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**The PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE**

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WALTER G. STERLING  
President General

I am deeply grateful for the privilege of serving you and the National Society as President General, and earnestly seek your cooperation in performing this duty. The task is a formidable one, particularly in view of the many major problems facing our Nation. It is our obligation and it is our opportunity, as a patriotic society, to especially implement the resolutions of our 78th Congress, as well as those of all preceding congresses. If properly done, we can anticipate an increase in membership.

Carefully study the 78th Congress resolutions and, in them, you will find recommendations of great merit. One in particular, Number Five, has a suggested method to curtail much of the activity of the Federal Courts, especially when they assume jurisdiction in pure state affairs, such as criminal cases. You may ask, "What can I do as an individual member of the Society?". You can contact your Congressman personally or by letter urging his careful consideration of Resolution Five. Request his cooperation and action in this matter. Do this!

Study resolution Number Four. This touches on one of the most dangerous situations facing our Nation today. Again, you ask, "What can I do?". Most states have the necessary laws to cope with riots, arson and looting, but lack public officials with enough courage to enforce these laws. As a patriotic Society, almost 20,000 strong, mobilized for concerted action at National, State and local levels, urging officials to enforce the law, we can have a tremendous impact and produce results far greater than you might imagine. Try it!

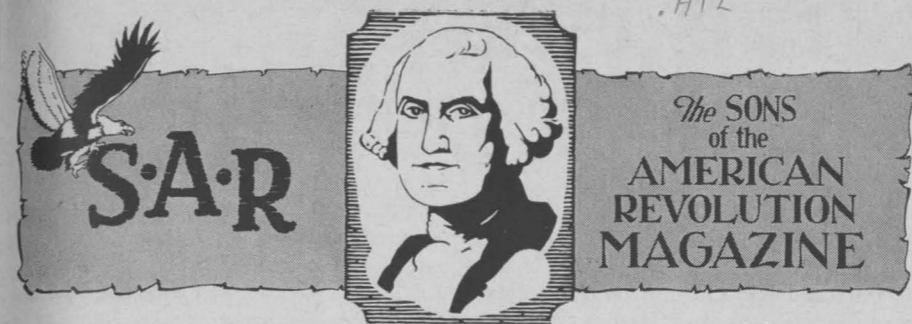
Study resolution Number Three. It may seem drastic, but why not call for the action it suggests? Our Surgeon General said that he was going to perfect a new surgical procedure: To remove a rubber spine and replace it with good hard backbone. If we exert our collective strength properly, we can strengthen and harden the backbone of many of our public officials. If they fail to enforce the laws they have sworn to uphold, insist they step aside in favor of those with the backbone to do the job. Implementing this resolution will take tact and courage on our part. We, the Sons of the American Revolution, should have the determination and wisdom to accomplish this. Conversation among ourselves is futile. It will take action, positive, intelligent and courteous. Try it!

Many of our compatriots have asked, "How can we attract new members, especially young men?". One solution is obvious, but will require a drastic change of habits and policies. Many chapters are dominated by a small group of retired compatriots who (and thanks to them for keeping our Society alive) are the most active members. Persuade them to devise programs interesting to young men. Inaugurate a policy of utilizing our medals and awards by giving them to deserving law enforcement officers, patriotic school teachers, other outstanding individuals and ROTC cadets. Whenever possible, the compatriot making the presentation should be one of the younger members. Appoint a different compatriot to make each award. When choosing chapter officers, charge the young compatriots with duties and responsibilities by electing them to an office. Advise and assist them, but do not dominate them. As your President General, I will be glad to help and illustrate, to those interested, the methods used successfully by other chapters. Try it!

In the official SAR hymn sung in the memorial service at each Congress, There is the phrase "We are the sons of valiant men". Those valiant men, our forefathers, faced problems equally serious as those we face today. What did they do? Did they adopt the attitude of "Let George do it" as many do today? No, they faced up to the problems; their solutions gave us the rights and freedoms we enjoy today. Are we, "the sons of valiant men" going to take it laying down, and lose our heritage? We must answer with a resounding and emphatic NO, and mean it. Let us replace jawbone with backbone. Go to work!

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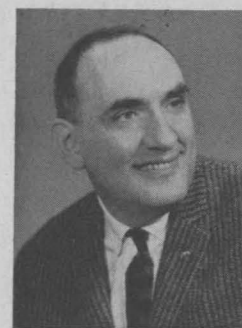
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EDITORIAL



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EDITOR

We Americans should reject and ignore the accusations of those individuals and governments who tell us that we are a "sick society". Much of this ridiculous outcry has resulted from the Kennedy assassinations, together with the King

murder. If these senseless crimes are the expressed basis for such a charge, we must examine the killers who are labeled representatives of our "sick society".

Little is yet known of the man who is accused of the King murder, except that he is an escaped convict.

Oswald was a rabid leftist, although that fact has been soft-pedaled by our liberal news media. This misfit forsook America and adopted our archenemy, atheistic Russia. In that "workers' paradise", he couldn't make the grade, even with Soviet government coddling. This individual then returned here, where he promptly actively affiliated with the red pro-Castro movement.

Sirhan isn't an American, and never was. He is a Jordanian citizen and ne'er-do-well who never indicated the slightest degree of interest in applying for U.S. Citizenship. As was Oswald, Sirhan is an outspoken and rabid leftist.

None of these killers showed an inclination to earn a place in decent society, although they were not denied the opportunity. None, by any intelligent or honest evaluation, are typical products of our American way of life. They, therefore, cannot be our valid representatives.

In my book, however, there IS a "sick society", and it is the same blood-drenched philosophy that points the finger of accusation. This vile doctrine polluted the minds of at least two of the murderers. The truly "sick society" that has contaminated most of the earth is communism. Our recognition and awareness of this supreme evil constitutes our very survival.

This editorial reflects the opinions of the Editor, and is not to be construed as the official view of the Sons of the American Revolution.

June 26, 1968  
National Society, SAR  
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Dear Members:

It was indeed a pleasure for me to attend your 78th Annual Congress in Williamsburg. You made me feel so much like one of the group, even though I am only the widow of a Past President General. I loved seeing all our friends again. I was terribly surprised to be given an orchid, and wore it very proudly, you may be sure.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to be able to send the enclosed check of \$500. in memory of my late husband, Herschel S. Murphy, to be applied to the Memorial Library Building Fund. It was his dream and hope that such an addition would one day become a reality.

Most sincerely,  
HELEN M. MURPHY

During the 78th Congress at Williamsburg, several compatriots joined in pledging donations to a building fund for a Memorial Library adjoining our National Headquarters. Within a surprisingly brief period, pledges were received for almost ten thousand dollars. At this writing, most of these pledges have been fulfilled by the donors' checks.

In the October issue, a complete listing of these generous members will appear, together with the names of those to whose memory the donations were made. If you wish to join this distinguished group, send your check in advance of the September 1st publication deadline.

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

by **ROBERT S. W. WALKER**  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Williamsburg, Virginia, where the Founding Fathers of this Nation formulated, debated and wrote into law those great principles upon which this Republic was founded, was the site of the 78th Annual Congress. A tremendous influx of compatriots from all parts of the Country descended on the Conference Center at the Williamsburg Lodge, headquarters of the Congress, to participate in the sessions held from June 16-19th inclusive. Attendance at the Congress was outstanding—setting an all-time high record of participation by 384 compatriots

At 4:00 p.m. the deeply-moving Memorial Service for compatriots departed during the preceding year was held in the Virginia and ABC Rooms with the President General presiding. The Service was conducted by the Rev. William Albert Fluck, D.D., Chaplain General of the Society who was assisted by Past President General Charles A. Anderson, M.D., Past Chancellor General W. Giles Parker; The Rev. Cotesworth P. Lewis, D.D., Rector, Bruton Parish Church (Colonial Williamsburg), and The Rev. James A. DeWeerd, Chaplain, Indiana Society. The combined rooms were filled to capacity and were beautifully decorated on either side by rows of all the

event was played the Processional Hymn "God of Our Fathers", after which the assemblage was led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Past President General Charles A. Anderson, M.D. Then came the National Anthem followed by the Invocation delivered by The Rev. William A. Fluck, D.D., the Chaplain General. The beautiful Service of Remembrance was conducted by Comp. W. Giles Parker, and in the course of his Memorial Address, he reminded his listeners that 480 compatriots had been lost to the Society during the preceding year, and though their absence was grievous, no National Officer had died during that period. The Memorial Message, "The

defended and that we must help to maintain it or we will lose it. It was a completely inspiring message for all present. Following the Memorial Message came the Official SAR Hymn, "We Are the Sons", with words composed by Comp., Mott R. Sawyers (at 98, the oldest SAR member in the Society) and present at the Congress. With the Retiring of the Colors; the Recessional Hymn "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"; the Benediction by the Chaplain General and Postlude by the organist, Mrs. Gwen Whitehurst, the beautiful Service concluded.



At 8:00 p.m. in the same Virginia and ABC Rooms, the always-inspiring Douglass G. High National Historical Oration Contest took place with 13 participants as speakers. The room was filled to capacity for this outstanding event. Comp. Austin R. Drew of Tampa, Florida, conducted, in his own inimitable manner, this highly-successful Contest. Time-keeper was Col. Herbert C. Roberts of the Florida Society, and judges were the following Compatriots: Carleton L. Banker (chairman) of the Illinois Society; A. Jackson Lawrence of the Oklahoma Society; David V. Prugh of the New Hampshire Society; Ralph J. Dunaven of the Louisiana Society and Robert S. W. Walker of the Arkansas Society. Competition was especially keen, and the judges had a demanding task in selecting the following as winners: Timothy F. George of Chattanooga, Tennessee High School (1st prize of \$350); together with the engraving of his name on the Edwin B. Graham Memorial Trophy; Richard F. Barber of Falls Church, Virginia (Thomas Jefferson High School), (2nd prize of \$250), and Mark F. Rogers of Provo, Utah High School (3rd prize of \$100). All the other partic-

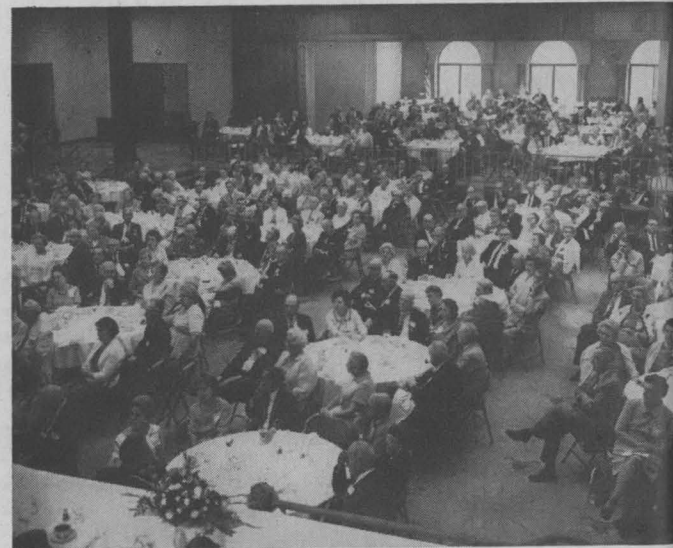
ipants received \$10, each with suitably-engraved money clips. These contestants were: Thomas D. Campbell of Wilmington, Del.; John Damiano of Roselle Park, N.J.; Michael D. Dammert of Erlanger, Ky.; Greg Fullerton of Albany, Ga.; Carl R. Garrison of Easley, S.C.; Alfred Glossbrenner of Canton, Ohio; Lee Harriss of Sanford, N.C.; Dennis M. Krenzien of St. Peterburg, Fla.; Vincent Phillips of South Bend, Ind. and George L. Sigeti, Jr. of Staten Island, N. Y.

On the next day, Monday, a luncheon was held at Noon in the same Virginia and ABC Rooms with the President General presiding. Principal speaker for this occasion was a noted Delawarean, Mrs. Dorothy A. Elston, President of the National Federation of Republican Women (1963-1967 inclusive), and associated with both the House and Senate Republican Campaign Committees. The distinguished speaker, who is listed in "Who's Who" and is a prominent member of a host of organizations, gave a remarkable, outstanding and inspiring talk—a review of the general decline in this Country of good, old-time patriotism with the erosion of those sacred principles upon which this great Republic was established under the Founding Fathers. In the course of her address, Mrs. Elston enumerated and emphasized many excellent points. She stated that while the future may learn from the past, and people have criticised patriotic societies for centering their thoughts so much in the past, it is only by such means that youth can look to the future; that freedom must be nourished, loved and protected; that it must be defended to be retained; that the finest government devised by Man was born during revolution; that the value of the individual has been undermined; that the Supreme Court has removed from our lives, by judicial edict, the name of the Diety. The eminent DAR member graphically described the scene of burning, pillaging, anarchy, violence and desecration of our Nation's Capitol. She stated that it has been the "little people" who have been hurt and assaulted, and whereas "Resurrection City" in Washington, D.C. was ostensibly created by the "Poor Peoples" Campaign to secure jobs, it was in fact the habitat of people who refused to work, preferring to live as parasites off federal relief. "Permissiveness", she described as a cancer on the American way of life, and that it encouraged the violation of law and order and the decent respect for its observance by both the student population and all other citizenry. She asked her hearers if they could recall when the "ghettos" were in all reality friendly neighborhoods one could safely visit; when criminals did, in fact, go to jail and politicians were

not averse to proclaiming patriotism; when people were proud of both their Flag and their Country; when July the 4th and patriotic holidays were really 'holy' days, with the outpouring of public affection as expressed through speeches, parades, etc., rather than by the public patronization "cut-rate" sales by commercial houses; when citizens expected less and valued more any personal sacrifice in the cause of freedom, and America was indeed the "Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave" Enthusiastic and sincere applause marked the conclusion of this splendid address.



That evening, in the same Virginia and ABC Rooms "Recognition Night" was appropriately observed. This moving ceremony always attracts widespread interest and attendance, this night was no exception, for every seat was taken. Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward presided as Master of Ceremonies in announcing awards to compatriots performing outstanding service to the Society during the preceding year. The program began with the bestowal of the Minute Man Award, the highest the National Society can grant to any compatriot whose personal achievement on the National level has been preeminent. Five compatriots received this Award, as follows: Neil A. Cameron, Michigan Society; Eugene C. McGuire, Ohio Society; Ryall S. Morgan, Alabama Society; Graham T. Smallwood, Jr., D. C. Society, and Warren S. Woodward of the Empire State Society. During this part of the program all recipients (both present and past) were seated up on the platform. Following this significant part of the ceremonies awards to state and chapter organizations were made as follows: the President General's Cup to the George Washington Chapter of the Virginia Society, for the most complete presentation

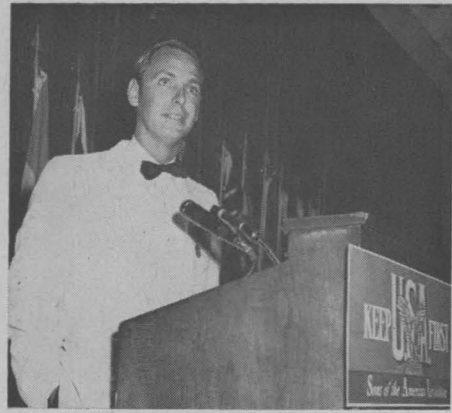


accompanied by some 238 wives and guests for a total attendance of 622. Responsibility for the great success of this Congress must go to the Virginia (host) Society Arrangement Committee composed of the following: Donald Baldwin, Chairman; Braxton H. Tabb, Jr., Memorial Service; Lt. Cdr. Frank I. Nulton, U.S.N, Military Arrangements and Publicity; Joseph H. Cottrell, Registration; Robert V. H. Duncan, Distinguished Guests; Col. Richard Whitlock, Photography; Mrs. Donald Baldwin, Hostesses, and E. Turpin Phillips and J. William Siegfried, Jr., Favors.

The Annual Congress was officially opened Sunday, June 16, (following the preceding evening's Virginia Society Reception held in the North Gallery at 9:00 p.m. for delegates, alternates, members and their guests.)

colorful state flags brought to the Congress through the indefatigable and conscientious efforts of Comp. Charles A. Anderson, M.D. The Service began with a very beautiful organ prelude played by Mrs. Gwen Whitehurst. This was followed by a most impressive "march-in" of a 44-man military detachment representing the Army (from Fort Monroe, Virginia); the Navy and Marine Corps (from the Yorktown, Virginia, Weapons Station), and the Air Force (from Langley Field, Virginia). This entire detachment, including the United States Marine Corps Color Guard, was under the command of Lt. Cdr. Frank J. Nulton, U.S.N. of the Virginia Society, SAR. Especially effective in the Presentation of The Colors was this procession of all other detachment troops who were Color bearers of state flags. Following this

Price of Freedom" delivered by the Chaplain General, The Rev. William A. Fluck, D.D., was most impressive. He stated to his listeners that they were most privileged to be on patriotic, sacred ground where two Governors, Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry had trod and that here was the site of the first communion service (in 1607) on this side of the Atlantic. "Will the 4th of July be celebrated this year", the speaker asked "as reverently as in the past or will it be only observed as another holiday for fun and amusement only?" He reminded all present we were not born under dictatorship, and how precious indeed is the possession of freedom. Dr. Fluck deplored the fact that people do not seem to want to maintain freedom any more; stated that we must work to keep it alive; that liberty won must be



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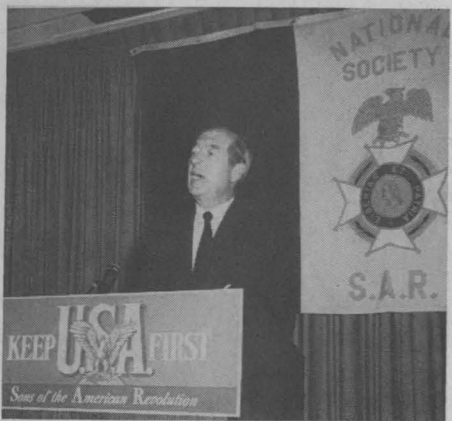
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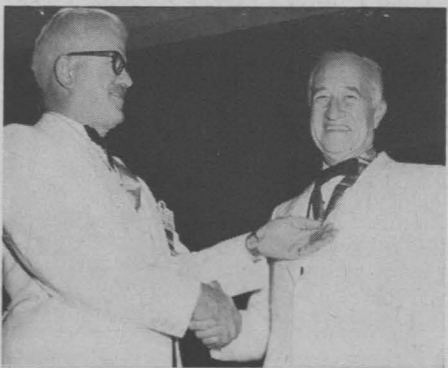
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of patriotic activities in its community during the preceding year; the Allene Wilson Groves Americanism Award to the New York Chapter of the Empire State Society, for having the best record of implementing the resolutions of an Annual Congress; the Senator Robert A. Taft Award to the Empire State Society, for enrolling the greatest number of new members (122) for the year ending March 31, 1968; the Colorado Society Award to the Wisconsin Society, for achieving the highest percentage increase (20%) in new members during the fiscal year among those societies having more than 100 members; the Texas Society Award to the Arkansas Society for securing the highest percentage increase (19½%) of new members in any state society having less than 100 members; the Syracuse Chapter Award to the Kentucky Society for instituting the greatest number of new chapters(3) during the fiscal year, April 1, 1967, through March 31, 1968; the Ohio Society Award to the Pennsylvania Society for enrolling the



for the House Committee on Un-American Activities, accompanied the Committee on all of its hearings, including those in San Francisco in 1960 when student demonstrations and rioting were staged. It will be recalled that Mr. Lewis, present on this occasion, was named by the HCUA as narrator and technical director of the motion picture documentary "Operation Abolition." Prior to his address, Mr. Lewis was awarded the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal by Pres. Gen. Smith for his distinguished, patriotic service in the national interest.



greatest number of new members (43) under 30 years of age; the Arthur G. Trimble Trophy to the West Virginia Society for reinstating the most former members, and the S.A.R. Magazine Cup (a new Award donated to the National Society by National Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward) to the Arkansas Society for rendering the greatest cooperation to the SAR Magazine during the preceding year. Leading the individual awards was the Florence G. Kendall Award to Comp. J. Vernon Hardcastle of Kentucky, for sponsoring the largest number of new applications (46) during the fiscal year April 1, 1967— March 31, 1968, inclusive. Following the bestowal of these awards, suitable honors in the form of gold-enameled pins, SAR souvenir china, and Certificates of Distinguished Service were given those compatriots sponsoring 10 or more new members.

The next evening, a gala banquet held in the Virginia and ABC Rooms with famed commentator Fulton Lewis III as the principal speaker. It was a rare privilege for all present to hear the excellent address of one who, as Research Analyst

A most pleasurable and distinctive feature of this evening's program was the appearance and performance of the Williamsburg Quintet, a group of colored singers, which was composed of the following: Clifton Gardner, Levi Stephens, Lisbern Gerst, Roosevelt Harris, and Joseph Wallace which has sung negro spirituals for many distinguished visitors to Williamsburg. Especially effective were these selections: "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny;" "Good New Chariot Comin;" "Old Time Religion;" "My Old Kentucky Home;" "Down By The Riverside;" "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," and "Hail, Hail, I Brought My Daddie Home."

The address of Mr. Lewis was superb in every way—informative, thought-provoking and extremely interesting to all who heard it. He stated that, at no time in its history, has this Nation faced such serious times; that it is difficult to analyze the alarming student trends in this country; that some people too easily try to define this disruption of law and order as communism when, in fact, it is

only a part of the problem of this social misbehavior; that unquestionably communism, which has exploited our national problems, is involved and that the American people are to blame for their apathy and permissiveness in allowing universal law-breaking to exist and flourish. He emphasized this was a land of great opportunity, and questioned what kind of a society we had created for those recently born and the yet unborn. He also declared that the almost complete socialistic system under which we now operate penalizes incentive through innumerable welfare programs. He reminded us we were born into a Nation we were told held great promise of hope and glory for those privileged to be its citizens. He questioned the validity of such hope in a Nation saddled with a huge public debt; with the dollar depreciated in value through the disastrous inroads of inflation and where crime has multiplied eight times faster than the population. Mr. Lewis informed his listeners that there are some ninety million Americans under 30 years of age who have never seen their Nation victorious in battle, and that American prestige is

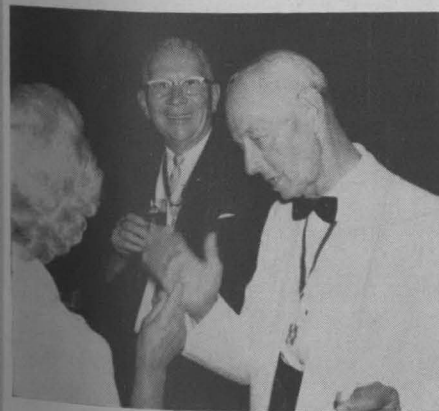


now at an all-time low throughout the world. He questioned where the student of to-day derived his disrespect for law and order. He cited students efforts to evade the draft, and declared that these are the people, perhaps more than any others, who need military training. He condemned the general attitude of many citizens that it is his constitutional right to live off of someone else's labor, and questioned whether or not this was, in fact, not "stealing". He deplored the fact that the Nation to-day is becoming one gigantic "Berkeley" with every citizen controlled and buffeted about by federal computerization—the most vivid example of socialism in practice, where people have become servants of a government now their master. Blamed by Mr. Lewis for the attitude of the students of to-day was the neglect and "permissiveness" of today's parents in a country where our Bill of Rights has been construed as a permissive document, and where politicians have forgotten that the law should not be "color blind." One final admonition



the speaker left with his attentive listeners: "We will only be a republic so long as we work to make and keep it so; it does not belong to the people to-day."

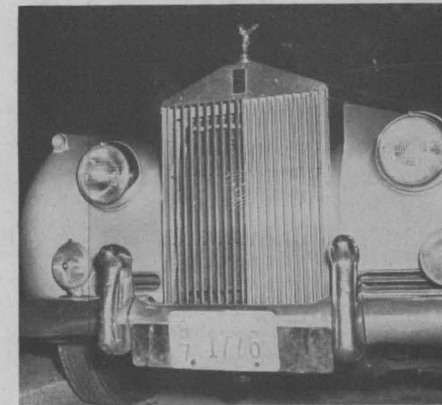
The following evening, the President General's Banquet was held in the same room. It was preceded by a reception held in the North and East Galleries. There was a tremendous turn-out for this final event of the Congress. His Excellency, Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller of Arkansas, Chairman of the Board of Colonial Williamsburg, and member of the Arkansas Society, SAR, who had been escorted to the Conference Center by Compatriots Donald Baldwin, Virginia Society (Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements); Robert V. H. Duncan, President-Elect of the Virginia Society, and Robert S. W. Walker, Arkansas Society National Trustee and past Librarian General NSSAR, was seated at the head table. A most delightful event following the commencement of the Banquet was the excellent entertainment provided by a trio of instrumental singers costumed in 18th Century apparel. Their rendition of the ballads and secular music of that period were most thoroughly enjoyed. This trio was comprised of the following: Taylor Vrooman, Cecil Houck, and Dennis Cogle. Following this musical interlude President General Smith took occasion to inform the assemblage that the William Y. Pryor Award given for the



largest delegate attendance at the Congress had been won by the Pennsylvania Society's. A further highlight of the evening's ceremonies were the bestowal on the newly-elected President General, Compatriot Walter G. Sterling of Texas, of the Messmore Kendall Ring (once worn by Gen. George Washington) by the outgoing President General, Comp. Len Young Smith who, in addition, turned over his gavel to the former. Following this came the administering of the oath of office to the newly-elected general officers and national trustees. The new general officers who, in addition to the new President General, took the oath of office were as follows: Austin R. Drew, Secretary General; Eugene C. McGuire, Treasurer General; J. Merle Brallier, Registrar General; Robert G. Luckey, Historian General; Lynn D. Sprankle, Genealogist General; Rev. William A. Fluck, D.D., Chaplain General; Marion H. Crawmer, Chancellor General; Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr., Librarian General, and Ray W. Mettetal, M.S., Surgeon General. Sworn in as Cice Presidents General for the districts named were the following: Col. LeRoy M. Glodell, New England District; J. Neil Arrington, North Atlantic District; Harold E. Wilmoth, Mid Atlantic District; Robert B. Cook, South Atlantic District; Donald R. Fraser, Southern District; Robert D. Short, Central District; Max W. Camp, Great Lakes District; Rev. Joseph B. Head, North Mississippi District; Edward L. Westbrooke, South Mississippi District; Col. A. D. Chapman, Rocky Mountain District; Edwin F. Slabaugh, Inter Mountain District; John W. Townsley, Western District; Penn C. Crum, Pacific District, and Comte Patrice de Rochambeau, Foreign District. Following the swearing-in ceremonies was the presentation by the out-going President General, Comp. Smith, of the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal to the distinguished principal speaker, Governor Rockefeller, for his many patriotic and philanthropic contributions. Compatriot Rockefeller then addressed the assemblage with an outstanding and noteworthy speech. The eminent Yale Alumnus, possessor of a distinguished record of service in World War II, expressed the wish and hope that those who had come to Williamsburg would especially note the Restoration as now represented by Colonial Williamsburg and which had been initiated by his father, Compatriot John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in 1953. He declared that, as of July 1 of this year, the scope of the restoration of Williamsburg would have been doubled; that the small City was the very symbol of democratic government; that Williamsburg attracts and causes many



visitors to rededicate themselves to the cause of freedom—a place where stimulating and intellectual discussions of noted persons can be held amid the quietly academic surroundings as exemplified by William and Mary College. He stated further that all Americans should look critically at themselves and their society; that they could choose between hope and despair or defeat; that they should seriously contemplate the high price of liberty; that, in retrospect, it should be remembered that England, too, in 1775 was greatly divided; that the exercise of despotic power in inconsistent with the safety and welfare of our Country. He went on to briefly enumerate the troublous problems of the Revolutionary War era. He said that we have dwelt all too long on our vast riches and resources—that we do not think enough of our responsibilities! He stressed that we must not give up hope in our youth; it is up to us to work, guide and listen to them. He called attention to the fact that, with Patrick Henry, it was "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death"! whereas to the youth of to-day, it is, in effect, "Give Me Freedom from Responsibility" The masterful address ended on an optimistic



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THE WILLIAMSBURG CONGRESS**

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hope for the future, with the expressed belief that America will, in the final analysis, move forward with dignity and responsibility, subject only to the united efforts of all Country loving citizens to accomplish this purpose.

Noted personages, in addition to the Speaker, present at the head table were: President General and Mrs. Len Young Smith; Secretary General Samuel K. Houston; Treasurer General and Mrs. Harry F. Morse; Registrar General and Mrs. J. Merle Brallier; Historian General and Mrs. O. M. Wilson; Genealogist General Lynn D. Sprankle; Chancellor General and Mrs. Marion H. Cramer; Chaplain General and Mrs. William A. Fluck; Librarian General Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr.; Surgeon General Roy W. Benton, M.D. and Mrs. Benton; Vice President General and Mrs. George T.

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With the conclusion of the Invocation following the Speaker's address, the 78th Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution was adjourned "sine die"—the most successful and largely-attended Congress in the entire history of the National Society S.A.R.

## COLLAPSE OF THE WILL TO GOVERN:

### THE IMPACT OF THE NIHILIST REVOLUTION

Nineteen sixty-eight is the year that the consequences of permissiveness in American education and public policy are illustrated by widening chaos at home and increasing weakness abroad. It also is the year in which an American President, bowing to noisy critics representing only a small minority of Americans, announced that he would not seek reelection because his policy of limited war in Vietnam had "divided" the American people. The exponents of withdrawal and appeasement rejoiced at their success. In this same year, many of America's great cities have been set afire and public streets have turned into battlegrounds. Meanwhile, in the universities there has been leftwing lawlessness similar to the book-burning on German campuses in the Nazi era.

Where is the storm of indignation? Where is the outrage? What is it that ails us? Why cannot the majority of our people make their feelings felt?

In the United States, France, Germany, Italy—in all the pillars of Western civilization—there is a spirit of revolution in the land. But this is no healthy rising of liberty against tyranny. Its aim is to overthrow law and authority and to substitute anarchy. Its methods, whether in the universities or the streets, require denial of the will of the majority and its replacement by a dictatorship of the militant few. The majority of law-abiding citizens is to be swept aside because it is no longer "with" history.

The great majority of Americans is indeed outraged by the arrogant posturing and ever-escalating, obviously insatiable demands of the revolutionaries. But this majority is largely silent. It does not fight back.

The reason is to be found in the leaders of the Establishment. They have neither the ideological conviction nor the moral fortitude to fight back. They offer platitudes and appeals instead of leadership and action. They suffer the law to be broken in the name of "freedom" and mobs to rampage unchallenged in the name of the sanctity of human life. They have lost, in short, the most essential quality of government—the will to govern. They don't understand what is at the root of anarchy—the spirit and doctrine of nihilism. This is the concept that all traditional beliefs and values are unfounded and must be destroyed. America must understand and counter-attack nihilism if it is to survive.

The term nihilism first became widely known in 1860 when the Russian novelist Ivan Tugeniev applied it to the concepts of the Hegelian Slavophiles whom he accused of a desire to destroy everything. The declared nihilist purpose was stated by Mikhail Bakunin in the 1868 manifesto of the International Democratic Socialist Alliance "Brethren, I come to announce unto you a new gospel, which must penetrate to the very ends of the world. The old world must be destroyed and replaced by a new one. . . . Our first work must be destruction and annihilation of everything as it now exists."

Exactly a century later, the zealous inheritors of Bakunin's nihilist vision are at work in the United States, France, West Germany and other free societies of the western world.

The extent to which nihilistic ideas and impulses have captured the minds and imagination of radical youth is revealed in the wave of riots and campus disturbances on both sides of the Atlantic. Like the Russian nihilists of the 1860's, the nihilists of today—the occupiers of Columbia University and the Sorbonne—profess to stand for honesty, justice and equality. But in all their operations they force their will upon others. When they raise the black flag of anarchy, close down universities and raise barricades in the streets, they deny to others exercise of free choice.

In examining the nihilist upheaval in our times, it is well to begin with the professed goals and objectives of the radicalized youth. They say that they desire to create a new state in which human relations are advanced in every sphere of state activity. They urge the break-up of monolithic state power. They demand that the gap be closed between the people and authority. They insist that they are in revolt against a consumer-oriented society that allegedly mutes the true interests of human beings. These ideas and demands are couched in the language of contemporary nihilism, the "newspeak," with its heavy use of such words as "involved," "engaged" and "committed."

How seriously can law and order-oriented Americans regard these and other demands for "direct democracy" or for "participatory politics," as the protesters sometimes say?

Certainly, a good measure of direct democracy is desirable. But the campus nihilists have no monopoly on faith in such procedures. The New England Town Meeting is an ancient, worthy institution. This does not mean, however,

that the entire United States of America can be operated on the basis of a continuous town meeting.

"Participatory politics is another concept to which the nihilists can't claim a patent. For decades, responsible community and national leaders have urged greater public participation in political affairs, including registration and voting. One reason America's political stability has suffered in recent years is that many responsible voters have stayed at home on election day and allowed the herded blocks of voters to be dispatched to the polls like sheep.

The new nihilists speak of the rigidity of conventional structures in the United States. Actually, the United States has a highly flexible, multi-layered political structure. Unlike France, which is tightly centralized, the United States is a union of fifty states, each with its own administrative structure. The American states constitute fifty laboratories in government. Thus, on examination, the nihilist complaints against the American "Power Structure" are invalid.

The maze of committees and collectives that thrive on campuses and in slum areas of big cities, both in the United States and Western Europe, mask their real objectives and intentions in their criticism of existing free societies. The West German nihilists, such as those who rioted after the shooting of "Red" Rudi Dutschke this spring, come close to revealing their goals when they refer to themselves as an "extra-parliamentary opposition." Obviously, the protest elements believe that parliaments and congresses are moribund and seek their destruction. Thus the real objective of the nihilists in the United States, for example, is not the control of a few campuses or any radical "restructuring" of university life but the end of representative government.

Direct sharing of decision making has a superficial appeal to some people who haven't considered the nature of the state or the history of self-government. Indeed this is a classic socialist goal—the establishment of myriad "soviets" or workers and student councils. The nihilists of today simply add to this old conception the new idea of utilizing computers to register the current will of the people on every piece of legislation and every policy, thereby eliminating the institutions of representative government.

The ancients, in their wisdom, rejected this type of direct democracy, not because of inadequate communications in classical times but because it would have



On Flag Day, June 14th, the Eagle Rock Chapter, Idaho Society, SAR, represented by Past Vice Pres. Gen. John R. Gobble, presented the SAR Good Citizenship Medal to the

Idaho Falls Post Register. The Newspaper's General Manager, Mr. John P. McDermott, accepted the award for the Publication. For years, the Newspaper has continually promoted the display of our Flag, and sold flags at cost. This year, on the day before Memorial Day and Independence Day, the Newspaper included a full-page flag in color. The opposite side contained no advertising or printing. Readers were urged to display this paper flag in their front window, in the event that they did not possess a cloth flag. The results were tremendous, with the symbol of our Country in evidence throughout the City of Idaho Falls and surrounding area. At the presentation ceremonies are shown (l to r): Mayor S. E. Pedersen, Post Register Gen. Mgr. Edwin F. McDermott, Past Vice Pres. Gen. John R. Gobble, SAR, Chamber of Commerce Manager Bob Steiling and Mr. Louis Decker representing the American Legion.

### Captions for Photos on Pages 4 & 5

1. Fulton Lewis 3rd, Tuesday Banquet Speaker.
2. C.A.R. National President Thomas W. Scott.
3. Hon. Thomas N. Downing, M.C., representing Gov. Godwin of Va.
4. Congress Arrangements Chairman Donald Baldwin.
5. Mrs. Wilson K. Barnes, Organizing Secretary General, representing the National Society, DAR.
6. Virginia Society President Charles R. Hough.
7. Mrs. John V. Buffington, Virginia State Regent, DAR.
8. Mrs. Dorothy A. Elston, Tuesday Luncheon Speaker.
9. Dr. H. M. Stryker, Mayor of Williamsburg, Va.
10. Gov. Rockefeller admires Librarian Gen. Smallwood's Minuteman Award.
11. President General Walter C. Sterling awards the William Y. Pryor Award to Penn. Society President Donald E. Lathrop (lt) as Gov. Rockefeller looks on.
12. Oration Contest Austin R. Drew awards the First Prize \$350 check to T. Francis George of Chattanooga, Tenn.
13. Richard F. Barber of Falls Church, Va., receives the Second Prize \$250 check.
14. Mark F. Rogers of Provo, Utah, receives the Third Prize \$100 check.
15. N. Y. State V. P. Harry S. Schanck (rt) and Penna. Society Pres. Donald E. Lathrop accept the Len Young Smith Award from Past President Gen. & Mrs. L. Y. Smith.
16. Dr. Albert W. Munson, N. Y. State V. P. (lt), is honored for obtaining 31 new members in 1 year.
17. Minuteman Award Winner Ryall S. Morgan (rt) with escort, Past President Gen. Horace Y. Kitchell.
18. Minuteman Award Winner Eugene C. McGuire (rt) with escort, Past President Gen. Charles A. Anderson, M.D.
19. George Washington Chapter Pres. Braxton H. Tabb (lt) of Va. is awarded the President General's Cup.
20. Minuteman Award Winner Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. (lt) with escort, Past President Gen. (Admiral) Arthur A. de la Houssaye.
21. Minuteman Award Winner Neil A. Cameron (lt) with escort, Past President Gen. Robert L. Sonfield.
22. Minuteman Award Winner W. S. Woodward (rt) with escort, Honorary President Gen. Harold L. Putnam.
23. Georgia Society Secty-Treas. T. G. Linticum is honored for outstanding membership recruiting efforts.



The State Societies of Tennessee, Virginia, Utah, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Kentucky, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Ohio, North Carolina and Indiana may well be proud of their Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest finalists, shown here with Contest Director Austin R. Drew.

turned government into an expression of transitory emotion. Yet this is what the New Left really wants in the United States and Europe: government by plebiscite, or plebiscitary democracy. If such a system were adopted in any free country, it would be the end of liberty under law.

Bertrand de Jouvenel, the French writer on government, has warned that such a system of extreme participatory politics would "become the expression of the passions of the moment." It is timely to bear in mind that one of the chief advocates of government by plebiscite in the 20th century was Adolf Hitler. Had the Weimar Republic possessed a "power structure" more solidly based in the rule of law, Hitler would not have been able to translate a state of unrest and a mood of rebellion into a regime of colossal tyranny.

In reading the comments made by leaders of the Students for Democratic Society and other nihilistic groups, it is not hard to understand that the demands for "participatory politics" are but a euphemism for minority dictatorship.

The demonstrators at Columbia University, for example, didn't seek to discover and implement the will of the entire student body. The majority of students wanted to continue their classwork. What happened at Columbia was that a small minority of militants, claiming to be the authentic voice of student power, declared war on the established order and seized positions of power. This is the classic pattern of all revolutions—control and domination by a ruthless

minority in the name of the majority.

The behavior of the new nihilists exposes the emptiness of their professed idealism. A true idealist concerned with human relations does not throw stones at policemen or burn other people's automobiles to form a flaming barrier. One who is interested in liberating constructive energies does not use the office of a university president as a latrine. Those who are sincere in their complaints about "police brutality" do not engage in "student brutality" towards police. Those who say that they want an unexploited, creative society do not make heroes of Mao Tse-tung, "Che" Guevara and Ho Chi Minh — symbols of repressive regimes. And those who are honest when they urge tolerance of dissent are not likely to show complete intolerance for those who assent to the values of a free society.

In the disorders of our era are several elements. There is a form of revolutionary romanticism, a playing with extremism. These innocents surely will discover, as history shows, that revolution eats its children. There is intellectual deterioration, which shows up in the reliance on buttons, posters and slogans and in the cult of secondary personalities such as "Red" Danny Cohn-Bendit in France and Mark Rudd in the United States. But there also is a neurotic, poisoned atmosphere in the nihilist movement and organizations—a true darkness of the spirit such as characterized the Nazi movement. In the writing and speeches of the more extreme demonstrators, both on campus and in the streets, is the threat to lynch

civilization. The campuses disturbances are only one component in the situation. Equally alarming are such situations as the recent one in which a rabble of shouting protesters from the camp-in at Washington abused and threatened the Attorney General of the United States.

The communists are not the originators of the nihilist revolution. They do, in most cases, control it. Moreover, the nihilists employ the communist vocabulary and tactics. And the communists are the ones who ultimately profit from the work of the nihilists.

The nihilist movement offers a dead end to America's free society. It asks for toleration so that it can engage in the wrecking of the country. Already excessive toleration has resulted in the burning of cities, the paralysis of universities and the necessary emplacement of machine guns on Capitol Hill. Tolerance is not only desirable public virtue. Prudence also is a requisite of a civilized state. No matter what the cause or what the rationale offered for disorder, lawlessness cannot be permitted or condoned. The extremist behavior of demonstrators already has created an intolerable atmosphere in the United States. The American Republic is in process of demolition from within at the hands of small cadres of militant wreckers. If mobocracy is not to become the American form of government, a stop must be put to the work of the nihilists. And the United States must find a new leadership that is not afraid to exercise responsibility.

American Security Council WASHINGTON REPORT, 6/24/ 1968.

## RESOLUTIONS

### Resolution No. 1

A Resolution to declare the political and economic rights which protect the dignity and freedom of the individual, and what is deemed necessary to implement such rights.

WHEREAS, the great message of the American Revolutionists of 1776 to the world was that the State exists for the people, not the people for the State; that the human dignity of the individual means something and must always be fiercely protected by Courts and juries from governmental oppression, and from every form of tyranny over the mind of man; and

WHEREAS, to understand and maintain this American way of life, by exemplary conduct, and to pass it intact to succeeding generations, is the responsibility of every true American; and

WHEREAS, the political and economic rights which protect the dignity and freedom of the individual include:

- The right to worship God in one's own way.
- The right to free speech and press.
- The right to petition for redress of grievances.
- The right of habeas corpus, and no excessive bail.
- The right to trial by jury under the doctrine that everyone is innocent until proven guilty.
- The right to move about freely and safely at home and abroad.
- The right to own and enjoy property, in peaceful possession, free of governmental interference, and fear of rioting, burning, and looting.
- The right of every law abiding citizen to keep and bear arms to protect his person and property, without the necessity of registering any weapon.
- The right to free elections and personal secret ballot.
- The right to work in callings and localities of our choice.
- The right to bargain with our employers and employees.
- The right to go into business to compete and make a profit.
- The right to contract our affairs.
- The right to the service of government as a protector and referee.
- The right to freedom from arbitrary government regulation and control.

WHEREAS, there is in this declaration of rights, for which our ancestors struggled, the greatness of truth.

To further implement these rights and declarations, we unequivocally support:

1. The voluntary reading of the Holy Bible and the voluntary offering of prayers in our schools.
2. The rights of the States, to exercise their sovereign powers, not specifically granted to the federal government.
3. A strict separation of powers amongst the legislative, judicial and executive branches of the federal government, as set out in the Constitution.
4. A stable currency necessary to secure the fruit of the labor and thrift of all persons at all levels of society because massive inflation results first in the loss of those fruits, and then in the destruction of free institutions. Therefore, we urge a speedy return to a fiscal policy based on a sound dollar freely convertible into gold.
5. The fact that a popular government need not fear individuality among either its citizens or its component parts—states, cities and towns—deplore the trend toward reduction of all personalities and differences among men and places to numbers and uniformity.

Presented by the Resolutions Committee to the 78th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at Williamsburg, Virginia. Adopted June 19, 1968.

6. The obligation of the state and federal governments to resist all attempt by any group to enforce their demands through violation of law.

7. The obligation of the Government to afford impartial determination of the causes of civil disturbances and riots even though they may be caused by minimum wage laws limiting employment, or mismanagement of urban renewal programs.

8. Adherence to the Monroe Doctrine in the right and duty of the United States to protect itself, its people, and this hemisphere from invasion, infiltration, and subversion by foreign forces.

9. A careful study and application of the admonitions of George Washington contained in his farewell address to the American people.

### Resolution No. 2

Whatever the origins of our commitment to the people of Vietnam, Korea, Australia, New Zealand, the Phillipine Republic, Malaysia, Thailand and other states of Asia, we are now so committed, and *must* in consequence, order affairs as Americans have in the past; achieve victory with the least possible loss of life in the shortest possible time and then to speed rebuilding; also that our present course is one that leads our enemies to believe us incapable of resisting attack and thereby encourages them to take liberties with American lives and property such as the seizure of the U.S.S. Pueblo and her crew demonstrated. We recall that lack of definite response to the sinking of the U.S.S. Panay was followed four years later by the attack on Pearl Harbor, and urge that we respond to this attack as our forefathers did to the depredations of the Algerian and Tunisian pirates.

### Resolution No. 3

WHEREAS, the oath of office required of high officials of the legislative, judicial and executive branches of the government of the United States, obligates such officials to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, against all foes, both domestic and foreign, without exception; and

WHEREAS, many of these same officials have demonstrated, both by word and deed, their unwillingness to abide by their historically established sworn duty;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution urges the immediate removal of any public official who violates his sacred oath of office by failing or refusing to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against any domestic or foreign foe.

### Resolution No. 4

Recognizing that waves of rioting, arson, looting and other lawlessness have spread across this nation, and recognizing that the most effective deterrent is firm and speedy action against law violations,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we call upon the President, Attorney General, and law enforcement officers of Government at every level—Federal, State, and local—to take firm and vigorous action, using all such force as the occasion requires against those who threaten, incite, or take part in such lawlessness, to the end that every citizen of this country shall enjoy peace, protection, and safety to his person and



The new Daytona Ormond Chapter, Florida Society, SAR, celebrates Charter Presentation ceremonies. (l to r): State Vice Pres. Marshall E. Barton, Registrar T. Edward Sossmon, Secretary Joseph L. Lamberson, Registrar Col. Robert B. Johnson, Vice Pres. A. Clay Roquemore, President Dr. Mondel E. Butterfield, Vice President C. Kyle Slaughter and Exec. Secty. W. S. Woodward.

An elder statesman is someone who can remember when the U.S. was stronger than countries like North Vietnam and North Korea.

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That this firm policy be publicly resolved by officials of all governments, beginning with the President of the United States, and

That the United States Congress and State Legislatures enact all additional laws needed to provide the most complete and effective means for the apprehension, arrest, prosecution, conviction and punishment of the lawless.

#### Resolution No. 5

Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the United States, and Lower Federal Courts.

WHEREAS, Article III of the Constitution of the United States gives plenary power to the Congress of the United States over the Appellate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the United States, which has original jurisdiction conferred by the Constitution only over suits between States and suits involving Ambassadors, Ministers of Foreign governments and Consuls, and

WHEREAS, Article III gives complete and plenary jurisdiction over the jurisdiction of the Lower Federal Courts; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States provides that the Congress shall have the power to enforce that amendment by appropriate legislation, it being intended that any limitations set forth in Section 1 of the amendment upon the several States be specifically spelled out and limited by appropriate legislation by Congress, which has from time to time been accomplished by the Congress in the various Civil Rights Acts; and

WHEREAS, there has occurred during the past thirty years and even before, a substantial increase in Federal power by what, in the opinion of many, has been a misconstruction of the provisions of the Fourteenth Amendment by a majority of the Supreme Court from time of time, all contrary to the public interest and resulting in an unwarranted transfer of the powers of the several States to the jurisdiction of the Federal Government and of its Courts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States give careful consideration to the need for appropriate legislation under Article III and Section 5 of the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States to restrict the jurisdiction of the lower Federal courts and of the Appellate Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the United States in the enforcement under the Fourteenth Amendment of the provisions of the Civil Rights Acts and that no Federal Court exercise any other jurisdiction under the Fourteenth Amendment.

#### Resolution No. 6

A Resolution to express appreciation for assistance rendered to the 78th Congress.

WHEREAS, the 78th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has resulted most successfully in every respect; and

WHEREAS, much of the credit for these fine results is due to many individuals and our appreciation should be extended to them; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution hereby expresses its grateful appreciation to President General Len Young Smith and to his charming and devoted wife, Helen, for the faithful performance by him of the arduous duties of his high office and the gracious giving of their talents to his outstanding administration; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That our special com-

grateful appreciation to our Executive Secretary, Warren S. Woodward, his wife Gisela and their daughter Priscilla, his staff, and all officers, committee chairmen, and members, and others who prepared and took part in the splendid program of this Congress; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That our special commendation and thanks for their services and greetings are extended also to the following named persons and organizations:

The United States Army and Air Force for furnishing the Color Guard; Honorable Thomas N. Downing, Congressman from the State of Virginia, representing the Governor of Virginia; Dr. H. M. Stryker, Mayor of the City of Williamsburg; Mrs. Wilson K. Barnes, Organizing Secretary General of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, representing Mrs. Erwin F. Seimes, President General; Mr. Thomas Walter Scott, National Society, National President of the Children of the American Revolution; and Mrs. John Victor Buffington, State Regent, Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution;

The management of staff of Colonial Williamsburg, and especially Mrs. Virginia Edwards of the Conference Center;

Mrs. Dorothy A. Elston for her address at Luncheon on Monday;

Mr. Fulton Lewis, III, for his address on Tuesday evening;

His Excellency, Winthrop Rockefeller, Governor of the State of Arkansas, for his address on Wednesday evening, and Compatriot Donald W. Baldwin and the members of his Committee and Members of the Virginia Society for their contributions to the Congress;

Mrs. Donald W. Baldwin for her efforts as Chairwoman of the Hostess Committee;

Past President General Charles A. Anderson, M.D., for arranging the display of S. Hubbard Scott's collection of Historical, State, and Territorial Flags belonging to the Ohio Society.

Williamsburg Chapter, Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution; and Compatriot Richard A. Whitlock (who served as official photographer throughout the Congress).

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, in this 78th Annual Congress assembled, on conclusion hereby expresses its sincere and lasting appreciation and gratitude to all of those above-named (and to all others not expressly named) who together contributed in so many ways to the ultimate success of this Congress.



A view showing some of the several hundred compatriots and their guests who attended the colorful banquets on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings during the 78th Congress.

## NATIONAL TRUSTEES

The meeting was called to order by President General Len Young Smith at 9:50 A. M. The Invocation was given by the Chaplain General, Rev. W. A. Fluck, D. D. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Past President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye.

Executive Secretary Woodward called the roll, which established the presence of a quorum. Those present were:

President General Len Young Smith.

Past Presidents General Arthur A. de la Houssaye, Milton M. Lory, Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Charles A. Jones, Horace Y. Kitchell, Charles A. Anderson, M. D., Robert L. Sonfield, Harry T. Burn, Howard E. Coe, and Honorary President General Harold L. Putnam.

Vice Presidents General Ryall S. Morgan, Marshall E. Miller, Thomas S. McEwan, James A. Sturtevant, Louis L. Casten, Robert G. Luckey, and James B. Gardiner.

Secretary General Samuel K. Houston; Treasurer General Harry F. Morse; Registrar General J. Merle Brallier; Historian General O. M. Wilson, Jr.; Genealogist General Lynn D. Sprankle; Chancellor General Marion H. Crawmer; Chaplain General Rev. W. A. Fluck, D. D.; Librarian General Graham T. Smallwood, Jr.; and Surgeon General Roy W. Benton, M.D.

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Visiting Compatriots were Albert T. Morris, President, and L. Russell Stott, Past President, of the Indiana Society and Albert C. Wirth, Jr., nominee for National Trustee for North Carolina.

## MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES' MEETING, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA, JUNE 19, 1968.

President General Smith announced that reports of General Officers and Committee Chairman would be dispensed with since they had been duplicated for distribution at the Congress.

On motion by Compatriot Sonfield, seconded by Compatriot Miller, the minutes of the meeting of February 3, 1968, were approved as published in the April issue of the S. A. R. MAGAZINE.

President General Smith gave a brief account of his travels, stating that all invitations that had not conflicted had been accepted.

Secretary General Houston said that he had signed 2825 membership certificates during his two years in office and emphasized that the work of the Membership Committee is of extreme importance to the Society.

Treasurer General Morse stated that in accordance with the directive of the February 3 meeting, a listing of all checks signed by the Treasurer General during the past fiscal year had been mailed to all General Officers and Trustees.

Registrar General Brallier reported that all reports of State Societies had not been received at Headquarters but it was estimated that the Society would close the last fiscal year with a net increase of about 125. He said that he hoped for larger gains in the future.

Other General Officers present referred to their reports which had been submitted and duplicated.

Executive Secretary Woodward summarized his written report.

On motion by Compatriot Carver, seconded by Compatriot Crawmer, the Trustees adopted the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Rules as submitted be adopted by the 78th Annual Congress.

Chancellor General Crawmer moved, seconded by Compatriot Houston and carried, that the matter of disciplining

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and expulsion of members be referred to the new Committee on Bylaws Revision.

Treasurer General Morse presented his financial report, which was followed by discussion.

Secretary General Houston moved that it be recommended to the next Executive Committee that a special committee be appointed to explore the overall financial procedures of the society. The motion was seconded by Compatriot McEwan and adopted.

On motion by Compatriot Gillam, seconded by Compatriot Morse and adopted, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the following State Societies be given an extension of sixty days for the filing of their annual reports and per capita dues payments: Alaska, California, Minnesota and Wyoming.

Chairman Floyd G. Hoenstine of the Finance and Budget Committee reported on the proposed budget. After some discussion, it was moved by Compatriot Burn, seconded by Compatriot Arrington and carried, that a revised budget be drawn up. Action on the budget therefore was deferred.

Chairman Davis of the Americanism Committee referred to his mimeographed report, as did Chairman Tucker of the Bylaws Revision Committee. Also, Chairman Pryor of the Audit Committee and Brallier of the Basic Documents Committee.

Chairman Dorman of the C. A. R. Committee added to his written report that he had attended the C. A. R. convention in April and additional chapter meetings. He called attention to the need of replacement of the traveling banner given by the S. A. R.

President General Smith announced that when he was attending the regional meeting in New Orleans, he had called attention to the need of funds for a new banner and sufficient money had been donated at that meeting.

Chairman Kurtz of the Constitution Day Observance Committee recommended that his committee be reduced from eighteen to six members in the interests of effectiveness.

The Chairman of the Finance and Budget Committee had no further comment until the revised budget was submitted.

Chairman McGuire of the Flag Day and Respect for the Flag Committee, Chairman Drew of the Historical Oration Contest Committee, and Chairman Smallwood of the Medals and Awards Committee, all referred to their dupli-



cated reports.

Chairman Sprinkle of the Independence Day Committee emphasized the flying of the Flag on July 4th and the ringing of church bells at noon on that day. He acknowledged the cooperation of the D. A. R., C. A. R., and National Sojourners.

Chairman Turrentine of the Credentials Committee reported 162 delegates registered to that time and said he anticipated a much larger registration.

Chairman Sterling of the Resolutions Committee said that his committee had received a large number of suggestions for resolutions and that he hoped to have a report completed for submission to the Congress on the following day.

The Chairman of the Committee for Study of Eligibility Requirements, Harold I. Meyer, was not present and Compatriot Dorman reported on his behalf that the questionnaires authorized at the February 3rd meeting are being reviewed, tabulated and evaluated.

It was moved by Compatriot Miller, seconded by Compatriot Taylor and adopted unanimously that the reports be accepted as filed.

The Chairman of the Task Force Committee, Compatriot Harris, stated that the main purpose of his report was to thank the chairmen of other committees for their cooperation.

Past President General Burn called attention to the mimeographed report of the Educational Aid Committee, which recognized that the Society is not in a position to provide the financial support essential to developing an effective education aid program. He urged donations for two scholarships at the School of the Ozarks at \$550.00 each, in accordance with the suggestion of President General Len Young Smith.

President Albert T. Morris of the Indiana Society extended an invitation for the Annual Congress to meet in Indianapolis in 1972. He said that the prescribed form had been submitted and letters would follow. There were favorable comments and the 1969, 1970, and 1971 commitments were reviewed. There were questions regarding exact dates and the information was to be supplied during the Congress.

Compatriot Sterling expressed special thanks to Executive Secretary Woodward for his work in connection with new members and his follow-up assistance.

President General Smith called for old business and none was presented for action. He expressed his appreciation to each and every General Officer and Committee Chairman for their assistance in making his year in office successful,

for the graciousness of the State Societies in receiving him at their meetings, the assistance of the Executive Secretary and the staff at Headquarters, and all others who had been of help.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,  
WARREN S. WOODWARD  
Executive Secretary

### RULES FOR THE 78th ANNUAL CONGRESS

The following rules to govern the proceedings of the 78th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution as proposed and recommended by the Board of Trustees, and as amended:

1. Our Constitution and Bylaws, supplemented by Robert's "Rules of Order" as revised and amended and these rules shall govern our deliberations.

2. All new business shall be submitted before the closing of the second business session of the Congress.

3. All resolutions proposed for consideration by the Congress, except those resolutions expressing appreciation and thanks, shall be submitted in typewritten form to the Executive Secretary at National Headquarters in person or by mail bearing postmark, on or before April 1, 1968.

Provided, however, that the Resolutions Committee may, in its discretion, propose any additional resolution or resolutions, on its own motion, that it deems necessary, proper or advisable. No resolution shall be brought up for consideration or action by the Congress without prior reference to the Resolutions Committee; and that Committee shall have power to waive the requirements of this rule as to matters of an immediate or urgent nature. In all cases, the sponsor shall have the right to the floor for the purpose of presenting a resolution after an adverse report of the Resolutions Committee or in the event of a failure of the committee to act on a proposal.

4. No member shall be entitled to participate in the debates of the Congress, nor to vote who has not registered as a Delegate, and no person who has not registered as a Delegate shall have the privilege of the floor, except by UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF THE CONGRESS.

5. No member shall cast more than one vote on any issue nor for any candidate even though he may be a duly accredited delegate from more than one society, except as a duly authorized proxy of another state society pursuant to Section 2 (b) of Bylaw 20.

6. A delegate who makes a motion may speak once for not to exceed five minutes in support of it. Other delegates may also speak not to exceed five minutes for or against the motion at one time, but no more than twice on the same motion. The mover of the motion shall have three minutes within which to close the debate.

7. Any delegate proposing an amendment to either the Constitution of the Society or its Bylaws shall have no more than five minutes in which to present same in one speech. Each amendment shall be proposed and acted upon separately. Other dele-

gates may speak once, not to exceed five minutes for or against the amendment. The presenter shall have four minutes in which to close the debate on the proposal.

8. Any amendment to the Constitution or Bylaws of the Society adopted at this Congress shall not become effective until the Congress is adjourned, unless given immediate effect in the amendment itself and considered by the Congress before the close of the second session of the Congress.

9. Any Delegate speaking on a subject other than a motion or an amendment to the Constitution or Bylaws of the Society may speak for not to exceed five minutes.

10. Registration of Delegates shall be terminated at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday; provided that a Delegate waiting in line to register at that time may be permitted to register. A Delegate registered shall be eligible to register, provided that his state society does not have a complete delegation present pursuant to Section 2 of Bylaw 20.

11. Nominations of General Officers shall be made during the Tuesday morning session of the Congress. Nomination speeches for the office of President General shall be limited to one speech of not to exceed ten minutes and two second speeches of not to exceed three minutes each. Other Delegates may second the nomination without speeches. Nomination speeches for all other officers shall be limited to three minutes and seconding speech of not to exceed two minutes. Other Delegates may second such nomination without speeches.

12. Balloting shall commence at 2:00 p.m. and continue until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, and at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday; provided that any Delegate waiting in line to vote at either closing hour shall be permitted to vote. Balloting shall be under supervision of the Credentials Committee. In interim between voting periods, the ballot shall be sealed, locked and placed in a vault for safekeeping.

13. Where two or more candidates for an office are nominated, the election shall be by secret ballot. Each Delegate shall present Section 2 of his credentials form to the Credentials Committee and shall sign it on the reverse side in the presence of a member of such Committee in order to receive his ballot. The President General shall appoint five tellers, at least one of whom shall be representative of each candidate for President General and who shall assist the Credentials Committee by receiving the ballots and placing them in the Ballot Box in the presence of the voter Delegate, and by counting the ballots for each candidate at the close of the election.

14. In the event that there is only one nominee for any office and the nominations have been closed by the Secretary General or Executive Secretary he is instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the unopposed candidate.

15. SPECIAL RULES: The President General may call upon the Rules Committee for a special rule or rules to govern any particular debate, resolution or proposed action during the Congress, and such a rule or rules when adopted by the Congress shall have the same force and effect as if incorporated therein.

16. These rules or any section thereof may be suspended by unanimous consent and must be suspended by a motion supported by a two-thirds affirmative vote of the Delegates registered at the Congress.

17. The order of business of the Congress provided in the Bylaws shall be suspended on any matter covered by the preceding rules or by the printed program of this 78th Annual Congress.

18. Any action taken by this Congress shall be decided by a majority vote of those present and voting, unless otherwise provided for in the rules.

# PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 17, 1968

The opening session of the 78th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was convened at 9:15 A. M., June 17th, 1968, with President General Len Young Smith presiding.

The Officers and Trustees entered in procession and President General Smith called the session to order. The Invocation was given by Chaplain General Rev. W. A. Fluck, D. D. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Past President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye. The National Anthem was sung by all present.

Past President General Charles A. Anderson, Chairman, reported for the Rules Committee, which recommended that the National Society Constitution and Bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order govern the 78th Annual Congress. On motion by Compatriot Anderson, seconded by Compatriot de la Houssaye and carried, the recommendation was approved.

Chairman William F. Turrentine of the Credentials Committee reported that 280 delegates had been registered to that hour.

President Charles R. Haugh of the Virginia Society welcomed the delegates. He called attention to the many famous Virginians of history and the many national shrines that could be visited, in addition to the restored area of Williamsburg.

President General Smith read a letter from the President of the United States:

"To President General Len Young Smith of the Sons of the American Revolution, June 14, 1968, Texas:

"Across this Colonial countryside two hundred years ago the heartbeat of revolution was swelling proudly in men who dreamed of freedom. Out of that pride was born our War of Independence and the greatest democratic experiment in history in the United States of America.

"There was suffering and sacrifice during that final third of the Eighteenth Century, but there was also triumph.

"To the Sons of the American Revolution, who so faithfully keep alive the memory of our great republic's first fight for freedom, I appeal for a rededication of your hearts to the cause of a free society and the equality of men.

"My warm best wishes for a successful Congress.

/s/ Lyndon B. Johnson"

Governor Mills Godwin, who was unable to attend, had delegated Hon. Thomas N. Downing, Member of Con-

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gress, to represent him. The Mayor of the City of Williamsburg, Hon. H. M. Stryker, D. M. D. was then introduced and he expressed additional words of welcome.

The President General of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Erwin F. Seimes, was unable to be present. Mrs. Wilson K. Barnes, Organizing Secretary General, brought greetings in her stead.

The National President of the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution, Thomas Walter Scott, spoke briefly in greeting the delegates.

A further greeting from the DAR was received from Mrs. John Victor Buffington, Regent of the Virginia State DAR.

The final words of greeting were from President General Len Young Smith, who called attention to the 56 thousand miles he had travelled during his year in office.

Chairman Donald Baldwin of the Arrangements Committee made announcements relative to the program of the Congress.

Telegrams and messages were read from the following who were unable to be present:

Past Presidents General Allen L. Oliver, John W. Finger, George E. Tarbox and Walter A. Wentworth.

Chairman Walter G. Sterling of the Resolutions Committee reported that his committee had a large number of resolutions to consider and said that a final report would be made later in the sessions.

President General Smith called attention to the mimeographed booklets, "Reports of General Officers and Committee Chairmen to the Seventy-eighth Annual Congress," which were available for all delegates and guests.

Past President General Carver, at the request of Past President General George E. Tarbox, Jr. who was unable to be present, on his behalf presented a replica of the Liberty Bell to the Society,

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saying, "May this replica when it is struck with a gavel and sounds forth, may that note be one of the Republic and may it inspire every Compatriot who hears its tone with a desire for patriotic service for the great Republic that our ancestors gave to us."

President General Smith accepted the gift from Past President General Tarbox and said that he had also presented two valuable genealogical books, which were turned over to Executive Secretary Woodward for placement on the shelves of the SAR Library.

President General Len Young Smith reported on the outstanding work of the School of the Ozarks under the leadership of the President, Compatriot M. Graham Clark, in the field of patriotic education. He expressed the hope that individual members of the Society would donate two full scholarships. He said that the cost of one scholarship is \$550.00 and that he had already received checks and pledges in the amount of \$275.00.

The President General continued, recommending that the Society provide a different method of electing its General Officers, saying that it could be done by a nominating committee but that he recommended that candidates for the office of President General take a page in the SAR MAGAZINE to announce their candidacy and that candidates for other General Offices take a half page. He said that this would provide better circulation of the candidacies and also income for the Magazine.

President General Smith commented that he was the sixty-fifth President General of the SAR and said that of all the things he had done, he would like most of all to be remembered as President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Reports of the Vice Presidents General were called for and most referred to their reports which had been duplicated. George T. Noyes, New England District; James B. Gardiner, North Atlantic District; Harold E. Wilmoth, Mid Atlantic District; Ryall S. Morgan, Southern District; Marshall E. Miller, Central District; Thomas S. McEwan, Great Lakes District; James A. Sturtevant, North Mississippi District; Louis L. Casten, South Mississippi District; and Robert G. Luckey, Rocky Mountain District. All were present.

The next order of business was the reports of General Officers. The following were present and referred to their reports which had been duplicated: Samuel K. Houston, Secretary General;

Harry F. Morse, Treasurer General; J. Merle Brallier, Registrar General; O. M. Wilson, Jr., Historian General; Lynn D. Sprankle, Genealogist General; Marion H. Crawmer, Chancellor General; Rev. W. A. Fluck, D. D., Chaplain General; Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr., Librarian General; Roy W. Benton, M. D., Surgeon General; and Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward.

The report of the "KEEP U. S. A. FIRST" Campaign Committee by the Chairman. Compatriot de la Houssaye, was brief, since it had been duplicated with the other reports.

Reports were received also from the Auditing Committee, William Y. Pryor, Chairman; Basic Documents, J. Merle Brallier, Chairman; Bylaws Revision, Stuart H. Tucker, Chairman; Constitution Day, Gen. Guy O. Kurtz, Chairman; Correspondence, Thomas S. McEwan, Chairman; Educational Aid, Walter R. Martin, Chairman; C. A. R., J. Frederick Dorman, Chairman; Americanism, Fred M. Davis, Jr. All responded and added brief comments to their duplicated reports.

Chairman Floyd G. Hoenstine of the Finance and Budget Committee stated that the committee was at work, and requested that he be called on at a later

time.

Reports were also received from the Revolutionary Graves Committee, Chester A. Walworth, Chairman; Historical Oration Contest (Dr. T. Earl Pardoe, Chairman Emeritus, responded in the temporary absence of the Chairman, Austin R. Drew); and the Independence Day Committee, Lynn D. Sprankle, Chairman, who urged the ringing of church bells on July 4th.

Chairman Frank L. Lowmaster of the Implementation Committee recommended that the incoming President General appoint a committee to work with the Chancellor General to determine the effect of possible efforts to influence legislation on the Society's tax exempt status.

Reports were received from the Medals and Awards Committee, Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr., Chairman; Study of Eligibility Requirements, J. Frederick Dorman reporting for the committee chairman, Harold I. Meyer, M. D.; Permanent Fund, James B. Gardiner, Chairman; and Memorial Library Committee, J. Moreau Brown, III, Chairman, who suggested that the name of his committee be changed to "Professional Fund Raising Committee."

The first session recessed at 11:30, to reconvene in the afternoon.

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President General Len Young Smith called the afternoon session to order at 2:50.

Following up his recommendation made in the morning session, Compatriot Lowmaster moved that the incoming President General, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, appoint a committee to determine exactly what needs to be done to continue the tax exempt status of the Society. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Neil A. Cameron and carried unanimously.

Compatriot Eugene C. McGuire, Chairman of the Flag Day and Respect for the Flag Committee, prefaced his report with the remark, "This report is somewhat dimmed by the magnificent address we have all heard at the luncheon meeting, by Mrs. Dorothy A. Elston."

Chairman Austin R. Drew of the Historical Oration Contest Committee reported, urging that additional State Societies enter contestants.

Chairman Joseph X. Harris of the Task Force Committee reported that his committee was hampered by a lack of communication. He asked for directives from the President General.

President General Smith announced that he was reconvening the meeting of

the Board of Trustees which had recessed in order to hear and act on the report of the Finance and Budget Committee, Compatriot Floyd G. Hoenstine, Chairman. Copies of the new proposed budget were distributed. There was lengthy discussion of many items. On motion by Compatriot Joseph X. Harris, seconded by Compatriot Louis L. Casten and carried, the proposed budget for the fiscal year 1968-1969 was approved. President General Smith expressed appreciation to Chairman Hoenstine and his committee for their work. The meeting of the Board of National Trustees was considered recessed at 3:50 P. M.

The next order of business was consideration of proposed amendments. Executive Secretary Woodward presented the following proposed amendment to the Bylaws, which had been mailed to officers and state societies sixty days prior to the Congress in accordance with the provisions of Bylaw No. 27:

Amend Bylaw No. 19—Fees and Dues—Section 1:

Section 1. The admission fee for membership in the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution shall be fifteen dollars (\$15.00) . . . . (New wording underlined.)

Compatriot Marshall E. Miller moved

adoption of the proposed amendment, seconded by Compatriot Edwin N. Asmann. General Fortier asked the effective date of the amendment and was informed that it was July 1, 1968. Past President General Coe moved an amendment to the proposed amendment to make the effective date October 1, 1968. The motion to amend the amendment was seconded by Compatriot Robert S. W. Walker. There was discussion by a number of delegates. A vote was taken on the proposed "amendment as amended" and it was adopted as read by the Executive Secretary with the addition, "effective October 1, 1968."

Executive Secretary Woodward then read the next proposed amendment:

Amend Bylaw No. 1—Membership—by adding a new section at the end, as follows:

Section 5. Whenever an applicant for membership in the Society is a lineal descendant of a present or former member of the Society whose application contains definite authority for the ancestor of that present or former member having been eligible as a Son of the American Revolution as provided in Article II of the Constitution, it shall only be necessary to establish his descent from such present or former member.

Past President General Coe moved the adoption of the proposed amendment,

seconded by Compatriot David V. Prugh. There was considerable discussion. Compatriot Prugh moved an amendment to the amendment, "providing the records of such (present or former) contain proof of eligibility. Compatriot Carson D. Baucom suggested the wording, "Application will be accepted provided there is a record in our Headquarters of the ancestor. A number of delegates spoke before and against the proposed amendment.

Compatriot James Lithgow withdrew his second to the amendment. (It is assumed that this was Compatriot Prugh's amendment, above.)

The President General then read the amendment to the amendment and it was put to a vote and rejected; then the amendment as read by the Executive Secretary was put to a vote and rejected.

The Executive Secretary then read the following proposed amendment:

Amend Article IV—Officers and Trustees—Section 1, of the Constitution by adding the following:

*There shall be a First Vice President General to be elected at-large by the National Congress, such First Vice President General to serve as President General in the event of the death, disability, or declination of the duly elected President General.*

Past President General Carver moved the adoption of the proposed amendment, seconded by Compatriot Robinett. Compatriot O'Hara asked the date this amendment would become effective. President General Smith stated that the amendment would take effect at the close of the 78th Congress. The amendment was put to a vote and rejected.

The meeting was recessed at 4:25 P.M.

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The Tuesday morning session of the Congress convened at 9:25 A. M. with President General Len Young Smith presiding. The Invocation was given by Rev. Joseph B. Head, President of the Minnesota Society, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Past President General de la Houssaye.

Chairman William F. Turrentine, Jr. of the Credentials Committee reported 333 official delegates to that hour and a total of 615 registered.

Chairman Walter G. Sterling of the Resolutions Committee said that his committee would welcome any further suggestion and that the resolutions would be submitted for consideration at the Wednesday morning session.

Executive Secretary Woodward read a proposed amendment to Bylaw 21—Permanent Fund—Section 3:

Section 3. *Not less than fifty per cent of the cost value of the Permanent Fund shall be invested in securities authorized to be held by savings banks in Massachusetts, Connecticut, or New York, and any premium paid in purchasing such securities shall be repaid from the first income received. The remainder of the Fund not so invested may be invested in income-producing securities listed on exchanges regulated by the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission.* (New wording underlined.)

Compatriot Savage moved the adoption of the amendment, seconded by Past President General Carver. Chairman Gardiner of the Permanent Fund Committee spoke at length on the purposes of the proposed amendment. Past President General Burn moved that the amendment be amended to read "limit investment in common stock to twenty per cent." Compatriots Harris and Gillam seconded the amendment to the proposed amendment. There was lengthy discussion and an explanation of the history of the Permanent Fund.

Chancellor General Crawmer was asked for a ruling and he stated that all committees are subject to the direction or approval of the Board of Trustees.

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The "20% restriction amendment" was then put to a vote and rejected.

There was then a standing vote on the original proposed amendment and it was adopted by a two-thirds majority.

Chairman William F. Turrentine of the Credentials Committee reported 337 delegates and total registration of 621.

The election of General Officers was the next order of business.

Compatriot Hamilton Fish placed in nomination the name of James B. Gardiner of the Empire State Society for the office of President General. The nomination was seconded by Past President General Lory and Compatriot Deyo.

Compatriot Walter R. Martin placed the name of Compatriot Walter G. Sterling of the Texas Society for the office of President General. Compatriots Morgan and Miller seconded.

There were no further nominations. A Tellers Committee of five compatriots was selected and announced by the President General:

Compatriots Robert Lang, Jr., Empire State; Aubrey Calvin, Texas; Raymond H. Keeler, Illinois; J. Keathley Miles, Tennessee; and L. Ralston Curry, Virginia; William F. Turrentine, Jr., Kansas.

Compatriot Harold L. Putnam placed the name of Austin R. Drew in nomination for the office of Secretary General. Compatriot Roberts seconded. Compatriot Wilson moved, seconded by Compatriot Wright and carried, that the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast one unanimous ballot.

Past President General Jones nominated Compatriot Eugene C. McGuire for the office of Treasurer General, seconded by Past President General Anderson.

Compatriot J. Merle Brallier was nominated for Registrar General by Compatriot Cunliffe, seconded by Compatriot Emerson.

Compatriot O. M. Wilson, Jr. nominated Robert G. Luckey for the office of Historian General, seconded by Compatriot Springer.

Compatriot Parker nominated Lynn D. Sprinkle for Genealogist General, seconded by Compatriot Taylor.

Rev. W. A. Fluck, D. D. was nominated for the office of Chaplain General by Compatriot Weed, seconded by Past President General Coe.

Compatriot Lowmaster nominated Marion H. Crawmer for the office of Chancellor General, seconded by Compatriot Parker.

Compatriot Walker nominated Graham T. Smallwood, Jr. for reelection to the office of Librarian General, seconded by Past President General de la Houssaye.

## A REMINDER, MR. PRESIDENT

On August 1st, it will have been 191 days since the U.S.S. Pueblo and 83 Americans were seized by the North Koreans on the high seas.

Past President General Burn nominated Ray W. Mettetal, M. D., for the office of Surgeon General, seconded by Compatriot Benton.

On proper motions, seconded and carried, all of the foregoing were elected by one unanimous ballot cast by the Executive Secretary.

Honorary President General Putnam was then given the Chair. He urged donations to the Memorial Library Building Fund, stating that an estimated half million dollars should be raised for the building and another half million for maintenance. Many donations and pledges were made from the floor. (The list will appear on another page of this issue of the Magazine.)

President General Smith resumed the Chair and the election of the Vice Presidents General was the next order of business.

Col. Leroy M. Glodell of Massachusetts was nominated for the office of Vice President General for the New England District by Compatriot Morse, seconded by Compatriot Keddy.

Compatriot J. Neil Arrington of New Jersey was nominated for the office of Vice President General for the North Atlantic District by Compatriot Gardiner, seconded by Compatriot Drew.

Judge Barnes, seconded by Compatriot Harris nominated Harold E. Wilmoth of Maryland for the office of Vice President General for the Mid Atlantic District.

Robert Bruce Cooke of North Carolina was nominated by Compatriot Fountain, seconded by Compatriot Seaman, to serve as Vice President General for the South Atlantic District.

Past President General Kitchell, seconded by Compatriot Morgan, nominated Donald R. Fraser for the office of Vice President General for the Southern District.

Robert D. Short of Kentucky was nominated for Vice President General

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for the Central District by Compatriot Miller, seconded by Compatriot Houston.

Max W. Camp of Michigan was nominated for the office of Vice President General for the Great Lakes District by Compatriot Asmann, seconded by Compatriot Allen.

Edward L. Westbrooke of Arkansas was nominated for Vice President General for the South Mississippi District by Compatriot Casten, seconded by Compatriot Robert Walker.

Col. A. D. Chipman of Arizona was nominated for the office of Vice President General for the Rocky Mountain District by Compatriot Luckey, seconded by Compatriot Rice.

The Rev. Joseph B. Head of Minnesota was nominated for the office of Vice President General for the North Mississippi District by Compatriot Gillam, seconded by Compatriot Sturtevant.

Edwin P. Slabaugh of Utah was nominated and duly seconded to serve as Vice President General for the Inter Mountain District.

John M. Townley of Nevada was duly nominated and seconded to serve as Vice President General for the Western District.

Penn C. Crum of Oregon was duly nominated and seconded for the office of Vice President General for the Pacific District.

Comte Patrice de Rochambeau was duly nominated and seconded for the office of Vice President for the Foreign District.

On motion, seconded and carried, one unanimous ballot was cast for the election of these officers.

Executive Secretary Woodward read the following proposed amendment to the Bylaws.

Amend Bylaw No. 19—Fees and Dues—as follows:

"Section 1. The admission fee for membership in the National Society shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) (amended to \$15.00 at this Congress) and this fee must accompany the application; provided, that a male applicant from the organizations, the Children of the American Revolution, the Children of the Revolution, or the Washington Guard, who shall apply for membership in the Society not later than one year after his twenty-first birthday, may, if eligible and elected to membership in any State Society, present a transfer card to the Registrar General in lieu of the admission fee; and provided also, that a son, *grandson or nephew* of a member of the Society or of a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution or a son of a member of the Sons of the Revolution

(his parent being a member in good standing in his or her organization at the time of such son's, *grandson's or nephew's* application, if living, or if deceased, then at the time of his or her death), if eligible and elected to membership in any State Society before attaining the age of twenty-five years, and if the application follows the same established lineage of the said member, may be admitted without payment of said admission fee to the National Society; and provided, nevertheless, that any and all such applicants shall pay to the National Society two dollars (\$2.00) for his certificate of membership. (New matter underlined.)

On motion by Compatriot Morgan, seconded by Compatriots Morse and Ramsey, this proposed amendment was adopted unanimously.

The session adjourned at 12:25 P. M.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1968

President General Len Young Smith called the session to order at 9:30 A. M. The Invocation was given by the Rev. Robert Alvin Clark and the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Compatriot de la Houssaye.

Executive Secretary Woodward read the names of the nominees for National Trustee for 1968-69:

Alabama, Ryall S. Morgan  
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West Virginia, Willis G. Tetrick, Jr.  
Wisconsin, Willis E. Gigord  
Wyoming, Porter A. Davis.

On motion by Compatriot Gillam, seconded by Compatriot Baucom, the Trustees were elected unanimously as presented.

It was reported that 650 delegates and guests were registered, the largest Congress held to date.

Compatriot de la Houssaye moved, seconded by Compatriot Houston and adopted unanimously, that Past Presidents General also be elected to the Board of Trustees, including an amendment to include Honorary (Past) President General Harold L. Putnam.

Compatriot Cameron raised the question as to whether the title is Honorary President General or Honorary Past President General. Chancellor General Crawmer ruled that Compatriot Putnam's title is Honorary Past President General.

Chairman Sterling of the Resolutions Committee submitted for consideration the resolutions recommended by the committee, which had been duplicated and distributed to all delegates. The resolutions were read and discussed individually and upon proper motions, seconded and carried, the resolutions were adopted as recommended by the committee, with one or two minor amendments. They are printed in another section of this issue of the magazine. (See table of contents for page number.)

At the suggestion of Gen. Fortier, the Resolutions Committee was given a rising vote of thanks. Compatriot Sterling admonished the delegates not to go home and forget the resolutions, but to disseminate them as far as possible. There was discussion from the floor on ways of giving the resolutions wide distribution.

President General Smith announced at 10:30 that the polls had closed.

It was suggested that members could reproduce for distribution the resolutions

as published in the July issue of the SAR MAGAZINE. Gen. Robinett asked for a ruling and Chancellor General Crawmer answered that in his opinion it would be perfectly legal for members to reproduce the resolutions as published in the magazine.

On motion made by Past President General de la Houssaye, the Resolutions Committee was accorded a rising vote of appreciation for a job well done.

There was a suggestion of a Public Relations Officer and it was the sense of the session that funds did not permit the employment of such an individual.

There was a question regarding the exact dates of the Congress to be held in Salt Lake City in May 1969. Some delegates objected to its being held in the middle of May because of the school year and other commitments which would prevent attendance. The exact date will be determined after consultation.

Honorary Past President General Putnam announced that donations and pledges of \$10,500 had been made to the Memorial Library Building Fund. Past President General Carver announced that he would give \$5,000 to the fund.

Past President General de la Houssaye assumed the Chair in the temporary absence of President General Smith. He announced that the Trustees' meeting previously schedule for 2:00 p. m. would convene at the close of the present session instead.

There was discussion of the Historical Oration Contest. Chairman Drew urged greater participation on the part of the State Societies and Chapters.

Compatriot Glodell reported on activity in New England in connection with Washington Guard units.

Compatriot Schanck recommended the chapter manual, which had been made available at the Congress at a nominal charge, as essential literature for every State Society and Chapter.

There was further discussion of ways and means to obtain publicity for the Society.

President General Len Young Smith resumed the Chair and called for the report of the Tellers. The Chairman, Compatriot J. Keathley Miles, reported that of 327 ballots out of 342 registered delegates; 189 were for Compatriot Walter G. Sterling and 137 for Compatriot James B. Gardiner, and one was improperly marked.

Compatriot Gardiner moved that his votes be transferred to Compatriot Sterling and that the election be declared unanimous. Compatriot Parker seconded and there was a rising vote of approval.

President General Smith asked Past Presidents General Kitchell and Burn to escort the President General Elect to the rostrum, and Past President General de la Houssaye to escort Mrs. Sterling. In his acceptance speech, President General Elect Sterling promised to implement the Resolutions which he had helped to write as Chairman of the Committee.

The session recessed at 11:45 A. M.

## NATIONAL TRUSTEES

The meeting was called to order by President General-elect Walter G. Sterling at 12:05 noon.

The Invocation was given by Chaplain General Rev. W. A. Fluck, D.D. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Past President General de la Houssaye

Executive Secretary Woodward called the roll, which established the presence of a quorum. Those present were:

President General Len Young Smith.

President General-elect Walter G. Sterling.

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Vice Presidents General-elect: Col. Leroy M. Glodell, Jr., J. Neil Arrington, Harold E. Wilmoth, Robert Bruce Cooke, Maj. Donald R. Frazer, Robert D. Short, Max W. Camp, Rev. Joseph B. Head.

Also present were the following officers elected at the 78th Congress: Secretary General Austin R. Drew; Treasurer General Eugene C. McGuire; Historian General Robert G. Luckey; Genealogist General Lynn D. Sprankle; Chaplain General W. A. Fluck, D.D.; Chancellor General Marion H. Cramer; Surgeon General Ray W. Mettetal, M.D.

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## MINUTES OF THE TRUSTEES' MEETING, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA, JUNE 16, 1968.

Carolina; Talbot Harding, Ohio; Frank Loxley Griffin, Oregon; Col. Robert D. Savage, Pennsylvania; Stuart H. Tucker, Rhode Island; Frank S. Wright, South Carolina; Charles E. Almeda, Tennessee; Ben D. Baldwin, Texas; L. Ralston Curry, Jr., Virginia; Willis E. Gifford, Wisconsin.

Chancellor General Marion H. Cramer installed President General-elect Walter G. Sterling as President General.

The other General Officers and Trustees-elect were sworn in as a group by Chancellor General Cramer.

With President General Sterling officially in the Chair, the meeting continued. The President General nominated his Executive Committee as follows: Donald W. Baldwin, Ryall S. Morgan, Len Young Smith, I. Harris Tucker, and O. M. Wilson, Jr. On motion by Compatriot Sonfield, seconded by Compatriot Harris and carried unanimously, these appointments were approved as the Executive Committee for 1968-1969.

Compatriot de la Houssaye moved, seconded by Compatriot Bienvenue and carried unanimously, that Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward be reappointed as Executive Secretary for the ensuing year, at the same salary.

A motion authorizing signing of checks and banking authority was made by Compatriot Burn, seconded by Past President General Len Young Smith, and adopted unanimously.

Under new business, Past President General Burn explained that, because of illness, the Tennessee Society had nominated no one to receive the Patriot Medal during the year 1967-1968. He moved that the Tennessee Society be given permission to award two medals during the current year. The motion was seconded by Compatriot Morse. Immediately, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Arkansas and Mississippi representatives requested the same privilege. Discussion ensued. Compatriot Anderson moved an amendment to Compatriot Burn's motion: "Application with reasonable cause to be supplied." Compatriot Gillam seconded and Compatriot Burn agreed to the amendment. The motion was carried unanimously, to include the states of Tennessee, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Arkansas, and Mississippi to be permitted to award two Patriot Medals during the 1968-69, with the stipulation that the request be made in writing to National Headquarters, stating the justification for the additional award.

There was discussion of the dates of the 1969 Annual Congress to be held in

Salt Lake City. Dissatisfaction with the May dates was expressed by Compatriots Arrington, Drew and Kitchell. Compatriot Kitchell moved that the Executive Committee make the best possible arrangements in view of the available openings at the one suitable hotel. There was discussion and Compatriot Burn suggested an amendment to the motion, "that the Executive Committee try definitely for a June booking." There was further discussion and Compatriot Kitchell agreed to amend his motion to read: "That the Executive Committee make the best arrangements possible for the Congress in Salt Lake City and accept June dates if at all possible." The motion was re-seconded by Compatriot Arrington and unanimously carried.

Compatriot de la Houssaye moved, seconded by Compatriot Kitchell and carried, that the Board of Trustees delegate full authority to the Executive Committee to act during the recess of the Board of Trustees and that they shall have full authority except in those cases which might be in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws.

Compatriot Donald Baldwin reiterated the invitation to attend Patrick Henry's Red Hill celebration. Invitations were issued by Compatriots Gardiner and Ramsey to attend special events in their districts.

On motion by Compatriot de la Houssaye, seconded by Compatriot Burn and adopted, Past President General Len Young Smith was officially made a member of the Board of Trustees.

On motion by Compatriot Arrington, the meeting was adjourned by a rising vote of the Board of Trustees at 12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN S. WOODWARD  
Executive Secretary

### A DANGEROUS EXCHANGE

There was once a bird that, when given the opportunity one day, traded one of his feathers for a worm. Because he had many feathers, this seemed like a profitable opportunity, and he didn't miss the feather at all. When offered the opportunity again the next day, he gladly traded another feather for another worm. This went on daily for some time until one day, when he was shocked to discover that most of his feathers were gone. He could no longer fly.

He had traded his liberty for "security".

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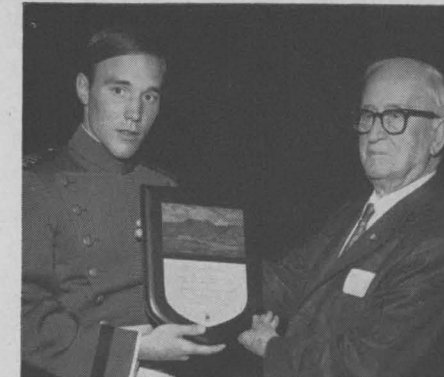
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Detest the magistrate who is wiser than  
the law, setting in its place his own  
notion of right.

*Confucius*

If a nation values anything more than  
freedom, it will lose its freedom; and the  
irony of it is that if it is comfort or  
money it values more, it will lose that  
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*W. Somerset Maugham*



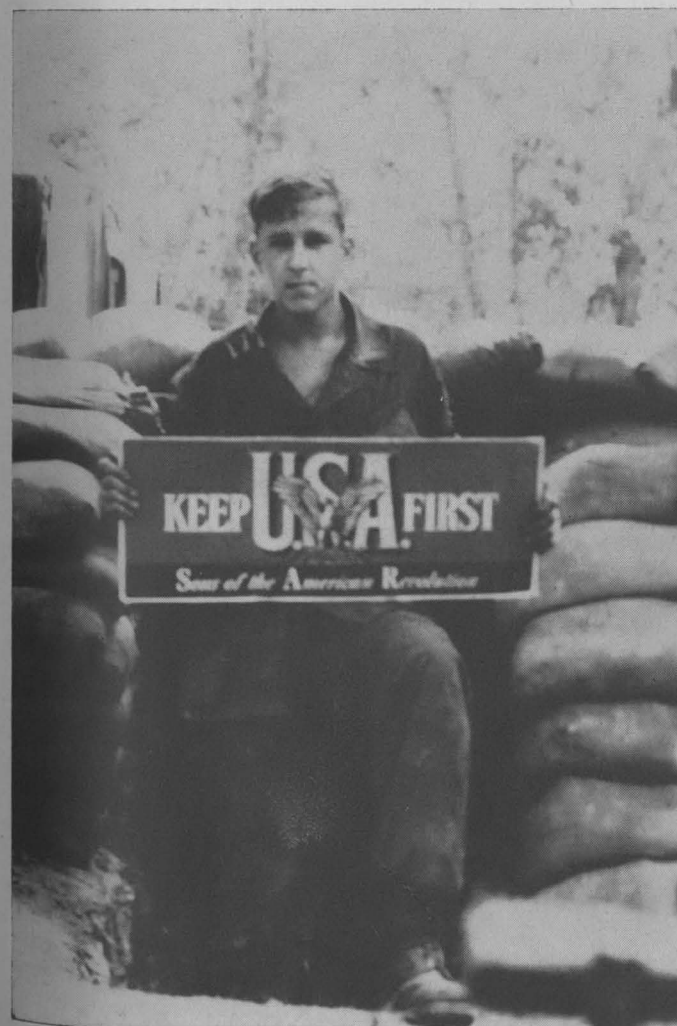
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*from a tombstone at  
Lincoln, Maine.*



*In photos above: (left) At the U. S. Air  
Force Academy, National Trustee Guy  
L. V. Emerson presents the SAR Award  
to Cadet James R. Aubrey. (right) Past  
President Gen. Howard E. Coe presents  
the SAR Award to Midshipman Glen G.  
Kolk at the U. S. Coast Guard Academy.*



*Sergeant (and Compatriot) Jon Rodocker, USAF, is shown  
beside his Vietnam bunker, holding his personal "Keep U.S.A.  
First" poster card. He carried the poster carefully from the  
United States when he went to Vietnam over a year ago.  
Comp. Rodocker, a communications specialist, is assigned to  
service with the First Infantry Division, and is a member of  
the Saguaro Chapter of the Arizona Society, SAR. His father  
was also a member of the Saguaro Chapter until his death,  
having served as a B-17 pilot in W.W.II. Comp. Rodocker's  
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sion in W.W.I, and is currently the First Vice President of  
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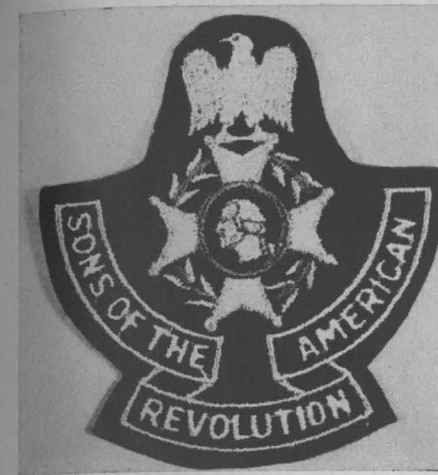
who has served as Chapter President, State President, National Trustee, Registrar General and Vice President General.

He has served as Chairman of these National Society Committees: Membership, Medals and Awards, Memorial Library Building and Permanent Fund, and has been a Delegate to the last nine National Congresses.

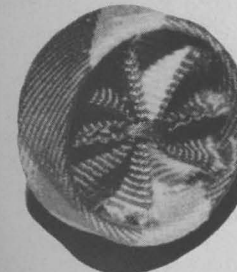
He is a recipient of the Minute Man Award, the highest honor of the National Society, and has received the Patriot Medal, the highest award of a state society.

He is a graduate of Yale University, a Mason, a Shriner and a member of several patriotic societies including the Order of Founders and Patriots, and the Society of Colonial Wars.

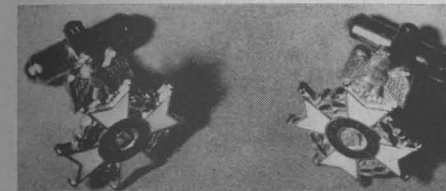
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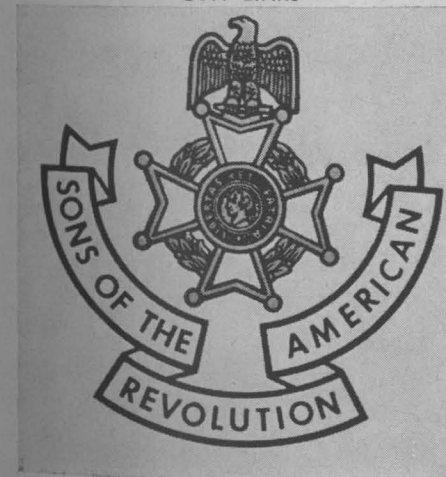
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# NEWS *and* EVENTS

Your SAR Magazine staff recommends that state societies appoint a qualified compatriot to assemble and transmit ready-to-print material to the office of the Editor. Cooperation by such state societies will obviously enable us to accord them a maximum of representation within these pages.

Do not send newspaper clippings or chapter notices, instead of ready-to-print resumes of activities.

Many situations necessitate the editing of submitted copy, and we reserve the customary editorial prerogative of condensing or omitting that which circumstances justify.

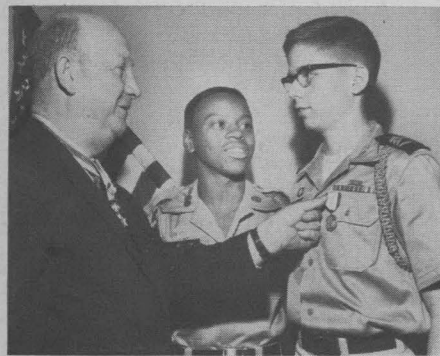
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**THE "DEADLINE" FOR ALL MATERIAL FOR THE NEXT ISSUE, Sept. 1, 1968.**



The Birmingham (Alabama) Chapter is represented by Pres. James H. Chenery at awards of the ROTC Medal to H. S. Cadets Kenneth Weissinger (rt) and Calvin Williams.

## ARIZONA SOCIETY

The Saguario Chapter asks what has happened to "One Nation Under God?"

The compatriots have been deliberating on this subject over the past few months; not only deliberating, but actively working on the subject by having guest

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speakers lecture on the apparent lack of patriotism. Finally the Chapter drafted a resolution which would not only encompass the spiritual aspect of our Country, but would join hands with patriotism—the rock and foundation of our great Country. The Resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, the Stars and Stripes is symbolic of our great Country, and

WHEREAS, our military branches fly a church flag under the Stars and Stripes during church services, and

WHEREAS, in our Pledge to our Flag it has been deemed fitting to insert the words "Under God," and

WHEREAS, it has been patriotism with the blessings of a Supreme Being that has made this Country great, and

WHEREAS, we believe that there can only be God under freedom and only freedom under God;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the members of Saguario Chapter, Arizona Society, Sons of the American Revolution, desire to launch a program whereby all churches would make a patriotic gesture to our great country by a special program aimed at that goal.

Respect is shown to all churches and their services throughout the Nation in one manner or another; therefore, it would be most fitting for churches to make a special display of patriotism. We also hope that our program will be adopted nationwide as was the SAR Bell Ringing Program.

The project is simple in that the churches would display the Flag of the United States in a special bracket, and while the Flag was there, it would designate church services were in session. This would in no way interfere with a flag already on the inside or outside as a daily flag. The flag would only be brought out and placed in the bracket at the start of church services and taken down at the close of services. This would be a special tribute to our Country, our Flag and, of course, to God who allows us our liberties and freedoms.

On April 18, 1775 a lantern was placed in the tower of Old North Church to warn of approaching danger, so let our churches place OUR FLAG near the entrance to the church as a warning of approaching danger. Unless our Country

takes an about face on the entire spiritual-patriotic outlook and actions of the citizenry today, this great Country faces chaos, and it will be most difficult to retrace steps to right this wrong.

The Shepherd of the Desert Lutheran Church, 111th Avenue, Sun City, Arizona, was the first church to honor this Resolution by displaying the Flag of the United States at the entrances of its church on May 19, 1968.

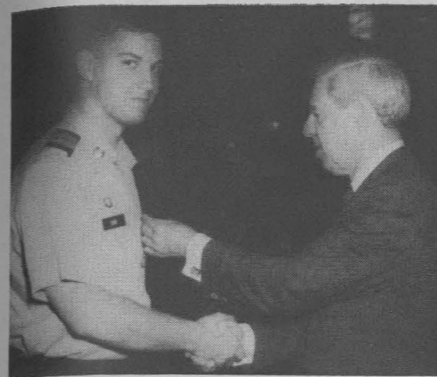


ROTC Medal winners at the University of Arizona (l to r): Cadets Scott L. Hayes, William J. Mitchell and David B. Vance. Making the presentations were Pres. Clinton L. Helnig and Col. Albert D. Chipman (rt), both of the Tucson Chapter, SAR.

## ARKANSAS SOCIETY

Pres. Edward L. Westbrooke was extremely busy during the months of April and May in connection with SAR activities. He brought greetings of the SAR to the Reuben Massey Chapter of the DAR at Osceola where he and Comp. John S. Mosby, Sr. both made short addresses; he addressed the Jonesboro Chapter of the DAR on their National Defense Program; he extended greetings from the Arkansas Society SAR to the Arkansas State Society DAR in Fort Smith on the occasion of their 60th Annual Conference, and he attended the Jefferson Memorial Ceremonies in Washington, D.C. as a representative of the Arkansas Society.

May was a busy month for the Society with a full schedule of SAR-ROTC Awards being made at all five eligible state institutions of higher learning throughout Arkansas. Medals were presented as follows: At Ouachita Baptist University by Pres. Edward L. Westbrooke to Cadet Kenneth L. Brown at



Cadet Stephen Orr of Arkansas State University receives the ROTC Medal from Vice President Gen. Edward L. Westbrooke.

the University of Arkansas, by Vice Pres. Craig M. Smith to Cadets John C. Vaughan, Jr., Richard T. Bredlow and John T. Franklin at Henderson State College by Vice Pres. William M. Bruce, Jr. to Cadet John W. Helms at Arkansas State University by Pres. Edward L. Westbrooke to Cadet Stephen J. Orr, by Comp. Thomas M. Robinson to Cadet Eddie M. Lea and by Comp. B. Clayton Rogers to Cadet James L. Lowe; at Arkansas Polytechnic College by Comp. James S. Moose, Jr. to Cadet John B. Cone.

The Annual Arkansas Society Student Essay Contest, culminating last May, was an outstanding success. Now in its third year, there were more participating students and high schools than ever before represented. As in the past, the essays covered some facet of our American Heritage. Prizes were awarded as follows: Patty Huggler, of Russellville H.S. (1st Prize of \$200); Susan Christman of Fayetteville H.S. (2nd Prize of \$100), and Darlene Flippo of Black Rock H.S. in Powhatan, Arkansas (3rd Prize of \$50). The next five winners received prizes of \$20 each, followed by ten winners of \$10 each and, lastly, ten winners of \$5 each. Compatriot contributors to this very successful Contest who raised the prize money were the following: Joe N. Basore, William M. Bruce, Jr., Ira G. Corn, Paul H. Dixon, Pat C. Herrington, Hans S. Johnson, Kenneth C. Johnson, Henry Moore, Winthrop Rockefeller, Smith-Holloway Foundation, Thomas W. Snodgrass, William E. Snodgrass, and Robert S. W. Walker. Mr. John Harvey Baird, a contributor last year, (not a member of the Society) also made a contribution again this year.

Pres. Edward L. Westbrooke and Compatriot Robert S. W. Walker, Secretary-Treasurer-National Trustee of the Arkansas Society were delegates in attendance at the 78th Annual Congress at Williamsburg, Virginia.

Arkansas Society is very proud that its President, Edward L. Westbrooke, has assumed the high office to which he was then elected, that of Vice President General of the South Mississippi District (Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas), and that the Society again received the Texas Society Award for its increase in membership during the preceding year as well as the SAR Magazine Award for the state society rendering the greatest co-operation with the National SAR Magazine.

## CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

The entire membership of the California Society, SAR, as well as countless numbers of compatriots throughout our National Society, are deeply saddened by the passing of State Secretary H. Lewis Mathewson. His loss constitutes a terrible blow to our Society, and to those fine principles that he represented.

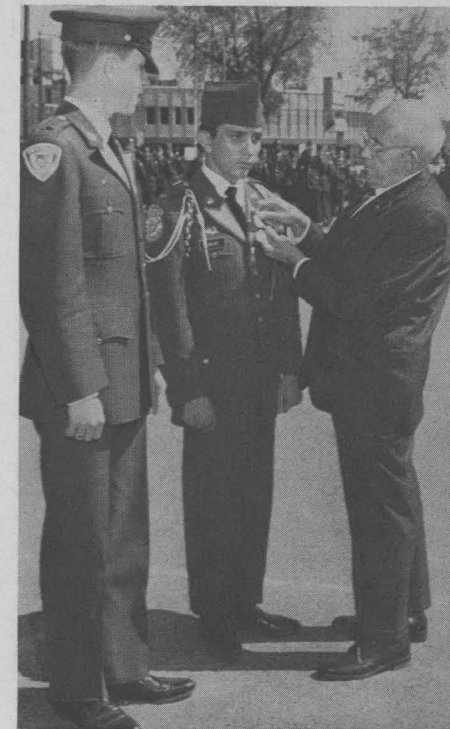
California Society President Carl L. Gray was the featured speaker on April 6th at a meeting of the Oakland Chapter held at Spenger's Restaurant in Berkeley. More than 30 members and guests attended this annual meeting of the Chapter that lies across the Bay from San Francisco.



Past Pres. Earl Van Dusen (uniformed) and Past Pres. Lloyd M. Harmon laud the San Diego Chapter's student winner of the Good Citizenship Medal, John Keeler. Pamela Allan, who received the DAR's equivalent medal, looks on.

## COLORADO SOCIETY

NBC News Commentator Arthur Gaeth was the inspiring Patriots Day speaker for the Colorado Society on April 19th. The well-attended meeting held at the Cherry Creek Inn in Denver heard a fine presentation on "The Five Needles in the American Haystack," which was received with great interest. The five "needles" were described as the Vietnam War, the Middle East War, Inflation, Violence and Youth. He wound up with an appeal for action in restoring the stack to order, rather than burning it down. The fine presentation brought the



Pueblo H. S. Cadets David K. Alexander (lt) and Mike L. Salas receive the ROTC Medal from Past Colorado Society President Harold E. Rice.

entire audience of compatriots, their ladies and friends to their feet in a rousing ovation. The Patriot Medal was presented by Past V. Pres. Gen. Edwin A. Williams to Comp. & Col. Sydney P. Godsman for his many years of service to his Country and SAR and his community.

National Trustee Guy L. V. Emerson, represented our Society at the U.S. Air Force Academy on June 1st. He presented the annual SAR awards to Cadet James R. Aubrey of Pennsylvania, outstanding student in Humanities.

## CONNECTICUT SOCIETY

Gen. David Humphreys Branch #1 met at the Faculty Club in New Haven, March 11. Forty Compatriots and one applicant enjoyed the story of the local Old Colony Historical Society as told by its director, Richard Hegel. He described recent exhibitions, New Haven silver-smiths, Chinese porcelain brought home by New Haven skippers, Durrie oils, etc. Each had its own catalog. Other equally popular publications of the Society include its transactions and histories. Marking of Revolutionary Soldiers' graves was arranged and the progress of the rehabilitation of the home of Gen. David Humphreys, trusted aide of Gen. Washington, was reported.

The Connecticut Society was well represented at the 42nd Annual State Conference of CAR. Pres. Jonathan Potter





At California's Stanford University, Comp. Frank H. Higgins awards the ROTC Medal to Cadet David H. Anderson.

greeted 148 CARs, parents, DARs and SARs at Norwich Free Academy on March 23rd. Past Pres. Gen. Howard E. Coe served as parliamentarian. William M. Brown and Edmund P. Redder, Jr. were tellers. Sr. State President was Mrs. Elmer S. Gongdon whose husband, also present, is President of the **Gen. Gold Selleck Silliman Branch #3**, SAR. Their daughter, Karen was elected State CAR President at this Conference.

On Patriot's Day, **Gov. Oliver Wolcott Branch #10** held its annual meeting at the Waterbury Club. Vice Pres. William H. Vining presided and announced that our President, Dr. Heney, is home after 13 weeks in the Veterans' Hospital, and recovering. Walter T. Bell was elected President, Ernest H. Reing succeeded him as Secretary-Treasurer.

Speaker of the meeting was Dr. Harmon C. Leonard who described the two-pronged raid on New Haven by British forces under Lord Clinton, in 1779. Comp. Warren Upson exhibited a cannon ball plowed up by his grandfather near the site of the battery that kept the British ships well out in the harbour that day, until powder ran out.

Percy H. Goodsell, Registrar General of the Society of Colonial Wars, presented his illustrated lecture, "The Homes and Homesites of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence" before **Gen. David Humphreys Branch #1** at the Faculty Club in New Haven on April 8. A large attendance enjoyed this interesting discussion and the excellent pictures.

On the beautiful spring evening of April 23, compatriots and guests of **Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch #7** met at the Avon Country Club to hear Dr. Edgar de N. Mayhew, Director of the

Lyman Allen Museum of New London, report on the result of long research on "American Interiors from 1730 through 1914." His experiences securing the illustrations he used in his lecture were very interesting, the interiors fascinating. At this annual meeting, Rev. Harold E. Mayo was elected Branch President, John W. Leavitt continued as Secretary.

Captain John E. Palmer, USNR, addressed the annual meeting of **Gen. Gold Selleck Silliman Branch #3** on May 15th at the Brooklawn Country Club and talked on the "Development of the Nuclear Submarine Navy." The compatriots assembled, thanked retiring Pres. Elmer S. Gongdon for his years of service, congratulated Mrs. Gongdon on her election as Sr. National V. P., New England Region, CAR and pledged loyal support to their new officers, Kenneth Anderson, President and Elbert Overbaugh, Secretary. Plans were perfected for the marking of the graves in the three towns; Bridgeport, Fairfield and Stratford, for the scholarship funds continuation and future meetings.

**Gen. David Humphreys Branch #1** held its annual meeting on May 13th at the Faculty Club in New Haven. Comp. Gordon Warner of Branford was elected President, Bob McVey remains as Secretary-treasurer. Reports were accepted on the excellent condition of the treasury, on the marking of graves, the rehabilitation of the home of Gen. David Humphreys, and the proposed restoration of the home of New Haven's founder, Theophilus Eaton. The usual ceremonies at the graves of Gen. Humphreys and Roger Sherman, Signer of the Declaration of Independence, will be held July 4th in Grove Street Cemetery.

The Spring Meeting of the State Board of Managers was held May 18th at the New Haven Country Club, with about fifty compatriots and guests present. Plans were made for the annual meeting



Pres. Lee D. Stokes, Kentucky Society, SAR, bestows Medals of Appreciation upon two worthy DAR Regents, Mrs. Wells Vick and Mrs. J. Vernon Hardcastle (rt).



At Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y., Col. Brewerton H. Clarke, Sr., Art Director of the SAR MAGAZINE, bestows the ROTC Medal upon Cadet George A. Meier.

to be held in East Haddam, June 8th, when Connecticut SR will dedicate the Nathan Hale School there. At Pres. William J. Phelps' request, Treasurer General Harry F. Morse read the list of nominations to be presented at the annual meeting.

On April 16th, **Capt. Matthew Mead Branch #11** met at the Pickwick Arms and elected new officers. DeHaven Ross, whose father was active in this Society many years ago, was elected President, Gerard J. Morgan of Stamford became Secretary-Registrar. A membership campaign was instituted, with regular meetings scheduled to begin in the early fall.

On June 3rd, Pres. Gen. Smith attended a meeting of the **Gov. Oliver Wolcott Sr. Branch #10**, and delivered a fine talk. Later in the program, he impressively installed the Branch's new officers. Pres. Walter T. Bell was installed, following the retirement of Dr. Frederick C. Heney, who was presented the Ceremonial Badge in recognition of the fine hard work done by him in the resurrection of the Branch and the new members he attracted. Ernest H. Ring of Watertown became Secretary-Treasurer.

#### DELAWARE SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Delaware Society was held on April 18th, at the Greenville Country Club, Wilmington. President, W. Emerson Wilson presiding. The President gave a resume of the accomplishments of the year which included Fourth of July observances in all counties of the State and the presentation of medals to former Governor Elbert N. Carvel and our Chaplain, The Rev. Dr. Henry N. Herndon, in appreciation for their respective contributions to our State. An additional activity for the past

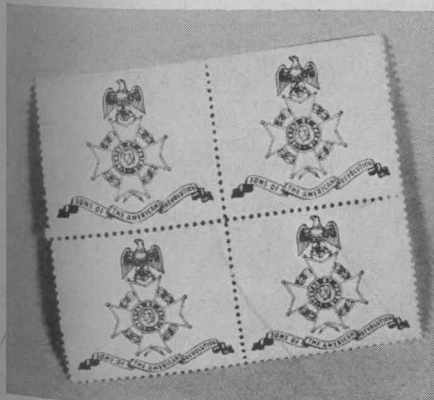
year was the restoration of the Old Pigeon Run Cemetery and the repairing of the tomb of the Rev. Samuel Eakins, Chaplain of the Flying Camp of Delaware troops in the Revolution which was accomplished with the aid of the local Explorer Scouts organization. It was announced that the Delaware Society added twenty new members to its roster during the year.

Following the election of the above-named officers, a most interesting talk was presented by Dr. John W. Christie, former pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, Delaware. Dr. Christie is one of Delaware's leading historians and served for a number of years as President of the Historical Society of Delaware. He discussed the fighting parsons of the Revolution, especially the Scotch Irish Presbyterians who were among the most active of the patriots.

#### D. C. SOCIETY

On the 19th of April, at a formal candlelight dinner well attended by compatriots and their ladies, the newly elected officers of our Society were installed. The principal officers for fiscal year, 1969, are: Brig. Gen. Louis J. Fortier, President; Ashby H. Canter, Major General Kester L. Hastings and J. Griffin Rountree, Vice Presidents; Richard E. Spurr, Treasurer; Robert H. Gravatt, Jr., Registrar; William M. Cain, Historian; James M. Buck II, Librarian and Col. Willis Bergen, Chaplain. Our nominee for the National Board of Trustees is J. Frederick Dorman. Compatriot David M. Klinedinst is our new office manager.

The SAR ROTC Awards Program continues to have our strong support. At the military ceremonies marking the conclusion of the scholastic year, SAR medals were presented to outstanding cadets of Georgetown and Catholic Universities.



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In sunny Puerto Rico, Air Force Cadet Capt. Jose M. Pereles proudly receives the ROTC Medal from Brig. Gen. Salvador Torros at the University of Puerto Rico.

At the May 8th luncheon meeting, Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, USAF (Ret.) was the featured speaker. His subject was "Some Observations in Vietnam."

The June 12th luncheon meeting featured Congressman John R. Rarick who spoke on the subject, "Be An American."

In these days of fiscal irresponsibility, internal disorders and dissensions, as well as unwillingness to win the war in Vietnam, it behooves us to participate wholeheartedly in giving proper orientation to American national policies. We are those who have roots in this nation and who are best qualified to assure the maintenance of our better traditions. In joining the Sons of the American Revolution we sought nothing for ourselves but merely the opportunity to contribute to the preservation of American ideals. We should, therefore, initiate this new fiscal year with the determination to engage in all the activities of our Society and, in this manner, obtain the inspiration to combat the insidious propaganda and alien philosophies undermining America.

#### GEORGIA SOCIETY

On April 27th, the Georgia Society sponsored a gala meeting and banquet in Atlanta. The United Airlines Conference Room was the scene of the state society meeting. That evening, a colorful banquet took place at the Druid Hills Golf Club, following a cordial hospitality hour. Greg Fullerton, winner of the Georgia Society's Historical Orator Contest delivered his speech. The highlight of the evening was the address of Congressman Ben B. Blackburn. The

program was thoroughly enjoyed by the large attendance of compatriots, their ladies, and guests.

#### HAWAII SOCIETY

On April 19th, the Hawaii Society held a Paul Revere Day Banquet at the Carousel Room of the Hawaiian Village Hotel. Their speaker for the evening was Compatriot Col. Harold Kent. His topic was "The Rides of Paul Revere." He gave an excellent address, well prepared and presented. Compatriot Kent had just retired as headmaster of the Kamehameha School, and has been devoting his time to historical endeavors, having just recently completed a volume on Charles Faxon Bishop.

#### IDAHO SOCIETY

The Idaho Society held its annual meeting at the Downtowner Motel on the evening of May 11th with Pres. Gen. L. Y. Smith as the principal speaker. State Pres. Samuel A. Grayson presided, and V. P. Gen. Theodore F. Meyer introduced Comp. Smith. Usually the Idaho Society holds its annual meeting around the 1st of April, but this year it was held in early May so that Comp. Smith could incorporate a visit to the Idaho Society, along with stops in New Mexico and Colorado.

Comp. and Mrs. William W. White were introduced, as Compatriot White's great grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War. Comp. White is planning to attend the National Congress at Williamsburg. At the same time, it was announced that the Idaho Society had received the application of Bruce Fienauer of Idaho Falls on the day after his 18th birthday. The Idaho Society feels it will have one of the youngest members in the National Society, and one who has probably the shortest lineage of any living National Society member. State Officers for the coming year were elect-



Iowa Society Pres. George M. Sheets awards the ROTC Medal to Cadet Lt. Martin Ikle of Grinnell College.

ed. Earl S. Wright, President. Donald F. Scott, Vice-President, and E. T. Simons, Secretary-Treasurer. The Idaho Society follows a policy of rotating the presidency each year. Retiring State President Grayson resides in Boise, President Elect lives in Eastern Idaho, while our new Vice-President makes his home in North Idaho. Prior to adjournment a male quartet entertained the compatriots and their wives.

#### IOWA SOCIETY

Compatriot George M. Sheets was re-elected president of the Iowa Society, at the annual meeting held May 5th at the University of Iowa, a joint session with the **Herbert Hoover Chapter**.

Donald E. Johnson, West Branch, Iowa, Past National Commander, American Legion, was guest speaker. He is currently a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of Iowa. In a non-political address, Johnson cited crime and rioting in the United States and said it was the responsibility of organizations such as the SAR to provide the leadership in citizen support of government authority. In introducing the speaker, Compatriot Sheets said, "We of the SAR, by our individual choice as by our ancestry, are committed to a patriotic program which entails not only support of our Government, but also of human rights founded on the principles of law and order and as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. With this background and commitment, we can not but view with apprehension the exhibitions of disloyalty transcending dissent which have appeared on college campuses as well as in metropolitan



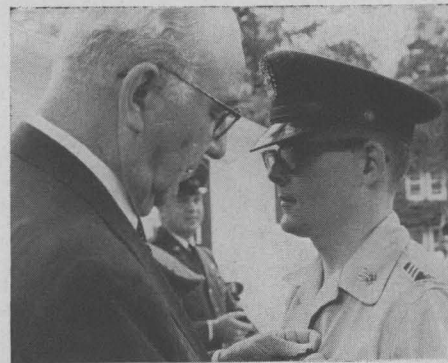
At Kentucky's Bowling Green H. S., Cadet Maj. Ray L. Hampton is awarded the ROTC Medal by Dr. John S. Herrick of the Charles Duncan Chapter, SAR, as Col. L. Osburn, ROTC Director, looks on.

slums, and present the world at large with a sorry picture of disunity and weakness."

Top feature of the entertainment was the singing of the "The Star Spangled Banner" by Mrs. Peter Hart, soprano, University of Iowa College of Music.

#### KANSAS SOCIETY

In conjunction with their annual meeting held in April, the Kansas Society dedicated a new flag pole on the campus of Washburn University. It replaced one which the tornado of 1966 destroyed, which had been dedicated by President William Howard Taft on September 27th, 1911. Dr. John W. Henderson, President of Washburn University and a member of the Kansas Society, SAR, gave the dedicatory address and accepted the flag pole on behalf of the University. He concluded his address with this statement, "Non-committed Americans to whom life in this country is the full enjoyment of rights, privileges and plea-



At the University of North Carolina, Cadet Bennett E. Gilbert proudly stands at attention as State Secretary-Treasurer Robert B. Cooke bestows the ROTC Medal.

ures devoid of responsibilities tend to confuse the guidelines. The fact is that millions of free Americans are taking our good way of life for granted. They cease to care about our foundations stones. I wonder whether we see in our sons and daughters this growing trend toward personal non-involvement. I wonder whether we have aggressively presented the SAR to our sons, grandsons and neighbors in the light that the SAR is involved?"

Elected president of the Kansas Society was Scott E. Kelsey, a great grandson of one of the original founders of the Kansas Society. Elected for the 24th time as the Chaplain of the Kansas Society was the Reverend Clifford E. Nash who, in all the years he has been Chaplain, has only missed two annual meetings. He also serves as Chaplain for the **Thomas Jefferson Chapter**. Rev. Nash is a retired Methodist Minister, having served many Kansas churches.



Kentucky Society Pres. Lee D. Stokes (lt) presents the SAR Patriot Medal to retiring Pres. J. Ashlin Logan at Louisville. Mrs. Logan, a DAR officer, (rt) adds charm to the occasion.

#### KENTUCKY SOCIETY

Retiring President J. Ashlin Logan was unanimously approved to receive the Patriot Medal for 1968. Medals of Appreciation were also authorized for Mrs. Mildred Hardcastle who assisted in the reactivation of the **Charles Duncan Chapter** at Bowling Green and to Mrs. Velma Vick who materially aided in the formation of the **Gen. Benjamin Logan Chapter** at Russellville. The Kentucky Society is ending the year with 400 members, a gain of 49 over last year.

The Kentucky Society, represented by Past President J. Ashlin Logan and Past Secretary J. Paul Demaree, bestowed medals upon 2 cadets at Millersburg Military Academy. Cadet David L. Wiggins received the ROTC Medal, and Cadet Robert C. Brookes was awarded the Good Citizenship Medal.

The **R. C. Ballard Thruston Chapter** awarded ROTC Medals to Cadet Phillip C. Chance and Midshipman Joseph M. McSweeney, both of the University of Louisville. An additional ROTC Medal was presented to Cadet Stanford T. Mullen of the ROTC Unit of Louisville Male High School. On June 14th, President T. Ewing Roberts of the **R. C. Ballard Thruston Chapter** awarded a Good Citizenship Medal to Col. C. J. Hyde, Chief of Louisville Police. Similarly honored were Timothy L. Hardy and Verlon G. Hogan of Durrett High School. These two fine young Americans were recognized for having instituted a campaign for the display of our Flag in all school rooms.

#### LOUISIANA SOCIETY

Due to the conscientious efforts of several Louisiana Society compatriots the SAR patriotic record, "Ave America" was played by radio stations throughout the State on Memorial Day. National Trustee Graham H. Bienvenu of the **Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter** in Baton Rouge personally purchased and donated 6 records for the second year. All were

played by 6 broadcasting stations in the area. State societies and chapters throughout the Nation continue to purchase this outstanding record for their local radio stations, in addition to utilization in SAR social programs.

#### MARYLAND SOCIETY

The Maryland Society presented the Patriot Medal to Dr. Caleb Dorsey for his painstaking work as Registrar since 1960. In addition to his interest in genealogy, Dr. Dorsey is a student of Maryland history, and has gained considerably recognition in this field. He is a descendant of Edward Dorsey, who received a land grant from Lord Calvert, the second Lord Baltimore. After much research, Compatriot Dorsey has prepared a map showing all the original land grants in what is now Anne Arundel County; and, at present is completing a similar map of Howard County.

In recognition of Miss Helen C. Hottenbacher's 46 years of outstanding service to the Maryland Society, SAR, she was presented with the gold Good Citizenship Medal. "Miss Helen" as secretary to Compatriot George S. Robertson, Secretary of the Maryland Society since 1922, has served in a superb manner. Miss Hottenbacher has served as Assistant to the Credentials Committee of the National Society at the Annual Congresses from 1928 to 1948. She took and transcribed minutes of meetings of the Annual Congresses from 1932 to 1950, and handled the detail work for Mr. Robertson during his term as Treasurer General.

#### MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY

The **Berkshire Chapter** held an enjoyable meeting at the Pittsfield Country Club, as guests of Chapter Secretary Nickels B. Huston, on May 18th. After the delightful luncheon, State President Keddy expressed appreciation to Comp. Huston, and asked for all to extend a rising vote of thanks for his undivided interest in the Chapter over the many years as its Secretary-Treasurer. Election of officers was held with the following compatriots being elected: President, Thomas E. Sisco; Nickels B. Huston and Stanley L. Cummings as Vice Presidents. Dr. Sanborn F. Philip, Treasurer; Jesse T. O'Hara, Secretary. Attending were Mitchell J. Mulholland, John P. English and George W. Schryver. State officers attending and assisting in the reviving of the **Berkshire Chapter** were State President Albert W. Keddy and State Secretary Henry D. Grebenstein.

The **Old Middlesex Chapter** elected the following officers at a luncheon meeting: President, Henry D. Grebenstein; Vice



At Louisiana's Tulane University, Comp. Daniel O. Blue, a retired USNR Captain, presents the ROTC Medal & Citation to Cadet Dennis R. Stewart.

Presidents Walter A. Sidley, Jr., and J. Thomas Baldwin; Secretary-Treasurer Clark B. Loth. An early Fall meeting is planned.

The **George Washington Chapter** held a joint Memorial Day observance with the Mercy Warren Chapter, DAR at the Dorcas Chapin Chapel, May 23rd at Springfield.

The Massachusetts Society on Patriots Day, April 19th, held their Annual Luncheon at the Colonial Inn in Concord, in commemoration of the Battle of Lexington and Concord. Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward appeared as guest speaker, with his wife. Color slides of National Headquarters augmented the program, affording many compatriots and their guests their first look at our facilities in Washington.

#### MICHIGAN SOCIETY

A talk on "Pre-American Michigan" was given by our State Secretary, Lynn S. Gordon, at our meeting in Lansing on November 18th. The talk covered the period from the geological formation of Michigan up to September 1, 1796, when our State became a part of the United States of America. Our Secretary has many talents and we are all grateful for such a fine Secretary and Compatriot. At our meeting in Detroit on January 13th, we were privileged to have Dr. David B. Davis, President of the **Kent Chapter**, give us a most interesting talk on the medical problems of our armed forces during the American Revolution. The

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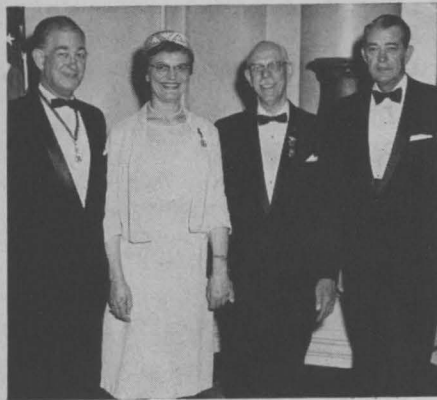
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largest number of casualties were not from bullet or saber wounds, but from those diseases common wherever people normally living more or less isolated, gather in large groups. Dr. Davis has made extended research into this matter. At a meeting held in Grand Rapids on March 9th, a superbly illustrated talk was presented through the courtesy of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company showing slides of its now famous series of paintings on "Michigan from Mastadon to Motor Car." The Annual Meeting was held in Ypsilanti on April 20th. Our speaker was Comp. and State Senator Gilbert E. Bursley. His subject was "Patriotism and Morality," and we were urged to work diligently to raise the level of both patriotism and morality before our civilization is destroyed from within, as were 25 other civilizations of the world. The Awards Parade was held May 7th, at Michigan State University in East Lansing, during which SAR awards were presented by Comp. Jackson E. Towne of the **Chancellor John Lansing Chapter** to Cadet Capt. G. K. Hicks and Cadet L. Winegar.

At its Annual Awards Luncheon on May 22nd, the **Kent Chapter** presented bronze Good Citizenship Medals and certificates for outstanding character and patriotic leadership to Grand Rapids Junior High School students: April Malarik, Beverly Kerlikowski, Debra Steketee, Shelley Thompson, Sarah Vandermolen, Darcy McGee, Curtis Rowe, David Weatherwax, Gerald Welch, Diana Turner and Philip Johnson. During the Luncheon program, ROTC Medals were presented to ROTC High School Cadets Eugene Hanka and Daniel Rice, as their ROTC commanding officer, Major Lawrence D. Smith, looked on. The Kent Chapter also honored Circuit Judge Fred N. Searl and Dr. Hosea D. Ireland with silver Good Citizenship Medals for their outstanding service to the community, above and beyond the demands of their respective professions.

#### MISSOURI SOCIETY

The Missouri Society held its Annual Meeting for the election and installation of officers on March 9th. The meeting was held in the Downtown Holiday Inn, and was well attended, especially by out-of-State members. On account of the necessarily long business meeting, there were no other activities. A feature of the afternoon was the choice of one of our members as an honorary member, namely Mr. Harry S. Truman, former President of the United States. After the meeting had adjourned, there was a fellowship hour before the gathering dispersed. At Washington University, Air



Maryland Society Pres. Dr. J. King Seegar (lt) congratulates Miss Helen C. Hottenbacher and Comp. Dr. Caleb Dorsey. V. P. Gen. Harold E. Wilmoth (rt) (See Maryland Society news).

Force Cadet John F. Robinson and two University of Missouri ROTC students received similar ROTC Awards. They were Air Force Cadet Irwin Williams and Army Cadet Harvey Harben. Also Navy Midshipman Dennis Hacker of the University of Missouri received an ROTC Medal. Compatriot Wilson Wright awarded an ROTC Medal at Washington University to Army Cadet James M. Gieseke. It is reassuring to see such a fine group of young men who, on a voluntary basis, are devoting their time and talents to the cause of the United States. What a contrast to the campus sit-in rioters; the vociferous minorities on our college campuses.

#### NEW JERSEY SOCIETY

The New Jersey Society under the capable leadership of President George G. Felt has completed a successful year, culminating in the annual Congress on May 4 at the Gov. Morris Inn, Morristown, at which the following officers were elected: President, Michael J. Dwyer; 1st Vice President, Richard E. Crane; 2nd Vice President, Vincent Van Inwegen; 3rd Vice President, Marvin C. Shepherd; Secretary, John R. Naisby, Jr.; Treasurer, Vincent Van Inwegen; Genealogist, Augustus W. Smith, Sr.; Historian, John L. Ludlow; Registrar, Albert L. Stokes; Chaplain, Manton L. Graff; Ass't Chaplain, Edwin F. Jacobus; Chancellor, Henry C. McMullen; Librarian, Edmund F. Smith; Surgeon, Cornelius J. Kraissl, M.D.; National Trustee, Richard M. Howlett. Installation ceremonies were conducted by Vice Pres. Gen. James B. Gardiner. The Douglass High Oratorical Contest was won by John Daniano, a student in the Roselle Park High School, sponsored by the **Abraham Clark Chapter**. Several amendments to the Constitution and By-laws were adopted. Recognition was given, first, to Comp. G. Harold

Leggett of the **West Fields Chapter** for the 13 new members he secured during the year and, second, to Edgar M. Gibby, Past President of the **Abraham Clark Chapter**, for six additions which, percentage-wise, won the President's Membership Trophy, presented in 1962 to the State Society by the Past President of both the State and **John Hart Chapter**, Comp. J. Neil Arrington. During May, presentation of ROTC Medals were made by the following Compatriots: Dr. C. Malcolm Gilman, Rutgers University; Dr. George J. Deyo, Seton Hall; James R. Arrington, Princeton University; Richard E. Crane, Newark College of Engineering; S. Oram Farrand, Stevens Institute of Technology and Sterling P. Henry, St. Peters College.

**West Fields Chapter #11** is proud of the outstanding record established by its Registrar and Membership Committee Chairman, Comp. G. Harold Leggett, for securing a total of 87 new members, 13 during the past year. Not content with genealogical research establishing Revolutionary War connections, he has typed many applications, relieving new members of this burden. Extending his efforts farther afield he secured the telephone number 355-1776 for our State Headquarters in the historic Bonnell House in



Col. Leroy M. Glodell, V. P. Gen., smiles proudly as Mass. Society Pres. Paul S. Vaites, Jr. pins on the Patriot Medal. Comp. David Glodell looks on.

Elizabeth where the Annual Meeting took place on March 20. The following officers were elected, and installation was made by Comp. George J. Deyo, Past State President and Vice President General: President, Charles P. Bailey; three Vice Presidents, Clarence G. Troxell, Russell H. Tandy, Jr., Dr. Stephen M. Ayres; Secretary, Byron D. Stuart; Treasurer, John H. Wachter; Chaplain, Robert E. Mumford and Historian, Herman A. Fischer. Guest speaker was Edgar M. Gibby, Past President of **Abraham Clark Chapter**, Roselle, whose subject was the Bonnell House and his ancestor, Nathaniel Bonnell.

The big event in the life of **Elizabethtown Chapter #1** is the celebration of its 75th birthday at the Elizabeth Carteret Hotel on Sept. 17, the nearest available date of its founding Sept. 12, 1893. This Chapter is number one in the nation, and Elizabethtown is distinguished as the birthplace of the National Society, SAR. As this year marks the 75th anniversary of the Boudinot Chapter of the DAR, both Societies will join in this exciting celebration which occurs during Constitution Week. Comp. George J. Deyo is Chairman of the Diamond Anniversary Committee. Sixteen Good Citizenship Medals have been distributed to pupils of high schools in this area.

**Abraham Clark Chapter #14**, for the second time, was winner of the President's silver bowl for membership presented at the annual state congress on May 4. The distinction of winning the Douglas High Oratorical Contest was due to the efforts of Comp. Edward L. Perry, Chapter Genealogist, who sponsored one boy, the only entry in the entire State. The interest and enthusiasm aroused by our covered dish suppers and the musicale last year led to a repetition this year at the home of Comp. and Mrs. Benjamin J. Moffett. It was decided to make the latter an annual affair. The Annual Meeting on March 19 was notable for a most interesting talk with color slides by Charles C. Stover, a Peace Corps member lately returned from the Niger Republic. Officers for the next year were

elected, and the installation ceremony was conducted by Dr. George J. Deyo, as follows: President, Clifford C. Knerr; 1st Vice President, George E. Chittenden; 2nd Vice President, Benjamin J. Moffett; Secretary, Brent B. Caldwell, Sr.; Treasurer, C. LeRoy Storms; Chaplain, Edward T. Jacobus. Continued interest in our Chapter House and history is indicated by local and out-of-state visitors.

**The South Jersey Chapter #13** was entertained at its June 24 meeting under the Chairmanship of Comp. James M. Turner, Freeholder of Gloucester County, by a visit to the Red Bank Battlefield along the Delaware. Freeholder Turner has been responsible for the restoration and erection of a new building at the site known as Fort Billings. During the Revolution, forts were built overlooking the Delaware River to form a chevaux-de-frise, and recently, timbers, so used, have been recovered from the river in excellent condition, and will be dedicated at a future ceremony. The position of the forts prevented the British from landing their forces nearer than the Chesapeake Bay, so compelling them to march north to Philadelphia.

**Jersey City Chapter #18** continues in the forefront. A preliminary step was adopted recently to change the name to "Old Bergen-Hudson Chapter" which will be subject to a written approval by a majority of the membership, and action by the State Board of Managers. This meeting took place in our State Headquarters, the Bonnell House in Elizabeth, March 28. At a meeting held April 23, a silver Good Citizenship Medal and a certificate of the National Society was presented to Chief Assignment Judge, Peter P. Artarse, of the Superior Court of N. J. A tape recording of the famous Patrick Henry speech, "Give Me Liberty, or Give Me Death" was played. At the May meeting, Pres. Sterling P. Henry, a direct descendant of Henry and of Robert Morris, gave an interesting talk on the lives of these illustrious men. It was encouraging to note that 7 men were working on their applications for membership in our Chapter.

**The Col. John Rosenkrans Chapter #22** was so encouraged by the enthusiastic reception given to Comp. Bruyn A. Glann's talk to Butler High School students that plans are in the making for a similar program at Sparta High School. Many complimentary messages and requests for the use of the contents of this talk have been received from clubs and societies; also from schools as distant as California. Our Chapter has been honored with the election of one of our members, Comp. John R. Naisby as State Secretary.



Cadet Michael Deibler stands proudly as Comp. Walter G. Hunt of the Mississippi Society honors him with the ROTC Medal.

**Jockey Hollow Chapter #7** held a special meeting on May 4, immediately following the Annual State Congress at the Gov. Morris Inn in Morristown. Comp. Arnold W. Saunders was elected President; Vice President, Richard T. Eldred; Treasurer, A. Nesbitt and Secretary, James J. Bancker.

The Afton in Florham Park was the setting for the **Passaic Valley Chapter #8** meeting on March 6 when members and their ladies enjoyed an illustrated



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lecture on Pennsylvania's "Amish Country" given by Mr. Fred Laix.

**Capt. Abraham Godwin Chapter #12** reports the following officers elected at the May 9 meeting: President, Frank C. Winston; Vice President, William F. Gordon; Treasurer and Historian, D. Stanton Hammond; Secretary and Registrar, Edward J. Serven; Chaplain, Rev. Gerald B. O'Grady. An interesting item connected with Vice Pres. Gordon relates to his ancestors, the Campbells, who made wampum for the Indians. This meeting marked the first to be held in our new Headquarters, the D. Stanton Hammond Room in the historic Lambert Mansion, set apart for our use and for Dr. Hammond's extensive and valuable Genealogical and Historical Library and records.

The largest attendance of any meetings of the **Raritan Valley Chapter #15** gathered on March 25 at the home of our President, Murray A. Chittick, to greet as guest speaker, Dr. D. Stanton Hammond, the well-known historian and genealogist. This hour-long talk was greatly enjoyed by his audience which included three prospects. The usual Presbyterian Cherry Pie was on tap, concluding a notable and pleasant evening.

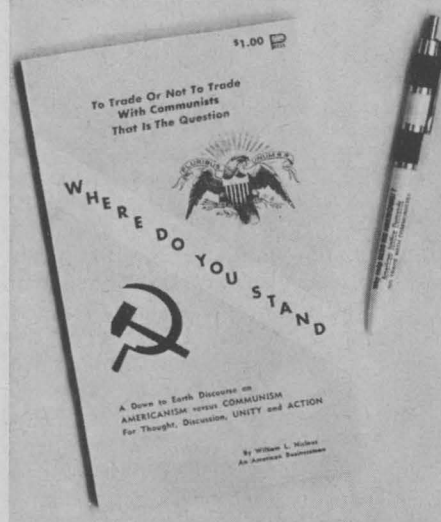
Secretary William W. Knight of **Paramus Chapter #6** was host to seven members at the February 29th meeting when the present membership was discussed, and steps taken to update the list. The death of Comp. Pierre Zabriskie was noted and observed by silent prayer. A marker will be placed at his grave as was done for our former member, the late Compatriot Edgar Wandless. Plans were laid for the annual dinner meeting to be held in May, and hope was expressed that the Sunday Memorial Services following Memorial Day be attended by as many members as possible.

"Two Hundred Years of Franco-American Relationship" was the subject of a talk by Mrs. C. Varkala, a student of French interests in America, given to the **Montclair Chapter #3** at our April meeting. Compatriot John N. Dennis, a flag expert, gave us a thrilling talk with a film on "The Story of Old Glory" at a joint meeting in March with the Eagle Rock Chapter, DAR. This meeting is one sponsored to encourage interest in the history of the United States and its relation to current problems.

#### NEW MEXICO SOCIETY

Past Pres. Gen. Len Young Smith visited New Mexico and was the guest of honor at a meeting May 8th chaired by the President H. Clifton Wright of the **Albuquerque Chapter**. An enthusiastic audience applauded Comp. Smith when he emphasized the need for more law

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observance by our citizenry. He further cited historical warnings from our Country's leaders, including Abraham Lincoln, that violations of the law should never be condoned. The Speaker was especially concerned about this problem at his Alma Mater, Northwestern University, where he is Chairman of the Department of Business Law. Comp. Smith was presented with a memento of his visit, a beautiful piece of black pottery, the specialty of the skilled artisans at the San Ildefonso Indian Pueblo.

Comp. Wright presented an ROTC Medal to a cadet of the Albuquerque High School, April 25th. Air Force Cadet Clarence E. Keys received his medal May 7th at New Mexico State College, and Midshipman Jay R. Cushing, on the same date, accepted his award at the University of New Mexico. Comp.



Air Cadets Lee Winegar and Graydon K. Hicks of Michigan State University receive ROTC Medals from Historian Jackson E. Towne of the Chancellor John Lansing Chapter.

Merrill Norton presented a Good Citizenship Medal to a student from the Lovington High School in May. Comp. Marshall Hester awarded an ROTC Medal to Army Cadet Joe Rico of the New Mexico State College May 14th. Comp. Nelson Turner presented a similar award to Air Force Cadet John L. Jackson of the University of New Mexico May 16th; and Comp. Lake Frazier presented the ROTC Medal to Army Cadet Stirling Spencer of the New Mexico Military Institute May 23rd.

One of the more cherished and important activities carried on by the New

Mexico Society concerns participation in citizenship naturalization ceremonies in federal court. These events are normally held three times a year; April, July and December; and each occasion sees a group of New Mexico compatriots on hand to extend to each new citizen of this Country a welcoming handshake and Certificate of Appreciation, both of which are greatly valued by the newly-made citizens. This project was started in 1961 by the late Comp. Clinton Roth and has been continued over the years. He presented the first certificate in December, 1962.

#### INDIANA SOCIETY

On April 6th, the Indiana Society celebrated Lexington Day at the Fiesta Restaurant in Nashville. A fine program was presented by retiring President Russ Stott and his staff in honor of the new officers headed by President Albert T. Morris. The banquet speaker for the evening was Tom G. Jones, an alumnus of the Indiana University Law School.

#### EMPIRE STATE (N.Y.) SOCIETY

The Empire State Society presented a Scroll of Appreciation to New York's Daily News on the occasion of the New York Chapter's annual Patriot's Day Smoker at the Princeton Club, April 19. The award was given to the Newspaper for the sale of more than 100,000 American flags and 50,000 flag stickers at cost during a recent flag promotion project. The Daily News has now launched another campaign through sale of a flag and flagstaff set. John C. Stoltzfus, a Daily News executive, received the scroll from Lawrence P. Tower, President of the United States Flag Foundation and a member of the Chapter's Board of Managers. The smoker was well-attended with 18 new members receiving their rosettes, and were welcomed to the Chapter. First Vice President Harry S. Schanck displayed the George Washington Honor Medal recently bestowed on the Empire State Society for its community program in 1967, by the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pa. Compatriot Schanck formally received the medal from Mr. George Champion, Chairman of the Chase Manhattan Bank, at an impressive ceremony in the Board of Governor's Room at the New York Stock Exchange, April 16th. The Medal, showing Gen. George Washington at prayer at Valley Forge, is surmounted by a flag. Twenty five members of the Society's Board of Managers and six non-board members attended the March 30th meeting of the Board at the Columbia University Club in New York following a luncheon at the Brass Rail Restaurant

attended by members, ladies and guests. It was reported that the **Jamestown Chapter** is now inactive and that its treasury balance has been turned over to the State Society. It was voted that this sum be returned when the Chapter is reactivated. The Finance Committee recommended that the State Society's newsletter, initiated in 1967, be published five times annually. This was approved.

The annual meeting of the Empire State Society was held at the Hotel Thayer on the beautiful grounds of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point on April 20th with a large attendance. J. Moreau Brown III of the **Stony Point Chapter** was elected President to succeed Philip W. Ransom. Other officers elected and installed were Vice Presidents Harry S.



The Empire State Society's Vice President, Harry S. Schanck, justifiably beams as Mr. George Champion (rt), Chairman of the Chase Manhattan Bank, presents the Freedoms Foundation George Washington Honor Medal Award.

Schanck (Southern District), Dr. Albert W. Munson (Eastern District), Donald M. Bostwick (Central District), Robert W. Newcomb (Western District) and Frank C. Finch (Northern District), Secretary James Lithgow, Treasurer Robert Lang Jr., Historian G. James Veith, Chancellor Howard E. Cox, and Chaplain Rev. M. Robert Lambert.

The **Stony Point Chapter** hosted a reception and Continental Soiree at the Hotel in the evening with Lt. Col. Arch Roberts, A.U.S. (Ret.), author, lecturer, and crusader against subversion in the government and military, as speaker. Compatriot Roberts received the Gold Good Citizenship Medal at the conclusion of his discourse.

The New York Chapter's reactivated Color Guard participated in the Armed Forces Day Parade on Fifth Avenue on May 18 and the Tri-Centennial Parade at



John C. Stoltzfus (rt) of New York's DAILY NEWS accepts a Scroll of Appreciation from Comp. Lawrence P. Tower, Pres., US Flag Foundation during ceremonies at the New York Chapter's Patriots Day Smoker. State Secty. James Lithgow looks on. The NEWS was honored for having sold, at cost, U. S. Flags and stickers to over 150,000 persons.

Glen Cove, May 26th. Comp. Allen W. Finger is chairman of the Color Guard whose colorful and authentic Revolutionary War uniforms are an asset to any patriotic occasion and parade. A member of the Chapter's Board of Managers, Comp. Robert W. Steir, was honored by the Freedoms Foundation with one of the George Washington Honor Medals given to individuals for an untitled public address made at a number of high schools in New Jersey in 1967 on the topic of Americanism. Comp. Steir has spoken widely at schools and colleges in the New Jersey-New York area in recent years in the interests of inspiring patriotism among young people.

On Armed Forces Day, the **Westchester Chapter** presented to Edwin G. Michaelian, County Executive of Westchester County, its Gold Good Citizenship Medal for his career of public service spanning 30 years. A life long resident of White Plains, Mr. Michaelian has served numerous county, state and national boards and committees, and has been County Executive since 1958. The medal was bestowed by Comp. Leo Manville of White Plains, Genealogist of the Chapter in ceremonies at Mr. Michaelian's office in the County Office Building.

The **Huntington Chapter** met at the Huntington Public Library, April 1st, followed by a joint meeting with Keta-wamoke Chapter, DAR and the Elizabeth Potter Chapter, CAR. At the business meeting, Stanley A. Ransom, Jr., was elected president; Kenneth W. Johnson, Jr., vice president; Robert B. Sattley, secretary, with Reginald H. Metcalf, Jr., to assume the secretaryship when Comp. Sattley moves to Colorado this spring; Henry L. Wood, treasurer; Douglass E. Stratton, registrar; and Robert L. Corwin, chancellor. At the joint meeting, Curator Edward Smits of the Nassau

County Historical Museum gave an interesting talk illustrated by slides of the Old Bethpage Village Restoration. The project is being financed by Nassau County and furnishings and utensils will be contributed by individuals. At present, plans are completed for the moving of three architecturally outstanding homes to the site of the Powell farmstead. Eighteen units will make up the restoration by 1970. Comp. Howard S. Velsor, only survivor of the group which founded the **Huntington Chapter** in 1909, was honored with the Good Citizenship Medal on his 100th birthday, May 19th, by Empire State Society Vice President Harry S. Schanck. The presentation was made at an open house held at the residence of Comp. Velsor's son-in-law, Mr. John Toaz of Halesite. President Ransom of the Chapter extended best wishes to Mr. Velsor and presented him with flowers and an SAR desk set. Treasurer Wood presented him with a framed duplicate of the charter of the **Huntington Chapter** listing Mr. Velsor as one of the founders. The honoree said he had one desire in life, to write a book on the topic of "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness."

The **Watertown Chapter** elected W. Glenn Larmonth president on April 22nd. Other officers are Lewis D. Dingman, secretary; Ray L. Leonard, Treasurer; Harold M. Brown, registrar; C. L. Bowman, historian; and Ray M. Robinson, chaplain.

The **Buffalo Chapter** was represented at the 8th Annual Dinner Meeting of Buffalo Patriotic Societies on April 4th at the Park Lane Hotel. State V. P. Robert B. Newcomb was chairman of the event which featured a speech on the subject of "Shareholders in Our Law" by the Hon. Frederick M. Marshall, Chief Judge of



Duke University's Midshipman Donald Herzbers is recipient of the ROTC Medal from Comp. Robt. B. Cooke of the North Carolina Society.



Treasurer General Eugene C. McGuire presents ROTC Medals at the Denison University President's Review in Ohio. Recipients are Rosert S. Wyatt and Ronald H. Baumler.

the County Court.

The **Syracuse Chapter** has elected P. Lachlan, Peck President for the coming year.

The **Oriskany Battle Chapter** was represented at Colgate University at the Annual Awards Ceremonies when Col. Brewerton H. Clarke, Sr., National Committeeman conferred the ROTC Medal upon a winning cadet.

Compatriots of the **Stony Point Chapter** assisted in the patriotic ceremonies that were part of the program at the Annual Masonic Youth Day at Tappan. Compatriot John B. Lovett, Supervisor of Orangetown, honored the community's youth with an official proclamation. Included in the program, in addition to compatriots, were DARs and CARs.

#### NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

An active membership drive, and continuous contact and cooperation with the companionate organizations of the DAR and CAR have been the features of the North Carolina Society during the official year, 1967-1968. Local meetings in private homes have been featured throughout the year, especially in the **Raleigh Chapter**.

An active supporter and contributor to the CAR, President Fountain was featured at the annual convention of the CAR at Winston-Salem on March 22nd, and delivered a short address at the banquet session. He has also attended local meetings of DAR and CAR in the Raleigh area. At these meetings, he gave to both the junior and senior officers, suggestions for transfer of memberships to the SAR.

Vice-President Albert C. Wirth accompanied President Fountain to the South Atlantic District meeting, Charleston S. C., March 9th, and acted as secretary for the entire session, much of which was devoted to workshop methods of stimulating membership and activities for the

various chapters. As a means of furthering these programs of promotion and activity, President Fountain attended the joint meeting of the SAR and the DAR in Atlanta in December, and also the state meeting of the Virginia Society at Richmond, February 17, and the South Carolina meeting at Greenwood on April 27th.

Awards to outstanding ROTC students in the leading colleges and universities were given at North Carolina State University; Duke University and the University of North Carolina. For these ceremonies, Secretary-Treasurer Robert B. Cooke represented the State Society at Duke University and at the University of North Carolina. At Duke, the award was presented to Midshipman Donald D. Herzberg; at the University of North Carolina the award went to Cadet Bennett C. Gilbert. At North Carolina State University, President Fountain awarded pins and citations to Cadet L. B. Hancock, of the Army ROTC, and to S. E. Dorman, of the Air Force ROTC. Several other patriotic and historical organizations participated.

Major event of the year was the annual banquet, held in Raleigh at the Hotel Sir Walter on April 13th. At that time, special good citizenship awards were presented to Dr. C. C. Crittenden, Director of the State Department of Archives and History, and to Col. David L. Hardee, long-time member and official of the SAR, and survivor of the Bataan Death March. A lifetime honorary membership was presented to Horace B. Lindsey, who has been genealogist for the State Society for many years. Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Blackwell P. Robinson, Professor of American History at the University of North Carolina. His speech featured the prominent part North Carolina played in the Revolution, at the very first, by the famous Halifax Resolves of April 12, 1776, the anniversary of which is observed by the North Carolina Society each year as the time for the annual convention and election of Officers; and the part of North Carolina at the last of the war, when General Nathaniel Greene engaged General Cornwallis at several points while the British General was on his way to final surrender at Yorktown.

At the annual meeting, major officers, President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer, were re-elected; Vice-President Wirth was elected to serve as National Trustee, in addition to the Vice-Presidency. Area Vice-Presidents were elected as follows: Robert S. Beckham, William T. Carpenter, Thomas Stark Lofton, Josh P. Horne, Phil Carlton, William L. Ramsey; Donad V. Holliday,



At Pennsylvania's Lehigh University, Past Pres. Charles T. Raber of the Valley Forge Chapter prepares to present the ROTC Medal to Cadet Charles T. Unsel.

Marvin B. Koonce, Joseph S. Moye, and elected as Historian was W. R. Miller and as Genealogist was re-elected Horace B. Lindsey. The Rev. George B. S. Hale was re-elected as State Chaplain.

#### OHIO SOCIETY

The 79th Anniversary Annual Conference of the Ohio Society was held at the Netherland-Hilton Hotel in Cincinnati, April 26-27, and was well attended, with

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an interesting and productive program. The chief address was given at the Friday evening banquet by the Rev. Charles F. Murphy, Pastor of the Walnut Hill Methodist Church of Cincinnati, who has many pertinent things to say about movements affecting our national life today. The Friday afternoon business session was held as the members and their guests journeyed up the historic Ohio River on Johnson Party Boat. Eight candidates from all over the state participated in the stirring Historical Oration Contest. For the ladies, a special tour of the Cincinnati Historical and Art Museums was furnished.

The Patriot Medal with an accompanying splendidly engrossed plaque was presented to retiring President Talbot Harding, who is also Secretary of the Western Reserve Chapter at Cleveland.

Comp. J. Gale Idle of Mansfield was elected President, and at the conclusion of the Conference, the new officers for the year were installed by Past President General Charles A. Jones.

On the evening of May 14th, the Benjamin Franklin Chapter at Columbus held its annual Awards Night in the Auditorium of Central High School, which was crowded with compatriots and friends of the recipients. To the honor student selected by each high school, the Society's Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate were presented. Each honor student of the ninth grade received a Good Citizenship Certificate. In all, 10 awards were presented by Comp. Kingsley A. Taft, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio. Speaker of the evening was Comp. Chet Long, popular radio personality. Music was furnished by the orchestra of the High School. Past Pres. Gen. Charles A. Jones and Chapter officers also participated in the program.

Comp. Fred J. Milligan of the Benjamin Franklin Chapter was chief speaker on Memorial Day at dedication ceremonies in Valley Forge, Pa., of the Ohio Acre, honoring 226 Ohioans who have received the Nation's Medal of Honor. On the sides of a seven foot obelisk of the Washington Monument design will be engraved the 226 names. Comp. John W. Bricker, former Governor and U.S. Senator, also participated in the dedication ceremonies. Comp. Milligan was Chairman of Governor Rhodes' Committee for the Ohio's Acre, and directed the raising of adequate funds for this Memorial.

The Society's ROTC Medals have been presented to all units in the State relative to military recognition programs of the commencement season. Past Pres. Gen. Charles A. Jones pinned 4 medals of honor cadets at Ohio State University, two at Otterbein College, one at Capital

University and one at Ohio Wesleyan University. Other colleges where presentations were made included Ohio University, Miami University, the University of Cincinnati, Xavier College, Bowling Green State College, Denison University and John Carroll College.

The Western Reserve Society of Cleveland has held 3 interesting meetings since the last issue of the Magazine. On April 10th, Paul W. Briggs, Supt. of the Cleveland Public Schools, spoke on "Education in America." On May 8th Meredith Collet, Director of the Western Reserve Historical Society, described "Mansions of Old Euclid Avenue," once one of the most distinguished residential streets in America.

On June 12th, Fred Ramsey, Asst. Treasurer of the Cleveland Trust Co., spoke on "Southeast Asia, A World In Ferment."

On May 14th, Secretary Jones met with Pres. John L. Rosensteel and other compatriots in Springfield to map out plans for an active program for the George Rogers Chapter in the coming year. The Conference took place at a



Distinguished attenders at a recent Pennsylvania Board of Management Meeting at Chambersburg are (l to r): National Trustee Floyd G. Hoenstine, Genealogist Gen. Lynn D. Sprankle, Past President Gen. Kenneth G. Smith, Sr., Registrar Gen. J. Merle Brallier and Chaplain Gen. William A. Fluck, D. D.

dinner meeting in the Hotel Bancroft. Comp. Ralph H. Weatherbee, Jr. was designated as Chairman of Arrangements for the Fall meeting.

#### OKLAHOMA SOCIETY

The Bartlesville Chapter presented an informational program to the public on May 21st. The presentation was designed to interest the public in the contents of textbooks which are used in our schools, and to demonstrate that textbooks can be used as an instrument for promoting socialistic concepts. Comp. Darall Hawk, a member of the Board of National Trustees, conducted the meeting. After

opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, he gave a short history of the SAR's interest in textbooks, and illustrated this interest by describing the Bill of Grievances which was compiled by the National Society in 1949. Comp. Hawk then instructed the audience on the system which Oklahoma used for choosing textbooks. Visual aids and handouts were used to supplement his word description. A film was shown, "Education or Indoctrination," which reviewed the controversial textbook, "Land of the Free." This text has been adopted for use in a number of our major cities and has been accused of being slanted against our Republican form of government. Subsequent to the film, Comp. Hawk made an objective evaluation of several of the texts used in the Bartlesville Public Schools. He then introduced Mr. Wayne Richardson who is Asst. Supt. of Bartlesville Public Schools and is presently serving as chairman of the local textbook committee. Mr. Richardson complimented the group for their interest, and responded to a number of questions from the audience. Comp. Hawk adjourned the meeting with the thought that if the textbooks will present only the truth, then our youth will have an appreciation for America which will lead them away from the unpatriotic demonstrations in which many of our youth have been involved. The Bartlesville Chapter of the DAR helped in publicizing the event, and the American Legion furnished the meeting place and film. The program was planned and arranged by Don Kuper, President of the Bartlesville Chapter, SAR.

Dr. Charles Mason, a member of the SAR and Supt. of Tulsa public schools, was presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal by the Tulsa Chapter. State Secretary George Hancock and Past Chapter President A. Wallace Easter made the award. Each year, the Tulsa Chapter presents the award to persons they believe "have done an outstanding job in furthering the cause of good citizenship."

The Oklahoma Society met at Southern Hills Country Club, Tulsa, March 23rd. Justice Harry L. S. Halley, President of the Oklahoma Society presided at the business session, and Robert E. Garetson, Jr. President of Tulsa Chapter, at the luncheon which followed. All 1967-68 officers were reelected to office. There were 85 members and guests. The business session was honored by delegates from Bartlesville, Stillwater, Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Claremore and Muskogee forwarded reports. Louis M. Gregory, CLU, Col. USAF (Ret.) was the guest speaker, and brought an inspiring message. Col. Gregory is a brother of Tulsa Chapter Comp. H. Franklin Gre-

gory, Brig. Gen. USAF (Ret.). Presentation of the Patriot Medal was made to Comp. Darall G. Hawk, National Trustee and member of the Bartlesville Chapter. Justice Halley, assisted by Mrs. Hawk, made the presentation.

Oklahoma City Chapter's meeting was held at O'Mealy's Restaurant, April 26th. City guests at this meeting included Justice Harry L. S. Halley, State President, George L. Hancock, State Secretary, and A. Jackson Lawrence, State Executive Director. Chapter Secretary Frank D. Zelf arranged for the presentation of Good Citizenship Medals to graduating seniors of the high schools. Maj. Jacob D. Hoover, Associate Professor of Speech at Oklahoma City University, spoke on "Our American Heritage." It was well received. Chapter President Wiley J. Adams, D.D.S. handled the election of officers for the ensuing year. Those elected were: President, Benjamin P. Garrison; Vice-Pres. Dr. Albert C. Hirshfield; and John O. Wyatt, Jr., Secretary.

Tulsa Chapter held their annual meeting on May 26th, in the East Room at Danner's. There was a good representa-



A beaming and charming Mrs. Darall G. Hawk "does the honors," as her husband, the Oklahoma National Trustee, receives the Patriot Medal. State Pres. Harry L. S. Halley looks on approvingly.

tion to hear State Senator Denzil D. Garrison analyze the Battle of King's Mountain, which he described as one of the great battles of history as it was a turning point in the American Revolution, leading to the destruction of Cornwallis' army at Yorktown. A membership certificate was presented to Comp. J.E.B. Wells by President Garrison. The nominating committee headed by Past Pres. Walter P. Dornaus, Past Pres. George L. Hancock, Past Pres. George F. Bush, Past Pres. Joseph A. Gill, Jr., and Past Secretary L. Barton Phillips presented a slate of officers. All were elected by unanimous acclamation. They are: President, H. Franklin Gregory, Brig. Gen. USAF (Ret.); President-Elect, William B.

Moore; 1st Vice President, Hayden E. Weaver; 2nd Vice-Pres. L. Barton Phillips; Secretary-Treasurer, John R. Raveill; Registrar-Historian, J. Don Garrison; and Chaplain, Louis Patterson. They were sworn in by Chairman Dornaus. They, too, will present Good Citizenship Medals to High School Seniors. Thornton G. Rice, **Claremore Chapter**, handled the presentation of the SAR ROTC award at Oklahoma Military Academy; Hayden E. Weaver presented the SAR ROTC award at Tulsa University; and Melvin O. van den Bark handled the presentation of 4 ROTC Medals at Oklahoma University. Comp. van den Bark is a member of the **Oklahoma City Chapter**.

The **Stillwater Chapter**, under the leadership of Pres. Samuel M. Myers and Secretary Leslie L. Swim, always takes part in the presentation of Good Citizenship and ROTC Medals. The Annual Meeting of the Chapter is scheduled for July 4th.

#### PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

The **Conococheague Chapter** acted as host to the State Board of Management at their regular meeting on May 11th at Chambersburg's Hitching Post Inn. Highlighting the dinner meeting was a special "Presentation of Resolution" on behalf of our late Compatriot Enos H. Horst. Following the dinner, the Board held their regular meeting while the ladies enjoyed an interesting afternoon tour.

At the recent meeting of the **Capt. Samuel Brady Chapter** held at the Modern Diner in Clarion, the principal speaker was Ross M. McGregor, Third Vice President of the Pennsylvania Society, of Pittsburgh. He touched on the "mis etiquette of placing the Flag at half staff" and cited the correct procedure to be used on all occasions. His talk was accompanied by a film entitled "The Story of Old Glory."

The regular monthly meeting of the **Erie Chapter** honored the newly organized Erie chapter of the Children of the American Revolution, the Presque Isle Society. The meeting was held in Knox Hall of the Church of the Covenant in Erie. At this meeting, Col. Carl R. Black, Ret., presented the American Flag and the CAR flag to Miss Ann Grundon, President of the Presque Isle Society, CAR, and dedicated these colors to the membership, charging them "to honor and respect with great pride these emblems of a glorious heritage."

#### RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY

On March 27th, the Rhode Island Society held a gala event at the Wanna-



At West Virginia University, Col. Willis G. Tetrick USAR (ret.), President of the West Virginia Society, SAR, congratulates Cadet Donald Ornick, after awarding him the ROTC Medal.

moisset Country Club. Following a delightful cocktail hour and sumptuous dinner, the large assemblage of compatriots, ladies and guests heard Mr. Royal Little, noted financier and industrialist, speak on his participation in numerous non-shooting African safaris.

The Oceanographic Center of the University of Rhode Island was the scene of the Rhode Island Society's April 20th meeting. Preceding the luncheon and meeting, the large attendance were taken on a guided tour of the Center which included an inspection of the Research Vessel "Trident" and a brief visit to the Nuclear Reactor.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The **Cambridge Chapter** of Greenwood served as host chapter for the annual conference of the South Carolina Society held at the Holiday Inn, April 27th, when State President Francis M. Mack was assisted by ten state officers and chairmen in the one-day meeting. Representatives of the seven South Carolina chapters, with their ladies, joined the executive group for the business meetings, luncheon, historical tour and evening banquet. Distinguished guests included State President, Dr. Alvin M.

Fountain, N. C. SAR, Mrs. Drake H. Rogers, State Regent, S. C. DAR, and her husband; Mrs. Wade C. Harrison Sr., Regent of Star Fort Chapter, DAR, of Greenwood; and James M. Barnett, Director of the South Carolina Tri-Centennial Commission and the guest speaker for banquet, giving plans and projects for the 1970 anniversary observance. Mrs. Thomas L. Hutto of the Lander College Department of Music was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Jack Arrington in giving a lovely program of vocal music.

Col. C. Frank Myers, Secretary and Past President of the **Citadel-Charleston Chapter**, was presented the SAR Patriot Medal in recognition of his dedicated service to the State Society over a period of years. Miss Janice Moody received a medal for her prize-winning essay on the life of Joseph West, Colonial leader and Governor of South Carolina; Carl Garrison won the Douglass G. High Oration Contest and will represent the South Carolina Society in the National Contest. Both winners are from Wren High School in Anderson County, and both were given college scholarships.

The **Cambridge Chapter** officers, led by President Albert C. Todd, Secretary R. Thornwell Dunlap, Jr.; Brooks S. Stuart, Immediate Past President; and Boyce M. Grier, Conference Chairman, were assisted by the wives of the members and by Star Fort DAR Chapter members in making the conference in Greenwood one long to be remembered.

Particular recognition is due the **Cambridge Chapter** for their splendid work in hosting the Annual Meeting at Greenwood. Although all involved in the preparations and arrangements performed superbly, a particular commendation is due to Conference Chairman Dr. Grier, Comp. Albert Todd and Comp. Thornwell Dunlap.

The **Citadel-Charleston Chapter** was host to the Annual Conference of the South Atlantic District on March 8th and 9th. Attendance was good from each of the five states in the District. All agreed that this was the best conference since the annual district meetings were started in 1964. The highlights of the Conference were: The address of Gen. Hugh P. Harris, President of the Citadel, at the Friday evening banquet and the dress parade by the Citadel Cadet Corps on Friday afternoon in honor of visiting SAR members, when Pres. Gen. L. Y. Smith presented the SAR Medals to two Citadel cadets in recognition of their achievement and deportment in their ROTC courses. In addition to Pres. Gen. Smith, other National officers present and participating in the workshop discus-



Pres. Dudley C. Fort of the Andrew Jackson Chapter pins the ROTC Medal upon the blouse of Cadet Ross Rainwater at Tennessee's Vanderbilt University.

sions were: Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward; James B. Gardiner, V. P. Gen. of the North Atlantic District; Walter Sterling of Texas, Chairman of the National Resolutions Committee; and Barrett Matthews of Tennessee, National Treasurer of the CAR.

**Gen. Andrew Pickens Chapter** presented the ROTC Medal to Cadet Joseph Klerlein by Comp. Philip E. Test during Awards Day Ceremonies at Furman University on May 6th.

**Daniel Morgan Chapter** presented Cadet Gary McLaughlin with the ROTC Medal by President William David Smith on Parents' Day at Wofford College on April 20th.

**Col. William Bratton Chapter**—Following the annual custom started when this Chapter was organized in 1964, a Good Citizenship Medal is being awarded to the outstanding senior boy in each of the five larger high schools in the chapter area.

#### TENNESSEE SOCIETY

The Tennessee Society was hosted by the **Tombigbee Chapter** of Columbia for their Annual Meeting on April 6th. Following registration, a luncheon meeting was held, at which time the five Oration Contestants from over the State competed for the privilege of representing the Society at Williamsburg. Those participating were: Zachry Holmes, Francis George, Tommy Summers, David Crowder and Murrell Weddington. The winners were: Francis George, 1st place, and there was a tie for second place between Tommy Summers and David Crowder. The Society was most fortunate to have as guests, Past. Pres. Gen. Len Young Smith, National Trustee Walter Sterling of Houston, Texas; V. P. Gen. Ryall S.

Morgan of the Southern Region, our own Past Pres. Gen. Harry T. Burn, and O. M. (Mike) Wilson, Jr., Historian General, together with other distinguished guests. Officers elected for 1968-1969 are as follows: Dr. Ray W. Mettetal; Vice-Presidents: J. Keathley Miles; Robert C. Hunt; Col. Maxwell Emerson, C. Herbert Harrell, William A. Thickstun, Sr., and Dr. William P. Bailey; Secretary-Registrar: Dorian E. Clark; Treasurer: Daniel H. MacDonald; Chancellor: James C. Couch; Historian: Horace A. Donham; Surgeon: Dr. C. R. Marshall; Chaplain: Franklin Fulton and Executive Secretary: Juliã H. Burnett. Because of the curfew imposed upon Nashville for 7:00 P.M. due to rioting, the keynote speaker from Nashville, Executive Secretary Edward Shea of the Chamber of Commerce, was unable to be present. In his absence, Comp. Hammond Fowler delivered a most inspiring and entertaining talk on patriotism. Following Pres. Charles Almeda's turning the gavel over to the new president, Dr. Ray Mettetal, a plea was made that the Society make a special effort this year to raise \$1000 for one wall in the CAR Museum Room housed in the DAR Headquarters. Compatriot Mettetal started the campaign by making the first personal donation.

On March 31st, four contestants competed at the Acuff Memorial Chapel on David Lipscomb Campus to represent the **Andrew Jackson Chapter** in the Annual Douglass High Oration Contest. The winner was Tommy Summers. On March 21st, the Chapter held a dinner meeting at the Biltmore Restaurant to which wives and guests were invited. Vice-Pres. William F. Greenwood, of the 1st American National Bank gave a most enlightening talk titled "Monetary Outlook." Following was election of 1968-1969 officers: President: Dudley C. Fort; Vice-President: C. Hayes Cooney; Secretary-Treasurer: George H. Rhea; Chaplain: Roger D. Baskette. Board of Governors: Clifford Love, J. Keathley Miles, Richard Norvell, G. A. Puryear, Dr. B. H. Webster and Executive Secretary: Julia H. Burnett. Incoming Pres. Dudley C. Fort, is off to a good start, having presented an ROTC Medal to Cadet Capt. Ross A. Rainwater at Vanderbilt's Annual Spring Awards Review of the ROTC held in May. Secretary-Registrar of the State Society, Dorian E. Clark has also presented an ROTC Medal to Cadet Sgt. Robert V. Hunt at A & I State University in Nashville.

The **Upper Cumberland Chapter** of Cookeville presented an ROTC Medal to Cadet James A. Mapes at the Armed Forces Day Celebration at Tennessee Tech.

At their April meeting, the **Shelby Chapter** elected the following 1968-1969 officers: President: Herbert Harrell; V. Presidents: Milton Wilson, Abie Beatty and Dr. Lynn Herring; Chaplain: Dr. Henry Gotten; Registrar: Walter Neeley; Recording Secretary: Robert Wilson; Corresponding Secretary: Herman W. Cox, Jr.; Treasurer: Paul Barret and Historian: Marion Hill.

At their March 26th meeting, the **Memphis Chapter** conducted its Douglass High Oration Contest with the following students participating: David Crowder, Ronnie Ward, Lee Davidson & Joyel Watkins. The 1st place winner was David Crowder. At this meeting, a motion was made and carried to endorse Past State Pres. Charles E. Almeda for the Patriot Medal. Also, the Chapter endorsed Major Donald R. Frazer, National Trustee from Mississippi, as a candidate for Vice-President General of the Southern Region. New Officers elected for 1968-1969 are: President: Maxwell W. Emerson; Vice-Presidents, John A. Marks and Eugene Holder, Jr.; Secretary: J. Everett Perkins; Treasurer: Dr. Daniel A. Buechner, III; Registrar: Dr. William L. Crawford; Historian: Emmet H. Nelson; Chaplain: Thomas A. Maxson; Surgeon: Dr. Gordon L. Mathes. At the April 30th meeting, Comp. Charles E. Almeda installed the new officers and gave the Chapter a report on



Cadet Wayne Hays, whose high school is the only one in the State of Washington with an ROTC, receives the ROTC Medal from Comp. Paul Reed of the Marcus Whitman Chapter, SAR. Comp. Reed has so honored cadets for over 20 years.



Hon. Harry L. S. Halley, Oklahoma Society President, awards SAR membership certificates to a father and son. (l to r): Pres. Halley, Compatriots H. Franklin Gregory, Jr., Col. Louis M. Gregory, Brig. Gen. H. Franklin Gregory, Sr.

happenings at the State Meeting in Columbia. Committee assignments were made for the coming year. The speaker for the evening was Dr. John L. Streete of Southwestern University who talked on "Atmospheric and Optical Physics, illustrated with some most unusual slides. At the May 20th meeting of the Chapter, Pres. Maxwell Emerson announced that efforts are being made to have a most successful Bell Ringing Program on July 4th at 12 noon, for five minutes. A report was given that ROTC Medals were recently presented to John C. Weigel and James J. Larson. The speaker for the evening was Charles B. Blackburn, Director of Public Works for the city of Memphis. Mr. Blackburn gave a most interesting talk on the nationally publicized sanitation strike, with a question and answer period following.

Past Pres. J. Keathley Miles, of the **Andrew Jackson Chapter** met with the **Tombigbee Chapter** to discuss plans for the April Annual Meeting which was held in Columbia this year. In the absence of Pres. Charles E. Almeda who was out of the State, Comp. Miles helped lay plans for the Annual Meeting with the Chap-



Cadet Joseph Tarquinio receives the ROTC Medal from Comp. Ashby H. Canter at Catholic University, Washington, D.C.

ter. With him as guests for the evening were Mrs. Miles, and Comp. & Mrs. William A. Burnett. New officers installed for the year were: President Charles C. Alexander; Vice-President: William B. Gordon; Historian: James C. Couch, Jr.; Chaplain Percy D. Boardman; Secretary-Treasurer: M. Franklin Armstrong; Registrar John C. Parrish and Surgeon: Dr. John O. Williams.

#### TEXAS SOCIETY

Compatriots Bracken and Sharp of the **El Paso Chapter** presented the Society's ROTC Medal to 4 cadets at the University of Texas in El Paso, at the annual awards day, May 14th. A special note of thanks was issued by the Military Science Department of the University.

The Professor of Military Science of the University of Texas at Arlington wrote a letter to the President of the Texas Society asking that his thanks be conveyed to Compatriots Ed Farris, Valin Woodward and Robert Farris for making the ROTC awards presentation on behalf of the **Arlington Chapter**. The Professor mentioned that the award is always more meaningful when presented by a representative of the sponsoring organization.

**Houston Chapter** has been honoring outstanding teachers in the public schools in Houston, by presenting them with the silver Good Citizenship Medal. From remarks that they have made, this award is deeply appreciated. The Chapter recently had an informal social meeting at the country home of Comp. and Mrs. Osborn. Swimming was made available, as well as fishing and boating. A delightful bar-b-que supper was served to the over 35 guests.

Good Citizenship medals were presented by the **Major White Chapter** to students of the two high schools and the Jr. College. This Chapter also presented micro-film to the local library.

#### VIRGINIA SOCIETY

At this reading, the 78th Annual Congress has passed into history. The next issue of this Magazine will relate the superb performance of the Congress arrangements Committee under the able Chairmanship of Comp. Donald Baldwin. At this preliminary point, it should be noted that the entire Society is deeply indebted to this group of dedicated compatriots.

At their annual dinner meeting held in the Midtower Restaurant at Galax, members and guests of the **Lt. David Cox Chapter** heard Mt. Rogers Park Supt. W. W. McNeil deliver a most interesting lecture on the seasonal beauty of the area. The presentation was augmented by



At the University of Arkansas, State V. President Craig Smith presents the ROTC Medal to Cadet John Franklin.

slides. Dr. Walter A. Porter was elected President; Vice-Presidents, Joe W. Parsons; Herman C. Moore; and Winton Phipps. The additional officers elected were Chancellor, Gayle J. Cox; Secretary-Treasurer, Lt. Col. Guy W. Halse; Historian, Claude D. Cox; and Chaplain Paul G. Cox.

An April 5th, the Chapter held luncheon meeting at Osborne's Restaurant in Independence. Mr. Carter Beard, Town Manager of Wytheville attended as guest of honor.

On May 9th, the **George Washington Chapter** met in Alexandria. Following elaborate dinner, those present heard famed counterspy, Mr. Herbert A. Phipps. The assemblage, including State Pres. Charles R. Haugh, thoroughly enjoyed the discourse.

The **George Mason Chapter** celebrated Ladies Night on March 28th at Arlington. The highlight of the well-planned program was an oration by Mr. John Daly, Jr., noted author and journalist.



At the University of Nebraska, Comp. Wangsvick is awarded the ROTC Medal by State Secretary Henry Cox, SAR.

#### WASHINGTON SOCIETY

On May 30th, Comp. Gordon K. Potter of Walla Walla traveled the many miles to Washington State University where, at the annual Air Force ROTC Ceremonies, he presented the ROTC Medal of the SAR to Cadet David N. Rajaia.

#### WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY

The Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Society was held on April 27th at Parkersburg. President Willis G. Tetrick, Jr., presided at the business meeting and at the dinner that evening. Vice President General Marshall E. Miller of Vincennes, Indiana, was honored guest and speaker at the dinner. Dr. Howard G. Weiler of Wheeling was installed as President by Comp. Miller. Reginald C. White of Charleston was installed as Secretary-Treasurer for his tenth year. The vice presidents are Dr. Clell S. Sayre, Judge Grey Silver, Jr., Elma B. Wood, Sr., Fred E. Way, Jr., and Charles H. Matheny. Historian Chester A. Walworth, Registrar, Willis G. Tetrick, Jr., Chancellor, Judge Frank C. Haymond, and Chaplain, Rev. James L. Kipp, Jr. were among the other officers installed. Outgoing President Tetrick was proposed as National Trustee. A silver Good Citizenship medal was presented to Stephen Cruikshank, President of the West Virginia Society, SAR. ROTC Medals have been awarded at the West Virginia University, Marshall University, West Virginia State College, Potomac State College, Davis & Elkins College, and Wheeling College.

The **Captain James Ellison Chapter** held their annual Ladies Night dinner at Oak Hill on May 20th, honoring six high school students who were being awarded the bronze Good Citizenship medals. The medals were presented by Chester A. Walworth of Charleston, Past Genealogist General. Judge J. W. Maxwell of Beckley was the speaker.

Sixteen Bronze Good Citizenship medals were awarded by both **Daniel Boone Chapter** of Charleston and **Gen. Andrew Lewis Chapter** of Huntington. Comp. Martin Mansperger presented nine of the medals in the north central part of the State where we do not have any chapters.

#### NEW ENGLAND REGION

The New England SAR Council met at the Squantum Association on the east side of Narragansett Bay on May 4th. Squantum is one of two of the old Clam Bake Clubs which remains of the dozens that previously flourished. Thirty compatriots represented five New England

states. Local matters were discussed, and a candidate for Vice President General was selected. Reports from the state societies indicate a healthy progress along patriotic and membership lines.

All compatriots and their families are cordially invited to attend the Council's Constitution Week Ceremonies, September 13-15 at Shawmut Inn, Kennebunkport, Maine. Please make your own reservations at the Inn—mentioning SAR.



Dr. Alvin M. Fountain, President of the N. C. Society, awards the ROTC Medal to Cadet Stephen Dorman at North Carolina State University.

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History is the record of things done by men, or their failure to do them; the response to each act or its absence, by other men; and the impact of these accumulating responses on future generations of men, all individuals, each in his own time.

Though the fruits of one's time can be stolen or taxed, time itself cannot be taken from one to give to another; and no matter how many are using time, no one is deprived because of another's use. Within the span of each one's life he has all the time there is.

However, what is done with this freely given and equally distributed commodity is an individual matter. This has been true through the ages, qualified by the degree of each man's freedom, his heredity, environment, geography, religion, ambition, needs, conscience, and other pressures which have always separated the individual from the masses. That which has determined the character of each person has been his response to the circumstances of his life and the use he has made of the time allotted him, that measure of being plucked from eternity for him alone.

Being human, we think of time prosaically as "my time" or "my lifetime." And indeed, the accomplishments of history are the accumulation of the thoughts and acts of individual lives. The progress of civilization has developed from the discoveries, the inventions, the research, and the inspirations of these lives. Music must be composed before it can be sung; a building, a bridge, a road must be designed before it is built; a voyage must first be charted; and strategy employed before a battle. And, though any modern production is usually completed through the joint efforts of many, still each effort is an individual one. While there is time, each person lives his life and makes his contribution, whatever it may be, to history.

There are some people in this world, in this country, with the power of government, or claiming to represent the corporate church, or articulate with some assumed authority, who keep busy telling us what to do—or not to do. Where we are not coerced either by the threat of force or by the mental gymnastics of authoritarian propagandists, we may do as we please. Taking these exceptions into consideration, each person's time is his own, as God-given as the other rights claimed by our forefathers in the Declaration of Independence. Time to invest

according to one's judgment and conscience; time in which to play, to work; time to waste, throw away, give away; time in which to be glad, to be sad; time to build, to tear down; time to think, to choose, and to act.

## Keeping the Record

One often hears it said that the important thing is what you are, not who your ancestors were. Nevertheless, people have always thought it necessary to record for posterity the past and passing family history. When immigrants came to this country, from the Mayflower Compact on, they continued to keep records. In the theocratic New England colonies the government and church records were usually the same. A man could not vote unless he was a church member. When he was accepted as a church member, he was known as a freeman, not before; and the record was kept. Detailed records of town meetings were made and in places where these are extant data can be found about otherwise unknown early Americans.

These records reveal more than mere names, dates, and places. They reveal the character of the people—the rich, bare bones of our heritage. These ancestors were a religious people and they took time to actively practice their religion. Ingrained in their blood from old Scottish Covenanters, French Huguenots, German Palatines, English Puritans, and William Penn's Quakers, to name a few, they founded their lives and their institutions upon religion. Church records made note of each member's activities; the church was the center of the community and took second place in their lives only to the family. As settlement moved westward, the church followed as fast as it could, but did not retain quite the authority it had in the contained settlements of the eastern seaboard; the ministry could not keep up with the rapid expansion of the country. Many localities depended entirely upon the circuit rider and their own family devotions for their spiritual guidance.

Acquisition of land and personal property was the aim of the American settler. Materialistic? Perhaps, but from the dawn of civilization, ownership had been the requisite of freedom. The settler was jealous of his possessions and land boundaries. Early records abound in lawsuits over what might seem trivial matters today. Some historians criticize the Puritans for their emphasis on property,

work, and frugality; but without industry and the incentive for it Massachusetts Bay colonies would not have survived. Their recourse to law instead of to other means of action is doubt also responsible for the fact that law and order prevailed through many times of stress in the early days of this country and eventually won out the west where the law, as well as church, had trouble keeping up with the frontier. Higher education also must have gotten its early boost from the fact that colleges were needed to train preachers and lawyers.

## American Traditions and Their Preservation

Our ancestors were a political people. Wherever they settled, indeed even in caravan, they set up a form of government. Before leaving their ship, the Mayflower Company set up a compact. So, from the beginning in this country every man was jealous of his right to "say" and of his vote. They ran for office, high and low; and as the United States became an independent nation they were jealous of the rights guaranteed them by the United States Constitution. They built court houses and worked to have each territory quickly admitted to the Union. They were constructing building what was needed to make a great nation. Bred into their bones, Americans have taken their political rights for granted, sometimes overlooking that they must be guarded against infringement.

Our ancestors were patriotic. Until the present generation, Americans have never failed to answer with enthusiasm the country's call to arms in time of war. Their flag and their country was their stronghold against tyranny. Freedom was worth dying for.

Our ancestors were family men. They took their women with them when they went to conquer the wilderness, and they raised large families to populate it. For their welfare they fought the Indian, the wild beast, the elements—any enemy they worked hard at all things to provide a better living, a worth-while life, churches, roads, schools, law, and good government. The aged were a part of the family group and the young learned tolerance, kindness, and the joy of sharing—and the rewards of love. Our ancestors were socially conscious. The stated reason for the Jamestown expedition was the conversion of the heathen

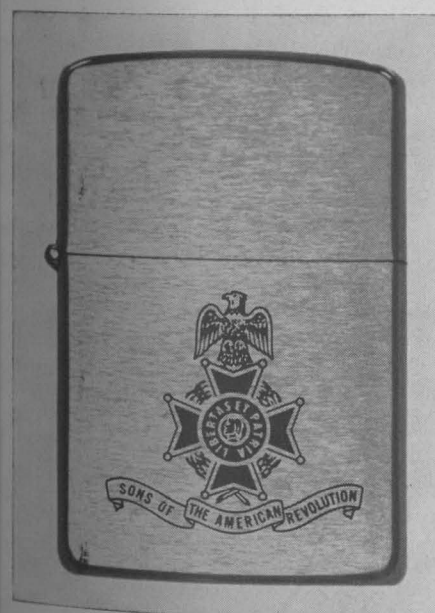
Indian. One hundred and fifty years ago they started supporting foreign missionaries. Neighbors were mutually helpful to one another and none were allowed to suffer want, though welfare as practiced today would have left them shocked, scandalized, and insulted. Charity was for the church and individuals and, later, also for private and publicly supported voluntary organizations. Government was contained within its Constitutional purposes of maintaining the peace and of protecting the country from its enemies.

Of course, there were some black sheep, scoundrels, horse thieves, atheists, cowards, and traitors scattered among the proud, the industrious, the law abiding, the God-fearing, and the patriotic. Yet those failures stand out so lonesomely among the multitude of the stalwart that we can include them when we say with grateful hearts, "God bless our ancestors and the way they spent the time allotted them."

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## Compatriots in the Public Eye

Lieutenant Commander L. BRADBURY PURINTON, II, of the Louisiana Society, SAR, is preparing for his fourth period of combat service in Viet Nam. Having received the Bronze Star Medal, Compatriot Purinton is currently training a naval unit at Gulfport, Mississippi, and will accompany them back to the war zone later this summer.

Compatriot GEORGE ELLIOTT of the Albuquerque Chapter, New Mexico Society, SAR, has been named Dean of Faculty at the Washington (D.C.) Technical Institute, which was recently established by the United States Congress.

Rev. DONIS D. PATTERSON, Chaplain of the Sarmana Chapter Florida Society, SAR, has received national recognition by Freedoms Foundation for the third successive year. For his outstanding patriotic sermon, "I Pledge Allegiance", Compatriot Patterson has been awarded the prized Honor Certificate Award.

President WADDELL F. SMITH of

the San Francisco Chapter, SAR, is now serving as Director of the Pony Express History & Art Gallery at San Rafael, California. Comp. Smith is a noted authority on the history of the Pony Express, and an outstanding speaker on the subject.

Librarian General GRAHAME T. SMALLWOOD, JR., a Past President of the D.C. Society, SAR, has been commissioned an Admiral of the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska by Governor Norbert T. Tiemann.

Compatriot LOWELL THOMAS, SR., a member of the Empire State Society, SAR, and noted commentator, was initiated into the International Order of R. A. Miners by the Order's Secretary, Guy L.V. Emerson, National Trustee of the Colorado Society, SAR.

Compatriot ROBERT W. STEIR of the New York Chapter, Empire State Society, SAR, has been awarded the Freedoms Foundation George Washington Honor Medal for his outstanding

patriotic activities. For years, Comp. Steir has addressed students in schools and colleges throughout N.J. and N. Y. on subjects designed to inspire love and respect for America.

Past Vice President General WILLIAM F. TURRENTINE, JR. was recently presented by the Grand Lodge of Kansas of the Masonic Order and the local Walnut Valley Lodge of A.F. & A.M. at Ness City, Kansas, with his 50 year membership pin. The Grand Master of Kansas performed the honor at a special meeting of the Ness City Lodge.

Past Secretary General WALTER R. MARTIN has been elected President of the League of (83) Rhode Island Historical Societies.

Compatriot WEBB W. WILDER of the Rhode Island Society is the new Governor of the Mayflower Society.

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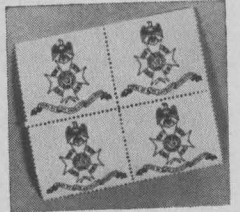
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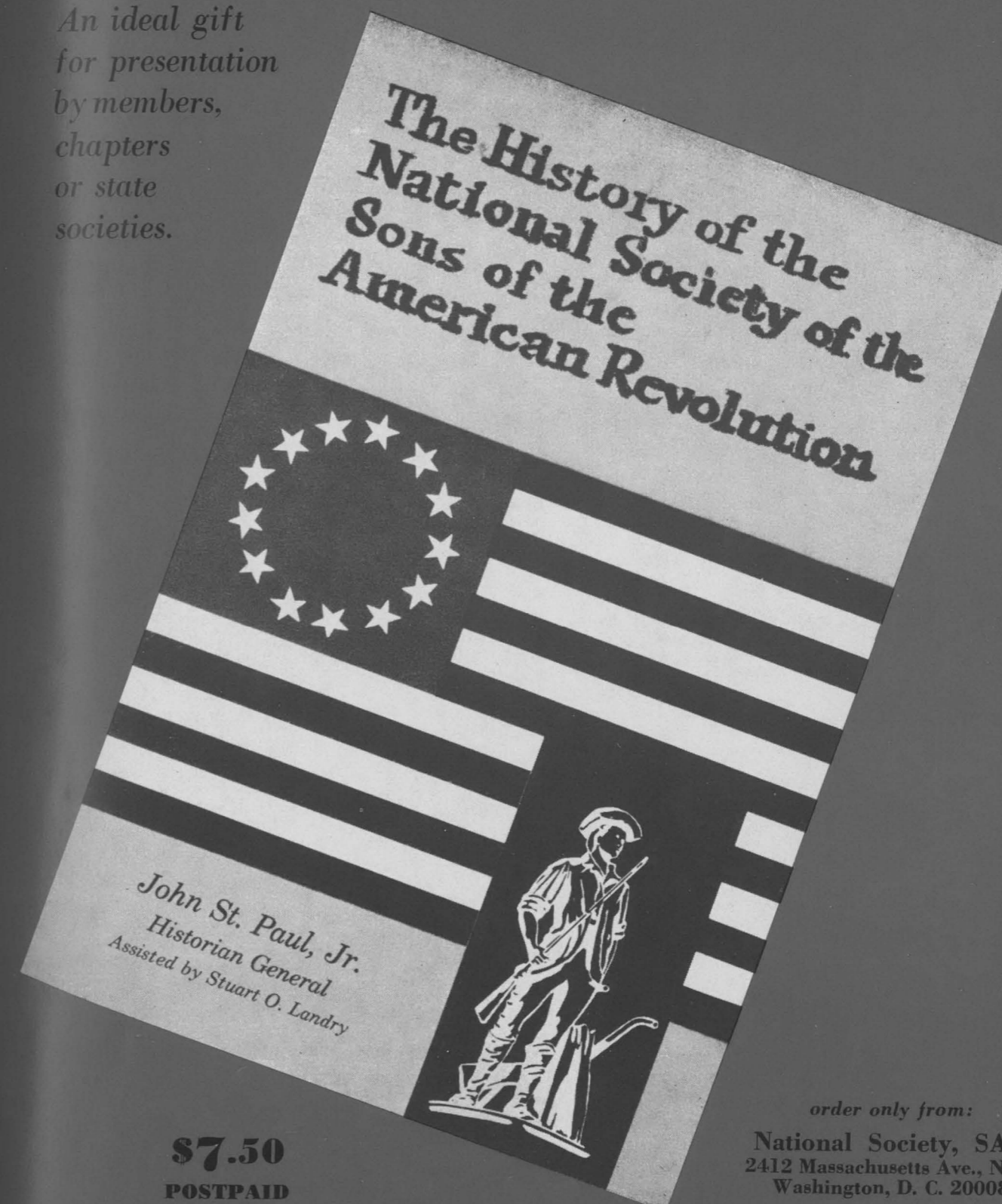
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