



Illustrated: Bulova Accutron® Quartz pocket watch at \$195 and men's wrist watch at \$180.
Watches shown one-third larger than actual size.

OFFICIAL SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WATCH

A precision Bulova Accutron Quartz timepiece available for a limited time only.
Distinctive 14kt. gold-finished medallion dial featuring the Official Seal of the
Sons of the American Revolution.

Available in wrist watch and pocket watch styles.

Entire edition reserved exclusively for SAR Members.

For guaranteed acceptance, orders must be postmarked by October 15, 1979.

Earliest orders entered will be guaranteed Christmas delivery.

This offer will never be repeated.

For ordering information, contact SAR Watch, P.O. Box 511, Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087,
telephone 215-687-5277.

©1979 Bulova Watch Company, Inc.



The SAR MAGAZINE

Sons of the American Revolution

FALL 1979, Vol. LXXIV, NO. 2

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Francis Scott Key
With Spirit (♩=104)

SERVICE VERSION
in key of F

Attributed to
John Stafford Smith

1. O say! can you see, — by the dawn's early light,
2. On the shore, dim-ly seen thro' the mist,
3. O thus be it ev-er when fre-

proud-ly we hail'd at the foe's haugh-ty host in dread
tween their lov'd homes and the



New Key for *The Star-Spangled Banner*



The PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE...

One of the great benefits of traveling about the country visiting National Headquarters, State Societies and Chapters as your representative is that I gain a valuable exposure to a wide variety of SAR activities and accomplishments. It is with genuine enthusiasm that I report some of the more notable items, many of which I hope will help stimulate your group's programming.

Did you know that in our Louisville Genealogical Research Library is a set of valuable manuscripts consisting of 6,000 pages of typed information on the descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence? Started back in 1885 by Frank Willing Leach of Philadelphia, the project absorbed him for over 30 years. In his writings, he explained that some Signers had no children, other lines became extinct, but some were very prolific and he found "that children were being born faster than I could write letters of inquiry, and that it was outside the range of possibility for any one man ever to complete the job."

This vast research project by Leach, a member of the diplomatic service, was purchased by R. C. Ballard Thurston, Past President General of the NSSAR, in 1927. Four sets were made: One was given to our Society; a second to the Society of Descendants of the Signers; a third to John Calvert, a Philadelphian who supervised the copying; and a fourth to the Filson Club of Louisville. We indeed are fortunate to have this collection.

NSSAR's Genealogy Committee, Genealogist General Carleton E. Fisher and Registrar General Robert J. Reynolds have revised our SAR application forms, the booklet on requirements and the instructions for completing the form. These will definitely help simplify processing applications.

Past President General Wilson King Barnes, Sr., has concluded the settlement of Amy Prudden Turner's estate, with NSSAR becoming the recipient of about \$30,000.

Dr. John L. Ruby, President of the Michigan Society and Chairman of the Education Committee, and committee members are preparing plans for an NSSAR scholarship program. Envisioned is a steadily growing momentum among State Societies and Chapters to climb aboard this program in order to gain 100 points in the President General's competition, which is detailed within the National Newsline section of this issue of the magazine.

The Blair County Chapter, PASAR, recently sponsored an essay contest in the junior high schools of Blair to help students learn about the American Revolution and to appreciate its significance. Are there other Chapters out there with a similar program?

The Fort Venango Chapter, also of the PASAR, has cleaned up the John Fetterman Cemetery near Franklin. Although it does not contain any Revolutionary Soldiers, the cemetery has an 1812 Veteran buried there.

As a splendid example of the numerous activities which can be accomplished with some effort, consider the report of Brig. Gen. Wesley B. Hamilton, who was Independence Day Chairman last year. In his home city of Tacoma, Washington, he commenced events on July 1 with a church service featuring the 9th Division Soldiers' Chorus. This was followed on July 2 with a Mayor's Parade,

fireworks on the 3rd and a July 4 Army Review, Massing of the Colors and an Air Force display. The events received wide news coverage by the *Tacoma-News-Tribune*, plus in advertisements by city utility companies. Compatriot Hamilton received the Mayor's commendation for his leadership.

During the awards ceremony in San Diego, Oregon Trustee Mervin P. Foley presented an old, historic SAR medallion to our new Museum in Louisville. It was contained in a striking walnut case which he had made.

Here's an idea for State Societies. Virginia presents \$100 checks to each new Chapter installed in the state as a means of lending a helping hand in getting going.

At last, NSSAR has published a new book which will make it easy for Compatriots and others to learn whether they inherited the honor of having an ancestor who served at Valley Forge during the winter of 1777-78, America's darkest hour. Entitled *Valley Forge - In Search of That Winter Patriot*, the volume was written by Ramona Cameron Worley, DAR wife of Dr. Donald L. Worley, Past President of the Missouri Society and also a member of Illinois. In a numbered, limited edition, Mrs. Worley provides sources and advice on finding your Winter Patriot from each of the new states. It is available from Headquarters for \$10 postpaid.



During the Trustees meeting in Des Moines, Ramona Cameron Worley presented two hard cover copies of her new book, *Valley Forge - In Search of That Winter Patriot*, to President General Chunn, one for his personal library, the other for the SAR Genealogical Research Library in Louisville.

After meeting Ralph B. Stever, General President of the General Society of the Sons of the Revolution, at a recent DAR gathering, your President General broached the subject of a possible SAR/SR merger. President Stever promised to bring up the proposal at their triennial meeting, but has since wrote that "our mutual cause is better served by two strong and independent organizations." He enclosed a leaflet written in 1954 opposing such a merger.

I would appreciate knowing about what your State Society or Chapter is doing! Through this message, the President General's Newsletter and the editorial columns of the magazine, a beneficial job of cross-pollinating ideas can be accomplished.

Fraternally yours,

Calvin E. Chunn

News from the EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Just a few words concerning the original Executive Secretary. Compatriot Harold Putnam served the National Society for over 17 years. He served at a time when the Society moved into National stature from a parochial organization in the East. To a great number of our members still living, Harold Putnam is to be remembered as a dynamic force in the Society. Many stories of his impact on the Society could be told. If you know of some, please let me know.

He was recognized as a unique leader by the Past Presidents General who knew him. The Society designated him an Honorary President General, not a sobriquet, but rather a title that only Harold Putnam could have earned. Compatriot Austin Drew has carried messages between us during my early days in this position. I wish I could have met him, personally. He has remembered the SAR Genealogical Research Library in his Last Testament. He will be remembered by the Compatriots who knew him well.

A word about the State Flags for the Trustees' Hall in the Headquarters Building. Only 15 more flags are needed to complete the array. The response to my suggestion has been most gratifying. Thank you.

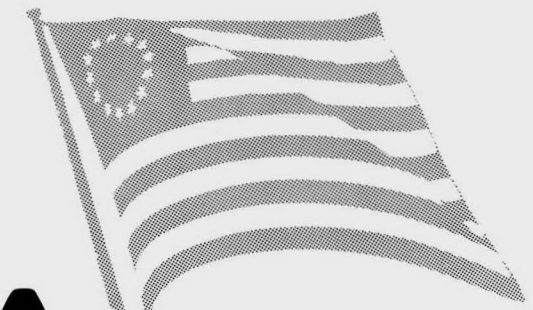
A Compatriot from Tennessee wanted to donate his State's flag after we had received it. So I advised him of a new project forming in my mind: Colonial-style library chairs, at least 50 of them. He responded immediately with two to memorialize his Father and Father-in-law. Then he came back later with three more! A Compatriot from my home Chapter in Kansas visited the Library and learned of the new project. The Delaware Crossing Chapter gave four chairs and five individual members added to that with spontaneous, fraternal loyalty. Compatriots visiting the Library have purchased chairs on the spot or have sent their checks later. Their enthusiastic support for the programs being advanced helps keep my enthusiasm for the job at a high level. As of this writing, we have all of the chairs needed!

Other projects are being announced elsewhere in this issue of *The SAR Magazine*. I know there will be an outpouring of support for these projects just as we have seen in the Flag and Chair projects. This time of year is an especially good opportunity to contribute to the success of these two SAR projects. The Internal Revenue Service encourages your giving to support SAR.

Col. R. H. Goodell, Jr.
Executive Secretary

ABOUT THE COVER

Within this issue is an article about the "Star-Spangled Banner" for singing in the key of F, as illustrated. The accompanying photo (taken by Richard Frear of the National Park Service) shows the United States Marine Corps Guard at Fort McHenry wearing uniforms which are a modern version of those donned by Marines at the fort during the War of 1812. They are shown performing a colorful Tattoo ceremony, an event which thrills thousands of visitors each year.



The SAR MAGAZINE

Sons of the American Revolution

(ISSN 0161-0511)

VOL. LXXIV, No. 2
FALL, 1979

IN THIS ISSUE:

National Newsline	4
1979-80 NSSAR Committee Members	10
Compatriots in the Public Eye	14
Genealogical Inquiries	14
Feature Article: "New Key for 'The Star-Spangled Banner'"	16
Feature Article: "The Minuteman at Framingham"	18
Chapter and State News	20
Minutes of June, 1979 Trustees Meetings	31
Genealogical Sources	32
Reflections by the Chaplain General	33
In Memoriam	33
New Members	34
When You Are Traveling	Back Cover

Published quarterly by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203; Phone: (502) 589-1776; Executive Secretary: Col. Ralph H. Goodell, Jr.; Subscription rate \$2.00 per year; single copy \$1.00. Second class postage paid at Louisville, KY and at additional mailing offices.

Publisher: President General Calvin E. Chunn, 7740 Palmyra Drive, Fair Oaks, California 95628

Editor: Winston C. Williams, P.O. Box 26595, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226; Phone: (414) 259-9915.

Business Manager: Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr.

Matters concerning the following should be sent to the National Society, Louisville: General advertising, inquiries, insertion orders and space contracts; notification of address changes of members (include national number) and subscribers; changes for the Directory of Officers; and items to be listed under "Genealogy Inquiries" and "In Memoriam". Printed in U.S.A.



NATIONAL NEWSLINE



Numerous Library Improvements Made

Since the Society's Genealogical Research Library in Louisville opened July 15th, nearly 400 people made use of the facility through the end of September — a heartwarming development and certainly a strong indication that the Library has a great future.

Librarian General Gradie R. Rowntree reports that the new bookshelves are now complete, an air conditioning system has been installed and a glass door is now in



A growing number of tables and chairs are being acquired for the Library through donations from SARs and others, in memory, for example, of relatives. Tables may still be donated for \$200. A suitably inscribed metal plaque recognizes each donor. Many chairs were committed for during the October Trustees meeting by individual Patriots, State Societies and Chapters.

place at the stairway to help maintain an even temperature. In addition, large fixtures have been added in the ceiling to provide optimum lighting for reading and new Colonial-style tables accommodate 40 researchers at one time. Chairs to match the tables are being purchased.

Compatriot Rowntree also reports that 34 books have been given, with suitable certificates and letters of appreciation being sent to each donor.

The Library is open to the public from 9 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday. SARs and DARs have unlimited access without charge. Other visitors may make a donation. Compatriots who cannot visit the Library are encouraged to query Librarian Marian Veath for research assistance.

Des Moines Trustees Meeting Tops Prior Attendance Records

The Society's Board of Trustees set an all-time record for attendance during their meeting at the Hotel Fort Des Moines in Des Moines, Iowa, on October 20. Highlights of the gathering are reported below and in separate articles within this issue.



Greetings were brought from the Governor of Iowa by a top aide during the opening session of the meeting.



Iowa Compatriot G. Arthur Luther received warm thanks for organizing the meeting from President General Calvin E. Chunn.



The Colors were presented by a local technical school unit of the ROTC.



PG Chunn was the featured speaker at a banquet following business session.



Iowa Society President Raymond E. Hayes presented an Iowa Flag to PG Chunn for display in Trustees Hall at SAR National Headquarters in Louisville, bringing the total flags to nearly 40.



PG Chunn greeted Compatriot Comte Hubert Le Begue de Germiny, new Trustee for France and Vice-Counsel of France for New Orleans, while V-PG O.D. Fontenot observed.

Nevada Society Stages Rally To Mark Constitution Signing

The Las Vegas, Nevada Convention Center was the setting on September 30 of what might have been the largest patriotic rally held anywhere in the country to commemorate the anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. In all, over 4,200 people attended the event.

The rally was sponsored by the Nevada Societies of the SAR and DAR, with the planning and organizing spearheaded by John C. Mowbray, Vice-President General of the Western District and Chief Justice of the Nevada Supreme Court. He served as Master of Ceremonies. Also involved were various Veterans' groups.

Highlighting the unique program were remarks by Governor Robert List and Las Vegas Mayor William Briare, stirring choir music and a dynamic address by Ezra Taft Benson, a leading member of the Utah Society. Compatriot Benson was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal. Distinguished Compatriots present included Vice-President General Oliver R. Smith (Intermountain District), Hawaii



Responsible for organizing the rally were (from left): Chief Justice John C. Mowbray, Compatriot and Mrs. Ezra Taft Benson, and Compatriots Jack Willis and John E. Warthen.

Society President Robert B. Cloward, California President Robert W. Formhals, Utah National Trustee Melvin J. Stanford and Utah Valley Chapter President John Scott Davenport.

Compatriot Benson's address, entitled "Freedom — Our Priceless Heritage," stressed that our nation needs a "re-dedication to the Spirit of Valley Forge." He stated that now is the time for us to "nail our colors to the mast and to stand up for God and those unequivocal principles of freedom and morality — the very foundations of this blessed land of America!" Quoting several past American leaders from Thomas Jefferson to the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, he said the country needs to return to the basic principles set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.



During Las Vegas patriotic rally, Chief Justice John C. Mowbray presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Compatriot Ezra Taft Benson.

He also warned of the creeping threat of communism: "Socialism or liberalism, communism's twin sister, has now become America's dominant political philosophy. If we are to stop our head-long rush toward Red rule, Americans must see through the false promises and premises of Socialism, avoid the booby-traps of Welfarism, repudiate the illusory free lunch, and condemn the fantasy of so-called 'blessings' of cradle-to-grave security. If we continue to succumb to these blandishments, we are in the gravest danger of losing our sovereignty and precious liberty."

Compatriot Benson is a great-grandson of Apostle Ezra T. Benson, one of the original pioneers who entered the Salt Lake Valley with Brigham Young in 1847. Now President of the Council of Twelve of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, he has served on the Council since 1943. As a young man he was a missionary to the British Isles. In 1952 he was tapped by President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower to serve in his cabinet as Secretary of Agriculture. The holder of 11 honorary degrees, he was graduated from Iowa State College (now University), having majored in agriculture (a field in which he has been active since then, in addition to widespread religious responsibilities).

MERCHANDISE ERROR

On page 24 of the Summer Issue of *The SAR Magazine*, the SAR Membership Badge was inadvertently identified as the "President's Insignia." The badge may be purchased direct from the supplier with a special "permit to purchase" obtainable from National Headquarters. A neck ribbon for the badge is also available by permit for National Trustees and State Society and Chapter Presidents.

Father, Twin Sons Join Iowa Society

Is this a first for NSSAR: A father and twin sons being admitted to our ranks in one fell swoop?

That's what happened out in Boone, Iowa last April when the father, Richard Dew Harrison, and sons, Harvey Armour and Harold Richard II, were welcomed into membership of the Iowa Society. But there is an interesting story behind how this came about, as recounted by State Secretary G. Arthur Luther.



Three members of the Harrison family are now members of the Iowa Society (from left): Harold Richard II, Richard Dew and Harvey Armour.

Compatriot Luther received a phone call in early March from Richard Dew reporting that his father, an SAR, had died that morning and that out of respect he wanted to carry on the tradition along with his sons (he had not known of his father's affiliation until going through some of his personal effects). All three presented filled-in application forms during the Society's Spring Meeting. The rest is history.

The Harrison family traces its roots in this country back to 1744. Members have participated in nearly every major war, all in the non-commissioned ranks.

Nominations Due By January 1st

Past President General Wilson King Barnes, Sr., Chairman of the Nominating Committee, has announced that nominations for national officers must be sent to him no later than January 1, 1980 at 111 Ridgewood Road, Baltimore, MD 21210. Included must be a statement from each proposed candidate that he will accept if nominated.

Other members of the committee are: Past Presidents General Matthew B. Sellers (FLSAR), Lt. Col. Robert D. Savage (PASAR), Dr. M. Grahame Clarke, Jr. (MOSAR), Ryall S. Morgan (ALSAR); State Society Presidents Rev. James B. Hoge (ORSAR), Gerald G. Fling (GASAR), Gordon P. Tierney (ILSAR); and National Trustees George Earl Carroll (INSAR), Col. Benjamin H. Morris (KYSAR).



AN AUGUST GROUP — The Executive Committee meets several times a year to conduct the Society's programs and business affairs between gatherings of the Trustees and the National Congress. The full committee was in Des Moines during the October Trustees meeting (from left): Secretary General Arthur M. King, Illinois Society President C. W. Grange, Past Pennsylvania Society President Warren G. Hayes, Jr., President General Calvin E. Chunn, Chancellor General Richard H. Thompson, Jr., Past President General Ryall S. Morgan, Past President General Wilson King Barnes, Sr., and Virginia Society President Howard L. Hamilton, Ph.D.

Oration Contest Rules Announced

Illinois Society Compatriot James A. Williams, Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest, has refined and clarified the rules which govern the contest, as well as adding several important approved changes. They are printed in their entirety here and are effective with the national run-off during the 90th Annual Congress on June 29.

- (1) Each State Society or Chapter shall make available information regarding this Contest to all senior high school speech teachers, history teachers and principals as early in the school year as possible.
- (2) The Contest is open to young men and women of sophomore, junior or senior classes in all public, parochial and private schools throughout the nation.
- (3) The Contest itself is for original orations of not less than five minutes nor more than six minutes. Subjects shall deal with American history or the Revolutionary War, a personality, an event or a document in that war and the relationship it bears to America today.
- (4) Entry blanks will be sent to the State Chairmen of the Contest Committee upon request at any time; however, a general mailing to Committee Chairmen will be made in the first week of January, 1980.
- (5) Before an entrant is permitted to speak in a National event, a copy of the speech, a photograph and a complete biographical sketch of the entrant must be in the hands of the Chairman of the Historical Orations Committee 14 days prior to

the National Congress. Each speech must be essentially the same as the script submitted and notes may not be used. Materials should be promptly forwarded to the office of the Chairman, James A. Williams, 1215 Hunter Road, Wilmette, Illinois 60091. Phone: (312) 251-8000.

- (6) At the Congress, the National Society will be responsible for furnishing awards and a complimentary guest registration to each entrant.
- (7) Expenses involving lodging, meals, transportation to and from the Congress will be borne by the sponsoring State Societies. Congress chaperons for the entrants shall be the responsibility of the State Societies, to include guest registration if the chaperon is non-SAR. The National Congress cordially invites all entrants and chaperons to be present at all of its official events.
- (8) During presentation of orations at the Congress, no applause is permitted until all entrants have finished speaking.
- (9) All judges in this Contest must be members of the SAR who will select the winners on the following basis: (a) Composition; (b) Delivery; (c) Logic; (d) Significance; (e) General excellence; (f) Time allotted for delivery.
- (10) Scholarship awards are: First prize — \$600.00; Second prize — \$400.00 Third prize — \$200.00; Balance of contestants — \$35.00 each; and an engraved money clip to each contestant.

Archivist Needs Help

Since 1899, the NSSAR has been devoted to the preservation of the past, to uphold and defend the principles and records of their forefathers. Now, in 1979, the records of the organization itself are being unearched, sorted, organized and preserved, with the establishment of an archives at the National Headquarters.

It is indeed a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for me, a graduate student and beginning archivist, to establish such an archives, to bring order to a terribly chaotic jungle of mishandled and unorganized records. The finished project, to be completed by July, 1980, is expected to be an asset to every SAR, with materials available for research on any topic concerning the history and members of the SAR.

The types of records collected for the archives come from every office and division of the National Society, including those produced by the National Headquarters, and records of National Officers, Trustees and Executive Committee during their terms of office. Annual reports, Congress records, National Committee records and publications of the National Society are also included in the archives. State Society material, membership and financial records and historical material relating to the founding of the organization are also collected for the archives.

As your archivist, I need your help in discovering the location of many misplaced records. Huge gaps of many years exist in numerous officers' records and many of the first records of the National Society are nowhere to be found. Please write or call if you have any knowledge of records you feel can help in establishing a detailed and comprehensive history of the records of the SAR for the archives.

Christine Schultz
SAR Archivist



NEWS FROM SPAIN — During the Spain 71st Air Force Junior ROTC Squadron's Seventh Annual Awards Program in May, Dr. Eric Beerman, a prominent SAR residing in Madrid, presented the ROTC Medal to Cadet SSgt. Thomas Sanz. The ceremony was held at Torrejon American High School. Sanz was recognized for his "outstanding qualities, soldierly bearing and excellence, thus exemplifying the high ideals and principles which motivated and sustained our Patriot Ancestors."

NSSAR Officer Listing Updated

Since the 1979-80 Directory of Officers was published in the Summer Issue, several changes (indicated **CH** and emphasized in italics) of addresses, officers, etc., corrections (**CO**) and additions (**ADD**) have been received. Plans call for printing these in each issue until the 1980-81 Directory is compiled for next year's Summer Issue.

(CH) Past President General Eugene C. McGuire, Ohio, 1971 — *Route 2, BOX 1575, Lutz, FL 33549.*

(CO) Past President General Ryall S. Morgan, Alabama, 1972 — *123 East Jones St., Savannah, GA 31401.*

(CO) California Society — Redwood Empire Chapter.

(ADD) France Society — Trustee: *Comte Hubert Le Begue de Germiny, French Consulate, New Orleans, LA*; Alt. Trustee: *O.D. Fontenot, 121 Sycamore Dr., Metairie, LA 70005.*

(ADD) Idaho Society — Old Fort Hall Chapter, *Pocatello*; Fort Sherman Chapter, *Coeur d'Alene*; Old Fort Boise Chapter, *Boise.*

(CH) Illinois Society — Pres.: *Gordon P. Tierney, 1810 W. Thos Atkinson, Inverness, Palatine 60067*; Sec.: *Joseph A. Merrill, Jr., P.O. BOX 186, Libertyville 60048.*

(CO) Kansas Society — Trustee: *Augustus diZerega, 447 N. Belmont, Wichita 67208*; **(CH)** Washington Chapter — Pres.: *Wm. E. Miller, 558 N. Bluff, Wichita 67208.*

(CH) Kentucky Society, James Madison Chapter, Berea — Pres.: *Fred G. Williams, 208 Short St., 40403*; Sec.: *Kenneth B. Coffey, 110 Center St., 40403.*

(ADD) Maine Society — Alt. Trustee: *Enoch W. Hunt II, River Rd. 1, P.O. BOX 45, Newcastle 04553.*

(CH) Maryland Society, Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter — Pres.: *Ralph F. Martz, Rt. 8, P.O. BOX 93, Frederick 21701*; Sec.: *W. Jerome Offutt, Offutt Bldg., 2nd & Court St., Frederick 21701.* Gen. Wm. Smallwood Chapter — Pres.: *Freeman E. Morgan, Jr., 7209 Fourteenth Ave., Takoma Park 20854*; Sec.: *Earl R. Stanley, 11005 Stanmore Dr., Potomac 20854.*

(ADD) North Dakota Society — Trustee: *A. Peter N. McArthur, 2405 East Wyoming Pl., Milwaukee, WI 53202*; Alt. Trustee: *Robert V. Osborne, 3624 Gifford Rd., Franksville, WI 53126.*

(CH) Ohio Society, Ethan Allen Chapter, Warren — Pres.: *Charles A. Anderson, Jr., 504 Washington Ave., NE, 44483*; **(ADD)** Western Reserve Society — Pres.: *Henry T. S. Heckman, Republic Steel, P.O. BOX 6778, Cleveland 44101*; Sec.: *Clay Herrick, Jr., 16315 Fernway Rd., Shaker Heights 44120.*

(CH) Oklahoma Society — Trustee: *Darall G. Hawk, 1900 College View Dr., Bartlesville 74003*; Alt. Trustee: *Earl L. Hogard, 1403 South Knoxville, Tulsa 74112.*

(CO) South Carolina Society, Citadel-Charleston Chapter — Pres.: *Frederick Abbott Whitney*; **(CH)** Gen. Thos. Sumter Chapter — Pres.: *Walter Waylor Barron, Jr., 2105 Forest Dr., Camden 29020.*

(CO) Tennessee Society — Trustee: *Horace Donham.*

(CO) Virginia Society — Pres.: *Howard L. Hamilton, Ph.D., Jumping Branch Farm, Rt. 5, Box 401, Charlottesville 22901.*

(ADD) West Virginia Society, Greenbrier Valley Chapter — Sec.: *Richard M. Wilson, Rte. #4, Box 1260G, Covington, VA 22426.*

SAR OR IRS — Who will benefit?

Two worthy programs which can be substantially (financially) completed this year are presented for your support.

These programs will enhance the prestige of SAR and the new National Headquarters. At the same time these two programs offer an opportunity, prior to 31 December 1979, for members to honor or memorialize themselves or others.

The first program is to refurbish the interior of the Headquarters Building. A warm, friendly atmosphere can be achieved by panelling the interior walls of 17 areas throughout the building. Colonial styling will contribute much to the fulfillment to the objectives of this Society. Preservation of principles and ideals through this worthy program would be enhanced.

There are 48 "nude" doorways throughout the building. These doorways should be "dressed" in casements of Colonial design. If you have a favorite doorway in an historic Colonial building, or in a state capitol, it can be reproduced in Louisville and installed as a memorial.

Col. Benjamin H. Morris, Chairman of the Building Committee, has enthusiastically endorsed this refurbishing program. "Members of SAR have an opportunity to participate in this program to improve the National Headquarters and bring it to a first-rate museum status", he reported to the Trustees in Des Moines.

A listing of the refurbishing program items is contained in the President General's November, 1979 Newsletter.

The second major program which deserves support is acquisition of microfilm copies of federal censuses beginning with 1790 through 1900. The total project would "cost" \$173,500. Compatriot Howard Carswell, retired financial writer for metropolitan newspapers in Chicago, New York and Washington, has stated that the donations from members "in bits and pieces" would make the SAR Genealogical Research Library a Mecca for family genealogists. The November Newsletter from the President General gives a breakout of the "bits and pieces" of all 11 decennial Federal censuses.

The Chairman of the National Finance Committee, Compatriot A. Peter N. McArthur, WISAR, Trust Officer of a Milwaukee banking corporation, has suggested that SAR members seriously consider support of the refurbishing program and the census program through the "five percent of pre-tax profits" route authorized by the Internal Revenue Service.

Once December, 1979 fades into history, IRS will claim the funds which SAR members could otherwise have contributed to support these programs. The Chairman of the Trusts and Bequests Section of the National Finance Committee, Compatriot J. Thomas Burch, Jr., VASAR, has commented that "a contribution to the Sons of the American Revolution can financially benefit both the SAR and yourself or your company in the form of an income tax deduction. SAR is one of a limited number of national societies listed in IRS Publication 78 as a qualified charitable organization.

"The many complexities of the Internal Revenue Code should not deter you from obtaining a benefit for both yourself and the Sons of the

American Revolution by making a donation to this fine non-profit organization. In almost all instances, the contribution and subsequent deduction will be straight-forward and readily accepted by the IRS."

The enthusiastic support of the State Flag Program for the Trustees' Hall has been overwhelming. "Even before a Program to acquire 40 Colonial-style chairs for the Library was officially announced, 47 chairs were donated", Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell reports. This is astounding!

Don't let your SAR support get away! Contribute before the end of December 1979. Once January 1980 arrives, the money you could have donated to support the SAR improvement programs will be taxed.

Those of you who are business owners have a golden opportunity to support the microfilm project for the Library. The 5% pre-tax portion of your business profits can be freely given. **But only now!** After 31 December, the 5% of your pre-tax profits will be gone forever. SAR won't benefit in 1979. Nor will you. **IRS will!**

SAR members who are connected with corporations should contact their corporate comptrollers, company treasurers or CPA firms to determine how each corporation can support SAR's building refurbishing program and the microfilm project. Do this now, though. Don't wait until 1980. Your company's 1979 income will be available for use in support of these worthwhile programs only if action is now.

Contact your Chapter or State Society President or Secretary for a detailed listing of Program items available for your support. Or call the Executive Secretary.

NSSAR BALANCE SHEETS SEPTEMBER 30, 1979

OPERATIONS FUND

Assets	
Cash & Investments	\$142,700
Inventories	53,935
Accounts Receivable	155
Total Assets	\$196,790
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	16,163
Total Liabilities	\$ 16,163
Fund Balance	228,333
Decrease	(47,706)
Fund Balance (9/30/79)	\$180,627

INVESTMENT FUND

Assets	
Cash & Investments	\$586,431
Building & Fixtures	477,485
Liberty Bell	13,600
Inventory (Silver Ingots)	3,756
	\$1,081,272
Fund Balance (6/30/79)	1,072,278
Increase	8,994
Fund Balance (9/30/79)	\$1,081,272

State Societies, Chapters Urged to Enroll In 1979-80 NSSAR Activities Competition

Because the 1978-79 State Society/Chapter activity competition proved so popular, President General Calvin E. Chunn has announced that the contest will be staged again this year.

Compatriots will recall that the contest is based on accumulating points for a wide variety of items, as listed below. Records should be maintained for the period April 1, 1979, through March 31, 1980, on the "honor system" and forwarded to Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr., prior to June 1. The winners will be announced and presented with awards during the 90th Annual Congress at Dallas, Texas next year. Awards will recognize the most active State Societies and the most active Chapters. Four first places will be offered by membership size: **States:** To 199, 200-499, 500-999, over 1,000; **Chapters:** To 49, 50-99, 100-199, over 200.

Several new items have been added and are so indicated. **Begin accumulating your points according to these scales:**

1. **Newspaper or periodical publicity.** For each inch about an SAR chapter 15 points
2. **Television coverage.** For each mention of SAR 15 points
3. **Membership.** For each increase in membership over the previous year. For each new member 5 points
4. **Delinquents.** For each return to active status of each dues delinquent 5 points
5. **Dues.** For prompt remittance of dues to State and National 10 points
6. **Secretarial returns.** For prompt remittance 10 points
7. **Attendance.** For each delegate attending a National Congress 10 points
8. **Attendance.** For each delegate attending State meetings 5 points
9. **Programs.** For each historical program presented 5 points
10. **Programs.** For each educational program presented 5 points
11. **Programs.** For each patriotic program presented 5 points
12. **Liaison.** For each meeting with DARs 10 points
13. **Liaison.** For each meeting with CARs 10 points
14. **For contributions to CAR;** for each dollar given 1 point
15. **For contributions to the SAR:** Each acceptable book for

- | | |
|---|------------|
| library | 5 points |
| Each piece of acceptable furniture | 15 points |
| 16. Special observances: | |
| Washington's Birthday program | 10 points |
| Memorial Day program | 10 points |
| Flag Day | 10 points |
| July 4 | 10 points |
| Constitution Day | 10 points |
| Yorktown Day | 10 points |
| Other historic or patriotic observances | 10 points |
| 17. For each set of gifts donated to veterans in Veterans Administration hospitals | 5 points |
| 18. For each Revolutionary grave marked | 25 points |
| 19. For each historic site marked | 25 points |
| 20. For establishing a Speakers Bureau of SARs to deliver patriotic, historical and educational talks to other organizations (new) | 100 points |
| 21. For featured speeches made by SARs to other organizations and are identified as SARs | 25 points |
| 22. For awarding SAR medals (new), each | 1 point |
| 23. For granting college scholarships (new) | 100 points |
| 24. For each advertisement purchased in <i>The SAR Magazine</i> by a Chapter or State Society, or by a member in behalf of a business concern, per column inch | 15 points |

NSSAR Publishes Valley Forge Book

Valley Forge — In Search of That Winter Patriot is the title of a new book just published by the National Society in a limited, numbered edition.

Written by Ramona Cameron Worley and illustrated by Agnes Barta Cameron Siglinger, the 140-page volume is a comprehensive guide for tracing Valley Forge ancestors. It is a very readable, easy-to-use book and contains lists of sources for every state which sent its soldiers to this venerable Shrine of Liberty. Copies are available from National Headquarters for \$10.00 postpaid.

Mrs. Worley is a prominent member of the DAR Illinois Society and the wife of Dr. Donald Worley, Past President of the Missouri Society and now Chairman of the Medals and Awards Committee.

90th Annual Congress Set for Dallas, Texas

During their fall meeting in Des Moines, the Trustees voted to switch the site of the 90th Annual Congress from Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to Dallas, Texas, and changed the date of the gathering to June 28 through July 2, 1980. These moves were made upon recommendation of the Executive Committee in light of the fact that the hotel in Winston-Salem would not be able to provide a sufficient number of guest rooms.

The Texas Society, which has bid for the Congress at a future date, enthusiastically stepped in and announced that it would be happy to serve as host next year. A planning group has already been named, with Clovis H. Brakebill as Chairman, and is nailing down firm activities. Compatriot Brakebill is a Past President of the Dallas Chapter and a Past District Vice President of the Texas Society.



The NorthPark Inn will serve as Headquarters Hotel for the 90th Annual Congress in Dallas.

The gracious NorthPark Inn has been booked for the Congress. Affiliated with the Best Western group, the Inn is located at 9300 North Central Expressway in the heart of North Dallas. Delegates will discover the convenience of numerous fine restaurants, dinner theaters, movie cinemas and boutique and specialty shopping. And more than adequate meeting and dining facilities in a convention complex at the Inn will be at the disposal of the Society.

The seventh largest city in the United States, Dallas is a mecca for over two million visitors annually and is served by 11 commercial airlines at the nation's largest airport.

Congress registration and hotel reservation materials will begin appearing in the Winter Issue of *The SAR Magazine*. This and the Spring Issue will also contain additional information about the Congress and places of interest to visit in the surrounding city and state.

Americans Warned to Fight Apathy By Second-Place Oration Winner

Readers will recall that the Summer Issue of the magazine carried the winning talk given at the National Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest held during the 89th Annual Congress in San Diego. Reproduced below is the oration delivered by the second place runner-up, Greg Schultz of Carrollton, Texas.

AMERICA'S GREATEST ENEMY

I was born on July 4th, 1776, and was conceived in the minds of men as a dream. A dream of liberty and justice, not for a few, but for all men. As time passed and as I grew, problems would occur, but, because of the dream of their forefathers, the American people would always meet the challenge. When freedom called, I answered — sending my people and their dream to the bloody fields of Europe, to the steaming jungles of the Philippines, and the bleak slopes of Korea. My people were proud, proud of the liberty and the justice that they represented around the world. But now, as I look around me, it seems my people do not have the pride that was so prevalent in the past. The dream has dimmed, the flame does not burn as brightly as it once did. Yes, I am America, and these are the things I am. I was conceived in freedom, and, God willing, in freedom I must strive to remain.

Dramatic as this may appear, it is intended to call attention to a situation that now exists. A situation that could eventually lead to the downfall of Western Civilization as we know it.

As a country, we have grown from thirteen small colonies into the world's greatest industrial nation. The rest of the free world looks up to us for both leadership and guidance. Our people are the wealthiest, the best fed and the best educated on Earth. In technology we surpass all the other nations of the world, and we protect all this with the world's greatest military force. Yet, in the midst of our power and grandeur, we have failed to see the greatest threat to our nation's future existence. We have been so busy building our nation in such a way that no enemy could get in, that we have failed to realize that our greatest enemy is already within the very fiber of American life.

What is this great enemy that could cause our nation to crumble? What enemy could cause such great destruction? What is America's greatest enemy? America's greatest enemy, is Americans! "Americans" you might say, "well, that's absurd." No, it is not absurd, it's tragic, because America is what Americans make it. And too many Americans no longer care. Whereas our ancestors were willing to

and often did, die to protect liberty and the American dream, today we no longer seem prepared to die for our liberty. Americans in the past have fought in such wars as the Revolution, which bought our independence at the price of thousands of lives, the War of 1812, World War I, and many of you may have fought in World War II, or the Korean War — in all of these wars, and more, Americans died for the liberty and the dream that they believed in.

But, the liberty that we claim today is not the same liberty that our forefathers claimed. The exiled Russian writer, Alexander Solzhenitsyn recognized this problem and in response he wrote of the end of Western Democracy. In one of his articles, Solzhenitsyn said, "When you acquired liberty in the 18th century, it was a sacred notion, but now, perhaps because you have forgotten the true meaning of liberty, no one is ready to die for it." Nobody is ready to die for liberty. Solzhenitsyn goes on to say, "The West can overcome its present economic and political crisis, but not its spiritual crisis, and no political or military combination will save you."

As we near the 1980's, we still remain a great nation in the eyes of the world; however, due to lack of American spirit and pride, our greatness may soon be replaced by mediocrity. The future existence of our nation and of the free world demands that we recognize the problem facing us now. The problem: Apathy stands between America and Americans. One without the other is nothing, and apathy is slowly prying the two apart. An example of American apathy can be clearly detected in the bad turnouts at the polls. Whereas many new democracies average as high as 96 percent voter participation, we, the leaders of the democratic world, average only 45 percent. Only one-half of America's adult population even bothers to cast a vote to decide their leaders, a privilege millions cannot even comprehend. Apathy is the center of our problems and its growing stronger.

Solzhenitsyn said that we could not overcome our spiritual crisis and that nothing will save us. I challenge him on that issue, because I believe in the American people. While the flame



Second place winner of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest was Greg Schultz (third from left). He was presented a check for \$250.00 by President General Calvin E. Chunn. The Contest Chairman was Rev. Samuel J. Holt (left).

may not burn as brightly as before, the flame is not out, and while the dream may have dimmed, it's still there in the hearts of men.

Solzhenitsyn was wrong. Something can save us, and that something is a dream. The same dream that has brought us this far. We must continue our fight for liberty and as we fight for liberty, we must fight against apathy. We must realize that as long as Americans have apathy, they are America's greatest enemy. Americans must regain the spirit of their ancestors, and with that spirit, with that pride, we can overcome the great threat now upon us.

Americans have a dream of liberty and justice for all men and of all the peoples of this world. The American people are the only ones who can make that dream come true — for all men.

New Membership Materials Ready

During the October Trustees meeting, the Genealogy Committee reported the availability of two new publications for use in promoting membership and handling membership applications.

According to Genealogist General Carleton E. Fisher (FLSAR), Chairman of the Committee, the revised *General Information and Requirements* booklet is for use as a companion piece to the one printed earlier this year entitled *To Help Preserve a Precious Heritage*. It is available for \$5.00 per 100, while the latter is \$4.00 per 100.

The second publication contains detailed instructions for preparing application papers. The cost will be announced in the near future by National Headquarters.

The Committee also reported that work has been completed on a new Application Form and will be presented for consideration at the February Trustees meeting in Louisville. It is designed as a single sheet, with space for data on both sides.

Committee Responsibilities, New Activities Detailed

The new NSSAR Committees, their chairmen and members are enumerated in an accompanying article. Their responsibilities, outlined by President General Calvin E. Chunn, are below.

Where a particular committee consists of several sections, he points out, the chairman of each section should be considered a member of the committee as a whole. Thus, the Americanism Committee would include the Chairmen of Basic Documents, Yorktown, Constitution Week, Flags, Historic Days, Liberty Bell and Historic Sites. Compatriot Chunn further points out that the Committee Chairman is the overall administrator and is responsible for the various Section Chairmen in preparing materials for NSSAR.

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE

This overall committee conducts various activities for the benefit of our nation, remembering that our purposes cover patriotic and historical activities.

Basic Documents Section — will prepare a booklet containing the famous and beloved documents that make our nation great, from the Mayflower Compact through the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation and the Constitution and amendments, including anthems. This booklet will be suitable for distribution to schools.

Yorktown Section — will make plans, prepare programs, outlines and materials to assist SAR Chapters to celebrate the most important date in the history of the world: October 19, 1781, British surrender day at Yorktown, VA. The Headquarters Office will handle distribution.

Historic Days Section — will compile and urge Chapters to memorialize various historic days of our nation, many of which would make the basis for suitable Chapter programs.

Constitution Week Section — will focus on encouraging State Societies and Chapters to celebrate this important event through their own activities and encourage special community observances.

Flags Section — will prepare a booklet describing flag etiquette, hopefully with illustrations of all of the United States flags from Betsy Ross to the Fifty Stars. This booklet will also be suitable for Chapters and schools.

Liberty Bell Section — will continue to visit schools across the country teaching children to ring out, ring out the Liberty Bell for freedom. This is the most popular SAR program.

Historic Sites Section — like Historic Days, will assemble information about historic sites, particularly those which have not been suitably memorialized, and will encourage State Societies and Chapters to mark them with a suitable statue or other significant emblem. The committee will conduct a contest to obtain sug-

gestions from SARs as to what the emblem should be (such as, for example, a minuteman statue).

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Will stand by to help State Societies and National Headquarters to keep bylaws up to date and current with the wishes of all members. A special assignment this year will be to prepare rules for governing the conduct of NSSAR Congresses.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Will continue its task of examining and registering the credentials of Congress delegates, as well as the registration of guests and visitors. An additional responsibility will be to conduct the voting for candidates for National Office.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Combines several activities which formerly were handled by other committees. It will encourage the creation and awarding of college scholarships by State Societies and Chapters, encourage patriotic education and the endowment of colleges and fight for the continuation of instruction in basic Americanism in all schools.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Contains the Sections of Auditing, Budget, Trusts and Bequests, and Insurance.

Auditing Section — will be the overall committee watchdog for the professional auditor.

Budget Section — will prepare program budgets for the following year and make adjustments in the budget during the current year as directed by the voting bodies.

Trusts and Bequests (new) — will encourage members and non-members in the preparation of documents and wills to donate funds for the benefit of the NSSAR.

Insurance Section — will continue to assist the governing bodies in obtaining adequate insurance coverage for the NSSAR.

GENEALOGY COMMITTEE

Will continue its excellent work for the second year and will prepare revised application forms, a descriptive booklet detailing how to prepare applications, and a booklet describing how to perform genealogical research leading to SAR membership. In addition, the committee will meet periodically during the year and will conduct a Genealogical Workshop during the Annual Congress.

HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Will oversee policy concerning the National Headquarters building and work

(Continued on next page)

Tape-Recorded U.S. History Vignettes Ideal for State/Chapter Programing

Ever since 1966 Compatriot Mark Farris of Portland, Oregon, has been reading books and articles aloud while seated alone at his work table in the basement study of his home. But that's not because he likes to hear himself talk.

Actually, he pursues as a retirement avocation a continuing program of tape recording a wide variety of materials for the blind, including scholastic texts, articles and books. Roughly speaking, his sessions at the recorder have consumed well over 100,000 feet of tape, with nearly 3,000 hours of his own time involved. One would think that by now his voice would have given out!

One monumental project which Compatriot Farris is especially proud of are "Vignette of America" tapes, which he suggested and produced as part of an official Oregon Society Bicentennial project. Partially paid for by the state's



Compatriot Mark Farris has taped over 20 million words over the past 13 years. On special order from blind people, he has recorded law books, computer operation manuals, histories, corporation finance texts, cookbooks and even texts of mathematical volumes.

American Revolution Bicentennial Commission, the 24, 1/2-hour programs devote attention to such topics as Patrick Henry, the Liberty Bell, Cornwallis' surrender, Declaration of Independence, Continental Congress, *The Star-Spangled Banner* and the Panama Canal. He personally wrote each script following extensive research, while every tape is interspersed with appropriate music, marches, Indian chants and sounds of battle he assembled over a year's time. When complete, sets of cassettes were sent to the National Federation of the Blind for wide circulation throughout a membership of 300,000.

During a meeting with the Editor of *The SAR Magazine* at the 89th Annual Congress, Compatriot Farris stated that he still has the master tapes and would be pleased to furnish duplicates for \$1.50,

plus shipping, for use in State Society and Chapter programing — in schools, for example. Just write to him at 4418 SW Flower Street, Portland, OR 97221. There are two stories per cassette.

Married for over 60 years and now 85, Compatriot Farris is a Past President of the Portland Chapter and the Oregon Society, Past National Trustee and a Past Vice-President General of the Pacific District. A former insurance agent, he became involved in his hobby through the St. Barnabus Episcopal Church.

Editor's Note: Future issues will feature excerpts from the "Vignette of America" programs.)

Committee Responsibilities Detailed (Con't)

closely with the Executive Secretary and the Executive Committee for an efficient operation of the Society's property.

Library Section — will help build the SAR's Library into one of the finest genealogical sources in the country.

Museum Section — will begin work this year collecting artifacts to describe life during the Colonial, Revolutionary War and early Federal Period, with artifacts being kept on display in rooms suitably decorated for that purpose.

HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST COMMITTEE

Will be responsible for encouraging State Societies to conduct contest run-offs in order to sponsor a candidate at the National Contest held during the Annual Congress. Rules and rule changes come under this committee's jurisdiction.

MEDALS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Is assigned the task of revising the Society's handbook on medals and awards, as well as to design awards voted by the Trustees. Additionally, it is charged with providing suitable decorations to recognize 25 and 50 year members.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Increase membership by whatever aggressive activities which can be devised and provide leadership and assistance to Chapters throughout the country.

PERMANENT FUND COMMITTEE

Acting within the Bylaws, invest the Society's funds wisely and in the safest manner possible.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

A multi-faceted committee, its main objective is to publicize SAR activities across the country. Additionally, it will

SAR MERCHANDISE ORDER FORMS NOW AVAILABLE IN QUANTITY

Readers will recall that the Summer Issue of the magazine featured a new form listing what merchandise is available for purchase from National Headquarters and providing space for ordering various items.

This form has been reproduced in quantity and may be obtained by contacting Executive Secretary Goodell.

Florida Society Program Recognizes Sixth Graders for Good Citizenship

Each year the Florida Society, working through Chapters, recognizes sixth grade students for character traits which exemplify the principles of good citizenship. Recognition encompasses the awarding of a special framed certificate and \$5.00 to each recipient.

Schools may devise and use any system believed most suitable for selecting recipients. In general, the Society proposes that students in each homeroom sixth grade class nominate no more than ten classmates, representing both sexes, as being eligible. In turn, the school principal and those teachers with student nominees in their classes make the final selection of one boy and one girl.

Qualities suggested for consideration in making awards are:

- 1. Dependability** — as evidenced by the record of the student for punctuality, honesty, trustworthiness and self-discipline.
- 2. Cooperation** — as evidenced by the record of the student for authority, care of property and general consideration for others.
- 3. Leadership** — as evidenced by the student's initiative, moral courage, and

constructive participation in class, school and student activities.

4. Patriotism — as evidenced by the student's loyalty to and knowledge of the basic principles of our form of government and the purposes for which it was founded.

5. Cleanliness in speech and personal habits as evidenced by the general deportment and daily appearance of the student in the school and community.

As just one indication of the program's success, a Principal of a Sarasota school wrote to Compatriot Herbert Bowers, Sarasota resident, that she has personally noticed an increase in student participation over the past two years in such areas as helping young and old citizens who need assistance, volunteering school services, participating in junior citizenship club activities, accepting responsibility for personal behavior and displaying excellent behavior while on school-sponsored field trips and outside-of-school activities. She also reports that many fourth and fifth graders have contacted her regarding citizenship award qualifications, indicating that the program has touched the lives of many.

Compatriots in the Public Eye



ARKANSAS SOCIETY — *Kenneth Culver Johnson*, Past State President and a member of the Casimir Pulaski Chapter, has been elected Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. for the period 1979-82. An active participant in numerous Masonic bodies, he is concurrently serving as Grand Sovereign of the United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine.

CONNECTICUT SOCIETY — *John Alfred Shields*, Nathan Hale Chapter, was recently installed as President of the 6,200-member Connecticut Bar Association. He is the third generation member of his family to practice law in his native city.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY — *Donald H. Dalton* has been appointed General Counsel for the National Association of Retired Federal Employees. He is prominent in the field of Federal personnel law and has served three years as Chairman of the Civil Service Law Committee of the D.C. Bar Association.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY — *Vice Admiral James B. Stockdale*, General Henry Knox Chapter, President of the Naval War College, has retired after more than 36 years of service to assume Presidency of The Citadel. He and his cousin, *Robert H. Dunlap*, are holders of the Congressional Medal of Honor, probably making this Chapter the only one in the SAR with this distinction. Compatriot Stockdale received his award for service in World War II, Compatriot Dunlap in the Vietnam War.

IOWA SOCIETY — *John Harris Watts* has been elected General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International. As such, he is one of the three top York Rite Masons in the world.

KANSAS SOCIETY — *Dr. Christopher Thomas IV*, Delaware Crossing Chapter, has been awarded a \$12,000 Cancer Research Fellowship of the National Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. He will use the funds to study thymic leukemia in mice, a disease that shares many features with acute lymphoblastic leukemia in children. His father and grandfather are also members of the Chapter.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY — *The Rt. Rev. James Francis Miller, J.D., D.D.*, has been consecrated Bishop of Kentucky, Holy Orthodox Church, American Jurisdiction. The ceremony took place at St. Basil's Cathedral, Nashville, TN.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY — *George H. Sutherland, Jr.*, State Secretary, and *Edward Overton Cailleteau*, Secretary of the Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter, have been elected Commander and Adjutant, respectively, of the newly formed Louisiana Society of the Military Order of the Stars & Bars.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY — *Otha H. Grimes*, a member of the Tulsa Chapter and an independent oil and gas producer with nearly 60 years' experience in the natural gas processing industry, was named "Grand Old Man of Gas Processing" during the International Petroleum Exposition held recently in Tulsa.

UTAH SOCIETY — *Ezra Taft Benson*, Salt Lake Chapter, was recently awarded the George Washington Honor Medal by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge for his address last year to the Utah Society entitled "The Crisis of the Constitution" . . . *Oliver R. Smith*, Vice-President General of the Intermountain District, served as Chairman of the 1,500-mile Mormon Trail Relay sponsored by the Sons of the Pioneers and the *Deseret News* of Salt Lake City. The event celebrated federal designation of the 1846-47 Illinois-to-Utah wagon route as a National Historic Trail.

Genealogical INQUIRIES



This service is offered to the entire SAR membership as an effective means of helping to trace ancestry.

Payment at the nominal rate of \$1.00 per line must be made in advance, with all copy submitted either hand-lettered or typewritten. The total cost may be estimated on the basis of 53 characters in each line, including your name and address.

Mail copy and payment to National Society, SAR, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203.

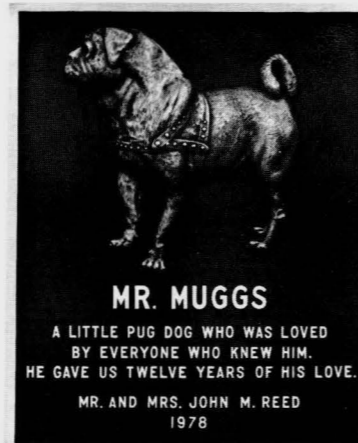
Mitchell, William, m Mabel Chauncey in New Lebanon, NY 1820. Need William's parents. *J. W. Mitchell, 69 Kensington Rd., Bronxville, NY 10708.*

Booles. Need ancestry and other pertinent data on **William Booles (Bools)** 1752-1817; Revolutionary Soldier; m Sarah Biven; 7 children; d Greene Co., GA. Any information appreciated. *Joe R. Booles, 404 Hundred Oaks Dr., Ruston, LA 71270.*

Robbins. Parentage and birthplace of **Sim S. Robbins** 1830-1907; m Harriet Jane Stuckey, Lawrence Co., MS 1852; 8 children; d Simpson Co., MS. Any information appreciated. *Joe R. Booles, 404 Hundred Oaks Dr., Ruston, LA 71270.*

Young-Williams. Seek ancestry of **Geo. Bernard Young**; b Amelia Co., VA, 1/5/1781; d 3/3/1860 Ala. and wife Dorothy, d Ala. 10/17/1838; and ancestry of their son-in-law **T(homas) J(efferson) Williams**, b ca 1804 SC, d 1871 LA. *Mrs. S. W. Bosman, 701 Camino del Oeste, Bakersfield, CA 93309.*

DISTINCTIVE



MR. MUGGS

A LITTLE PUG DOG WHO WAS LOVED
BY EVERYONE WHO KNEW HIM.
HE GAVE US TWELVE YEARS OF HIS LOVE.
MR. AND MRS. JOHN M. REED
1978

ARCHITECTURAL LETTERS •
MEMORIALS • NAME PLATES
• TABLETS • SIGNS

BRONZE / ALUMINUM

Choose Meierjohan-Wengler and you choose distinctive quality craftsmanship. Write today for catalogue.



MEIERJOHAN-WENGLER, INC.
10330 Wayne Ave. • Cincinnati, Ohio 45215
513/771-6074

Celebrate the New Year and Every Year with SAR-CARE Security

In just a few short weeks you will be celebrating a new year—and a new decade—and you're sure to enjoy the years ahead more if you are confident and worry-free.

One sure way to minimize your financial worries is to give yourself the protection of SAR-CARE insurance programs.

SAR-CARE, with its valuable "extra-measure" of protection, gives your family's budget an important edge should a calamity bring on catastrophic financial losses to your family. It works by supplementing your existing insurance benefits. This means when you participate, you and your loved ones receive benefits in addition to any other insurance you now have.

What's more, there's a SAR-CARE plan designed for your particular needs:

NSSAR Guaranteed Benefit Group Life Protection

Many of us over 40 find rates for needed life protection simply out of reach. Others find that insurance companies consider us a "bad risk" because of a previous medical condition that may have occurred many years before. So this program is a special supplemental life insurance protection at economical rates for you and your wife.

SAR Guaranteed Benefit Group Life Protection could be the simplest, most economical way to get life insurance ever created. And it was designed that way on purpose, so you don't have to go through a lot of red tape to get the protection you want. There's no investigation of your personal life, no detailed personal history thanks to the unique graded benefit feature the plan offers.

The NSSAR Hospital Indemnity Program

It always saddens us to see a lifetime of savings swept away by a major or prolonged illness, and this happens more often than you think. In fact, the Vice President of the United States recently stated that hospital bills, "Are the single largest cause of personal bankruptcy in the United States." We don't want this to happen to you.

Financial security is what the NSSAR Hospital Indemnity Program is all about.

Under this plan, you select either the \$25- \$50- or \$75-a-day option. Then, if you're hospitalized due to a covered accident or illness, you receive benefits for each day of confinement, up to 365 days (one full year).

Because all benefits are paid directly to you, you can use the money to offset medical bills, or to help out with personal or household expenses. In addition, you receive double benefits if you are hospitalized in a cardiac or intensive care unit or because of cancer, if you are under age 65.

You may also enroll your spouse and family members.

NSSAR Group Cancer Expense Program

Because cancer can require special treatment where costs can become catastrophic, this single disease coverage has become very popular today. Cancer strikes one out of four of us, and during our lifetime it will strike in two out of every three homes, according to the American Cancer Society. Thus, this protection is designed to provide you benefits on top of any other coverage you now have . . . including other NSSAR plans.



Find out just how easy and inexpensive it is—by completing and mailing the coupon below before another day goes by.

Or, for even faster service, call
Toll-free 800-621-1917. In Illinois, call
(312) 726-2575 and reverse the charges.

SAR-CARE PROTECTION PROGRAMS

Sponsored By

The National Society Sons of the American Revolution

Yes, I want more information about the following plans:
(Please check below)

- Guaranteed Benefit Life Insurance Plan
 Hospital Indemnity Plan
 Group Cancer Expense Program

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail To: NSSAR Insurance Administrator
Robinson Incorporated
209 South LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

New Key for the "The Star-Spangled Banner"

The Basic Documents Committee has transposed our National Anthem into the key of F for more comfortable singing. Compatriot J. Merle Brallier relates the interesting story behind this action.

It is no secret that "The Star-Spangled Banner," our National Anthem, is difficult to sing. One of our Canadian neighbors is quoted as saying: "But much of the charm of public gatherings in the United States is the suspense over whether the soloist is going to make it" (*Reader's Digest*, June 1979, p. 129). Note the implication that the singing of our anthem at public gatherings has been left to a soloist, with very little, if any, participation by the audience, which in too many instances is true.

This can be corrected to a very marked extent by transposing the music into the key of F, as shown here. Groups of male voices will respond with enthusiasm, as there are only a few places where very low notes occur and then only momentarily, whereas the climactic higher notes are well within the reach of all and can be sung with gusto.

A very fine article on "The Star-Spangled Banner" appeared in the Winter, 1978 edition of the *SAR Magazine*. It was a speech delivered in 1929 by Major Francis S. Key-Smith, a great-grandson of Francis Scott Key, and was concerned with the words of the poem and the circumstances surrounding the confinement of Key and the bombardment of Ft. McHenry. "The Star-Spangled Banner" was officially designated as our National Anthem by Congress on March 3, 1931, about two years after the above speech was delivered. This article is primarily devoted to its music.

Through the good offices of Compatriot Richard S. Schweiker, U.S. Senator, the Library of Congress advised: "At present there is no official (i.e., standardized) version of the melody, although for all practical purposes the version used by the armed forces has a kind of official standard status. The text has been standardized, and there is an official version . . . Substantive changes in the National Anthem would have to be approved and authorized by Congress through normal legislative procedure." They mentioned that transposition into another key did not constitute a substantive change, and enclosed a copy of the Service Version in A-flat as adopted by the 1942 National Anthem Committee, which has been used as a guide for this version. It was noted that the original third verse of Key's poem had been deleted, very probably because its harsh words in the furor of 1814 may not have seemed appropriate in 1942 toward a close ally in World War II.

According to the *Encyclopedia Britannica* (1973 edition, 21st volume, p. 147)

the melody for our National Anthem was adapted from an old English song, "To Anacreon in Heaven," which was written for a social club, the Anacreontic Society of London, with words by its president, probably about 1780, lauding the Society's patron saint, Anacreon, a Greek poet who wrote mostly about wine and women. The music is now generally credited to the British composer, John Staf-

(Continued on next page)

A Past President of the Pennsylvania Society and Registrar General during 1967-69, Compatriot Brallier has been a member of the Basic Documents Committee almost continuously since 1961. He has served as Chairman of the committee seven different years, a remarkable record.

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER
SERVICE VERSION
in key of F

Francis Scott Key With Spirit (♩=104) Attributed to John Stafford Smith

1. O say! can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proud - ly we hail'd at the
2. On the shore, dim - ly seen thro' the mists of the deep, Where the foe's haugh - ty host in dread
3. O thus be it ev - er when free men shall stand Be - tween their lov'd homes and the

twi - light's last gleam - ing? Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the per - il - ous fight, O'er the
si - lence re - pos - es, What is that which the breeze, o'er the low - er - ing steep, As it
war's des - o - la - tion! Blest with vic - t'ry and peace, may the heav'n - res - cued land Praise the

ram - parts we watch'd, were so gal - lant - ly stream - ing! And the rock - ets' red glare, the bombs
fit - ful - ly blows, half con - ceals, half dis - clos - es? Now it catch - es the gleam, of the
Pow'r that hath made and pre - served us a na - tion. Then con - quer we must, for our

Chorus (♩=98)

burst - ing in air, Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there. O say, does that
morn - ing's first beam, In full glo - ry re - flect - ed now shines on the stream; 'Tis the Star - span - gled
cause it is just, And this be our mot - to: "In God is our trust." And the Star - span - gled

Star - span - gled Ban - ner yet wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?
Ban - ner, O long may it wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!
Ban - ner in tri - umph shall wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Full-size reproductions of this version of *The Star-Spangled Banner* are available from NSSAR Headquarters. It contains the melody and standardized text adopted by the 1942 National Anthem Committee, composed of representatives from the War Department and 12 of the principal music and education organizations in the United States.

ford Smith, but for a long time Smith's predecessor as organist of the Chapel Royal, Samuel Arnold, was held by some to deserve this honor. A collection entitled "93 All-Time Song Favorites," published in New York about 1942, shows Samuel Arnold as the composer.

"The Star-Spangled Banner" is by no means the only adaptation of this melody. The Library of Congress reports finding more than 80 such texts for this one melody, including another one almost certainly by Francis Scott Key, four verses entitled "When the Warrior Returns From the Battle Afar," reported by the Boston Chronicle of December 30, 1805 as being sung at an entertainment in honor of the Captains Stephen Decatur, Jr. and Charles Stewart.

However, probably the outstanding American adaptation of this melody prior to "The Star-Spangled Banner" was a song called "Adams and Liberty," written for the presidential campaign of John Adams. Both of these songs can be found in a publication of the Maryland Historical Society entitled: "The Star-Spangled Books," compiled by two of its officers, P. W. Filby and Edward G. Howard (175 pp., 1972, 201 W. Monument St., Baltimore, MD 21201), a book to delight those interested in more detail about our anthem and its background, including a full chapter by the late Dr. Charles S. Kent, former Director of the Peabody Conservatory, Baltimore, devoted to a detailed analysis of the musical structure of the Anacreontic song.

Following is an excerpt from the first sheet music issue of "The Star-Spangled Banner" as it hangs on the wall at Ft. McHenry, published by Carrs Music Store, Baltimore, about Oct. 19, 1814. It is reproduced in full on page 132 of "The Star-Spangled Books" mentioned above. Probably its differences from the versions with which we have been familiar would be:

1. It is written in the key of C instead of B-flat or A-flat.
2. The time signature is 6/4 instead of 3/4.
3. Only the first verse appears with the music, leaving those cases such as at the beginning of the second verse, where the syllables of the various verses do not match with the music, up to the ingenuity of the singer.
4. The note before the first full measure is a quarter note on the tonic ("do"), whereas we use a dotted eighth note on the perfect fifth ("sol") followed by a sixteenth note on the major third ("mi"). In a concert piano arrangement entitled "Union," by L. M. Gottschalk, 1863, the melody for "The Star-Spangled Banner" starts with a dotted eighth note on the major third ("mi") followed by a sixteenth note on the major second ("re"), possibly the first step toward our present usage.
5. The half note on upper C at the middle of the first measure in the treble clef has its flag extending downward on the right-hand side instead of the usual left-hand side. This practice occurs throughout the composition in all cases where a half note occurs in the upper half of either the treble or the bass clef. The flags on notes of smaller value are placed as we would expect to find them.

Compatriots Hold Underwater Reunion With Ancestors at Shipwreck Site

On April 5, 1979, Compatriots Jack C. Redman and John A. Bennett, both Albuquerque, NM physicians, donned SCUBA gear and stepped off the stern of a dive boat near St. George's Island, Bermuda, at an incredible meeting 30 feet below: a reunion at the wreck of the English ship *Sea Venture* upon which their respective tenth great-grandfathers had shipwrecked in 1609. In the glass-bottomed boat above was the man who located the wreck in 1958, Edmond Downing of Somerset, Bermuda. Downing, too, had an ancestor aboard the ship, his tenth great-grandfather, George Yeardley, later known as Sir George Yeardley, Governor of Virginia.

The adventure began after Redman discovered a book by Margaret Hodges, *Hopkins of the Mayflower - Portrait of a Dissenter*, which told of Stephen Hopkins' voyage aboard *Sea Venture* in 1609. Hopkins is Redman's tenth great-grandfather. Later he told Dr. Bennett



Taken underwater, this photo shows Compatriots Redman and Bennett at the keel of the *Sea Venture*.

about the book, as the two had compared genealogical notes before. In amazement, Redman learned that John Rolfe, Bennett's tenth great-grandfather, had also been aboard the ill-fated ship.

A few weeks later Redman proposed a symbolic reunion at the wreck site, having learned that the wreck is now a British national monument. Such a reunion would require getting permission to dive the wreck and taking SCUBA diving lessons in preparation. In December, the decision was made to pursue the matter.

A letter to Ivor Grant, Collector of Customs for Bermuda, was followed by written permission to make the dive in April. Next came SCUBA diving lessons

to all of our members by publication in the *SAR Magazine* was one of the projects of the 1978-79 Basic Documents Committee under Chairman Richard Lane Denham with strong approval by President General Calvin E. Chunn. The use of this version is recommended for SAR and service club meetings to bring about more enthusiasm and greater audience participation in singing our anthem.

Having a transposition of our National Anthem into the key of F made available

Compatriot Redman, the author of this interesting narrative, served during World War II in the Navy as both an enlisted man and officer. In 1950 he earned the degree of Doctor of Medicine and again served in the Navy during the Korean conflict. Since then he has been engaged in the private, general practice of medicine and surgery in Albuquerque, NM.

at the University of New Mexico. On April 4 the two went to Bermuda with their wives and met their divemaster, Mo Shaffer, who had made all of the arrangements.

The following afternoon everyone met at the dock in St. George's at Shaffer's 50-foot dive boat. Edmond Downing was there. In his late sixties, he no longer dives. Shaffer steered the craft out into the open sea to the buoy near which the *Sea Venture* lay. One by one each stepped off the stern and slipped under the surface, meeting 12 feet down on a reef. There was the split in the reef which Admiral Sir George Somers, in 1609, had tried to steer his ship, knowing that if she did not make it through, she would lodge in an upright position. That, in fact, is what happened and without the loss of a single life of the 150 people aboard. All made it safely to shore, some 3/4 mile away.

The divers then swam to the ocean floor, 30 feet below the surface. Stretched out in the pure white sand was the outline of the keel and ribs of the *Sea Venture*! Swimming up to the bow, Redman and Bennett stood together as Shaffer photographed them with his underwater camera. For the first time in 370 years, members of three of the families aboard the ship met there again.

Why such a reunion, Redman was asked. "We did it for three reasons. First, to honor all ancestors of everyone, and to say 'thanks' for having made our lives possible. Second, to honor our particular tenth great-grandparents. And third, to present a belated Jubilee present to Her Majesty the Queen, the memory of our reunion which honored our Countrymen."

As a footnote to history, the following is added. The passengers of *Sea Venture* built two smaller ships, *Deliverance* and

(Continued on page 35)

The Minuteman at Framingham

Compatriot Robert C. Bearce eloquently relates how minutemen groups were assembled by the colonists and details their role in the Revolution.

Today a minuteman stands resolutely at Buckminster Square in Framingham, Massachusetts. He is the proud symbol of the Colonial soldiers who fired the opening shots of the American Revolution at Lexington and Concord. Priming his musket, he prepares to fight the British — April 19, 1775.

The statue represents an armed village blacksmith standing in front of an anvil, hammer and tongs. He wears a loose shirt and the leather apron of his trade. Muscular arms, legs and neck suggest a firm temperament conditioned by hard work. His facial expression is sober and determined.

Like the Framingham blacksmith, the other minutemen of 1775 were self-reliant tradesmen and farmers. They had received some military experience in the Colonial militia when 13 Colonies were still loyal to His Majesty, King George II of England. Serving as militiamen alongside British soldiers, they had fought a common enemy during the French and Indian conflict. The name "minutemen" was not used until England — not the French and their redskin allies — became the greater threat.

Militia companies under the Crown were generally composed of all able-bodied male citizens between the ages of 16 and 60. Each was required to own a useable firearm, supply of ammunition and a bayonet.¹ Village greens or commons provided the drilling grounds for the militia companies. Training in the military arts was often as crude and rough as the homespun clothes worn by the militiamen, some of whom drilled barefoot or in Indian moccasins.

"Minuteman" Groups Formed

These militia companies were the basis of the later "minuteman" organizations. As discontent with the British Parliament began simmering, Colonial leaders realized the necessity of placing the militia under control of officers sympathetic to the patriot cause. In September, 1774, the militia regiments in Worcester County, Massachusetts, were reorganized — a step managed after certain Tory officers loyal to England had been "prevailed upon" to resign.²

Seven regiments were formed with company officers being chosen by each village. The captain of each company then enlisted one-third of his command to be ready for action "at a minute's notice." Should the British initiate any threat to life or liberty in the countryside, these "minutemen" would be the first to respond.

The Provincial Congress that assem-



bled at Salem in October, 1774, was impressed by this idea for a vigilant force prepared for sudden hostilities. Minutemen companies were quickly formed throughout Massachusetts.³ Later, the Continental Congress suggested that minutemen should be organized in every colony.

The Challenge — April 18, 1775

Six months after the Provincial Congress convened in Massachusetts, the minutemen challenged Crown troops at Lexington and Concord. Late on the night of April 18, 1775, 700 British grenadiers and light infantry under Lt. Col. Francis Smith crossed the Charles River from Boston. Their objective was military stores concealed by the patriots in Concord, 22 miles westward. While they marched through the chilly, early morning hours, Paul Revere and other dispatch riders alerted towns like Framingham, Lincoln, Concord and Lexington.

An advance detachment of His Majesty's troops reached the village of Lexington at dawn on the 19th. Drawn up on the Common were two ranks of Lexington minutemen commanded by Captain John Parker. This body of patriots was the first to exchange fire with the British.

The brief engagement scattered Captain Parker's minutemen. Retreating across the countryside, they counted their casualties — eight killed and ten wounded.⁴ Only one British soldier was wounded, but Colonel Smith knew that he had lost the opportunity to take the

Colonials by surprise. Even as his troops re-formed ranks, the alert was spreading to other villages for all minuteman and militia companies to muster.

The British marched out of Lexington and advanced unmolested towards Concord. A few companies of minutemen had already converged upon the Concord Road, but they had no immediate plan of attack to avenge the loss of their compatriots at Lexington Green. Outnumbered by the Redcoats, they inspected their muskets and waited for reinforcements.

On to Concord

Reaching Concord, British grenadiers began searching public and private dwellings for cached weapons. Meanwhile, light infantry secured the strategic North and South Bridges across the Concord River. The grenadiers carried out a gentlemanly and thorough search, but no great quantity of powder and musket balls was discovered. The village jail did reveal some cannon, while the townhouse produced a large number of gun carriages.⁵

The Redcoats also found a supply of entrenching tools, perhaps the most important military store collected by the patriots. These Colonial soldiers would soon demonstrate their aggressive talent for digging and throwing up earthen fortifications at places like Breed's Hill, Valley Forge and Yorktown. Now, however, their thoughts were not upon shoveling dirt for defensive breastworks. They were contemplating far more belligerent action.

Although no attempt had been made to drive the enemy out of Concord, one of the village's angered tavern keepers did punch a British major. Fortunately for the bold barkeep, the incident was taken good-naturedly by His Majesty's officer.

A member of the Texas Society, Compatriot Bearce is a prolific freelance author of articles based on some aspect of moral, political, economic or spiritual foundations of freedom. He is the recipient of four awards from the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge for his patriotic writings, which have appeared in a wide array of publications, ranging from the *Christian Herald* to the *VFW Magazine*.

Photo courtesy of Mrs. E. Emerson Evans, Framingham, Massachusetts.

Unfortunately for the British, the mood of the minutemen surrounding Concord was not equally forgiving and peaceful. Now, at midday, their numbers had increased sufficiently for them to consider serious harassment of the Redcoats.

British drummers began thumping out a dull cadence as fifers prepared to squeal lively marching tunes. Before them and the other soldiers of Colonel Smith's force lay the long and ominous retreat from Concord back to Boston.

Non-traditional Warfare

The minutemen were eager for a fight. Limited drill on their village Greens, however, had not disciplined them in the traditional manner of warfare on a battlefield. Maneuvering in precise order by regiment was not their own provincial mode of fighting. As British columns marched out of Concord, the Colonials aimed their muskets from concealed positions behind trees, boulders, houses and stone fences.

Most of the fighting April 19th was confined to sporadic but fierce skirmishing when flanking companies of Redcoats attempted to drive off the militia pot-shooting at the main British column. These quick thrusts by the flankers of light infantry failed to disperse them.

Lacking any overall strategy for attacking Colonel Smith's entire force, the Colonial troops contented themselves with firing a few shots . . . reloading . . . trotting ahead through the adjacent meadows . . . and taking up new positions along the road behind appropriate cover. The sniping and sudden volleys lasted throughout the afternoon. More companies of militia reinforced the minutemen while the Crown troops steadily lost men.

Safety on Charlestown peninsula across from Boston was reached at sunset. Exhausted and embittered, British soldiers stacked their muskets and collapsed on the slopes of Bunker's Hill. As night approached, campfires sprang up from the Mystic River to Cambridge in a great semicircle facing the British. Around the fires, militiamen pondered what they had started by defying King George III.

Among the hundreds of minutemen who harried the Redcoats withdrawing from Concord were 153 men from Framingham.⁶ Some of these Colonial soldiers would later serve in the blue uniform of the Continental Army under General Washington. Their stand for freedom during the American Revolution is now commemorated by Framingham's Minuteman Monument.

Statue by Kitsons

Dedicated on June 17, 1905, the bronze statue is the work of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hudson Kitson. Mr. Kitson earlier achieved fame sculpturing the statue of Captain John Parker, commander of the Lexington minutemen.⁷ Like the Captain Parker memorial in Lexington, Framingham's blacksmith minuteman depicts the hardy, resolute character of the Colonial soldier. When illness prevented Mr. Kitson from continuing work on the blacksmith, his wife, Theo Alice

Ruggles Kitson, completed the monument. The Kitsons achieved a good balance between realism and idealism. The statue reflects the spirit of 1776, professing the ideals of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

The Framingham blacksmith represents patriots who claimed their individual rights to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" long before the Declaration of Independence formally stated these principles in 1776.

Life demanded personal accountability. By undertaking a life of self-discipline, they had a right to enjoy liberty. With this freedom, they received the just rewards of hard work and individual initiative. They asked not for guaranteed security, but for the right to rise to any level of personal achievement consistent with their own ability, energy, and effort. This constant striving was their "pursuit of happiness."

In order to preserve "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," the minutemen had to make a fateful decision — the decision to defend what they believed to be just and true.

Notes/Bibliography

¹George F. Scheer and Hugh F. Rankin, *Rebels and Redcoats* (New York: The New American Library, 1957), page 32.

²Ivan Sandrof, "Idea for Minutemen Originated in Worcester," *Worcester Sunday Telegram*, April 14, 1963 (Feature Parade Section, page 5.)

³Richard B. Morris (ed.), *Encyclopedia of American History* (New York: Harper and Brothers, Publishers, 1953), page 84.

⁴Scheer, *op cit.*, page 30.

⁵Clifford K. Shipton, "Minute Man National Historical Park (Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office: Washington, D. C. 20402).

⁶"The Minute Man Monument," *The Framingham* (Massachusetts) News, July 3, 1969.

⁷Robert Sherman, "The Story of the Famous Statue at Lexington Green," (Minute-man Publications: The Barrett Press, 1960.)

Removes Tattered Flag; Bureaucrats Chagrined

Craig Richardson, a 29-year-old veteran of the Vietnam War, recently took matters into his own hands and removed a tattered American flag from atop a Milwaukee, Wisconsin Courthouse pole, much to the chagrin of the bureaucrats.

Several weeks earlier, the flag had become caught in a light fixture as maintenance men tried to lower it and attach a new one. A construction worker doing a sheet metal job at the Courthouse, Richardson notified the proper authorities several times about the situation, but nothing happened.

In frustration, he climbed the tall pole, undid the flag and presented it to the building supervisor (who after offering thanks, grumbled about liability risks).

The SAR salutes Craig Richardson!

1979

**GENEALOGICAL
PUBLISHING
COMPANY**

NEW WORLD IMMIGRANTS: A Consolidation of Ship Passenger Lists from Periodical Literature. Edited by Michael Tepper. 2 vols., 568 & 602 pp., indexed. 1979. \$35.00

IRISH SETTLERS IN AMERICA: A Consolidation of Articles from The Journal of the American Irish Historical Society. By Michael J. O'Brien. 2 vols., 644 & 638 pp., indexed. 1979. \$50.00

THE VALENTINE PAPERS: Abstracts of Records in the Local and General Archives of Virginia. Relating to the Families of: Allen, Bacon, Ballard, Batchelder, Blouet, Bressieur (Brashear), Cary, Crenshaw, Dabney, Exum, Ferris, Fontaine, Gray, Hardy, Isham (Henrico Co.), Jordan, Langston, Lyddall, Mann, Mosby, Palmer, Pasteur, Pleasants, Povall, Randolph, Satterwhite, Scott, Smith (Francis Smith, Hanover Co.), Valentine, Waddy, Watts, Winston, Womack, Woodson. Edited by Clayton Torrence. 4 vols., 2,768 pp. total, indexed. (1927), 1979. \$85.00

Order Directly From:

**GENEALOGICAL
PUBLISHING
COMPANY**

111 Water Street
Baltimore, Md. 21202

Chapter & State Societies

NEWS & EVENTS...



News stories about State Society and Chapter events are always welcome for consideration in the editorial columns of your SAR Magazine, as are such items as District meetings and committee reports. Because of space limitations, the Editor reserves the right to condense—or omit stories that do not have broad interest. All photos must be black-and-white glossies and at least 4x5 inches in size.

Also welcome are copies of SAR-related speeches given by members that could be edited into special articles. Additionally, members are encouraged to submit outlines of articles they would like to prepare on SAR educational, historical and patriotic subjects. Each such inquiry will be given careful consideration.

DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES: Winter (February) — January 1; Spring (May) — April 1; Summer (August) — July 1; Fall (November) — October 1.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY



San Diego Chapter President David Young (right) recently presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Hamilton Marston, grandson of George Marston, founder of the Marston department stores and Chapter President in 1913-14. The "younger" Marston, a longtime civic and business leader, delivered an address entitled, "Geography and History of San Diego and Implications for the Future."

DELAWARE SOCIETY

James B. Jackson, Dover, who traces his ancestry back seven generations to Caesar Rodney's brother, Daniel, spoke at the Society's Annual Meeting in April. For many years, he said, wreath-laying ceremonies have been held at the Rodney monument in Christ Churchyard, Dover, where Rodney (a signer of the Declaration of Independence) is said to have been reinterred in 1887. The site is marked by an SAR emblem. He showed pictures and other materials from his research indicating that Rodney's remains are in the old cemetery at the Rodney ancestral property and were not removed. At the Society's Constitution Day Dinner in September, Dr. James Marvil, a founder of the Lewes, DE, Historical Society, discussed restoration projects in Lewes. The author of several books on

local sailing ships, he received the Gold Good Citizenship Medal several years ago.



Delaware President Harold I. Woodward, Jr. (right) presented a set of flags to Dr. James Marvil in appreciation for an excellent speech during the State's Constitution Day Dinner.



Commander George Morris, Constitution Week Committee Chairman, joined representatives of the Florida Society, four DAR Chapters and the St. Petersburg Chapter for the Constitution Week kick-off luncheon in St. Petersburg. It is significant that Mayor Corinne Freeman's Proclamation naming September 17-23 as Constitution Week was placed in each school in Pinellas County and that vice-Chairman John Espey of the School Board called on school principals to conduct suitable Constitution Week exercises in each school. Representative C. W. "Bill" Young was main speaker for the luncheon. Pictured from left are: Mrs. Steele, Vice Regent, Caravel Chapter, DAR; Mayor Freeman; Mrs. Markgraf, Regent, Timucuan Chapter, DAR; Cdr. George Morris; Mrs. Barchfeld, Regent, Princess Hiriagua Chapter, DAR.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

The Caloosa Chapter is to be commended for initiative in arranging for public proclamations to honor Constitution Week by the Mayors of Fort Meyers, Cape Coral and Sanibel and the Commissioners of Lee County. The Chapter also sponsored a luncheon to celebrate the week, which they hope will become an annual event. Chief Lee County Judge for the 20th Judicial District spoke on the first ten constitutional amendments.

Dr. Donald G. Gill, Superintendent of Schools, Volusia County, was the honored guest at the joint Constitution Week observance in September of the Daytona-Ormond Chapter and the DAR Captain James Ormond and Abigail Bartholomew Chapters. He described how the system of public schools has developed since the days of President George Washington, who advocated a national plan for higher education.

FRANCE SOCIETY

The impressive annual Franco-American ceremony held each July 4th at the Picpus cemetery in Paris was singularly honored this year by the presence of noted government and military leaders. It was attended by the United States Ambassador, Honorable Arthur A. Hartman, and the President of the French Senate, Alain Poher. In addition, French Defense Minister Yvon Bourges represented the President of France, while guest of honor was General William A. Knowlton, United States Representative, NATO Military Committee. The French Army was represented by General de Barry, Military Governor of Paris, and General de Boissieu, Chancellor of the Legion of Honor.

This traditional ceremony is designed to honor the memory of General de Lafayette. For the first time, Ambassador Hartman laid a wreath at the foot of the well-known statue of Washington in Paris. He also laid a wreath at the monument of General de Rochambeau and delivered a fine speech celebrating Franco-American friendship.

GEORGIA SOCIETY

The Atlanta Chapter has placed increased emphasis on awards to Junior ROTC Schools and to other national and patriotic events. As a result, the Chapter awarded twelve Bronze Medals last spring for Military Proficiency and Patriotic Activities in and around Atlanta.



Senior Vice President of the Georgia Society George McNally awarded the Patriot Medal with Certificate to Compatriot John Dunaway, Atlanta Chapter, at the Independence Day Banquet.

In June, the Atlanta Chapter joined the Allen Howard Chapter, CAR, for their demonstration of handling and disposing old or damaged American flags. Daniel Brown, National Park Service, explained the history and development of our flag. Again in July, the Chapter joined the CAR for the fourth time in sponsoring a float in the 18th annual "Salute to America Parade." At the Chapter's Independence Day Banquet which followed the parade, Judge Emeritus Jephtha Tankley, Fulton Superior Courts, spoke on "The Constitution and Its Effect on Us." President

John Pitts awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Judge Tanksley. Past President James Westlake presented President John Pitts and the Chapter with the Allene Wilson Groves Plaque, which the Chapter received at the 89th Annual Congress.

The Office of Governor George Busby was the setting for the signing of the Constitution Week Proclamation, which was attended by a group of Atlanta Chapter Compatriots. Guest speaker Braswell D. Deen, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals, State of Georgia, addressed a Constitution Day Banquet at the Officer's Club at Ft. McPherson. He discussed the moral and legal right of the community to study the "Divine Creation of Man" within the public school curricula in addition to the "Science Animal Creation" taught at present. He said that curriculum philosophy permits atheism to be taught to the exclusion of theism. Also at the banquet, Past President George McNally presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Compatriot Floyd L. Stayner.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY



The John Hancock Chapter awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to James Maloof for his outstanding work on behalf of St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. The award was presented by President Thomas Ray Brodbeck.

INDIANA SOCIETY

A tour of historic Fort Ouiatenon was enjoyed by Compatriots attending the fall meeting of the Society in Lafayette on October 6, hosted by the William Henry Harrison Chapter. The date marked the annual celebration of the "Feast of the Hunters' Moon" at the fort, a re-creation of a gathering of French and Indians in the Wabash Valley in the 1700s. Established by the French in 1717 as a military outpost to prevent British expansion into the Ohio and Wabash country, Fort Ouiatenon was the first fortified European settlement in what is now Indiana.

A record was set for attendance to non-annual meetings when 93 Compatriots and guests met as a Society this summer in Amishville. A number of distinguished guests were present, including

Decatur Mayor Harold B. Miller and Berne Mayor Gaylord Stuckey; State DAR Chairman for Public Relations, Jeanne Moore; State President of Indiana Department of Women's Auxiliary for Spanish-American War Veterans, Florence E. Boatright; Northern District Director of the DAR and representative of the State Regent, Mrs. Joy Buskner; and Past Regent of Easterbrook Chapter of the DAR and State President of Daughters of Colonial Wars, Mrs. Letha Rogers.

The Alexis Coquillard Chapter joined with the CAR and the DAR in a Flag Day Celebration in June. Compatriot Gordon Frith reviewed "Medicine in Revolutionary Times" at the meeting.

The Anthony Halberstadt Chapter organized and installed the Indiana Branch, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims in June. Eighteen Compatriots are among the more than 40 members of this hereditary society. Past President James Halberstadt, Chapter President Robert A. Cline and John E. Loveland, a new Chapter member, were instrumental in organizing the group.

Dr. Dan Miller of Indiana State University addressed the Posey Vanderburgh Chapter at their June meeting on "The British Side of the Revolution." In September, the Chapter heard Dr. Glenn Kinzie speak on "The American Revolution."

The John Jay Chapter celebrated Flag Day with a picnic dinner near Salem. As guest of honor, Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr., spoke on the distinctive scope of SAR activities as well as the plans for the new headquarters. In Pekin, the Chapter participated in the 149th July 4th celebration, the oldest continuous such event in the United States.

KANSAS SOCIETY

During an August meeting of the Washington Chapter, President R. E. McGehee presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal to Gregory Knox, who had assisted a number of people to escape safely from a fire in the Domestic Sporting Goods Company. National Trustee Gus diZerega V concluded the gathering with a talk entitled "Women in the American Revolution." He cited names, dates and places in which women actually served heroically as combat soldiers and are officially recognized as "Patriots." It was an unusual and interesting aspect of our ancestors' fight for freedom.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY

At the summer meeting of the Society, held in August at Blue Licks Battlefield State Park, the following distinguished Compatriots at the event were named honorary and associate members of the Society: President General Calvin E.

Chunn, who has relatives living and dead in the state; Past President General Len Young Smith, a native Kentuckian; and Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr., who now resides in Louisville. During the afternoon, all attendees gathered at the stone monument marking the graves of those who died at the Battlefield and observed PPG Smith place a wreath in special tribute to Andrew McConnell, an ancestor whose name is inscribed on the monument.

The **Capt. William Arnold Chapter** hosted the fall meeting of the Society's Board of Governors at Perry Park, with a total of over 50 members and guests present. Miss Laura Dickerson, who was recognized for her extensive help in organizing the Chapter, announced the closing of the Chapter Charter by the signing of over 20 charter members, one of whom, Ted McCarthy, is a direct descendant of the officer for whom the Chapter is named.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY



Veteran of two World Wars and an Advisory Director of City National Bank of Baton Rouge, Hermann Moyse, Sr., was presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal by President General Calvin E. Chunn at the **General Philemon Thomas Chapter's** Gold Good Citizenship Award Banquet in June. Distinguished guests included Vice-President General and Mrs. O. D. Fontenot and State President Philip R. Allin. (Photo courtesy John Boss, photographer for the State-Times.)

Grave Markers, cast in thick aluminum. Mark your Rev. Ancestors or S.A.R. Members graves. (Two Types.) Eagle top holds flag, 3' shaft, S.A.R. Emblem. (Black.) \$26.50 ea. includes Postage. Order from Cape Cod Chapter, 192 Barcliff Ave., Chatham, MA 02633. (Immediate shipment.)



The Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Julian A. "Skipper" Martin (left) by Past President Colonel Jack N. Rogers, USAR (Ret) of the **General Philemon Thomas Chapter**. Martin is a 24-year veteran of the FBI and founder of the Law Enforcement Institute at Louisiana State University.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

The Maryland Society, under the leadership of President Clement D. Erhardt, Jr., hosted the 16th Annual Atlantic Middle States Conference in Annapolis on July 27-28. At the opening business meeting, Vice-President General Donald E. Lathrop made mention of the formative first meeting of the Conference in 1964, while President General Calvin E. Chunn sent his regards to attendees via Secretary General Arthur M. King. Virginia Society 3rd Vice-President George S. Knight was heartily commended for

his outstanding work in member recruitment and for establishing three new Chapters in Virginia during the past year! He was presented the gold enameled Membership Plaque by Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr.

Numerous Compatriots hiked together on a walking tour of picturesque Annapolis and 70 were in attendance at the evening dinner dance. The Colors were posted and retired by the Color Guard of the **John Eager Howard Chapter**. A highlight of the evening was an entertaining talk by the Attorney General of Maryland, Steven H. Sachs.



During MIDSAR Meeting in Annapolis, Vice-President General Donald E. Lathrop (left) presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Hon. Stephen H. Sachs, Maryland Attorney General.



State and National officers posed in front of the **John Eager Howard Chapter's** Color Guard at the Atlantic Middle States Conference in Annapolis. From left were: Virginia Society President and NSSAR Executive Committee Member Howard L. Hamilton; National Trustee and Executive Committee Member Warren G. Hayes, Jr.; Treasurer General Carl F. Bessent; North Atlantic Vice-President General Robert B. Newcomb; Middle Atlantic Vice-President General Donald E. Lathrop; Maryland Society President Clement D. Erhardt, Jr.; Past President General Wilson King Barnes, Sr.; Secretary General Arthur M. King; Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr.; Chairman of the Conference Committee Richard N. Hambleton.

MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY



Timothy F. Moran (right), Director of Law Enforcement at Northeastern University, Boston, was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal in June by National Law Enforcement Committee Chairman Homer F. Dean at a luncheon for the school's law enforcement faculty. The university is noted for its outstanding law enforcement program. Dean Moran retired as a Captain for the Massachusetts State Police in 1962 as a 21-year veteran.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY

For the sixth year, the **Alexis Coquillard Chapter** of Indiana met with Michigan's **Sauk-Trail Chapter**, this time in Michigan, in September to hear Col. Frank Ward describe his recent trip to the Far East. After listening to Col. Ward's observations of Hawaii, Japan, South Korea, China, Cambodia, Thailand, Viet Nam, Hong Kong and the Philippines, Compatriots viewed a thought-provoking film on SALT II which showed Russian gains as compared with those of the United States. The event marked the first public showing of the film.

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY



Last spring, a wreath was placed on the grave of Samuel Emory Davis, a Revolutionary War officer and the father of Jefferson Davis. The grave is located on the grounds of "Beauvoir" the last home of Jefferson Davis and now a shrine. Participating in the ceremony were (from left): O. M. Smith, President, **Colonial Patriot Chapter**; Dr. Calvin E. Chunn, President General; Edwin Russell, President, Mississippi Society; O. D. Fontenot, Vice-President General; Compatriot William O. Lea (father of William O. Lea III, President, **Central Mississippi Chapter**); and Brig. Gen. James L. Davis, Vice-President, Mississippi Society.



The **Patrick Boggan Chapter** joined with the Noxumbee County Historical Society and the DAR in honoring five soldiers of the Revolutionary War by placing a stone marker for one of the soldiers, Isham Farmer. The marker was placed at the lovely Brooksville cemetery, since the grave of Mr. Farmer is located in a lost family plot about three miles from the site of the marker. President W. W. Boggan spoke of the importance of honoring the soldiers and their descendants.

NEW HAMPSHIRE SOCIETY

President General Calvin E. Chunn paid an official visit to the Societies in New England during a meeting of the New England Council at Concord in September. He was accompanied by Mrs. Chunn. The morning business session, conducted by Vice-President General Francis H. Strain, placed emphasis on membership and reviewed the activities of the various Societies. PG Chunn provided an update on the status of the National Society, pointing out the many areas of increasing effectiveness at the National Office and among committees.

Following luncheon, attended by some 80 members and guests, Dr. Chunn, in a talk entitled "What Happened to Some of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence", pointed out the misfortunes which befell many of the signers. In concluding his remarks he stated, "They made the sacrifice so that we could enjoy what they did not have: independence." The Society presented him with a copy of "The Papers of Josiah Bartlett" as a memento of his visit. Bartlett was one of the three signers of the Declaration of Independence from New Hampshire.



Distinguished SARs attending the New England Council gathering were (front, from left): New Hampshire President Roger W. Hunt; Vice-President General Francis H. Strain; President General Calvin E. Chunn; Rhode Island President Thomas W. Hall. Back row: Massachusetts President Harry L. Walen; Connecticut President Harold F. Nash; Past Librarian General Alexander Hamilton; Historian General Asa E. Phillips, Jr.; Vermont President Harold J. R. Stillwell.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY

In an effort to instill greater interest among Compatriots, the New Jersey Society has begun a newsletter. It is coordinated by the new Executive Secretary, Howard W. Wiseman, and President Henry G. McGrath. (Editor's note: If your state doesn't have a newsletter, why not give it a try?)

The Society's first meeting was hosted by the **Cranbury Chapter** at the Old Yorke Inn, Hightstown, in early October. Judge Theodore Appleby, recent recipient of the Law Enforcement Commendation Award, spoke on "Sentencing." He is a member of the **Raritan Valley Chapter**.

The **West Fields Chapter** has been sponsoring the area Independence Day parade, this year complete with Colonial Fife and Drum Corps and a Revolutionary Color Guard, for more than five decades. Participating were representatives of the DAR and church, veteran and historical organizations. Compatriot John H. Wachter, Grand Marshal for the event, was honored for his 20 years' dedication to the Chapter. He has single-handedly recruited two score members! State Assemblyman Chuck Hardwick, keynote speaker for the day, gave a talk entitled "The American Dream." This fall, the Chapter heard an interesting illustrated talk describing the dozens of historical spots within only 20 miles of the Chapter center.

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (N.Y.)

The **Binghamton Chapter** was part of the Clinton-Sullivan Commemorative sponsored by the towns of Union and Vestal in August. Events of the two-day celebration included a parade across the Susquehanna River and a band concert at Mersereau Park. The Chapter also re-dedicated the plaque honoring Broome County Revolutionary War Veterans at the County Courthouse. Following the ceremony, a special non-denominational prayer service was held at the Union Presbyterian Church to commemorate the Clinton-Sullivan Expedition and give particular honor to the soldiers and descendants of the Sullivan Campaign, as well as all descendants of the Revolutionary War soldiers.

The **Buffalo Chapter** recently presented its 5th Annual George Washington Award to the Principals of Lafayette and Riverside High Schools at City Hall. The presentation of plaques by Chapter Vice-President Arthur S. Mellow and Awards Chairman Thomas D. Huestis, Jr., was in recognition of the outstanding programs given by the two schools to honor Patriot's Day. This year, both schools were chosen because they conducted a joint observance of the holiday. Established by the Chapter in 1975, the award was the idea of Compatriot Roger S. Pratt.

ESS Past President Norman Dieter and Registrar Ralph H. Bacon, both of the **Westchester Chapter**, participated in Naturalization ceremonies at White Plains on July 5th and August 7th. (Editor's note: Welcoming new citizens is a moving experience for all concerned. Compatriots should endeavor to participate and be present at every opportunity.)

The **Rochester Chapter** participated in the Bicentennial Observance of the Sullivan-Clinton Expedition sponsored by the Livingston Commemoration Committee in September. Past President Charles F. Weinmann represented the Chapter in two ceremonies. Activities included an address by Robert E. Mulligan, Curator of History, NYS Museum, at Ambuscade Park in Groveland, followed by the unveiling of the new monument on the site of the capture of the Boyd and Parker Party by 400 Indians and Tories. In the afternoon, a speech was given by the Honorable Barber B. Conable, Jr., U.S. Congressman, at Boyd-Parker Memorial Park in Cuylerville. This is the site of the torture and murder of the Boyd and Parker patrol.

Preparations are already underway for the **New York City Chapter's** finest event of the season, the 44th Annual Colonial Ball at the Hotel Pierre on February 1, 1980. Traditionally for the pre-

sentation of debutantes, parents or sponsors of a debutante receive tickets to the ball and a lovely silver commemorative bowl. Her father need not be a Compatriot, but he should be eligible for membership. All Compatriots are welcome.

Dressed in authentic Revolutionary War Uniforms, **Stone Arabia Battle Chapter** President Lewis G. Decker and four other Compatriots rode on a float for the Canajoharie Sesquicentennial Parade recently. The Chapter also had an especially interesting summer meeting along with the Fort Klock Restoration Society. The program consisted of 18th Century military music by a detachment of the re-activated Rhode Island unit of Capt. Samuel Nicholas Battalion of the Continental Marines. Adjutant Robert C. Showalter of the Brigade of the American Revolution led the detachment in this appearance, with members wearing authentic uniforms of the period, red facings and white turnbacks against green regimental coats, and playing authentic musical instruments. The Chapter's September meeting featured a presentation of "The Battle of Culloden" by President Decker. The battle occurred in Scotland prior to the Revolution. The migration of the Scot families to old Tyron County, where they took up arms to side with the Crown in the Mohawk Valley, was aptly depicted.

OHIO SOCIETY

The Hub Scott Award was presented for the first time at the Society's Annual Conference last April in Cleveland. The award, named in honor of the late Compatriot Hubbell Scott, will be presented annually to a Compatriot who has given long and faithful service. The first recipient is Compatriot Charles A. Anderson, Sr., MD, of the **Ethan Allen Chapter**. A Past President General, he has worked to maintain the magnificent flag collection assembled by Compatriot Scott.

The Ohio Village Sitting Park in Columbus, a charming new park situated on



Accepting the Hub Scott Award for his father was Compatriot Charles A. Anderson, Jr., Ohio Society Historian (left). The award was presented by Past State President Robert E. Ewing. Seated from left were: Mrs. Mary Williams, Ohio State Regent, DAR; President General Calvin E. Chunn; and National Trustee Luther C. Leavitt.

the Ohio Historical Village Common, was donated by the Society and dedicated on July 14. The impressive ceremony



Dedicating the SAR Sitting Park in Columbus, part of the Ohio Historical Village were (from left): Mrs. Joy Moulton, Ohio Historical Society; Amos J. Loveday, Acting Chief Curator of the Ohio Historical Society (at podium); Mrs. Frank Auchmutey; Compatriot Frank Auchmutey of the **LaFayette Chapter**; and Ohio Society President John T. O'Neil (standing).

was led by Society President John T. O'Neil, with First Vice-President John P. Dean giving remarks. Following the ribbon cutting, Mrs. Joy Moulton accepted the Sitting Park on behalf of the Ohio Historical Society. The entire village, a project of the State of Ohio and the Ohio Historical Society, is a typical Ohio frontier village featuring a frontier school-

IN MEMORIAM



Wallace C. Hall 1894-1979 President General 1950-51

Compatriot Wallace C. Hall, President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution during the 1950-51 term of office, has been called to eternal rest by his Creator.

By unanimous resolution of the Board of Trustees, NSSAR, this page is respectfully and affectionately dedicated to the memory of this distinguished American.

A native of Michigan, he served his country in France during World War I with the Meteorological Division, Signal Corps. He received his A.B. Degree in 1916 and L.L.B. and L.L.M. in 1921 and became a highly respected practitioner in Detroit. Among his many affiliations were the Royal Arch Masons and the American Legion.

Compatriot Hall became a member of the SAR in 1923 and subsequently served as President of the Detroit Chapter and the Michigan society, National Trustee, Vice-President General and Chancellor General. He was Chairman of the first National Organization Committee and the Debt Liquidation Committee. It is to his honor and credit that at the time outstanding debt against National Headquarters was lifted, making our Society's property free and clear.

His memory will be a continuing inspiration to the Society and Compatriots he served so well.

house and a pioneer Masonic lodge hall. The Society's Board of Management met in the reconstructed stagecoach inn and enjoyed a frontier-style meal served by waitresses in period costume.



Compatriot Mack C. Watts, Past President of the **John Stark Chapter** (center), was honored at the Society's Annual Conference for his outstanding work during his 30 years as Chairman of the Chapter's Douglas G. High Historical Oration Contest. He has produced five National Champions, more than any other Chapter, as well as seven State winners. The Society passed a Resolution commending Compatriot Watts. Registrar General Robert C. Reynolds (right) on behalf of the **Lafayette Chapter**, presented him with a special painting while General Calvin E. Chunn observed.

The June meeting of the **John Stark Chapter**, a catered picnic at the home of Compatriot and Mrs. Mack C. Watts, featured an informative talk on the new National Headquarters in Louisville by Registrar General Robert C. Reynolds.

In September, the **Lafayette Chapter** again celebrated Constitution Day by inviting all local patriotic and historical societies to a special dinner celebrating the signing of the Constitution. Compatriot J. Penfield Seiberling, whom the Chapter



The **Benjamin Franklin Chapter**, meeting jointly in September with the DAR Franklin County Chapter, heard an excellent speech given by Compatriot Charles R. Petree II (right) concerning the Constitution. He is President of the Columbus Bar Association, member of the City Council and Past President of the Chapter. He is pictured here with Ohio President John P. Dean.

considers to be perhaps the oldest and most politically minded of the Lafayette Compatriots, gave an inspiring talk on the pressures of the times.

The **Cincinnati Chapter's** Annual Pilgrimage during June featured an address by the Honorable Raymond E. Shannon, Judge of the Court of Appeals. Judge Shannon brought national affairs into focus by describing the poor direction of some current court rulings. He stated his hope that today's younger generation will provide better future leadership. The affair was well attended by Compatriots, wives, friends and several members of nearby DAR Chapters, as well as local judges and law enforcement officials. Following his speech, Judge Shannon was presented with the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal for his many years as an attorney, Municipal Court Judge, Court of Common Pleas Judge, Prosecuting Attorney of Hamilton County and now Judge of the Court of Appeals.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

The **Erie Chapter**, along with the Presque Isle Chapter, DAR, and the Erie County Historical Society, recently dedicated a marker which honors the location of Fort Presque Isle. The fort was erected by the British in 1730 on the bank of Lake Erie, where the city of Erie now stands. It protected the harbor from the French and Indians, was later taken by the Americans under the leadership of Mad Anthony Wayne and later successfully guarded the construction of the U.S. fleet which drove the British from Lake Erie in the War of 1812.



Dedicating the marker for Fort Presque Isle were (from left): Compatriot Richard Wright, Colonel Carl R. Black, Erie Mayor Louis J. Fullio, Mrs. Fullio, Superintendent O'Rourke of the Erie School District was behind the Mayor.

In an interesting commemoration and re-enactment of the Battle and Massacre of Wyoming, Pennsylvania, Compatriot James F. Geddes, representing the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter**, laid a wreath at the Wyoming Monument. The program included members of several American Legion Posts, a Disabled American Veterans chapter, the DAR, CAR and other patriotic groups. The oc-



Compatriot James F. Geddes of the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter** laid a wreath at the Wyoming Monument on July 4th on the 201st Anniversary and 101st Annual Commemorative Service of the Battle and Massacre of Wyoming, Pennsylvania.

casation was also the 200th anniversary of General John Sullivan's expedition against the Indians. The expedition, although little known, was actually a decisive operation during the Revolutionary War. Not only was it a punitive measure against Indians and Tories who tortured Wyoming settlers, but it secured the upper Pennsylvania and lower New York borders for the Colonies. Sullivan's army of 4,000 men joined General Clinton's army and in two months they destroyed forever the power of the Six Nations tribes in mid-1779.

L. G.

BALFOUR CO.

Attleboro, Mass.

Manufacturers

of

INSIGNIA JEWELRY

MEDALS

TROPHIES - AWARDS

WASHINGTON OFFICE

PARK BLDG.

6400 Goldsborough Road

Washington 20034



The Pennsylvania Society held its Annual Meeting in September in the historic Revolutionary War city of Bethlehem. Distinguished Compatriots attending were (from left): Vice-President General for the Mid Atlantic District, Donald E. Lathrop; newly elected President Lawrence R. Sutherland; outgoing President Arthur J. G. Oplinger; and Secretary General and guest of honor, Arthur M. King.



The **Scranton Chapter** held its 6th Annual Picnic at the summer home of Compatriot Robert H. Dymond, Sr., and his wife, Dorothy. Pictured from left to right: Colonel Carl R. Black, District Deputy, and Aide Earl L. Wieand, Pennsylvania Society President Arthur J. G. Oplinger, and State Genealogist Robert H. Dymond, Sr.



A July Memorial Service honoring Adams County Patriots was thoughtfully observed by the **Continental Congress Chapter** in Gettysburg. From left to right were: Chapter Chaplain Frederick S. Weiser; President Donald K. Weiser; Judge John A. MacPhail; Susan Oyler, CAR; Tad Baranski, CAR; DAR Regent Golda Collins; Adams County State Representative Kenneth Cole; Col. (Ret) Oliver D. Coble, DD. The program was held at the former site of the Samuel Gettys tavern (now Gettysburg), with Judge MacPhail delivering a stirring address.

RHODE ISLAND SOCIETY

Constitution Week and Citizenship Day in Rhode Island was celebrated in September by the Society with a large meeting in the Brown University Field House. State Historian Arnold Van Benschoten gave a stirring address on the Constitutional Convention and re-emphasized that the Constitution is perhaps the greatest document of its kind in both ancient and modern history. To mark Constitution

Week and Citizenship Day, Governor Joseph Garrahy issued a special Proclamation reminding citizens that the Constitution must continue to guide our nation forward. The Society's August 16th meeting, one of the best attended ever, marked the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Bennington. Compatriot Sam G. Hall played the role of General John Stark in a re-enactment.

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The Fourth Annual Colonial Ball of the Society was a gala event this September, attended by such distinguished guests as Colonel Ralph H. Goodell, Jr., National Executive Secretary; National Trustee George F. Oliver; National Senior Vice-

President Julian V. Brandt III; Society President Buford Worthy; Society Secretary/Treasurer James T. Moore; Georgia Society President Gerald G. Fling; Mrs. James Carlton Vaughn, Regent of the South Carolina DAR; and



Nine debutantes, all straight lineal descendants of Revolutionary War Patriots, were presented September 8th at the Fourth Annual Colonial Ball of the South Carolina Society held in Columbia. Shown here with them were: Society President Wm. Buford Worthy; Mrs. Worthy; Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr.; Mrs. Goodell; Compatriot George T. Deschamps, Chairman of the Colonial Ball; and Mrs. Deschamps.

IS YOUR NAME HERE?

Our Catalogue No. 586 contains listings of over 4600 titles of Genealogies, Local Histories, Heraldry, British Records, etc. Price \$2.00 post paid.

GOODSPEED'S BOOK SHOP, INC.

Dept. SAR
18 Beacon Street
Boston, Mass. 02108

Mrs. Olin K. Burgdorf, Past Vice-President General, DAR. Compatriots wishing to present young ladies at the 1980 ball may write for information to: The Colonial Ball, P.O. Box 4457, Columbia, SC 29240.

July 26th saw installation of the **Daniel Morgan Chapter** by State President Wm. Buford Worthy. New Vice-President Charles M. Pace described the DAR lineage books at the Spartanburg library and called to the attention of Compatriots that many books need to be replaced. (Editor's note: It is a good idea to periodically check the condition of genealogy books at your local library and replace some when necessary.)

SWITZERLAND SOCIETY

Although their membership is small, did you know that the **Switzerland Society** boasts a higher ratio of members to American citizens than any Society in the

States? It has ten members in an area with 20,000 American men and women. This makes the ratio one member per 2,000 population!



In the largest Independence Day celebration outside the United States, 30,000 people watched Lorn Thyssen (left), representing Le Rosey, an international school, accept the trophy for winning the SAR Scholastic Debate in Geneva. The debate was begun by the Switzerland Society in 1976 in honor of the Bicentennial. At right, Society President Graham Shanley held the trophy, which United States Ambassador to the United Nations in Geneva William J. vanden Heuvel (at podium) presented to the Le Rosey team. A smaller Best Debater Cup was awarded to Tom Kaplan, also of Le Rosey. The tournament was held among four top-ranking international schools in Switzerland, with Le Rosey the victor as they upheld the negative of the Proposition: Resolved that the Helsinki and Belgrade Agreements were a waste of time. (Photo courtesy of Gordon Leverington, Geneva)

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

A "first" for Virginia and the highlight of the Society's Semi-Annual Meeting in September was a special luncheon honoring 14 of Virginia's best law enforcement officers chosen by the state's 22 Chapters. The luncheon was so well publicized throughout the state that over

100 people attended. Two judges, five sheriffs, a police chief, police lieutenant, chief deputy, two police officers and two troopers were selected. Compatriot Ordway P. Burden, Chairman of the Society's Special Committee on Law Enforcement, presided at the luncheon and



Outstanding law enforcement officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia were honored by the Virginia Society at a September luncheon. Host to the group was Ordway P. Burden (standing, left edge), Chairman of the Law Enforcement Committee, VASAR. Seated in front of Compatriot Burden were Chairman Homer Dean of the NSSAR's Law Enforcement Committee (left) and Pres. Gen. Calvin Ellsworth Chunn. At the right edge were Virginia President Howard L. Hamilton (standing) and Mayor Charles E. Beatley of Alexandria (seated). Eleven of the 14 honored officers are shown here.

presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medals. Society President Howard L. Hamilton underlined the importance of honoring those individuals who most directly protect the human freedoms and rights guaranteed by the Constitution.

The meeting, held in Alexandria, commemorated Citizenship Day and Constitution Week. Compatriots reviewed reports, including the writings of the history of the Virginia Society and the compiling of a Patriots' Index. Seven Minute Books of fragile records dating from July 7, 1890 (when the Society was founded) through 1961 have been duplicated and will be deposited in the Virginia State Library after the history is written. The lineage papers of 300 of the 3,864 members of the Virginia Society since 1890 have been examined and data concerning each Revolutionary War ancestor has been recorded on cards. Not only have five of the Culpeper Men been identified, but one **Real Son** has been discovered: Richard Fox, born in 1818, joined the Virginia Society in 1896 at the age of 78.

The fitting climax to the meeting was an evening reception and banquet honor-



President General Chunn received a Certificate of Honorary Membership in the Virginia Society, presented by President Howard L. Hamilton.

ing President General and Mrs. Calvin E. Chunn. PG Chunn entertained the guests with numerous anecdotes and was given a standing ovation. President Hamilton presented him with a Certificate of Honorary Membership "in appreciation for his services to the Virginia Society and the National Society as President General, and in tribute to his ten Revolutionary ancestors from Virginia who served the cause of American freedom."

The following medals were given: Virginia Society Medal to Law Enforcement Chairman Ordway P. Burden; DAR Appreciation Medal to Mrs. Pendleton Nimmo Nelson; Martha Washington Medal to Mrs. Marian Frances Wilhite Mason, and the Patriot Medal to President Howard L. Hamilton. Keynote speaker was the Reverend Lester Ken-solving, noted conservative Episcopalian

IN MEMORIAM



Compatriot Harold Lee Putnam, a former NSSAR Executive Secretary and the only one to hold the title of Honorary President General, was called to eternal rest by his creator on September 5, 1979.

By unanimous resolution of the Board of Trustees, NSSAR, this page is respectfully and affectionately dedicated to the memory of this Patriot.

A native of Kansas and a resident of Florida at the time of his death, Compatriot Putnam had been an active member of the California Society, having served as Secretary and President. Between 1941 and 1944, he was Vice-President General of the Pacific Coast District and served as Chairman of the Americanization Committee and as Chairman of the Americanism Fund.

On March 1, 1950, Compatriot Putnam assumed his duties at National Headquarters, then in Washington, D.C., as the first Executive Secretary and Editor of the *Quarterly Review*. Upon retirement in 1966, he was awarded the Gold Constructive Citizenship Medal, the only living recipient of this honor at that time. At the

Harold Lee Putnam
1896-1979

Executive Secretary 1950-66
Honorary President General

77th Annual Congress he was awarded the Honorary President General Badge.

He was involved in numerous businesses, both as an executive and advisor, and was included in the 1954-55 *Who's Who in America*.

Compatriot Putnam served his country well in World War I during 1917-18. An enlistee, he was a Gunnery Sergeant and Gun Pointer with Battery E, 25th Artillery, C.A.C.

He has passed on to a better world, but will live on in our hearts and memories.



Senator John W. Warner of Virginia displayed his Certificate of Membership presented to him in his office during July by Virginia Compatriots. From left were: Compatriot Ordway P. Burden, Chairman of the Society's Law Enforcement Committee; Major General Willis D. Crittenberger, Jr., USA (Ret); Virginia Past President and Past Vice-President General Donald W. Baldwin; Reverend William H. Lister, Society Chaplain; Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr., who proposed Senator Warner; Senator Warner; President Howard L. Hamilton; **Richmond Chapter** President William Allen Thurman, Jr.; and **George Washington Chapter** President Stanley G. Price.

minister, author, columnist, reporter, and publisher of the *Washington Weekly*, who spoke at length on modern McCarthyism and the need to keep careful watch over public servants in Washington.

Virginia welcomes the formation of the **General Hugh Mercer Chapter** in Fredericksburg. Compatriot George S. Knight of the **Washington Chapter** and Past State President Braxton H. Tabb, Jr. guided formation of the new group. General Mercer was a physician whose apothecary shop still exists in Fredericksburg. Five years after opening his shop in 1771, he took command of the Third Virginia Regiment. In June, 1776, the Continental Congress appointed him Brigadier General and he reported for duty to his friend George Washington. In early January, the two men met to plan the strategy for the Battle of Princeton. During the battle, General Mercer refused to retreat before a British bayonet charge and was wounded. Despite care by excellent physicians sent by General Washington, he soon died.

The **George Washington Chapter** celebrated Independence Day with its annual wreath-laying ceremony at General George Washington's tomb. The more than 100 compatriots, families and friends were led to the tomb by the Mt. Vernon Guard with their fifes and drums. Chapter President Stanley G. Price laid the wreath and called for patriotism to match that of the early patriots. Following the ceremony, costumed dancers performed 18th century dances.

The Battle of Great Meadows at Fort Necessity, Pennsylvania, was commemo-

rated on July 3rd by the **George Washington Cleek Chapter**, represented by its President Hugh S. Gwin. On July 3, 1754, Colonel George Washington commanding a force of Virginians and South Carolinians, lost the battle to French Captain Louis Coulon de Villiers and his troops in the opening engagement of the French and Indian War. Washington was forced to surrender near midnight.

The **Lieutenant David Cox Chapter** held its Annual Meeting at Shatley Springs in North Carolina in August, joined by members of the New River Pioneer and the Old Fields Chapters of the DAR, as well as the New River Over-the-Mountain-Men Society of the CAR. Guest of honor, Society President Howard L. Hamilton presented a gold enameled Seal of the Commonwealth of Virginia to Society Past President Carl E. Stark and then gave an enlightening speech on "The Minuteman Tradition in America."

Braving the pouring rain twice, the **Thomas Jefferson Chapter** held two ceremonies at Jefferson's grave in Monticello, on his birthday in April and on Independence Day. During the July ceremony, President Howard L. Hamilton carried on a brief dialogue with Mr. Jefferson, using quotations from his writings as answers to today's problems. Past Vice-President General James H. Chenery also participated.

The **Williamsburg Chapter** joined the local DAR at Berkeley Plantation to celebrate Independence Day. Former President of William and Mary, Dr.

Davis Y. Paschall, spoke at this annual event which honors Benjamin Harrison, one of the seven Virginia signers of the Declaration of Independence.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY



During the Society's Second Annual Constitution Week/Law Enforcement Banquet in September in Milwaukee, State President Robert G. Carroon (right) congratulated four recipients of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal (from left): City of Milwaukee Deputy Inspector of Police Charles R. Gilbert, City of Port Washington Police Chief Edward A. Rudolph, Jr., Hon. Robert M. Curley (Judge, Circuit Court), Milwaukee County Sheriff Michael Wolke (guest and past recipient) and Milwaukee County Deputy Sheriff Inspector William E. Klammer. Judge Curley delivered an address stressing that a Constitutional Convention should not be called by Congress, but emphasized that the option of duly processed amendments should always be kept open.



Dexter Rosettes



Authentic lapel rosettes handcrafted in America, by Americans, for Americans. Dexter Rosettes are made of superior quality ribbon mounted on a clutch back pin, offered to you at the price of \$1.75 each, in lots of one gross or more. Prices for smaller quantities on request. Send a sample rosette with your order. Design services available.

Dexter Rosettes
Township Line Road
Gwynedd Valley, PA 19437

Trustees Meetings Recapped

Trustees meetings during the 89th Congress were held at the Holiday Inn at the Embarcadero, San Diego, California. Condensations of the minutes are presented here. Full minutes are available from National Headquarters.

JUNE 24, 1979

The meeting was called to order by President General Calvin E. Chunn. The invocation was given by Chaplain General Rev. James B. Hoge, DD. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by PPG Wilson King Barnes, Sr.

PG Chunn called for approval of the minutes of the February 3, 1979 meeting, as mailed to the members. A motion for approval was made by Treasurer General Robert G. Luckey and Registrar General Robert J. Reynolds. Compatriot Luckey stated that the finances of the budget had been approved and that a previous motion had been made to donate \$500.00 to the School of the Ozarks. He moved that salary increases be awarded to Carol Myers and Fred Taylor and said that the Trustees had approved payment to Compatriot Joe Head for the remainder of the Liberty Bell budget. PG Chunn asked for any other corrections or additions to the minutes. There being none, it was moved and seconded, carried and so ordered to approve the minutes.

PG Chunn then called upon Executive Secretary Ralph H. Goodell, Jr., to report on pertinent actions of the Executive Committee. He stated that the Committee had recommended that Minuteman Medals be awarded to Compatriots Carl Bessent of Maryland, Calvin E. Chunn of California, Arthur M. King of Kansas and Missouri, Dr. Gradie R. Rowntree of Kentucky and Richard H. Thompson, Jr., of Florida. The Committee approved that action be taken to adopt the proposed Arthur and Berdena King Award, offered by Secretary General Arthur M. King.

Following an explanation of the award by Compatriot King, PPG Len Young Smith moved to accept it. Compatriot Jack K. Carmichael seconded the motion and it was carried and so ordered. (Editor's note: Award details appeared in the Summer Issue of the magazine.)

PG Chunn then gave his report, which was contained in the Annual Reports Book distributed at the Congress. At this time, he called upon the Vice-Presidents General and other General Officers for their reports. Each stated that his remarks were in the Annual Reports Book.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 am.

JUNE 27, 1979

The meeting was called to order by President General Calvin E. Chunn.

Compatriot George Arthur Luther of Iowa discussed the upcoming meeting of the Trustees in Des Moines, October 19-20, and moved that the date and place be reconfirmed. Dr. Leslie Bryan seconded the motion. It was voted upon, carried and so ordered.

PG Chunn announced his appointment of the following Compatriots to the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: PPG Ryall S. Morgan of Alabama, Howard Hamilton of Virginia, C.W. Grange of Illinois, PPG Wilson King Barnes, Sr., of Maryland and Warren G. Hayes of Pennsylvania. PPG Smith moved that the appointments be confirmed. Compatriot Luther seconded the motion. It was voted upon, carried and so ordered.

PG Chunn asked that requests for President General visitations to various Districts, State Societies and Chapters be forwarded in writing to Executive Secretary Goodell.

Compatriot E. Roy Chesney of Colorado stated that he had received a request for a Trustees meeting in

Denver in 1980. He believed that this had been approved at another Trustees meeting prior to his becoming a Trustee. An unidentified Compatriot stated opposition to the request, because he believed the meeting should be held at National Headquarters and so moved. The motion was seconded by Compatriot O. D. Fontenot. The motion was voted upon, carried and so ordered.

PG Chunn then swore into office the newly appointed members of the Executive Committee, except Compatriot C.W. Grange, who was absent. Compatriot Grange was sworn in that evening.

Compatriot Joe Head introduced Compatriot Wayne Garris of Minnesota, who asked that the Trustees approve the Minnesota Society's proposed Stephen Taylor Award. PPG Smith moved, with gratitude, that the award be accepted. M/Gen. Louis J. Rumaggi seconded. The motion was voted upon, carried and so ordered. (Editor's note: Award details were reported in the Summer Issue of the magazine.)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

Meet Two Added National Officers

When the Summer Issue of *The SAR Magazine* went to press, not all of the biographies of national officers had been received. The Editor is pleased to present these two prominent Compatriots:

Robert F. Dyer, Jr., MD, Surgeon General. A graduate of Michigan, George Washington and Harvard Postgraduate Universities, Dr. Dyer practices internal medicine in Washington, D.C. He is a retired Colonel, U.S. Medical Corps and President of the Washington Medical and Surgical Society. He is a Past President of the General Smallwood Chapter and the recipient of the Good Citizenship and War Service Medals. And unique within the SAR, Dr. Dyer is consultant in medicine to the White House and still makes house calls!

A. Mims Wilkinson, Jr., Vice-President General of the South Atlantic District. A resident of Stone Mountain, Georgia, Compatriot Wilkinson has been engaged in the general practice of law in Atlanta since 1950. A graduate of the University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Laws Degree, he is admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court, as well as in all Federal and Georgia Courts. In 1973, he was nominated for appointment as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. A Past President of the Georgia Society, Compatriot Wilkinson authored *The Winning of the Revolutionary War in the South*, a Bicentennial publication of the SAR.

**Your NSSAR Gift
Is Tax Deductible!**

Committee Issues Membership Guide

The Membership Committee, under the aggressive leadership of Lorne C. Parks (TXSAR), now has available a booklet entitled *Recruiting Membership in the Chapter*. It is a thorough guide, with emphasis on working with local DARs. Copies may be obtained from Compatriot Parks, 2250 Dryden Road, Houston, TX 77030.

The committee is anxious to help recruit the relatives of members residing in other states. Just send Compatriot Parks their names and addresses and the committee will see that they are sent to the proper State Society for follow-up. What a great way to swell our ranks!

**When you are
TRAVELING...**

(Continued from back cover)

TEXAS

Dallas Chapter. 8:00 a.m. breakfast meeting at Melrose Hotel each 2nd Sat. Visiting SARs most welcome.

Maj. K. M. Van Zandt Chapter. Luncheon, noon, 3rd Mon. monthly at Colonial Cafeteria, 1700 Rogers Rd., Fort Worth.

Patrick Henry Chapter. Austin. Luncheon meeting 11:30 a.m. 3rd Sat. monthly at Wyatt's Cafeteria Hancock Center, 41st & IH35. Feb. Washington Birthday and Sept. Constitution Day are joint meetings with DAR & CAR at Women's Club, 8th & San Antonio St.; No reservations needed. Visiting SAR's & ladies welcome. Phone President Robert Carl Turney, Sr. for info: (512) 478-7987.

San Antonio Chapter. Luncheon meeting, noon, 1st Fri. monthly at Arden Grove Partryhouse, 102 9th St., San Antonio.

UTAH

Utah Society. Luncheon meeting 2nd Mon. monthly except June, July & Aug. 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. Howard E. Bartholf, Secy. Tel: (804) 282-9316.

WISCONSIN

James Morgan Chapter. Milwaukee. Luncheon Meeting 2nd Fri. monthly at Cudworth A.L. Post, 1756 N. Prospect Ave. All SARs willkommen!

General Tadeuz Kosciusko Chapter. Milwaukee, holds monthly dinner meetings at Alexander's Restaurant, 967 W. Lincoln Ave. For info contact President Thomas A. Merein, (414) 463-2268.

Genealogical Sources

This new section of the magazine is designed to help SARs in their genealogical research — through highlighting prominent sources of information. Members are encouraged to submit write-ups of their own relative to sources that they are familiar with and feel would be beneficial to others.

THE MORMON LIBRARY AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

By Grahame Thomas Smallwood, Jr.,
C.A.L.S.
Past Librarian General

Many members of the SAR have been aided in the preparation of their application papers by research done at the Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Salt Lake City, or at one of their branch libraries scattered around the nation. This article will briefly cover some of the fascinating aspects of the library and what it offers to the researcher.

Some 155,000 volumes are on open shelves on three floors of the library building. These cover family histories, state and county histories, numerous varieties of church and cemetery records, plus numerous lineage volumes of hereditary societies such as the SAR.

Over one million rolls of microfilm records are located in easily accessible cabinets, and some 300 microfilm reader machines are located on three floors of the building. The first floor contains the vast U.S. and Canada section, plus the enormous card catalogue files which contain some 30 million cards. The entire file is alphabetical and one can easily check to see what is available in book or microfilm on any family surname.

State records and foreign country records contain every bit of information that the church camera staff were permitted to record and some of the state collections are just about complete. One can check under a state heading, such as "Pennsylvania", then in that section find each county in alphabetical order, and under each county, church records, probate records, deeds, tax material, vital records, etc. Then still under each county, one finds an alphabetical list of the towns and townships, and under these, a further listing of vital records.

It is easy to see how one can spend hours working the cards in the catalogue, just listing films or books to be checked. To get an

idea of the vastness of the records, one should note that all of the U.S. Census reports are on film, beginning with 1790 and including the 1900 census. Printed index volumes to the 1790 through 1850 census reports are on open shelves and a special soundex index to the 1880 and 1900 census reports are readily available.

There are many index volumes to consult, covering everything from the names of immigrants into major U.S. ports, right up to the early 1900s, to a complete filming of the U.S. Archives pension records of Revolutionary War veterans. The application papers of the SAR are also on microfilm here, as are those of numerous other hereditary societies.

Visitors are always surprised to find that hundreds of their own ancestors have been baptised into the Mormon Church by proxy. This is not too surprising when one thinks of the hundreds of thousands of present-day descendants of the early Mayflower pilgrims that have among them, members of the Mormon Church who have done this work for their own ancestors.

Most visitors are interested in the fabulous vaults located about twenty miles from Salt Lake City in Little Cottonwood Canyon. These vaults are tunnelled some 600 feet into solid granite, well above the valley floor to prevent flooding and with some 700 feet of solid granite over them. There are six such vaults with ample space for expansion, reached through three access doors, each with a bank vault door weighing from nine to fourteen tons.

They have offices and a complete processing lab within the mountain, to process hundreds of duplicates for the many branch libraries. The temperature is kept at an unchanging 57 degrees and the natural humidity remains at

(Continued on page 35)

Government Publishes Constitution Books

The U.S. Government Printing Office has published several books which will be of interest to all SARs. After the description of each is the cost for a single volume and the item number, which must be included in orders. Make checks or money orders payable to "Superintendent of Documents" and mail to: Public Documents Distribution Center, Department (as indicated below), Pueblo, Colorado 81009.

Signers of the Constitution. This 335-page, illustrated book presents extensive background information on the history of the Constitution, recounts the lives of the men who conceived and signed it, and describes the sites and buildings associated with this historic document. \$6.40. Item No. 69U9. Department 15.

Signers of the Declaration. A 310-page, illustrated book describing the role of those who framed the Declaration of Independence and took the bold risk of putting their signatures to it. A biographical sketch is provided for each signer, and background information is given for the sites frequented by these patriots. Filled with photographs and drawings. \$6.85. Item No. 68U9. Department 15.

Framing of the Federal Constitution. This 111-page, illustrated volume explores the ideas and interests of the men who labored so long and hard to develop this pioneering experiment in self-government. Numerous photographs and illustrations combine with an easy-to-understand text to bring this vital record of our history to life. \$2.95. Item No. 1X9. Department 18.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Executive Committee Meeting Trustees Meeting

NSSAR Headquarters, Louisville, KY, February 29-March 1, 1980

90th Annual Congress

Dallas, TX, June 28-July 2 — NorthPark Inn

91st Annual Congress

Oklahoma City, OK, June 13-17, 1981 — Skirvin Plaza

92nd Annual Congress

Portland, OR, June 12-16, 1982 — Hilton Hotel

93rd Annual Congress

Atlanta, GA, June 11-15, 1983.

Reflections

Contributions of the Churches To American Independence

By Chaplain General James B. Hoge

A keynote of the struggle for independence is the sentence engraved on the Liberty Bell, "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof," which is from the Bible, Leviticus 25:10.

As early as 1689, English churches were standing for American freedom, as voted in "Protest of the Messengers of One Hundred Churches in London, in 1689": "It is our profound conviction, and we should, on all occasions, manifest the same, that we should venture our all for (our faith) and the liberties of our country."

The great churchman, William Pitt stated, in the British House of Commons, May 30, 1781, that "The American war was conceived in injustice, and nurtured in folly, and that it exhibited the highest moral turpitude and depravity, and that England had nothing but victories over men struggling in the holy cause of liberty, or defeats which filled the land with mourning for loss of dear and valuable relations slain in a detested and impious quarrel." Six months later, in the same assembly, two days after Cornwallis' surrender at Yorktown had been published in England, the eloquent Fox adopted the words of Chatham, uttered at the beginning of the Revolution, and said, "Thank God that America has resisted the claims of the mother country!"

The eminent Dr. Rippon of London, in a letter to President Manning, a prominent clergyman of Rhode Island College, written in 1784, says, "I believe all our ministers of our denomination in London, except two, and most of our brethren in the country were on the side of the Americans in the late dispute . . . We wept when the thirsty plains drank the blood of your departed heroes, and the shout of a King was amongst us when your well-fought battles were crowned with victory; and to this hour we believe that the independence of America will, for a while, secure the liberty of this country, but if that continent had been reduced, Britain would not have been long free."

Rhode Island, historians note, was, before the Revolution, the freest Colony in North America, or in the history of our race. Her founders had made the settlement a Republic complete in every development of liberty, even while under the nominal rule of a king. They created a government with which there could be no lawful interference by any power in the Old World or the New. Rhode Island had no viceroy; before the Revolution,

the king had no veto on her laws. In March, 1663, it was enacted that "no tax should be imposed or required of the Colony but by the act of the General Assembly."

In 1704, Mompesson, the Chief Justice of New York, wrote Lord Nottingham that "when he was in Rhode Island the people acted in all things as if they were outside the dominion of the crown." Bancroft speaks of Rhode Island at the Revolution "as enjoying a form of government, under its charter, so thoroughly republican that no change was required beyond a renunciation of the king's name in the style of its public acts." This state, founded on the principle of religious liberty, also stood on the solid foundation of the other freedoms as well.



In Memoriam

Walter L. Abbott, IL
Sam Henry Adams, GA
Harry B. Alger, MI
Leonard G. R. K. Allis, NY
George W. Anderson, IL
Stephen E. Ayers, WA
James M. Barker III, FL
William H. Bassett, Jr., NH
Cecil E. Bell, NC
Charles Fitzpatrick Booth, AL
Alden S. Bordwell, CA
Betram U. Boyd, PA
Dwight H. Bray, KY
Stiles D. Brumbaugh, OH
Jerome T. Bunce, IL
Marion S. Camp, VA
Harold S. Campbell, NH
Homer Earl Capehart, IN
Charles A. Carroll, NY
Templer S. Cawthorne, MI
Henry G. Clark, RI
De France Clarke, Jr., CT
Alfred S. Cleaves, RI
William B. Combs, FL
Donald M. Comfort, OR
John M. Crane, NJ
Theodore O. Cutright, IL
Orville L. Detraz, IN
Steven Harrison Dodd, RI
Kenneth D. Dodds, PA
Fred Dunham, MI
Richard R. Duran, WA
William Dusenberry, PA
Charles N. Edmonston, CA
Charles Wiley Egan, OH

Earl D. Ford, CA
Thomas E. Ford, MI
Harry G. Fowler, VA
Richard S. Frazer, IL
Clarence Q. Graham, TX
William F. Hancock, NH
Philip W. Hatch, OH
Howard E. Hatmaker, OH
Andrew M. Heath, NH
Walter V. Higby, NV
Luther H. Hill, TX
Frederic Marshall Hurd, CA
Walter S. Johnson, CA
Earl E. Kerstetter, PA
Carl J. Lane, IL
Wilson V. Ledley, NH
A. H. Lichtenwalner, WI
Willis K. Link, Sr., OH
William A. Lord, NJ
John Grover Luce, CA
Francis M. Mack, SC
J. Foss Magoon, RI
Laurence B. Martin, Esq., CA
Augustus D. Martin, OH
Casper L. Mast, Jr., IL
Robert B. Mathis, TX
John Albert McDavid, SC
Brice McQuillin, CA
Robert W. Miller, CA
Paul LaMance Morgan, TN
Kenneth Mullins, IL
Michael W. Murphy, CA
Gilbert Ray Nooe, KY
Theodore E. Norton, VA

Gardner Osborn, Jr., NY
John L. Parsons, NH
Eugene L. Pearson, TN
Leonard S. Plee, MI
William R. Porter, IN
Harold L. Putnam, CA
Augustus L. Read, CA
Charles F. Ream, OH
John W. Remington, NY
Maxwell E. Rich, UT
Elvin Walter Robertson, VA
Wallace S. Robertson, IL
Dale D. Rosenkrans, CA
Thomas P. M. Rouse, CT
Lowell O. Sargent, WA
Robert P. Schermerhorn, NY
Harry L. Sherman, CT
Weldon R. Shreves, IL
Edward Derr Shriner, MD
Roy Eugene Simms, IL
Richard C. Simonton, CA
Carlisle F. Smith, IL
Herbert N. Snowden, Jr., OH
Augustus O. Stanley, Jr., VA
Charles H. Trafton, IN
William H. Van Dine, DC
Ray C. Verburg, MI
Rudolph H. Waldo, LA
Lucian Adolphus Whipple, GA
Walter T. White, Sr., LA
Earle L. Whittington, TN
Cecil M. Wilcoxon, IL
H. Ward Williams, NY
Earle A. Woods, MA

