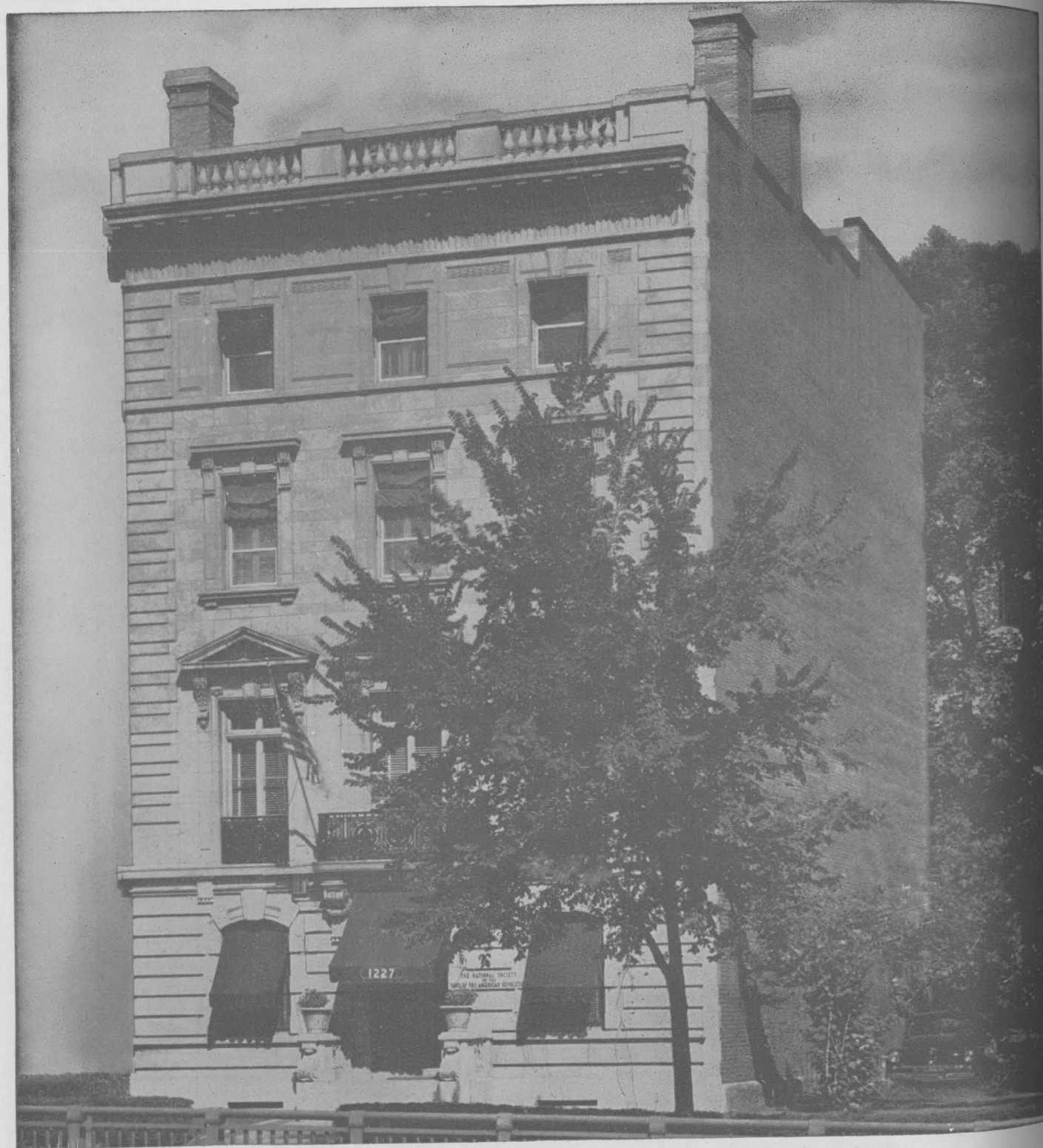


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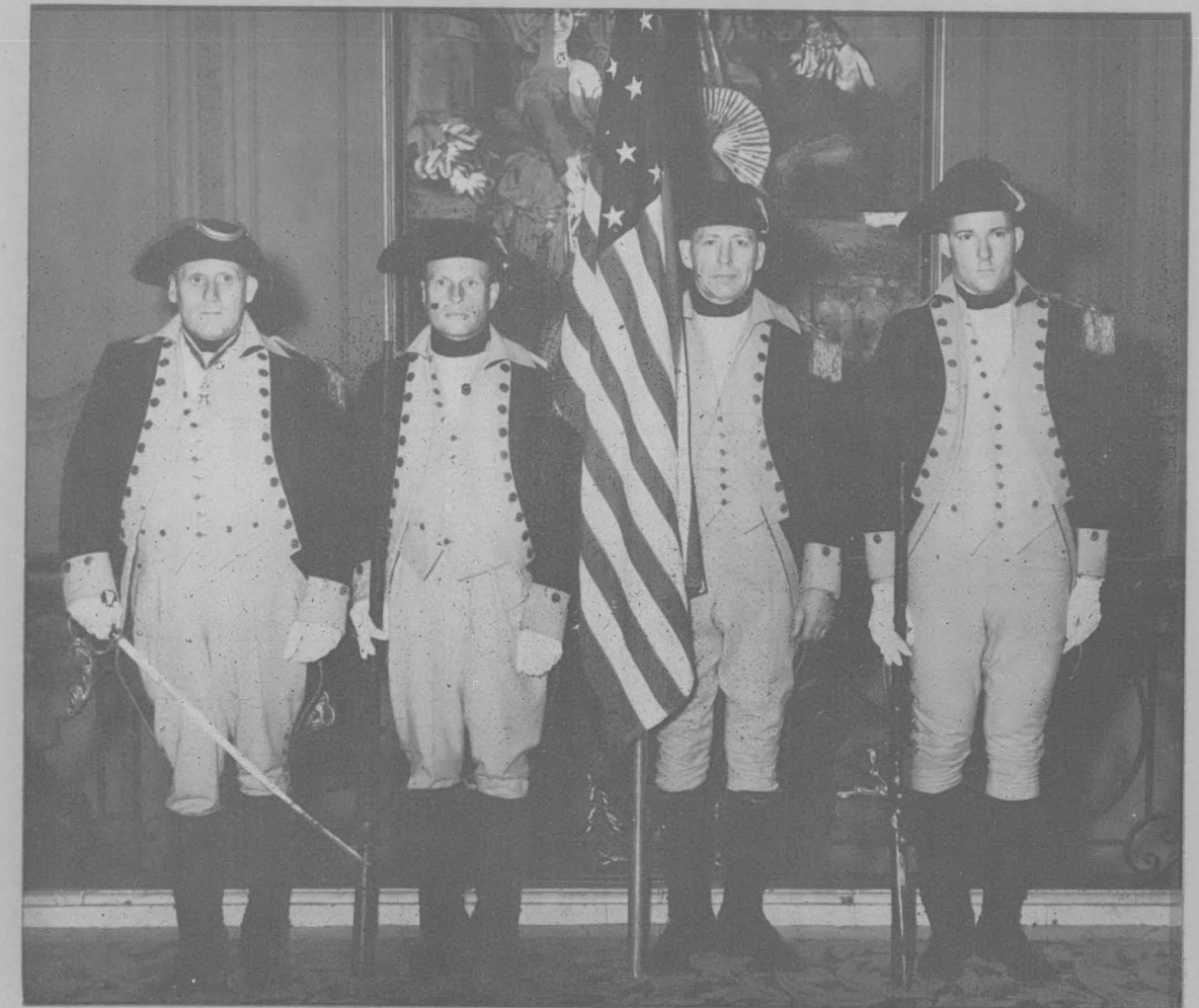
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One of the most colorful features of the Sixty-Fifth Congress was the Color Guard in their Continental uniforms. Their efficient and precise handling of The Colors was appreciated by all and the resolution of appreciation adopted by the Congress was richly deserved. Special thanks are due Compatriots Arthur F. Cole, who acted as commander, W. H. Diller, Jr., Norman D. Anderson and Robert L. Steenrod.

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### THE EDITOR SAYS:

The Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress of our Society is now a matter of history but the memory of the cordial hospitality of our Compatriots, and their ladies, of the Illinois Society, will long remain in the minds of those who were fortunate enough to attend.

The Committee on Arrangements presented a program which provided the maximum amount of entertainment for the time allotted between the business sessions of the Congress. The registration of delegates and visitors was handled in an efficient manner and with a minimum of inconvenience to the registrants.

The management of the Conrad Hilton Hotel accorded the Committee and the officers of our Society whole-hearted cooperation and their many courtesies contributed greatly to the smooth operation of the Congress.

A comprehensive record of the entire proceedings of the Sixty-Fifth Congress has been prepared for this issue of the Magazine. The original transcript of 357 pages has been condensed to permit publishing, but all official actions of the Congress have been included in the published record.

There was an atmosphere of harmony and good fellowship in evidence throughout the entire Congress. On a few occasions, especially during the consideration of the resolutions, there was some honest difference of opinion. However, the differences were discussed and resolved and the final decisions accepted with good grace by all parties.

The announcement that the mortgage on our Headquarters had been paid off was greeted with enthusiastic applause and the burning of the facsimile on Recognition Night was one of the many novel features of this year's program.

Departing from the customary procedure, the delegates were given the opportunity of expressing their choice in the selection of the site of the next Congress. After listening to invitations from New Mexico and New York, they voted decisively in favor of accepting the invitation to hold the 1956 Congress at the Sagamore Hotel, Bolton Landing, New York, May 27-30. Plans are being made by the Arrangements Committee which will be announced in the October issue of the Magazine.

HAROLD L. PUTNAM, Editor

July 1955



EDGAR WILLIAMSON, JR.  
President General

A few days after my election to the office of President General I journeyed to Washington to discuss plans for the coming months. While there I became more conscious than ever of the obligations I have assumed and the responsibilities imposed by the office of President General.

I stood at the foot of the main staircase and looked at the long line of portraits of Past Presidents General which spiral upward from the first floor to the third floor of our Headquarters building. The thoughts of the achievements of my illustrious predecessors produced a sense of humble recognition of the standards I must achieve before my own photograph can be added to that long line of distinguished Compatriots. Added to my feeling of humbleness was the firm determination to do everything within my power to insure my right to a place in that select group.

My years of service in our Society have taught me one valuable lesson which is indelibly stamped in my mind. The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is more important than any one individual within its ranks. The man who assumes the titular leadership must rely upon the cooperation of each Compatriot in order to insure a successful administration. The strength of our Society lies at what is commonly known as the Grass Roots. Plans and programs may be formulated by a President General, an Executive Committee and a Board of Trustees, but the ulti-

# The President General's Message

mate success or failure of such plans depends upon their acceptance by the rank and file of the members, and particularly by the officers of the local chapters. With this fact uppermost in my mind I am, in this my first message to you my Compatriots, earnestly soliciting your whole-hearted cooperation. We have some problems to meet and with your help I am confident we can solve them.

The reports of our General Officers presented at the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress clearly indicate the Number One objective for the current year. If our Society is to maintain and increase its prestige and influence in preserving the traditions, ideals and institutions, which our forefathers bequeathed us we must have additional manpower. Manpower used in this sense means more members. Increased membership is the responsibility of each of us as individual members of the Sons of the American Revolution. We cannot escape our responsibility by naming a Membership Committee, or employing an Organizing Secretary. The most successful method of adding members to our rolls is through personal contact with our own friends. Therefore, I ask each of you to take a mental inventory of your circle of friends and acquaintances and determine which of them are eligible, and having determined their eligibility make it your personal assignment to see that they file their application papers before the end of our fiscal year, March 31, 1956.

The next item on our agenda for this current year is a determined effort to continue our opposition to those forces which seek to destroy our constitutional form of government. Much of this effort will be accomplished by our National Committees, but here again we must have the support of individual members working in their own communities in accordance with the policies established by our National Congress and set forth in the resolutions adopted.

Many years ago it was recognized that in order to make our Society an effective force in carrying out the pur-

poses for which it was organized it is necessary that we develop a program and projects which will appeal to younger men. I wish that it were possible for me to tell you at this time that we have such a program. I cannot in all honesty make that statement, but I can assure you that before my term as President General shall have expired a thorough and conscientious effort will be made to develop and initiate a program to accomplish this end. Some of our Compatriots have indicated that they have some constructive suggestions along this line. I shall welcome their suggestions and they will be given full consideration and I hope that out of them will come a program which will enable us to achieve this goal.

I appreciate the honor you have done me by electing me to the office of President General and I am fully aware of the responsibility I have assumed, and with your cooperation I am sure I shall be able to justify the confidence you have reposed in me.

Sincerely yours,  
EDGAR WILLIAMSON, JR.  
President General

## THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S RECORD OF SERVICE IN THE S.A.R.

Compatriot Williamson has an enviable record of service in the Sons of the American Revolution. He joined the Society in 1929, by right of descent from William Williamson of North Carolina.

He has served as a chapter officer (all offices except that of Chancellor); State Secretary, 2 terms; Vice President, 2 terms; President, 2 terms; National Trustee; Vice President General; Secretary General, 3 terms; Executive Committee, 2 terms; Chairman of Membership-Organization Committee, 2 terms, and Chairman of Arrangements of two Annual Congresses, 1946 and 1950.



## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

From the moment the Registration Desk was opened for business on Sunday morning until the final farewells were spoken Wednesday evening, delegates and visitors to the Sixth-Fifth Annual Congress were the beneficiaries of the gracious hospitality of our Compatriots of the Illinois Society, ably assisted by their ladies.

The Memorial Service on Sunday afternoon was held in the Sanctuary of the Central Church of Chicago, which is located in the tower of the Conrad Hilton Hotel. The facilities of the Central Church were made available to our Society through the courtesy of Dr. Kenneth Hildebrand, Pastor, who gave his able assistance and friendly advice in the planning of the service.

The Order of Service included; the Organ Prelude, Mrs. Paul Nettinga, organist; Processional Hymn "God of our Fathers"; Presentation of the Colors; Invocation by Louis A. Bowman, Chaplain of the Illinois Society; Choral Response, by the Quartet of the Central Church; Pledge of Allegiance; The National Anthem; Reading of the Scriptures by Dr. Kenneth Hildebrand; Memorials to our Departed Compatriots by President General Milton M. Lory; Service of Remembrance by Chaplain General Francis Shunk Downs; Silent Prayer and Memorial Chimes; Prayer of Remembrance and Choral Response; Anthem "Souls of the Righteous"; Sermon by Chaplain General Francis Shunk Downs "Heroes of Faith and Freedom"; Official Hymn "We Are The Sons," words by Past Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers sung to the tune of "Faith of Our Fathers"; Retiring of the Colors; Recessional Hymn, "Beautiful for Spacious Skies" and the Benediction by Dr. Kenneth Hildebrand.

It was an impressive service, held in an unusual setting and attended by a large congregation including some members of the Central Church.

The Monday morning business session was called to order promptly at 9:00, by President General Lory and a substantial majority of the delegates and visitors were on hand for the opening ceremonies. Messages of greetings were read or delivered in person from other patriotic organizations, Past Presidents General, the Mayor of Chicago, and a

special letter of greeting from The President of the United States, Compatriot Dwight D. Eisenhower.

President General Milton M. Lory responded to the messages of Greeting and gave a brief review of his activities during the past year.

One of the high points of the Congress was reached when the posthumous award of the Constructive Citizenship Medal was made to our late Compatriot

Col. Robert R. McCormick. The medal was accepted by Mr. John Thompson of the Chicago Tribune personal representative of Mrs. Robert R. McCormick.

Another outstanding feature of the opening session was the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest. The judges, Past President General Allen L. Oliver, Past President General A. Herbert Foreman and Compatriot Norris B. Crafts experienced some difficulty in de-

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THE SENATE  
STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N. J.

SENATE RESOLUTION  
By MR. ANTON, of Essex County  
Adopted June 6, 1955

WHEREAS, New Jersey has been highly honored by the election on May 25, 1955, of Edgar Williamson, Jr., of East Orange, as President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, He is a former member of the New Jersey Legislature, having served in the General Assembly from Essex County for four years, from 1938 to 1941, inclusive; and

WHEREAS, During the twenty-six years he has been a member of the Society, he has served as Secretary, Vice-President, and President of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, He has served with distinction in various other patriotic organizations; therefore,

Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of New Jersey, that it extend congratulations and official greetings of the State of New Jersey upon this momentous, happy occasion; and

Be It Further Resolved, That it express pride on behalf of the State of New Jersey upon the achievement by Mr. Williamson of this signal honor; and

Be It Finally Resolved, That copies of this resolution, signed by the President of the Senate, be forwarded to Mr. Williamson and also to the National Headquarters of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Washington, D. C.

*Benjamin C. Wallace*  
President of the Senate.

termining the winners, due to the excellence of delivery and subject matter of the orations. After a lengthy conference their decision gave first place to John Haywood of Toledo, Ohio; second place to Robert Goodwin of Buffalo, N. Y. and third place to Richard Halpert of Chicago, Ill.

The luncheon was featured by the thrilling account of the capture of the German U-505 Boat during World War II, by Rear Admiral Daniel V. Gallery, who commanded the task force which accomplished the capture. Following the Admiral's address, the audience returned to the meeting room where a narrative film of the capture was shown. The sightseeing buses which left the hotel immediately after the showing of the film took their passengers to the Museum of Science and Industry where the U-505 is on exhibition. The tours included many other points of interest in Chicago.

Monday evening the delegates, visitors and guests attended the President General's Reception in the North Ballroom and then proceeded into the Waldorf Room to witness the ceremonies in connection with Recognition Night. Those Compatriots who had won recognition for services to the Society were honored with awards ranging from rosettes with the new plastic decoration to Certificates of Distinguished Service, Minute Man Awards and the Florence Kendall awards.

The most spectacular event on the program of Monday evening was the burning of a facsimile of the mortgage on Headquarters. This was done to the accompaniment of enthusiastic applause by a large audience.

Tuesday morning was given over to the presentation of reports by the Chairman of the National Committees and the consideration of two proposed amendments to the By-Laws. The first amendment which merely corrected an obvious contradiction with regard to dues and reinstatement fees, was adopted. The second, designed to establish an educational fund was discussed at length and referred back to the Trustees for revision.

Delegates and visitors took advantage of the opportunity to indulge in sightseeing Tuesday afternoon, with the exception of the Presidents and Secretaries of the State and Chapter organizations,

who attended the Presidents and Secretaries Forum. Through the courtesy of the Department of Defense and the cooperation of Col. Thurston Baxter, the officers present at the Forum were permitted to see a new propaganda film entitled "Militant Freedom" which has not been released to public showing. It was announced that the film will be available in the near future for showing at State and Chapter meetings. Despite some difficulties with the sound track, the film held the interest of those present and there were many expressions of approval.

The Executive Secretary gave a review of the contents of the proposed handbook of information and those present voted unanimously to have the book printed as soon as possible. It was recognized that it would be impossible to achieve perfection on the first printing of such a book, and that the need for such a publication is urgent.

The subscription dinner on Tuesday evening was attended by a large gathering, who were treated to a most entertaining and thought provoking address by Paul Harvey, nationally famous lecturer and news commentator. Mr. Harvey was frequently interrupted by applause and received an ovation at the conclusion of his remarks.

Wednesday morning the Resolutions Committee brought in the results of their deliberations, in the form of 31 resolutions. Many of the resolutions were adopted unanimously and without debate. However, a few on more controversial subjects were debated and amended.



Compatriot Clifford A. Wiltsee, Chairman of the Registration Committee (left), earned the thanks of the registrants for the fine arrangements at the Registration desk. (Flash photo)

ments adopted before they were passed. The election of officers was conducted without the development of a contest for any General Office. The list of nominees for the Board of National Trustees was confirmed as read by the Executive Secretary.

The newly elected President General, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr., was escorted to the platform by the Color Guard carrying the New Jersey State Banner, and he made a few remarks in which he thanked his Compatriots for the honor they had conferred upon him and pledged his best efforts to fulfilling the responsibilities of the office to which they had elected him.

Due to the sudden illness of Senator William E. Jenner, it was necessary to obtain a last minute substitute speaker for the President General's Banquet. Thanks to a fortunate coincidence General Bonner Fellers was in Chicago and graciously consented to address the dinner meeting. His remarks were well received and he was interrupted by applause on several occasions.

At the conclusion of the banquet, President General Milton Lory turned the gavel and the insignia of office over to his successor, President General Edgar Williamson, Jr., who then presented the junior Past President General with the emblem worn by all Past Presidents General and also presented him with an engraved gavel as a memento of his service to the Society. These formalities brought to a conclusion the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress, which was generally acclaimed as one of the best.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD IN THE CONRAD HILTON HOTEL, CHICAGO ILLINOIS May 23-25, 1955

(Condensed from 357 page stenographic report by Virginia L. Kagy)

The opening session was convened at 9:00 a.m., President General Milton M. Lory presiding. Following the Posting of the Colors, the invocation was given by Chaplain General Francis Shunk Downs.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Past President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye. The singing of the National Anthem was led by Compatriot Leo Terry.

A preliminary report of the Credentials Committee was given by Compatriot Crawford S. Rogers.

On motion of Past President General Wallace C. Hall Chairman of the Rules Committee, duly seconded, the following rules for the conduct and regulation of the 65th Annual Congress were unanimously adopted by the delegates:

1. Our Constitution and By-laws, supplemented by Robert's Rules of Order (Revised) shall guide the course of our deliberations.
2. All resolutions must be in writing and shall be presented in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees, to the Resolutions Committee within the time fixed or announced by the Resolutions Committee or by the President General.
3. No delegate shall be entitled to participate in the debates of the Congress or to vote who has not registered as a delegate under the conditions which have been prescribed by the Board of Trustees. No person not a registered delegate shall have the privilege of the floor except by unanimous consent of the Congress.
4. (a) Nominating speeches for the office of the President General shall be limited to one speech of not to exceed ten minutes and two seconding speeches of three minutes each. Other delegates may second the nomination without speeches.  
(b) Nominating speeches for all other officers shall be limited to three minutes and one seconding speech of not to exceed two min-

utes. Other delegates may second the nomination without a speech.

5. A Compatriot who makes a motion may speak once for not to exceed five minutes in support of it. Any other Compatriot being a delegate may also speak not to exceed five minutes for or against the motion one time. The moveant shall have three minutes within which to close the argument.
6. Any delegate proposing a constitutional amendment shall have not to exceed ten minutes within which to present the same in one speech. Other delegates may speak once not to exceed five minutes for or against the amendment. The presenter shall have four minutes within which to close the debate on that proposal. Any amendment to the Constitution passed at this Congress shall not be effective until the Congress has adjourned unless given immediate effect in the amendment itself.
7. Should there be more than one candidate for any office the method of conducting the election shall be as follows: The President General shall appoint four tellers. The Chairman of the Committee on Credentials shall first call the names of the General Officers who will each cast his 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. No person shall cast more than one vote on any issue. 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 member who had already cast a ballot shall be deemed waived.

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

The President General recognized Compatriot John E. King, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, who on behalf of the Illinois Society extended a cordial welcome to delegates and guests. Mr. King then introduced Dr. Don Rogers, Superintendent of Elementary Education, Chicago, who welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Chicago Public School System and its general superintendent, Dr. Benjamin C. Willis.

Compatriot King next read a telegram of greeting from the Governor of the State of Illinois.



The burning of the mortgage on our Headquarters was one of the highlights of Recognition Night. President General Lory and Past President General de la Houssaye held the document while Executive Secretary Putnam applied the match. (Flash photo)

Mrs. E. Stewart James, National President, brought a greeting and message from the Society of the Children of the American Revolution.

Greetings from the Illinois Daughters of the American Revolution were extended by Mrs. H. Warner, State Regent.

Mrs. Enos Huffner, State President of Illinois C. A. R., was recognized by the assembly.

President General Lory read the following letter from the President of the United States.

"THE WHITE HOUSE  
Washington  
May 19, 1955

"Dear Mr. Lory:

"To you and all attending the 65th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution I extend greetings. It is essential that we constantly refresh our memory of the events which led our nation's independence and renew our understanding of the plain belief in human rights which led our forefathers to fight for their freedom. In a period in which America joins with other nations around the world to combat tyranny, we can gain continuing inspiration for our endeavors by remembering Bunker Hill, Valley Forge, and Yorktown, and the heroic assertion in Philadelphia in 1776 of the individual human beings' inalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

"My congratulations go to my fellow members of the Sons of the American Revolution on their efforts to keep the history of the Revolutionary era alive in American hearts and minds.

"Sincerely, (Signed)  
Dwight D. Eisenhower"

The President General also read greetings from Miss Gertrude Carraway, President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, expressing her regret because of her inability to be present. He also read letters of greeting from Representative Francis Walter of Pennsylvania and from Past Presidents General John W. Finger and Howard C. Rowley.

President General Lory acknowledged the greetings and introduced his Mother, Mrs. J. A. Lory, and his wife, and the assembly rose and applauded vigorously. He gave a brief account of his stewardship, stating that he had covered more

than 28,000 miles and had touched 38 States. He said he had stressed the objective of patriotism throughout his travels and he emphasized the spirit of cooperation he had found in all parts of the Society. He warned of the dangers of Socialism as well as Communism and urged resistance to political demagogues or others who softpedal their patriotism.

The President General then called on Compatriot John E. King who introduced a representative of the Mayor of Chicago, Mr. Leslie J. Sorenson, who brought greetings to the assembly.

President General Lory then asked for the reports of the General Officers. NOTE: All Officers and Committee Reports that were received in time were duplicated and distributed at the Congress. A limited number of copies are available at Headquarters upon request.

Vice President General Calvin C. Bolles of the New England District delivered a prepared report.

Compatriot Clement D. Asbury, Vice President General of the North Atlantic District, reported verbally and outlined plans to preserve Richmond Town, within New York City, and Fort Lee, across the Hudson River.

Major General Karl Truesdell, Vice President General of the Mid Atlantic District was unable to be present because

of illness.

Vice President General Crawford S. Rogers of the South Atlantic District was serving as Chairman of the Credentials Committee and was not available to give his report.

The report of the Vice President General for the Southern District, Compatriot Fredrick C. Grabner, had been duplicated and distributed. He added a few words, indicating progress and prosperity in his District.

Chancellor General Lew C. Church, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, announced that all proposed resolutions, in triplicate, must be in the hands of the committee by twelve noon on Tuesday, May 24th.

Dr. V. E. Holcombe, Vice President General of the Central District, gave a brief verbal report.

Vice President General Henry C. Fuller of the Great Lakes District and Vice President Charles E. Gilbert, Jr. of the South Mississippi District, whose reports had been duplicated, were unable to be present. The Vice President General for the North Mississippi District, Compatriot Howard A. Chapin, Jr., also was unable to attend.

Vice President General John R. Goble reported verbally for the Rocky

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President General Lory, on behalf of the National Society, accepted the General Cilley Sword, presented by Warren M. Taylor, representing the Ohio Society. Participating in the presentation was Compatriot James Harwood Garrison (center), a direct descendant of General Cilley. (Flash photo)



Mountain District, emphasizing the large proportion of S.A.R. members in the States of comparatively small population in his District.

Brigadier General Charles D. Y. Ostrom, Vice President General for the Pacific Coast District, supplemented his prepared report with a statement in regard to the reorganization of the Hawaiian Society, the organization of a prosperous State Society in Alaska, and the immediate prospect of chartering the Nevada Society. At the same time he presented a beautiful Alaska flag on behalf of the Alaskan Society, to be added to the collection of flags of all the States.

Secretary General Walter A. Wentworth stated that his report had been duplicated and his only regret was that he had not been able to sign more certificates for new members.

Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill, whose report had been duplicated, spoke briefly, expressing his pleasure that the mortgage on Headquarters had been paid in full and his belief that a part of the increased revenue of the Society resulting from the increase in per capita dues should be used for membership promotion purposes.

At the request of the President General, Past President General Allen L. Oliver assumed the Chair and asked for the report of Compatriot Louis F. Ridgeway, Registrar General, whose statistical report had been duplicated. Compatriot Ridgeway supplemented this with a statement in regard to the imperative need for building membership and expressed his pleasure that his own State of Ohio had led in the acquisition of new members during the 1954-1955 fiscal year.

President General Lory resumed the Chair and brought to the attention of the delegates the material made available by the Americanism Committee under the chairmanship of Compatriot Norman Anderson.

President General Lory introduced Mr. John Thompson, representing the Chicago *Tribune*, who accepted the award of the Society's gold Constructive Citizenship Medal to the late Colonel Robert R. McCormick. Mr. Lory paid tribute to the philosophy and accomplishments of Colonel McCormick during his lifetime and asked that the medal and certificate be presented to Mrs. McCormick. Mr. Thompson responded in

these words, "Mr. President General, if our distinguished editor and publisher were only here, he would be highly honored at this recognition you have given him. He was a member of your Society, as you know; and on behalf of the entire *Tribune* family, thank you, and the S.A.R., very, very, much."

There was applause from the assembly.

Genealogist General Redmond S. Cole reported that he had been called on to resolve problems on two occasions. He also told of the fine work accomplished by the Oklahoma Society in the membership field.

Chancellor General Lew C. Church reported that he had written eight opinions during the year and that the office had required considerable correspondence.

Rev. Francis Shunk Downs, Chaplain General, recommended that consideration be given to the adoption of the poem hymn, "We are the Sons," composed by Rev. Mott R. Sawyers, sung to the tune, "Faith of our Fathers" as the official hymn of the Society. Dr. Downs also told of the serious illness of Dr. Sawyers, Past Chaplain General of the Society, and suggested that a telegram of greeting and good wishes be dispatched from the Congress.

Librarian General P. Harry Byerly presented a prepared report. Past President General Oliver, who had assumed the Chair, expressed appreciation of Mr. Byerly's unselfish service.

President General Lory, having returned from a visit to a television studio, resumed the Chair and asked for the report of the Executive Secretary. Com-

patriot Putnam read his prepared report, which had been duplicated and distributed.

The President General announced the judges of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest: Past Presidents General Allen L. Oliver and A. Herbert Foreman and Compatriot Norris B. Crafts of Nebraska. President General Lory then turned over the meeting to the chairman of the contest committee, Compatriot E. Stewart James of Virginia. Mr. James outlined the history of the contest since its origin seven years before by the late Compatriot Douglass G. High of Ohio. He introduced the three contestants, Mr. John Haywood of Toledo, Ohio; Mr. Richard Halpert of Chicago, Illinois; and Mr. Robert Goodwin of Buffalo, New York. These young men were greeted with applause from the assembly. Compatriot James announced that the order of the delivery of the orations had been determined by lot and that the addresses would be limited to six minutes each. The three contestants delivered their carefully prepared and stirring addresses and Compatriot James asked the judges to retire and bring in a verdict.

While the decision of the judges was awaited, President General Lory called attention to the remarkable display of historic flags that had been lent by Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott, retiring President of Anthony Wayne Chapter of Toledo.

On motion of Past President General Hall, with several seconds from the floor, the Executive Secretary was directed to send telegraphic greetings to each of the Past Presidents



Minuteman Medals were presented to nine Compatriots at the ceremonies on Recognition Night. Those so honored were, front row, left to right: Charles B. Elder, Crawford S. Rogers, Stuart O. Landry, Walter A. Wentworth, Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Col. William T. Carpenter, Gardner Osborn, Redmond S. Cole and Edwin B. Graham. (Flash photo)

General who were absent from the Congress. Also on motion of Compatriot Hall, it was directed that a greeting be sent by telegraph to Past Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers. On motion of Compatriot Jones of Ohio, the Executive Secretary was directed to send a similar message to Past Genealogist General W. Guy Tetrick who was seriously ill at his home.

On motion of Compatriot Asbury, seconded by Compatriot Ridgway, the assembled delegates approved the actions of the Board of National Trustees at Meetings held since the close of the last Congress.

Past President General Oliver as chairman spoke for the judges of the oration contest, commenting on the high ability of the contestants and the difficulty of choosing the winner. He announced the considered and unanimous decision of the judges as follows: First prize, John Haywood of Toledo; Second prize, Robert Goodwin of Buffalo; Third prize, Richard Halpert, Chicago. There was vigorous and extended applause from the assembly.

President General Lory asked Vice President General Bolles to take the Chair while he appeared on television with the winner of the contest.

The Executive Secretary made announcements in connection with Recognition Night, to be held that evening, and Compatriot John E. King outlined the sightseeing plans for the afternoon.

The Colors were retired and the opening session of the Congress was adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

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#### RECOGNITION NIGHT

Evening Session, Monday, May 23, 8:00 P.M.

President General Lory asked the Chairman of the Membership-Organization Committee, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr. of New Jersey, to preside over the meeting. Mr. Williamson told briefly of the efforts of the Membership Committee during the past year and mentioned especially the 619 members who had been responsible for one or more new members. Because of the length of the list, Compatriot Williamson stated that it was impracticable to read the names of all of the winners of the membership awards, namely, rosettes with decorations in the colors of the Society, and, under an honor sys-

tem, the members who had enrolled one or more new members during the year were asked to step forward and receive the rosette and decoration.

President General Lory resumed the Chair and, with the assistance of Past President General Arthur A. de la Housaye and Executive Secretary Putnam, burned the mortgage on the Headquarters Building, which had been paid in full prior to the Congress.

Compatriot Putnam read the names of those who had been awarded the Certificate of Distinguished Service, for having enrolled ten or more new members, as follows: John T. Haynes, Illinois, 10; Pierre Albert Moore, Louisiana, 10; Harry F. Morse, Connecticut, 10; Charles Goodwin-Perkins, Illinois, 11; George T. Bogue, Ohio, 11; Col. William T. Carpenter, Alabama, 13; Charles A. Mersereau, California, 14; Jean A. Hibbard, Washington State, 14; Arthur G. Stewart, District of Columbia, 14; John C. Wroe, Massachusetts, 16; Gardner Osborn, New York, 17; H. Lewis Mathewson, California, 18; Edward B. Graham, Pennsylvania, 21; Charles T. Walker, Oklahoma, 22; Edward M. Hall, Ohio, 26.

Since Mr. Hall was in Europe, President Andrew P. Martin of the Ohio Society received the certificate on his behalf. Mr. Putnam announced that Compatriot Hall had also won the Florence Kendall award for outstanding work on membership during the year and asked Compatriot Martin to accept this award, an Official Insigne, also on behalf of Compatriot Hall.

Mr. Putnam then asked Compatriot Redmond Cole to return to the platform to receive a miniature insignie, representing second place in the Florence Kendall Award, on behalf of Compatriot Charles T. Walker of Oklahoma.

Executive Secretary Putnam announced that the *Texas Banner*, awarded for the greatest percentage of increase among State Societies of less than 100 members, had been won by the Alaska Society with an increase of 44 per cent.

The *Colorado Banner*, for the greatest percentage of increase among State Societies of more than 100 members, was won by the Oklahoma Society.

The *Senator Robert A. Taft Banner*, for the largest number of new members,

was won by the Ohio Society with 123.

The *Syracuse Banner*, for the largest number of new chapters, was won again by the Virginia Society, which had won it the preceding year.

The *Arthur G. Trimble Trophy*, for the State Society enrolling the greatest percentage of potential members, based on the D.A.R. membership in the State or Territory, was won by the Alaska Society.

The *Ohio Banner*, for the State Society enrolling the largest percentage of new members under thirty years of age, was won by the Kentucky Society.

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award, the highest award of the Society, were then announced and the recipients were welcomed by the winners of the award in previous years. Those receiving the Minute Man award at the 65th Congress were: Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Massachusetts; Col. William T. Carpenter, Alabama; Walter A. Wentworth, New York; Stuart O. Landry, Louisiana; Crawford S. Rogers, Virginia; Charles Burke Elder, Illinois; Redmond S. Cole, Oklahoma; Gardner Osborn, New York; and Edwin B. Graham, Pennsylvania. The Minute Man award had been approved also for Dr. John A. Fritchey, II, Pennsylvania, who was not present. It was pointed out that under the regulations the Minute Man award must be received personally.

President General Lory recognized especially the presence of Past President General Ben H. Powell, III, who had been one of the first recipients of the Minute Man award. He also thanked Compatriot Leo Terry whose organ music had been a part of the Recognition Night ceremonies.

The President General recognized Compatriot Warren M. Taylor, immediate Past President of the Ohio Society, and Mr. Taylor made the formal presentation to the National Society of the General Joseph Cilley sword, which had been presented to General Cilley in recognition of his services by General George Washington. Mr. Taylor spoke eloquently of the valorous service of General Cilley at Saratoga, Monmouth and in other engagements. He pointed out that there were several direct descendants of General Cilley in the room, among them Col. Clifford Cilley Gray and Mr. James Harwood Garrison Compatriot Garrison, Vice President of Cincinnati Chapter, was escorted to the platform by the Guard of Honor and made the formal presentation of the sword to the President General, who accepted with these words, "May this always be a reminder of the liberty and independence that we have achieved through the patriotism of such men." He placed the sword, which is to be suitably displayed at National Headquarters, in the custody of executive Secretary Putnam. NOTE: Following the Congress another descendant, Mr. Morgan A. Cilley of Lewisburg, West Virginia, visited Headquarters and presented the

red sash which was won with the sword by General Cilley.

The Colors were retired and the evening session was adjourned.

## TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

May 24, 1955

The President General called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., the Colors were posted by the Color Guard, and the Invocation was pronounced by Chaplain Louis A. Bowman of the Illinois Society.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was followed by the singing of "America" by Compatriot Leo Terry.

President General Lory announced that the next order of business was reports of Chairmen of National Committees and asked for the report of Rear Adm. William Rea Furlong, Chairman of the American Sovereignty Committee, who presented a prepared report which had been distributed.

The Chairman of the Americanism Committee, Compatriot Norman Anderson, presented a prepared report which had been duplicated. Supplementing this report, Compatriot Aaron M. Sargent of San Francisco delivered an address, "The State of Our Union."

There was some discussion of methods of carrying on the program outlined by Compatriot Sargent. On motion of Compatriot Osborn, duly seconded, the incoming President General was directed to appoint a committee to survey what the Society might undertake along the lines suggested by Mr. Sargent and to devise a program.

President General Lory introduced Compatriot Major William Oliver Smith of North Carolina, National Commander of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor, who brought a brief message to the assembly.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Audit Committee, Compatriot Robert W. Thompson, Compatriot Clarence A. Cook of Indiana made a brief verbal report.

Dr. V. E. Holcombe, Chairman of the Basic Documents Committee, presented a prepared report.

A prepared report was presented by Compatriot Horace Y. Kitchell, Chairman of the Bill of Rights Commemorative Committee.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr.

Wheaton H. Brewer, Compatriot Stanley S. Gillam presented the report of the Budget and Finance Committee, amplifying one or two of the items contained in the 1955-56 budget. On motion of Compatriot Gillam, seconded by Compatriot Ridgway, the budget as recommended by the Board of Trustees, was adopted unanimously.

The President General called on Compatriot William M. Parker, Chairman of the Children of the American Revolution Committee, who stated that instead of reading his prepared report he had arranged for Mr. Lawrence Stith, immediate Past Junior President of the C.A.R., to speak to the assembly. Mr. Stith stressed the need of increased assistance and cooperation from officers and members of the S.A.R.

President General Lory thanked Mr. Stith and stated that his application for membership in the S.A.R. had been filed.

The Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, Compatriot Reginald Mitchell, delivered a prepared report.

The Chairman of the Constitution and By-laws Committee, Compatriot Eugene P. Carver, Jr., stated that the committee had no report.

Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth, Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship, stated that the committee had not completed its investigation of textbooks which might be recommended to schools and therefore the committee had no report to make to the Congress.

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Compatriot Charles A. Jones, Chairman, reported for the Constitution Day Observance Committee, stating that he had had splendid cooperation in the issuing of proclamations from the Governors of most of the States. He pointed out, however, the confusion which exists due to the request of the Federal Government for recognition of Citizenship Day rather than of Constitution Day.

President Ross K. Cook of the New Jersey Society was recognized and stated that the records of our late Compatriot David L. Pierson, originator of Constitution Day, were in the custody of the David L. Pierson Memorial Society and had been placed at Princeton University.

The President General introduced Col. Edward N. Wentworth, wishing him a continued speedy recovery from a serious illness and Compatriot Wentworth spoke briefly to the assembly.

Past President General Hall reported verbally as Chairman of the Daughters of the American Revolution Committee, thanking D.A.R. members all over the country for their wonderful cooperation.

The Chairman of the Declaration of Independence Day Committee, Compatriot Harry F. Morse, was not present.

The Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee was not in the room and Executive Secretary Putnam remarked on the many favorable comments he had received in regard to the oratorical contest, which had been held on the preceding day.

The following Committee Chairmen were not in attendance at the Congress: I Am an American Day, Rev. A. Watson Brown; Immigration, Robert H. Overstreet; Historic Sites and Buildings, Gen. U. S. Grant, III.

Compatriot Byerly stated that the report of the Library Committee had been included with his report as Librarian General.

The Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, Major General Karl Truesdell, was absent due to illness. On motion of Treasurer General McNeill, duly seconded, the Executive Secretary was directed to send Compatriot Truesdell a telegram of greeting.

Past President General Foreman, Chairman of the Permanent Fund Committee, stated that there is a balance of \$500.00 in the fund and that the committee entertained a receptive attitude

toward donations.

The President General called for the report of the Chairman of the Membership-Organization Committee, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr., who stated that his report had been given the previous evening at the Recognition Night ceremonies.

The Chairman of the Public Lectures Committee, Compatriot Lewis Addington Smith, supplemented his duplicated report with a verbal report warning of the dangers of socialism and communism.

The Chairman of the Publications Committee, Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., was not present, but his written report was on file.

The President General called for the report of the Resolutions Committee and the Chairman, Compatriot Lew C. Church, addressed the assembly, acknowledging the excellent work of the sub-chairmen, Judge Abram Zoller and Eugene P. Carver, Jr., and introducing the members of the Committee, Rear Admiral William Rea Furlong, Dr. V. E. Holcombe, and Compatriots Winfield Worline, Sam Houston, Aaron M. Sargent, Stanton T. Lawrence and Lewis A. Smith. He expressed regret than another member, Compatriot Harry E. Sherwin, had been unable to attend the Congress.

The Resolutions Committee submitted a number of resolutions for consideration of the Congress and upon proper motions they were adopted by the Congress. The full text of all resolutions is published elsewhere in this issue of the Magazine.

The Executive Secretary made certain announcements, the Colors were retired, and, upon motion, the Tuesday morning session of the 65th Congress was adjourned.

## WEDNESDAY MORNING

SESSION

May 25, 1955

The Wednesday session of the Congress was called to order by the President General at 9:00 A.M. The Invocation was given by the Chaplain General, Reverend Francis Shunk Downs. The assembly gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States and "America, the Beautiful" was led by Leo Terry.

The President General announced that 192 delegates had been registered up to that time, and commented that this registration compared favorably with that at Williamsburg in 1954.

Executive Secretary Putnam read a telegram of greeting from our loyal Compatriot, A. A. Hoffman, who was seriously ill in Florida at the time.

The President General called for the final report of the Resolutions Committee. The remainder of the resolutions were presented for consideration by the delegates. After some discussion and one or two amendments, all were adopted, and are published elsewhere in this issue.

Following the adoption of the resolutions, the sub-chairman, Compatriot Carver, thanked the members of the committee for their good work.

Compatriot Gordon of Alabama asked for permission to present a resolution from the floor. After some discussion of the rules, Judge Zoller stated that he had been informed of the resolution before noon the preceding day, the deadline, but that it had not been possible to have the resolution in typed form at that time. On motion of Compatriot Asmann, seconded from the floor, it was voted unanimously to suspend the rules in favor of Compatriot Gordon's resolution. This resolution, in reference to recognition of Constitution Day, with a slight amendment was passed unanimously and is published with the other resolutions.

On motion of Treasurer General McNeill duly seconded, the Executive Sec-

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retary was directed to send a telegram of appreciation of his message to President Eisenhower.

The next order of business was consideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-laws and the Executive Secretary stated that the proposed amendments had been sent to all State Societies sixty days in advance of the Congress as required by the Constitution and By-laws. Compatriot Putnam read the amendment, proposed by the Board of National Trustees at the meeting of October 16, 1954, to Article XIX, Section 5, of the By-laws, explaining that its intention was to make the reinstatement fee conform to the per capita dues as established by the amendments to the By-laws adopted at the Williamsburg Congress. Upon motion, duly seconded, the proposed amendment was adopted unanimously so that Article XIX, Section 5, of the By-laws now reads as follows:

"Article XIX, Section 5. When any member, whose membership has terminated for any cause, shall be reinstated by his State Society, such State Society shall immediately report such reinstatement to the National Society, and shall at the same time pay to the National Society a fee of two dollars and a half (\$2.50) for such reinstatement."

Compatriot Huxford of Georgia raised a question as to the effective date of this amendment. There was some discussion and it was the consensus that the amendment become effective at the close of the Congress in accordance with the rules adopted by the Congress.

Executive Secretary Putnam read the amendment to the By-laws proposed by the Board of National Trustees at the meeting of February 12, 1955, as follows:

"Amend Article XVIII—Other Committees—of the By-laws by renumbering the present Section 2 as Section 3, and adding a new Section 2, as follows:

"Section 2. The President General shall appoint with approval of the Congress a committee to be known as Sons of the American Revolution Scholarship Fund, to be administered and scholarships granted by five Fund Trustees, who shall be members in good standing in the Society, and who shall serve for terms of one to five years as they shall determine by lot; upon expiration of each term, the President General shall appoint a successor Fund Trustee for a

full five year term with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Fund Trustees may succeed themselves as such. Fund Trustees shall serve without compensation in such capacity.

"The Board of Trustees shall deposit all gifts and contributions to the Society, unless otherwise earmarked, in a special bank account, in the name of the Fund, and shall appropriate such additional funds from the General Account as the Congress and the Board of Trustees shall authorize, to meet necessary expenses of administration and to increase the Fund available for grants.

"All disbursements from the special account shall be made by the Officers of the Society upon requisition by the Fund Trustees. The Executive Secretary of the Society shall act as Secretary and administrative officer of the Fund and keep all records thereof.

"The Board of Trustees shall approve By-laws, rules, and regulations proposed by the Fund Trustees to govern the administration of the Scholarship Fund.

"In so far as is practicable, preference as grantees shall be given to members of the Society and of the Children of the American Revolution, or those eligible thereto, but shall not be limited thereto."

Past President General Hall outlined the plans for the Educational Fund made possible by the bequest to the Society of \$5,000.00 by the late Compatriot Samuel

Outwater of Lockport, New York. He said that the President General had appointed a committee composed of Admiral Alvin B. Chandler, Past President General Foreman, Compatriot Stanley S. Gillam and himself to investigate the possibilities and the manner and method by which such a scholarship fund could be brought into existence. He explained the reasons for the proposed amendment permitting the organization to expend monies for scholarship purposes and cited several suggested changes in the proposed amendment that had been made prior to the Congress. Compatriot Hall moved the adoption of the proposed amendment as corrected and there was lengthy discussion of the proposed scholarship fund and its administration. Compatriot Hamilton of Virginia moved that the Congress go on record as approving the creation of a scholarship fund and that a suitable committee be appointed to draw plans for the administration of such a fund for submission to the 66th Annual Congress. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Hall and duly adopted.

Col. Frederick W. Huntington, immediate Past President of the Texas Society, had asked for the privilege of addressing the Congress and spoke to the assembly on the subjects of building membership, lowering the average age of the membership, obtaining better pub-

licity, and the vital work carried on by the Americanism Committee.

President General Lory asked that the rules be waived to permit the adoption of a resolution of appreciation to Governor Chapman, the Mayor of Chicago, the Illinois Society, the Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, John E. King, the Historian General, Dr. Harold I. Meyer, and the Hilton Hotel. Such a motion was made from the floor and duly seconded and the resolution was adopted unanimously.

The next order of business was the nomination and election of the General Officers. Past President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye addressed the assembly as follows:

"Mr. President General, fellow Compatriots, and also to the ladies, even though they may not be able to vote, I rise to place before you in nomination and for your consideration a man, a compatriot, and a patriot, who has given all but half of his entire lifetime to furthering the best interests of the Sons of the American Revolution; the man whom I would place in nomination was born at Orange New Jersey, on November 24th, 1903, and I guess that may be argumentative, but I have figured it out that he is 51 years old, six months and one day. (Applause) This Compatriot is a graduate of Columbia University Graduate School. He is also a graduate of Stevens Institute of Technology, Graduate School. He is very happily married to that lovely lady, Katharine Louise Sibley, who will certainly grace the Chair as the First Lady of S.A.R. in a most satisfactory way.

"He lives at North Orange Parkway, East Orange, New Jersey. He is by profession a realtor and he has a real estate, insurance and mortgage firm in Newark, New Jersey. This gentleman is a former member of the New Jersey State Legislature, where he had the honor of serving his State four times. He is a former commissioner where they know him best, in his own city, where he has served for five terms. He is a churchgoing member, and belongs to that great church, the Methodist Church, and attends the Calvary Methodist Church of Orange, New Jersey.

"He became a Compatriot of the Sons of the American Revolution on July 19th, 1929, and the best thing that a

Southerner can say about him is that he comes through the line of his great ancestor, William Williamson of North Carolina.

"He has been elected to practically every office in his local chapter. The only one which is guarded zealously by us lawyers is Chancellor and that is the only exception and the only chair that he did not fill in his local chapter.

"With reference to the State Society, he has held the office of New Jersey Society Secretary for two terms. He has been Vice President of the State Society of New Jersey for two terms. He has been First Vice President for two terms, and he has been President for two terms. He is now a life member, which he certainly ought to be, of the Board of Managers of the New Jersey State Society.

"What has he done in the National Society to deserve recognition at your hands? He has a rather enviable record, I would say. He has been a Trustee of the National Society for one term. He has been a Vice President General for the North Atlantic District for one

term. He has been Secretary General of the National Society for three terms. He has served on the Executive Committee under two Presidents General. He has served as your Chairman of the National Membership Committee for two terms.

"In addition, he has had that onerous duty—and I am sure John King will so recognize—he has served as General Chairman for two Congresses of the National Society.

"He is, in addition to all of these, the recipient of the next highest award, because I think the President General is the highest award within the gift of the National Society. He is the wearer of the Minute Man award, having received it in 1952. I could go on and on and recount to you the reasons why his friends think that he is capable and qualified. But I think that the best that I can do today is to read a very short resolution that was adopted by those who know him best, those that live with him day in and day out, the New Jersey State Society, and here is what they had to say:

"That, whereas, our Compatriot,



Left to right: Calvin C. Bolles, Vice President General; Howard E. Coe, National Trustee; Burton J. Hine, Branch President; M. Heminway Merriman, M.D., former Branch President; Milton M. Lory, President General, and James R. Case, President of Connecticut Society, witness the presentation of an American Flag donated to the Mattatuck Branch, by the Merriman Family in honor of their late cousin, Compatriot Buckingham Parsons Merriman. (Don A. Coviello photo)

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"Mr. President General and members of the Congress, it gives me great pleasure to place in nomination for the highest office of President General, with a high realization of all the responsibility which it entails, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr., of New Jersey." (Applause)

The nomination was seconded by Past President General A. Herbert Foreman, Compatriot Stanton T. Lawrence on behalf of the State of New Jersey, and Compatriot Osborn on behalf of Past President General John W. Finger and the Empire State Society. There were seconds also from the following States: Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Nebraska, the Rocky Mountain District, Texas, Alabama, California, and Washington State. On motion of Compatriot McNeill the nominations were closed and the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the unanimous election of Compatriot Williamson as President General. The Honor Guard escorted President General-elect Williamson to the platform and he spoke briefly to the assembly, expressing appreciation of the honor that had been conferred and asking for support in the work of the coming year.

President General Lory asked for nominations for the office of Secretary General and Compatriot Furlong of D. C. placed in nomination the name of Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth which was seconded by Compatriot Osborn of New York. There were many seconds from the floor and on motion of Compatriot Gobble the nominations were closed, the rules were suspended, and Compatriot Wentworth was declared elected by acclamation.

Compatriot McDonald placed the name of Compatriot Robert H. McNeill in nomination for the office of Treasurer

General. There were many seconds from the floor and, on motion of Compatriot Gobble, the nominations were closed, the election was declared to be by acclamation, and the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot.

Compatriot Martin of Ohio placed in nomination for the office of Registrar General the name of Compatriot Edward M. Hall of Cleveland. The nomination was seconded by Compatriot Williamson, there were seconds from many States, and Compatriot Hall was elected by acclamation, the Executive Secretary being instructed to cast one ballot.

Compatriot Clarence A. Cook of Indiana was nominated for the office of Historian General by Compatriot Breece of Indiana. There were numerous seconds from the floor and, on motion, the nominations were closed, Compatriot Cook was elected by acclamation, and the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot.

Compatriot Cole of Oklahoma placed in nomination the name of Dr. Harold I. Meyer, for Genealogist General, the nomination was seconded by Compatriot Cook, many compatriots seconded, and on motion of Compatriot Bergen, the nominations were closed.

Dr. Meyer was elected by acclamation, the Executive Secretary casting one ballot.

Compatriot Hallan Huffman of Minnesota nominated Compatriot Lew C. Church for the office of Chancellor General. Compatriot Babb seconded the nomination. Many seconded from the floor, and on motion of Compatriot Hall the nominations were closed and the election was declared to be by acclamation, the Executive Secretary having cast one ballot.

Compatriot H. Lewis Mathewson nominated Dr. Francis Shunk Downs for the office of Chaplain General. The nomination was seconded by Compatriot Graham of Pennsylvania and many others. On motion of Compatriot Gobble, the nominations were closed and the election was unanimous.

Col. Thurston H. Baxter of the District of Columbia nominated Compatriot P. Harry Byerly for the office of Librarian General. Many Compatriots seconded, the nominations were closed, and Mr. Byerly was elected unanimously.

The nominations of the offices of Vice Presidents General followed. Compatriot John C. Wroe placed the name of Calvin C. Bolles of Connecticut in

nomination for the office of Vice President General of the New England District. There were many seconds and on motion of Compatriot de la Houssaye the nominations were closed and Compatriot Bolles was elected unanimously.

Compatriot Herschell S. Murphy of New Jersey nominated Compatriot Clement D. Asbury for reelection to the office of Vice President General of North Atlantic District. There was a second from the Empire State Society and from many other State Societies. On motion of Compatriot Gobble, duly seconded, the nominations were closed and Compatriot Asbury's election was unanimous.

Compatriot Louis J. Heizmann was nominated for the office of Vice President General of the Mid Atlantic District. Compatriots from the District of Columbia and many States seconded. On motion, the nominations were closed and Compatriot Heizmann was elected unanimously.

Past President General A. Herbert Foreman nominated Compatriot Folks Huxford of Georgia for the office of Vice President General of the South Atlantic District. There were seconds from many States. It was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed and the election was declared unanimous.

Compatriot Cain of Mississippi nominated Vice President General Fredrick C. Grabner of the Southern District for reelection. Compatriots from a number of other States seconded and on motion the nominations were closed and the election was unanimous.

Compatriot Charles A. Jones of Ohio placed in nomination the name of Compatriot James G. Cecil of Indiana for the office of Vice President General of the Central District. A number of delegates seconded the nomination and on motion of Compatriot Gobble the nominations were closed and Compatriot Cecil was elected unanimously.

Col. Edward N. Wentworth of Illinois was nominated for the office of Vice President General of the Great Lakes District by Compatriot John H. Babb. The nomination was seconded by a delegate from Wisconsin, representatives from many States seconded, and on motion the nominations were closed and the election was unanimous.

Compatriot Carl A. Herrick of Minnesota was nominated for the office of

Vice President General of the North Mississippi District by Compatriot Howard R. Hush. There were a number of seconds from this and other Districts. On motion, the nominations were closed and Compatriot Herrick was elected unanimously.

The Chair recognized Genealogist General Cole who placed in nomination the name of Col. Frederick W. Huntington of Texas for the office of Vice President General of the South Mississippi District. This nomination was seconded by Past President General Ben H. Powell, III, a number of delegates also seconded and it was moved and seconded to close the nominations. The election was unanimous.

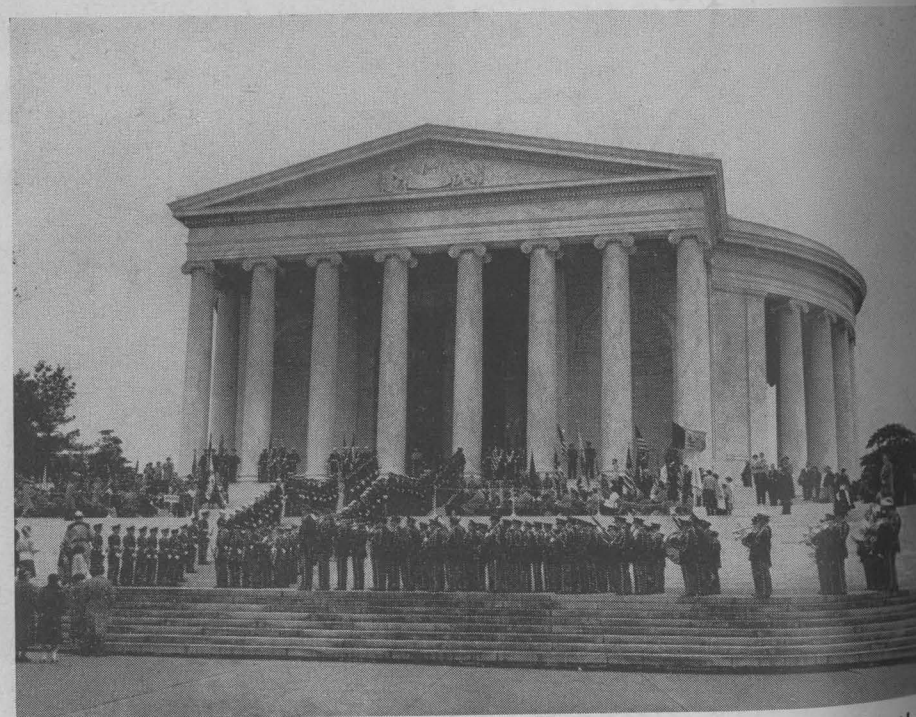
The retiring Vice President General of the Rocky Mountain District, Compatriot John R. Gobble, nominated Compatriot W. E. Springer of Arizona to succeed him. There were several seconds and Compatriot Springer was elected unanimously.

A California delegate placed in nomination the name of Dr. Burt Brown Barker of Oregon for the office of Vice President General of the Pacific Coast District. Representatives from a number of States seconded and on motion the

nominations were closed and the election was declared to be by acclamation.

Compatriot Hamilton of Virginia called attention to the fact that the office of the twelfth Vice President General, for "All United States of America and foreign territories not hereinbefore specifically included" had not been filled for a number of years. He nominated retiring President General Lory for this office and, following a number of seconds, the election was declared unanimous. Compatriot Lory responded in good humor and thanked the delegates for the honor. NOTE: The Chancellor General was later asked for an opinion as to the legality of this election and delivered the following opinion:

"In my opinion, to be eligible for election as a Vice President General for a district, the compatriot must be a resident of that district. It follows that as Compatriot Lory was not a resident of the territory specified in sub-division (12) of Article V of the By-laws at the time of the election, he was not eligible for the office of Vice President General from that district, and his election is a nullity. I regret coming to this conclusion, but see no alternative. (Signed) Lew C. Church."



The Annual Observance of the Birthday of Thomas Jefferson sponsored by the District of Columbia Society was held on April 13, at the Jefferson Memorial. The speaker of the day was the Honorable Joel T. Broyhill, Congressman from Virginia. (National Park Service photo)



Greeting Dr. Elwood Nance, president of the University of Tampa, guest speaker at the annual banquet of the Florida Society are pictured, left to right: Hal Freoff, 2nd vice president; Dr. Nance; P. W. Fisher, 1st vice president; Col. M. C. Burnside, president; Maj. J. B. Holt, historian, and Arthur W. Blodgett, secretary, treasurer.



Executive Secretary Putnam prepared to read the names of the nominees for the office of National Trustee received from the several State Societies, explaining that in cases where no nomination had been received the State President would fill the office in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws. He asked for any corrections from the floor and, there being none, read the following list of nominations:

Alabama, George F. Browning, Jr.  
Alaska, William W. Elliott, Jr.  
Arizona, Joseph B. Love  
Arkansas, Mason E. Mitchell  
California, Carl N. Helmick  
Colorado, George E. Tarbox, Jr.  
Connecticut, Howard E. Coe  
Delaware, Judge P. Warren Green  
District of Columbia, Charles T. MacDonald  
Florida, James L. Ingram  
France, General Comte de Chambrun  
Georgia, George P. Whitman, Sr.  
Hawaii, Dr. L. Clagett Beck  
Idaho, John R. Gobble  
Illinois, John E. King  
Indiana, John E. King  
Iowa, James T. Mulhall  
Kansas, William F. Turrentine  
Kentucky, Ransom H. Bassett  
Louisiana, Arthur B. LaCour  
Maine, Herbert S. Hodsdon  
Maryland, George S. Robertson  
Massachusetts, Eugene P. Carver, Jr.  
Michigan, Charles S. Prescott  
Minnesota, Hallan Huffman  
Mississippi, C. E. Holmes  
Missouri, John W. Giesecke  
Montana, R. B. Stevens  
Nebraska, L. R. King  
New Hampshire, Harry E. Sherwin  
New Jersey, Harvey B. Nelson, Jr.  
New Mexico, Horace R. McDowell  
New York, Hon. Abram Zoller  
North Carolina, Travis B. Callum  
North Dakota, Maurice E. McCurdy  
Ohio, Warren M. Taylor  
Oklahoma, Vincent Mulford, Jr.  
Oregon, Walter S. Bear  
Pennsylvania, Edward B. Graham  
Rhode Island, Chester R. Martin  
South Carolina, James B. Murphy  
South Dakota, David H. Smith  
Tennessee, Russell Wright  
Texas, Robert W. Thompson  
Utah, Karl D. Hardy  
Vermont, Oscar A. Rixford  
Virginia, Crawford S. Rogers  
Washington State, Jean A. Hibbard

West Virginia, Dr. V. E. Holcombe  
Wisconsin, Rev. Hansen Bergen  
Wyoming, Daniel C. Leach, Jr.

Past President General de la Houssaye moved that all of these Compatriots be elected to the office of National Trustee, the motion was seconded, and the Executive Secretary was authorized to cast one ballot to signify the unanimous election.

The next order of business was the invitations to the 66th Annual Congress.

Compatriot Gobble introduced Vice President Wilson Maglidt of the New Mexico Society who extended the invitation of that Society to meet in Albuquerque in 1956.

President Ernest S. Crosby extended the invitation of the Empire State Society to hold the 66th Annual Congress at the Sagamore Hotel, Bolton's Landing, Lake George, New York, from Sunday, May 27th, through Wednesday, May 30th, 1956. The invitation was seconded by Secretary General Walter A. Wentworth and Judge Abram Zoller, National Trustee for New York.

President General Lory asked the delegates in favor of meeting in Albuquerque to rise, then those favoring Lake

George to rise, and declared that the invitation of the Empire State Society had been accepted.

NOTE: The change of date from the third to the fourth Monday of May was approved by the Trustees at the meeting which followed the Congress.

President General Lory recognized Compatriot Arthur G. Trimble, who, on behalf of President H. Ryerson Decker of the Pennsylvania Society who was absent because of illness, extended an invitation on behalf of that Society and Pittsburgh Chapter to the National Society to hold its Annual Congress in Pittsburgh in 1958, the 200th anniversary of the founding of that city.

At the request of President General Lory, the Honor Guard escorted to the front of the room Mrs. Williamson, wife of the President General-elect, who graciously acknowledged the applause of the assembly.

President General Lory addressed the delegates, thanking the officers who had served during his administration, and presenting Certificates of Appreciation to these General Officers and members of the Executive Committee.

Executive Secretary Putnam an-



Thomas E. Wilson (left), chairman of the board of Wilson & Co., received the Patriotic Service Award of the Illinois Society, April 29, at the University Club, Chicago. Compatriot Samuel B. Pettingill presented the award on behalf of the Society (Flash photo)

nounced that the newly elected Board of Trustees would meet at 3:00 P.M. that day in the hotel.

The assembly rose to express appreciation to the President General for the excellent manner in which he had presided over the Congress, and for a job well done during the year.

At the request of the Chaplain General, Dr. Downs, the Chaplain of the Michigan Society, Rev. Grant L. Jordan, pronounced the benediction.

The Colors were retired and President General Lory declared the 65th Annual Congress adjourned with these words, "God bless you and God speed you on your way."

## NEWS FROM OUR STATE SOCIETIES AND CHAPTERS

Accounts of the activities of our State and Chapter organizations are published in the Magazine so that all of our Compatriots may know what is being done throughout the Society. Chapter officers may find suggestions for Chapter activities through reading what is being accomplished in other communities. Also, this is a means of informing Compatriots who cannot attend meetings regularly, of the work being done by our Society.

Please note that copy for the October issue of the Magazine must be received at Headquarters not later than September 10.

### Alabama Society

The Alabama Society, held its Annual Meeting Sunday, March 13, 1955, at the new Student's Union Building, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama, the Richard Henry Lee Chapter, S.A.R., Robert F. Clothier, President, as Host Chapter, assisted by members of the Light Horse Harry Lee Chapter, D.A.R. of Auburn.

The Invocation was given by William F. Franke, Sr., and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by J. Whitfield Moore, after which the Assemblage stood in silence for one minute in respect to the deceased Compatriots, Colonel Woolsey Finnell and Beekman Lee Youngblood.

The Society was welcomed to the A.P.I. Campus by Doctor Zebulon Judd, Dean of the College of Education and to Auburn by President Robert F. Clothier, Richard Henry Lee Chapter.

The Guest Speaker, Judge Leigh M. Clark of Birmingham, was introduced

by Colonel O. Pierre Lee. Judge Clark gave a most inspiring and interesting address with subject "Salt of the Earth."

The meeting was well attended by members and guests from the State at Large and a delicious dinner was served at 12:30 P.M.

After the dinner and the retirement of guests and non-members the business meeting was held.

Officers for the next year were elected as follows:

**President**—Dr. Zebulon Judd of Auburn

**Vice-Presidents**—Armstead T. Han-

son, Jr., Fairfax; Wiley D. Green, Tuscaloosa; Francis W. Sheppard, Birmingham; David G. Henderson, Jr., Guntersville; and H. Willis Hill, Mooresville.

**Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar**—Rear Admiral Ligon B. Ard, U.S.N.R., Ret. of Auburn

**Historian**—Col. William T. Carpenter Tuscaloosa

**Genealogist**—Leon A. Nolen Birmingham

**Chancellor**—Justice Robert T. Simpson (Supreme Court of Ala.) Montgomery

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A portrait of Benjamin Harrison was presented to the Finance Center, U. S. Army, Fort Benjamin Harrison, by representatives of the Indiana Society, March 15, 1955. Left to right: Clarence A. Cook, president emeritus; Arthur H. Northrup, president; Brig. Gen. Emmet J. Bean, commanding general; and John H. Jefferson, president-elect participated in the presentation ceremony. (U. S. Army photo)



**STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued**

*Chaplain*—Rev. John C. Turner, Birmingham

*Sergeant-at-Arms*—William A. Cochran, Jr., Birmingham.

*Board of Managers*—John C. Tyson, Jr., Montgomery; Edmond P. Garrett, Sr., Belle Mina; Dr. Joseph H. Durrett, Tuscaloosa; Keith G. Reeve, Auburn; Robert C. Garrison, Birmingham; and Dr. Walter J. Alves, Guntersville

*Trustee*—George F. Browning, Jr., Bridgeport

The new officers were sworn in by retiring President Dr. James O. Horton, Jr. and President elect Judd took the Chair and made an appreciative and inspiring address.

By unanimous vote the Society adopted the following Resolution:

"We declare our conviction that the preservation of the rights, liberty and freedom of the American people to those things preserved in the Bill of Rights of the Constitution of the United States requires an amendment to the Constitution to restrict the treaty making power of the United States so that no treaty that is in conflict with the Constitution of the United States shall be or become supreme law over the Constitution and the amendments thereof.

"That a copy of this resolution be sent to the United States Senators, and Congressmen from the State of Alabama, and that they be urged to support an amendment to the Constitution limiting the treaty powers so as to protect the rights and liberties of the American citizens in those matters guaranteed under our Constitution and in the Bill of Rights."

The Benediction was given by William F. Franke, Sr., and the meeting adjourned.

After adjournment Doctor and Mrs. Zebulon Judd gave a delightful reception at their home to the members and guests.

The birthday of Thomas Jefferson was celebrated by the Birmingham Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution at a Jefferson Day Dinner at the Mountain Brook Country Club on Wednesday, April 13th, when Honorable James A. Simpson, former State Senator from Jefferson County, addressed the Chapter on, "Thomas Jefferson's View of Religion."

Robert P. Gordon as President of the

Chapter presided at the meeting. Reverend John C. Turner gave the invocation.

Following the dinner a business meeting was conducted and the Chapter adopted a resolution urging the State Society to place a historical marker at the place where John Sevier, Revolutionary Soldier and Governor of Tennessee died, located in Macon County, Alabama.

**Arkansas Society**

Brig. Gen. E. L. Compere of El Dorado was elected president of the Arkansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at the Society's sixty-sixth annual meeting.

General Compere, who supervised the induction of Arkansas in World War II and postwar years, is a practicing attorney at El Dorado. He left the state Selective Service post in January 1954.

General Compere will replace Mason E. Mitchell of Conway as President April 1, Mitchell was elected secretary.

The Society met to celebrate Washington's Birthday. About 30 men and

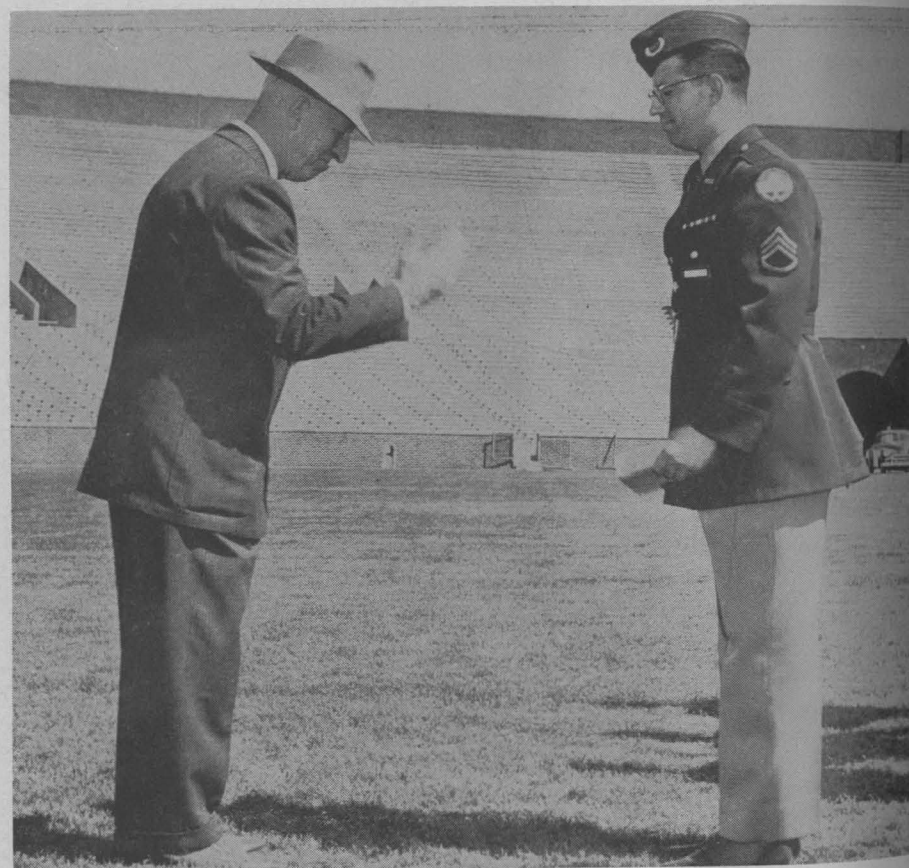
women, descendants of America's founders, attended a dinner after the business session ended at the Sam Peck Hotel.

Guest speaker was Dr. Harry A. Little of Little Rock, who spoke on "Our Responsibilities to the Philippines." Dr. Little returned early last fall from a United Nations mission to that nation.

**California Society**

The California Society was represented at the State Conference of the D.A.R. held at the Sheraton Palace Hotel in San Francisco by Vice President Judge Bradford Bosley, who addressed the group on behalf of the Sons of the American Revolution. State Secretary H. Lewis Mathewson was also present and was again named to serve as one of the two State Counselors for the California Society, D.A.R.

President Helmick spent several days in the Imperial Valley meeting with compatriots who are interested in organizing an Imperial County Chapter, and he with Vice President Colonel



Cadet Sergeant Walter Anastas (right) received the watch awarded by the Minneapolis Chapter S.A.R., for distinction achieved through interest and participation in the Military and University at the University of Minnesota. Compatriot Winthrop N. Wadsworth, past president of the Chapter made the presentation. (U. S. Army photo)

**STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued**

Blanche of Pasadena, are looking forward to going to Santa Barbara to complete organization of the chapter there.

Vice President General Charles D. Y. Ostrom has just returned from a visit to the Hawaiian Islands, where he met with members of the Hawaii Society.

**San Francisco Chapter**

San Francisco Chapter participated in the Annual Washington's Birthday Memorial Service at Grace Cathedral, located on Nob Hill in San Francisco, with President Bergen Van Brunt participating in the service. Co-sponsors of the event were the six D.A.R. chapters of San Francisco, the Society of Cincinnati, and the Military Order of the World Wars. The chapter was represented in the Massing of the Colors using their new Chapter flag along with the American flag.

On February 22d the chapter was represented by Compatriots Mersereau and Mathewson at the flag pole dedication ceremonies held at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, the community center operated in the heart of a colony of White Russians. On February 24th Compatriots Marshall and Mathewson represented the chapter at a joint gathering at the statue of Washington in the War Memorial Building entrance at which time President General Miss Gertrude S. Carroway of the D.A.R. placed a wreath on the statue.

In addition to the new S.A.R. flag Compatriot Harry E. Marshall, presented the chapter with a new American flag.

**Los Angeles Chapter**

Los Angeles Chapter continues to meet regularly at the home of the President, Morton Harvey, enjoying the hospitality of his spacious home and of his barbecue pit. Members are being added to this chapter which promises soon to be one of the larger chapters in the state.

**San Jose Chapter**

A special Washington's Birthday meeting was held by the San Jose Chapter at the Hawaiian Gardens with President Heath Wagener presiding, and Secretary George W. Reed as Chairman of the Program Committee. Presentation of Good Citizenship medals to the outstanding Fireman and outstanding Policemen of the City of San Jose were made by Vice President Charles Mersereau on behalf of the chapter.

Compatriot H. Lewis Mathewson of San Francisco was the speaker of the evening.

**San Diego Chapter**

Washington's Birthday Commemorative meeting was held in the Jubilee Room of the San Diego Club, the chapter being joined on this February 22d by members of the D.A.R. chapters, and other patriotic and genealogical societies of the area. Due to the illness of the President, Dr. A. Watson Brown, presided. Mr. Burton W. Yount was the speaker, presenting little known historical and personal facts concerning heroes of the Revolutionary period. The meeting adjourned in respect to the memory of past Vice President of the Chapter, S. P. Thacher.

**Pasadena Chapter**

Compatriot Paul W. Gaebelein, Jr. has been named to serve as Secretary of the chapter succeeding Compatriot Raymond L. Harkness who is now the Chapter Registrar.

**Reno Chapter**

The Reno Chapter continues to add new members, under the leadership of President Dr. Olin C. Moulton. Several more members of the Hood family are joining the chapter, along with others in various parts of Nevada, looking forward to the time when a Nevada Society will be chartered.

**Auburn Chapter**

President Guy W. Brundage is making plans for a meeting of this chapter, located in the mother lode country of the Sierra Nevada Mountains for April

30th, at which time Secretary H. Lewis Mathewson of the State Society will be the speaker.

**Peninsula Chapter**

The Peninsula Chapter, the newest group in the California Society, continues to meet at San Carlos, adding new members, and planning for a number of interesting events that the chapter may participate in. Captain Stanley C. Smock is the new Secretary.

**Marin County Chapter**

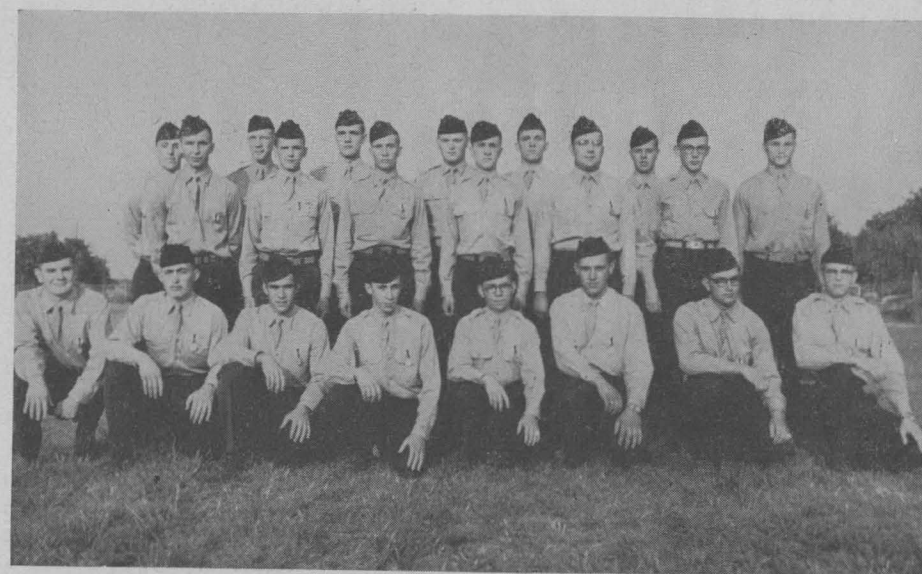
The Pony Express Retreat at San Rafael was the setting of the meeting of the chapter to which the ladies of the members and the Marin County Chapter of the D.A.R. were invited. National Chaplain General Dr. Francis Shunk Downs was the speaker of the evening, giving a stirring address on George Washington. Dr. Jesse H. Baird, Chapter Chaplain, and former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., was present having just returned from a trip to the Orient and spoke of his experiences.

**Colorado Society**

On Patriot's Day, April 19, 1955, the Colorado Society held a very interesting meeting. Our speaker was Dr. Ward Darley, President of the University of Colorado who spoke on "Higher Education in America's Future." Forty Compatriots, their wives and guests attended.

On April 11, 1955, President Wil-

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Thirty first year basic Army R.O.T.C. cadets received R.O.T.C. medals at the parade at the University of Nebraska on May 19, 1955. These awards were made possible through the courtesy of Compatriot Col. J. B. Ladd, USAR, the donor.



### STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

liams of the Colorado State Society appeared before the Special Sub Committee of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee and presented the Colorado Society's views on the Amendment to the U.N. Charter and advocated the passage of the Bricker Amendment. Fifty-three individuals and organizations appeared before the Committee. The Colorado Society feels that by presenting its views it has contributed to the furtherance of the Cincinnati and Williamsburg Convention Resolutions on the Bricker Amendment.

During April and May the Colorado Society continued its policy of the last quarter century of presenting the Bronze ROTC Medal of the National Society with an engrossed certificate to the outstanding senior and junior ROTC cadets at the 6 Colleges and Universities in Colorado, where Army, Navy and Air Force units are located and at the 5 Public High Schools in Denver, Colorado. All presentations were made by the Officers of the Colorado Society and distinguished National Guard, Reserve and Retired Officers of the Army or Navy, members of our Society.

Our delegates to the 65th National Congress were our First Vice President, Col. Frank Cleveland and Roy W. Carter, the Chairman of our Membership Committee.

The Colorado Society is participating with other patriotic societies and organizations in the Annual Flag Day observances on June 14, 1955. One outstanding characteristic of this observance, on the grounds of the State Capitol, is the annual hoisting of the 38 star national flag which was first raised over the City of Manila during the Spanish American War. This flag was raised by the 1st Regiment Colorado Volunteers and is one of the State's most precious mementoes. The flag pole on which this flag is raised was a gift of the Colorado Society to the State of Colorado and is maintained by our State Society.

### Connecticut Society

Early in June, Compatriots of the Connecticut Society were active in the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of the Patron Saint of the State, Nathan Hale, born June 6, 1755; and with their annual meeting, traditionally held in the Nathan Hale Schoolhouse at East Haddam.

On June third, the Gen. David Humphreys Branch of New Haven, and Yale College held a memorial service on the Old Campus, where Hale's statue stands before his old dormitory, Connecticut Hall. On the fourth, the State Society joined with the Antiquarian & Landmarks Society of Connecticut, present owners of the old homestead, for an Anniversary Celebration at Nathan Hale's birthplace. Both observances were pictured in the June 13 issue of "Life" magazine.

On June 5th, in New London, where the State Society owns the schoolhouse that Headmaster Hale left to join Washington, the Nathan Hale Branch sponsored a parade and exercises in conjunction with the State. Compatriot Harry F. Morse, chairman, had arranged to have the AC "Tarawa," Connecticut's adopted ship, in port for the period.

On the sixth, Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch, of Hartford, placed a wreath on the statue of Nathan Hale on the grounds of the Connecticut Historical Society, with appropriate ceremony.

The Annual Meeting was held June 11th in East Haddam, where our Nathan Hale Schoolhouse stands on the brow of a 15 acre park overlooking the Connecticut and Salmon Rivers.

A record crowd came early, stayed through two meetings, lunch, and the local Nathan Hale Celebration. The Board of Managers met in the Schoolhouse, but the Annual Meeting was held in the Community Hall of the Rathbun Memorial Library, due to the large attendance. After adjournment, the S.A.R. party joined the several organizations gathered at the Schoolhouse for the Celebration.

At the meeting of the State Society, H. Wheeler Parrott, of the Bridgeport Branch was elected President, to succeed James R. Case, of Bethel, who retired after two years of hard and yet rewarding work. Under his leadership, we have repaired the War Office in Lebanon, promoted many good causes, and increased membership.

President Parrott has led the General Gold Selleck Silliman Branch, has been



Officers of the New Hampshire Society elected at the 66th Annual Meeting of the Society, April 16, 1955 at Concord. Front row, left to right: Blaylock Atherton, vice president; Noel Wellman, outgoing president; Jason C. Sawyer, president-elect; Theodore W. Gunn, vice president; and Ernest P. Roberts, board member. Rear, left to right: C. Murray Sawyer, treasurer; Elmer Hunt, historian; Ralph E. Boynton, registrar; Harry E. Sherwin, secretary; and Harold A. Webster, board member. (Concord Photography Service photo)

### STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

Vice-President of the State Society and has served on many committees. He is a graduate of Yale, Class of 1930.

At this meeting, we honored Frank Addison Corbin No. 5421, at 97, the oldest Compatriot in the Connecticut Society, his name appears on the roll of 1890. For years, he has been Secretary-Treasurer of the General David Humphreys Branch No. 1 of New Haven. He acknowledged the applause graciously. No meeting would be complete without him.

Production of the motion picture, "Bulwark of the Young Republic," which the Society helped finance, is proceeding, with the Director, Dan Stiles, drawing on the S.A.R. for characters. When complete, it will be available for our meetings.

General David Humphreys, Branch No. 1, of New Haven, met on May 10 at the Union League, reelected George Kebabian as President, reluctantly accepted the resignation of 97 years old Frank Corbin, Secretary-Treasurer since the dawn of history, and elected Frederick Schull to the two positions.

Another annual meeting, of General Gold Selleck Silliman Branch No. 3, was held at the Brooklawn Country Club on May 13. Lloyd F. Taylor was elected President and J. Baldwin Pearson, Secretary. The well informed speaker, Compatriot Howard Hahg, who spent four years in Japan as Senior Fraternal Secretary of the YMCA, spoke on the topic, "As Japan Sees It." This year's recipient of the Branch scholarship fund thanked his benefactors. They had made it possible for him to live on the campus, during his senior year in college.

Nathan Hale Branch No. 6 of New London, went upriver to the Submarine Base in March for dinner at the Officers' Mess, and a talk in the underwater craft. On May 6, Belton H. Copp entertained with pictures and a vivid description of Iceland, and the salmon fishing there. We felt as tho we had been on the trip, ourselves.

The Connecticut Historical Society was the scene of the Annual meeting of the Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch No. 7 of Hartford. Thompson R. Harlow, Librarian, spoke on, "Characters of the Revolution."

In April, the Compatriots of Chaplain Ebenezer Baldwin Branch No. 9, with

other Danbury Patriotic organizations, sponsored an illustrated lecture on, "Colonel John Trumbull, Artist of the American Revolution," by Col. Theodore Sizer, Professor of the History of Art, at Yale. This open meeting was well attended and aroused much favorable comment. President Targett plans to hold a Summer meeting July 23, at Candlewood Lake, at the Yacht Club.

Mattatuck Branch No. 11, of Waterbury took a picnic trip to Prospect on June 2, visited President & Mrs. William H. Vining, and heard all about their recent extended trip South.

### District of Columbia

On Wednesday, April 13th, the D. C. Society's Thirteenth Annual Celebration honoring the memory of Thomas Jefferson on the 212th Anniversary of his birth, was held at the National Jefferson Memorial. Colorful cherry blossoms and a beautiful Spring day furnished a cheerful setting for the ceremony which was witnessed by one of the largest gatherings yet in attendance at these annual exercises.

President-elect Col. Thurston H. Baxter was Chairman of this year's Jefferson Memorial Committee. Other members of the committee were Jesse B. Manbeck, Vice-Chairman; O. Kenneth Baker, Allen R. Foster, Warren

C. Foster, Thomas C. King, Richard E. Spurr and Robert S. W. Walker.

A Reception Committee of Past Presidents, included Col. Wade H. Cooper, Rear Admiral William R. Furlong, Benjamin D. Hill, Jr., Francis M. Hoffheins, Robert H. McNeill, Robert H. Overstreet, Orville H. Walburn and W. Harvey Wise.

Music was furnished by the United States Army Band and a Guard of Honor was present from the Third Infantry Regiment of the U. S. Army. This organization is the oldest regiment in our armed services, having been established during the American Revolution.

The Honorable Joel T. Broyhill, Member of Congress, 10th District, Virginia, delivered the address of the day after being introduced by Col. Thurston H. Baxter.

There was the traditional Massing of Colors sent by the various organizations and the laying of wreaths by the representatives of the participating organizations. Maj. Gerald D. Hall, U. S. Army Aid to President Eisenhower laid the Presidential Wreath. In attendance to lay a wreath in behalf of the Department of Interior was Mr. Raymond Davis, Assistant to the Hon. Douglas R. McKay, Secretary of the Interior. The wreath from the National Society, S.A.R.



Members of the Albuquerque Chapter presented the University of New Mexico with a framed copy of the original Bill of Rights for display in the Library of the University. Left to right: Compatriots Charles R. Cole, Paul C. Billingham; Mr. Tom Popejoy, president of the University; Richard W. Wager-Smith, Robert G. Norfleet II, George P. Walker, chapter president and Dr. H. V. Spensley.



## STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

was presented by Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary.

The Invocation and Benediction were pronounced by the Rev. Chauncey C. Day, Chaplain of our D. C. Society.

### Florida Society

Compatriot Horace W. Bittenbender, President of the Saint Petersburg Chapter, Florida, announces that a complete list of all members of the Chapter are on file with the Secretary of the local Elks Lodge, 737 Arlington Ave., North, Saint Petersburg. The local Elks Club has extended temporary privileges to Compatriots of the S.A.R. This arrangement will assist visiting Compatriots in contacting any local member of the Saint Petersburg Chapter.

The Clearwater Chapter was the host Chapter of the Annual Meeting of the State Society on April 2, at which time Col. M. C. Burnside was elected president; P. W. Fisher, first vice president; Hal Freoff, second vice president; Arthur W. Blodgett, secretary-treasurer and Maj. J. B. Holt, historian. The annual banquet was held in the Fort Harrison Hotel and the guest speaker was Dr. Ellwood C. Nance, president of the University of Tampa who told the delegates that "America's hope for permanent peace lies in preparedness, and that doesn't mean military might alone." Dr. Nance had high praise for the patriotism and worth of the S.A.R. chapters in all parts of the state.

### Georgia Society

At the annual meeting of the Georgia Society, held in Atlanta on April 23, Folks Huxford, Homerville, Georgia, was re-elected President; J. Leland Connell of Atlanta, Sec.-Treas.; Judge George L. Whitman, Sr., of Atlanta, was nominated as Trustee to the National Society. Other officers include: Vice presidents—Ray Spitler, Atlanta; Charles L. Traylor, LaGrange, Georgia; T. J. Sappinton, Eastman, Georgia. Registrar—John A. Dunaway, Atlanta, Georgia; Genealogist—Dr. George A. Dame, Homerville, Georgia; Historian—Rev. Dan H. Williams, Ashburn, Georgia; Chaplain—Hal R. Reviere, Columbus, Georgia; Sgt.-at-Arms—Robert B. Sumner, Pearson, Georgia; Board of Managers—Hatton Lovejoy, LaGrange, Georgia; Augustus M.

Roan, Atlanta, Georgia; Robert L. Cowart, Douglas, Georgia.

The Atlanta Chapter held its meeting on the same date and Dudley Fort, prominent insurance leader, was named as President to succeed William L. Robinson. All other officers were re-elected.

At the State meeting Compatriot P. C. King, Jr., introduced a resolution that the Society sponsor the erection of a statue to the memory of George Washington Towns, 21st governor of Georgia who served from 1847 to 1851.

The Citizenship medal was voted to be awarded to William L. Robinson in appreciation of his patriotic services to

the Atlanta and Georgia Chapters, during his administration as President of the Atlanta Chapter.

A delegation of approximately six members planned to attend the annual convention in Chicago.

The State Society voted to continue its educational program through television and radio broadcasts commemorating special events of the Revolutionary Period.

Augustus M. Roan was renamed chairman of this Committee.

Jared Irwin Chapter, Ashburn: This, the youngest chapter in the state organized last year, had its annual election of officers on April 5th, at which



Compatriot Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior, delivered the principal address on the 166th anniversary of George Washington's inauguration, Federal Hall Memorial, April 30, 1955, sponsored by the New York Chapter. Compatriot McKay was awarded the Chauncey Depew medal, presented by Robert Pierce, right, president of the Chapter, with the assistance of Past President General John W. Finger. (Lawrence D. Thornton photo)

## STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

time all officers were re-elected, viz: Rev. Dan H. Williams, President; Senator T. E. Kennedy, Vice-President; Roy M. Sumner, Secretary. The next meeting will be on June 27th, in what will be called "The Ladies' Night" meeting, at which time members will bring their wives and daughters, and the membership of the local D.A.R. Chapter will attend. An interesting patriotic program is planned.

Wiregrass Georgia Chapter: This chapter holds its meetings at different places over Southern Georgia. The winter meeting was held at Homerville. The last meeting was held April 15th in Valdosta, and was considered the best meeting of the chapter in two years. One of the matters discussed and acted upon, was a proposal to memorialize the state legislature to set apart a sufficient fund in the state treasury as a revolving fund with which to finance the actual cost of printing and binding of worthy books dealing with the history and genealogy of the state or any of its counties or sections. Several of the chapter members are members of the legislature, and expressed the belief that the appropriation can and will easily be made at the next session. A committee headed by Judge T. G. Connell of Valdosta, was created to work for the legislation. New officers elected at this meeting were: Judge Harley Langdale, Valdosta, President; John W. Lee, Jacksonville, Fla., Vice-President; Maj. J. L. Newbern, Valdosta, Secretary-Treasurer; Frank B. McDonald, Waycross, Registrar; R. B. Sumner, Pearson, Sergeant-at-Arms; Iverson H. Huxford, Homerville, Chaplain. Wiregrass Georgia Chapter has now progressed to the point of being the second largest chapter in the state, being exceeded only by Atlanta. Retiring Secretary Harvey M. Burnett reported eleven new members, with five more with papers pending and six others whose papers are being prepared.

### Illinois Society

Compatriots of the Illinois Society have been devoting most of their time and energies during the past few months to the preparations for the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress. However, they did find time to hold their annual Patriotic Service Award Dinner at the University

Club, Chicago, Illinois, on the evening of April 29.

Thomas E. Wilson, 86, retired chairman of Wilson & Co., packers was the recipient of this year's award. The presentation was made by Samuel B. Pettingill, former congressman, who characterized Mr. Wilson as "One of a half dozen of our greatest living Americans." He described Wilson as a "business man who has not been too busy for his country."

### Indiana Society

A high point in the activities of the year for the members of the Indiana Society, occurred on April 30, 1955 at the annual April Banquet commemorating the "Battle of Lexington."

A large group of members and their ladies were present and particularly enjoyed the address by Milton M. Lory, the immediate past President-General of our National Society, entitled, "Conquest By Subversion." Mr. and Mrs. Lory were the honored guests of the evening, and at the reception which preceded the banquet.

At the Society's April meeting the members and their guests were presented with some new ideas regarding the danger of Communists in the field of education by the Society's immediate Past President, Arthur H. Northrup, who spoke on, "Some Legal and Moral Aspects of Academic Freedom."

A large delegation of the members of

the Indiana Society journeyed to Chicago on the 22nd of May, 1955 and enjoyed and took an active part in the proceedings of the 65th Annual Congress.

On March 15, 1955 the Indiana Society made a permanent loan of a portrait by Theodore C. Steele of Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States, to the Army Finance Center, located at Fort Benjamin Harrison, just outside Indianapolis. The portrait hangs in the north lobby of the Finance Center Building, which is the second largest building in the world, and frequently referred to as the "Little Pentagon."

The presentation of the portrait on behalf of the Indiana Society was made by Clarence A. Cook, President-Emeritus, Arthur H. Northrup, President, and John H. Jefferson, President-Elect; and accepted on behalf of the United States Army Finance Center by its Commanding General, Brigadier General Emmett J. Bean.

### Minnesota Society

The Minnesota Society held its annual meeting April 21st with election of officers at Dayton's Oak Room in Minneapolis at a dinner with the ladies present. Attendance was about 75.

Entertainment was provided by the Courthouse quartet, a group of men in the office of Clerk of District Court in our county who sing for the love of singing. The speaker of the evening was

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Ten contestants participated in the Historical Oration Contest of the Ohio Society at the Annual Conference. Standing in the center at the rear are Wayne G. Smith, Chairman of the Historical Oration Committee and Warren M. Taylor, President of the Ohio Society. The winner of the contest, John Hayward of Toledo, who also won the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest at the 65th Annual Congress in Chicago, stands at the rear right. (Hauger Photographic Corp. photo)



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Mr. Clarence E. Chaney, a former Vice President of the board of the Northwestern National Bank, who has been a leader in civic affairs and is currently President of the Minneapolis Y.M.C.A. His subject was "History and the Individual." The talk was very unusual and greatly enjoyed.

New officers elected were: President: General Stewart G. Collins, Minneapolis; Secretary: Carl A. Herrick, Minneapolis; and National Trustee: Hallan Huffman, St. Paul.

The Minneapolis Chapter has changed its meeting place from American Legion Clubrooms because of changes being made in the building and are now meeting at noon on the second Wednesday of each month at the Normandy Hotel, 405 South 8th Street. The Board of Directors meets at 4 P.M. of the Tuesday preceding each meeting.

The speaker for our April meeting was Compatriot Martin Briggs, a retired manufacturer who gave a very interesting talk on the subject "As On Our Way We Go." Attendance of 60.

The May meeting was held on May 11th with a very interesting talk by Cyril W. Plattes, manager of Public Relations of General Mills who told the dramatic story behind the James F. Bell collection of rare books at University of Minnesota. The title of his talk was "In the Steps of Marco Polo."

Judge Paul W. Guilford, the new Minneapolis Chapter President, returned from Honolulu in May and took over. He has appointed standing committees on membership and re-instatement, attendance, welfare, medal awards and auditing with other committees to be appointed when need arises.

The Minneapolis Chapter has followed our yearly custom by giving a watch to the cadet in the ROTC at the University of Minnesota who is picked by the P.M.S. and T. as the outstanding cadet of the year. This year's recipient was Cadet Sergeant Walter Anastos, a Junior. The chairman of this committee is General Stewart G. Collins who, together with Chapter president Judge Paul W. Guilford and immediate past chapter President Winthrop Wadsworth, attended the Federal inspection and final parade and review at the University and Compatriot Wadsworth made the watch presentation.

Citizenship medals were presented to proved good school citizens in the eleven Minneapolis High Schools under the sponsorship of Compatriots William R. Braddock and Wright W. Brooks as follows:

Leroy J. Anderson, Edison High  
John C. Beckman, Washburn High  
Arthur Braufman, Southwest High  
Donald M. Hayes, Marshall  
Phillip W. Hedwall, Vocational  
David Kvistberg, Central High  
Thomas C. May, Roosevelt  
Joel F. Miller, North High  
Robert R. Nelson, South  
Richard Reid, West  
Jack W. Webber, Henry

Another R.O.T.C. medal was given the outstanding cadet in the Junior R.O.T.C. at Pillsbury Academy in Owatonna under the sponsorship of Compatriot Willis B. Park, a graduate and also one of the trustees of the Academy.

### Maryland Society

The Maryland Society held its annual meeting on April 19, 1955, at 8:00 p.m.

in the Sheraton Belvedere Hotel in Baltimore. After the reports of officers for the past year were read, the officers and members of the Board of Managers for the coming year were elected. They are: President, Duane Ridgely Rice; First Vice President, Myron W. Hutchinson; Second Vice President, George W. P. Whip; Third Vice President, Walter Giles Parker; Secretary, George S. Robertson; Treasurer, Robert Minot Richmond; Registrar, James Graham Marston, M.D.; Historian, Oliver B. Wight; Chaplain, Rev. Edgar Cordell Powers, D.D.; Members of the Board of Managers (three year term), Seeber King Bodine, Stewart Day, Laurence Purdy Sangston, and Charles Francis Stein, III.

The new president was inducted into office by the chaplain.

The guest speaker of the evening was Colonel John L. Keefe, U.S.A., Chief of the Maryland Military District of the United States Army. His subject was "The Reserve and the Civilian Soldier." He had to leave immediately after speak-



A new chapter was added to the list of the Pennsylvania Society, April 2, 1955 when the Mount Pleasant Chapter was formally instituted at the Pleasant Valley Country Club, Mount Pleasant, Penna. Charter members of the new Chapter are: left to right, front: Joseph Oliver Hunter, James Russell Wood, Charles Robert Freed, Harry Chamber Gettemy, Shannon W. Kreinbrook. Back row: Joseph W. O. Pahel, Robert William Stahl, Luther Jennings Grimm, John Herman Hamel, Carl D. Lauffer and Howard D. Shearer.

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ing, but his subject was continued by the members in open forum led by the chairman of our legislative committee, who attempted to explain the "Reserve Bill" then pending before the Congress.

Following all this the members had a most enjoyable social hour over sandwiches and coffee.

In May, the Officers and Members of the Board of Managers, and their wives, were the guests at dinner in the Officers Club, U.S. Naval Academy, at Annapolis of the First Vice President, Commodore Myron W. Hutchinson, and Mrs. Hutchinson. Before dinner, the whole group escorted by the Hutchinsons, witnessed a dress parade of the Brigade of Midshipmen on the Academy parade ground.

In June, the Officers and Board met in special business session at 8:00 p.m., Friday, the seventeenth, at the home of our secretary, George S. Robertson.

### New Jersey Society

The annual convention sessions were held in the auditorium at the Washington Headquarters in Morristown National Historical Park April 23, 1955. The luncheon was arranged for at the Old Mill Town House. The ladies of the convention were entertained during the business session by the Morristown Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, on a tour of Morristown National Historical Park buildings and grounds, museum, and other historic points in the Morristown area.

Election of state officers was one of the highlights of the session and those elected were: President, Ross Keelye Cook of East Orange; first vice president, William Young Pryor, Verona; second vice president, Dr. George J. Deyo, Elizabeth; third vice president, Charles Alan Phillips, Westfield; secretary, Manton Louis Graff, Jersey City; treasurer, William Paul Stillman, Newark; registrar, Joseph Ash Baxter, Jr., Cranford.

Also for genealogist, Clinton Bronson Gardner, Palmyra; historian, Dr. C. Malcolm B. Gilman, Red Bank; chaplain, Charles Rounsville Stires, Glen Ridge; chancellor, Wilbur A. Stevens, Newark; librarian, Everett P. Balch, Mendham. For national trustee, Harvey B. Nelson, Jr., Jersey City.

"Spotting Communist Fronts" was the theme of William F. Tompkins, assistant United States attorney general in charge of internal security. Mr. Tompkins, an S.A.R. member and a resident of Maplewood, N. J. has been a member of the New Jersey Assembly, a United States district attorney and an army officer. He commanded the war crime office in Saigon and was prosecutor in war crime trials in Singapore.

His talk was most enlightening dealing with the workings of his division in spotting fronts that are subversive to our government.

Following his informative talk, Mr. Melvin J. Weig, historian of the museum talked on "Historic Morristown" using color pictures.

The convention was attended by about 250 which was one of the largest conclaves. Compatriot President Harvey B. Nelson was given a hearty round of applause for his endeavors during the last two years.

The members of the Morristown Chapter under the leadership of Leon A. McIntire as chairman of the arrange-

ments committee for the convention was commended for his untiring efforts in programming the excellent affair.

The membership amended their by-laws to provide for a third vice president.

### Elizabethtown Chapter No. 1

Under the leadership of Compatriot Norman B. Wild, president, members of the chapter participated in the Memorial Day Parade. At The Minute Man Monument members of the D.A.R., C.A.R. and S.A.R. arranged a suitable program and placed our wreath at its site. The bronze tablet on the monument was refurbished taking on the appearance of a brand new marking. This was a project of the Elizabethtown Chapter and the D.A.R. Boudinot Chapter. Compatriot Arthur E. Cole was chairman for the S.A.R. Committee.

On March 27 at 3 P.M. at the Elizabeth Carteret Hotel, Elizabeth S.A.R. and D.A.R. members of Union County took part in the commemorative ceremonies celebrating the Centennial of Incorporation of Elizabeth.



Good citizenship awards were made to Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, famed polar explorer (second on right) and Frank M. Folsom, president of Radio Corporation of America (right) by the Philadelphia Chapter at the Washington's Birthday meeting. The presentations were made by Charles R. Fish, president of the chapter (left) and Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell. The awards are granted for "outstanding contributions to science, statesmanship, public welfare and similar achievements."



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*Monmouth Chapter No. 5*

The members of Monmouth Chapter are looking forward again to being hosts to the members and their ladies and friends on the occasion of a Play Day to be held on the beautiful and spacious grounds of Compatriot Dr. C. Malcolm B. Gilman, state historian, Saturday, July 23rd 2:30 P.M. 'til Dusk. A buffet supper will be served at a nominal cost and easy competitive games will be held—the winners will receive appropriate prizes.

Last year was the first of this kind of activity to be held and met with such ready and enthusiastic response that the Board of Managers voted to repeat it on the invitation of Compatriot Dr. Gilman and Mrs. Gilman.

A new feature is being added this year with members of the local D.A.R. chapter providing facilities for a bazaar.

Monmouth Chapter feels confident that the newly elected President General Edgar Williamson, Jr. of East Orange, will be in attendance he being one of New Jersey's most active members.

*Morris County Chapter No. 7*

The Annual Meeting of the Chapter was held Thursday, March 17th and the following officers were elected: President, Paul S. Lewis, Long Valley; first vice president, Charles W. Gamble, East Orange; second vice president, Warren S. Hall, Morristown; Treasurer, Eben G. Woodruff, Morristown; secretary, Norman F. Ramsey, Dover; Registrar-Genealogist, Leon A. McIntire, Morristown; Historian, F. Flagg Vogt, Morristown and Chaplain, Rev. F. P. Mudge, Morristown.

An historical record of the chapter is being prepared—in addition it is anticipated that a folder giving the objectives of the chapter and other pertinent information will be printed. This is intended to be given to prospects.

*Passaic Valley Chapter No. 8*

On May 18th the Passaic Valley Chapter staged their Annual Dinner and Ladies Night. Compatriot Harold A. Sonn was reelected president and Augustus W. Smith, Secretary. Dr. A. Lloyd Reid was dinner chairman. Com-

patriot Ross K. Cook newly elected state president was given a fine welcome. More than 50 attended at the Hotel Suburban in Summit. General Frank Howley, U.S.A. Former Military Governor in Germany, vice chancellor of New York University and recently returned from Formosa was the guest speaker.

Compatriot Sonn is doing an exceptional job in reactivating the chapter and with the cooperation of the members who are actively supporting him he should develop one of the best chapters in the state.

*West Fields Chapter No. 11*

Freeholder Charles P. Bailey, former mayor of Westfield, was presented the gold Good Citizenship Medal of West Fields Chapter at the chapter's annual George Washington's Birthday Dinner, Friday Evening, February 18th in the Park Hotel Plainfield. The presentation was made by Shelby G. Fell, president of the chapter, also a former mayor.

Magistrate William M. Beard, formerly mayor, an authority on the history of the American Revolution, was guest speaker. His topic was "George Wash-



The President General's Banquet at the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress was a brilliant climax to a successful Congress. Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers, retired, was the speaker of the evening whose remarks met with the enthusiastic approval of the audience.



The music of Compatriot Leo Terry and the display of the Flags of America, courtesy of Compatriot Samuel Hubbard Scott were features which added much to the enjoyment of the delegates and visitors on this gala event of the Congress.



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ington—His First Military Mission.”

Daughters of the American Revolution joined in presenting the program which was well attended. West Fields chapter is the largest chapter in the state.

Compatriot Howard C. Allen also reports that the chapter is continuing its membership drive for members.

## North Carolina Society

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution was held at the Raleigh Woman's Club, Raleigh, North Carolina on Friday afternoon, March 25, 1955 at 3:00 P.M. All selections of North Carolina were represented and the attendance was much larger than usual. The meeting was called to order by Major Wm. Oliver Smith, State President and Compatriot Travis Brodnax Callum, Secretary, Treasurer-Registrar acted as Secretary.

Colonel Jeffrey F. Stanback, National Trustee, of Mt. Gilead, North Carolina, next read his report as Trustee. All present were impressed by the fine work done for the Society by Colonel Stanback. Compatriot Wm. A. Parker of Raleigh moved that his report be accepted with enthusiastic thanks and be made a part of the minutes.

It was unanimously voted that Raleigh, North Carolina should be the State Headquarters of the North Carolina Society Sons of the American Revolution.

Next, with all members present standing, the Secretary, Treasurer-Registrar read the list of our Compatriots who had passed away during the past year. President Smith paid a short tribute to these fine Compatriots who were no longer with us and all members remained standing for one minute of silent prayer.

President Smith reported on the activities of the N. C. Society at the National Congress in Williamsburg, Virginia in May, 1954 stating that it was the largest and one of the most enjoyable meetings of the National Society in recent years. He reported that the N. C. Society had awarded the R.O.T.C. medal to the outstanding cadet at Oak Ridge Military Institute during the graduation exercises of that institution in 1954 and that he had presented not only the S.A.R. medal to the outstanding R.O.T.C. cadet but that the Institute had asked him to award all other medals and certificates at the

same time. He further reported that the Society had awarded the R.O.T.C. medal to the outstanding Cadet at N. C. State College which as President of the N. C. Society, and in the name of the Society, he had pinned on the winning Cadet at a special formation held in the Coliseum at N. C. State College during May, 1954. The entire Cadet Corp. at N. C. State College numbering more than 2,000 Cadets witnessed this ceremony as did many high ranking Army and Air Corp. Officers who flew to Raleigh for the occasion.

It was decided to continue the practice of awarding R.O.T.C. medals in the “Prep” schools and colleges of N. C. and it was suggested that the R.O.T.C. medal be awarded to all of the R.O.T.C. units at University of North Carolina, Duke University, Davidson College and Edwards Military Institute.

The Nominating Committee composed of Compatriot Wm. H. Bason, Chairman, Dr. J. Edgar Holmes and Colonel Wade Phillips made it's report and all of those presented by the nominating committee were duly elected as officers for the year 1955-56.



Officers of the Rhode Island Society, elected at the annual meeting on February 22, 1955. Seated, left to right: Philip M. Shires, vice president; Herbert A. Crowell, president; Richmond H. Sweet, secretary. Standing, left to right: William M. Muncy, poet; Philip R. Arnold, registrar; and Lewis A. Waterman, treasurer. (Amber photo)

## Ohio Society

The Ohio Society held its Sixty-sixth State Conference at the Commodore Perry Hotel in Toledo, April 29 and 30. President Warren M. Taylor, of Cincinnati, presided over the sessions which were well attended by Compatriots and their ladies, and indicative of a healthy condition in the affairs of the Society throughout the state. The Conference was honored by the presence of President General and Mrs. Lory, and the President General gave a valued and instructive address at the Friday evening dinner.

At the Friday noon luncheon, which was attended by a large number of prominent Toledo business men, William L. McGrath, of Cincinnati, Employer delegate to the 1954 Conference of the International Labor Organization, spoke on “The Impact and effect of the International Labor Organization Upon our American Way of Life.” At the Saturday noon luncheon the speaker was the Honorable Henry Middleton, former Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio. His subject was, “Place Only Compatriots on Guard Tonight.”

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A special feature of the Conference was the “Flag of America” setting directed by Compatriot Hubbard Scott, president of Anthony Wayne Chapter, the host chapter. Over the years, Compatriot Scott has collected replicas of the 48 flags which have had an important part in the development and history of the continent and of the United States. These flags attracted much attention and interest as they were arranged around the meeting and dining room. Compatriot Scott explained the origin of the various flags in a most interesting way.

Ten young men from over the state took part in the seventh annual Douglass High Historical Oration Contest. These were the champions chosen from 55 students who had taken part in similar contests over the state, and their performance was of a very high character. The winner of first place was John Hayward, of Central Catholic High School, Toledo, whose subject was “The Spirit of Patrick Henry.” (Hayward, representing the Ohio Society, later won first place in the contest at the National Congress.) Other winners were Paul Ickes, Washington High of Massillon; Edwin Taylor, Athens; and Roger Glover, South High, Cleveland. The contest was directed by Compatriot Wayne G. Smith of Cleveland.

The Resolutions Committee of which Dr. Charles A. Anderson was chairman, reported resolutions which were adopted

Andrew P. Martin, attorney of Cleveland, was elected President; Dr. Charles A. Anderson of Warren and Edwin J. Taylor of Athens, vice-presidents; Charles A. Jones, of Columbus, secretary-treasurer-registrar; Dr. John A. Talcott of Jefferson, Historian; John C. Pearson, of Cleveland, genealogist; Rev. James De Forest Murch, of Cincinnati, Chaplain.

District Chairmen are: Virgil T. Bogue, Geneva; Rex Ford Bracy, Norwalk; Dr. J. Boyd Davis, Columbus; Raymond A. Lee, Athens; and Frederick K. Woodbridge, Cincinnati. The officers and the following are members of the Board of Management: Charles Ross Barefoot, Toledo; Samuel K. Houston, Akron; Col. Aaron L. Mercer, Cleveland; James E. Mitchell, Youngstown; Irvin L. Sigler, Dayton; and Louis F. Ridgway, Akron.

Social events scheduled by the An-

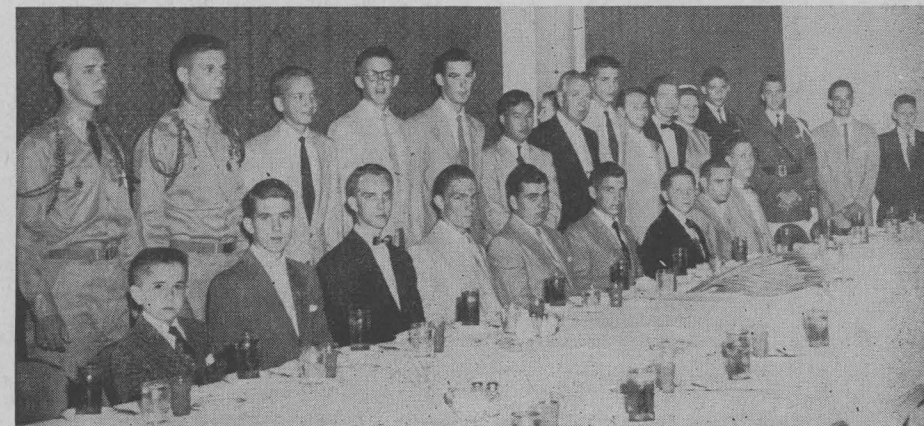
thony Wayne Chapter included a special conducted tour of the Libby Glass Company, which presented favors to the ladies; and to the plant of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company where Compatriots saw the second largest switchboard in the world.

The Chapter prepared as a special gift for all registered delegates and visitors a set of tumblers bearing the insignia of the Society and the Chapter. These were much appreciated.

Western Reserve Society had two meetings the first days of June. On the evening of the 3rd it was host at a stag party in the Hotel Cleveland for Compatriots and male guests, the purpose being to afford an opportunity for Compatriots to become better acquainted and to hear an address on on “Challenges to American Policy in Europe” by Dr. Shepherd L. Witman, Executive Director of the Council on World Affairs.”

On June 8 at the Mid-Day Club, “Education by Encampment was the subject of Compatriot Ralson Fox Smith, Director of Red Raider Camps.

Benjamin Franklin Chapter at Columbus on May 13 held its “high spot” meeting of the year when it entertained especially chosen seniors from the public high schools of Columbus and Franklin County, presenting to each the Society’s “Good Citizenship” medal. Officers of the schools, fathers of the students and principals of their schools were the guests of the Chapter. Speaker of the day was Dr. Harold L. Yochum, President of Capital University, who produced much enthusiasm by his subject, “The Value of a Perspective.”



Twenty-six Good Citizenship medals and two R.O.T.C. medals were presented to students representing twenty-eight schools by the John Sevier Chapter, at the Patten Hotel, Chattanooga, May 10, 1955. Compatriot Paul M. Mathes, chapter president, made the presentation of the Good Citizenship medals and certificates. Major J. C. Kronberger, USA, presented the R.O.T.C. medals.

On May 10, Lafayette Chapter at Akron held a dinner meeting, at which Prof. Karl O. Thompson, formerly of the faculty of Case Institute of Technology, spoke on “A Noble French Nobleman.”

## In Memory of Robert Taft

Cincinnati Chapter is preparing a special memorial plaque to our late Compatriot, United States Senator Robert A. Taft. This will be placed in a new school to be opened in the fall and named for the Senator.

## Oregon Society

Both Portland Chapter and the Southern Oregon Chapter held their annual meetings in February. Members present at the Portland Chapter dinner meeting heard an excellent patriotic address upon the theme “America and You,” the speaker Donald C. Sloan, civic leader and widely traveled securities dealer. They learned from the report of Secretary John F. Moffett, that the Chapter had attained an all-time record of 161 members. Election of officers resulted in re-election of Ernest Clifford Potts as president and of Compatriot Moffett as secretary. He had served as both secretary and treasurer, but this year the treasurership is placed in the hands of Ogden Frank Beeman. Newly elected as vice-president was H. Stockton Boyd. Named as additional members of the Board of Governors are George Otis Gannett, one-time Chapter president, and David H. Leche and Owen Rivers Rhoads, Jr.

Meeting on Washington's Birthday, the Southern Oregon Chapter of Med-

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ford re-elected all officers. It thus retains William R. Bagley, Jr., as president; John R. Detweiler as vice-president, and Thomas J. Gifford as secretary-registrar. The meeting was an unusual success, one of the gratifying ingredients of the success being that 50 per cent of all of the members were present. Compatriot Frank Hull, Jr., gave a talk about Washington and interesting picture films were shown by President Bagley and Dr. W. W. Howard, Chaplain member.

In the usual rotation practice, it this year becomes the privilege and opportunity for Oregon to provide the Vice-President General for the Pacific Coast District. Portland Chapter has led off with a movement to nominate Dr. Burt Brown Barker for this office. A resolution urging his selection has been adopted and sent to the societies of the district. Dr. Barker, prominent in educational circles and one-time distinguished member of the legal profession, is rounding out his second year as president of the Oregon Society.

Oregon State Society held its annual meeting in the University Club of Portland April 19, with an excellent attendance. A feature was a speech by Justice James T. Brand of the Oregon State Supreme Court. His topic was, "The Channel Between Scylla and Charybdis." Those mythical perils of the dim past were taken figuratively as representing the present-day extremes of conservatism on the one hand and radicalism on the other.

Retiring President Burt Brown Barker presided and at the business session received formal nomination which has resulted in his being elected Vice-President General of the Pacific Coast District. Compatriot Harry J. Beeman was elevated from the vice-presidency to president of the Society. The other officers elected. Lew Wallace, vice-president; Louis E. Starr, secretary-registrar; W. P. Stalnaker, treasurer; Lieutenant Colonel Evans S. Cheeseman, historian; Rev. James Matthew Alley, chaplain; Walter S. Bear, national trustee from Oregon.

## Pennsylvania Society

A new chapter has been instituted by the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the

American Revolution, at Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. The ceremony took place April 2nd., after a delicious dinner at the Pleasant Valley Country Club. Compatriot H. Ryerson Decker, M.D., President of the State Society was master of ceremonies.

Invocation was offered by Chaplain Walter L. Moser, D.D., of the State Society and pledge of allegiance to the flag was given, led by Mrs. James S. Braddock, Regent of the Braddock Trail Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Greetings were brought by Mrs. R. Edward Beard who did the major portion of research and processing of all new applications that made this chapter possible. Also appropriate greetings were brought by Compatriot Ansley A. Izenour, President of the Pittsburgh Chapter and Mrs. Herbert Patterson, Regent of the State Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

The officers of the new chapter are: President, Shannon W. Kreinbrook; First Vice President, Robert W. Stahl; Second Vice President, Luther J. Grimm; Third Vice President, Howard D. Shearer; Recording Secretary, Joseph W. O. Pahel; Treasurer, James R. Wood; Chaplain, Carl D. Lauffer; Registrar, John H. Hamel; Historian, Charles R. Freed; Chancellor, Harry C. Gettemy; Genealogist, Joseph O. Hunter.

The installation of the newly elected officers was conducted by Clyde R. Flory, M.D., Second Vice President of the State Society, and certificates of

membership to the new members were presented by Compatriot Morris W. Hazel, First Vice President of the State Society.

The address of the evening was given by Compatriot Clyde R. Flory, M.D. First Vice President of the State Society, who recited the conditions confronting America today and the objectives of the Society and duties of the membership.

Musical program was given by Mrs. James Bollinger, accompanied by Mrs. Helen Porter; "Peggy Shaw Society" Children of the American Revolution, under the guidance of Mr. John Hamel and William Fisher, Jr., accompanied by Ramond Corl Noll.

A most auspicious beginning for the chapter which promises to be a live coming chapter.

The Annual Good Citizenship Medals, presented by Philadelphia Chapter #1, were awarded this year to Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd USN (Red.) and Frank M. Folsom, President of the Radio Corporation of America. Compatriot Folsom is a member of Philadelphia Chapter, and this is the first time the Chapter has awarded a medal to one of its members.

The presentations took place at the Annual luncheon, at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel in Philadelphia, Charles R. Fish President of the Chapter presented the award to Compatriot Folsom. Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell presented the award to Admiral Byrd.

Admiral Byrd pointed out the strategic importance of the Arctic and Antarctic regions, and told of the prospects of a new expedition now being



The Texas Society held its Annual Meeting at the Ben Milam Hotel, Houston, April 23. At the dinner that evening the members and guests witnessed the Oratorical Contest in which representatives of seven of Texas' universities and colleges participated. (Justin Forde photo)

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organized to go to the South Polar Regions. He said in this region lies a vast continent, equal in size to the United States and all Europe combined. In summary Admiral Byrd who has been interested in the Antarctic since his historic flight over the South Pole 28 years ago, expressed his belief that leadership on the part of the United States at the present time in exploring the "Bottom of the world" will prove of tremendous benefit to future generations of Americans.

The meeting was opened by "Presenting of the colors" by the Color Guard of The Naval Post American Legion. The National Anthem was sung, and the Invocation was given by Dr. Walter M. Haushalter, Rector of St. Lukes of The Epiphany. President Charles R. Fish welcomed all present.

## Rhode Island Society

On the occasion of the visit of President General Lory to Rhode Island, the Board of Managers of the State Society met with the President General for luncheon at the Faculty Club at Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island. This enabled about twenty members of the Board to talk informally with Compatriot Lory and to exchange views on various matters affecting S.A.R. policy and programs. This meeting lasted well over two hours which demonstrates its effectiveness.

On the same day a buffet supper and reception in honor of the President General's visit was held at the home of the Rhode Island Historical Society, the famous John Brown Mansion, built close to 1800. The occasion was a Ladies' Night and a large number of members and their wives had the pleasure of meeting Mr. and Mrs. Lory and listening to a forceful talk urging a more dynamic and realistic approach to certain problems, such as Communism, the United Nations and International Cooperation.

The Board passed a Resolution urging our Bill of Rights Program as a National activity of S.A.R. and that it be reported under State Society News.

The Resolution in our minutes will read as follows:

IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED "That the Rhode Island Society of the S.A.R. urge the adoption by

the National Society of a National Bill of Rights Day Program under which State Societies or Local Chapters are urged to present each year on National Bill of Rights Day framed facsimiles of the Bill of Rights suitably marked to at least one local high school for permanent display therein at appropriate ceremonies before the student body of such school at which time a representative of the donor society will explain the meaning and importance of the guarantees of freedom therein contained."

The Annual Meeting of the R. I. Society, S.A.R., was held at the R. I. Historical Society on Washington's Birthday.

The assembled compatriots were led in prayer by the Chaplain, the Reverend Harvey Blair Marks and in the salute to the national flag by the President, Herbert A. Crowell. Following the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, the President delivered his Annual Address. His subject was "The Price of Liberty," and his remarks were received with unanimous applause.

The reports of the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Registrar were read by each of those officers. As Past President Arnold read the necrology for the year, the members stood in respectful silence for a minute of silent prayer.

William Mabley Muncy delivered an original epic poem on early life in Rhode Island. He stated that this effort was his "Swan Song," but it is interesting to note that later in the program, he was

unanimously re-elected as Poet for another year.

The report of the Committee on Bill of Rights was read by Compatriot Sherman, describing the works of this committee in the schools of the state. Reports on the Committees on Publicity and Membership were read by Philip M. Shires. The report of the Committee on Activities was delivered by Past President Philip R. Arnold.

The Nominating Committee reported and presented its slate which was unanimously elected. The elected officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Herbert A. Crowell; Secretary, Richmond H. Sweet.

Past Vice President General Chester R. Martin urged the Compatriots to attend the National Congress in Chicago and described the benefits to the Rhode Island Society from such attendance.

Approval was given of an amendment to the By-Laws increasing the annual dues to \$6.00 a year.

Following the adjournment of the meeting, the members enjoyed the famous "Fish House" Punch during a short social hour. A buffet luncheon was served afterwards to members and guests.

## Tennessee Society

Members of the John Sevier Chapter presented a total of 28 medals to students and members of the R.O.T.C. at their annual luncheon at the Patten



President General Milton M. Lory was the honored guest and speaker at the meeting of the George Washington Chapter, in Alexandria, Va., April 27, 1955. Left to right, Robert M. Duncan, president; President General Lory; Hillis Lory, brother of the President General, and Col. Robert P. Waters, president of the George Mason Chapter, Falls Church-Arlington.



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Hotel in Chattanooga, May 10. The presentation of the Good Citizenship medals and certificates was made by president Paul S. Mathes and the R.O.T.C. medals were presented to the cadets by Major J. C. Kronberger, U.S.A.

The guest speaker of the day was Dr. Spencer McCallie, headmaster of the McCallie School, whose topic, "Citizenship" was appropriate for the occasion. The luncheon was acclaimed as the most successful meeting the John Sevier Chapter has staged.

### Texas Society

The Annual Meeting of the Texas Society was held in the Ben Milam Hotel, Houston, April 23. The morning session was called to order by President Col. F. W. Huntington, at 9:00 a.m. and was devoted to the opening ceremonies, receipt of greetings, adoption of rules, committee appointments and reports by the officers.

Dr. J. Brian Eby, president of the Paul Carrington Chapter presided at the luncheon, at which the guest speaker was Col. Marvin Hurley, Executive Vice President of the Houston Chamber of Commerce.

The afternoon session was given over to the consideration of committee reports, unfinished business, new business and the election of officers. Charles H. Lane, of Houston was elected president and Earle D. Behrends was re-elected secretary-treasurer-registrar.

The annual Oratorical Contest was the feature of the dinner meeting in which contestants from Baylor University, North Texas State College, Texas Christian University, University of Texas, University of Houston, Rice Institute and Southern Methodist University competed. The winner was Ewing Werlein, Jr., son of the past president of the Paul Carrington Chapter, who represented Southern Methodist University. The judges of the contest were; Compatriot Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., Texas Society S.A.R.; Mr. Winston Miller, teacher of speech at Lamar High School; and Mr. Edward Thompson, teacher of speech at Edison High School.

### Vermont Society

Exercises were held at the Moses

Pierson marker during a swirling snow-storm on March 6, on the shores of Lake Champlain by the members of the Vermont Society. The marker was erected by the Society in 1913 to commemorate the heroic defense of the Pierson house by the family and the small armed group which had accompanied them to salvage the crop. The marker states that "Northwest of this site in 1770, Moses Pierson who owned the surrounding thousand acres built his home. On March 12, 1778 it was attacked by sixty British and Indians but was defended by the Piersons, Colonel Thomas Sawyer, Lieutenant Barnabas Barnum, Corporal Joseph Williams and fourteen privates. Lieut. Barnum, the British officer, an Indian chief and several privates were killed and a number of prisoners were taken. The house was set on fire but the flames were extinguished with Mrs. Pierson's home-made beer. Later the British offered a reward for Pierson dead or alive and a company was sent to capture him, but he escaped. His buildings were burned, his sons Ziba and Uzal captured and carried to St. Johns but they escaped afterward. Erected by the Vermont Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, October 1913."



A new chapter was instituted at Bremerton, Wash., on the evening of March 15, 1955. The officers of the newly organized chapter are: seated, left to right: Charles C. Casad, vice president; Alfred March Peeler, president; J. A. Hibbard, president of the Washington Society who installed the new officers. Standing, left to right: Alfred B. Richards, chaplain; Herbert M. Atherton, treasurer; Henry E. Larkin, historian; John Henry Short, secretary; and Richard I. Sampson, secretary, and Ben Henry Smith, chaplain of the Washington State Society. (Robert S. Foster photo)

### Washington Society

A new chapter was added to the list of those in Washington State on March 15, 1955, when the Bremerton Chapter, Bremerton was officially instituted by President Jean A. Hibbard of the Washington State Society. The meeting was held at Cliff's Top of the Town and the following were elected to serve as officers of the new chapter; Alfred March Peeler, President; Charles C. Casad, Vice President; John Henry Short, Secretary; Herbert M. Atherton, Treasurer; Henry E. Larkin, Historian and Alfred B. Richards Chaplain. The newly elected officers were formally installed by President Hibbard assisted by Ben Henry Smith, Chaplain of the Washington State Society.

### Wisconsin Society

Memorial Day services were held by the James Morgan chapter, S.A.R., Milwaukee, at the grave of James Morgan in Wauwatosa cemetery. A wreath was placed on the grave of Morgan, believed to be the only Revolutionary War soldier buried in Milwaukee county, and the Rev. Hansen Bergen, past president of the chapter, and a national trustee, gave an address. He urged Americans not to relinquish easily the rights and liberties won by our forefathers.

## RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 22-25, 1955.

### PRISONERS OF WAR

RESOLVED, that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution respectfully urges our National Government to take all possible measures for the immediate release of all American military and civilian personnel held as slaves or prisoners by the Red Chinese and/or Russian Governments; and to secure guarantees that our military and civilian personnel will not be subjected to such indignities in the future.

### BRICKER AMENDMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that we reaffirm our adherence to the principle of limitation of the making of treaties and executive agreements so that the same shall not contravene the provisions of the Constitution, substantially as provided in the Constitutional Amendment, S. J. Res. #1 84th Congress, proposed by Senator John W. Bricker.

### ALEXANDER HAMILTON BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, assembled in its 65th Annual Congress at Chicago, Illinois, most heartily endorses the purpose of, and pledges its full support to, the Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all State Societies and Chapters, Sons of the American Revolution, be urged to cooperate in their respective spheres of activity with said Commission and to arrange for suitable local celebrations, on January 11, 1957, of the 200th anniversary of Alexander Hamilton's birth.

### INVESTIGATION OF TAX EXEMPT FOUNDATIONS

RESOLVED, That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution hereby commends the majority members of the House of Representatives select Committee to investigate Tax-Exempt Foundations, and, the staff of that Committee for their important public service rendered during the 83rd Congress in exposing the subversive activities and the irresponsible conduct of the giant tax exempt funds such as the Rockefeller, Carnegie and Ford Foundations and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

RESOLVED, further that we strongly recommend and urge all patriotic citizens, civic groups and societies to make their own independent study of the report and find-

ings of this Committee, and of the tactics used by foundations and others to suppress this investigation and misrepresent the facts as found by this Committee.

### CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES

It is hereby RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled in Chicago, Illinois, May 22 to May 25, 1955, commends the several investigating Committees of Congress for their activities in exposing communist and other subversive activities; that we respectfully urge that the programs of these committees be continued in their present authorized status; and that their set-up be firmly supported through adequate appropriations by the Congress of the United States; and that they make full and complete reports to the American people.

### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

RESOLVED, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution reaffirms its confidence in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its Director, J. Edgar Hoover, with commendation for its past record and urges the Congress of the United States to appropriate adequate funds to continue its effective services.

### RESTRICTIONS ON FOREIGN AID

RESOLVED, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution recommends that legislation be enacted by the Congress of the United States to prohibit aid to foreign countries which carry on trade with Communist China while American servicemen and citizens are held prisoner by Communist China.

### CONSTITUTION WEEK

RESOLVED, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in every locality study and publicize the Constitution during its 168th Anniversary Week of September 17-23, 1955; request their Mayors and Governors to proclaim Constitution Week; and sponsor Chapter, school and public programs on the Constitution, especially emphasizing the primary purposes of good government as set forth in the preamble to the Constitution and the duty of citizens in our Republic to protect the Constitution and the freedoms as set forth in its Bill of Rights, so that it may continue to protect us and our posterity in "This Nation under God."

### OPPOSITION TO RECOGNITION OF RED CHINA

RESOLVED, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution declares its unalterable opposition to recognition not only of the Government of Red China, but also the recognition of similar governments in other parts of the world.

### OPPOSITION TO RATIFICATION OF THE GENOCIDE PACT

WHEREAS the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution, by resolution adopted at its 1949 Congress in Jacksonville, Florida, strongly opposed ratification by the United States of the so-called "Genocide Pact," and

WHEREAS the United Nations, on December 11, 1946, adopted a resolution condemning genocide as a crime under International Law, and

WHEREAS the United Nations appointed a committee to draft appropriate legislation, and on December 9, 1948, submitted a draft which was unanimously adopted by the United Nations, and

WHEREAS by the terms of the Genocide Convention, or Pact, it was opened for signature on December 11, 1948, and was to remain open until December 31, 1949, for signature, and was not to become operative until ratified by signatories, the United States and forty-two other nations having signed this document, and

WHEREAS Article XIII of the Genocide Convention provides that it shall become operative and enforceable ninety days after deposit of the twentieth instrument of ratification, and in accordance with this provision the Pact became effective for those countries which had deposited the necessary instruments (January 12, 1951), and

WHEREAS this Pact was signed on December 11, 1948, by Ernest A. Gross, in his capacity as alternate representative of the United States of the Third Regular Session of the United Nations General Assembly, and thereafter the President of the United States, on June 16, 1949, transmitted the Pact to the United States Senate for advice and consent for ratification, and thereafter it was submitted to the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate, and hearings were held in January and February of 1950, and action on said Pact is still pending in the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate, and

WHEREAS if said Genocide Pact is adopted, a citizen of the United States could be taken by force to any part of the



world and tried without a jury, and even sentenced in a country in whose courts sentences permit dismemberment of the human body, and

WHEREAS the Secretary of State, on April 6, 1953, made the following statement before the Senate Judiciary Committee:

"I have some doubt as to whether in view of the events that have intervened, the genocide treaty is going to accomplish the purposes which were in the minds of those who drafted it. The Soviet Union and its satellites have either refused to ratify or ratified it with serious reservations. I believe that the solution of the problem which is envisaged by that treaty could better be reconsidered at a later date. I would not press at the moment for its ratification."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution expresses its unalterable opposition to the ratification of the Genocide Convention, or Pact, as now written, as being in violation of the Constitution of the United States.

FURTHER, that the President of the United States be requested to register his opposition to ratification of said Genocide Convention, or Pact, and

FURTHER, that the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate register its opposition to ratification.

RESOLVED FURTHER that a copy of this Resolution be sent to The President of the United States, the Secretary of State, and to all members of the United States Senate.

#### UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

WHEREAS, at the Tenth Annual Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations to be held this year, it may be determined to call a General Conference of the members of the United Nations for the purpose of reviewing and/or revising the present Charter; and

WHEREAS, at such General Conference there may be proposed changes in the Charter whose effect would be to impair the sovereignty of the United States of America and/or to infringe the liberties of its citizens guaranteed by the Bill of Rights of the National Constitution or the constitutions of the States; and

WHEREAS, among changes that are advocated by some groups are the elimination of the veto power; the creation of a military force under the U.N. subject to direct call by the U.N. and direct control by U.N. military staff; the admission of all nations to the U.N. regardless of the principles under which they are governed, and enlarging the powers of the U.N. to change it to a real world government, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the representa-

tives of our country at such conference be instructed that any such impairment of our sovereignty or infringement of our liberties would not be tolerated by the American people, and that all interference in the domestic affairs of the United States cease immediately and completely.

#### IMMIGRATION NATIONALITY ACT

WHEREAS the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has previously supported the provisions of the Immigration Nationality Act (McCarran-Walter Act) and

WHEREAS there has been introduced in the Senate a bill, S. 519, to make changes in the Immigration Nationality Act that are drastic and of lasting harm to the United States, and

WHEREAS S. 519 abolishes the present quota system of immigrants based on the national origin of the persons in the United States in 1920 and proposes instead that the quota of immigrants to be admitted be based on the national origin of persons here in 1950, thereby increasing the immigrants by at least 85,000 annually, and

WHEREAS S. 519 further increases the immigrants admitted by transferring the unused numbers allowed to Northern and Western European countries to be used by the long waiting lists of Southern and Eastern Europe and Orientals, and

WHEREAS in 1954 the Northern and Western countries of Europe as usual did not use all of their quotas by an amount of 60,559 the bill S. 519 would transfer this unused number to the countries of Southern and Eastern Europe where there exists among all branches of their population very strong sentiments for Communism, and

WHEREAS the population of the United States increased in 1954 by 2,700,000 persons, and

WHEREAS the number of unemployed in 1954 reached 3,500,000 requiring the government to declare many centers of the country as areas of acute unemployment,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is firmly opposed to the passage of S 519 and of all other legislation of similar purpose or intent that would destroy the basic purpose of our present Immigration and Nationality Act or which would impair the effective administration of that Act, or which might increase unemployment, among our present citizens, particularly those discharged annually from the armed services and as adding to the expense of unemployment compensation and particularly also for the influence that a large influx of immigrants with communist ideas of government would have on the ideas of government held by our future citizenry, thus changing the character of our citizens and even the form of government of the United States.

#### OPPOSITION TO POLITICAL UNION OF ATLANTIC TREATY NATIONS

WHEREAS there was introduced in the Senate of the United States on February 9, 1955 by Senator Kefauver, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12 which states: "RESOLVED by the Senate (the House of Representatives Concurring), That the President is requested to invite the other democracies which sponsored the North Atlantic Treaty to name delegates, including members of their principal political parties, to meet in a convention with similarly appointed delegates from the United States and from such other democracies as the convention may invite, to explore and to report to what extent their peoples might further unite within the framework of the United Nations, and agree to form, federally or otherwise, a defense, economic and political union." And,

WHEREAS this is another form of the same proposal for Atlantic Union introduced in former sessions of Congress by Senator Kefauver; and

WHEREAS the proponents of this resolution aim at expanding the present military alliance of NATO into a federal political union which requires the surrender of basic powers of our own President, the Congress and the States, to the Atlantic Union and makes drastic changes in our form of Government, and

WHEREAS the calling of delegates by our Government to explore the possibilities of a surrender of powers to form a super political union places our government in the position of favoring such a union, and

WHEREAS a number of resolutions of like import and wording have been introduced into the House of Representatives by both Democrats and Republicans,

BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled call upon their Senators and Representatives to vote against this Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12 introduced in the Senate which paves the way to the surrender of our independence and sovereignty.

#### FOREIGN AID & MAINTENANCE OF UNITED STATES FINANCIAL STABILITY

RESOLVED, that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at its 65th Congress urges the maintenance of the economic resources of the United States of America, and to that end calls upon the government of the United States to discontinue the squandering of our economic resources by excessive grants abroad.

#### SUPPORT OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

WHEREAS one of the main objects of the Sons of the American Revolution is to inculcate love of our Country and of the Flag and

WHEREAS the flag that inspired the writing of our National Anthem is inadequately displayed in the Smithsonian Institution because of crowded conditions among the thousands of important exhibits there, many not displayed, and

WHEREAS bills have been introduced in both houses of Congress for the erection of an Historical and Technological building

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sons of the American Revolution urges Congress to enact these bills in order that the many precious historic and scientific objects possessed by the Smithsonian Institution may be displayed for the education of the public in America's continuing progress in science and culture and particularly for the inspiration given to thousands of tourists, including a great number of school children, by the proper display of the many historic items such as the Star Spangled Banner and objects depicting the Revolutionary War, subsequent wars and the westward expansion of our Nation.

#### MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, great concern has been expressed in many States, and as a result of controversy, in specific parts of our country with respect to the dangers which might arise from the enactment of ill considered laws dealing with the subject of mental health, and with procedure for the forcible confinement or treatment of allegedly mentally ill persons, and

WHEREAS, it is our purpose to advocate any necessary, sound, and justifiable measures of this type with adequate safeguards, and after a necessary and proper investigation, and

WHEREAS, we do, however, recognize the great danger and possibility of abuse which could develop from the use of such laws for political purposes or their administration on the part of persons with subversive background or affiliations,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the National Society of Sons of the American Revolution, as follows:

FIRST: That we strongly urge and recommend to all State and local authorities and to civic individuals, civic groups and patriotic societies that they and each of them be on the alert for the purpose of insisting upon full public discussion and careful scrutiny of all legislation of this type, and that such inquiry be directed in particular to the following points:

- (1) The necessity for any radical or drastic changes of existing law in this field,
- (2) The actual need for any substantial increase in appropriations,
- (3) The extent to which there is any important centralization of power or authority or weakening of independence of action of local agencies,
- (4) The extent to which basic civil liberty of the persons to be detained or

committed are protected by affirmative provisions of law.

SECOND: That we support and insist upon express recognition of the right of allegedly mentally ill persons to exercise the right of habeas corpus, to the right of trial by jury on any commitment proceeding, and to the right of such jury trial on demand of any detained person for a certificate of release.

THIRD: That we support and recommend the enactment of provisions which should absolutely and completely prohibit the employment of any person of known or established subversive background or affiliation in any capacity in relation to the administration of a mental health program or in any institution used for the detention or treatment of mentally ill or allegedly mentally ill persons, and to that end we recommend that an appropriate form of loyalty oath be prescribed and required of all persons so employed.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to all State societies and local chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution with the request that same be distributed by them and be in the hands of interested parties and other local groups and organizations.

#### PARTICIPATION IN GROUND OBSERVER CORPS

WHEREAS, Our National mainland has not been invaded by enemy armed forces for more than a hundred years, and our people have been spared the horrors of domestic war for almost a hundred years, and

WHEREAS, the development of new types of aircraft and aircraft fuels has eliminated the two great oceans and the polar ice cap as insurmountable defenses of the North American Continent, and

WHEREAS, the development of nuclear weapons has been extremely rapid and awesome, and

WHEREAS, another major war will undoubtedly bring an invasion which will result in the annihilation of great numbers of our civilians of all ages and in all walks of life, and

WHEREAS, atomic tests in the Nevada desert have conclusively proved that many of those lives could be saved if there was adequate warning, relatively simple protection, a knowledge of the basic rules for individual self-preservation, and the co-operation of crews equipped and trained for the work of rehabilitation following a nuclear attack.

NOW THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that it, its State Societies and Chapters endeavor to create a public awareness of the catastrophic possibilities and the individual knowledge of self-preservation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution urges a greater public

interest and participation in the organized Ground Observer Corps and the training of necessary disaster relief groups.

#### WORLD GOVERNMENT

BE IT RESOLVED By the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that we do hereby condemn the concept, purpose, necessary operation and effect of WORLD GOVERNMENT, as dangerous, destructive of essential American Constitutional principles and philosophy and a violation of the faith of our fathers.

#### COMMENDATION OF BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS

RESOLVED, That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution again wishes to commend those two splendid youth organizations the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of America. We feel that these organizations deserve great praise for their patriotic work and we urge all chapters of the Sons of the American Revolution to cooperate with them in every way possible.

#### IN SUPPORT OF THE C.A.R.

RESOLVED, that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution reiterates its pledge to do its utmost to support the activities of the Children of the American Revolution and we urge all compatriots to join and cooperate with the Daughters of the American Revolution in sponsoring local societies of the Children of the American Revolution.

#### GREETINGS TO THE D.A.R.

RESOLVED, that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution extends its warmest greetings to the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution and conveys its warmest praise to that splendid Society for its patriotic work in preserving the principles and traditions of those of our ancestors who founded this Nation.

#### AMERICAN SOVEREIGNTY IN THE ANTARCTIC

WHEREAS, over a great number of years the United States has sent exploring expeditions into the Antarctic and American citizens have explored parts of the Antarctic, and

WHEREAS, several foreign nations have established bases in parts of the Antarctic continent

BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of the United States take steps at an early date to announce its claims of the United States sovereignty over particular areas that have been discovered and explored by official expeditions of the United States of America and by its citizens.

#### CONSTITUTION DAY

THAT WHEREAS, September 17th of each year traditionally has been recognized



as Constitution Day, and that in 1954, said date was designated by Proclamation of the President of the United States of America as National Safe-Driving Day.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That this 65th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution expresses its regret of such action by the President, and requests the President to proclaim said date Constitution Day, and that he designate some other date as National Safe-Driving Day.

#### APPRECIATION TO THE ILLINOIS SOCIETY

**RESOLVED,** The 65th Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution wishes to conclude its work with a desire to express its appreciation to all citizens of Illinois and particularly to those citizens of Chicago who have so ably made contributions to the success of this Congress, by their warm cordiality, hospitality and cooperation.

We would like to give the names of all who have contributed but there are so many that it would be futile even to attempt to name them and to name but a few would be unfair to many others.

We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts and we urge that you not wait another forty years before you again invite us to this splendid City of Chicago.

#### APPRECIATION TO THE CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHICAGO

**WHEREAS,** the Central Church of Chicago and its Pastor, Dr. Kenneth Hildebrand, have gone to great lengths and exerted much time and effort to the end that our Memorial Service was an outstanding event of the Sixty-Fifth Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, held in Chicago on May 22, 1955, at the Central Church,

**BE IT RESOLVED,** that we express our deep feeling of gratitude for Dr. Kenneth Hildebrand's untiring efforts in planning and participating in our Memorial Service.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that we express our great appreciation to the Central Church for the use of its Sanctuary and participation of Mrs. Paul Nettinga, Organist, Virginia Parker, Soprano, Lynn

Henilen, Contralto, Ralph Pruitt, Tenor and David Austin, Bass.

#### APPRECIATION TO CINCINNATI CHAPTER

**BE IT RESOLVED,** By the 65th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that we express for this Society our deep appreciation for the work done by the members of the Cincinnati Chapter of the Ohio Society in obtaining for permanent custody in our National Headquarters, the famous sword given to General Cilley by George Washington.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That we express our sincere thanks to the descendants of General Cilley for their willingness to give over to the Society the custody of this famous sword.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That we extend to Past President Warren M. Taylor of the Ohio Society, our appreciation of his efforts in the successful accomplishment of this matter.

#### APPRECIATION TO COMPATRIOT LEO TERRY

**WHEREAS,** one Leo Terry, affectionately known to his friends as "Leo", has contributed to this Congress in various and sundry ways, to wit:

As an organist extraordinary, master and manipulator of that instrument, songster, song leader, promoter of happiness and good cheer,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the aforesaid Leo be, and hereby is, taken to our hearts as a friend, and that he be commended to the friendship of Compatriots here and everywhere, now and forever; and that there be recorded in the minutes of this session the words "Thank you, Leo."

#### APPRECIATION TO COMPATRIOT SAMUEL HUBBARD SCOTT

**BE IT RESOLVED,** That the 65th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution expresses its sincere thanks to Compatriot Samuel Hubbard Scott, President of Anthony Wayne Chapter at Toledo, Ohio, for his courtesy and devotion in making

available to this Congress his wonderful collection of replicas of the various flags figuring in the history of this continent and of the United States of America.

#### APPRECIATION TO NEW YORK CHAPTER

**WHEREAS,** The New York Chapter of the Empire State Society has loaned the Congress their valuable Colonial uniforms, sabers and rifles for the use of the Color Guards at our Congresses.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Congress hereby expresses its sincere thanks and appreciation to the New York Chapter for its cooperation and graciousness in committing to our use such uniforms, sabers and rifles.

#### APPRECIATION TO COMPATRIOT ARTHUR F. COLE

**RESOLVED:** That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled hereby expresses its thanks and appreciation to Compatriot Arthur Cole of the New Jersey Society for transportation and custody of the Colonial uniforms, sabers and rifles of the New York Chapter of the Empire State Society for use and display at the sessions of the Congress and his untiring efforts and services in organizing and commanding the Color Guard and the colorful and effective performance of such Guard.

#### APPRECIATION TO R. R. DONNELLEY AND SONS COMPANY

**RESOLVED,** that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, expresses its great appreciation to R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company, Chicago, Illinois, and its President, Mr. Gaylord Donnelley, for their interest shown in our Society by furnishing one thousand beautiful complimentary Programs for use in the Memorial Service held in the Central Church of Chicago, Illinois, on May 22, 1955, the attractive format of which was designed by the staff of R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Gaylord Donnelley, President of R. R. Donnelley and Sons Company.

Compatriots will supply transportation, when notified of your needs.

Massachusetts Compatriots will please apply for further information to their headquarters, 9 Ashburton St., Boston 8; others, not necessarily limited to New England, please write to the new secretary of the Council, H. E. Coe, 206 Euclid Ave.; Waterbury 30, Conn.

We suggest that you extend your stay beyond the week-end; that you take your car to the Island, and have a Fall vacation amidst beautiful surroundings.

July 1955

### LIST OF COMPATRIOTS WHO SPONSORED ONE, OR MORE, NEW APPLICATIONS DURING THE YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1, 1954, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 1955

#### ALABAMA

George H. Jones, Sr. 1  
William W. Youngblood 1  
Robert P. Gordon 5  
Lee Edmundson Baines 1  
James V. Blackwell 1  
Wm. A. Cochran, Jr. 1  
Will F. Franke 1  
Wm. T. Carpenter 13  
Avery F. Olney 1  
J. C. McDermott 1

#### ALASKA

Roy W. Edris 2  
A. Letcher Seamands 6  
Perry S. McLain 1  
Elwood C. Nurse 1  
Charles N. Walters 2  
Harold C. Hess 2  
Joseph Bennett Love 4  
Theodore G. McKesson 1  
Chester Ray Swackhamer 1  
William W. Clore 1

#### ARIZONA

Charles N. Walters 2  
Harold C. Hess 2  
Joseph Bennett Love 4  
Theodore G. McKesson 1  
Chester Ray Swackhamer 1  
William W. Clore 1

#### ARKANSAS

John H. Pierce 1  
Julius I. Garner 1  
John E. Harris 1  
Mason E. Mitchell 5

#### CALIFORNIA

Arthur D. Ruppel 3  
Morton Harvey 1  
H. Lewis Mathewson 18  
John W. Teed 1  
Arthur J. Hood, 2nd 6  
Carl N. Helmick 4  
Raymond L. Harkness 2  
R. K. Kaufman 1  
Elmer G. Chapman 1  
Harry B. Wells 4  
Clayton E. Ingalls 1  
Guy W. Brundage 1  
George W. Reed 1  
Lawrence R. Payne 1  
Waddell F. Smith 1  
Montgomery Ostrander 1  
Amos W. Flemings 2  
J. S. Bordwell 1  
Charles A. Mersereau 14  
Olin C. Moulton 1  
John M. Johnston 1

#### COLORADO

R. W. Carter 5  
Tenney C. DeSollar 4  
Edwin A. Williams 1  
Dwight C. Meigs 1  
James D. Maitland 1  
Millard F. Smith 1  
Harry F. Morse 10  
George A. Kebabian 2  
Albert C. Merriam 4  
Kenneth M. Larkum 1  
Harry H. Pritchard 3  
Harry E. Targett 5  
Leroy W. Wilson 1  
Calvin C. Bolles 1  
William P. Slover 1  
Burton J. Hine 1  
A. R. Beebe 1  
M. H. Meriman 1  
Edmund E. Freeman 1  
William S. Kenyon 1  
Earl C. Targett 1  
James B. Jewett 1  
S. Julian Stevens 1  
Chauncey L. Fish 1  
Wadsworth Gray Fyler 1  
Philander Cooke 1

#### CONNECTICUT

Donald S. Sammis 1  
Howard E. Coe 3

Millard F. Smith 1  
Harry F. Morse 10  
George A. Kebabian 2  
Albert C. Merriam 4  
Kenneth M. Larkum 1  
Harry H. Pritchard 3  
Harry E. Targett 5  
Leroy W. Wilson 1  
Calvin C. Bolles 1  
William P. Slover 1  
Burton J. Hine 1  
A. R. Beebe 1  
M. H. Meriman 1  
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Earl C. Targett 1  
James B. Jewett 1  
S. Julian Stevens 1  
Chauncey L. Fish 1  
Wadsworth Gray Fyler 1  
Philander Cooke 1

#### DELAWARE

Herbert Finch, Jr. 1  
Harvey Bounds 1  
Ellwood A. Davis 1  
P. Warren Green 1

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Arthur G. Stewart 14  
Warren C. Foster 9  
Thurston H. Baxter 1  
Richard E. Spurr 1  
Benjamin D. Hill, Jr. 1  
John E. Allen 1  
William H. Floyd 1  
Paul M. Robinett 1  
Henry L. Reynolds 1  
Chauncey C. Day 1  
O. Kenneth Baker 1  
Warren C. Jaycox 1

#### FLORIDA

Charles B. Watkins 1  
J. B. Holt 9  
A. R. Drew 7  
F. M. Hudson 2  
John H. Cochran 1  
Sam G. Webb 1  
A. W. Blodgett 5  
Ray O. Edwards 1  
John F. Lanier 1  
George L. Gregory 1  
Eugene W. Fry, Jr. 2  
George R. Brockway 1  
Hal Freoff 1  
Reginald F. Bradley 1  
M. C. Burnside 1  
William E. Beckham 1

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Hatton Lovejoy 1  
Augustus M. Roan 2  
Daniel H. Williams, Jr. 1

Folks Huxford 7  
W. E. Nexsen 1  
Willis M. Everett, Jr. 1  
George A. Dame 1  
William D. Thompson 2  
Reva B. Dame 1  
Glen C. Dame 1  
Hugh L. Faulk 1

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Herbert S. Smith 1  
Charles L. Hapai 3  
Koridon L. Andrew 1

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Albert E. White 1  
J. R. Gobble 2  
Edson W. Deal 1  
K. D. Spencer 1

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C. A. Goodwin-Perkins 11  
Charles B. Elder 2  
H. T. Scoville 2  
Glen Wortman 2  
A. H. Vollertsen 1  
Paul B. Teeter 3  
John T. Haynes 10  
Fred A. Russell 1  
Stanley Rich 1  
Chester F. Dunham 1  
John A. Dawson 1  
M. D. Rutherford 1  
Harry F. Keator 1  
Merrill F. Brobst 2  
R. H. McCormick, III 1  
John E. King 1  
John H. Babb 3  
Stuart L. Elbel 1  
Leslie M. Frey 1  
Henry E. Cutler 2  
Norman Barnes 1  
E. Varney Gaines 1  
Henry Haven Windsor, Jr. 2  
Henry R. Shade 1  
Gerald Mark 1  
John Randall 1  
L. M. Stevens 1  
Norman Anderson 1  
Howard D. MacDonald 1

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Frank C. Worcester 1  
Clarence E. Eaton 1  
Couvers E. Leach 1  
Roy A. Evans 1

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George S. Robertson 4  
Rudolph S. Lafferty 1  
James G. Marston 3  
Chester E. Lewis 1  
David J. Ward, Sr. 1  
Lester N. Towner 2

#### MASSACHUSETTS

John C. Wroe 16  
E. Thomas Smith 1  
Harry Chesley Shaw 1  
William F. Robinson 1  
Giles Blague 1  
Abner L. Braley 4  
Arthur Adams 1  
Francis R. Sears 1  
Frederick H. Whittmore 1  
George F. Russell 1  
Carlton N. Baker 1  
Warren K. Richmond 1  
Richard J. Curry 1  
Arthur J. Flint, Jr. 1  
Albert Keddy 1  
Hibbard Richter 1  
Charles Knox Laughton 1

#### IOWA

Mott R. Sawyers 1

### NEW ENGLAND GATHERING AT MARTHA'S VINEYARD ON CONSTITUTION DAY

Compatriots of the New England States and their families are cordially invited to join the New England Council, S.A.R., and the Massachusetts Society in the celebration of Constitution Day at Edgartown, Mass.

Tentative plans provide for an open meeting of the Council Saturday noon, September 17th, the afternoon to be spent on a tour of the interesting Island.

In the evening, the Massachusetts Society will hold the usual Constitution Day Observance. Sunday Morning, the Martha's Vineyard Chapter S.A.R., will sponsor services.

Advantageous rates have been secured on either American or European plans. Group fares are available on the Island Steamers and the Railroads, if enough of you sign up for the trip. The local



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Sidney J. Bockstanz	1	Matthew T. Betton	1
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Carl A. Herrick	2		
John G. Ballard	6		
Harry Biederman	1		
Howard R. Hush	1		
Charles P. Schouten	2		
G. Dell Daedo	1		
Winthrop M. Wadsworth	1		
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G. A. Hazard	4		
James Lauren Harper	2		
Richard P. Cotting	1		
Roger L. Lewis	1		
T. F. Flowers	1		
Lawrence E. Mallette	2		
Byron DeLa Beckwith	4		
W. Guy Humphrey	6		
Burnice W. Smith	2		
Lucien L. McNees	3		
Earl B. McM. Currie	1		
Walter W. Murphy	1		
P. E. Smith	1		
Overton A. Currie	1		
Edward A. Currie, Jr.	1		
Charles E. Holmes	1		

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Reid A. Bartnett	1		
Malcolm P. Breckenridge	2		
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## MONTANA

Myron R. Wilson	1		
C. Vance Wilson	1		
Dougan C. H. Luebben	2		

## NEBRASKA

Sterling F. Mutz	1		
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## NEW HAMPSHIRE

C. Murray Sawyer	2		
Franklin N. Roger	1		

## NEW JERSEY

Ross K. Cook	2		
H. E. Havens	1		
Harvey B. Nelson, Jr.	1		
Harold S. Johnson	3		
C. Malcolm B. Gilman	3		
William Y. Pryor	1		
Paul C. Burgess	4		
William H. Irelan	1		
Wentworth B. Collins	1		
Stanton T. Lawrence	1		
Albert L. Stokes	1		
Pierre B. Zabriskie	1		
Ray W. Dutcher	1		
Leon A. McIntire	2		
Donald McDougall	1		
Avery B. Oakes	2		
Everett P. Balch	1		
Guy S. Lyman	1		
J. Neil Arrington	1		
Herbert A. Grant	2		
Harold L. Maryott	1		
Wilbur A. Stevens	1		
Chas. Ainsworth Rice	1		
John E. Stevens	2		
Robert L. Evans	1		
Edgar Williamson, Jr.	3		
John Philip Rogers	2		
Clarence L. Smalley	1		
Douglas Colyer	1		
Henry D. Brinley	2		
Manton L. Graff	2		
V. Miller Preston	1		
Garrett du Bois	1		
Howard M. Ladd	1		
Charles L. Sharp	1		
John D. Hood	1		
George G. Felt	1		
A. Lloyd Reid	1		
Glenn K. Carver	1		
William Edgar Reeve	1		
H. A. Sonn	2		
Hershall S. Murphy	1		
Henry G. Nulton	2		
Albert F. Koehler	1		
Henry W. Crane	1		

## NEW MEXICO

H. Wilson Maglidt	2		
Robert G. Norfleet	2		
Clinton M. Roth	1		
Charles A. Dickson	1		
Chas. K. Dillingham	1		
Geo. Pinckney Walker	1		

## NEW YORK

W. Arthur Battles	1		
Gardner Osborn	17		
Lester R. Mosher	1		
Chas. A. Dickerson	1		
John W. Ridgway	1		
Edwin E. Ellis	7		
G. Harry Swancott	6		
Robert L. Allison	1		
Carlos E. Fallon	2		
F. Roger Downey	1		
Glenn C. Way	3		
Leroy E. Fowler	1		
Washington Dodge	1		
Everett P. Burch	1		
Harry Barber	1		
Grove A. Gilbert	1		
Lambert Grant	1		
Robert Pierce	1		
Frank Love	1		
R. H. Canfield	2		
George R. Burr	1		
Chester A. Garfield	1		
Lambert Fairchild	1		
Carl M. Loeb, Jr.	2		
John W. Finger	3		
William H. Cole	1		
A. John Sammos	1		
David Sabine	1		
Leonard H. Wright	1		
Joseph L. Hege	1		
Merritt Miller Long	1		
Garth H. Meyers	1		
Wm. A. McManus	1		
Raymond T. Thompson	1		
Walter J. Belling, Jr.	1		
George L. Weeks, Jr.	1		
James Rees Pugh	1		
Warren S. Woodward	1		
Richard G. McChesney	1		
William W. Pouch	1		
Dudley Butler	1		
Emerson S. Bowers	1		
George Bond, Jr.	1		

## NORTH CAROLINA

Alonza N. Parish	2		
Thomas J. Holton	1		
Travis B. Callum	3		
Wm. Oliver Smith	3		
M. F. Croom	1		
Wm. Thomas Harding	1		
Andrew C. Tainter, Jr.	1		
Virginius Williams	1		
James E. Henderson	1		
Frank O. Alford	1		
J. G. W. MacClamroch	1		
W. H. Dawson, Jr.	1		
James C. Fearrington	1		
Macdaniel Lewis	1		
Henry I. Grady	1		
David M. Foot	1		

## OHIO

Homer B. Johnston	1		
Virgil T. Bogue	11		

Samuel K. Houston	7		
L. F. Ridgway	7		
E. M. Hall	26		
Henry Pirtle	1		
Howard R. Urmston	1		
Raymond A. Lee	4		
Roy R. Nowell	1		
C. A. Jones	1		
Hiram H. Pratt	8		
Byron L. Cove	1		
Hiram C. Bratt	1		
James E. Mitchell	1		
Winfield Worline	1		
S. Samuel Scoville	3		
Charles S. Merion	1		
Frank S. Wright	2		
Arthur M. Spining	1		
Chester S. Long	1		
Charles R. Barefoot	1		
William H. Smith	6		
Osborne Mitchell	1		
Robert D. Huxley	1		
D. W. Garber	2		
Wm. H. McConoughey	1		
Carlos E. Peck	5		
Donald M. Stearns	1		
Raymond C. Buell	1		
E. J. Taylor	1		
William R. Lee	1		
Warren M. Taylor	3		
Marion A. Davis	1		
J. Paul Thompson	1		
William H. Mellon	1		
Charles A. Anderson	1		
William M. Pettit	1		
George F. Chubbuck	1		
Charles E. Stoops	1		
Henry W. Lyndall	1		
Earl Wayne Allerton	1		
R. A. Loveland	1		
James H. Garrison	1		
Reuben A. Hunt	1		
Sterling W. Clements	1		

## OKLAHOMA

Hammett F. Hough	1		
C. T. Walker	22		
Redmond S. Cole	7		
Guy Bruce Massey	1		
Louis Allen Morton	1		
George T. Daniel	2		
Chas. A. Dickson	1		

## OREGON

Chas. Henry Leavitt	4		
Bonner H. Robinson	1		
Harry J. Beeman	3		
Reginald C. Brummer	1		
O. L. Rhoads	1		
Louis E. Starr	1		
Lew Wallace	2		
George D. Dryer	2		

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Floyd G. Hoenstine	3		
Alvah J. Williams	3		

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Wm. H. Heffner	2		
H. Ryerson Decker	2		
John Herron White	1		
W. Guy Spencer	2		
Samuel M. Carter	1		
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James G. Berkheimer	4		
James K. Helms	1		
Samuel W. Fernberger	1		
Richard P. South	1		
Samuel Fausold	1		
Ellerslie Wallace Schlecht, Jr.	1		
Chester Elmer Shirk	1		
Edwin B. Graham	21		
Graham L. Marsh	1		
Jas. Avery Johnston	1		
Walter S. Ludwig	2		
A. Liston Townsend	3		
Jacob Erdman Cope	4		
Albert C. Brand	2		
Thos. W. Spofford	2		
K. T. H. McFarland, Jr.	1		
Samuel M. P. Allison	1		
B. F. Ober	1		
George B. Zendt	1		
Harry E. Gettemy	1		
Clyde R. Flory	6		
John F. Nolte	1		
Paul W. Cleveland	1		
Charles R. Fish	1		
David T. Mitchell, Jr.	1		
Ernest F. Walker	1		
D. Barlow Burke	1		
Everett G. Sims	1		
Dean Harvey	1		
Heber G. Gearhart	1		
Paul R. Ruch	1		
John Riel	1		
Harry R. Hummer	1		
Harold A. Neece	1		
Charles G. Speck	1		
Fitzhugh McMaster	1		
Richard H. Crook	1		
Joseph O. Hunter	1		

## TEXAS

T. E. Swigart	1		
Robt. W. Thompson	2		
Karl Hoblitzelle	3		
Homer Edwin Carrico	1		
Milo B. Barragar	1		
C. E. Gilbert, Jr.	6		
Luther G. Jones	1		
William S. Patton	1		
John C. Robbins, Jr.	1		
Walter L. Church	3		
Ewing Werlein	2		
Morris Browning	1		
Paine Lee Bush	1		
James Harvey Norwood	6		
Palmer Bradley	1		
John C. Jacobs	1		
Floyd P. Courtney	1		
R. R. Stegall	1		
John Hensell	3		
George Red	1		
Earle D. Behrends	6		
Charles R. Loomis	6		
Robert B. Overstreet	1		
Arthur P. Van Horn	1		
John P. Greer	1		
Elton M. Hyder, Sr.	1		
C. W. Hutchinson	3		
Charles W. Hughes	1		
Archie M. Campbell	1		
F. W. Huntington	1		
C. H. Lane	2		
Solon F. Riley	1		
William D. Cecil	2		
Paul A. Heisig	1		
Clifford B. Jones	1		

## SOUTH CAROLINA

William Weston, Jr.	1		
Granville T. Pryor	2		
F. C. Tibbetts	1		
Wm. H. Cutchin	1		
G. L. Summer	1		

## SOUTH DAKOTA

David H. Smith	2		
Roy E. Willy	2		

## TENNESSEE

H. W. Gill	1		
R. N. Sims Crownover	4		
Hugh Wagner Stallworth	9		
John W. Cloy	1		
Walter L. Anderson	1		
David E. Hedges	1		
Fred A. Hahn	1		
Wm. Warren Woodruff, III	1		
Malcolm J. Rawlings	6		
Sam F. Cole	1		
David W. Gott	1		
Stanley F. Horn	1		
Dorian E. Clark	1		
A. Paul Brown	1		
David H. MacDonald	1		

## VERMONT

T. E. Swigart	1		
Robt. W. Thompson	2		
Karl Hoblitzelle	3		
Homer Edwin Carrico	1		
Milo B. Barragar	1		
C. E. Gilbert, Jr.	6		
Luther G. Jones	1		
William S. Patton	1		
John C. Robbins, Jr.	1		
Walter L. Church	3		
Ewing Werlein	2		
Morris Browning	1		
Paine Lee Bush	1		
James Harvey Norwood	6		
Palmer Bradley	1		
John C. Jacobs	1		
Floyd P. Courtney	1		
R. R. Stegall	1		
John Hensell	3		
George Red	1		
Earle D. Behrends	6		
Charles R. Loomis	6		
Robert B. Overstreet	1		
Arthur P. Van Horn	1		
John P. Greer	1		
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C. W. Hutchinson	3		
Charles W. Hughes	1		
Archie M. Campbell	1		
F. W. Huntington	1		
C. H. Lane	2		



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 ERLE GOODWIN BEWLEY, Oklahoma, January 11, 1955  
 CLARENCE BLAKESLEE, Connecticut, June, 1954  
 HERMAN BLOUGH, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1955  
 PERRY B. BORCHERS, Ohio, December 20, 1954  
 S. THORNE BOSTWICK, Connecticut, August 1, 1954  
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 HARRIE I. BRETT, Massachusetts, November 22, 1954  
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 BENJAMIN J. BURKE, Oklahoma, August 17, 1954  
 JOHN A. CAMPBELL, Michigan, May 6, 1954  
 ELBA J. CAMPEN, Colorado, April 19, 1955  
 GEORGE A. CAPRON, Rhode Island, November 15, 1954  
 WILLIAM T. CARD, Massachusetts, September 12, 1954  
 J. B. CARR, Indiana, July 20, 1954  
 ROBERT RHODES CHACE, Empire State, November 24, 1954  
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 CLYDE A. CLAPP, Maryland, April 9, 1955  
 G. HAYES COLEMAN, Ohio, March 14, 1955  
 FRED W. CONNOLLY, Massachusetts, May 9, 1955  
 BYRON E. COX, Ohio, February 5, 1955  
 LYNDON W. CLAYTON, Utah, July 3, 1955  
 HAROLD F. CLEVELAND, Massachusetts, January 21, 1955  
 HARRY P. CROSS, Rhode Island, March 11, 1955  
 BIRDSALL W. CROWLEY, New Jersey, January 19, 1955  
 DAVID E. DARROW, Washington State, March 26, 1955  
 GEORGE H. DENNY, Alabama, April 2, 1955  
 CLARENCE E. DENTLER, Oregon, April 3, 1955  
 WILLIAM B. DORWARD, North Dakota, November 1, 1954  
 ALFRED E. DRAKE, Empire State, December 31, 1954  
 RUSSELL C. C. DUBOIS, Rhode Island, October 23, 1954  
 EUGENE DUPONT, Delaware, December 15, 1954  
 WILLIAM B. EARL, Massachusetts, April 27, 1954  
 R. T. EASTELL, Pennsylvania, May 9, 1955  
 WILLIAM H. EDELBLUTE, Idaho, May 16, 1954  
 ALBERT M. EDWARDS, Virginia, April 30, 1954  
 GEORGE M. ESTABROOK, Empire State, August 12, 1954  
 OLIVER EVERETT, SR., Illinois, June 7, 1954  
 W. S. EVERTS, California, May 20, 1955  
 JOSEPH R. FARRINGTON, Hawaii, June 19, 1954  
 WALTER A. FISHER, Ohio, May 15, 1954  
 REGINALD FISCHE, Rhode Island, July, 1954  
 FRANK C. FLEMING, Mississippi, April 18, 1954  
 CARSON P. FRAILEY, Maryland, May, 1954  
 G. CLIFFORD FOOTE, Connecticut, October 31, 1954

DONALD N. FRAZIER, Virginia, May 25, 1954  
 EUGENE MCK. FROMENT, Empire State, September 2, 1954  
 W. LOUIS FROST, Rhode Island, November 22, 1954  
 GEORGE E. GALE, Rhode Island, March 10, 1955  
 GUY P. GANNETT, Maine, April 24, 1954  
 EDWARD D. GARINER, JR., Michigan, April 15, 1955  
 CHARLES W. GASKELL, Empire State, December 17, 1954  
 CHARLES GASPER, Missouri, October 21, 1954  
 FREDERICK W. GASTON, Washington State, April 30, 1954  
 THOMAS O. GIBBS, Illinois, May 9, 1954  
 STANLEY L. GORDON, California, January 30, 1955  
 OLIVER R. GRANT, Maine, January 16, 1955  
 WILLIAM S. GRAY, Pennsylvania, May 7, 1955  
 ROBERT M. GREEN, Massachusetts, May 30, 1955  
 ANDREW G. GRIFFIN, California, October 15, 1954  
 DAVID OTHO GRIFFIN, Maryland, October 11, 1954  
 WALTER B. GRISWOLD, Connecticut, November 20, 1954  
 EPHRAIM HACKETT, Maine, January 16, 1955  
 DAVID B. HALL, Ohio, January 17, 1955  
 LEVI WRIGHT HALSEY, New Jersey, March 9, 1955  
 JAMES J. HAMMAN, JR., Ohio, June, 1954  
 HARRY P. HAMMOND, New Hampshire, April 4, 1955  
 LEO N. HANCOX, Empire State, February 3, 1955  
 A. B. HAVILAND, New Jersey, August 14, 1954  
 JOHN S. HAW, Virginia, April 26, 1955  
 JOHN C. HAYS, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1955  
 MICHAEL Y. HEATH, Virginia, February 4, 1955  
 WILLIAM G. HEINER, Pennsylvania, January 30, 1955  
 CHARLES M. HENDRICKS, Texas, December 9, 1953  
 RAY A. HESS, California, May 18, 1955  
 PRESTON B. HINMAN, Mississippi, March, 1955  
 ROY I. HYNDMAN, Maryland, May 17, 1954  
 WILLIAM R. HOLMES, Utah, July 30, 1954  
 EDWIN A. HOWE, Empire State, March 13, 1955  
 ELTON HOYT II, Ohio, March 16, 1955  
 ROY CLARE HUDSON, Virginia, April 1, 1955  
 ADRIAN HUGHES, JR., Maryland, April 30, 1955  
 HENRY N. HYDE, Arkansas, July 14, 1954  
 GEORGE A. INGRAHAM, New Jersey, March 16, 1955  
 EDWARD P. JASTRAM, Rhode Island, July, 1954  
 LEE JOSLYN, JR., Michigan, May 30, 1955  
 F. Y. KEELER, Empire State, April 21, 1954  
 ARTHUR H. KELLER, New Jersey, February 17, 1954  
 CARL T. KELLER, Massachusetts, May 13, 1955  
 CHESTER B. KELLOGG, New Jersey, November 11, 1954  
 HARRY S. KIMBALL, Massachusetts, March 30, 1955  
 ROBERT H. KING, New Mexico, October, 1954  
 ERNEST O. KOOSER, Pennsylvania, May 25, 1955  
 CHARLES A. KUHN, Ohio, March 5, 1955  
 EDWIN T. LEWIS, Utah, May 1, 1954  
 CHARLES J. LINCOLN, Washington State, October 29, 1954  
 FRANK S. LLOYD, New Jersey, March 30, 1954  
 ROBERT W. LOHR, Pennsylvania, September 25, 1954  
 HARRY B. LONGSWORTH, Ohio, February 2, 1955  
 CHARLES A. LONGUEMARE, Texas, March 4, 1955  
 HENRY J. MCCABE, Empire State, May 30, 1954  
 ROBERT E. MCCARTER, Connecticut, October 8, 1954

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 CARL R. MCKENRICK, Maryland, October 30, 1954  
 PAUL V. McNUTT, Indiana, March 24, 1955  
 FRANK W. MACKOY, Wisconsin, August 17, 1954  
 GEORGE C. MARTIN, Oklahoma, March 27, 1954  
 J. EDGAR MASTERS, Empire State, August 6, 1954  
 JAMES B. MAUK, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1955  
 FRANK F. MERRIAM, California, April 25, 1955  
 RICHARD LORTON MIDDLETON, Empire State, October 27, 1954  
 RAYMOND H. MILLER, Connecticut, April 24, 1954  
 R. C. MILLS, South Dakota, December 16, 1954  
 LEROY S. MONTGOMERY, Empire State, May 19, 1954  
 PERRY J. MORTON, Nebraska, April 15, 1955  
 RALPH E. MURPHY, California, March 21, 1955  
 PETER PALMATEER, Empire State, July 14, 1954  
 CHARLES S. PALMER, Connecticut, August 18, 1954  
 PHILIP C. PEARSON, Connecticut, January 26, 1955  
 EMMET C. PEEBLES, Ohio, February 10, 1955  
 DELBERT K. PERRY, Connecticut, June 18, 1954  
 ARTHUR L. PHILBRICK, Rhode Island, May 31, 1955  
 N. TAYLOR PHILLIPS, Empire State, April 30, 1955  
 F. F. PIERCY, Ohio, February 17, 1955  
 LEWIS E. PIERSON, Empire State, November 10, 1954  
 ARTHUR D. PLATT, Oregon, September 10, 1954  
 BENJAMIN I. POWELL, Florida, April 8, 1954  
 WILLARD D. PRATT, Massachusetts, May 21, 1955  
 GLADDING PRICE, Rhode Island, March, 1955  
 KENNETH E. PROBST, Pennsylvania, May 4, 1955  
 JAMES E. REMLEY, Iowa, July 2, 1954  
 EARLE A. RICHARDSON, Colorado, March 15, 1955  
 CHARLES E. RIEMAN, Maryland, December 3, 1954  
 DUANE E. A. ROSS, Illinois, April 29, 1955  
 OTTIS L. ROSS, South Dakota, May 5, 1955  
 ALBERT I. RUSSELL, Rhode Island, June 23, 1954  
 MILTON H. SANFORD, Oregon, February 2, 1955  
 EZRA C. SAYLOR, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1954  
 CHARLES H. SCHOCH, Empire State, August 2, 1954  
 EARLE B. SEARCY, Illinois, April 11, 1955  
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 WILLIAM R. SLEMMER, Maryland, May 5, 1954  
 GEORGE A. SLOAN, Tennessee, May 20, 1955  
 ELMER V. SMITH, Indiana, March 15, 1955  
 HERBERT R. SMITH, Empire State, February 12, 1955  
 LEON G. SMITH, Minnesota, January 13, 1955  
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 WINFIELD S. SOLOMON, Rhode Island, August 12, 1954  
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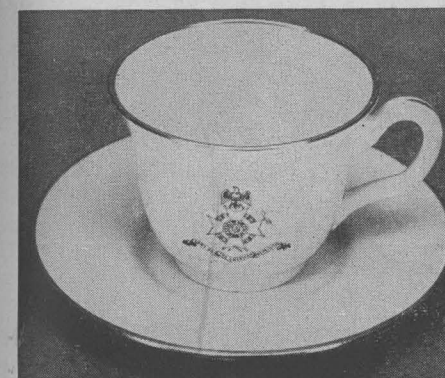
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