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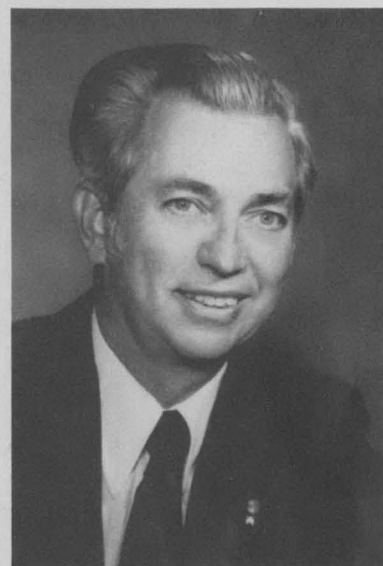
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The PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE

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MATTHEW B. SELLERS, III
PRESIDENT GENERAL

It is indeed an honor to have been elected President General of our great society in this Bicentennial year. I hope I will be able to justify your faith in me.

During my term of office, I will work to build the SAR and to make it prosper. I have several basic philosophies which I believe will further these ends.

Our local chapters are the most important segments of our society and our efforts

should be directed to them. The National and State Societies exist for the ultimate benefit of these chapters. We have a few states and some large cities that do not have chapters. This should be the first order of business for these state presidents, to locate a leader who is willing to take on the responsibility and hard work of establishing chapters where possible. It will be a rewarding experience for him. Along this line, when a chapter reaches 150 members, it is time to split off and form another chapter, here again, the essential person is the new chapter president. The DAR has successfully followed this policy.

In my visits to our state societies, I would like to have time set aside to discuss the problems that you are having. I enjoy very much attending banquets and luncheons. It is indeed pleasant to say a few words and to meet our fine members, but to do an efficient job as President General, I prefer to sit down and quietly discuss organization, membership, chapter and state programs. If I don't do this, I feel I am letting down the society that I am visiting.

The obtaining of new members is one of our important goals. There is no shortage of eligible prospects. They will not become members unless we give them a reason to join us. Active chapters are the answer. If

you will review my Membership Newsletter in the last three SAR Magazines, this subject has been covered.

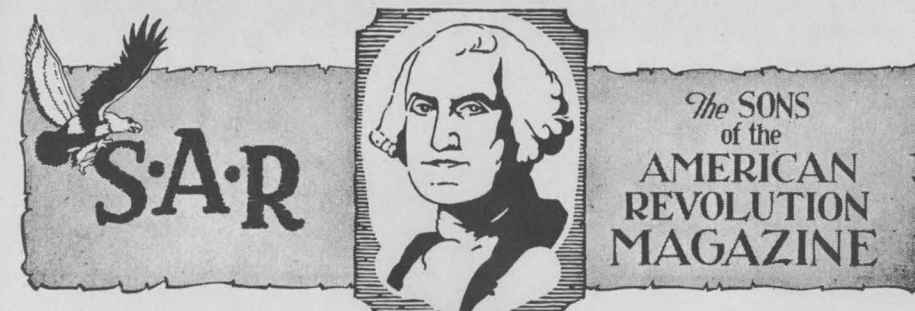
The Philadelphia Congress authorized the Executive Committee to negotiate the sale of our National Headquarters in Washington, D.C. and after it is sold to negotiate for a new headquarters. We have outgrown our present headquarters and an addition to it would be costly and impractical. There is talk that Washington, D.C. may begin to tax our real estate, which now is tax exempt. We are actively pursuing this course of action.

Joseph B. Head, our Past Vice President General and Chaplain General, has been traveling about the country with his Liberty Bell. He has talked to thousands of school children and has inspired them with patriotism. The Bell that he has been using will be retired shortly. He now needs a new one. Those wishing to help in this worthwhile cause, please send your donations to Joseph B. Head, "The Liberty Bell Education Foundation," 4200 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55409. This is tax deductible and the Bell will be placed at our National Headquarters when it is retired.

Our National Nominating Committee will only work properly if chapters and state societies will recommend eligible candidates for General Office. Our by-laws cover this procedure, but briefly stated. Recommendations may be submitted to the chairman of the Nominating Committee by individuals, chapters or state societies, which include background information on the candidate. He must sign a statement that if elected, he will be willing to serve. The deadline for this recommendation is January 1st. It is not a function of the Nominating Committee to search out candidates.

I have appointed committee chairmen and their committees. Generally, I have put members on who have volunteered their services. If you wish to assist one of these committees, write to the chairman listed in this magazine and offer your help. In most instances, he will be happy to put you to work. These committees are set up to help our chapters carry out the programs of the SAR.

Matthew Sellers



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GUEST EDITORIAL

by an anonymous Compatriot

Marred as it was by political posturing and protest; shaken as it was, by the mass withdrawal of the African nations; the Olympic drama still sparkled with the excitement of competitive excellence. Yet despite the occasional glimpses of true Olympic spirit, it is all too obvious that competition for the sake of competition is becoming a creature of the past. Rather than serving as a showcase of individual excellence, the Olympic games are being used by many nations as a tool of political indoctrination.

The communist countries, especially those of Eastern Europe, have chosen to use the Olympiad as a vehicle to prove the superiority of their way of life. Using production line techniques, subsidized by the state, they create a squad of athletes whose only mission is to win at the Olympics. When a country places so much importance on the games that it chooses kindergarten children, physically adapted to a specific sport and then subjects them to years of incessant training, it will win medals. The communists proved this, if nothing else, at Montreal. Seven of the ten top medal winning nations were communist countries.

The U.S. team performed admirably in the face of such competition. In contrast to the communists, the individual and team victories turned in by Americans were the result of remarkable personal sacrifice and dedication; each U.S. participant had to struggle through years of self-imposed rigors to get to the Olympic starting line. They were not pushed, prodded or coddled by an over-eager government, and when an American stepped onto the winner's platform, he stood there as an individual, not as a state-programmed athletic machine or robot.

Still, the communists went to Montreal to win, and win they did. They amassed an impressive stack of gold, silver and bronze and their dominance has led many to doubt the wis-

dom of continuing support for the Olympics.

Certainly, the Olympic spirit has been battered and bruised by the communists' ruthless search for gold medals, but despite their medals and despite their dominance, any decision to discontinue participation would be a mistake. Through the inspiring efforts of our athletes and the athletes of the other free nations, the spirit of individual freedom and personal accomplishment still stands firm, offering a beacon of hope that cannot be buried under a stack of Olympic medals. Five human beings from communist nations embraced that hope in Montreal. Five chose freedom; the freedom personified in our athletes.

Pitting dedicated amateurs against state-subsidized professionals results in lopsided contests, but this is a small price to pay for keeping that hope alive; for giving the world a choice.

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A noted publisher and radio station executive, Charles Manship, receives the Gold Good Citizenship Medal from Pres. Gen. Matthew B. Sellers at the Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter's Annual Recognition Banquet in Baton Rouge. Chapter Pres. William B. Myrick, modestly in the background, witnesses the bestowal.

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★ Compatriots in the Public Eye ★

Compatriot HENRY BUBB of the Kansas Society recently completed 50 years service with the Capitol Federal Savings of Topeka. He is a past President of the U.S. League of Savings Associations.

Secty.-Treas. RALPH H. GOODELL, JR. of the Kansas Society was inducted into the 32° of Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and the Abdallah Shrine Temple during recent Imperial Sessions at Kansas City.

Sr. V. P. WILLIAM S. HATT, M.D. of the Florida Society has been appointed State Membership Chairman of the Florida State Orthopaedic Association.

Past President FRANK E. TRITICO of the Paul Carington Chapter has been appointed by Gov. Briscoe to the Texas Congressional Medal of Honor Grove Committee. Comp. Tritico has also been elected Deputy Gov. Gen. of Colonial Wars in Texas.

Compatriot (Capt.) MAX K. HURLBUT of the California Society is currently a participant in "Operation Calibre XIV" in England and Germany. Training along with the German and British Armed Forces, Comp. Hurlbut has won senior silver Wehrmacht parachutist wings and a gold medal for expert marksmanship.

Vice President General J. COLGAN NORMAN has been elected an Honorary Life Member of the Kentucky-Tennessee Division of the Salvation Army.

Compatriot RICHARD R. COOCH of the Delaware Society is serving as a Deputy Attorney General in the Dept. of Justice of the State of Delaware.

Chaplain (Rev. Dr.) HENRY N. HERNDON of the Delaware Society celebrated the 50th anniversary of his ordination, and was featured in an article with his photo in Wilmington's *Morning News*.

Compatriot CLIFFORD PRYOR of the Delaware Society has authored a book on the political aspects of Blackbird Hundred.

Compatriot JAMES D. HEIPLE of the Illinois Society, a distinguished Circuit Judge, has received the 1973 George Washington Honor Medal of Freedoms Foundation for his editorial, "Yes, Virginia, Santa Claus Sometimes Wears A Black Robe". This is the 2nd Freedoms Foundation Award that Judge Heiple has received.

Compatriot NELSON H. SMITH of the Naples (Fla.) Chapter, a retired Army Colonel, has authored a new crime novel, *Death Squad*, which has been published by Dorrance & Company.

Past President (Col.) CHARLES W. MORGAN of the Saramana (Fla.) Chapter has been elected to national office in the Military Order of the World Wars as a member of the General Staff, M.O.W.W.

Compatriot ROBERT A. BECK of the New Jersey Society has been elected President of the New Jersey Historical Society.

Secretary BOYCE M. TOPE of the Detroit (Mich.) Chapter has been honored with the honorary degree of Doctor of Science in Business Administration by Cleary College.

Historian-Genealogist A. WILLIAM COATS of the Santa Barbara (Cal.) Chapter has composed and published 6 Bicentennial songs in a publication, *Two Hundred Years Ago*, which is being distributed throughout the nation.

Compatriot E. T. CROWSON of the South Carolina Society has been elected President of the South Carolina Historical Association. Comp. Crowson is Professor of History at Winthrop College.

Compatriot (Dr.) GLENN R. SWETMAN of the Louisiana Society, a Professor of English at Nicholls State University, has been elected President of the National Federation of State Poetry Societies.



Shown at charter presentation ceremonies of Virginia's new George Washington Cleek Chapter are (l to r): 1st V.P. Howard L. Lockridge, V.P. Gen. Carroll Wright, State 2nd V.P. Walter A. Porter, State Pres. Judson P. Mason, State Treas. Roderick D. Brown, Pres. Hugh S. Gwin, State 3rd V.P. Howard L. Hamilton, State Chaplain (Rev.) Samuel H. Sayre and State Historian J. William Siegfried.

Compatriot JOHN M. MARSHALL of the Texas Society has been sworn in as Municipal Judge of Muenster. Comp. Marshall, an attorney and graduate of V.M.I., Vanderbilt Univ., and S.M.U. Law School, is a direct descendant of U.S. Chief Justice John Marshall.

Compatriot ERIC BEERMAN, Ph.D., currently serving as Professor at the University of Madrid, is being lauded as the author of *YO SOLO, The Battle Journal of Bernardo de Galvez During the American Revolution*.

Chairman ORDWAY P. BURDEN of the Law Enforcement Committee has been awarded the coveted George Washington Honor Medal of Freedoms Foundation for his outstanding work in law enforcement. The bestowal was performed by FBI Director Clarence Kelley and Director (Admiral) William Mott of Freedoms Foundation.

Compatriot SHELTON H. SHORT III of the Virginia Society has been elected Vice President of the Va. Thanksgiving Festival. Also, Dr. Short has been appointed as Consultation Reader of the University of Edinburgh Library. Comp. Short earned his doctorate at the Scottish university.

Compatriot LAWRENCE KENT of the California Society has been promoted to the office of Asst. V.P. of the Gilmore Commercial & Savings Bank of Los Angeles.

Secty.-Treas. (Col.) RALPH H. GOODELL, JR. of the Kansas Society has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Curtis-Warner Camp 64, Sons of Union Veterans. Comp. Goodell has also been reelected to a 3rd term as Vice President, Kansas Dept., Reserve Officers Assoc.

Compatriot D. TENNANT BRYAN of the Virginia Society has been appointed to the Development Council for the College of William and Mary, the nation's 2nd oldest university.

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It happened at Philadelphia



Mrs. Wakelee R. Smith, President General of the National Society, DAR, brings greetings from our sister-society.



Lt. Gen. Daniel O. Graham, former Defense Intelligence head, delivers the Wednesday banquet address.



Dr. F. G. A. Kraemer, Pentagon advisor for political and military affairs, speaks at the Monday luncheon.



Mrs. Charles M. Scheer, Senior National President of the C.A.R. extends warm greetings.



National C.A.R. President Stephen S. Miller delivers official greetings from the junior organization.



Pres. Warren G. Hayes, Jr. of the Pennsylvania Society delivers greetings from the host State.



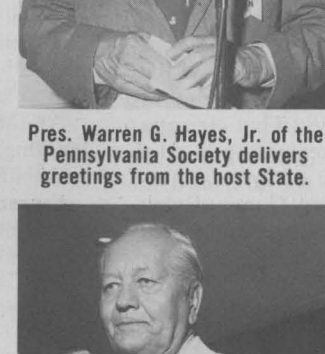
Two 1976 Colonials relax near Independence Hall.



Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage receives the V.I.P. certificate of the Chapel of Four Chaplains.



Credentials Chairman Lynn S. Gordon announces a record-breaking attendance.



State Chairman for the 87th Annual Congress, Ronald O. Baymiller, invites attendees to come to Milwaukee in 1977.



Chancellor Gen. Wilson King Barnes presents Annual Resolutions for adjustment and adoption.



Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage places a memorial wreath at the tomb of Philadelphia's Unknown Soldier of the Revolution.



Past V.P. Gen. and Mrs. Marshall E. Miller cut dashing figures in their garb of the American Revolutionary period.



Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage receives a miniature Liberty Bell from a representative of the Mayor.



Past Pres. Gen. Howard E. Coe "visits" with Mrs. Warren G. Hayes, wife of the Penna. President.



V. P. Gen. Alexander Hamilton (rt) chats with Mass. Compatriot Vernon R. Nickerson.

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.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OCT. 1, 1976.



Palm Beach Chapter Pres. Robert Siemon (rt) honors Martin Co. Sheriff James Holt (lt) with the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal as Fla. Society Pres. George E. Morris looks on.

ARIZONA SOCIETY

The Palo Verde Chapter boasts an increase of 100% in membership for the year ending March 31. The membership drive was sparked by the efforts of Chapter Pres. Edger Frankenfield and Chapter officers, who are working to bring their group to a prominent position in our Society. The membership has increased from 17 to 34. The goal for '76 is 76 new members, and success is predicted. The area ladies of the DAR have been most helpful in recruiting their husbands and relatives, and have even furnished assistance in addition to the preparation



The Maryland Society awards the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Md. American Legion Adjutant Daniel Burkhardt. (l to r): Nat. Trustee Virgil A. Halbert, Mr. Burkhardt, Comp. James P. S. Devereux, State Pres. Carl F. Bessent and Chapter Pres. Earl M. Altizer.

of applications.

The Saguaro Chapter was proud to have presented a nationally-known Bicentennial photograph, "At the Beginning", to the National Society. National Trustee Lawrence M. Jones presented the 3' x 5' work of art at the Philadelphia Congress in the name of the Arizona Society. The *Arizona Highways* magazine recently printed a full-page reproduction of this extraordinary photograph, and Comp. Ralph M. Pabst generously donated copies of the publication to all attendees at the Congress. "At the Beginning", which so eloquently portrays our nation's heritage, was created by Comp. Loyal R. Addington, a Saguaro Chapter member, together with Mr. Harry Hollett.

The Saguaro Chapter Board of Managers held a "get acquainted morning coffee" on May 22 at the Greenbrier Restaurant for the 21 new Compatriots who have become members since 1975. Pres. Hillis Lorry gave a history of the SAR, its objectives, and explained why Saguaro is such an active and successful Chapter. He was assisted in the unique program by Comp. Everett Randall, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee.

The May 15 meeting of Saguaro Chapter was attended by approximately 100 Compatriots and guests. Former U.S. Senator and Wyoming ex-Governor Milward Simpson delivered an excellent address.

On June 14, the Saguaro Chapter held its traditional Flag Day luncheon in the banquet room of the Greenbrier Restaurant at Sun City. Widows of deceased chapter members were the guests of honor. Gen. Fred Haeffner of Luke AFB was the speaker.

The Phoenix Chapter sponsored the annual 4th of July ringing of the replica of the Liberty Bell in the rotunda of the

State Capitol in Phoenix. A large crowd of adults and children attended the ceremonies conducted by Chapter V.P. J. Dudley Shouse. Mayor Margaret Hance was the principal speaker. Music was by the "Strumming Amigos." The assemblage joined in the singing of the several patriotic medleys, and all children present had an opportunity to ring the bell.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

At the San Francisco Chapter's March 31 meeting, Historian Ray Jones reported that there is currently no plaque commemorating the founding of the California Society, SAR, on Oct. 22, 1875 on the location now occupied by the Palace Hotel. Old timers remembered seeing such a plaque some decades ago, but the hotel can find no trace of it. Chapter Pres. Roland Walters will request financial aid from the California Society for an "origin plaque" suggested by V.P. Gen. Cal Chunn at the recent State meeting.

At the April State Society Annual Meeting, the plan was approved, and installation is planned for November.

Sacramento Chapter donated a large Bicentennial flag to the State of California, and it is now flying over the State Capitol.

A Pony Express Monument will be located in Sacramento at the western end of the route, and the California Society approved a donation toward the monument as a part of its Bicentennial activities.

DELAWARE SOCIETY

On February 21, a luncheon of the Delaware Society honored the memory of George Washington. Pres. C. K. Xander awarded the Good Citizenship Medal to Delaware C.A.R. Pres. Marian Marshall, who was recently in-



Past Pres. Gen. M. Graham Clark is congratulated for a stirring address by Program Chairman Frank W. Shelton (lt) of the Benj. Franklin Chapter (Kan.) and Rotarian Pres. Paul Viets (rt).



Palm Beach (Fla.) Chapter Pres. Robert Siemon greets James Lamond, renowned airline executive & former naval aviator, preceding his speech on the SST controversy.

stalled as national Vice President of that Society.

The Delaware Society held a luncheon meeting on April 5 featuring George Bennett, an architect, who spoke on restoration of the old State House.

On April 19, a dinner meeting of the Delaware Society marked the anniversary of the 1775 Battle of Lexington. Officers for 1976-77 were elected. Mrs. Charles Allmond, wife of a Past President of the Delaware Society, gave an illustrated talk on the history and architecture of Wilmington's 105-year-old Grand Opera House. The new officers were installed, headed by Pres. Clarence K. Xander, who was re-elected.

A luncheon meeting of the Delaware Society on May 3 commemorated Law Day. The speaker was State Atty. Gen. Richard Wier. The event received TV and newspaper coverage.

GEORGIA SOCIETY

Past Pres. Gen. Ryall S. Morgan, accompanied by his lovely wife, Jule, attended the Georgia Society's Annual Meeting at the Admiral Benbow Inn in Atlanta on May 8, and was the featured speaker at the closing banquet. Comp. Morgan was introduced by V.P. Gen. Joseph H. Brown. His outstanding address received enthusiastic applause. State Pres. Benjamin E. Holland presided on this occasion. On behalf of the Georgia Society, Comp. Morgan bestowed the Patriot Medal upon Chancellor John R. Strother. Nat. Trustee and Chaplain Frank H. Benning presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Past V.P. Gen. T. G. Linthicum. The Georgia Society presented Past Pres. Gen. and Mrs. Morgan with a Liberty Bell plaque. Pres. James R. Westlake of the Atlanta Chapter made the presentation. Before adjournment, V.P. Gen. Brown installed the newly elected officers of the Ga. Society.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

The Florida Society Membership

Meeting was held on May 1 & 2 at Orlando's Court of Flag. Pres. Gen. and Mrs. Robert D. Savage, together with V.P. Gen. and Mrs. Joseph Brown of Atlanta, enhanced the event. The Silver Good Citizenship Medal was awarded to Shirley Correll for her effective work in reducing the number of objectionable books recommended for Fla. school systems. The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal, probably for the 1st time in SAR history, was awarded to Policewoman Anne Williams of Tampa, the mother of 1 child, who, when off duty, entered a grocery with her policeman-husband, and found a robbery in progress. When her husband was shot and killed, Policewoman Williams picked up her husband's pistol, killed one of the bandits, wounded another, and assisted in the arrest of the 3rd. Following the bestowals, 1976-77 officers for the Florida Society were elected, headed by Pres. George Morris, Jr.

The Central Florida Chapter at its April 19 meeting had an unprecedented 14 entrees for the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest. Pres. (Col.) Carl Buchner commended the Committee as "the most effective in the state." Charles Reese of the *Orlando Sentinel* spoke on "Individual Responsibility of the U.S. Citizen." Following his fine address, Mr. Reese was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for his patriotic journalism.

The Saramana Chapter, in keeping with the National Society's program to raise the level of school books in our educational system, had Mrs. Sheley



(top) After presenting the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Maryland Society Pres. Carl F. Bessent, Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage is shown with attending V.I.P.s. (l to r): Chapter Pres. George Williams, Comp. Savage, Comp. Bessent & Past State Pres. Warren Burdette.

(bottom) Past State Pres. J. King Seegar, M.D. & Past State Pres. Warren Burdette proudly display their new Patriot Medals in distinguished company. (l to r): Comp. Seegar, Comp. Savage, Comp. Bessent & Comp. Burdette.



Guest Speaker Charles Allen (lt) shows a fragment of the original Concord Bridge to Palm Beach (Fla.) Chapter Pres. Robert Siemon.

Correll as its speaker at the April 19 meeting. She discussed her work with the Fla. State School Book Selection Committee. This year, several books to which she objected have been removed from the recommended list. The Chapter recommended that the State Society award Mrs. Correll a Silver Good Citizenship Medal. This was done at the State Meeting.

At the May 14 meeting of the Saramana Chapter, Supt. of Schools Gene Pillot discussed the Sarasota County school system's method of book selection. Awards Chairman Loren A. Corey presented Sheriff Richard Weitzenfeld of Manatee County with the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate.

The Miami Chapter held its May 25 meeting at the Miami Womens Club. The speaker was Dr. Monola Reyes, WTVJ Latin News Director. He is a recognized leader of Miami Cubans, and his topic was "The Russian Presence in Cuba."

The Clearwater Chapter did its part to honor the Bicentennial with a float in its City's Sun & Fun Festival Parade last Spring. The float had a replica of a covered wagon with a pioneer family consisting of Comp. (Fla. State Rep.) George F. Heiber, II, Mrs. Woodrow Register (DAR), and her children, Russell and Rebecca. The exhibit was constructed by Compatriots (Dr.) Charles Young and Alfred Rogers. First V.P. (Lt. Col.) Franklin Peterson escorted the exhibit. The Bicentennial Chairman is Pres. (Maj. Gen.) Carleton E. Fisher.

The brand-new Charlotte Chapter came into being on April 23 at Port Charlotte's Ramada Inn. State Pres. Cecil L. Bothwell, Jr. was the principal speaker, and he presented the charter with impressive ceremony. Compatriots of the Caloosa Chapter, authentically garbed as Minute Men, added much to the outstanding program. Representatives of the Central Florida, Saramana, Naples and Caloosa Chapters were present, as were many DARs. The future looks bright for this



The Charlotte Chapter is born as Fla. Society Pres. Cecil L. Bothwell presents a charter to its first President. (l to r): Secty. Harold F. Merriam, V.P. Dale F. Harter, Pres. Sheldon F. Coons, State Pres. Bothwell, Treas. O. A. Hutchins & Historian Lee Campbell.

fine young Chapter!

At its regular meeting on March 10, the **Caloosa Chapter** awarded the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal and Certificate to State Atty. Joseph D'Alessandro. He was recognized for his outstanding service in promoting law and order, and effective prosecution of criminals in the 5 counties of his judicial district. Past Pres. Gen. Walter R. Martin and Past V.P. Vincent Van Inwegen were honored guests, and both delivered remarks.

On March 13, the **Caloosa Chapter** participated in a Bicentennial parade at Lehigh Acres. Thanks to the ingenuity of several SAR wives, Colonial costumes were created, thus originating the "Caloosa Colonials". Comp. Frank Mann's jeep was decorated for the occasion with American and SAR flags, and "Keep U.S.A. First" posters. Donnie Molloy, a C.A.R. and the son of Comp. Molloy, accompanied Pres. Nevin Salot, Treas. Sam Gilbert, Registrar Sidney King and Comp. Richard Biddle. A real thrill of the event came during the parade as hundreds of spectators rose to their feet, stood at attention and saluted as the jeep passed with its flags. Subsequent appearances of the Caloosa Colonials included the installation ceremonies of the new Charlotte Chapter, an April 25 Bicentennial program of the 1st United Methodist Church in Ft. Myers and color guard service at the Annual Meeting of the State Society.

IOWA SOCIETY

The Iowa Society held its annual Spring meeting at the Best Western Inn in Ankeny on April 3rd. After a delicious buffet luncheon, our speaker was Howard Beard of Des Moines. Mr. Beard, a retired printer, holds a Masters degree from Drake University in History and Sociology. He has been a student of History all his life, and presents this subject from a different angle than the usual textbook approach. For our meeting, Mr. Beard discussed the signers of the Declaration of Independence. He gave us some insight into the personality and character of each one and related anecdotes of their involvement in the Continental Congress leading up to the actual signing of the Declaration of Independence. Mr. Beard's keen wit and vast knowledge of the subject made for a very interesting program.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of Kentucky Society SAR was held on April 3 at Executive Inn West in Louisville. Pres. Gracie R. Rowntree, M.D., presided over the luncheon meeting which was well attended by members and guests from throughout the State. Chairman Newell M. Hargett conducted the Douglass C. High Historical Oration Contest and introduced 3 contestants representing 3 chapters. Following the Oration Contest, a business meeting was held and a slate of officers headed by Robert T. Smith was elected. Before the evening session, all Compatriots and guests were royally treated to a wine and cheese party. Following the introduction of guests at the evening session, a fife played at the Battle of Bunker Hill and a long rifle used in the Revolutionary War were shown. An address on National Defense was delivered by Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage, who pointed to the need of strengthening our defense. Presentation of slides and music showing the landmarks of liberty was presented by Dr. and Mrs. Roland Richmond. Chaplain Rt. Rev. C. C. Boldrick gave the invocations and benediction. Treas. Ben H. Morris of the host R. C. Ballard Thruston Chapter was in charge of the tickets.



Portrayed at the Kentucky Society Annual Meeting are (l to r): Surgeon Gen. Gracie R. Rowntree, M.D., Pres. Gen. Robert Savage and State Pres. Robert T. Smith.

Charles Duncan Chapter met at the Red Carpet Inn in Bowling Green on May 6 to honor Ervin G. Houchens, President of Houchens Industries, recipient of the Good Citizenship Medal of 1976. With all Chapter members rising, Escort Officer Richard C. Garrison accompanied Mr. Houchens and his family to the podium where he was presented with the Medal and Certificate. President John C. Herrick read the Good Citizenship Week proclamation signed by the Mayor and County Judge. Secretary Tom Lyne read the Mayor's Proclamation naming May 6th as "Ervin G. Houchens' Day". Last year's outstanding Good Citizen Award recipient Judge and Mrs. Robert Coleman were recognized. The speaker of the evening was Everett Moore, retired President of Union Underwear, who spoke on "The Business Man as a Good Citizen." Invocation and benediction were offered by Chaplain John B. Moore. There were more than 140 members and guests who attended the buffet dinner and paid homage to this outstanding citizen of the area.

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Pres. Lyndon E. Dawson of the Northeast Louisiana Chapter proudly poses with his predecessors, all past presidents. (front, l to r): Pres. Dawson, T. Fitzhugh Wilson, Austin B. Smith. (rear, l to r): Dr. Nat Spencer and W. Davis Cotton.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY

On May 15, a delightful Spring cocktail party was hosted by members of the Louisiana Society at the magnificent residence of Comp. James H. Brown, M.D. and his charming wife. The Browns, State Pres. and Mrs. O. D. Fontenot, and Comp. and Mrs. William S. Arkle received almost 200 Compatriots, their ladies and guests, including representatives from the Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Monroe and Shreveport Chapters. With ideal Spring weather prevailing, most of the attendees assembled in the garden-patio area where delicious refreshments were served. Comp. Arkle was Chairman of the happy party . . . an unforgettable success!

Red, white and blue composed a stirring background for the 18th annual George Washington Ball on March 27, honoring the 200th anniversary of the American Revolution. The Ball was sponsored by the **Attakapas Chapter**, SAR, and Galvez Chapter, DAR, both of Lafayette. Thirteen young ladies and

2 young gentlemen were presented, all descendants of Revolutionary Patriots, and each sponsored by the SAR or DAR. The program opened with a medley of patriotic songs by a musical group. The presentation of the Colors and playing of the National Anthem was followed by a procession of state officers and presiding officers of area SAR, DAR and CAR chapters. Boys attired as Continental soldiers formed a Colonial Color Guard. The young ladies, garbed in traditional white ball gowns, carried Colonial bouquets. With their escorts, they entered the ballroom through a large arch of greenery, and were presented to the assemblage before a mural featuring the Great Seal of the U.S. and the Statue of Liberty. A traditional banquet and dance followed the ceremonies.

In the theme of the Bicentennial, the **Northeast Louisiana Chapter** was delighted to strengthen its ties recently with the area C.A.R. in the form of an



Thruston Chapter V.P. Robert C. Jobson bestows the Good Citizenship Medal upon Samuel M. Johnson (rt) at recent ceremonies in Kentucky.



Attending the Kansas Society Annual Convention at Mission Hills are (l to r): Chapter Pres. John E. Bayne, V.P. Gen. C. Y. Thomas, Pres. Arthur M. King, Chancellor Gen. Tullius Brady and Secty. Ralph H. Goodell.

old-fashioned "Dinner on the Grounds" picnic. Many youngsters are not familiar with this traditional activity, so much a part of America's past. Following a great meal, business was discussed, leaving the late afternoon free for fellowship.

The Bayou DeSiard Country Club was the setting for the annual banquet of the **Northeast Louisiana Chapter** held recently. Almost a hundred Compatriots and their wives attended the event. The Chapter was fortunate to have as its guest speaker, Dr. Robert Magee, Pastor of Temple Baptist Church of Ruston, and twice recipient of the George Washington Honor Medal awarded by Freedoms Foundation. Dr. Magee delivered an inspiring speech on patriotism. Later that evening, the Chapter honored 2 of its distinguished Compatriots. Former Mayor John E. Coon of Monroe received the Good Citizenship Medal, and T. Fitzhugh Wilson, former FBI agent and retired U.S. District Attorney, was awarded the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.



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At Hunt Valley Inn, the Maryland Society welcomes visiting French SAR Compatriots. (l to r): Count Abdon du Poy, V.P. Gen. Count Patrice de Rochambeau, State Pres. Carl F. Bessent and Count Jean de Rochambeau.

On June 13, the **Northeast Louisiana Chapter** held its regular quarterly meeting. The event was hosted by fellow Compatriots of the Rayville area.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

A meeting of the **Gen. John Eager Howard Chapter** was held on March 6th at the Sparrows Point Country Club. The luncheon affair was attended by 74 compatriots, their ladies and guests. The luncheon was preceded by a Social Hour. The State Society Colonial Color Guard presented the colors wearing new regimental coats, made in the colors of the Maryland Regiments in the Revolution. The new officers for 1976-1977 were installed by Past State Pres. Wilson K. Barnes. The Good Citizenship Medal was presented to Miss Judith Mekalon for her service performed for the Chapter in making the Color Guard uniforms. Principal George Surgeon, of Brooklyn Park Elementary School was presented the Good Citizenship Medal for the Patrio-

tic Programs he conducts in his school. Prof. Floyd Flickinger, an SAR, presented a most interesting address entitled, "The Early Years In the Life of George Washington". Washington's training in the mountainous regions of the Blue Ridge and Allegheny Mountains and the knowledge he gained from the Indian way of fighting had a marked effect on the tactics he used against the British in later years.

The Ramada Inn of Bethesda was the setting for the March 22 dinner meeting of the **Gen. William Smallwood Chapter**. Over 50 Compatriots and their guests attended. State Pres. Carl Bessent announced many future State activities. A slate of Chapter officers for 1976-77, headed by Comp. Robert F. Dyer, Jr., was presented. The fine program included a brief but informative talk on the history of the Continental Soldier by Capt. Kim Holien and Bernard Bailey of the 3rd Va. Regt., Continental Line.

At the magnificent Hunt Valley Inn near Baltimore, officers and members of the Maryland Society joined with their ladies in according gracious American hospitality to visiting French SARs. The delegation of the Society in France, headed by V.P. Gen. (Count) Patrice de Rochambeau, visited Boston, Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Williamsburg and Baltimore during their Bicentennial pilgrimage.



At Detroit's Jefferson Ave. Presbyterian Church, Past Pres. Gen. Marion H. Crawmer presents the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Rev. Dr. Allan Zaun. (l to r): Past Chapter Pres. Harold McCracken, Comp. Crawmer, Rev. Zaun and Detroit Chapter Pres. Donald Pennell.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY

On May 2, the Michigan Society presented the coveted Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Rev. (Dr.) Allan Zaun, Pastor of the Jefferson Ave. Presbyterian Church, during the Sunday morning service. Past Pres. Gen. Marion H. Crawmer, representing the State Society, ceremoniously conferred the honor with the congregation, all officers and many members of the Detroit Chapter with their families, in attendance. At the request of his congregation, Dr. Zaun delivered his prize-winning sermon, "Speak Up for America", for which he won the



As Minnesota Secty. John H. Jones looks on, Pres. Gen. Robert Savage (lt) presents a special Liberty Bell Award to Bicentennial Chairman Joseph B. Head (rt).

George Washington Medal of Freedoms Foundation earlier this year. At the close of the sermon, and just before the Benediction, Comp. Crawmer made the award. The entire congregation rose spontaneously and applauded, an unprecedented tribute in the historical church.

MINNESOTA SOCIETY

The Minnesota Society held its annual meeting on May 29 in the beautiful Cardinal Room of the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis. Pres. Gen. Robert Savage was the principal speaker. His inspiring address on "Our National Defense" was well received.

Several awards were made. The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Col. James C. Crawford, Chief of the Minnesota Highway Patrol. Secty.-Treas. and Past Pres. John Hallberg Jones was given the Patriot Medal. It is interesting to note that this same year the Father of Comp. Jones, Dr. Lawrence M. Jones, Arizona Society Trustee and a former

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The Thruston Chapter (Ky.) observes Flag Day with a gala luncheon. Standing at the head table are (l to r): Program Chairman Roland W. Richmond, M.D., V.P. Robert Jobson, Pres. (Msgr.) Charles C. Boldrick, Registrar James Bentley and Mr. Samuel Johnson.

Minnesotan, was given the Patriot Medal in Arizona. For a father and son to receive the same award the same year, in different states, is a rare event. V.P. Gen. Joseph B. Head was given the War Service Medal and a special Liberty Bell Award for his work on presenting historical programs involving a replica of the Liberty Bell at many area schools. Comp. Head daily is in contact with thousands of school age children, representing the SAR.

The **Duluth Chapter** is reactivating, presenting Bronze Good Citizenship Medals in 5 schools in the Duluth area.

The **Minneapolis Chapter** has continued its practice of presenting the Bronze medals in many of the Twin City High Schools.

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY

On Mar. 13, the Mississippi Society hosted a magnificent banquet in Biloxi at "The Top of the Sheraton" for the Southern District. Officers and members were present from Louisiana, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi. The DAR State Regent, Mrs. Max Pharr, was among the many V.I.P.s. Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage was the principal speaker, and his address on retaining the Panama Canal was well received. V.P. Gen. James Chenery



Mississippi Society Pres. O. M. Smith warmly commends Mrs. P. G. Allen who helped to organize the Col. Richard Pace Chapter, SAR.

represented the District, and Mississippi Society Pres. O. M. Smith, Jr., was the official host. During the impressive program, the following awards were bestowed: the Patriot Medal to Comp. O. M. Smith, Jr.; the Good Citizenship Medal to Compatriots Joseph D. Brusstar and Lester Franklin, Jr.; and the SAR Medal of Appreciation to Mrs. P. G. Allen.

NEW HAMPSHIRE SOCIETY

On April 17, the New Hampshire Society met at Norwich, Vermont, with the Vermont Society. N.H. Pres. Edward G. Wood and Vt. Pres. David A. Doliber welcoming Compatriots of both States. Mr. Homer Walker described the Brown Bess and Committee of Safety muskets which he displayed. New Hampshire Compatriot (Col.) Hibbard Richter spoke on unfamiliar facts concerning the Declaration of Independence, and he described some of the great sacrifices that 17 signers suffered at the hands of the British.



Meet the 1976-77 officers of the Patrick Henry Chapter (Miss.)! (l to r): V. B. Taylor, Bill Jones, J. D. Brusstar, E. V. Curry, H. R. Evans & Lester Franklin. Comp. M. P. Lewis is seated.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY

Most of the officers of the New Jersey Society, SAR, including the president, Comp. John R. Naisby Jr., were reelected at the annual meeting in the American Hotel, Freehold, May 1. The meeting included annual reports, a luncheon, a social hour for the visiting wives, and a talk on "West Jersey: Ingenious and Courageous", by Comp. Ralph K. Turp.

The State Society was host to Compatriots and guests at an American Revolution Bicentennial observance at state headquarters, the Bonnell House in Elizabeth, May 22.

West Fields Chapter held its annual meeting, March 30, in the 1st Baptist Church, retaining Comp. George M.



Col. John Wathen of Rickenbacker AFB recently addressed the Benjamin Franklin Chapter (Ohio) on the role of the Strategic Air Command. (l to r): Secty. Robert H. Ewing, Pres. Mark W. Mahan, Col. Wathen and 1st V.P. Ray E. Weekley.

Rounds, Jr. as President. A joint meeting with the local DAR chapter and the Westfield Historical Society, April 27, heard a talk on the Battle of the Short Hills and the subsequent retreat through Westfield, given by Frederick Detweiler, local historian.

South Jersey Chapter held its spring meeting at Old Swedes Church in Swedesboro, March 25. Dinner was served by the women of that congregation, and a tour of the church was conducted by the rector, Rev. Parker Auten.

Abraham Clark Chapter has entertained 7 school classes—5 from its own area and 2 from neighboring Clark—for conducted tours of the Chapter Museum, and the house named for the signer of the Declaration. The Chapter also gave a farewell salute to Comp. George E. Chittenden, long a leader in its activities, who is departing for a new home in Tennessee.

A covered dish supper, intended to meet a part of the maintenance costs of the Abraham Clark house, was served April 20. At the same time, guests were shown a film and lecture depicting the Colonial Williamsburg development.

Raritan Valley Chapter, meeting in the Metuchen First Aid Squad building, designed by Pres. Charles B. Car-



After conferring several awards at the Wisconsin Society Annual Meeting, Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage poses with the proud recipients. (l to r): State Pres. Winston C. Williams, State Secty. Karl Strong, Comp. Savage, Chapter Pres. Robert D. Williams and Miss Mary Natvig.

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(top) The Caloosa Chapter (Fla.) is prominently represented in the Lehigh Festival Parade by Pres. Nevin Salot and Compatriots King, Gilbert & Biddle. The youngster is Downie Molloy, son of an SAR. (bottom) State Atty. Joseph D'Alessandro (center) is shown with Caloosa Chapter officers after receiving the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal.



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man, voted to award this year's Raritan Valley Heritage Award to nearby Martinsville.

Cranbury Chapter dispatched its recently organized and outfitted "Ancient Fife & Drum Corps" to perform at the State Society's Bicentennial program at State Headquarters in Elizabeth, May 22. The chapter color guard accompanied the corps with the Chapter President Thornton S. Field Jr.

Good Citizenship medals and certificates were awarded to 8 area high school students by Pres. Harold Herrick of **Elizabethtown Chapter** at State Headquarters, May 16. The students, parents, and other guests were greeted by State Pres. John R. Naisby Jr. Committee Chairman E. Stephen Harvey introduced principals and teachers from the schools involved. The formal presentations were made by Comp. Herrick. Edward Chamberlain, a national parks counselor from the Washington headquarters in Morristown, gave a talk on the winter and spring activities of Gen. Washington, and a picture was shown. This was the 2nd year in which Elizabethtown chapter has departed from the conventional presentation of honors, and the students, families, and instructors report an increased interest.

EMPIRE STATE (N.Y.) SOCIETY

Comp. J. Wesley Pullman, III, was elected to a 2nd term as President of the Empire State Society at the Annual Meeting on Apr. 10 in the Officers Club of the U.S. Military Academy, West Point. Past Pres. Gen. James B. Gardiner installed the newly elected officers. Past State Pres. J. Moreau Brown, III, presided at a dinner following the meeting, hosted by the **Stony Point Chapter**. Guest of Honor was U.S. Rep. Peter A. Peyser who spoke on the attitude of Congress toward important issues of the day. Patriot Medals were awarded to V.P. Gen. Robert B. Newcomb, V.P. Thaddeus B. Hopper, and Treas. Norman H. Dieter. Entertainment was provided by the Spirit of '76 Fife & Drum Corps of St. Margaret's, Pearl River.

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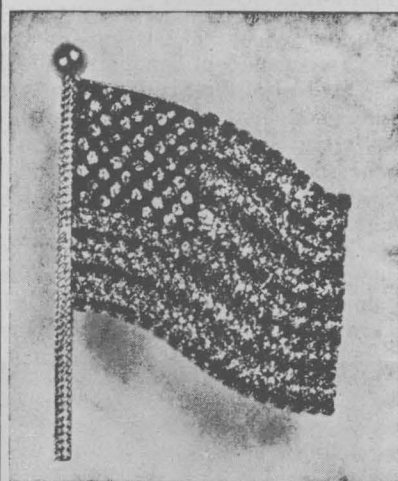
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(top): At the South Atlantic District Conference in sunny Atlanta, Ga., SAR-V.I.P.s abounded! (l to r): Pres. Gen. Matthew B. Sellers, V.P. Gen. Joseph H. Brown & State Pres. Benjamin E. Holland. (bottom): Also at the South Atlantic Conference, we present (l to r): Nat. Trustee Frank H. Benning, Mr. Harry Davey and V.P. Gen. Joseph H. Brown.

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Pres. Rufus B. Langhans and Past Presidents Reginald Metcalf Jr. and Sr. place a Huntington Liberty flag at the grave of Capt. John Wickes, 1 of 81 patriots so honored on Memorial Day by the Huntington Chapter.

hamton Chapter dedicated on May 1 a memorial plaque to some 400 Revolutionary War veterans who settled in Broome County. Past Pres. Lester R. Mosher was keynote speaker at the unveiling at a prominent site opposite Broome County Community College. Broome County Exec. Edward Crawford participated in the ceremony which was directed by Pres. James C. Babbitt. Following the dedication, members and guests attended a get-together luncheon at the Walrus Tooth Restaurant. The Chapter has constructed a most unusual parade float which contains a cannon, kettle, and other implements arranged in front of a stockade. The float is dressed in a red, white, and blue skirt with the wording "Granpa's War" and "SAR" displayed along the sides. A team of oxen pulls the float which is manned by V.P. Edward R. Meddaugh dressed in frontiersman garb, Past Pres. Lester R. Mosher in Colonial military uniform, and Mrs. Chet Johnson representing the Colonial Woman. The float has already won acclaim as a unit in the Town of Union Bicentennial Day Celebration parade May 15 and in a Town of Maine parade May 28.

At the March meeting of the **Buffalo Chapter**, held in the Royal Knight Restaurant on St. Patrick's Day, Past Pres. and Sec. Everett J. Thompson gave an interesting and well-researched address on the role of the Irish in the Revolution. An illustrated talk entitled "200 Years of Colonial Rule in 30 Minutes" was presented by Past Pres. and State P.R. Chmn. Roger S. Pratt at the April 21 meeting in the home of Hist. Donald C. Shaw. The Chapter was principal sponsor of the 16th Annual Dinner of the Joint Patriotic Societies May 15 in the Buffalo & Erie County Historical Society Museum. After a meal featuring authentic colonial period recipes, guests viewed the Williamsburg film "Story of a Patriot"

and heard Congressman John J. LaFalce speak on the problems facing "The Modern Patriot." Rep. LaFalce was given the honor of pinning a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal on Eagle Scout Robert A. VandeWoeystyne who was saluted for his suggestion that everyone fly the flag from Flag Day through Independence Day as a simple way for all Americans to celebrate the Bicentennial. In turn, Rep. LaFalce received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal from Comp. Leland L. Sheldon, 94, oldest active member of the Chapter. V.P. (Col.) William G. Cook presided at this most successful affair attended by members of 14 patriotic and hereditary organizations. Comp. Richard J. Metz was chairman of the Program Committee. The Chapter's "George Washington Award" was bestowed on Seneca Vocational H.S. for best observance of Patriot's Day 1976 at an auditorium program on May 27. A stage presentation called "A Nation of Nations" which was 5 1/2 months in the making and involved the entire school community gained the honor for Seneca Vocational in competition with other area secondary schools. Pres. Thomas H. Speller presented the Chapter's plaque to student representative William Stanford before an audience that included Erie County Exec. Edward Regan, Schools Supt. Eugene Reville and many other dignitaries.

Each year the **Huntington Chapter** places flags at the graves of local Revolutionary patriots on Memorial Day. These have traditionally been Betsy Ross flags. However, for the Bicentennial year the Chapter selected the Huntington Liberty flag. This flag was "designed" on the Village Green on July 22, 1776, when word of the Declaration of Independence reached Huntington. It flew at the Battle of Long Island in late August of 1776 and was captured by Hessian troops. On Memorial Day weekend the Chapter placed more than



Charlotte Police Chief Jacob C. Goodman (lt) is honored with the SAR Law Enforcement Medal by Mecklenburg (N.C.) Chapter Pres. E. Allen Royce.

80 of these flags at gravesites of patriots in the Town of Huntington. Stones at 22 of the graves have also been replaced as a Bicentennial project.

Comp. Wendell Lovering was elected President of the **Long Island Chapter** at the Annual Meeting held May 19 in Chirillo's Sea Crest Restaurant, Massapequa. Chaplain (Rev.) Stephen Dibble gave an inspiring address on George Washington's trials and tribulations as Commander-in-Chief during the Revolution.

The **New York Chapter** was host March 26 for a commemorative ceremony at the historic Odell House, Hartsdale. General Rochambeau's headquarters during the Revolution, which is now owned and being restored by the Chapter. Attending the ceremony was a large delegation of the French Legion of Honor headed by its Grand Chancellor, former General of the Army Alain de Boissieu, and his wife, Elizabeth, a daughter of the late President Charles de Gaulle. Past Pres. (Col.) James W. Gerard, speaking in French, welcomed the gathering. Comp. Robert W. Stackpole, Chairman of the Odell House Restoration



Mrs. Ruth Dotter and Miss Judith Mekalon, proud recipients of Good Citizenship Medals for their outstanding work with the Maryland Society Colonial Color Guard, are flanked by State Pres. Carl F. Bessent (rt) and State V.P. Earl Altizer. They are backed by the unit they have served so well.

Project, described the building's history. Louis Petchot-Bacque, Surgeon General of France responded with a tribute to the inspiration of the American Revolution. A group of exchange students from LaRoche, France, led the singing of the "Marseillaise" which was followed by "The Star Spangled Banner". The ceremonies concluded with the planting of a tree by Gen. de Boissieu where some of his countrymen camped before marching to Yorktown and victory. A reception followed at the Greenburgh Town Hall where an exchange of gifts took place between the French and the Americans. On hand were Dr. Grayson Kirk, Past Pres. of Columbia Univ. and Pres. of the Am. Soc. of the French Legion of Honor and M. Gerard Gausson, Consul. Gen. of France in N.Y. The Chapter entertained about 30 members of a touring group from the Society in France, headed by V.P. Gen. (Count) Patrice de Rochambeau, at a reception and cocktail party May 24 in the Maison Francaise. The 90 invited guests saw French Consul Gen. Gausson present the Chapter a bust of Gen. Rochambeau on behalf of the French Committee on the Bicentennial.

At a meeting of the **Oriskany Battle Chapter** May 8, Comp. Walter Cook-eham presented an interesting historical review of the borders of "The Province of New York." He displayed a map, made late in the 17th century,



Following his installation as President of the North Carolina Society, David P. Henry expounds upon his plans for the coming year.

which showed New York territory extending all the way to the Mississippi River.

On April 22 the **Rochester Chapter** held a dinner meeting in the Nortic Village Restaurant at which members heard Carroll Casey, of the Eastman Kodak Co., speak on "The Corporate Role in the Bicentennial".

The **Stony Point Chapter** held its May meeting in the pavillion at Stony Point Battlefield. In this beautiful setting overlooking the Hudson River, featured speaker Thomas Nolan, Chairman of the Montgomery & Arnold Bicentennial Expedition to Canada, discussed the importance of this

episode in our nation's history. At the conclusion of his program he presented certificates of appreciation to the local CAR, DAR, and the **Stony Point Chapter** for their efforts on behalf of the Bicentennial.

In May, the **Syracuse Chapter** had a joint dinner meeting with the Sojourners at Hancock Air Force Base. Production Mgr. Knowell of WSYR-TV presented a historical movie which was enjoyed by all.

The **Westchester Chapter** held its Annual Spring Installation Dinner and Bicentennial Celebration on May 19 at the Whippoorwill Country Club, Armonk, with Pres. Wilbur D. Lockwood, Jr., presiding. Sixty-five members and guests were present at this gala affair arranged by V.P. Harold F. Horne, Jr., and Sec. Stuart Baker. Eight new members were introduced and given their rosettes. State V.P. Thaddeus B. Hopper installed a slate of officers for 1976-77 headed by Nat. Trustee (Dr.) Ralph H. Bacon as President. Guest speaker at this event was Past Sec. Gen. Gardner Osborn who delighted those present with an account of his experiences in establishing the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Memorial Day was marked by the unveiling of a plaque which the Chapter had placed in the lobby of the White Plains P.O. in honor of those killed in the Battle of White Plains.



Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage, a retired US Army Colonel, attains the rank for a second time as Surgeon Gen. Gradie R. Rowntree, M.D. makes him a Kentucky Colonel.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

At its May meeting, the **Mecklenburg Chapter** honored an outstanding Peace Officer when Pres. E. Allen Royce III conferred the SAR Law Enforcement Commendation Medal upon Charlotte Police Chief Jacob Goodman. Attendance broke all records for the Chapter. Guest speaker was Harry Simmons, military historian, who spoke on the American Revolution in the South. A film, "The King's Men," followed.

OHIO SOCIETY

On May 9, following a well attended 87th State Conference at Mohican State Lodge in Mohican State Park near Mansfield, Ohio Society members drove to Bolivar for the dedication of a large 5 ton granite boulder bearing a fitting memorial testimony to Ft. Laurens and the men who were stationed there. Following a concert by the 122nd US Army Band, the program was conducted by newly-elected Ohio Society Pres. Herbert G. Webb. A distinguished group of local dignitaries and many descendants of the heroes of Ft. Laurens were among the large crowd of spectators. Past Pres. Robert J. Reynolds made the presentation, and Pres. Gen. Robert D. Savage unveiled the boulder, assisted by V. P. Gen. Albert T. Morris. Ohio Historical Society Pres. James Daval made the acceptance. The Fort is due to be reconstructed on this site.

On June 26, the **Cincinnati Chapter** executed its annual pilgrimage to the Golden Lamb, the State's oldest inn. A well attended program included a very interesting meeting, chaired by State Registrar Willard B. Moore. Attendees included Chaplain Gen. Sam Holt, State Pres. & Mrs. Webb, Nat. Trustee Fred Milligan, 1st V.P. & Mrs. Robert H. Ewing and many DARs. Nat. Trustee Nolan Carson gave an interesting and revealing talk on the Declaration of Independence. Following a short business meeting of the Chapter, a delightful social period followed.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

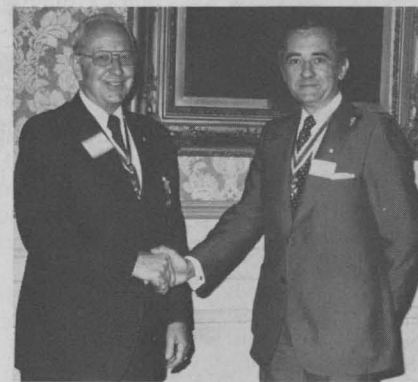
The annual George Washington Birthday dinner, co-sponsored by the **Blair County Chapter** and the Col. John Proctor Chapter, DAR, was held at the Penn Alto Hotel in Altoona. Chapter Pres. Clair Arford was Master of Ceremonies. The Hon. Robert B. Campbell, Judge of the Blair County Courts spoke on the role of George Washington at the Constitutional Convention. He said that while James Madison is known as the "Father of the American Constitution" Washington deserved the title "Guardian Angel of the Constitution." Retired Supt. of Blair County Schools Paul Kurtz was awarded the SAR Good Citizenship Medal. The program included patriotic songs.

The **Centre County Chapter** honored George Washington's birthday when 41 members and guests gathered at the Autoport Restaurant at State College to hear Dr. Wallace Brewster, Professor Emeritus of Political Science at the Pennsylvania State Univ. tell about "How We Got Our Constitution." District Deputy George C. Meck installed the new slate of officers.

Guests of the **Conococheague Chapter** at the Holiday Inn meeting in Chambersburg included DAR and C.A.R. members. A special committee was announced by Chapter Pres. Paul Dittmann of 9 dispatchers who will have the job of contacting all members in their areas in an effort to increase meeting attendance. The chapter received a donation from a member of \$100 to be used as needed.

The **Fort Schuylkill Chapter** recently held a family get-together party in Orwigsburg to celebrate George Washington's birthday. The highlight was the sing-along of music of the Revolutionary era.

The **Northeast Chapter** held its March meeting at the Oak Cluster Room of the Nichols Village Motor Inn in Clarks Summit. Honored guests were State Pres. and Mrs. Warren G.



At Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly love, Past State Pres. C. Leslie Hunsberger (lt) extends a warm Pennsylvania welcome to V.P. Gen. Patrice de Rochambeau of Paris, France.



Following his address to the Benjamin Franklin Chapter (Ohio), Dr. Arthur Peterson of Ohio Wesleyan Univ. poses with Secty. Robert H. Ewing (lt) and Pres. Mark W. Mahan (rt).

Hayes, Jr. In accordance with the Bicentennial celebration, the Chapter presented the Walt Disney program, "The Shot Heard Round the World." (The Battle of Concord Bridge)

Members of the **Gen. Arthur St. Clair Chapter** entertained their wives and others special guests at a luncheon meeting at the Village Inn in Adamsburg. Mrs. Ruth Love, a Tribune-Review staff writer discussed "What is Happening to These United States of America in This Bicentennial Year." Patriotic numbers were given by soloist Suzanne Steel and accompanied by Debbie Pakler.

At a recent meeting of the **Somerset County Chapter** Col. William Munhall, Somerset County Bicentennial speaker presented a very interesting illustrated talk on the origin of the Forbes Road, pointing out its similarities and slight differences with our present Lincoln Highway route through Bedford, Somerset and Westmoreland Counties. Special recognition was given to the memory of the late Comp. Oscar F. Sutcliffe, Charter President and long-time Chapter Secretary.

TEXAS SOCIETY

The Texas Society recently held their annual convention, in Dallas. It was thought, by those present, that this was the best meeting that had been held in a number of years. The Texas Society was especially fortunate to have as speakers Pres. Gen. Bob Savage and Exec. Secty. Warren Woodward. In conjunction with the State meeting the South Central District meeting was also held. The entertainment at the Saturday evening dinner was a patriotic program entitled "Up With America" which brought a standing ovation to the producer and her assistants. The invitation of the Patrick Henry Chapter to meet in Austin, next year, was approved by the Board.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

The **Richard Henry Lee Chapter** received its charter on May 8 after a luncheon at the Indian Creek Yacht and

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Country Club, Kilmarnock, Va. The charter was presented by Virginia Society Pres. Judson P. Mason to Pres. pro tem Chester A. Bayles. Pres. Bayles addressed the assemblage, including 15 other charter members, on the life and career of the great Va. Revolutionary patriot, Richard Henry Lee.

The **George Washington Cleek Chapter** received its charter in the Dominion Room of Hot Springs' Homestead Hotel on May 29. Va. Society Pres., Judson P. Mason, presented the new charter to Organizing Pres. Hugh S. Gwin before a large audience including a Vice Pres. General and 6 Va. Society officers. It is unfortunate that Comp. George Washington Cleek, in whose honor the new Chapter was named, died on April 11 at the age of 86. This outstanding patriot, genealogist and author will be missed.

The **Lt. David Cox Chapter** is presently working with the DAR and CAR in electing a permanent marker inscribed with the names of the Revolutionary soldiers from Grayson County.

The **Culpeper Minute Men Chapter** attracted favorable attention at the 200th anniversary of the writing of the Virginia Resolves by Patrick Henry on May 15 at Scottstown. Pres. Claude I. Guinn was dressed in the uniform of a Culpeper Minute Man, and carried an appropriate flag.

The **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter** held its annual Ladies' Night on May 7 at the Hidden Valley Country Club in Salem. State Pres. Judson P. Mason spoke on "The Purposes and Objectives of the SAR." In a surprise presentation, Mayor George Nicks of Vinton honored Comp. Mason with the Town's gold key.

The **George Mason Chapter** participated in the ceremonies of the D.C. Society on April 13 in honor of Jeffer-



A portrait of Yorktown hero, Thomas Nelson, Jr., depicted at age 16, is presented by Pres. Ralph D. Witt of Virginia's Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter to Va. Independence Bicentennial Committee Chairman Lewis McMurran.

son's 233rd birthday.

A particularly noteworthy and enjoyable event occurred on May 13 when the **George Mason Chapter** and **George Washington Chapter** met jointly at Gunston Hall Plantation for a candlelight dinner and joint installation of both Chapters' officers. The installation was impressively conducted by State Pres. Judson P. Mason. The guest speaker was Lt. Gen. Vernon Walters, Deputy Director of the CIA.

The members of the **Norfolk Chapter** held a Bicentennial Banquet and meeting with their leaders on March 20 at the new and luxurious Omni Hotel on Norfolk's waterfront. State Pres. and Mrs. Judson P. Mason attended.

The **Richmond Chapter** conducted a service of Evening Prayer on Sunday, March 20, at Richmond's St. Johns Episcopal Church where Patrick Henry delivered his "Liberty or Death" speech on March 23, 1775. The Chapter's Registrar, Rev. William L. Arthur, delivered the sermon, and its Chaplain, Rev. I. Stuart McElroy, and another SAR member, Rev. Ramsey Richardson, assisted.

The **Richmond Chapter** commemo-

rated Thomas Jefferson's birthday on April 13 by laying a wreath at his bust in the Rotunda of the State Capitol. Chancellor Flavius B. Walker was the principal speaker. An ROTC color guard from St. Benedictine School assisted in the ceremonies.

The **Thomas Jefferson Chapter** met on April 2 at the Farmington Country Club to hear Gen. Robert Porter speak on "The Panama Canal." On April 13, several members, including State V.P. Howard L. Hamilton, attended the dedication of Thomas Jefferson's newly installed Rotunda at the Univ. of Va. Past State Pres. Thomas P. Nelson represented the Chapter and Va. Society at the wreath-laying ceremony that afternoon at Monticello. Comp. Mason also represented these bodies at the preview of the Western Va. Bicentennial Center at Charlottesville, April 12.

On April 23, Past State Pres. Thomas P. Nelson, State V. P. Howard L. Hamilton, and State V. P. (Dr.) Walter A. Porter attended the dedication of a bronze plaque to the Signers of the Declaration of Independence at the East Portico of the U.S. Capitol. The plaque was sculptured by artist Alan Robbins, a close personal friend of Comp. Hamilton.

The **Thomas Nelson, Jr. Chapter** unveiled and presented a portrait of Maj. Gen. and Gov. Thomas Nelson, Jr. to the Yorktown Victory Center on April 23. The Compatriots met for dinner at Nicks' Seafood Pavilion and then proceeded to the ceremonies where State Pres. Judson P. Mason participated in the program. Other state officers attending were Compatriots Braxton H. Tabb and Walter A. Porter.

WASHINGTON (State) SOCIETY

The **Seattle Chapter** recently awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Mr. Ralph Hayes for his work



Seattle (Wash.) Chapter Pres. Harlan Y. Smith confers the Silver Good Citizenship Medal upon a visibly proud author, Ralph C. Hayes.

as author of a documentary book on the historical background of black families in the State of Washington. Mr. Hayes, a high school history teacher, initiated this project which was subsequently granted Bicentennial status, and is funded by the Bicentennial Commission.

WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY

The 50th Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Society was held at Wilson Park, Oglebay Park, Wheeling on May 15. Pres. Richard L. Wilson presided. Honored guests were Pres. Gen. Savage, V.P. Gen. Morris and Ohio Soc. Past Pres. Reynolds. A slate of 1976-77 officers headed by Pres. James M. Van Metre was elected. The new officers were installed by Past Pres. Merrill R. Atkinson. Following the business meeting, there was a luncheon at which Dr. Forrest Kirkpatrick spoke "On the Agenda for Today." Retiring Pres. Richard Wilson was awarded the Patriot Medal. Plans are



The coveted Gold Good Citizenship Medal is bestowed upon Mrs. Adrien F. Drouilhet by Major White Chapter Pres. David Black (lt) as her proud husband, the Texas Society Secretary-Treasurer, looks on.

being formulated to hold the 1977 Annual Meeting at the world-famous Greenbrier Hotel at White Sulphur Springs.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY

"Fly the United States Flag" is the simple theme of a new Bicentennial program recently launched through the cooperative efforts of the Wisconsin Society and the Office of the Milwaukee County Executive. The program was announced during a patriotic ceremony on February 22 at the site of the Gen. George Washington statue in downtown Milwaukee. Participating in the event were: representatives of the Wisconsin Society; County Executive John Doyne; Harry Anderson, chairman of the Milwaukee County Bicentennial Commission; the Bicentennial Color Guard of the 84th Division (TNG); a fifst from the 4th Continental Artillery; and a drummer from the Duches County Militia. The 2 latter organizations are local Revolutionary



Wisconsin Society Pres. Winston C. Williams (lt) is the principal official at a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Stockbridge-Munsee Indian Exhibit. The little lady is Marie Lenz, a Stockbridge-Munsee American Indian.

War re-enactment groups. The project has been endorsed by the Milwaukee County Bicentennial Commission. Its objective is to encourage homeowners, industry, commercial establishments, government and governmental agencies to display the flag. During the ceremony, Mr. Doyne presented an Executive Citation to Wisconsin Society President Winston C. Williams. It reads in part: "Both personally and as County Executive, I extend my deep appreciation to each member of the Wisconsin Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for exemplary leadership in and dedication to the preservation and promotion of the ideals embodied in the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights and the Constitution of the United States." Symbolic of the event, Comp. Williams presented a new 50-star flag to Mr. Anderson. The flag will be flown at the Milwaukee County Historical Museum, which serves as headquarters for the County Bicentennial Commission.

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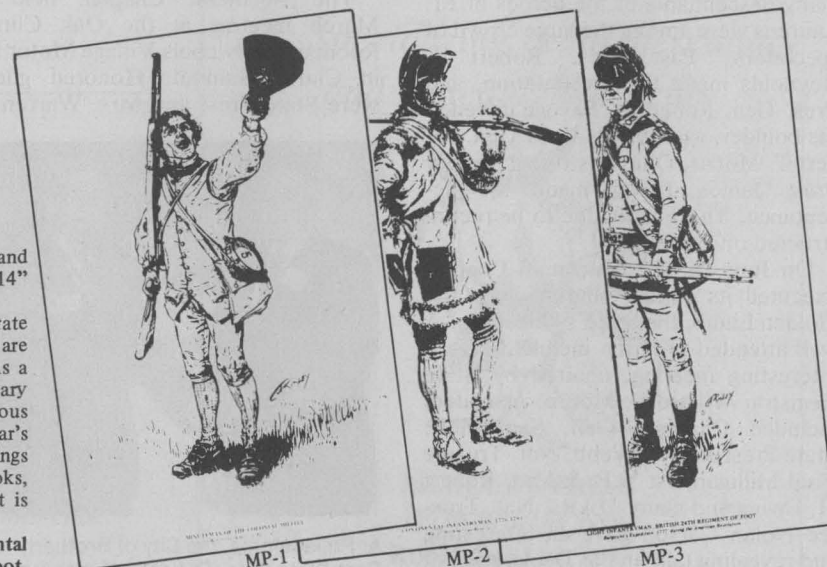
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THE THIRD CENTURY BIOGRAPHICAL PROGRAM

The 86th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution adopted the Third Century Biography Program whereby any Compatriot in good standing may, by the contribution of the sum of one hundred dollars, be permitted to submit a personal biography to be filed permanently with the original application of the Member. The biography must not exceed text on both sides of an 8 1/2" x 14" sheet with no less than a 1 1/2" left margin. The material shall include the Member's witnessed signature attesting to the authenticity of the contents of the document. The sheet will then be filed permanently in conjunction with the original application of the Compatriot.

Supplemental biographical sheets, similarly attested, may be added upon the further contribution of ten dollars each.

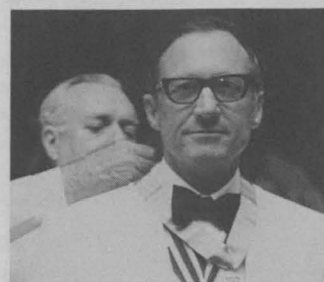
Any Compatriot in good standing may, in conformance with the above rules, submit similar biographical material relative to any deceased individual whose name appears on the lineage page of his membership application.

This Third Century Biographical Program, legally adopted during the 86th Annual Congress, is now effective, and may be currently implemented by any Member.



The Georgia Society was, as always, the perfect host! On May 8, Compatriots and their ladies from far and near attended a gala banquet of the Georgia Society at Atlanta's magnificent Admiral Benbow Inn. The ranking guests of honor were Past Pres. Gen. and Mrs. Ryall S. Morgan of Birmingham, Ala. (lt); Past Pres. Gen. Morgan bestows the Patriot Medal upon State Chancellor John R. Strother. Our former SAR First Lady, Jule Morgan is in the foreground. (cntr): Comp. Morgan, an able and charming speaker, delivers greetings from the National and Alabama Societies. (rt): Nat. Trustee (Rev.) Frank H. Benning confers a well-deserved Gold Good Citizenship Medal upon Past V.P. Gen. T. G. Linthicum.

CONGRESS AWARDS NIGHT: Recognition of our very best.



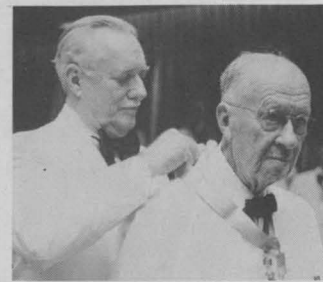
The Minute Man Award
Neill F. Amsler, Jr.



The Minute Man Award
Richard E. Crane



The Minute Man Award
Leslie A. Bryan



The Minute Man Award
Webb W. Wilder



The Florence Kendall Award
William S. Hatt, M.D., Florida



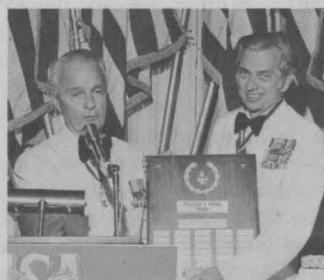
The Florence Kendall Award
Thomas C. Bush, Jr., Georgia



The President General's Cup Plaque
The Miami Chapter
Florida



The Ohio Award
The Delaware Society



The William Pryor Award
The Florida Society



The Harold L. Putnam Award
The Texas Society



The Colorado Award
The Georgia Society



The Len Young Smith Award
The Florida Society



The Senator Robert A. Taft, Sr. Award
The Florida Society



The Allene Groves Award
The Atlanta Chapter
Georgia



The SAR Magazine Award
The Empire State Society (N.Y.)



The Syracuse Award
The Texas Society



The Eugene C. McGuire Award
The Florida Society
The Texas Society



The Walter G. Sterling Award
The Indiana Society



The Kentucky Cup
The Vermont Society



The Texas Award
The Nevada Society



THE ROLL OF HONOR Winners of Awards at the 86th Annual Congress

THE MINUTEMAN AWARD

(The highest award of the National Society to its members, given for outstanding service at the National level);

NEILL F. AMSLER
Texas

LESLIE A. BRYAN
Illinois

RICHARD E. CRANE
New Jersey

WEBB W. WILDER
Rhode Island

The President General's Cup Plaque

(to the chapter which presents evidence of the most complete program of activities):

Miami Chapter, Florida

The Allene Wilson Groves Award

(to the chapter which presents evidence of implementing SAR resolutions and principles):

Atlanta Chapter, Georgia

The Edwin B. Graham Trophy of the Douglass G. High Oration Contest

(to the state society sponsoring the first place winner of the Oration Contest):

Texas

THE TEXAS AWARD

(to the state society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with less than 100 members):

NEVADA (27.87%)

THE COLORADO AWARD

(to the state society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with less than 100 members):

GEORGIA (31.70%)

THE OHIO AWARD

(to the state society which enrolled the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age):

DELAWARE (57.14%)

THE LEN YOUNG SMITH AWARD

(to the state society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age):

FLORIDA (58)

THE WALTER G. STERLING AWARD

(to the state society which enrolled the largest number of new members transferred from the C.A.R.):

INDIANA (6)

THE CHARLOTTE LUND WOODWARD AWARD

(to the Editor of the best chapter or state (in which there are no chapters) periodical news letter):

NATHAN L. FERRIS, D.C. SOCIETY

THE HOUSTON CHAPTER AWARD

(to the state society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from the C.A.R.):

INDIANA (17.14%)

THE SAR MAGAZINE AWARD

(to the state society which tendered the most cooperation in supplying usable magazine material):

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY

THE HAROLD L. PUTNAM AWARD

(to the state society or chapter chairman responsible for the winner of the National Oration Contest):

TEXAS

THE SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT AWARD

(to the state society which enrolled the largest number of new members):

FLORIDA (186)

THE WILLIAM Y. PRYOR AWARD

(to the state society with the largest number of registered delegates at the Congress, with consideration for the distance factor):

FLORIDA

THE SYRACUSE AWARD

(to the state society which instituted the most new chapters):

TEXAS (2)

THE TRIMBLE TROPHY

(to the state society which reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members):

EMPIRE STATE (N.Y.) (129)

THE FLORENCE KENDALL AWARD

(to the Compatriot who recruited the most new members):

WILLIAM S. HATT, M.D., FLA. (29)

THOMAS C. BUSH, JR., GA. (29)

THE EUGENE C. MCGUIRE AWARD

(to the state society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SARs and DARs):

FLORIDA (20) TEXAS (20)

THE KENTUCKY CUP

(to the Membership Chairman of that state society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members):

VERMONT (22.37%)

THE ROLL OF HONOR

Recipients of Annual Awards at the 86th Congress

The Membership Plaque of Honor (for 15 or more new members)

William S. Hatt, M.D. 29
Thomas C. Bush, Jr. 29
Eugene C. McGuire 25
Robert M. Harrison 24

Ralph H. Bacon 23
Robert G. Bone, Sr. 21
Richard E. Willson 19
Arthur M. King 19

Frank A. Walker 18
Joe M. Hill, Jr. 16
Leslie A. Bryan 16
C. Leslie Hunsberger 15

The Gold Membership Plaque (for 11, 12, 13 & 14 new members)

Benjamin M. Barker 13
Homer F. Dean 12
T. G. Linthicum 11

James W. Page 11
Carlisle F. Smith 11

Louis J. Rumaggi 11
Carl R. Black 11
Glendon C. Hall 11

The Silver Membership Plaque (for 8, 9 & 10 new members)

William A. Cochran, Jr. 10
J. Alan Cross 10
Ralph H. Goodell, Jr. 10
John K. Harrell, Sr. 10
A. F. Drouilhet 9

Judson P. Mason 9
James R. Cunningham 9
John H. Bell 9
C. Franklin Daily 9

Wilbur H. Sisson 9
Sheldon F. Coons 8
Harold E. Wilmoth 8
E. A. Clevenger 8

The Bronze Membership Plaque (for 5, 6 & 7 new members)

G. Potter Darrow 7
C. L. Hewitt, Jr. 7
J. L. Waugh 7
M. Eugene Malone 7
Carl E. Bessent 7
William H. Nims, Jr. 7
George D. Taylor 7
W. Bruce Wingo 7
Hugh S. Gwin 7
Carl G. Stillman 7
Chester A. Bayles 7
Calvin E. Chunn 7
Hugh Belden 6
Edgar C. Frankenfield 6
Richard E. Sweet 6
Carl H. Lamb 6

Lynn D. Sprinkle 6
Matthew B. Sellers 6
Ellis F. Hale 6
Asa E. Phillips, Jr. 6
Lester M. Clark 6
David A. Trussell 6
Ralph S. Hendershot 6
Robert E. Watson 6
Harold N. Flint 6
William H. Hastings 6
R. P. Swofford 6
F. Allen Johnston 6
William P. Tuggle, Jr. 6
Stanley G. Price 6
Harris S. Moore, Sr. 5
Howard R. Trenkle 5

Gerard J. Morgan 5
Richard L. Aiken 5
Benjamin E. Holland 5
R. M. Rudy 5
Oswald M. Smith, Jr. 5
Marvin C. Shepherd 5
Edward M. McEachern 5
W. R. Branthoover 5
Donald E. Lathrop 5
Robert D. Savage 5
Floyd G. Hoenstine 5
Kenneth E. Sands, Jr. 5
William B. Stout 5
Alexander Fraser 5
James H. Willcox, Jr. 5
Edwin F. Casebeer, Sr. 5

The Miniature Membership Plaque (for 3 or 4 new members)

Ryall S. Morgan
Joseph T. Boston
Arthur B. Pride
Lewis K. Leonard
Jay G. Gould
R. J. Reardon
James B. Hoge
Rolland S. Thomas
Charles N. Edmondston
James C. McGrew
Donald O. Hays
John D. Williams
Willard E. Elkins
Jack Coleman
George E. Morris, Jr.
Woodrow V. Register
C. Verne Bowen
Nevin E. Salot
James M. Edwards
Gerald G. Fling, Jr.
Allen S. Janssen
Stanley E. Hathaway
Lee D. VanAntwerp, M.D.
W. Harold Goodwin

Claude U. Ringo
Cyril L. Johnston
George E. Carroll
Jack K. Carmichael
William J. Boatright
Scott F. Hosier, Jr.
Warren D. Montano
Robert Q. Rhode
Gracie R. Rowntree, M.D.
John A. Nance
Ozema D. Fontenot
L. E. Dawson, Jr.
Randolph H. Waldo
Fred B. Howard
Harry W. Rowe
James W. Halbert
James W. Wilson
William W. Tracy
Donald J. Sublett
Donald J. Pennell
Merrill D. Berkeley
Donald L. Worley
Charles R. Wetzel
W. S. Kenner

Royce N. Kent
Vincent Van Inwegen
Donald R. Pepper
Alfred H. Perlee
Paul K. Addams
Harold R. Haskell
Everett J. Thompson
McDaniel Lewis
Albert C. Wirth, Jr.
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Robert E. Boling
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Morris Fergus
Herbert G. Webb
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Harold L. Fenton
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Harry T. Limberg, Sr.
Frank F. Cramer
Lawrence R. Sutherland
Frederick P. Karns
William E. Barr
C. A. Walworth

Samuel S. Wood
Julian V. Brandt III
Wilton S. Murphy
John P. Spigner
Horace E. Gilbert
Ray C. Goforth
Kermit Stell
Earle L. Whittington
W. H. King
Frank H. Kidd, Jr.
Charles B. McClure
Alfred H. Benjamin
Elmer W. Stahl
William L. Crawford
A. A. DeLee
Russell H. Farnsworth
David A. Doliber
Harold F. Burroughs
John A. Williams
John S. Board
Gayle J. Cox
Douglas M. Braxton
Harry Lee Taylor
Kenneth R. Morse
William P. Robertson

Biographical Sketches of the New National Officers

(with the exception of those which have previously appeared in the Magazine)

THE PRESIDENT GENERAL

Matthew B. Sellers, III

President General MATTHEW B. SELLERS III was born in New York City, Nov. 13, 1919, and is descended from Revolutionary officers Capt. Thomas Bragg and Capt. Thomas Blakemore of Virginia.

He graduated from Tome School in Port Deposit, Md. He attended Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa. and graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa. with a B.S. degree in chemistry.

After graduation, he joined the Navy prior to World War II and served on two destroyers, the USS Morris DD 417 and the USS Blue DD 744 as Engineering Officer. These destroyers operated with the Fast Carrier Task Forces and participated in most of the battles in the South Pacific. He retired after the war as Commander with 14 battle stars on his Pacific Campaign Ribbon.

His career of the past 30 years has been varied. Cincinnati Ohio Branch and District Manager of Snow Crop Frozen Foods; Vice President General Manager Urban Laundry, Baltimore, Md.; Vice President and Secretary of Filterite Corporation, Timonium, Md. He has been a resident of Fort Lauderdale, Florida for 16 years and is a Registered Real Estate Broker, Certified Florida Evaluator and Land Developer.

Compatriot Sellers was Host Florida State President* for the 83rd Annual Congress in Palm Beach; National Trustee, Genealogist General and National Membership Chairman. He was also Florida Senior Vice President and Membership Chairman and was Treasurer and President of the Fort Lauderdale Chapter. He was Editor of the *Florida Patriot*.

He has received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal, the Patriot Medal and 6 Membership Plaques. During his 2 years as Chapter President, Fort Lauderdale won the Florida membership bell for obtaining the most new members and the Allene Wilson Groves Award.

His memberships include Society of the Cincinnati in the state of Virginia, General Society of Colonial Wars, Baronial Order of the Magna Charta, Order of Americans of Armorial Ancestry, Americans of Royal Descent, Military Order of the Crusades, Order of the Crown of Charlemagne, Washington Family Descendants, Navy League, Kentucky Historical Society, National Genealogical Society, Phi Sigma Kappa, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and Coral Ridge Yacht Club (Rear Commodore).

Married to the former Gene Marion Herrick of Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. They have two daughters, Tracy Sellers, Wendy Sellers Howell and two grandchildren.

He is listed in *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*, as well as many other reference books.



Chancellor General WILSON KING BARNES was born in Pocomoke City, Maryland in 1907 where he attended the public schools. After graduating from Western Maryland College graduating in 1928 with an A.B. degree. He then entered the Law School of the University of Maryland graduating with a J.D. degree in 1931. After admission to the Maryland Bar in 1931, he was the first law clerk to Honorable W. Calvin Chesnut, United States District Judge in Maryland. After a period of private practice in Baltimore City, he became Assistant City Solicitor (1937-1942) and later Deputy City Solicitor of Baltimore City (1942-1943).



He became a partner in a law firm in Baltimore City in September, 1943 and continued the active practice of law there until appointed to the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City (Baltimore's trial Court) in September, 1963. He served as a trial judge until his appointment in November, 1964 to the Court of Appeals of Maryland—Maryland's highest appellate court. He resigned from that Court in 1974 and resumed the active practice of law in Baltimore City. He served as a member and secretary of the Maryland State Board of Law Examiners from 1944 to 1963 and as a Professor of Law at the University of Baltimore Law School from 1964 to 1971. He holds two honorary doctor's degrees, Doctor of Canon Law from Nashotah House, a seminary of the Episcopal Church and Doctor of Laws from Western Maryland College.

Compatriot Barnes is married to the former Elizabeth Maxwell Carroll Chesnut, Honorary State Regent of the Maryland Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, former Organizing Secretary General and Chairman of the National Defense Committee of the National Society, DAR. He has two sons, William Calvin Chesnut Barnes and Wilson King Barnes, Jr., both members of the SAR, the younger son, King, having also been State President of the Maryland Society of the Children of the American Revolution. He has five grandchildren.

Compatriot Barnes has been President of the Maryland State Society, SAR as well as National Trustee from Maryland. He is serving as Organizing Secretary of the Maryland Society at the present time. He has also served on a number of national Committees and has been Chairman of the Resolutions Committee for the years 1975 and 1976. He holds the Gold Good Citizenship and the Patriot Medals.

Compatriot Barnes has been President of the Society of the War of 1812 in Maryland, President of the Magothy River Association, President of the Barristers' Club and President of the Eastern Shore Society of Baltimore City. He was Chairman of the Maryland Bicentennial Commission, 1969-1972 and is currently Chairman of the Special Committee on the Bicentennial of the Maryland State Bar Association.

Vice President General SINGLETON L. JOHNSON, JR. of Greenwood, Miss. was born in Greenwood, Miss. educated in public schools and Mississippi State Univ. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1939 and served through the ranks, retiring from active duty as a Captain in 1963. Having served 3 years in the South Pacific, he had further duty in Germany, Japan and Korea. Among his military decorations are the Bronze Star, Navy Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Purple Heart with Cluster, and The Presidential Unit Citation. He is Governor

of The Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Miss., a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, National Advisory Board American Security Council and the Retired Officers Association.

Comp. Johnson became a member of the SAR by right of decent from Edwin Ellis, (Va) 1749-1806 Patriot. He became active in the Greenwood Chapter and served as President for 2 years. After serving in several state offices, was elected State President and served for 2 terms. He was elected National Trustee in 1975. Awarded the Patriot Medal in 1974.

Compatriot Johnson is married to Ann Scott Gammill Johnson and they have 3 daughters and 3 grandchildren.

Vice President General DAVID ALLEN DOLIBER, a twin to Comp. Donald A. Doliber (Marblehead, Ma.) was born in Marblehead, Mass. on Aug. 19, 1944 (age 32), and is descended from Joseph Doliber, who served as a mariner on the *True Blue* for 3 months and in the local coastal defense unit at Marblehead. Comp. Doliber is a 1967 graduate of Bentley College of Accounting and Finance; and has been employed for 9 years as a bank examiner for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, U.S. Treasury Dept., with sub-headquarters in Lebanon, N.H. He has held several positions in the Vermont Society; including Revolutionary Graves Committee-4 yrs., Auditor-2 yrs., State Vice President-2 yrs., and State President-2 yrs. For the past 2 years, he has headed the Vermont delegation to the National Congress. He is a member of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association, and a charter member of the Treasury Historical Association. Previously, he served in various capacities with Boy Scout movement; including the Order of the Arrow in which he holds the Vigil Honor, and was employed at Scout summer camp during high school and college years. He is married to the former Mary Ann Thornton, L.P.N., of Richford, Vt. She was born in Newnan, Ga. and is a 1969 graduate of Thompson School of Practical Nursing. In 1974, he compiled a list of *Revolutionary Graves of Interest in Vermont*. Other hobbies include collecting old postal cards and old milk bottles.



Vice President General JOHN COLGAN NORMAN lives at 3353 Brownsboro Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40207. His office is at 602A Portland Building, Louisville, Kentucky 40202. He was born in Louisville, Aug. 4, 1898, a 5th generation Kentuckian. He married Virginia Kaye, also a 5th generation Kentuckian, but their son, John Colgan Norman, Jr., an air line Captain, lives in Miami, with his children in California, Florida and British Columbia.

Colgan is a Chartered Life Underwriter with Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company since 1932. He has attended 8 C.L.U. Institutes at various colleges to study Business Insurance and Estate Planning. He is a Life Member of the Million Dollar Round Table of the National Association of Life Underwriters, having qualified 22 times.

He served in France with the U.S. Army in World War I and was Commander of the world's largest American Legion Post, when Jefferson Post of Louisville hosted the National Convention of the Legion in 1929. In 1963, as President of the Kentucky Society, SAR, he hosted the Lexington Congress, after which he served as a National Trustee. Then, for 8 years, he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky Soci-



ety. The Thruston Chapter, of Louisville, was organized in his home. He has been President and is now Chaplain. The Kentucky Society awarded him the Patriot Medal. He also has the Honor Medal of the DAR. For service to boyhood, he has received the Silver Beaver and the Silver Antelope Awards of the Boy Scouts of America. His Scouting service began in 1910 when Scouting began. He has been a Scoutmaster, Committeeman, Council Commissioner and Council President, as well as National Council Representative. He is a Rotarian and an active Methodist.

Vice President General PAUL W. BENNETT, 313 West McPike St., Vandalia, Missouri, was born in Kinderhook, Pike County, Ill., July 17, 1906, son of Charles F. Bennett and Goldie Ethel (Bridgewater) Bennett. He lived on a farm from 1909 to 1917 and attended rural schools and was graduated from Barry Illinois Elementary Schools in 1920 and from Barry H.S. in 1924. In June, 1924, he began the study of law under Judge Edward Doocy of Pittsfield, Ill., and Col. Edward W. Baker. He was admitted to the Bar in Missouri, July 3, 1928 and practiced at Center, Mo. until 1936 and in March, 1936 moved to Vandalia, in Audrain County, Mo., where he is engaged in the general practice of law. Mr. Bennett was V.P. of the Missouri Society SAR in 1971, President in 1972, National Trustee 1974, 1975 and reelected for a 3rd term in 1976 and also elected V.P. Gen. of the South Central District SAR in 1976. He is a member of the Missouri Bar, the bar of the U.S. District Court Eastern District of Missouri and the U.S. Supreme Court Bar. He is also a life member of the Order of Washington, Sovereign Colonial Society of Americans of Royal Descent, Plantagenet Society, Somerset Chapter Magna Charta Barons, Colonial Order of the Crown, Descendants of the Most Noble Order of the Garter and Society of Mareen Duvall Descendants. He is also a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, The Order of the Stars and Bars, Missouri Historical Society, Kentucky Historical Society, Filson Club at Louisville, Ky., Commander of Vandalia Post No. 167, The American Legion, 1971 and 1972, veteran of the 14th Armored Division World War II. On Dec. 25, 1935 he was married to Miss Ada Franklin DeWitt who died Nov. 24, 1974. They had no children.



Vice President General RICHARD E. (DICK) SWEET, of the Western District was born in the Mohawk Valley of Central New York, where numerous Revolutionary skirmishes had taken place. He is descended from Revolutionary soldier, Captain Anthony Vap Vechten, on the paternal side and from the Schuyler family of his mother. The family moved to California when Richard and his younger brother were small children. His brother, Nicholas R. Sweet, of Florida, is also an SAR.

Growing up in a citrus agricultural area, Dick became interested in horticulture and decided to make it his life's career. He majored in horticulture at the University of California, and took his last year at the University Farm. He became District Manager in Northern California for a large cannery, buying the fruits for processing and advising the growers.

Upon his recent retirement, he became more involved and dedicated to SAR. He is a charter member of the Sacramento, Calif. Chapter, and has served as membership chairman, state and local, for many years, with over 60 new members to his credit. He is the proud recipient of 7 mem-



bership awards, the Good Citizen medal and the Patriot Medal. He served as Secretary of his Chapter for 2 years and as President for 2 terms. He has served on numerous committees including the Bicentennial Projects. This has all led to the Presidency of the California Society.

Comp. Sweet is a member of the Christian Church, an active member of the Masons, the Scottish Rite and Order of the Shrine. His wife, whom he met at the University of California, and his 1 daughter are native Californians. He has 5 grandchildren, fourth generation Californians, 4 of whom are future SARs.

Ohio's first Chaplain General in 72 years is Reverend SAMUEL J. HOLT, pastor of Salem United Presbyterian Church of Westwood, Cincinnati, Ohio. Born in Utica, N.Y. where he was President of the Fort Schuyler Chapter, Children of the American Revolution, he became known for his delivery of the Declaration of Independence. He has given it for both the C.A.R. and DAR Congresses in Washington as well as state conferences in N.Y. and Ohio. While in college, he began preaching with student charges in N.Y. and Connecticut. A graduate of Hamilton College and Yale Divinity School, Yale University, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Utica with pastorates in Holland Patent and Seneca Falls, N.Y., and now in Cincinnati. He was elected Permanent Clerk of Utica Presbytery and Moderator of Geneva Presbytery. He has been a commissioner to General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church on 3 occasions. He has been active in summer conference and camp programs in which he served for 18 years as a Councilor, Vesper Speaker and Director.



A descendant of Captain Josiah Locke (Mass.), he became active in the Cincinnati Chapter after coming to his present Church in 1958. Rev. Holt was elected Chaplain, and President of that Chapter, and was Chairman for the Ohio Society State Conference in 1968. He was elected State Chaplain in 1968, and President of the Ohio Society in 1974. He served as National Trustee in 1975. Following 4 years as Douglass G. High Contest Chairman in the Cincinnati Chapter, he has been State Chairman since 1968. He is the first winner of the Harold E. Putnam Award. He was awarded the Patriot Medal by the Ohio Society.

His wife, Ione R. Holt is a past regent of Sa-Go-Ye-Wat-Ha Chapter and State director of the DAR in New York, an organizing regent of Gehada Chapter of the D.A.C. in New York and past regent of St. Clair Chapter in Ohio. She is also called "Abbie" for her numerous renditions of her portrayal of Abigail Adams (see Past Pres. Gen.

Dr. Graham Clark). She is director of Speech and Drama at Oak Hills H.S.

Organizations: Tau Kappa Epsilon, Delta Sigma Rho (honorary forensic), Masons, Rotary (Past President), past Director and President of the Board of the Johnson Home, Seneca Falls.

Vice President General HOMER S. DEAL is a native son of Idaho. Born the second son of Compatriot Willard Wallace and Flora Deal. Educated in Idaho Schools, and holds a B.A. Degree from Gooding College, Gooding Idaho. (Methodist). Was the first agent appointed by Farmers Insurance Group when the company entered Idaho, July 3, 1930. Served as District Manager at Nampa, Idaho then promoted to State Division Manager a position held for 34 years. Now semi-retired, Deal is the Company's Legislative and Public Relations Representative at the State Capital in Boise, Idaho. Deal married Nellie M. Matthews in 1934. They are the parents of three children and grandparents of seven. During his active business life in Boise, Deal has been a Trustee and Past President of the Boise School Board. He served 13 years as Chairman of the Boise College Housing Commission. Is current Chairman of the Idaho Highway Users Conference, active in both State and local Safety Councils. Is a United Methodist and has served as both Conference as well as Jurisdictional Lay Delegate. Is a Mason, and member of Idaho El Korah Shrine. Deal, a member of the Old Fort Boise Chapter of the SAR, is a past State President of the Idaho Society.



Vice President General LYMAN D. TOUT, born in Ursa, Illinois Jan. 15, 1909, derives his SAR eligibility from Abraham Tout of the Washington County, Pennsylvania Militia and Leonard Grimes of the Pennsylvania Line who was in 6 battles in 5 years with Gen. Anthony Wayne and wintered in 1777-1778 with Washington's Army at Valley Forge.

Comp. Tout is serving his 3rd term as National Trustee for Iowa, also President of the Herbert Hoover Chapter there.

He attended Western Illinois State Teachers College, Macomb, Ill. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II, and is a 30-year member of American Legion Post 82, Fort Madison, Iowa. Other affiliations are membership in Stella Lodge 440



Rules for the President General's Cup Plaque Contest

Now is the time for chapter officers to make plans to win the President General's Cup Plaque.

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

- (1) The winner of the Plaque will be selected on the basis of evidence offered that the competing chapter has successfully engaged in a program of activities related to our patriotic, historical and educational purposes.
- (2) Credit will be given for additional activities, consistent with the purposes and objectives of the National Society, which may have been adopted and developed by the local chapter.
- (3) The winner will receive the Plaque on Recognition Night at the 87th Annual Congress.
- (4) The name of the winning chapter will be engraved on one of the gold shields on the plaque.
- (5) The winning chapter will retain custody of the President General's Cup Plaque until the next Annual Congress of the National Society, and will

be responsible for its safe-keeping and delivery to the Executive Secretary before the next Annual Congress.

- (6) Chapters are requested to submit their evidence in some form of binder for the convenience of the committee.
- (7) All entries in the contest must be in the office of the Executive Secretary not later than June 10, 1977 in order to qualify.

There are some suggestions which may be helpful in preparing a record which will furnish the judges with adequate information on which they may evaluate the chapter's program. The information should be assembled in a binder. Photographs of meetings, awards presented and special activities, together with newspaper clippings and concise accounts of the event, should be included. The material should be arranged in chronological order. The records must be confined to SAR activities, and the period beginning April 1, 1976 and ending March 31, 1977.

A.F. & A.M. Fort Madison, Iowa and Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Davenport, Iowa, and a lifetime member of the Christian Church.

Retiring from the Mechanical Department of the Burlington Northern Railroad, in 1974, he divides his time between their home in Burlington, Iowa and a home on Big Pine Key, Florida.

Compatriot Tout married Anna Marie Habben of Carthage, Illinois at Carthage on Nov. 10, 1929. They are the Parents of a son and daughter and have 5 Grandchildren.

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Vice President General RICHARD H. THOMPSON, Jr., was born in Gove, Kansas, May 12, 1909, son of Richard H. and Blanche Mendenhall Thompson. His Revolutionary ancestors were George Harlan, N.C. and Capt. Joseph Mendenhall, Pa. He graduated from the Univ. of Kansas and Yale Law School. Admitted to the bar in Illinois, he joined the American and Chicago Bar Associations.

He worked 1 year for Yale Law School and then for the federal government 9 years with the Department of the Interior, WPA and WPB.

In 1942, he left government service to work for the Celotex Corporation until he retired in 1974, when he was Vice President, Secretary, and head of the legal department of Jim Walter Corp., Tampa, Fla., into which company Celotex was merged in 1964. He lives in St. Petersburg, Fla.

His wife, the former Laura Catherine Jones of Muncie, Ind., was State Regent of DAR in Illinois 1965-1967 and is now DAR National Chairman of Lineage Research. They have 1 son, Richard H. 3rd, also an SAR and 2 grandchildren both of whom belong to CAR. Comp. Thompson joined SAR in Illinois in 1959, being proposed for membership by his son. He was Chancellor of the Illinois Society and in Florida has been President of St. Petersburg Chapter, Chancellor of Florida Society, Senior V.P. and Membership Chairman, President and Editor of *The Florida Patriot*, and National Trustee from Florida. He holds the Patriot Medal awarded him by the Florida Society. At the national level he has been a member of the Resolutions and of the Bicentennial Committees.

Thompson is a Republican. He is also a Deacon and an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. During World War II, he was a First Lieutenant in U.S. Marine Corps Aviation. He belongs to the American Society of Corporate Secretaries and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Sigma and Phi Delta Phi. Other memberships include the University Club, Chicago; the University Club, Tampa; Palma Ceia Gold & Country Club, Tampa; and St. Petersburg Yacht Club. He is listed in *Who's Who in America*.



Vice President General RICHARD E. CRANE, a descendant of Stephen Crane who was among the associates who founded Elizabethtown in October 1664, the first English settlement in N.J. Revolutionary ancestor was Nathaniel Crane who served in various units of the Essex County Militia and the Continental Army. He was at Saratoga, Monmouth, Springfield and other battles.

Educated in the public schools of Elizabeth, N.J. Graduated from Pratt Institute as a Chemical Engineer. Was employed from 1928 to 1942 as Manager by-product recovery and laboratory Supervisor for Elizabethtown Gas Company.

Entered military service in July 1942 as a private in Chemical Warfare service. Graduated from Adjutant Generals' School and commissioned 2nd Lt. Was transferred to the Air Corps and served 2 years in Italy with the 15th Photo Reconnaissance Squadron. Returned from overseas as Captain and accepted a commission in the Air Corps Reserve. Served in the Air Corps Reserve until 1949 when it became Air Force. Was promoted to Major in June 1951 and to Lt. Colonel in June 1958. Retired from the Air Force Reserve on 1 April 1965 with the rank of Lt. Colonel.

Returned to Elizabethtown Gas Company in 1946 and was asked to organize an Industrial Sales Dept. Later became Director of Industrial & Commercial Sales. Eventually these became separate departments and the title of Manager, Industrial Sales was acquired. Eventually broadened responsibility resulting in the position of Manager, Sales Engineering, which included all technical sales throughout the Company. Was retired from Elizabethtown Gas Company in 1970.

Served as President, Dept. of N.J. Reserve Officers Assoc. and President of the Army-Navy Club of N.Y.

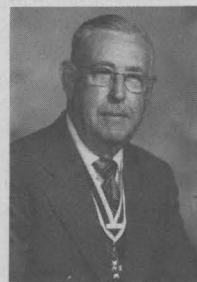
Offices held in the SAR include, President, Elizabethtown Chapter #1; President, New Jersey Society SAR; National Trustee from N.J. for 3 years and Librarian General for 3 years.

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The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at its 86th Annual Congress, assembled from June 13 through June 16, 1976 at The Benjamin Franklin, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and adopted the following resolutions:



DECLARATION OF INTERDEPENDENCE

RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, a "Declaration of Interdependence has been prepared by Henry Steel Commager under the sponsorship of the World Affairs Council of Philadelphia and signed on January 30, 1976 in Congress Hall, Independence Hall, Philadelphia and endorsed by the Council on Foreign Relations and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Declaration of Interdependence indicate that the United States should give up its sovereignty to World Government, and should redistribute the world's wealth and resources thereby establishing a one-world community without regard to national sovereignty; and

WHEREAS, the form of the Declaration of Interdependence seeks to follow that of the Declaration of Independence but subverts and debases the Declaration of Independence on the 200th Anniversary of the Nation's independence and is being used for that wrongful purpose;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution denounces the Declaration of Interdependence as an attack upon the National Sovereignty of the United States and as an attempt to denigrate and injure the Declaration of Independence and the principles underlying the Independence of the United States and requests its members to alert the public to the nature and purpose of the Declaration of Interdependence as an attempt to substitute Interdependence for American Independence and to further a One-World Government.

UNIONIZATION OF THE ARMED FORCES

RESOLUTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States provides for only one Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, namely, the President of the United States, and the Armed Forces of the United States have operated through a clearly prescribed national command authority and have served the Nation with dedication and professional pride; and

WHEREAS, at least three union organizations, namely, the American Federation of Government Employees, the National Maritime Union, and the Association of Civilian Technicians, have been working for a number of years to unionize the Armed Forces and plan to exert pressure on Congress in 1976 in order to gain their objective; and

WHEREAS, the unionization of the Armed Forces would erode the military command authority, proper order and discipline would hamper the ability of the nation to prepare for and wage war, would gravely injure the national security and would result in international danger to the Nation by resulting doubt by other world powers of the effectiveness of American defense;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution strongly opposes any unionization of the Armed Forces of the United States in any degree or manner whatsoever; and

RESOLVED that the National Society alert the State Societies, the Chapters and its members to the grave danger which will result from any unionization of the Armed Forces and to consider opposition to such unionization by all proper means.

PANAMA CANAL

RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, the United States under the Treaty of 1903 with the Republic of Panama obtained the grant in perpetuity of the use, occupation and control of the Canal Zone territory with all the sovereign rights, power and authority in that territory to the exclusion of Panama of any of such sovereign rights, power, or authority and the United States has acquired and now owns all land in the Canal Zone, purchased from individual land owners; and

WHEREAS, the sovereignty of the United States and its title and ownership in perpetuity of the Canal Zone were recognized and held to be lawful and effective by the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of *Wilson vs. Shaw*, 204 U.S. 24, 31-33; 27 S.Ct. 233, 234-235 (1907); and

WHEREAS, the maintenance and control of the Panama Canal

and Canal Zone by the United States and the continuing of its sovereignty and ownership is of vital importance to the protection of the United States and to world commerce generally, and any weakening of that sovereignty and ownership would be particularly dangerous at the present time in view of the greatly expanded sea power of the Soviet Union and the presence of a government in Cuba hostile to the United States and friendly to the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Branch of the Government of the United States has been engaged and continues to be engaged in negotiations with the present left-oriented government of Panama to surrender the sovereignty of the United States to the Canal Zone to the Republic of Panama and is preparing a Treaty to that effect for adoption, notwithstanding the clear and cogent reasons in opposition to such a treaty expressed by Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, Congressman David J. Flood of Pennsylvania, and Congressman Gene Snyder of Kentucky, and concurred in by many Senators and members of the House of Representatives of the United States;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution indicates its opposition to any Treaty which surrenders or weakens in any way the present sovereignty of the United States over the Canal Zone, impairs the title of the United States in the Canal Zone or impairs the power and authority of the United States to continue and maintain the Panama Canal; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution commends Senator Strom Thurmond, Congressman Daniel J. Flood and Congressman Gene Snyder in their able and dynamic leadership in opposing the contemplated Treaty and expresses its gratitude to them for their patriotic effort.

THE GENOCIDE CONVENTION

RESOLUTION NO. 4

WHEREAS, the Genocide Convention or Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in December of 1948, was submitted to the Senate of the United States for ratification in June, 1949, and during the intervening years has been held in the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate pending final action; and

WHEREAS, the Genocide Convention if adopted, would become the Supreme law of the land and, as such, would substantially impair the sovereignty of the United States in a number of important ways including the elimination of the "Connolly Reservation" which has heretofore prevented the World Court from having jurisdiction over matters which the United States deems to be internal matters, all to the great injury to the people of the United States and their constitutional and legal rights; and,

WHEREAS, it is likely that an attempt will soon be made to bring the Genocide Convention before the Senate for a vote on its ratification during the 1976 Congress;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution alert its members, the State Societies and Chapters to this attempt to have the Genocide Convention ratified by the Senate of the United States with a resulting loss of United States Sovereignty in important respects and a substitution of international law and jurisdiction for the present protection of which the Constitution and laws of the United States afford to the citizens of the nation.

CHILE

RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, since the overthrow by the people of Chile of the Marxist Regime of Premier Allende, the Soviet Union and leftist countries have waged a bitter and ruthless assault upon the present government in Chile in the hope of establishing a Marxist regime in Chile which would have control of the Straits of Magellan and more than one-half of the Pacific Coast of South America thus continuing and advancing the policy of the Soviet Union to gain dominance as a sea power; and

WHEREAS, there has been a concerted effort in much of the news media to distort the facts in regard to the present government

of Chile and to suppress objective reports and investigations which indicate that the present government of Chile does not pursue a policy of suppressing human rights and antisemitism as often falsely alleged; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Marxist regime in Chile would gravely injure the United States and weaken its national defense;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution urges its members, the State Societies and Chapters to obtain the true facts in regard to the present government of Chile and on the basis of those facts to condemn and resist all present efforts to discredit and ultimately to overthrow that government and establish a Marxist regime in its place.

WORLD GOVERNMENT AND ATLANTIC UNION

RESOLUTION NO. 6

WHEREAS, the proponents of World Government continue to urge that the United States become a member nation of such a World Government with resulting loss of its sovereignty, its independence and the freedom of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, such a World Government would most likely be dominated by socialist and communist nations so that the free market American economic system would be destroyed, its citizens impoverished and their liberty destroyed; and

WHEREAS, it is noted with satisfaction that the latest effort of such proponents to establish Atlantic Union was again defeated by the House of Representatives of the United States on April 1, 1976;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution condemn and oppose all efforts to seek to impose World Government, Atlantic Union or any treaty or convention which would impair the sovereignty of the United States; and

RESOLVED that the National Society commends those members of the House of Representatives of the United States who voted to defeat Atlantic Union in April, 1976.

UNITED STATES CENSUS RECORDS

RESOLUTION NO. 7

WHEREAS, the Census records of the United States from 1790 through 1880, inclusive, have been microfilmed and otherwise reproduced by the General Services Administration and sold to various individuals and institutions through the National Archives and Records Services since approximately the years 1940 to 1971, so that those records are now widely disseminated to the public at large, cannot be recovered or concealed, and any claim of invasion of privacy by those records now published is moot; and

WHEREAS, census records since the year 1880 are, and will continue to be needed for legitimate genealogical and legal uses by families, certain religious organizations, the Sons of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the American Revolution and other heritage societies as well as of individual citizens in connection with their family and legal affairs; and

WHEREAS, certain bills have been introduced into the Congress of the United States which would make all past and future census records available to the public seventy-five years after each census, and one bill, under the guise of the protection of privacy has been introduced into the Congress to prevent access to such records;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution urges its members as individuals, to indicate their support of legislation in Congress which would allow access to past and future census records and to indicate their opposition to legislation which would deny access to the census records.

DEFENSE OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

RESOLUTION NO. 8

WHEREAS, various groups are seeking to undermine the Constitution of the United States and the Constitutional principles upon which it rests and to that end are preparing a proposed new Constitution which would represent an abandonment of American Constitutional rights and limitations on the powers of government; and

WHEREAS, the Nation has grown and developed to its present position of power and economic well-being as a result of the protection to the life, liberty and property of its citizens afforded by the Constitution of the United States, and it is in the public interest that American Constitution principles be studied, supported and defended;

RESOLVED that the National Society of the Sons of the

American Revolution reaffirms its devotion and support to the Constitution of the United States and the American Constitutional principles upon which it rests and calls upon its members, the State Societies and Chapters, to defend the Constitution and its underlying principles from all attempts to impair and weaken them.

REAFFIRMATION

RESOLUTION NO. 9

WHEREAS, all past resolutions previously adopted by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution are in effect unless rescinded;

RESOLVED that the following Resolutions be reaffirmed:

1. Re-examination of the National Foreign Policy (1975 Boston Congress).
2. National Defense (1975 Boston Congress).
3. Gun Control Legislation (1975 Boston Congress).
4. State Control of Public Education (1973 Palm Beach Congress).
5. Renewal of Spiritual Motivation (1972 Indianapolis Congress).

COURTESY RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 10

WHEREAS, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution recognizes that its 86th Annual Congress has been successful in every respect; and

WHEREAS, that success has resulted from the efforts of those who planned and implemented the program for the National Congress;

RESOLVED by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that it hereby expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude to:

1. The President General for his able and dynamic leadership.
2. The Officers, Chairmen and Members of their Committees.
3. The Executive Secretary and the loyal Headquarters staff for their constant and effective efforts in providing for an efficient operation.
4. The speakers, Lt. Gen. Daniel O. Graham, USA, Ret., former Deputy Director, C.I.A., former Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, and Dr. F. G. A. Kraemer, Special Advisor for Political and Military Affairs of the U.S. Army Staff, for their timely and inspiring addresses.
5. Mrs. Ralph H. Richardson for her talented vocal contributions to the music of the Congress.
6. The Massachusetts Society Continental Guard for furnishing color guards and escorts.
7. The management and staff of The Benjamin Franklin for their many services and courtesies.
8. The Rev. Ernest A. Harding, D.D., Pastor of Christ Church, for his gracious cooperation in furnishing his historic facilities for our annual Memorial Service.
9. The Pennsylvania Society for its contribution to a successful 86th Annual Congress.
10. To the Committee on Resolutions and its Chairman for the prompt and efficient preparation of proposed resolutions, so that they could be presented to the Congress at its Monday meeting and voted upon at its Tuesday meeting in accordance with the established order of the business of the Congress, rather than at later times as in previous Congresses of the Society.
11. To all individuals who contributed to the success of this Congress.

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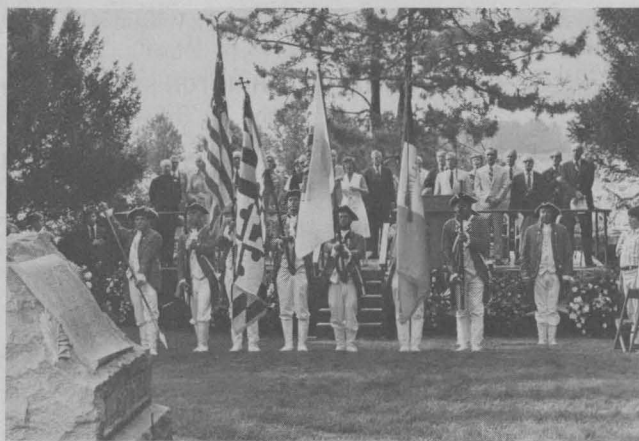
*The Reverend SAMUEL J. HOLT
Chaplain General*

One of the basic teachings of the Christian religion and one of the important beliefs of American democracy is the value of the individual life. In these days, we are tempted to ignore the truth of the dignity of the individual and the importance of you as a human being.

In 1844, in Switzerland County, Indiana, a sick man was carried in a carriage 2 miles to vote for David Kelso, for the State Senate. He was paying a debt of gratitude to Kelso for having saved his life. It caused his death, but elected Kelso by one vote. The State Senate had to elect a United States Senator. Kelso bolted the Democratic caucus and kept the matter tied up for weeks. Then, he suggested Edward A. Hannigan as a new candidate, and succeeded in electing him by one vote. The previous candidate had been opposed to admitting Texas as a State, but with the vote cast by Hannigan, Texas was admitted by one vote. Thus, the vote of a dying man in the wooded hills of Switzerland County, Indiana, made Texas a state and brought on the Mexican War.

In the summer of 1852, Martin Koszta, a naturalized American citizen who had been a follower of Louis Kossuth, was kidnapped in Smyrna and turned over to the Austrian consul as that country eagerly desired him as a prisoner. He was placed aboard an Austrian warship commanded by Archduke John, brother of the Emperor. As this ship, the "Hussar", prepared to sail, an American sloop of war, the "St. Louis," Commander Ingraham arrived. Ingraham, hearing of the matter, demanded to see the prisoner, and asked for his release, finding him to be an American citizen. This was refused. The next day, 7 Austrian warships arrived. With this backing, the "Hussar" started to leave. Cmdr. Ingraham brought his ship into position and ordered the "Hussar" to stop. He told the Austrian, "I hope that you will not leave this harbor with the American gentleman you have kidnapped. If you do, I shall be forced to resort to extreme measures." The Austrian looking around at the friendly vessels told him that he was exceedingly rash, and that he would do as he pleased. Ingraham returned to his ship and ordered, "Clear the guns for action!" That afternoon, Martin Koszta was handed over to the French consul. Deliberations between Washington and Vienna resulted in his release and freedom. One against 8, the "St. Louis" could have been sunk, but the life of one American was the principle at stake.

The single individual—YOU—is important. What you say and do, can count. The American Revolution was won by thousands, but think of the number of individual names that are still remembered 200 years later. We may not be remembered by name, but we can make the difference that may enable this country to reach another 200 years.



At Wye Plantation, the Maryland Society Colonial Color Guard presents military honors at the grave of William Paca, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.



Chapter Pres. Jim Westlake presents a toast to the American Bicentennial at a recent banquet of the Atlanta (Ga.) Chapter. (l to r): Pres. Westlake, Mrs. Aubrey . . . , British Consul-Gen. Frank Kennedy and Mrs. Westlake.



An award-winning float depicting a 1776 schoolroom is portrayed during the City of Albuquerque (N.M.) Bicentennial Parade. The Albuquerque Chapter, with DAR and CAR cooperation, prepared and entered the successful float which was accorded cheers and applause.



Members of Florida's Boca-Deerfield Chapter pose before the SAR-decorated lead car of the Bicentennial Parade at Boca Raton. (l to r): Pres. John Coleman, Dick Heidgerd, Bill Sisson, Gen. Dick Mayo and Duke Keator.

"WHY SIT WE HERE IDLE?"

By Carlisle F. Smith,
National Americanism Chairman

What has happened to Americanism? and why have we as a people "deviated from the Revolution" as the Illinois Society President, Dr. Leslie A. Bryan, has so succinctly stated it.

The fledgling First Continental Congress that had to meet in secret in Philadelphia 200 years ago, proceeded to draft a "Declaration of Rights" which they presented to His Majesty's government along with a list of laws they demanded be repealed.

Here was courage!

Two months earlier they had advised the civilian population to arm and to organize their own militia!

Here was both courage and determination!

The effort must have been significant, for George III issued orders forbidding the shipment of arms and gunpowder to the Colonies other than the British Army then occupying Boston. Stocks of powder and shot were in desperately short supply and the Colonies resorted to all sorts of schemes to smuggle these and other munitions into their possession.

The courage of the Founding Fathers was of the same firm quality as that shown by the Barons at Runnymede way back in 1215. Perhaps one of your own forefathers rested on his longbow while a reluctant King John capitulated to this rebellion against his tyranny.

In present day language, the Barons at Runnymede rebelled against "Big Government." The Colonies in 1774-1776 rebelled against "Big Government," and if Patrick Henry were with us today he would repeat, "Why sit we here idle?"

The first Continental Congress believed in "Government by consent of the governed." In *your* opinion as "one of the governed," how would Samuel Adams have reacted to the "Great Grain Giveaway" of last year?

— or wise old Ben Franklin to the fakery of detente?

— or George Washington to gun control or any measure that would disarm the civilian population?

— or Alexander Hamilton to the concept of private ownership of a Federal Reserve System?

— or "Millions for defense but not one cent for tribute" compared to a number two position militarily?

"The political crisis of today's world and the oncoming spiritual crisis are occurring at the same time. It is our generation that will have to confront them. The leadership of this country, which is about to enter the third century of its national existence, will perhaps have to bear a burden greater than ever before seen in the whole of American history. Our leaders during this time (which is so near) will need profound intuition, spiritual foresight, and high qualities of mind and soul. May God grant that in those times we will have at the helm in this country, personalities as great as those who created our country."

Now gentle reader—who do you suppose expressed the thought in the preceding paragraph? (Any political figure of our own? Unfortunately, NO! It is freely translated from the urging of one who knows, Alexander Solzhenitsyn!

As a guest of, and before, the Congress of the United States? No again! It is excerpted from Solzhenitsyn's address in New York City, before, and as the guest of, AFL/CIO!

And now, my good compatriots bearing the honor of having a direct bloodline back to one or more of those with the courage to fight for liberty, the liberty that you also enjoy—I am not suggesting that you get out in the cold and wet with an obstreperous flintlock—but with all the emphasis at my command, I must urge your vigorous stand with your senators and congressmen, to force a return to the principles that made this nation the model for all nations of free people.

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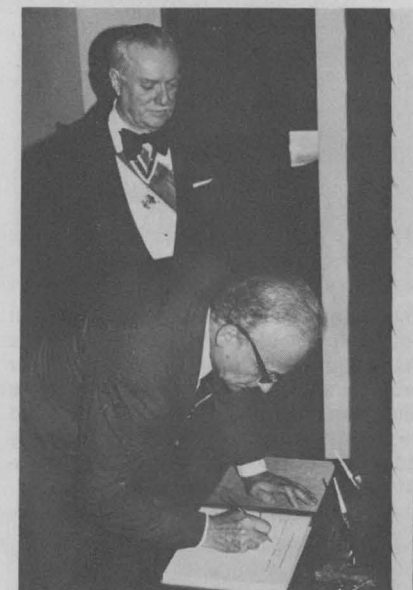
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Pres. Gen. Savage confers with Count de Rochambeau, Vice Pres. Gen. of the Foreign District.



The President General and French Ambassador pose with V.P. Gen. (Count) Patrice de Rochambeau and Compatriot (Marquis) de Chambrun.



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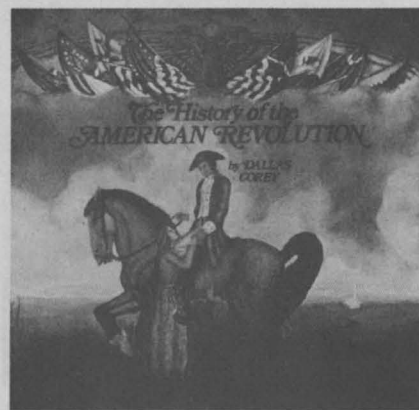
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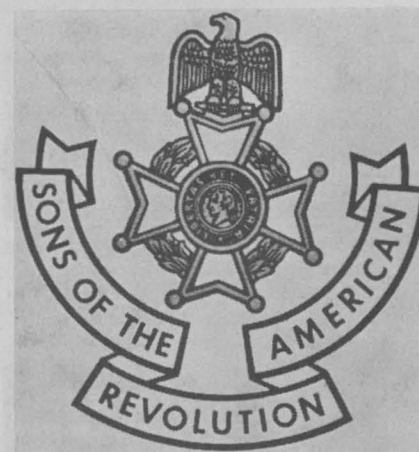
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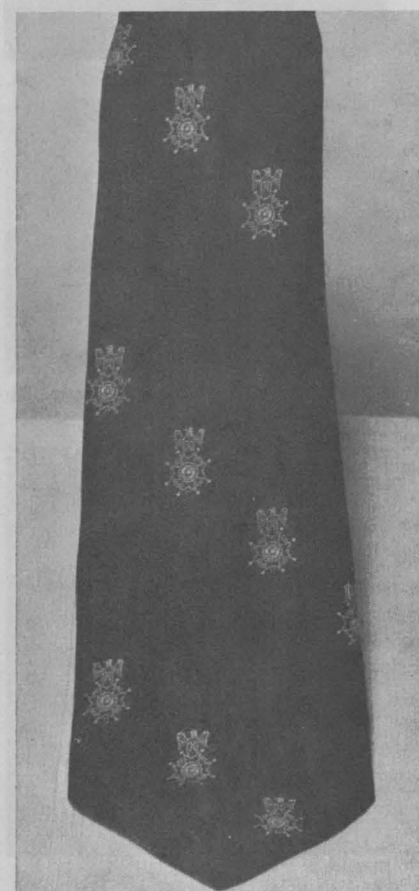
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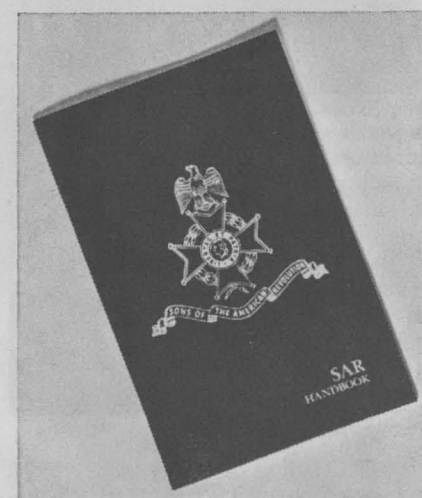


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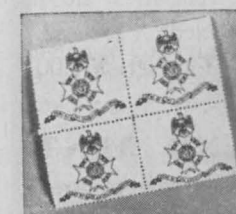
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Miniature Silver Good Citizenship Medal	6.00
Miniature Gold Good Citizenship Medal	7.50
Miniature Minute Man Medal	7.50
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Quantity discounts on all medals: 25—5%; 50—10%; 100—20%	
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The Making of George Washington	1.00
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New membership application instruction booklet	.10
New membership application instruction booklet, per 100	7.50
"Pledge to the SAR" cards, per 10	.50
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Basic Documents (reproductions of Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence), 18" x 24", set of two	2.50
Dinner Place Cards with attractive SAR insignia in color, each	.10
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"What My SAR Membership Means to Me" booklet	.15
"What My SAR Membership Means to Me" booklet, per 100	8.00
Membership promotion pamphlets per 100	3.00
Single-sheet application blanks, per 100	4.00
Single-sheet application blanks, per 500	17.00
Two-page application blanks, per 100	6.00
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Membership cards with state society imprint, per 100	15.00
Membership cards with state society imprint, per 500	20.00
Membership cards with state society imprint, per 1000	25.00

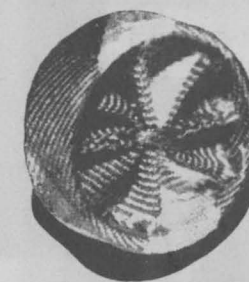


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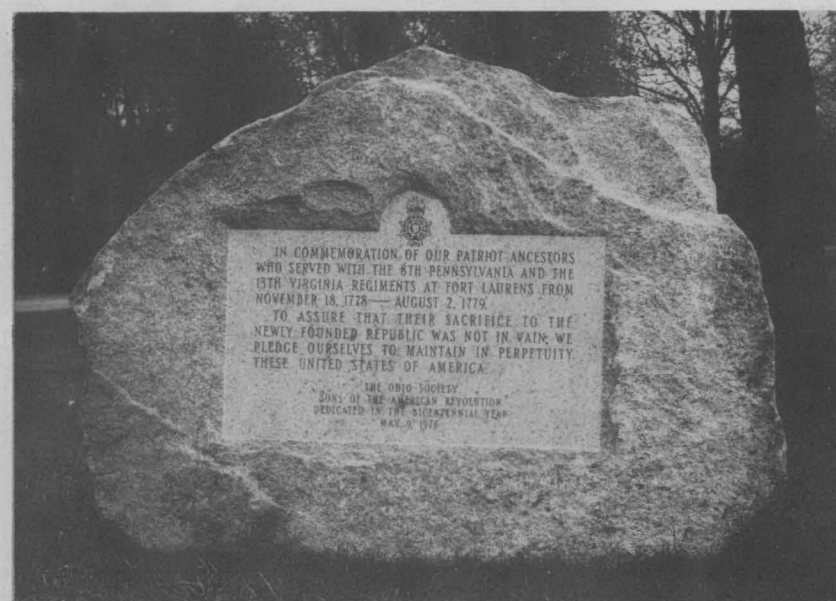


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The American Revolution Bicentennial Memorial of the Ohio Society, SAR

Dedicated on May 9, 1976 at Bolivar, Ohio



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ROBERT J. REYNOLDS
Lt. Col., AUS, Ret.
President

(This space purchased by the Ohio Society, SAR)

Again in 1976, the SAR salutes the ROTC, honoring qualifying cadets and midshipmen throughout America with the coveted SAR-ROTC Medal.



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Central State U.; Comp. W. C. Garrison, Oklahoma City Chap.



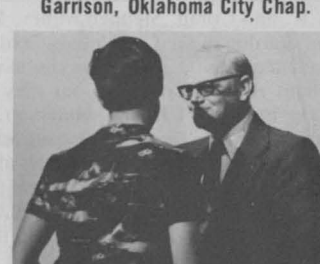
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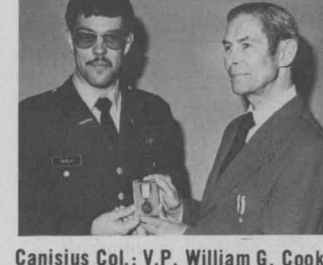
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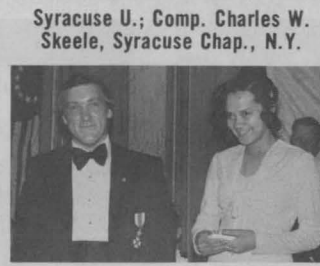
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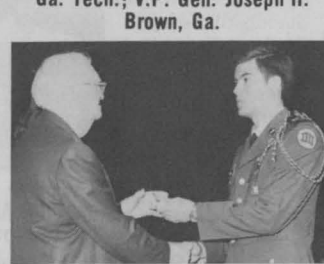
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Norwich U.; Comp. Walter D. Emerson, Vermont Soc.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD IN PHILADELPHIA

Monday, June 14, 1976

The Congress was called to order by Pres. Gen. Savage at 9:00 a.m., following an impressive entrance procession accentuated by the Mass. Society Continental Guard and Color Guard. Chaplain Gen. Gerhart delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The attendees sang our National Anthem, and Mrs. Ralph H. Richardson followed with a magnificent rendition of the 4th verse. Penna. Society Pres. Warren Hayes rendered the traditional host-state welcome. Pres. Gen. Savage then read the message of the President of the United States, and it has been printed elsewhere in this magazine. Appropriate greetings were then delivered by a representative of the City of Philadelphia; Mrs. Wakelee Smith, Pres. Gen., DAR; Mrs. Charles Scheer, Sr. Nat. Pres., C.A.R. and Comp. Stephen Miller, Nat. Pres., C.A.R. Chairman Lynn Gordon of the Credentials Committee delivered a preliminary attendance report. There was discussion concerning the Rules for the 86th Annual Congress, but they were finally adopted upon a motion by PPG Charles Anderson. The President General announced that the reports of most committees were incorporated in the bound volumes, available to all attendees. Some verbal reports and addendums followed. At this point, Resolutions Chairman Wilson K. Barnes announced that tentative resolutions had been prepared and printed for submission to the delegates. Pres. Gen. Savage announced a recess for luncheon at 11:45. During the luncheon program, at which Dr. F. G. A. Kraemer was the speaker, Comp. Savage announced that we were ahead of schedule, and that the afternoon meeting could be dispensed with.

Tuesday, June 15, 1976

The Congress was called to order by Pres. Gen. Savage at 9:00 a.m., following another inspiring colors presentation ceremony by the Mass. Society Continental & Color Guard. The Invocation by Chaplain Gen. Gerhart preceded the Pledge of Allegiance. Resolutions Chairman Barnes read the tentative resolutions submitted by his committee. The final approved and adopted versions may be found elsewhere in this issue. Adoptions were as follows: 1. DECLARATION OF INTERDEPENDENCE: adopted unanimously with some changes. 2. UNIONIZATION OF THE ARMED FORCES: adopted over the objection of Comp. Jesse B. Manbeck, D.C. Society. 3. PANAMA CANAL: adopted with some changes after an attempted amendment was tabled. 4. GENOCIDE CONVENTION: adopted unanimously. 5. CHILE: adopted. 6. WORLD GOVERNMENT & ATLANTIC UNION: adopted. 7. CENSUS RECORDS: adopted unanimously. 8. DEFENSE OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION: adopted unanimously. 9. REAFFIRMATION: unanimously adopted. The Executive Secretary was then instructed to prepare a 10th resolution which is to be the traditional courtesy one. At this time, the proposed Bylaws amendments were considered with the following results: Bylaw 19: When 2 or more applications with the same lineage are submitted within a period of 30 days, the admission fee for the first shall be the usual



An important foursome at the Congress: (l to r) Pres. Gen. Savage; Mrs. Richardson, who sang the National Anthem; Chaplain Gen. Gerhart and V.P. Gen. Richardson.



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Coats of Arms and other examples of Mr. Nickerson's handwrought craftsmanship were displayed at the recent 86th Annual Congress.

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\$25, but \$2 for each of the others. The proposed amendment was defeated. Bylaw 5: To transfer the Pennsylvania Society from the Mid Atlantic District to the North Atlantic District. A motion for tabling by PPG Gardiner was passed, thus defeating this proposed amendment for the present. The following officers were nominated and elected. As instructed, the Exec. Secty. cast 1 ballot each for unanimous election: Treas. Gen.: Vincent Van Inwegen; Hist. Gen.: Fred Leathers; Chaplain Gen.: Rev. Samuel J. Holt; Surgeon Gen.: Gracie R. Rowntree, M.D. With similar legality, the following Vice Presidents General were elected: David A. Doliber, New England; Richard E. Crane, North Atlantic; Carroll Wright, Mid Atlantic; Richard H. Thompson, South Atlantic; S. L. Johnson, Southern; J. Colgan Norman, Central; Leslie A. Bryan, Great Lakes; Lyman Tout, North Miss.; Paul W. Bennett, South Central; H. Clifton Wright, Rocky Mt.; Homer S. Deal, Inter Mountain; Richard E. Sweet, Western; Ralph H. Richardson, Pacific; Comte Patrice de Rochambeau, Foreign. For the office of Pres. Gen., Matthew B. Sellers and Ralph M. Pabst were nominated. For the office of Secty. Gen., O. M. Wilson and Paul Garrison were nominated. For the office of Registrar Gen., Jack K. Carmichael and Donald R. Frazer were nominated. For the office of Genealogist Gen., Neill F. Amsler and William M. Brown were nominated. For the office of Chancellor Gen., Wilson K. Barnes and Thomas O. McWhorter were nominated. For the office of Librarian Gen., Frank W. Kinnamon and Alexander Hamilton were nominated. The Pres. Gen. then declared that balloting would commence at 2:00 p.m., and that the polls would close on the following day at 10:30 a.m. The 5 tellers were then appointed by Comp. Savage. A list of nominees from all state societies for the office of National Trustee was read by the Exec. Secty., and they were duly elected by the Congress. V. P. Gen. Joseph B. Head reported on the progress of his Liberty Bell project, and moved that a bell be purchased by the SAR for \$12,500. The motion was tabled. Comp. Jesse Manbeck then moved that the National Trustees appoint a committee to study the program, and recommend methods of implementation. The motion was carried. PPG Charles A. Anderson then discussed the impending removal of our National Headquarters real estate tax exemption by the D.C. Govt., which necessitates the feasibility of a move from the District. He spoke of an offer for our present building of \$765,000 by Bangladesh, and of a new building in nearby Maryland that is available for \$625,000. Comp. Anderson then moved that the Executive Committee be empowered to sell and purchase real properties for the National Society. The motion was carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Wednesday, June 16, 1976

The final Congress session, with the same impressive opening ceremonies as on Mon. and Tues., commenced at 9:00 a.m. A motion by Comp. Robert G. Luckey to approve the annual audit was unanimously carried. PPG Walter G. Sterling formally presented the Annual Budget, which had been recommended for approval and



Pres. J. Alan Cross of Florida's Miami Chapter presents a 1793 history of the American Revolution to Pres. Gen. Savage. The book was donated by Comp. Howard D. Lester.

We salute the winners of the Historical Oration Contest.



Second Place
PHILIP WARWICK
Kentucky



First Place
KELLY P. GALLAGHER
Texas



Third Place
MICHAEL KNISH
Tennessee

adoption by the Trustees. After much discussion, a motion by Comp. Sterling for approval and adoption of the budget was carried. A motion by Comp. Hibbard Richter was passed, commending V.P. Gen. Head for his Liberty Bell project, and urging all SAR Compatriots to support the program. PPG James B. Gardiner moved for an expression of thanks for the hard work performed by Chairman M. Graham Clark and the first Nominating Committee. The motion was unanimously passed. V.P. Gen. Robert Newcomb moved for a vote of gratitude to Chancellor Gen. Tullius Brady for his difficult labors and fair conduct relative to the recent Nominating Committee situation. There being no further business, Pres. Gen. Savage adjourned the Congress at 10:40 a.m.

TRUSTEES' MEETINGS

Sunday, June 13, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Gen. Savage, followed by the Invocation of Chaplain Gen. Gerhart and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The roll call by Secty. Gen. Miller indicated the presence of a quorum. Upon motion by Comp. Bothwell, the minutes of the Feb. 14 meeting were approved on condition that the spelling of Comp. Bothwell's name be corrected. A motion by Comp. Bryan was approved that visitors be granted the privilege of the floor without the right to vote. Copies of the annual audit were distributed, and much discussion followed. The C.P.A., Mr. S. Rubin, was present, and answered all pertinent questions. A motion to recommend adoption of the audit by Comp. Clark was approved. Past Pres. Gen. Anderson spoke on an increasing need to locate our national headquarters outside of the District of Columbia because of the City's intention of removing our real estate tax exemption. He distributed material describing available facilities just over the District line in Chevy Chase, Maryland. A motion by the Trustees, authorizing the Executive Committee to have authority for selling and purchasing national headquarters properties, was defeated because the majority felt that such authorization should emanate from the 86th Congress. A new medals and awards handbook was submitted by Comp. Miles for adoption. After lengthy discussion, a motion by Comp. Holt was passed. Comp. Miles was instructed, in the final preparation, to include awards that are presented at Annual Congresses. A new "SAR Distinguished Service Medal" was discussed, and further consideration will be based upon cost estimates. Comp. Savage announced the recent death of Comp. (Adm.) Furlong at age 95. Comp. Woodward recommended the establishment of a new award in his name for outstanding work in behalf of the American Flag. Comp. Miller offered to donate the cost of a suitable trophy. A motion of adoption by Comp. Martin was passed. Upon motion by Comp. Coe, the next Trustees' Meeting was set for June 16, and duly approved. A motion by Comp. Stillman to donate \$10,000 from the Permanent Fund to Comp. Joseph Head's Liberty Bell Program was ruled out of order because the issue had been declined at the last meeting. A motion by Past Pres. Gen. Burn was passed, authorizing Comp. Luckey to prepare and submit sample "Keep U.S.A. First" stamps for further consideration at a cost not to exceed \$50. The proposed amendment for transferring the Pennsylvania Society to the North Atlantic District was discussed. Past Pres. Gen. Gardiner recommended that the matter be held over for discussion at the Mid-Atlantic States Conference, July 30-31. His motion recommending tabling was approved. The meeting adjourned at 12:25, and the Benediction was delivered by Comp. (Rev.) Holt.

Wednesday, June 16, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Gen. Savage at 11:00 a.m. The newly elected President General, Matthew B. Sellers, was escorted to the rostrum, accompanied by Mrs. Sellers. Comp. Sellers then presided over the meeting. The roll call of the 1976-77 National Trustees was conducted by the Exec. Secty., establishing the presence of a quorum. The election of other officers, involved in elective contests, was announced as follows: for the office of Secty. Gen.: Paul Garrison; Registrar Gen.: Jack K. Carmichael; Genealogist Gen.: William M. Brown; Chancellor Gen.: Wilson K. Barnes; Librarian Gen.: Alexander Hamilton. At this time, Chancellor Gen. Tullius Brady administered the oath of office to the new Trustees. It was announced that the 87th Annual Congress will take place at Milwaukee, Wisc., from June 25 through 29, 1977. Comp. Cecil Bothwell announced a fund-raising program whereby members may submit additional biographical material in conjunction with their original applications for a reasonable fee. His motion for adoption was unanimously passed. This program is presented elsewhere in this magazine. V.P. Gen. Calvin Chunn introduced a plan for posthumous memberships, but his motion was ruled out of order because it would involve a bylaw change. Comp. Robert Luckey moved that a committee be appointed to study the SAR Magazine for possible improvements, and his motion was passed. Comp. Cecil Bothwell moved that the Executive Committee approve the final version of the new Medals and Awards Handbook before its publication. The motion was carried. Pres. Gen. Sellers then submitted the following names for appointment to the Executive Committee for 1976-77: Robert D. Savage, James B. Gardiner, Carl K. Hoffmann, Calvin E. Chunn and Neill F. Amsler. Approval by the Executive Committee was unanimous. PPG moved that the next meeting of the National Trustees be held on Oct. 30 at Washington, D.C. Following discussion, the motion was carried. There being no further business, a motion for adjournment by Comp. Vincent Van Inwegen was passed. Following the Benediction, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Compatriot Joe Head's Nationwide Patriotic Pilgrimage



Please read Chairman Head's message on page 46.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Analysis of the results of State Society membership efforts over the last two years has caused the slogan of the Community Chest to ring in my ears like Joe Head's Liberty Bell! Neighbor Helping Neighbor!

It has become apparent to me that we have growth Societies in each of our Districts that should be asked to share their enthusiasm and their methods with neighboring state societies in their district. And how better can this be accomplished than by putting this project in the hands of the Vice President General?

With these thoughts in mind—I am asking each V.P.G. to accept an assignment to the National Membership Committee! These are the Compatriots who "know the ropes" and have accepted the challenge to visit the states, to organize a district meeting, and to report to the National Society at each meeting of the Board of Trustees. (In any case, where, for reasons of health or other disability, a V.P.G. cannot serve as a member of the National Membership Committee, I ask him to recommend for membership a Compatriot who will visit each Society in his District.)

So that the District and its Vice President General may be recognized for its successful achievement in building our membership, I asked the Florida Society at their July 31st meeting of its Board of Management to sponsor a new award to be called *The Florida Plaque*.

The purpose is to recognize the Districts and their V.P.G.'s which have been most effective in building membership, with new members emphasized, but all gains and losses recognized. Each year, the plaque will display a plate bearing the name of the 1st Place and the 2nd Place District and the V.P.G. of each. Between Congresses, the plaque will be displayed on the wall at National Headquarters.

For example, for the 1974-75 and the 1975-76 years, the plates would have been engraved as follows:

1974-75	1975-76
1. Western District Robert H. Fulton, V.P.G.	1. South Central District C. Y. Thomas, V.P.G.
2. Great Lakes District Gordon C. Bates, V.P.G.	2. Western District Calvin E. Chunn, V.P.G.

Of course, the Individual Recognition Plan of involving the award of Red-White-Blue burgees to wear under the lapel button or bar will be continued through the end of the 1976-77 Bicentennial Year. V.P.G.'s or State or Chapter Membership Chairmen may obtain supplies of these burgees, at no cost, from your National Membership Chairman. Because of the rapid turnover of many Chapter officers, it is hoped that each District meeting, preferably in the early Fall, will include a workshop on:

Membership Promotion
Applications
Fees
Genealogical Sources.

State Societies should then follow up with a similar seminar at their next Quarterly Board of Management Meeting.

Our President General said in May 1975, there are 7 objectives which each Chapter should seek to fulfill which will guarantee our growth and effectiveness as a National Society. They are:

1. Hold regular meetings, 12 months a year.
2. Publish a newsletter every month. Get non-profit privilege from postal service as described in *SAR Handbook*. Build your mailing list to 200 and beyond by including DAR's, all media in your area, politicians, libraries, schools, other patriotic and genealogical societies, veterans groups, other chapters in your state, nearby state chapters, Executive Secretary NSSAR, and general officers and committee chairmen.

3. Publish a roster *each* year.
4. Present Good Citizenship, R.O.T.C. and Law Enforcement medals whenever appropriate throughout the year—and *always* prepare appropriate releases to each of the media in your area. Take photos of the award and distribute to the media—and especially to house organs of organizations of which your awardee may be a member.

5. Celebrate patriotic holidays in conjunction with the DAR.

6. Be sure that your chapter meetings are worthwhile and in the general area of concern of the SAR. (No pot boilers!)

7. Maintain a chapter "scrapbook"—a register of what the group has done.

To these, I would add two more:

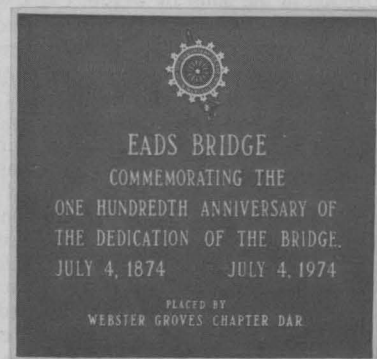
8. Be sure that all proceedings at all meetings are carried on slowly in a loud voice so that *all* of our members can hear and enjoy them.

9. Let new (especially the younger) members pick projects in which *they* are interested, which fall within the overall objectives of the Society; then, given them support, assistance and credit for accomplishment. Note the emphasis on "they"—too often we try to get them to fit *our* goals—then wonder why they lose interest and drop out.

These nine "Commandments," plus a tenth, "study your *S.A.R. Handbook*," will guarantee membership growth—because nearly everyone wants to join a "going" organization!

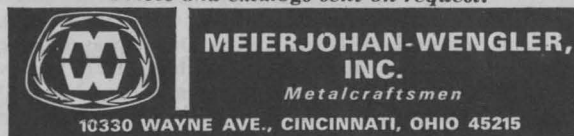
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During the installation ceremonies, President General Matthew B. Sellers receives the badge of office from his predecessor, Col. Savage.

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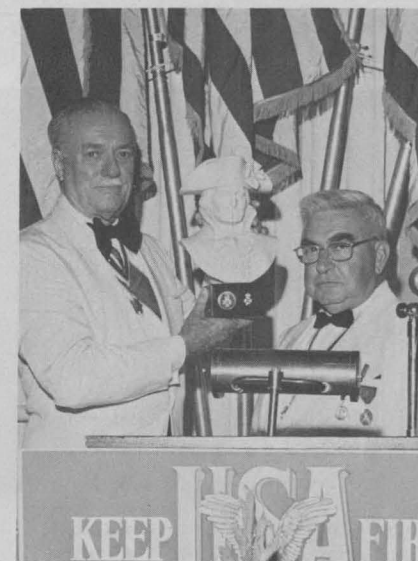
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An elegant porcelain bust of George Washington is presented to the National Society by N.J. Society Pres. John Naisby (rt), representing CYBIS. The object d'art was a gift of CYBIS, world-famed artists, to the SAR in commemoration of the Bicentennial.
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The following Presidential Message was received and read at the 86th SAR Annual Congress in Philadelphia:

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

As a fellow member, I am especially happy to greet the members of the Sons of the American Revolution as you hold your Eighty-Sixth Annual Congress in Philadelphia. I find it most appropriate that you have chosen a City so full of historical significance for your Bicentennial session.

You are in a unique position to add to the meaning of our two hundredth anniversary observance. Proud of your heritage as direct descendants of the patriots and soldiers of 1776, you have continued to perpetuate the traditions and spirit of that day. Your activities over the years have helped immeasurably to focus public attention on the events of our Revolutionary Era.

This year, more than ever, as we reflect on those earliest days of our national life, we look to organizations such as ours to help dramatize this milestone for our people so that we can together carry forward the ideals of the Revolution into a third century of social and economic progress.

Harold R. Ford



The Heritage Singers delight banquet attendees at the Annual Congress.



As a Memorial to Our Beloved and Respected Compatriot,
BENJAMIN E. HOLLAND
 President, The Georgia Society

**There has been set up in his memory
 a Scholarship Endowment Fund.
 Contributions may be made to**

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**We mark his passing on July 12, 1976
 with sadness. His imprint on our
 Society will always be remembered.**

This memorial space purchased by the Georgia Society, SAR.

Did you know that the Oration Contest is one of the most exciting and rewarding programs of the SAR Annual Congress?

Don't procrastinate! Start now to select and develop an orator for your chapter. He may ultimately represent your state society at the next Congress.

1977 RULES FOR THE DOUGLASS G. HIGH HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST

1. The Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest for male high school seniors, juniors and sophomores, conducted by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, will be held Sunday evening, June 26, 1977. It will be conducted for the twenty-ninth time during the Eighty-Seventh SAR Annual Congress at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
2. Each State Society or local Chapter shall make available to senior high school speech teachers, history teachers and/or principals in public, parochial and private schools the information regarding this contest as early in the school year as possible.
3. When more than one school is involved, a local and/or state contest must be held to determine the winners. A contestant, once eliminated, may not enter another Douglass G. High contest this year.
4. The expenses of the winning contestant from each state to the SAR Annual Congress shall be paid by either a local Chapter or State Society.
5. When an entry is the winner of a contest among several State Societies, the word "district" may be substitute for the word "state" in these rules.
6. In any local or state contest, any male member of the sophomore, junior or senior class of a senior high school shall be eligible to enter, subject to such supplemental rules as the State Society may provide. However, all local and state contests must be conducted, without exception, according to these national rules.
7. Only the first place winner of the National Contest will be ineligible for participation in subsequent National Society contests. A State Society may select as first place winner in its own contest a student who may not be ineligible to participate in the National Contest.
8. This contest is for original orations of not less than five minutes or more than six minutes, and shall deal with American History of the Revolutionary War Period: Personality, event or document, and its relationship to events of today.
9. Before an entrant is permitted to speak in a state contest, each State Society chairman must obtain from him a copy of his speech, a photograph and a biography (to include age, home address, school, year in school, and honors and attainments both in and out of school). These data of the top three winners shall be promptly forwarded, together with the official entry blank provided, to the National Committee for determination of the entry's compliance with these rules. These data must be received by Mr. Joseph W. McLark, Chairman, 1525 Eighth St., Alameda, Calif. 94501, by June 12, 1977, two weeks prior to the contest. Entry blanks will be mailed January 1, to state chairmen when known, or to the state presidents.
10. Entrants in the National Contest must be present twelve (12) hours prior to the scheduled time, prepared to participate in any elimination considered necessary by the National Committee.
11. No applause is permitted until all contestants have finished speaking.
12. Each speech must be essentially the same as the script submitted, and no notes may be used. Electronic amplifiers shall be used.
13. All judges in this contest must be members of the SAR, and if possible, members of entities not competing.
14. A committee of judges will select the winners on the following basis: (A) Composition (B) Delivery (C) Logic (D) Significance (E) General excellence determines the final decision; these criteria to be used only in case of disagreement on the four other points.
15. Contestants will be penalized two (2) points for each minute, or fraction thereof, over or under the time specified.
16. Awards: First prize, \$350; second prize, \$250; third prize, \$100; all contestants not winning first, second, or third prize, \$25, and engraved money clips to all contestants. Supplemental awards are often offered by members of the Society.
17. Contestants are welcome to attend all events of the Congress, and each will receive a complimentary guest registration.

ANNUAL SAR AWARDS PRESENTED FOR 1976 AT THE SERVICE ACADEMIES



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The Global Press, International, with Dr. Paul Lindstrom of Suburb Chicago, and Dr. George Dewey, Worldwide Correspondent for Global Press, is throwing the influence of their organization behind the national movement for the Liberty Bell. Several press releases have already gone out.

Joseph B. Head

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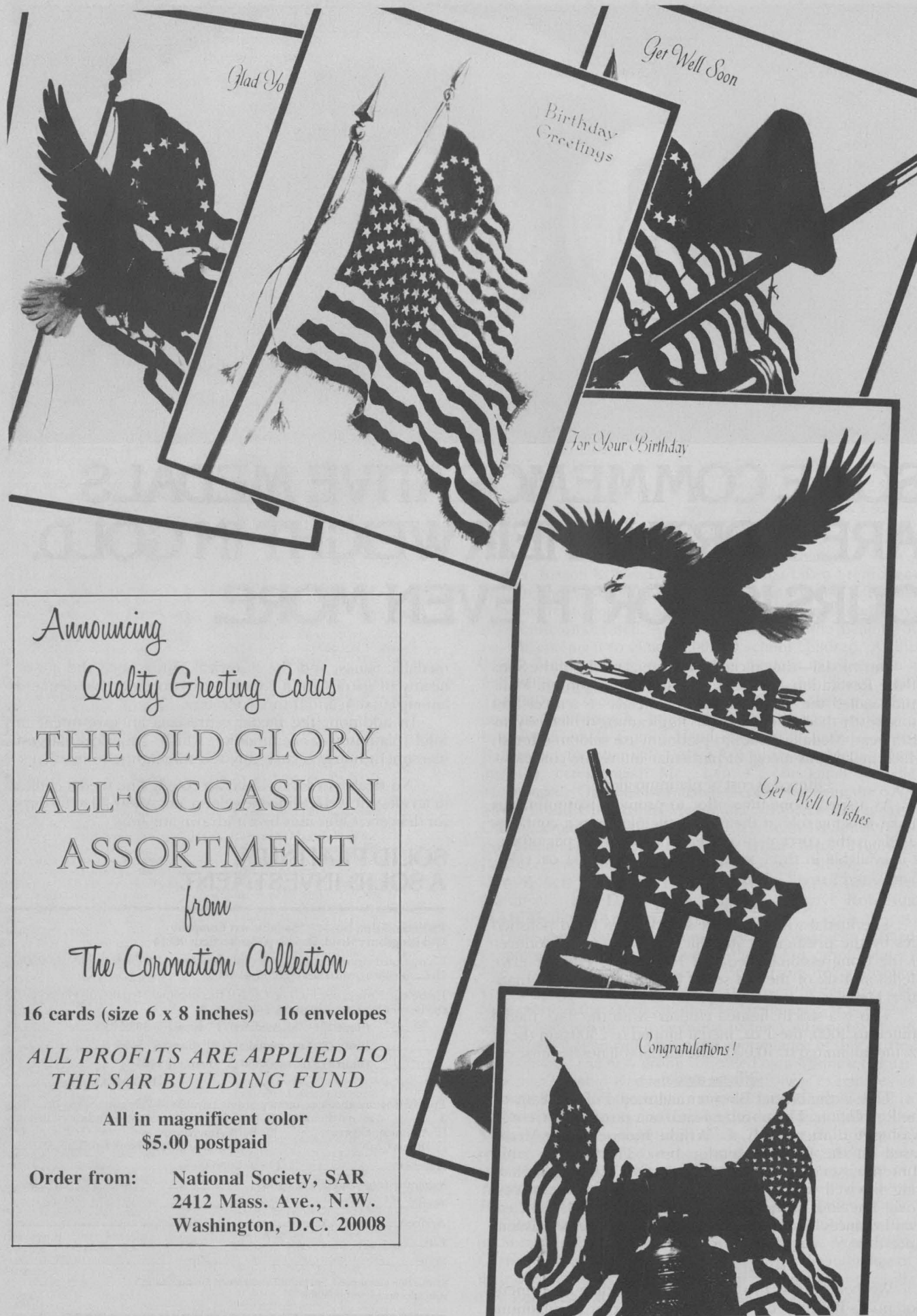
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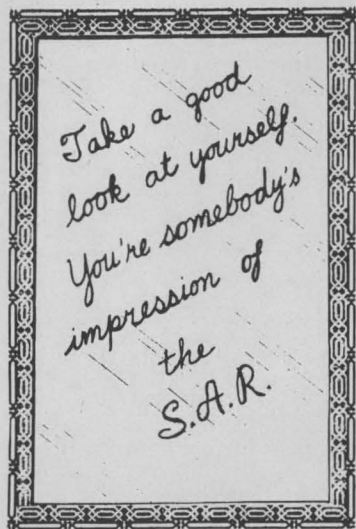
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Palm Beach Chapter Luncheon, 3rd Mon. at Stouffer's Restaurant at Datura & Narcissus Sts., W. Palm Beach.

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Saramana Chapter, Sarasota, Monthly luncheon meetings Oct. thru May at various sites. For info, call Dr. Hatt, 366-1711. SARs & ladies welcome.

Tallahassee Chapter, Dinner meetings 6:15 2nd Thurs. except Feb., June, July & Aug. Washington's Birthday meeting Feb. 22, 7:00 p.m. All at Downtown Holiday Inn.

GEORGIA

Atlanta Chapter, monthly luncheon meetings, 2nd Fri. at 12:15 p.m., Adm. Ben Bow Inn, 1470 Spring St., N.W., visiting SARs & wives invited, Reservation unnecessary.

Wm. Miller Chapter (Waycross) meets every 4th Thurs. at Holiday Inn. Even months: Luncheon 12:30 Odd months: Dinner 7:00. Visiting SARs, wives & guests invited. Reservations unnecessary.

ILLINOIS

Springfield Chapter Visiting Lincoln-Land? Meets monthly at various locations. No reservations needed. Call Chapter Pres. or Secy. for information.

KANSAS

Delaware Crossing Chapter, Breakfast meetings last Sat. monthly at 9 a.m. Holiday Inn, I-35 & 95th St., Lenexa. Reservation unnecessary. Ph: Ralph Goodell (913) 831-6633.

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Society is holding a luncheon every 2nd Thurs. monthly at the Pendennis Club, 115 University Pl., N. O.

Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter, Baton Rouge. Noon, 1st Tues. monthly at the City Club, 335 North Blvd. Luncheon optional.

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston Chapter meets 1st Mon. monthly at 12:30 P.M. except July, Aug. & Sept. at Howard Johnson's, 200 Stuart St., Boston, Visiting SARs welcome.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska Society Annual Meeting, Feb. 22nd. Lincoln Chapter meets 2nd Tues. monthly. For info, write or phone the State Secy.

NEVADA

Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas is holding a Breakfast meeting at 9 am every 2nd Sat. monthly at Denny's Rest., Rancho Rd. & Sahara Ave.

NORTH CAROLINA

Lower Cape Fear Chapter meets monthly except Feb. & July at Balantine's Buffet, Long Leaf Mall at 11:45 on 3rd Fridays. Washington's Birthday & Independence Day dinners yearly.

OHIO

Benjamin Franklin Chapter, meets Columbus Athletic Club, 136 E. Broad St., Columbus, noon 3rd Fri. monthly Sept. thru May, except Dec.

Western Reserve Society meets at Mid-Day Club, Union Commerce Bldg., Cleveland, noon 2nd Wed., except July, Aug. & Feb., when special meetings are held. SARs welcome.

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City Chapter, Breakfast 7:30, 3rd Sat. monthly except Nov. at Ramada Inn West. SARs & wives welcome. Phone Sec'y 631-3493.

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter Luncheon meeting, 12:15 p.m., 1st Mon. monthly except July, Aug. & Sept. SARs welcome. Engineers Club, 1317 Spruce St., Phila.

RHODE ISLAND

R.I. Society, Luncheon meetings 11:30 a.m. 3rd Thur. monthly Sept. thru May. Brown Faculty Club, 1 McGee St., Providence. Summer meetings: Brown Club Field House, Corner Brook & Cushing Sts.

TEXAS

El Paso Chapter meets at noon 1st Sat. monthly at Jerry Wolfe Restaurant, Rodeway Inn, Geronimo & Interstate 10.

Heart of Texas Chapter meets at 10 am 2nd Sat. Jan., April, July & Oct. at the Stage-Coach Inn Country Club, Hwy 55, Salada. Visiting SAR's welcome.

San Antonio Chapter meets noon, 2nd Fri. monthly at Arden Grove Partyhouse, 102 9th St: San Antonio.

Dallas Chapter, 8:00 A.M. breakfast meeting at Melrose Hotel each 2nd Sat. Visiting SAR's most welcome.

Maj. K. M. Van Zandt Chapter Luncheon, noon, 3rd Mon. monthly at Ft. Worth Club, 10th fl., 306 W. 7th St., Ft. Worth.

UTAH

Utah Society meets noon, 3rd Mon. monthly at the Alta Club, 100 E. South Temple, Salt Lake City.

VIRGINIA

Virginia Society, Office, Hotel Jefferson, Richmond. Open Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9 to 12 A.M. Visiting SARs welcome. Tel: (804) 648-1776. W. B. Wingo, Secy. Tel: (804) 643-7491.

Lt. David Cox Chapter Luncheon & program 1st Fri. monthly except Jan., Feb., Mar., Osborne's Motel, Independence. For info contact Col. Guy Halsey, Sec'y.

WISCONSIN

James Morgan Chapter, Milwaukee. Monthly noon luncheons, 2nd Fri. at Cudworth Post. 1756 N. Prospect Ave., Visiting SARs welcome.

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