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THE EDITOR SAYS:

Once again, we stand on the threshold of a new year and view the months ahead with a mixture of optimism and pessimism. There is a sound logical basis for a feeling of confidence in the economic well-being of our nation through the next twelve months. All of the factors, on which the economists base their conclusions seem favorable and indicate a continuance of the high degree of prosperity with which we were blessed in 1956. Our rate of increase in population insures the increased demand for goods and services, the ingredients of prosperity which constitute the basis for optimism as far as the domestic economy is concerned.

The outlook for the future in the international field is less encouraging. The tensions produced by the state of affairs in the Middle East and in the satellite nations have given us reason to view the future with concern. The international situation might be summed up in one word, that word being "fluid".

We have witnessed the disturbing scene of two of our supposedly staunchest allies embarking on a highly dangerous military venture without fully informing our government of their intentions. As a result of their actions, we have found ourselves aligned with Soviet Russia in pressing for the adoption of resolutions of condemnation by the United Nations. At the same time we are condemning Soviet Russia for the inexcusable brutality displayed in Hungary. As a further example of the instability of international relations, we are being called upon to supply the oil, and possibly the dollars with which to purchase the oil, which cannot be delivered to Britain and France due to the blocking of the Suez Canal resulting from their actions.

As members of the Sons of the American Revolution, we may give some thought to a reappraisal of the independence our forefathers fought to secure for us. Apparently we are still obligated to spring to the assistance of Britain whenever she is unable to manage her own economy. Perhaps we need another Declaration of Independence.

We pray that President Eisenhower and those who share the responsibility for making the decisions will be given the wisdom and the courage to guide our nation through the perilous days ahead and that out of this maelstrom of conflict may come genuine peace and prosperity for the entire world.

The Editor

January 1957



EUGENE P. CARVER, JR.
 President General

As this is written, six months of my term have just passed. At least so far I haven't wrecked the outfit; nor have I accomplished anything I want to shout about from all the housetops.

At this time of year, my thoughts naturally turn towards wishing all of my compatriots, their wives and families the Season's Greetings. Of course, you will read this after Christmas and New Years are over, but I know you would be glad to learn my thoughts were with you as we approach this happy time of the year. At any rate I can say that I hope you did have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Since my last message to you, as you will see from this issue of our magazine, we have had our fall meeting of the Executive Committee and of the National Trustees. In my opinion, those meetings were the finest, not only in attendance but in interest, earnestness of purpose and considered judgment that I have ever experienced in this organization. I am not, of course, starting any controversy on the subject, but feel sure that the attendance was the best—at least in my time. It certainly augurs well for our organization when so many of the compatriots will come from as far off as California, Florida, Maine, Colorado, Minnesota, not to mention all the rest of the states which were represented, to do our organization's business. I would like again to remind those Com-

The President General's Message

patriots that their expenses are a proper charitable deduction from their income tax returns. It hurts when you spend the money but those deductions do come in awfully nice when sending Uncle Sam a big fat check!

By the time you will be reading this, I will have—God willing—covered fifteen states, so I think I am keeping my one campaign promise—that is, if elected, I would be an active President General. Everywhere, my wife and I have been very cordially and courteously received and entertained. I hope I have left behind in each place just a little extra stimulus toward building up our organization.

While I am thanking the compatriots for their courtesies to us. I don't want to forget the very nice way in which the "Daughters" have turned out to honor me! From their President General, Allene Groves, down to their ordinary workers, they have been extremely cordial, and are, I know, trying hard to build up our organization. I don't like one-way streets—can't we pay them back by helping them build up theirs? A stronger SAR and a stronger DAR can be of great value in this country towards keeping those things for which our ancestors fought.

Our Washington office, under the untiring efforts of our Executive Secretary, and with the help of our loyal workers, has been maintaining a high rate of efficiency. Perhaps they are a little disappointed that I have not been making them more frequent visits but it is because I knew they were getting along very nicely without me so it might be better for the organization for me to give my time to the state organizations in various parts of the country. You can be sure that if things were not progressing nicely in Washington, I would be spending more time there; however, it has been my rule in life that when a machine is running nicely not to monkey with it. So my lack of visits to Washington is in reality a compliment and not a lack of interest.

Again, I want to stress membership. With more members, we can accomplish more and can speak with more authority. There must be just as many men in the country eligible to the SAR as there women eligible to the DAR. If the "Daughters" can get as many hard-working members as they have proven they CAN get, why can't we get two or three times the members

we now have? Personally, I think it is just laziness and inertia on our part, and I plead guilty along with the rest of you.

Financially we are in good shape; in fact, we are in the best shape of any time since I've been a member. We are also at least TRYING to do more both nationally and locally, and we have more to sell than at any time I have known. LET'S SELL IT! The slogan is still LET'S GO!

Respectfully and fraternally yours,
Eugene P. Carver, Jr.
 President General

REPORT OF THE IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE

Robert H. Overstreet, Chairman

On November 12, 1956 there appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Hon. Francis E. Walter (Compatriot), Chairman, Presiding, Mr. Archibald Roosevelt (Compatriot) who testified regarding matters relating to the Immigration and Nationality Act (more often referred to as the McCarran-Walter Act).

Compatriot Roosevelt appeared on behalf of the Sons of the American Revolution (a member of the National Society's Immigration Committee) and on behalf of the American Coalition of Patriotic Organizations.

In his testimony, Compatriot Roosevelt stressed the need of tightening rather than liberalizing the Immigration Act and cited that the opposition to the present Act came largely from hard-core Communists, and a few "bleeding heart" Americans and "well-meaning people" who do not fully understand what the effect would be if some of the proposed changes were adopted. The witness stated that any move to provide unrestricted immigration would leave the Nation open to foreign subversion.

Mr. Roosevelt gave a very impressive presentation of the various plans of attack on the Immigration Act by organizations seeking to change it basically if not to do away with it entirely. His full testimony before the Committee will be printed and will be available within a few weeks.

The writer had the privilege of hearing Mr. Roosevelt's testimony as well as other witnesses during the day and feels that a splendid contribution was made by Mr. Roosevelt towards the great need of proceeding cautiously with any suggested changes in our Immigration Act.

THE NORTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT

By STANTON T. LAWRENCE
Vice President General

In compliance with the request of our Executive Secretary the North Atlantic District submits a brief report as follows:

The Montclair Chapter set aside an afternoon in June for luncheon and inspection of the Dey Mansion. The Dey Mansion was the headquarters of Washington the spring and summer of '80. The property is in the custody of Passaic Valley Park Commission and it is well worth a visit and inspection by anyone.

In June Mrs. Lawrence and myself revisited historical spots in the beautiful Mohawk Valley. Among those visited were famous Johnson Hall, Guy's Park and Oriskany. On Sunday we attended commemorative services at Fort Herkimer with some of our compatriots. An appropriate address was delivered by a distinguished clergyman of that area, who impressed upon us the solemnity of events which had occurred on this site in 1740 and thereafter. We passed a delightful evening in the home of Judge and Mrs. Zoller in Herkimer, considering ways and means of lending new impetus to S.A.R. affairs.

On August 8th we journeyed to Newburgh, New York and visited with our distinguished Compatriot Elmer Lemon, who has been active in Society movements for the past years and is still doing what he can to keep the Society participating in local events and making itself felt and appreciated.

Our State President Pryor assigned your VPG as his representative to participate in the dedication of the Kingsland House, by Fairleigh Dickenson University, which it caused to be re-dedicated from 1670. There was a large attendance. The ceremonies were in charge of the D.A.R. Your VPG was assigned a speaking place on the program besides extending the State and National Societies' greetings.

On September 17th this locality observed its Pioneer Jubilee and your Vice President addressed the gathering on a real and substantial pioneer—our Constitution. There was a large attendance. The following week the address was repeated before a Rotary Club in an adjoining county, where the speaker was introduced as an officer of the S.A.R.

On October 19th the New Jersey Society, on the occasion of its Fall Meeting in the auditorium of the New Jersey Historical

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OUTLINE OF A TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE 67TH ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY

For the information of our Compatriots and their families who may be planning to attend the 67th Annual Congress in Salt Lake City, Utah, the Arrangements Committee has prepared an outline of the tentative program. Additional information including details of the arrangements for entertainment and business sessions will be published in the April issue of the S.A.R. Magazine, but as those details are not available at this time, it is believed the information given in this tentative program will interest our Compatriots.

Sunday, May 26, 1957

The Registration Committee will be prepared to register Delegates, Compatriots and Guests at the Registration Desk, which will be located on the Mezzanine floor of the Hotel Utah, at 10:00 A.M. Sunday morning. The Registration Desk will be operated until 5:00 P.M. Sunday afternoon. Programs and badges will be issued at the time of registration.

The Memorial Services and the Massing of the National Colors and the State Flags will be in the Assembly Hall in the Temple Square. The Assembly Hall is approximately one block from the Hotel Utah.

The Executive Committee and the Board of National Trustees will meet Sunday evening in rooms and at hours to be announced.

Monday, May 27, 1957

The opening session of the 67th Annual Congress will be in the Lafayette Ballroom on the mezzanine floor of the Hotel Utah. The opening session will be featured by addresses of welcome and greetings from other patriotic organizations. The appointment of committees for the Congress will be announced and the report of the Rules Committees will be received. The Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest will be held as a part of the opening session on Monday morning and the winners will receive their awards. One of the tours planned by the Arrangements Committee will be conducted Monday afternoon and all of those registered at the Congress will be afforded the opportunity of seeing some of the interesting sights in the vicinity.

The Recognition Night ceremonies will be held Monday evening, at which time those Compatriots who have earned awards for services rendered the Society will be honored and will receive their awards.

Tuesday, May 28, 1957

The second business session of the 67th Annual Congress will convene at 9:00 A.M. in the Lafayette Ballroom. This session will be devoted to the report of the general officers, chairmen of national committees and the consideration of such resolutions as may be ready for presentation by the Resolutions Committee.

A luncheon is planned for Tuesday at 12:30 P.M., at which time a speaker of national repute will address those in attendance.

Another sight-seeing tour is planned for Tuesday afternoon, the details of which will be announced at a later date.

Plans are being made for the appearance of a speaker of national reputation for the Tuesday evening dinner. Dress for this occasion will be informal.

Wednesday, May 29, 1957

This will be the final business session of the 67th Annual Congress, at which the final report of the Resolutions Committee will be made. The election of General Officers and National Trustees will be held at this session and consideration will be given to any proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws which may come before the Congress.

The Officers Forum will be held at 2:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M. in a room which will be announced. All State and Chapter Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Registrars are urged to be present at this Forum, at which procedures in connection with the handling of the business of the Society are discussed and suggestions for improvement are received.

The President General's banquet will be held Wednesday evening, at which time the President General-elect and other General Officers-elect will be

formally installed. The banquet will be preceded by the President General's reception in the Junior Ballroom.

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Society, Newark, had the honor and pleasure of being host to our President General and Mrs. Carver and the Governor of our State, Robert B. Meyner. Preceding the Fall Meeting President General and Mrs. Carver were our dinner guests at the Robert Treat Hotel, Newark, N. J., over which our State President Pryor presided.

At the auditorium 250 people were in attendance. The President General was enthusiastically greeted and spoke appropriately to those in attendance. Later the Governor were presented with a Gold Medal by past president Harvey Nelson, and Citation of Good Citizenship. The Governor gave every indication that he was highly pleased with the Gold Medal and Citation and responded most fittingly.

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Thanks to the efforts of the Arrangements Committee and especially to the interest of Compatriot George P. Unsel of the Utah Society, Compatriots and their families, will be afforded the opportunity of making a tour of some of the most scenic spots in the Rocky Mountain area.

In order to arrange the tour, it is necessary that Compatriot Unsel have some basis for estimating the number of people who wish to make the tour. Those who wish to do so are asked to indicate their intentions by communicating with him at once.

If you are interested in this tour clip the form printed below, fill in the number of adults in your party, the number of cabins needed, sign your name and give your address; then mail to Mr. George P. Unsel, 1205 East South Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah. DO IT TODAY.

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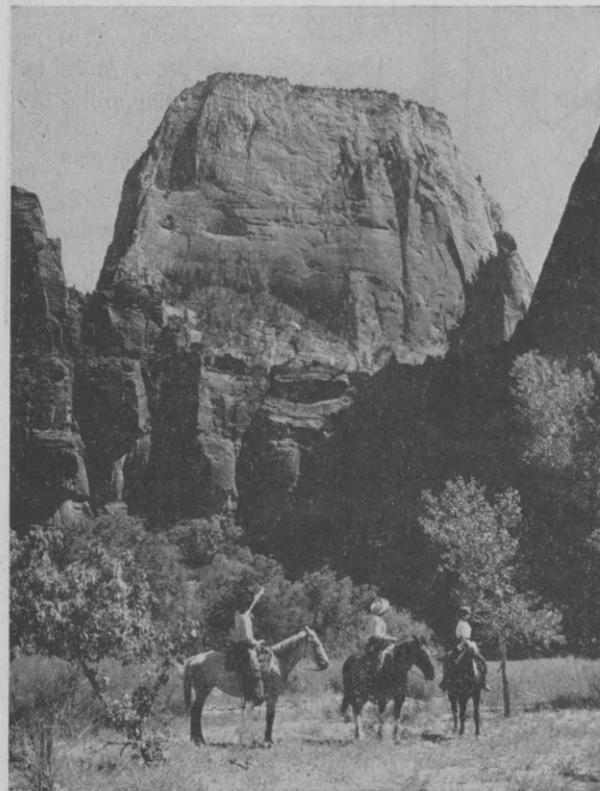
Dear Compatriot:

I fully expect to attend the 67th Congress to be held in Salt Lake City next May. Also, so far as I can foresee, I shall take part in the tour to the Southern Canyons. My party will consist of _____ adults and we shall need _____ cabins.

Signed _____

Address _____

WHEN THE ROLL OF THOSE WHO HAVE SPONSORED NEW MEMBERS IS CALLED, WILL YOUR NAME BE THERE?



Views of two of the most famous scenic spots which will be seen on the tour of "the Souther Canyons." Above, is a view of Bryce Canyon and at the left is "The Great White Throne" in Zion National Park.

Have you seen the Grand Canyon of Arizona? Have you approached the North Rim through the Kaibab Forest? Have you visited the Bryce Fairyland or viewed the Spires of Zion? Do you know that these marvelous places are easily accessible from Salt Lake City?

The Utah Society feels that the guests to the 67th Congress should have an opportunity to visit these famous places. But the Congress will close a few days before the regular tours begin, and thus those who come by plane or by train will not be able to do this, and those that drive their own cars will find the regular busses much safer and likely more fun. Special arrangements can be made if we know well in advance how many will go on the tour. Therefore, if you are interested, please fill in the form below and forward to the Utah Society.

We would leave Salt Lake City the morning of Memorial day, spend one night in each of the three canyons and return on the fourth day. The dining rooms of the lodges, American plan, may not be open, but cafeterias will be available in each place. The simpler cabins, with private shower and toilet, accommodations for two, are six dollars per day. We cannot give the exact cost of the transportation until we know approximately how many are going but it can hardly be over fifty dollars per adult. The tour will be under the direction of the Union Pacific Railroad, and literature on the canyons may be had from its representatives, which are to be found in the principal cities of the country.

ANOTHER IMPROVEMENT HAS BEEN ADDED AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

In response to innumerable requests for photostat copies of application papers, supplementals and other genealogical records, a new photo-copying machine has been purchased and installed at National Headquarters. The machine is the latest design in this field and was purchased only after exhaustive tests were made of the various types and models available.

The new equipment will permit making exact reproductions of originals, thereby eliminating the hazards of errors due to the difficulty of transcribing signatures and hand-written portions of papers.

The customary fees for copies of applications papers are \$2.00 per application if ordered by a non-member of our Society; \$1.00 per application if ordered by a member. If the copy requested is that of an active member of our Society, written permission to make the copy must accompany the request.

NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL AND MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY HOLD JOINT MEETING

The joint meeting of the New England Council S.A.R. with the Massachusetts Society, held at Concord, Mass., on 15 September was well attended. President George Roberts of the Massachusetts Society presided, and introduced the speaker, Hon. Charles Gibbons, Minority Leader and former Speaker of the House of Representatives who talked on "What the Constitution Means to the Citizens."

Among those present were Vice-President General of the New England District, Stuart H. Tucker; Calvin C. Bolles of the National Executive Committee from Connecticut; H. Wheeler Parrott, President of the Connecticut Society; Brig. Gen. George A. Davis, President of the Maine Society; Harry E. Sherwin, Secretary of the New Hampshire Society; Phillip M. Shires, President of the Rhode Island Society; and Samuel J. Hatfield, President of the Vermont Society.

Robert F. Needham, of Concord, President of the Minute Man Chapter, extended a welcome to Concord, and then conducted those who so desired on a tour of the historical spots of Concord.

RECOMMENDED READING FOR COMPATRIOTS

Members of the Sons of the American Revolution and others who are concerned with the disturbing progress made toward conditioning the minds of the American people to the acceptance of communistic philosophy will find some interesting and informative material in a recent book by Felix Wittmer.

Under the title of "Conquest of the American Mind" the author has presented an exposition of movements, institutions, organizations and representative individuals composing the forces which have effected such a deep infiltration in the minds of the American people.

There are chapters devoted to the exposition of pamphlets, textbooks, magazines and reference works which will afford the reader the opportunity of doing some research of his own.

A Ph.D at 21 and a graduate of six famous universities, Felix Wittmer has taught at the University of Illinois, Washington and Jefferson College and the New Jersey State Teachers College for over two decades. Due to his opposition to communism, he has been persecuted by a group

of liberals and pro-Communist colleagues and students.

Dr. Wittmer does not talk about the individuals, organizations, books and references which he exposes; he lets them talk for themselves. In that way he has presented a wealth of documentary material which illustrates that free enterprise and constitutional government have been deliberately pushed aside by those who for the past generation have molded the minds of America.

"Conquest of the American Mind" is published by the Meador Publishing Company, 324 Newbury Street, Boston 15, Massachusetts, 352 pages, cloth binding, at \$5.00.



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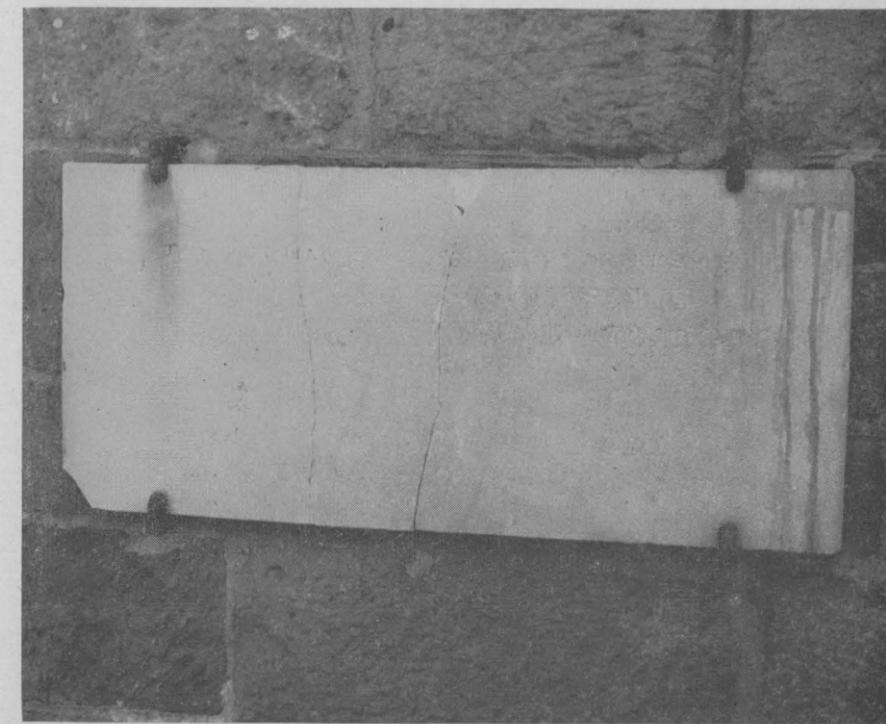
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This is the stone tablet on the wall of the Citadel at Quebec, Canada, which was placed by "American Children" in memory of thirteen American soldiers, killed in the assault, December 31, 1775. The broken tablet will be replaced with a bronze plaque by the National Society S.A.R., as soon as the plaque can be completed.

JAMESTOWN CELEBRATION SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION DAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1957

From time immemorial in the rise and fall of nations there have been momentous events in their history which were essential factors in their development and growth.

Little did those 105 Cavaliers when they left the English shores under Captain John Smith in three small ships and sailed westward on a trackless ocean realize they would establish a nation and change the map of the world.

They landed on Virginia soil, which is now known as Cape Henry, on April 26th, 1607, set up a cross, held religious exercises, then re-embarked on their ships, and sailed up the James River, landing at Jamestown, Virginia, on May 13th, 1607, thus establishing the first permanent English settlement in the new world, and a nation that would be a beacon for others to follow in its principles of liberty, justice, civil and political rights.

Indeed is it fitting that the Sons of The American Revolution should participate in the 350th Anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown. So the 14th of September, 1957, has been designated by the management as the Sons of the American Revolution Day at this celebration.



(Thomas Williams photo)

The old church at Jamestown, a familiar land-mark to those who have visited the site of the first English settlement, will be the scene of some of the ceremonies in connection with the 350th Anniversary of the founding of the settlement. September 14, 1957, has been designated as "Sons of the American Revolution Day" and all Compatriots are invited to participate.

A joint committee of the National and Virginia Societies is arranging an appropriate program for the Sons of the American Revolution Day on September 14th, 1957, details of which will be published later.

Jamestown is sacred not only to the Sons of the American Revolution but to every American as the first representative Legislative Assembly in the new world which convened there on July 30th, 1619. The Colonial Capital was moved to Williamsburg, then known as Middle Plantation, in 1700. On October 19th, 1781, at Yorktown, when Lord Cornwallis surrendered, the Colonists threw off the English yoke and won their independence.

May many Compatriots from various sections of our Country plan to attend this celebration and participate in making it worthy of the event which it celebrates.

COMPATRIOT FOREMAN HONORED BY D.A.R.

On November 1st the Great Bridge Chapter, D.A.R. of Norfolk, Virginia presented the Award of Merit to Past President General A. Herbert Foreman at a meeting held in the Women's Club at Norfolk, Virginia.

This was the first time the Award of Merit was presented in the area. The

Award of Merit is given for outstanding service for the betterment of the community and the country. In presenting the award his services as President General of the National Society, S.A.R., his efforts on behalf of the C.A.R. and his 25 years of service as Chancellor of the College of William and Mary were cited as reasons for selecting him for the award.

Compatriot Foreman has received other honors in recognition of his services, among which he received the First Citizen Award by the Cosmopolitan Club in 1935, and Foreman Field at Norfolk was named for him.

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News of Activities From Chapters and State Societies

This issue contains accounts of some unusual activities on the part of local chapters and state organizations. We regret that some of our state organizations have neglected to send in accounts of their activities, and we hope that they will remedy this situation in time for the next issue, the deadline for which is MARCH 10, 1957.

We take this opportunity of thanking those who have cooperated in furnishing pictures and "ready-to-print" accounts for this issue of the Magazine and hope that others will follow the good example in the future.

Alaska Society

It was all set for July 26, 1956! Dr. Burt Brown Barker was to arrive in Anchorage on the 12:55 PM flight. Our Alaska Society, Sons of the American Revolution was to be honored with a visit by a Vice President General of the National Society.

It was extra special because Compatriot Barker was coming to Alaska to present us with the Texas Traveling Banner. This we had won at the National Congress at Lake George and had been accepted by him in our behalf.

Here was this very busy man of eighty two years—holder of this honored office in the National Society, Vice President of the University of Oregon, Director of the First National Bank of Portland, President of the Herbert Hoover Foundation, etc.—hopping on a plane for a few hours visit with the Alaska Society in order to fulfill his duty. This loyalty was catching.

Compatriot Hoppin saw that the final details for the dinner at the Idle Hour Country Club were complete for 8:00 o'clock on this evening, even to the famed array of Alaskan seafood; Compatriot Cuffel arranged for the appearance of the Most Worthy Grand Master of the Order of Eastern Star, Mrs. Florence Plummer (in Anchorage at the time), in a seat of honor at the head table; the newspapers were out with advance pictures and accounts of Compatriot Barker; and the noon broadcast assured us of a good attendance of Compatriots and guests.

Before starting for the International Airport, a call to us stated that the flight was running about twenty minutes

late. The reception group composing Compatriots McLain, Silberer, Lobdell, Cuffel and Seamands was soon on hand. Compatriot Cuffel was warming up his movie camera on a previous arrival when the shocking news was learned that Compatriot Barker's flight had turned back to Seattle.

A sinking feeling came over us as we proceeded to the airline counter for details.—The flight had returned to Seattle because of 'mechanical' difficulties but would proceed to Anchorage after repairs had been made. Evidently, the flight information received by us, earlier, had not been the latest report.

The airline was persuaded to teletype Dr. Barker and have him return with the flight—which, considering time change, possibly could arrive in Anchorage around 7:00 PM (this message was never delivered to Compatriot Barker).

We decided that we would not change any plans and returned to our businesses to wait.

Not too much later, a phone call from the airline gave Seamands this message: "Do you still want me to

come?," signed Burt Brown Barker. The airline was told to return this answer: "Come on back; we're expecting you. Be of good cheer!"

The flight would now get to Anchorage at about 9:30 PM. It was arranged that Compatriot McLain would park his car near an exit door behind the speaker's table for a quick dash to the airport when the time arrived. The banquet began. Alaska Society President Seamands explained to the large group what had happened and stated that Compatriot Barker would want us to start eating.

After the grand dinner, introductions were made. The gracious Mrs. Plummer—incidentally, the same age as Compatriot Barker—delighted us with side splitting humor in her talk. Compatriot Reverend Walkup forced us into gambling with a wild tea-cup passing game which circulated small change to the fortunate at each jingle. In no time, it seemed, Compatriot McLain had to leave for the airport to meet the main attraction.



(Ward W. Wells photo)

Dr. Burt Brown Barker, Vice President General (left), flew to Anchorage, to present the "Texas Traveling Banner" to the Alaska Society, July 26, 1956. President, A. Letcher Seamands (right), accepted the banner on behalf of the Alaska Society at the banquet held at the Idle Hour Country Club.

Soon, the rear door opened behind us and in walked McLain with Vice President General Barker. Everyone applauded the grand entrance of our distinguished guest. When it was suggested that he eat, he refused, stating he had already eaten and desired to proceed with his talk.

Well, Compatriots everywhere, here began the finest speech one could hope for and delivered in a clear and most impressive manner. It began, of course, with his great desire to deliver to us, in person, the Banner. It continued into the workings of the National Society in respect to the good, American thinking evidenced in the final resolutions passed by the Society's National Congress; of his never having worked with finer men, anywhere, anytime than exist in the Sons of the American Revolution; and of how proud he was to accept the Texas Banner in behalf of a member Society of his district.

The banquet came to an end at a late hour with all in attendance to the last. As we went our ways, we were mindful of belonging to something bigger than we had realized; of seeing a wonderful man in action; of knowing this good American of whom the original Patriots, also, must be proud.

The next morning Compatriot Silberer showed Compatriot Barker about the city, took him to the Lion's luncheon, and then to the airport where he was seen off at 2:00 PM.

There went that fine gentleman of eighty two years who felt it important enough to visit with the Alaska Society, Sons of the American Revolution for sixteen hours. To do so, he traveled two hours toward us to be turned back over the Queen Charlotte Islands because of two faulty engines which prolonged the return trip to three hours. Then, after repairs had been made, he bravely stepped aboard to fly six more hours to deliver his prize.

California Society

President General Eugene P. Carver, Jr. and Mrs. Carver were entertained by the San Francisco Chapter at a dinner meeting held at the Fairmont Hotel on November 17th, with President Commander Marvin Miller presiding. Mrs. Charles H. Danforth, Past Regent, California Society, D. A. R., gave greetings and presented the greet-

ings of Mrs. O. George Cook, Regent of the State D. A. R. Greetings and a welcome were given by State President Charles A. Mersereau and National Executive Committeeman Wheaton H. Brewer. Also represented at the gathering were members of the Alameda County and the Palo Alto Chapters. The President General outlined the program of the National Society and commended the California Society for their efforts throughout the years. Chancellor General Aaron M. Sargent, who also serves as Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the California Society reported on activities. All agreed it was a well attended and worthwhile meeting, and Compatriot Bradford Bosley, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, was commended for his fine work.

Los Angeles Chapter participated in the organization of an Association of Patriotic Societies in Southern California at meetings held on October 21st and November 18th, with Compatriot Colonel Warren S. Eaton, President of the Los Angeles chapter S. A. R. elected to serve as President of the group.



Thanks to the hospitality of Compatriot Captain Richard Blackburn Black, members of the D. C. Society enjoyed a no-host barbecue and picnic at historic Ripon Lodge, Virginia, Sunday, October 14, 1956. Some took time out for a picture, among them were: back row, 1 to r, Hillis Lory, Warren Foster, O. Kenneth Baker; front row standing, 1 to r, P. Harry Byerly, Librarian General; Robert T. Bryan, Jr., President General, Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Executive Secretary, Harold L. Putnam; Charles M. Marsteller, President D. C. Society; Col. Thurston H. Baxter, National Trustee; Robert S. W. Walker, Registrar, D. C. Society; kneeling, 1 to r, The Chef, whose products were thoroughly appreciated and the genial host, Compatriot Black. The picture was taken in color by Compatriot Sheffield Kagy from which a black and white print was made.

This organization is to make possible united action on patriotic matters particularly in the Los Angeles area. Included in the new association in addition to the Los Angeles Chapter of the S.A.R., are the American Legion, Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, C.A.R., D.A.R., Daughters of American Colonists, Daughters of the Confederacy, Huguenot Society, Military Order of World Wars, Order of Founders and Patriots, Society Colonial Wars, L. A. Colony Mayflower Descendants, L.A. Chapter, S.R., U.S. Daughters of 1812, United Daughters of the Union, and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

San Diego Chapter received the resignation of Col. Rolin W. Shaw who moved to Arizona and Vice President Richard J. Donovan is filling out the term as the presiding officer of the chapter. A resolution on UNESCO was adopted and presented by Compatriot Ralph R. Allen, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. Compatriot Wheaton H. Brewer, former President of the California Society, and present Executive Committeeman, was a visitor to

San Diego meeting with leaders of the group.

Marin County Chapter meeting at the Pony Express Retreat in San Rafael elected Compatriot F. Harold Schutte to serve as Registrar and arranged to change their monthly meeting to the Third Monday of each month, and plans were made for activities for the coming months. President Colonel Waddell F. Smith presided at the meeting during the past months following his trip to Europe to participate in the International Skeet Shoots. Vice President of the State Society Edward R. Polhemus was a visitor at the Annual Ladies Night and State Secretary Mathewson at the November meeting.

Monterey Bay Chapter held an organization meeting at the Carmel Valley Inn, and elected Frank J. Stuart of Pebble Beach temporary President, Richard J. Ellis of Carmel, Secretary, and appointed F. Bradford Choate of Carmel as Chairman of the Publicity Committee. State President Mersereau and State Secretary Mathewson represented the State Society at the organization meeting, and Compatriot Frederic J. Perry, past President of the Palo Alto Chapter, is assisting the Membership Committee in building up the new chapter. Compatriot Craig Smith, Manager and Owner of the Carmel Valley Inn is assisting in organization plans.

Riverside County Chapter Meeting held 19 October with Dr. Robt. Brill speaker, Dr. Brill the superintendent of the California School for the Deaf at Riverside, Calif., presented a most interesting explanation of the difficulties in providing an education to children who can not hear. Attendance was exceptionally good.

The November meeting was held on the 16th, the speaker was Dr. J. M. Wallace from the University of California at Riverside, Calif., Dr. Wallace recently returned from Israel and gave a most timely talk on the conditions in the Middle East, especially his interview of an Arab and Israeli, both graduates of Western Colleges, from this we obtained a more comprehensive understanding of the divergent views of the Arab and the Jew. Members at this meeting indicated they will make a concerted effort to obtain our quota of 20% increase in membership by March 1957.

Our Chapter meets on the 21st of December, the speaker will be Dr. T. F. Hudson pastor of the Calvary Presbyterian Church of Riverside, topic, Christianity and Patriotism. Dr. Hudson has spoken to many S.A.R. groups and we are looking forward to a very fine spiritual talk on this, the eve commemorating the birth of our Saviour.

Colorado Society

The quarterly meeting of the Colorado Society Board of Managers was held on September 25 at the club rooms of Layden-Chiles-Wickersham Post #1, The American Legion, in Denver, following dinner as guests of President Frank A. Cleveland. At this meeting the Board completed arrangements for presenting one of the Society's loyal and outstanding Compatriots, George E. Tarbox, Jr., now serving as National Trustee, as a candidate for the office of President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, for nomination and election at the Sixty-seventh Annual Congress, to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, during the month of May, 1957. Formal announcement has been mailed to all State Societies and Chapters.

On December 15, 1956, the Colorado Society held its annual observance of Bill of Rights Day, with a luncheon meeting at the Albany Hotel in Denver. The meeting, exceptionally well attended, was addressed by former Governor of Colorado, the Honorable Teller Ammons, whose subject was: "Our Courts as affected by the Bill of Rights."

Our membership continues to grow, although the pace has slowed down a bit due to the serious illness of Membership Chairman, Compatriot Roy Wayne Carter, who is in St. Josephs Hospital. Other members of his committee are endeavoring to carry the ball during his illness.

Connecticut Society

The Connecticut Society and its Branches have had a busy Fall season. The State Society journeyed to the Mystic Seaport on September 22 for a Board of Managers meeting in the original building of the New York Yacht Club. This was followed by a social hour and luncheon. The exhibits of the Seaport occupied the afternoon. We were addressed by Edouard Stackpole, Curator of the Seaport. It was discovered quite by accident that he was a member of



S.A.R. Good Citizenship medals were presented to the winners of the "Nathan Hale-Patriot" essay contest at the Lebanon Pilgrimage, June 23, 1956. Participating in the ceremony, 1 to r; Compatriot Harry F. Morse; Senator Prescott Bush; Miss Deborah Ayres, second prize winner; H. Wheeler Parrott, President Connecticut Society S.A.R.; Robert Schnur, first prize winner; and Anthony Andinolfi, third prize winner.

the Sons of the Revolution. Inasmuch as that Society has combined with ours in Connecticut, he agreed to transfer to the SAR and his papers are now in process.

This meeting was held at the Seaport with members of the Nathan Hale Branch of New London as hosts. Col. Charles E. Robinson was in charge of the local committee, ably assisted by his Vice President, Captain Walter D. Snyder, USN (Ret.) and Past Branch President Harry F. Morse.

On November 2 the Branch met again, this time at the Officers' Club at the U.S. Submarine Base at Groton, to lament the recent loss of two conscientious Compatriots of their Branch, former Secretary, Captain James D. Taylor, III, USN (Ret.) and Col. Robinson. The latter died on September 29; he had been on active duty up to the time of his death.

General David Humphreys Branch No. 1 of New Haven held its monthly meetings at the Union League Club, starting on September 11. The speaker was Dr. Fred W. Roberts who took the Gold Standard for his subject. In October the meeting was billed as "Politics." Former Mayor Celantano explained the current situation locally and went into the National political picture just before the Election.

On November 12 Professor Millard Burrows of Yale took for his subject "The Near East." In view of the current unrest there this was a most timely subject and was enjoyed thoroughly by all who heard him.

On Monday, December 10, the former President of the Connecticut Society, James R. Case of Bethel, who is now Chairman of the Governor's Rochambeau Commission, delivered a lecture illustrated with slides on the "Route of Rochambeau" through Connecticut. In view of the 175th anniversary of this march, the subject was also timely and it was well presented by Col. Case. A record attendance for the December meeting greeted him.

The Fall meeting of the Colonel Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch of Hartford was held October 25 in the rooms of the Connecticut Historical Society. An unusually large group heard Dr. Morse Allen of the Department of English, Trinity College, speak on the subject "Connecticut Place Names." . . .

Dr. Allen traced the names given to people, places and things by successive groups of inhabitants,—Indian, Dutch and English. He and a group of other Professors are compiling a list of Connecticut place names that will become a most important link with Connecticut's past.

On November 2 the Captain Matthew Mead Branch of Greenwich held a joint meeting with Putnam Hill Chapter DAR and elected new officers,—President, Frederick Close, M.D. of Greenwich, and Secretary, Frederick G. Barrows of Old Greenwich.

On November 15 the State Board met in joint session with the Captain John Couch Branch of Meriden. Each group held meetings. The State Board voted a \$100.00 donation to Hungarian relief and the gift received much favorable attention from the press.

All Compatriots of the SAR are cordially invited to join the Connecticut Society of its annual banquet in honor of the Birthday of George Washington at the Stratfield Hotel in Bridgeport on Saturday noon, February 23. We expect as our speaker a General Staff Officer of the highest standing and we will welcome any Compatriot from the other states who will join us at this banquet.

District of Columbia Society

Our Fall season got under way in



A group of interested Compatriots have been successful in re-activating the South Bend Chapter. Among them are: 1 to r, seated, Compatriots F. N. M. Brown; Col. P. C. Traver, President; Arthur P. Perley; Hon. F. Kenneth Dempsey, Judge, Superior Court and John Campbell. Standing: Harry Driggs, Vice President & Treasurer; Robert M. Ellison; John O. Motto; John A. Buzby; W. Floyd Gaumer, Secretary and William H. Duley.

October with a very enjoyable picnic at historic Ripon Lodge in Virginia. This is the estate of one of our own Compatriots, Capt. Richard B. Black who is a member of Adm. Byrd's Antarctic Expeditionary Force. We were most fortunate in having as our honored guests, President General Eugene Carver and Mrs. Carver.

On the evening of October 23rd our Society was privileged to hear Dr. Charles C. Tansill, professor of American History at Georgetown University, speak on the subject "What's Behind the News on our Foreign Policy?" Dr. Tansill served for ten years as technical advisor to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and is the author of several books in the field of American foreign policy. He is a Compatriot of our own D. C. Society.

Past President General Milton M. Lory was with us at this meeting and was called upon the present the Official Insignia of the Society to the following Past Presidents of our D. C. Society: Maj. Gen. Amos Fries, Mr. Charles C. Griggs, Mr. Charles Y. Latimer, Mr. Harvey W. Wise, Mr. Francis M. Hoffheims, Col. Wade H. Cooper, Mr. Orville H. Walburn, Adm. William R. Furlong, Cdr. John E. Allen and Robert H. Overstreet.

Our November meeting was in the form of a Testimonial Dinner to honor

Past President Robert H. McNeill on the occasion of his having been active in SAR work for fifty years. A buffet supper was enjoyed by Compatriots and their guests and several of Mr. McNeill's associates and friends in the legal profession spoke very briefly upon being introduced. The speaker for the evening was Dr. Charles C. Collier, Professor of Law at the George Washington University. His subject was "Robert Livingston's Contributions to the American Revolution and the American Republic."

Illinois Society

The Illinois Society was honored by the presence of President General and Mrs. Eugene P. Carver, Jr. at a dinner meeting held at the University Club of Chicago at 6:30 P.M. on Friday, December 7th. The dinner was attended by members of the Illinois Society and their ladies and they were favored with an address by the President General on the subject of "Sons of the American Revolution, Present and Future." The dinner meeting was held in observance of the commemoration of the date of Illinois's admission into the union.

The Society was further honored by the presence of two other distinguished guests in the persons of Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth, Past Secretary General and presently serving as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Society, and Charles S. Prescott, Vice President General of the Great Lakes District.

The Springfield Chapter held their annual luncheon meeting at the Hotel Abraham Lincoln on Saturday, December 8th, at which time Compatriot Carroll C. Hall was elected president of the Chapter.

Other officers elected, are Prof. Harold J. Ziegler, third vice president, Carlinville; Wilber L. Smith, first vice president; William H. Diller, junior secretary. George Kreider, second vice president; O. M. Hatch III, treasurer; Charles P. McElroy, chaplain; Frank Darnielle, historian; Judge Dewitt S. Crow, counselor; Roy G. Hill, sergeant-at-arms, and Benjamin S. DeBoice, registrar.

Members of the board of managers are Daniel F. Zahn, Grover C. Rockwood, A. R. Booth, Willis J. Spaulding, Linton F. Coddington, Evans Cantrall,

William H. Diller, Sr. and Frank Sullivan.

Memorial resolutions were offered for deceased members William E. B. Grunendike, Charles E. Knapp, Earle Benjamin Searcy and Robert F. Constant.

The chapter adopted a resolution urging Gov. William G. Stratton to proclaim Saturday, December 15, as Bill of Rights day.

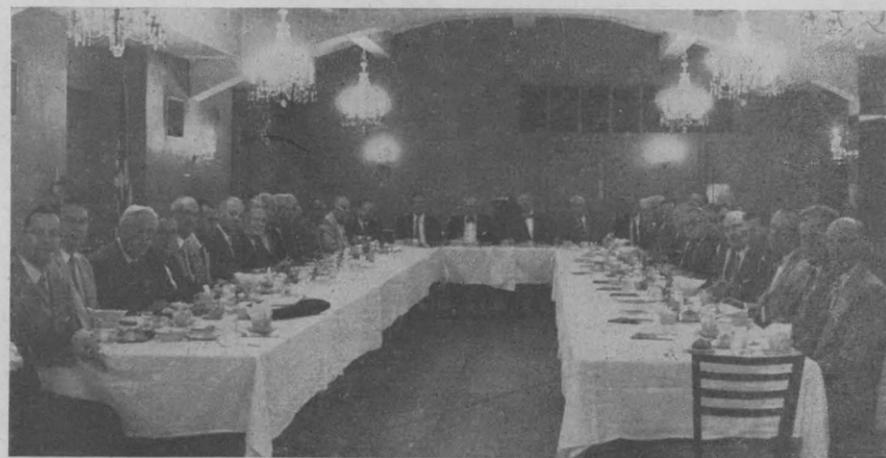
Earnest E. East, assistant state archivist, addressed the group on "The American Revolutionary War in the West."

Indiana Society

The activities of the Society were resumed after summer vacation at a meeting held on September 19th during Constitution Week. Honorable Wm. P. Evans gave an interesting and thought provoking talk appropriate to the occasion entitled "Why We Have A Constitution."

At the meeting on October 17th the members and their guests heard an interesting talk by Cable G. Ball of Lafayette, Indiana, who is a member of the Legislature and of the State Bar's Committee to Investigate the Justice of the Peace System in Indiana. Mr. Ball traced the development of the system through the recommendations of his committee for improvement to be presented the next session of the State Legislature.

"Problems of National Defense in



The Constitution Day meeting of the Indiana Society was held September 19, 1956, at which the Hon. William F. Evans spoke on "Why We Have A Constitution." Seated at the speaker's table were: 1 to r, H. Earl Capehart; Mr. Evans; John H. Jefferson, President, Indiana Society S.A.R.; and Clarence A. Cook, President Emeritus, Indiana Society S.A.R.

the Atomic Age" was the subject of an interesting talk given on November 14, 1956, to the members and their guests at the Continental Hotel, by John C. Carvey who served with General Patton during the last war and who has continued to remain active in the Army Reserve Corp. where he presently holds the rank of Colonel.

Our Indiana Society is happy to note increased activity and interest in chapter activities throughout the State, particularly in the South Bend area.

Massachusetts Society

A very well attended meeting of the Massachusetts State Society in conjunction with the Boston and Minute Man Chapters was held at the Old North Church, 193 Salem Street, Boston, Thursday, November 8th, at 6:30 P.M.

A beefsteak pie dinner was served in the chapel next to the church.

After dinner the Compatriots met in the main body of the church. The setting was just the same as in 1725. The candles were lit in the old chandeliers which made the service very impressive.

President George W. Roberts presided. The Vicar, Reverend Howard Kellet, wore a robe that was used in the early 1700's.

The Vicar welcomed the S.A.R. to the Old North Church and hoped that they would all come back and visit the church again. He spoke of the founding and the early history of the church and those that served in its ministry, and

some of the prominent members of that period.

He also spoke of the great number of people buried in the vaults beneath the church.

He then told of his experiences as Protestant Chaplain at the state prison for fifteen years.

At the close of his talk President Roberts presented a large American flag to the Old North Church in the name of the Massachusetts Society of the S.A.R. to be hung on the outside of the church.

Afterwards the members of the Society faced the rear of the church, sung America and went out.

The annual meeting of the Old Essex Chapter was held Wednesday, November 14, 1956, at the Hawthorne by the Sea, Swampscott. President Charles B. Newhall and Secretary Joseph Atwood were re-elected.

The speaker was J. Sanger Atwill of Lynn who showed slides of the Saugus Iron Works that had just been restored and spoke of the "Hammersmith's Legacy." This is the first iron works in America and it has cost a great deal of money to restore it.

President George Roberts and Secretary John C. Wroe were in attendance.

The Minute Man Chapter held its annual meeting at the Coache Grille, Cambridge, Thursday, December 6th. Chapter President Robert F. Needham and Secretary William B. Edgar plus the regular officers were re-elected. The American Telephone Company showed their new picture "Voices Beneath the Sea."

The Christmas meeting of the Brig. Gen. Joseph Frye Chapter was held Wednesday, December 12th, at the Red Roof, Methuen. Speaker: Compatriot Raymond W. Schlapp, Esquire.

The Massachusetts Society Board of Managers voted at its last meeting November 28th to present the Old North Church the sum of one hundred dollars.

Members of Mystic Valley Chapter, at a meeting held 1 October 1956 at the Coach Grill, Cambridge, voted to change the name of the Chapter to Minute Man because of the geographical distribution of the members in eastern Middlesex towns and its historical significance.

President Robert F. Needham presided at the meeting.

Following the business session and dinner, Mr. Dennis A. Dooley, State Librarian, told about plans for the archives building to house the valued historical treasures and records of Colonial Massachusetts. This three-story structure, a huge, bomb-proof, air-conditioned vault, will be entirely under ground in front of the State House. Mr. Dooley also told about the resources of the State Library.

President George W. Roberts and Mrs. Roberts were among the many distinguished guests at Concord, Mass. on 29 September, when Governor Christian A. Herter dedicated the replica of the Old North Bridge.

The colorfully costumed paraders gathered about the historic spot as Governor Herter cut the ribbon while members of the Lexington Minute Man Company stood on the arch of this new "rude" bridge that will resound to the tramp of countless visitors. Pieces of wood cut from parts of the original 1775 bridge, dredged from the river during construction, were distributed to

representatives of the 18 towns that sent Minute Men to Concord. Compatriot Robert F. Needham was the S.A.R. representative on the local committee that planned the details of the dedication.

A meeting of the *Brig. Gen. Joseph Frye* Chapter was held at the Yankee Doodle Restaurant, Lawrence, Mass. on 20 September 1956 with President Ellsworth Stevens presiding. The speaker of the evening was Col. Hibbard Richter, past-president of the State Society, who spoke interestingly on the Constitution.

Minnesota Society

The State Board of Managers held its quarterly meeting with a dinner on October 25th in Coffman Memorial Union at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

Leslie S. Myers, President of Minneapolis Chapter and Chairman of the State Society Membership and New Chapter Committee, reported on plans for an organization meeting in Rochester and the forming of a Southern Minnesota chapter. Plans were enthusiastic-



(Charles B. Carey photo)

The Massachusetts Society S.A.R., presented a United States Flag to the Old North Church, 193 Salem St., Boston, Nov. 8, at a beefsteak pie dinner in the chapel. Participating in the presentation, l to r, Robert F. Needham, Vice President; John C. Wroe, Secretary; Rev. Howard Kellett, Vicar Old North Church and Hon. George W. Roberts, President.

ly approved and on October 31st, Compatriot Myers, Lt. Col. Wm. R. Howard, State President and Vice-President General, Carl A. Herrick, drove down for an afternoon meeting and dinner at the Kahler Hotel. There were twelve present at the dinner, where all the non-members signified their intention of joining. Dr. Henry L. Williams, Jr., of the Mayo Clinic, a former member of the Minneapolis Chapter and son of Dr. Henry L. Williams, Sr., famous football coach at the University of Minnesota for many years, reinstated and was made organizing president. Also present from Rochester was former State Senator, A. C. Gooding, who, with his son, will be charter members. Also Compatriot Dr. G. L. Loomis of Winona was present. Word was received from James McB. George, general counsel of Watkins Company of Winona, that he will join this chapter although not able to be present at that time.

With the Mayo Clinic and its great staff of doctors and the new plant of International Business Machines Company, which will employ 1500 engineers and scientists, we look forward to an active chapter soon. They have already asked for a dozen sets of applications. The committee has already contacted the Rochester Chapter, D.A.R. and chapters in adjoining towns for help and names of prospects. We believe this may prove to be the most worthwhile project for the year.

At the Board Meeting, the Rev. Robert W. Bell of Duluth was elected to succeed Rev. Alvin Wilson as state chaplain for the balance of his term. It was announced that President General Eugene P. Carver and Mrs. Carver will visit the Minnesota Society on December 8th, arriving at Wold-Chamberlain Airport at 1:15 P.M. A committee was appointed with Lew C. Church, Past Chancellor General, as chairman, to arrange for the entertainment of our guests. A reception and evening dinner of the Minnesota Society and their guests will be held at the Minneapolis Woman's Club and President-General Carver will speak.

The board appointed a temporary Sergeant At Arms, Winthrop Wadsworth, to be custodian of the new flags just purchased by the Society and at the next regular meeting will amend the by-laws to make this office permanent.

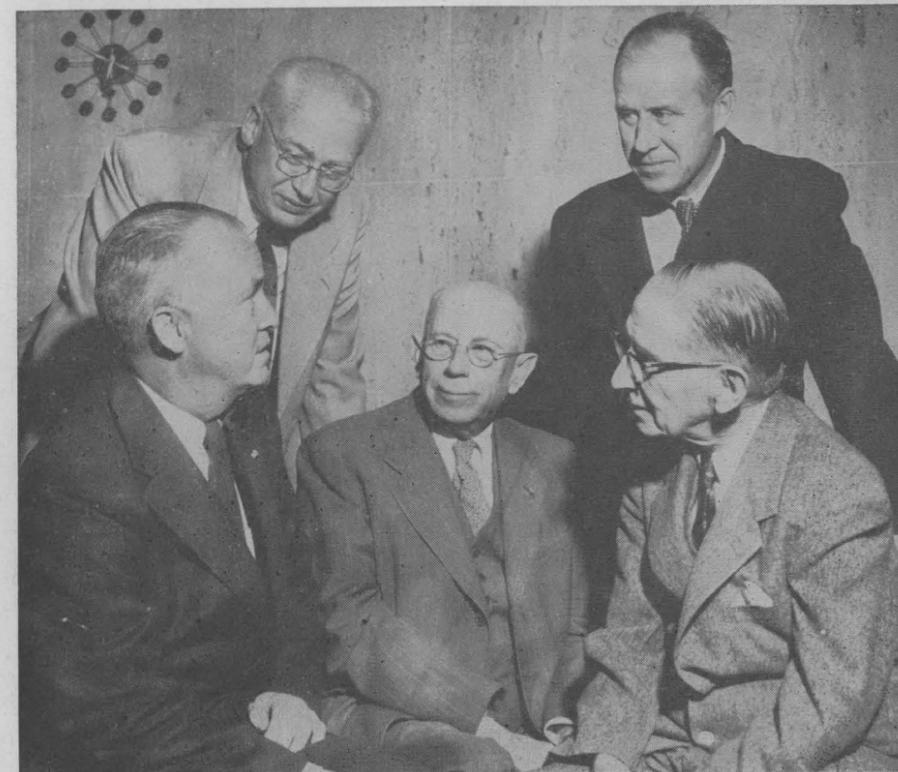
Sol. Francis A. Markoe, U.S.A., Ret., a past State president, reported for the awards committee in the absence of its Chairman, Lt. Col. Edward P. Barrows. The Committee recommendations were as follows:

1. That the State Society assume the obligation to furnish R.O.T.C. medals to the outstanding R.O.T.C. student at Pillsbury Academy at Owatonna and at Shattuck Military Academy at Faribault, and to furnish a watch as an award to the outstanding Air Force R.O.T.C. student at St. Olaf's College at Northfield and St. John's University at Collegeville.
2. That the Minneapolis Chapter continue its award of a watch to the outstanding Junior student in the R.O.T.C. at the University for Minnesota, and that it award an R.O.T.C. medal at Breck School, now that it has moved to Minneapolis.

3. That the St. Paul Chapter award a watch at St. Thomas Military Academy to an outstanding R.O.T.C. student, and that it continue its award of an R.O.T.C. medal at St. Thomas Military Academy, Cretin High School and St. Paul Academy.

It was voted to appoint an Americanization Committee to submit facts and findings to the board before taking any final action on any State or National questions that might arise. The Committee was appointed as follows: Walter H. Wheeler, Past President, Chairman; James Van Valkenburg, Secretary, Minneapolis Chapter; State Senator, Donald O. Wright, Minneapolis; State Senator, Gordon Butler, Duluth; Bruce Sanborn, Past State President, St. Paul; and Edwin T. Montgomery, State Chancellor, Minneapolis.

Also, it was voted to appoint a State Society Constitution Day Committee at once, so that it could have ample time to map out its plans and make its contacts for observance of the day.



A new chapter, designated as the Southeastern Minnesota Chapter has been organized in Rochester. Discussing plans for the organization are, from the left, front row, Lt. Col. Wm. B. Howard, State President; Carl A. Herrick, Vice President General; and Senator A. C. Gooding. Second row, from left, Dr. Henry L. Williams of Mayo Clinic, Organizing President and Dr. G. C. Loomis, Organizing Secretary.

The Minneapolis Chapter Membership Committee, under Vice President Jos. C. Atkins, has an ambitious program well started. At the Constitution Day meeting it invited 20 guests as prospective members. The Committee has recently sent out 633 letters to D.A.R.'s in Minneapolis, asking names of prospective members whom they had reason to believe were eligible for membership, and returns are now coming in. This letter also requested names of eligibles for C.A.R., this at the request of the D.A.R.

The October lunch of the Minneapolis Chapter had as its guest speaker, Mr. Desmond F. Pratt, lawyer, former alderman, and now attorney and executive secretary for the Minneapolis Lower Loop Development Association, who spoke on the operation of the Minneapolis Government.

The St. Paul Chapter had as its October 1st speaker Mr. Willoughby M. Babcock, head of the newspaper department in the State Historical Library. He gave a very interesting talk on "Old Fort Snelling." At its November 5th meeting it had an unusually informative talk by Mrs. David H. Bartlett, a D.A.R. and stamp collector. She displayed her wonderful collection and explained much of the history of these different issues, which included a U. S. stamp showing the first mail man, Hermes or Mercury, issued in 1740, and many stamps of foreign countries.

The Duluth Chapter held its annual meeting recently. New officers are as follows: President, Dr. Manley F. Fellows; Vice President, Dr. Phillip N. Bray; Secretary-Treasurer, Melford I. Smith.

The chapter will continue presentation of an R.O.T.C. medal to an outstanding cadet in the R.O.T.C. at the Duluth Branch of the University of Minnesota.

New Jersey Society

The Gold Good Citizenship Medal of the National Society was presented to Robert B. Meyner, Governor of the State of New Jersey at the Annual Fall Meeting of the State Society. State President William Y. Pryor, presided.

President General Eugene P. Carver, Jr. was the speaker and the guest of honor along with Mrs. Rudolph L. Novak of the New Jersey Society, D.A.

R. Some of the other guests were: Past President General Edgar Williamson, Jr., Treasurer-General Dr. Herschel S. Murphy, Vice President General Stanton T. Lawrence, National Trustee Ross K. Cook, Past Vice President General Clement D. Asbury.

The meeting was held at the New Jersey Historical Society's fine building in Newark, October 19, 1956. The citation of merit presented with the medal to Governor Meyner was prepared by Stanton T. Lawrence.

Honored guests were escorted to the platform by six members dressed in colorful, red and blue uniforms of the Revolutionary "Jersey Blue Guards."

All State Officers and their wives met with the honored guests at an informal dinner prior to the annual meeting.

A new chapter is being formed in Northern New Jersey. The first organizational meeting was held December 13th at Sparta, N. J.

The State Board of Managers approved a merger of two chapters—The Morris County Chapter and the Lord Stirling Chapter. The newly merged chapter is to be known as the Jockey Hollow Chapter.

South Jersey Chapter reports increased membership and activity in the C.A.R. group that they sponsor. Chapter President Major Lawrence Stratton was guest of honor at sixtieth birthday luncheon of the D.A.R.



(Wally Simmons photo)

Members of the Missouri Society met with Vice President General at a dinner, Sept. 27, at the Missouri Athletic Club, to discuss membership plans. Present were, standing, l to r: Compatriots, John M. Dalton; K. M. Crossen; John W. Giesecke, National Trustee; Henry F. Chadeayne, Secretary-Treasurer; Fred. G. Williamson, John H. Dunn, Lucien Erskine, William Pagenstecher, all Past Presidents, Missouri Society; S. F. Adreon and W. W. Dalton. Seated, l to r: J. Alonzo Matthews, Past President; Vice President General Huntington; Joseph E. Burger, President Missouri Society and William S. Cordry.

Montclair Chapter held its Yorktown Meeting in the home of Compatriot and Mrs. Clarence V. Price. There was a brief business session including a report of the presentation of good citizenship medals in four Junior High Schools last June. The speaker of the evening was the Honorable Dallas S. Townsend, Assistant U.S. Attorney General, a member of the Montclair Chapter.

On October 23rd the Chapter sponsored a benefit performance at the small Studio Playhouse in Upper Montclair. On November 8th President and Mrs. Shepard represented the Chapter at a guest day reception and musicale held by Eagle Rock Chapter, D.A.R. at the Montclair Art Museum. On November 11th the President and 1st Vice President of the Chapter took part, with the Chapter colors, in the Town of Montclair's observance of Veterans Day at the monument in Memorial Park.

A 23 page Manual of the Chapter, dated 1956-1957, compiled and supervised as to printing, format, cover by a committee consisting of Compatriots Albert F. Koehler, Chairman, William Y. Pryor and George G. Felt was sent to all Chapter members.

In the October issue of this Magazine a list of "Distinguished Members of our Society" was presented. Several very distinguished Compatriots of the Montclair Chapter were omitted. They are: Albert W. Hawkes, former U.S. Sena-

tor and Dallas S. Townsend, Assistant Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice.

Elizabethtown Chapter reports that Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey is a member of this Chapter and his name should have been incorporated in the list of distinguished Compatriots which was published in the last issue of the National Magazine.

The Paramus Chapter meeting heard a report on Europe from Compatriot Avery Bliss Oakes at their October meeting. They plan a joint meeting with two D.A.R. Chapters in January.

The Raritan Valley Chapter learned of the part that Franklin Township (Princeton) and Somerset County played during the Revolution at their November meeting.

Orange-Newark Chapter reports that two members have been honored by the Society of the War of 1812: Compatriot (and Past President General S.A.R.) Edgar Williamson, Jr. was elected Vice President General. Compatriot Ross K. Cook was elected Deputy President General.

Rutherford Chapter was represented by Compatriot (and Vice President General S.A.R.) Stanton T. Lawrence at the dedication by the D.A.R. of the oldest building in Rutherford. The marker read in part: "One of the oldest houses in New Jersey . . . General George Washington rested here on his return from Newburgh to Princeton in August, 1783."

Passaic Valley Chapter After several preliminary meetings a new committee has been formed by delegates from five chapters of the S. A. R. and the D.A.R. to be known as the "Joint S.A.R./D.A.R. Memorial Committee," whose purpose will be to replace worn out and undecipherable stones, and obtain new marble headstones from the U.S. Government, to be dedicated in May of 1957 in connection with the Anniversary of Union County.

The committee was organized permanently on November 13th at a meeting held at 49 Grosvenor Road, Short Hills, home of the newly elected Chairman, Harold A. Sonn of Passaic Valley Chapter, S.A.R. Mrs. Sherburne B. Bailey of 896 Ridgewood Road, Millburn, a member of Beacon Fire Chapter, D.A.R. was elected secretary.

The Joint Committee was formed by representatives from the following chapters: Beacon Fire Chapter, D.A.R.; Church and Cannon Chapter, D.A.R.; Watch Tower Chapter, D.A.R.; Short Hills Chapter, D.A.R.; Passaic Valley Chapter, S.A.R.

For the coming year, replacements will be taken care of in the following cemeteries: Battle Ground Cemetery and Presbyterian Cemeteries at Springfield, and The Presbyterian and Methodist Cemeteries in New Providence. Over thirty new stones will be placed in the first part of this continuing program. Each year hereafter, the committee will continue to function, other cemeteries will be covered, and as the old stones erode, replacements will be ordered so that the graves of founders and patriots of this great republic will never be forgotten. The new stones will be cut and lettered during the balance of the winter and installed with the cooperation of the Union County Board of Freeholders and various cemetery associations. While Passaic Valley Chapter, S.A.R. instigated this program during this past summer, its size and importance grew to such

proportions that invitations were extended to the D.A.R. to participate. The Committee will be glad to receive applications from descendants of veterans of all wars, where at present there is no memorial headstone or where erosion thru the years has made it imperative that new stones be provided. Committee may be addressed at 49 Grosvenor Road, Short Hills, N. J.

New Mexico Society

The trophy, presented for the first time at the New Mexico State Fair by the New Mexico Society, Sons of the American Revolution for the best patriotic and historical exhibit in the Fair Hobby Department (Albuquerque, New Mexico September 29—October 7), was won by Compatriot Franklin Barnett of the New Mexico Society. Judge was Compatriot Major James W. Kerr, Infantry, who instituted the trophy system in the New Mexico Society.

Compatriot Barnett's exhibit, consisting of 32 pages, was a presentation of stamps of the United States, issued to honor persons, and commemorating battles and historical events of the Revolu-



(George Van photo)

Governor Robert B. Meyner was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship medal and citation at the Annual Fall Meeting of the New Jersey Society, Oct. 19. Participating in the presentation ceremony were, left to right: Eugene P. Carver, Jr., President General; Governor Meyner; William Y. Pryor, President, New Jersey Society and Edgar Williamson, Jr., Past President General.

tionary War. The exhibit, entitled, "Fathers of the American Revolution," contained stamps commemorating the arrival of the Pilgrims, Norwegians, Swedes and Finns, and Huguenots and Walloons to our shores during the 1600's. Famous Revolutionary notables pictured on stamps including Washington, Franklin, John Adams, Sullivan, Patrick Henry, Nathan Hale, Pulaski, De Grasse, VonSteuben, Rochambeau, and many others, were written up covering their contribution to the war effort. Many key battles, as commemorated on stamps, were also described. Additionally, a \$6.00 bill of Continental currency (1776) was included.

Mrs. T. K. Laird, also of Albuquerque, received honorable mention for her display of patriotic buttons. Her exhibit included numerous buttons of patriotic organizations, plus such items as flags, state flowers, and state birds.

North Carolina Society

On September 28, at 6:30 P.M., a meeting for the purpose of organizing a new chapter, to be known as the Rockingham County Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, was held in the Town of Madison, North Carolina. The meeting was organized by Compatriot Victor H. Idol, president of The Bank of Madison, Madison, North Carolina, and was presided over by Compatriot J. Hampton Price, State Senator. Of those attending the banquet, 9 were already members of the S.A.R., and every prospective member stated that he would submit his application for membership. In addition to this, 4 or 5, who could not attend the meeting, telephoned that they wished to join. The next meeting will be held within 60 days, at which time officers for the Rockingham County Chapter will be chosen. Horace Lindsey, President of the North Carolina Society spoke, as did Major William Oliver Smith, Past President of the North Carolina Society. Brief speeches were made by National Trustee, Travis Callum and State Secretary-Treasurer-Registrar, Frank A. Parker. It would be hard to get together a more enthusiastic group of leading citizens than those who attended this banquet. Many of them drove as far as 100 miles to attend.

Ohio Society

The new Platt Benedict Chapter at

Norwalk entered auspiciously on its career with a 'Charter Presentation Dinner', held in the Luthern Church, the evening of November 13. Officers of the Ohio Society and of several nearby chapters, ladies of the D.A.R. and many others were in attendance. Formal presentation of the charter was made by Ohio Society President, Dr. Charles A. Anderson, to Compatriot Rex F. Bracy, who untiringly has promoted work for the new chapter and who is its first president.

Charter members, in addition to President Bracy, are Congressman A. D. Baumhart, Jr., former Congressman Dudley A. White, E. G. Ankrom (Chaplain), Randolph A. Blackman, Carroll H. Bracy, Alexander H. Kimmel, Alfred C. Morley (historian-genealogist), George S. May (Secretary-treasurer), William E. Page, Edgar L. Tucker (Vice-president), Albert E. White, Paul McKinley White, Philip M. White, and James L. Wood.

Speakers of the evening included

Compatriot Bracy, President Anderson, Secretary General Charles A. Jones, and Compatriot Colin Barker Montis, of Western Reserve Society. A quartette of young ladies furnished music for the program.

A red letter event in the Society's history was the issuance during November of its 1951 Register, compiled under the direction of the Secretary. Its 190 pages includes not only data relative to each active Ohio member but also much historical information about the Society, the War of the Revolution, other patriotic societies based on the War of the Revolution, etc. Judge Charles B. Zimmerman of the Ohio Supreme Court is author of a chief article on "The War of the Revolution in the Ohio Country, with Emphasis on the Battle of Piqua." Copies of the new Register have been mailed to all members of the Ohio Society. A similar book was issued in 1951, which was the first since 1928.

Officers of the Ohio Society had the privilege of participating on October



(Empire Photographers photo)

The Oliver Burdick, Jr., Society C.A.R., which is sponsored by the New York Chapter S.A.R., installed Compatriot Clement D. Ashbury as Senior President at the meeting held in the home of Mrs. John W. Finger, National Vice President, C.A.R., on October 28, 1956. Pictured above are, 1 to r, front row; Margaret Schenkel, Mary Elizabeth Schenkel, and Virginia Carol Quinn. Second row; J. Richard Asbury, James Schenkel, John Finger and Mrs. John A. Cattin, State President, C.A.R. Third row; John Ewers, Emily Trevor, Alexander B. Trevor, and Compatriot Asbury. Fourth row; Ronald Downey, Allen Finger, Teresa Conant, Dorothy Buckton, Jr. National President, C.A.R.; Preston R. Allen and David Britt.

20th in the dedication of a monument in Noble County to the memory of John Gray, next to the last soldier of the Revolution to die. Soldier Gray, who is buried in a nearby cemetery, died March 29, 1868, over 104 years of age. Many prominent people including the Congressman and former Congressman from the District participated, and there was an excellent attendance despite a heavy rain immediately preceding the hour for the ceremony. President Anderson, in behalf of the Ohio Society, placed a wreath at the base of the monument and was a speaker on the program.

Compatriot John W. Bricker, United States Senator, addressed a largely attended meeting of Benjamin Franklin Chapter, Columbus, on December 7 on "Recent Developments in the Field of Atomic Energy." The Senator is a member of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy of Congress, and his address forcefully presented to his hearers the possibilities, peaceful and otherwise, inherent in the atomic situation in the world.

The Senator having announced the preceding day his intention to again present to the Senate his proposed amendment to the Constitution relative to treaties and Presidential agreements, the Chapter unanimously adopted a motion commending him for so doing and urging his continuance of the fight for such an amendment.

Meeting of the Board of Management scheduled for Athens on October 13 could not be held because of an accident to the President of Ohio University, who unluckily suffered a broken leg. This necessitated postponement of the dedication of the new Washington Hall in which the Society proposes to dedicate a plaque in connection with a meeting of the Board. As a consequence, the meeting was held in Columbus on November 3. Twenty-eight members and chapter officers were present and action was taken on numerous projects involved in the Society's work.

Plans are rapidly being completed for the 1957 Conference of the Ohio Society to be held at the Pick-Ohio Hotel in Youngstown, April 26th and 27th. Confirmations have been received from the speaker scheduled for the Friday luncheon, Mr. A. Z. Baker, Past-President of Rotary-International 1955-56; and the Friday evening banquet speaker,

Justice James G. Stewart of the Ohio Supreme Court. The Society is counting upon President-General Carver as speaker at the Saturday luncheon and to install the new officers of the Society. Following the Friday luncheon, plans include a tour to Niles, Ohio, to the McKinley Memorial; and thereafter a visit to the Canfield Village Cemetery to mark the grave of a Revolutionary soldier.

The Cincinnati Chapter has under way a project involving a Register of members of that Chapter from the beginning, similar to the one recently issued by the Pennsylvania Society. Lineages of all members of the chapter since its organization will be given, together with much historical information concerning the Society, the Chapter, and facts of special interest from a Revolutionary viewpoint connected with Hamilton County and Cincinnati. It is hoped the book can be published early in the spring. Compatriot Charles H. Hamlin is doing much of the research and editorial work, and assistance is being given by Compatriot Charles N.

Howison, Chapter Historian, and others. If copies of this book are desired inquiry should be addressed to Compatriot Hamlin at 590 Ludlow Avenue, Cincinnati 20.

Elsewhere in the Magazine reference is made to the great display of the flags gathered by Compatriot Hubbard Scott of Toledo at the mid-game period of the Ohio State-Stanford football game on October 6. Never have such favorable comments been made about a mid-game pageant in Columbus as have been made about this one. It was a thrilling, patriotic spectacle, making a deep impression on the more than 80,000 witnesses. Compatriot Scot is using the flags in many displays and is going steadily forward with plans for a second 'Flag Day' ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington. Plans include three Boy Scout Troops from Ohio in this ceremony—one more than last year. An excellent colored sound picture of the feature at Ohio State has been secured and is being used to spread the gospel of the flags, as developed by Compatriot Scott.



Thirty-eight members and prespective members of the North Carolina Society met in Madison on the evening of September 28, for the purpose of organizing a new chapter to be known as the Rockingham County Chapter. Compatriot William Oliver Smith, Past State President (seated at left) outlined the purposes of the Society and State President, Horace B. Lindsey (seated, third from left) presided over the proceedings.

Compatriots will regret to learn that Compatriot Virgil T. Bogue, of Geneva, one of the most active Ohio Society members, suffered a mild heart attack necessitating hospitalization while driving home from the Board of Management meeting on November 3d. Fortunately he is well on his way to recovery. The day was a very foggy one in northern Ohio. En route to the meeting Compatriot Bracy and his wife pulled off to allow a car to pass. Almost immediately the passing car was struck by a car coming the other way and five people were instantly killed. The car of Compatriot Bracy was covered with debris of the colliding cars who were only five or six feet away, but fortunately he and Mrs. Bracy escaped injury.

Secretary Charles A. Jones addressed the October meeting of the John Stark Chapter at Canton, where he was presented by Past President General Loren E. Souers. At the Board of Management meeting a motion was passed unanimously asking that the name of Compatriot Jones be placed before the National Congress at Salt Lake City for re-election as Secretary General.

Western Reserve Society at Cleveland continues its very successful series of monthly luncheons at the Mid-Day Club. Speaker on December 12 on "The Basis of the Bill of Rights" was the Honorable John V. Corrigan, Judge of the Municipal Court of Cleveland recently elected a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Cuyahoga County.

Pennsylvania Society

From time out of mind men have marveled at the mighty achievements of their fellow men. The Ancients talked and wrote about the seven wonders of the world. In the second quarter of the nineteenth century, engineers here and abroad wondered at a little railroad, that picked canal boats right out of the water, freight, passengers and all, lifted them over the Allegheny Mountains set them down again onto the waters of a canal where they floated down to the forks of the Ohio and to the western market. This railroad was the Allegheny Portage Railroad called by Governor Fisher of Pennsylvania, "The Mother of the Pennsylvania Railroad."

In the first quarter of the nineteenth century New York, Philadelphia, and

Baltimore sought the growing traffic of the Mississippi Valley. While Pennsylvania debated whether to build a railroad or canals, New York completed the Erie Canal. Whereupon Pennsylvania promptly started construction on a canal, railroad route from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh; by canal from Columbia, on the Susquehanna river, to Hollidaysburg and from Johnstown to Pittsburgh; by rail from Philadelphia to Columbia and Hollidaysburg to Johnstown.

The railroad from Hollidaysburg to Pittsburgh was the Allegheny Portage Railroad. It crossed the mountain through Blairs Gap, a lift above Hollidaysburg of 1,398 feet. This was accomplished by five incline planes on each side, numbered from one to ten eastward from Johnstown, and eleven graded levels, connecting the planes, on which horses were used on short levels and locomotives on longer ones. The rails were laid on stone sleepers; wooden rails topped with band iron.

On Saturday afternoon, October 27th, the delegates and guests to the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania So-

ciety at Altoona, stood on the right-of-way of plane number six and looked up to the summit and the old Lemon House where many a passenger quaffed was-sail.

The 1956 meeting of the Pennsylvania Society was held October 27-28th at the Penn-Alto Hotel, Altoona, Pennsylvania. Saturday morning the Board of Management held a breakfast meeting at which Dr. H. Ryerson Decker was renominated for National Trustee and Dr. Myer Solis-Cohen elected delegate-at-large. Shortly afterwards President Dr. Clyde R. Flory called the annual meeting to order. Charles R. Fish, Chairman of the Hazel Permanent Memorial Committee, moved that the State Society donate one hundred dollars yearly, to be known as the Morris Hazel Award, to an undergraduate or graduate student, of a Pennsylvania college, who presents the best essay on any phase of the Revolutionary War, the paper to become the property of the society. This Memorial has in it latent possibilities. Notable historical studies have come out of awards just like this



Dedication of a new monument to John Gray, Ohio's last veteran of the Revolution was held Oct. 20, 1956, in the McElroy Cemetery, near Harrisburg. A wreath was placed at the grave by Compatriot Charles A. Anderson, (second from left) President, Ohio Society. Other Compatriots present were, l to r, Samuel K. Houston, Vice President, Ohio Society; Charles A. Jones, Secretary General, National Society and Dr. J. Boyd Davis, District Chairman of the Ohio Society.

one. These officers were elected: President, Clyde R. Flory, Valley Forge Chapter; First Vice President, William H. Heffner, Philadelphia; Second Vice President, Dr. Lewis E. Theiss, Mac-lay; Third Vice President, Floyd G. Hoenstine, Blair County; Secretary, Treasurer, Genealogist, Edwin B. Graham, Pittsburgh; Registrar, Arthur G. Trimble, Pittsburgh; Chaplin, Rev. Harry D. Hoover, D.D., Continental-Congress; Asst. Chaplin, Rev. Mark O. Heller, D.D., Valley Forge; Historian, Enos H. Horst, Conococheague; Chancellor, D. Barlow Burke, Esq., Continental; Trustee of Permanent Fund (3 years) Fred. T. Beckel, Valley Forge; Board of Management (3 year term) John R. Kaufman III, Tiadaghton; Andrew E. Greer, Harris Ferry; Paul W. Stolz, Gov. Hiester.

At the luncheon Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam gave a down to earth talk on chapter activities, the various kinds and the various ways the National Society can assist. It was a helpful talk, clearly presented. At the annual banquet Vice President General Heizmann inducted the new officers and Rev. Vincent G. Burns, poet and historian, delivered a stimulating address, liberally sprinkled with passages from his poems. Sunday morning members and guests attended divine services. It was a smoothly run meeting in a genial atmosphere that bespeaks cordial cooperation during the coming year. Hats off to President Flory and the Members of the Arrangement Committee.

The Pennsylvania Society is mailing out the 1955 year book. A most important genealogical publication that took hours on hours of careful, tedious compilation by our historian Floyd G. Hoenstine. It is not only a compilation but a condensation. At that it bulks 773 pages. It is divided into three sections; historical sketches, lineages of past and present members, and an index of surnames. All this is preceded by a history of Pennsylvania in the Revolution by Dr. Lewis E. Theiss, a history of the National Society by Dr. Solis-Cohen and a history of the State Society by Edwin B. Graham. As Past President Decker writes in his preface: "I hope and pray that this volume will stir the pride of the members in our organization, will stimulate each and every one to renewed energy and service." On every

count the year book is a tribute to Floyd G. Hoenstine.

One of the effective ways to hold fast to our heritage is to get out the votes on election day. The Erie Chapter con-

tinued their annual campaign to: "Go Out and Vote, Vote As You Please, But Vote." This pioneer project of the Erie Chapter was taken up by the Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter by mail, (Continued on page 22)



The Oregon Society proudly made the first public display of its newly acquired Sons of the American Revolution Flag in the Veteran's Day Parade in Portland. Compatriot Captain Owen R. Rhoads, Oregon National Guard carried the S.A.R. Flag and his father, Compatriot Colonel Owen R. Rhoads, Sr., (ret.) carried the National Colors.

SUGGESTIONS FOR S.A.R. DEVOTIONS

By Rev. Grant Ladd Jordan D.D.,
Chaplain General

Each meeting of The Sons of the American Revolution should be a reminder of the things for what and to whom we are thankful—home, friends, a good living, worship according to the dictates of ones own heart, a free country and an Almighty God from whom all blessings flow.

God should be definitely recognized at some point in our business and social programs.

Some S.A.R. Chapters are without Chaplains. Therefore the Chaplain General of the National Society submits the following prayers and benedictions that may be used at the discretion of the presiding officer, or Chaplain *pro tem* in business sessions, luncheons, or banquets and before adjournments.

I. INVOCATIONS

Almighty God, we thank Thee, that with thy blessings the great experiment of our forefathers in behalf of freedom is a success.

We desire to perpetuate these freedoms in behalf of our posterity. Therefore we invoke thy blessings upon these endeavors. Amen.

Almighty God, our Father, we realize that Thou art responsible for the blessings received in our American way of life. Therefore we pause to express our gratitude and to give thee thanks. Amen.

Our Heavenly Father thou has increased and blest our nation.

Our Fathers sought liberty for themselves and their posterity. By Thy Almighty Power thou hast crowned their efforts with victory. Continue to defend us from all perils and dangers, for the love of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, this generation in the United States of America has inherited the blessings of liberty that are the results of the sacrifices of our forebears plus Thy Blessings upon their labors. May we their children prove ourselves mindful of thy favors and glad to do thy will.

Help us to defend our liberties and preserve our unity.

May those chosen to govern us have the spirit of wisdom in the interests of God and man. Amen.

II. PRAYERS BEFORE LUNCHEONS OR BANQUETS

Almighty and Everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, we thank thee for the food for this meal, the fellowship of this hour, and the privileges of citizenship in our United States of America. Amen.

Our God, we thank thee for all that nature holds, of food, raiment, home, and liberties of all dwelling under the flag of our beloved Republic.

For the food of this meal and our strength for to-day we are thankful. Amen.

III. BENEDICTIONS

Dismiss us with thy blessings Lord, be with us while we are absent one from the other. Amen.

The Lord Bless and Keep you, and lift up his countenance and give you peace. Amen.

The Grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

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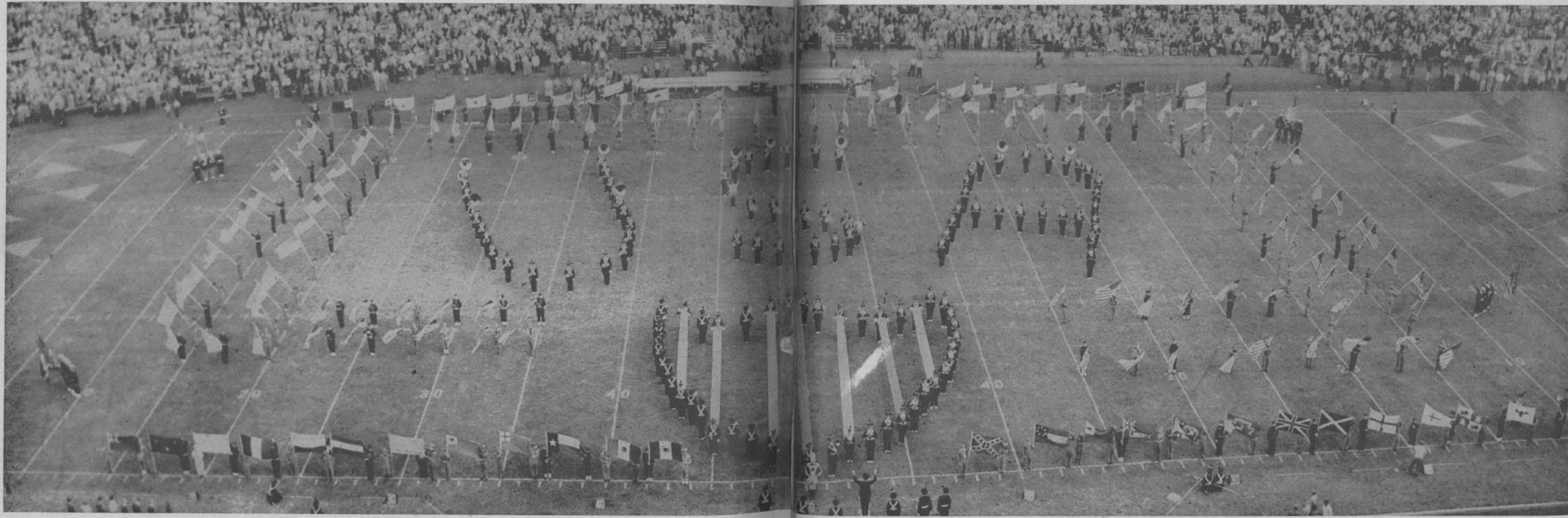
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One of the most spectacular and colorful exhibitions of flag displays in history took place on October 6, at the Ohio State-Stanford football game in Columbus, Ohio, when the 24 historical flags in the collection of Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott and 1,000 United States Flags were arranged in forma-

tions depicting various periods in American history. Some 200 Boy Scouts and color guards from the Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine Corps carried the flags with music by the Ohio State Marching band. 82,000 people were made conscious of the Sons of the American Revolution.

by newspaper, by air. The Continental Chapter after holding their last three banquets in mid-city hotels, went back to the Germantown Cricket Club for their annual banquet, back to the atmosphere of that grand old club. The Conocheague Chapter held two interesting meetings, one the annual Flag Day dinner at the Waynesboro Country Club where Past Chaplain General Dr. Francis Shunk Downs gave a comprehensive talk on Africa, "The Emerging Continent." At the Constitution Day meeting held at the Mercersburg Inn, Dr. John Statter, advisor to the Secretary of the Navy, outlined the overall security program for the United States. Our baby chapter, Christopher Gist, verily shames the older ones. During Constitution Week they joined with the local D.A.R. Chapter in a full page publicity campaign explaining the American Constitution. What could be more fruitful?

Tennessee Society

The paths of yesterday converged in the yard of today and a promise of teamwork for the future was all united in a gala state session and celebration of the Tennessee Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Saturday, September 15, when the organization held its annual meeting at the home of Harry T. Burn, State President, in Niota, Tennessee in commemoration of Constitution Day.

The State Session was a very unique and special one with the presidents of the three state groups, S.A.R., D.A.R. and C.A.R., all being present to speak and to inspire the compatriots of the membership.

Mrs. Hillman P. Rodgers, president of the D.A.R., made the longest trip of the day to enjoy the country plantation style banquet and to speak to the state group as it gathered under a spacious tent between century old trees in the yard of the Hathburn farm.

Mrs. James H. Henry of Tullahoma, Tennessee, State President of the Children of the American Revolution brought with her a visiting delegation from Tullahoma. She urged all members of S.A.R., D. A.R. and C.A.R. to work more closely together in order to help keep alive the heritage and traditions of America.

As the delegates gathered for the meeting, they were served delicious apple cider as it was made by two of Mr.

Burn's helpers with the use of a very old hand-operated press. At noon time lengthy tables groaned under an abundance of fried chicken, country ham, salads and home-grown watermelon and all that goes to make such fare a delight.

During the afternoon business session the convention heard Mrs. Rodgers bring greetings from the D.A.R. and tell how much the spirit of the founding fathers was needed in this day. Her sentiments were later seconded by Mrs. Henry and one of the feature addresses was that of Hammond Fowler, member of the State Utilities Commission, who discussed the importance of knowing the facts in the Constitution of the United States.

Judge Thomas A. Shriver, of the Court of Appeals in Nashville, was elected President for the coming year and serving with him are many distinguished figures whose names rank high in different fields of enterprise in the state. These include the following Vice-Presidents: Ernest A. Clevenger, Chattanooga, James G. Stahlman, Nashville, Austin W. Smith, Cookeville, H. Martin Nunnelley, Nashville and Malcolm J. Rawlings, Chattanooga; Secretary-Registrar, Dorian Clark, Nashville; Treasurer; John W. Clay, Nashville; Historian, Stanley F. Horn, Nashville; Genealogist,



The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Society was held in the Penn Alto Hotel, Altoona, Saturday October 27. Main table guests, seated, l to r: Mrs. James E. Van Zandt, Vincent G. Burns, speaker; Mrs. Harold L. Putnam, Dr. Clyde R. Flory, President; Mrs. Flory, Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary, National Society; Mrs. Allan L. Baker, State Regent, D.A.R.; Mrs. M. W. Hazel, widow of the late State President; standing—Dr. H. Ryerson Decker, National Trustee; Congressman Van Zandt; Louis J. Heinzman, Vice President General; Floyd G. Hoenstine, Third Vice President; Dr. Lewis E. Theiss, Second Vice President; Mrs. Theiss; Mrs. Hoenstine; Mrs. Percy J. Williams; Percy J. Williams, President, Blair County Chapter; H. Atlee Brumbaugh, Chaplain; Edwin B. Graham, Secretary-Treasurer-Genealogist.

Wirt H. Gammon, Chattanooga; Chancellor, William Russel Wright, Hartsville; National Trustee, Harry T. Burn, Rockwood; Chaplain, Rev. Alexander B. Hansen, Nashville; Surgeon-General, Dr. Robert S. Caradine, Jr., Memphis; Sergeant at Arms, Daniel MacDonald, Nashville; Board of Managers: Col. Wm. Van Dyke Ochs, Chattanooga, Sims Crownover, Nashville, H. M. Lupton, Jr., Clarksville, Walker Y. Pickard, Union City, Arthur Crownover, Nashville, Sidney Y. West, Jr., Memphis.

The meeting came to a close with a rising vote of thanks from all present to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burn who so graciously hosted the annual meeting.

Vermont Society

Nine months ago, in February 1956, the Vermont Society, Sons of the American Revolution, started a project to locate and identify all of the graves of Revolutionary War Veterans buried in Vermont. From a meager list of 131 names, the file has now grown to over 3,000 and many more will eventually be found.

Of the people who have responded to the appeal by sending in names, most of course were Vermonters, but others wrote from Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Ohio, and as far west as Osseo,

Minnesota and Portland, Oregon. Many of the names have been secured by S.A.R. members during trips to old cemeteries. Also, the D.A.R. has helped immeasurably in supplying data.

As the information on each veteran is received, it is placed in an alphabetical card file, and that man's service is verified. All of this has required rather extensive correspondence on the part of committee members, who gladly answer all requests for information. Considerable interest has been shown in permanently marking unmarked graves and restoring neglected cemeteries. Since many of the stones have been found fallen and broken, much work needs to be done.

The S.A.R. hopes in the near future to publish a more or less complete list of all these veterans, giving certain identifying data. This information should prove invaluable to historians and genealogists. The card file may be turned over to the Vermont Historical Society, if they so desire.

Anyone who has something of interest to tell this committee should drop a line to one of the following: Irving W. Eastman, Whiting, Vermont; Leon W. Dean, Burlington, Vermont; Ralph W. Putnam, Waterbury, Vermont; Milo H. Reynolds, Essex Junction, Vermont, Alfred L. Rowe, Chelsea, Vermont.

Virginia Society

One of the most prominent and outstanding families of Princess Anne County, Virginia, is the "Kellam," and the twelve brothers are members of the Sons Of The American Revolution.

Their father, A. E. Kellam, who died several years ago, was an able and efficient Clerk of Princess Anne County for twenty-five years. Their mother, Clare Eaton Kellam, typical of the old southern motherhood, is still living in the family residence near Princess Anne Courthouse.

The twelve brothers are leaders in the civic, business, fraternal, religious, professional, industrial, political, and charitable organizations of their County and State, as evidenced by their accomplishments some of which are:

Harold: Chairman, Official Board Virginia Beach Methodist Church. Past Presi-

dent, Virginia Beach Rotary Club. President, Virginia Beach Chamber of Commerce. Member of Kellam and Eaton Real Estate and Insurance Company.

James: Active in Masonic Ledges. Past President, Virginia Beach Lions Club. Served as Chairman, Princess Anne Republican Committee for twelve years.

V. Hope: Master of Arts, Randolph Macon College. Bachelor of Laws, University of Virginia. Prominent Attorney.

Edwin: Member, Kellam and Kellam Attorneys. Joined United States Navy in nineteen hundred forty-two. Discharged in nineteen hundred forty-five with rank Lt. Commander. Member, Norfolk Yacht & Country Club.

Floyd: Chairman Board of Directors, Bank of Virginia Beach. Vice-President, Virginia Beach Federal Savings and Loan Association. Judge, Twenty-eighth Judicial Circuit of Virginia, composed of the Counties of Isle of Wight and Princess Anne, and City of Portsmouth.

William: Entered United States Army as Private in nineteen hundred forty-one. Honorably discharged as Captain of Infantry in nineteen hundred forty-six. Past Comander Princess Anne Post American Legion. Past President, Princess Anne Ruritan Club. Member, Kellam and Eaton Real Estate and Insurance Company.

Frederick: Graduate, Medical College of Virginia. Specialized in surgery and is Chief of Surgical Staff, Indiana Hospital. Member, Board of Directors, Pennsylvania Division, American Cancer Society.

Sidney: Vice President, Director, Member, Executive Committee Bank of Virginia Beach. Director, Virginia Beach Federal Savings and Loan Association. After serving as Treasurer of Princess Anne County for nineteen years, he resigned to accept appointment as Director, Virginia Department of Conservation and Development. Served as State Campaign Manager for Governors John S. Battle and Thomas B. Stanley.

Robert: Vice President and Manager,



The Kellam family of Virginia is represented in the Virginia Society by twelve brothers, each of whom is prominent in the activities of his community. Top row, l to r: Harold B., James G., V. Hope, and Edwin C. Second row, l to r: Floyd E., William P., Frederick J., and Sidney S. Bottom row, l to r: Robert W., Richard B., Frank W., and Hubert S. It is believed to be a record for membership in the Sons of the American Revolution.

Grocery Department Kellam and Eaton, Incorporated. Vice President, Princess Anne Plumbing and Electrical Suppliers Incorporated.

Richard: Prominent Attorney. Entered armed services in nineteen hundred forty-three. Served with Office of Strategic Service in Europe. Past President, Norfolk Lions Club. Former Vice President and Legal Advisor, Norfolk Chapter of American Red Cross. Member, Advisory Board of Anto-Tuberculosis League of Norfolk and Princess Anne County. Member, Advisory Board of Association for Retarded Children.

Frank: Past President, Princess Anne Ruritan Club. Past district Governor Ruritan International. Past President, Virginia Beach Rotary Club. Past district Governor, Rotary International. Past President, Princess Anne Boy Scouts of America. Past Chairman, Princess Anne Blood Bank. President and Treasurer, Kellam and Eaton, Incorporated. Treasurer, Princess Anne Plumbing and Electrical Suppliers, Incorporated.

Herbert: Graduate, Virginia Military Institute. Supervising Naval Architect. Scientific Test Branch, Design Division, U. S. Naval Shipyard, Norfolk, Virginia.

For many years the brothers of the "Kellam Family" with their foresight, initiative, and progressive efforts have been leading factors in the development and growth of Princess Anne County, which has become one of the leading and foremost Counties in the State of Virginia.

Wisconsin Society

Although less than a year old and numbering only 20 members, the Nathaniel Ames Chapter at Madison, Wisconsin, has undertaken a project that is attracting state-wide attention.

Last spring the chapter awarded a R.O.T.C. Minute Man Medal to one student cadet in each of the 11 college R.O.T.C. units in Wisconsin. The awards were made at the final review. The chapter plans to continue the awards annually.

The project is being administered by Col. Bentley Courtenay and Maj. Curtis L. Shepard of the Wisconsin Selective Service System, charter members of the Ames chapter.

The recipients are selected by the R.O.T.C. commandants and hereafter will be underclass students rather than graduating seniors, so the winners will be able to wear their medals while in school. At the commandants' request,

the medals will be supplied in time to be on display throughout the year preceding presentation. The award is identified as being made "for the Wisconsin Society of the Sons of the American Revolution by the Nathaniel Ames Chapter."

The 1956 recipients and their R.O.T.C. units:

St. Norbert College, James F. Romanski, Wisconsin Rapids; Ripon College, James N. Gear, Menasha; Wisconsin State College of Superior, John R. Holm, Lake Forest, Illinois; Wisconsin State College of Milwaukee, Edward S. Rebholz, Milwaukee; Lawrence College, William J. Bye Appleton; Marquette University, (Army) Donald A. Dupies, (Navy) Theodore J. Toben, Jr., Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania; University of Wisconsin, (Army) Charles R. Thomas, Evanston, Illinois, (Navy) Don W. Martens, Darlington, (Air Force) Robert E. Yates, Chippewa Falls; Milwaukee Extension Division, Elmer W. Dahlquist, Milwaukee.



Members and guests of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter, met in Huntington, West Virginia, Sept. 17, for their Annual Constitution Day Banquet. From the left: Col. George T. Derby, guest speaker; Mrs. D. B. Kraybeal, Regent, Buford Chapter D.A.R.; Mrs. U. B. Yeager, Sr., President Col. Andrew Conally Chapter, C.A.R.; Will H. Daniel, Trustee; Judge Naaman Jackson, Vice President; Kenneth C. Mastin, Secretary-Treasurer; all three of the latter being officers of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter.

THE MID ATLANTIC DISTRICT

By LOUIS J. HEIZMANN
Vice President General

After traveling over two thousand miles on Society business I can report substantial progress. One month after the Congress at Bolton Landing the new Christopher Gist Chapter, at Butler Pennsylvania, was installed as a chapter of the Pennsylvania Society. President General Eugene Carver, Jr., conducted the ceremonies. It was the largest chapter ever admitted to the State Society. This week at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, we listed twenty prospective members as the nucleus of a Schuylkill County chapter. Plans were outlined, arrangements made, to start a campaign through the county to round up again as many members. The aim is a chapter larger than Christopher Gist. This might come about, as the three D.A.R. chapters in Schuylkill County long wanted a local S.A.R. chapter and are right back of us. A Pennsylvania chapter that has been lagging for years was pepped up and given an essential program.

The activities of The Delaware Society have, up to now, been on the quiet side. Under the new president, Elwood A. Davis, they have been stepped up. Friday, December the 7th, was Delaware Day and the Society joined with the D.A.R., the Colonial Dames, the Friends of John Dickenson and others in celebrating the anniversary. That day is the day the state ratified the

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The 1955 Year Book Of The Pennsylvania Society Sons Of The American Revolution, compiled by Floyd G. Hoenstine, Historian, Pennsylvania Society. (Published by the Penna. Society, S.A.R., Mirror Printing Co., Altoona, Pa., 1956, 773 p., including index to surnames 43 p.) Included in this single volume is the complete lineage of all past and present members of the Pennsylvania Society. The arrangement is unique in that no other publication is known to include so much genealogical data in a comparative space. This is a work of monumental proportions and should be of inestimable value especially to all members of the Penna. Society as well as other members of the Society interested in genealogical and historical research. A limited number of additional copies may be obtained from Compatriot Edwin B. Graham, Secretary, Pa. Society, S.A.R., 1710 Investment Building, 239 Fourth Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Penna.

Chronicles Of The Yerkes Family With Notes On The Leech And Rutter Families, by Josiah Granville Leach, LL.B. (J. B. Lippincott Co., Phila., Pa., 1904, 262 p., including index of names 29 p.). Donated by Compatriot Albert F. Hise, 217 Chestnut Ave., N.E., Massillon, Ohio.

Some Of The Ancestors And Descendants Of James And George Ashford, Jr. Of Fairfield County, South Carolina, by Charlie Rabb Ashford, Sr. (N.p.p., mimeo., 1956, 123 p., including index of names 9 p., wrappers) Includes many historical anecdotes and biographical references to members of the family dating from Michael Ashford in Charles County, Maryland, in 1663. Donated by the author, 208 N. Montgomery St., Starkville, Mississippi.

Early New England Pendletons, compiled by Everett Hall Pendleton. (N.p.p., copyright 1956 by the compiler, 354 p., including 15 p., index of names, illus.) Traces the family line through six generations. Appendices I through XI give interesting side lights and anecdotes relating to the family history.

An Interim Tracing Of The Ancestry Of Valerie Daly King, edited by Charles Daly King. (The William Byrd Press, Inc., Richmond, Va., 1956, 240 p., including 6 p. index of names and Appendix 9 p. of Colonial and Revolutionary ancestors and allied families) Books I and II compiled and arranged by Ella Bourdette Daly King relate to the paternal and maternal ancestry of Charles Daly King. Books III and IV compiled and arranged by Edgar Grant Sisson treat of the paternal and maternal ancestry of Mildred Sisson King. Donated by Charles Daly King. For additional information write to Compatriot Ross Keelye Cook, 34 Sherman Ave., East Orange, N. J.

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WHERE ARE WE GOING?

*By Colonel F. W. Huntington, USA, Retired
Chairman, Organization and Membership Committee*

Compatriots everywhere, we are standing at the crossroads. You may ask, what does he mean, crossroads? If you will think a moment and then read again the title of this article I believe you will realize what I mean.

What have YOU done this fiscal year to promote the interests of our Society? Have you obtained any applications for membership or any new members?

As you know, our fiscal year and the year for obtaining new members coincide, and include the period April 1st of any year to March 31st of the following year.

As noted in the September 1956 issue of "The Alert," "The small membership of the S.A.R. has always posed a problem to me since I became a member some twenty-six years ago."

In connection with the foregoing, the following facts concerning our membership for the past few years are set forth for your information:

Net membership on

April 1st, 1953	—	18,162
April 1st, 1954	—	18,510
April 1st, 1955	—	18,473
April 1st, 1956	—	18,564

The above figures would seem to disprove the saying "You cannot stand still, you must go forward or backward." It will readily be seen that there has been but a slight increase in our total membership since April 1, 1953.

It may be of interest to you to note the new members secured during the following years:

Year	New members	Lost by dropping and resigning	Net gain
1953-54	1465	1019	446
1954-55	1218	1124	94
1955-56	1238	1027	211

The above figures do not include reinstatements on the one hand, or deaths on the other, but they do indicate that if we are to show any substantial increase in membership, we must prevent to the greatest degree possible the dropping of members for NPD and discourage the resignation of members insofar as possible. The number of members

secured from April 1st, 1956, to December 1st, 1956, including reinstatements, is 899.

With regard to preventing dropping of members for NPD, I have found the following plan, to be very effective in the case of my own Chapter:

a. Request the Treasurer to forward the names of all delinquent members to the Chapter President not later than March 1st of each year.

b. The Chapter President, upon receipt of the above information, to telephone delinquent members residing in town and remind them of the fact that their dues have not been paid for the current year. I have found that many members, in spite of receiving a bill for their dues, forget about paying them and are only too glad to be reminded of that fact.

c. Write a letter to delinquent members residing outside the city and remind them as above, and that their dues are payable prior to March 31st.

I would like to urge that all members of our Society join in the effort to secure new members for this year. In this connection I would like to suggest that you contact your Membership Chairman, or one of his Committee, and secure from him copies of "General Information pamphlets for prospective members," in addition to copies of work sheets and application blanks. Thus armed, you will be able to acquaint your prospective applicant with all the information that he is liable to request.

Our forefathers waited not upon the order of their going when the call to arms came, but abandoned their plows in the fields, picked up their rifles and joined in the fight whether it was against Indians in early colonial times, or for the freedom of our country during the Revolution.

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Members and guests in attendance at the Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society were given the privilege of inspecting the Baker Mansion as a part of the historic tour on Saturday afternoon, October 27, 1956.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

It seems to me that descendants of our illustrious forebears can do no less, especially in these troubled times when the very foundations of our freedom are threatened from without and within. Therefore, all should make strenuous efforts to help America remain strong and free even though we fight not with rifles and bullets today but with every other means at our command.

Let everyone put his shoulder to the wheel and make this the most successful year we have ever had in obtaining new members for, without a large membership, our voice will not be heeded by the heads of our Government, either National, State or Local.

Benjamin Franklin warned that we have a "Republic—if we can keep it."

We have an outstanding patriotic Society—if we can keep it!

I am a life member of a patriotic Society that was very active thirty years ago. Today it has but six members and will pass out of existence shortly—all due to lack of interest on the part of its members.

Shall the same thing be said of our Society twenty or thirty years from now?

S.A.R. LIBRARY DONATIONS

compiled by Compatriot Charles A. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer Registrar. (F. J. Heer Printing Co., Columbus, Ohio, 1956, 190 p., not indexed, illus.) Contains listing of members as of September 1, 1956 with addresses and Revolutionary ancestors by order of Chapter affiliation. Donated by the Ohio State Society, S.A.R.

Captain Thomas Cook (1752-1841) A Soldier Of The Revolution, edited by William M. Sweeny. (N.p., 1909, pamphlet, 13 p., not indexed, wrappers) A compilation of records, extracts and official statements relating to the services of a Revolutionary War hero. Donated by Lenora Higginbotham Sweeny.

WEAR YOUR ROSETTE AT ALL TIMES—to show your pride in being a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. It is the most effective means of creating interest in our Society and is a great stimulus of enrolling new members.

REPORT ON THE MID ATLANTIC DISTRICT

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Constitution of the United States, the first state to do so. January 6th, 1957, is Delaware Day at Valley Forge and the S.A.R. will also be there. The Society holds monthly luncheons. I will attend the next one and spend some time with Compatriot Davis. Much can be done in Delaware.

The Maryland Society is progressing on

an even tenor, has elected some new members and has prospects for quite a few more.

The total membership of The District of Columbia Society as of today is 605 a loss of three. A little step backwards, but backwards. An early job of that Society will be to reverse the trend.

On the whole, the prospects for the Mid Atlantic District look encouraging.

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Cadet James F. Romanski, Wisconsin Rapids, was awarded the S.A.R., R.O.T.C. Medal at a ceremony at St. Norbert College. Lt. Col. Ruhl J. Russell presented the medal on behalf of the Wisconsin Society.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, D. C. OCTOBER 13, 1956

The President General called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M.

The arrival of the Chaplain General, Dr. Grant Ladd Jordan, having been unavoidably delayed, President General Carver asked Past President General A. Herbert Foreman to pronounce the Invocation. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

On motion of Dr. Murphy, duly seconded and carried, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 30 1956, was dispensed with and they were approved as published in the July, 1956, issue of the SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE.

On motion of Compatriot L. R. King, seconded by Compatriot Crawmer, the courtesy of the floor was extended to visiting officers other than Trustees.

Executive Secretary Putnam called the roll and those present were:

President General Eugene P. Carver, Jr.; Past Presidents General A. Herbert Foreman (also Exec. Com.); Ray O. Edwards; Milton M. Lory; and Edgar Williamson, Jr. (also Exec. Com.). Vice Presidents General Stuart H. Tucker, Stanton T. Lawrence, Louis J. Heizmann, Folks Huxford, Carl A. Herrick, and Warren M. Taylor. Secretary General Charles A. Jones; Treasurer General Herschel S. Murphy; Registrar General Arthur G. Trimble; Historian General John E. King; Genealogist General William T. Carpenter; Chancellor General Aaron M. Sargent; Chaplain General Dr. Grant Ladd Jordan; Surgeon General Dr. John A. Fritchey, II; Librarian General P. Harry Byerly; Executive Committee Members John H. Babb, Calvin C. Bolles, Edwin B. Graham, Walter A. Wentworth. National Trustees: George E. Tarbox, Colorado; Col. Thurston H. Baxter, District of Columbia; John H. Babb, Illinois (also Exec. Com.); John St. Paul, Louisiana; John C. Wroe, Massachusetts; Marion H. Crawmer, Michigan; Lowell R. King, Nebraska; Horace R. McDowell, New Mexico; Abram Zoller, New York; Travis B. Callum, North Carolina; Andrew P. Martin, Ohio; Dr. H. Rverson Decker, Pennsylvania; Jean A. Hibbard, Washington State. Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam. National Committee Chairmen: Robert H. Overstreet, Immigration; Rear Adm. William Rea Furlong, National Headquarters; Stanley S. Gil-

lam, ROTC Medals. State Officers: Charles Marsteller, President, District of Columbia Society; Warren Foster and Allen R. Foster, D. C. Society; William Y. Pryor, President, and Manton L. Graff, Secretary, New Jersey Society; Horace B. Lindsey, President, North Carolina Society; Dr. Charles A. Anderson, President, Ohio Society; Col. Robert P. Waters, Vice President, representing the President of the Virginia Society.

The next order of business was reports of the General Officers and President General Carver called on Vice President General Tucker of the New England District who reported briefly on meetings which had been held by the New England Council, made up of officers of State Societies of the area.

Vice President General Lawrence made a short verbal report of visits in New York and New Jersey.

Vice President General Heizmann reported for the Mid Atlantic District, noting the losses the Pennsylvania Society had suffered in the passing of Vice President Dr. Leon Godshall and subsequently State President Morris W. Hazel. Compatriot Heizman stated that since the Congress at Lake George he had traveled over two thousand miles making visits in his District.

Vice President General Huxford reported for the South Atlantic District, stating that he had not been able to carry on as actively as he had planned, owing to activity in the political campaign. He stated, however, that it was his intention to visit all of the State Societies and as many as possible of the Chapters of his District during the fall and winter. He spoke of the successful reorganization of the South Carolina Society and of two new chapters recently organized in Florida.

At this time Past President General Foreman spoke in reference to the loss of former Vice President General Crawford S. Rogers, who had died suddenly a few days after the Annual Congress, and also of the sudden passing of President S. Paul Belford of the Virginia Society.

Vice President General Robert P. Gordon of the Southern District was unable to be present but he had submitted a written report which was read by Executive Secretary Putnam. The report mentioned progress in the organization of chapters at Mobile and Selma, Ala-

bama, and also one to be known as the Tennessee Valley Chapter.

Vice President General Warren M. Taylor of the Central District reported that his activities had been curtailed because of serious illness in his family but told of several visits he had been able to make in Ohio.

Vice President General Charles S. Prescott of the Great Lakes District was unable to be present but had submitted a written report. President General Carver stated that Compatriot Prescott had asked for approval of his plan to present an S. A. R. Banner to the Chapter making the greatest gain in his District. On motion of Compatriot Babb, seconded and carried, the Trustees voted to approve Vice President General Prescott's proposal.

Vice President General Carl A. Herrick made a brief verbal report on activities in Nebraska and Minnesota, stating that there is a good prospect of organizing a chapter in Rochester, Minnesota.

Vice President General Dr. Burt Brown Barker of the Pacific Coast District was unable to be present but had submitted a report of his activities to the Executive Secretary.

Secretary General Charles A. Jones reported that he had performed the necessary duties of his office.

President General Carver reported on the visits he had made since the Sixty-Sixth Congress, to Pittsburgh and Butler Pennsylvania; Dallas, Texas; Portland, Maine; Roanoke, Virginia; and other meetings in Massachusetts and Maine. President General Carver called attention to the fact that Vice President General Frederick W. Huntington of the South Mississippi District was absent because he was attending meetings in his own District.

Treasurer General Herschel S. Murphy presented a written report which, on motion duly seconded and carried, was received and filed.

The report of the Registrar General, Arthur G. Trimble, was deferred as his arrival had been delayed because of illness in his family. Executive Secretary Putnam commented that each month of the current fiscal year had shown an increase in new applications over the previous year.

Historian General John E. King reported that he had in preparation some data which he hoped would be of interest, which would be made available later.

Genealogist General William T. Carpenter stated that he had acted upon

one case which had been referred to him.

Chancellor General Aaron M. Sargent reported that he had rendered two opinions which are on file at Headquarters. He also reported on the results of his appearance before the Republican Platform Committee with regard to the retention of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act. Compatriot Sargent informed the Trustees of the defeat of the Alaska Mental Health Act and that a sound substitute bill offered by Senator Malone had passed Congress.

Chaplain General Dr. Grant Ladd Jordan reported that following the close of the 66th Congress he had written to each State Secretary to obtain a complete list of State Chaplains and commented that within three weeks he had received answers from 47 out of 52 State Secretaries. He said that he had made two suggestions (1) that State Societies whose membership does not include ministers appoint lay members as Chaplains and (2) that State Societies make an effort to bring eligible clergymen into the organization. He also said that he planned to communicate with all State Chaplains.

Librarian General P. Harry Byerly reported on the reorganization of the library.

The Surgeon General, Dr. John A. Fritchey, II, suggested that a committee of local physicians be appointed by the President General at the site of Congresses and Trustees' meetings.

President General Carver announced that the next order of business was the reports of National Committees.

The Chairman of the American Sovereignty Committee, Judge Stanton T. Lawrence, stated that he had no report further than the one he had submitted to the Sixty-sixth Annual Congress.

Chairman Charles A. Jones of the Constitution Day Observance Committee made a verbal report, commenting especially upon the impetus given the observance by the passage by Congress of the Joint Resolution introduced by Senator Knowland providing for the issuance by the President of a proclamation of Constitution Week September 17-23 of each year, the resolution now being designated Public Law 915.

Compatriot Jones said he had been asked to report also for Chairman S. Hubbard Scott of the Flag Day Committee who was unable to be present. He told of Compatriot Scott's display of the historical flags between the halves of a football game in the Ohio State University stadium, which had resulted in a substantial amount of favorable

publicity for the Society.

Chairman Warren M. Taylor reported for the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee, stating that the rules will be practically the same as those followed at the last several Congresses. He said, however, he planned to insert this provision, "The first prize winner if a junior high school student will be ineligible for future contests." He also proposed increases in the amounts of the prizes and action was taken on the suggestion later in the meeting.

The Chairman of the Immigration Committee, Robert H. Overstreet, reported that continuing attacks on the provisions of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act could be expected. He said that only two bills connected with immigration, neither objectionable, had been passed by the 84th Congress. There was discussion of immigration problems. On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Trustees voted that a letter be sent to our Compatriot, Representative Francis E. Walter, expressing appreciation of his courageous stand regarding amendments to the Walter-McCarran Immigration Act.

Executive Secretary Putnam announced that arrangements had been made for luncheon at the University Club at a cost of \$2.50 to each officer.

On motion of Compatriot L. R. King, the session recessed for luncheon at 12:15, to be reconvened at 1:45 P. M.

President General Carver called the meeting to order promptly at 1:45.

Admiral Furlong, Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, said that one or two recommendations would be brought up later in the meeting.

Past President General Foreman announced that a new edition of the "Key to the Constitution" was to be published and read an introduction which had been written by J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Past President General Foreman, chairman, stated that there was no report for the Permanent Fund Committee.

Chairman of the ROTC Medals Committee, Stanley S. Gillam, passed out copies of a Plan of Award which had been developed by Compatriot J. B. Ladd. There was discussion of the medal award programs in the several States.

On motion of Compatriot L. R. King, duly seconded and carried, the Trustees authorized the insertion of five one-half page ads in the Children of the American Revolution Magazine at \$15.00 each.

On motion of Treasurer General Murphy, seconded and carried, the Trustees voted to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Committee that



The Charter of the newly organized Roanoke Chapter was presented to the Organizing President, Everett L. Repass, by the First Vice President of the Virginia Society, Col. Robert P. Waters (left) while President General Eugene P. Carver (right) witnessed the ceremony with approbation.

MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES MEETING

the Empire State Society be paid a sum of \$326.77 to reimburse them for the printing of the program of the Sixty-sixth Congress held at Bolton Landing, New York.

The next order of business was a suggestion that the Society replace a stone tablet which had been placed at the Citadel in Quebec in memory of the members of General Montgomery's expedition who had been killed there, the suggestion having been received through the U. S. Consul in Quebec.

On motion of Compatriot Martin, seconded by Compatriot L. R. King and carried, the Trustees voted to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the National Society, S. A. R. erect a bronze tablet at the Citadel in Quebec, to replace the stone tablet which has been cracked by severe weather conditions, at a cost of \$196.00, plus the cost of erection. There was discussion of adding the insigne of the Society and Executive Secretary Putnam stated that he believed it would be possible to do this.

On motion of Colonel Baxter, seconded and carried, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the request of the Virginia Society for a further extension of time for the payment of \$317.50 still due the National Society for annual per capita dues for 1956-57 be allowed, to December 31, 1956.

On motion of Compatriot Huxford, duly seconded and carried, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee to authorize the purchase of an Apeco Panel-lite Copier at a cost of \$295.00. This machine will enable National Headquarters to furnish photographic copies of application papers and other documents.

The next order of business was the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to air conditioning at Headquarters. President General Carver explained that estimates for air conditioning the entire building had been approximately \$21,500 which seemed an excessive cost. On motion of Registrar General Trimble, seconded and carried, the Trustees adopted the recommendation of the Executive Committee to authorize the individual air conditioning installations in certain offices and rooms at Headquarters and re-wiring where necessary at an approximate cost of \$4,500.00.

President General Carver outlined a suggestion of Compatriot Arthur Cole

that the National Society print and distribute certificates for new citizens, the initial outlay being approximately \$32,200. On motion of Compatriot Huxford, duly seconded and carried, action on the proposal to provide certificates for new citizens as suggested by Compatriot Arthur Cole of New Jersey was deferred until the late winter meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The President General stated that the Executive Committee, because of insufficient information, had referred the matter of the increase in the amounts of prizes for the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest to the Board of Trustees without recommendation. He called on the Chairman of the Committee, Compatriot Warren M. Taylor, to present the matter to the Trustees. Vice President General Taylor outlined the plans of his committee and said that the recommendation was: first prize, \$500.00; second prize, \$300.00; and third prize, \$100.00. There was full discussion. Past President General Foreman moved that the prizes in the contest be established at \$250.00 for first prize, \$175.00 for second prize, and \$125.00 for third prize. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Byerly. After further discussion, Compatriot Babb moved, seconded by Dr. Murphy, that Mr. Foreman's motion be amended to provide a

consolation prize of \$10.00 each for all contestants who do not win the first, second or third prizes. This amendment to the motion was adopted. Chancellor General Sargent, seconded by Colonel Baxter, then moved that Past President General Foreman's motion be amended to establish the prizes at \$350.00 for first prize, \$250.00 for second prize, and \$100.00 for third prize, and that an additional \$50.00 be appropriated for miscellaneous expenses. The President General called for a vote and Compatriot Sargent's amendment was adopted and the motion as amended was then carried.

The next order of business was the offer to purchase the Headquarters Building which had been received from the National Education Association. President General Carver stated that it was his opinion that since the Sixty-sixth Annual Congress had declared that the Headquarters property is not for sale, only a Congress could over-ride an action of a Congress. After further explanation, Past President General Edwards moved, seconded by Compatriot McDowell, that the offer of the National Education Association of \$250,000.00 for the Headquarters Building be referred to the Sixty-seventh Annual Congress. Librarian General Byerly moved, and the motion was seconded, that the



(N.R.O.T.C. photo)

Midshipman Theodore J. Toben, Jr., of Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania, was the recipient of the R.O.T.C. medal awarded by the Nathaniel Ames Chapter, Madison, Wisconsin. Lt. Col. A. R. Frankiewicz (left) made the presentation at Marquette University, at the 1956 Review.

matter be tabled. President General Carver called for a rising vote and the motion to table the offer was adopted by a substantial majority.

President General Carver outlined a proposal to substitute plaques, to be retained by the winning State Societies, for the Travelling Banners which are now used for membership awards, and which have proved expensive and troublesome to ship annually and to keep in repair. He asked for expressions of opinion. On motion of Compatriot Trimble, seconded by Col. Baxter, the President General was authorized to appoint a committee to investigate and report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees on the proposal to substitute plaques, to be awarded permanently to the winners, for the Travelling Banners which are currently in use.

The President General stated that a question had been raised as to policy in connection with the expenditure of the travel allowances of the Vice Presidents General and asked for discussion. Compatriot Babb moved, and the motion was duly seconded and carried, that in determining the expenses of the Vice Presidents General in relation to the program for increased membership he may include his travel expenses with a proper voucher and prizes, if he sees fit, with a proper voucher, and any other expenses that are deemed necessary for organization of new chapters, all statements to be submitted with proper reports and vouchers.

On motion of Chancellor General Sargent, duly seconded and carried, the following resolution was adopted by the Board of Trustees:

"BE IT RESOLVED that the President General, and the Executive Secretary, and each of them, be, and they are hereby, authorized to appear and present (or cause to be presented) on behalf of this Society, its opinion and/or policy on any matter established by a resolution then in force, before any public body or officer, or at any public meeting or hearing concerned with the subject matter of such resolution.

RESOLVED FURTHER that this Board's resolution of October 8, 1955, relating to the foregoing matter, be, and the same is, hereby rescinded."

Chancellor General Sargent then presented the following resolution and moved its adoption. His motion was duly seconded and carried.

"RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that the President General be authorized to ap-

point a special committee consisting of three members of this Society to prepare and issue an appropriate statement respecting the propaganda film, "Storm Center," released by Columbia pictures, it being our considered opinion:

(1) That our members and other interested parties should have full and more adequate information respecting the underlying left-wing propaganda purpose behind this picture;

(2) That we do not, in any way, question the right of the producer to exhibit such a film and seek public support for it, although from the ethical if not the legal standpoint it would appear that there should be a full and fair disclosure of the actual propaganda intent and purposes involved;

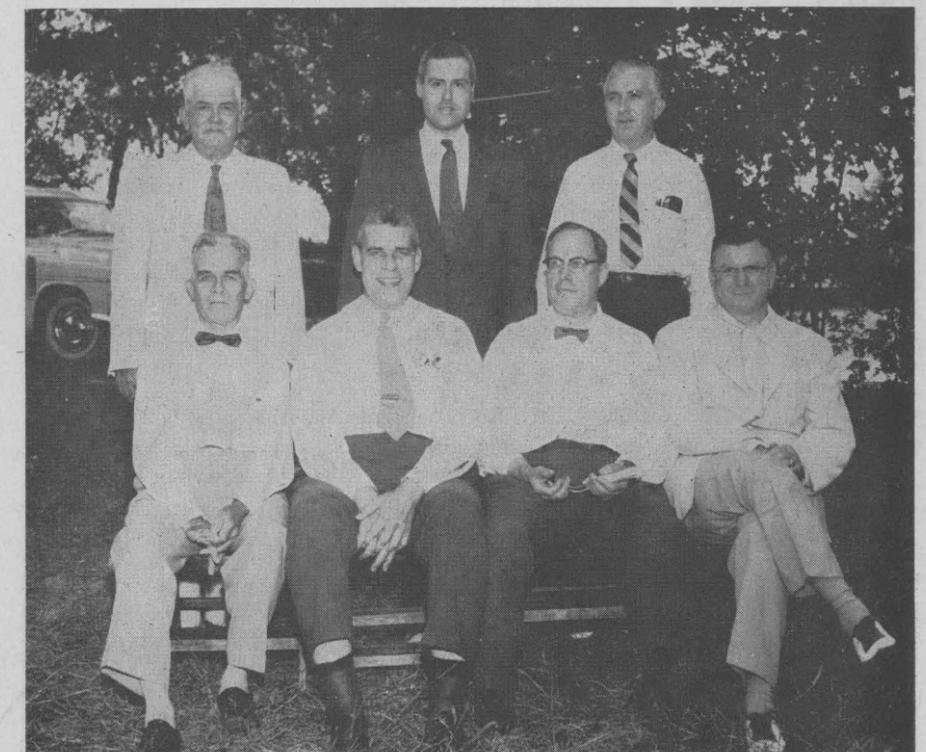
(3) That we are convinced that many competent and patriotic librarians will desire and are able and in a position to render material and valuable aid to our national security program by making library facilities for anti-Communist work more readily available and by exhibiting such materials appropriately in our libraries and instructing local civic groups in their study and proper use, and we believe

that such activities are more constructive and important and to be preferred to the misguided effort indicated by the false representations in this propaganda film, "Storm Center," representing that we now live in an era of "Witch-hunting," "book-burning," and hysteria."

On motion of Compatriot Baxter, seconded by Vice President General Herrick, the Trustees approved the payment of the customary Christmas gift of one week's salary to the members of the permanent Headquarters staff.

Surgeon General John A. Fritchey suggested that a committee of physicians be appointed who reside in the vicinity of Salt Lake City and who would be in a position to render first aid or act in any emergency which might occur at the Sixty-seventh Congress. It was the consensus of the Trustees that it was the duty of the Surgeon General to appoint such a committee.

Past President General Foreman announced that September 14, 1957, has been designated as Sons of the American Revolution Day at the 350th anniversary observance of the founding of Jamestown. He said that the Virginia Society



The election of officers of the Tennessee Society was held in Nioota, September 15. Among those elected for the current year were, seated, l to r: Dorian Clark, Secretary; Arthur Crownover, Board of Managers; Harry Burn, Retiring President; and H. Martin Nunnolley. Standing, Col. Wm. VanDyke Oches, Board of Managers; Daniel H. MacDonald, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Ernest A. Clevenger, Vice President. Other officers were not present for the picture.

DOUGLASS G. HIGH NATIONAL HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST

The Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest for High School Seniors and Juniors, conducted by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, has become one of the most important events at our Annual Congress. It will be conducted for the ninth time as part of the 1957 Annual Congress at Salt Lake City, Utah, May 26th through May 29th, 1957.

PROCEDURE

The suggested procedure is as follows:

1. Each State or Local Society shall make available to Senior High School Principals in public, parochial, and private schools, the information regarding this contest, as early in the school year as possible.
2. State Societies or Local Chapters should make all arrangements with the heads of schools. It is strongly urged that when more than one school is involved, that State or Local Chapter contests be held to determine the winner.
3. The expenses of the winning contestant from each state to the Annual Congress shall be paid by either a local chapter or the State Society. Contestants must arrive at Salt Lake City by Sunday evening May 26th.

ELIGIBILITY: Male members of the Junior or Senior classes of Senior High Schools are eligible to enter the Contest. They are invited by the local Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, and members of the Children of the American Revolution are especially invited. One Contestant from each State Society is eligible, whether he be representing a local Chapter, or the State Society.

SUBJECT: Oration of not less than five nor more than six minutes, dealing with American History of the Revolutionary War period; personality, event or document, and its relationship to events of today.

STATE ELIMINATIONS: Each State may have a Contest to secure a State Winner who may give his Oration at the State Society's Meeting. Your National Committee strongly recommends this procedure. The State Winner agrees to attend and compete in the National Society Contest, at the expense of either a local Chapter or the State Society. The Sixty-Seventh Annual Congress will be held May 26th through May 29th, 1957, at Salt Lake City, Utah.

QUALIFICATION: The first place winner of a National Contest, if a member of the Junior class of a Senior High School will be ineligible for participation in subsequent contests.

NATIONAL CONTEST RULES: The ninth Annual Contest will be held at the Annual Congress at Salt Lake City, Utah. Each contestant will be limited to six minutes and a committee of judges will select the winners on the following basis:

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| (A) Composition | (B) Delivery |
| (C) Logic | (D) Significance |

AWARDS: 1st Prize—\$350.00, 2nd Prize—\$250.00, 3rd Prize—\$100.00, Consolation Prizes, \$10.00 each for all contestants who do not win the first, second, or third prizes.

NATIONAL WINNER: Will give his Oration before the Sixty-Seventh Congress and receive national publicity.

ENTRIES: Names and addresses of all entries must be sent by the sponsoring Society or Chapter to Compatriot Warren M. Taylor, Chairman, Historical Oration Contest Committee, 3612 Erie Avenue, Cincinnati 8, Ohio, not later than May 1st, 1957.

MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES MEETING

had voted to participate in conjunction with the National Society and had appointed a committee. Compatriot Foreman moved that the National Society appoint a committee to work with the committee of the Virginia Society to make arrangements for the proper participation by the Society on this day, to be known as Sons of the American Revolution Day, September 14, 1957. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Carpenter and adopted. President General Carver appointed Compatriot Foreman Chairman of the Committee and asked his advice on additional appointments.

Compatriot Crawmer, National Trustee for Michigan, read the following resolution of the Michigan Society:

"RESOLVED, that our National Trustee be instructed to present to the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution a proposed requirement that all candidates for office at the National level be required to state their position on all of the various resolutions passed by the Congresses of the Sons of the American Revolution; and that they be required to pledge themselves to do everything that they can to further the position of the Sons of the American Revolution on these resolutions, so that delegates (who have, at a sacrifice of time and money attended the Congress) may be assured of vigorous and unrelenting efforts by our National Officers to do everything possible to implement the resolutions."

On motion of Compatriot Crawmer, seconded by Vice President General Taylor, the foregoing resolution was referred to the Executive Committee for investigation and report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

On motion of Compatriot Crawmer, seconded and carried, the President General was directed to call a meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees for Friday and Saturday, February 15th and 16th, 1957.

The Chaplain General, Dr. Grant Ladd Jordan, pronounced the Benediction. President General Carver expressed appreciation to the Trustees for their attendance and fine cooperation and the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD L. PUTNAM
Executive Secretary.

A SPECIAL NOTICE TO STATE SECRETARIES AND TREASURERS

Please use the yellow Transmittal Form to list New Applications, Supplementals and Reinstatements. The forms are furnished without charge by National Headquarters.

Please make all checks payable to: "The Treasurer General, National Society S.A.R." Do not make payable to an individual. Do not combine payments for Admission Fees and Dues with payments for Merchandise. Thank you.

Supplies in Stock at National Headquarters.

REVISED PRICE LIST

Lapel rosettes, each (\$.75 each when mailed singly)	\$.50
Lapel rosettes, quantities of 24 or more40
Good Citizenship Medals, bronze (including Medal Certificate)	1.50
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Blank certificates, engraved and embossed, 11x14"50
ROTC Medals, bronze (including ROTC Ribbon Bar)	1.50
World War I Medals, bronze	1.50
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In quantities, discounts on all these medals are:	
25—5%; 50—10%; 100—20%	
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Gilded silver stars to represent supplementals60
S.A.R. nylon flags, 3x5' (flag only)	35.00
3½" sash ribbon (for Presidents General, present and past) per yd.	7.75
2½" sash ribbon (for active and past Vice Presidents General and other National Officers while in office) per yd.	4.25
1⅛" Official Ribbon, per yd.	1.10
5/8" Official Ribbon, per yd.80
Application blanks with State Society imprint, per 100	6.75
Application blanks with State Society imprint, per 200	10.00
Application blanks with State Society imprint, per 300	14.00
Application blanks with State Society imprint, per 500	20.00
Application blanks with State Society imprint, per 1000	34.50
Supplemental blanks, NO State Society imprint, per 100	2.10
(no reduction in quantities)	
Work sheets, per 100	1.50
"Our Government—How Founded" questionnaire, per 10075
George Washington questionnaire, per 100	2.00
Transfer blanks, per 100	3.00
Membership cards with State Society imprint, per 100	5.30
Membership cards with State Society imprint, per 200	6.95
Membership cards with State Society imprint, per 300	8.65
Membership cards with State Society imprint, per 500	11.60
Membership cards with State Society imprint, per 1000	20.75
Official Insignia line cuts (for printing State or Chapter stationery) each ..	1.75
State Society invitation forms, imprinted, per 100	8.00
General Information pamphlets for prospective members, per 100	2.00
Chapter Charters, each20
Applications for Chapter Charter, each10
Handbooks for Officers, each35
National Society Constitution and By-Laws, each25
"A Bill of Grievances," each25

Orders should be sent prepaid to National Headquarters, 1227 - 16th street, N. W., Washington 6, D. C., all checks made payable to the Treasurer General

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING

Compatriots who may wish to attend chapter meetings in the cities visited while traveling, will find these listings of meeting dates and places, of interest. The price of listing in this column is \$5.00 per year.

CALIFORNIA, San Francisco Chapter, Meetings at Hellwig's Holland House, 41 Stockton St. Fourth Monday of the month at 12:15 p.m.

DELAWARE, Delaware Society, luncheon meeting at Hotel Rodney, Wilmington, 1st Monday of the month at 12:10 P. M.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Hammels Restaurant, 2nd Wednesday each month, 12:10 p.m. Visiting Compatriots are invited to attend these meetings.

FLORIDA, Clearwater Chapter, Luncheon meeting 12:00 noon, 4th Tuesday each month, September to following June. For place of meeting call Sec'y. T. D. Mathews, phone 81-7573. Compatriots welcome.

FLORIDA, Jacksonville Chapter, George Washington Hotel, 1:00 p.m., 4th Tuesday of each month.

FLORIDA, Palm Beach Chapter, Luncheon Third Monday, Elks Club, N. Olive Ave., at 5th St., West Palm Beach.

FLORIDA, St. Petersburg Chapter, 2nd Wednesday of each month (excepting June, July and August) some meetings daytime and some evenings at Elk's Club, 737 Arlington Ave. No. For information call Secretary Elk's Club.

FLORIDA, William C. Sessions Chapter, Tampa: Fourth Tuesday each month, 12:30 P.M. Elks Club.

GEORGIA, Atlanta Chapter, Piedmont Hotel, Atlanta, dining room, third Friday each month, 1:00 P. M. All Compatriots invited.

MINNESOTA, Minneapolis Chapter, Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 12:00 noon, Hotel Normandy, 8th St. and Fourth Ave., Minneapolis. Visiting Compatriots are always welcome.

MISSISSIPPI, Central Mississippi Chapter, Jackson: Meetings on 4th Friday, Mary Frances Tea Shoppe, 325 North State St. at 6:00 P.M., dinner meeting.

OHIO, Western Reserve Society, Cleveland, luncheon, noon, 2nd Wednesday each month (excepting Feb. July and Aug.) at The Mid-Day Club, Union Commerce Bldg. Feb. meeting is annual, and Washington Birthday Commemoration, held 22nd. at noon.

TEXAS, San Antonio Chapter No. 4, Gunter Hotel, 12:30 p.m., 2nd Saturday of each month.

NEW MEMBERS BY STATE SOCIETIES

There have been enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from September 1 to December 1, 1956, 225 new members, distributed as follows:

Alabama, 5; California, 5; Colorado, 1; Connecticut, 11; Delaware, 3; District of Columbia, 7; Florida, 9; Georgia, 2; Hawaii, 1; Illinois, 13; Indiana, 2; Iowa, 2; Louisiana, 4; Massachusetts, 12; Michigan, 8; Minnesota, 5; Mississippi, 2; Missouri, 3; Nebraska, 1; Nevada, 1; New Hampshire, 3; New Jersey, 7; New Mexico, 3; Empire State, 6; North Carolina, 6; Ohio, 25; Oregon, 1; Pennsylvania, 14; Rhode Island, 2; South Carolina, 11; Tennessee, 3; Texas, 10; Utah, 3; Vermont, 3; Virginia, 19; Washington State, 8; West Virginia, 4.

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NELSON T. BARRETT, Empire State, October 9, 1956
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RALPH C. BEVILLE, Florida, May 17, 1956
CHARLES D. BOHANNON, District of Columbia, October 16, 1956
C. LORREE BRIGGS, Louisiana, March 29, 1956
ROBERT W. CARPENTER, Rhode Island, September 22, 1956
GEORGE C. COE, Maine, November 11, 1956
LEO J. CROSBY, Nebraska, August 29, 1956
E. DAVEY DODD, New Jersey, June 18, 1956
CHANNING R. DOOLEY, New Jersey, June 25, 1956
LEWIS W. EDISON, Michigan, October 5, 1956
AUSTIN F. FLEGEL, Jr., Oregon, September 14, 1956
STANLEY T. FORD, Wisconsin, October 12, 1956
A. RANSVILLE FROME, New Jersey, November 10, 1956
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FRANK E. GEE, Empire State, May 19, 1956
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ALBERT F. MILLER, New Jersey, August 10, 1956
HENRY A. MILLER, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1956
E. H. MELVIN, California, September 23, 1956
JAMES J. MORSE, Louisiana, November 16, 1956
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CHARLES K. OSBORNE, Virginia, November 21, 1956
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G. LESLIE RYDER, Florida, September 14, 1956
ARTHUR W. SELOVER, Minnesota, August 25, 1956
WILLIAM R. SERVICE, California, October 2, 1956
WILLIAM N. SHAW, Connecticut, May 1956
JOSHUA Q. SHIPLEY, Florida, September 22, 1956
B. T. SMITHWICK, North Carolina, October 19, 1956
J. HENRY SMYTHE, Jr., Empire State, August 14, 1956
CHARLES STEES, Minnesota, July 30, 1956
CHARLES T. SWEENEY, Oregon, November 11, 1956
NORMAN C. TAYLOR, Massachusetts, October 25, 1956
GEORGE W. TEEGARDEN, District of Columbia, September 27, 1956
DAVID W. TIMBERLAKE, New Jersey, July 22, 1956
CLAUDE W. TOWNSEND, Jr., Empire State, June 18, 1956
GEORGE W. TYLER, Washington State, May 2, 1956
ARTHUR G. WADLEIGH, Massachusetts, October 31, 1956
WILLIAM C. WILHELM, New Jersey, August 5, 1956

A CORRECTION—Due to an error the name of Herman R. Secret was listed in this column in October.

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