

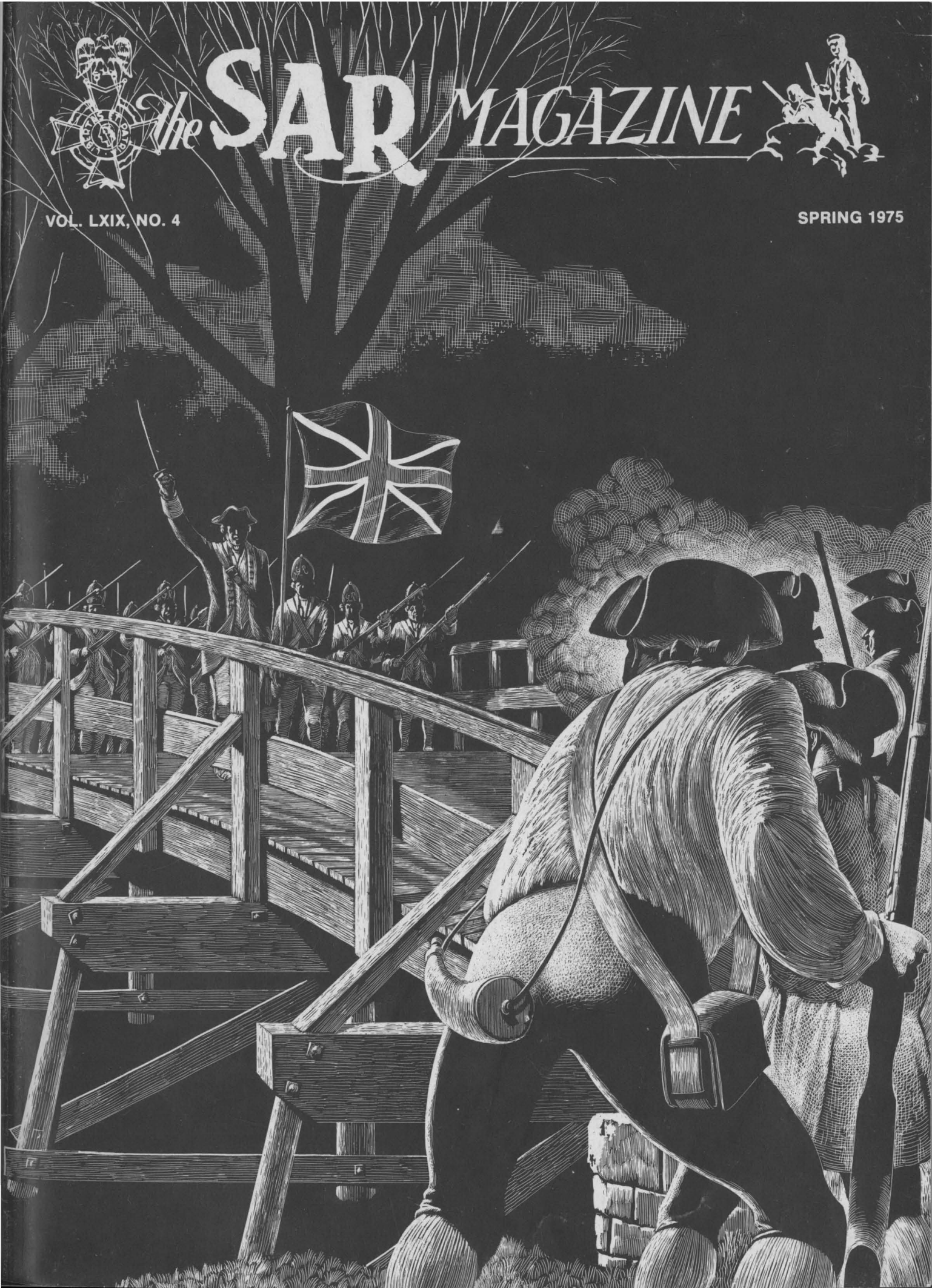


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The PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE ~ ~ ~

from Point Lookout, Missouri



M. GRAHAM CLARK
PRESIDENT GENERAL

We know from personal contact with various chapters over the country that they are active. This I have learned as your President General while on official visits. Our ranks have grown under the impetus of the reawakening of the national consciousness concerning our glorious heritage. We are reminded of the sacrifices the founding fathers of this country made that the world might see us as shining examples of what a dedicated people can do under a republic. But as individuals, as chapters, or as a great national organization, we cannot rest on our laurels. We must be up and continually doing our best to support the policies and programs of the SAR. We may be an aging group of persons, but regardless of age each one of us can be involved in some way.

Dear Compatriot:
Now that the American Bicentennial is almost upon us and various anniversaries of events marking the start of the Revolution are well underway, it is time for The Sons of the American Revolution to assess what part we are playing in the celebration of our nation's founding—and in the assessment pledge ourselves to greater involvement in our organization's work.

As we grow older there is too often a tendency to use age as an excuse for noninvolvement. Yet history demonstrates that the older citizens of any era are the mental repositories of time-proven principles and practices.

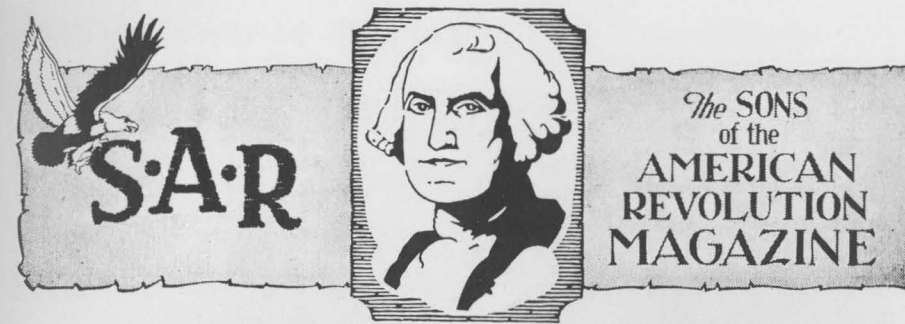
In a previous letter I used Dr. Joseph Warren as an example of a strong, sacrificing patriot. Now let me tell you about a man who proved that age need not be an excuse for complacency and noninvolvement.

Henry Francisco, born a Frenchman in 1686, was the oldest man ever to enlist in the American army. He was 91 when he joined Captain Burrough's Company in Colonel Warner's regiment on January 15, 1775, just a year after the signing of the Declaration of Independence. He was discharged thirteen months later. Here was a virile man (he fathered 21 children—the last one after he was 80—and he lived past 100 years) who didn't let his advanced age deter him from serving his country as a soldier.

We may not have many SAR members as old as Henry Francisco, but his record of involvement in his country's cause, which he believed to be important, should be a challenge to all of us.

Now, as I am about to leave the office of President General after a year of service to SAR, I salute all of you for your cooperation, and I pledge my cooperation with both the membership and your new officers. May this organization have a long and illustrious future of service to our beloved country!

M. Graham Clark



THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE

WARREN S. WOODWARD, Editor

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EDITORIAL



WARREN S. WOODWARD
EDITOR

The ten Compatriots of the New York City Chapter have received, loud and clear, an emphatic response from our membership. In objecting to four conservative editorials annually, they challenged the basic philosophies of our Society, and the resulting correspondence has resulted in a healthy new awareness of our majority thinking. There were 278 letters supporting the theme of my editorials, while 28 communications urged discontinuance. Actually, the number of supporters was even greater because the state societies of the District of Columbia, Illinois, Texas and West Virginia officially adopted endorsing resolutions. Many SAR chapters did likewise, including the Paul Carrington Chapter of Houston, Texas, the second largest in America. I am also gratified that the Americanism Committee and its distinguished Chairman, Col. Glenn I. Epperson, expressed total backing. Needless to say, Compatriots, you have my heartfelt gratitude, and I pledge continued support of the principles upon which our nation and organization are based.

We must not overlook, however, that a mere 1.5% of our individual membership bothered to take a stand on this issue. This minimal percentage reflects the apathy that is prevalent in our nation today. No single word better describes the reason for the accelerating declination of our beloved country. Apathy, and resultant neglect, have re-

sulted in the weakening and polluting of many precious American principles. In neglecting our privilege of the ballot, we are now saddled with the worst Congress in history. Our defenses have been deliberately weakened. Our diplomacy is both bungling and shameful, with Mr. Kissinger "tugging at the bit" to institute friendly relations with Cuba, and to surrender the Panama Canal Zone to an enemy.

Each year, at the Annual Meeting of the National Society, crucial resolutions, dealing with the current affairs of our nation, are officially adopted. These resolutions of our respected organization are distributed to the President, the Vice President, all members of the Senate and House of Representatives, and to all pertinent governmental agencies. The Chancellor General has decreed that this process does not endanger our tax-free status, although most state societies and chapters continue to shrink from emulating this procedure. In my humble opinion, at this critical point in our history, not a single state or chapter meeting should adjourn without the adoption of at least one resolution. Such resolutions should then be reproduced and sent to community, state or federal legislators, depending upon the jurisdiction involved. In so doing, we do not dictate to these key individuals, but merely inform them of the opinions and concerns of their constituents.

Please awaken! This is the eleventh hour!

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

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YOU CAN INFLUENCE YOUR CONGRESSMAN!

Senators and Congressmen, as our elected representatives, are very sensitive to the opinions of their constituents. The individual Congressional position and legislative action usually represents the majority state or district view as your Congressman understands it.

Letters to Congress are often even more difficult to read than write and normally come only to the attention of an aide.

Telegrams command the same respect among our elected leaders as they do in the military. Western Union has special rates for telegraphic communications with Congress.

Personal Opinion Messages of fifteen (15) words or less (not including name, address or signature) are \$2.00 (vice \$3.95 regular rate in most states). The real bargain, however, is the Mailgram of 100 words or less, delivered by mail the following day. These messages can carry a lot of clout on such vital subjects as amnesty, strong national defense, no SALT giveaway, VA, Panama Canal, law and order, etc.

Remember this excellent way to carry out our obligations and accomplish our purposes by vocal expressions where they will do the most good!!



Plan NOW to attend the
85th Annual Congress
June 29 thru July 2, 1975,
The Copley Plaza
Boston, Massachusetts

Compatriots in the Public Eye

Compatriot (Dr.) CLYDE E. NOBLE of the Atlanta (Ga.) Chapter has been elected President of the Southern Society for Philosophy and Psychology. A professor of psychology at the Univ. of Georgia, he heads the oldest scholarly association in the nation founded specifically to encourage research by philosophers and psychologists.

Vice Pres. EDWIN H. GIDEON of the Phila.-Continental Chapter has been honored with the coveted American Educators Medal Award of Freedoms Foundation. Comp. Gideon is Principal of the Adaire-Chandler Schools of Phila. Penna.

Chairman ORDWAY P. BURDEN of the Law Enforcement Committee has been named "Outstanding Man of the Year for Public Service in Law Enforcement" by Long Island Univ. A magnificent banquet was held in his honor, at which time Comp. Burden received the award.

Compatriot (Col.) JOHN T. MOORHEAD of the Tennessee Society has been installed as Commander of the Tenn. Commandery of the MOWW. Comp. Moorhead has also been elected 1st V.P. of Volunteer Chapter, National Sojourners.

Compatriot EDWARD L. PERRY of the Florida Society has been appointed Vice Chairman of the Boynton Beach Bicentennial Committee.

President General (Dr.) M. GRAHAM CLARK, JR. has had his SAR inaugural speech, *Quo Vadis, America*, reprinted in the Masonic publication, *The New Age*. This testifies to the fine quality of his address.

Compatriot DONALD A. LAPHAM of the New Hampshire Society has authored a new book, *Former White Mountain Hotels*, and impressive sales testify to its quality and success.

Compatriot J. ROY SMITH, JR. of the Georgia Society has been named Governor, Ga. Branch, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims.

President General M. GRAHAM CLARK, JR. has been designated to receive the George Washington Certificate of Freedoms Foundation for his address, "Quo Vadis". The speech was first delivered at the 84th Annual Congress when Comp. Clark assumed office.

Vice President ROBERT F. DYER, M.D. of the Gen. Smallwood Chapter (Md.) has been elected Governor-General of the Hereditary Order of the Descendants of Colonial Physicians, and is also current President of the Hippocrates-Galen Medical Society of Washington, D.C.

Treasurer BURTON S. RANDOL of the Memphis Chapter (Tenn.), a retired retailer and 1944 graduate of the Harvard Business School, has been elected President of the Memphis Harvard Club.

Past Pres. Gen. EUGENE C. McGUIRE, a 33° Mason, recently delivered an address as General Washington at the Patriots' Night Program of the Scottish Rite of Akron.

Secretary HOMER F. DEAN of the Massachusetts Society has been appointed Honorary Deputy Sheriff of Middlesex County, Mass. by Sheriff Buckley.

Compatriot CARROLL C. HALL of the Illinois Society has received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Eureka College.

Compatriot JAMES W. KERR of the New Mexico Society, a staff director in the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency's Pentagon headquarters, has been appointed to the Fire Commission of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Past Pres. CHARLES W. MORGAN of the Saramana Chapter (Fla.) has been elected as Regional Vice-Commander, Region VI, of the Military Order of the World Wars.

On Feb. 14 at SAR National



His Excellency, Sahabzada Yaqub-Khan, Ambassador of Pakistan, and his lovely wife, the Begum, are introduced by the President General as Mrs. Clark looks on. Comp. Clark reminded those present that Pakistan is a traditional friend of the United States.



The President General and SAR First Lady with Major and Mrs. Klaus Tichelmann. Major Tichelmann of the German Military Mission represented the Embassy of the German Federal Republic.



The President General and SAR First Lady with Lt. Gen. Herman Nickerson, USMC, Ret. and Mrs. Nickerson. Compatriot Nickerson is Administrator of the National Credit Union Administration and President of the Hereditary Register of the United States.

Compatriot GREG LEBEDEV of the New Jersey Society was recently appointed as Deputy Administrator of the Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs at the Dept. of State in Washington. Prior to this assignment, Comp. Lebedev served at the White House as Staff Assistant to President Nixon, and as Deputy Special Assistant to President Ford.

Headquarters . . . another great Trustees' Reception



President General and Mrs. Clark are shown with a true American patriot, Cmdr. Homer Brett, USNR, Ret., who is head of the D.C. Society of the Military Order of World Wars (MOWW).



The President General and SAR First Lady greet Compatriot and Mrs. Robert Arnold Kelly. Comp. Kelly is Assistant Press Secretary to the President of the United States.



The Military Attache of the Embassy of Chile, Brig. Gen. Enrique Morel, is warmly greeted by Pres. Gen. and Mrs. Clark. The President General praised this courageous government for throwing off the insidious yoke of communism, and restoring freedom.



On behalf of the SAR, Pres. Gen. Clark receives the "Patriot of '76" award of the National Sojourners from Capt. Stewart M. L. Pollard as their wives look on. Compatriot Pollard is National Secretary of that fine organization.

George Washington did not consult a lawyer when he decided it was time for him to make his will. It was a voluminous document, and he wrote every line of it himself.

In the last paragraph of that interesting document he makes reference to the legal profession and the possibilities of disputes. It reads:

"I constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife Martha Washington, My Nephews William Augustine Washington, Bushrod Washington, George Steptoe Washington, Samuel Washington & Lawrence Lewis, & my ward George Washington Parke Custis (when he shall have arrived at the age of twenty years) Executrix & Executors of this Will and testament.—In the construction of which it will readily be perceived that no professional character has been consulted or has had any agency in the draught—and that, although it has occupied many of my leisure hours to digest; & to through it into its present form, it may, notwithstanding, appear crude and incorrect.—But having endeavoured to be plain, and explicit in all its Devises—even at the expense of prolixity, perhaps of tautology, I hope, and trust, that no disputes will arise concerning them; but if, contrary to expectation, the case should be otherwise from the want of legal expression, or the usual technical terms, or because too much or too little has been said on any of the Devises to be consonant with law, my Will and direction expressly is, that all disputes (if unhappily any should arise) shall be decided by three impartial and intelligent men, known for their probity and good understanding;—two to be chosen by the disputants—each having the choice of one—and the third by those two.—Which three men thus chosen, shall unfettered by Law, or legal constructions, declare their sense of the Testators intention—and such decision is, to all intents and purposes to be as binding on the Parties as if it had been given in the Supreme Court of the United States."



The President General and SAR First Lady with Col. and Mrs. Curtis Dall. Mr. Dall is Chairman of Liberty Lobby, a highly-respected and patriotic organization in Washington.

New U.S. Military Equipment

An airborne device using an infrared line scanner that automatically detects man-made objects on the ground has been demonstrated by the US Air Force Avionics Laboratory.

The autoscreener was built by Honeywell Inc. as part of a four-year, \$560,000 advanced developmental program.

In the demonstrations, the device picked more than 90 percent of the areas containing valid targets with less than a three-percent false alarm rate. An unaided photo interpreter is only about one-third as effective at comparable rates.

The autoscreener will aid in handling the increasing data load produced by imaging sensors. Its detection capability is accomplished by analyzing cues such as edge gradients, contrast, brightness and texture.

The autoscreener divides the scanned terrain into area sectors along and across the flight path. As soon as the sector has been completely scanned, the processor gives a visual indication when there are man-made objects contained in the sector.

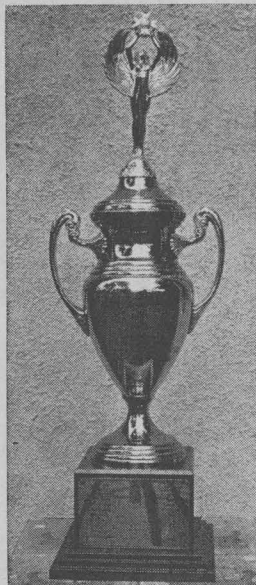
Although the present device indicates only the general area containing man-made targets, a modified version could be made to indicate the actual location of each object.

Combinations of detection probability and false alarm rate can be selected by the operator for different mission requirements.

Properly programmed, the autoscreener is relatively insensitive to changes in viewing conditions and variations in target and background—key factors for early application of the device in operational systems.

The flyable, breadboard autoscreener occupies about 5 cubic feet and weighs about 140 pounds. An operational system is projected to occupy 1 cubic foot and weighs 40 pounds.

from *Military Review*



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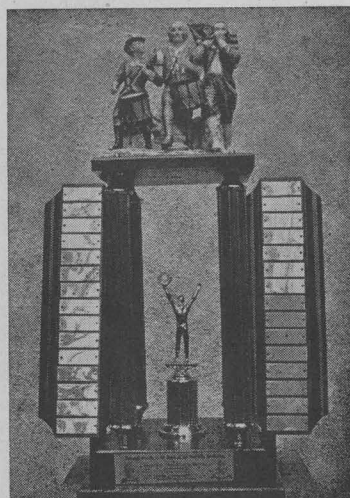


Awards

To be presented to
State Societies
Chapters
and
Individual Members

ANNUAL CONGRESS

For the fiscal year
April 1 through March 31



THE MINUTEMAN AWARD

This, the highest award of the National Society, will be presented to five Compatriots.

THE PRESIDENT GENERAL'S CUP PLAQUE

To the Chapter which presents evidence of the most complete program of activities.

THE FLORENCE KENDALL AWARD

To the Compatriot who sponsored the most new applications.

THE ALLENE WILSON GROVES AWARD

To the State Society or Chapter which conducted a program which implemented the resolutions, and promoted a better understanding of the SAR.

THE TEXAS AWARD

To the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with less than 100 members.

THE COLORADO AWARD

To the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with more than 100 members.

THE OHIO AWARD

To the State Society which enrolled the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age.

THE HAROLD L. PUTNAM AWARD

To the Chapter or State chairman credited with sponsoring the winner of the National Oration Contest.

THE LEN YOUNG SMITH AWARD

To the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age.

THE WALTER G. STERLING AWARD

To the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members transferred from C.A.R.

THE HOUSTON CHAPTER AWARD

To the State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from C.A.R.

THE EUGENE C. McGUIRE AWARD

To the State Society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews under 25, of SAR and DAR members.

THE CHARLOTTE LUND WOODWARD AWARD

To the Editor of the best chapter or state (in which there are no chapters) periodical newsletter.

THE SAR MAGAZINE AWARD

To the State Society which tendered the most cooperation in supplying usable magazine material.

THE SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT AWARD

To the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members.

THE WILLIAM Y. PRYOR AWARD

To the State Society with the largest number of registered delegates at the Congress, with a consideration for the distance factor.

THE KENTUCKY CUP

To the Chairman of Membership of that State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members.

THE SYRACUSE AWARD

To the State Society which instituted the most new chapters.

THE ARTHUR J. TRIMBLE TROPHY

To the State Society which reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP PLAQUES

To Compatriots who sponsored 5 or more new members. Attainment will be classified by bronze, silver, gold and enameled plaques.
Compatriots who sponsored 3 or 4 new members will receive miniature plaques.

Those who cry, "Appease! Appease!"

Will be hanged by those they tried to please.

ONE IF BY LAND

by Colonel G. I. Epperson
U. S. Cavalry, Ret.

The Peoples Bicentennial Commission.

Does that title have a familiar ring? Similar to Mao's Peoples Republic of China? Right on!

The PBC is a slick, three-year old operation with organizations in at least ten states. Their deceptive title is as phony as a Russian disarmament plan. Members are recruited, not appointed or commissioned by anyone. It is highly organized and liberally oiled by a \$300,000 annual budget in the Washington office alone. The National Endowment, financed by taxpayers, contributed \$7,210 to PBC for research. PBC's prime purpose is to build a revolutionary movement using the nation's 200th birthday theme as a cover for Marxist ideology.

According to the *Congressional Record*, the man who drew the blueprint for PBC is John Rossen, an organizer for the Communist Party in Illinois and Missouri, and involved in many radical causes. At the PBC Midwestern Regional Conference in January 1975, speakers told of their many successes in communicating the PBC message of social revolution.

140 TV stations are carrying the 60-second PBC film on the Declaration of Independence. It features 17 actors, including George Burns and Robert Vaughn, and with subtlety focuses on that part of the Declaration which says, "—whenever any form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it—". In its deceptiveness, the PBC is like a rotten mackerel in the moonlight—it both shines and stinks.

Many radio stations are using the PBC spot "Public Service Announcements." These point out the evils of capitalism and justify replacing it with "economic democracy." Their reasoning, though specious, has a surface plausibility that appeals to the gullible and unsophisticated.

Economic democracy—sounds good, doesn't it? As described during the conference, this is a system where the full proceeds of production are given to the workers, and buyers pay only the actual cost for goods and services received. Marx, Mao, or Marcuse couldn't fault any part of this concept.

PBC's pamphlets and tabloid-style newspapers are well designed and skillfully written. Two published books, many issues of their periodical, *Common Sense*, and other printed material, attest to the publicity and wide dissemination this "Commission" has achieved. The Los Angeles chapter reported at the Midwestern Conference that they had bought eighty vending machines to put *Common Sense* for sale on the city streets.

The Peoples Bicentennial Commission plans to promote their views by infiltrating official bicentennial groups, spreading literature and involving church people, drug abuse centers, clinics, social action organizations, Bible Study gatherings, and schools. Speakers go out wherever invited.

Students get the full flavor in PBC's publication, "Student and Teacher Programs." "—revolutionizing individual institutions in society, without a social revolution is meaningless." Students are urged to issue "A Declaration of Student Independence to dramatize the oppression common to all students." Elsewhere in the pamphlet, students are also



given helpful "how to" hints on taking over the school newspaper, coercing the school administration and faculty, and dominating the selection of textbooks.

The PBC material is heavily larded with quotations from the Founding Fathers and their contemporaries, most of them carefully selected to create an impression that the patriots who fought for independence were really a fire-breathing bunch of egalitarian collectivists. PBC's propaganda is akin to vandals drawing a mustache on the Mona Lisa.

Demonstrations are being organized for this "new patriots' movement." The big push is for a "Continental Congress" around Thanksgiving 1975. This would embrace national delegates from consumer groups, churches, social organizations, etc., meeting to form a new "political force" to establish "economic democracy."

Preceding the "Continental Congress," PBC plans a large labor demonstration in Washington, probably July 4th or Labor Day. By that time, they hope to have founded "Sons and Daughters of Liberty" with members claiming Revolutionary ancestors. The SAR and DAR are the targets of this ploy in order to negate their effectiveness and status.

Celebrations at Concord during April 18-19 marking the 200th anniversary of "the shot heard 'round the world" were marred by the PBC. Crawling out from under the rocks, they sponsored a "concert" attended by 25,000 hippies who camped overnight. The rabid demonstrators, whipped to a fanatical frenzy, frothed their obscenities at President Ford while he made a commemorative address. Enjoying the anti-establishment spectacle were two ambassadorial representatives from the Peoples Republic of China.

The Peoples Bicentennial Commission hands out a yellow lapel button with a symbol that was used temporarily during the early period of the American War of Independence. The symbol is a coiled rattlesnake. It fits.

The warning lamp is lit.

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(Editors note: The writer is Chairman of the Americanism Committee, The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Washington, D.C.)



At the March 15 State Convention of the Nevada Society, V.I.P.s pose for posterity. (l to r): seated: Dr. Olin Moulton, Carrol Nevin and Major Stanton Meyer. Standing: Col. James Coleman, Alden Jones, Jonathan White, James Hoge and Burton Pinkham.

The Soviets may be talking more quietly just now, but they are carrying a big stick, one which in fact is getting bigger.

General Andrew Goodpaster
Supreme Allied Commander, Europe

Chapter and State Societies



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.

Due to limited space, the text of speeches and essays cannot be published.

Submitted photographs must be black and white glossy prints, for satisfactory reproduction, and must be "SAR subject-related."

Do not send photographs or material which are of such value that their return is necessitated. A service charge of \$1 will be made for each photo or item that must be returned. Any news material that predates the last previous deadline will be considered too outdated for publication, and will be rejected.



At a recent banquet of the Saguaro Chapter (Ariz.), V.P. Gen. (Dr.) H. B. Willard (rt) awards a special Congressional citation to Sheriff Paul Blubaum of Maricopa County.

ARIZONA SOCIETY

The Annual Dinner of the Arizona Society was held at the beautiful San Marcos resort hotel at Chandler on Feb. 22 with a most congenial representation of members and their ladies present.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

An official visit by Pres. Gen. and Mrs. M. Graham Clark was the highlight of the first 1975 (Jan. 18-19) meeting of the State Board of Managers. The event was hosted by the Fresno Chapter. Hampered by fog, the Clark's light plane had to wait a few hours at



Secty. Gen. (Dr.) R. Warburton Miller (rt) is interviewed by Comp. Jim Ownby of Honolulu Radio Station KNDI. Shown in the background are Comp. Miller's wife and daughter who accompanied him to Hawaii.

Las Vegas, on the flight from Missouri, but the couple arrived in time for part of the meeting where most of the state's 16 chapters were represented. After a formal dinner, Comp. Clark delivered a stirring and inspiring address. On the following day, the President General occupied the pulpit of the large United Methodist Church of which Pres. (Dr.) Arnold R. Lewis of the Fresno Chapter is Pastor. Comp. Lewis made the Church halls available for meetings and food service, thus adding to the overall success of the occasion. The business session included discussion of the following: plans to place an SAR marker at the grave of the only Revolutionary soldier buried in California; the approaching Historical Oration Contest; publicity and its beneficial effect on SAR recruiting; a luncheon meeting of the Santa Barbara Chapter attended by over 500, at which the speaker was the astronaut, Col. Alfred Worden; a visit of State Pres. (Dr.) Calvin Chunn to the San Francisco Chapter, when Bruce Gordon of "I Love Lucy" fame spoke, and expressed his admiration of the SAR; and a report on the state publication, *The California Compatriot*. In addition to the presence of Pres. Gen. and Mrs. Clark, Secty. Gen. (Dr.) R. Warburton Miller was in attendance.

COLORADO SOCIETY

This year's Citizenship Award given by the Colorado Society was awarded to Brig. Gen. Howard "Bill" Reed, retired head of Colorado's Selective Service. The award was presented Feb. 22 at the Society's annual banquet held in the Tiffin Inn. During the program, retired Col. Walden F. Woodward was sworn in as the new President of the Colorado Society.

CONNECTICUT SOCIETY

The Capt. Matthew Mead Branch #11 annual Law Enforcement Commendation Dinner held at the Greenwich Civic Center heard an eloquent and inspiring testimonial for our nation's law enforcement officers by State Pres. Gerard J. Morgan. The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate were presented to Patrolman James J. Fahy of the Greenwich Police Dept. for his heroism in assisting a fellow officer in a gun battle with 3 thugs on the Conn. Turnpike. Chapter Pres. David A. Maxwell, after noting the law enforcement officers' Code of Ethics, cited Fahy for "outstanding heroism" which resulted in the deaths of 2 gunmen and the capture of a third, following an armed robbery in Darien.

DELAWARE SOCIETY

The Delaware Society held its 85th anniversary meeting on April 19 at the DuPont Country Club in Wilmington. State Secty. Bob Godfrey, who sponsored 11 new members this year, was accorded a standing ovation and presented with a life membership. State Pres. C. K. Xander has named Comp. Godfrey as State Membership Chairman for the coming year.

D.C. SOCIETY

At the 265th monthly luncheon of the D.C. Society, a record number of Compatriots and guests heard a most distinguished speaker, Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, USA, Ret.



D.C. Society Pres. (Col.) Sam Pierce (lt) is shown with Mrs. Louise Renfrow, DAR State Regent and American Revolution Bicentennial Administrator John Warner (former Secretary of the Navy) at the Annual Washington's Birthday Luncheon in the nation's capital.



At the head table of the 265th Monthly Luncheon of the D.C. Society are portrayed (l to r): Past Pres. (Admiral) William R. Furlong, USN, Ret., Gen. Maxwell Taylor, USA, Ret., and Pres. (Col.) Sam Pierce, USA, Ret. A record number of Compatriots and guests attended the event which was held at Washington's Army & Navy Club.

At the annual Washington's Birthday Luncheon, co-sponsored with the DAR and CAR American Revolution Bicentennial Administrator John Warner spoke on the activities of his agency.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

The St. Petersburg Chapter joined 3 area DAR chapters in observing Washington's Birthday at the Breckenridge Motor Inn. SAR principals at the head table included State Pres. Richard H. Thompson, State V.P. George E. Morris, Chapter Pres. Thomas B. Gotham and Chapter Chaplain (Rev.) Edward B. Irish. Comp. Thompson introduced Maj. Gen. Roland Gleszer, USA, Ret., who spoke on "Keeping Faith with the Father of our Country." His address was informative and well-received. The event was shown on TV later that evening with other area news.

The Boca-Deerfield Chapter held a Washington's Birthday observance in conjunction with its Feb. meeting, with many SARs and guests present. Herman Herst, a hobbyist and ex-journalist, delivered a speech on Washington's Adjutant General who raised money for the American cause.

Col. Charles Morgan, before retiring as Pres. of the Saramana Chapter,



Florida Society Pres. Richard H. Thompson (rt) swears in Dr. C. Verne Bowen as President of the Central Florida Chapter at Orlando.

presented a framed American flag to the Sarasota County Boys' Club. He told the audience that the flag had been a prized possession of Past Pres. Gen. James B. Gardiner.

The DeLand Chapter, represented by Comp. (Col.) Zack Williams, presented a trophy for the most original drill team at a competition between 8 ROTC units. The winner was the Florida Air Academy of Melbourne.

The Caloosa Chapter held its Dec. meeting and election of officers, with Comp. Nevin Salot as the new President. The Rev. A. Ray Cartledge gave an inspiring and interesting Christmas message, discussing the deep religious convictions of many of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. On Jan. 25, the Chapter was represented by Pres. Salot and other Compatriots at the dedication of a historical marker at Sanibel Island Light House.

February was an active month for the Caloosa Chapter, starting with a



General Jimmy Doolittle, who led the daring bombing of Tokyo during World War II, proudly receives the SAR Gold Good Citizenship Medal from Pres. J. Alan Cross (rt) of the Miami Chapter.

Washington's Birthday banquet at the Fort Myers Country Club on Feb. 17. The speaker was Mr. Robert B. Weaver of Patriotic Education in DeLand. Founding Pres. Sidney S. King was honored with the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for his work in establishing the Chapter and serving the community. On Feb. 21, the Chapter was represented by Pres. Salot and Comp. (Col.) William Newton at the dedication of a new ROTC building of Cypress Lake H.S. On Feb. 22, Pres. Salot attended the chartering of a new C.A.R. chapter. As principal speaker, he talked on patriotism, particularly directed at the 18 new C.A.R. members.

The Naples Chapter has arranged, and is conducting, a headquarters office for the county Bicentennial committee. This is a much-needed public service that can only increase interest in the coming birthday of our nation, a birthday that has been largely neglected. Compatriots J. Duane Julian and Ben H. Anderson deserve special commendation as key officials in this program.



A police hero is honored. Greenwich officer James Fahy receives the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate for "outstanding heroism" in line of duty. (l to r): State Pres. Gerard J. Morgan, Pres. David A. Maxwell of the Capt. Matthew Mead Branch, and Patrolman Fahy.

On Feb. 10, the Naples Chapter meeting featured the flag ceremony of Carl Hedin, a historian of Americana. The flag ceremony featured several emblems from Colonial times to our current flag, and the historical background of each. At the March meeting, the Chapter heard "The F.B.I. Story" by the book's author, Don Whitehead, and its instigator, Louis Nichols, Mr. Whitehead was a famous World War II correspondent.

GEORGIA SOCIETY

With a total attendance of 100 enthusiastic Compatriots and their guests, delicious food preceded by an exhilarating cocktail hour, and an eloquent speech by Past V.P. Gen. Reuben A. Garland, the Atlanta Chapter's Washington Birthday Dinner at Druid Hills Gold Club on Feb. 15 was one of the most successful SAR events ever held in Georgia. First V.P. James R. Westlake M.C.'d the dinner, in the absence of Pres. Benjamin E. Holland who was ill. The speaker was introduced by Past State Pres. (Judge) Durwood T. Pye. The newly-elected officers were installed by State Pres. Joseph H. Brown. Comp. James R. Westlake is the new President, and the Chapter boasts a membership of 150.



Comp. James R. Westlake is installed as President of Atlanta Chapter by Georgia Society Pres. Joseph H. Brown (rt).

ILLINOIS SOCIETY

At its Annual Reception for newly-constituted American citizens, the Illinois Society served as the gracious and traditional host. The event followed the swearing-in ceremony at the U.S. Federal Building in Chicago. Past V.P. Gen. Fred Friestedt was the Reception Chairman, and he was superbly assisted by Past Pres. Gen. Len Young Smith who delivered (as only he can) a most patriotic and stirring oration entitled *America Needs You*. The Chicago Temple generously provided excellent facilities to the Illinois Society for this special occasion so that these new citizens could be properly and warmly received as part of the great American family that we SARs hold so dear.



V.P. Gen. Charles R. Petree congratulates newly-elected Pres. Robert P. Van Ness (rt) of the Thruston Chapter (Ky.) as Brig. Gen. Frank M. Reinecke, USMC, Ret., the outgoing President, looks on.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY

Louisville's **Thruston Chapter** held its annual business meeting and election of officers on Feb. 22. Following the meeting, a combined luncheon gathering of SARs, DARs and CARs honored the birthdate and memory of George Washington. Brig. Gen. Frank M. Reinecke, Sr., USMC, Ret., the Chapter President, spoke of area SAR activities during the year, and his DAR and CAR counterparts did likewise. A Good Citizenship Certificate was awarded to Miss Louise Marshall, who in 1910, founded the Cabbage Patch Settlement and, for over 64 years, has devoted her life, energies and resources to help and guide thousands of

the destitute and helpless. Honored guests were V.P. Gen. and Mrs. Charles R. Petree of Columbus, Ohio. Judge Petree, as principal speaker, spoke most interestingly on Washington as a boy and teen-ager. At the conclusion of his outstanding speech, "General" Petree was "demoted" to Colonel by virtue of being awarded a commission as Kentucky Colonel on the Staff of the Governor. The successful event concluded with retiring Pres. Reinecke passing the badge of office on to his successor, Comp. Robert P. Van Ness.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY

Patriotic colors of red, white and blue created the background for the 17th annual George Washington Ball on Feb. 22. The colorful event was co-sponsored by the **Attakapas Chapter**, SAR, and Galvez Chapter, DAR, both of Lafayette. Sixteen young ladies and six young gentlemen were presented, all descendants of patriot Revolutionary ancestors, and each was sponsored by the SAR and DAR. The program opened with the Presentation of the Colors, followed by the procession of SAR, DAR and CAR state and

chapter officers. The young ladies were dressed in traditional white formal gowns, and carried colonial bouquets. With their male counterparts, they entered the ballroom through a large antique gold picture frame, and were thereupon presented to the assembled guests. A magnificent dinner and dance followed the impressive presentation ceremonies.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

The **Gen. John Eager Howard Chapter** held its Spring meeting on Mar. 15 at the Sparrows Point Country Club. The event was jointly sponsored with

the **Col. Nicholas Ruxton Moore Chapter**, and was attended by almost a hundred Compatriots, wives and guests. Following the cocktail and social period, the luncheon-meeting was opened with the presentation of the colors by the Chapter's Colonial Color Guard. Following a delicious lunch, the meeting was called to order by Pres. Seegar, and a slate of officers was elected, headed by Pres. Carl F. Bessent. The principal speaker was Lt. Gov. Blair Lee of the State of Maryland. Gov. Lee spoke of the obligation of the press to check on the accuracy of

material before it is printed. Too often, such material is inaccurate, and damages the reputation of public officials. Incoming Pres. Bessent bestowed the Good Citizenship Medal upon the Lt. Gov., following his address.



Lt. Gov. Blair Lee (lt) of Maryland receives the Silver Good Citizenship Medal and Certificate from Pres. Carl F. Bessent of the Gen. John E. Howard Chapter following Gov. Lee's speech on the responsibilities of the news media in reporting.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY

The Harvard Club of Boston was the site on Feb. 22 of the annual election of officers, and a luncheon-meeting for Compatriots, their wives and guests. Rev. Dr. Rhys Williams was the speaker at the meeting which saw Comp. Asa E. Phillips installed as the incoming President of the State Society. The Patriot Medal was awarded to Past Pres. Lester M. Clark. Other awards included Silver Good Citizenship Medals to State Secty. Homer F. Dean, Color Guard Commander Richard K. Thorndike and Dr. Ann W. (Mrs. Asa E.) Phillips. A War Service Medal was bestowed upon State Treas. Robert P. Beach. The SAR Medal of Appreciation was awarded to Ms. Ann Fleck, DAR State Regent. Mrs. Susan A. Loth and Mrs. Jane H. Jewell received the Martha Washington Award.

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY

The State Society held its annual meeting at the Sheraton-Shoreline in Biloxi on March 1 with the **Colonial Patriots Chapter** and its president, Comp. O. M. Smith, as hosts. The event was preceded by the unfurling of the largest (21'x35') flag to ever fly over the Gulf Coast. This unfurling also marked the official beginning of the Bicentennial celebration on the Coast. During the business meeting, a ladies tour of Biloxi concluded with a Colonial Tea at the Ocean Springs home of Mrs. Warren A. Andrews. The Biloxians, concert choir of the Biloxi H.S. furnished splendid entertainment for the members and guests prior to the banquet that evening. Pres. S.L. Johnson presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Comp. T.J. McCall, and the Martha Washington Award to Mrs. McCall. After a delicious dinner, Chancellor Gen. Tullius Brady delivered a tautly-reasoned ad-



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At Boston's Harvard Club on Washington's Birthday, Massachusetts Society Secty. Homer F. Dean receives the Silver Good Citizenship Medal from State Pres. Clark B. Loth (lt) as Past Pres. Lester M. Clark beams in the background.

dress on the theme that our actions in the next few years will determine whether or not we deserve to remain free. The new officers were ably installed by Admiral Arthur A. de la Houssaye, a Past President General, after which the Invocation was tendered by Comp. W.T. Wolobon, Chaplain of the host Chapter.

At a recent gourmet dinner-meeting of the **Colonial Patriots Chapter**, a large assemblage including State Pres. and Mrs. S.L. Johnson, witnessed the impressive annual election of officers, and heard a fine keynote speaker, V.P. Gen. James H. Chenery. Comp. Chenery's theme was "accentuate the positive—eliminate the negative, and don't equivocate with the in-between"; a return to the values delineated by our forefathers in their framing of the Constitution; the wisdom contained in Washington's Farewell Address, and the ethics of our forebears. Entertainment included the unforgettable Keesler Air Force Base All-Male Chorus.



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NEBRASKA SOCIETY

The 84th annual meeting of the Nebraska Society has held on Feb. 23 at the Hotel Cornhusker in Lincoln. Almost fifty Compatriots and guests attended, with Mrs. Gage Vohland, State DAR Regent, and Mrs. W. Hasebroock, Nebraska American Revolution Bicentennial Commission Chairman, bringing greetings from their organizations. Pres. Wallace G. Quest introduced Dr. Harold Horn, who displayed a replica of Washington's ceremonial sword, worn at his first presidential inauguration. Dean James Drew of the Univ. of Nebraska's Graduate College spoke on "The Geography of Nebraska Based on Photographs Taken From a Satellite". Pres. Quest awarded the Patriot Medal to State Secty. Henry M. Cox, who is also Vice-Chairman of the State Bicentennial Commission. He also presented the SAR Medal of Appreciation to Mrs. Henry Cox. A slate of officers for 1975-1976 was elected, headed by President-elect Neal A. Chism.



National Trustee John Mowbray (lt) confers the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Award upon Director Carrol Nevin of the Nevada Commission on Crime, Delinquency, and Corrections as Nevada Secretary of State William Swackhamer (rt) looks on.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY

Altho' 2 more years of work confront the Compatriots, **Montclair Chapter** is progressing with the restoration of a 1692 cemetery, undertaken as a Bicentennial project. A flagpole has been erected, and Comp. Butterworth is directing the clearing, seeding and care of the 4 acres, assisted by Comp. David Belding.

Thru' the persistence of **Elizabeth-town Chapter** members, the City of Elizabeth and State of N.J. have each contributed \$7,500 toward the restoration of the Minute Man statue, and repair of the granite figure is almost complete. The Chapter is now seeking more funds for landscaping and the construction of a protective traffic-proof barrier. June 8 has been set as a target date for the rededication ceremonies.

West Fields Chapter observed Washington's Birthday with a dinner



Pres. Gen M. Graham Clark bestows the Patriot Medal upon Secty. Kenneth B. Cook of the New Jersey Society at historic Morristown.

and program at the Echo Lake Country Club on Feb. 21 with Justus Agnoli, a historian, speaking on the life of our first president. Entertainment was furnished by Mrs. Dorothy Walters, David Norwine and 2 fifers of the Westfield Fife & Drum Corps. The ballroom was "sold out" for the occasion. On Jan. 14, the Chapter heard Mrs. Mary Roebling, a DAR, historian and banker.

On Jan. 11, Pres. C.E. France of the **Col. John Rosenkrans Chapter** led a tour of the Johnston Historical Museum of Boy Scout History in North Brunswick. DAR and CAR members participated in the event. The Chapter has been selected as custodian of a proposed cemetery for 500 bodies that will be disinterred from a Delaware River valley dam project. Several Revolutionary veterans are included.

The **Montclair Chapter** outwitted a hard rain by changing the hour for its annual boulder service at Eagle Rock on Feb. 23. As usual, the local DAR

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chapter co-sponsored the event.

Pres. (Dr.) George F. Hutchinson of the **John Hart Chapter** decorated the burial area of the Princeton Battlefield on the 198th anniversary of the Battle.

The New Jersey Society held a Christmas party for members and guests at the Elizabeth State Headquarters on Dec. 13. On Feb. 13, the annual Washington's Birthday Luncheon was held at the American Hotel in Freehold. Exec. Director Walter Peters of the N.J. Bicentennial Commission was principal speaker, and he reminded the audience that one newspaper has already warned that the occasion may become a "buy centennial". The State Society awarded Mr. Peters a medal for his leadership of the Commission, and gave an engrossed scroll to Union Co. Registrar Joseph Durkin for his literary work in American History.

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (N.Y.)

On Feb. 8, the State Board of Mgrs. met in the Roger Smith Hotel at White Plains. The meeting was convened before lunch, and resumed after a fine luncheon. Those coming from distant areas of the state were thereby able to get an early start.

The SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was conferred upon Detective Sgt. Vincent Andolina at the annual Washington's Birthday program of the **Buffalo Chapter**. Dr. Peter Galie, Chairman of the Dept. of Political Science at Canisius College, spoke on "Civic Virtue, Watergate and the Legacy of George Washington." Arrangements were capably handled by Chairman William G. Cook of the Medals & Awards Committee, and Chapter Pres. Everett J. Thompson presided. Comp. Roger S. Pratt was in charge of Public Relations. The event was publicized on 2 local TV stations.

The 40th annual Colonial Ball was held by the **New York Chapter** for the benefit of Patriotic Education, Scholarship Funds and the Rochambeau House, in the Grand Ballroom of The Plaza at New York. Honorary Chair-



Pres. (Dr.) Howard L. Hamilton (lt) of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter, after being honored with the Silver Good Citizenship Medal, confers with Col. John Allums and Past Va. State Pres. Thomas P. Nelson (rt).



California's San Diego Chapter officials are portrayed with Sheriff John F. Duffy (center) after he received the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate on April 29. (l to r): Past State Pres. Earl Van Dusen; Col. Glenn I. Epperson, Chairman of the National Society's American Committee and Past Chapter Pres.; Chapter 1st V.P. Tom Darby, Jr.; Sheriff Duffy; Chapter 2nd V.P. Don Lewis; Chapter Past Pres. Frank Wick; and Past State Pres. J.E. Rowland.

men included the Hon. & Mrs. John Davis Lodge. Comp. (Col.) H. Harding Isaacson was Chairman. Chapter Pres. David A. Trussell presided. Six debutantes were presented at the Ball, which is an outstanding social event in N.Y. City.



U.S. Congressman Chalmers P. Wylie, the principal speaker at the Benjamin Franklin Chapter's annual Washington Birthday Luncheon in Columbus, Ohio, is shown with other prominent attendees (l to r): Chapter Pres. Mark Mahan; Mrs. Merritt Huber, DAR State Regent; Congressman Wylie; Miss Amanda Thomas, Past DAR Nat. Officer; and Past Pres. Gen. Eugene C. McGuire.

OHIO SOCIETY

The **Cincinnati Chapter** hosted the annual Washington Day Dinner on Feb. 22 at the University Club, and the large attendance included SARs of other chapters and many DARs. Special Agent E. Clark Murrish of the FBI presented a very factual and thought-provoking address. Ronald Glasgow, winner of the local Historical Oration Contest, presented his winning speech.

The **Western Reserve Society** held a "Washington's Celebration on Feb. 22

with other historical and patriotic organizations at Cleveland. Vice Adm. Edwin Hooper spoke on "Washington, Maritime Influence, and Independence."

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

The **Blair County Chapter** held its annual meeting at the Penn Alto Hotel in Altoona. The slate of officers was elected and installed. The speaker of the evening, Pres. Fred Long of the Blair County Historical Society, delivered a most interesting talk on the history of the area and the Juniata Valley from 1740 to 1781 with emphasis on the Indians of the territory. Musical numbers were presented by David White and Venessa Parker of the Altoona Campus, Pennsylvania State University band and Roy Rumbaugh, all accompanied by Mrs. Maurice White at the piano.

The **Fort Venango Chapter** held its reorganization meeting at the Franklin Club, Franklin. Officers for the year were elected and installed. The new president, Dr. James E. Hadley presided. A committee was appointed to investigate a suitable project for the Bicentennial celebration. The president then took up the subject of ways of obtaining new members.

At its annual meeting, the **Harris Ferry Chapter** had as its speaker and recipient of the SAR Silver Good Citizenship Medal Mr. David H. Porter, retired Supt. of the Harrisburg Schools and Chairman of the Dauphin County Bicentennial Committee.

The **Arthur Saint Clair Chapter** held a joint meeting with the **Mount Pleasant Chapter** at the New Stanton Holiday Inn, New Stanton. Mr. Joseph Ubinger



Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis signs a Proclamation declaring April 30, 1975 as Sons of the American Revolution Day as Mass. compatriots look on. (l to r): Nat. Trustee Paul S. Vaitses, Treas. Robert P. Beach, Marshal Russell C. Squires and Secty. Homer F. Dean.

spoke on "Rocks and Gems and their Effects on Early Living Habits." Extremely bad weather restricted the attendance, but the meeting was a successful one.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY

Kicking off the season's activities, the State Board of Governors convened in Nashville with Pres. Horace Donham presiding, and appointing committee chairmen. Comp. Clevenger challenged all chapters to work on increasing membership with a goal of 500 members by April 1. Comp. Clevenger has obtained 12 new members for the year. Oration Chairman Harrison W. Gill furnished contest information to all

chapters, and many contests were conducted in March.

A highlight of the year was the George Washington Dinner-Meeting of the **Andrew Jackson Chapter** on Feb. 22 at Nashville's Richland Country Club. A large number of members and guests heard Dr. Nat Winston, former State Commissioner of Mental Health, speak on George Washington. Following his thought-provoking message, Pres. Robert Van Volkenburg presented him with a certificate of appreciation. Senator Douglas Henry, Chapter Awards Chairman, was then introduced by Program Chairman J. L. Perry, and the Senator awarded the



Meet the officers of the brand-new Hicksford Chapter at Emporia, Va. (l to r): 2nd V.P. Edward Lankford, 1st V.P. P. Roland Clarke, Pres. Harry L. Taylor, State Pres. Burch (the installing officer), Treas. Sam A. Adams, Secty. (Dr.) William T. Tillar, Registrar Donaldson P. Tillar and Chaplain (Rev.) H. Dockery Brown.

Good Citizenship Medal to Vice-Mayor A. Scobey Rogers for his many years of devoted service to the Boy Scouts in the Nashville area.

The **John Sevier Chapter** held its annual Washington Day Dinner at the Chattanooga Golf & Country Club on Feb. 15 (to avoid a conflict with the SAR Southern District Meeting in Birmingham on Feb. 22). The guest speaker was Mr. Lee Anderson, Editor of the **Chattanooga News-Free Press**. Under the guidance and leadership of Comp. E.A. Clevenger, State Membership Chairman, the **John Sevier Chapter** is leading the state in recruiting.



At the Washington's Birthday Banquet of the Paul Carrington Chapter (Tex.) are shown (l to r): Past Pres. Frank E. Tritico, Pres. Carl C. Lavery, Col. Curtis B. Dall and Arrangements Chairman George W. Stanley. Col. Dall was the principal speaker and, following his address, he was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal.

The **Stones River Chapter** met recently at the home of Comp. Walter K. Hoover, who spoke on "Relics—Historic Sites and Figures". Following his talk, he displayed several historic items which he has been collecting for many years.

At a recent monthly meeting, the **Memphis Chapter** was addressed by Col. Ralph Stovall, USA, Ret. who delivered an interesting discourse on "The Modern Minute Man", augmenting his speech with a display of various ancient and modern weapons, together with interesting pictures.

The **Upper Cumberland Chapter** is formulating plans for annual student awards, a Bicentennial program, and a drive to reinstate former members.

TEXAS SOCIETY

Paul Carrington Chapter #5 of Houston celebrated the birthday of the

Father of our Country on Feb. 19 with its 32nd annual banquet-meeting at the River Oaks Country Club. More than 300 Compatriots, distinguished visitors and guests enjoyed a sparkling evening with Pres. Carl C. Lavery presiding. The event commenced with all present singing our National Anthem, the Invocation delivered by Comp. (Rt. Rev. Msgr.) Anton J. Frank and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Arrangements Committee Chairman George W. Stanley, a past President. The Registry Cotillion Dancers of Houston entertained with colorful dances, garbed in uniforms and gowns of the Revolutionary period. These talented dancers, founded by Mrs. Raymond Bourgeois, a DAR, has been designated as Goodwill Ambassadors for the Houston American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, and have been invited to perform at the 85th Annual SAR Congress. Past Pres. Frank E. Tritico introduced the special guests. The Chapter's Chaplain, Rev. T. Robert Ingram introduced the distinguished guest speaker, Col. Curtis B. Dall, USAF, Ret., whose subject was "Have We An American Government?". His address was stirring and informative, and he counselled the SAR to take a leadership role in determining trends within our government. The speaker is a long-time resident of Washington, D.C., Chairman of *Liberty Lobby*, is outspoken in his patriotic endeavors, and has served in 2 major wars. At the conclusion of his address, Col. Dall was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal by Past Pres. and Honorary President for Life Paul E. Wise. Among V.I.P.s present were RAdm. John Crommelin and Past Pres. W. Hume Everett. The excep-



Portrayed at the Feb. 26 Washington's Birthday Banquet of the Houston (Tex.) Chapter are (l to r): Chapter Pres. Dan B. Meadows, Registrar Gen. Neill F. Amsler and Mr. John S. Dunn. A prominent Texan philanthropist and commerce executive, Mr. Dunn was honored with the Gold Good Citizenship Medal by the Chapter.

tional and noteworthy program concluded with the Benediction by Chaplain Ingram.

The **Houston Chapter** celebrated the birthday of George Washington on Feb. 26 with a colorful and well-attended banquet. Pres. Dan B. Meadows presided, and the following V.I.P. guests were in attendance: Past Pres. Gen. Walter G. Sterling, Registrar Gen. Neill F. Amsler, State Pres. Frank Tritico, Mr. John Dunn and Mr. Truitt Latimer, Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission, who was guest speaker. For outstanding



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service to the community, Mr. Dunn was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

The 85th Annual Meeting of the Va. Society, commemorating Washington's birthday, was held at the historic Hotel Jefferson in Richmond on Feb. 21-22 with Pres. J. Thomas Burch presiding. The Richmond Chapter hosted the meeting, and Chapter Pres. Roderick D. Brown and his staff made outstanding arrangements, and welcomed early registrants. The Board of Mgrs. and the Nominating Committee conducted their business on the 1st evening. Pres. Burch reported that 3 new chapters were organized during his tenure, making a state total of 15. He then presented charters to the Culpeper



Gen. Robert E. Cushman, Commandant of the US Marine Corps, receives the Gold Good Citizenship Medal from Pres. J. Thomas Burch, representing the Virginia Society.

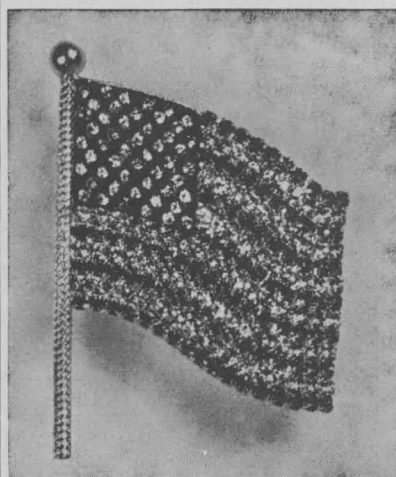
Minute Men and Hicksford Chapters, and announced action of the Board of Mgrs. in establishing the Autusta Declaration Chapter on the 200th anniversary of the Declaration of Augusta. It was also noted that, in membership, the Va. Society had moved from 13th to 4th place in the nation during the year. The George Mason, George Washington and the new Hicksford Chapter entered contestants in the annual Historical Oration Contest. Daniel Friedheim, sponsored by the George Washington Chapter, was adjudged the winner with his talk on "Freedom of the Press." The George Washington Chapter also received the Kenneth C. Patty Outstanding Chapter Award and the Col. Carroll Wright Membership Cup, both presented to Chapter Pres. James L. Mayer by Pres. Burch. At the Annual Banquet, Past State Pres. Joseph H. Cottrell welcomed attendees, and Pres. Burch introduced guests including Gen. Robert E. Cushman, Commandant of the US Marine Corps; Mrs. Cushman; V.P. Gen. Frank W. Kinnamon; incoming State Pres. Gerald P. Finn; Mrs. Frederick Morse, Chaplain Gen., NSDAR; Pres. Gen. (Dr.) Howard L. Hamilton, Americans of Royal Descent; Mrs. Carl Stark, DAR State Regent; Mrs. Charles Haugh, Corr. DAR State



Shown at the recent visitation of the President General to Grand Rapids, Michigan are (l to r): State Pres. Lynn S. Gordon, Pres. Gen. M. Graham Clark and Past Pres. Gen. Marion H. Crammer.

Secty.; Rodney H. C. Schmidt, Nat. Pres., CAR; Mrs. A. L. Acors, Sr. State CAR Pres.; and Miss Beth Wheeler, State CAR Pres. V.P. Gen. Frank W. Kinnamon installed the slate of new state officers headed by Pres. Gerald P. Finn. Retiring Pres. Burch was presented with an engraved gavel by his successor for his outstanding service. Pres. Burch ceremoniously presented CAR Nat. Pres. Rodney Schmidt with his SAR membership certificate, and announced his election as State SAR-CAR Coordinator. The following medals were then conferred: the Va. Society Medal to Comp. William

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E. Young; the Law Enforcement Commendation Award to Past State Pres. Charles R. Haugh; the Martha Washington Award to Mrs. L. Ralston Curry; and Silver Good Citizenship Medals to Compatriots (Col.) Donald B. Wilson and W. Bruce Wingo. The principal speaker, Gen. Robert E. Cushman, Commandant of the US Marine Corps and Member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was introduced by Richmond Chapter Pres. Roderick D. Brown. Following his stirring and informative address, Gen. Cushman received the Gold Good Citizenship Medal from Pres. Burch.

On Jan. 18, the Culpeper Minute Men Chapter held a luncheon-meeting in Warrenton and heard State V.P. Judson P. Mason speak on "The Purpose of the SAR." On Feb. 15 at Culpeper's



The Culpeper Minute Man Chapter of Va. is born as State Pres. J. Thomas Burch (lt) presents the organizing charter to Pres. John S. Board. Comp. B.F. Black (rt) looks on.

Holiday Inn, Col. John Skelton, USAF, Ret. addressed the Chapter, relative to genealogical research and resultant publishing.

The brand-new Hicksford Chapter is continuing to break records for worthy activities, and was one of the three chapters in Va. that produced an entrant for the state oration contest.

The Augusta Declaration Chapter was chartered on Feb. 22 with Pres. Talmage N. Cooley and 15 charter members.

The George Mason Chapter held its annual Historical Oration Competition dinner at the Holiday Inn on Jan. 23, and their winning contestant later placed second in the state contest.

The George Washington Chapter held its annual Christmas Buffet for Compatriots, ladies and guests at the SAR National Headquarters in Washington. A highlight of the evening was the presentation by Pres. James L. Mayer of \$740.00 from the Chapter to the National Society Building Fund.

The Richmond Chapter met on Dec. 3, and those in attendance heard Vice Pres. James Parthenius of the Federal Reserve Bank speak on "The Monetary System During the Revolution and its Evolution." The talk was followed by a cocktail reception. On Jan. 7, the Chapter held its annual



"Top Brass" at the March 1 Annual Meeting of the Kentucky Society are shown here. (l to r): Pres.-elect Gradie R. Rowntree, M.D., Pres. Gen. M. Graham Clark and retiring-Pres. Newell M. Hargett. The event took place at Lexington, and the President General's address was both stirring and inspiring.

business meeting and election of officers in the Hall of the House of Delegates at the State Capitol, after which Chapter Chancellor Flavius B. Walker spoke. Comp. Roderick D. Brown was installed as President. The CAR societies in Richmond were present as guests, attending the meeting and reception that followed.

The Thomas Jefferson Chapter held its Annual Meeting at the Farmington Country Club on Dec. 6, with a reelection of the slate of officers headed by Pres. (Dr.) Howard L. Hamilton. Immediate Past State Pres. Thomas P. Nelson installed the officers, and then presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Comp. Hamilton. The featured speaker of the evening was Col. John F. Allums, a specialist on Soviet affairs, his subject being "The Soviet Threat and U.S. Strategy." He stressed our need for a strong defense, and continuing scientific military re-



Georgia Society Pres. Joseph H. Brown (lt) is portrayed with Comp. Frank Fling of the Edward Telfair Chapter, who, in Colonial garb, participated in the Feb. 14 "Georgia Day" parade at Savannah.



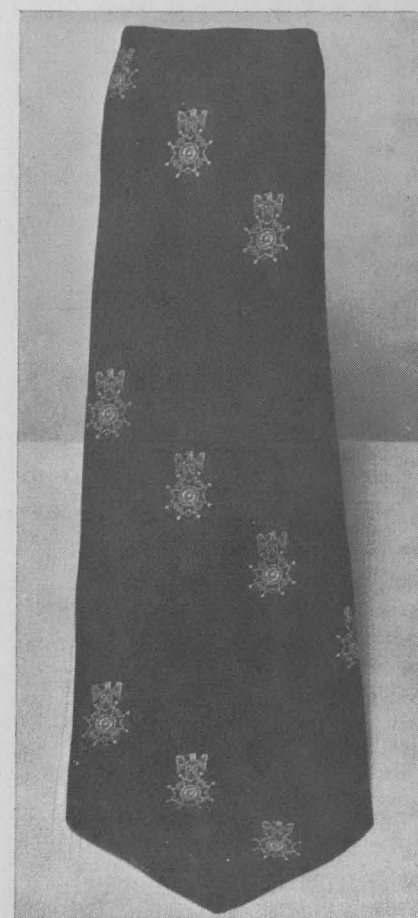
R. A. (Bob) Miles, the Chief of Police at Austin, proudly receives the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate from Texas Society Past Pres. Royce A. Mulholland (rt) on Feb. 28 at the Westwood Country Club.

search. On Feb. 8, the Chapter celebrated Washington's birthday with a meeting at the Farmington Country Club. John Augustine Washington, a descendant of Gen. Washington's brother, spoke on "The Washington Family Genealogy for the Extrovert."

The Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter initiated a Bicentennial project of historical and educational merit at its meeting of Feb. 11. An oil painting of Thomas Nelson will be presented to the Yorktown Victory Center at Yorktown, Va., where it will be seen

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by thousands of visitors. An appropriate plaque will properly identify Nelson, a distinguished Revolutionary general and later Governor of Va.



Law Enforcement Chairman Ordway P. Burden (rt) and Past Pres. Gen. James B. Gardiner (lt) confer the Law Enforcement Award upon N.Y. City Police Commissioner Michael J. Codd.

NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL

A meeting of the New England Council was held on Jan. 25 at Boston's majestic Copley Plaza, site for the coming 85th Annual Congress. Exec. Secty. W. S. Woodward was principal speaker, and he stressed the continuing critical importance of new memberships. Much discussion by attending Compatriots centered upon the approaching National Congress, together with the religious and patriotic program that will take place on July 4 at the famed Cathedral of the Pines (Rindge, N.H.) under the direction of the New Hampshire Society, SAR. In attendance were Past Pres. Gen. Howard E. Coe and the following from the New Hampshire Society, the largest delegation represented: Pres. Edward G. Wood, Secty. Richmond H. Hoyt, V.P. Forrest F. Lange, V.P. Ethan R. Pearson, Past Pres. David V. Prugh, Past Pres. Donald G. Barton, M.D., Past Pres. John P.H. Chandler, Comp. Edward Romney and Comp. Roy Worthen. Plans for the next meeting on April 5 at Woodstock, N.H. were discussed. It was voted that the Fall meeting would be held on Oct. 4.

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BRITISH "SOUR GRAPES"

In February, 1783, the inhabitants of London were Greeted by a strange sight. There on the historic Thames River, docked at the London custom house, was a ship flying a flag which most people had never seen before but which was easily recognizable. It was "Old Glory," with its "thirteen rebellious stripes." The ship's cargo was whale oil and its captain was requesting the right of entry, to dispose of his merchandise and to load his ship with English goods for the folks back home.

Ordinarily a strange ship on the Thames would not be a startling sight. Ships kept bobbing up there from all corners of the world. But when we consider that a definitive peace had not yet been signed, that the countries were technically at war with each other, that feeling between the Americans and Englishmen was still strong and tense, then the appearance of the "rebel flag" in London was indeed a startling sight.

King George III had recognized the independence of American in 1782 when he permitted his envoy to negotiate with the agents of the "United States," and this recognition had been confirmed by the preliminary treaty of November 30. Upon hearing the news, American merchants and traders began fitting out their ships again. For eight long years the traders of the northern Colonies had been prevented from sending out their vessels. Now, not being versed in the technique of treaty making, and knowing only that King George had recognized and acknowledged the Independence of America, they sent their ships out to all ports of the world.

To set out for friendly though distant ports in France, Spain or Holland was natural enough; but to make a trip to the heart of the enemy's land was, to say the least, daring and surprising. Yet that is exactly what happened in the case of one Yankee ship. The *Bedford*, fitted out in Massachusetts and commanded by Captain Moores, flying the stars and stripes, started straight across the Atlantic, headed for England.

On February 4, 1783, the *Bedford* was sighted off the coast of Gravesend and two days later, on February 6, she reported with her heavy cargo of whale oil to the London custom house. To add to the incongruity of the situation, the *Bedford* was within view of the famous Tower of London.

To say that the Londoners were surprised and could hardly believe their eyes would be putting it mildly. Here was a rebel ship, proudly flying the rebel flag, in their own port, while the British and American envoys were still wrangling in Paris over the terms of the peace treaty. For days the *Bedford* was the talk of the town.

One magazine described the ship in this fashion:

"She is American-built, manned wholly by American seamen, wears the rebel colors and belongs to Massachusetts. This is the first vessel which has displayed the thirteen stripes of America in any British port."

The number 13 in connection with American events was material for much English humor, 13 Colonies, 13 stripes, 13 this and that. The London Chronicle of February 7, 1783, surpassed itself with its humorous description of the rebel ship.

"There is a vessel in the harbor with a very strange flag. Thirteen is a number peculiar to rebels. A party of prisoners, lately returned from Jersey, say that rations among the rebels are thirteen dried clams a day. Sachem Schuyler has a topknot of thirteen stiff hairs which erect themselves on the crown of his head when he gets mad. It takes thirteen Congress paper dollars to equal one shilling sterling . . .

"Every well-organized rebel household has thirteen children, all of whom expect to be major generals or members of the high and mighty Congress of the thirteen United States when they attain the age of thirteen years . . . and Mrs. Washington has a tomcat with thirteen yellow rings around its tail. His flaunting it suggested to Congress the same number of stripes for the rebel flag."



Distinguished Compatriots at the Feb. 22 Presentation Ball of the Attakapas Chapter at the magnificent Oakbourne Country Club are (l to r) Master of Ceremonies Porteus R. Burke, Past Pres. Lloyd G. Smith, Past Pres. Charles E. Boudousquie, Past Pres. Wallace A. LaFleur and Pres. John H. Bell.

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**THE ATLANTIC MIDDLE STATES
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Friday & Saturday, July 25 & 26, 1975

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Following dinner on Friday evening, the President General will introduce visiting dignitaries, and a speaker from the Carlisle Barracks, second oldest Army post in the nation, will describe its history. On Saturday, attenders will take a bus tour, visiting such sites as the Bradley Museum, the Hessian Guard House (built by Hessian prisoners in 1777), military exhibits, mementos of the old Indian School (where Jim Thorpe played football, and studied), the Molly Pitcher monument and grave, and the famous Village of Colonial Peddlers.

A well-planned and informative business meeting is scheduled for Saturday morning, with an alternate shopping and sightseeing program for the ladies. On that evening, the Compatriots and their ladies from Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, D.C., New Jersey, New York and elsewhere will enjoy a gala formal banquet. The planned program is an excellent one.

Motel accommodations may be made with the Quality Inn, 1700 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle, Penna. 17013, and be sure to mention SAR when making reservations. Also, please notify the Conference Chairman: Compatriot Fred T. Leathers, 417 West Nittany Ave., State College, Pa. 16801.

We'll see you in July!

Soviet military power has relentlessly increased, and continues to do so. Approximate nuclear strategic parity has been achieved with the United States. There has been a massive Soviet naval expansion which has dramatically transformed the Soviet Union's capacity to conduct politico-military operations on a worldwide scale. Improvement of other conventional forces has gone forward unabated. Massive sums are devoted to research and development to the benefit of the Soviet military machine.

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Projected Addition

It is becoming increasingly difficult for the National Headquarters staff to operate efficiently because the present facilities, originally designed as a private home, are no longer adequate. With the mounting work load, together with a growing inventory of genealogical volumes and museum items, we must have more space for offices, records, library and museum. The practical and most economical solution is the construction of an ad-

joining building, to be built upon our adjoining side lot. The building has been authorized by the National Trustees and the 77th Annual Congress . . . subject to our ability to raise the necessary funds.

Exhibit the spirit of sacrifice displayed by your Revolutionary forebears, and join the distinguished ranks below. Your tax-deductible donation may be dedicated to the memory of a loved one. Please act today.

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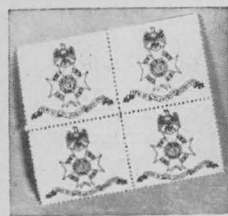
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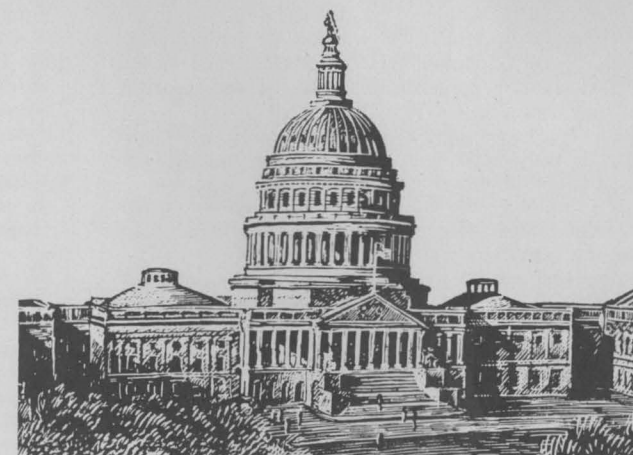
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Past Pres. W. E. Belt of the Mississippi Society addresses the Gen. Francis Marion Chapter in Kentucky as Chapter Pres. Robert M. Wheeler (rt) listens intently.



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF NATIONAL TRUSTEES

February 15, 1975, National Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

President General Clark called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The Invocation was delivered by Chaplain General Gerhart, and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary General Miller called the roll, establishing the presence of a quorum.

It was moved by Past President General Len Young Smith, seconded and passed, that the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the magazine stand approved. A motion by Past President General Walter Sterling was seconded and passed that visitors be granted the freedom of the floor without the right to vote.

President Gen. Clark delivered his report verbally, stating that his SAR visitations have taken him to all points of the nation. He reported that he has accepted and implemented all invitations except those conflicting with prior commitments. Comp. and Mrs. Clark are also scheduled to visit SAR units in Hawaii and Alaska. The President Gen. commended Executive Secretary and Mrs. Woodward for the successful reception on the previous evening at National Headquarters. The Pres. Gen. then described his visit to the Oval Office of the White House, at which time he presented President Ford with his SAR membership certificate and badge, together with a magnificent porcelain depicting the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Secretary Gen. R. Warburton Miller submitted his report, and commented that he had signed over a thousand new membership certificates. In addition, he described his recent visit to Hawaii.

Treasurer Gen. Ralph Pabst indicated that his written report, including the interim budget, had been printed and distributed to all members of the Executive Committee.

Registrar Gen. Neill Amsler reported on membership, and particularly commended Calif., Fla., Del., Kan., Miss., Okla., S.D., Tex. and Va. for their substantial membership increases. (His statistical report appeared in the last issue of the magazine.)

Historian Gen. Albert Remington was absent, but it was announced that his written report had been received.

Genealogist Gen. Leslie Bryan referred to his written report.

Chancellor Gen. Tullius Brady reported that his services had been required by several states and chapters, but that matters were being resolved. He further discussed a matter that is requiring his attention relative to the Cathedral in the Pines. Comp. Brady then spoke at length on our tax-free status, pointing out that it is limiting the SAR at all levels in the full implementation of our patriotic purposes.

Chaplain Gen. Luther Gerhart stated that his written report was on file.

Librarian Gen. Richard Crane stated that his written report was on file.

Surgeon Gen. John Brumbaugh's report was so unique that the Executive Secty. read it aloud.

All Vice Presidents General in attendance reported individually upon their Districts. Some absent V.P. Generals were noted as having sent written reports.

Exec. Secty. Woodward reported, and his message noted that Pres. Gen. Clark has broken all records for mileage traveled in that office.

Comp. Woodward presented nominations for the Minute Man

Award as recommended by the Executive Committee. They were: Compatriots M. Graham Clark, Jr., Thomas T. Currie, Lynn S. Gordon, Joseph X. Harris and Donald E. Lathrop. Comp. Bryan moved that these recommendations be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried.

Past Pres. Gen. Sterling, Chairman of the Finance and Budget Committee, presented the interim budget for the period from April 1 through June 30. He commented that the Treasurer General had studied and approved this budget, as had the Executive Committee. A motion by Comp. Pabst was seconded and passed that the interim budget be adopted.

Following recommending comments by Comp. Woodward, Louisville, Kentucky was formally designated as the site for the 1978 Congress. The certifying motion by Comp. Head was regularly seconded and passed, and this motion included authorization to set a May 28 commencement date for this Congress.

A motion by Comp. Leathers was seconded and passed that obsolete SAR Pledge cards be exchanged for current versions by National Headquarters at no cost to chapters and state societies.

A motion by Comp. Swadley was seconded and passed that Comp. Woodward be authorized to donate an annual award to the editor of the best newsletter. Comp. Woodward will assume all costs, and will work with the Medals and Awards Committee relative to rules.

A motion by V.P. Gen. Garrison was seconded and passed that an expression of gratitude be sent to Comp. (Gen.) William Wilbur for his bequest to the National Society relative to the rights to his book, "The Making of George Washington."

A motion by Comp. Sterling was seconded and passed that the dates of the next Executive Committee and National Trustees' meetings be June 28 and 29.

Pres. Gen. Clark then called upon each committee in alphabetical order.

Representing the Audit Committee, Past Pres. Gen. Ryall S. Morgan read a letter from Rubin & Schimel, stating that last year's cost of \$1200 would be maintained if we chose to assign their firm to the next audit. A motion by Comp. Harrison that this firm and fee be approved was seconded and carried.

Boy Scouting Committee Chairman Trotter reported on his activities, and especially the growing rapport with the Boy Scouts of America.

Building Fund Committee Chairman Anderson reported that the current total in the Fund is approximately \$106,000. He reminded those present that at least \$500,000 is needed before the cornerstone can be laid on July 4, 1976.

Bylaws Committee Chairman Burch recommended an amendment to the bylaws whereby a compatriot may have the right to transfer his state affiliation without changing residence. After much discussion, a motion by Comp. Garrison was seconded and passed that the pertinent amendment be submitted to the next Congress.

Constitution Week Committee Chairman Tabb urged increased activity relative to Citizenship Day and Constitution Week. He further described the opportunities of news media coverage relative to those holidays. In closing, he announced that Comp. Woodward



A unit of the Wilmington District Minute Men, sponsored by the Lower Cape Fear Chapter, SAR, escort the remains of John Grady, who was the first Revolutionary patriot killed in North Carolina. More than 1000 attended the reinterment to a more fitting site, at which an SAR grave marker was mounted. Comp. William K. Dorsey is President of the Chapter, in addition to being Commander of the Minute Men.

had received an honor from the MOWW for patriotic work.

Finance-Budget Committee Chairman Sterling discussed current finances of the Society, and elaborated upon the interim budget.

Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Burden described ceremonies in the office of the Director of the FBI, at which time he bestowed the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal upon Director Kelley. He further reported traveling throughout the nation to confer with members of his Committee (at his own expense).

Membership Committee Chairman Sellers described the lapel tabs that are being utilized by Florida and other state societies. He reported on membership workshops that are being conducted in several states with good results. In closing, he discussed a TV Bicentennial project that will feature the SAR.

Patriotic Education Committee Chairman Bowles reported that several governors have proclaimed Patriotic Education Week and I Love America Week. He further reported on the continuing cooperation between the SAR and Patriotic Education, Inc.

Permanent Fund Committeeman Morgan furnished complete details on the current finances and investments of his Committee.

Public Relations Committee Vice Chairman Baldwin urged that state and chapter PR chairmen be appointed. He spoke of the need for beneficial SAR publicity which is often more available than we might realize. A motion by Comp. Edwards to recognize and thank Comp. Jerry Jennings of the White House for his assistance in developing President Ford's SAR membership was seconded and carried.

The President General then called for old business, and Comp. Hanawalt raised the issue of our Bicentennial activities. It was agreed that we should remember that the official SAR national Bicentennial program is the erection of the badly-needed new building. At this point, Building Fund Chairman Anderson reminded those present that there are still many silver Bicentennial ingots available. Many compatriots thereupon transmitted donation checks to the Executive Secretary (and later received their ingots).

Following the announcement of new business, Past Pres. Gen. Sterling was warmly congratulated for his being appointed by the Governor to a six-year term on the Board of Regents of his alma mater, the University of Texas. Comp. Sterling commented that some students objected to his philosophy of management by school officials rather than inexperienced students, but that he would not advocate appeasement at the detrimental expense of that fine university.

With the authority and approval of the Executive Committee, Comp. Len Young Smith presented Pres. Gen. Clark with a certificate of honorary citizenship for the State of Illinois. Comp. Smith, who had obtained this diploma from the Governor, read the impressive citation therein.

V.P. Gen. Kinnamon then requested the floor, and presented Pres. Gen. Clark with a magnificent gavel. The wood contained in the gavel came from the famed Buck's Tavern which was frequented by General Washington.

At this point, Surgeon Gen. Brumbaugh and Comp. Vaites discussed projected construction plans for the new building. Pres. Gen. Clark then asked Comp. Anderson to develop further details for distribution.

The President General asked if there was further business, and none was forthcoming. A motion for adjournment by Comp. Sterling was seconded and passed. Following the Benediction by Chaplain Gen. Gerhart, the meeting adjourned at 12:05.

SPRING 1975

The Padre Says...

The Reverend
LUTHER F. GERHART, D. D.
Chaplain General



"In these days," says an editorial, "we don't have to risk our necks like the Americans of 1776 we will honor. We only have to risk a few discomforts. Let us make those we will honor be proud of us."

In this spirit we gather in these Bicentennial days to honor our beloved Country's Founding Leaders. Foremost is General George Washington—"First in the hearts of his countrymen." His birthday of 243 years ago we have recently celebrated. We want him to be proud of his countrymen.

Today our citizenry is from ancestors of practically every nation under heaven. Hardly could Washington foresee developments since his day. There are express highways and speeding cars, the rapidity of air travel, and touch button electronic communication. Yet it was he who helped lay the foundation strong and firm, at personal sacrifice. Can our sacrifice be less?

Throughout his life Washington effectively and constantly witnessed to his belief in the Almighty. Hear his faith as he announced the French recognition of the Independence of the United States, at Valley Forge on May 5, 1778:

"It having pleased the Almighty ruler of the Universe propitiously to defend—the Cause of the United American-States and finally by raising up a powerful Friend among Princes of the Earth to establish our liberty and Independence upon lasting foundations, it becomes us to set apart a day for gratefully acknowledging the Divine Goodness and celebrating the important Event which we owe to his benign Interposition."

On May 6th, therefore the Continental Army stood in formation to hear the news of the French-American treaty and to listen to sermons by their chaplains.

You would expect the padre to join voices with present day leaders who vigorously assert, "We must strengthen the spiritual motivation of our people." My indebtedness is acknowledged to the book, "Washington and Religion" by Paul F. Boller, Jr.—(published by Southern Methodist University Press of Dallas) for the following:

"In Washington's General Orders of 18 April 1783 announcing the cessation of hostilities with Great Britain, he congratulated his soldiers, 'of whatever condition they may be,' for, among other things having 'assisted in protecting the rights of human nature and establishing for the poor and oppressed of all nations and religions.'"

It is clear that Washington attended with regularity the worship conducted by his chaplains. He was present at Divine Services, when President, in New York and in Philadelphia.

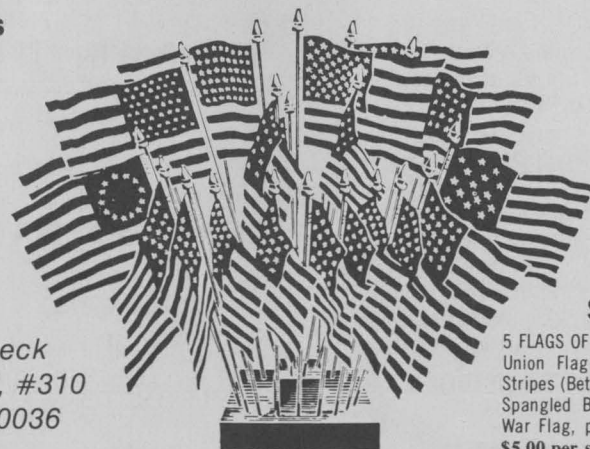
His record of dealing with various religious groups in our country makes clear his opposition to bigotry and partisan strife. These dealings included, among others, Universalists, Catholics, Jews, Pennsylvania Germans (Reformed and Lutheran), Baptist and Friends.

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Saturday, June 28

1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Registration.
2:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Welcoming Reception.

Sunday, June 29

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration.
10:00 a.m. Trustees' Meeting.
Unorganized attendance at churches of your choice.
3:00 p.m. Memorial Service.
8:00 p.m. Oration Contest.

Monday, June 30

7:30 a.m. State Presidents' Breakfast.
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration.
9:00 a.m. to Noon. Opening session of Congress.
Noon to 2:00 p.m. Luncheon.
2:30 to 5:00 p.m. Session resumes.
8:00 p.m. Recognition & Awards.

Tuesday, July 1

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Registration.
9:00 a.m. Ladies' Continental Breakfast & Fashion Show.
9:00 a.m. to Noon. Congress session.
10:00 a.m. Nominations & elections of officers.
Noon: Registration closes.
2:00 p.m. Balloting commences.
6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Reception.
7:30 to 10:00 p.m. Banquet.

Wednesday, July 2

9:00 a.m. Conclusion of business.
10:30 a.m. Balloting closes.
11:00 a.m. Meeting of new Trustees.
1:30 p.m. Buses commence departure for Lexington & Concord.
7:30 p.m. President General's Banquet.

"Black-tie" attire for both evening banquets. White jackets recommended.

Darned clever, those Americans!

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The brand-new SAR chapter at Rome, Ga. is represented here by its top officers (l to r): Secty.-Treas. Ellis F. Hale, V.P. Jack B. Harris and Pres. Clark L. Fincher.

Remember Me?

I'm the guy who was asked to join your chapter. I was introduced at my first meeting, and the traditional SAR rosette was placed in my lapel.

I'm the fellow who came to every meeting since that time, but no one paid any attention to me. I tried several times to be friendly with some other compatriots, but they all had their "buddies" that they had to talk and sit next to. I sat down with some unfamiliar faces several times, but they didn't pay much attention to me.

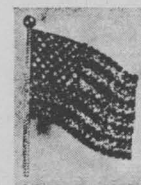
I hoped very much that somebody would have asked me to take part in the last fund-raising project, but no one asked me. When I volunteered by raising my hand, I heard nothing further.

I missed my first meeting since joining because my wife was sick, and I couldn't make it, but no one asked me at the next meeting where I had been.

The next meeting, I decided to stay home and watch a good program on TV. The following meeting, I attended. No one asked me where I was the meeting before. You might say that I'm a good guy, a good family man, that I hold a responsible job and love my community. You know who else I am? I'm the guy who never came back!

It amuses me when I think back on how several compatriots were discussing why the chapter was losing members. It amuses me now to think that they spend so much time and energy looking for new members . . . when I was there all the time.

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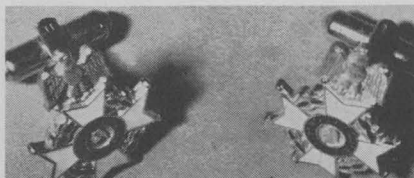


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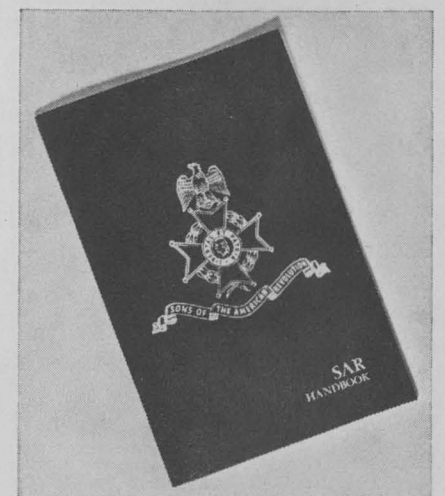
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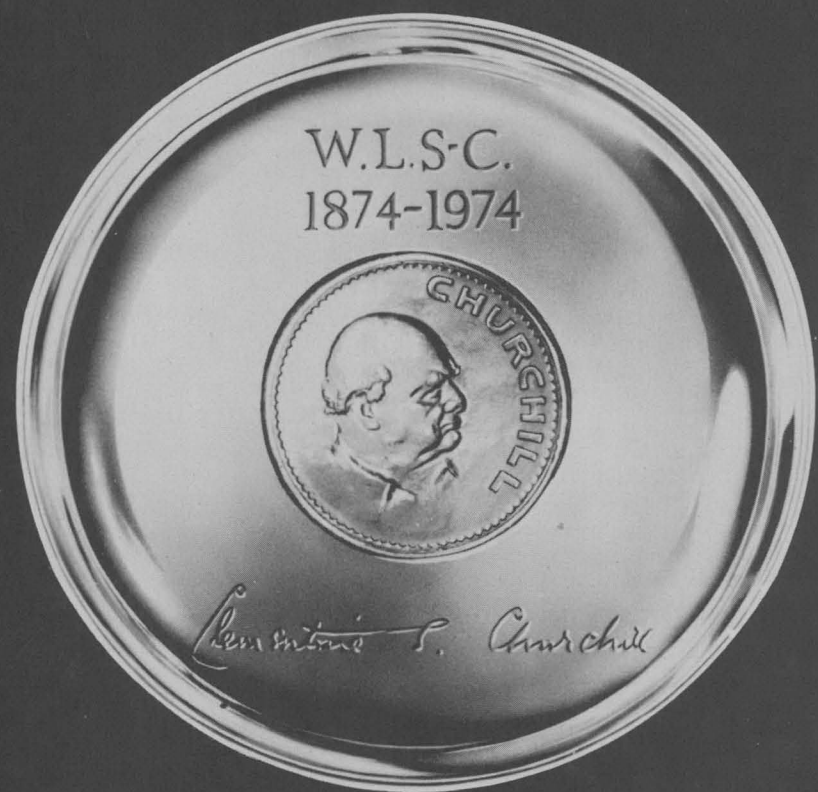
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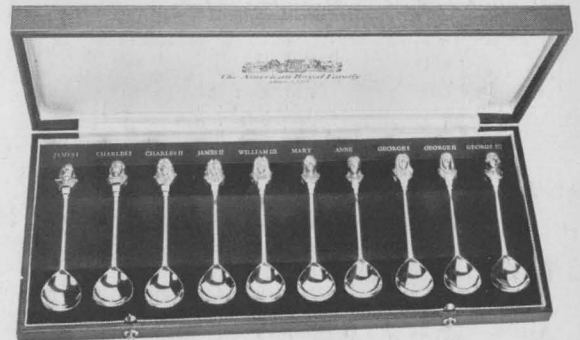
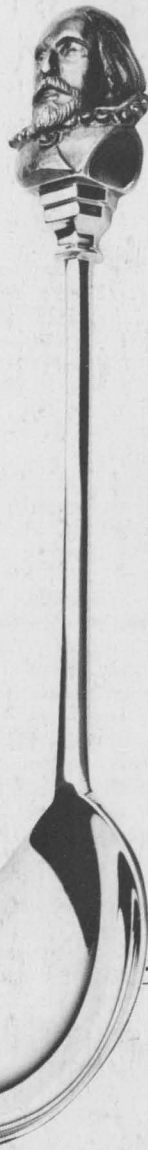
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