The burdensome details have been faithfully, patiently and courteously carried on by him, for which we are all grateful. I trust our State societies will actively push their campaigns for funds and complete the payment on this desirable property, for without a National Headquarters we cannot keep step with the times.

In order to make a personal survey of the field, I have traveled from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Dominion to the Gulf. Some observations and recommendations already have appeared in The Minute Man, with statistics compiled by Director General Millsapgh, who has performed a patriotic and useful service to this Society in accepting my appointment as Director of Statistics. He has supplied all State societies monthly with individual data, and
now has printed for distribution to our delegates valuable and helpful statistical information. Our Society has been greatly benefited by Mr. Millsap's services.

Much has been accomplished by our Society through all these years. The observance of Flag Day was inaugurated soon after the formation of the Society, and at the present time more than half the States of the Union have appropriate legislation. Also, the observance of Constitution Day was instituted eleven years ago upon the suggestion of David L. Pierson, of Newark, New Jersey, which day is quite generally observed throughout the nation.

One of our compatriots, William Tyler Page, of Washington, D. C., wrote the American's Creed, which is more and more used throughout our land—in one city over 80,000 school children recite this creed each morning.

The important departments of Americanism and Immigration are in competent hands. A Committee on Publicity was formed and is successfully functioning. The chairmen of the several committees will report the details of their departments.

Plans were perfected for the prompt mailing of certificates of membership from National Headquarters to the State societies; also, the mailing of individual notifications of new members by the Registrar General the same day the applications are approved.

By reason of geographical location, it is difficult for the organization committees to operate. A plan has been worked out to be handed to my successor, for the vice-presidents and directors general to assist in this connection. In my opinion, as the detailed work of our National Society is progressing so fast, it is essential the Vice-Presidents General and Directors General should take more responsibility, for the President General, even if he gives all of his time to the cause, cannot personally conduct it.

Special mention should be made of the formation of a new State Society in North Carolina, largely through the effort of the new President of that Society, Compatriot Harrison Gray Otis, of Rocky Mount, North Carolina, and Major John F. Jones, our Vice-President General and Special Organizer for that district. Already President Otis has organized chapters. His work in North Carolina and West Virginia deserves the highest commendation.

Especial consideration should be given to foster the growth of the societies in France, Philippine Islands, and Hawaii. Within a few days the report of the Society in France was received by mail, as no delegate could be present. This report, as you will observe when it is read, is most encouraging, showing that it is the first "State" Society chartered outside the territorial jurisdiction of the United States; that it is rapidly increasing in membership and has great possibilities for the future.

This Society is on record in favor of national defense; of promoting the reserve officers training corps and advocating the training of our youth in the citizens military training camps, believing that an adequately trained army and navy contribute to international peace. Furthermore, I believe that the teaching of patriotism should begin in the home and family, and may I urge this thought be but in operation by our members.

After thirty-five years of active service in this organization, I am convinced that this Society is second to none in loyalty, both in thought and deed, to our country and its constitution. The Good Citizenship Medals, given by our members to the boys and girls, help foster true patriotism. The plan has been devised of awarding medals to the pupils of the graduating classes of grammar schools, who during the year have typified the best ideals of citizenship, as outlined in the plan of award, for dependability, co-operation, leadership and patriotism. If the youth of our schools are striving for these ideals, as thus outlined, and are recognized by their classmates as having, in a measure, attained them, it is evident that a remarkable achievement has been accomplished by them.

During the past year a voluminous correspondence has been conducted from my home office in New London. Both in correspondence and personal contact I have striven to "unite and promote fellowship," believing that we can more readily accomplish our plans through united and harmonious effort.

As I look about me this morning and see my fellow-compatriots assembled from the East and the West, the North and the South, may I express to them an affectionate greeting, with thanks for their many acts of courtesy and good will to me. This year of service, with its cares, responsibilities and burdens, has brought with it the joy and privilege of aiding our patriotic Society, and I have attempted to do this in the humble spirit of the Master, when he said, "I am among you as he that serveth."

Upon motion of Past President General R. C. Ballard Thurston, of Kentucky, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted that the President General appoint, with five members each, a Committee on Resolutions, a Committee on Official Reports, a Committee on Rules, and a Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

The President General announced the appointment of the following committees:

Committee on Resolutions: Past President Benjamin N. Johnson, of Massachusetts, Chairman; Vice-President General George S. Godard, of Connecticut; Director General Ganson Depew, of New York; Vice-President General Howard C. Rowley, of California; and President Loren E. Souers, of Ohio.

Committee on Official Reports: Past President General Wilbert H. Barrett, of Michigan, Chairman; Past President General Louis Amin Ames, of New York; President John L. Walker, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Frank A. Corbin, of Connecticut; and Mr. David L. Pierson, of New Jersey.

Committee on Amendments: Director General Josiah A. Van Orsdel, District of Columbia, Chairman; Mr. Walter Gabell, of Pennsylvania; Vice-President General John F. Jones, of South Carolina; Hon. Miles S. Kuhns, of Ohio; and Director General Harry F. Brewer, of New Jersey.

Committee on Rules: Director General Frederick W. Millsap, of Tennessee, Chairman; Mr. D. E. French, of West Virginia; Mr. Thomas W. Williams, of New Jersey; Director General R. C. Schanck, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Cornelius Christiancy, of Florida.

Upon motion of Director General Frederick W. Millsap, of Tennessee, it was unanimously voted to instruct the Secretary General to send the greetings of this Congress to all Past Presidents General who are not in attendance. A memorial or tribute to the memory of the late Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, a valuable and prominent compatriot in this Society, was paid by Col. Louis Amin Ames, Past President General, of New York.

MEMORIAL TO HON. CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW

Colonel Ames: Mr. President General: "He being dead yet speaketh." No more fitting words could be attributed to so great and rare a soul as Chauncey M. Depew. He speaks to us in a multitude of voices that engage us in our daily labor, the voice of loyalty to high ideals, an elegant voice appealing to the best and the highest in life; voices that fill the air with pleasure, with enjoyment, with satisfaction, voices that lead us to heights, and that great voice that has made progress for the world in the giving of one's self in service for humanity.
Mr. President General, I offer the following resolution for adoption by the Congress:

"Resolved, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in Congress assembled, record upon its minutes this tribute of respect to Chauncey Mitchell Depew: "With rare distinction Hon. Chauncey M. Depew served the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, as Vice-President General. His leadership for ten years as President of the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, was unsurpassed. He gave to our organization a "full measure of devotion." He was a scion of a noble ancestry. His forebears laid the foundation of this Republic. With fine intelligence, superior ability, and deep patriotism he helped build the nation. In every sense, he was a real American. In affection and esteem we pay tribute to his memory."

I move you, Mr. President General, the adoption of the resolution, and that it be put upon its passage at once.

The motion was duly seconded and unanimously adopted by rising vote of the Congress.

The President General announced the presentation of two beautiful banners for display at the headquarters building. The United States flag was presented by Director General Ganson Depew, President of the Empire State Society, and the official banner of the Sons of the American Revolution by Mr. Herbert White, Past President of the Connecticut State Society.

A most cordial invitation was presented Officers of the National Society to visit the new National Headquarters Building in Washington during the Congress.

Resolutions were presented and referred to the Committee on Resolutions by the following-named delegates, and upon the subjects indicated:

By Vice-President General Charles P. Schouten, a resolution advocating the construction by the United States, and individuals, of chapels at army posts.

By Vice-President General Charles P. Schouten, advocating proper housing of enlisted men.

A resolution was received and referred to the Committee on Resolutions, presented by Director General F. W. Millsapua, in regard to remitting the dues of the State Societies in Mississippi and New Mexico.

Also a resolution from the Ohio Society, requesting that a tablet be placed on the tomb of Lafayette, in Paris.

From the New Jersey Society, looking to co-operation with the American Legion.

A resolution that the National Society take a leading part in the establishment of international peace, in co-operation with the effort of the American Legion, through an interchange of students.

By the Virginia Society, a resolution that the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution approve the patriotic endeavor of the Virginia Society, and particularly its Richmond Chapter, in erecting a Memorial to James Madison.

By the Colorado Society, for the redistricting of the Northwestern District and the Pacific District.

The following resolution was offered by Past President General Barrett, and having obtained unanimous consent for its nonreference to the Resolutions Committee, the resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas we recognize in the Society of the Children of the American Revolution, an organization devoted to the instruction of its membership in the fundamental principles of our Government, as expressed in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, and to instilling into their minds and hearts respect for governmental authority, obedience to laws,
The report of the Treasurer General was read by Treasurer General Louis A. Bowman, and referred to the Committee on Official Reports. Telegrams of greetings were received and read to the Congress from Chauncey P. Overfield, George Albert Smith, Mrs. H. Fay Gasney, State Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution of Georgia, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Y. Talmadge, of Athens, Georgia.

In connection with the report of the Treasurer General, it came to the attention of the Congress that the President General had rendered no bills for expenses of travel during the past year or of office and administration expenses incurred by him in the discharge of his duties, whereupon, on motion of Director General Millsbaugh, a rising vote of appreciation was extended to the President General for his untiring and generous service to the Society.

The report of the Historian General, Henry A. Williams, was read by Vice-President General Mattoon and referred to the Committee on Official Reports.

The Committee on Rules, through its Chairman, F. W. Millsbaugh, offered its report, presenting the following rules for the conduct of the Congress, which, by unanimous consent, upon motion, duly made and seconded, were unanimously adopted:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES**

Due to the fact that there are so many Vice-Presidents General and standing committees, and the limited time allowed for the work of the Congress, the reports of:

Vice-Presidents General shall be limited to 5 minutes.

Standing and special committees to 8 minutes.

Officers and chairmen of committees will be allowed to extend reports in **The Minute Man**.

Provided, that the Standing Committee on Resolutions and the Special Committee on National Headquarters shall be granted additional time.

All resolutions shall be referred to the Resolutions Committee without debate.

**SPECIAL ORDERS**

Tuesday, May 22, 10:00 a.m.—Report of Committee on National Headquarters and consideration thereof, 2 hours.

Tuesday, May 22, 1:45 p.m.—Group meetings—Vice-Presidents General and State Presidents meetings—State Secretaries and Registrars meetings.

Wednesday, May 23, 9:30 a.m.—Committee on Constitution Revision.

No delegate shall speak more than once on the same subject and the limit shall be 5 minutes.

Nominating speeches for President General shall be limited to 10 minutes.

Two seconding speeches to 2 minutes each will be allowed for each candidate, though representatives of States may gain recognition for the purpose of announcing the support of the several State delegations.

Nominating speeches for other National Officers shall be limited to 2 minutes and seconding speeches to a mere announcement.

Should there be more than one candidate for any office, the method of conducting the election shall be as follows:

The President shall appoint four tellers. The Chairman of the Committee on Credentials shall first call the names of the General Officers, who will each cast their ballot in a ballot box—a secret ballot.

The Chairman of the Credentials Committee shall then proceed to call the States in alphabetical order, and as each State is called he will announce the accredited delegates from that State, and each delegate will deposit his ballot when his name is called. Should there be a challenge against the right of any person to vote, the challenge shall be presented when his name is called and before his vote is cast.

The right to challenge any person who had already cast a ballot shall be deemed waived.

These rules may be suspended by unanimous consent and must be suspended on motion supported by a two-thirds vote.

There were presented to the Congress, and referred to the Committee on Official Reports, the reports of Chancellor General William J. Askin, Jr., of the Genealogist General W. Mac Jones and the Chaplain General Rt. Rev. Philip Cook.

Thereupon the reports for the several districts were presented by the respective Vice-Presidents General, and referred to the Committee on Official Reports, as follows:

George S. Godard, Vice-President General for the New England District; Frederick G. Hahn, Vice-President General for the North Atlantic District, which report was read by Director General Harry F. Brewer, of New Jersey, Vice-President General Hahn being detained from the Congress by illness; of Ernest J. Clark, Vice-President General for the Mid-Atlantic District; of John F. Jones, Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District; of Winford L. Mattoon, Vice-President General for the Central District; of Charles P. Schouten, Vice-President General for the North Mississippi District; of Sam P. Cochran, Vice-President General for the South Mississippi District; of Howard C. Rowley, Vice-President General for the Pacific District; and the report submitted by Percy B. Hunting, Vice-President General for the Northwestern District, was referred without reading to the Committee on Reports.

Chairman Selden M. Ely, Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Education, presented the report of that committee, and Dr. Mark F. Finley, for the Committee on National Archives, reported to the Congress. Both reports were referred to the Committee on Official Reports.

Past President General R. C. Ballard Thruston, Chairman of the Memorial Committee, and Joint Committee with Descendants of the Signers, submitted a final report upon the completion of this work in which that committee has been engaged, and presented to the Society as the result of their labors eight large volumes containing a compilation of most valuable material, obtained by this committee, and upon motion of Vice-President General Cochran, seconded by companions Torbet, Breckenridge, Clearwaters, and many others, unanimous consent being first obtained, it was voted: That the Society officially receive these volumes at this time, and that a committee be appointed by the President General suitably to prepare and engross a resolution expressing the thanks and appreciation of this Society to Vice-President General R. C. Ballard Thruston for his notable contribution.

Thereupon an adjournment was taken, the session to be resumed at 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, May 22, 1928.

**Second Day**

Tuesday, May 22, 1928.

The Congress was called to order by the President General at 9:50 a.m., and in the absence of the Chaplain General the invocation was pronounced by Rev. John F. Clearwaters, Ph.D., of Indiana.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Miller, of the District of Columbia Society,
recommending State and local societies form companies of uniformed Minute Men.

By Prof. Theodore D. Martin, of the Utah Society, that the Society’s relation with schools be strengthened by participating in American Education Week.

By Mr. Paul M. Linebarger, recommending the appointment of a Committee on French Monuments and Memorials.

The resolutions were referred without discussion to the Committee on Resolutions.

The report of the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization was presented by Judge Josiah A. Van Orsdel, Chairman.

With Vice-President General Clark presiding, the report of the Committee on Americanization and Aliens was submitted by Chairman Harry F. Brewer, and both reports were referred to the Committee on Official Reports.

The President General having resumed the chair, the special order of business was called for, namely, the Report of National Headquarters Committee, which was presented by Director General Henry F. Baker, Chairman.

**REPORT OF NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE**

Mr. Baker: Mr. President General and compatriots, of course you will be interested to know just how the Sons stand. I compiled my report last Friday, but I am very glad to say that that report will not hold today. I have worked out the figures in each State, of the contributions made, and I had expected to give it to you, but so many States have come to me since Friday, informing me of increases in their contributions, that I cannot use that now, in justice to those States.

(The following report was presented by Mr. Baker.)

"I beg to submit my final report, which includes the period of my service to this date.

It is possible there may be some minor adjustments when my records are checked up with those of the several State societies.

The Treasurer being out of the city I was not able to obtain his report of receipts and disbursements since my last report to you. Therefore, I am giving these items from my records. As my balance corresponds with his bank balance our records will undoubtedly agree. I will have him make report upon his Payments return. His bank balance May 18, 1928, was $8,460.00.

Total of pledges received to May 18, 1928, amount to $31,177.97

Payments on account of same, according to my records total $38,186.72

Leaving a balance due on pledges of $8,009.25

Receipts from pledges $88,186.72

**DISBURSEMENTS**

**Campaign Expenses**

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**Total disbursments** $20,726.72

**Balance** $8,460.00

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That all records be kept at National Headquarters and headquarters staff handle all detail connected with the campaign.

That some person be retained to visit the several State societies and chapters where necessary to organize campaign committees and outline plan of campaign.

That President General assume honorary chairmanship of the National Headquarters Campaign Committee.

That the National Headquarters Campaign Committee be composed of the Presidents of the several State societies.

That the National Executive Committee be designated as the Executive Committee of the Campaign Committee with power.

That the Treasurer or an assistant Treasurer of the Campaign Committee be a resident of the District of Columbia.

It must be quite apparent to all that two major things must be done if the fund is to be completed—

First: There must be a Campaign Committee in every State Society and Chapter to make personal solicitation of the membership.

Second: Many large subscriptions must be obtained.

In my final report I desire to record an expression of my appreciation of the co-operation and courtesy extended to me by yourself and the other members of the Executive Committee.

With this report I beg to submit my resignation to take effect as soon as my successor can be appointed, and not later than June 1, 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) **HENRY F. BAKER,**
Chairman, National Headquarters Campaign Committee."

I have not burdened you with all the details set forth in my report which will go to the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee for their consideration, but there are just a few things which I would like to say to my compatriots before we go into the general discussion of this subject.

On Wednesday I shall cease to be Chairman of the Headquarters Committee. While it has been a most arduous task, involving sacrifice of much time and considerable personal expense, there have been compensations. My connection
with this project has brought me in close contact with many compatriots through-out the country and formed friendships which I value most highly.

To those who have co-operated with me I desire to express my appreciation of their helpfulness and cheer. I am convinced that most of those who have not co-operated have failed to do so because they have not thoroughly understood what a national headquarters means to the Society. The education of these compatriots I must leave to my successor.

To the National officers, the officers of the State societies, officers of chapters and to the membership generally, I express my appreciation of their uniform kind-ness and courtesy. Recollections of my association with my fellow compatriots in this great work will ever be a pleasant memory to me....

The time has now come when we must face the situation frankly. The idea of a national headquarters was not conceived in haste. The project has been under serious consideration for over ten years. The proposition was brought to a head at the 1925 Congress when, pursuant to a resolution passed by the Congress, a committee was appointed to thoroughly consider the matter and to report to the next Congress. This committee, composed of outstanding compatriots who had served the Society loyally for many years, presented a unanimous report to the 1926 Congress recommending that the project be undertaken and that a fund of $250,000 be raised for the purpose. This report was approved by a unanimous vote of the Congress.

At the Congress held in Richmond in 1927, the National Headquarters' Campaign Committee submitted photographs and blueprints descriptive of the property now owned by the Society. Your committee, at that time, requested a free and frank discussion, both as to the project itself and the property then under consideration. The delegates were asked to decide two questions: First, whether the project was to be pursued or abandoned. Second, whether the property in question was considered suitable for the purpose. Both propositions were decided in the affirmative without a dissenting voice.

Therefore, the question now before us is not shall we proceed with the project, but how shall we proceed. The die is cast. We must either go forward to a successful achievement or backward to ignominious failure. Success will be a demonstration of our faith in our great Society and our belief in the ideals for which it stands; failure will be an admission of our weakness and a lack of interest in preserving what our forefathers created. The history of our Society has been one of achievement, and if I know its members, and I think I do, we shall not turn back but go forward.

While we are proud of the good work done by many of the State societies, we realize much more could have been done with the assistance and guidance of an efficient national organization, devoted to building up and assisting State societies. I believe that most members of this Society are ready and willing to contribute their share toward the preservation and continuance of the ideals and the institution created by the founders of the Republic. Whenever con-fronted with a real necessity for action our compatriots have come to the fore promptly and effectively. We need not be fearful of what may happen when we are awake and alert. The danger lies in a smug complacency and ignorance of what is going on. We must ever be on our guard to counteract threats to American institutions.

Most of us are busy men, constantly engaged with our manifold duties connected with our every-day life. It cannot be expected that we can personally

keep in touch with the many activities of the enemies of our institutions. We can, however, form and keep such contact by maintaining an organization competent to keep us informed and to guide us in such action as may be necessary. State societies, and chapters to a lesser degree, without a paid permanent staff cannot be expected to do this. A national headquarters with an efficient staff is the only solution of this problem. Volunteers make a good army only when trained and commanded by experienced officers.

If we take pride in our revolutionary ancestors, should we not take an interest in preserving what they created? Should not the object of our organization be to create in all of us a realization of our duty, not only as to our own participation in governmental affairs, but to educate others to the end that they also may understand our institutions and their duty as citizens of the Republic?

People gather in great crowds to celebrate the anniversary of important events in our history—salute the flag, cheer patriotic sentiments, and in general become imbued with patriotic fervor and emotion. In too many instances it begins and ends with emotion. They gather in convention and pass high-sounding resolutions expressing love of country and devotion to its institutions—mostly mere words, which do not find their way to the heart. What is needed is clear thinking, a realization of the dangers which surround us and a permanent organiza-tion to grapple with these problems.

An illustration of the dangers confronting us is the constant attack being made upon our Constitution. There seems to be a growing feeling among many of our people, many of whom are as patriotic as ourselves, that the Constitution can be as easily amended as statutes. They do not understand the difference between a statute and the fundamentals of democratic government as exemplified by the Constitution.

These impressions can be overcome only through education. It should be our duty to see that the man on the street has this education in things constitutional. We cannot accomplish this result by the passing of resolutions. We must begin with the children in the schools. We must see to it that the child is well grounded in true American history and that he understands the fundamentals of our scheme of government. The aliens who come to our shores must likewise be instructed in the meaning of Americanism. To accomplish these things means intelligent and constant application to the task.

There is but one way of accomplishment, and that is by efficient organiza-tion. Our State societies cannot do this alone; we must depend upon our national organization to blaze the trail.

Our great Society stands for high ideals of citizenship, our objectives are definitely stated in our constitution and repeated in the many resolutions passed in our Congresses, but we lack 100 per cent accomplishment because of the fact that we lack a strong and efficient central organization.

The completion of our national headquarters fund of $250,000 will provide a national headquarters with an endowment sufficient to cover all overhead expenses, and make possible the employment of a field secretary who can give his undivided time to the study of these problems, the direction of our activities and assistance to the State societies in carrying out their programs and membership cam-paigns.

As a demonstration of what can be accomplished through a national head-quarters, I call your attention to the great increase in membership and in the activities of the Daughters of the American Revolution since the establishment
of a national headquarters in Washington with a competent staff. If they can raise $4,000,000 for a national headquarters, we should raise our heads in shame if we fall in raising $250,000.

While considering the practical side of the proposition we must not forget the sentimental side. This building is a monument to our Revolutionary ancestors. It is impossible to conceive of a more fitting monument to those memories than a mansion on the Avenue of Presidents, devoted to activities which have for their objective the preservation of the institutions they created.

Here stands a monument as a constant reminder to those who pass by that the Sons of the American Revolution is on guard. What more fitting place for such a monument than the seat of the government our ancestors helped to found, where our chief executive and assistants can be housed, where our records, libraries and other valuable material can be safely kept, which will give us the opportunity to so revamp our whole business scheme that no member of the Society who is a successful business man will be ashamed of our methods, and as a result of which we will be assured of an expansion in prestige and power that will substantially increase our efficiency and effectiveness as a great national organization.

In conclusion, I beg of you to take this project seriously. We have a membership of 20,000. A contribution of less than $15 per capita will yield the necessary funds. From my contact with the membership, I am convinced that all that is needed to bring success is to have the membership realize the necessity for a national headquarters, the seriousness of the situation and the stigma that will be upon our Society if we fail.

As a last word, will you not give to my successor the support necessary to make this dream come true? Will you not do three things now: First, give us the benefit of your opinion and advice as to the best procedure to complete the fund; second, make as liberal a contribution to the fund at this time as you can; and, third, pledge yourselves to organize campaign committees immediately upon your return to your respective societies. I feel in my heart that you can and will do it.

There are those who will tell you it cannot be done;
There are those who will prophesy failure;
There are those who will endeavor to show you, one by one,
The difficulties that wait to assail you;
But just buckle right in, with a bit of a grin,
Then take off your coat and go to it;
Just start in with confidence to tackle the thing
That "cannot be done" and you'll do it.

Mr. President General, may I just make this announcement, that our Committee on National Headquarters, called in consultation the Trustees, Executive Committee and National Officers, and we have had several conferences to recommend to this meeting a plan of procedure. Colonel Ames is chairman of the committee appointed for this purpose.

Past President General REMINGTON: I would like to move the adoption of this report, preliminary to what may come, and I offer the following resolution and ask unanimous consent for its consideration at the present time:

Resolved, That the thanks of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, be and hereby are extended to Honorable Henry F. Baker, Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, and his associates on the committee, for the arduous, effective, and successful efforts in securing the desirable headquarters property, the home of our organization, and all that they have accomplished in that behalf.

The motion was seconded by delegates from all parts of the house, amid applause, and unanimous consent having been obtained, the resolution was adopted upon a rising vote.

President General ROGERS: May I also say that the confidence of the Congress manifested in Director General Baker bears out the statement in my annual address yesterday, when I said that he had patiently, prudently and courteously conducted his work. It has been a great pleasure for the President General to serve with Mr. Baker as an ex officio member of his committee. I have been to Washington a number of times and he has been to my home, and we have labored together for the entire year; and I wish to pay to him the tribute that it has been not only a delight and pleasure, but one that will bear fruit for many years.

As Mr. Baker says, at the meeting of the trustees on Sunday evening at 8 o'clock the question came before the Board of Trustees as to the advisability of having a temporary committee on ways and means for the completion of the campaign funds. The trustees assembled at that time and invited into the meeting the National Executive Committee, and the National Committee on Headquarters, National Officers and all those especially interested in the subject of the conference; with the result that after long deliberation, lasting until nearly midnight, all working for the interests of this great National Society, the Chair was directed to appoint a committee on ways and means, a temporary committee, and to make a report to this Congress.

I appointed as Chairman of that committee, and he accepted the appointment, Col. Louis Annin Ames, of New York; President Ganson Depew, of the Empire State Society; Mr. Wilbert H. Barrett, Past President General from Michigan; Vice-President General Howard C. Rowley, of San Francisco; President Lewis K. Torbet, of the Illinois Society; Director General Harry F. Brewer, of New Jersey; also the President General, who is ex officio chairman and acting in behalf of the organization, and Mr. Frank B. Steele, Secretary General. This committee has also met a couple of times and now I understand the committee is ready to report. Colonel Ames has the floor at this time. (Applause.)

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE, COL. LOUIS ANNIN AMES, CHAIRMAN

Mr. President General and compatriots, I trust that I may be heard in the room, but if there is any difficulty, and if someone in the back of the room cannot hear me, will he please raise his hand and I will speak a little louder. I am only the voice of this committee.

At the meeting of the trustees of the National Society, this committee was created, and three of the members of the President's Cabinet, the President General, ex officio, the Secretary General, ex officio, a Past President General, a Trustee, and a Vice-President General. There you have the picture of my committee. The background on which we had to work was to fill in the structure so carefully, so skilfully outlined by the Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, Hon. Henry F. Baker, of Maryland.

On the presentation of his plan to the Congress two years ago, it was unanimously voted that we should raise the sum of $250,000 for the purchase of the National Headquarters, and for the creation of an endowment fund of not less than $100,000.
Our thought in the matter was that we should fill in this structural outline by making some concrete suggestions to you today, and in presenting this report it is for this Congress to adopt it, amend it, or reject it. It will be your action, not the action of the trustees, or the action of the Executive Committee, nor the action of the Vice-President General, nor its President General or Presidents of State societies. To be effective, it must be your voluntary action, by every compatriot here, to put it across.

There is your background. The plan consists of several things that require your attention.

First, we have a building that cost $145,000, with an initial payment of $25,000, leaving us with a mortgage of $120,000, which carries with it $6,000 a year interest charges. If we can make that payment, or a very substantial payment on the mortgage, we will cut down our overhead expenses as regards interest. The plan has this in view, that the National Headquarters Building should be given to the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, by 300 donors, each donor to make a contribution of $500. And we want this sustaining fund or endowment fund of at least $100,000. And all subscriptions, no matter how small, from $1 to $500, will be recorded in a book of memory, that will be in the National Headquarters at all times. The giver of every subscription will have his name engrossed on the pages of this book of memory, as one of the donors of sustaining members of our National Headquarters Building.

On the wall of that building there will be a tablet of bronze, upon which will be engraved the name of every donor. Every contribution of $500 will result in the inscription of the donor's name on this tablet of bronze.

We do not go beyond the original idea of $250,000. We carry out also in this plan the thought expressed at our previous Congress, that every contribution, great or small, will be credited on the quota of each individual state.

We shall also issue certificates to those who are donors. They will receive a certificate upon which will be the name of the donor certifying that he has subscribed a sufficient sum to have become a donor. Every subscriber who does not receive a certificate as a donor will receive a certificate as a sustaining member.

Your committee presents this report in this rambling outline because there are details to be filled in, and asks its adoption in principle if not entirely in detail. The committee desires to have the endorsement of your Board of Trustees, of your Past Presidents General, of your present Executive Committee, and now we leave it to the tender mercies of this Congress.

Director General Van Orsdel: I wish to ask one question of Colonel Ames before the motion is put. There are a number of members of this Society who have already subscribed $500, or in excess. Will they be recorded and classed with those donors?

Colonel Ames: They will.

Director General Van Orsdel: Or will their subscriptions go to make up this amount of $500.

Colonel Ames: The purpose of the classification of donors is to include every subscriber of $500 as a donor. Perhaps I can answer the question of Judge Van Orsdel more completely by illustration: If a compatriot has given $1,000, his name will appear as a donor, and any other name that he may suggest. It may be the privilege and the pleasure of many compatriots who desire to have their names engraved on this tablet, to also include as a memorial, the name of a departed father or departed son.

Director General Van Orsdel: Now, Mr. President General, I move you that the Congress adopt the report of this committee, and the plan of procedure in raising the funds necessary to carry through the headquarters undertaking.

Benjamin N. Johnson, Esq., of Massachusetts: Mr. President General, I second the resolution.

Rev. John F. Clearwaters, Secretary, Indiana Society: I feel so deeply in regard to this matter, compatriots, that I want to have the privilege of saying this word, in connection with the matter.

Now, that is what will happen in this money raising business. It hurts sometimes when we do it, but there comes on the trail of this hurt, something that you would not sacrifice for anything that these people could give you, and I have a right to feel that you are doing the best that you can at the expense of personal strain and sacrifice, and that the object is a laudable one, and that you have made a reasonable demand for funds.

I heard someone in the back of the room say that they were afraid to come to the front because they were afraid they would do more than they ought to do. Now, I assure you that the men who get hurt that way are rather scarce in a body of men at large. I know more men are hurt because of what they don't give than of what they do.

Now, I come from Indiana, and we want to second this motion, and to pledge our fullest support to the activities of the west as well as the east. (Applause.)

The question on Judge Remington's resolution being called for, the question was put and the motion prevailed without dissent.

President General Rogers: Now it seems to the President General as ex officio Chairman of this committee which has been serving, that the committee should not be discharged at this time; that committee has made its report, that report has been accepted, and that committee should be continued in force at least throughout this session, if not throughout the session of the Congress, the Committee on Ways and Means. Before we take any action on the dissolution of the committee, as ex officio Chairman of that committee, I wish to say to Colonel Ames that notwithstanding the eloquence and clearness with which he has presented that report, and made it so forcible that even Dr. Clearwaters himself will put his pocketbook in the collection, I don't believe that the report of that committee is complete. That committee was called a Ways and Means Committee, and it has made its report. The Chair will only accept it as a partial report.

Up in Connecticut, Colonel Ames, we believe that the proof of the pudding is in the eating. We want to see the actual results. You accepted the appointment as Chairman in the presence of the Trustees and the large Union Committee--I asked you first if you would accept it and you said that you would. That duty, in my opinion, is not yet fulfilled. I don't believe that the report of that committee will be complete until that committee raises right here and now in the next 15 minutes the whole amount of the money. Will you do it? (Laughter and applause.)

Or, will you attempt to do it? You took the Chairmanship and now I ask you, will you raise that money right on the spot now? (Colonel Ames rises.) Go to it! (Laughter.)
Past President General Ames: Mr. President General, there is a difference of opinion between the Chair and the compatriot who is now on his feet. I shall not call for a division, because I know you will be sustained; my good friend Mr. Baker, however, kindly gives me a memorandum which I had misplaced. This is his job. This is what he is accomplishing, and I am of $r,000, each, to the number of seven. We will stop there for a moment. I am wondering why we do not lead off with other contributions, of those who want the names of five or ten donors on that table. Is there any echo to my remarks? If the money is to be raised, are there any compatriots present, or any organization represented that wishes to start us going over the top, with a substantial contribution?

Past President General Thurston: Mr. Chairman, Kentucky has a quota of $4,000. We have subscribed for about $2,500, or a little over. I will personally guarantee that Kentucky goes over the top, and that the whole amount will be paid in time to be used for the next payment when it becomes due.

Past President General Ames: A voice from Kentucky. Who crowds Kentucky? Are there others who desire to make a contribution before we start on these donors of $500 each?

Director General Clark: Mr. Chairman, it seems to me that Mr. Baker and Colonel Ames, compatriots, have covered this whole story, so that there is practically nothing else to be said, but what we want now is action. It does seem to me, however, that there should be no question in our minds of what that action should result in, when we think for a moment of what the Daughters of the American Revolution have done, raising $4,000,000, or thereabouts, for their National Headquarters, with 167,000 membership; although we have 20,000, it should represent $500,000, according to the amount named by Colonel Ames, if we did as well as the Daughters have done.

I have been interested in this question of National Headquarters, feeling, as I have for the past two years, the necessity of a National Headquarters, if the Sons of the American Revolution is to grow. That is the order in Washington, to a great many national organizations, to have National Headquarters, and the logic of it is convincing. At Richmond I subscribed $250. I shall be very glad indeed to increase my subscription to $500, and also take the liberty, as President of the Maryland Society, Sons of the American Revolution, of contributing another $500 from its Treasury. (Applause.)

Past President Benjamin N. Johnson, of Massachusetts: I agree with the last speaker that the time has come for action rather than for rhetoric. And I think I may say what I will do, first, and then give the reasons why I am interested in it to that extent. I have subscribed already and paid $1,000 toward the acquisition of this property. (Applause.) I have three sons, all of whom are life members of the Massachusetts Society, and therefore life members of this Society. (Applause.) I desire to have the name of each one of those three sons inscribed as a donor of this building, as well as my own name, and I will therefore add to my subscription of $1,000 another $1,000, making altogether $2,000 for the four members of my family. (Applause.)

I think it is not pleasant for a man who is naturally modest, and we all think we are, to tell what he will do in a matter of this kind, but I am prompted to say what I will do on the theory that Mark Twain advanced when he said, "It is a great and noble thing to be virtuous, and be right, but it is a far nobler thing to tell others how to do right."
also love Mr. Johnson, who has been as loyal and faithful a member of the Sons of the American Revolution as we have ever had.

I do not intend to make a long speech, but we have had this project under consideration for two years, unanimously endorsed by two National Congresses. We have had abundant information from the chairman of the National Headquarters Committee. We saw the building last night, and I think all who saw it were surprised with the beautiful structure in which we have to conduct our National deliberations. It is inconceivable that this project cannot be put over, and of course it is going to be put over.

Now, I enter Mr. Johnson when he says that he has three sons. I regret to say that three years ago I lost the only son I had. But I rejoice in the $1,000 I have already contributed that his name will appear as one of the donors in the National Headquarters Building. And now, not to be outdone by the State of Massachusetts, I will be very glad indeed to add to my $1,000 the sum of $500 more than Mr. Johnson has kindly given, and to add $1,500, so that my subscription will be $2,500. (Cheers and applause.)

I also want to say, speaking for the Buffalo Chapter, of which I have been a member for 34 years—I cannot officially speak for the directors of that chapter, but two or three of them are here, and I know they would feel very badly indeed if the Buffalo Chapter did not appear as the name of a donor; so that in the name of the Buffalo Chapter, it contributes $500 more. (Applause.)

As we seldom do anything in New York State without consulting with Colonel Ames, who was at the head of the New York Society when I was its youngest member, because I am a very recent importation into the activities of New York Chapter, as well as the National—Colonel Ames has just whispered to me, and Colonel Ames has considerable influence in the Empire State Society, and I hope I have a little also, that he has not the slightest doubt that the Empire State Society will also like to join its name to the roll of donors at the National Headquarters, so that it contributes unofficially, but I believe later officially it will be confirmed, the sum of $500. (Applause.)

Colonel AMES: I should have said that the number of contributions which have been less than $500 is about 120. Anyone who wishes to increase a subscription from $100 or $200, $300, $400, to $500 is at liberty to do so and become a donor.

We have heard from the Northland; we have a very modest cooperator from the South, and before the speeches were finished he got out his pen and wrote a check, this check, from Cornelius Christiany, of Florida, a contribution of $500. (Applause.)

Mr. MERRITT G. PERKINS, of New Jersey: As Chairman of the Finance Committee of our organization, we pledge $7,000.

Mr. Secretary General COCHRAN, of Texas: Mr. President General, I fear the speed at which this thing is going and that the North and East will have absorbed all the honors before we from the South can be heard. Therefore, I desire to make an entry for the great southwest. I announce the State Society of Texas as a donor of $500; and myself for the same amount. (Applause.)

Dr. J. D. IGLEHART, of Maryland: I desire to raise my subscription to $500. (Applause.)

Capt. RICHARD HARTSHORNE, of New Jersey. Mr. Perkins a moment ago made a report for New Jersey, but he still has something left that he did not tell you.

Mr. PERKINS: I subscribe $500 personally.
Tuesday Afternoon

The afternoon session began with invocation, pronounced by Dr. Clearwaters, of Indiana.

Mr. Harry D. Moore, of the Washington State Society, presented a resolution designed to render the date of the annual meetings more elastic; Compaatriot W. J. Sherman presented a resolution requesting the appointment of a Library Committee; which resolutions were referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The report of the Committee on Increased Membership was presented by Director General R. C. Schanck, of Pennsylvania, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on Teaching of American History was presented by Vice-President General George S. Godard, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on Printing was received, and read by Thomas W. Williams, of New Jersey, Chairman.

The report of the Committee on the 200th Anniversary of George Washington's Birthday, of which Major Elmore D. Hotchkiss is Chairman, was presented by Compaatriot Robert Lecky, Jr.

Resolutions were presented by William J. Askin, Jr., Chancellor General, first, to the effect that the Society in France be exempted from the payment of dues for the period of two years; and, second, that a suitable marker be placed on the tomb of Lafayette; which resolutions were referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

A statement was made by Mr. J. Henry Smythe, Jr., of New York, in advocacy of the observance of the birthday of Benjamin Franklin.

The Committee on Resolutions reported in part, through Chairman Benjamin N. Johnson, of Massachusetts, and without dissent the Congress agreed to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the National dues of the Mississippi and New Mexico societies, payable April 1, 1928, for the current year, be remitted.

Upon the recommendation of the same committee, the following resolution was adopted in substitution for the resolution first presented by the Minnesota Society upon the same subject:

Resolved, That this Congress warmly commends the splendid patriotism and thoughtfulness of the people of Minnesota and our compatriots of that State, which prompted the erection at Fort Snelling of a memorial chapel and community center for the soldiers at that army post; and we commend this example of service to our compatriots elsewhere as worthy of emulation, to the end that like advantages be offered to our soldiers wherever possible.

In substitution for a resolution presented by the Ohio Society, the Committee on Resolutions reported the following, and recommended its adoption. It was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be instructed and authorized, in cooperation with the Society in France, Sons of the American Revolution, to secure permission for placing, and to purchase and erect a suitable tablet at the tomb of General Lafayette, commemorating his service to the cause of American independence.

The Committee on Resolutions presented a redraft of the resolution relative to marking of identified French graves, and after full discussion the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas the Sons of the American Revolution, through its Illinois State Society, in 1899 initiated certain research work in the archives of the French Government, resulting in the publication of both the French and American governments of Combattants Française, containing an extended roster of the names of the French patriots who fought with us for our independence, many dying "over here," and today resting in unidentified and unmarked graves, and

Whereas the work so instituted is still incomplete by reason of the abandoned condition of many of the graves of these French Patriots; be it

Resolved, That the President General appoint forthwith three members to be known as the Committee on French Monuments and Memorials, to further the research work already accomplished, with the view of marking all identified French graves, and the ultimate erection of monuments and memorials to the French unknown dead, who perished in our cause, except where other provision has been heretofore made.

The Committee on Resolutions reported with respect to a resolution presented by W. A. Miller, of the District of Columbia, requesting State Societies to organize companies of uniformed Minute Men, that it seemed unwise to make this an official recommendation, and reported adversely on the resolution proposed, which report of the committee was sustained by the Congress.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following resolution, and upon its recommendation the resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas there is not now any public monument to the memory of James Madison, one of the foremost of the framers of the Constitution; and

Whereas the Richmond Chapter and the Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at their meetings held on the 13th and 19th of October, 1927, appointed committees to prepare and report a plan for erecting a suitable monument to James Madison, which committees have accordingly secured a charter of incorporation for that purpose under the name of the Madison Memorial Corporation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, in Annual Congress assembled, approves the patriotic endeavor of the Virginia Society and its Richmond Chapter in this regard.

Upon the recommendation of the same committee, the following resolution was reported, in substitution for the resolution offered by Lieut. Charles W. Lippitt, of Rhode Island, of similar effect, and the resolution as revised by the committee was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at its 59th Congress assembled, urgently recommends the adoption by the Congress of the United States at the present session of legislation providing for adequate naval defense; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be furnished the Chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

In substitution for a resolution offered by Prof. Theodore D. Martin, of Utah, the Committee on Resolutions recommended the passage of the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas several State societies of the Sons of the American Revolution have used various commendable means to encourage patriotic education in the schools of the United States, be it

Resolved, That such State societies strengthen their relations with our schools by taking part in the observance of American Education Week, November 5 to 11, 1928, and especially on the day which has been designated as Citizenship Day; be it further

Resolved, That the members of the Sons of the American Revolution on this week visit the public schools and become more familiar with the work which the schools are doing to insure the safety of our constitutional government.
A resolution offered by Col. Thomas H. S. Schooley, of the Michigan Society, recommending the suitable observance of the birthday anniversaries of Thomas Jefferson, was favorably reported by the Committee on Resolutions, which, upon motion of J. Henry Smythe, Jr., of the New York Society, was amended by adoption of the committee, to include likewise the birthday anniversaries of Alexander Hamilton, January 11th. The resolution was thereupon adopted, as follows:

Whereas embraced among the principles on which our Society was founded is the appeal to commemorate the accomplishments and sacrifices of the heroic leaders of the Revolution, and

Whereas our Society has devoutly observed the birthday anniversaries of the Father of our Country, February 22d, and

Whereas our Society has recommended to State societies and local chapters the observance of the birthday anniversaries of Benjamin Franklin, January 17th; now be it also

Resolved, That this Congress recommends to all State Societies and their local chapters the suitable observance of the birthday anniversaries of Thomas Jefferson, April 13th, and of Alexander Hamilton, January 11th.

Past President General Louis Amos Ames reported as Chairman of the Committee on Comity. On motion of Comrapt Hall, of Ohio, the report of the committee and the adoption of the recommendations contained were agreed to without dissent.

The Congress adjourned at 3:45 and at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington, the official insignia of the Society was deposited and a wreath placed thereon.

CONFERENCE, TUESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22, VICE-PRESIDENTS GENERAL AND STATE PRESIDENTS

President General Rogers called the meeting to order, stating its purposes, and requested Major Schouten, Vice-President General of the North Mississippi District, to open the discussion. The President General then retired to likewise open the publicity conference, and requested Mr. James M. Breckenridge, State President of the Missouri Society, to preside over the meeting.

Major Schouten outlined quite fully the method of organization and operating methods of the Minnesota State Society, exhibiting in his account that he was applying his military experience to the work of the Society to its very great benefit.

The Chair then called upon Vice-President General Ernest J. Clark, of the Mid-Atlantic District, and Mr. Clark, in a similar manner, set forth the working methods of the Maryland State Society, and it was a very interesting exposition in this instance of the application of thoroughly up-to-date business organization to the aims and objects of the S. A. R. in Maryland.

The Chair then called upon Mr. Lewis K. Torbet, President of the Illinois Society, who, in reciting his rather recent attainment to the office of State President last December, exhibited nevertheless a knowledge of the work of his Society and a degree of interest in the organization which promises well for Illinois.

Mr. Campbell, of the Michigan Society, then very happily expressed the belief that any inculcation of patriotism in our young people that the religious faith which should accompany it ought in no wise to be overlooked or neglected.

The Chair then asked Mr. Ganson Depew, President of the Empire State Society, to sum up and close the conference, which he did very ably, stressing the importance in the acquisition of the new membership of interesting the young and active members of the community eligible to our Society.

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GROUP MEETING OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE SEVERAL STATES AND CHAPTERS

 Held in the Mayflower Hotel, Tuesday, May 22, 1928, at 2:45 p.m.

The meeting was presided over by the Secretary General. There were present during the session about fifteen State and Chapter Secretaries, among them being George A. Jewett, of Des Moines, Iowa; Robert P. Boggis, of Cleveland, Ohio; Robert C. Tracy, of Washington, D. C.; Charles W. Lippitt, of Providence, Rhode Island; G. Leslie Ryder, of St. Peters burg, Florida, and New York; Albert D. Hunting, of New York; David L. Pierson, on Newark, New Jersey, and several others who came in during the meeting.

The Secretary General called the meeting to order and stated that the plan for group meetings was a get-together meeting, and that it was desired to have a full and free discussion of any problems that confront the Secretaries and Registrars in the several States and chapters. He further stated that he had prepared a number of "Do's and Don'ts for Secretaries and Others" that might be useful and informative, as many of them did not know of some of the rules and regulations that had been made in times past by the Congress and the Executive Committee. The following is a copy of these "Do's and Don'ts" and it is hoped that Secretaries and Registrars in many parts of the country that were not present at the Congress and this meeting will read them carefully, and if there are any questions about them write to the Secretary General.

Do's and Don'ts for Secretaries and Others

Do sign all certificates in India ink (Executive Committee order).

Do cooperate with National Headquarters by distributing certificates promptly when received.

Don't let your postmaster talk you down about the mailing charge for certificates; we have a special ruling they may go third class.

Do examine all application papers to see that complete address—street and number—of new member is clear and correct. It should be typed.

Do send lists of newly elected officers, both State and chapter, immediately to the Secretary General.

Don't blame the Editor if your notices fail to reach him by the date specified in every issue of The Minute Man for copy to reach Headquarters. We can sometimes stretch the time, but not always.

Do report all changes of address, deaths, and dropped members frequently—monthly, if possible—to the Secretary General.

Don't bother to report temporary changes.

Do appoint a State-wide Committee on Good Citizenship Medals.

Do appoint a State-wide Committee on Official Grave Markers. The chairman of these committees will be members of the National Committee.

Don't order supplies of any kind from anyone except the Secretary General. The only exception to this is the permit for insignia; the Registrar General will supply this.

Do follow instructions, specifically printed in every issue of The Minute Man, for securing Insignia, War Service Bars, and War Service Medals.
Don't send money for these; wait for a permit.
Don't prepay for any supplies; we'd rather send a bill.
Don't wait to pay such bills any longer than necessary!
Don't give credentials for Congress to your incoming Trustee, but to the one elected last year.
Do read The Minute Man; much information about all these details is contained in every issue.

During the meeting many of these questions were discussed and important points brought out. Many did not know that it was necessary to sign all certificates in India ink; others did not know about the post-office ruling as to sending out certificates third class; some did not know about the ordering of supplies or the insignia and the question of the incoming Trustee. These questions were all talked over very freely and much information was gained. A suggestion was made that the signature of the Registrar be eliminated from application papers, but it developed that in most of the States the Registrar passed upon the certificates third class; some did not know about the ordering of supplies or it was too much of a burden to have a copy of the members' papers submitted.

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The meeting brought out a number of interesting problems and was felt to be most informative and successful.

May 23, 1908.
The President General called the Congress to order at 9:30 a. m., and the invocation was pronounced by Rev. John F. Clearwaters, of the Indiana Society. The Committee on Resolutions recommended the adoption of the following resolution, which was unanimously agreed to by the Congress:

Resolved, That this Congress go on record as heartily endorsing H. R. Bill No. 5656, which provides for the publication of the United States census records from and including 1800 to 1890, and urges its adoption by the Congress of the United States.

The Committee on Resolutions likewise reported, and the Congress adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the official home of the Sons of the American Revolution is now assured, and
Whereas there is need and it is fitting that there be established in this home a suitable library of historical, genealogical and patriotic works; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the President General be requested to appoint a Library Committee consisting of three co-patriots who shall be empowered with full authority to devise ways and means whereby such a library can be acquired and established in the headquarters building of the Society.

In substitution for a resolution previously offered, the Committee on Resolutions reported the following resolution favorably, and it was unanimously agreed to after discussion:

Whereas it has been brought to our notice that the American Legion is sponsoring a plan for the promotion of international peace, understanding and good will by means of an interchange of students each year between the United States and other countries, to the end that each country may have among its educated men and women those who have sympathetic knowledge of the United States and of the aspirations of other peoples; therefore be it

Resolved, That, while for lack of adequate information and study we cannot at this time express an opinion concerning the feasibility of any specific project, this Congress of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution warmly sympathizes with and commends the patriotic purposes of the American Legion in seeking to bring about such an international educational program for the promotion of peace.

The Committee on Resolutions favorably reported and the Congress unanimously adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the constitutional date for the holding of the Annual Congress of this Society imposes an important financial burden upon many State Societies, especially those in the Western and Far Western States who might desire to attend, because of the fact that the date usually set by the railroads for the summer excursion rates covers a few days or a week too late to be taken advantage of; this disadvantage in railroad costs to attend the congresses from the Pacific Coast ranging from $45 to $65; and

Whereas, also, it has frequently been necessary in the past for various reasons to change the date of the Congress, through temporary arrangements, to overcome the constitutional requirement;

Resolved, That this Congress of the Society request the Executive Committee to consider submitting to the next annual election Congress an amendment to our constitution which will provide for some elasticity in the selection of the meeting date, so that such matters of expediency as may be presented in a particular year can more easily be considered by the Committee on Arrangements for the Congress of any year.

The Committee on Resolutions returned the following resolution offered by Vice-President General Charles P. Schouten, on behalf of the Minnesota Society, reporting that for lack of sufficient information it is unable to recommend its passage at this time, and recommending that it be referred to the next Annual Congress. Upon motion, it was voted that the report of the committee be received.

Resolved by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in Annual Congress assembled, at Washington, D. C., May 19th to 23rd, 1908, That in the organization of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution place itself on record as favoring such expenditure of public funds as will be necessary to properly and adequately house and uniform the troops of the Regular Army of the United States, both in such garrisons as are maintained within the continental limits of the nation and in the territorial possessions and station. In connection with the housing of enlisted men of the Army it is believed that suitable quarters should be provided for married non-commissioned officers, such as will make it possible for men of promise and ability to remain in the Army with a reasonable grade, pay and allowances as will place them as nearly as possible upon a par with civilians of similar age, ability and experience; be it further

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Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Committees on Military Affairs of the House of Representatives and Senate of the United States.

After considerable discussion, on motion of Chairman Johnson, seconded by Vice-President General Rowley, both of the Committee on Resolutions, it was voted that the resolution be referred immediately to the Executive Committee for careful study and such action as they see fit to take.

The Committee on Resolutions returned to the Congress the following resolution presented by the Colorado Society, with respect to the redistricting of the present Northwestern and Mountain States districts:

Whereas the Northwestern District of the National Society comprises the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Territory of Alaska and the Philippine Islands, and the Pacific District comprises the States of California, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Colorado, and the Territory of Hawaii, and this districting has existed since the National incorporation of the Society and was made for reasons existing at that time and which are no longer permanent and without apparent regard to the geographical, economic and social interests of the various states concerned; and

Whereas a more logical arrangement and terminology for the states and territories comprised in the districts in question would be as follows: Mountain States District comprised of the States of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, and the Pacific District comprised of the States of California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, territories of Alaska and Hawaii and the Philippine Islands; and

Whereas this suggested redistricting would result in an arrangement whereby the areas concerned would have a great economic and social unity, would be more easily accessible, and would constitute a more nearly homogeneous arrangement of territory which would facilitate visitation by the resident Vice-Presidents General; and

Whereas the present districting was made without consideration for transportation facilities and community interests; and

Whereas the suggested districts are more natural and conforms, so far as the national area is concerned, with the area having mountain standard time, with the districts of the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, respectively, and, likewise with the Federal Judicial Districts, each of which in practice has proved satisfactory; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Colorado Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in regular meeting assembled, do hereby recommend to the National Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at its annual Congress in May, 1928, at Washington, D. C., that the necessary amendment be introduced and passed under a suspension of the rules or, if that is not feasible, at the next meeting of the National Congress in 1930, changing and renaming the districts of the Northwestern District and the Pacific District, as follows: Mountain States District comprised of the States of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, and the Pacific District comprised of the States of California, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, territories of Alaska and Hawaii and the Philippine Islands.

The Committee on Resolutions recommended the amendment of the terms of the resolution, so as to designate the Mountain States District as the Rocky Mountain States District, and the Pacific District as the Pacific Coast District, and with this modification recommended that this Congress do present to the Congress of 1929 this proposed redistricting, in the nature of an amendment to the constitution.

On motion, duly made and seconded, it was voted that the report be accepted, and the resolution embodying a proposed change in the constitution be referred to the next general Congress.

From the Committee on Resolutions was received a recommendation for reference to the Executive Committee of the following resolution, which report and recommendation were received and adopted:

Whereas the Society in France is a very valuable adjunct to our National organization, and is composed for the most part of descendants of those Frenchmen who came to America at the time of the Revolution; and

Whereas in the formation and building up of that Society it was found extremely difficult to secure the payment of initiation fee and annual dues to be forwarded across the water to our National Headquarters; and

Whereas it is deemed advisable to grant some concession to the French organization until it may be put on a more substantial basis by the acquisition of new members; and

Whereas at the last Congress in Richmond the French Society was exempted from the payment of dues for the period of one year; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Society in France be exempted from the payment of dues to the National organization for the further period of two years.

The Committee on Resolutions favorably reported and the Congress adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the members of the various committees of the National Society appointed by the President General reside in widely separated parts of the country; and

Whereas it is impossible to hold committee meetings on that account; and

Whereas the real effectiveness of committee work is usually personal contact and personal exchange of views, is wholly lost; be it

Resolved, That this Congress suggest to the next President General a plan to make regular appointments of entire committees, either by States or district appointments.

The Committee on Resolutions reported favorably and the Congress adopted the following resolution:

Inasmuch as the National Congresses of the Sons of the American Revolution at Philadelphia and Richmond have endorsed heartily the movement by the Wakefield National Memorial Association to rebuild the birthplace of George Washington; and

Inasmuch as the Daughters of the American Revolution and other patriotic societies are working actively for this movement, and the State of Virginia has appropriated the sum of $5,000 toward it; and the school children of Washington, D. C., the sum of $1,500 by penny contribution only; therefore, be it

Resolved by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution assembled in the city named for George Washington, That it applaud this laudable patriotic work to the end that the birthplace of the father of his country be restored, prior to the national celebration to be held at Wakefield Manor on February 22, 1932.

The Committee on Resolutions returned to the Congress the following resolution, with the report that it ought not to pass, which report was received and adopted by the Congress and the resolution rejected:

Whereas George Washington is buried in a tomb at Mount Vernon that architecturally is far from being a proper memorial; and

Whereas Lincoln, Grant, McKinley, Harding and other Presidents have monuments more commensurate to the official positions held by them; and
Whereas George Washington deserves a memorial tomb in keeping with his position in history; be it

Resolved by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in 39th Congress assembled, That this Society recommends to the government and citizens of the United States the erection of a shrine at Mount Vernon which will be more in keeping with the respect due the Father of Our Country. This should be completed by 1932.

The Committee on Official Reports and Recommendations presented its report, through Past President General Wilbert H. Barrett, Chairman, which was accepted.

The Committee on Credentials submitted a final report, showing

Total number of delegates in attendance ........................................ 283
Ladies and guests ................................................................. 143

Total ............................................................................. 426

The adoption of this amendment was moved by Judge Van Orsdel, which was duly seconded.

The motion was duly seconded and discussed at length by Past President General Rowley, Vice-President General Ames, Past President General Thruston, Mr. Henry C. Dexter, of Rhode Island, and Judge Van Orsdel. The question being called for, the motion was put, and the amendment was unanimously adopted.

The committee recommended the amendment of Article III, Section 3, line 1, to read “Application for membership shall be made through any State Society,” on motion of Judge Van Orsdel, duly seconded, the amendment was unanimously adopted.

The committee recommended the amendment of Article III by inserting after the fourth paragraph an additional paragraph, as follows:

“In the transfer of a member of the Children of the American Revolution, or the Children of the Revolution, copies of his papers admitting him into either of those societies, approved by the Registrar of the State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Registrar General of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, shall be accepted in lieu of the regular form of application blank used by this Society.”

The question was put and the amendment was unanimously adopted.

The committee recommended the amendment of Article IV, National and State societies, by amending Section 3 by the elimination in the fourth line thereof of the words “have authority,” and the insertion, in lieu thereof, of the word “endeavor.” The sentence as amended would then read, “It shall endeavor to establish local chapters within its own jurisdiction, and to endow the chapters with such power as it may deem proper, not inconsistent with the charter of the National Society or with this Constitution.” Upon motion of Judge Van Orsdel, duly seconded, the amendment was unanimously adopted.

The committee recommended the amendment of Article V, Section 4, in the second paragraph, by substituting for the word “three-fourths,” in the sixth line thereof, the words “a majority.” Vice-President General Rowley moved a further amendment, that the section be entirely eliminated, and after discussion the question was put and the amendment to the amendment was not agreed to. Thereupon, by unanimous vote, the amendment recommended by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments was adopted.

The Committee on Constitutional Amendments recommended the amendment of Article VII, Meetings and Elections, as follows: Amend Section 3, paragraph 4, to read:

“One delegate from every fifty members of the State Society within a State, and for a fraction of twenty-five or over. In the selection of the delegation from any State, each chapter of not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty members shall be entitled to elect one delegate, and one delegate for each additional fifty members, provided that if the number of delegates so elected by the chapters availing themselves of the right hereby conferred are not sufficient to fill the quota to which the State is entitled, the State Society, under rules prescribed by it, shall select sufficient number of delegates at large to fill such quota.”

The adoption of this amendment was moved by Judge Van Orsdel, which was duly seconded.

Vice-President General Ames, of the Empire State Society, proposed to still further amend Article VII so as to read:

“One delegate from every fifty members of the State Society and a delegate for any additional members of twenty-five or over. In the selection of the delegation from any State Society, we recommend that the chapter representation through the State Society be on the same basis as that of the State Society, provided that each chapter shall be entitled to at least one delegate.”

After discussion the amendment offered by Colonel Ames was withdrawn, and the question being put upon the adoption of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, the amendment was unanimously adopted by the Congress.

An invitation to attend the 150th Anniversary of the capture of Fort Sackville, was presented by the Indiana Society through Rev. John F. Clearwaters, Secretary, as follows:

On February 25, 1929, the 150th Anniversary of the Capture of Fort Sackville by Gen. George Rogers Clark, the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Indiana will hold its 39th Annual Convention and recognition of the occasion. They have asked all of the State societies of the five other “Old Northwest” States to join in the exercises as bodies. The Indiana Society wishes to here extend general invitation to all compatriots of all State societies.
to join with them in their celebration of this, their only Revolutionary event of notable importance.

In invitation was also extended to all compatriots to attend the anniversary celebration of the birthday of General Henry Knox, first Secretary of War, at Thomaston, Maine, on July 25, 1928, by the President of the Knox Memorial Association, Mrs. Herbert M. Lord.

Reports were presented by the Golf Committee and from the Committee on the Observance of Flag Day.

Past President General Burton H. Wiggin, of Massachusetts, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a motion to make Honorable Archie Lee Talbot, of Maine, an honorary Vice-President General for Life. The President General ruled that such a motion would be out of order.

The traveling banner, which is presented annually to the State Society obtaining the largest percentage of net gain in membership, was presented to the Connecticut Society, and was received by President George S. Godard of that Society.

The Syracuse banner, which is awarded annually to the State Society enrolling the greatest number of new members, was retained by the Empire State Society, which had won it a year ago. In the contest, the Empire State Society secured 281 members, the Connecticut Society, 225, and the Pennsylvania Society, 201.

The Ohio Society banner, presented annually to a State Society reporting the largest percentage in enrollment of new members of 30 years or under in age, was awarded to the Florida Society.

Past President General Ames, for the Headquarters Campaign Committee, reported additional gifts from Col. George A. Elliott, President of the Delaware State Society; S. S. Spalding, of Buffalo, New York; Elmer M. Wentworth, J. A. Walker, Chauncey P. Overfield, Chauncey M. Thom, Nathan T. Codd, Eugene Tanke, William Tyler Page, T. M. Maynader, and that the total amount subscribed since the report of the committee on the preceding day of the Congress is approximately $35,000.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the report of the special committee was accepted and the committee discharged, with the thanks of the Congress.

Upon motion, duly made, the Congress thereupon proceeded to the election of officers and trustees. Nominating speeches in behalf of President Ganson Depew, of the Empire State Society, were made by Hon. Joseph A. Van Orsdel, of the District of Columbia; Director General R. C. Schanche, of Pennsylvania, and, upon motion of Past President General Barrett, it was voted that the nominations be closed and the Secretary be directed to cast the unanimous ballot of the Congress for Ganson Depew of Buffalo, New York. The motion prevailed unanimously and with much enthusiasm, the ballot was cast and the Chair announced the unanimous election of Mr. Depew as the President General for the ensuing year.

Past-President General for the several districts were thereupon nominated and elected as follows, in each case the ballot of the Congress being cast by the Secretary General, by the direction of the Congress:

For the first district, the New England district, George S. Godard, seconded by Past President Benjamin N. Johnson of Massachusetts, and Henry C. Dexter of Rhode Island.

For the second district, the North Atlantic district, General Oliver B. Bridge- man, President of the New York City Chapter, upon motion of Director General Brewer of New Jersey.
have demonstrated that we are now together in a spirit of perfect harmony and good fellowship. (Applause.)

I realize the responsibilities of my office and I feel it will be most difficult to follow in the footsteps of my immediate predecessors, Mr. Barrett and Mr. Rogers, who have done so much for the advancement of our organization, and also to follow in the footsteps of many of the Presidents General who in the last forty years have rendered such loyal service to the National Society.

In conclusion, I pledge to you my best thought, effort and enthusiasm to promote the interests of the Society, to maintain the highest traditions of my office, confident with your guidance, suggestion and hearty co-operation, we will continue to grow in numbers and activities to better carry on the splendid purposes and aspirations of a Society we all love. (Prolonged applause.)

Thereupon President General Rogers presiding, the election of officers was resumed.

For the third district, the Mid-Atlantic district, Philip S. Morgan, of Maryland, on behalf of the Maryland Society, nominated Ernest J. Clark as Vice-President General for the Mid-Atlantic district.

For the fourth district, South Atlantic district, Cornelius Christiancy, of Florida, upon nomination of Vice-President General John F. Jones.

For the fifth district, the Southern district, Norman M. Conty, Treasurer of the Kentucky Society, upon nomination of Mr. W. Kenney Erdman, of Kentucky.

For the sixth district, the Central district, Mr. David E. French, of Bluefield, West Virginia, upon nomination of Roy R. Hornor, of West Virginia.

For the seventh district, the Great Lakes district, Dr. Frank Ward Holt, of Michigan, upon nomination of Mr. Francis C. Campbell.

For the eighth district, the North Pacific district, Charles P. Schouten, of Minnesota, upon nomination of Mr. J. A. Piper, of Nebraska.

For the ninth district, the South Mississippi district, Mr. Sam P. Schouten, of Texas, upon nomination of James M. Breckenridge.

For the tenth district, the Northwestern district, Judge Harry D. Moore, of the Washington State Society, upon nomination of Vice-President General Rowley, made at the request of Mr. Percy B. Hunting, the present Vice-President General for that district.

For the eleventh district, the Pacific district, Howard C. Rowley, upon nomination of Lewis K. Torbet, of the Illinois Society.

For the office of Secretary General, Mr. John P. Earnest, of the District of Columbia Society, nominated the present Secretary General, Frank B. Steele, which was seconded by several, and there being no further nominations for this office, Mr. Steele was unanimously re-elected to the office of Secretary General, Past President General Remington casting the ballot by direction of the Congress.

For the office of Treasurer General, Mr. George S. Robertson, of Maryland, was nominated by the present Treasurer General Louis A. Bowman, of Chicago, and unanimously elected.

For the office of Registrar General, upon nomination of President Wales, of the District of Columbia Society, Mr. Francis B. Culver, of Washington, the present incumbent, was unanimously re-elected.

For Historian General, Mr. Roswell Page, of Virginia, was nominated by Director General Millsbaugh, and unanimously elected.

For the office of Chancellor General, upon nomination of Mr. John L. Walker, President of the Pennsylvania Society, Captain William J. Askin, Jr., was unanimously re-elected.

Upon motion of Hon. William H. Sargeant, of Virginia, Mr. W. Mac Jones was re-elected unanimously to the office of Genealogist General.

For the office of Chaplain General, George A. Elliott, of Delaware, nominated the present incumbent, the Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, who was unanimously re-elected to office.

Thereupon the Trustees for the succeeding year were nominated and elected upon a single ballot, as the unanimous selection of the Congress, as follows:

See list on page preceding frontispiece.

From this point to the close of the Congress, President General Depew presided. President Torbet, of the Illinois Society, presented the invitation of that Society and of the city of Springfield, Illinois to hold the Congress of 1930 at Springfield, Illinois, which was favorably commented on by Past President Johnson of Massachusetts, Vice-President General Cochran of Texas, and others.

Vice-President General Millsbaugh, of Tennessee, announced to the Congress that the 1930 Congress will be invited to meet in Tennessee or in the South.

On motion of Mr. Torbet, it was unanimously voted that the matter be referred to the Board of Trustees and invite their favorable consideration.

Vice-President General Godard, for the Committee on Resolutions, presented the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, respectfully records its hope that the National Archives Building, for which Congress has provided, may be erected at an early date, in order that unique and valuable records now exposed to many dangers, may be placed in a place of safety and accessibility.

Resolved, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, assembled in its 39th Annual Congress at Washington, records with pleasure the action of Congress in creating the George Washington Bi-Centennial Commission and providing the necessary funds and authority to enable it to fittingly observe the 200th anniversary of the birth of Washington through the construction of a Memorial Highway connecting our National Capital with our National Shrine at Mount Vernon, the restoration of the Washington house at Wakefield, and in other suitable ways, including recognition in our public schools.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

Whereas since the arrival of the delegates to this 39th Annual Congress held in the city of Washington, the District of Columbia Society has been unceasing in its thoughtful courtesies, and

Whereas this generous and cordial hospitality extended to us has made our visit to this beautiful and deeply interesting city a season of rare privilege; therefore, let it

Resolved, That we extend our most sincere thanks to our host Society, its officers and members and to all those who assisted in our entertainment that we are particularly appreciative for the privilege of having the picture taken at the White House Grounds with the President of the United States, and we are deeply grateful to the District of Columbia Society and the Committee on Arrangements under the Chairmanship of John Paul Earnest, to the Reception Committee of ladies headed by Mrs. John Paul Earnest, to the Daughters of the American Revolution, to General Lejeune, Major-General Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps, for his courtesy in granting leave to use
The matter of the proposed endorsement of the book tentatively entitled "The Amazing Benjamin Franklin" was discussed.

It was moved by Director General Johnson that the Secretary General inform Mr. J. Henry Smythe that the Executive Committee feel that it would be inexpedient and establish an undesirable precedent to endorse any private publication. The motion was adopted.

The matter of the application of the Society of France was discussed, and the National Congress having left this matter with power to the Executive Committee, it was moved by Director General Millspaugh that the dues of the members of the Society in France to the National Society be remitted up to April 20, 1910. The motion was adopted.

The Secretary General was instructed to follow up by correspondence the matter of the promotion of a Society in France and assist this Society in every possible way.

It was moved that Chancellor General Askin be asked to send a statement of the conditions in France from his observation and send to the Secretary General to be submitted to the Executive Committee. The motion was adopted.

Director General Johnson moved that the Chair appoint a committee of three to take up the matter of a tablet to be placed upon the tomb of Lafayette in Paris and report to the Executive Committee at the fall meeting of the committee. Motion adopted.

The Chairman appointed Director General Johnson, Chancellor General Askin, and Colonel Sackett, of the Empire State Society.

Director General Rogers moved that a sincere vote of thanks be given to Mrs. James H. Dorsey for her generosity in presenting the George Washington seedling and the plants thereof. Motion was adopted.

Director General Van Orsdel moved that the Executive Committee extend its deepest sympathy to Compatriot and former Registrar General William S. Parks because of his serious illness at his home in Washington. The motion was unanimously adopted.

The matter of the changing of the dates of issue of THE MINUTE MAN was discussed, and it was moved by Director General Torbet that the dates of the issues of THE MINUTE MAN be changed to July 1, October 1, January 1, and April 1 in each year. The motion was adopted.

The matter of the resolution of Hon. Harry D. Moore, of Seattle, in reference to changing the Constitution and By-Laws to allow more elasticity in the selection of the meeting date was discussed, and it was moved by Director General Millspaugh that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments of the Executive Committee. The motion was adopted.

It was moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Chairman of the Executive Committee to revise the Constitution and By-Laws. Motion was adopted.

The Chairman appointed Past President General Barrett Chairman of this Committee.

The matter of the future plans for the campaign for funds for the National Headquarters was discussed fully, and the Secretary General was instructed to prepare a transcript of the Proceedings of the Congress in reference to this matter, giving definite figures as to pledges received at the Congress and heretofore, in order that the President General and the Executive Committee may plan an intensive campaign to complete the raising of the amount necessary to pay for the headquarters and an endowment fund for the maintenance of these headquarters.
The matter of the place of the next meeting of the National Congress was discussed, and it having been referred to this committee with power, it was moved by Director General Van Orsdel that the next Congress of this Society be held in the city of Springfield, Illinois. The motion was adopted.

Director General Rogers moved that if found necessary votes of the Executive Committee may be taken by mail during the coming year. The motion was adopted.

Director General Schanck moved that the salary of the Secretary General be $3,000 per year; that the Assistant to the Secretary General be $1,800; the Registrar General $1,500, the Assistant to the Registrar General $600, the Treasurer General’s Assistant $500, and that a stenographer be employed at the headquarters in Washington at the sum of $1,200 annually. The motion was adopted.

Director General Van Orsdel moved that the expenses of the Secretary General be paid for his attendance at the meetings of the Executive Committee, and the National Congress and the expenses of the Chairman of the Credential Committee be paid to the National Congress. Motion adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANK B. STEELE,
Secretary General.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Held at the Mayflower Hotel, Wednesday, May 23, 1928

Present: Ganson Depew, President General, presiding. Charles P. Schouten, Vice-President General, Minnesota; Howard C. Rowley, Vice-President General, California; Frank B. Steele, Secretary General; Francis B. Culver, Registrar General; George S. Robertson, Treasurer General; Trustees, Kenneth S. Wales, District of Columbia; Lewis K. Torbet, Illinois; Benjamin N. Johnson, Massachusetts; Norman M. Conger, Michigan; Charles A. Holden, New Hampshire; Dr. D. T. Smithwick, North Carolina; Thomas S. Brown, Pennsylvania; J. Walter Allen, Tennessee; Thomas S. Williams, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, and the President General presented the following names for approval as members of his Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Benjamin N. Johnson, Massachusetts; Frederick W. Millsap, Tennessee; Ernest E. Rogers, Connecticut; Howard C. Rowley, California; Rufus C. Schanck, Pennsylvania; Loren E. Soners, Ohio; Lewis K. Torbet, Illinois, and Josiah A. Van Orsdel, District of Columbia.

It was moved by Mr. Wales that these compatriots, as submitted by the President General, be confirmed by the Board of Trustees. The motion was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Culver, the invitation of Springfield, Illinois, to hold the next annual Congress in that city, was referred to the Executive Committee with full power. The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Wales that the sum of $500 be appropriated for the next annual Congress, and that the Executive Committee have authority to appropriate a further amount up to $1,000 if found necessary. The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Dr. Smithwick that a new edition of the Constitution be printed. The motion was adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Wales that a special committee be appointed to consider the condition and revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, so that the several sections may be brought into harmony and the time and energy of the Congress may be conserved in discussing the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws. The motion was adopted.

The following amendment to the By-Laws having been presented at the previous meeting of the Board of Trustees held on Sunday, May 20, 1928, upon motion of Mr. Rowley it was unanimously adopted:

Amend Article XIX of the By-Laws to read as follows:

No debts shall be contracted on behalf of the National Society except for incidental expenses. Every obligation for the payment of money, except checks drawn against deposits executed in the name or on behalf of the National Society, shall be null and void; provided that nothing in this By-Laws is to be construed as prohibiting the Society from acquiring property for its own use upon which there may be a mortgage or other lien, nor to prohibit it from placing a mortgage or other lien upon its property, or from the payment of such indebtedness or the interest thereon.

The following amendment to the By-Laws having been also presented to the previous Board of Trustees at the meeting on May 20, 1928, it was moved by Mr. Rowley, seconded and unanimously adopted:

Amend Article XXI by inserting after the word "trustees" in the second line, the words, "held during or immediately after the election Congress of the Society," so that Article XXI will read as follows: "These by-laws may be altered or amended by a vote of three-fourths of the members present at any meeting of the Board of Trustees, held during or immediately after the election Congress of the Society, notice thereof having been duly given at a previous meeting."

(Amendments designated by words in italics.)

It was moved by Mr. Torbet that a banner be awarded to the North Carolina Society for its remarkable showing in the organization of the present new State Society. The motion was adopted.

On motion the meeting adjourned.
Respectfully submitted,
FRANK B. STEELE,
Secretary General.

DELEGATES ATTENDING THE 39TH ANNUAL CONGRESS,
MAY 20 TO 23, 1928

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Colorado—Howard C. Rowley.
Delaware—R. Harvey Boltwood and Jesse Penney Martin.
Florida—Cornelius Chrestum and G. Leslie Ryder.
Georgia—E. J. Walker and John P. Jones.
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Kentucky—Leslie E. Britton, Col. J. J. Danielson.
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Missouri—R. G. Davis, J. H. E. Millikin, R. S. Murphy.
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Vermont—W. S. Pettigrew, H. C. Betts.
Wisconsin—E. J. Walker, and John P. Jones.
The Social Side of the 39th Congress

The beautiful city of Washington always lends itself to a gathering of people from all parts of the United States, and at this spring time of the year it is so attractive that visitors are always charmed merely by being in the city and enjoying its many interesting buildings, parks, and shrines, and when to these is added the fine hospitality of the residents of Washington the visit to this Capital of the Nation is doubly delightful.

There were so many interesting entertainments given in connection with the 39th Congress that it is hard to say which was the most outstanding. There is no other place, of course, in this country that delegates have the privilege of seeing their Chief Magistrate, and having a photograph taken with him, as was done on Monday; no other place like Arlington, with its sacred Tomb of Remembrance; and no other Mount Vernon, where one can go to visit the home and last resting place of our first great soldier, leader, and statesman. All of these and many other features went far toward the enjoyment of the men and women who attended the 39th Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The church service on Sunday afternoon, which was held at the Church of the Epiphany, Episcopal, was most impressive, and with the added feature of the beautiful flags, loaned for this occasion by the New York Chapter, the effect was deeply significant and in harmony with the occasion. The sermon was preached by the Right Reverend Philip Cook, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of Delaware and Chaplain General of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and was a most eloquent and patriotic address on our ideals and responsibilities. Bishop Cook was assisted by Dr. Ze Barney Phillips, D. D., rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Rev. Frederick W. Perkins, former Chaplain General of the National Society, and other Washington clergy.

The visit to the White House and the photograph with President Coolidge, mentioned above, took place on Monday noon.

The ladies who were in attendance at the Congress were privileged on Monday afternoon to attend a tea in their honor, given by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, at beautiful Memorial Continental Hall. This was an unprecedented honor and impossible elsewhere, for although the local chapter groups of the D. A. R. wherever the Congress has met have often generously entertained the Congress, only in Washington could the official stamp of the National Society be possible as the city where the headquarters is located. Although the President General, Mrs. Brosseau, was absent in Europe, the honors were very ably carried out by the National Officers resident in Washington. The reception was held in the large central room on the second floor, and in the receiving line with Mrs. Ernest E. Rogers, wife of our President General, as special guest, were Mrs. Reynolds, Vice-Chairman of Entertainment, who made the introductions; Mrs. Charles H. Bissell, of Connecticut, Vice-President General; Mrs. Frank B. Steele, wife of the Secretary General, S. A. R.; Mrs. Herbert Lord, Corresponding Secretary General; Mrs. Eli A. Helmick, Registrar General, and other National D. A. R. Officers. The arrangements were in charge of Mrs. David D. Caldwell, State Regent of the District of Columbia, D. A. R., and Mrs. C. C. Coombs, Chairman of the D. C. Entertainment Committee. Refreshments were served on the third floor in the banquet room, and this delightful entertainment gave an opportunity to many of our guests to see Memorial Continental Hall who had never had this pleasure before. So attractive was this invitation that a number of the gentlemen could not be persuaded to remain away, although it was primarily an affair for the ladies.

Probably one of the most delightful receptions that has ever been held was that given at the Headquarters of our Society in Sixteenth Street on Monday evening. To think that we were holding our reception in our own home; that we were being made welcome by the President General and the officers in a magnificent building, with all its most perfect appointments, and that this was the Society and its loyal members had been looking forward to for so many years, all went far to make this President General's Reception a splendid success. The guests were received by President General and Mrs. Rogers in the beautiful drawing room on the second floor, and with them were Secretary General and Mrs. Steele, who reside in the home, Past Presidents General Barrett and Remington, Mrs. Remington, and all the other National Officers who were in attendance at the Congress, with their wives. Members of the District of Columbia Society acted as ushers, and with the Ladies Committee assisted in making the guests feel happy, showing them through other rooms, etc. The United States Marine Orchestra, so generously loaned for this occasion by Gen. John Lejeune, played most delightfully throughout the evening, and refreshments fitting the occasion were served during the entire evening. Expressions were heard on all sides not only of the beauty of this building, but also of its remarkable adaptation for the purpose for which it is being used, and that no better selection could have been made in Washington for the use of our Society and its great work.

On Tuesday afternoon the pilgrimage to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington was held, and there, in the presence of several hundreds of other delegates and guests, in a brief but impressive ceremony, an insignia of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was placed on the tomb and a beautiful wreath, also, to honor this representative of the brave men who fought and died in the World War. The ceremony, which was presided over by President General Rogers, was opened with an invocation by compatriot Rev. John F. Clearwaters, of Indiana; this was followed by a brief but inspiring address by President Ganson Depew, of the Empire State Society; and the insignia was then presented by Hon. Harvey F. Remington, Past President General and Past President of the Empire State Society and of Rochester Chapter. It was accepted by General Charles Summerall, Chief of Staff of the United States Army and compatriot, who spoke briefly and impressively. The wreath was placed by Mr. Howard Van R. Palmer, Past President of Rochester Chapter, and the benediction was said by Doctor Clearwaters. The credit for this feature of the Congress must be given to the Rochester Chapter, of New York, for it was suggested by a member of that progressive body some months ago, and the insignia was contributed by the Chapter.

Unquestionably the crowning event of the Congress was the splendid banquet on Tuesday evening at the Mayflower Hotel. In the spacious ballroom of this beautiful hotel, draped with many flags and with the beautiful stand of the colors of the New York Chapter as a background to the speakers' table, it was a brilliant sight when the five hundred or more guests assembled for this occasion. The tables were decorated with lovely spring flowers and the room seemed...
like a bower. At the speakers' table, beside the President General and Mrs. Rogers, were our dignified toastmaster, Judge Van Orsdel, and Mrs. Van Orsdel; Secretary of the Navy Curtis D. Wilbur and Mrs. Wilbur; Secretary of Labor James J. Davis; Hon. William Tyler Page, Clerk of the House of Representatives and author of The American's Creed; Hon. Albert Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Immigration of the House of Representatives; Mrs. William Sherman Walker, Vice-President General, D. A. R.; Mr. Kenneth S. Wales, President of the District of Columbia, S. A. R., and Mrs. Wales; and the Rev. Frederick W. Perkins, D. D., former Chaplain General of the National Society, who gave the invocation in the absence of Bishop Cook, and Mrs. Perkins.

The addresses were all eloquent and inspiring, and not too prolonged. Judge Van Orsdel made an ideal toastmaster and introduced each speaker in a few brief and pertinent words.

President General Rogers took as his topic the influence of that great patriot Nathan Hale, and in eloquent words told of the lasting effect of such a life and noble death on the generations that have lived and that are to come. This was a deeply thoughtful and impressive address.

The Hon. James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, whose deep interest in the immigration question is well known, not only spoke on this subject, but gave a most eloquent patriotic address, and his magnetic personality and forceful words made a deep impression. Unfortunately, the Hon. Arthur H. Vandenberg, Senator from Michigan and one of our compatriots, was detained by the evening session of the Senate and was unable to be present, though he sent his most sincere regrets. However, the Hon. Albert Johnson, of Washington State, spoke interestingly of the work of the Immigration Committee, of which he is Chairman, and told of some of its accomplishments during the past few years. The Hon. Curtis D. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, was called upon, and in a few sincere and effective words told of some of the achievements of the United States Navy and the effort of his Department to keep the Navy in its present state of efficiency and effectiveness. Secretary Wilbur's words were received with great enthusiasm by the guests present. This closed one of the most interesting and delightful banquets the Society has ever held, and, with the hour or more of dancing that followed, it was felt that it was the crowning event of the Congress from the social standpoint.

On Wednesday, after the adjournment of the Congress, the delegates were taken by boat to Mount Vernon, and the beautiful ride down the Potomac, with its verdure-lined shores, the visit to the tomb of General and Mrs. Washington, and the inspection of the wonderful home where they lived and died, was all most delightful and a fitting climax to the sessions of the Congress.

The ride home in the late afternoon closed a day long to be remembered.

On Thursday a number of the visiting golfers and District of Columbia compatriots were entertained at the Congressional Club for a round of golf, and a member of the National Golf Association's Executive Committee, driving off the first ball.

This recital of the social pleasures of the Congress would not be complete without paying tribute to the special committee of ladies, who did so much to make it pleasant for not only the delegates, but particularly the visiting ladies. The Chairman, Mrs. John Paul Earnest, with a large committee, were in attendance every day at the hotel, and also at the National Headquarters. Automobiles were available for many who wished to drive around the city, and information regarding the city and its attractions was readily furnished. These ladies also assisted at the reception and gave a great deal of time for the purpose of seeing to the comfort and pleasure of our guests. Many of the beautiful flowers which decorated Headquarters on the evening of the reception were brought by this committee.

The whole stay in this city of our nation was so delightful and interesting that it will always be considered as one of the finest meetings of our Society, and those that were here will long remember their visit to the 9th Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION GOLF TOURNAMENT

The first of a series of golf tournaments planned to be held at all annual Congresses of the Sons of the American Revolution in the future took place May 19-21, at the Congressional Country Club. Hon. Ganson Depew, of Buffalo, President General of the Sons of the American Revolution, a member of the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association, opened the tournament with a drive which won the applause of the gallery of ladies and contestants.

The District of Columbia team, under the captaincy of A. M. Holcombe, played a team representing the National Society, under the captaincy of Col. Franklin Blackstone, of Pittsburgh, and won the opening match. The team matches will be continued in the fall for the Forsyth-Blackstone National Challenge Cup, which was won for the first time last year by the Pennsylvania Society from the Tennessee Society.

Preston B. Cavanaugh, of the local team, was winner of the low gross prize, and Harry F. Knapp, also of the local team, was runner-up. T. A. Weedon, also of the local team, took third place. The prize for high gross score was awarded to Col. Robert H. Rolfe, of New Hampshire. Mr. Cavanaugh also won the first leg of the Blackstone trophy, which is played for every year at the National Congress, and must be won three times before becoming the property of any individual. This trophy was on exhibition during the sessions of the Congress at the Mayflower Hotel, and was much admired for its neat and artistic design.

The tournament was followed by a luncheon at the Congressional Club, attended by the players and their ladies. Colonel Blackstone, Chairman of the National Golf Committee of the Sons of the American Revolution, made the presentation speeches, and congratulated the District of Columbia team on their finished performance.

The arrangements for the tournament were under the direction of Capt. A. J. Gore, Chairman of the Golf Committee of the District Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

The National Industries News Service released the following on May 24:
AMERICA, OUR LAND

GEORGE M. BECKETT, M. D.
Member of D. C. Society, S. A. R.

America, in the majestic splendor lies,
God's chosen realm sublime beneath the western skies.
Her lofty aims are known beyond the rolling sea,
With cherish'd pride throughout our land of liberty.
We love America and hold her standards high,
Ideals of patriots true we praise and glorify.

America, the land where right hath fullest sway;
Where hope and promise guide the worth that we display.
First, royal seamen brav'd uncharted seas and fate,
Since, freedom's host hath come from ev'ry clime and State.
Their love for liberty and useful life fulfill,
For them the gates of freedom swung, are swinging still.

Her mountain heights, her scenic vales and fertile plains,
Adorn'd by Nature's gifts and fields of waving grains.
The sunny skies, imposing streams and fragrant flow'rs,
With climate rare to bless this glorious land of ours.
America our land, America the true,
Salute our Stars and Stripes, the red, the white, the blue.

APRIL 20, 1928.

Editor's Note:—In the publication of the following Reports the Editor has assumed the responsibility of selecting and has reserved all Vice-President General reports and some minor committee reports for our October issue, in the interests of space conservation, our issue being already much more voluminous than ever before.
on Increased Membership, have been considered together, inasmuch as both reports are so closely related, pertaining, as they do, to a subject so vital to the Society, that of membership. The report of Director General Millspaugh deserves a thoughtful study of both officers and members, as it shows the value to the Society of having this statistical information promptly at stated intervals for the immediate use of the executive officers of the Society.

The report of Director General Schanck and his committee seems to show the necessity of the adoption of some effective plan not only for obtaining new members, but to lessen suspensions and resignations. Your committee could not review in detail all the reports and particularly notice and approve all the many valuable suggestions and recommendations, but in general can strongly impress by the evidence of a gain in activity and interest in our great Society and by the sincerity and devotion to duty clearly shown by the reports presented.

W. H. BARRETT, Chairman.
F. A. CORBIN.
LOUIS ANN LIN AMES.
JOHN L. WALKER.
DAVID L. FIEDLER.

Final Report of Delegates Present at the 39th Congress

General Officers, 14; Past Presidents General, 5; Directors General, 7; California, 1; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 16; Delaware, 3; District of Columbia, 18; Florida, 2; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 9; Indiana, 5; Iowa, 3; Kentucky, 5; Maine, 2; Maryland, 18; Massachusetts, 20; Michigan, 8; Minnesota, 14; Missouri, 4; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 1; New Hampshire, 2; New Jersey, 26; New Mexico, 1; New York, 42; North Carolina, 8; Ohio, 14; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 27; Rhode Island, 6; South Carolina, 4; Tennessee, 3; Texas, 3; Utah, 4; Vermont, 1; Virginia, 14; Washington, 2; West Virginia, 5; Wisconsin, 1.

Number of delegates in attendance 283
Number of ladies and guests 143

G. S. ROBERTSON, Chairman, Credential Committee.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20, 1928.

Mr. President General and Delegates to the 39th Congress:

In presenting this my seventh annual report as Secretary General, I feel that even the least optimistic will agree that the great outstanding event of the past year, the acquisition and occupation of our National Headquarters, has been not alone an event, but that this has marked an advance in the progress of our great Society which will furnish an impetus for many years to come.

If there are any present who have not been convinced of this, I do not hesitate to predict that the conviction will be borne in upon them before they leave Washington. We are keeping “Open House” at Headquarters this week, and I feel certain that after inspection of our beautiful property and the evidence of the co-operation possible between the two officers now functioning from this center, added to the information which we have tried to disseminate throughout the year in our correspondence and through the medium of THE MINUTE MAN, there can be no doubt as to the verdict.

Personal inspection and eyewitness is, naturally, the best evidence in behalf of the approval we seek, and your opportunity for this is at hand. A Committee of Resolution awaits you at any time during this week of our Annual Congress to welcome and escort you through the building, so that all may see it in detail. We feel sure that all will be impressed favorably, both with the value and beauty of the building and its furnishings and with the fine location of the property from the point of investment; and also with its appropriateness to our needs as a Society and its possibilities for filling future needs as expansion may be required, keeping pace with our expectancy of constant and rapid growth in numbers and activity.

Referring to the other phase mentioned, namely, that of progress as an organization, if you are attentive to the reports of our officers and committee chairmen you will find that along all the lines of effort throughout the organization growth is evident, and I need not here offer any details which would be merely repeated later by others. There is something, less tangible than figures and facts, but still far-reaching and important as an asset to our organization, which I will endeavor to describe.

From the time of our occupancy of the new building appeals have poured in for information and assistance of varying sorts, and invitations to participate as a Society in innumerable functions of a public nature, commemorative or historical, until the query has occurred to me many times. How were these matters cared for previously? The answer is, obviously, they were not.

Undoubtedly the city of Washington offers more and greater opportunities for this last sort of thing than most communities, particularly in the way of formal and distinguished ceremonies and observances of events and anniversaries at which it is an honor and a mark of prestige to be represented. It is my pleasure to state, however, with reference to all the opportunity which has presented itself to the Secretary General has availed himself of the privilege to attend and take part in such observances, sometimes with a delegation and sometimes alone, feeling that it was an obligation and to the credit and benefit of the National Society to be thus represented by a National Officer and taking no personal credit whatever. In the December and March issues of THE MINUTE MAN there have been described in detail some of these opportunities, which have been followed by many others. In one sense this may all seem trivial, but I do not consider it, for I believe the current lack of interest and the purposes among the general public and among those who are generally well informed is largely the result of nonrepresentation at such functions and ceremonies.

Other opportunities for our Society to make itself known and recognized have come in the various conferences of a patriotic nature at which it has been my privilege to represent the Society and to gain information as to methods and policies whereby we are better able as a Society to support our Government and Constitution intelligently and effectively. Such conferences have also been described in THE MINUTE MAN, as, for example, the Conference on Immigration, on the Flag Code, or National Defense, etc. If you have read your MINUTE MAN you will know about all these matters and repetition is not appropriate here.

Our presence here, in close proximity to our halls of legislation, has made it possible to keep in close touch with such bills and legislation as we are particularly interested in as a Society. We were able to follow up the action of our own Congress of a year ago with respect to the Memorial to George Rogers Clark at Louisville with an appeal for support of the bill which had a marked effect. If some were disappointed that we did not make a similar appeal in behalf of the National Origins Act of the Immigration Bill, the reasons for this were sufficiently
explained in our magazine in the report of our Committee on Immigration. Furthermore, it is felt that to exert a real influence in matters of legislation we should be most careful about too much circulating of our Congressmen and chary of urging support for too many questions. Concentration on one or two matters of deep interest to the entire Society will be more effective than too frequent appeals.

We feel that our centralization of executive matters has brought about a closer co-operation already with the State Societies and with the local chapter bodies, and that we have been able in a number of cases to bring real assistance and more prompt action in many cases of appeal than was ever possible heretofore.

All of the above instances are evidence of where our opportunities for increased activity and progress lie and illustrate the point I have been trying to make of the value of our National Headquarters as a center of direction, and the courtesies shown our own officers by their National Officers from the day we opened in this city. From the President General, Mrs. Brosseau, and including all their officers and the clerical force as well, we have had what might be termed enthusiastic help and assistance. In fact, in many instances these fine women have gone out of their way to show us their interest and a fine spirit of co-operation has been manifested. Within certain fair conditions and limits we may have access to many of their records—a mark of favor and friendliness which is deeply appreciated and will be of great benefit to us.

Upon the action of the Executive Committee, the Secretary General has recently made a trip into Louisiana and Alabama in the interest of organization and increased activities in these States and at the request of the compatriots of Louisiana. It is sincerely hoped that there will be a noticeable increase in membership as a result of this trip, and we have been promised some good local chapters.

It is urged that State Officers co-operate with this office in regard to the certificates, and when received from National Headquarters that they sign and forward to the new members at the earliest possible date.

We have endeavored throughout the year to get into closer touch not only with the State organizations, but with the local chapters; and have done all that was possible through correspondence to encourage the organization of new local chapters, of which there have been a very gratifying number this year. Several States which have never had chapters before have adopted a policy of encouragement along these lines, and among such it is pleasant to record the successful organization of two chapters in the State of Florida and one in preparation in South Dakota. Other States which have added to their number of existing chapters are Maryland, with two new chapters; New York, two; Connecticut, two; Pennsylvania, six; Tennessee, one; Texas, one. West Virginia was to shortly organize two or more, and there are very possibly others of which I am not fully informed as yet. All these are exclusive of the new chapters within the newly organized State Society of North Carolina, to the number of ten.

The story of North Carolina has been told in detail in The Minute Man, and the sequel to the story or organization will appear in our June issue; so we go no further than to mention it now; but let me say here, that if this Society can ever undertake to engage the services of a real field worker and "go-getter," Harrison Gray Otis is the man! Sufficient to say that the promise that North Carolina would be a real live Society, with a State-wide interest and chapters in every considerable city in its Commonwealth, was not an empty one. At the first annual meeting, held at Raleigh on April 27, which it was my pleasure to attend, as representing the National Society, and bestow the charter, the applications for ten local chapters were actually presented and conferred, two of which had actually been previously organized and functioning. An unprecedented record! The formal engrossed charter which will be presented during these sessions will contain three hundred names.

Possibly one of the pleasantest and most gratifying results of the establishment of our Headquarters in Washington has been the close co-operation with the D. A. R. and the courtesies shown our own officers by their National Officers from the day we opened in this city. From the President General, Mrs. Brosseau, and including all their officers and the clerical force as well, we have had what might be termed enthusiastic help and assistance. In fact, in many instances these fine women have gone out of their way to show us their interest and a fine spirit of co-operation has been manifested. Within certain fair conditions and limits we may have access to many of their records—a mark of favor and friendliness which is deeply appreciated and will be of great benefit to us.

At the suggestion of one of our devoted Past Presidents General, the Secretary General has undertaken to prepare an index of our publications of past years, beginning with the Year Books. This index is a crying need, and while I make no promises as to completion, as the work must necessarily be done in leisure moments, of which there seem to be few, still it is well begun and completion may be expected before too long a time! Along this same line has come the suggestion of an annual index for the Minute Man, and this we believe can be possibly inaugurated immediately with the forthcoming volume. A cataloging of all pamphlets and papers has also been completed and will be very useful, we feel.

With more specific reference to the Minute Man, the editing of which forms so large a part of the duties of the Secretary General, I feel that this speaks for itself. As the one definite point of contact between the National Society and the local compatriot, our Minute Man fills a place which could not be reached in any other way, and that this is appreciated by the individual compatriots, and that it is valued and regarded with deep interest by the large majority, we have many testimonials. We have some definite plans ahead for a more appropriate arrangement of the material, beginning with the new volume, which we hope will be approved.

In the matter of advertising, we have done a little better this year and have had some very encouraging letters as to results obtained. We feel, and again urge, that there should be greater co-operation with regard to the advertising, and that if each State would make an effort we should have a substantial increase; and here, again let me add, that you as compatriots have an obligation with regard
to reading and patronizing the advertisers who do use our magazine. "Mention THE MINUTEMAN! It helps!" We are now printing over 21,000 copies, internationally distributed, which ought to appeal to a fine class of advertisers, it would seem.

The genealogical department of the magazine is, of course, handled and edited by our Registrar General, and this is of constant and ever-increasing interest, so that our periodical is sought by a large number of libraries as a book of reference. As has been our custom for some time past, we endeavor to have one or more articles of patriotic or historical interest in every number.

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I cannot close my report, which but touches all too briefly, for justice, upon the multitude of activities of the Society this past year, without a word of personal tribute and appreciation to President General Rogers. It has been from the first an inspiration to work with a man of his fine type. His clear thinking, his attention to details, and his far vision for the development of the Society in all its phases, both national and local; his constructive suggestions for efficient handling of the work of both Secretary and Registrar General; and his broad outlook and wide experience have been a wonderful incentive throughout the year. Making the close contacts which his long trip of the early winter brought him with the local groups and compatriots in many sections and localities, he was enabled to bring the knowledge of local needs and aspirations into the plans for a broader and more constructive policy for our National Organization, which has permeated from the top down, and will, it is hoped, be continued.

Such a leader, with such a policy, coming as they have at a most critical time in the history of the Society, will surely have an impressive effect upon our future policies and the constructive upbuilding of our beloved Society. Among the very pleasant memories of this first year at Headquarters will be the several visits there of Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and the close feeling of regard and true friendship which has grown from these contacts will remain, I trust, as a permanent personal legacy of his régime as President General.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STEELE,
Secretary General.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, 1928

Your Registrar General has the honor of submitting his report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1928, which is as follows:

The total membership on our rolls at the close of the previous year (1925-26), based upon actual returns from 45 State Societies and upon estimated figures in the case of those not reporting, amounted to 19,194 (as revised). The total membership at the close of the present fiscal year, based upon the returns from 46 State Societies and upon estimated figures in the case of 3 others not reporting, was 20,024—a net gain of 830 members for the twelve months just ended. The number of new members admitted during the present year was 1,936, as against 1,920 for the previous year—a gain of 16. The idea, which proved so successful under the preceding administration, of pursuing vigorously and persistently a plan which was designed to stimulate certain dormant or moribund State Societies and to resuscitate others that were actually defunct has again succeeded notably in the case of North Carolina. Within three months after he had begun his whirlwind campaign in that section, our organizer, Mr. Harrison Gray Otis, now President of the North Carolina Society, had organized a State Society having on its rolls 152 (including 104 bona fide new members), which number is steadily increasing at a rate which in a few more months will rival West Virginia's remarkable showing of a year ago, during the administration of Past President General Barrett.

If we deduct West Virginia's first yearly enrollment of new members as of March 31, 1927 (namely, 269), from the total number of new members enrolled by all the State Societies as of that date (namely, 1,936), the remainder is 1,651, representing the number of new members admitted into the remaining State Societies during the previous year. If we deduct North Carolina's fractional first yearly enrollment of bona fide new members as of March 31, 1928, plus West Virginia's enrollment of 37 for this year (or a total of 141) from the total number of new members enrolled by all the State Societies as of the latter date (namely, 1,936), the remainder is 1,795, representing the number of new members admitted into the remaining State Societies during the present year. Thus we show a gain in new members among the older and long established Societies of 144 in favor of the present administration; in other words, the crop this year in the S. A. R. "old fields" also shows a percentage of gain over the previous year amounting to 8½ per cent. I believe that last year's President General and this year's President General both deserve our heartiest congratulations, the former for setting so stiff a pace and the latter for not only emulating him, but also for actually surpassing his record.

You will probably hear from Director of Statistics: Millsbaugh that the total enrollments during the latter half of this year are 72 short of the enrollments of the previous year. This can be satisfactorily explained. The new West Virginia Society, in March, 1927, rolled up a total of 262 new members for that month alone, whereas the new North Carolina Society has enrolled 104 bona fide new members as of March 31, 1928. It is this difference of 158 in favor of West Virginia last year which has produced a seeming, but not an actual, falling off in the enrollments of the past six months. If we eliminate the extraordinary features pertaining to these two societies, we can show a gain in the members enrolled at large during the past semester.

The deaths reported amount to 457; resignations, 164, and members dropped, 712; as against this latter figure, there were 221 reinstatements. The Empire State Society continues to lead in the number of members on its rolls, amounting to 2,728, while Massachusetts, with 1,720, and New Jersey, with 1,623, maintain the second and third places respectively.

The annual reports of this year have been filed with the Registrar General more promptly than was the case last year, but an increase has been noticed in the number of revisions of the previous year's membership totals on the part of the State Societies, which seems to indicate that the local secretaries, registrars, and treasurers do not do this. It is for the Registrar General toCalled the attention of the National Society; otherwise it would scarcely be necessary to revise the old figures from year to year. In some instances there are discrepancies between the membership figures submitted to the Registrar General and the amounts of the remittances on account of the per capita tax paid to the Treasurer General.

There is something radically wrong in view of such a state of affairs.

In one case a State Society failed to remit for a large number of members (unnamed) who were in arrears in their dues, but who were not reported as "dropped." Such a thing should not be permitted, because in the event that the unpaid dues are subsequently collected and paid into the treasury of the State Society, the National Society will lose an appreciable amount in per capita tax
and at the same time it must incur the expense of supplying our magazine, etc., to members from whom it derived no revenue.

The closing months of the fiscal year are usually the heaviest in the registration of new members, 248 being enrolled in February and 599 in March of the present year. Of the latter figure New York furnished 125 and Connecticut 91.

The number of supplemental applications approved during the year amounted to 472, or 143 more than last year; there were 107 permits issued for the purchase of the Society's insignia, or 28 less than last year.

In this year's necrology we note the loss of several well-known and valued compatriots, among whom were Basil L. Neal, of the Georgia Society, a "Real Son," who died April 13, 1927; Drew Linard, of the District of Columbia Society, American Consul at Piedras Negras, Mexico, whose death occurred on May 22, 1927; Hon. Frank L. Fish, Past President of the Vermont Society, who died on September 14, 1927; Isaac Washington Birdseye, of the Connecticut Society, formerly Treasurer General of the National Society, who died on October 6, 1927; Bishop Edwin S. Lines, of the Connecticut and New Jersey Societies, who passed away on October 25, 1927; George W. Clark, President of the Arkansas Society, who died on November 7, 1927, and Hon. John Howard Gates, of the South Dakota Society, Judge of the Supreme Court of South Dakota, who died on November 8, 1927.

The issuing of the certificates of membership has been expedited to a marked degree by the fact that the offices of the Secretary General and of the Registrar General are located in the same building. In a test case undertaken some time since, it was established that under favorable conditions it is possible to deliver to the State Societies Secretaries fifteen days after the receipt and verification of applications for membership. But there are outside contingencies, beyond our control, which arise not infrequently in this work, and we are obliged to submit in patience to delays for which we are not responsible.

In the December, 1923, issue of The Minute Man your Registrar General initiated the department of "Notes and Queries," which was intended as a "question box," designed for the purpose of assisting our members in their genealogical problems and in matters relating to the Revolutionary War services of their ancestors. Under the subhead of "Notes," later designated as "Notes and Book Reviews," a section was planned whereby recently published genealogical and historical material could be brought to the attention of our membership. Through this section the National Society's library has acquired as gifts some valuable reference works, through the courtesy of authors and generous friends, the donations being mentioned in the Notes or "reviewed" in the Book Reviews. This section is entirely a work of supererogation on the part of your Registrar General, as it is in no wise within the purview of his official duties; but he finds pleasure in noting that since the inception of "Notes and Queries," in December, 1923, 351 queries have been systematically edited and published, many of which have been answered, and the nucleus for a valuable collection of works of reference has been formed. In this connection it may be stated that the Tennessee Society has adopted a plan for adding to our National Society's library by the placing in the hands of the Registrar General each year a sum of money with which to procure such books as the Registrar General may deem desirable and appropriate. This plan also prevents the duplication of items.

As I approach the conclusion of my report, I may be permitted to refer to certain matters which concern the Registrars and the Secretaries of the various State Societies. In the first place, the authorized form of application for a demit, which is used in transferring a member of one State Society to another State Society, should not be employed in connection with the enrollment of members who come to us from the "Children of the American Revolution." This latter organization is not under our jurisdiction. Its male members are received into our Society on the same basis as all other new members, excepting that in the former case the National Society's initiation fee is waived and a charge of $2 is made for our certificate of membership, bearing the name of one ancestor only, if such certificate is desired. In the event that the names of supplemental ancestors are to be engraved on said certificate, an extra fee will be charged at the rate of $2 per name.

In the second place, no alteration in the printed form of our application blank should be permitted. I have received at times application for membership in our Society wherein the prescribed form reading: "I am the son of —— and his wife ——," has been changed so as to read somewhat after this fashion: "I am the son of Gladiola Magnolia Citronella Hefty and her husband, P. W. Smith." Whereas Gladiola may be "the whole thing" at home and her husband just "Pee Wee" Smith, this arrangement, with all due respect to the lady, does not "go" in the Sons of the American Revolution.

The third point concerns the question of the eligibility of an applicant by right of descent from an ancestor whose sole Revolutionary record is that he signed the "Oath of Allegiance," or so-called "Patriot's Oath." Now, we have not the least doubt concerning the patriotic spirit of those men who subscribed the "Association Tests," etc., of 1775 and 1776. Their action was undoubtedly voluntary; but in the year 1777 the Congress passed an act which prescribed death by hanging for any man who refused to subscribe the "Oath of Allegiance" and fixed the month of March, 1778, as the time limit for signing signatures. Before the expiration of the time set, thousands had signed, and the difficulty is to differentiate those who signed in a spirit of patriotism from those who subscribed under duress. Unless there are other proofs of a patriotic character to support the evidence produced from the signing of the oath, we must decline to accept the latter as the sole qualifying claim for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution.

The "Traveling Banner," originally a gift to the National Society from the Colorado Society in 1907, and presented annually to any State Society (numbering one hundred members and upward) which can show the largest percentage of net gain in membership over the previous year, has been won this year by the Connecticut Society, which commenced on April 1, 1927, with a membership of 1,073 and ended the present year with a membership of 1,257—a gain of 184 members, or 17.15 per cent.

The "Syracuse Banner," awarded annually to the State Society enrolling the greatest number of new members, will continue in the possession of the Empire State Society, with its enrollment of 281 new members, being an increase of twelve over its previous year's high record of 269. Connecticut ranks next, with 221 new members, and Pennsylvania takes the third place, with 202.

The "Ohio Society Banner," presented annually on behalf of the Ohio Society to a State Society reporting the largest percentage in enrollment of new members of thirty years of age or under (this percentage being based upon the ratio of such members to the total number of members on the roll of the said State Society at the close of the fiscal year) has been awarded to the Florida Society, with a record of 306 per cent. The North Carolina Society, being less than a year old, was disqualified in this contest.
Before concluding this report, I must not fail to acknowledge a courtesy on the part of the Registrar General of the Daughters of the American Revolution in granting to your Registrar General the special privilege of consulting the files of original application papers in Continental Hall, as well as the co-operation on the part of our Secretary General, who combines the attributes of a liaison officer and committee of comity as regards our sister Society, in his readiness to obtain such data as may be derived from the D. A. R. archives.

Tabulated reports of the State Societies appear in the statement appended hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS B. CULVER,
Registrar General.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER GENERAL

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* Figures for March 31, 1927, are revised.

Before the closing financial statement, the following details are reported:

- Figures for March 31, 1927, are revised.
- No report. Figures estimated; total losses not known precisely.
For grave markers ........................................ $283.00
Building Fund passed on ................................ 250.00
Certiﬁcates .................................................. 3,778.37
Blanks, etc. .................................................. 1,292.66
After making the deduction, there is left a budget expense total of $25,047.76

C. Schedule Showing Details of Miscellaneous Disbursements

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Grand total ....................................................................... $12,426.24

Details of Headquarters account:

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<td>Interest on house purchase (being $3,300 semiannual and interest on it)</td>
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Total .................................................................................. $5,374.30

House Operating Expense:

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<td>Miscellaneous household</td>
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Operating total .................................................................. $2,394.20

Grand total Headquarters .................................................................. $8,753.19

Summary

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<td>Received during the fiscal year ..............................................</td>
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<td>Paid Out                                                            .................................................................. $39,064.20</td>
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<td>Balance on hand at end of fiscal year, March 31, 1928 ......... .......................... $8,864.49</td>
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(No account is taken in above figures of accrued interest on savings deposits.)

Treasurer General’s Balance Sheet, March 31, 1928

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<td>Imprést petty cash account at Headquarters ................................ 200.00</td>
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Investments: Securities (bonds, etc.) ......................................... $14,500.00

Savings: Broadway Savings Bank, New York ................................... 1,207.63

Accounts receivable: Headquarters advance .................................... 5,935.59

Sundries* ................................................................................. 132.87

Grave markers (special merchandise account) .................................. 581.00

Furniture at Headquarters (undepréciated) ..................................... 1,125.60

LIABILITIES

Note payable on demand to First National Bank of Chicago ............... $3,300.00

Liability attaching to established funds:

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Overdrawn, General Fund? .................................................. 6,419.27

List of Securities in Permanent Fund

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Total at par ............................................................................ $14,500.00

The above list of securities agrees with the holdings reported by William G. Adkins in his report for 1926-7. He set up the ledger account for them at par.

LOUIS A. BOWMAN, Treasurer General.

Mr. L. A. Bowman, Treasurer General,
National Society, Sons American Revolution, Chicago.

Dear Sir: As directed by you recently, I have made an audit of the Treasurer General’s funds and submit herewith my report, certifying as follows:

In my opinion, (1) the balance sheet correctly shows the National Society’s condition as of March 31, 1928, to the extent represented by the Treasurer General.

* On books when turned over to present Treasurer General. If paid, the remittances were impossible to identify and allocate to debts.

† Largely occasioned by inclusion of April, 1927, dues receipts in last year’s report and excluding of April, 1928, receipts from this year’s report.

‡ Collateral to $3,300 demand loan at First National Bank of Chicago.

APRIL 23, 1928.
The duties of the office of Historian General are not ordinarily laborious and have not been so during this past year. There have been only a few things which have come to the attention of the Historian General that are deemed important enough to include in a report.

It was the privilege of the Historian General, by reason of his office, to be invited to attend the annual meeting of the Indiana State Historical Society, held in Indianapolis last December, and to address one of the sessions of that society as the representative of our organization. I was glad to be able to do this, as it presented an opportunity for our Society, through one of its representatives, to co-operate in a broad historical purpose with other Societies having similar patriotic aims.

It was also my good fortune to attend the first annual banquet of the West Virginia Society as the representative of the National Society, and to have visible evidence of the remarkable progress and prosperity of this recent addition to the State Societies.

In November of last year, during a professional visit to Boston, I came in contact with a document of such historical value that I have taken the liberty of contact with a document of such historical value that I have taken the liberty of mentioning to you. It is a letter written by John Adams from Philadelphia, October 2, 1775, to Honorable William Sever, of Watertown, Massachusetts, and bore on its cover this inscription:

"The Hon. William Sever, Esquire
Watertown
P R Favor of Mr. Lynch."

William Sever was at that time a member of the Committee of Public Safety for Massachusetts, sitting at Watertown. It is difficult for us at this time to appreciate the fact that Doctor Franklin, Mr. Lynch, and Colonel Harrison would require a letter of introduction to identify themselves anywhere in the newly created States. It reminds us of the recent incident of Charles Lindbergh, who, when he was about to embark upon his present historic flight to Paris, apparently was more concerned about having some letters of introduction than he was as to the question of rations for the journey.

The letter of John Adams is as follows:


"Dr Sir I do myself the Honour of writing to you for the sake of introducing to you Three Gentlemen, whose characters and embassy will render any private introductions unnecessary. Dr. Franklin, Mr. Lynch and Col. Harrison, are a Committee from this Congress to consult the General and the Council of the Massachusetts, the Governors of Connecticut and Rhode Island, and the President of the Congress of New Hampshire, upon points of great consequence, concerning the Army which they will open to you—

"We are in hopes of news, every day, from Genl. Schuyler and from Cambridge—The last advises from England, are rather alarming.—But we expected no better—If powder can be imported or Petre made, we need not dread their malice—I am Sir, with great Respect and Esteem

"Your very humble servant

"John Adams."

The original is in the possession of Hon. Richard W. Hale, of Boston, Massachusetts, a great-grandson of William Sever.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Williams, Historian General.

CONDENSED REPORT OF THE CHANCELLOR GENERAL

The Chancellor General reported on six matters that were brought to his attention during the past year, substantially as follows:

1. In the matter of the claim of Pearson and Crain for the payment of the Official Grave Markers, which had been pending for several months; the Chancellor General gives the history of this matter and the arrangement for settlement in full with the said firm of Pearson and Crain for the sum of $750.

2. The Chancellor General expresses his regrets that he was unable to accept the invitation of the President General to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee at New London, Connecticut, in August, 1927.

3. In answer to an inquiry of the President General and Mr. John Paul Earnest, of Washington, as to the possibility of the exemption from taxes of the new Headquarters property in Washington, the Chancellor General gives his opinion that the holding of said property by trustees would not stand in the way of having the property exempt from taxation; that this, of course, depended upon the laws of the District of Columbia regarding exemption of educational and patriotic societies.

4. In answer to a communication from Vice-President General Frederick de G. Hahn as to the possibility of legally adopted children becoming members of our organization, the Chancellor General decided that this would be impossible under our requirements, as the applicant must be a lineal descendant of an ancestor that took part in the Revolution.

5. In the matter of the Society in France, the Chancellor General makes a most interesting report as follows:

In August of last year I had the good fortune to go to France and to visit Paris during the week of the Convention of the American Legion, at which time our National Organization, represented by Colonel George Creighton Webb, placed a wreath upon the tomb of General Marquis de Lafayette and also upon the tomb of the Unknown Soldier. I was glad to receive an invitation to be a member of the committee appointed by Colonel Webb to be present during the ceremonies, and also to interview the officers of the French Society. I was requested by President General Rogers to ascertain the difficulties which had been encountered in the formation of the French Society. From Registrars
General Culver I ascertained that the applications from the French Society were not coming in as they should. Upon discussing this matter with Major Albert E. Cudbec, Secretary, and Mr. Lawrence Morgan Hamilton, Vice-President of the Society in France, I found the following difficulties:

(a) The natural reluctance to pay an initiation fee, as well as yearly dues, by the members of the Society in France to the National Organization in the United States, when no direct contact could be maintained.

(b) The impracticability and exorbitant cost of securing affidavits from the American Consul to the applications.

(c) The disadvantage of the verification of French records from authorities in the United States, when the complete records are easily accessible in the French archives.

(d) The practical impossibility of sending to our National Congress delegates from the Society in France for the election of National Officers.

(e) A desire to have placed upon the certificates of membership the picture of the Marquis de Lafayette in addition to that of George Washington, and a further desire to have these certificates signed by the officers of the French Society in addition to those of the National Society.

Some of the points above mentioned were, in the opinion of your Chancellor General, well taken. I learned that in order to secure an affidavit it was necessary to go to the American Consul in Paris, which necessitated a great deal of delay and, in addition, the payment of $5 for this affidavit. At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Society, held in Cleveland, Ohio, on February 24, 1928, a resolution was presented and passed allowing the certificates to be sworn to and certified by the Secretary or Registrar of the Society in France. It was the opinion of your Chancellor General that this could be accomplished without violation of the Constitution and By-Laws of our National organization. Upon returning to the United States from France I reported to President General Rogers the situation above outlined. Your President General was in entire sympathy with any feasible plan or regulation that would assist in the development of the French Society. On February 21, 1928, President General Rogers requested Mr. Clark Belden, Chairman of the National Publicity Committee, to formulate plans for assisting, by publication, the French Society in securing new members. Mr. Belden has been in communication with the French Society and I believe has been of great assistance in this matter. I am expecting to receive from Mr. Lawrence Morgan Hamilton, Vice-President of the French Society, a communication to be presented to the National Congress this year.

On April 27, 1928, as a National Officer, I was privileged to vote as a Trustee upon the amendment to the Constitution permitting the National Society to obligate itself for the purchase of the National Headquarters and to give evidences of indebtedness for the payment of the encumbrance thereon, as well as for operating expenses.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. Askin, Jr.,
Chancellor General.
I found nothing to show whether or not she had a child. True, I did not run down all the channels, leaving that for someone more interested to do.

In North Carolina their Archives Commission at Raleigh is doing a wonderful job in collecting and preserving their historic relics and archives, both in manuscript and printed form. They have so thoroughly studied and written up the biographies of her Signers that there is but little left to do but to correct a few errors and to photograph the many historic spots connected with them.

In Edenton, North Carolina, the deed records show that Joseph Hewes was a merchant there in 1756, from four to eleven years earlier than his biographers have placed him there. The old frame store where he transacted his business was burned many years since and was replaced by a modern brick one some forty years ago. His old residence still stands, but has been so altered as to destroy its old Revolutionary appearance. The old water lots, where he had his warehouse and on which he had his ways for repairing and possibly also for building his ships, lie unoccupied and show nothing of the former purpose to which they were put.

William Hooper had brains and he used them to draw distinction between what he considered right and wrong, and he had the moral courage to back up those decisions. He opposed the extreme radicals in their extreme measures, both before and after the American Revolution, and it was probably that strong character that prompted Jefferson and Adams to cast aspersions on his loyalty. He was equally strong in his opposition to the British rule. Hewes was at Philadelphia throughout the entire discussion on the Independence Resolution, and was joined by John Penn in time for both of them to cast the vote of North Carolina on July 4, 1776. During that period Hooper was fighting for that cause in North Carolina, but showed up in Philadelphia in time to sign the Declaration of Independence on August 2. Some very interesting information was obtained regarding him and his trials during that war.

Penn’s home has long since gone, and his grave was on his plantation burial ground, unmarked, when his remains were exhumed for interment under the monument at the Guilford Battleground.

Mr. Charles F. Jenkins, of Philadelphia, has so studied and written the life and family of Button Gwinnett that this Signer is no longer the man of mystery.

Lyman Hall bought a plantation on the right bank of the Savannah River, about twenty miles southeast of Augusta, Georgia, about a year before he died, on the 19th day of October, 1790, and where he was buried. His biographers have differed so much about his widow and son that I made a motor trip there to investigate. His remains were placed under the monument in Augusta in 1848, but the tomb of his son is still on the plantation. The epitaph says that he died January 20, 1791, in the twenty-seventh year of his age. He was amply old enough to have left a widow and family, but there is nothing in the epitaph to indicate that he left either.

Lyman Hall left a will that was recorded at Waynesboro, in Burke County, Georgia. Unfortunately, the courthouse there, with its records, was destroyed by fire in 1856 and I have been unable to locate any copy of or notes regarding this will. It is the only one of the forty-three known to have been left by our Signers of which we have no copy.

Descendants of the D’Antignac family now own this old Hall plantation, but their family papers were destroyed by a residential fire many years ago, and within their family they haven’t even a tradition that Lyman Hall ever owned this 5,000- or 6,000-acre plantation that has been in their family for probably a century and a quarter or more.

The biographers of George Walton differ as to whether he was born in 1741 or 1749. His father’s will was dated February 27, 1746, in which he mentioned two sons, John and Robert, and regarding the third said: “If my loving wife, Mary, shall now be with child,” to which he added a codicil dated September 5, 1749, in which he mentioned those two sons, a daughter, Sally, and “the child my wife now goes with.” That child was probably born about January, 1749/50, and was George Walton, the Signer, as was conclusively proven by certain powers of attorney made by him and his eldest brother, John, in 1772. His last living descendant died about two years ago and therefore his direct line is now extinct.

There are many of the collateral lines in Augusta and elsewhere who are proud of their relationship and the people of Georgia revere his memory.

Mr. John Calvert, of Philadelphia, who is the President General of the Descendants of the Signers and has been the representative of that Society, who has worked with and aided me in this work, agrees with me that the time has come when this Joint Committee should be dissolved. These eight volumes contain the mass of material which we have assembled in triplicate, their organization having a set, our organization having this set, and I having a third, which will become part of the archives of The Filson Club, a local historical society in Louisville, Kentucky. It is to be hoped that at least one of them may survive the vicissitudes of time.

These do not include a copy of the Leach manuscripts regarding the descendants of the Signers and which is not yet ready for delivery. I hope that will be finished some time in this coming summer or fall. The set going to our organization will make an additional fifteen volumes of about 400 pages each.

I have employed much of my time for the past ten years, and I regret to say that the time has come when the Joint Committee must be dissolved and I must retire from our Memorial Committee, leaving to others to determine the question as to whether or not the work shall continue, and if the decision is yes, then under whose leadership it shall be done.

Very respectfully submitted,

R. C. BALLARD THURSTON,
Chairman, Memorial and Joint Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMERICANIZATION AND ALIENS

Mr. President General and Members of the Congress:

Last October there was sent out by this committee a general circular, outlining nine special features of Americanization work that could be undertaken by State Societies and local chapters any and everywhere in the country. This was mailed to the officers of the State Societies and to the President and Secretary of each local chapter whose address we could secure; in all, some six hundred pamphlets where sent out. Later on during the year we sent out a general circular to all State Presidents regarding a matter of vital importance to the R. O. T. C. units throughout the country. The message of Americanization has been given before at least eighteen patriotic civic and social organizations throughout the year (fundamental Americanism). We have received reports from sixteen societies, many of which are the smaller and less active of our State organizations. Outside of New York and New Jersey, none of the larger societies have reported, and we must conclude that they are not doing anything along this line. We
wish to particularly commend the work done by the Oklahoma Society. In proportion to their membership, the limited field of endeavor, and the large distances in that State, they are doing a remarkable piece of work, and their interest and concern could be duplicated without any injury by many other supposedly active organizations.

The greatest apparent activity among our State Societies seems to be along the lines of distributing Good Citizenship Medals in the public schools, and this is a most excellent piece of work to be followed out. A very few States have made inquiries concerning the Boy Scout Banner, but this work has not taken hold as yet. Other States, particularly Minnesota and New Jersey, are doing active work in teaching English and civics to aliens who are about to become citizens. The work of the Minneapolis Chapter is to be especially commented on for its excellence and diversity. Three societies are co-operating in the awarding of dress sabers to the best soldier in the R. O. T. C. units in the State universities.

This is a most excellent piece of work and should be followed up in every State. Although not reported, I am sure that in a great many of our societies prizes and other awards are being made for work in American history and civics. Taking it by and large, the reports this year show more progress than they did last, but there is a vast field for improvement. The work is not being carried on at all in most of the States and communities where there is a large alien population and where it is most needed for this reason. We cannot stress too strongly the fact of a decided lack of patriotic consciousness among the officers of our State Societies along this line. In the past several years the various Americanization committees have given the State and chapter officers outlines of work which could be followed out any place, anywhere. This has been done repeatedly and it is about all we can do. The burden of fulfillment is upon the officers of our State and local organizations; as they are interested and as they function, so this work is furthered, and we sincerely hope that the results this year, which are an improvement over last, will mean still greater improvement next year.

Action and activity are the stimulants which in any organization make for progress and life; without them it will slowly shrivel up and die. Unless our patriotic societies justify their existence by constructive service of some sort, they will have no standing in the community and will accomplish nothing but a miserable, selfish, egotistical existence, which spells lack of interest and early dissolution. Your Committee on Americanization considers that this field is one of the most prolific sources of activity that is possible to our Society. By implanting American ideals where they will do the most good; conversely, it will combat the ever and always active propaganda of the radical, the anti-American, and the destructionist.

In all due modesty and without fear of contradiction, I submit that we have in this Society, without question, the most influential, powerful, intelligent, and masterful group of men in any organization in this country or, perhaps, in the world. The dynamic forces in every walk of life; the powerful figures in Government, business, and finance; the astute leaders of thought and the keen molders of public opinion are almost all within our fold, to say nothing of the hundreds of men who make up the life and vitality of our communities throughout this nation.

Hence the obligation of position in leadership, and what we need to develop this leadership is more knowledge of what is actually going on round about us, a deeper appreciation of our own responsibilities, and a greater interest in things affecting the welfare and well-being of our country. In other words, we must have a re dedication to the objects and purposes of this Society.

The committee of this Congress has planned a very interesting affair on the golf links for Thursday of this week. I say to you, fine as that may be, it would be much more to our credit if we made a pilgrimage to the office of the Committee of National Defense of the Daughters of the American Revolution and saw with our own eyes the collection there displayed of books, pamphlets, newspapers, throw-aways, letters, and documents of all kinds gathered in this country, all of which are anti-Christian, unmoral, or anti-American. Until we see something like that, we have no idea of what is going on right under our noses, and there will then be brought to us with undeniable emphasis the fact that the substantial people of this country are, to say the least, lax in their responsibilities.

When we have seen this living evidence of what is actually being done, when we see and realize that politics, government, and business are today in the throes of conditions that are inimical to the fundamental principles which have thus far guided this Nation onward and upward, until it is now the foremost and greatest country in the world; when we appreciate the fact that morality and religion are being flouted and decried on every hand; when we see thousands of our best Americans led away by the glamour of radical hypocrisy, we must and will agree with the poet of a couple of generations ago, who, in a vein that was not only timely but prophetic, exclaimed:

God give us men! A time like this demands
Strong minds, true hearts, high faith, and willing hands;
Men whom the lust of office cannot kill,
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy,
Men who possess opinions and a will.
Men who are honest—men who will not lie;
Men who can stand before the demagogue and damn
His treacherous teachings without flinching;
Tall men, sun-crowned, who stand above the fog
In public duty and private thinking;
For while the rabble, with their thumb-worn creeds,
Their vast pretensions, and their little deeds,
Mingle in strife, lo! Freedom weeps.
Wrong rules the land, and tired Justice sleeps.

Respectfully submitted,

Harry F. Brewer,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

Mr. President General and Compatriots:

Your Committee on Immigration and Naturalization report that the past year has marked a most active period in relation to immigration matters. Bills affecting the subject of immigration to the number of 124 have been introduced in the present Congress—87 in the House and 37 in the Senate. Seventy of those introduced in the House and 30 of those introduced in the Senate were aimed at the weakening or the total destruction of the 1924 law.
Quite a number of these bills were to legalize the residence of aliens who wrongfully have entered the United States or who were admitted merely for a temporary period and, in violation of the terms of their admission, have assumed permanent residence. In other words, these measures in effect would do away with deportation. The number of persons benefited by such a law, it has been officially estimated, would be over 1,000,000. A further effect of such a law would be to nullify the requirement of the naturalization law making proof of lawful entry a condition of citizenship. Some of these bills go so far as to legalize the entry of aliens who have surreptitiously entered the country and are expressly excluded by the immigration laws, such as idiots, imbeciles, insane persons, felons, etc.

The National Origins Clause of the 1924 law has been the target for a general attack. We are pleased to report, however, that the bills looking to the repeal of that portion of the law have met with disfavor. There was a feeling, however, even among friends of the quota law of 1924, that it contained some strict provisions which were in many instances working a hardship, and there was a disposition manifested of reaching an agreement which would remove some of these hardships. Consequently a compromise measure was prepared (H. R. 12865), aimed at removing some of the restrictions affecting the admission of relatives of citizens or persons who have been lawfully admitted under the quota law. The position which confronted the committee is concisely stated in its report, as follows: "In the consideration of the quota restrictions of our laws, it appears that the people who are interested in the matter divide themselves into two classes. There is that class of restrictionists who maintain that 'there should be no letting down of the bars,' and there is that class that contends for a 'reuniting of families.'"

To accomplish this end the proposed bill amends the 1924 immigration law. The law provides for the admission, outside of the quota, of "the unmarried child under 18 years of age or the wife of a citizen." The age limit in the proposed bill is increased to 21 years, and the bill is made to include also the husband of a citizen. It is estimated that this change in the present law, under a survey made by the Department of State, would have admitted between July 1, 1924, and March 1, 1928, 8,501 persons, or a little over 2,000 per year.

After increasing the age limit of children from 18 to 21 years and including husbands, there remained the "fathers and mothers of citizens" and the "agriculturalists." Their preference chances under section 6 of the 1924 law were limited to 50 per cent of the quota. Under the present bill they are given the same priority of preference as before. Indeed, their preference is slightly increased by the removal of other classes from section 6 as it stands in the present law.

The committee in its report on the bill summarizes the act as follows: "The general effect of this law will be to relieve this stress for reuniting families in all countries by more than 50 per cent and in most of the countries it will relieve the situation within two or three years. It preserves the quota law intact. The recessions made are very inconsequential and are largely remedial of the original law. The shifting of the preferences and the enlarging thereof gives the maximum of opportunity for reuniting families. This bill will not affect the countries of northern and western Europe, for their quotas are sufficiently large to take care of members of families and agriculturalists."

Your committee, after investigation, regards the National Origins Law as the key to the solution of the immigration question and recommends that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, by the adoption of this report, place itself on record as strongly supporting this law. It has practically the unanimous support of all the other patriotic organizations in this country, and we believe that our Society should no longer hesitate to take a firm stand in this matter.

Our fellow-compatriot, Honorable Albert Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Immigration in the House of Representatives, made a vigorous but losing fight to have the appropriation necessary to carry on the work of deportation increased from $200,000 to $500,000. The opposition of the foreign bloc proved too strong and resulted in defeating this meritorious measure.

Another measure that has riveted the attention of certain sections of our country is the attempt to include in the National Origins Law, as a permanent basis for apportioning the quotas, Mexico, the West Indies, and the countries of Central and South America. This legislation your committee likewise commends to the support of our National Society, since there is no apparent reason why the law applicable to European countries should not be equally applicable to the countries mentioned. The lack of restriction on these countries furnishes an avenue through which persons from the European countries may escape the restrictions of the law and gain entrance within our borders, thus furnishing a ready method of evading the law.

It is the opinion of your committee that it would be unwise for this Congress to restrict or limit the action of its committee by any specific resolutions respecting future action. The contingencies that arise in the National Congress from time to time effecting this most important subject are such that they cannot be anticipated, but must be met as they arise; therefore we deem it important that your committee should have the sanction of the Society to proceed in these matters as its judgment may dictate. If an emergency arises which, in the opinion of the committee, calls for united action, the State Societies can be communicated with and rallied to its support.

It is our belief that more can be accomplished by moving along with our friends in Congress, supporting them in holding the ground already gained, and in gaining new footholds where possible, than by embarrassing them with suggestions that may be wholly impracticable.

We feel justified in assuring the Society that for the present session of Congress the danger line has been passed, and favorable consideration of any bill materially weakening or modifying the present law has been avoided.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH A. VAN OERSEL,
Acting Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PATRIOTIC EDUCATION

To the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution:

COMPARATIVES: Your chairman regrets that it did not seem possible to have a formal meeting of this committee. However, shortly after the public announcement of the names of the committee, there was quite an active correspondence between the members and the chairman. There was still other correspondence between the chairman and members at large. Because of the many questions of great import which had arisen, your chairman, under date of October 14, 1927, sent out to the members of the Committee on Patriotic Education the following letter:

May 21, 1928.

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(Enron's Note.—The letter referred to was published in THE MINUTE MAN for December, 1927, p. 393, and will not be repeated here in the interest of space conservation.)

This letter brought several notable replies. One with special significance came from Dr. J. A. C. Chandler, President of William and Mary College of Virginia. This letter appeared in THE MINUTE MAN. Another letter of special significance was received from Past President General Wallace McCamant, of Portland, Oregon.

Your committee feels that the membership of the S. A. R. at large have been specially active in their respective communities to see that education of the type intended to perpetuate American institutions has been maintained. There are extremists in favor of nationalism on the one hand and internationalism on the other. The discussions of the past year have had great weight in bringing about a proper balance between these two conflicting philosophies.

Respectfully submitted,

Selden M. Ely
Chairman of Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GOOD CITIZENSHIP MEDALS

Mr. President General and Members of the 39th Annual Congress:

I shall make but a brief report at this time, merely for the purpose of showing that the Good Citizenship Medals are continuously popular, both with schoolmen and pupils, and that our societies are adopting these awards in greater numbers and enthusiasm each year.

I wish to express publicly my appreciation of the work of the members of my National Committee, and to acknowledge the efforts each individual has made to further this best of all lines of effort.

More than ever before have the State organizations co-operated in the distribution and active interest in the Good Citizenship Medals, and I can name a number of State Societies which have formally adopted this work as one of their definite programs for the year for the first time. There has been a most gratifying increase in the number of chapters which have taken up this work, as well as individuals. This is essentially a work which the individual compatriot can interest himself in, exclusive of or in co-operation with his chapter or State.

I will make no attempt to describe our plan in detail, as I feel it should be so well known to all by this time that little need be said except to refer you to the pages of THE MINUTE MAN, where in every issue space has been devoted to this plan of award as outlined, and the rewards will be yours.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank B. Steele, Secretary General.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEACHING OF AMERICAN HISTORY

American History is the story of American discovery, settlement and development, clearly stated in a simple and connected manner, in good literary form, properly illustrated, to assist in making real in our day the life and activities of our past.

The truth of history—for all truth is consistent—should, so far as possible, be based on original data, stated without bias, interpreted in the light of its own day, but in the language and spirit of our day.

In the statement and teaching of such connected truth, the leading events and motives of our country, our people and their several localities should be like to have the name of the chairman of such committee submitted for inclusion on the National Committee. In this way only will it be possible to have the medals used in all States as a definite activity of the State Society, which is the ambition of your chairman to have achieved. While our National Committee this year was much larger than ever before and represented a very wide range geographically, yet it was humanly impossible for some of the far Western States, with such huge geographical territory, to be satisfactorily canvassed by the members of the National Committee, each of whom, in his own State, had a field sufficiently large for any one person to handle.

To conclude with some figures which will show how well our medals have been received this past year, I will state that since June last we have used up entirely an order for 1,000 medals by April 1 of this year, and were obliged to call for the second 500 of an order placed last fall for delivery this spring, which we did not expect would be needed until the early fall. We are making daily inroads upon this, as this is the time when our requests for medals are pouring in rapidly, as the last weeks of the school year approach.

We have since last June delivered 1,075 medals, and, as stated above, there are many of our regular donors, both State and chapter bodies and individuals, who have not yet ordered their regular quota. These medals have been distributed into thirty-four States. State Societies which have offered the medals for the first time this year are New Hampshire, Maryland, Missouri, and North Carolina; the medals have also been offered for the first time, through individual generosity, in the States of Wyoming and Kentucky. Our Mountain School Committee distributes twenty among the endorsed schools of the National Society, D. A. R., where they are much appreciated.

Our Texas Society leads this year in the number of medals distributed and has gone over the top with a distribution to date of 131; New York follows with 114; Maryland, one of our new recruits, gave 103; New Hampshire, another new State to undertake the work, 60. It will not do to attempt to enumerate others in detail, but it has all been most gratifying to your chairman.

The fine part about it all is that, no matter how gratifying all this may be to the committee, the real satisfaction lies with the donors in the belief and assurance that no more real and effective contribution to upbuilding of American character and citizenship as we should like them to be in the most ideal sense has yet been devised than this plan.

Let me again urge an active, live committee in every State; a strict adherence to the Plan of Award as outlined, and the rewards will be yours.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank B. Steele, Secretary General.
stressed, rather than the minor details and foibles. In other words, constructive accomplishments rather than destructive attempts should be emphasized in the writing and teaching of history. The same principles should also govern publishers and those on whom rests the responsibility of the selection of books on history.

While the writing and teaching of local history—collected and written in the same manner—is desirable and necessary to promote patriotic sentiment in family and community, such local history should not overshadow the history of the nation; but local and family history should contribute to those facts and events which, when properly correlated and restated, broaden our grasp of American History as a whole and awaken within us a greater love for our home and country and emphasize our privileges and duties as American citizens.

Geo. S. Goddard, Chairman, J. A. C. Chanler.

REPORT OF THE FLAG COMMITTEE

The members of your Flag Committee are scattered from coast to coast. It has been impossible to hold a formal meeting, and naturally all consultations with other members have been by correspondence.

Early in the year the chairman addressed a letter to the members of the committee, covering six points and inviting suggestions on the same.

They will be taken up in their order.

1st. "Correct Use of the Flag."—The Adjutant General's Office issued a circular February 15, 1923, giving the regulations adopted by the War Department for use within the Army. "The Flag Code" adopted by the National Flag Conference in 1923 and 1924 is a standard on this subject and may be obtained in quantities by writing to the National Headquarters, D. A. R. The subject is taught by Scout Masters and is being pretty generally disseminated through training schools, cadet corps, and publications of various kinds.

2nd. "Desecration of the Flag."—Much of this is due to ignorance and oversight. Where such desecration is due to malice, insolence, or hatred of our emblem, there should be sufficient law to punish the criminal and he should be dealt with accordingly.

3rd. "Observance of Flag Day."—We recommend not only the display of the flag on that day, but ceremonies befitting the occasion, fostered and arranged by the local chapter of the S. A. R. where possible. The ceremony of the "Massing of the Colors," with which the compatriots are mostly familiar, could be worked out satisfactorily in every city and town of our country; it receives our hearty commendation.

4th. "Reasonable Legislation Protecting the Flag."—Forty-six States of the Union have legislation protecting the flag from desecration—all the States, Virginia and Kentucky excepted. (The District of Columbia and the Territories also have such laws.) We have not heard of any more cases of desecration in Virginia and Kentucky than elsewhere—possibly not so many—which may prove that moral influence is usually more powerful than written law; yet the majority of your committee is in favor of reasonable legislation, both in the two States named and on the Federal statute books. House Resolution 5724, introduced by Mr. Wainwright, of New York, is now pending in the House of Representatives. It is entitled a bill "to prevent desecration of the Flag of the United States and to provide punishment therefor." This is precisely the same resolution which was introduced in the 69th Congress as "H. R. 1280;"

which was given a hearing before the Judiciary Committee on January 31, 1927. The present bill received a hearing before the same committee early in this year and is at present resting quietly and comfortably in committee. The law would be useful on those rare occasions where nothing else could avail.

5th. "Encouragement to Local Chapters and State Societies to Own Their Own Flags and Emblems."—Your committee recommends this highly, and as a possible means of financing the same put the matter up to individual members of the chapter.

6th. "Teaching of Aliens, etc., as to a True Understanding of Our Flag."—Schools, radio talks, and patriotic exercises can disseminate this information. The S. A. R. should be at the forefront in this work, and it gives local chapters a real opportunity to make themselves worth while.

7th. "Promotion of a Study of the History of the Flag and Other Insignias of our Army and Navy."—For this purpose we recommend a purchase of the above-mentioned pamphlet; also, "The Origin and Evolution of the United States Flag," by Past President General Thruston, an exceedingly worthy publication, published by the Government, which may be obtained by writing to the Government Printing Office at Washington, D. C. Ask for House Document No. 258, 69th Congress, first session. Also, "The Flag of the United States," by Kerrick, and "Where and How to Display the Flag," by Past President Ames. We also call attention to the publication by the U. S. Department of Commerce, entitled "Commercial Use of National Flags and Public Insignia," by Kosicki.

Your chairman has had letters from Florida to California, all of which he has been pleased to answer to the best of his ability.

Respectfully submitted,

Miles S. Kuhns, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OBSERVANCE OF FLAG DAY

The ceremonies commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Adoption of the American Flag by the Congress of the United Colonies were conspicuously appropriate throughout the Nation.

Outstanding among them were the ceremonies conducted in Richmond, Virginia, and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The idea was presented to the Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution held in 1927, at Richmond, to include in the 150th Anniversary ceremonies a "Morning Salute to the Flag" by firing the National Salute of twenty-one guns at the reveille hour.

This was done at both Richmond and Pittsburgh. In addition, the Virginia Society conducted several ceremonies of an inspiring and patriotic character.

From the circumstance that the Pennsylvania Society was honored by the attendance of President General Ernest E. Rogers and Mrs. Rogers, it may be appropriate to make special mention of the ceremony in Pittsburgh.

In a downpour of rain the President General and Mrs. Rogers, the Chancellor General, Captain Akin; the Director General from Pennsylvania, Comptroller Schanck; President Walker, of the Pennsylvania Society; Past President Lyne, of Pennsylvania; Comptroller Daniel Winters, the President of Council of the City of Pittsburgh, and several hundred patriots, ladies and citizens assembled at the reveille hour, 6 o'clock, Eastern Standard time, at Flag Staff Hill, Schenley Park, Pittsburgh.

The firing of the National Salute of twenty-one guns was admirably conducted by a detail, in command of Lieutenant High, from the 107th Field
Artillery, Pennsylvania National Guard, which organization served in France and Belgium in the World War with the 28th and 91st divisions.

Compatriot George W. Gosser, Postmaster of Pittsburgh, was present with the celebrated Letter Carriers Band of Pittsburgh. The "Star-Spangled Banner" was played in accordance with the regulations.

President General Rogers made an excellent but short address that was notable for the feeling of enthusiastic and patriotic inspiration which it roused in the minds of all present.

Following this impressive ceremony, the President General, officers, compatriots, ladies and citizens adjourned to several miles away, to the graves of soldiers of the Revolution in the churchyards of the Trinity Episcopal and First Presbyterian Churches, in downtown Pittsburgh, where magnificent wreaths, donated by Compatriot Capt. Harry L. McKain, Pennsylvania Society, were placed on the graves of two officers by a lineal descendant of each of them. On the grave of Capt. Samuel Dawson the wreath, an American Flag, and a small S. A. R. flag were placed by Miss Lillian Dawson; on the tomb of Major Ebenezer Denny they were attached by Capt. Harmar D. Denny, Jr.

Representatives of the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution were present at both events.

Immediately following the ceremonies at the churches the President General and other officers, previously named herein, proceeded to Uniontown, Pennsylvania, a distance of seventy miles, by automobile, and participated in the constitutional ceremonies and installation of officers of Fort Necessity Chapter, S. A. R., on the old battlefield of Fort Necessity.

It is recommended to the National Society that the ceremony of the "Morning Salute to the Flag" be conducted by chapters throughout the Nation. If impossible to secure artillery to fire the salute, it may be fired by rifles or boomed forth by means of small bombs.

Very respectfully,

FRANKLIN BLACKSTONE,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

The report of the National Committee on Publicity—Mr. Clark Belden, Chairman—during the past year offered a prize for the best plan for publicity to be submitted by a member of the committee as a suggestion to be followed by State Societies and chapters.

The prize, the gift of President General Ernest E. Rogers, was the Official Insignia of the Society.

Four plans submitted were selected as of superior merit, and the prize was awarded to Col. R. H. Peck, of Georgia, whose plan was considered most comprehensive and complete. The presentation was made at the final session of the Congress, on May 23, and in the absence of Colonel Peck was accepted on his behalf by Major John F. Jones, Vice-President General of the South Atlantic District, in which Georgia is located.

The four plans given first place will be published in THE MINUTE MAN for October. Publication of this report is deferred until this later issue because it is felt that the fall issue will be a most opportune time to present them, when our membership, nationally and locally, are looking for constructive suggestions in preparation for an active year and will be able to give them concentrated attention.—THE EDITOR.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBSERVANCE OF CONSTITUTION DAY

Features of the celebration of Constitution Day on September 17, last, were the practically unanimous contributions of proclamations by the Governors of the States, calling upon the people to take part in the annual grand patriotic rally; second, the increasing number of mayors of cities adding their part by proclamations to the general interest of the occasion; thirdly, the participation by the press in the matter of publicity. It was the 140th anniversary of the adoption of our chart and anchor and the tenth anniversary of our remembrance.

We had the splendid co-operation of the D. A. R., the D. R., and many other organizations.

A growing custom in New Jersey and other States is commended to all our State Societies of beginning the celebration with a church service on the Sunday in the week in which Constitution Day appears. It is in harmony with the practice of our forebears and gives a fine setting for the week's programs.

Recommendation is also made that bronze tablets be placed in Statehouses, county courthouses, and in the city halls in memory of the distinguished group of Americans which gave us our chart and anchor.

Another recommendation is that we have a booklet printed, containing a brief résumé of useful methods for the observance by the various societies.

Perhaps a more effective observance of this day would be secured if, in addition to the list of honorary members of the Constitution Day Committee, an executive committee consisting of one member each from the various State Societies is appointed. This member would have charge of the observance in his State, aiding the chairman of the main committee.

Nor shall we forget the masterful part enacted by the educators of the country in the popularizing of our Constitution and its remembrance every year. Within our own membership we have a number of them and they have well co-ordinated in the annual observance.

Constitution Day is a time of patriotic accounting, when opportunity is given every true patriot to attest his and her fealty to the organized law of the land. If we do nothing else in our career except sending to the people every year this mighty expression of gratitude and devotion to the Constitution and its companion, the Flag of Stars and Stripes, we will have justified our existence.

Let us not forget. Our ancestors builded for us and we must be true to their memory. Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty! The countersign today is, "Be ye faithful!"

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INCREASED MEMBERSHIP

FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

In view of the many detailed reports to be presented to the Congress as to the actual enrollment of new members during the past year, this committee begs to present its report in terms of generalities and trusts the information given will be accepted as being consistent regarding the activities of the committee.

It will not be possible to go into details, but along one line of endeavor monthly letters were mailed to all National Society Officers, State Society Officers, and Chapter Officers with a view of increasing the interest in Society affairs. Probably, in all, a total of some 3,500 letters were written, in addition to the regular correspondence, and at no expense whatever to the Society.

In passing it may be well to state that the results obtained were both encouraging and discouraging. Some State Societies were very active and some were not. The latter, probably not from any lack of interest at heart, but for some
But that unforeseen reason, they did not produce the results hoped for. However, of the total number of new members enrolled, four State Societies had a grand total of 866, in which a gain of 397 was recorded over the previous year. Eighteen State Societies show a total gain of but 159, while twenty-four State Societies show a total loss of 599, in which three State Societies did not enroll one new member during the year. The four leading and decidedly active State Societies, having the total enrollment of 866, were New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina.

In that connection great credit is due the leaders, as they labored faithfully to accomplish the wonderful results. New York, with its illustrious leader, Compatriot Ganson Depew, and his committee, enrolled 281; Connecticut, with its wide-awake leaders, Compatriots George S. Goddard and Leverett Belknap, and their committee, enrolled 220; Pennsylvania enrolled 201. Teamwork did it.

Every member worked in harmony with the officers, and they were supported by their active campaigners, enrolled 201. Teamwork did it. Every member worked in harmony with the officers, and they were supported in their efforts throughout the State. Eight new chapters were also formed, and they now have many others in the making.

North Carolina, with its peerless leader, Compatriot Harrison G. Otis, and his active campaigners, enrolled 104 and made it possible to inaugurate a new State Society. We cannot speak too highly of this achievement and trust their efforts will ever continue and bear fruit as a result of this activity.

We might also pay tribute to the State of Florida, and especially Compatriot J. H. Cross, its worthy Secretary. They increased their membership fully 90 per cent and formed several new chapters. We should also pay tribute to Alabama, Iowa, and Indiana for having made such great strides, and, even though not in the larger class of State Societies, all of us can well pattern after them. Iowa secured more new members the past year than during any other year in the history of the Society and now ranks thirteenth. Alabama moved up from relatively last place to twentieth, and also instituted a most active chapter at Mooreville. Indiana accomplished what we have been striving for in all the State Societies—the friendly acquisition of "S. O. R." members to the "S. A. R." Society. Neither will it go amiss to pay tribute to the following State Societies as making gains, namely, New Jersey, Michigan, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, Rhode Island, Oregon, Maine, Louisiana, Delaware, South Dakota, Arkansas, Arizona, Vermont, and Wisconsin.

In conclusion these are the outstanding features connected with the activities of the committee, and we would suggest to the delegates assembled that a general awakening regarding the securing of new members must take place if we hope to forge ahead; for if the compatriots in all the State Societies do not exert a more determined effort, the committee is of the opinion that some other method must be employed to hold our present membership intact, in view of the many deaths, resignations, and the number being dropped for nonpayment of dues drawing too heavily upon the general membership each year. We cannot forge ahead under such conditions; therefore it has resolved itself into a very compromising situation. It would be well to look to the future.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. SylVESTER,      R. C. SCHANCK, Chairman,
MILES S. KuhNS,            F. W. MILLSPUGH,
ERNEST J. CLARK,           GANSON DEPew,
CHARLES P. SCHOUTEN,       W. MACJONES,
MAJ. JOHN F. JONES,        J. EDGAR HUSTead,
FRANK E. SANDS,            HOWARD C. ROWLEY,
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 19, 1928. Committee on Increased Membership.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN, NATIONAL SOCIETY, S. A. R.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF STATISTICS

Mr. President General and Gentlemen of the 39th Congress:

On July 2, 1927, each Vice-President General was asked to furnish the following information regarding each State in his district:

1. Amount of annual dues.
2. State fee (in addition to national fee).
3. Whether finances were under budget control.
4. Frequency of State board meetings.

Four officers gave the information promptly and five made partial replies. Two Vice-Presidents General have not answered the inquiry or numerous tracers.

In December it was necessary to write directly to twenty States, and with but one exception they replied without delay.

Returns from 48 State societies show that dues vary as follows:

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The average is $3.34. The Society has patriotic, historical and educational objectives, and the greater the activity of the State the more money is required. States having a restricted program do not require as large dues as those with more varied activities.

The initiation fee charged applicants by the States in addition to the National fee varies as follows:

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The average State fee is $3.46. During the past year 1,927 applicants paid $8,735 in State fees, an average of $4.53.

This Department has investigated the cost to the National Society of handling applications and found that, including certificate and other proper charges, it exceeds $4.50 per member admitted. This cost is properly borne by the applicant and is, it will be noted, barely covered by the National fee. It is not known on what the State societies base the size of their fees, and no inquiry has been made, since each State has a legal right to charge as much or as little as it deems proper. One State, however, reported voluntarily that it figured the cost of securing members over a period of three years and, finding the cost to be 90 cents, reduced the State fee to $1.
During the past year the 14 States charging a fee of $1 or less have admitted 163 members, a gain of exactly 6 per cent. The 24 States, half of these reporting, with fees less than $5 admitted 782 members, a gain of 10.02 per cent. The 24 States with fees of $5 or more admitted 1,415 members, a gain of 9.07 per cent. It will be noted that the gain in the 24 States having only nominal fees has been one twentieth of 1 per cent greater than in the States with fees of $5 or more.

Thus far the study has been concerning income. Now comes the question of expenditures. Have they been made in accordance with a budget planned deliberately so that all legitimate activities of the Society are properly financed? The simple question was asked, whether the State Society had a budget. Only eleven States replied in the affirmative, but the eleven comprise more than 40 per cent of the total membership of the Society, and are, without exception, active and prosperous.

It may be asked who shall prepare the budget and what it shall include. That is a simple matter of business administration that can be solved easily by the State officers.

In order that the National Headquarters and officers might know to what extent each State Society is, as a Society, prepared to plan and carry out patriotic, historical and educational work, the States were asked to report as to the board meetings. The following is a tabulation:

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Several State Presidents whose boards meet “on call” volunteered the information that they have had difficulty in making the “call” loud or clear enough to attract a creditable attendance. It is here cited that the 14 State societies whose boards meet monthly comprise 56 per cent of the entire membership of the Society.

A detailed tabulation of the replies received on each of the four points covered has been furnished the President General. This Department suggests that there be an annual investigation of these features with any elaboration or deletion that the Congress may in its wisdom direct. With this information available for ready reference the National Headquarters will be enabled to answer many inquiries that heretofore have not been answered with authority.

Recalling a resolution passed unanimously by the 38th Congress, this Department on March 29th requested each Vice-President General except Mr. Godard, who was on an extended vacation, to advise how he has been handling the Organization Committee, of which he is chairman, and also to give recommendations for improving the efficiency of the committee. I shall not narrow the feelings of these officers by quoting the answers. Four have stated in effect that they hardly knew what to say, and a fifth asserted in plain terms that his committee was inactive and a failure. None of the five made any definite recommendations for betterment of conditions. Five Vice-Presidents General ignored the inquiry altogether.

The Registrar General has furnished monthly statements of the members registered, and this information has been passed on to the National and State Officers. There has been no wish on the part of this Department to duplicate or infringe upon the work of the Committee on Increase of Membership, or of the Vice-Presidents General. The gain in new members has been numerically a slight increase over the previous year, which was one of the most successful in the history of the Society. However, during the past six months the numerical gain was not as great as in the same period in 1926-27.

Below is a table showing the membership of each State Society and district on March 31, 1927, the number of new members registered during the year that is closing, and the percentage of gain in new members. The membership of each State Society on March 31, 1928, is given in the annual report of the Registrar General.

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Since the creation of the Department in June, 1927, the director has written
more than 2,000 letters and has received almost as many replies and inquiries.
The work has been arduous, but there has been ample compensation in the
friendships formed with our sincere workers in all parts of the country, whom
the director hopes some day to meet in person to express his appreciation.
This report would be incomplete without a tribute to the President General,
who has been a continual inspiration.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. MULLSPAECH
Director General.

NASHVILLE, TENN., May 10, 1928.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION
TRIP TO LOUISIANA

Following the action of the Executive Committee of the National Society of
the Sons of the American Revolution, authorizing the Secretary General to visit
the State of Louisiana in the interests of organizing and strengthening chapters
in that State, and also to some extent in Alabama and Georgia, the Secretary left
Washington on Sunday, March 4, and arrived in Louisiana on Monday evening.
Colonel Robert Churchill, who has done such remarkable work in that State,
met him upon arrival, and part of that evening was spent going over the tentative
plans that he had made about the work to be undertaken in this State. The
story of what was accomplished follows, and it is felt that in every particular
the plans worked out as anticipated.

On Tuesday noon the officers and a number of the members of the Louisiana
Society held a luncheon in New Orleans, and it was possible to outline the
idea prompting the visit to the Louisiana Society and what the Executive Com-
mittee had in mind in sending the Secretary General to the South, and especially
to Louisiana. These men seemed very greatly interested, and many of them
expressed a desire to help in securing new members and also to help the Society
grow in strength and influence.

On Wednesday, March 7, I left for Baton Rouge, to be present at the State
conference of the D. A. R., and was fortunate enough to be on the same train
with Mrs. Treadwell, whose husband is President of the Louisiana Society. Mrs.
Treadwell is an enthusiastic D. A. R. worker and is deeply interested in the
advancement of the S. A. R. On the evening of this day, at the opening meeting
of the State Conference of the D. A. R., the Secretary General was asked to
extend greetings from the S. A. R. This meeting was attended by a large number
of splendid women from all over this State, and it was felt that at this meeting
the seed was planted that grew as the Secretary visited the several other places
in the State later on his trip. Among the women who offered assistance were
Mrs. W. S. Buchanan, State Regent from Alexandria; Mrs. Walker, from Shreveport, and Mrs. Outhwaite, from New Iberia, and several others who came
after the meeting and not only offered assistance but gave the names of eligible
men for membership. This was most gratifying and encouraging.

In Baton Rouge the first man to greet me upon my arrival was Mr. J. Sinclair
Favrot, who is our most enthusiastic member in that locality and deeply inter-
ested in the work. Unfortunately, there are not many members in this city,
but it is hoped with the help of the D. A. R. members and the enthusiasm of
Mr. Favrot they will shortly organize a chapter. During the opening meeting of the D. A. R. Conference Mr. Favrot gave a most colorful and interesting pageant of the many flags under which Louisiana has held sway in her history.

On Thursday the State Conference officers and members unveiled a tablet in honor of the Battle of Baton Rouge, which was an engagement of the famous Galvez Expedition. It was a most interesting ceremony in the open and the Secretary General was on the platform and took part in the exercises. Before leaving Baton Rouge that evening arrangements were made to confer with several members of the D. A. R. in their respective cities when the Secretary General arrived.

Arriving at Shreveport on Friday morning, several members of the Sons of the American Revolution Chapter in that progressive city called, among them being Mr. J. Fair Hardin, former President of the Chapter; Mr. Ernest P. Carstens, Secretary of the Chapter, and later Mr. John M. Ford, President of the Chapter, and a former mayor of the city. These men are all outstanding in the community. Later, at the luncheon that was held at the hotel, a number of co-partners were present and the Secretary General spoke on the urgent need of more energetic chapter work and a larger membership. At least five or six informal speeches were made by the men present, and questions were asked about the work of the Society and its accomplishments. At this meeting a motion was made and carried that a later meeting be held, and that every member present make an effort to bring in new members, and also to follow the plan suggested by the Secretary General in circularizing the D. A. R. to get prospective members and follow up these prospects. From the type of men that are in charge, it is felt that this chapter will increase in membership and work and be one of the largest in Louisiana.

From Shreveport the next stopping place was Monroe, where I was met by Colonel Stubbs, who with several others there held an informal conference. It was Saturday afternoon, and it seems that in these small towns the people are busier on that day than any other day of the week. However, these who were present signed an application for a charter to the Louisiana Society, and with a little help it is felt they will eventually make a good start there.

The next stop was Alexandria, and there, Sunday morning, I was met by Mr. David H. Keller, who came to have me for breakfast, and a very pleasant morning was spent going over genealogical and historical matters. Dr. Keller is a Northern man, from Pennsylvania, and has been in Louisiana about ten years.

I was unable, because of other engagements, to meet Mrs. Buchanan personally, but I had a good talk with her on the telephone, and she will give the members in that city great help in their work. That evening Dr. George M. H. Stafford gave a supper party for all the members of the S. A. R. in Alexandria, and there were about twelve there. These were a fine lot of men, and one of the most interesting things occurred, which shows the need of chapter formation. Several of the men who knew each other intimately remarked that they did not know that the others were members of the S. A. R. With a charter organization there this could not have been the case. This was a fine meeting, and after the usual talk about our work and the suggestion that a charter should be formed, they all signed the application for a charter and elected Dr. Stafford temporary chairman and Mr. White secretary. Dr. Stafford and Mr. White, whose father is an enthusiastic S. A. R., will with doubt carry on the office in good shape. There, as in other places where the chapters were started, the charter was left open for thirty days to allow new members to qualify. This plan seemed to appeal to many of the men, as it did in North Carolina and elsewhere.

From Alexandria I returned to New Orleans, and went immediately to Alabama to attend the State Conference of the D. A. R. at Montgomery. This was done at the urgent request of Vice-President General Frederick W. Mills-paugh, and the report of this will be made at the end of this review of the work.

Up on returning from Montgomery, Alabama, on Thursday, March 13, I left immediately for Lake Charles, which is not far from the Texas border, and which is a well-to-do town, situated near the oil region and quite prosperous. It also has a shipping port to the Gulf and seems to be going forward daily. There I was met in the pouring rain by a brother of J. Fair Hardin, and the next morning Mr. Fred H. Junkin and Mr. Harry Woosley called upon me, and at luncheon that day there were twelve gentlemen present, among them being several prospective members who have since become members. Mr. Woosley, a progressive and energetic young man and a former member from Kentucky, presided. Among those who spoke besides the Secretary General were Mr. J. Fair Hardin, one of the energetic workers in that State, who came all the way from Shreveport to help with this organization work. This gathering decided then and there to form a chapter and selected Mr. Junkin temporary President and Seaman Mayo Secretary. There are three or four men in this city who are deeply interested in the S. A. R., and it is felt that it will grow and become an excellent addition to that State.

Jennings was the next stop scheduled, but having luckily met Mr. Whisenhunt, of that town, on the train the night before, on his way to Houston, and having had a good conference with him, I went right on to New Iberia. Mr. Whisenhunt is a member and will join with the Lake Charles Chapter and assist in increasing its membership.

Arriving at New Iberia on noon Saturday, Mrs. Outhwaite met me at the station, and that afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Weeks took me for a lovely drive to the Evangeline county, where I met one of the most interesting co-partners, André Olivier, who is deeply versed in the Evangeline lore and, being descended from one of the members of the famous Galvez Expedition, is proud of his membership in the S. A. R. Again, it being Saturday and most of the men being busy, I had but very little chance to have them together, but had the pleasure of meeting and spending a delightful evening with Mr. Henry Pharr, one of our staunch members, and on Sunday met and spent the time, until my train left for New Orleans, with Mr. Porteus R. Burke, one of the leading lawyers of New Iberia and a gentleman of great charm and culture.

A blank application for a charter was left with Mr. Burke, and these five or six gentlemen whom I met promised to get a number of others together, and with the help of Mrs. Outhwaite, who came to see me again before I left, I feel sure that there will be an excellent chance for a charter in that city. Mrs. Outhwaite has since written that she is at work and hopes to get ten or fifteen new members for this chapter, and she surely will be able to do this.

This completes the work in Louisiana, and, to sum up briefly, chapters were formed in Monroe, Alexandria, and Lake Charles, with a strong possibility of one in New Iberia and Baton Rouge. Besides these, the contact in Shreveport will no doubt help to make those co-partners feel that the National Society has
a great interest in their work and they will go ahead faster and with more enthusiasm.

As mentioned before, at the urgent request of Director General Millspaugh, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 13th and 14th of March, were spent in Montgomery, at which time the Alabama Daughters of the American Revolution were holding their State Conference. There were several reasons for this trip, the chief being to get a personal touch with the men and women of that State for future development, and the other because of the presence there of two members of the D. A. R. who are deeply interested in the development of the S. A. R. and are actively helping us in our extension work in that part of the South.

Mrs. Julius Y. Talmadge, of Athens, Georgia, who is an outstanding figure in not only Georgia, but in the whole South, was present, and she has not only helped us towards getting new members in and around her own city, but is assisting us with future plans for the development of that whole State. With over five thousand members of the D. A. R. in Georgia, the chances of our increasing our mere sixty or seventy to numbers up in the hundreds is excellent. With the help of women like Mrs. Talmadge and our own officers, it is contemplated making a drive in this State very soon. That we will get the enthusiastic assistance and co-operation of President Francis, of Atlanta, and Secretary Falkenburg, I feel sure, for a morning was spent with them on my way back and they assured me that they will do all in their power to make this possible.

To return to Alabama, there was present at this State Conference of the D. A. R. Mrs. Mathis, from Mooresville, who has worked unceasingly for our Society in that State for the past year or so. It was through her efforts that such a fine chapter was started in Mooresville, and her brother, Mr. H. W. Hill, is the President of that chapter and Secretary of the Alabama Society, S. A. R. She has worked with Mr. Millspaugh in that State, and since my return has written several times about matters there and sent for data to help in getting new members.

Stopping in Mobile for a day to visit a chapter of the D. A. R. there and say a word of greeting to them, I did not find much encouragement among the men in that city. Mr. Peck, of the Battle House, was very cordial and telephoned to several compatriots to meet me, but none of them responded. However, perhaps the ladies, who assured me at the meeting of their chapter in the afternoon that they would help, will stir the men to better things, and eventually there will be a good chapter in that city.

This completes the report, and it would seem that the results justified the expenditure of money and time. The experience of such a trip is invaluable, for it shows the method that must be taken to organize chapters and the real need of such organization work. It is obvious to me that it is the personal contact which brings results. In every place visited the compatriots wanted to know what was going on in the National Organization and were deeply interested in the work we are trying to accomplish.

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The Rev. Lawrence Washington Memorial

By JOHN F. STREETER, M. D.

Of the Massachusetts Society, S. A. R.

President General Rogers, while paying an official visit to the George Washington Chapter of Springfield, requested me to write a short descriptive article for The Minute Man, concerning the proposed memorial to the Rev. Lawrence Washington in the All Saints Church in Maldon, England.

The suggestion that the memory of the great-great-grandfather of George Washington be thus honored was made May 25, 1924, during the celebration of the 275th anniversary of Malden, Massachusetts, by the Rev. Isaac Lothian Seymour, Vicar of the All Saints Church in Maldon, England, who was a special guest of the city of Malden. During his interesting address he brought out the fact that Lawrence Washington was buried January 21, 1652, in the quaint and picturesque little churchyard of his church, and presented a photographic reproduction of the burial record.

Lawrence Washington was very poor and no headstone was erected to his memory. It has been impossible, therefore, to identify the exact grave. It is proposed, however, to place a magnificent and richly colored memorial window in the church, and erect two bronze memorial tablets, one inside and one outside the church, that will mark his grave as near as it is possible.

The George Washington Sulgrave Institution of New York and patriotic citizens, particularly in Malden, Massachusetts, headed by Chairman William H. Winship, are raising funds for this memorial. Mindful that the Springfield Chapter was named for the first President of the United States, Compatriot Winship invited this chapter to join the list of subscribers, which the George Washington Chapter gladly accepted and has taken an active part in raising money.

The movement is national in scope and among the prominent donors are Chief Justice William Howard Taft, Charles Evans Hughes, and General John J. Pershing. The late Major General Leonard Wood was greatly interested in the plan.

Governor Alvan T. Fuller, a native of Malden, who has made a large personal contribution to the fund, according to his present plans, will be in Malden, England, at the time the memorial is presented, probably during the middle of July. Ambassador Houghton has written to the effect that he will gladly handle all arrangements and the program in connection with the presentation of the memorial window in England.

In conjunction with the dedication of the window, there will be the placing of a tablet outside and beneath the window, relating the facts concerning the presentation of the memorial. A handsome book bound in durable vellum, containing the hand-engrossed names of all the donors, will also be placed in a glass case under the window inside.

The memorial window, as will be seen by the accompanying illustration, will embody many beautiful and patriotic figures and memorials having to do with patriotic epochs in the history of the nation.

The window itself represents "Patriotism," "Freedom," and "Colonization," each division occupying one of the three compartments comprising the beautiful window. A figure of St. George, the patron saint of England, occupies the center light and portrays "Patriotism." A figure of Joan of Arc, representing
France, occupies the light on the reader's right and portrays "Freedom." A figure of St. Nicholas, the patron saint of sailors, holding in his left hand a model of the Mayflower, occupies the light on the reader's left and portrays "Colonization."

In the lower part of the center light is seen George Washington taking the oath of office as the first President of the United States, on the right the landing of the Pilgrims, and on the left the landing of Columbus. In the lower part of the center light are also seen figures representing the Washington Monument, the Liberty Bell, the Eagle of America, and the Lion of England. On the right is seen the Statue of Liberty, and on the left the Minute Man.

In the upper part of the center light is the Washington coat of arms, on the right the coat of arms of the United States, and on the left the coat of arms of England. In the extreme upper part of the center is seen the arms of the Province of Canterbury and the arms of the diocese of Chelmsford, which relate to the church. On the right are the seals of Malden, Massachusetts, and Maldon, England. They are very similar, as the former was copied from the latter. On the left is the seal of Essex County, in which Maldon is situated.

In the center light red will be the outstanding color, while blue will be the predominating color in the side lights. The American and English coats of arms will be in red, white, and blue. Other colors are also worked in.

Special mention should be made of Compatriot William H. Winship, 209 Maple Street, Malden, Massachusetts, Chairman of the General Committee, for the most efficient manner in which he has conducted the work in connection with this undertaking. This magnificent window will also be an enduring monument to his untiring efforts. He will, no doubt, be glad to give further information concerning this memorial, which will cement more firmly the ties which bind the Mother Country to the United States, which gave to the world the immortal Washington—patriot, soldier and statesman.

TWO INVITATIONS TO COMPATRIOTS

The delegates to our National Congress were recipients of a courteous invitation to attend the annual exercises in recognition of the birthday of General Henry Knox, at Thomaston, Maine, on July 25. These exercises are held under the auspices of the Knox Memorial Association, an incorporation under the laws of the State of Maine, whose purpose is to erect a suitable memorial to General Knox, who was our first Secretary of War and Chief of Artillery under General Washington.

The invitation was sent to the Congress by the President of the Knox Memorial Association, Mrs. Herbert M. Lord, who is also Corresponding Secretary General of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and is cordially extended to all compatriots who may find themselves in the vicinity of Thomaston, Maine, upon the date of the annual observance or who can make it possible to be there.

The members of the Congress and all compatriots were cordially invited by the Indiana Society, S. A. R., to bear in mind the date of February 25, 1929, and if possible attend the 150 anniversary celebration of the capture of Fort Sackville by Gen. George Rogers Clark. On this date the Indiana Society will hold its 39th Annual State Convention with special recognition of this occasion. The State Societies of the five other “Old Northwest” States have been asked to join in the exercises in commemoration of this the only Revolutionary event of notable import within their territory.
Col. Christopher Greene

(Broadcast under the auspices of the Rhode Island Society, Sons of the American Revolution, through Station WJAR, Providence, Rhode Island, March 30, 1926, by Compatriot Henry Jackson Greene, a direct descendant of Col. Christopher Greene.)

Col. Christopher Greene, soldier, patriot, and martyr, was the son of Judge Philip Greene, of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island. He was born on the ancestral estate, Occuapasuatuxet, Warwick, Rhode Island, May 12, 1737. His early education was not acquired under the same difficulties as that of his third cousin and intimate friend, Gen. Nathaniel Greene.

Judge Philip Greene was wealthy, cultured, hospitable, and a leader in Colonial affairs. Many noted men of the day, including Benjamin Franklin, were his guests.

Christopher received an excellent education along liberal lines, displaying an especial aptitude for mathematics. Like his distinguished kinsman, Gen. Nathaniel Greene, he acquired a store of knowledge that particularly fitted him for the profession of arms.

Married at the early age of twenty to his cousin, Anne Lippitt, he was at the outbreak of the Revolution a mill manager and a Representative from Warwick and family in the western part of the township, not far from that of Gen. Nathaniel Greene, in Coventry.

While serving as a Lieutenant in the Kentish Guards of East Greenwich, of which he was a charter member, he received from the State Legislature the appointment of Major in the Army of Observation, and participated in the siege of Boston, which ended in the defeat of the British troops and their withdrawal from that city, March 17, 1776.

Previous to that date, however, he had been selected by General Washington to command, as Lieutenant Colonel, a picked infantry battalion, under the leadership of Col. Benedict Arnold, for the expedition against Quebec. He participated in that terrible winter march northward with characteristic fortitude. In the attack on the citadel he was taken prisoner while attempting to enter the lower end of the town. For six months he languished, a prisoner in the fortress, an experience so irksome to his ardent temperament that he afterward remarked he would never again be taken alive.

Appointed to a Coloneley immediately following his exchange, he was assigned to the defense of Fort Mercer, Red Bank, New Jersey. The capture of this earthwork on the Delaware River was of vital importance to Lord Howe if he were to hold Philadelphia, since it and Fort Mifflin, its neighbor, interfered with the British lines of communication for the transportation of food, ammunition, and reinforcements.

Here, on the afternoon of October 22, 1777, Colonel Greene, with a garrison of 400 Rhode Islanders, found himself opposed by Colonel Count Donop, at the head of 2,500 Hessian troops, reinforced by a part of the British fleet.

Colonel Donop demanded the surrender of the fort, threatening no quarter should refusal be given. To Donop’s messenger the answer of Colonel Greene was: “Say to him (Count Donop) that we ask no quarter nor shall we give any. We shall defend the fort or make it our tomb.”

The British fleet, failing to pass the batteries, subjected the fort to an incessual bombardment. This was followed by two desperate assaults by the Hessians, who were met at the very ramparts by a withering fire directed by the defenders. The American victory was complete. They had repulsed the enemy, whose loss was over 400 killed and wounded, including Colonel Donop, who, in his dying moments, received the kindest of care at the hands of his enemies. For this brilliant defense Colonel Greene was voted a dress sword by Congress; which, however, he did not live to receive.

Colonel Greene’s next military service was in Rhode Island. He had recruited, organized, and drilled a regiment of negro slaves. These troops, under the direct command of Maj. Samuel Ward, acquitted themselves with distinction in the Battle of Rhode Island, August 29, 1778. In this engagement Colonel Greene commanded a brigade in Maj. Gen. Nathanael Greene’s division, which held the right wing.

After a continuous, though less conspicuous, service in the Army he was assigned to an important command at Penes Bridge, on the Croton River. Westchester County, New York. While asleep in a room in the house that he occupied as headquarters, May 13, 1781, he was surprised by a part of General Olivier de Lancy’s Loyalist Corps, who had attacked and passed the outposts. Maj. Ebenezer Flagg, who shared the room with Colonel Greene, was shot and instantly killed. Resisting gallantly, Colonel Greene at last fell only after he had slain several of the enemy with his sword.

He had been fearfully mutilated and wounded. His left arm had been cut off, his right arm slashed in two places, his left shoulder was wounded, his stomach pierced by a sword; he had been bayoneted and his head was beaten and mangled. Stripped of his uniform, he was dragged to a cornfield near some woods nearly a mile distant and there left to die.


Christopher Greene was a patriot of the highest type. He was of fine presence, above medium height, with the bloom of robust health glowing in his face. As an organizer of men he displayed conspicuous talent. He was a strict disciplinarian. Of his soldiers, Gen. Richard Montgomery said, “There is a style of discipline among them much superior to what I have been used to see in this campaign.”

Col. Christopher Greene died a martyr to the cause of liberty. At the time of his death he was only 44 years old, the same age as that attained by his kinsman, Gen. Nathaniel Greene.

HElEN GREENE JACKSON.

THE LAST SOLDIER OF THE REVOLUTION

The Chronicle recently published a letter from a correspondent, informing it of the death of the last Revolutionary soldier. The letter says:

“I have just learned through a private letter, from Ohio, that John Grey, the last soldier of the Revolution, expired at his residence, in Noble County, Ohio, on the 9th of May, 1793. Knew the old man well, having lived for nearly twenty years within sight of his house, and frequently met and conversed with him. There never lived a purer or better man. During the twenty years that I knew him I never heard one word against his character. Greater praise than that is impossible. Every citizen of Noble County, Ohio, knew and loved the old man.

“John Grey was born at Fairfax Court House, January 6, 1762, and was consequently in his hundred and sixth year when he died. He told me that he worked many a day on the Mount Vernon estate for General Washington.
sixteen years of age John Grey entered the Continental Army, and served until the close of the war for our independence. He was at the surrender of Yorktown. Mr. Grey removed to Ohio before it was a State, and remained there till his death. His history will be well written, but I give these few facts as they come to my mind today.

"Hon. John A. Bingham, of Ohio, knew Old John Grey well, and did much to help the old hero in his declining years.

"The last soldier of the Revolution was an earnest friend of Mr. Bingham. Mr. Bingham found the old man in very destitute circumstances a few years ago, and determined to do all he could for him. For some reason, Mr. Grey had never received any pension. So Mr. Bingham gave the old man some money to relieve his most urgent necessities, and afterward prevailed upon Congress to grant him a pension of $500 per annum. This act of generosity and patriotism to Washington's last soldier was remembered gratefully by Old John Grey to the last hour of his life. The people of the 16th district of Ohio will never forget it."

(Edward's Note.—Through the interest of a friend, we are furnished with the above, copied from the files of the Army and Navy Journal for April 18, 1868, Vol. 1, p. 553, verbatim, except that there are no quotation marks in the original.)

Rededication Exercises of Restored Virginia Landmark

Old Church Built in 1774 Abounds in Associations With George Washington and His Contemporaries

Close by the Washington Memorial Highway, which will link the Nation's Capital with Mount Vernon, and, in the heart of the first settled portion of the historic Old Virginia town of Alexandria is the Old Presbyterian Meeting House. For long years a gaunt hulk, it has recently been restored as a result of a national campaign and rededicated as a national shrine with appropriate exercises on Friday, June 8.

General John A. Lejeune, Commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps, and John R. Saunders, Attorney General of the State of Virginia, the latter being the personal representative of the Governor of Virginia for this occasion, were the speakers at the exercises.

The Old Presbyterian Meeting House, as it was known in Colonial and Revolutionary days, or the Old First Presbyterian Church, another name by which it is known, closed its doors in 1886, due to differences arising from the Civil War. Strange to relate, it held true to the Presbyterian Plan of Church government. It closed while the last of the regular army troops were still stationed within its walls.

The building was returned to its old uses in a manner of some splendor in the mid-1930s, and it has been the meeting place of many services of worship since the time of the war. It was restored to its original state in 1936.

The memorial sermons for the public which were delivered after the funeral of George Washington were delivered in the old Presbyterian Meeting House on December 29, 1799.

The old Presbyterian Meeting House has been called a Masonic Westminster Abbey. Under the pulpit is buried the body of the Rev. James Muir, chaplain of the funeral lodge which buried George Washington and Revolutionary-day pastor of the old Presbyterian Meeting House. He died in 1820 and a memorial tablet in his honor was placed on the north wall of the church.

In the churchyard are buried thirty fellow Masons of General Washington, and many of these famous Masons were members of the funeral lodge which conducted the funeral of George Washington.

Notable among these were Col. Deems Ramsay, one of Washington's pallbearers, who was also the Mayor of Alexandria in 1789, and in his office capacity at that time made the farewell address to Washington on behalf of his fellow-citizens when he left Alexandria to assume the Presidency of the United States.

Colonel Little, another of Washington's pallbearers, was a member of the old church, although he is not buried in the churchyard. Colonel Denenale, commander of the 106th Virginia Militia, which was the military escort at Washington's funeral, and who was Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, for a period of twelve years shortly after General Washington's death, was married in the old Presbyterian Meeting House. George Wise, another pallbearer, was also a member of the old church's congregation.

Dr. James Gillies, Master of Alexandria-Washington Lodge from December, 1795, to December, 1797, rests in the old churchyard; also John Kincaid, first Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

William Hunter, Jr., founder of the St. Andrew's Scottish Society, lies here. He was also the Junior Deacon of Alexandria-Washington Lodge in 1789. He was also a member of Alexandria in those days.

Dr. James Craik, one of the most colorful figures of Colonial and Revolutionary days, rests here. He was born near Dumfries, Scotland, 1739, and immigrated to America in 1750; was surgeon in Washington's first command and was with him in the Battle of Great Meadows in 1754 and in every other battle participated in by Washington thereafter, on down to Yorktown, in the Revolutionary and later in the War of 1812.

Notable among the famous soldiers of Washington's time who are buried here are the following:

- Robert Carlyle, quartermaster general of the ill-fated Braddock, in 1754. His house, built in 1752, served as Braddock's headquarters, and from thence on housed conclaves of epoch-making importance in American history. Robert Creighton, another of the Colonial soldiers of Braddock's force, rests near by.
- Captain Charles McKnight, a noted Revolutionary soldier and veteran of the War of 1812, also rests near by. He had the honor of commanding, in the War..."
of 1812, the Alexandria Independent Blues, the last body of troops which were reviewed by General Washington before his death.

David Arrell rests here. He was commander of Troop No. 2, from Alexandria, in the War of the Revolution. Another of the Revolutionary soldiers who rests here, a Mr. Allison, is said to have been an ancestor, on the maternal side, of President William B. McKinley.

John G. Vowell, chairman of the reception committee to Lafayette when he came back to America in 1824, rests here.

The furnishings in the old church are unique. Some of the old pews, dating from 1774, may still be seen. They are held together with wooden pegs in place of nails and were hand-carved. The old organ is run by a hand pump and bellows. It contains an "Egyptian trumpet," which valuable part is today a priceless relic.

The lighting system is a copy of the old whale-oil lamps of Colonial days and was installed with money contributed by Elihu Root, Andrew Mellon, and Daniel Willard.

It was the meeting place of the Washington Society of Alexandria, founded in 1800 and which endured until 1843. It was recently revived and held its first meeting in the old Meeting House.

Chief Justice John Marshall and Francis Scott Key, author of the "Star-Spangled Banner," both delivered famous orations in the old Presbyterian Meeting House while members of the Washington Society.

It has stood, a silent sentinel of the past, for over 150 years. Its walls are built to have the endurance of the pyramids. The mighty hand-hewn roof timbers are such as carried the brave Scotch and Scotch-Irish pioneers over the wind-blown Atlantic to the new world. Through the generous aid of patriotic Ameri-
Mrs. Mary G. Powell, who unveiled the tablet recently placed at the grave of this "Unknown Soldier of the Revolution," gave the history of the discovery of this grave. According to her version, in 1896, while workmen were digging the foundation for St. Mary's Catholic Church, which is built adjacent to the Presbyterian Meeting House, they uncovered a rough munitions box, such as would be found upon a battlefield. Within it they found the fully uniformed body of a soldier of the Continental Army, but there were no marks to identify him. It was apparent that he had been killed in battle and hastily buried. There was not any marker on his grave, and if it ever had been it had disappeared.

The workmen reinterred the body at practically the same spot where it had been found and where it has remained until today without a marker of any kind.

The historic old church and this grave of the "Unknown Soldier of the Revolution" will be a shrine to be visited by patriotic people from all parts of the United States whenever they are visiting the Capital of the Nation.

Events of State Societies

Arizona Society.—The 31st annual meeting of the Arizona Society was held at the Arizona Club on February 21, at which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gurdon M. Butler; Vice-President, Charles A. Carson, Jr.; Secretary, Howard S. Reed; Treasurer, Lloyd B. Christy; Historian, Arthur G. Hulett; Registrar, Richard E. Sloan; Chaplain, Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins; National Trustee, Harold Baxter; Managers, Guy L. Jones, A. E. Arthur G. Hulett; Registrar, Richard E. Sloan; Chaplain, Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins; National Trustee, Harold Baxter; Managers, Guy L. Jones, A. E. Douglass, F. W. Perkins. The annual banquet was held the evening previous to the election and addresses were made by the retiring President of the Society, Mr. W. Birt Twitchell, President Byron Cummings, of the University of Arizona, and Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins, Chaplain of the Society. An active year is anticipated under the leadership of President Butler, who is dean of the Mining Department of the University of Arizona.

California Society.—The annual meeting of the California State Society took place on April 19 at the St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, at which time the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Alden Ames; Vice-Presidents, Harold D. Padgett, Edwin E. Cox, Wesley G. Cannon, and Paul Stinchfield; Secretary-Registrar, Leon French; Treasurer, Dorr Austin; Historian, F. H. Seely; Managers, Daniel W. Burbank, Charles A. Davis, Ralph S. M. Boyce, John Ritchie McKee, Herbert M. Lee.

The retiring President, Mr. Carl G. Brown, presented a comprehensive report of the year's activities, which has largely centered in an intelligent interest and activity in the matter of immigration. The Society favors restrictive immigration as incorporated within the law of 1924, with strong enforcement of the National Origins Clause, registration of aliens, a proper deportation law, and the placement of all countries, including those on the American continent, under the quota. Under the leadership of its able Chairman, Mr. Paul Stinchfield, much time and energy has been devoted to this matter. President Brown stressed in his report the need of increased membership, the value of the National Headquarters project, and an appeal for more generous support of this undertaking. It is hoped to establish additional chapters in the State during the coming year. The value of representation at the National Congresses was also stressed, the President testifying to the broader view and more intelligent conception of the activities and purposes of the National Society, which his presence at the Congress last year gave him personally, and which were of benefit to him in the conduct of his own Society throughout the year.

San Diego Chapter held its annual meeting on April 19 and chose the following officers: President, Willis Warner Brown; Vice-Presidents, Maj. Gen. Joseph M. Earle, Brig. Gen. William D. Beach; Secretary, Allen H. Wright; Treasurer, Franklin P. Reed; Chaplain, Rev. Howard C. Dunham; Marshal, Edward H. Davis; Registrar, Deane M. Pfister; Historian, Henry B. Adsit; Librarian, Ralph M. Ward.

An interesting address was given by General Beach, Chapter Historian for the past year, on "The Battles of Lexington and Concord and Their Imprint on the World's History." The chapter will start off the year beginning May 1 with 61 members on its rolls. Several application papers are now being made up. The chapter at its annual meeting voted $100 from the treasury towards the National Headquarters Building Fund. Endorsement was given to the National Society's naval program, to the project for the memorial to George Rogers Clark, and to the measures in Congress which seek to maintain an immigration quota scheme and to make it applicable to Mexico.

Connecticut Society.—The Captain Couch Branch, Meriden.—The annual meeting of Captain John Couch Branch was held at the Home Club on April 23, preceded by the annual dinner, which was attended by forty members. The guests of the evening were Rev. Orville A. Petty, of New Haven, Chaplain of the Connecticut S. A. R., and Leverett Belknap, of Hartford, Chairman of the State Membership Committee. Both gave addresses, and at the conclusion of the speaking movies of the dedication of the Captain John Couch memorial marker in the Broad Street Cemetery last May were shown by Senator Roy C. Wilcox.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Edward S. Boyd, Arthur S. Lane, and Albert W. Savage, presented the following list of officers and committees, who were unanimously elected:

President, F. E. Sands; Vice-President, Arthur S. Lane; Secretary, Willis N. Barber; Treasurer, William A. Schenck; Registrar, C. K. Decherd; Chaplain, Rev. George L. Barnes; Historian, Edward S. Boyd.

Executive Committee: The President, Secretary, Registrar, and William A. Schenck.


Thirty-two members were elected to the Society at this meeting and an active year is assured.

General Silliman Branch, No. 3, Bridgeport.—Hans C. Owen was elected President of the General Silliman Branch at the annual meeting held on May 7, at Pilgrims Hall. The new President was born in Italy, where his father was consul. He attended the Missouri Military Institute and was graduated at Trinity College. He entered the American Navy in his youth and was a captain on the staffs of Generals Goethals and Wood in the World War. He is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars and numerous patriotic and fraternal organizations.

The other officers elected were Morris Burr, Vice-President; Frederick A. Doolittle, Secretary; Albert W. Andrews, Treasurer; Dr. Charles H. Sprague, Registrar; Rev. Dr. W. Horace Day, Chaplain; and to the Executive Board, O. H. Brothwell, W. H. Burr, E. J. Morgan, C. E. Adams, Robert Bradley, and H. H. Pritchard.

Colonial Wadsworth Branch, No. 7, Hartford.—There has been during the past year a gratifying increase in interest in the activities of Col. Jeremiah
WADSWORTH BRANCH. An addition of 14 new members makes a total of 315 members.

The Society has continued its custom of holding meetings following a dinner in the early evening, and has been addressed by our President General, Ernest E. Rogers; Col. George W. England, of the Regular Army; our compatriot, Prof. Edward Humphrey, of Trinity College; Rev. Sherrod Soule, Compatriot Oscar A. Phelps, on various topics of real interest and inspiration, including a talk on the Philippines; on the lives and personalities of some of the makers of the Constitution; on Connecticut Revolutionary history, traditions, and heroism; and a talk on the value and influence of patriotic societies in the community.

The Society has entertained the State Officers and National President on two different occasions, and presented a medal to Compatriot John M. Parker, Jr., for the United States Flag Association, which was awarded for distinguished service to the Flag Association and for the Flag of our Country.

The attention of the Committee on Memorials, through whom the Farmington Memorial to General Rochambeau and his forces was prepared and presented, has been centered upon a memorial of like character and import which is to be placed at a suitable spot in Silver Lane, in the Town of East Hartford, where Rochambeau's troops were bivouacked in 1781, and also on their return in 1782.

The various details of preparation for placing this memorial are well under way, and it is hoped they may be completed and dedicated in the spring or early summer.

MATTATUCK CHAPTER, Waterbury.—The organization of the Mattatuck Chapter, was perfected at a meeting and dinner of the Charter Members at the Waterbury Club, Erastus E. Rogers of New London, President General of the National Society, and George S. Godard, president of the State Society, were present and assisted.

About sixty of the charter members and new members of the local chapters were present. It was reported that the local chapter which has 115 new members to start with and it is expected that the chapter will have 175 members soon. Temporary officers were elected until the next meeting, at which time the by-laws will be presented and a permanent organization perfected.

Arthur Reed Kimball, president of the chapter, was the toastmaster and turned the meeting over to Mr. Godard. The latter presented the charter to the chapter and reported that the State Society has taken into its membership during the past year 221 new members which is a greater number than has been received throughout the entire six previous years and that 75 of these members are from Waterbury. The total membership of the State Society was reported as being 1,227. The greetings of the Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch of Hartford were brought by Dr. Murless, President of that chapter. He extended a cordial invitation to the members to attend the celebration at Silver Lane, Hartford, June 17th, which is to be held in honor of Rochambeau's march through the state.

F. A. Doolittle, Secretary of the General Silas Mann Branch of Bridgeport and Robert F. Bradley, Secretary of the State Society, complimented the Society on the showing it made. President General Rogers spoke on the status of the Society throughout the country and told of his trip visiting 35 State Societies and many chapters. Wherever he went he met a Connecticut man, and among other incidents he mentioned that the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court adjourned court in order to give a reception in his honor.

At the business meeting it was reported that a permanent organization will be perfected at the next meeting when the engraved charter will be recorded and the by-laws presented. The following officers will serve temporarily: President, A. R. Kimball; vice-presidents, W. E. Fulton, Edward L. Frisbie, B. L. Coe; sec-
is being held open for a limited period to receive new members. Mr. D. B. Givens has been actively interested in the formation of this chapter and has done splendid service. The officers elected to include President, Peter O. Knight; Vice-President, D. B. Givens; Secretary-Treasurer, W. C. Sessions; Corresponding Secretary, J. D. Spencer; Auditor, Fred E. Fletcher; Registrar, Roger A. Drew; Historian, Dr. A. M. Bidwell. Monthly meetings will be held on the first Friday of each month.

Society in France.—(Editor's Note: For the first time since the Society in France was formally chartered, in October, 1926, a formal report from its officers has been received. We take pleasure in quoting liberally from the report submitted by Vice-President Laurens Hamilton, of the French Society, as to the activities of our French compatriots, while the special requests and recommendations contained therein have been referred by the Committee on Official Reports to the proper committees.)

The officers and managers of this Society regret that it is impossible for them to send a delegate to the Congress of the National Society, and I have therefore been instructed to submit a report of our activities during the past year and an outline of our program.

The outstanding event of our activities during the past year was the ceremony at the tomb of Lafayette, when General Pershing and Commander Savage, of the American Legion, visited this historic spot under the auspices of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. I need hardly remind our compatriots that Colonel G. Creighton Webb was delegated by the National Society to organize this ceremony. The National Society was further represented by the Chancellor General, Mr. W. J. Askin, Jr.

This Society gave a lunch on September 30th last in honor of Colonel Webb and Chancellor General Askin, at which time we had the pleasure of discussing our program and the obstacles which lie in our path. We were very pleased to receive messages from the President General, who has on various occasions throughout the year shown his interest in the Society.

On April 27 of this year a lunch was given in honor of Col. Henry W. Sackett, former President of the Empire State Society. Colonel Sackett brought us a message from the President General and also from the Virginia Society, the latter with reference to the recent discovery of the ground where French soldiers killed in the Battle of Yorktown are buried.

Reference should also be made to a banquet given by the Committee "France-Amérique," the Society of the Cincinnati, and this Society to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the signing of the first Franco-American treaty.

From the foregoing report it may be seen that this Society has become firmly established and generally recognized during the past year.

I doubt whether the National Society fully understands the tremendous field in which this Society is working, and in order that some accurate idea may be obtained of our potential scope I beg to submit the following facts:

First. This Society is, I believe, the first "State" Society chartered outside the territorial jurisdiction of the United States. The fact that we exist in a foreign country calls for a more general object than that of any other State Society. We cannot ask our French members to swear allegiance to the United States, but only allegiance to Franco-American traditions.

Second. From an historical point of view, we have before us the immense task of trying to find as many direct links as possible with the French participa-
tion in our War for Independence. Owing to the various political upheavals which have occurred in France since 1799, it is not so easy in many cases to follow the history of each French participant in our cause. We are planning to organize regional chapters throughout France, and to encourage research along these lines in each region. We have, for instance, the desire to find and mark as many graves of our French allies as possible.

Third. We are anxious to make Franco-American friendship something more real and more normal than an historical axiom, and we feel that one of the very best means of achieving this purpose is to revive as many individual hereditary ties as we can.

It must be remembered that all this work must be done on practically virgin soil, and because both of the size of the task and of the extent of the territory we cannot hope to progress as rapidly as may be the case in the more cultivated and better surveyed ground of the State Societies in America.

The Society assumes the responsibility of defraying the expense of a caretaker to look after the grave of Lafayette in Picipus Cemetery, Paris, and keep both an American and a French flag constantly on this hallowed spot. These changes are affected every few months, so they are always fresh in appearance. Through the courtesy of the French Government, the Society uses as headquarters a room in the palace in which the new treaty with France was signed some few weeks ago. General Pershing was present upon this occasion.

The Society has grown during the past year from a small group of original founders to about fifty members and about fifteen applications are pending. The Society has had excellent publicity in all of the leading French newspapers and prospects are excellent for continued growth.

With renewed assurances of our appreciation for the interest and collaboration shown by the President General, Officers, and Trustees of the National Society, I beg to remain,

Faithfully yours,

L. Morgan Hamilton,
Vice-President.

Illinois Society.—Lexington Day was celebrated by the Illinois Society on April 19 by a meeting and banquet held in the Union League Club of Chicago, one of the largest and most successful ever held by the Illinois Society. President Lewis K. Torbet presided. Dr. Rufus A. White, of the People's Church, gave the invocation, and at the appropriate time President Torbet introduced Hon. Evan A. Evans, Judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, as the speaker of the evening. His chosen topic was, "The Alien and His Contribution," and he presented some interesting facts from many years' observation and knowledge of his subject. By the fine courtesy of the club, all the guests enjoyed the opportunity of viewing the magnificent art collection of the Union League.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Board of Managers of the Society was held on Monday noon, May 14, at the La Salle Hotel. After a very enjoyable "compatriot luncheon," President Torbet and Secretary Louis A. Bowman brought before the meeting some very interesting facts and reports of the progress of the Society, both in Chicago and throughout the State of Illinois. Mr. Bowman brought an encouraging number of applications for membership before the Board, and he commented with high satisfaction on the fact that one of the applications presented was accompanied by one original ancestral record and twenty-one supplements! He said that was one of the most influential records ever presented with an application and it belonged to William English Walling, of Hubbard Woods, Illinois.

Surely, with such patriotic background this new member is very welcome, and will undoubtedly share liberally in patriotic feeling for all the other members of the Society.

The President and Secretary had recently made visits to the chapters in Rockford and Peoria, where they were most cordially received and entertained by the members in those towns. The President also visited at Decatur and other points, with a view of establishing additional chapters. Much was reported about the cordial feeling expressed by the chapters in Peoria, Springfield, and other towns toward the idea of having the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution held in 1929 at Springfield, Illinois—a city made rich forever by the glorious memories which cluster around the name of Abraham Lincoln. President Torbet, believing that there are ample reasons why the National Society should thus honor the memory of Lincoln, and its own organization, by coming to Springfield in May of 1929, expressed the desire that all members should do what they can to bring about this result. He reported that Governor Small had issued a cordial invitation to the National Society, and the Mayor of Springfield and the Chamber of Commerce in that city had done the same with a warm welcome.

A motion was made by Chancellor L. Jenks, member of the Evanston Chapter, and Past President General of the National Society, that "the Illinois Society join with the Springfield Chapter in inviting the National Congress to come to Springfield in 1929." Mr. Jenks' motion was unanimously adopted. This represents the feeling of unanimity that exists in the Illinois Society, and the fine sentiment of brotherhood throughout the organization, and toward all the members and officials of the National organization and the State societies.

George Rogers Clark Chapter, Peoria.—A dinner meeting was held at the University Club on the evening of April 19, in commemoration of Lexington Day, President George H. Greene presiding. The chapter voted to contribute $50 toward the new headquarters project of the National Society. A masterful address on the subject "Traditions in Our History," from Dean C. T. Wyckoff, of Bradley College, was listened to with much interest.

A special meeting of the chapter was held again on May 10 at the Creve Coeur Club, in honor of the visit of President Lewis K. Torbet and Secretary Louis A. Bowman, of the State Society. President Torbet addressed the chapter on the general work of the National Society, and made some concrete suggestions for activities of the George Rogers Clark Chapter, such as the distribution of copies of The American's Creed through the schools, increase of membership, National Headquarters, and especially the Invitation to the National Society to meet in Springfield in 1929. These suggestions all met with the greatest enthusiasm and concurrence. Secretary Bowman then spoke and gave the members a short history of the organization of the George Rogers Clark Chapter, which started with only six members, but which has steadily grown, and stressed the possibilities before the chapter of future growth and activity.

President Greene then presented an honored guest and prospective member, Hon. Clyde E. Stone, who spoke briefly.

Indiana Society.—Two new chapters have been chartered in Indiana within the past three months. The first is at Fort Wayne, and while altogether new in membership has been by action of the State Society granted the name Anthony Wayne and the number "1," in recognition of the fact that in 1801 the first local chapter granted in the Indiana jurisdiction was given a body of that name and number at a city, which had a fine history, but has been dormant many years.

This chapter has sixteen fully qualified members, with others who have filed their papers.
The second, unnamed as yet, is at Crawfordsville, where there never has been an organization. A charter was granted to fourteen members of the State and National societies, with five other applicants, whose papers are sure to be approved.

Iowa Society.—The annual meeting of the Iowa Society was held in Des Moines on the afternoon of April 19, in the Venetian Room of the Sayer’s Hotel. A luncheon preceded the business meeting, and the annual dinner, to which ladies were invited, was held in the evening of the same day.

Reports of officers, amendments to the Constitution, and election of officers took up the business session. The result of the election was as follows: President, Charles E. Snyder, Sioux City; Vice-Presidents, F. W. Long, Keokuk, and H. M. Pratt, Fort Dodge; Secretary, George A. Jewett; Treasurer, W. E. Barrett; Registrar, D. C. Mott, all of Des Moines; Historian, Harold K. Bowen, Fort Dodge; Chaplain, Elmer E. Higley, Ames; National Trustee, Elmer M. Wentworth, Des Moines; Managers, M. B. Miles, Clinton; Carleton Sias, Waterloo; Ezra C. Potter, Ames; Francis L. Meredith, Des Moines; Parley Sheldon, Ames. Members of the Ben Franklin Chapter, of Des Moines, were especially urged to be present at this meeting.

Bunker Hill Chapter, of Waterloo and Cedar Falls, held its annual meeting on February 22, with a good attendance. It was voted to award suitable medals to members of the high schools of Waterloo and Cedar Falls for excellence in United States history. Officers were elected as follows: President, Burr G. Lichty; Vice-President, J. C. Beem; Secretary-Treasurer, Keith G. Crowther. Companions H. W. Grout was appointed as Chairman of the Program Committee, and Companions Crowther, W. C. Logan, and Roger Leavitt were made a Membership Committee. New members were introduced and the chapter heard a talk by Companions H. W. Grout on his recent trip to Alaska.

Washington Chapter, at Ames, held its March meeting on the 20th at the residence of President Elmer Higley, who presided. The members of the D. A. R. were invited guests. State Secretary George A. Jewett was present and gave "Reminiscences of Some Interesting People I Have Met," a talk which was most interesting, and touched on the lives of many notables.

Paul Revere Chapter, at Clarion, has elected H. P. Walker as President; and Lexington Chapter, at Keokuk, has had an active year, with a number of meetings. The officers are Dr. Frederick W. Long, President; J. J. Ayers, Vice-President; and Thornton L. Hodge, Secretary-Treasurer.

Louisiana Society.—A number of cities of Louisiana were hosts to the Secretary General of the National Society, Mr. Frank B. Steele, at the time of his visit to this State in March in the interests of chapter organization and the general promotion of increased membership and activity of the Society in this section. Mr. Steele came at the invitation of the State officers, and the story of his trip is told in greater detail elsewhere in The Minuteman. The members of the Society were cordial in their reception and applications for chapter bodies were actually prepared for presentation to the State Society at Alexandria, Monroe, and Lake Charles, with prospects of others at Baton Rouge and New Iberia. The Galvez Chapter, at Shreveport, also received Mr. Steele, and new interest and activity is promised as a result of his visit.

Col. C. Robert Churchill, President Emeritus of the Louisiana Society, had prepared the way for the visit of Mr. Steele, and the interest and cooperation of the active State of the Daughters of the American Revolution throughout the State was also solicited and promised. Mr. Steele also attended the State Conference of the D. A. R. at Baton Rouge during his visit to Louisiana.

Maryland Society.—The annual meeting of the Maryland Society was held on Thursday evening, April 19, at the Hotel Belvedere, Baltimore. The meeting was addressed by Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, Bishop of Delaware and Chaplain General of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, on the subject of "Some Phases of the Constitution"; and also by Judge Josiah A. Van Orsdel, Judge of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia and Director General of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, on the subject of "Back to the Constitution." Both of these addresses were so excellent that we are going to have them printed and distributed to our membership at large.

In conjunction with the annual meeting the yearly reports of the various officers were made; and, in addition to his yearly report the Secretary, George Sadler, Robertson, made a résumé of the work of the Society for the past ten years, the completing ten years of service as Secretary of the Maryland Society on this occasion. The report showed that the Society had increased in membership 80 per cent during that ten years.

As a reward for the services which the Secretary had rendered the Society over this period, the Board of Directors presented him with a very handsome gold wrist watch, properly engraved, as a token of their esteem.

On the afternoon of April 19 the Maryland Society unveiled a tablet to the memory of Governor Thomas Johnson, the first Governor of Maryland, in the State House at Annapolis, the tablet being placed at the right of the entrance to the old State Chamber, the room in which General George Washington resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief of the American Forces. The historical sketch of Governor Johnson was made by Judge T. Scott Offutt, Vice-President of the Maryland Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and the tablet was accepted in the name of the State of Maryland by Hon. Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland. The tablet was unveiled by Miss Barbara Brooke Dennis, great-great-granddaughter of Governor Johnson.

The officers elected for the ensuing year include: President, Ernest J. Clark; Vice-Presidents, Hon. T. Scott Offutt, G. Ridgely Sappington, Philip S. Morgan; Secretary, George S. Robertson; Treasurer, Benson Blake, Jr.; Registrar, Herbert C. Fooks; Historian, J. Noble Stockett; Chaplain, Rev. E. Heath Brosius; National Trustee, Dr. James D. Iglehart.

The Society has successfully inaugurated the awards of the Good Citizenship Medals in the State of Maryland this year and has presented eighty of these this spring. These are in addition to the awards made by the Sergeant Lawrence Edward Chapter, of Frederick, which has also financed and presented twenty-eight medals in the schools of Frederick County.

Massachusetts Society.—The annual meeting of the State Society was held on Thursday, April 19, in the Old South Meeting House, Boston, beginning at ten in the morning. Following the business meeting the compatriots marched, under escort of their Continental Guard, to the New Parker House, where the annual luncheon of the Society was held at noon. A reception preceded this entertainment to ladies and other invited guests. His Excellency Ambassador Simopoulos, of Greece, and Madam Simopoulos were guests of honor, as was also the Hon. George Dracopoulos, Consul for Greece in Boston, and the Hon. Edith Nourse Rogers, Member of Congress from Massachusetts.

At the business meeting reports of the year’s work were received. President John H. Parker, of North Hampden, was unable to complete his report and comprehensive, it was written by the historian, a special edition of the Massachusetts S. A. R. Bulletin, printing this report in full, for distribution to every compatriot of the Massachusetts Society. The
annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, Col. Frederick A. Estes, of Lowell; Vice-Presidents, Richard H. Stacy, of Springfield; Willis D. Rich, Hingham, and Samuel R. Cutler, Revere; Treasurer, Col. Charles M. Green, Boston; Secretary, Walter K. Watkins, Wakefield; Registrar, Arthur R. Taylor, South Weymouth; Historian, T. Julien Silby, Boston; Chaplain, Rev. Lewis W. Hicks, Wellesley; Curator, George Hale Nutting, Boston. Managers, Dr. George E. Norton, Cambridge; Herbert A. Wilson, Boston; Edward Drake, New Bedford; David W. Battles, Brockton, and Gustavus Atwill, Lynn.

DUKE S COUNTY CHAPTER, at Edgartown, plans a meeting for July 4 at Tisbury or Edgartown, with appropriate exercises. This chapter, being somewhat isolated, rarely has the privilege of entertaining any of the State officers, but hopes the coming year may prove an exception. The chapter has lost one of its revered members in the death of Rev. Irving Wesley Coombs and gained two new members during the year.

NEW BEDFORD CHAPTER has had the most active year in its history and the largest membership since its organization. Ten regular meetings have been held, with speakers on timely historical subjects. As a new activity, the chapter has taken up the awarding of Good Citizenship Medals and has presented fifteen this past year. The chapter has also offered a dinner saber to an officer of the R. O. T. C. Unit of the New Bedford High School and will during the summer plan a systematic marking of the Revolutionary graves in the vicinity. The chapter has co-operated in all local patriotic movements. In the early fall the chapter plans to dedicate a tablet in memory of the British invasion of New Bedford of 1778.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER, of Springfield, met on April 5 at Grand Army Hall, at which time Hon. Ernest E. Rogers, President General, was the guest and speaker of the evening.

OLD MIDDLESEX CHAPTER, Lowell, held its annual meeting on March 30, at Liberty Hall, in Lowell Memorial Auditorium. The election of officers resulted in the choice of Charles S. Blaisdell as President and Albert W. David as Secretary, both re-elected. Following the business meeting, Major Herbert S. Johnson, of Boston, who saw much service in the Near East during and following the World War, was the speaker of the evening, his subject being "The Red Peril."

OLD ESSEX CHAPTER, of Lynn, held its annual meeting on the evening of Flag Day and gave a dinner at the banquet hall of the Oxford Club. The President, Benjamin N. Johnson—now Director General of the National Society—being host on this occasion.

At this meeting the stand of colors won by the chapter for the greatest increase in membership was presented as well as a collection of books won by members and their families coming from various Michigan cities. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Col. Frederick A. Estes; Vice-Presidents, Francis C. Campbell, Milton E. Osborn; Secretary, Raymond E. Van Dyke; Treasurer, Frank G. Burton; Historian, Dr. Wilbert B. Hindsdale; Chaplain, Rev. John Dyarst; Board of Managers, Fred H. Begole, George E. Bushnell, Dr. Ray Connor, Clarence W.

Michigan Society.—The annual meeting and convocation of members was held at the Michigan Union Club House, Ann Arbor, April 19, convening at luncheon at noon and ending with the banquet in the evening, largely attended by members and their families coming from various Michigan cities. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Lee M. Hutchins; Vice-Presidents, Francis C. Campbell, Milton E. Osborn; Secretary, Raymond E. Van Dyke; Treasurer, Frank G. Burton; Historian, Dr. Wilbert B. Hindsdale; Chaplain, Rev. John Dyarst; Board of Managers, Fred H. Begole, George E. Bushnell, Dr. Ray Connor, Clarence W.

DICKERSON, Prof. Walter B. Ford, Lewis LeB. Goodwin, Frederick Ducharme, Frederick T. Hayward, William L. Jenks, Fred L. Johnson, George H. Kimball, William Krichbaum, Carl W. Parmelee, Charles N. Remington, Elmer S. Sutton. Later in the afternoon a reception for visiting members and ladies was held at the Clements Library on the University Campus, where the custodian, Dr. Adams, explained and exhibited the collection of Revolutionary War documents recently purchased in England.

At 6 p.m., at the Union, a reception was held in honor of the guests, Vice-President General Harry G. Colson, Chicago; Dr. Frank Ward Holt, National Trustee, Detroit; Dr. Clarence C. Little, President of the University of Michigan, who gave an address of welcome to the members; Lee M. Hutchins, Grand Rapids, President-elect; Harry G. Colson, Vice-President General; Dr. Frank Ward Holt, National Trustee; Prof. A. S. Ation, and Miss Sara Whedon, representing the Daughters of the American Revolution; Rev. M. Luther Canup, Francis C. Campbell, Detroit, and Milton E. Osborn, Vice-Presidents-elect, and Raymond E. Van Sykle, Secretary-elect. Norman B. Conger was chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the State Society and Warren W. Florer for the local organization. Service medals were awarded to Percy L. Taylor, Jackson; Warren P. T. Hall, Detroit; Lieutenant Cleveland, U. S. N.; George D. Miller, Detroit; T. Passmore Dickinson, and Julian G. McIntosh. The presentation of the colors was under the command of Col. Leslie N. Conger. Regent Junius E. Beale spoke in behalf of Washtenaw Chapter. Prof. Arthur S. Ation gave an interesting contribution to the history of Michigan, disclosing that during the Revolution Spanish forces penetrated into Michigan and raised their flag at St. Joseph. During the business meeting the ladies were entertained at an afternoon tea by the ladies of Ann Arbor Chapter. The service and installations at the Michigan Union were delightful and a most enjoyable time was had by all who attended, voting it one of the most successful meetings the State Society had held. Resolutions were adopted commending President General Barrett's administration and presenting the best wishes and congratulations of the Society. Resolutions were also adopted, on motion of Col. Thomas H. S. Schooley, expressing the appreciation of Michigan Society of the courtesy extended to the Michigan delegates by the Richmond and Virginia Society representatives at the National Congress. The Secretary's report showed a large increase in membership during the year, and Treasurer Frank G. Smith reported a most successful campaign for funds for the National Headquarters.

CHANCELLOR JOHN LANSING CHAPTER, of Lansing, Michigan, held its annual meeting April 30, electing Oren A. Fenison, President; James D. Towar, Vice-President; James I. Van Keuren, Treasurer, and Milton E. Osborn, Secretary. Dessert preceded a noon luncheon at the Hotel Statler, Detroit, March 20, at which Hon. Guy A. Miller, Wayne Circuit Judge, was the guest and speaker. Topic: "Some Problems in the Administration of the Law." Vice-President Norman B. Conger presided and Rev. M. Luther Canup pronounced the invocation.

KENT CHAPTER, at Grand Rapids, is proud of the recent appointment of Hon. Arthur H. Vandenberg to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris.

Senator Vandenberg is a compatriot of the Michigan State Society and of Kent Chapter and one of the most enthusiastic members of the Society. He is
a student and writer on historical subjects and is recognized as an authority on the period of American History in which the Constitution was written and the foundation of the nation was laid.

**Missouri Society.**—A luncheon in observance of the 153d anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord of the Revolutionary War was held by this Society on April 19, in the Daniel Boone Room, at Statler Hotel, 36 members being present. A resolution was adopted in favor of training camps for the young men of the State and Nation as a necessary part of any plan for the national defense.

President James M. Breckenridge called the attention of the members to the death of the Historian and Genealogist of the Society, Mr. W. H. H. Tainter. He also announced the intended observance of Flag Day June 14 by the Society.

After remarks by the chairman of the several committees regarding the program for the coming year's activities, Rev. Jay T. Stocking, pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church, spoke on the significance of the day. The ceremonies closed with singing of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

**New Jersey Society.**—The New Jersey Society held its annual meeting, preceded by a luncheon, at the Hotel Berwick, Newark, on April 21. The revised Constitution and By-Laws were presented and adopted. Officers for the new year were chosen as follows: President, Richard Hartshorne; Vice-Presidents, Merritt G. Perkins, W. Frank Bower, Fred. D. Hahn; Secretary, David L. Pierson; Treasurer, I. Woodruff Faulks; Registrar, Arthur W. Hicks; Genealogist, Samuel C. Worthen; Historian, John W. Weeks; Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Frank A. Smith; Chancellor, Hon. Cornelius Doremus; Librarian, Russell B. Rankin; National Trustee, Thomas W. Williams.

A bronze tablet and boulder were dedicated to the memory of the Revolutionary War soldiers buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery at New Providence, near Summit, under the auspices of the State Society, assisted by Passaic Valley Chapter, on April 19, the 153d anniversary of the engagements at Lexington and Concord. President Richard Hartshorne presided at services held in the church at 5 p.m., after which the congregation adjourned to the site of the memorial, where the dedicatory address was delivered by David L. Pierson, Chairman of the Committee on Monuments and Memorials.

The inscription on the tablet reads:

Their Names are Imperishably Inscribed upon the Nation's Roll of Honor.
Within this sacred ground rest the remains of a number of soldiers,
Of whom there is a record of forty-eight,
All enrolled in Washington's Army during the Revolutionary War,
Whose Achievements are the Priceless Heritage of the American People,
Erected by the New Jersey Society,
Sons of the American Revolution,
on the 153d Anniversary of the engagements at Lexington and Concord,
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A dinner followed at the Canoe Brook Country Club, under the auspices of the chapter. President Robert W. Chasteney presided, and speeches were made by President Hartshorne, Harry F. Brewer, Director General, and Secretary Pierson. The 150th anniversary of the Treaty of Alliance by France with the United States was celebrated by the Society with a luncheon at the Berwick Hotel, Newark, on May 7. Though the treaty was signed by France on February 6, it did not reach Congress in York, till May 4, and was ratified on the following day, May 5. Washington ordered a day of jubilee for May 6, and he, then encamped at Valley Forge, attended, with his staff and ladies, divine service at the New Jersey Brigade. An address was delivered by Rev. Edwin I. Stearns, of Caldwell. Members of the D. A. R. and D. R. attended.

Two new chapters are in process of formation in New Jersey. Compatriots living in Maplewood have held several meetings and a long list of applicants has been prepared for membership. Besides the twenty members now in residence in this locality, the chapter will contain the names of at least thirty others. In Jersey City a lively interest is also shown in the new organization.

An arrangement has been made with the Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church, Orange, for the relocation of the Dispatch Rider statue in the Old Burying Ground, that city, on account of the widening of the thoroughfare on which it is now situated. The statue was erected in 1907, in memory of the men and women who assisted in establishing American Independence. The New Jersey Society subscribed $500 toward its erection.

**Elizabethtown Chapter** will hold its annual meeting on June 14. **Orange Chapter** observed its twenty-fifth anniversary on March 15, with a dinner at the Walnut Street Hall, East Orange, the ladies also attending. W. Frank Bower, President, presided and the historical address was given by David L. Pierson, first Historian of the Chapter, Past President, and now Secretary of the State Society. The other charter members present also gave addresses. They were Thomas W. Williams, Colonel Oscar H. Condit, and Dr. Thomas W. Harvey. Reports on various phases of the chapter work were made by Compatriots Willard I. Kimm, H. Warren Baker, Schuyler G. Harrison, and Charles O. Hendrick.

Officers for the new year were elected: President, W. Frank Bower; Vice-Presidents, Earle A. Miller and Schuyler G. Harrison; Recording Secretary, Charles O. Hendrick; Corresponding Secretary, Ross K. Cook; Treasurer, W.
Homer Conkling; Registrar, Thomas W. Williams, Jr.; Historian, George W. Benton; Chaplain, Rev. Dr. George W. Smith.

The chapter celebrated the 153rd anniversary of the engagements at Lexington and Concord, on April 19. President Bower presided, and Dr. William R. Ward, Past State President, gave a very enthusiastic and instructive address on the beginning of the Revolutionary War. The chapter held its last meeting of the season on May 17 and was entertained with a series of stereopticon pictures of scenes in the western country. The chapter issues a bulletin eight times each year to its members and has made arrangements to observe Constitution Day on September 17 next.

Newark Chapter elected Russell B. Rankin President in place of Sylvester H. M. Agens, who had served seven years, at the annual meeting on April 19. John W. Weeks was chosen Vice-President; Edmund D. Poole, Secretary; James A. Robertson, Registrar; Benjamin J. Cœ, Treasurer (fourteenth consecutive year); Chaplain, Rev. M. S. Waters. The chapter observed the anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord. An address was given by Frederick T. Seaman. The chapter celebrated the 153d anniversary of the engagements at Lexington and Concord, at the headquarters, 22 Hillyer Street, New York.

Monmouth Chapter elected Colonel Philander Betts President for another year, at its meeting held in the Metropolitan Hotel, Asbury Park, May 1. Theodore W. Brewer was chosen Vice-President; Frank L. Wilcox, Treasurer; William E. Carr, Secretary; Samuel C. Cowart, Historian. Moving pictures of various historical scenes were given.

Passaic Valley Chapter, of Ridgewood, held a meeting at the home of Comptrol Charles E. J. Newbury, that town, on May 18. J. Oscar Bunce, President, presided, and an address was given by Benjamin Barnes on "China-The Causes of the Present War-China's Attitude Toward America." Mrs. George U. White sang several selections, and S. J. Strouthton gave violin solos. The chapter will go on its annual pilgrimage on June 23 to Princeton, making headquarters at the Princeton Inn. After dinner President Hartshorne, of the State Society, will deliver the address. The chapter is arranging an historical float for the parade on Independence Day in Ridgewood.

Passaic Valley Chapter, on March 23, re-elected Robert W. Chasteney President; Herbert C. Gilson, Vice-President; Albert S. Morse, Secretary; Raymond W. Salmon, Treasurer; Harold Moore, Registrar; Clarence B. Tubbs, Historian; Rev. George A. Liggett, Chaplain. The chapter, according to its annual custom since it was organized, fourteen years ago, will observe the anniversary of the Battle of Springfield with services in the Presbyterian Church, that town, on Saturday, Oct. Rev. George A. Liggett officiates as the minister. The date of the battle is June 23, 1780, but the anniversary will be remembered on Sunday, June 24.

Westfield Chapter on April 3 elected Major Ray E. Mayham President and Historian; Harry A. Kniffen, Vice-President; Albert R. Sampson, Secretary; H. Fay Bardwell, Treasurer, and Earle A. Merrill, Registrar.

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Captain Abramam Godwin Chapter, of Paterson, has elected D. Stanton Hammond President; Edward J. Serven, Vice-President; George Winters, Treasurer; Edwin N. Hopson, Recording Secretary; Albert H. Heusser, Historian; and Fay Barlow, Chaplain.

Captain Clark Chapter held its annual meeting on April 26, electing Oliver P. Schneewiss President; Edgar M. Gibby, Vice-President; Frederick Provost, Secretary; Stephen B. Hanson, Treasurer, John L. Warner, Historian; Rev. Herbert K. England, Chaplain.

South Jersey Chapter on March 19 elected Edward C. Gehr President; Charles J. Maxwell, Vice-President; Edwin S. Glenn, Secretary-Treasurer; Frank H. Stewart, Registrar; Henry P. Hoff, Captain of the Color Guard. The headquarters of the chapter are in the Indian King Tavern, Haddonfield. On April 18 the chapter met with Old Gloucester Chapter, S. R., at the Woodbury Country Club, and a very enjoyable evening was passed. Among the guests of the evening were President Hartshorne and Secretary Pierson, of the State Society. Comptrol Hartshorne gave an address on "Preparedness."

South Jersey Chapter made a pilgrimage to the Monmouth Battlefield on May 12, making the entire trip from the headquarters in the Indian King Tavern, Haddonfield, a distance of about 50 miles, by automobile. At the battle monument, near Freehold, the members were grouped and the story of the engagement fought on June 28, 1778, was told by Judge William A. Slaughter, of Mount Holly, an authority on New Jersey history. Late in the afternoon, after a very enjoyable dinner, the party started for home, having passed a most delightful day visiting old Tennet Church, used as a hospital during the battle, and other points of historical interest.

Empire State (New York) Society.—Western New York chapters, Sons of the American Revolution, held an enthusiastic get-together meeting at Batavia, New York, on the night of May 12. The chapters participating were the Buffalo Chapter, the Lemuel Cook Chapter of Albion; Genesee Chapter of Batavia, and the Rochester Chapter. There were about twenty compatriots present from each of the chapters, the meeting being held in the Hamilton Hotel, where an excellent dinner was served. Among those who attended were Past President General Harvey F. Remington; the President of the Empire State Society, Gannon Depew, of the Buffalo Chapter, and several distinguished members of the judiciary. Song sheets were distributed and there was some real congregational singing, led by Compatriot Taylor, of the Lemuel Cook Chapter. Mrs. George C. Chapple, of Batavia, presided at the piano, playing a number of fine selections while the banquet was going on and helping the mass singing.

Compatriot Charles E. Ogden, of the Rochester Chapter, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, acted as toastmaster. He introduced Compatriot Fred H. Dunham, of the Genesee Chapter, who cordially welcomed the visiting compatriots to Batavia. Past President Harvey F. Remington spoke of the work of the National Organization with the S. A. R. and the progress of the National Headquarters at Washington. He declared there was need of the Sons of the American Revolution in this country, with its constant teaching of the right national ideals. His talk was an inspiration and was filled with information.

He was followed by President Gannon Depew, who, in his inimitable manner, gave a straight-from-the-shoulder talk, saying that he had been covering the
State of New York quite thoroughly as head of the State organization and felt that more chapters should be organized throughout the State, telling of several which had recently come into existence. He believed the work could be enlarged if the basis of organization were somewhat changed.

Supreme Court Justice Sanford P. Church, of the Lemuel Cook Chapter, recently organized, spoke for the youngest chapter of the State. He appealed to the patriots as members of an organization which had in their hearts and souls the highest interests of their country and who had opportunities for distinguishing by belonging to an order which stands for high and patriotic things. He was followed by Compatriot Rev. Glenn B. Ewell, of the Rochester Chapter, who told of the wreath to be placed on the grave of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington during the National Congress at Washington by the Rochester Chapter, the ceremony to be in charge of a former Chapter President, Compatriot Howard Van R. Palmer.

Former Supreme Court Justice, Compatriot Arthur E. Sutherland, of the Rochester Chapter, took for his theme "Mothers' Day." After numerous clever hits of reminiscent humor he turned to the real purpose of his talk—the patriotic mothers of the land. The finer emotions of all were touched by this master of words and sentiment.

As a climax, and in the same spirit of reverence, Col. Samuel C. Pierce, of the Rochester Chapter, a veteran of the Civil War, having turned the eighty-year mark, recited Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. It came as a fitting benediction to the meeting.

That this spring get-together meeting of the four western New York chapters was a genuine success was proved by the remarks made after it was over. "We must have them often," "Do not let us go two years again before we have another." And the probability is that the Lemuel Cook Chapter will arrange for a picnic get-together of the four chapters on the shores of Lake Ontario, some few miles south of Albion, some time in August.

The thanks of the meeting were extended to President Osborn and Secretary Wilkinson, of the Genesee Chapter, for their efforts in making the meeting a success; to Mrs. George C. Chapllee for her contribution of excellent music, as well as to the President of the Lemuel Cook Chapter, Compatriot Bernard Ryan, for his enthusiastic assistance.

BUFFALO CHAPTER held a luncheon meeting at the Statler Hotel on Monday, April 23, with an excellent attendance. Col. Malcolm P. Andrus, U. S. A., in charge of recruiting in the Buffalo District, addressed the members on "Our National Defense."

The chapter feels highly honored in the election, at the National Congress at Washington, on May 23, of its former President, Mr. Ganson Depew, as President General of the National Society. It is planned to have a special meeting in honor of Mr. Depew on June 14, at which time the annual meeting will be held.

BUFFALO CHAPTER was represented at the Annual Congress by Mr. Edward W. Potter, Mr. D. Frederick Potter, Harry Alverson, Sidney Lanctot, and Frank L. Byers, as delegates. A beautiful bunch of American Beauty roses were sent in the name of the chapter to Mr. Frank B. Steele, at National Headquarters, in honor of the Buffalo members and of Mr. Depew. They contributed greatly to the attractiveness of our building on the evening of the Official Reception to Congress, on Monday, May 21.

THE EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY held its annual meeting on April 19 at the Union League Club, New York City; at the same time and place the New York City Chapter held its annual meeting. A dinner preceded the business meeting to which members were privileged to invite guests. The Annual Church Service of the New York Chapter was held on the Sunday preceding the annual meeting, April 15 at the West End Presbyterian Church in the evening, the Chaplain, Rev. Dr. A. Edwin Keigwin, making the address. Officers of the Empire State Society elected on April 19 were President, Ganson Depew; Vice-Presidents, Oliver B. Bridgman, Charles S. Whitman, Franklin F. Moon; Secretary Major Charles A. DuBois; Treasurer, William W. Bliven; Registrar, Charles A. Hale; Historian, Thomas H. Sylvester; Chaplain, Rev. J. Lewis Hartsock, D. D.; National Trustee, Louis Amin Ames. Delegates and alternates to the National Congress were also elected. The Empire State Society rejoices in again having won the Traveling Banner for largest gain in membership having added 205 members to its rolls during this second year of President Depew's administration. It also feels highly honored in the unanimous election at the Congress at Washington on May 23, of its President, Ganson Depew, to the office of President General of the National Society.

North Carolina Society.—On April 27 the first annual meeting of the newly organized Society of North Carolina was held in the city of Raleigh, at which time two hundred members had been enrolled since the preliminary meeting, held on February 6, at Rocky Mount, which was fully described in the March issue of The Minute Man.

Raleigh was selected as the meeting place for the formal organization and presentation of the State Charter because of the interest aroused and the large number applying for membership in the Society and for a local chapter from this city. The National Society was represented at this meeting by the Secretary General, Frank B. Steele, of Washington, and by W. MacJones, of Richmond, Virginia, Genealogist General. The formal charter was presented by Mr. Steele, and the newly elected officers of the North Carolina Society were installed by Mr. Jones, as follows: President, Harrison Gray Otis, of Rocky Mount; Vice-Presidents, George Stephens, of Asheville; C. G. Harrison, of Greensboro; John Weddell, of Tarboro; Thomas G. Hyman, of New Bern; Henry A. Grady, of Clinton; John C. Rodman, of Washington; Park Mathewson, of Raleigh; W. G. Bramham, of Durham; Benjamin B. Gossett, of Charlotte, and Charles I. Gresham, of Mooresville; Secretary, Norman Y. Chambless; Registrar, James P. Warren; Treasurer, Thomas A. Avera, all of Rocky Mount; Historian, William S. Whittet, of Whittet; Chaplain, Rev. William McC. White, of Raleigh; National Trustee, Daniel T. Smithwick. Delegates were also elected to the Annual Congress of the National Society, at Washington, in May.

Hon. A. W. McLean, Governor of North Carolina, was a guest of honor and addressed the gathering; also, Mr. R. D. W. Connor, of the State University, and Mr. Dr. C. B. Butler, of the State Historical Commission.


The North Carolina Society also had the distinction of presenting to the National Society the State Flag, which was hung in the new S. A. R. Headquarters. This flag was presented by two members of the Raleigh Chapter—William A. Graham and Park Mathewson.

In addition to rolling up a charter membership of 325 within less than four months, the new Society has created 12 chapters, located at strategic points.
throughout the State. Charters of ten of these chapters were granted within ten minutes after receipt of the North Carolina State Charter at Raleigh on April 27. Their status is summarized as follows:

**ROCKY MOUNT CHAPTER, Rocky Mount.**—Since organization of the chapter on Washington’s Birthday, the membership has grown to 75, all charter members of the North Carolina Society. Sixteen Good Citizenship Medals were awarded in May through the grammar and high schools of the city. This chapter helped to organize the Tarboro chapter and will be represented at the presentation of the Tarboro Charter.

**RALEIGH CHAPTER, Raleigh.**—At the closing of the State Charter roll, the Raleigh Chapter has over 40 members, and in addition has released ten of its members, who have formed the Louisburg Chapter.

**CHARLOTTE CHAPTER, Charlotte.**—Not yet fully organized, this chapter contributed 37 completed memberships to the State Charter roll and has a goodly list of paid applicants whose papers will soon be completed. The chapter was represented at the National Congress by two of its members. On May 20, the 152d anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration, Harry C. Northrop, Secretary of the chapter, served as toastmaster at the community luncheon, and James V. Pomeroy, a Vice-President of the chapter, was a guest of honor, representing the S. A. R. Dr. John R. Irwin is serving as temporary President and Col. James Alden Houston, who has been active in building up the chapter, serves with Mr. Pomeroy as Vice-President.

**DURHAM CHAPTER, Durham.**—With 19 State Charter members as a start and a fine field of prospects, Durham, under the leadership of State Vice-President William G. Bramham, will soon have one of the leading North Carolina chapters.

**ASHEVILLE CHAPTER, Asheville.**—Lawrence S. Holt, Jr., has accepted the temporary Presidency of this chapter and, with 18 other members already on the State Charter roll, plans an early campaign to put the western end of the State on an equal S. A. R. footing with the eastern section.

**GREENSBORO CHAPTER, Greensboro.**—Charles G. Harrison, as temporary President, and Lorenzo S. Winslow, as temporary Secretary, are at work building up a strong membership in anticipation of the organization meeting to be held soon. Fourteen charter members of the State Society form the nucleus of this chapter, after releasing intended members who live in near-by districts to permit them to organize other chapters.

**TARBORO CHAPTER, Tarboro.**—On a rainy afternoon in February 14 applicants signed the second petition for a chapter of the proposed North Carolina Society. The present membership is 20, and J. Vine Cobb, of Pinetops, President of the Edgecombe County Commission, is temporary President. State Vice-President John A. Weddell, one of the charter members of original State Society of 1911, is acting Secretary.

**GENERAL WILLIAM BRYAN CHAPTER, New Bern.**—With 18 State Charter members from New Bern, Kinston, and Morehead City, Thomas G. Hyman, Vice-President of the North Carolina Society and acting President of this chapter, is building up a splendid organization. The chapter was represented at the National Congress by Congressman Charles L. Abernethy.

**BEAUFORT COUNTY CHAPTER, Washington.**—The original North Carolina Society of 1911 was organized by Robert T. Bonner, of Aurora, and the majority of its members lived in Aurora, Washington, and other Beaufort County localities. Several of these “old” members have reinstated to help form the new society. With aid of Greenville and Williamston, near-by cities, this chapter starts off with 16 members. Dr. John C. Rodman, Vice-President of the State Society, is temporarily in charge of developing this field.

**HIGH POINT CHAPTER, High Point; LOUISBURG CHAPTER, Louisburg; and BURLINGTON CHAPTER, Burlington.**—These three embryo chapters all qualified for their charters on the last day of the State Charter period with ten members each. Temporary organizations have been set up as follows: High Point—President, Carter Dalton; Secretary, Joseph H. Dabbs. Louisburg—President, Hill Yarborough; Secretary, Dr. Samuel P. Burt. Burlington—President, Col. Eugene Holt; Secretary, Robert H. Whitehead.

**NORTH DAKOTA SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting of this Society was held at Bismarck on April 19 and was one of the most enjoyable and successful in the history of the Society. This was a departure from the usual custom of holding the annual meeting at Grand Forks or Fargo and is evidence of the interest aroused by holding the meetings in different localities of the State. An attendance of about 65 were present at the dinner which preceded the business meeting. The two new banners of the State Society were in evidence, a Betsy Ross Flag and an American Flag, carried by compatriots in colonial and khaki uniforms respectively, gave color to the ceremonies, carried out according to our National Ritual.

Secretary Albert H. Yoder reports five new applications pending upon his return from this meeting and an application from 21 citizens of Mandan, North Dakota, for membership and a future chapter organization. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, John Clark Gould, of Mandan; Vice-President, Charles F. Trua, Minot; Treasurer, Vine D. Lord, Cando; Secretary-Registrar, Albert H. Yoder, Grand Forks; Historian, George P. Will, Bismarck; Chaplain, F. E. Stockton, Fargo.

**OHIO SOCIETY.**—The annual meeting of the State Society took place on April 19, at Canton, at the Hotel Courtland. President Loren E. Soners presided over the sessions and entertained the delegates at luncheon, in behalf of the JOHN STARK CHAPTER of Canton, while visiting ladies were entertained at luncheon by a committee of hostesses representing the Canton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The visitors were taken to visit the tomb of President William McKinley, where a wreath was placed in behalf of the State Society. A joint banquet in the evening, under the auspices of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, concluded the entertainment, President Richard E. Croadsdale, of the JOHN STARK CHAPTER, presiding. Hon. Roy L. Williams, of Toledo, made the principal address, which was followed by a motion-picture film of the Battle of Lexington. The Colonial Guard of the WESTERN RESERVE SOCIETY of Cleveland, with its fifes and drums corps, added color to the banquet and the opening ceremonies earlier in the day. Hon. Miles S. Kuhn, of Dayton, was elected President of the State Society. Others elected were: Vice-President, Jesse A. Fenner, Cleveland; Secretary-Treasurer, Walter D. McKinney, Columbus; Treasurer, Floyd G. Crandall, Toledo; Historian, Walter J. Sherman, Toledo; Chaplain, Rev. Edward P. Whallon, Cincinnati; Managers, Miles S. Kuhn, Jesse A. Fenner, Walter J. Sherman, Horace Keifer, Loren E. Soners, William W. Neifert, Rev. H. B. Diefenbach, Oziolas G. Strong, Rev. H. W. Trotter, Rev. A. Beckett, Floyd G. Crandell, and Walter D. McKinney. Excellent reports of the several chapters in the State were made at the business session, and Vice-President Geneal Winford L. Mattson made a com-
preprehensive report of the work of the National Society in the Central District, of which he is chairman.

RICHARD MONTGOMERY CHAPTER, Dayton, held its regular spring meeting at the Shrine Club on May 15, at which time reports of the State meeting held at Canton on April 19 were heard. The chapter feels highly honored by the election of its long-time Secretary-Treasurer, Hon. Miles S. Kuhns to the office of President of the State Society. A special reception was held in Mr. Kuhns' honor at this meeting. President William W. Neifert, and Companions Max G. Dice, and Col. George I. Gunckel were made delegates to the Annual Congress at Washington, D. C., which took place May 20-23.

CINCINNATI CHAPTER met on April 3, for its annual meeting, at the Chamber of Commerce. Officers elected were: President, Dr. E. R. Booth; Vice-Presidents, F. L. Rowe and Richard B. Johnson; Secretary-Treasurer, E. P. Whallon; Governors, Richard Breckenridge, Chairman; G. W. Houston, George Kinsey, John Omwake, Dr. F. A. Dilatousch, Robert M. Booth, and H. K. Parsons. Dr. Whallon and Chairman Breckenridge were appointed delegates to the State meeting at Canton and to the National Congress at Washington. The chapter considered the awarding of Good Citizenship Medals and will give twenty-three this year to the eighth grades of Cincinnati.

JOHN STARK CHAPTER, Canton, has held regular meetings during the year and has a present membership of 25. The chapter is planning to place an Official Marker on the grave of John William Krichbaum, buried in Stark County, an ancestor of a compatriot of the chapter, Raymond L. Krichbaum.

ANTHONY WAYNE CHAPTER, Toledo, met at the Toledo Club April 21 in commemoration of Lexington Day, the banquet having been postponed from the usual date, the 19th, to enable compatriots to attend the State Ohio Society meeting at Canton. Sixteen new members were welcomed into the chapter at this meeting, the largest group ever admitted at a single meeting of the chapter. Reports of the Canton meeting were heard and an enjoyable meeting resulted.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY.—The chapter at Oklahoma City has taken on renewed activity and a drive in the matter of membership is under way. The chapter entertained the State President, Companions John B. Meserve, at a well-appointed luncheon in Oklahoma City, on May 17, at the Y. M. C. A. Arrangements are being perfected to hold a joint meeting with the Dayton chapter on September 17, at which meeting all young men and women who have attained a voting age since the last election will be invited. As the alien question is a negligible one in Oklahoma, it is deemed a worthy effort to undertake to direct the attention and interest of the new citizen toward one of the highest functions of patriotic service.

On March 7 the OKLAHOMA CITY chapter met to elect officers and chose Dr. George R. Taylor President; Charles H. Phelps, Vice-President; W. W. Robertson, Secretary-Treasurer. On this occasion the Hon. Charles C. Magee, editor of the OKLAHOMA CITY NEWS, addressed the members on "American Citizenship and the Duties of Patriotic Societies."

TULSA CHAPTER.—A most inspirational meeting was the noonday luncheon of the members of Tulsa Chapter on May 21. The local chapter has gone over 100 per cent in the matter of the presentation of Good Citizenship Medals in the schools of Tulsa. A feature of the meeting was the presence of the secret young lads who were the recipients of the medals, as guests of the chapter. A most entertaining and highly instructive talk was made by Companions Judge Summers Hardy. The new President, Companions Francis V. Westhafer, is giving a splendid account of himself. TULSA CHAPTER held a most delightful meeting on April 19.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY.—Officers of this society as elected at their annual meeting in January and not previously announced are: President, John L. Walker; Vice-Presidents, Col. Franklin Blackstone, William J. Askln, Jr., J. Boyd Duff, Jr.; Secretary, Herbert E. Pilgram; Treasurer-Registrar, A. W. Wall; Chaplain-Historian, Grafton T. Reynolds; Associate Chaplain, Rev. George C. Fisher; Associate Historian, George H. Kelley; Managers, R. C. Schanck, Walter Gabell, Frank J. Forsyth, Weaver H. Rogers, Harris L. Awt, H. L. McKain, George W. Gossor, A. E. Neiman, Joseph C. Andrews, and all presidents of local chapters.

McKEE'SPORT CHAPTER held its annual meeting on February 21 and elected the following officers: President, Dr. F. F. Sumney, of Dravosburg; Vice-President, J. Clifford Miller; Secretary, Dr. H. C. Cope; Treasurer, J. B. Hershey; Registrar, M. M. Gunn; Historian, Dr. Charles A. Rankin; Chaplain, Rev. P. S. Kolbier, of Glassport.

YORK CHAPTER, at York Pennsylvania, is one of the most recently organized chapters of the Pennsylvania Society, and at a meeting held at the Yorktown Hotel elected the following officers: President, A. M. Owen; Vice-President, George Hummel; Secretary, H. Luke Owen; Treasurer, George Kindig, Jr.; Registrar, Russell Wubier.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER held its annual banquet on Wednesday evening, April 18, at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, in commemoration of the Ride of Paul Revere and the Battles of Lexington and Concord.

The PITTSBURG chapter is among the new chapters to be organized by the Pennsylvania Society, and at its formal organization meeting in February the following officers were elected: President, Major Weaver H. Rogers; Senior Vice-President, David F. Collingwood; Second Vice-President, A. E. Nieman; Third Vice-President, Howell Van Blarcom; Chaplain, Rev. George C. Fisher; Secretary, John M. Russell; Registrar, A. W. Wall; Treasurer, Frank J. Forsyth; Board of Managers, R. C. Schanck, William J. Askln, Jr., Andrew Berger, Albert J. Horne, Daniel Winters, Harry Estep, Thomas Mellon, A. D. Reynolds, Frank Armstrong. Without change or increase in dues, all Sons of the American Revolution residing in Pittsburgh become charter members of the Pittsburgh Chapter.

FORT NECESITY CHAPTER, Uniontown.—George Washington's grist mill, erected 160 years ago on his land near the present town of Perryopolis, will be restored to its original appearance by patriotic citizens of Fayette County under the leadership of the FORT NECESITY CHAPTER. The old water wheel that furnished power in producing flour for western Pennsylvania soldiers in the Revolutionary War will resume its work next summer, and in its operation the picturesque surroundings of the historic mill will be preserved.

Dr. Edgar Hunted, President, and James Whaley, Secretary, of the Fort Necessity Chapter, with McClelland Leonard, collector of historical objects, are working upon the project. The milldam on Washington's Run will be rebuilt, the mill race will be cleared of underbrush, and the machinery, damaged when the structure was struck by lightning several years ago, will be repaired. The place will be marked by the Pennsylvania Historical Commission.

The Edgar Hunted monument, under Washington's direction by Valentine Crawford, a brother of Col. William Crawford, frontier hero. The foundation is of cut stone and a two-story frame superstructure of heavy oak. The original burrs are intact and the mill was operated until ten years ago.
Tennessee Society.—Andrew Jackson Chapter, Nashville. Willard O. Tierzi was elected President of the Andrew Jackson Chapter at the dinner meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening, April 17. Norman S. McEwen was elected Vice-President; J. W. Horn, Secretary; Donald McEwen, Treasurer; Dorian E. Clark, Historian; Dr. W. W. Wilkerson, Surgeon General, and Dr. James I. Vance, Chaplain. Attention was called to the fact that this was the hundred and forty-eighth anniversary of the signing of the Cumberland Compact by the settlers of this section, May 1, 1780. F. W. Millsap, State President, told how the pioneers met at Nashborough and adopted this form of government, providing that the affairs of the community should be administered by a court of twelve judges. The court was given power to settle questions regarding land titles, award judgments for debts and damages, and to punish those guilty of committing crimes. Later, additional resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Clark was appointed chairman of a committee to have a copy made of the compact and to have it read at the next meeting of the chapter.

Reeves E. Folk, Past President of the chapter, spoke on the life and work of Andrew Jackson and the appropriateness of naming the chapter for him.

Giles County Chapter, Pulaski.—The newest chapter of the Tennessee Society, organized on February 22, chose for its officers T. M. Jones, President; W. J. Yancey, Vice-President; W. L. Abernathy, Secretary-Treasurer; Dr. M. S. Kennedy, Chaplain. There were 19 men at the banquet which took place at Hotel Richland. Others are expected to join, bringing total to 25. F. W. Millsap, President of the State organization, was present; also several other out-of-town men prominent in the organization.

Texas Society.—The annual meeting of the Texas Society was called for April 19 and formally adjourned to complete its business on April 21, at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Dallas. The meeting was formally opened with the presentation of the colors by the standard-bearers, Compatriots Perry M. Wimberly and Frank G. Harmon, bearing the National Colors, and the Texas State Flag, followed by the Salute to the Flag. The invocation was pronounced by Chaplain C. L. Bounds. The Society granted the applications of the compatriots of Dallas and Texarkana for local chapters, and the sum of $75 was voted from the State funds for the National Headquarters at Washington. Resolutions of sympathy were adopted on the death of several compatriots and ordered placed upon the records. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

“Resolved, That we approve the efforts of the Daughters of the American Revolution to secure speakers whose Americanism is beyond question.”

Election of officers ensued and resulted as follows: President, Robert W. Humphreys, of Galveston; Vice-Presidents, Edwin L. Porch, San Antonio; Edward M. Polk, Corsicana; T. D. Hobart, Pampa; Secretary-Treasurer, James C. Jones; Registrar and Historian, Charles J. Maxwell, Dallas; Chaplain, C. L. Bounds, Dallas.

The newly elected President was duly and formally installed and addressed the members. He announced the appointment of his Executive Committee and nominations and election of the State Directors elected. Delegates to the National Congress at Washington were also appointed.

Mr. Charles J. Maxwell made a verbal report of his activities for the past year, which included the distribution of Good Citizenship Medals, in which line of patriotic work the Texas State Society has taken foremost place this year, with a distribution of over 130 medals. A luncheon followed the business meeting, at which many informal talks lent interest.

Galveston Chapter.—At the annual meeting of the Galveston Chapter, held at Galveston on Thursday, the 19th day of April, the following compatriots were elected as officers for the ensuing year: President, George N. Yard; Vice-President, W. M. Morgan; Secretary, Walter S. Mayer.

A resolution of the R. O. T. C. was unanimously adopted by the local chapter, favoring more adequate appropriation in the matter of uniforms. The compatriots were entertained at a luncheon as guests of the retiring President, Compatriot Robert W. Humphreys. The local chapter is initiating a campaign for new members and hopes that during the next year membership will be increased materially.

Utah Society.—President Franklin Riter, of the Utah Society, reviewed the Salt Lake East High School R. O. T. C. unit on May 3, and participated in the exercises attendant, with the annual inspection of this battalion by officers of the Regular Army on May 9. Mr. Riter was also a guest at the dinner in honor of Gen. J. L. Hines, Commander of the Ninth Corps Area, held at the Commercial Club, in Salt Lake City, on May 5.

On May 16 he also participated in the luncheon given in honor of the medal winners of the R. O. T. C. units stationed at the Utah Agricultural College at Logan, the State University, Ogden High School, and East and West High Schools, at Salt Lake. This luncheon was tendered by the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club to these young men who have won distinction for meritorious work in their respective organizations. It was largely attended by citizens of the State interested in these splendid organizations.

Bishop Mitty (himself a World War veteran) of the Catholic Diocese of Utah, delivered the principal address, which was a powerful appeal for a sane policy of national defense.

Mr. Riter has also appeared before the microphone of KSL, in the “American Hour” program, on several occasions. This work in Salt Lake has been carried on by Salt Lake Post, No. 2, of the American Legion, of which Mr. Riter is also a member.

On May 22 Mr. Riter made an address in behalf of the Universal Draft Act of the Legion before the Salt Lake Rotary Club and on Memorial Day he appeared under the auspices of the Ladies of the G. A. R. at their memorial services in honor of the Nation's soldiers, sailors and marines who died at sea. These exercises were held at Liberty Park and were largely attended.

The annual sermon for the Utah Society was preached by Archdeacon William F. Bulkley, Chaplain of the Utah Society, at St. Mary's Protestant Episcopal Church, Provo, on Sunday, April 15. The services were largely attended, compatriots coming one hundred miles in some cases. After the services a most delightful luncheon was served at the Roberts House.

The Escalante Monument will be unveiled at Vernal, Utah, on July 4. Capt. Stephen Abbot, a member of the Board of Managers, is chairman of the committee in charge.

Virginia Society.—The monthly meeting of the Norfolk Chapter was held on May 4, in the Monticello Hotel, and an attractive luncheon program arranged, with Lieut. Russell H. Quinn, of the New York City Chapter, as speaker.

The Norfolk Chapter is considered one of the most active in the South and is increasing rapidly in membership, having had more than a 25 per cent increase.
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in members since the first of this year, and expects to double the roster before the next annual meeting, to be held in Richmond on Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1929. Seven new members were admitted at this meeting. George H. Parke, Hon. W. H. Sargeant, and Hon. A. J. Ackiss were made delegates to the National Congress at Washington. The chapter is an enthusiastic supporter of the Good Citizenship Medal awards sponsored by the National Society and this year will distribute sixteen of these to the schools of Norfolk.

Washington Society.—The Board of Managers met on April 17 at the Ber­gonian Hotel, Vice-President Wurdemann presiding in the absence of President Becks, who is critically ill. Delegates to the National Congress were chosen in the persons of Compatriots Harry Denton Moore, Hon. Albert Johnson, and John W. Summers. The Society feels honored in the elevation of its Registrar, Hon. Walter B. Beals, to the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, and because of his increased duties appointed an Assistant Registrar in the person of Compatriot Walter F. Meier. Compatriot Meier has done excellent work in the conduct of the annual Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Washington Society and has reported a most enthusiastic interest in this work.

The Washington Society was represented at the Annual Congress of the National Society held in the city of Washington, D. C., May 20 to 23, by Compatriot Hon. Harry Denton Moore and Hon. Albert Johnson, Member of Congress. At this meeting, Mr. Moore was honored by election to Vice-President General of the National Society for the Northwestern District, comprising the States of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Alaska, and the Philippine Islands, succeeding Mr. Percy B. Hunting, who retired.

West Virginia Society.—More than 200 members attended the annual banquet and business meeting of the West Virginia Society on April 17, at Clarksburg, held in Christ Church Parish House. The annual business meeting preceded the banquet in the afternoon, at which time reports of progress were heard. President B. Bruce Burns, of Huntington, presided. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, David E. French, of Bluefield; Vice-Presidents, George W. Bowers, Mathias W. Dugan; Secretary, Frank L. Burdette; Registrar, W. Guy Tetrick; Treasurer, W. A. Markell; Historian, John C. McWhorter; Chaplain, Rev. M. F. Compton; National Trustee, B. Bruce Burns; Managers, J. Horner Davis, C. W. Thornburg, W. A. Bratton, H. Clay Warth, and C. R. Varum.

At the banquet arrangements were in the hands of Roy R. Horner, President of the Clarksburg Chapter. Compatriot Edward G. Smith presided as toast­master and the principal address of the evening was given by the Historian General of the National Society, Mr. Henry A. Williams, of Columbus, Ohio, who spoke on "The Federal Constitution and Some Present-day Problems." Judge John C. McWhorter, of Buckhannon, also spoke on "The Pioneer Buffer." Vice-President General Winford L. Mattoon, of Columbus, Ohio, was present, representing the National Society, and made an impromptu address. Delightful music completed the program, and the beautiful banner presented last year to the West Virginia Society by the National Society for the wonderful record in bringing in the largest charter membership was proudly displayed among the beautiful decorations.

ANDREW LEWIS CHAPTER, Huntington—Services were held on Decoration Day, May 30, 1928, at the grave of Capt. Thomas Laidley, a Revolutionary patriot.
who is buried in Spring Hill Cemetery at Huntington, West Virginia. The services were held in conjunction with the usual Decoration Day services of the local post of the American Legion and were attended by several hundred people.

Members of ANDREW LEWIS CHAPTER, together with members of the Huntington Post No. 16, of the American Legion and Company of West Virginia National Guard Troops proceeded to the grave of Captain Laidley, where F. L. Burdette, Chapter Historian and State Secretary, read a short account of Capt. Laidley's Revolutionary record after which C. W. Thornburg, acting as Chaplain, pronounced an invocation. Under the direction of Post Commander, H. A. Ackerman, of the American Legion, the firing squad fired a salute over the grave, and the Legion Buglers sounded taps. Several descendants of Thos. Laidley attended the services.

Among those participating were H. J. Spelman, President; E. S. Reeser, Secretary-Treasurer; F. L. Burdette, Historian; C. W. Thornburg, Acting Chaplain; and W. T. Hall, Vice-President; all of the Andrew Lewis Chapter. Those representing the American Legion Post 16, were as follows, H. A. Ackerman, Commander; John W. Martin, Chaplain; E. S. Reeser, Trustee; Paul Pancake, Vice-Commander; Ray Spaulding, Sergeant at Arms; Max Wilcoxen and Edgar Heyl, Buglers, also Major Ira Barber, of the West Virginia National Guard.

Wyoming Society.—The annual meeting of the Wyoming Society took place on the evening of February 22 at the Plains Hotel, Cheyenne, President R. N. Matson presiding at the dinner and introducing the speakers of the evening. Interesting addresses were heard from Professor Clough, of the University of Wyoming, whose subject, "Some Social Aspects of American Revolutionary History," was characterized by the presentation of facts of unusual interest, mostly culled from current periodicals and personal letters and diaries of the period, which gave the address a unique and outstanding interest. Brigadier General Dwight E. Aultman, of Fort D. A. Russell, was also introduced and gave a brief account of General Clark's expedition against the Indian and the decisive battle at Piqua, Ohio, which opened up the Northwest country for settlement. Major Frank C. Mahin, of Fort Russell, spoke on George Washington and his skill as an officer of his army under the most discouraging conditions.

Patriotic vocal selections gave the program the lighter touch, and President Matson closed with a few words on the general work of the Society and his interest in it, having been prevented from visiting National Headquarters only by his severe illness, which had also prevented the accomplishment of many projects he had had in mind for the benefit and activity of the Society.

The business meeting followed the program, and reports showed a healthy condition of the Society. One hundred dollars had been contributed from the treasury toward National Headquarters. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Leslie A. Miller, Cheyenne; Vice-President, Henry R. Butler, Laramie; Treasurer, Clyde L. Thus, Secretary, James F. Seiler, Registrar, Claude M. Campbell, all of Cheyenne; Historian, Ross B. Moody, Laramie; Managers, Warren Richardson, John C. Blackman, and Lyle E. Jay, all of Cheyenne. The meeting adopted resolutions favoring strong committees on membership, revision of By-Laws, and Immigration, and went on record favoring a contribution of $1,000 toward National Headquarters, payable in ten annual installments of $100 each.
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(352) HERRING.—Wanted: Information and Revolutionary War record of Bethewal (Bethuel?) Herring, possibly of Rockingham County, Virginia. It is said that he was a captain of scouts in the Revolution, and that four of his brothers likewise served, two being killed during the war. One of the brothers, Leonard Herring, served in the French and Indian Wars. (C. C.)

(353) DARBY.—Wanted: Information as regards ancestry of Samuel D. Darby (born about 1752) and his wife, Hannah (Darby) Darby (born about 1760). They moved (about 1784) from Elizabeth, New Jersey, to Monongalia County, Virginia, now Preston County, West Virginia. (M. D.)

(354) MONTGOMERY.—Wanted: Family data relating to John Montgomery and his wife, Martha —, who lived in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. His will (1777) mentions eight children: John (wife Elizabeth), Joseph (married and supposed to have moved to Kentucky before 1797), Robert (wife supposed to have moved to Illinois), James (married Hannah Pickens), David (married Frances Belk), Elizabeth (married William Hustin and moved to Kentucky before 1797), Martha (married Robert Robinson), Rebecca (married William Orr).  
Also, data relating to James Montgomery, son of aforesaid John and Martha, who lived and died (about 1795) in Mecklenburg County, North Carolina. His wife, Hannah Pickens, was a cousin to General Andrew and Samuel Pickens. He had six children: John (1773-1854) married Mary Clark; Robert (supposed to have moved to Illinois), James (moved to Tennessee and later to Alabama), Andrew (moved to Alabama), Samuel (supposed to have moved to Virginia about 1800), Martha (married Cyrus Henry). Communicate with W. V. Montgomery, 410 Fourth Avenue, New York City. (J. M.)

(355) PRATT.—Wanted: Revolutionary War record of Bernard Pratt, born (1731) at Hingham, Massachusetts; also, of his son Justin Pratt, born (1754) at Granville, New York. (R. S. P.)

(356) I. STEPHENS (STEVENS).—Wanted: Revolutionary War record of Andrew Stephens (Stevens), born 1749, died 1826, who married (1775) at Norwich, Connecticut, Cynthia Brownell.
The Minute Man

Chapter 2

LADD-WALES.—Wanted: Information as regards the places and dates of birth, marriage, death, and the family history of Lucy Wales, wife of John Lad, who was born (1767) at Windham, Connecticut. Said John Lad was the son of David and Eunice (Guild) Lad. (T. H. R.)

MILLER.—Wanted: Information and Revolutionary record in relation to Frederic Miller, whose son, of the same name, is said also to have been a Revolutionary War soldier from North Carolina. (A. E. H.)

LUDLOW.—Wanted: Information as to Roger Ludlow's occupation from 1612 (when he was entered at Inner Temple) to 1650, when he sailed with Winthrop for America; as to the reasons for his departure from Connecticut and return to England in 1654; as to the date and place of his death. He was born in Wiltshire in 1590; the last authentic information in regard to him was from Ireland in 1659. It is supposed that he died in Dublin shortly after 1664. There is no record of his will, either in Ireland or England. It is possible that he may have removed to Virginia, as executor of the estate of his brother, George, and that his will is on file in the Virginia archives. (R. V. C.)

LOVEJOY.—Wanted: Information as to ancestors of Stillman Lovejoy, who was born (1836) in Worcester, Massachusetts. (F. E. B.)

WEEKS.—Wanted: Revolutionary record and ancestry as to Seneca Charles Weeks, born (1842) at Elmyra, New York, son of Jesse Hunt and Mary Frances (Morgan) Weeks. (H. E. H.)

LONG.—Wanted: Revolutionary record and full military data relating to Edward Long, who was living (1790) in Burke County, North Carolina. Records on file in Washington, D. C., state that he served in the Third South Carolina Regiment under Colonel William Thompson. He enlisted May 31, 1777, and was reported prisoner December 29, 1778; no further record. Is there an account of exchange of prisoners, or did he take up a land warrant for his services? (1. CRIST.)

CRIST.—Wanted: Information concerning John or Jonathan Crist, who received a wound while serving in the Revolutionary War which eventually proved fatal. The census of 1790 mentions him as residing in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he died. He owned 400 acres of land in 1788 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. Did he serve in New York or elsewhere? (L. A. C.)

STONE.—Wanted: Information as to parents and dates and places of birth of Josiah Stone and his wife, Mary Washington Donaldson, who were married (1777) in Culpeper County, Virginia. The Parish Register styles him as "Josiah Stone, late of Maryland." He was then a sergeant in Captain Smallwood's Company, in Colonel Grayson's Virginia regiment. After the war he moved to Madison County, Kentucky. (E. H. F.)

SHIPLEY.—Wanted: Parentage, etc., of Benjamin Shipley (1750-1828), a native of Anne Arundel County, Maryland, who married (1777) in Culpeper County, Virginia. The Parish Register styles him as "Josiah Stone, late of Maryland." He was then a sergeant in Captain Smallwood's Company, in Colonel Grayson's Virginia regiment. After the war he moved to Madison County, Kentucky. (E. H. F.)

MURFREE.—Wanted: Information as to burial place of Sally Brickle Murfree, daughter of Colonel Mathias Brickle and wife of Colonel Hardy Murfree, of Hertford County, North Carolina; also, of William Murfree, the father of Colonel Hardy Murfree. Their graves are located probably in either Hertford, Bertie, Northampton, Gates, or Chowan Counties, North Carolina. They all died between 1790-1800. Also, information wanted concerning the ancestry of the aforementioned parties. (R. A.)

BRICKLE.—Wanted: Information as to grave of Rev. Mathias Brickle and his wife. He was the first resident Episcopal clergyman of Northampton County and of the district west of Chowan River, North Carolina; also, of his son, Colonel Mathias Brickle, and his wife. All resided in Hertford County and adjoining counties. (J. G. H.)

Answers

Hewes.—The inquirer is referred to the Lieutenant Joshua Hewes Book, compiled by Eben Putnam, published 1913. Of the fifteen reputed children of George Robert Hewes, twelve are mentioned. The last named, Walter Hewes, married Olive Fuller and lived in Harrisville, New York. Of their twelve children, nine are mentioned, among whom was Helen Hewes. She is the only Helen given in this rather imperfect account of G. R. T. Hewes's descendants. (F. B. L.)

Notes and Book Reviews

The "Welsh and Hyatt Families of Maryland and their Kin" has just been received from the compiler, Luther W. Welsh, A. M., M. D., 224 Bryant Building Eleventh Street and Grand Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri. This work is the result of forty years of research on the part of the author and contains the genealogies of the families of Major John Welsh, of Anne Arundel County, and of Charles Hyatt, of Prince Georges County, Maryland. It includes also the Howard, Worthington, Hammond, Macenbin, Griffis, Greenberry, Baldwin, Dorsey, Van Sweringen, Warfield, Gaither and Duvall families, with official proofs of "services" and lines of descent. This latter feature will prove valuable to those descendants who contemplate making application for membership in patriotic societies. Dr. Welsh is to be congratulated upon the completion of this lifelong labor and our National Society's library will welcome the author's gift to our growing collection of genealogical and historical reference books.

Compatriot Major Harry A. Davis, 316 Shepard Street, Washington, D. C., has donated to our library another copy of his "Some Huguenot Families of South Carolina and Georgia." This copy contains a complete index of names, which adds greatly to its value.

The National Society's library is in receipt of a volume entitled "Two Wars; an Autobiography of General Samuel G. French" (1901), relating to the Mexican and Civil Wars and the experiences and reminiscences of General French. This book is a gift from his daughter, Mrs. L. Hilton-Green, of Pensacola, Florida, through the courtesy of John Hobart Cross, Secretary of the Florida State Society.

"The Marriage License Bonds of Westmoreland County, Virginia" (1780-1850), containing 2,200 bonds, 4,400 names, alphabetically arranged and having also...
an index of the women’s names, is now ready for delivery. The price is $4.00, and subscriptions should be sent to Stratton Nottingham, Onancock, Virginia. Mr. Nottingham has also compiled “The Marriage License Bonds of Lancaster County, Virginia” (1701-1848); price $4.00; “The Marriage Bonds of Accomack County, Virginia” (1774-1866); price $3.50; and “Revolutionary Soldiers and Sailors from Accomack County, Virginia;” price, $5.00.

A monthly publication, entitled “Calendar of Virginia Land Patents” (1623-1800), compiled by Nell M. Nugent, clerk of the Virginia Land Office, Richmond, Virginia, is announced. It will include the names of Colonists brought in by patentees, land grants taken up by virtue of pre-emption warrants and land grants for service in the Colonial and Revolutionary Wars. The price is $1.50 per month, or $14.00 per year.

Mr. Edward L. Bates, of Bennington, Vermont, will receive subscriptions to a limited edition of “The Star and Stripes in 1777,” by President Spargo, of the Bennington Monument and Historical Association. The book will contain a number of full-page half-tone plates and a reproduction of the Bennington Battle Flag in color. Price, $1.75.

The second volume of “Maryland Records” (Colonial, Revolutionary, county and church), by Dr. G. M. Brumbaugh, 905 Massachusetts Avenue N. W., Washington, D. C., has just been published. Doctor Brumbaugh is editor of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly and has established an enviable reputation as a researcher and compiler of data heretofore little known and not generally accessible.

The contents of his latest work, as in the case of the companion volume which preceded it, are notably valuable and interesting in every respect, particularly from the genealogical viewpoint. The scope of the work is varied and extensive. The lists of Maryland marriages, the transcripts of the church records of various counties of the State, the census reports of the inhabitants, the data from the early rent rolls and land books, and the section devoted to Maryland Revolutionary War pensioners constitute a thesaurus of historical information which will make Doctor Brumbaugh’s second volume indispensable as a reference work. Photocopies of original documents and a complete index of names add to the value of this book, which is sold at $15 per volume, delivered.

Francis R. Culver
Registrar General

In Memoriam

Dr. George N. Acken, 2nd, District of Columbia Society, February 27, 1928.
Westbrook P. Armstrong, New Jersey Society, November 21, 1927.
Orrville D. Baldwin, Past President, California Society; former Vice-President General, National Society, S. A. R., May 30, 1928.
Benjamin H. Beach, Empire State Society, December 11, 1927.
George Richardson Beardsell, Massachusetts Society, January 20, 1928.
George W. Beeker, Empire State Society, January 4, 1928.
Thomas Bernard Fitzpatrick Boland, Massachusetts Society, June 11, 1927.
James Bowall, New Jersey Society, February 12, 1928.
Francis Boardman Crowninshield Bradlee, Massachusetts Society, January 7, 1928.

William Elliott Bryant, California Society, May 7, 1928.
George E. Burrell, Nebraska Society, November 12, 1926.
Charles Sumner Burke, Massachusetts Society, January 18, 1928.
Colin C. Burr, Empire State Society, February 1, 1928.
Charles C. Campbell, Massachusetts Society, December 7, 1927.
Carlton A. Chase, Empire State Society, November 16, 1927.
Albert F. Conley, Nebraska Society, no date given.
William V. Craig, Nebraska Society, February 17, 1927.
Chauncey M. Deep, Empire State Society, former Vice President General National Society, April 5, 1928.
George W. Dickerman, Empire State Society, January 10, 1928.
Charles Hewett Dyer, Indiana Society, April 11, 1927.
Frank A. Elbridge, Empire State Society, no date given.
Charles Isaac Fleming, Indiana Society, October 12, 1927.
Irman H. Fowler, Past President, Indiana Society, February 10, 1928.
Arthur Wad Fox, Connecticut Society, March 1, 1928.
Charles C. French, New Jersey Society, April 27, 1928.
Henry P. Gates, Empire State Society, date not given.
Charles W. Hamilton, Nebraska Society, January 14, 1928.
George H. Hastings, Nebraska Society, July 18, 1926.
ADDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP

There have been enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from February 22 to May 31, 1928, 1,028 new members, distributed as follows: Alabama, 3; California, 10; Colorado, 3; Connecticut, 128; Delaware, 8; District of Columbia, 21; Florida, 36; Georgia, 5; Illinois, 41; Indiana, 36; Iowa, 15; Kansas, 10; Kentucky, 7; Louisiana, 8; Maine, 9; Maryland, 32; Massachusetts, 99; Michigan, 13; Minnesota, 4; Missouri, 3; Nebraska, 5; New Jersey, 29; New York, 144; North Carolina, 219; North Dakota, 11; Ohio, 28; Oklahoma, 15; Oregon, 3; Pennsylvania, 69; Rhode Island, 7; South Carolina, 5; Tennessee, 8; Texas, 11; Utah, 7; Vermont, 1; Virginia, 18; Washington State, 5; West Virginia, 9; Wisconsin, 1; Wyoming, 2.

One hundred and sixty-seven supplemental claims have been approved from the following State Societies: California, 2; Connecticut, 34; District of Columbia, 4; Florida, 5; Georgia, 3; Indiana, 7; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Kentucky, 4; Maine, 10; Massachusetts, 6; Michigan, 1; Minnesota, 5; Montana, 1; New Jersey, 7; New York, 24; North Carolina, 16; Ohio, 17; Pennsylvania, 2; Rhode Island, 1; South Carolina, 2; Tennessee, 1; Texas, 5; Virginia, 7; Washington State, 1.

CORRECTIONS


Vol. XXII (March, 1928), p. 576: In pedigree of Thomas Hall Battle (31515), line 2, read Martha Ann (Battle) Battle instead of Martha Ann (---) Battle. She was the daughter of James S. Battle. The same correction should be made in pedigrees of Hyman Llewellyn Battle (31513) and Kemp Davis Battle (31514).

Vol. XXII (March, 1928), p. 585: In pedigree of Fisher Sanford Harris (40807), line 2, read Lillie May (Foutz) Harris instead of Lillie May (Fouze) Harris.


In the majority of cases these "corrections" are, properly speaking, "additions" to the pedigrees.

An Incomplete Catalogue of the Records of 1,028 New Members and 167 Supplementals, Approved and Enrolled by the Registrar General from February 22, 1928, to June 1, 1928

The records of new members, "In Memoriam," the paragraph on "Additions to Membership," and the "Notes and Queries" Section are compiled and edited in the Registrar General's office. (On account of the large number of new
members enrolled during the past quarter, particularly during the month of March, it has been impracticable to complete the compilation of all the records, for publication at this time. The remainder will appear in the next issue).


ROBERT WEBSTER ALLEN, Michigan. (40885). Son of Elmer and Susie (Smith) Allen; great-grandson of John and Mary (Smith) Allen; great-grandson of Samuel and Mary (Smith) Allen; great-grandson of Samuel and Mary (Smith) Allen; great-grandson of William and Sarah (Smith) Allen.

OLIVER LAURENCE ANGEVINE, Rochester, N. Y. (45538). Son of Oliver Lawrence and Anne (St. Helen) Angevine; grandson of Edward and Helen (Crouch) Angevine; great-grandson of Oliver Lawrence and Ermina (Thomson) Angevine; great-grandson of James and Polly (Johnson) Booth; great-grandson of Joseph B. and Polly (Johnson) Booth; great-grandson of John and Elizabeth (Vaughn) Fees; great-grandson of George and Lydia (Vaughn) Fees; great-grandson of Nicholas Fees, private in Pennsylvania Militia.

ALEXANDER ARMSTRONG, Hagerstown, Md. (46389). Son of Alexander and Elizabeth Key (Scott) Armstrong; grandson of Norman B. and Catherine (McPherson) Scott; great-grandson of John B. and Catharine (Lehain) McPherson; great-grandson of William D. and Mary (Erskine) McPherson; great-grandson of James D. and Mary (Dreier) McPherson; great-grandson of Lewis and Mary (Larson) McPherson; Lieutenant in Pennsylvania Rifle Regiment.

KENT MILLER ARNOLD, Crawfordsville, Ind. (46580). Son of Matthias Bovee and Eugenius (Miller) Arnold; grandson of Matthias Bovee and Jesse Patterson (Bliss) Arnold; great-grandson of Mark and Elizabeth (Bovee) Arnold; great-grandson of John and Elizabeth (Bovee) Arnold; great-grandson of John and Elizabeth (Bovee) Arnold; great-grandson of John and Elizabeth (Bovee) Arnold.


Horace Francis Atwood, St. Petersburg, Fla. (46358). Son of Francis A. and Mary (Snow) Atwood; great-grandson of Amaziah and Sarah (Snow) Atwood; great-grandson of David Atwood, private in Massachusetts Troops.

Julian M. Baker, Tarboro, N. C. (46708). Son of Joseph Henry and Susana Dancy (Pickrell) Baker; great-grandson of William Sparkman and Julia (Shirley) Baker; great-grandson of Henry and Elizabeth (Davis) Shirley; great-grandson of Joseph and Keziah (Howe) Davis; great-grandson of Jonathan and Sarah (Green) Davis; great-grandson of Thomas and Sarah (Green) Davis.


William Albright, Bardstake, Charlotte, Va. (45721). Son of William Rice and Lucy (Walters) Bardstake; great-grandson of John H. and Mattie Catherine (Dunham) Bardstake; great-grandson of Isaac and Mary (White) Ballou; great-grandson of Aaron and Lydia (Albee) Ballou; great-grandson of Eliza Arnold, Sergeant in Pennsylvania Militia.


DONALD HEMPHILL BAUM, Pittsburgh, Pa. (46483). Son of George R. W. and Alice (Hempfill) Baum. Same as 45809.

FREDERICK WILHELM BAUM, Springfield, Mo. (Kansas, 45163). Son of Frederick and Elizabeth (Sehman) Baum; grandson of Charles and Anna (Lehmer) Sehman; great-grandson of Lawrence Sehman, private in Pennsylvania Militia.

CHARLES BRADFORD BEALE, Hartford, Conn. (46881). Son of Charles C. and Mary Elizabeth (Baxter) Beale; grandson of Col. John and Harriet (Bradley) Beale; great-grandson of George and Harriet (Bradley) Beale, private in Connecticut Troops.

George Warren Beall, Stratford, Conn. (46678). Son of Isaac Eaton and Jennie (Marian Davis) Beall; grandson of and —— Marian (Hotchkiss) Davis; great-grandson of Gideon O. and Nancy (Smith) Hotchkiss; great-grandson of Orrin and Polly (Hickox) Hotchkiss; great-grandson of Israel Hotchkiss, member of Committees for Waterbury, Conn., and Captain in Connecticut Troops.

GOODWIN BATTERSON BEALE, Hartford, Conn. (46123). Son of Charles C. and Mary Elizabeth (Baxter) Beale; grandson of J. Watson and Josephine E. (Collings) Beale; great-grandson of George and Harriet (Bradley) Beale; great-grandson of Eliezer and Lucy (Steed) Beale; great-grandson of Abner Beale, private in Connecticut Troops.


ALBERT REYNOLDS BEALL, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (46588). Son of William R. and Eleanor L. (Bell) Beall; grandson of Thaddeus and Eleanor (Younum) Bell; great-grandson of James and Nancy (Clock) Bell; great-grandson of Thaddeus Bell, private in Connecticut Troops. Pensioned.

CHARLES MOYER BEARDSLEY, New York City, N. Y. (46381). Son of William Henry and Mary A. (Moyer) Beardsley; grandson of Aaron and Elizabeth (Baker) Moyer; great-grandson of David and Anna (Pickett) Moyer; great-grandson of Isaac and Magdaline (Countryman) Pickard; great-grandson of John Pickett, Quartermaster in New York Militia.


Matthew Humr Redford, Lexington, Ky. (45586). Son of Henry Clay and Maria Virginia (——) Bedford; grandson of George Madison and Mary Ann (Bedford) Bedford; great-grandson of Lieutenant Littleberry and Mattie (Clay) Redford, Benjamin F., and Samuel Giles (Buckner) Bedford; great-grandson of Thomas Bedford (father of Little­ berry), member of Committee of Safety from Charlotte County, Va.; Thomas and Elizabeth (Hawes) Buckner, Jnr., Ensign in Virginia Troop; great-grandson of Samuel Hawes, member of Committee of Safety from Caroline County, Va., and Lietenant Colonel in Virginia Troops.


Allen H. Beeson, Uniontown, Pa. (46344). Son of William T. and Mary F. (Hunt) Beeson; grandson of William and Margaret (Sehman) Hunt; great-grandson of Isaac I. and Hannah (Lincoln) Hunt; great-grandson of Benjamin Hunt, private in Penn­sylvania Troops.

Harry Dorsey Bertsch, Centerville, Ind. (46429). Son of Charles F. and Sarah Katherine (Dorsey) Bertsch; grandson of Apollis and Mary Ann (Stilling) Dorsey; great-grandson of Charles Dorsey, Corporal in Maryland Troops.

Eugene Leonard Bestor, Hartford, Conn. (46433). Son of Cyrus Strong and Lucy M. (Leonard) Bestor; grandson of George Randall and Cassandra Jane (Strong) Bestor; great-grandson of Randall and Lucy (Wilson) Bestor (Bestor); great-grandson of Samuel Bestor, private in Connecticut Troops.

CLYDE WRIGHT BETHSHERES, Humboldt, Tenn. (45535). Son of Thomas Porter and Elmira (Wright) Beteshater; grandson of Llewellyn Bennett and Mary Adelaide (Smyth) Wright; great-grandson of Samuel Washington and Harriett (Reese) Smyth; great-grandson of Dobson and Rebecca (Harriss) Reese; great-grandson of John and Mary (Pickens) Harris, (Hemphill) Baun. Same as 45809.

Donald Calvin Blair, New York City, N. Y. (46599). Son of Calvin C. and Laura (Walker) Blair; great-grandson of Uriah and Eveline (Mackey) Blair; great-grandson of John N. and Louisa (Billings) Blair; great-grandson of William Montgomery and Mary (Quint) Blair; great-grandson of John and Susanah (Evans) Tata; great-grandson of Alexander Blair, private in Pennsylvania Troops.

Julius John Blair, Toledo, Ohio. (46245). Son of Eno and Amanda (Mayers) Blair; great-grandson of Samuel and Sallada (Wheelers) Blair; great-grandson of Seth Whetler, Lietenant in New Hampshire Troops.

Charles Everett Blake, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. (Massachusetts, 46276). Son of John E. and Clara (Bennett) Blake; grandson of Royal and Eliza (Fles) Blake; great-grandson of Samuel and Abigail (Dunton) Blake; great-grandson of Edward Blake, Captain in Massachusetts Troops.


Howard Perkins Boardman, Meriden, Conn. (46484). Son of Edward Allen and Lucy Ellen (Savage) Boardman; grandson of Edwin and Frances Sophia (Wilkos) Savage; great-grandson of Seth and Esther (Boardman) Savage; Jr., great-grandson of Seth Savage, Corporal in Connecticut Troops.


Myron Daniel Bone, Fort Wayne, Ind. (46435). Son of Charles Woodruff and Anna (Randle) Bone; grandson of Anson and Elizabeth (Jones) Rundle; great-grandson of Jared and Matilda (Clark) Rundle, Jnr.; great-grandson of Jerad and Ahijah (——) Rundle; great-grandson of Abraham Rundle, Corporal in New York Militia.

Eliott Read Booker, Ferumville, Conn. (45719). Son of Richard Anderson and Harriet Elizabeth (Crowder) Booker; great-grandson of Richard Anderson and Eliza (Davis) Booker.

James Edward Booker, Hampsden-Sydney, Va. (45720). Son of John and Lucilla Stanley (Elliott) Booker; grandson of John and Martha Jane (Watkins) Booker, Thomas Colgate and Margaret (Smyth) Booker; great-grandson of William Booker, member of Committee of Safety for Prince Edward County, Va., and of Virginia Convention in Virginia Troops; Honorable John Booker, of Virginia; William J. Booker, Surgeon in Virginia Troops; Captain in Virginia Troops; Patentee in Virginia Militia.


Clarence Alexander Bostom, Nason, Pa. (46245). Son of Clarence Lamont and Anna (McKelroy) Bostom; grandson of Alfred H. and Beshick (Bacon) Bostom; great-grandson of Samuel Washington and Harriett (Reese) Smyth; great-grandson of Robert and Rebecca (Harriss) Reese; great-grandson of John and Mary (Pickens) Harris (Hemphill) Baum. Same as 45809.
grandson of Septimus and Margaret (LaBar) Bacon; great-grandson of George and Sarah (Jayne) LaBar; great-grandson of Isaac Jayne, private in Penna. Militia.


FRED BRADLEY, Toledo, Ohio (46236). Son of Albert Josiah and Clara (Grimes) Bradley; grandson of Eber and Cynthia (Farrington) Bradley; great-grandson of Elizabette and Sarah (Cooksey) Bradley; great-grandson of Eber Bradley, private and fifer in 9th Troops. Pensioned.


RAYMOND F. BRALY, Spring Lake, N. J. (46262). Son of John Marion and Nellie (Eaton) Braly. Same as 46261.

WINFREY PEYTON BRAMHAM, Durham, N. C. (46617). Son of William Gibbons and Ninian Marie (Umstead) Bramham; grandson of James Goss and Rosa Mason (Cooke) Bramham; great-grandson of Ninon Marie (Umstead) Bramham; grandson of James Goss and Rosa Mason (Cooke) Bramham; great-grandson of James Goss and Rosa Mason (Cooke) Bramham.

PHILIP MARTIN BRANDY, Corvallis, Ore. (45935). Son of George Adam and Anna Maria Elizabeth (Upp) Brand; grandson of Philip and Hannah (Croninger) Upp; great-grandson of Jacob and Anna Mary (Humm) Croninger; great-grandson of Joseph Croninger, private in Penna. Troops. Pensioned.

THOMAS HALL BREHME, J lined, Baltimore, Md. (46390). Son of Thomas Hall and Eleanor Lucille (Loweree) Brehme; grandson of George Edgar and Margaret Anna (Regester) Loweree; great-grandson of Andrew Costine and Martha (Treat) Woltz; great-grandson of Cornelius and Margaret (Williams) Woltz; great-grandson of Roger Woltz, Captain in Conn. Troops.

CHARLES HAROLD BREWER, New Haven, Conn. (46485). Son of John D. and Lilian (Seymour) Brewer; grandson of Allen and Sarah (Fuller) Seymour; great-grandson of Rev. Zera and Caroline (Wright) Fuller; great-grandson of Elisha Fuller, private in Mass. Troops.


FRED HArDING BROAD, Canton, Ohio (46233). Son of James Harding and Frances Gertrude Crocker (Brady) Broad; grandson of James Harding and Ammie Frances (Ayres) Broad; great-grandson of Francis William and Harriet (Harding) Broad; great-grandson of Timothy and Lucy (Smith) Brod, Jr.; great-grandson of Timothy Brod, private in Mass. Troops.


EARL WESTFALL BROWN, Deland, Fla. (46533). Son of B. Edward and Nettie (West­ fall) Brown; grandson of John and Sarah (Freeman) Bracey; great-grandson of John and Sarah (Freeman) Sayre; Sergeant in N. Y. Troops.


LEON MARK BRUSSTAR, Waterbury, Conn. (46487). Son of Benjamin Franklin and Maria (Gray) Brusstar; grandson of James Sitter and Amanda (——) Brusstar; great-grandson of Peter and Sarah (Bishop) Brusstar; great-grandson of Samuel and Eve Catharine (Brinton) Brusstar, Jr.; great-grandson of Samuel Brusstar, Lieutenant in Philadelphia, Pa., private in Mass. Troops.

WALTER BLISS BRYANT, Hartford, Conn. (46488). Son of Clarence and Hattie A. (Biss) Bryant; grandson of Hilliard and Melissa E. (Stone) Bryant; great-grandson of Asher and Sarah (Nicholson) Stone; great-grandson of John Bivarts Stone, private in Conn. Troops.

ROBERT LANE BUCKINGHAM, Chicago, Ill. (46554). Son of Everett and Ella May (Dunster) Buckingham; grandson of George Washington and Elizabeth (Evans) Buckingham; great-grandson of Bradley and Mary (Darlington) Buckingham; great-grandson of Reverend Buckingham, private in N. Y. Militia.


BENJAMIN HENRY BUMN, Rocky Mount, N. C. (46606). Son of Benjamin Hickman and Harriet Amanda (Phillips) Bunn; grandson of Redmond and Mary Hickman (Bryan) Bunn; great-grandson of William and Drucilla (Whitefield) Bunt; great-grandson of Benjamin Bunn, Captain in N. C. Troops.

JAMES PHILIPS BUNN, Rocky Mount, N. C. (46607). Son of Benjamin Hickman and Harriet Amanda (Phillips) Bunn. Same as 46606.

WILLIAM HODGE BURCHFIELD, Pittsburgh, Pa. (45900). Son of Albert Pressly and Sarah J. (McWhinney) Burchfield; grandson of Robert C. and Susan (Hackwelder) Burchfield; great-grandson of John and Mary (Cochran) Burchfield; great-grandson of Samuel and Mary (Shearer) Cochran; great-grandson of Joseph Shearer, Captain of Lancaster County, Penna., Associates and member of Committee of Observation.
CHARTES WINSLOW BRUPEE, Hartford, Conn. (46451). Son of Thomas Fran·
and Adeline M. (Harwood) Burpee; grandson of Thomas and Betsey (Temple) Burpee;

STILES BRUPEE, Hartford, Conn. (46452). Son of Charles Winslow and Bertha (Stiles) BRUPEE; grandson of Thomas Francis and Adeline M. (Harwood) Burpee. Same as 46451.


WILLIAM PILLOW BUTLER, Pulaski, Tenn. (46538). Son of John Dennis and Dammita (Marles) Butler; grandson of Henry Todd and Musidora (McNair) Butler. Same as 46527.

RICHARD ALLEN BYNUM, Pineywoods, N. C. (46211). Son of Richard Benjamin and Sophronia (Shepherd) Bynum; grandson of Joseph N. and Mary Alice (Barrett) Bynum; great-grandson of Gideon and Sarah (May) Bynum; great-grandson of Benjamin and Penelope (Grimes) May, Jr.; great-great-grandson of Benjamin May, member of Committee of Safety for Pitt County and Major in N. C. Troops.


AUBREY DORSEY CAGWIN, Larkspur, Calif. (45837). Son of George Wilder and Frances Ellen Davis (Dorsey) Cagwin; grandson of Hamden Aubrey and Statira Rosina (Sabin) Cagwin; great-grandson of Rev. Thomas and Jane (Stiles,) Cagwin; great-grandson of Abraham Josiah, member of Committee of Correspondence, Ashburnham, Mass., and Captain in Mass. Militia.


MILTON MEREDITH CATELOW, Meriden, Conn. (46491). Son of Wilbur Elijah and Annie Elizabeth (Meredith) Catelew; grandson of Elijah Dunham and Abbie Eliza (Smith) Catelew; great-grandson of Abner and Judith (Graves) Smith; great-grandson of Asa and Judith (Graves) Smith; great-grandson of Philip Smith, private in Mass. Troops.

JAMES EDWARD CHADWICK, Meriden, Conn. (46492). Son of Elijah Dunham and Abbie Eliza (Smith) Castlew; grandson of Elijah Dunham and Abbie Eliza (Smith) Castlew. Same as 46491.

HARRY CHADWICK, Huntington, W. Va. (46035). Son of James L. and Ella (McKee) Chadwick; grandson of John Luther and Samantha (Eastham) Chadwick; great-grandson of George and Lucietta (Lockwood) Chadwick; great-great-grandson of John Chadwick, furnished means for transporting ammunition and supplies in Virginia service.


ROBERT CHESSON, Waterbury, Conn. (46453). Son of Frederick William and Clara (Cooke) Chesson; great-grandson of Thornton and Millicent (Cloyft) Cooke; great-grandson of Nathan and Clarissa (Reynold) Cooke; great-grandson of Joseph and Anna (Brom) Cooke; great-grandson of Moses Cooke, drummer in Conn. Militia.

STERLING CHESSON, Waterbury, Conn. (46493). Son of Frederick William and Clara (Cooke) Chesson. Same as 46453.


ULLYSES GRANT CHURCH, Waterbury, Conn. (46494). Son of Julius and Minerva (Taylor) Church; great-grandson of Morris and Patty (Robinson) Church; Lieutenant in Henry and Rachel (Lincoln) Church; great-grandson of Abram Church, private in Conn. Troops.

DAVIS WASGATT CLARK, Boston, Mass. (46078). Son of Davis Wasgatt and Mary Johnson (Redman) Clark; grandson of John and Sarah Haynes (Wasgatt) Clark; great-grandson of Davis Wasgatt, private in Mass. Troops.


JOHN FREDERICK CLEARWATERS, Ind. (38297). Supplementals. Son of James Armstrong and Julia Ellen (Gooch) Clearwaters; grandson of John and Mary (Radnor) Clearwaters; grandson of Benjamin and Mary (Barss) Goochies; great-grandson of Reuben and Jane (Miller) Clearwaters, James and Elizabeth (Sargent) Barnes; great-great-grandson of Jacob Clearwaters, private in N. C. Militia, Susannah and Mary (Herick) Sargent, Frederick Commentary, Md., "Associate" (1775); great-grandson of James Sargent, Frederick County, Md., "Associate" (1775).


BENJAMIN STEELE COE, Waterbury, Conn. (46495). Son of Benjamin Lee and Katharine Margaret (Stone) Coe; grandson of John and Mary Lewis (Hoadley) Coe; great-grandson of John Allen and Sarah (Smith) Coe; great-great-grandson of John and Ruth (Johnson) Coe; great-great-grandson of John Coe, member of Committee of Inspection for Derby, Conn., and of various local committees.


HARRY SMITH COE, Waterbury, Conn. (46601). Son of Arden H. and Caroline (Smith) Coe; grandson of Marcus D. Forest and Harriet (Cole) Smith; great-grandson of John and Betsy (Chamberlain) Smith; great-grandson of Elias and Desire (Dodge) Smith; great-great-grandson of Noah Smith, Corporal in Conn. Militia and private in Conn. Line.


JOHN SHERMAN COE, Watertown, Conn. (46500). Son of Benjamin Lee and Katharine Margaret (Stone) Coe. Same as 46495.

ROBERT LEONARD COE, Waterbury, Conn. (46626). Son of Benjamin Lee and Katharine Margaret (Stone) Coe. Same as 46495.


WALTER LEROY COGHILL, Brooklyn, N. Y. (N. C. 46609). Son of Kinchen Wesley and Fannie Cornelia (Lassiter) Coghill. Same as 46412.


FREDERICK STARR COLLINS, W. Hartford, Conn. (46627). Son of Atwood and Mary Brookes Collins; grandson of Erastus and Mary S. (Atwood) Collins; great-grandson of Amos Morris and Mary (Lyman) Collins; great-great-grandson of Moses Lyman, Colonel in Conn. Militia.

CLAUD ASHTON CONOVER, Newburgh, N. Y. (46600). Son of Cyrus Grey and Catherine (Willett) Conover; grandson of Garrett and Rebecca (Murray) Willett; great-grandson of William J. and Anna (Schanche) Murray; great-great-grandson of Joseph Murray, private in N. Y. Militia.


WILLIAM MICHAEL COON, Buffalo, N. Y. (46584). Son of John and Louisa (Reese) Coon. Same as 46583.


DANIEL BYRON Cummings, Uta, Iowa (45558). Son of Isaac and Indiana (Deyton) Cummings; grandson of Daniel and Mary (McKinnon) Cummings; great-grandson of Ephraim and Bettie (Lamont) Cummings; great-grandson of Peter Cumminis, French sailor and soldier in Va. service.


FOREST CHARLES DANA, Ames, Iowa (45519). Son of Chester Park and Lily Chloe (Haleo) Dana; grandson of Joseph Castle and Catherine Eliza (Knox) Dana; great-grandson of Alvan and Diantha (Fish) Dana; great-grandson of Azel and Rebecca (Corey) Dana; great-grandson of Anderson Dana, Lieutenant in Conn. Militia and in V. A. service; member of V. A. pension committee.

HENRY DARLINGTON, New York City, N. Y. (46536). Son of James Henry and Ella Elizabeth (Bearsa) Darlington; grandson of Thomas and Hannah A. (Gofflick) Darlingto; great-grandson of Peter and Maria (Wiley) Darlington; great-grandson of James and Phoebe (Rainsam) Wiley; great-grandson of James and Sally (Millet) Rainham; great-grandson of James Milliken, Captain in N. Y. Troops.


ENOCH METTLER DAVIS, Brooklyn, N. Y. (N. J. 46372). Son of Enoch Mettler and Emma (Marryatt) Davis; grandson of Josiah Schenck and Mary (Voorhees) Davis; great-grandson of Abraham and Gertrude (Schenck) Davis; great-grandson of Samuel and Ann (Spiller) Sugg; great-grandson of Stephen and Anna (Davie) Davis; great-grandson of Edward and Rebecca (Pitchford) Davis; great-grandson of Warren Davis, private in N. C. Continental Line, Pensioned.

FRANK COLIN DAVIS, Mehawk, N. Y. (46543). Son of George R. and Eliza Ann (Franz) Davis; grandson of George Michael and Emma (Elrod) Franz; great-grandson of Lawrence and Nancy (Bell) Franz; great-grandson of Jacob Bell, private in N. Y. Militia. Pensioned.


SAMUEL ALLAN DAVIS, Danbury, Conn. (46629). Son of Allard L. and Caroline (Bulkeley) Davis; grandson of Stephen F. and Harriet (Rockwell) Bulkeley; great-grandson of

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Joseph and Huldah (Edwood) Rockwell; great-grandson of Stephen Elwood, private in Conn. Coast Guards.

NEWELL REMEY DAYTON, Salt Lake City, Utah (46989). Son of Walter Henry and Edna Louise (Beaman) Dayton; grandson of Newell and Damaris Annette (Peck) Bee- man; great-grandson of Thomas and Elvira (Colwell) Beeman; great-grandson of Josiah (Evans) Beeman, private in N. J. Continental Troops, Pensioned.


JACOB A. DICKER, Newburgh, N. Y. (46277). Son of Nelson Henry and Julia (Birdsell) Decker; grandson of Frederick and Mary (Young) Decker; great-grandson of John and Margaret (Barclay) Young; great-grandson of Thomas Barber, Sergeant in N. Y. Militia.

PAUL FAGER DE HART, Narberth, Pa. (46349). Son of John Charles and Rebecca (Price) De Hart; grandson of John Brimmer and Elizabeth (Fager) De Hart; great-grandson of John and Mary (Barnes) Barnes; great-grandson of Mary (Barnes) De Hart; great-grandson of John De Hart, Lieutenant in Pa. Troops.


JOHN McPHERSON DENNIS, Jr., Riderwood, Md. (46376). Son of John McPherson and Mary Carr (Chiles) Dennis; grandson of George Robertson and Fanny (McPherson) Dennis; great-grandson of John and Frances Russell (Johnson) McPherson, Jr.; great-grandson of Thomas Jennings and Elizabeth (Russell) Johnson; great-grandson of Thomas Johnson, Brigadier-General, Maryland Militia.


JOE EATON DICKERMAN, Waterbury, Conn. (4631). Son of Albert and Jeannette (Curley) Dickerman; grandson of Jared and Henrietta (Tottie) Dickerman; great-grandson of Hezekiah Dickerman, Captain in Conn. Militia.

JAMES BARNES DIGGS, Toledo, Ohio (46099). Son of James Sheppard and Katherine (Evans) Diggs; grandson of James Michael and Elizabeth Dale Aynsan (Arthur) Diggs; great-grandson of Reuben and Mary Hannah Cambr (Brish) Arthur; great-grandson of Albert and Fanny Brexibale, delegate to Ga. Provincial Congress from Richmond county, member of Council of Safety, member of Committee to overthrow the Ga. Royal Governor.

CHARLES GARRETT DILLING, Kings Mountain, N. C. (46802). Son of Charles Alexander and Annie Walton (Garrett) Dilling; grandson of Isaac Walton and Lucinda (Sugg) Garrett; great-grandson of Phineas and Lucinda (Pender) Sugg; great-
grandson of Reading and Margaret (Sutherland) Sugg; great-grandson of Lemuel and Mary (Davis) Sugg; great-grandson of Aquilla Sugg, Captain in N. C. Militia and member of Committees.


D. L. CLINTON DOMINICK, Newburgh, N. Y. (46729). Son of DeWitt Clinton and Maybella (Field) Dominick; grandson of Weidman W. and Christina (Hills) Dominick; great-grandson of Jacob and Melinda (Herckimer) Dominick; great-grandson of John and Polly (Tyler) Herckimer; great-grandson of George Herckimer, Colonel in N. Y. Militia.

EVERETT DUANE DOW, West Hartford, Conn. (46632). Son of Everett Elton and Caroline (Goodwin) Dow; grandson of Elion D. and Sarah A. (Grant) Dow; great-grandson of Joseph Newton and Sally (Trapp) Dow, Nelson and Sarah W. (Freeman) Grant; great-grandson of Joseph and Hannah (Richardson) Dow, Hamilton Grant, drummer and Corporal in Conn. Troops; great-grandson of Henshaw and Olive (Thompson) Richardson; great-grandson of Amos Richardson, Captain in Conn. Troops and member of Committee.


FRANCIS BRUCE DURYEA, St. Petersburg, Fla. (46357). Son of John William and Lucy Maria (Weatherby) Duryea; grandson of John and D. and Susan (Mundy) Duryea; great-grandson of John Drake, Lieutenant in N. J. Militia.

EDWARD CHARLES DWELLE, Jr., Charlotte, N. C. (46714). Son of Edward Charles and Lucy Maria (Weatherby) Dwelle; grandson of John D. and Mary (Black) Ross; great-grandson of Joseph C. and Jane (Oliver) Ross, Samuel R. and Martha (Kirkland) Black; great-grandson of Thomas and Jane (Kerr) Oliver, Joseph Black, private in S. C. Troops; great-grandson of James and Mary (Spratt) Kerr; great-grandson of Samuel S. and Elizabeth (Sheffield) Spratt; great-grandson of Samuel S. and Elizabeth (Sheffield) Spratt, Lieutenant in N. C. Troops.


HOWARD AUGUSTUS ELLIOTT, Hartford, Conn. (46455). Son of Thomas Lewellyn and Charlotte Elizabeth (Adams) Elliott; great-grandson of Augustus Franklin and Martha Jane (Griswold) Adams; great-grandson of Welles and Mary Wolcott (Griswold) Adams; great-grandson of William and Mary (Welles) Adams; great-grandson of Elijah Welles, private in Conn. Troops.

NELSON EMMONS, Jr., Dayton, Ohio. (46247). Son of Nelson and Jeannetta Bigelow (Chester) Emmons, Sr.; grandson of Aaron Eli and Mary Newton (Kellogg) Emmons; great-grandson of Dyr and Fiebe (Ely) Emmons; great-grandson of Joseph Emmons, served on Conn. Town Committee.

ANDREW DeLANEY ENNET, Laurinburg, N. C. (46466). Son of George Noble and Louisa Pennock (Bailey) Ennett; grandson of Barclay DeLauney and Margaret DeLauney (Chadwick) Borden; great-grandson of William and Ann M. (DeLauney) Borden; great-grandson of William Borden, member of N. C. Provincial Congress.

GEORGE NOBLE ENNET, Montpelier, N. C. (46495). Son of George and Louisa Pennock (Bailey) Ennett; grandson of Barclay DeLauney and Margaret DeLauney (Chadwick) Borden; great-grandson of William and Ann M. (DeLauney) Borden; great-grandson of William Borden, member of N. C. Provincial Congress.


JAMES WALTER EVES, Whitestown, N. C. (46523). Son of Marceilus and Lela (Cook) Evets; grandson of Thophilus and Susan Artemisia (Page) Keel; great-grandson of Irving and Susan (Andrews) Pegg; great-grandson of Warren and Barbara (Gaines) Andrews; great-grandson of Edmund Andrews, member of Committee of Safety for Pitt County, N. C.


MEREDITH HOWLAND FAIRCHILD, Chicago, Ill. (46556). Son of Elijah Stiles and Louisa Edgar (Freeman) Fairchild; grandson of Rufus Fairchild and Mary E. (Stone) Fairchild; great-grandson of David Leavitt, private in Conn. Light Horse.


HARRIS AUGUSTUS FELLOWS, Detroit, Mich. (46308). Son of Eugene Frank and Alice Mercy (Harrington) Fellows; son of Adornim Judson and Elizabeth (Johnson) Fellows; great-grandson of Frederick and Louisa (Howard) Johnson; great-grandson of Barnet Howard, Corporal in Mass. Troops.


WILLARD CODY FITCH, New York City, N. Y. (46531). Son of George Irving and Lizzie (Armstrong) Fitch; grandson of Joseph and Clarissa (Shattuck) Fitch; great-grandson of Locke and Mary (Hughes) Fitch; great-grandson of Benjamin and Della (Shirley) Fleshman; great-grandson of James Shirley, private in Mass. Troops.


WALTER HILL FLESSEL, Huntington, N. Y. (46734). Son of John C. and Penney (Valentine) FlesSEL; grandson of Ireland and Mary (Smith) Valentine; great-grandson of Jacob and Pricilla (Cokslin) Smith; great-grandson of Solomon Smith, signed “Articles of Association,” at Long Island, N. Y.

WALTER FLINT, West Baldwin, Me. (45733). Son of Ralph and Sally (——) Flint; grandson of Ephraim and Phebe (Thompson) Flint; great-grandson of Isaac Snow and Charlotte (Hay) Thompson; great-grandson of Daniel Thompson, private in Mass. Minute Man.


SAYMEL BYRD FORTENBAUGH, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa. (46320). Son of Samuel Byrd and Florence (Cosdon) Fortenbaugh; grandson of Abraham and Elizabeth (Byrd) Fortenbaugh; great-grandson of John and Mary (Shaffer) Byrd (Byro); great-grandson of Frederick Byro; great-grandson of John and Rebecca (Ashton) Stoddard; great-grandson of Isaac David and Anna (Snider) Garrison; great-grandson of Andrew and Charity (Drake) Garrison; great-grandson of Richard Garrison, Major in N. Y. Troops.


LITTLEBERRY STAIRBACK FOSTER, Williamsburg, Va. (45714). Son of John and Mary Ellen (Foster) Foster; grandson of Isaac and Mary (Miller) Foster; great-grandson of Isaac Foster, Captain in Va. Militia.


GORDON WEAVER GABELL, Philadelphia, Pa. (46350). Son of Walter and Katharine (Gordon) Gabell; grandson of Columbus Washington and Mary Frances (Weaver) Gabell; great-grandson of Columbus Washington and Charity Cooper (Richardson) Weaver; great-grandson of Isaac and Frances Bressington (Pearce) Weaver; great-grandson of of William Hudson, Captain in N. Y. Militia.

PEACE MORE GABELL, Philadelphia, Pa. (46331). Son of Columbus Washington and and Mary Virginia (Moyer) Gabell, Jr.; grandson of Columbus Washington and Mary Frances (Weaver) Gabell; great-grandson of Columbus Washington and Mary Frances (Weaver) Gabell; great-grandson of Isaac and Frances Bressington (Pearce) Weaver; great-grandson ofof William Hudson, Captain in N. Y. Militia.


ANTHON TEMPLE GESNER, Waterbury, Conn. (46634). Son of Abraham H. and Helen Callin (Dickinson) Gesner; grandson of Andrew and Elvira (Callin) Dickinson; great-grandson of Oliver Dickinson, private in Conn. Troops.

ROBERT WILSON GENTRY, Mont. (31800). Son of David and Mary (Kelley) Gentry; grandson of Adam and Mary (Kelley) Keller; great-grandson of Francis (Weaver) Gabell; great-grandson of of William Hudson, Captain in N. Y. Militia.


FRANCIS GAGE, Danbury, Conn. (46545). Son of Henry and Anna Mary (Howard) Gage; grandson of Cornelius and Allison (Bathgate) Gage; great-grandson of James and Susan (Scott) Gage; great-grandson of John Ganson, private in Mass. Troops.

JAMES THOMSON GASON, Buffalo, N. Y. (46546). Son of Henry and Anna Matilda (Thompson) Ganson; grandson of Corseal and Allison (Bathgate) Ganson; great-grandson of James and Susan (Scott) Gage; great-grandson of of William Hudson, Captain in N. Y. Militia.

ROBIN CAIN GARCICK, Chicago, Ill. (46669). Son of Henry and Ida Caroline (Snow) Gareick; grandson of Henry and Matilda E. (Stoddard) Gareick; great-grandson of John and Rebecca (Ashton) Stoddard; great-grandson of Isaac David and Anna (Snider) Garrison; great-grandson of Isaac David and Anna (Snider) Garrison; great-grandson of Richard Garrison, Major in N. Y. Troops.


WALTER THURMAN GARDINER, Fort Montgomery, N. Y. (46279). Son of Isaac F. and Fanny (Day) Garrison; grandson of Walter M. and Mary Ann (Foster) Garrison. Same as 46278.

SUMNRED GARY, Riverside, Ill. (46537). Son of Daniel Brown and Rosanna Moore (Heselk) Gary; grandson of Aaron and Sally (Gray) Gary; great-grandson of John Young, private in Mass. Troops; Aaron Gray, private in N. H. Militia.


ANTHON TEMPLE GESNER, Waterbury, Conn. (46634). Son of Abraham H. and Helen Callin (Dickinson) Gesner; grandson of Andrew and Elvira (Callin) Dickinson; great-grandson of Oliver Dickinson, private in Conn. Troops.

ROBERT WILSON GENTRY, Mont. (31800). Son of David and Mary (Kelley) Gentry; grandson of Adam and Mary (Kelley) Keller; great-grandson of of William Hudson, Captain in N. Y. Militia.

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JOHN L. ANDERSON,


GEORGE DEWEY GODDARD, Swampscott, Mass. (Conn. 44545). Son of George Seymour and Kate Estelle (Dewey) Goddard; grandson of Harvey and Minerva (Holcomb) Goddard; great-grandson of Miles and Cleopatra (Dibble) Goddard; great-grandson of Moses Goddard, private in Conn. Troops.


JOHN BIGLOW GODDARD, Ridgewood, N. J. (N. Y. 46745). Son of Ira and Mary Angelina (Loomis) Goddard. Same as 46742.


JAMES LESTER GOODWIN, Hartford, Conn. (46666). Son of Lester Henry and Esther (Campbell) Goodwin. Same as 46685.


FRANK C. GOTT, Buffalo, N. Y. (46744). Son of John S. and Alma (Ball) Gott; great-grandson of John H. Trost and Lucieta (Vieckey) Ball; great-grandson of Charlotte (Curia) Ball, Jr.; great-grandson of Liebou Ball, Major in Mass Troops.


CHARLES GREENER grant GRIFFITH, Newark, N. J. (46275). Son of Charles Greenberry and Mary Elizabeth (Burns) Griffith; grandson of Greenberry and Prudence (Jewett) Griffith, grandson of Howard and Jeremis (Jacob) Griffith; great-grandson of Greenberry Griffith, member of Committee of Observation for Frederick County, Md.


WALTER BLANK GRISWOLD, W. Hartford, Conn. (46637). Son of Horner and Emily Augusta (Blank) Griswold; grandson of Daniel and Ann (Bunce) Griswold; great-grandson of Daniel White and Esther (Case) Griswold; great-grandson of White Griswold, private in Conn. Line.

GRANT ALLEN GROEBECk, Salt Lake City, Utah. (45991). Son of John A. and Anna (Booth, Groebeck) Groebeck; grandson of William and Anna (Booth) Groebeck, Captain in Utah Militia; great-grandson of Carl Edwin and Ella (Wollerton) Dillworth; great-grandson of William and Rebecca (Harvey) Wollerton; great-grandson of Samuel Harvey, private in Pa. Militia.

SPENCER GROSS, Hartford, Conn. (46417). Son of Charles Welles and Hilda Frances (Welch) Gross; grandson of Charles Edward and Ellen Clarissa (Spencer) Gross; great-grandson of Mason and Cornelia (Barnard) Gross; great-grandson of John and Sally (Robbles) Barnard; great-grandson of John Barnard, Captain in Conn. Line.


HENRY NILSON HADLEY, Edgewood, R. I. (45063). Son of Charles E. and Mary Butler Hadley; grandson of James Russell and Rosinda (Potter) Hadley; great-grandson of Ezer and Mercy (Phillips) Potter; great-grandson of Thomas and Nabby (Cleveland) Potter; great-grandson of John Pottery; Captain in N. Y. Troops.


HAROLD CANNON HALL, Meriden, Conn. (46687). Son of Frank Leland and Laura B. (Cannon) Hall; grandson of Burt and Juliet (Merriam) Cannon, Asher and Delta (Jones) Hall; great-grandson of Laurence and Temperance (Todd) Merriam, David Minor and Mildred (Beach) Hall; great-grandson of Asaph Merriam, private in Conn. Troops, Samuel and Kezia (— — Beach; great-grandson of Abel Beach, member of Committees for Torrington, Conn.


DAVID SAMUEL HARBISON, Chicago, Ill. (46070). Son of Leslie Craig and Maude Ethel (Rowe) Harbison; grandson of Samuel H. and Rebecca Jane (Craig) Harbison; great-grandson of Charles and Rebecca (Morehead) Craig; great-grandson of Samuel Craig, Jr., Lieutenant in Pa. Troops.

Achilles Moorman Hardaway, Louisville, Ky. (45563). Son of Thomas P. and Eavilene (Smith) Hardaway; grandson of Buckner Jones and Cinderella (Moorman) Smith; great-grandson of Nicholas and Rebecca (Richards) Smith; great-grandson of Richard Smith, member of Committee of Correspondence, Bedford County, Va.


Frank Frye Harris, Chicago, Ill. (46071). Son of James Francis and Sarah Jane (Frye) Harris; grandson of Thomas and Abigail (Merrill) Harris; great-grandson of John Harris, private in Mass. Troops.


Charles Garrett Harrison, Greensboro, N. C. (46413). Son of Henry Spooner and Mary Susan (Garrett) Harrison; grandson of Charles William and Mary (Sugg) Garrett; great-grandson of John and Sarah (Spencer) Sugg; great-grandson of Reading and Margaret (Sutherland) Sugg; great-grandson of Daniel Sutherland, artilleryman in N. C. Troops.

Edward Lucien Hart, Jr., Wichita, Kan. (45162). Son of Edward Lucien and Mary Frances (McDowell) Hart; great-grandson of Joseph Blair and Catherine (Cannaday) McDowell; great-grandson of William and Sarah (Deaver) McDowell; great-grandson of John Deaver, Lieutenant in Md. Troops.

John A. Hartestine, Princetown, Md. (46382). Son of Peter and Sarah Rebecca (Jackson) Hartestine; grandson of Alexander and Mary Ann (Burroughs) Jackson; great-grandson of John and Griselda (Craig) Jackson; great-grandson of Edward Jackson, private in Md. Troops.


Charles Langdon Heath, Hartford, Conn. (46458). Son of Edwin Langdon and Gertrude M. (— —) Heath; grandson of Nathan Bardin and Elizabeth (Lefavour) Heath; great-grandson of Winchester and Amarelia (—— — — Heath; great-grandson of Peleg Bardin, Major and recruiting officer in R. I. Troops.

Sibley Heathcote, St. Petersburg, Fla. (46315). Son of William Emerson and Josephine (Sibley) Heathcote; grandson of Matthew and Mercy Ann (Stone) Heathcote; great-grandson of Payson Cooledge and Philadelphia (Roberts) Stone; great-grandson of James R. and Ellen (Sawyer) Stone; great-grandson of Richad Stone, member of Committee of Correspondence, Bedford County, Va.

William Emerson Heathcote, Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla. (44098). Son of William Emerson and Josephine (Sibley) Heathcote. Same as 46315.

Matthew Heek, Deland, Fl. (46999). Son of George Wright and Ellis E. (Temple) Heek; grandson of Lewis and Caroline E. (Wright) Heek; great-grandson of John and Anna Maria (Weyry) Heek; great-grandson of Jacob Heek (Hicks), private in Pa. Militia.

William Robert Heffelfinger, St. Paul, Minn. (45584). Son of Alfred Syd and Cecelia (Byrnes) Heffelfinger; grandson of Christopher Bistie and Mary Ellen
BERNARD WHITE HERMAN, Sa., Roanoke, Va. (45715). Son of Isaac Jacob and Jennie McCaughrey (White) Herman; grandson of John and Elizabeth (McCaughhey) White; great-grandson of Edward (York) Wells; great-grandson of Wait Wells (Wells), private in Conn. Continental Troops.

BENJAMIN HENRY HIGGINS, Mystic, Conn. (46459). Son of Benjamin Pendleton and Jennie (Mead) Hewitt; grandson of Mathew and Phoebe (Wells) Meads; great-grandson of Edward (York) Wells; great-grandson of Wait Wells (Wells), private in Conn. Continental Troops.

CHARLOTTE BLACKSTON HIBBARDB, New York City, N. Y. (46750). Son of Thomas and Jennie Maria (Blissckin) Hibbard; great-grandson of James Fletcher and Mary Davis (Warren) Blackinton; great-grandson of Joseph and Rebecca (Fletcher) Warren; great-grandson of James Fletcher, Sergeant in Mass. Troops.


ROBERT HOLMES HIGGINS, Dallas, Texas. (45423). Son of John Allen and Betti Chinn (Webb) Higgins. Same as 45423.

STUART HALL, New York City, N. Y. (46717). Son of Thomas Norfleet and Eliza Evans (Hall) Hill; grandson of Whitnel John and Lavinia Dorothy (Barnes) Hill; great-grandson of Thomas Blount and Rebecca (Hill) Parks; great-grandson of Whitnel Hill, member of N. C. Provincial Congress, member of the Council of Safety, and Colonel in N. C. Militia.


STUART MORGAN HILLS, West Hartford, Conn. (46639). Son of Stuart Francis and Anna Rebecca (Morgan) Hills; grandson of Augustus C. and Julia (Litchfield) Hills; great-grandson of Elias and Abigail W. (Fox) Litchfield; great-grandson of Daniel and Olivia (Pierce) Litchfield; great-grandson of Delona Fair, private in Conn. Militia.


ROY RALPH HINMAN, Chicago, Ill. (46672). Son of Nelson Menno and Susannah (Haskleton) Hinman; great-grandson of Isaac and Helen (Welles) Haskelson; great-grandson of John and Phoebe (Maclin) Welles; great-grandson of Thomas Machin, Captain in N. Y. Artillery.


GARY EDWARD HITCHCOCK, Laurel, Del. (46483). Son of William Joseph and Mary Emily (Martin) Hitch; grandson of John and Anna Emeline (Harris) Martin; great-grandson of Josiah and Alice (Virden) Martin; great-grandson of Marmo Virden, Corporal in Del. Continental Troops.

EDSON WILBER HITCHCOCK, Waterbury, Conn. (46460). Son of Elmer W. and Emma C. (Hall) Hitchcock; grandson of Benjamin Truman and Julia (Frabie) Hitchcock; great-grandson of Benjamin and Emiece (Hotchkiss) Hitchcock; great-grandson of Benjamin Hitchcock, private in Conn. Militia.

THOMAS GARDNER HURST, New Bern, N. C. (46403). Son of Theodore Ballard and Anna Capers (Gardner) Hurst; grandson of Thomas Mahy and Martha Rebecca (Davers) Gardner; great-grandson of Benjamin (Gardner) Mahy; great-grandson of Thomas and Margaret (Mahy) Tompkins; great-grandson of Stephen Tompkins, Captain in N. C. Cavalry.

FRANK WATSON INSON, Waterbury, Conn. (46644). Son of Abraham Franklin and Eliza (Hayward) Inson; great-grandson of Asahel and Hannah Maria (Stirkland) Inson, and of Nathan and Melissia (Harrell) Inson; great-grandson of Benjamin Marsh, private in Mass. Troops.


LEWIS WILMOT JOHNSON, New York City, N. Y. (46755). Son of Wilnoot and Helen Hill-Trevor (Iew) Johnson; grandson of Francis Lewis and Eunemine Hamilton (Parker) Johnson; great-grandson of Isaac A. and Louisa (Lewis) Johnson; great-grandson of Francis and Elizabeth (Lodlow) Lewis; great-grandson of Francis and Elizabeth (Lodlow) Lewis.

SHERMAN FOSTER JOHNSON, Meriden, Conn. (46445). Son of Sherman Gilbert and Emily Harriet (Savage) Johnson; grandson of William Henry and Adah Ann (Carroll) Savage; great-grandson of Jeffrey and Emma (Coe) Camp; great-grandson of Abel and Adah (Camp) Cree; great-grandson of Samuel Camp, Major in Conn. Troops.


JAMES W. JOHNSTON, Jr., New York City, N. Y. (46547). Son of James N. and Mary S. (Sykes) Johnston; grandson of Andrew and Sophia (Barker) Sykes; great-grandson of Stephen and Mary (Barber) Barber; great-grandson of John Barber, Private in Mass. Troops.


JAMES WALTER KEELE, Rocky Mount, N. C. (46604). Son of Tahephilen and Artemisia (Page) Keel; grandson of Irvin and Susan (Andrews) Page; great-grandson of Warren and Barbeha (Gainer) Andrews; great-grandson of Edmund Andrews, member of Committee of Safety for Pitt County, N. C. (Loudlow).

CARL THURBER KEEFL, Meriden, Conn. (46688). Son of Ernest Bliss and Fannie Louise (Buglee) Kent; grandson of Hela Marsh and Adelaide Dorisca (Biss) Kent; great-grandson of Thomas Viall and Dolly (Howard) Kent; great-grandson of Francis Viall (Howard) Kent.


JAMES W. MILES, Rockford, Calif. (45836). Son of William Alexander and Charlotte (Mettendorf) Miles; grandson of John and Rebecca Harding (Larson); great-grandson of Joseph A. and Lois A. (Gordon) Kiter;

CHASE KIMBALL, Waterbury, Conn. (46451). Son of Arthur Reed and Mary Eliza (Hall) Kimball; grandson of Jesse Merrill and Elizabeth Chapin (Robbins) Kimball; great-grandson of John Kimball, private in Mass. Troops.
FRED WELLEN KNAPP, Newburgh, N. Y. (46756). Son of Albert Nathaniel and Margaret Ann (Stevens) Knapp; grandson of William Russell and Sally (Sally) Knapp; great-grandson of William and Mary (Billy) Knapp; great-great-grandson of Caleb Knapp, private in N. Y. Troops.


HEBER CARLISLE KOPP, New York City, N. Y. (46224). Son of Henry Stanton and Lydia (Buvinger) Kopp; grandson of William and Mary (Smith) Kopp; great-grandson of Leonard and --- (Schneider) Buvinger; great-great-grandson of Leonard Buvinger, private in Pa. Militia.


WILLIAM WALLACE LANAHAN, Baltimore, Md. (46391). Son of Samuel J. and Frances Ann (Reeder) Lanahan; grandson of Charles and Frances (Sherlock) Reeder; great-grandson of Charles and Elizabeth (Clark) Reeder; great-great-grandson of Benjamin and Barbara (Closson) Clark; great-great-grandson of John Closson (Closson), private in Pa. Militia.

EDMUND LASHEY, Tulsa, Okla. (46122). Son of Jacob H. and Nancy (Bennett) Lashey; grandson of William and Mary Ann (Hullinger) Lashey; great-grandson of David and Catherine (Studer) Hollinger; great-great-grandson of Philip Storer, private in Md. German Regiment of Continental Troops.


EUGENE LAVERTY, Jr., New York City, N. Y. (46757). Son of Eugene and Mary S. (Hays) Lavery; great-grandson of Theodore C. and Lydia Jenkins (Lowman) Lavery; great-grandson of George and Christina (Conrad) Lowman; great-grandson of John Michael and Christina (Riddle) Conrad; great-great-grandson of David Geddle Riddle, signed the "Oath of Allegiance" in Pa., and contributed supplies to the Army.


ROBERT PRINCE LEE, Newburgh, N. Y. (46758). Son of Henry and Clara L. (Prince) Lee; grandson of Sallie and Mary M. (Corwin) Lee; great-grandson of Richard S. and Mary (Withee) Lee; great-great-grandson of Joseph and Mary Jane (Corwin) Lee; great-great-grandson of John Corwin, signed the "Association" (1775), and private in N. Y. Militia.


GEORGE H. LEWIS, Baltimore, Md. (46383). Son of George H. and Annie Patterson (Stewart) Lewis; grandson of Levin Hil and Elizabeth (Pattison) Stewart; great-grandson of John H. and Thomas (Frazier) Stewart; great-great-grandson of Levin Frazier, private in Md. Troops and Lieutenant in Md. Navy.


GEORGE LAWSON LONG, Dallas, Texas (45421). Son of John Lawrence and Laura (Matthews) Long; great-great-grandson of George Frederick and Sarah Elizabeth (Pellers) Long; great-grandson of Jacob and Magdalena Kinard (Schumpert) Long; great-great-grandson of Frederick and Mary (Kinard) Schumpert; great-great-grandson of Michael Kinard, private in S. C. Militia.


JAMES THOMAS WILKESON LUCKEY, Marion, Ind. (46437). Son of George W. and Elizabeth (Arnold) Luckey; grandson of Andrew and Mary (Malaffis) Luckey; great-grandson of Robert Luckey, private in Pa. Militia.


EDWARD McCOLGAN, Baltimore, Md. (46394). Son of James and Mary Teresa (Reeder) McCollgan; great-grandson of Charles and Frances Ann (Sherlock) Reeder; great-great-grandson of Charles and Elizabeth (Clark) Reeder; great-great-grandson of Benjamin and Barbara (Closson) Clark; great-grandson of John Closson (Closson), private in Pa. Militia.


HUNTER McDonald, J., Tenn. (4748). Supplemental: Son of Hunter and Ebiee (Gordon) McDonald; grandson of Richard Cross and Mary Campbell (Webster) Gordon; great-grandson of Bolling and Mary (Watkins) Gordon; great-grandson of John Cross (Gordon); great-grandson of Richard Cross, Corporal in Va. Troops.


EDWARD JAQUES MCLEAUGHIN, J., Washingtonville, N. Y. (46761). Son of Edward J. and Helen (Burnet) McLaughlin; grandson of Charles Fowler and Mary J. (Banet) Burnet; great-grandson of Charles and Mary Ann (Barber) Burnet; great-grandson of Robert Burnett, Lieutenant in N. Y. Continental Artillery.


WHITMEL HORNE MACNIR, Tarboro, N. C. (46621). Son of Augustus Harvey and Anna Lovina (Loftin) Macnair; great-grandson of Augustus and Susannah Granger (Smith) Harvey; great-grandson of Miles Harvey, member of Committee of Safety, N. C. Provincial Congress, and Field Officer.
and Ann (Bignal) Speed; great-grandson of Robert Bignal, member of N. C. Provincial Congress; member of Council of Safety, etc., in N. H. Troops.


BENJAMIN WOLCOTT MESEROLE, Brooklyn, N. Y. (46548). Son of Benjamin Richardson and Mary (Wolcott) Meserole; grandson of Jeremiah V, and Ann S. (Richardson) Meserole; great-grandson of John and Maria (Schenck) Meserole; great-grandson of John A. Meserole, N. Y. patriot.

GEREMIAH VANDERBEIT MESEROLE, Brooklyn, N. Y. (46764). Son of Benjamin Richardson and Mary (Wolcott) Meserole; grandson of Jeremiah V. and Ann S. (Richardson) Meserole; great-grandson of John and Maria (Schenck) Meserole; great-grandson of John A. Meserole, N. Y. patriot; advanced money to the American cause.


GEORGE DE WITT MILLER, Detroit, Mich. (46301). Son of Foster D. and Nellie Grace (Treasure) Miller; grandson of William Jewett and Julia (Graves) Miller; great-grandson of Nicholas Parker and Sally Jane (De Witt) Miller; great-grandson of James and Sally (Brown) Miller; great-grandson of Nicholas Miller, private in N. Y. Militia.


LEON FRANKLIN MILLIKEN, Saco, Maine (47346). Son of Franklin R. and Sarah (Bangs) Milliken; grandson of Sylvanus and Hannah E. (Bean) Bangs; great-grandson of Ebenezer and Mary (Cobb) Bangs, private in Mass. Troops.

WALDO LAWRENCE MINER, New London, Conn. (46689). Son of Sidney Hale and Lucy Kimball (Bishop) Miner; grandson of Giles and Charlotte Tinker (Coomack) Bishop; great-grandson of Gordon and Lucy (Kimball) Bishop, Christopher Colver and Ursula Steward (Harris) Comack; great-grandson of Jonathan and Anna (Allen) Bishop, Captain, Conn. Troops, Stephen Allen, private in N. Y. Militia.


BURTON ELIZUR MOORE, Ja., Hartford, Conn. (46463). Son of Burton Eliur and Mabel (Roberts) Moore; grandson of Bennett Eliur and Flora Jane (Starks) Moore; Samuel Judah and Emile (Loomis) Roberts; great-grandson of Samuel and Lucy (Wheeler) Merriam; great-grandson of John Hemming, Corporal in N. H. Troops.

HOWARD GEORGE MOORE, Evanston, Ill. (46560). Son of George Smith and Hedwig Josephine (Carlson) Moore; great-grandson of William and Bertha Fredericka (Kliese) Moore. Same as 46539.

RAYMOND EUGENE MOORE, Evanston, Ill. (46561). Son of George Smith and Hedwig Josephine (Carlson) Moore. Same as 46560.


CARLTON BRETT MORTON, Washington, D. C. (46286). Son of Freeman Augustus and Cornelia Waterman (Newcomb) Morton; grandson of George and Abigail Jane (Roe) Morse; great-grandson of Aaron and Abigail (Hale) Morse; great-grandson of Benjami and Mary (Stearns) Hale; great-grandson of Benjamin Hale, private in Mass. Troops.


JEREMIAH MOWER, Roseton, N. Y. (46766). Son of Jeremiah and Laura (Carter) Mower; grandson of Leonard and Christina (Ermick) Mower; great-grandson of Benjamin and Catherine (Brooman) Emerick; great-grandson of William and Margaret (Schonmaker) Emerick; great-grandson of William Emerick, private in N. Y. Militia.


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ELLEN FANNING, (Clark)
Colonel in Conn. and member of the Legislature.

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GEORGE JOSEPH PEARL, Bristol, Conn. (46654). Son of George Henry and Julia (Geiser) Pearl; grandson of George Nelson and Julia Ann (Drake) Pearl; great-grandson of Asahel and Mary Ann (Rice) Drake; great-grandson of Gibson and Mary Ann (Sanderson) Rice; great-grandson of Samuel Rice, private in Conn. Troops.


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Pearl Julius Skilton, Watertown, Conn. (46669). Son of Julius James and Jane (Lark) Skilton; grandson of Henry Bennett and Julia (Clark) Skilton. Same as 46668.

Robert Morris Hetfield Sloan, Elizabeth, N. J. (N. Y. 46590). Son of George R. and Helen (Leonetti) Sloan; grandson of Peder Hurt and Martha Abs (Nicks) Sloan; great-grandson of Stephen and Mary (Fish) Sloan; great-grandson of Gils Sloan, Deputy to R. I. Assembly and member of Committee.

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Paul Easley-Smith, Washington, D. C. (46505). Son of William and Mary Agnes (Bogle) Easley-Smith; grandson of William Russell and Wilhelmina Marie (Easley) Smith. Same as 46504 (supra).


Samuel Poyntz Cochran Smith, Dallas, Texas (46582). Son of Joseph Granville and Lou (Higgins) Smith. Same as 46423 (infra).


Harry Snowden, New York City, N. Y. (46783). Son of John Weigand and Nancy Emma (Evans) Snowden; grandson of Thomas and Sarah (McKay) Snowden; great-grandson of George and Sophie (Ritter) Snowden; great-grandson of John Snowden, private in Pa. Troops.

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