

## RECOMMENDED CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

### The Good Citizenship Medal

Since the Society has as one of its chief purposes the stimulation of a vigorous patriotism, it believes that such a purpose is to be secured only as the youth of our schools become imbued with high ideals of character and citizenship. The qualities to be considered in making this award are;

1. Dependability, as evidenced by the record in punctuality, truthfulness, honesty, loyalty, trustworthiness and self-control.
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3. Leadership, as evidenced by what the pupil has done to make the school a better school.
4. Patriotism, as evidenced by loyalty to, and the knowledge of, the purposes expressed in the preamble of the Constitution of the United States.



Good Citizenship Medal  
(obverse view)



R. O. T. C. Medal  
(obverse view)

### The R.O.T.C. Medal

This medal is to be awarded to students of the Reserve Officers Training Corps who exhibit a high degree of merit with respect to leadership, soldierly bearing and excellence in theoretical courses of studies. The basis on which this medal is awarded should be determined in cooperation with the Commandants of such units as are functioning in high schools, colleges and universities. The officers in charge of R.O.T.C. units welcome this support of the R.O.T.C. program by members of our Society.

A ribbon bar included with each medal.

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Good Citizenship Medal  
(reverse view)



R. O. T. C. Medal  
(reverse view)



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EDITOR

of Americans, has there been a greater need for a positive demonstration of faith in our way of life, confidence in our system of government, and respect for the ideals which constitute our American Heritage.

Those timid souls, who through the medium of press, radio and television, have figuratively wrung their hands in despair over their distorted visions of our Nation lying prostrate and helpless before the might of Soviet Russia, should be drowned in an overwhelming flood of expressions of confidence in our God-given ability to rise to any emergency. Competition is one of the basic ingredients of our every-day life. Why should we fear competition in the international field?

We believe that, in the broad view, the launching of space satellites by the Communists may prove the greatest favor the masters of the Kremlin have ever conferred upon any nation. Those earth-circling spheres have shaken us out of our smug complacency. They have given us a warning, that we cannot rest on our laurels and devote our energies and resources to the pursuit of happiness.

At the same time, we must be realistic in our re-appraisal of our position. Let us not discount the abilities of our own scientific, engineering and economic strength. We have the capacity to do the things which will maintain our position as the strongest nation in the world, but we must make full use of those capabilities—we cannot afford to bask in the reflected glories of the past!

Pictured on the front cover is the Biloxi Community House. The ancient cannons once graced the deck of a French ship which came to Biloxi in 1699, when it was the capital of the French Province of Louisiana. (Photo by Hinman)

## THE EDITOR SAYS:

The dawn of the New Year brought with it a new opportunity for each true patriot to be of service to his country. Never, within the life-times of the current generations

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## The President General's Message

The gigantic strides in science made by "those stupid Russians" have jarred the complacency of this Nation. And anything which indicates possible danger to a free America is very definitely S.A.R. business, whether it be a satellite launched from abroad or termites eating away at the individual freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution. It is high time the tempo of this Society changed and that every member buckled down to the job of working in order to again bring health and vigor to our American system of government. There is little in our present performance to suggest we are measuring up to the tasks we have set for ourselves.

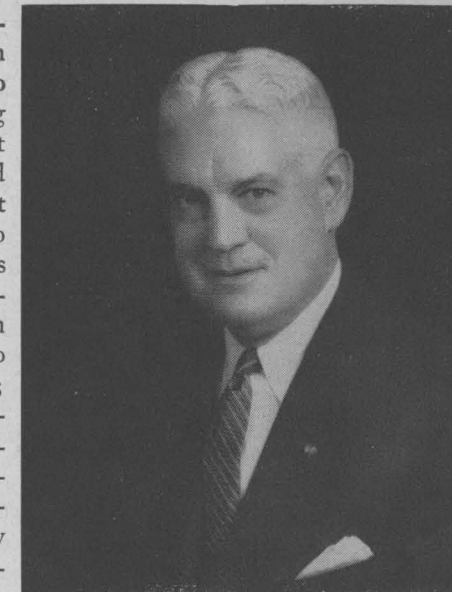
A patriotic society such as the Sons of the American Revolution, must be judged by those things it is for, as well as those it is against. Where we stand is made clear through the language of the resolutions adopted at our Annual Congresses, resolutions passed upon by Delegates from all our State Societies. These express what we believe to be the best and highest principles of national conduct, those best calculated to preserve our precious American heritage.

But, in formulating an opinion about the worth of a society such as ours, it is necessary not only to know where we stand but also what we do, or fail to do, in furthering the intent of our resolutions. Discovering and putting into effect procedures and policies that are necessary to implement these resolutions is very difficult, and in my opinion, it is here that the Society has consistently failed in recent years. In this message I shall attempt to review the situation as it relates to S.A.R. resolutions in the hope that from their discussion will come some thought which will point the way to an immediate and greater effectiveness.

First of all, what happens to the resolutions after adoption at a S.A.R. Congress? The answer can be given briefly. The Executive Secretary goes back to Headquarters in Washington, prepares copies of them, and mails them to the 531 members of the United States Congress. They are also published in the following issue of our Magazine. Some of them are assigned to S.A.R. Committees which try—generally without success—to implement them. The Delegates to the S.A.R. Congress which framed the resolutions go home, and, for the most part, feel that their task is finished. Some, it is true, return home with a sense of frustration based on a conviction that simple passage and publication of our resolutions are not enough if the Society's views as expressed in them are to have the hoped-for result. And, of course, these compatriots are right.

Since space does not permit us to examine all our past S.A.R. resolutions, let us confine ourselves in this discussion to those passed at our last two Congresses—they total thirty-seven—found in the July issues of the S.A.R. Magazine for the years 1956 and 1957. Of this number about half a dozen are simply resolutions expressing appreciation or are resolutions pertaining only to matters within the Society. A number of others can be described as statements of principles in which we believe and require handling by our Public Relations Committee, but as a rule they require no further action by our membership. In this category we can include with some reservations such S.A.R. resolutions as those on False Philosophy of Equality; Nonsense and the Fifth Amendment; Red China (because conditional); Ameri-

can Heroes Series; Gwinn Amendment to Federal Housing Act; To Alert Members and Citizens against the Dangers to Freedom; States Rights to Enforce Sedition and Right to Work Laws; Support of Investigating Committees; Expenditures for Foreign Aid; Treaty Power Amendments; and the Hoover Commission Report.



GEORGE E. TARBOX, JR.  
President General

Before proceeding with the remaining resolutions under discussion, let me say that I have assigned to the Executive Committee, the task of making a study of them and have asked that it report through the Secretary General to the Resolutions Committee at the forthcoming 68th Congress, on those resolutions which in its opinion should be rescinded or redrawn. Any previous resolutions on which our effort should be continued may be combined in one new resolution and reaffirmed at the 68th Congress. A similar procedure could advantageously be followed at all subsequent S.A.R. Congresses so that our members and the incoming administration will have a clear conception of S.A.R. principles brought up-to-date.

Now let us list the resolutions which, if they are to have any force, demand the immediate attention of the Society. An occasional comment or two with regard to their status is added. Such comment may contain errors and is much too inadequate to acquaint our compatriots with all that needs doing in the task before us, but perhaps will serve as an indication of the kind of progress chart we believe should be perfected and made available to our membership at regular intervals through publication in the Magazine.

**STATUS OF FORCES—CASE OF WILLIAM S. GIRARD.** After passage of this resolution, the first portion of it became a lost cause and no further action by the Society is necessary. So far as the portion dealing with the status of our Armed Forces is concerned, any continuing debate is a subject for the Senate and House Military Affairs Committees. You can obtain a copy of Status of Forces Treaties "B", "T", and "U" from your Senator. This resolution has been referred to the S.A.R. National Defense Committee.

**SUPREME COURT DECISION UPHOLDING RIGHT OF A COMMUNIST TO PRACTICE LAW.** No action was taken in the First Session of the Eighty-fifth Congress.

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## THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE

**TO PROTECT THE RIGHT OF TRIAL BY JURY IN INJUNCTION CASES**—A compromise provision was included in the amended Civil Rights Bill, H. R. 6127.

**TO MAINTAIN FREE DEBATE IN THE SENATE**—This subject was discussed by the Senate Rules Committee. Our Executive Secretary appeared before the Committee and testified as to the Society's stand. The Senate Rules were not changed and we may consider this resolution met with success.

**INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY**—We failed; the Senate ratified the treaty on June 18, 1957.

**OPPOSING INTERNATIONAL CONTROL OF PANAMA CANAL**—Referred to the S.A.R. American Sovereignty Committee.

**ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH ACT**—H.R. 6376 became Public Law 830 in the 84th Congress and was signed by the President in July 1956. On January 31, 1957 Representative Usher L. Burdick of North Dakota submitted H. Con. Res. 98 and this is now before the House Committee on Rules. It calls for a complete investigation of the alleged unconstitutional provisions of the Act as passed and into all ramifications of mental health legislative programs which are currently being promoted. The S.A.R. National Defense Committee should give its attention to H. Con. Res. 98.

**EAVESDROPPING AND TAMPERING WITH JURIES**—Eastland-Jenner Bill. This was debated by the Senate Internal Security Committee.

**WATKINS AMENDMENT & McCARRAN-WALTER ACT**—Referred to the S.A.R. Immigration Committee; success achieved.

**INVESTIGATION OF UNESCO**—Referred jointly to the S.A.R. American Sovereignty and Patriotic Education Committees. Legislation: H.R. 215; S.R. 122.

**CONSTITUTION OBSERVANCE WEEK**—Referred to S.A.R. Constitution Day Observance Committee; success achieved.

**SECURITY OF RESEARCH DATA**—Reference: Executive Order No. 1 (d), subparagraph number 10668; affected by Eisenhower-MacMillan agreement of October 1957, and desires of NATO Nations. This resolution has been referred to the S.A.R. National Defense Committee.

**CEILING ON FEDERAL INCOME TAX**—Reed-Dirksen Amendment (H.J. Res. 103; S.J. Res. 23). Senate Judiciary Committee may hold new hearings.

To those who frequently ask, "What can we do?," and to those who reiterate "The S.A.R. needs a program," I would point to the foregoing list of resolutions requiring implementation and say, "There is a program, a tremendously important one." To bring to fruition these professions of our beliefs is the job which requires doing—now. Faith by itself in the system of government established by our forefathers isn't going to get the job done. We live

in a republic, yes, but it has become in some ways largely a nominal one. As realists we must face the fact that governmental power has become concentrated in Washington through expediency, confiscation or usurpation. As a result we live under a kind of personal government. It is to this personal government we must look for a solution of the difficulties besetting us. Well, we are persons, too, and as such many of us are counted as friends by those in high political office, whether it be in the Executive Office, the United States Congress, or elsewhere. Let those of our compatriots who can avail themselves of such friendships, by their personal visits and letters, set before these men the common sense of the S.A.R. position. Our political leaders are also patriots and, if given the opportunity to thoroughly examine our resolutions, many will see the reasoning which prompted them. Especial attention should be given to those of our elected representatives who serve on Congressional Committees considering legislation which relates to the substance of our resolutions. The personnel of these Committees is easily ascertained, or may be obtained from our Executive Secretary. It is hoped that the Senators and Congressmen who serve in this capacity will be made especially aware of our resolutions by the S.A.R. Society and its Chapters in the states from which they come.

As an important means of furthering the objectives expressed in the Society's resolutions, I have named a S.A.R. Congressional Liaison Committee with Colonel Pinckney G. McElwee, of the District of Columbia Society, Chairman, and the Chancellor General and Executive Secretary as members. Having official status, this Committee is in a position to speak for the National Society at hearings conducted by various Congressional Committees. Chairmen of the S.A.R. Committees who have the responsibility for furthering specific S.A.R. resolutions may contact the Chairman of this Liaison Committee, on which they serve as ex-officio members, for the purpose of arranging appearances before the Congressional Committees handling any related legislation.

You may call all this lobbying if you wish—at any rate, it can be effective. Our effort, after all, is a patriotic one; we are seeking nothing—nothing but the assurance that American liberty is being preserved. *Our Society has been much too timid and afraid of criticism.* It must become brave enough to pursue a bold course on questions which involve the very life of this Nation. We should not need to be reminded that Samuel Adams and Patrick Henry spoke out forcefully for the things in which they believed—they made themselves heard—why don't we?

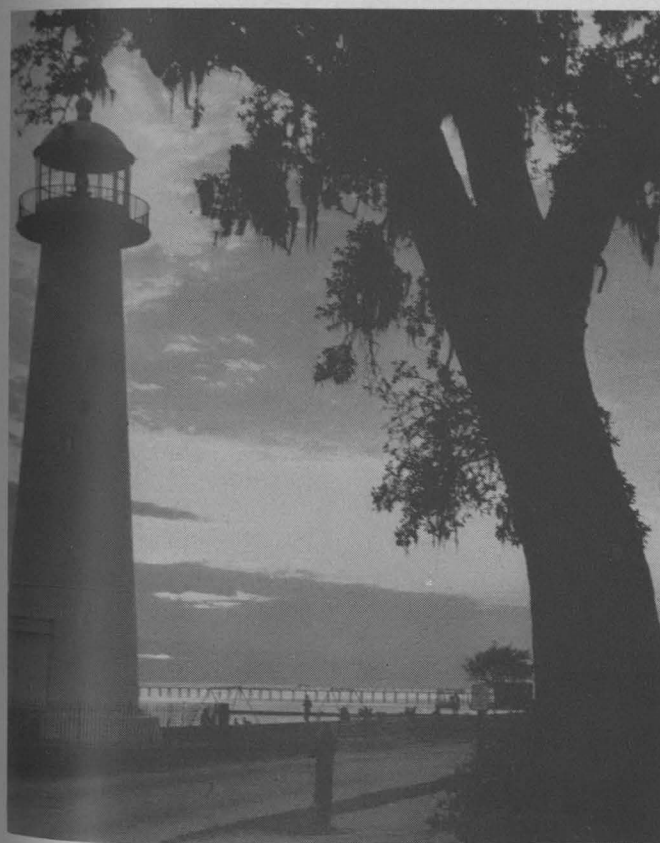
If you don't happen to know personally the policy-making people in Washington, write to them anyway. Fortunately, public opinion still means something in America and there are those who heed it. And there are other avenues open for telling our story. Access to our local newspapers, particularly through letters to the editor, is available to us all. Local radio and television stations can be prevailed upon to lend assistance. As speakers in our own area of daily life, before our luncheon clubs, our church and school groups, we can promote an understanding of how we are trying to serve America. These media of public expression can all be employed—let's use them! Of one thing I am sure, and that is that we aren't going to get to first base just sitting

around in S.A.R. meetings discussing these things. When you—and you—and you—as individuals, have *actually* done something to advance the purpose of our resolutions, let the Trustee of your State Society know of it so that he may advise the National Board of Trustees. The Executive Secretary will then be able to report to the membership whatever progress we are making.

If our American system of government is to be saved, let me say as others have said before me, it isn't going to be done by passing resolutions—it is going to require action by you to change desire to accomplishment. We must bear in mind that the strength of this Society does not rest with its General Officers, nor with its Board of Trustees. The real strength of the Sons of the American Revolution lies in its members and the quality of their love of country; it lies with you and me. Are we, as individuals, and by the action we take, proving worthy of our heritage? Every compatriot must answer that question for himself and in the sum-total of our answers, and those of our fellow-citizens, may be found the fate of America.

George E. Tarbox, Jr., President General

**REMEMBER THESE DATES MAY 11 to MAY 14—They are the dates of the 68th Annual Congress at Biloxi, Mississippi.**



This famous Biloxi lighthouse, erected in 1848, is one of the few lighthouses located within a city limits in the United States. It was attended by women keepers for 62 years.

## MISSISSIPPI INVITES YOU

The Mississippi Society of the Sons of the American Revolution extends a most cordial invitation to all members of the Sons of the American Revolution, to attend the 68th Annual Congress, to be held at The Buena Vista Hotel in Biloxi, May 11-14, 1958.

The Mississippi Society is greatly honored in being the host society and it is the desire and hope of the Mississippi Society that as many of the compatriots as possible attend the 68th Annual Congress.

Biloxi and the Mississippi Gulf Coast is the charm-spot of the Deep South. It is easily accessible by rail, air, bus, and automobile. The famous southern hospitality will be much in evidence at Biloxi, and the opportunities abound for everyone to have a good time. Historic Biloxi is one of the most interesting spots in the entire nation, with a wealth of historical background and places of interest for sightseers. The climate is delightful. Early May is the most perfect of all the times in the year for a visit to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

We assure you that every means will be taken to provide the 68th Annual Congress with one of the most delightful Congresses in the history of the Society, and we urge every compatriot to make his plans to come to the Mississippi Gulf Coast for the 68th Annual Congress.

Norman C. Brewer, Jr., President, Mississippi Society

OVERLOOKING THE GULF

THE Buena Vista BEACH HOTEL and MOTEL



The entire staff of the Buena Vista Hotel & Motel extends a cordial invitation to members of the Sons of the American Revolution to attend the 68th Annual Congress of the National Society at the Buena Vista May 11 through May 14, 1958.

JIMMIE LOVE, General Manager

# BILOXI



## BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI SELECTED AS THE SITE OF THE 68TH ANNUAL CONGRESS

The site of the 68th Annual Congress was determined by the unanimous vote of the Board of National Trustees at the Meeting in Washington, D. C., on October 12. As a result of the action by the Board of Trustees, the 68th Annual Congress will be held in Biloxi, Mississippi, May 11-14, 1958. The Buena Vista Hotel will be the headquarters of the 68th Annual Congress, and together with the new 84-unit Motel, will provide ample accommodations for those who attend the Congress.

Biloxi is situated in the center of the most beautiful section of the Gulf Coast area. The city has a very colorful history dating back to 1699, when Pierre le Moyne d'Iberville carried the Fleur-de-Lis of France to these shores and established the first capital of the vast Louisiana Territory, stretching from the Gulf to Canada.

The first French fort was called "Maurepas" and was located on the eastern shore of the Bay of Biloxi at a site which is now the beautiful city of Ocean Springs. The second Biloxi, after removal from Dauphin Island, Alabama, was also located at present-

day Ocean Springs. The third Biloxi (the present-day Biloxi) was located on West Beach Boulevard and was named Fort Louis. It was located at a site between what is now the historic lighthouse and the old French cemetery. Finally, in late 1722, the capital was removed to New Orleans.

d'Iberville met the Biloxi tribe of Indians upon his arrival on the front or Gulf beach. Even though located on the Gulf of Mexico, the Biloxi Indians were members of the famed Sioux family, and according to the Smithsonian Institution of the National Museum of Washington, D. C., Biloxi signifies in the Indian language, "The First People." The Biloxians left many beautiful legends, a number of which correspond with the well-known Aesop Fables.

Eight flags have flown over Biloxi—French, English, Spanish, West Florida Republic, United States, Mississippi Magnolia, Confederate States, and Mississippi State. Much of the Old World color is to be found today. The 250th birthday of the Biloxi Bay Area, including Ocean Springs, Biloxi and North Biloxi, was celebrated in April, 1949.

The various islands in the Mississippi Sound off Biloxi were named by the French colonizers immediately upon their discovery. Ship Island was so called by the French because it appeared as a safe harbor for vessels and they named it "Isle au Vessaux" or "Isle of Vessels." Horn Island appeared to them in the shape of a horn and was thus named. The same applies to Round Island or "Isle aux Ronde." When the French saw Cat Island they were amazed at the large number of raccoons running along its shores. As the raccoon is strictly an American animal, and appeared to the French as a cat, the explorers called the island "Isle aux Chats." Petit Bois Island still carries the original French name meaning little or small woods. Deer Island, just off Biloxi, was named by the Indians.

In the War of 1812, the British Fleet anchored at Ship Island, directly south of the Biloxi peninsula in December 1814 preparatory to their attempt to take New Orleans, in which the English were later defeated by General Andrew Jackson, in the famed Battle of New Orleans. Picket boats from the British man-o-war ships landed at points along the Mississippi Coast and killed cattle for their troops aboard the transports.

The War Between the States was

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felt in this section, too. Several historic monuments mark the Confederacy at Biloxi. On West Beach Boulevard is located the Jefferson Davis Shrine where the only President of the Confederacy spent his last days. The home and estate, known as "Beauvoir," is now operated as a Confederate Shrine under the management of the Sons of the Confederacy.

Fort Massachusetts, on Ship Island, was erected by the Union Army and Navy during the war. Some years before the start of this conflict, the foundation of the Fort was started as a matter of national defense. All of the brick material used was brought from the East. The name, "Fort Massachusetts," was given in honor of the first Federal warship to land there which carried that name. Ship Island became an important base for Federal operations and thousands of New England troops were encamped there.

The Lighthouse on Biloxi's West Beach Boulevard, erected in 1848, is another of the city's historic attractions. It was erected when Biloxi was principally a fishing village and today appears as new as when first built. For sixty-two years the lighthouse was under the guidance of two women, mother and daughter, Maria and Miranda Young-hans.

## PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIETY IN FRANCE VISITS NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

On Wednesday, October 23, we were honored by a visit at National Headquarters by Count Rene de Chambrun, President of the Society in France. Compatriot de Chambrun took advantage of his visit to deliver two additional application papers for membership in the Society.

An informal and impromptu luncheon was arranged at the University Club by Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam, in honor of our distinguished visitor. Compatriots Alan B. Hobbes, president; Admiral William Rea Furlong; Charles T. Macdonald; Robert H. Overstreet; Charles Marsteller, past presidents of the District of Columbia Society attended the luncheon and were afforded the opportunity of hearing an absorbing account of the recent discoveries of letters and personal effects of Marquis de Lafayette in the residence now owned by Count de Chambrun.

## OUTLINE OF A TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE 68TH ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY

Arrangements for the 68th Annual Congress are being made by the General Arrangements Committee, and while the detailed plans are not completed as of the publication date of this issue the general plan has been determined and the available information is published herewith. The Congress will be held during the period beginning May 11 and ending May 14.

### Sunday, May 11, 1958

The registration of Delegates, Alternates, Compatriots and Guests, will begin on Sunday morning on the main floor adjacent to the lobby of the Buena Vista Hotel. Programs and Congress Badges will be issued at the time. The traditional Memorial Services and the Massing of the Colors will be conducted in a church within easy walking distance of the hotel. The final arrangements have not been completed.

The meetings of the Executive Committee and the Board of National Trustees will be held Sunday evening in rooms and at hours to be announced. The General Arrangements Committee is planning some entertainment for those who are not required to attend either the Executive Committee or the Board of National Trustees' Meeting.

### Monday, May 12, 1958

The opening session of the 68th Annual Congress will convene in the Hurricane Room on the main floor of the Buena Vista Hotel. Addresses of welcome by state and municipal officials and greetings from other patriotic organizations will be the features of the Monday morning session. The appointment of Committees for the Congress will be announced and the report of the Rules Committee will be received.

Recognition Night ceremonies will be held in the Hurricane Room on Monday evening at which time those Compatriots who have earned awards for services rendered the Society will be honored. The Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest will be held on Monday evening in conjunction with Recognition Night and the winners will receive their awards at the conclusion of the contest.

### Tuesday, May 13, 1958

The second session of the 68th Annual Congress will convene in the Hurricane Room and the reports of General Officers and Committee Chairmen will be presented at this session.

A luncheon is planned for Tuesday, at 12:30 p.m., at which time a speaker of national repute will make the address. Sightseeing tours are planned for Tuesday afternoon and details will be announced at a later date.

Plans are being made for a dinner on Tuesday evening, at which a distinguished speaker will address the gathering.

### Wednesday, May 14, 1958

This will be the final business session of the 68th Annual Congress, at which the report of the Resolutions Committee will be presented. 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 be properly presented at this Congress.

The Officers' Forum will be held at 2:30 p.m., in a room to be announced. All State and Chapter Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, and Registrars are urged to attend this forum, at which time procedures for the handling of the business of the Society will be explained and discussions and suggestions for improvements will be welcomed.

A meeting of the newly elected Board of National Trustees will be held immediately following the adjournment of the Officers' Forum.

The final event of the Congress will be the President General's Banquet on Wednesday evening in the main dining room of the Buena Vista Hotel. The President General-elect and the General Officers-elect will be formally installed at the Banquet. The President General's reception will precede the President General's Banquet.



The Buena Vista Hotel, viewed from the deck of one of the many pleasure craft which cruise in the sun-lit waters of the Gulf Coast. This will be the Headquarters of the 68th Annual Congress where all sessions of the Congress will be held. Delegates and visitors will find ample opportunity for pleasure and relaxation in such pleasant surroundings.



## MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY IN FRANCE VISIT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

The Headquarters Staff were pleased to have the privilege of entertaining some visiting members of the Society in France. On Monday, October 21, The Count Michel de Rochambeau, Countess de Rochambeau, Count Philippe de Sahune Dumottier de la Fayette, accompanied by the Marquis de Grasse, paid a visit to our National Headquarters and inspected the facilities. It was a most pleasing occasion and our Compatriots from France gave every evidence of thoroughly enjoying their altogether too brief visit.

Prior to the tour of Headquarters, they had attended a luncheon at the Statler in their honor, arranged by Compatriot Charles Macdonald and members of the District of Columbia Society, including Alan B. Hobbes, President, and Rodney Adams, Vice-President. Others who attended the luncheon were Past President General Milton M. Lory and Mrs. Lory, Mrs. William S. Walker, and Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam.

Compatriot Macdonald served as master of ceremonies and his selection of a menu met with the enthusiastic approval of all those in attendance. The occasion afforded an opportunity for the exchange of cordial greetings in which everyone participated, and at the conclusion, the Executive Secretary presented the visiting Compatriots with rosettes on behalf of the National Society.

## General Arrangements Committee

Chairman—N. C. Brewer, Jr., Greenwood, Mississippi  
Vice Chairman—H. Y. Kitchell, Greenwood, Mississippi  
Dr. J. B. Butler, Jackson, Mississippi  
Professor C. E. Cain, State College, Mississippi  
Burnice W. Smith, Hattiesburg, Mississippi  
C. E. Holmes, Greenwood, Mississippi  
R. A. Billups, Greenwood, Mississippi  
L. L. McNees, Lexington, Mississippi

The Chairmen of the Subcommittees will be announced as soon as the appointments can be made. The names and addresses of the full Committee will be in the April issue of the Magazine.

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D—North exposure, private bath	6.50	9.50	10.50
C—Facing east, west or front court, private bath	7.00	11.00	12.00
B—Front court rooms, private bath	8.00	12.00	13.00
A—Front corner rooms, private bath	9.50	13.50	14.50

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##### Type:

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5—One bedroom and parlor, single or double occupancy		21.00
4—One bedroom and parlor, single or double occupancy		24.00
3—One bedroom and larger parlor, single or double occupancy		30.00
2—One bedroom and parlor, single or double occupancy		31.00
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Two bedrooms, bath, kitchenette	14.50 p/day

The hotel's check-out hour is 2:00 p.m. Reservations are cancelled at 6:00 p.m., unless a later arrival time has been specified.

Rates for the new 84 unit Buena Vista Motel will be furnished upon request to the Reservation Department, Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Miss.

## MAKE YOUR RESERVATION FOR THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONGRESS NOW

Use the form printed below and mail to:  
Reservation Department, The Buena Vista, Biloxi, Mississippi

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## OUR PRESIDENT GENERAL REPORTS ON HIS TRAVELS AND ACTIVITIES

President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., gave a report at the Trustees' Meeting on October 12, which summarized the many activities engaged in by him from May 30, 1957 to October 13, 1957. Compatriots should bear in mind that the activities listed in this report are in addition to the other duties of his office, including general supervision over the affairs of the Society. He has given careful attention to the large volume of correspondence handled through his office. His report specifically mentioned the following activities:

June 16—Met with Miss Margaret Appleton, National President, Colonial Dames of America.

June 29—Attended reception in his honor, given by Colorado Society at Cherry Hills Country Club, Denver.

July 4—Broadcast by Radio Station KLZ, Denver, of an interview with the President General.

July 16—Shared honors with Mrs. Stewart James, Senior National President, and Miss Dorothy Buckton, National President of the Children of the American Revolution, at a reception in Denver. Dinner, and attended the opera at Central City, Colorado, that evening.

July 22—Was honored guest at luncheon given by the Robert W. Speer Civic Club of Denver.

Aug. 15—Attended picnic at home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chesney, Denver, held in honor of the President General.

Aug. 21—Met unofficially with Mr. Frank Packard, President of Western Tax Council, Inc., and certain members of the Colorado Legislature at Denver.

Sept. 4—Was present with Compatriot Malcolm Bayley, President of the Arizona Society, at Phoenix, when Governor McFarland signed a proclamation for the observance of Constitution Day.

Sept. 7—Gave an address at a dinner meeting of the New Mexico Society at Raton, New Mexico.

Sept. 12—Met with Mayor Dilworth of Philadelphia and members of the Pennsylvania Society, at Philadelphia, to inspect the Hill-Physick house.

Sept. 13—Visited Headquarters, Washington, D. C., and inspected the General Patrick Hurley home.

Sept. 14—Presided over and gave an address at the Jamestown Festival, at the National S.A.R. Day exercises and meeting of The Virginia Society.

Sept. 17—Gave the Constitution Day address at the Annual Meeting of the Wyoming Society, S.A.R., at Cheyenne.

Sept. 23—Was the honored guest at a luncheon meeting of the Military Order of World War at Denver.

Oct. 9—Gave an address at the meeting of The Alabama Society, S.A.R., at the Kate Duncan Smith School, Grant, Alabama.

Oct. 10—Gave an address at the Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Society, S.A.R., at Nashville. Also laid a S.A.R. wreath on the grave of Andrew Jackson at The Hermitage.

Oct. 11, 12 & 13—Attended Executive Committee Meeting, Trustees' Meeting, and Conferences at the National Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

(EDITOR'S NOTE—The President General has travelled many miles since the date of the report, and has visited a number of Chapter and State Societies. The additional dates and places were not available in time to be included in this issue.)

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR STATE SOCIETIES

The task of assembling and editing the accounts of the activities of the various State and Chapter organizations is one of the most frustrating jobs connected with the publishing of the Magazine. The failure of many of the organizations to heed our requests for "ready-to-print" accounts makes the task immeasurably greater. In this issue, our Associate Editor, Compatriot Robert S. W. Walker, has rendered a great service in editing the news which appears in this issue. Please, remember that material designed for publication in the April, 1958 issue must be in the office of the Editor on or before March 10.

### California Society

*San Francisco Chapter* has been meeting monthly at Hellwig's Holland House on the Fourth Monday of each month, with speakers on various patriotic and civic subjects. Recognition has been given to an outstanding policeman, and an outstanding citizen during the past few months. The chapter is making plans for a Washington's Birthday Memorial Service and Massing of the Colors February 23rd at Grace Cathedral in cooperation with the six D.A.R. Chapters, Military Order of the World Wars, and Society of Cincinnati.

*Los Angeles Chapter* is making plans to entertain the President General on February 20th in cooperation with the Pasadena, Long Beach, Riverside and San Diego Chapters. Meetings have also been held with other patriotic societies to assist in planning joint activities, under the leadership of Colonel Warren S. Eaton, Chapter President.

*Pasadena Chapter* held a Bill of Rights Day Dinner at San Marino with Rear Admiral E. D. McEathron, U.S.N., Retired, and Chapter President, as the speaker. The subject, SOME ASPECTS OF SUBVERSION, a result of a considerable study conducted by Compatriot McEathron throughout the years. Compatriot Clarence Derr was elected to serve as Chapter President for 1958.

*Oakland Chapter* is now meeting regularly on the Second Monday of each month at noon at the Athens Athletic Club in downtown Oakland. Judge Homer Buckley, one of the active members of this group, was the speaker at

one of these meetings. Plans are being completed for participation in the R.O.T.C. High School Annual Reviews and medals and trophies will be presented by the chapter. Dr. Robert L. Thomas is serving as the Organizing President of this new chapter. Charter membership list is being kept open until December 31st, 1957.

*Riverside Chapter* held a Constitution Day meeting in addition to their monthly meetings with Judge S. Thomas Bucarelli as the speaker. The two Riverside chapters of the D.A.R. also participated in this meeting commemorating the adoption of the Constitution of the United States.

*Salinas group* is still in the process of organization under the leadership of Compatriot Carl E. Warn, Organizing President, with new members signing up from time to time. Vice President George W. Reed of Watsonville has been meeting with and assisting this new group in their plans for organization.

*San Diego Chapter* continues to meet monthly and was saddened by the sudden death of their President, Richard J.

Donovan. Compatriot Dr. Ralph S. Roberts, Vice President, is now serving as President of this active group, with Compatriot Dr. John L. Storm, President of San Diego College, as Secretary-Treasurer.

*Marin County Chapter* meets monthly and held their November meeting as a Ladies Night at the home of the Secretary, Lewis J. Kerlin at Kentfield. There was a good attendance and an interesting meeting which was held on Veterans Day, November 11th.

*Palo Alto Chapter* holds regular meetings on Saturdays bi-monthly. Compatriot Aaron M. Sargent was the speaker at one meeting telling of the activities of the Chancellor General of the National Society and discussing the resolutions adopted at the National Congress.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY have agreed to remit the dues of any member for one year who brings in five new members during any twelve month period, this plan to become effective January 1st, 1958, and is sponsored by President Edward R. Polhemus.



Representatives of Patriotic, Masonic and Veterans' organizations joined in the Annual Tribute to Major General David Wooster at the grave of the hero and victim of the Danbury Raid, at Wooster Cemetery, Danbury, Conn. The S.A.R. was represented by: R. Burdette Atwood; Rev. Alexander Hamilton; State President H. Wheeler Parrott; State Historian, John E. Stewart; Past State President, James R. Case; and State Secretary, Howard E. Coe. (photo by R. W. Mannion)

### Connecticut Society

The Connecticut Society held its Annual Meeting in Hartford on June 15, a scorching hot day. We were most fortunate that the new auditorium of the Connecticut Historical Society was well air-conditioned. The Annual Meeting, following a special Board Meeting in the morning and lunch served on the grounds, was well attended.

Vice President General Tucker and Professor Albion Doe described their trip to Salt Lake City and their impressions of the Congress held there.

We were fortunate in the presence of our Vice President General and the officers of the Connecticut Children of the American Revolution. Their part in the program was very impressive.

Salem V. Smith was elected State President. He will be supported by a fine group of officers.

Flag Day saw the flags flying high in Connecticut and on the Fourth of July we celebrated the memory of the four signers of the Constitution who lie within our boundaries.

Climaxing the long time interest of Compatriot Raymond H. Miller of Waterbury, markers were placed last October to mark the 25 camp sites of Rochambeau's army as they traversed Connecticut enroute to and from Yorktown in 1781-2. Four years ago Compatriot Miller passed away just a few months before dedication of the Rochambeau Bridge at the Housatonic River crossing, near the site of the Miller summer cottage.

The State Society in Connecticut took over the work which Compatriot Miller had initiated and James R. Case, as Past President, continued the program. Last year the General Assembly enacted legislation to make possible the erection of uniform and suitable signs placed along the highways in the vicinity of the bivouac areas used by our French allies. Local sponsorship was provided by SAR Branches, DAR Chapters and other historical and patriotic societies.

Dedication ceremonies are being planned at most of these places to be held on appropriate dates next spring, probably during the anniversary period in June. Consideration is being given to a reenactment of march incidents by a special Franco-American caravan traversing the state over a week end.

Past President Case is Chairman of the Governor's Rochambeau Commis-

sion. Congratulations are in order for this successful culmination of Rochambeau Anniversaries.

The Connecticut Society was again favored with the presence of Vice President General Stuart Tucker at its September Board of Managers' Meeting in Woodbury. A representative group from the several Branches met and acted upon matters of import, while the ladies visited the Glebe House, dating back to the Revolution. It was decided to hold the annual General George Washington's Birthday Banquet at Colton's in South Lyme, with State President Salem V. Smith as host. A Resolution urging the return to hard money was passed and ordered sent to the Connecticut Delegation in Congress.

The Connecticut Branches have been active. General David Humphreys Branch #1 of New Haven heard its Compatriot Albert D. Blakeslee discuss "Harness Racing" in October. Owner of his own stable, and entrant in most of the Harness Races in the East, Compatriot Blakeslee told very interesting stories of his experiences. Their November speaker, Dr. William L. Slate, related the history of the success—and some failures—of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station of which he is the distinguished Director Emer-

itus. State President Smith also addressed this meeting and demanded that all red blooded Compatriots oppose the proposed revisions in the McCarran-Walter Act which would permit entry of southern Europeans in excess of their normal quota. In relation to this question, Professor Theodore Anderson of the Yale Dept. of Sociology addressed the December meeting on "The Role of the Immigrant in American Society." This was rounded out by a discussion of the whole subject.

Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch #7 of Hartford held its regular Fall Meeting at the Connecticut Historical Association in October. Rev. Rockwell H. Potter of Hartford, former pastor of Center Church, discussed "What the Old Meeting House has Seen Between 1807 and 1957." This most interesting discourse included the maneuvers which saved Bushnell Park and the site of the State Capitol from the slums. An overflow crowd enjoyed this talk and the question period which followed it.

Nathan Hale Branch #6 held regular meetings in August and October, and an unusual Annual Meeting in December. Branch policy was discussed at all these meetings. Vice President General Stuart Tucker was guest of honor in

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Compatriot David A. Avant, Jr., President of the Tallahassee Chapter (left) and Mr. Robert Stephen, Principal of the Leon High School, Tallahassee, Fla., inspect the poster used at Constitution Week Assembly at which Compatriot Avant was the speaker (L'Avant photo).



October; State President Salem V. Smith was also a guest at that meeting.

On December 6 Frank Oakman Spinney, Director of Old Sturbridge Village (Mass.) addressed the Compatriots and guests of *General Gold Selleck Silliman Branch*. His description of the collecting of over 200,000 items and their housing in the hamlet gathered at Sturbridge, together with his beautiful slides depicting the antiques, the artifacts, the buildings and the Green, all so captivated the Compatriots that they decided to make a pilgrimage to Sturbridge in the Spring. Luncheons are spaced at about 3 week intervals, in addition to Branch Meetings.

*Mattatuck Branch #10* held a Constitution Day picnic at the home of former President and Mrs. William Vining at Prospect. In November a Board meeting set the Annual Meeting in motion for February 12.

The State Society prizes the recording by the American Coalition of a record on which Senator William E. Jenner reveals "The Truth about the McCarran - Walter Immigration Law." Branches and other interested groups may use this 33 RPM record to further opposition to the weakening of this legislation vital to the protection of the American Way of Life. Write your Secretary.

#### District of Columbia Society

The Officers, Board of Management, and Past Presidents of the District of Columbia Society, SAR, on October 12th, 1957, were hosts at a reception and dinner given for President General and Mrs. George E. Tarbox, Jr., at the Army and Navy Club in Washington, D.C. Among the distinguished individuals present at the large gathering were the following: Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Milton M. Lory, and John W. Finger, Past Presidents General, Sons of the American Revolution; Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary of the National Society SAR, and a number of National Trustees in the city for the semi-annual Board Meeting at National Headquarters. The success of the evening event was entirely due to the excellent arrangements made by Compatriot Charles T. Macdonald, Past President of the District of Columbia Society, ably assisted by Assistant Chaplain Frederick W. Haverkamp and Compatriot William H. Floyd III, both of whom pro-

vided prize dahlia centerpieces for the occasion.

On Tuesday, October 15th, 1957, officers of the District of Columbia Society entertained at the Statler Hotel in Washington, D.C. three distinguished French members of the Sons of the American Revolution: Count Philippe de Rahune de Lafayette, descendant of the great friend of American independence, Count Jean de Rochambeau, descendant of the commander of the French troops in the American Revolution (accompanied by the Countess de Rochambeau), and Marquis Georges de Grasse, descendant of the French naval commander who blockaded General Cornwallis at Yorktown. All were returning to France from a re-enactment of the Battle of Yorktown.

On Tuesday, November 26th, 1957, at 8:00 p.m. at the Cosmos Club in Washington, D.C. the District of Columbia Society saw a most interesting presentation by the United States Navy. Entitled "Your New Nuclear Navy—Power for Peace" the program was absorbingly interesting and informative. The subject-matter was presented through the medium of color slides and was of particular interest to all compatriots present with their wives and



Governor George Docking of Kansas, (seated) signed the proclamation designating Oct. 11, as General Pulaski Day. Compatriot Ambrose Deatrick, Vice President, Kansas Society, S.A.R., witnessed the signing and received a copy of the proclamation of which he was sponsor.

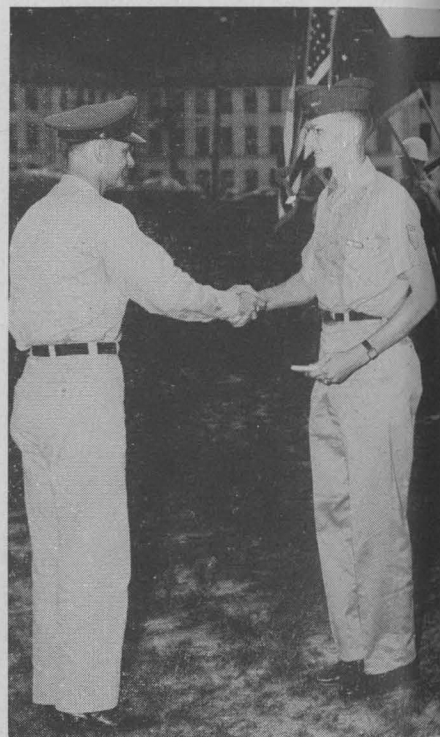
guests. A very splendid commentary was provided by Commander Frank A. Manson, USN, competently assisted by Chief Yeoman Jack Vaughn, USN.

Compatriot W. Rodney F. Adams, Vice-President of the District of Columbia Society, handled the excellent arrangements in presenting this splendid Navy team with combat duty experience in the Pacific and numerous citations to its credit for war service.

#### Georgia Society

A gold Good Citizenship Medal of the S.A.R. was presented September 16th to U. S. Senator Richard B. Russell by Compatriot P. C. King, Jr., president of the Georgia Society on its behalf. Presentation took place at Radium Springs near Albany, Georgia, as a main feature of a program sponsored by the Thronateeska Chapter of the DAR and was in recognition of patriotic services and statesmanship rendered State and Nation by the eminent Senator from Georgia.

A similar significant event took place at Dawson on September 26th when a



Cadet Master Sergeant Tyler W. Gray (right) Air Force R.O.T.C., Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., received the R.O.T.C. medal awarded by the Georgia Society S.A.R. Cadet Gray's application for membership in the S.A.R. was being processed by the Gov. Joseph Heister Chapter, Reading, Pa., of which his father is a member.

Good Citizenship Medal of the SAR was presented to U. S. Senator Herman E. Talmadge by Compatriot P. C. King, Jr., in behalf of the Georgia Society. Presentation was made on a program dedicating a new industrial plant and was attended by 3000 Georgians, former Governor Johns and other State officials of Florida. The occasion was the recognition of the U. S. Senator's distinguished career as Governor of Georgia and of services rendered State and Nation as Statesman in advocating Constitutional government.

The George Walton Chapter met in Albany, Georgia, September 16th, with the Board of Managers of the Georgia State Society as their guests. Committee reports included one by Compatriot H. I. Spence covering membership. He stated all DAR Regents in Georgia had been corresponded with requesting referral of their brothers and sons to the SAR for membership. Compatriot Nexsen announced that the chapter with the largest increase in membership percentage-wise would be presented with a silver cup, the most outstanding member presented a miniature insignia and all members sponsoring 5 or more new members given a certificate by his Medals and Awards Committee for members and chapters at the next meeting of the State Society. Compatriot Hugh L. Faulk reported that a roster of Revolutionary War Soldiers from Georgia had been prepared and submitted to the National Chairman, and plans had been made to mark graves of Revolutionary War soldiers. Compatriot Hatton Lovejoy reported on marking historic sites in Fort Gaines, Georgia, and the dedication of 9 historic markers by the SAR and suggested that the SAR participate in similar programs throughout Georgia. Compatriot J. P. Champion reported that Compatriot Governor Marvin Griffin signed a proclamation designating the week of September 17th through 23rd as Constitution Week in Georgia and less than half of the Governors in the United States signed similar proclamations. Compatriot Charles H. Smith III reported on chapter activities in Georgia. The report of the George Walton Chapter was submitted and it was designated as the model chapter of the Georgia Society.

#### Illinois Society

The annual meeting of the Illinois Society was held Friday, December 6th,

1957, in the Sheraton Hotel in Chicago and was highlighted by a forceful and stirring address by our President General, George E. Tarbox, Jr., who with his charming wife Mrs. Tarbox, was our distinguished guest for the special occasion. After the address and dinner the Election and Installation of Officers for the year ending December 3rd, 1958 took place. Compatriots elected to office were as follows: Dr. Harold I. Meyer, President; Paul B. Teeter and Charles A. Goodwin-Perkins, Vice-Presidents; John D. Randall, Secretary; Gerald W. Brooks, Treasurer; John T. Haynes, Registrar; Winthrop D. MacCourt, Historian; Louis A. Bowman, Chaplain; Gale M. Hedrick II, Sergeant-at-Arms and Len Young Smith, Chancellor.

It was unanimously approved at the Board of Managers Meeting of the Illinois Society, S.A.R. on September 11th, 1957, that Compatriot Harold I. Meyer be the nominee to serve out the unexpired term of the late John H. Babb, a compatriot of long and devoted service to both the Illinois and National Societies who departed this life September 10th, 1957. Compatriot Babb had been Assistant General Attorney for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company since 1947. A resident of the Barrington community

for almost 23 years, he was active in civic and patriotic affairs as President of the Deer Grove School for 10 years; as member of the Cook County School Survey Committee; as Master of the Lounsbury Lodge No. 751, AF & M in 1955, and as President of the Barrington Lions Club. During World War II he was Chairman of the Fuel Oil Panel of the Office of Price Administration in the Barrington area. He served our Society for many years: from 1944 to 1946 as Registrar; from 1946 to 1948 as President for two terms; for over 15 years as a member of the Board of Managers of the Illinois Society; in 1952-53 as Chancellor General of the National Society, and most recently as a National Trustee and member of the National Executive Committee.

His Illinois compatriots will greatly miss him, while the Society has suffered an irreplaceable loss.

Compatriot Harold I. Meyer, President of the Illinois Society, presented the SAR medal at recent ceremonies at Carbondale, Illinois to Cadet Technical Sergeant Robert Bernard. His captain, Leonard G. Wood, had this to say about him: "Cadet Bernard has proven to be one of our outstanding cadets and has at this time received his appointment to West Point. While here at Southern

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President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., was the guest speaker at the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Society on December 6, at Chicago. Seated at the speaker's table, l to r; Paul B. Teeter, 1st Vice President; Mrs. John E. King, Charles A. Goodwin-Perkins, 2nd Vice President; the President General; John E. King, retiring President; Mrs. George E. Tarbox, Jr.; Dr. Harold I. Meyer, President-elect; and Judge Floyd E. Thompson, past President.



Illinois University he was Commander of the Sabre Flight, an undergraduate honor society sponsored by our unit. He was an honor student and President of Alpha Phi Omega fraternity and Secretary of the Chess Club. Cadet Bernard was heartily congratulated by his commanding officer, Colonel Alexander R. MacMillan."

#### Indiana Society

*The Alexis Coquillard Chapter*, formerly known as the South Bend Chapter, held its regular installation meeting in the La Salle Hotel in South Bend on November 12th, 1957. Speaker for the occasion was Mrs. Alexis Coquillard whose subject was "A Story of the St. Joseph Valley." Her husband is the descendant of Alexis Coquillard, one of the co-founders of South Bend. The original Alexis Coquillard with Lathrop Taylor, both fur traders, bought the land and plotted the town of South Bend in 1831. Born in Detroit, Michigan, September 28th, 1795, of Norman-French ancestry he was a scout with General Harrison's army at the age of 17. After the war he engaged in fur trading and in 1820 was made agent of the John Jacob Astor American Fur Company. He later bought out the fur trading rights in this locality, then known as "The Little St. Joseph Station" (now South Bend) becoming St. Joseph County's first permanent resident. The talk was well received by all members of the Chapter and their wives.

*The Alexis Coquillard Chapter* now serving under its new name will encompass a much larger area than formerly including Elkhart, LaPorte, Marshall and St. Joseph Counties, all in northern Indiana, with South Bend serving as the headquarters.

New officers installed at this meeting to serve for the 1957-1958 year were as follows: Colonel P. C. Traver, President; Frank N. M. Brown and William Welsheimer, Vice-Presidents; Wilford E. Barr, Secretary; W. Floyd Gaumer, Assistant Secretary and Harry S. Driggs, Treasurer.

#### Kansas Society

On September 24th, 1957, Governor George Docking of Kansas, issued a proclamation designating October 11th, 1957, as General Pulaski Day throughout the State. It was on October 11th, 1779, that Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski met his heroic death from

wounds received on October 9th, 1779, at the siege of Savannah, Georgia.

It is noted in the Governor's Proclamation that Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Arkansas, Missouri, West Virginia, Tennessee, Texas, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New York, Minnesota, Maryland, Illinois, New Hampshire, Nebraska, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Kentucky, South Carolina, Connecticut, California, Nevada, Kansas, and other States in the Union have by legislation designated October 11th of each year as "General Pulaski's Memorial Day."

A memorable date in American history was thereby perpetuated within the State through the medium of appropriate ceremonies and the encouragement of such patriotic groups as the Kansas Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

#### Massachusetts Society

The Massachusetts Society together with the New England Council on September 14th, 1957, held a Constitution Day Meeting in the Hancock Congregational Church in historic Lexington, Massachusetts. The Reverend Thomas Sherrard Roy, Interim Pastor of the

First Baptist Church in Boston, gave a delightful talk. In the course of his address explaining the jealousies, rivalries and trade conditions besetting the colonies he quoted the words of General George Washington's letter to Madison in November of 1786 "No morning ever dawned more gloriously than our's, and no day was ever more clouded than the present. . . . We are either a united people under one head, and for federal purposes, or we are thirteen independent sovereignties, eternally counteracting each other." A conspicuous feature of the Constitution Day Meeting was a procession lead by a Color Guard dressed in colonial uniforms for the wreath laying on Soldier's Monument. Past President General Eugene P. Carver participated in the laying of the wreath in company of the Reverend Thomas Sherrard Roy and Compatriots Stuart H. Tucker, Vice-President General and Stephen C. Luce, Jr., President of the Massachusetts Society.

*The Minute Man Chapter* of the Massachusetts Society held its Fall meeting on Tuesday, October 8th at the Colonial Inn in Concord. Compatriot Robert Needham of Concord who is President of the Chapter, was the speak-



Compatriot John St. Paul Jr., left, President of Louisiana Society S.A.R.; the President of the Louisiana Federation of Women's Clubs and Congressman F. Edward Hebert of Louisiana, participated in the celebration of Constitution Day at the City Hall in New Orleans.

er of the evening showing slides and paintings of the original Old North Bridge from its inception up to the present time. Very interesting pictures of changes which had been made and were being opposed by the Courts were fully and interestingly explained.

The Annual Meeting of the *Minute Man Chapter* was held at the Colonial Inn, December 10th. Speaker for the occasion was Mr. Abdul-Fattah Kandeel, Graduate student at Harvard on leave from Cairo University who gave a most absorbing discourse on "Egypt and the Arab World."

The newly organized *Worcester County Chapter* held its Charter Night and Installation of Officers on October 15th at the Franklin Manor in West Boylston, the week of the 180th Anniversary of the Surrender of Burgoyne. Inspiring addresses were given by Past President General Eugene P. Carver, Jr., and Compatriot Stephen C. Luce, Jr., President of the Massachusetts Society. Greetings and best wishes were received from Compatriots Under Secretary of State Christian A. Herter; United States Senator Leverett Saltonstall; Karl Briel; Major George H. Gould; Laurence W. L. Barrington and Gerald R. Barrington. Featured also in attendance to witness the presentation of the Charter by State Society President Luce to Colonel Raymond C. Harris, President of the Chapter, were the following State Officers; Robert F. Needham and George F. Russell, Sr., Vice-Presidents, and John C. Wroe, Secretary. Membership certificates and Service medals were presented by Past President General Eugene P. Carver, Jr., the featured speaker of the evening.

*The Boston and Minute Man Chapters* gave a joint Memorial Service at the Old North Church on Tuesday, November 12th at 6:30 p.m. Compatriots George W. Roberts, President of the Boston Chapter and Robert Needham, President of the Minute Man Chapter, presided at a dinner preceding the Service and spoke concerning the Membership Drive. Following the catered dinner in the Chapel beside the Old North Church compatriots gathered in the Church to participate in a service conducted by the Reverend Howard P. Kellet and to hear a splendid sermon by Compatriot Reverend Frank Byron Crandall.

*The Dukes County Chapter*, on October 24th, convened for a meeting at the Mansion House in Vineyard Haven. This Inn has been in continuous service since 1784. The Reverend Samuel R. Harlow, Interim Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Vineyard Haven, former Professor of Religion at Smith College and member of the faculty of Springfield College gave an excellent talk on the subject "A Colonial Hero." Compatriot Stephen C. Luce, Jr., Presi-

dent of the Massachusetts Society was present to be with his home Chapter. This Chapter meeting marked the 300th anniversary of the departure for London, England from Martha's Vineyard of the Reverend Thomas Mayhew, Jr., missionary to the Indians. His ship was never again heard from after leaving Boston.

*The Dukes County Chapter* has the distinction of presenting more applica-

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The Color Guard of the Massachusetts Society led the procession of S.A.R. members to the Soldier's Monument for the placing of a wreath on September 14, at Lexington, Mass.



The presentation of the charter to the newly organized Worcester County Chapter, Oct. 15, at Franklin Manor, West Boylston, Mass., was an impressive affair attended by, left to right; Color Guard Commander, Albert Vogt, Jr.; Chapter President, Raymond Harris; State Secretary, John C. Wroe; Past President General, Eugene P. Carver, Jr.; Chapter Chaplain, Alton Sawin, Jr.; President of State Society, Stephen Luce, Jr.; Vice President, Robert F. Needham; Past President, Hibbard Richter and Albert Keddy, member of the Color Guard.



tions for membership than any other Chapter in the Commonwealth since April 19th, 1957.

### Michigan Society

The Michigan Society has presented ROTC medals at the following colleges during this past year: University of Michigan; Wayne State University; University of Detroit and Michigan College of Mining and Technology including its branch at Sault Ste. Marie.

The Board of Managers met in Bay City Saturday, November 16th, 1957 and will meet at Ann Arbor on Saturday, January 18th, 1958. Compatriots who have regularly represented their local Chapters at these meetings are R. Wallace Teed of Washtenaw Chapter, Grant L. Jordan of Kent Chapter and Harvey Tryon of Valley Forge Chapter.

Meetings are being planned by a committee through the various chapters and at members' homes where no chapter meetings are available for the purpose of securing closer acquaintance among members; a better understanding of our form of government; a clearer knowledge of the purposes of the S. A. R. and to develop the means whereby Society purposes may better be promoted.

The Detroit Chapter cordially invites all compatriots to attend their luncheons held at noon every Wednesday at the Savoyard Club atop the Buhl Building in Detroit.

### Minnesota Society

Constitution Day was observed on Sept. 17 at a dinner meeting jointly put on by the S. A. R., the D. A. R., and various local organizations which belong to the Minneapolis Council of Americanization. The latter promotes citizenship and aids those who are working for naturalization, and the dinner was for those who had received final papers during the year. Wright Brooks, President of the Minneapolis Chapter presided, and the principal address was made by Compatriot Dr. Henry E. Allen, co-ordinator of religious activities at the University of Minn. The room proved too small to accommodate all who wished to attend.

A guest of the Minneapolis Chapter at its October meeting was Col. Alvah J. Brastad, U. S. A. ret., former Chief of Chaplains of the Army. He became a member of the Minn. Soc. when stationed at Fort Snelling some years ago,

and later was for two years Chaplain of the Society.

On Saturday Dec. 7th the Minn. Soc. was host to President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., who was here with Mrs. Tarbox. They were entertained at a dinner at the Minneapolis Womens Club at which some 90 members and guests were present. Among them were Vice-President General James T. Mulhall and Mrs. Mulhall of Sioux City, Iowa. There were members from Duluth and a good number from St. Paul including the newly elected President of the St. Paul Chapter, Jackson W. Petters and Mrs. Petters. Thomas S. Wood of Duluth, President of the Minn. Soc. presided at the meeting, and an inspiring address was made by President General Tarbox.

A Minnesota member has recently originated a project, strangely enough, in New Hampshire. It is the rehabilitation of the burial place of a Revolutionary soldier, one Abijah Pinkham, near Durham and in what was once known as Oyster River. In a secluded spot on what was once his farm, there are three graves, overgrown and with the headstones fallen. It is hoped that our members in N. H., the D. A. R. and others can be interested to get some support and publicity for the project.

### Nebraska Society

The Nebraska Society with the Lincoln Chapter held a joint, delayed Constitution Day celebration on Monday, October 21st, 1957, in the Terrace



Plans for the membership campaign were discussed at the September meeting of the New Hampshire Society at Concord. Participating in the conference were, l to r: C. Murray Sawyer, Treasurer; Harold A. Webster, Vice President; Harry E. Sherwin; Theodore W. Gunn, President; Blaylock Atherton, Vice President; Paul G. Richter, Secretary; Frank W. Randall; and Dr. Duane Squires. (Finney photo)

Room of the Hotel Lincoln. Compatriot E. Forrest Estes, President of the Lincoln Chapter, presided over the gathering of forty-four persons including Compatriot Max Bedenbach of the District of Columbia Society and guests including Mrs. J. E. Bartley, Regent of the St. Leger Cowley Chapter of the DAR.

Compatriot Lowell R. King, National Trustee, announced the visit to Nebraska of President General George E. Tarbox, Jr. on Sunday, January 19th, 1958.

The names of twelve new members were announced and membership certificates and lapel rosettes presented. Among the recipients were the following compatriots: Harold C. Elliott, R. D. Hartley and Doane T. Pickering.

Dr. Albin T. Anderson, Professor of History at the University of Nebraska, introduced by Compatriot Ralph S. Moseley, President of the Nebraska Society, was the speaker of the evening. His chosen topic "Ataturk University, an Example of International Cooperation in Education" was absorbingly interesting and well received and stressed the growth of democracy in Turkey. The speaker further outlined the work of the University of Nebraska at Ankara University and explained its part in the establishment of Ataturk University.

### New Jersey Society

At the annual fall meeting of the N. J. State Society held on October 11th, 1957, General Carlos P. Romulo, Philippine Ambassador to the United Nations, was to have been personally pre-

sented with the Society's Gold Good Citizenship Medal. On that very day however, the General received tragic news of his son's death in an aeroplane accident in the Philippines and he and Mrs. Romulo had to depart immediately for their homeland. The General, before leaving, assigned Mr. Raul T. Leuterio, Minister Plenipotentiary and Philippine Consul to receive for him the Gold medal. Mr. Leuterio gave a very fine address and expressed the deep appreciation of the General for the award. Dr. Peter Samartino, President of Fairleigh-Dickinson University of Rutherford, N.J. stepped into the breach and on a few hours notice, gave the members a splendid talk. On Sunday November 10th the State Society held its annual Memorial Service for departed comrades which was held in the Congregational Church of Westfield under leadership of its pastor Compatriot Rev. Joseph L. McCorison of the Westfield Chapter. The State Color Guard and the Color Guard of the Westfield Chapter lead the march of Compatriots. Over thirty names were read of Compatriots who had passed away during the previous twelve months.

Maplewood Chapter: Held its annual meeting and dinner on Nov. 21st at the Maplewood Country Club. Herbert A. Grant was elected President, T. Everett Martin, Treasurer and Howard W. Wiseman, secretary. The dinner guests were addressed by Mary Travis Army who spoke on New Jersey Heritage.

Passaic Valley Chapter: At first fall meeting Mr. Charles Petersen of the National Park Service showed a newly released sound color film of the rehabilitation programme of National Parks. The Chapter again voted to take part in the "Joint SAR/DAR Memorial Committee" and replace some fifty worn-out or missing headstones of Revolutionary Veterans in New Jersey. This coming year the Cemetery at Union, N.J. (Connecticut Farms) will be the principal site of activities. Taking part with Passaic Valley are, Abraham Clark Chapter SAR; Abraham Clark Chapter DAR; Short Hills Chapter DAR; Beacon Fire Chapter DAR. This is the second year of this programme and when finished by Memorial Day 1958 will total almost a hundred new headstones.

Abraham Clark Chapter: The chapter co-operated with the Elisha Boudinot Chapter DAR in observance of Consti-

tution Day, the Hon. Donald H. McLean being principal speaker. Compatriots Lum and Shepherd were selected as chapter representatives on the "Joint SAR/DAR Memorial Committee" installing new headstones, in Connecticut Farms Cemetery. Plans for the seventh concert featuring the Mendelssohn Glee Club have been completed by President Dr. Kenneth W. Albrecht. The concert will be held on April 19, 1958 in the Abraham Clark High School Auditorium, Roselle, N.J. The proceeds go to continue maintenance of the historic Abraham Clark Chapter House.

Raritan Valley Chapter: Held its 30th Anniversary with a dinner meeting at the Union Club in New Brunswick on Oct. 28, 1957. Treas. General Hershel S. Murphy and State Pres. Dr. George J. Deyo brought greetings from the national and state societies respectively. Dr. Malcolm B. Gilman, M.D., addressed the gathering on the subject, "A Lesson in Preparedness from Long Ago." G. Clifford Nevius as President, presided.

West Fields Chapter: During June commencement exercises, four Good

Citizenship medals were awarded to students of Clark High, Scotch Plains High, Holy Trinity High and Westfield High. The 34th Independence Day Sunrise Service was sponsored jointly by the West Fields SAR and West Fields D.A.R. On June 22nd the chapter made its 1957 Pilgrimage to Ringwood Manor in northern New Jersey, the former home of General Robert Erskine, Washington's "Forgotten General." He had been superintendent of an iron mine there and provided the chain that was thrown across the Hudson River to stop the British Fleet. Parts of the chain are still on the property.

The chapter conducted the Annual State Memorial Service mentioned under State Society notes. A joint meeting was held between the West Fields Chapter SAR and the West Fields Chapter DAR where Compatriot Judge Stanton T. Lawrence Vice Pres. General of the National Society, past President and Chancellor of the State Society spoke on "The Impact of Our Pilgrim Fathers." President William M. Beard reported that the town had approved the locations

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The Hon. Paul T. Leuterio, Minister Plenipotentiary of the Philippine Republic, (right) accepted the Gold Good Citizenship medal on behalf of Gen. Carlos P. Romulo, presented by the New Jersey Society, Oct. 11, 1957. Participating in the ceremony, left to right; Willard Stevens, Chairman Meetings Comm.; George J. Deyo, D.S.C. Pres. New Jersey Society and Dr. Peter Samartino, President, Fairleigh-Dickinson University. (George Van Photo)



for the seven remaining colonial markers, the first of which was dedicated on July 4th, 1957. The Joint Committees of the SAR and DAR have worked faithfully on this project. Twenty new headstones also were placed in the Revolutionary Cemetery in Westfield this past year.

**Col. John Rosenkrans Chapter:** This newest of New Jersey's chapters, less than a year old, is making splendid progress. A gavel was presented to the chapter by Secretary Alfred Perlee made from black walnut taken from Monticello, the estate of Thomas Jefferson. Progress was reported on obtaining title to the graveyard in which Col. John Rosenkrans was buried. Dr. George Deyo, State President presented the charter to the chapter on September 19th at White Rock Inn, Hamburg, N. J. Dr. Herschel Murphy, Treasurer General spoke on "Hereditary Patriotic Societies." A second meeting was held Nov. 21st at Sparta Inn, it being the policy of the chapter to meet in the various towns from which their membership is drawn. Permission has been granted the chapter to place a marker near the road leading to the grave of Col. Rosenkrans. The chapter has as a start 29 members and several applications pending.

**Montclair Chapter:** Held annual Desert & Card Party on Nov. 15th, at Montclair Women's Club to raise funds for patriotic and educational programs of the chapter. Yorktown Meeting held Oct. 22nd, at N.J. Historical Society's Building in Newark, N.J. attended by sixty. Meeting was addressed by State President Dr. George Deyo.

**Paramus Chapter:** The chapter held a theatre party and dinner at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn in November.

**South Jersey Chapter:** Commemorated the 170th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution, at its September 17th meeting, which was preceded by a dinner at Compton's Log Cabin. Films of the United States Constitution and of Princeton University were shown.

**Orange-Newark Chapter:** The chapter will proceed to place tablets on the Lincoln Statue on City Hall Plaza in East Orange, commemorating three score years services by former Historian General David L. Pierson, founder of Constitution Day, and for former Mayor Martens. Another tablet will be placed

on the Watsessing Bank Building in Bloomfield, commemorating the "Battle of Watsessing" during the Revolutionary War.

### Pennsylvania Society

The 1957 Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society was held recently at the Spring Mountain House in the middle of the Perkiomen Valley. The opening afternoon and evening was given over to registration and a reception. A fellow SAR Compatriot, the Honorable G. Knight, Presiding Judge of the Montgomery County Courts, gave the welcoming address to the assemblage which included some 58 delegates representing over half the Chapters within the State. Entertainment was provided by Mrs. David Wiedemoyer, student-pianist from the Philadelphia Conservatory of Music. A typical Pennsylvania Dutch snack of fresh cider and pretzels provided by the hotel manager, Mr. Raymond Beotz, added greatly to the success of the opening day festivities.

The morning of the second day the Board of Management was convened. It was reported by Registrar Arthur G. Trimble that although the Pennsylvania Society had sustained a loss of 120 members during the year this had been offset by a gain of 162, making the total membership of the Society 2086. The most encouraging news was the re-activating of the Fort Jackson Chapter of Waynesburg due to the efforts of Compatriot H. Ryerson Decker. Suitable recognition was given for the voluntary donation of his time to Society business at

State headquarters by Compatriot James L. Taylor, Jr.

Following the Board of Management Meeting the Annual Meeting was called to order at 10:25 a.m. by Compatriot Clyde R. Flory, President of the Society. Compatriot William H. Heffner, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, reported 41 compatriots registered with 28 ladies. Thereupon a new procedure was approved whereby Applications for Membership would be made by submission of Work Sheets only, possibly with photostatic copies of DAR or SAR blood relatives. It was suggested, but not so voted, that applicants be admitted as members before completion of the lineage information now required by the Application Forms.

During the course of the meeting the following compatriots were elected to the offices here so named: William H. Heffner of the Philadelphia Chapter, President; Floyd G. Hoenstine of the Blair County Chapter, Fitzhugh McMaster of the Continental Congress Chapter and Enos H. Horst of the Conococheague Chapter, Vice-Presidents; Edwin B. Graham of the Pittsburgh Chapter, Secretary, Treasurer and Genealogist; Ansley A. Isenour, also of the Pittsburgh Chapter, Registrar; Harvey D. Hoover of the Continental Congress Chapter, Chaplain; Mark O. Heller of the Valley Forge Chapter, Assistant Chaplain; Charles R. Fish of the Philadelphia Chapter, Historian and D. Barlow Burke of the Continental Chapter, Chancellor.

In the afternoon after the conclusion



A charter, re-establishing the Ethan Allan Chapter, was presented in an impressive and colorful ceremony on October 4, at the W. D. Packard Music Hall, Warren, Ohio. The massed flags furnished by Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott formed a striking background for the speaker's table. The officers of the re-activated chapter are: Norman W. Adams, President; Dr. Charles A. Anderson, Secretary; James Izant, Treasurer; Dr. James J. Tyler, Chaplain.

of the elections compatriots and their guests visited the old Augustana Lutheran Church at Trappe, birthplace of the Lutheran religion in America. Also on the itinerary was the Chapel at Valley Forge Park with the magnificent stained-glass windows.

The State Banquet was very well attended and all compatriots and their guests thoroughly enjoyed a long-to-be-remembered address by Brig. General Bonner Fellers (Ret'd.). His admonition was to adhere to our own self-reliance should war occur and, in the words of Oliver Cromwell: "Trust in God and Keep Your Powder Dry!"

At the church service on Sunday morning, Mr. George Bowers of Allentown, Vice-President of the Muhlenberg Medical Center and formerly clergyman and missionary to Japan addressed the group on the subject "Valley Forge—Darkness and Dawn!"

So ended one of the most enthusiastic, well-attended and representative meetings in all the years of the Pennsylvania Society SAR.

### Rhode Island Society

The Rhode Island Society observed Constitution Day, Tuesday, September 17th, 1957 with a luncheon at the University Club in Providence for the members of the State Society. The group was addressed by Vice-President General Stuart H. Tucker.

Later that day, Kent County Chapter #4, the Catherine Littlefield Greene Chapter, DAR, and the Nathanael Greene Homestead Association sponsored exercises in honor of the 170th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. These exercises were held at the Nathanael Greene Homestead in Anthony, Rhode Island where Felix Appollonia, prominent attorney, spoke on the "Bill of Rights."

Officers of the State Society gathered in the office of Hon. Dennis J. Roberts, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, several days prior to Constitution Day, to receive his official proclamation of the observance of Constitution Day in the State of Rhode Island.

### Virginia Society

The George Mason Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, through the splendid efforts of one of its compatriots, Colonel Vardell E. Nesmith, A. G. U. S.

Army, Adjutant General, Military District of Washington, D.C., arranged a review by the Old Guard, First Battle Group, 3rd Regiment of Infantry, U. S. Army which took place on Sunday afternoon, October 13th, 1957, at Fort Myer, Virginia, in honor of the Washington-Lee Society of the Children of the American Revolution. Co-host to the Society was the Military District of Washington, Major General John G. Van Houten, G.S., U. S. Army, Commanding, with the Hon. Hugh M. Milton II, Assistant Secretary of War; Lt. Gen. W. S. Lawton, Comptroller General of the Army and Major General William C. Westmoreland, Secretary to the General Staff, U. S. Army.

Ann Hanowell, President of the Washington-Lee Society, CAR, reviewed the troops before the distinguished company of military officials and officers of numerous patriotic societies, together with their wives and guests. Included in the large assemblage of 1000 persons were members of the national boards of the SAR, the DAR and the CAR as well as some 200 parents and children of members of the Washington-Lee Society. Distinguished guests included the following: President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., of the National Society SAR with Mrs. Tarbox; Past President General John W. Finger, SAR with Mrs. Finger; Past General President John D. Gordon of the Sons of the Revolution and Mrs. Gordon; Compatriot E. Stewart James, SAR, of

Gloucester, Virginia; Admiral William R. Furlong, Past President, District of Columbia Society, SAR; Colonel Robert P. Waters, Senior Vice President of the Virginia Society and President of the George Mason Chapter, SAR; Harold L. Putnam, Executive-Secretary, National Society, SAR; Dorothy J. Buckton, President of the National Society, CAR, with Mrs. E. Stewart James, Senior President; Jonathan S. Gibson, III, President and Mrs. C. Marbury Seaman, Senior President, Virginia Society, CAR.

Commander of the troops for the review was Colonel Mark F. Brennan, Commanding Officer, First Battle Group, 3rd Infantry (The Old Guard). The United States Army Band under the command of Major Hugh Curry furnished the music.

During the ceremony a citation authorized by General Van Houten was published as orders and presented to Miss Hanowell. The citation read as follows:

### WASHINGTON-LEE SOCIETY CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

*Today the Military District of Washington pays sincere tribute to the Washington-Lee Society, Children of the American Revolution, in acknowledgment of its enthusiastic, progressive programs for the betterment of the youth of America. Among its projects are:*

★ **EDUCATION** in a sound knowledge of American history.

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Members of the Rhode Island Society, receive the Proclamation of Constitution Day in the office of the Governor; l to r; Philip M. Shires, President; Walter R. Martin, 1st Vice President; Col. Benjamin Franklin Tefft, M.D., National Trustee; Richmond H. Sweet, Secretary; Governor Dennis J. Roberts; Henry C. Jackson, Past President; Stuart H. Tucker, Vice President General; Lewis A. Waterman, Treasurer; F. Richmond Allen, President, Kent County Chapter; and George L. Fales, Sr., 2nd Vice President.



★ **DEDICATION AND PRESERVATION** of the places made sacred by the men and women who advanced American Independence.

★ **RESEARCH** to record the deeds and to honor the memories of those who served during the American Revolution.

★ **REVERE** the Flag of the United States of America above all others.

★ **LOVE, UPHOLD AND EXTEND** the institutions of American liberty and patriotism, and the principles which made and preserved our country.

★ **PROMOTE** interest in and observance of all patriotic anniversaries.

The Washington-Lee Society, Children of the American Revolution, was organized February 2, 1953. Its members include students and graduates of the Washington-Lee High School, Arlington, Va. It is the only CAR group in the United States bearing the name of the school to which its members belong or from which they graduated.

Signed: John G. Van Houten  
Major General, U. S. Army  
Commanding  
Military District of Washington

#### West Virginia Society

The General Andrew Lewis Chapter, SAR, of Huntington, has been extremely active during the past several months. On Tuesday, May 15th, 1957, Compatriot Kenneth C. Mastin, President of the Chapter, presented the SAR ROTC Medal to Cadet James L. Davis of the Marshall College ROTC. This occasion marked the first presentation of medal awards subsequently made at West Virginia University and sixteen junior or senior high schools throughout Cabell County including Douglass High School in Huntington. All of the junior and senior high schools concerned received the SAR Good Citizenship Awards. Awards Committee Chairman Judge William W. Roberts and the compatriots serving under him ensured the success of these significant patriotic events.

Repeating the conspicuous success of similar activities in 1956, the General Andrew Lewis Chapter again sponsored the sale of American flags for display by citizens in the Tri-State area from Flag Day, June 14th, 1957, through Independence Day, July 4th, 1957. Co-sponsors for this worthy enterprise were the Herald-Dispatch newspaper, a leading publication within the Tri-State, and The Citizen's Committee for Independence Day. To further this patriotic

cause an Independence Day Essay Contest entitled "What the American Flag Means to Me" was included. The support of the Retail Merchants Association was enlisted and flags 3 feet wide and 5 feet long with 6 foot poles were sold on a non-profit basis by merchant members for display in the homes and on the grounds of local citizens. All sales of flags helped cover the cost of the contest prizes which provided a \$200 U. S. Savings Bond as First Prize; a \$100 Bond as Second Prize and a \$50 Bond for Third Prize to winning students over 12 years of age enrolled in elementary and secondary schools throughout the West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky Counties within the Huntington-Tri-State area. Compatriot Kenneth C. Mastin, President of the Chapter, personally donated a \$25 U. S. Savings Bond to the two boys and two girls under 12 years of age who submitted the best essays. Entrants were required to enclose statements giving their names, ages, schools attended, and whether the American Flag was displayed at their homes on patriotic holidays.

On Saturday, June 8th, members of the General Andrews Lewis Chapter were guests of the management of the

Palace Theater in Huntington at a preview showing of "Johnny Tremaine," an adult Walt Disney production about Revolutionary War days based on a novel by Esther Forbes. This film depicting the spirit of patriotism launched the Independence Day Essay Contest sponsored by the SAR Chapter.

Responsible for the outstanding success in this splendid campaign for a greater, more sincere patriotism were the following compatriots and individuals: P. O. Duncan, Chairman of the Essay Contest Committee; Kenneth C. Mastin, President of the Chapter; Warren M. Reese, Vice-President of the Chapter; Roger Cassidy, Secretary-Treasurer; Common Pleas Judge John W. Daniel; Domestic Relations Judge W. W. Roberts; Mrs. T. Smith Brewer; Lt. Col. Walter Mather; Cabell County School Superintendent Olin C. Nutter; Sheriff Bert Schroeder; Mrs. Robert E. Miller, President of the Lions Club auxiliary; Mr. Homer Gebhardt, Executive Vice-President of the First Huntington National Bank, (who contributed the initial impetus to the flag sales); Mr. David Jacobs, President, Retail Merchants Association of Huntington and the following Boy Scouts



The Utah Society staged a banquet on the Roof Garden of the Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, on the evening of Nov. 18, at which President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., was the guest speaker. Gold Good Citizenship medals were presented to James D. Moyle (left) President and Harold P. Fabian, (second from right) Chairman 67th Annual Congress for services rendered in arranging the Congress. The presentations were made by Horace C. Beck (right) Vice President, assisted by President General Tarbox (second from left).

who exhibited the types of flag on sale: Tommy Daniels, Richmond Hickman, Merrill Mayenschein and Shelby Christian.

On Tuesday, September 17th, 1957, the 170th anniversary of the signing of the revised Constitution, the General Andrew Lewis Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution with the invited guests, members of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution, observed Constitution Day with a special luncheon at the Hotel Prichard in Huntington. Miss Nancy Shutts and Miss Martha Bell, President and Vice-President respectively of the Donnally Society, CAR, were honored guests and the special speaker for the occasion was Dr. Herschel Heath, Professor of History at Marshall College who gave a very fine address. This completed a most successful and inspiring commemorative event in the activities of the West Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

#### Wyoming Society

The Wyoming Society held its Annual Meeting on September 17, 1957, Constitution Day, at the Sky Way dining room in Cheyenne. President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., accompanied by Mrs. Tarbox, was the special guest of the evening and gave the principal address. Vice-President General Wood Wormald of the Rocky Mountain District presided. A talk with picture slides of Hawaii by Loren Bishop assisted by W. L. Uphoff was an additional feature of the program which was attended by the following compatriots, their wives and guests: Mr. and Mrs. Willis Rees; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Leach, Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. William Hale; Harry C. Purcell, Dr. Paul Emerson, Loren Bishop and W. L. Uphoff (all of Cheyenne); Vice-President General and Mrs. Wood Wormald (of Jackson) and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Deuel (of Wheatland).

The following compatriots were elected to serve as officers throughout the ensuing year: Leo A. Deuel, President; Daniel C. Leach, Jr., Vice-President; William Hale, Secretary; Floyd Deuel, Treasurer; Harry C. Purcell, Chaplain and Loren C. Bishop as, National Trustee.

#### ONE COMPATRIOT'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE MEMBERSHIP EFFORT

Through the efforts of Compatriot J. Clinton Rundles, Chapter Genealogist, the Clearwater, Florida, Chapter, S.A.R., has increased its membership from 43 in 1955 to an almost certain membership of 100 by the close of 1957. In 1955 he was appointed Chairman of a membership drive, and in January 1957, was elected Chapter Genealogist. A retired insurance man, he applies this experience in his search for prospective members; he looks for them instead of waiting for them to come to him. To date he has secured 55 new members for the Clearwater Chapter, and is working on many more. Compatriot Rundles has many sources of genealogical information including annual visits to Washington, D.C., Connecticut and Indiana where he visits State Libraries and Historical Societies searching for information for some of his prospects. He

literally "lives" genealogy and might well be called "Mr. S.A.R."

#### HERE IS A SUGGESTION WHICH MAY BE WORTHY OF A TRIAL

It has been suggested that a column be published in each issue of the Magazine in which genealogical inquiries might be made, such inquiries to be published at an established rate to be paid by the inquirer. In order to give our Compatriots an opportunity to try this experiment a rate of 43 cents per line, in 9 point type has been established. A sample inquiry is published herewith.

**LATHAM-COWDREY.** Delight — Born 1781, died 2/18/1848, married about 1805 Joshua Latham of Poquonok (Windsor) Conn. Her maiden name or that of a possible first husband was Cowdrey. Her parentage wanted by G. E. T. Jr., 1863 Wazee St., Denver 2, Colo.

The cost of publishing the inquiry would be \$3.44 per insertion. Your comments on this proposal are invited, by The Editor.



Officers of the S.A.R. were honored guests at the Military Review staged at Fort Myer, Va., October 13, in honor of the Wakefield Chapter C.A.R. Pictured above are, I to r; Col. Robert P. Waters, President of George Mason Chapter and Vice President of Virginia Society S.A.R.; George E. Tarbox, Jr., President General N.S.S.A.R.; Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary, N.S.S.A.R.; Mrs. Tarbox and RADM. William Rea Furlong, Chairman Headquarters Committee. (U. S. Army photo)



## S.A.R.; D.A.R., AND C.A.R. HONOR MRS. GROVES WITH DINNER

Mrs. Frederic A. Groves, President General, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, was honor guest at a delightful dinner at the Mayflower Hotel October 13 given by Mrs. E. Stewart James, Senior National President, and the senior national board of management of the Children of the American Revolution with more than a hundred guests attending.

Prolonged applause was accorded Mrs. Groves for an informal extemporaneous talk on how much the C.A.R. means to the country, to the D.A.R. and to her personally. This gracious lady rose to speak not of her own plans and aspirations, but instead about C.A.R. She said that we have been building up the "Common Man" and neglecting the "Uncommon Man" and as a result we have poorer quality of leadership. Mrs. Groves said "C.A.R. is our very own and deserves greater support from its sponsors." She recalled that when she and Mr. Groves attended the C.A.R. National Convention they were amazed at the ability, poise and fine character of the delegates and members and that C.A.R. is a fine training place for our leaders of tomorrow.

Mr. George E. Tarbox, Jr., President General of the S.A.R. and Dorothy Buckton, C. A. R. National President also gave inspiring talks which were warmly received.

A special feature of the dinner, arranged by Mrs. J. Robert Gracey, National Chairman of C.A.R. American Music, which added much to its success, were solos by Mrs. Joe Young, a most attractive young D.A.R. member, who flew from Nashville for the occasion. Mrs. Young, a mezzo soprano, sings under the tutoring of Edna Kaler Gracey, who directs the opera workshop. Mrs. Young was accompanied by Mrs. Maude Tormohlen, of Washington, D. C., whose delightful music was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. E. Stewart James, Senior National President, presided with informal grace and charm, introducing dozens of honor guests with never a lapse in a name.

Charming dinner favors representing the D.A.R. family with the C.A.R. and the S.A.R. were made by a committee

headed by Mrs. Joseph Hall, Senior State President of the District of Columbia. Mrs. George D. Nolan was chairman of the Dinner.

Honor guests at the dinner included: Mr. George E. Tarbox, Jr., President General, Sons of the American Revolution, and Mrs. Tarbox; Mr. Eugene P. Carver, Past President General, S.A.R. and Mrs. Carver; Mr. John W. Finger, Past President General S.A.R. and Mrs. Finger; Mr. E. Stewart James, Chairman of the C.A.R. Advisory Committee; members of the D.A.R. Cabinet; National Promoters of the C.A.R.; several D.A.R. Vice Presidents General and Miss Dorothy Buckton, National President of the Children of the American Revolution.

Among the S.A.R.s attending the dinner were: Colonel F. W. Huntington, Genealogist General, Vice Presidents General Jean A. Hibbard and James T. Mulhall (and Mrs. Mulhall); Mr. Louis J. Hiezmann, member of the

S.A.R. Executive Committee; Mr. Abram Zoller, Trustee and his wife, Mrs. Zoller; another Trustee, Mr. Horace R. McDowell, and Mr. Robert McNeill, Past Treasurer General and his wife, Mrs. McNeill, Mr. McNeill is also a member of the CAR Advisory Committee; Colonel Thurston Baxter, Member S.A.R.-C.A.R. Committee and member of the C.A.R. Advisory Committee; Colonel Robert P. Waters, State Vice President of the Virginia Society S.A.R. and Mrs. Waters; and Mr. Harold L. Putnam, S.A.R. Executive Secretary.

The opinion was expressed by many of the Officers that such "family style" meetings of the heads of our three organizations should be planned more often.

**MAIL YOUR RESERVATIONS  
FOR THE 68TH ANNUAL CON-  
GRESS TO: The Buena Vista  
Hotel, Biloxi, Mississippi, today.**



Compatriot Laurens Hamilton (left) Past President, presented the Piedmont Chapter, with a handsome, embroidered Chapter flag, at a meeting held in Warrenton, Virginia, Nov. 22. President J. Ray Larcombe, accepted the flag on behalf of the Chapter. (Pat Murphey photo)

## THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORTS ON HIS FIELD TRIP

In response to a number of invitations, and with the approval of the President General, the Executive Secretary arranged a "field trip" during which he visited State and Chapter organizations in Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, and Missouri. Immediately upon the completion of the trip, a detailed report was given the President General and a summary of that report is given herein for the information of fellow-Compatriots.

The first stop on the itinerary was at Little Rock, Arkansas, on November 1, where a conference was held with William R. Snodgrass, President of the Arkansas Society and other interested members who found it possible to attend. Several Compatriots who had planned to attend the conference were unable to do so due to illness, many of whom were victims of the epidemic of Asian influenza. There were a number of problems which were disposed of and plans were formulated for a program of increased activity. The next day was spent in visits with Compatriots who had been unable to attend the conference and some valuable information was obtained.

The next meeting was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on November 4, and following a forenoon conference with Compatriot Redmond S. Cole, Secretary of the Tulsa Chapter and Registrar of the Oklahoma Society, a luncheon was held which was attended by some twenty-five members of the Tulsa Chapter. A general discussion of the Society's affairs was productive of some valuable suggestions by individual members. Following the luncheon, a small group continued the conference and some plans were developed for the future.

On November 5, a delegation of the Oklahoma Society met the Executive Secretary at the airport and joined him in an informal luncheon. The delegation consisted of Benjamin F. Lee, President of the Oklahoma City Chapter; Charles T. Walker, Secretary of the State Society; Arthur L. Smith, President of the State Society; and Col. Ross H. Routh, Vice President of the State Society. Due to the late arrival of the plane, some of the Compatriots of the welcoming committee found it impossible to stay for the luncheon conference and arrangements were made for an

evening conference in the offices of Colonel Routh. The afternoon was spent with Compatriot Walker in discussing a number of details related to the operation of the State Organization and the National Headquarters. The evening conference was devoted to a discussion of the ways and means of strengthening the Society and also analyzing some of the problems of the Oklahoma Society.

Additional conferences were held on November 6, with Compatriot Walker and one or two other members of the Society, and as a result of these conferences, it is believed that the organiza-

tion will function more efficiently in the future.

Weather conditions and technical failures of airplanes delayed the scheduled arrival in Albuquerque some five hours; however, Horace R. McDowell and Robert J. Norfleet were on hand to greet the Executive Secretary. This delay did not interfere with the arrangements for a meeting at the Fez Club, which was attended by approximately twenty Compatriots. There was an encouraging display of interest in the affairs of the Society as evidenced by the

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The S.A.R. Gold Good Citizenship medal was presented to Jim Dan Hill (left) President of Superior State College, Superior, Wisc., by President General Tarbox (center) on behalf of the Wisconsin Society. The presentation was made at a dinner meeting of the Wisconsin S.A.R. at the Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee, Dec. 5, at which President Frank T. Burt (right) presided.



many questions asked by individuals. Special interest was displayed in the R.O.T.C. Medal Program, and plans were discussed for initiating a definite program by the New Mexico Society.

Compatriot Malcolm Bayley met the Executive Secretary, November 8, at the airport in Phoenix and escorted him to the luncheon meeting at the Sahara Motel. The luncheon was well attended by Compatriots and their ladies. The late arrival of the plane eliminated the possibility of holding a conference with officers of the Society prior to the luncheon. However, this was remedied by arranging a conference in the evening. The evening conference was held in the offices of Compatriot Charles Carson and was productive of a discussion of many proposed activities, including the establishing of a Chapter at Tucson. The opportunity presented itself for interviews with some Compatriots who had not been active in the Organization during recent years and it is believed that those interviews will lead to a resumption of activity on the part of those Compatriots.

The next meeting was scheduled in Reno, Nevada, on Sunday, November 10. Compatriot Miles Pike, Attorney General of the State of Nevada, graciously invited the officers of the State Society to meet in his home. The confer-

ence lasted about four hours, during which all phases of the situation affecting the Nevada Society were discussed and numerous proposals were considered. Many of the problems which confront a newly organized State Society were resolved and it is believed that substantial progress will be made by the Nevada Society during the coming months.

President General Tarbox and Mrs. Tarbox graciously arranged to meet the Executive Secretary at the airport in Denver, and the lay-over of three hours offered the opportunity for the discussion of some of the important matters requiring attention.

Officers of the Missouri Society greeted the Executive Secretary at a luncheon at the Missouri Athletic Club, Nov. 13. Several members who had planned to attend were unable to do so due to attacks of influenza. Those who attended were President Jimm M. Daugherty; National Trustee William Pagenstecher; and Past President John Giesecke. A full discussion of the State Society's problems produced some suggestions for solutions. Proposals were offered which will be presented for consideration at the meeting of the National Society.

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President General George E. Tarbox, Jr., was the guest speaker at the annual Constitution Day dinner of the Wyoming Society, Sept. 17, at the Sky Trail, Cheyenne. At the speaker's table, l to r; Daniel C. Leach, Secretary; Mrs. Wood Wormald; Wood Wormald, Vice President General, Rocky Mountain District; President General Tarbox; Mrs. George Tarbox, Jr.; Dr. Paul Emerson, National Trustee and Leo Deuel, President.

## Increased Competition for the President General's Cup Is Foreseen

There are indications that the competition for the President General's Cup will be keener this year than ever. This is reason for gratification as it proves that and ever-growing number of local chapters are adopting programs of activities.

This is an opportune time to remind the Presidents and Secretaries of chapters that the records of activities of the past year should be compiled and assembled in a concise record which can be easily appraised by the committee which will determine the winner of the cup.

For the benefit of the chapter officers, a review of the rules governing the award are published herein.

(1) The winner of the trophy will be selected on the basis of evidence offered that the competing chapter has successfully engaged in the program of activities recommended in the Handbook, 1955 edition.

(2) Credit will be given for additional activities, consistent with the purposes and objectives of the National Society, which may have been adopted and developed by the local chapter.

(3) The winner will receive the trophy on Recognition Night at the 68th Annual Congress, May 12, 1958, at Biloxi, Mississippi.

(4) The name of the winning chapter will be engraved on one of the gold shields on the base of the trophy.

(5) The winning chapter will retain custody of the President General's Cup until the next Annual Congress of the National Society, and will be responsible for its safe-keeping and delivery to the committee at the next Annual Congress.

(6) Chapters are requested to submit their evidence in some form of binder for the convenience of the committee.

(7) All entries in the contest must be in the office of the Ex-

ecutive Secretary not later than April 30, 1958 in order to qualify.

There are some suggestions which may be helpful in preparing a record which will furnish the committee with adequate information on which they may evaluate the chapter's program. The information should be assem-

bled in a binder. Photographs of meetings, awards presented and special activities together with newspaper clippings and concise accounts of the events should be included. The material should be arranged in chronological order. The records should be confined to the period beginning April 1, 1957 and ending March 31, 1958.

**THERE IS STILL TIME FOR YOU TO WIN ONE OF THE AWARDS IN THE MEMBERSHIP CONTEST WHICH ENDS AT MIDNIGHT, MARCH 31, 1958**



The President General's Cup is a handsome gold trophy, some three feet in height, mounted on an ebony base. Gold shields around the base provide space for engraving the names of the winning Chapters. There have been two winners thus far; The Paul Carrington Chapter, Houston, Texas was the winner in 1956 and the George Mason Chapter of Falls Church, Virginia in whose custody the trophy is at the present time.

## 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,** Washington Elks Club, 919 H St., N.W., 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 Wednesday at Clearwater Beach Yacht Club each month, September to following June. 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 Saturday of each month (excepting June, July and August) 12:30 p.m. at Elk's Club, 737 Arlington Ave. No. Evening meetings by special notice. For information call Secretary Elk's Club.

**FLORIDA, William S. Sessions Chapter,** Tampa. The fourth Tuesday, 12:30 p.m., Elks Club, Tampa.

**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.

**NEBRASKA, Lincoln Chapter & Nebraska Society,** luncheon each Monday noon at the Hotel Capitol, Lincoln. For information telephone or write to the State Secretary.

**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.



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The President General called the meeting to order at 9:45 A.M. Chaplain General Grant Ladd Jordan pronounced the Invocation and the assembly remained standing for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

The Executive Secretary was asked to call the roll and the following were present:

President General George E. Tarbox, Jr.; Past Presidents General John W. Finger, Arthur A. de la Houssaye, Milton M. Lory, Edgar Williamson, Jr., and Eugene P. Carver, Jr. Vice Presidents General Stuart H. Tucker, Stanton T. Lawrence, George Morris Whiteside, II, James T. Mulhall and Jean A. Hibbard. Secretary General Charles A. Jones; Treasurer General Dr. Herschel S. Murphy; Registrar General Arthur G. Trimble; Genealogist General Col. Frederick W. Huntington; Chancellor General Aaron M. Sargent; Chaplain General Dr. Grant Ladd Jordan; and Librarian General P. Harry Byerly. National Trustees: Robert C. Garrison, Sr., Ala.; Bradford Bosley, Calif.; Calvin C. Bolles, Conn.; John E. King, Ind.; James Terry Mulhall, Iowa (also V. P. G.); John C. Wroe, Mass.; Marion H. Crawmer, Mich.; Burnice W. Smith, Miss.; Lowell R. King, Nebr.; William Y. Pryor N. J.; Horace R. McDowell, N. M.; Abram Zoller, N. Y.; William A. Parker, N. C.; Dr. Charles A. Anderson, Ohio; Dr. H. Ryerson Decker, Penna.; Col. Benjamin F. Tefft, R. I.; Harry T. Burn, Tenn.; Paul E. Wise, Texas; Marcellus E. Wright, Va.; John E. Dickinson, Wisc. Executive Committee members: Robert C. Garrison, Louis J. Heizmann, Hallan Huffman, S. Denmead Kolb, Frank L. Lowmaster, Gen. C. D. Y. Ostrom, Robert H. Overstreet, and Walter A. Wentworth. Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam. National Committee Chairmen: Commodore Myron W. Hutchinson, National Defense; Adm. William Rea Furlong, National Headquarters; Reginald H. Runge, Revolutionary Graves; Robert H. McNeill, Memorials. Also, the following officers and compatriots: Col. Thurston H. Baxter, Rev. Hansen Bergen, Col. Mark L. Ireland, Wade H. Cooper, and Allen Foster, D. C.; W. Giles Parker, Md.; Albert W. Keddy, Mass.; Manton L. Graff, N. J.; Samuel K. Houston, Ohio; Dr. John A. Fritchey II, Charles R. Fish, and Dr. Myer Solis-Cohen, Penna.; Dr. Maynard Mires, Vt.; E. Stewart James and Col. Robert P. Waters, Va.

President General Tarbox announced that the Illinois Society had asked that the vacancy in the Board of Trustees created by the death of Compatriot John H. Babb on September 12, 1957, be filled by Dr. Harold I. Myer. On motion, duly seconded and carried, it was so ordered.

The President General declared a quorum present.

President General Tarbox explained that a conflict had been discovered between the National Charter and the National Society Constitution and By-laws in reference to the status of the Past Presidents General as National Trustees. The Chancellor General explained that the difficulty is that the Charter requires that the Trustees be elected annually and expressed his opinion that the two documents could be brought into conformity by an amendment to the By-laws providing for the annual election of Past Presidents General as members of the Board of National Trustees. Secretary General Jones moved that the Board of Trustees proceed to elect the Past Presidents General as members of the Board of Trustees to serve until the 68th Annual Congress. The motion was seconded by Vice President General Lawrence and carried unanimously.

On motion of Compatriot L. R. King, seconded by Compatriot Tucker, the minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Trustees held May 29, 1957, were approved as published in the July issue of the Magazine.

At the request of the President General, Secretary General Jones announced the passing of two distinguished Past Presidents General, Arthur M. McCrillis, President General 1933 and 1934, on September 2, 1957, and Ray O. Edwards, President General 1952, on September 21, 1957. He also spoke of the unexpected passing of Compatriot John H. Babb, National Trustee for Illinois, on September 10th. The members of the Board of Trustees arose and stood in silence for one minute.

President General Tarbox announced that there was a large amount of business to transact and unless there was objection he would ask any speaker on any subject to limit his remarks to three minutes, excepting Chairmen of Committees speaking only on the work of their committees and those speakers making a main motion should have five minutes.

President General Tarbox called for reports of General Officers, stating that he had asked that written reports be submitted at this meeting, but that verbal reports were acceptable and if no report was submitted, it would be so noted in the minutes of the meeting. He read his own report, which included an account of a number of visits to State Societies and Chapters.

Vice President General Stuart H. Tucker read a report, which stated that the Massachusetts Society had chartered a new chapter at Worcester; that he had attended a meeting of the Connecticut Society and a meeting of the New England Council; and that the Maine Society is endeavoring to organize new chapters, but is experiencing difficulty in obtaining sufficient new members.

Vice President General Stanton T. Lawrence stated that he had filed a written report with the Executive Secretary, who remarked that the report showed that Compatriot Lawrence had been functioning actively in the North Atlantic District.

Vice President General Whiteside of the Mid Atlantic District was not present at this time, but arrived a little later in the morning and gave his report, stating that two or three new chapters are in process of organization in Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Vice President General James Terry Mulhall of the North Mississippi District read his report, stating that he planned to make a trip through his district in December. He noted that an attempt is being made to reactivate the chapter at Des Moines.

Vice President General Hibbard reported that chapters are being organized in Washington State at Mount Vernon, Bellingham, and Wenatchee, and he believed they would be chartered before the next meeting. He stated that the California Society is doing outstanding work in building membership.

Vice President General Wormald of the Rocky Mountain District was unable to be present but had submitted a written report which was read by the Executive Secretary.

Vice President General Robert P. Gordon of the Southern District was not present but his written report was read by the Executive Secretary.

No reports had been received from the Vice Presidents General of the South Atlantic, South Mississippi, and Central Districts but the President General noted that the Vice President General of the last, Dr. V. E. Holcombe, had been ill.

Secretary General Jones reported that he had carried out the routine duties of his office, that he had visited a number of chapters, and that he had participated the previous week in chartering a chapter at Warren, Ohio.

Treasurer General Murphy presented a written report. He summarized the receipts and disbursements and stated that the Treasury bills which had been purchased with the proceeds from the sale of the Headquarters had matured and the fund had been re-invested in the same manner. Past President General Carver suggested that at least half of the current funds of the Society which would not be used for at least three months should be invested in Treasury notes. President General Tarbox stated that he believed a motion was unnecessary and if no objection was voiced the Treasurer General would be guided accordingly.

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Registrar General Trimble discussed his statistical report, stating that to October 1st the Society had acquired eight more new members than for the same period last year. He stressed the importance of redoubled efforts to build membership.

Genealogist General Frederick W. Huntington said that he had not submitted a written report because no questions had been referred to him for decision. He said, however, that he would submit a report as Chairman of the Genealogical Records Committee.

Chancellor General Sargent read his report and since it contained matters of vital importance to the Society it is here given in full:

"Since our meeting at Salt Lake City the Chancellor General has been requested to rule on a number of matters of importance.

"It was found, under the proceedings incorporating the National Society, that we are legally required to maintain our headquarters in the District of Columbia.

"Article XVI of the By-laws was reviewed and it developed that to comply with our charter, it will be necessary to put the names of the Past Presidents General in nomination for election to the Board of Trustees at each annual meeting of the Society. An appropriate By-law amendment was prepared.

"The action of the Board of Zoning Adjustment in respect to the Hurley House has made necessary enactment of a special bill to permit us to occupy those premises as our headquarters. This measure will come up early in the second session of the present Congress. Because of the importance of getting that bill passed I recommend that we do not request the Congress to approve any change in our charter at this time. An increase in the \$500,000 property limit has no present importance. By-law amendments will take care of the other matters which have been voted.

"On August 13th the President General requested a final opinion on the Philadelphia property. I was requested to report on the title, aside from any legal requirement that our headquarters be maintained in Washington. It was indicated that the question involved was one of acquiring that property for use other than as a headquarters.

"In accordance with this instruction I made a special trip to Philadelphia, spending four days examining court records, inspecting the property, contacting the attorneys who appeared in the Keith estate and doing the other things needed to make a thorough independent check. I consulted a Philadelphia lawyer having no prior contact with the case—a man with broad experience who is not a member of the S. A. R. In addition I examined pertinent decisions of the Philadelphia Supreme Court which have the force and effect of precedents. My findings may be summarized as follows:

"The title to the property at 321 South Fourth Street is defective and requires a decree of Court to clear. There is no

positive assurance that such a decree can be obtained.

"The Pennsylvania Hospital is unwilling to sell or give us a lease with a purchase option.

"Alterations and repairs would cost between \$75,000 and \$100,000. The lease offered would be one where this expenditure would be treated as rent paid in advance and the term would be long enough to use up that amount as rent.

"We would be given no renewal option and might have to pay a much higher rental based on the increased value established by the use of our money.

"The property is subject to real estate taxes levied by the City of Philadelphia. The amount under present rates is \$775.00 per annum or about \$60.00 per month. After our large expenditure for alterations the taxes would be much greater. There is no assurance that our use of the premises would be exempt unless we became the holder of record title.

"The will of Mrs. Keith requires preservation of this building as a memorial to her great-grandfather. This covenant may prevent the kind of alteration needed to make it suitable for our use.

"What the Hospital is seeking to do is to get us to spend our money on the property so they can keep, free and clear, the approximate sum of \$100,000 left by Mrs. Keith to maintain the house.

"This building is not a shrine or landmark of the Revolutionary War. It was built five years after the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. In my judgment you would not be legally justified in expending S. A. R. funds on the property for any purpose.

"Because this assignment involved matters outside the line of duty of my office I am presenting and request allowance of the attached statement covering my expenses.

Respectfully submitted,  
AARON M. SARGENT, Chancellor General."

President General Tarbox stated that the detailed report of the Chancellor General had been filed with the Executive Secretary.

On motion of Treasurer General Murphy, seconded by Compatriot Burn, the Trustees voted to reimburse the Chancellor General for his expenses in connection with the investigation of the Philadelphia proposal, amounting to \$181.63.

Chaplain General Jordan reported that he had attended S. A. R. Day at Jamestown on September 14th and otherwise carried out his duties as Chaplain General. He requested that if any present knew of any changes in the chaplaincies of State Societies to notify him. He also asked that he be notified of any deaths among State Officers so that he might write a letter of sympathy to the bereaved family.

The Chair recognized Compatriot Maynard Mires of Vermont, who stated that at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Vermont Society the members had voted to have him serve as National Trustee. On examination of the credentials he pre-

sented it was discovered that the word, "delegate" was used, which would not give Dr. Mires a vote as a National Trustee at this meeting. President General Tarbox expressed his regret at having to rule in this way. Past President General de la Houssaye outlined the required procedure for substitution of a Trustee. Compatriot Mires obtained the necessary authority by wire from President Hatfield of the Vermont Society and was seated as a Trustee a little later in the session.

Vice President General G. Morris Whiteside II having resigned as National Trustee for Delaware, on motion of Compatriot Sargent, duly seconded and carried, Compatriot Elwood A. Davis was elected to fill the unexpired term.

Librarian General Byerly reported that the library work was being continued on a limited scale and said that he hoped that expanded facilities would be available for the library in the new headquarters building.

Historian General John E. King was in Europe at the time of this meeting and Surgeon General Dr. Olin C. Moulton had sent his regrets at his inability to be present.

President General Tarbox stated that the next order of business was reports of Chairmen of National Committees. He called attention to the rearrangement of National Committees in the October issue of the Magazine, then on the press, into two groups: first, those committees which operate in carrying out S. A. R. programs serving America, and, second, those committees which serve the Society.

Judge Abram Zoller, Chairman of the American Sovereignty Committee, read his report, which embodied a statement of the aims and purposes of the committee. On motion of Compatriot Zoller, duly seconded and carried, his report was received and placed on file.

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Judge Bradford Bosley reported as Chairman of the Americanism Committee, asking that the Board of Trustees (1) Authorize the Americanism Committee as a permanent standing committee. (2) Outline its duties. (3) Authorize and request the various State Societies to create State Committees to work with the National Society Committee. He stated that the retiring Chairman, Compatriot Frank Lowmaster, had asked him to bring the recommendations made in his report to the 67th Congress before the Trustees' meeting. These recommendations included carrying on the usual functions of a committee, and the implementing of resolutions adopted by the Society by contacting legislators, etc. Compatriot Bosley moved, seconded by Compatriot Carver, that the committee be authorized to proceed with its work and to draft an outline of recommendations to be submitted to the Board of Trustees. Chancellor General Sargent pointed out that previous resolutions had provided that contacts with legislative bodies must be cleared through the President General or Executive Secretary. Compatriot Trimble moved an amendment to the motion to the effect that any appearance before any public body or officer shall be wholly in accord with the resolution now in effect, and the motion was adopted as amended.

No reports were received from the Basic Documents, Bill of Rights Commemorative, Boy Scouts, or C. A. R. Committees.

The Chairman of the Civil Defense Committee, Compatriot Carl A. Herrick, had submitted a written report which was summarized by Executive Secretary Putnam. Compatriot Herrick had asked that each State Society President appoint a Civil Defense Committee to work with local Civil Defense organizations.

Compatriot William Y. Pryor read the report of the Chairman of the Color Guard Committee, Dr. C. Malcolm B. Gilman, who was unable to be present. On motion of Compatriot Pryor, duly seconded and carried, the report was referred to the Executive Committee for study and for possible action at the next Board of Trustees meeting.

President General Tarbox announced that he had appointed Compatriot Arthur G. Trimble as a committee of one to investigate and report on a proposal to house a collection of Revolutionary flags at Headquarters. Compatriot Trimble recommended that a room in the new Headquarters be set aside for such a display and said that he would be glad to handle the matter when the time came without cost or profit to the organization. The President General thanked Compatriot Trimble and asked for a further report at the February meeting or later.

The report of the Chairman of the Constitution Day Observance Committee, Compatriot Joseph E. Burger, was summarized by the Executive Secretary, who stated that it was being published in the October issue of the Magazine.

The Chairman of the Declaration of

Independence Day Committee, Compatriot Clyde R. Flory, had sent a letter in lieu of a report since the date of the observance was still distant.

The Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee, Compatriot T. Earle Pardoe of Utah, was not present. The Executive Secretary summarized his report and stated that suggested changes in rules were to be published in the October issue of the Magazine. There was discussion, and on motion of Compatriot Charles A. Jones, seconded by Compatriot Murphy, it was voted that any change in the rules of the contest shall not be effective for the contest to be held at the next Annual Congress, and that any amendments to the rules be considered at that Congress.

Compatriot Charles E. Gilbert, Chairman of the Flag Day Committee, was not present and Compatriot Paul E. Wise read his report, which stated that with the help of publicity in the S. A. R. MAGAZINE it was hoped to make the next Flag Day the best in our time.

No report was received from the Chairman of the Historic Sites and Buildings Committee.

The Chairman of the Immigration Committee, Robert H. Overstreet, had submitted a written report which was summarized by the Executive Secretary, to the effect that attacks on the McCarran-Walter bill had been successfully forestalled in the last session of Congress in that any changes that were made had been of a minor nature.

Chairman Hutchinson reported that the National Defense Committee is keeping abreast of the activities of the Department of Defense and it believes that the Commander-in-Chief has access to all the facts from excellent advisors.

The Chairman of the Patriotic Education Committee, Admiral George A. Parkinson, had sent a written report which was summarized by the Executive Secretary. After some discussion on motion of Compatriot Murphy the report was received and filed.

Chairman Reginald Runge of the Revolutionary Graves Committee read his report, stating that members of his committee in several sections had been supplied with Revolutionary Graves information forms and it is expected that a large number will be completed and filed at Headquarters during the coming months. He stressed the need for activity at the chapter level.

Chairman Edward P. Barrows of the R. O. T. C. Medals Committee had submitted a written report which was summarized by the Executive Secretary. The committee had sent a questionnaire to all State Societies and Chapters regarding participation in the R. O. T. C. Awards program.

The Executive Secretary read his report, which concluded the reports of Officers and Committees.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the insertion of five full-page ads in the

Children of the American Revolution Magazine, at a cost of \$200.00, was authorized.

President General Tarbox asked all visiting officers to sign the register in the entrance foyer.

The meeting was recessed for luncheon at 12:00 noon.

The President General called the meeting to order at 2:15 P.M.

On motion of Compatriot Murphy, seconded by Compatriot Huffman, the appointment of Compatriot Robert C. Garrison to fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee caused by the resignation of Past President General Edwards, due to ill health, was approved.

The next order of business was the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to the site of the 68th Annual Congress. President General Tarbox asked the Executive Secretary to report. Compatriot Putnam outlined the results of his trip to Mississippi to inspect the facilities of the Buena Vista Hotel at Biloxi and to confer with Mississippi Compatriots on plans for the Congress. There was discussion and it was explained that the members of the Board of Trustees would be asked to vote on changing the date from the third Monday of May to May 11th for the opening of the Congress. On motion of the Treasurer General Murphy, duly seconded and carried, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Sixty-eighth Annual Congress of the Society be held at the Buena Vista Hotel in Biloxi, Mississippi, beginning May 11, 1958.

Executive Secretary Putnam read the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Minute Man Award be presented at the 1958 Congress to the following:

Jean A. Hibbard, Washington State, Vice President General

Rev. Mott R. Sawyers, Minnesota, past Chaplain General

George E. Tarbox, Jr., President General

President General Tarbox for personal reasons requested that his name be elimi-



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nated from the list of nominees for the award. On motion of Past President General de la Houssaye, duly seconded and carried, the Trustees approved the recommendation as originally submitted by the Executive Committee.

The next item on the agenda was the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to formulating rules for awarding the gold Good Citizenship Medal. On motion of Compatriot Murphy, duly seconded and carried, the Trustees authorized the President General to appoint a committee of three to devise rules for presentation of the gold Good Citizenship Medal to be submitted at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. On motion of Past President General de la Houssaye, seconded and carried, this motion was amended to provide that in the interval before the next meeting applications for the gold Good Citizenship Medal should be submitted thirty days in advance with a statement as to the proposed recipient of the medal, such applications to be passed upon by the President General, Secretary General, and Executive Secretary.

On motion of Compatriot L. R. King, seconded by Past President General Carver, and carried, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee to deposit the proceeds from the sale of the stock from the Barry Whipple estate, 101 shares of Canadian Fund and 190 shares of the Axe-Houghton Fund and the \$5,100.00 bequest of Samuel Outwater, to the credit of the Permanent Fund, the President General and Secretary General being authorized to execute any documents in connection with the sale.

The Executive Committee had referred a proposal in regard to tie bars displaying the insignia of the Society and the Executive Secretary displayed a sample bar, explaining that the insignia of the Society was reproduced without the eagle and that the bars would be sold to members of the Society on a permit from Headquarters. On motion of Compatriot Jones, duly seconded and carried, the manufacture and sale of these bars was approved subject to the restrictions of Section 3, Article XXIII, of the By-laws.

On motion of Past President General de la Houssaye, seconded and carried the Trustees approved giving the usual Christmas bonus to the members of the Headquarters staff.

At the request of President General Tarbox, Compatriot Heizmann explained a recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to adding a space on the application blanks for the names of brothers and sisters of the applicant as a means of building up a file of eligible prospects. Compatriot Murphy called attention to the desirability of providing spaces for proofs of each generation on the application blank. He moved that the Trustees direct that when new application blanks are printed the names of the brothers and sisters of the applicant be

requested and that proof of descent by generation also be requested on page 3 of the applications. This motion was seconded by Compatriot Huntington and it was so ordered.

Chairman Robert H. McNeill, of the Memorials Committee, who had arrived late, reported orally, mentioning especially S. A. R. Day at Jamestown where he had made an address.

The Executive Secretary outlined a request received from Past President General Foreman, who had served as Chairman of the Committee for S. A. R. Day at Jamestown, that Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott be reimbursed for the balance of the expense of transporting his collection of historical flags to Jamestown. On motion of Treasurer General Murphy, seconded and carried, the Trustees voted to reimburse Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott for the balance of his expense, amounting to \$259.35, it being understood that such action should not create a precedent.

Recommendations of the Executive Committee in regard to suggested amendments were the next order of business. Compatriot Bosley read and discussed a proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 1, of the Constitution which would provide for a nominating committee. He moved that the Trustees take the necessary steps to make this change in the Constitution of the Society. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Huffman. There was discussion. On motion of Compatriot Anderson, seconded by Compatriot Sargent, the Trustees voted to table the proposed amendment.

Chancellor General Sargent explained another proposed amendment and he moved that the Trustees propose an amendment to Article XVI, Section 1, of the By-laws, to add the following words:

"The election of the General Officers to their respective positions shall be deemed to constitute their election as Trustees."

The motion was seconded and carried.

Chancellor General Sargent explained another proposed amendment, saying that two versions had been discussed by the Executive Committee and referred to the Trustees, one of which could be termed the status quo amendment, to amend Article XVI, Section 1, of the By-laws by adding at the end the words:

"At each annual meeting, the Secretary General shall place in nomination the names of all living Past Presidents General for election as Trustees."

The second version was:

"At each annual meeting, the Secretary General shall place in nomination the name of the immediate Past President General for election as Trustee. The other Past Presidents General may be nominated and elected as such Trustees."

The Executive Committee had recommended the second version. There was discussion. Compatriot Sargent moved that the Trustees propose as an amendment the first version. Compatriot Huffman moved that this motion be laid on

the table. There was no second. Compatriot Lawrence seconded Compatriot Sargent's motion and it was carried.

Executive Secretary Putnam read a resolution which had been adopted by Patrick Henry Chapter of Austin, Texas, in regard to a decision of the Supreme Court which opened the files of the F.B.I. There was discussion and it was the sense of the Board of Trustees that no action should be taken in regard to the resolution at this meeting.

The Executive Secretary read a resolution of the Alabama Society recommending that the Executive Committee make a study to the end that Junior S.A.R. memberships be made available. On motion, duly seconded and carried, the Executive Committee was directed to make a study of the proposal and report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. The Executive Secretary was directed to send a copy of the Alabama Society's resolution to each member of the Executive Committee.

Compatriot Harry T. Burn read a resolution of the Tennessee Society in regard to selection and qualifications of Supreme Court Justices. There was discussion. On motion of Compatriot Burn, seconded and carried, the President General was directed to appoint a committee of five to study and re-draw the resolution of the Tennessee Society and report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The President General called upon the Executive Secretary who outlined difficulties and expense connected with the shipping of the Traveling Banners. On motion of Compatriot Huntington, seconded by Compatriot L. R. King, the Trustees voted to retire the present Traveling Banners and that a new and smaller type be worked out, a report to be made to the next meeting of the Board.

President General Tarbox stated that he had talked on the telephone to Compatriot Robertson, Chairman of the Budget Committee, who was unable to be present because of illness, and he had had no report.

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Compatriot Huntington, Chairman, presented the written report of the Genealogical Records Committee, which expressed doubt as to the practicality of obtaining the necessary funds from interested groups. Colonel Huntington recommended the adoption of the following program:

RESOLVED, that one member each of the House of Representatives from the eastern, midwest, southwest and western sections of the country, who are also members of the S.A.R., be requested to introduce a resolution looking toward the formation of a Committee or a Commission whose purpose would be to microfilm the early ship passenger lists of the settlers arriving in the United States."

On Compatriot Huntington's motion, duly seconded, this resolution was adopted.

The Chairman of the New Projects Committee, Robert G. Norfleet II, had sent a written report which expressed appreciation to the Compatriots who had answered his request for suggestions in regard to new projects which had appeared in the July issue of the Magazine, but expressed disappointment that he had not received a larger response.

The Co-chairmen of the Organization and Membership Committee, Compatriots Edwin J. Taylor (Eastern Division) and H. Lewis Mathewson, (Western Division) were not able to be present, but had submitted written reports. Compatriot Mathewson's being in the form of a letter to the President General.

Past President General Carver reported orally as Chairman of the Permanent Fund Committee, making some suggestions in regard to the investment of the funds and the President General suggested that the recommendations be made to the Treasurer General in writing.

Chairman L. R. King of the Public Relations Committee reported that he had contacted the members of his committee with a view to furthering the work of the committee.

Admiral Furlong, Chairman, summarized the detailed written report of the National Headquarters Committee in regard to carrying out the decision of the Sixty-seventh Congress to purchase the house of General Hurley at 2412 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C., as the National Headquarters of the Society. He told of the action of the Zoning Adjustment Board in refusing a permit for occupancy and of the steps that had been taken to introduce bills in Congress to allow the Society to occupy the property. These bills are (Senate) S. 2798 and (House) H. R. 9271 and 9359. Admiral Furlong stated that the bills had been almost at the point of passage when the first session of Congress adjourned. He said that three days prior to the meeting of the Board of Trustees he had visited the Clerk of the District Committee, which will handle the bills, who had expressed the opinion that when Congress reconvenes in January after a half hour's hearing the bills could be introduced on the floor of the House. Admiral Furlong stressed that continued

help is needed from Compatriots throughout the country in contacting their representatives in Congress and said that lists of the members of the Senate and House Committees on the District of Columbia may be obtained from Headquarters.

Compatriot Sargent moved that the Board of Trustees express their approval and commend Admiral Furlong, the members of his committee, and the Executive Secretary for their fine work. The Trustees rose and applauded.

The President General called for new business and recognized Compatriot Decker of Pennsylvania who moved that the President General appoint a committee of five Compatriots to review the situation with reference to the acquisition of the property in Philadelphia by the National Society for use other than as a national headquarters. This motion was seconded by Compatriot Trimble. Compatriot Sargent moved, seconded by Compatriot Lawrence, that Compatriot Decker's motion be tabled. There was discussion and after a voice vote, the President General called for a standing vote, with the result that the motion to table was carried 17 to 12.

On motion of Compatriot Murphy, duly seconded and carried, it was directed that copies of the Chancellor General's report relating to the Philadelphia property be sent to each member of the Board of National Trustees, each General Officer, each member of the Executive Committee and each Past President General.

The Chair recognized Past President General Lory who addressed the assembly on the work of the American Coalition. Compatriot Lory moved that the National Society, S.A.R., support the activities of the American Coalition by making a contribution. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Mulhall and carried.

There was discussion of the exact date for the February meeting of the Board of Trustees. On motion of Compatriot Murphy, duly seconded and carried it was voted that the Board of Trustees meet in Washington on February 8, 1958.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold L. Putnam  
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It is difficult to determine the results which may be expected from this field trip, but it is believed that, in each state, a basis for a better understanding of the relationship between the National Society and the State Organizations has been established. The frank discussion of the problems affecting the State and Chapter Organizations should promote a more efficient functioning in the future and it is believed that increased activity and additional memberships will be forthcoming.

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## JUVENILE DELINQUENCY AND OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

by Col. Augustin G. Rudd,\* Chairman  
Educational Committee, N.Y. Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution  
(Address before New York City Federation of Women's Clubs,  
at Town Hall, New York City—September 24, 1957)

In combatting juvenile delinquency our attention should be directed to the *causes* rather than the *effects* of this deep-seated condition. Adequate police protection, a ten o'clock curfew, etc., may decrease violence but they will not reach the root-sources of the trouble.

There are at least a dozen major causes of juvenile delinquency, including broken homes, working mothers who neglect their children, audio-visual portrayal of crime and violence, salacious literature, the stresses and strains of an industrial age, the effects of past wars and the fears of future ones, the trends in modern education, and numerous others. A realistic approach to the problem requires a searching examination of

the environments of the child to determine where conditions can be improved.

Two environments influence the behavior of the child more than all the others combined: the home, including religion, and the school. Correcting home conditions is exceedingly difficult because of the lack of uniformity of ideas, standards and discipline in millions of homes. It is largely an individual problem. Since many of the contributing causes are woven into the fabric of our modern way of life, real progress must be slow.

In the school environment, however, a rapid improvement could be effected. For generations, our public schools have been invaluable assets in the character training as well as in the education of our children. Second only to the home

in influence, they have saved many a child headed for disaster.

Here was authority above the home; here all children entered the classroom on an equal footing regardless of outside conditions; here standards could be uniform and maintained, and discipline could be enforced better than in the average home because of the impersonal and objective nature of the public school. It did a great job.

But about twenty years ago the Progressivists took over in New York City and all that has been changed. They revolutionized our educational system. Time-tested principles of education and training, evolved through centuries of actual experience, were scrapped for theories that were unsound and often fantastic.

First and foremost, the fundamental

purpose of our public schools was changed to give priority to social aims over time-tested courses in basic knowledge. The curriculum was revamped to stress the *socialization* rather than the education of the child. And as a part of the process the New Educationists visualized for our children a new social order, or new society, based largely on collectivism or statism.

For about three decades most of the nation's elementary and secondary public schools have been dominated by this Progressive-New Education with disastrous results. Our youth have gained many false impressions of life including the ideas that learning can be acquired without effort since, above all else, the child must be happy; that discipline was old-fashioned and unnecessary; that he should have unlimited self-expression; that fixed standards or criteria are obsolete; that the essence of human experience through the ages is less important than present activity or stimuli; that a child is capable of selecting his own courses; that promotions should be automatic and divorced from merit, etc. These are fallacies which always have failed because they violate the laws of human nature or common sense.

As a consequence of this bad leadership, many children see no need for real work. Discipline is not enforced and school authority has been dissipated. And the shocking defects in the acquisition of fundamental knowledge have caused countless failures and left scars of frustration of far-reaching importance.

Certainly educators should not be blamed for conditions beyond their control, including the forced attendance of teen-age hoodlums. But educational leadership must be responsible for its curricula, its policies, its administration and authority over the child in attendance. If the public school cannot produce the beneficial results of former generations, then the least we should expect is that school policies, however well intended, do not aggravate the parental problem of educating and controlling their children.

In a free society social aims are very important and certainly they have a place in our institutions of learning. But where social studies are made the "core of the curriculum," around which all other instruction must *be bent*, are we not putting the cart before the horse? After all, even after a child has been

socialized he still must be educated, if he is not to be handicapped through life and become a burden to society. Furthermore, there are other important institutions charged with the socializing process, particularly the church and the home.

For many generations the main purpose of the public school was to give the child a firm foundation in basic skills and sound character training—the essential *tools* for further education and a good chance to win his way in the world. The teacher's knowledge of his subject and his ability to teach it were of first importance. The New Educationists, however, deprecate subject matter, boasting that "we teach children, not subjects." Thus intellectual proficiency is subordinated to endless courses in pedagogy.

To an amazing extent the psychologists, sociologists and propagandists for pet ideologies have replaced the true schoolmen in guiding the destinies of our children. The liberal arts and other studies which develop intellectual discipline have been sacrificed on the altar of "functional education," life-adjustment and various social science courses. Under this program many school policies tend to discourage or undermine ambition, competition, hard work, discipline and respect for authority—attributes of good character training so essential to the war on juvenile delinquency.

Traditionally, our public school system has been a powerful ally of the community in discouraging youthful crime. It can be restored in large measure to that respected status if important corrective measures are taken. First, school boards, PTA's, teachers and citizens generally must realistically admit the tragic failure of the greater part of Progressive-New Education. Then they must remove the starry-eyed pedagogues and their specialists from the backs of the true and dedicated educators who are struggling valiantly to do a good job. And by all means, we should amend the laws which require regular school attendance until age 17, regardless of the unfitness of the pupil and his influence on the other pupils. Many misfit teen-agers have no use for school but could be interested in some kind of a job. They resent being forced to attend. They are constant troublemakers and

the worst-possible influence on other students.

These corrective measures will aid the school to be more effective in the war on juvenile delinquency. They will not solve the problem but they will be a long step in the direction of juvenile decency. And this would be a great boon to distressed parents and countless teachers who have seen the school work they once loved turned into a nightmare.

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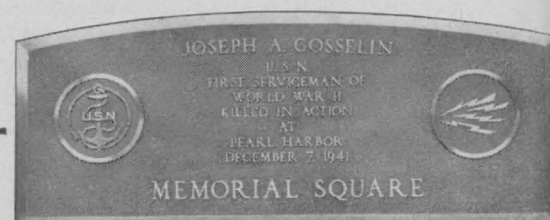
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