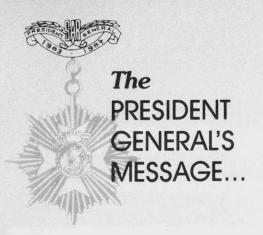


Sons of the American Revolution



Warren G. Hayes, Jr. Installed as President General



In my election as President General you have bestowed upon me the highest honor a Compatriot of the Sons of the American Revolution can receive. I appreciate it more than I can tell you. In return, you have my pledge to carry out the duties of the office with the dignity and honor inherent in our great Society. With the inspiration of my immediate predecessors, Past Presidents General King, Thompson and Hamilton, together with the eminent leaders who, before them, served the Society so loyally, I take office with the sincere hope of continued progress.

The Atlanta Congress was a stimulating experience for all who had the good fortune to attend. The hospitality of our Georgia Society will be remembered for many years to come. The proceedings were marked by harmony and good will, and an earnest desire to advance the interests of our beloved Society. These ingredients are so essential for the success and upbuilding of any organization.

Each newly-elected President General has had his goals for the new administration. I should like to reiterate the goals for the coming year as mentioned in my acceptance speech at the National Congress. The merchandise operation at National Headquarters will be one item of priority. It is beginning to function more smoothly following some changes in procedure, but I believe further improvement can be accomplished by an ad hoc Merchandise Committee studying the sources of supply, the ordering procedure, purchasing and shipping costs, and the

sales appeal of the actual items of inventory.

Another priority item will be our medals and awards program. In the past, the quality of our medals, ribbons and certificates left



During the processional of general officers prior to the Wednesday banquet, newly elected President General and Mrs. Warren G. Haves. Jr. were greeted by a standing ovation.

THE COVER PHOTO shows Chancellor General Benjamin H. Morris administering the oath of office to newly elected President General Warren G. Hayes, Jr., while Mrs. Hayes holds a Bible. The event took place at the Wednesday banquet, which closed the



Mrs. Hayes proudly bestowed the insignia of office on President General Warren G. Hayes, Jr. at the installation ceremony.

something to be desired. Recent changes have improved considerably the quality and attractiveness of our certificates of award. Similar improvements are envisaged for the various SAR Medals and the Medals and Awards Committee will work toward

If our organization is to continue to grow and function effectively, we must give consideration to long-range planning. A study of the facilities at National Headquarters is one facet of a long-range plan. It is believed we can make some advantageous department moves at Louisville, enlarge our parking area and provide for future expansion of the Library, Museum and other functions. This, of course, will require considerable study and the development of such a plan will be the responsibility of the members of the SAR Development Committee.

The other evening, while perusing one of the back issues of our Magazine, I came upon the following statement: "The stoppage of our appalling losses each year in resignations and dropping for non-payment of dues is one of the serious problems we face." Sound familiar? This was written more than 50 years ago and the condition still prevails today. At that time, our total membership was reported as 20,000; the most recent figures indicate a present membership of 21,700. As has been pointed out by my predecessors in office, therein would seem to lie the root of an unimpressive growth record over the last 50

We all recognize that in every successful organization, the real work is done at the committee level. Listed elsewhere in this issue of our Magazine will be found the names of those Compatriots asked to serve on various committees. I trust that each committee member will perform his duties in a manner creditworthy to himself and for the advancement of our Society.

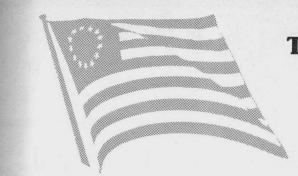
The signing of the Treaty of Paris 200 years ago, come September 3, makes this a most significant year for the SAR as well as for our country. Our Society will play a predominant part in the ceremonies scheduled for Paris during that first week of September. The Trustees have called a Special Congress of the NSSAR to be held in Paris, France, August 29 through September 3, 1983. Your President General will be laying a wreath on Lafayette's tomb in Picpus Cemetery and will be unveiling an SAR tablet at Versailles as part of the week-long celebration. Well over 100 SAR Compatriots and guests already are signed up to go to Paris for this occasion. It will be a memorable milestone in the history of our Society.

Our recent Past Presidents General spent considerable time working in Louisville. I plan to do the same. This may mean foregoing some of the many cordial invitations received from State Societies and Chapters throughout the country but I feel it is important for the President General to be accessible at the National Headquarters.

No one can doubt our measure of pride in having our names enrolled on the roster of the Sons of the American Revolution. We can be justly proud, also, of our record of patriotic endeavor spanning nearly a century of devoted service. So let us, with renewed effort and enthusiasm, keep the fires of patriotism burning as we seek to transmit to future generations the precious heritage left to us by our forefathers.

With fraternal greetings to each of you.

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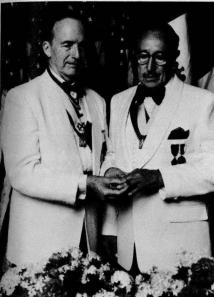


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During the Annual Congress, Warren G. Hayes, Jr. (right) was installed as President General. Outgoing PG Howard L. Hamilton performed the traditional ring ceremony. Page 4.



The capture of Major Andre led to the unmasking of Benedict Arnold as a traitor. Page 16.

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The right to bear arms amendment to the Constitution had its beginnings prior to the Revolutionary War. Page 14.

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Attendance at Congress in Atlanta Breaks Record



A solemn Memorial Service, held at the First Baptist Church of College Park, commemorated those Compatriots who had passed away during the last year. Past President General Len Young Smith delivered eulogies for PPGs Walter G. Sterling, Ryall S. Morgan and Calvin E. Chunn. The church choir rendered a variety of patriotic songs in a moving program.



During the Monday luncheon, James Christopher Bearden of Lithia Springs, Georgia, was named winner in the NSSAR Eagle Scout Scholarship program and was given a check for \$2,000 by Past President General Arthur M. King. Observing was President General Howard L. Hamilton (left) and C. Hoyt Hunt (right), Regional Director, Southeast Council, BSA. Mr. Hunt was guest speaker for the occasion. See related story on page 8.

When the final registration for the 93rd Annual Congress was tallied, it turned out that an attendance record for recent years had been set: 321 Compatriots and 213 guests! And all 534 agreed that the Georgia Society had done a splendid job of making everyone feel welcome and providing a smooth-running sequence of events.

Elected President General was Warren G. Hayes, Jr. All other selections by the Nominating Committee for General Officers were also elected. As reported in the



As an important phase of the installation ceremony, President General Howard L. Hamilton slipped George Washington's Seal Ring onto the finger of newly elected PG Warren G. Hayes, Jr. The ring is the National Society's most prized possession.

Minutes of the Congress elsewhere in this issue, the office of Treasurer General was contested, calling for a special vote by secret ballot.

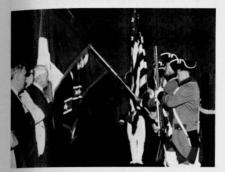
One note of real sadness dampened the meeting when Florida Society President Sidney S. King died unexpectedly during a Congress recess. It was suggested from the floor that memorials to Compatriot King be made to the NSSAR Memorial Fund, which was established by the national Trustees in 1981. A suggestion was also made that memorials be made to the Florida Society Endowment Trust Fund.

Details about the Congress are reported throughout this issue. Also featured are an updated Directory of Officers and the membership of committees.





Mrs. Walter Hughey King (left), NSDAR President General, and Mrs. Thomas H. Conner, N.S.C.A.R. Senior National President, brought greetings to Congress attendees.



The Maryland Society Color Guard performed superbly in opening the Congress.



The John Mor McIntosh Pipe Band entertained at the Wednesday banquet.



On behalf of the National Society, Executive Committee member Judson P. Mason presented Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton with the Silver Good Citizenship Medal. She also received the Virginia Society Medal, the first time for a woman to be so honored.



At the Tuesday banquet Virginia Society President Conrad Mook presented Bessie and Catherine Hamilton framed certificates for "assisting the President General." The pair has travelled all across the country with their parents to be at SAR functions.



Eight Past Presidents General posed with President General Howard L. Hamilton: (front, from left): Eugene C. McGuire, Arthur M. King, Wilson King Barnes, Sr., Len Young Smith; Dr. M. Graham Clark, Jr.; (back, left from Dr. Hamilton): James B. Gardiner, Matthew B. Sellers III, Richard H. Thompson, Jr.

Addresses Congress
In an eloquent address at the 93rd Ar

Former Senator Byrd

In an eloquent address at the 93rd Annual Congress, former United States Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr., decried the trend toward concentration of power in the central government, discussed the need to resist the infiltration of communism into Central America, and stated that the number one problem facing our nation today is runaway federal spending.

He began his talk, which drew applause at many points, by reviewing the founding of our country based on the wisdom of such great leaders as Washington, Jefferson and Madison. He stated that "in order for this nation to survive, and indeed, prosper, in the coming years, we must rededicate ourselves to the lasting principles and 'self-



Senator Byrd is a member of the Virginia Society.

evident' truths upon which this nation was founded." Referring to centralized government, Senator Byrd said, "President Reagan has clearly identified this trend and has made substantial progress in combatting it. I hope that he will succeed in reversing the flow of power and that his Presidency will not turn out to be an aberration in an era of growing centralization.

"While fighting this battle at home, the President is leading a national effort to resist the infiltration of Communism into our own back vard, namely Central America." After discussing what is happening in that area, he emphasized that "the strategic interests of the United States are very much at issue in the struggle in Central America. Another communist take-over there - and that is what Nicaragua, Cuba and the Salvadoran rebels seek - would propel a tide of refugees through Mexico and across the Caribbean. Our social services and our economy would be severely taxed." He concluded his remarks on this subject by declaring that he supports the President's efforts to prevent other Caribbean nations from suffering a fate similar to Cuba.

On the economy, Senator Byrd covered the implications of five years of deficits totaling \$950 billion and stated that "the President must moderate his proposed increase in defense spending — and the Congress must cut domestic spending."

PG's Cup Plaque Awarded to Miami Chapter; New Member Honors Taken by Charles E. Wollard

Representatives of State Societies and Chapters eagerly awaited the announcement of awards for outstanding service to the Society for 1982-83 during Recognition Night at the 93rd Annual Gongress. When the results were revealed, the Arkansas, California and Florida Societies walked off with the most honors:

President General's Cup Plaque (to the State Society or Chapter which presents the most complete program of activities): Miami Chapter, FI SAR



Accepting the President General's Cup Plaque were Immediate Past Florida Society President J. Alan Cross (center) and Michael R. Gentry, who served as Miami Chapter President over the last year.



Proudly accepting the Allen Groves Wilson Award were Jennings H. Flathers (center) Editor of the *Virginia Bulletin*, and Virginia Society President Conrad P. Mook.

The Allene Groves Wilson Award (to the State Society or Chapter which presents evidence of implementing SAR resolutions and principles): *Virginia Society*.

The Edwin B. Graham Trophy (to the State Society sponsoring the first place winner of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest): California Society.

The George E. Tarbox, Jr. Award (to the State Society, exclusive of the host Society, which has the largest percentage of eligible delegates at a National Congress): Alabama, Florida, Missouri and Wisconsin Societies.

The Texas Award (to the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with less than 100 members): Wyoming Society. 24%.

The Colorado Award (to the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among states with over 100 members: *Arkansas Society*, 49%.

The Ohio Award (to the State Society which enrolled the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age): Montana, Utah and Vermont Societies, 100%.

The Len Young Smith Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age): *Texas Society*, 75

The Walter G. Sterling Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members transferred from the C.A.R.): *Illinois* and *Indiana Societies*, 5.

The Robert L. Sonfield Award (to the State Society with the largest numerical increase of members at the end of the membership year): Arkansas Society, 115.

The Houston Chapter Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from the C.A.R.): District of Columbia Society, 38%.

The SAR Magazine Award (to the Society which rendered the most cooperation in supplying usable magazine material): California Society.



President Leland B. Hawkins III (right) accepted the SAR Magazine Award on behalf of the California Society.

The Harold L. Putnam Award (to the Society or Chapter chairman responsible for the winner of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest): California Society.

The Senator Robert A. Taft Award (to the State Society with the largest number of new members): *Texas Society*, 159.

The William Y. Pryor Award (to the State Society with the largest percentage of registered delegates and guests at the Congress, with consideration for the distance factor): California Society.

The Syracuse Award (to the State Society which instituted the most new Chapters): Arkansas Society, 4.

The 1776 Trophy (to the State Society which reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members): *Maryland Society*, 101.

The Eugene C. McGuire Award (to the State Society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SARs and DARs): *Texas Society*, 60.

The Kentucky Cup (to the membership chairman of that State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members): *Arkansas Society*, 94%.

The Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award (to the State Society with the best U.S. Flag program): West Virginia Society.

NOMINATIONS DUE JAN. 1

Past President General Howard L. Hamilton, Chairman of the National Nominating Committee, announces that nominations for national offices in 1984 must be received no later than January 1,1984. They should be mailed to him at Jumping Branch Farm, Route 5, Box 401, Charlottesville, VA 22901.

Included must be a statement from each proposed candidate that he will accept if nominated.

The Committee's selections will be announced at the Trustees Meeting on March 3.



Past President General Eugene C. McGuire (right) presented the award bearing his name to Immediate Past Texas Society President Clovis H. Brakebill.

The Stephen Taylor Award (to the Compatriot who by his research and writings has made a distinguished and significant contribution to the preservation of the history of the American Revolution and its Patriots): Carleton E. Fisher, FLSAR.

The Charlotte Lund Woodward Award (to the Editor of the best Chapter or State — in which there are no Chapters — periodical newsletter): San Fernando Valley Chapter, CASAR.

The Richard H. Thompson, Jr. Award (to that State Society which at that year's end has the smallest number of members dropped from the rolls by reason of failure to pay the National SAR dues): Maine and Nevada Societies, 0.

The Florence Kendall Award (to the Compatriot who recruited the greatest number of new members): *Charles E. Wollard*, MOSAR, 63.

Gold Enameled Plaques of Honor (for recruiting 15 or more new members): Clovis H. Brakebill, TXSAR, 21; St. John P. Chilton, LASAR, 26; Howard R. Furman, WASAR, 17; James G. McGrew, COSAR, 21; William E. Melone, AZSAR, 56; Joseph A. Merrill, Jr., ILSAR, 28; Lee Wellington Patrick, KSSAR, 17; David Carline Smith, KYSAR, 34; Earl L. Wieand, PASAR, 27; Claude Lawrence Withers, ARSAR, 18; Charles R. Wollard, MOSAR, 63.

In the President General's Activities Compettion, these State Societies received recognition in the following membership categories: To 199 members, United Kingdom; 200-499, Kentucky; 500-999, New Jersey; over 1,000, Ohio. These Chapters were recognized: To 49 members, San Fernando Valley Chapter, CASAR; 50-99, Col. Thomas Taylor Chapter, SCSAR; 100-199, West Fields Chapter, NJSAR; 200 and over, Philadelphia-Continental Chapter, PASAR.

Delaware, Arkansas Societies Capture King Awards

The Delaware Society has done it again — for the fourth year in a row! — in winning the Arthur M. and Berdena King SAR-DAR Membership Competition Award for having on April 1 the highest percentage of any State Society membership compared to total DAR membership in the state, 40.68. The Arkansas Society took the honors for having the largest percentage increase in the ratio of SAR to DAR membership during the year preceding April 1, 96.

Both Societies were recognized for their accomplishments during the 93rd Annual Congress in Atlanta. Each received a gavel and an award of \$1,000 from a fund established by the Kings in 1979.

Itemized below are data PPG King compiled showing the rankings of State Societies as of April 1, 1983, the beginning date of this year's contest (for the first time, SAR Societies overseas are included):

	SAR	DAR	SAR of
1. Delaware	236	580	40.68
2. Utah	115	328	35.06
3. Rhode Island	245	776	31.57
4. Arizona	418	1,346	31.05
5. Nevada	63	301	20.93
6. Florida	1,839	9,190	20.01
7. Hawaii	24	122	19.67
8. Dist. of Co.	412	2,552	18.29
9. Pennsylvania	1,937	10,859	17.83
10. Maryland	524	3,181	16.47
11. New Hampshire	229	1,407	16.27
12. New Mexico	167	1,033	16.16
13. Idaho	77	495	15.55
14. Connecticut	534	3.678	14.51
15. Virginia	1,232	8,758	14.06
16. Massachusetts	539	3,914	13.77
17. New Jersey	567	4.339	13.06
18. Ohio	1,038	9.237	11.23
19. Kansas	428	3,946	10.84
20. Louisiana	533	5,195	10.25
21. S. Carolina	413	4,134	9.99
22. Kentucky	520	5,259	9.88
23. Vermont	88	903	9.74
24. Texas	1,497	15,626	9.58
25. Colorado	229	2,430	9.42
26. Dakotas	53	572	9.26
27. California	876	9,633	9.09
28. W. Virginia	296	3,277	9.03
29. New York	998	11,096	8.99
30. Illinois	927	11,182	8.29
31. Arkansas	234		
32. Minnesota	105	2,871	8.15 7.96
33. Indiana	669	1,319	
34. Wyoming		8,787	7.61
35. Alabama	37	489	7.56
6. Wisconsin	353	4,732	7.45
37. Michigan	152	2,150	7.07
88. Maine	278	3,937	7.06
9. Washington	117	1,692	6.91
O. Tennessee	143	2,088	6.84
1. Oklahoma	454	6,853	6.62
2. N. Carolina	218	3,422	6.37
3 Alacka	407	6,426	6.33
3. Alaska 4. Oregon	10	175	5.71
5. Missouri	97	1,813	5.35
6. Nebraska	349	6,918	5.04
7. Georgia	104	2,176	4.77
8. Mississippi	303	7,942	3.81
9. lowa	207	5,569	3.71
0. Montana	141	3,922	3.59
Foreign	19	705	2.69
Tatal	236	289	
Total	21,660	209,624	





Accepting \$1,000 checks from PPG Arthur M. King were Delaware Society President John T. Purnell (left) and Arkansas Society President W. Bernard Barber.

Six Receive Minuteman Medals

The coveted Minuteman Medal was awarded to six Compatriots during the 93rd Annual congress, bringing to 207 the total number of men so honored since the first medal was presented at the Congress in 1952.

The award recognizes members who have given noteworthy service of an exceptional character to the **National** Society. Initially, 12 a year could be bestowed, but in recent years, the maximum has been limited to six. This year's recipients are:

Richard F. Boddie, North Carolina Society. Past Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District. Has served on numerous committees, including two terms on the Executive Committee. Has attended 12 Congresses.

P. Harry Byerly, District of Columbia Society. Past Librarian General (nine terms). Has served on many committees. Has attended 36 Congresses and over 100 Trustees meetings.

James G. McGrew, Colorado Society. Past Vice-President General for the Rocky Mountain District. Has served on two committees. Has attended 11 Congresses. Recipient of eight National Membership Plaques.

Joseph W. McLark, California Society. Past Vice-President General for the Western District. Has served on numerous committees, including three years as Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee. Has attended ten Congresses. Recipient of two National Membership Plaques.

Asa E. Phillips, Jr., Massachusetts Society. Past Vice-President General for the New England District. Past Historian General. General Chairman of the 85th Congress (1975) in Boston. Editor of an SAR History Book soon to be published. Has attended six Congresses.

Richard E. Willson, Illinois Society. Now Librarian General. Has been involved in the Library at National Headquarters since 1978. Has attended four Congresses. Recipient of two National Membership Plaques.

The selection process begins with the nomination of a Compatriot by his State Society (he must have had a minimum of five years of national level service). Each nomination is sent to the Executive Secretary at least 60 days prior to the February Trustees meeting. He then distributes them to the Minuteman Award Committee, which is appointed by the President General (each member must be a past recipient of the award). The committee's choices, based on a point valuation system, are then forwarded to the Executive Committee for consideration, with their decision presented for approval at the February Trustees meeting.



Awarded the Minuteman Medal were (from left): Richard E. Willson, Asa E. Phillips, Jr., Richard F. Boddie, P. Harry Byerly, James G. McGrew and Joseph W. McLark.

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Georgia Eagle Scout Awarded \$2,000 Scholarship

Earlier this year when the National Boy Scouts Committee was about to select the Eagle Scout who would receive a \$2,000 scholarship, 28 State Societies had submitted entries in the nationwide competition! And the committee was pleasantly surprised to learn that each of the 28 young men had been able to trace his ancestry back to the Revolutionary War.

The winner was James Christopher Bearden from Lithia Springs, Georgia. In his entry, he wrote about Col. Enoch Ward, a direct ancestor from North Carolina who swam with his company of soldiers from Boston to a British ship in the harbor. They climbed aboard and overpowered the crew, seizing the vessel for the colonies. James was awarded his scholarship during the Monday luncheon of the Congress in Atlanta and announced that he is looking forward to joining the SAR. Speaker for the occasion was C. Hoyt Hunt, Regional Director, Southeast Region, BSA.

According to Robert E. Burt, Committee Chairman, the genealogical chart that must be completed by Eagle Scouts participating in the program has stimulated a great deal of interest in tracing one's roots. In turn, this has caused them, their fathers and their Scout leaders to become interested in the SAR. For example, Delaware Society National Trustee Edward E. Gray reports that his Society has already taken in one new member and has several other prospects as a result of the program.



In recognition of his enthusiastic support of the National Society's Eagle Scout program, James Tarr, Chief Executive Officer, National Council, BSA, was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal at the 93rd Annual Congress. Making the presentation was Past President General Arthur M. King, while PG Howard L. Hamilton (left) and Robert C. Burt observed. Compatriot Burt is Chairman of the National Boy Scouts Committee

The overall program is funded with income generated by the NSSAR Eagle Scout Scholarship Foundation, which was established last year under the leadership of Past President General Arthur M. King. To date the Foundation has over \$40,000 in assets developed through contributions from SARs, State Societies, Chapters and friends. Since the Spring Issue of the magazine was published, the following donations were received (by category) through

Archives Publishes Research Guide

An invaluable addition to every SAR's library is a new book published by the National Archives Trust Fund Board entitled Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives. It is available in either hard or soft cover.

Featuring 320 pages (81/2" x 103/4") and illustrations, the Guide becomes the major reference book to the more than 1.3 million cubic feet of records in the main Archives building in Washington and the 11 Federal Archives and Records Centers located across the country. Many of the records described were previously unknown or unused in genealogical research.

More than 500 types of records are reviewed, with those of major interest being censuses, military service (including naval and marine) and pension records, ship passenger lists and land records (such as bounty land warrant applications). The arrangement and content of each type are included.

This comprehensive publication also makes clear what records are not in the Archives and frequently indicates where they might be found. If records are on microfilm, the Guide provides specific references to Archives microfilm publication numbers. Over 550 numbers are identified and their possible uses detailed.

Important data relating to the Revolution

are highlighted on a large number of microfilm rolls. For example, records for individual soldiers are under Compiled Service Records of Soldiers Who Served in the American Army During the Revolutionary War. These are arranged under the designation "Continental Troops" or under a state name, thereunder by organization, and thereunder alphabetically by soldier's surname. The most comprehensive name index is the General Index to Compiled Military Service Records of Revolutionary War Soldiers, Sailors and Members of Army Staff Departments. Others available range from volunteer soldiers from specific states to civilians (medical personnel, judges, teamsters, etc.) and individuals associated with the Continental and Confederation Congresses and the Constitutional Convention. In addition, itemized are various state and other records available as supplements to those found in the Archives, such as lists of Continental Army officers, correspondence of distinguished officers, known military dead and pension information.

The book covers primarily the period from the Revolution through the nineteenth century, the span of time that usually proves the most difficult to research. Price and order details are in the Trust Fund Board's announcement on page 11.

Donor (to \$49): James W. Key, GA; Edson B. Harrington, GA; Dr. Leslie M. Buckner, GA; James L. Holman, GA; Clyde B. Douthat, MD; Mode S. McWhirter, GA.

Booster (\$50 to \$99): Foster C. Kynes, NJ: Charles W. Matheny, Jr., FL; Dr. Rex H. Smelser, LA; Joseph E. Chapman, Jr., GA; Dr. Michael R. Kennedy, GA; Royce N. Kent, NE; Claudius A. Mayo, LA.

Pacesetters (\$100 to \$499): Paul K. Brown, PA; Dr. Thomas M. Horton, GA; Lt. Gen. John M. Wright, Jr., TX; Atlantic Richfield Foundation.

Patron (\$500-\$999): Augustus di Zerega, KS; R. Wendell Lovering, NY; Alfred L. Benjamin, TX.

The competition for this year's scholarship began on January 1 and ends on December 31 and is open to those becoming an Eagle Scout during this period. To qualify, State Society entries must be at National Headquarters by March 1, 1984. They should be marked to the attention of the Boys Scouts Committee.

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IN MEMORIAM

CALVIN ELLSWORTH CHUNN, Ph.D. President General, 1978-79 and 1979-80

Past President General Calvin Ellsworth Chunn entered into rest in early June, 1983, having been an active member of the California Society for

His numerous contributions to the Society included being Registrar General, Vice-President General for the Western District, President of the California Society and President of the Sacramento Chapter. In addition to the Executive Committee, he served on a variety of others at the national

During Dr. Chunn's tenure as President General, it was largely his leadership that resulted in the move of National Headquarters from temporary offices in Alexandria, Virginia, to Louisville, Kentucky. To accomplish this, he provided a high degree of motivation to a newly created National Headquarters Acquisition Commission, which had the responsibility of surveying potential sites for a permanent location.

A major contribution to the literature about the Revolutionary War was his authorship of "Not By Bread Alone", an account of the Winter at Valley Forge, 1777-78 which won him the Freedoms Foundation Award. Because of his patriotic interest in this historic period, he helped found the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge, later being elected Commander-in-Chief.

When Compatriot Chunn retired prior to being elected President General, he had been Chief of Textbooks for the California Department of Education. His brilliant career also encompassed prominent positions in teaching and public relations.

As a Major in World War II, he served on Bataan and Corregidor, was wounded three times, spent 3-1/2 years as a Japanese prisoner of war and swam ashore from two prison ship sinkings.

Interment was at Mount Vernon Memorial Park, Fair Oaks, California. To his wife, Florence, a DAR, his daughter and son, two grandchildren, his mother and sister, we convey deep sympathy. Compatriot Cal's enthusiasm, dedication and courage will continue to be an inspiration to us

Meet Your 1983-84 General Officers

All of the General Officers for 1983-84 were duly nominated and elected at the 93rd Annual Congress in Atlanta. Their biographies are capsuled here, as are those members of the Executive Committee appointed by the President General.

PRESIDENT GENERAL -

Warren G. Hayes, Jr.

Past Secretary General. Past National Trustee and President of the Pennsylvania Society. Past President of the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Minuteman, Patriot and Silver Good Citizenship Medals. Retired as Vice President of the Philadelphia National Bank.

SECRETARY GENERAL -

Carl F. Bessent

Chairman of the Magazine Advisory Committee. Past Treasurer General. Past Vice-President General. Past National Trustee and President of the Maryland Society. Past President of the John Eager Howard Chapter. Minuteman. Patriot and Gold and Silver Good Citizenship Medals. Retired as executive of Bethlehem Steel Corp.

TREASURER GENERAL -

Clovis H. Brakebill

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National Archives Exhibit Launches Celebration of Constitution Adoption

The National Archives, keeper of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, has opened a new exhibit to inaugurate its celebration of the Constitution's 200th Anniversary in 1987. It will be on display indefinitely in the Rotunda of Exhibition Hall, 8th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

Entitled "The Formation of the Union. 1774-89", the exhibit traces America's beginnings from the convening of the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1774 through the drafting, amending and adoption of the Constitution. Robert M. Wagner, Archivist for the United States, calls the exhibit "a dramatic chronicle of the fight for American independence and the struggle to establish a new republic." It marks the first major refurbishment of the 26 display cases flanking the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution in the Rotunda since 1952, when these documents came to the National Archives Exhibition

Among the 50 documents, illustrations and artifacts in the exhibit are:

* A letter from Washington to the Continental Congress describing the dramatic events of Benedict Arnold's escape to the enemy and a letter to Washington from Arnold written from the safety of the British

ship Vulture.

* Deposition of an eyewitness account of the Battle of Lexington on April 19, 1775.

* George Washington's account book, in his own hand, compiled from 1775-83. He served as Commander-in-Chief without pay, but asked to be reimbursed for ex-

* Oaths of allegiance signed by Washington, von Steuben and Alexander Hamilton at Valley Forge on May 12, 1778.

* Printed and corrected draft of the Articles of Confederation, 1777.

* Letter from Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and John Jay announcing the signing of the Treaty of Paris on September 3, 1783.

* Broadsides urging better attendance in the Continental Congress and urging states to "supply their quota of money." Under the Articles of Confederation, Congress could request, but not compel, states to contribute funds.

* The Lee Resolution for Independence, June 7, 1776.

* The Articles of Association, October 20, 1774.

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Funds Being Sought for Mount Vernon Projects

Of special interest to SARs is an ongoing \$10-million capital fund raising campaign to strengthen and ensure the future of Mount Vernon, the revered home of George Washington.

The campaign is sponsored by the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union, which has owned and maintained the large estate for the public benefit since 1858.

And the California Society has announced the establishment of a special Mount Vernon fund and is encouraging Compatriots to make donations.

The Association's revenues consist almost entirely of admission fees and donations by its members. It has no endowment and relies entirely on a reserve fund to meet unexpected needs or emergencies. In gen-

· Modernization of electrical systems and construction of a new greenhouse for propogating planting for the grounds and for

vices in many vulnerable areas.

• Establishment of a \$4-million endowment to help pay for maintenance, security, education, interpretation and collections acquisition.

Tax-deductible contributions of any size will be welcome. However, there are a number of opportunities for major designated gifts - such as financing archival and curatorial storage or stacks for the new Library and Research Center. Others may be designated for such specifics as offices for the curator, librarian and archivist; two visiting scholar rooms; and the main reception area. In most cases the selection will bear the name selected by the donor; for example, a relative, friend or colleague as a lasting tribute. Details may be obtained from John A. Castellani, Resident Director, Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, Mount Vernon, VA 22121.



This less familiar view of Washington's mansion shows the main entrance on the west side. The estate also encompasses Washington's tomb, gardens, greenhouse and small buildings ("dependencies") which were central to the Washington family life. In addition, the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association has constructed buildings to house administrative personnel and extensive museum collections.

In April officers of the Mississippi Society met at the Lauren Rogers Museum at Laurel to present

a \$500 donation to the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association, which was represented by Mrs. Stuart

Gilchrist, Vice Regent for Mississippi. Flanking her were (from left): Genealogist H. H. Davis,

Secretary Claude E. Fike, President F. P. McCann and Treasurer Frank Sleeper. The gift was

Through a successful fund drive at the time, the property was purchased from Washington's great grandnephew. Since then, the Association's program has been to restore and preserve the historical integrity of Mount Vernon by recreating Washington's domestic life as a Virginia farmer, landowner and family man.

In response to publicity about the campaign, the Virginia and Mississippi Societies have already made contributions.

made in memory of deceased Compatriots.

eral, here is how new monies will be used:

- · Construction of a new Library and Research Center to provide educational programs, expand study and research facilities and provide a more secure area for irreplaceable curatorial, manuscript and library
- · Installation of a fire suppression system in all exhibition and collection storage
- · Installation of electronic detection de-

Washington Plate At White House

Philip T. Hummel of the Ohio Society is proud that a valuable plate he once owned (through a bequest) now resides in The White House.

The plate, which has been authenticated, was presented to Martha Washington as part of a tea service of Limoges porcelain by the Marquis de Lafayette on a visit to this country after the Revolutionary War. Compatriot Hummel had it encased in a gold vitrine frame lined with fuschia pink velvet.

His gift of the plate took place when First Lady Jacquelin Kennedy was upgrading The White House. It is located in the presidential quarters on the second floor, as shown in the accompanying photo.



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The 71/2-inch plate that belonged to Martha Washington features a border formed by a bright green chain, with the links containing the names of 16 existing states. Her initials



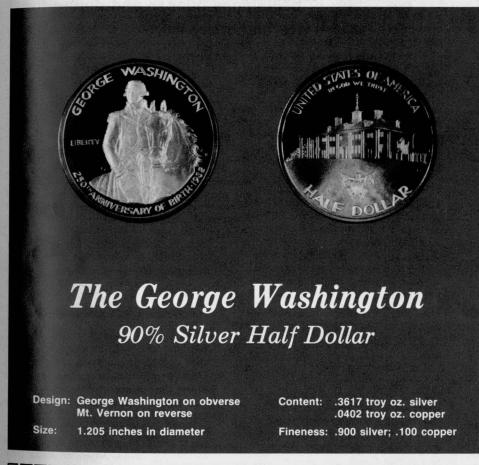


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Compatriot Stephen P. Halbrook details how the Second Amendment to the Constitution traces its beginnings prior to and during the Revolutionary War.

> The blue and buff uniform that George Washington wore throughout the Revolution originated from the one adopted by the Fairfax County Independent Company in 1774. (Sketched by Robert Lee Klinger, Arlington, Virginia.)

"A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

Second Amendment, U.S. Constitution

Like other Bill of Rights freedoms, the personal right to keep and bear arms gained constitutional recognition in great part from the abuses of power which led to the American Revolution. Indeed, independence was attainable only because the colonists owned and were expert in the use of firearms.

When in 1768 British military forces were increased in Boston to quash dissent, the town officially called upon the people to be armed for defense. In response to British objections to the town's act. The Boston Evening Post replied: "It is certainly beyond human art and sophistry, to prove that the British subjects, to whom the privilege of possessing arms is expressly recognized by the [English] Bill of Rights, are guilty of an illegal act, in calling upon another to be provided with them, as the law directs."1 Lauding Boston's measure, the New York Journal Supplement averred that "it is a natural

right which the people have reserved to themselves, confirmed by the Bill of Rights, to keep arms for their own defense "2

The Boston Massacre in 1770 heralded the dangers of a standing army run amok among unarmed citizens. Even so, both defenders and critics of the Redcoats recognized that the Bostonians had a right to arm themselves. As defense attorney for two of the soldiers, John Adams conceded that "every private person is authorized to arm himself, and . . . I do not deny the inhabitants had a right to arm themselves at that time, for their defence "3 Similarly, in a scathing attack on the British, Samuel Adams wrote that one of the slain "had as good right, by the law of the land, to carry a stick for his own and his neighbor's defence, in a time of such danger, as the Soldier who shot him had, to be arm'd with musquet and ball "4

Bostonians Relinquished Weapons

By 1774 the military occupation of Boston completely cut its citizens off from their compatriots outside the city. Gen. Gage refused to allow inhabitants to leave unless they turned in their arms. It is recorded that almost 1,800 muskets were taken by the British under this requirement on one day alone.5 "The extent to which pistols were in use in the Colonies as the day of the American Revolution drew near may be grasped from the contemporary account in Frothingham's Siege of Boston, in which 634 pistols are listed as having been turned in by Boston householders when the British General Gage assured them they might leave the city if the arms were surrendered."6

The unpopular measures applied to Boston prompted colonists elsewhere to arm themselves and associate together for defense against the high-handed

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standing army and royal militias. In Virginia, the Fairfax Resolves, drafted by George Mason, denounced the Acts of Parliament, and the first independent militia on the continent was formed. "Threat'ned with the Destruction of our Civil-rights, & Liberty," the members of the Fairfax Independent Company of Volunteers elected George Washington as their captain, furnished themselves with "a good Fire-lock & Bayonet," and promised "that we will, each of us, constantly keep by us" gunpowder, lead, and flints.7

In the meantime, George III wanted to know why the rebels had not been disarmed by Gen. Gage, who replied in a letter to Lord Dartmouth in late 1774: "Your Lordship's idea of disarming certain provinces . . . is nor has been practicable without having recourse to force, and being masters of the country."8 Indeed, by then the provinces were swarming with thousands of what were called "minute men, i.e., to be ready at a minute's warning with a fortnight's provision, and ammunition and arms."9

In 1775, the Fairfax County Committee of Safety concurred with the Maryland Provincial Committee "that a well requlated Militia, composed of gentlemen freeholders, and other freemen, is the natural strength and only stable security of a free Government . . . ; and therefore it is recommended to such inhabitants of this County as are from sixteen to fifty years of age . . . that they provide themselves with good Fire-locks "10 Thus, "a well regulated militia," a term which later appeared in the Second Amendment, was composed of all the citizens, who were responsible for supplying their own arms and ammunition.

Patrick Henry Speaks Out

It was after offering a resolution supportive of "a well regulated militia, composed of gentlemen and yeomen" that Patrick Henry made his "liberty or death" speech, in the course of which he urged:

They tell us . . . that we are weak—unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger? . . . Will it be when we are totally disarmed, and when a British guard shall be stationed in every house? . . . Three million people, armed in the holy cause of liberty . . . are invincible by any force which our enemy can send against us.11

While various other forms of oppression failed to provoke the colonists to revolt, it was the British attempt to disarm Americans by searching houses and seizing the arms stored at Lexington and Concord that triggered the shot heard round the world. At the same time, in Virginia the Hanover Independent Militia Company, led by Patrick Henry, fought to recapture the gunpowder stored at Williamsburg which Lord Dunmore had seized.12

"Our citizens rose in mass . . . and armed themselves," in the words of Partisan Legion chief Henry Lee. 13 The American Revolution was won by an armed populace composed of querrillas, militiamen, and the citizen soldiers of the continental army.14

States Declare Arms Rights

During the Revolution most of the states adopted declarations of rights expressing the ideals which found their way into the Second Amendment. "That a well regulated Militia, composed of the body of the People, trained to Arms, is the proper, natural, and safe Defence of a free State,"15 declared Virginia. Pennsylvania and Vermont declared "that the people have a right to bear arms for the defence of themselves and the state "16 North Carolina asserted "that the people have a right to bear arms, for the defense of the State,"17 while Massachusetts provided that "the people have a right to keep and bear arms for the common defence."18

The lessons of the American Revolution were well recollected when the Bill of Rights was proposed in 1789. Ten days after Madison introduced the amendments in Congress, Tench Coxe explained the purpose of one provision as follows: "As civil rulers, not having their duty to the people duly before them, may attempt to tyrannize, and as the military forces which must be occasionally raised to defend our country, might pervert their power to the injury of their fellow-citizens. the people are confirmed by the next article in their right to keep and bear their private arms."19

Based on the experiences of the Revolution, the founding fathers deemed a well regulated militia, composed of the

freemen of the country, to be necessary to the security of a free state. A state could not long remain free where a large standing army, quartered in the citizens' homes, committing random searches and seizures, tyrannized the land. Accordingly, explicit recognition of the right of the people to keep and bear arms was deemed worthy of enumeration with the bundle of guarantees which remain expressed in that cornerstone of American society, the Bill of Rights.

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IN THE LIMELIGHT! A highlight of the Georgia Society Reception on the eve of the 93rd Annual Congress was a celebration of the eighth wedding anniversary of President General and Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton and the sixth birthday of daughter Bessie (in front of her mother). Joining in the festivities were Mrs. E. Marshall Burnley-Bentley, Mrs. Hamilton's mother, daughter Catherine and Georgia Compatriot A. Mims Wilkinson, Jr., who presented a colorful birthday

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A Traitorous Conspiracy Is Upset

By Compatriot L. Gordon Berkey

The capture of British Major John Andre by three militiamen at Tarrytown, New York, doomed Benedict Arnold's treachery.

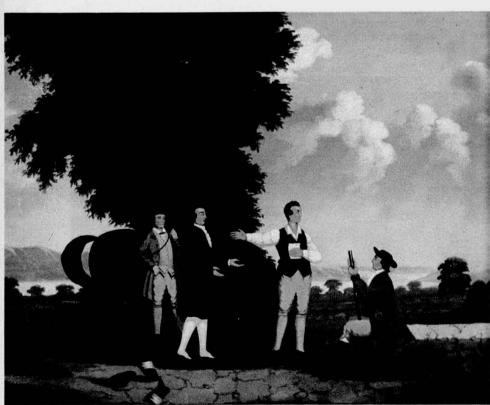
Most Americans know of the heroics of Benedict Arnold at the Battle of Saratoga. Most know of the treachery of Arnold at West Point. But few are acquainted with the details of the discovery of this traitorous act.

This article will deal with the events that occupied three days of the approximately eight years of the War of the Revolution, "Whereby the dangerous and traitorous conspiracy of Benedict Arnold was brought to light."

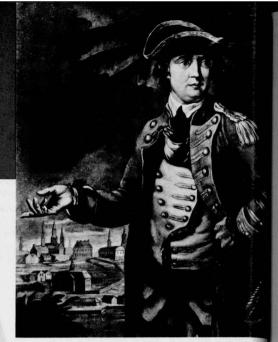
On September 22, 1780 three horsemen trotted along the dirt road on Stony Point, New York (1 — see map) to the ferry landing and signaled the "Kings Ferry" at



Major Andre, "From a Miniature by Himself." (Courtesy Historical Society of the Tarrytowns, Inc.)



"The Capture of Major Andre" as copied by R. L. Staigg in the 19th century. The famous original was rendered in 1833 by Asher B. Durand. (Courtesy Historical Society of the Tarrytowns, Inc.)



This mezzotint portrait published in 1776 shows Benedict Arnold at Quebec. (Courtesy Anne S. K. Brown Military Collection, Brown University Library.)

Verplancks Point(2) on the eastern shore of the Hudson River(3) to come for them. This trio was Major John Andre, Adjutant to the British General, Sir Henry Clinton; Joshua Hett Smith, Emissary for General Benedict Arnold; and a servant sent along to accompany Smith on his return trip.

During the night of September 21, Andre had been picked up in mid-stream by Smith from the British Sloop "Vulture" and ferried ashore to meet Arnold who waited in a pine woods on the west side of the Hudson River a little above Haverstraw(4). From there the men proceeded to Smith's house within the American lines. Here the traitor, Arnold, gave papers, including the plans of the fortress at West Point(5), to Andre to carry back to General Clinton in New York City.

This was not the first contact for these two men. When the British occupied Philadelphia, Major Andre had been a member of the occupying forces and had also been an acquaintance of Miss Peggy Shippen, daughter of a wealthy Tory. It was this same Peggy Shippen that Benedict Arnold later wooed and married while serving as Military Governor of Pennsylvania following the evacuation of the area by the British.

Arnold Contacts Clinton

Arnold's high living, aided by his wife's expensive tastes, strained his finances to the point that he misappropriated military funds. He was charged with "prostituting his official position for the sake of private property." Shortly after this and while waiting for his expected court-martial, he made treasonable overtures to General Clinton, probably through Andre, as he later reported to him. Clinton suggested

that he contrive to be appointed commander at West Point.

On July 15, 1780 Arnold wrote to Andre that he had command of West Point and its garrison and through him asked General Clinton for 20,000 pounds for its surrender. Clinton agreed.

One sometimes wonders whether or not Peggy Shippen could have been the real British spy. This thought is supported by the fact that following the Arnolds' flight to the British, Peggy Arnold received a life pension of 500 pounds per year from that country.

The British Major spent the rest of the night in Smith's house, intending to return to the "Vulture" in the morning and sail to Clinton's headquarters. Unfortunately for him the "Vulture" was fired on during the night and forced to drop down stream. (Ironically Arnold escaped on this same vessel following the capture of Andre.) In the face of this news, Andre decided to try to get to White Plains(6) in Westchester County(7), a village that had fallen into the hands of the British following the battle that took place there. He changed into civilian clothes and set off with Smith as a guide to take the only ferry in the area and cross the Hudson River to Westchester.

Where Events Happened

While waiting for the men to make the crossing, let me describe the region I will be referring to.

The part of the Hudson that we are concerned with is 35 to 50 miles north of New York City where the Highlands of the Hudson cross the river to join the Catskills in New York State with the Berkshires in Massachusetts. Here the river resembles an hour glass, being wide above and below the Highlands and narrow between the mountains. This pass is guarded on the west by Dunderberg.(8) Bear(9) and Storm King(10) mountains and on the east by Breakneck Mountain(11) and Anthony's Nose(12); the latter being named by Henry Hudson. (One of his crewmen named Anthony had an unusually large proboscis and as the ship "Half Moon" approached the Highlands, Hudson remarked that the mountain looked just like Anthony's nose.)

Between Bear Mountain and Storm King lies an elevated plain that projects into the river called West Point; now the location of the United States Military Academy. Being a fortified American Army Post, it controlled the river traffic and, therefore, was valuable to both sides in this conflict.

There were only two routes for travel between New York City and Albany: the water way of the Hudson and the land route over the Albany Post Road (13), then known as the North River Road. With Washington in charge of both, the British were unable to connect with their forces in Canada and the river was the most expeditious way to achieve the desired unity. To the British, control of West Point was

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the key for opening this passage.

The North River Road was originally an Indian trail from Manhattan Island north to the tribes along the Mohawk River. Since the Dutch first established Fort Orange, now Albany, and then New Amsterdam, they made use of this trail to connect their two colonies, gradually expanding it to a wagon road. When the English conquered the Dutch, they further improved the road for stage use.

The village of Tarrytown(14) sprang up along the route because it was just a day's travel from New York City and the perfect place to tarry for the night. Inns were built here to accommodate travelers going farther north. Tarrytown is in the area that was known as Phillipsburg, part of an original patroonship that extended along the river from below Tarrytown north to the Croton River(15), a tributary of the Hudson, where it adjoined the patroonship of Pierre Van Cortlandt. Verplanks Point, already referred to, was part of the Van Cortlandt Manor property.

Both of these holdings were located in the County of Westchester, a wedge of land that extends north from the Bronx(16) to the Highlands, bordered on the east by Long Island Sound(17) and Connecticut(18) and on the west by the Hudson River. The lower one-third of the county was in the hands of the British and the remainder a sort of middle ground between the two forces. The British outposts(19) ran in a line from about Tarrytown through White Plains to Long Island Sound.

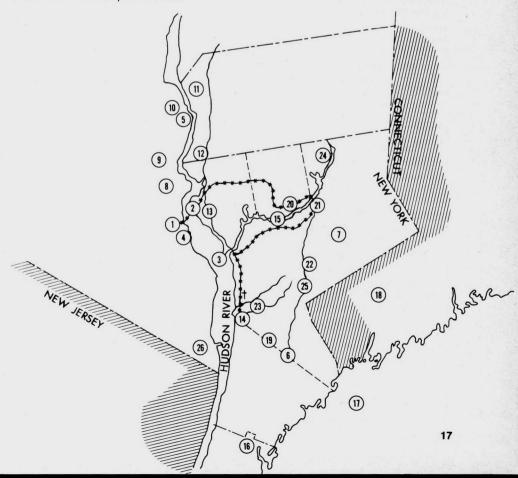
The County was heavily Tory and there was much trading between the residents and the occupiers, to the dismay of the local militia. Cowboys, or drovers, would drive cattle down the Post Road, crossing the Croton River on the Van Cortlandt ferry into Phillipsburg, and so to the British lines.

Reach Other Side

We have left our three travelers for a long time now, but then it was a long trip across the Hudson on a ferry propelled by oars.

When Andre, Smith and the servant disembarked on Verplanks Point, they headed inland on an easterly course. Although the number of roads were minimal, we do not know their exact route. We do know, however, that they must have

This map shows the locations of various events described in Compatriot Berkey's article. Dotted lines indicate Andre's probable route.

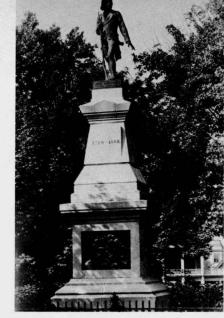


crossed the Post Road, because they did stay the night at the home of Andreas Miller(20) at the southern edge of the Town of Yorktown. Early the following morning, they continued their trip eastward and then southward toward the Village of Pines Bridge(21). On this leg of the journey, they encountered an American Colonel, Samuel B. Webb, whom Andre had known in New York City. The Colonel had been interned there as a prisoner of war. Andre recognized him immediately and was fearful of being exposed, but the Colonel and his party continued on without incident.

At the house of Isaac Underhill in Yorktown they stopped for breakfast. Smith then told Andre that he would leave him at this point to return home. Smith and his servant went northward, while Andre went south and, crossing the Croton River over Pines Bridge, he continued on the road toward White Plains. From someone along the way he must have learned of the presence of an American Post at Youngs Corners(22), a settlement along the route, because he turned back west and traveled to the Albany Post Road, meeting it some distance below the Van Cortlandt ferry crossing. He proceeded south on the Post Road past the Old Dutch Church in Sleepy Holly, (note cross on map) crossing a brook on a small bridge later made famous by Washington Irving's tale "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" and now known as the Headless Horseman Bridge. Continuing south, Andre came to a little brook called Clarks Kill — since named Andre Brook(23).

The driving of cattle to the British lines, referred to earlier, was a great source of annoyance to the New York Militia in Westchester County, Every effort to foil these activities was embraced by the American officers. Consequently, when John Yerks asked permission to take six of his friends, all militia men, into the area north of Tarrytown for the purpose of in-

The Historical Society of the Tarrytowns, Inc. features a sizable array of material pertaining to the capture of Major John Andre. On exhibit are paintings, lithographs, documented material and display cases of associated items. The Society's quarters, located at One Grove Street, Tarrytown, New York, also boasts a wealth of data available for genealogical and historical research, including over 2,000 books, an art collection and a variety of other collections ranging from Revolutionary War artifacts, firearms and coins to jewelry, clothing and toys. Visits may be made Tuesday through Saturday between 2 and 4 pm; special hours by appointment.



A monument in Tarrytown, New York, marks the spot where Major Andre was arrested. Atop is a statue designed to be a portrait of John Paulding, one of the captors. It correctly shows the Hessian coat he was wearing, believed to have misled Andre into assuming he was among friends. (Courtesy Historical Society of the Tarrytowns, Inc.)

tercepting the drovers, it was readily

Andre Captured

Three of this group, John Paulding, Isaac Van Wart and David Williams, were residents of Mt. Pleasant, so they elected to establish a check point on the Post Road a little north of Tarrytown about where the Towns of Greenburg and Mt. Pleasant join. They hid in the woods along side of the road about 150 feet south of Clarks Kill. The others set up along another road that was known to have been used by drovers in the past.

When they had cleared a spot, Paulding, Van Wart and Williams cut cards to see who stood sentry duty while the other two relaxed. Van Wart drew the duty and took a position just inside the fence by the road where he could command a view of the approach to the brook from the north. In his later testimony Van Wart said, "During fifteen or twenty minutes, several neighbors whose political principles I well knew, passed the field where we were. without discovering us - Paulding and Williams keeping a perfect silence and I laying down in the bushes close to the fence. Shortly (say twenty or thirty minutes from the time of our arrival) I saw a horseman ride slowly along on a black horse, (on) the rising ground, directly opposite to where the Tarrytown Academy now stands. I said to Paulding and Williams, 'Here's a horseman coming; we must stop him.' We got up with our firelocks ready, and waited for him to ad-

"As soon as he (it was Major Andre) saw us standing by the fence, he reined in his

horse, and riding straight up to us said, God bless you, my dear friends, I hope you belong to our party.' We asked, 'What party?' Without hesitation he smiling replied, 'Why the lower party! I am a British officer; and to convince you that I am a gentlemen, and aver the truth, see, here is my gold watch.' We told him he was wrong; for we neither belonged to his nor to the lower party, but were Americans and that he was our prisoner.

"He started, changed color, and fetching a deep sigh said, 'God bless my soul! a body must do anything to get along now-a-days.' Thereupon he showed us General Arnold's passport and said, 'I have been in the country on particular business and hope you won't detain me a minute.' After we read the passport, we ordered him to dismount and follow us. We then took down the fence and led him and his horse through into the thicket. Williams put up the fence as at first, that no suspicion or inquiry should arise from seeing it down. When Williams came up, Major Andre requested us again to release him and said he would give us any sum of money we might ask, or any quantity of dry goods. You know our answer. After searching his clothes, we ordered him to sit down, and pulling off his boot, we perceived that his silk stocking sagged a little. We took that off and found in it three letters that were not sealed. On taking off his other boot and stocking, we found three more unsealed letters which contained correct descriptions of the posts. redoubts, cannon, &c. of West Point and other places. After we had taken possession of these documents, he said, 'Now you have gotten all, lead on.' He put his stockings and boots on and followed us to the Post Road.

"We made our way as quickly as possible to the encampment at North Castle ... When we arrived at Sands Mills (25), which was ten miles from where we had captured him, we surrendered the Major to the commanding officer who was Colonel

Andre Hung by Washington

Major Andre was taken by the militia back across the Hudson to the village of Tappan(26), New York where General Washington and his staff were quartered. Here Andre was tried and convicted as an enemy agent. In spite of his entreatments to be shot like an officer, Washington ordered him to be hung as a spy.

In a letter to the President of the Congress, dated Paramus, New York, 7th October 1780, Washington stated, "I have now the pleasure to communicate the names of the three persons who captured Major Andre and who refused to release him notwithstanding the earnest importunities and assurances of a liberal reward on his part. Their conduct merits esteem; and I beg leave to add that the public will do well to make them a handsome

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Bicentennial Events Set for Annapolis

The State of Maryland is planning to go all out to celebrate two important 200th anniversary dates relative to the Revolutionary War: the resignation of General George Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, and the ratification of the Treaty of Paris. The commemorations will take place at the State House in Annapolis, where both events originally occurred. At the time, the State House was serving as the seat of the new U.S. government.

Washington's resignation will be recreated on December 23 before a nationwide television audience. This will be staged in the Old Senate Chamber.

Complete details of the Treaty program on January 14, 1984 have not been completed. However, they will include a parade of military units through the city, fireworks and a bicentennial ball. President Ronald Reagan and President Francois Mitterand of France have been invited to participate.

In March the state will begin celebrating the 350th anniversary of its founding with a re-enactment of the landing of the Ark and Dove, ships that brought the first settlers from England, on St. Clement's Island. This event will be followed by a number of others, including an expected visit of the Prince of Wales in June.

NSSAR Museum Progress Reported

When the Museum Board met during the Congress in Atlanta, Chairman James A. Williams reported that museum track lighting has been installed in the George and Martha Washington Rooms and around the entire perimeter of the Long Gallery on the first floor of National Headquarters, in turn highlighting our collection of paintings, engravings and museum cases. He also reported that a 12-foot case has been installed

on the north wall of the Liberty Bell fover to house a diorama of all the buildings in the Independence Hall complex. Completion of the diorama is scheduled in 1984, hopefully in time for the February Trustees meeting.

Compatriot Williams also stated that one of the immediate plans following the diorama's completion will be the development of a docent program to permit the conduct of educational tours at Headquarters.



Members of the Museum Board who met in Atlanta were (from left around table): Richard E. Willson, Harry L. Walen, William H. Roddis, George S. Knight, Chairman James A. Williams, Benjamin H. Morris and President General Howard L. Hamilton. Sitting in on the meeting were President General-elect Warren G. Hayes (next to Dr. Hamilton) and Gene Krebs, NSSAR Merchandise Manager.

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California Fields Oration Winner

The judges for the Douglass G. High Oration Contest which was staged during the 93rd Annual Congress had a difficult time selecting the three top winners, because ten State Societies had fielded an exceptional group of young students. Their subjects ranged from the Declaration of Independence and Constitution to Valley Forge.

Every oration was highly inspirational, leading Congress attendees to conclude that the future of our country will be in good hands. Following are selected excerpts from each.

Ruth L. Arnett, Chula Vista, California (first place winner of a \$600 award): Those men that stayed (at Valley Forge) – many deserted – stricken with typhus, dysentery, body lice, scabies, smallpox, starving, ill clothed, 2,500 died – those that battled against the elements, and emerged in the spring ready to fight and win. They cared enough; they believed in the cause; they stayed. Their battle is our battle. Our battle to preserve our union; we are fighting against society's harsh elements – ignorance and apathy. The winter at Valley Forge never ended. It is our job to believe, truly, in America's merits. Our forefathers fought and won. We can too.



President General Howard L. Hamilton congratulated the three winners of the Oration Contest (from his left): Ruth L. Arnett, Ethelyn L. Walker and Dennis Matthew Duke. Also participating in the ceremony was Contest Chairman Stewart B. McCarty.

Ethelyn L. Walker, West Palm Beach, Florida, (second place winner of a \$400 award): Each and every one of us must be willing to stand up for the principles upon which our country was founded. For united there is nothing we cannot do; divided there is little we can do. Our founding fathers made the ultimate sacrifices—their lives, their fortunes, their sacred honor. Isn't it time we united together and pledged anew—our lives, our fortunes, our sacred honor for the defense and preservation of our great nation?

Dennis Matthew Duke, Albany, Georgia, (third place winner of a \$200 award): Today the United States is facing a tremendous test. Aided by atomic energy, we may take the lead in perfecting a cooperation of nations which would be man's greatest blessing; or, vexed by lack of clear purpose, we may waste our substance in a disintegrative world.

Kingston A. Wall, Westerville, Ohio: Who cares about the American Revolution? I care! Because I, too, believe in every man's inalienable rights, and I, like the framers of the Declaration

of Independence, know that such freedom is never free. We must cease taking freedom for granted but instead continue to both pay the price today, and to support those who are paying the price.

Kimberly Murphy, Clermont, Indiana: The Declaration of Independence is constant reminder to us of the fundamental purpose of our governing laws, the only valid purpose of these laws, which is to ensure a society in which all men can enjoy the largest, feasible degree of liberty and attain the fullest measure of happiness. In it is embodied a timeless philosophy and an undying faith.

Kris William Kobach, Topeka, Kansas: Real world power among nations comes from inner strength and security. When America is sure of itself and strong in its beliefs, we will be respected and imitated around the world, in the same way that a secure person is admired. We will again be proof of the success of democracy. The third world will turn to us for the trade and technology that it must have, for the Soviets have little or nothing to offer in this field. Once we escape the political arena and step up to the economic one, we will have the power and strength to become the truly democratic America that our forefathers intended us to be!

Douglas Riley Murray, Louisville, Kentucky: Some people spend a lot of time thinking about law and order and forget about freedom. Others spend more time thinking about freedom and forget about the rule of law. The LAW THINKERS and the FREEDOM THINKERS would do well to go back to our Constitution which gives us the framework of law with all the rights of freedom integrated therein.

Dimitry Droujinsky, Falls Church, Virginia: The delegates planned for the new Constitution to change and evolve as the young nation changed and evolved alongside it, so that the Constitution would always be relevant. Therefore, they built into the Constitution a system by which it could be changed through amendments. It is the essential element of changeability inherent in the Constitution that has given it adaptability to last for generations. And the fact that the Constitution has grown with the Nation is most important, for as Woodrow Wilson said in 1908, "the Constitution was not meant to hold the government back to the times of horses and wagons."

Jeffrey Lee Adcock, Murfreesboro, Tennessee: If we renew our commitment to freedom and democracy, keep our faith in God and the principles of freedom and stir our pride and patriotism, we will overcome the winter and pull out of our Valley Forge 1983. Working together, we can keep America "One Nation Under God, Indivisible, With Liberty and Justice For All Mankind—The Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave."

Douglas Wayne Bryant, Austin, Texas: Each of us in our lives, at one point or another, has the opportunity to become uncommon, if only in one action or for a brief time. We must continually be ready to meet the challenge, not to seek personal glory, but because of that morality, our sense of duty to this nation. As Thomas Paine said in The Crisis, "It would be strange indeed, if so celestial an article as freedom should not be highly rated." That freedom which exemplifies our country must be valued and protected by us, the common people. It is the common man who has built this nation, and the common man alone will preserve it.

Senator Mathias Receives Medal

The Rotunda of the United States Capitol, with John Trumbull's painting of General George Washington resigning his Commission as a backdrop, was the impressive setting for the presentation by the Maryland Society of the Patriot Medal to Maryland's Senior United States Senator Charles McC. Mathias, Jr.

Senator Mathias was awarded the medal for his faithful 32 years of service to the Maryland Society. He served as Secretary for six years and President for four years of the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter.



Making the Patriot Medal presentation to Senator Mathias was Secretary General Carl F. Bessent (left), a Past President of the Maryland Society, and Dr. Charles H. Williams, current President.

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RYALL STAPLETON MORGAN
President General, 1972-73

Called to eternal rest in June, 1983, Past President General Ryall Stapleton Morgan became a member of the Society in 1950. Most recently Chairman of the Permanent Fund, he had been Genealogist General, Vice-President General for the Southern District, National Trustee and President of the Alabama Society and President of the Birmingham Chapter. He also chaired or was a member of several national committees.

As President General, he was largely responsible for organizing the State Presidents Caucus, now known as the Council of State Presidents. This has become an increasingly important segment of the National Society. Toward the end of his term, it was Compatriot Morgan's privilege to travel to Bern, Switzerland, with a delegation of other SARs to present a Charter to the newly organized Switzerland Society. This was followed by a meeting in Paris with the France Society. And through his leadership, workshops were introduced for the first time at the Annual Congress over which he presided in Palm Beach, Florida, in June, 1973.

He commenced his business career in Tampa, Florida, followed by enterprises in North Carolina, New Orleans, Birmingham and Savannah. These were in the fields of accounting, office management, sales and sales promotion. Most recently, he owned and operated Ryall S. Morgan and Associates, a manufacturers' sales agency.

Interment was in the family plot at Ryall Cemetery near Clyo, Georgia. Our heartfelt sympathy is expressed to his wife, Jule, and to his many friends. The loss of Compatriot Ryall's ready good humor and faithful service leave a great void in our Society.

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More 200th Anniversary Events To Commemorate Treaty of Paris

In addition to the many events being planned to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Paris already announced in the Winter and Spring Issues of the magazine, the following will also be of significance to SARs:

Boston, Massachusetts, September 1 through October — Treaty exhibit at the Massachusetts Historical Society highlighting Adams documents. September 3 — Bell ringing at the Old North Church.

Washington, DC, September 4 - National Symphony Orchestra outdoor concert at the U. S. Capitol, featuring premiere of the new work, "A Fanfare for Peace", by Stephen D. Burton, commissioned by the National Committee for the Bicentennial of the Treaty of Paris. September 15-November 1 — Exhibit of Henry Moore tapestries honoring the Treaty at Meridian House International. September 18-October 16 - British Film Festival at the Smithsonian Institution's Carmichael Auditorium, National Museum of American History; Sundays at 7:30 pm. September 25, 11 am - Service at the National Cathedral.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 3 — Issuance of a Treaty stamp on Independence Square, with the Treaty balloon present.

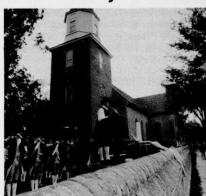
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, September 3 — Pittsburgh Symphony concert.

London, England, November 24 — Special Thanksgiving Day ceremony at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Historic Williamsburg, Virginia, will be the setting in early September for an extensive three-day program to commemorate the signing of the Treaty of Paris. The Williamsburg Chapter is taking a leading role in the event, with President Landis R. Heller serving as coordinator. In addition to the Chapter, other organizations participating in planning are the DAR Williamsburg Chapter, the College of William and Mary, Colonial Williamsburg, the Virginia Bicentennial Commission, the Yorktown-Jamestown Foundation and the Institute of Early American History.

A special thrust of the program will be a symposium on the Treaty on September 2 at 2:30 pm. The speakers will be Dr. James Hutson, Chief of Manuscripts at the Library of Congress; Professor John E. Selby from the Department of History of the College of William and Mary; and Dr. Merrill Peterson, Dean of the Faculty at the University of Virginia. This will be followed by a reception hosted jointly by the SAR and DAR Williamsburg Chapters.

At 10:30 am on September 3 the famous Liberty Bell of Bruton Parish will be rung to coincide with ringing of bells in the Old North Church in Boston. The same bell was rung in February, 1784 when news of the signing of the Treaty reached the Old Virginia Capitol.



In appearance, the program at Bruton Church will virtually duplicate what is shown in this photo taken on July 4th. (Courtesy Colonial Williamsburg.)

During the afternoon, events will include a program at the ancient Bruton Church, readings of sections of the Treaty, playing of the anthems of Great Britain, France and the United States and a *Feu de Jois*. Many of the participants will be costumed in 18th century clothing.

On September 4 clergy of various churches in the city will offer prayers for peace in their services.

High-ranking French and American scholars, journalists and government leaders will gather in Bloomington and Indianapolis, Indiana, September 1-3 to observe the Anniversary. SARs are invited to attend, as detailed below.

The celebration, which is supported by a \$50,000 grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc., is being sponsored by Indiana University, the IU Alumni Association, the Benjamin Franklin Guild and the American Legion. In addition to addresses by such esteemed men as former French President Giscard d'Estaing, Columbia University history scholar Richard B. Morris, French Ambassador H. E. Bernard Vernier-Palliez and IU Professor Michael Berkvam, the program will include panel discussions, symposiums, workshops and a re-enactment of the signing of the Treaty on the American Legion Mall in Indianapolis.

Of special interest to SARs will be an exhibit at the Lilly Library in Bloomington. On display will be a wide variety of historical documents, letters and private papers, including a Benjamin Franklin first printing of the Treaty, a copy of Thomas Paine's Common Sense, signatures of all 55 Signers of the Declaration of Independence, letters from George Washington and some of the earliest printed copies of the Declaration.

Anyone interested in attending all or any part of the program should contact Frank B. Jones, Chairman, Treaty of Paris Commemorative Committee, Indiana Memorial Union (M-17), Indiana University, Bloomington, IN — or phone his office at (812) 335-1711.

Minutes Report Trustees Meetings, Annual Congress

Two Trustees meetings and the General Sessions of the 93rd Annual Congress were held at the Marriott Airport Hotel, College Park, Georgia. The Minutes presented here are edited and condensed, with items marked with (*) being reported elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. Full Minutes are available from the Executive Secretary.

1982-83 TRUSTEES MEETING — Sunday, June 19, 1983

The meeting was called to order by President General Howard L. Hamilton at 9:10 a.m. Chaplain General Henry B. Reiley offered the Invocation followed by recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Secretary General Carl F. Bessent.

Treasurer General A. Peter N. McArthur reported that the Society had filed a group return with the IRS, but that out of 404 tax units (State Societies and Chapters) 54 were not included.

PG Hamilton, reporting on the Treaty of Paris celebrations in France and England stated that the Executive Committee had discussed the possibility of declaring a special Congress, issuing programs, declaring participants as delegates, and bolstering the status of these events as an official Society function. The question of a special Congress was presented to the Trustees. A motion to that effect was made, seconded and passed.

Grafton Duvall, President of the Pennsylvania Society, then extended an invitation to hold the 1987 Annual Congress in Philadelphia in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the ratification of the Constitution. A motion to that effect was made, seconded and passed.

Charles Overton, Arkansas Society, next extended an invitation to hold the 1991 Annual Congress in Arkansas. This will be considered at the June 22 Trustees meeting.

Compatriot Tom Chunn made the following proposal: That by proper action by the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the President General and his successors in office, be authorized to appoint three trustees and all successors thereof who shall establish, maintain and administer a fund for the purpose of erecting memorials at or near the Gateways to the West. That the three trustees and their successors thereof shall establish the fund in accordance with the concept of a legacy for 2083 and at all times maintain and administer the fund in accordance with such resolutions as may be approved by the National Board of Trustees, Sons of the American Revolution, that the said Trustees and all successors thereof should take the appropriate action to encourage each Chapter to contribute \$17.50 of seed money to be funded on a voluntary basis, that the said three trustees be further authorized to make known and advertise the purpose of the fund including the use of the pages of The SAR Magazine, that this fund will be scheduled to mature on the 300th anniversary of the Treaty of Paris in the year A.D. 2083, that the fund will honor all past and future Presidents General until the year 2083. Further that the fund be named for Calvin Elsworth Chunn, 1915-1983." Compatriot Chunn estimated that the fund will grow to \$26 million by that year. It was moved that the President General appoint three trustees to study and act as a commission with regard to the proposal and refer the matter to a future Trustees meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

FIRST GENERAL SESSION - Monday, June 21, 1983

The session was called to order by President General Howard L. Hamilton at 9:15 a.m. The Maryland Society Color Guard performed the opening ceremony.

Credentials Committee Chairman Robert B. Vance reported that 267 delegates were present, with total attendance being 537 members and guests.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Minutes of the 92nd Annual Congress as reported in **The SAR Magazine** be approved.

The following brought greetings: Hon. Owen Smith, Mayor of College Park; Dr. Lewis C. Alderman, Jr., President of the Georgia Society; George E. McNally, Chairman

of the Congress Committee; Mrs. Walter Hughey King, NSDAR President General; Mrs. Louis C. Alderman, DAR Georgia Society Regent; Mrs. Thomas H. Conner, N.S.C.A.R. Senior National President; Katherine G. Kennedy, N.S.C.A.R. National President; John Hallberg Jones, Governor General, National Society of the Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims; Mrs. Louis J. Bahin, National President, National Society of the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America; Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton, President General, Order of the Threee Crusades 1096-1192; Dr. Howard L. Hamilton, President General, Order of the Crown of Charlemagne; Lorne C. Parks, President General, National Huguenot Society.

The session recessed for an intermission at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m.

Presentations were then made to the Society: Dr. Davis P. Mason, ALSAR, a Revolutionary epaulet owned by his ancestor, Col. David Mason of North Carolina; Maj. James Charles, ALSAR, a State Seal; Duncan Bernard Barber, ARSAR, a State Seal; Clyde L. Wolfe, MISAR, a State Seal; Thomas C. Edder, Jr., DCSAR, a Seal of the District of Columbia; PPG Matthew B. Sellers III, FLSAR,



A Seal of the District of Columbia was given by DC Society President Thomas C. Edder, Jr.

on behalf of the Fort Lauderdale Chapter, a book on the history of Evansville, IN; James G. McGrew, COSAR, a personal check for \$1,000 for use of the Museum; LeLand Hawkins, CASAR, a State Seal; Warren G. Hayes, Jr., PASAR, a check for \$1,000 that had been donated anonymously.

The reports of the General Officers were called for by PG Hamilton. Virtually all were reported to be within the Annual Reports Book distributed to attendees.

The session was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

SECOND GENERAL SESSION — Monday, June 20, 1983

The session was called to order by President General Howard L. Hamilton at 2:40 p.m. He asked Chancellor General Benjamin H. Morris to present amendments to the NSSAR Bylaws as submitted by various State Societies. as follows:

1. That Section 6 be added to Bylaw 1 and that a new Section 6 be considered for Bylaw 19 relative to post-humous membership. After discussion, the amendments failed to pass.

2. That Bylaw 2, Section 9, relative to transferring membership from one state society to another, be changed by inserting the word "accepted" in place of "elected" so that the phrase reads "provided his membership shall continue in the former until he be accepted a member of the latter." A motion to make the change was moved, seconded and passed.

3. That in Bylaw 2, Section 10 the definition of a state shall include a combination of states. The section would then read whenever the word "state" occurs in the Constitution and Bylaws, it shall be construed to include



Chancellor General Benjamin H. Morris introduced proposed amendments to the NSSAR Bylaws.

"a combination of states, the District of Columbia, the Territories of the United States, and the Societies in foreign countries where applicable." The amendment was approved.

4. That Bylaw 13 be amended to include after the word "Librarian" the phrase "shall be a professional librarian." After discussion, the amendment failed to pass.

5. That Bylaw 19 be amended relative to admission fees and annual dues. Because of the complexity of varying proposals made by three state societies, a motion to refer the matter back to the Bylaws Committee to permit preparing a single, consolidated amendment was seconded and passed.

6. That Bylaw 27 be amended so that notice required for amendments to Bylaws be reduced from 60 days to 45 days. The amendment passed.

7. That Bylaw 18, Section 1 be amended to read: "The Chairman of the standing committees will be national delegates." The amendment failed to pass.

8. That Bylaw 20, Section 1 be amended by adding: "The Secretary of each state Society shall be a delegate from his respective state." The amendment failed to pass.

PG Hamilton than called for reports of the Committee

Chairman. Virtually all stated that their report was on file. Pertinent remarks follow.

Robert B. Vance, Chairman of the Credentials Com-

Robert B. Vance, Chairman of the Credentials Committee, reported that 499 members and guests were present, with 293 of those being SARs.

PPG Len Young Smith, Chairman of the Permanent Fund Committee, reported that the Fund has a market value of \$762,000 in Treasury bills and notes and one \$10,000 Southern Railway bond, which has been placed with brokers for sale. This is the largest value of the Fund since it was established.

James J. Hamm, Chairman of the Revolutionary Graves Committee, stated that since the first of the year, 3,000 new entries had been made and that the complete list is now being put into the word processor, with the hope of publishing it in the near future.

The session was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

THIRD GENERAL SESSION, Tuesday, June 21, 1983

The session was called to order by President General Howard L. Hamilton. Chaplain General Henry B. Reiley offered the Invocation followed by recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Charles A. Anderson, Jr., Chairman of the U.S. Flags Section of the Americanism Committee. The National Anthem was sung accompanied by piano music.

PG Hamilton then presenteed the Patriot Medal to James A. Williams, Chairman of the Museum Board, and to E. Asa Bates, Jr., Co-chairman of the Treaty of Paris — Bicentennial Committee.

Next PG Hamilton discussed a proposed change in documentation policy for membership, explaining that it was previously accepted that a person who is named on his father's application did not have to submit further proof. Due to some errors which were discovered, the new proposal is that all members will provide a birth certificate when available. Following discussion, the proposal was put in the form of a motion, seconded and passed.

PG Hamilton called upon Carl K. Hoffman, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, to present proposed Resolutions (*). The session was recessed for an intermission at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

PG Hamilton recognized Compatriot John Hallberg Jones who moved that in the event there is not more than one nominee for an office that the Secretary General cast a unanimous ballot. It was moved, seconded and nassed

PPG Richard H. Thompson, Jr., Chairman of the Nominating Committee, gave his report of selections for General Officers: Warren G. Hayes, Jr., President General; Carl F. Bessent, Secretary General; Clovis H. Brakebill, Treasurer General; G. Arthur Luther, Registrar General; Harry L. Walen, Historian General; Augustus di Zerega, Genealogist General; Benjamin H. Morris, Chancellor General; Rev. Leo S. LaFontaine, Champlain General; Richard E. Willson, Librarian General; Robert R. Weiler, MD. Surgeon General.

Charles F. Printz, WVSAR, and Clovis H. Brakebill TXSAR, were placed in nomination for Treasurer General. An election by secret ballot followed later.

Next were the nominations for Vice-Presidents General. A motion by PG Hamilton that they be elected was seconded and passed (*).

Next were the nominations for Trustees and Alternates. A motion that they be elected was seconded and passed (*).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

FINAL GENERAL SESSION, Wednesday, June 22, 1983

The session was called to order by President General Howard L. Hamilton at 9:20 a.m. Chaplain General Henry B. Reiley offered the Invocation following by the Pledge of Alegiance to the Flag of the United States of America led by Wilson King Barnes, Jr.

Rev. LaFontaine read an obituary on the life of Florida Society President Sidney S. King, who died at the Congress on June 21. This was followed by a prayer by CG Reiley. A motion to reopen nominations for Trustees was made, seconded and passed to permit naming a replacement for Compatriot King. The Florida Society nominated Brig. Gen. Albert J. Twiggs as Altimate Trustee, which action was moved, seconded and passed.

A motion passed by the council of State Presidents was read by Council Secretary Cyril Johnson asking that the PG appoint a committee as an adjunct to the SAR, not financially supported by the SAR to achieve the goals of the SAR in supporting the Constitution and National Heritage and that the committee be organized in such a manner that it will not affect the tax-exempt status of the Society. The motion was seconded and passed.

Timothy Bennett, DC Society, extended an invitiation to hold the 1988 Annual Congress in Washington, DC. A motion to accept was made, seconded and passed.

Arkansas Society President W. Bernard Barber then extended an invitation to hold the 1991 Annual Congress in Little Rock. A motion to accept was made, seconded and passed.

Treasurer General A. Peter N. McArthur was recognized to present the budget for the current fiscal year. He called upon Charles F. Printz, Chairman of the Budget Committee, to detail the proposed budget. Following discussion, a motion to adopt the budget was made, seconded and passed.

PG Hamilton then called upon J. King Seegar, Chief Teller, to report on the results of the election for Treasurer General. He stated that 153 votes had been cast for Clovis H. Brakebill, 123 for Charles F. Printz. A motion to declare the election of all officers was made, seconded and passed.

Cecil Bothwell then reported on the election of state society presidents by the Council of State Presidents to SUMMER 1982



Pennsylvania Society President Grafton Duvall invited the Society to hold the Annual Congress in 1987 in Philadelphia.

serve on the Nominating Committee. They were: C. A. Neil Shepherd, AL; C. Norman Flanders, AZ; William H. Lees, IA. Elected alternates were: R. Carl Tumey, Sr., TX; Milton S. Braddock, MA; and John T. Purnell, DE.

The Colors were retired and the session was adjourned it 11:15 a.m.

1983-84 TRUSTEES MEETING, Wednesday, June 22, 1983

President General Howard L. Hamilton called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. He next called President General-elect and Mrs. Warren G. Hayes, Jr. to the podium for recognition. Compatriot Hayes then announced the new officers previously elected.

PG Hamilton recognized George E. Morris, Jr., Chairman of the Americanism Committee, who presented a Resolution relative to requesting the Postmaster General to issue a commemorative stamp in 1989 recognizing the 100th anniversary of the NSSAR. A motion by Compatriot Morris to adopt the Resolution was seconded and passed.

PG-elect Hayes then presented remarks about the coming year, including his desire to visit various Society functions as well as spend time at National Headquarters. He stated that tentative dates for the next two Trustees meetings at Headquarters had been set for October 1, 1983 and March 3, 1984 and asked that they be approved. Motions to that effect were made, seconded and passed. He announced his five appointees to the Executive Committee as follows: PPG Howard L. Hamilton, PPG Arthur M. King, PPG Richard H. Thompson, Jr., Donald E. Lathrop and Charles F. Printz. A motion to approve the appointments was made, seconded and passed.

Secretary General Carl F. Bessent made announcements regarding the Treaty of Paris celebrations overseas and stated that general information will be sent out from Headquarters by July 15. Involved will be a nominal registration fee and a luncheon fee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Ten Resolutions Approved at Congress

Resolutions proposed by various State Societies were presented to delegates at the 93rd Annual Congress by Resolutions Committee Chairman Carl K. Hoffmann for consideration. The following were approved (copies of the complete text of each are available from National Headquarters):

Soviet Arms Control Violations — That the United States Senate signal its rejection of the SALT II draft treaty by sending the treaty back to the President and simultaneously move forward urgently with those measures necessary to ensure our national survival.

Monroe Doctrine — That (1) President Reagan reassert America's commitment to the Monroe Doctrine; (2) The NSSAR strongly supports his program to assist the governments of El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, and other Latin American governments; and (3) The Congress of the United States assert the Monroe Doctrine and authorize and appropriate funds for military and economic programs for Central and Latin America.

Nuclear Freeze — That the NSSAR opposes a nuclear freeze and supports a policy of Peace Through Strength as the only deterrent to nuclear war and supports President Reagan's efforts to increase U.S. defense capability.

U.S. Merchant Marine — That the Congress of the United States be petitioned to reform our laws regulating our U.S. Merchant Marine and the maritime industry to: (1) Create a maritime industry that is commercially worthy of the world's largest trading nation; (2) Insure that a fair share of U.S. imports and exports be carried on U.S. Merchant Marine ships; (3) Create a fair tax policy for the maritime industry; (4) Require a U.S. Government regulatory reform for the U.S. Merchant Marine; (5) Require reflagging of American-owned ships of convenience to be operated under the U.S. registry; and (6) That all new ships built for our maritime industry be de-

signed for national security purposes in a national emergency.

Vietnam M.I.A.'s — That the Government of the United States utilize every means, conventional and unconventional, to locate and rescue all survivors (of the Vietnam War) and the remains of service personnel for return to the United

George Rogers Clark Commemorative Postage Stamp — That the United States Postal Service give due recognition to the great value of the services of General George Rogers Clark by the issuance of a first-class postage stamp in his honor.

Crewman of the Ketch "Intrepid" — That the Congress of the United States authorize the return of the remains of Captain Richard Somers of New Jersey and his heroic crewman from the cemetery in Tripoli for burial in the Arlington National Cemetery with full Military Honors. (Editor's note: During our war with the Barbary pirates, the entire crew of the "Intrepid" was killed in the Harbor of Tripoli when gunpowder aboard ignited and exploded.)

George Washington's Birthday — That the Congress of the United States reinstate George Washington's birthday as a national holiday to be designated GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY, commemorating the one man who, to this day, remains "First in war, First in Peace, First in the hearts of his countrymen", and dedicate February 22nd as the National Holiday.

Reaffirmations — That Resolutions adopted by the 92nd Annual Congress assembled in Portland, Oregon be reaffirmed.

Courtesy — That the Congress assembled expresses its thanks and appreciation to the Mayor of College Park, members of the Georgia Chapter and their wives, the staff of the Marriott Hotel, those who provided talks and entertainment and the many other persons who gave unselfishly of their time to ensure a successful Congress.

State Society & Chapter 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 no larger than 4x5 inches.

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: Fall (November) - October 1; Winter (February) - January 1; Spring (May) - April 1; Summer (August) - June 15

Alabama Society

Outstanding students at the University of Southern Mississippi recognized for scholarship, leadership and fraternal contributions at the University's Annual Awards Day included Edward Culley Jordan, a member of the **Mobile Chapter**. He was given the Army ROTC Military Order of the World Wars award. In what is believed to be a record, the Chapter presented ROTC Medals to cadets from each of the fifteen high schools in the Mobile County School System.



Maj. James Charles was one of three **Tennessee Valley Chapter** Compatriots to be presented the Meritorious Service Medal from President General Howard L. Hamilton at the Society's Convention in March. Others were Kenneth Carpenter and Harris Moore.



During the Society's Convention in March, President General Howard L. Hamilton (left) and President Frank Creighton presented the Bronze Eagle trophy to Eagle Scout Roger Keith Whitesides, who was selected as winner of the state competition among three entrants. Scout Whitesides was originally chosen by the **Tennessee Valley Chapter**.



William B. Pride, President of the William Burgess Chapter, recently presented a Good Citizenship Medal to James B. Warren, a graduate of Coffee High School in Florence, for his outstanding achievements during his high school years and participation in the American Legion National High School Oratorical Contest. He won the state award. Compatriot Pride states that the young man is looking forward to becoming an SAR.

California Society

Leland B. Hawkins III and his son, Fred, were given highest honors at the Society's May Annual Meeting in Burbank. The senior Hawkins was installed as President and Fred was named No. 1 Eagle Scout in California. The San Fernando Chapter,



President General Hamilton presented the Bronze Eagle Trophy to Eagle Scout Frederick Hawkins, while his father, Leland, newly installed State President, proudly watched. host for the event, honored President General Howard L. Hamilton by presenting a colorful chart of his Revolutionary ancestry. Capping off the meeting was the Delaware Regiment of Foot, a patriotic organization devoted to the study and re-enactment of Revolutionary military life, which presented uniforms, equipment and drill routines. As guest speaker, PG Hamilton told informative and often humorous stories about George Washington.



President General and Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton participated in a processional that marched into the banquet room where the Society's Annual Meeting was held. Serving as honor guard were several Delaware Regiment of Foot members.

The new South Coast Chapter recently elected its founding officers at the Hyatt-Anaheim Hotel. Installed as President by Leland B. Hawkins III. State Vice-President (South) was Ralph Allen Cangson. Attending the inaugural dinner was the Chapter's sponsoring committee: John R. Justice, Los Angeles Chapter President; Donald Norman Moran, San Fernando Valley Chapter President; and Gerald P. McHale, Harbor Chapter President. Compatriots Cangson and James D. Lewis were presented the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal by Compatriot McHale for organizing the new Chapter, a "spin off" from the Harbor Chapter.

The **South Coast Chapter** is already quite innovative, having prepared a slide presentation designed for use by SAR candidates, genealogical societies and com-

munity groups. Photographs of genealogical sourcebooks and step-by-step instructions for their use are featured. Resources illustrated include the *DAR Patriot Index* and DAR lineage books, Rhode Island records, and *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors*. Information of special interest to Descendants of the Mayflower is also explained.

Thirty Compatriots and their ladies sang and heard a moving tribute to George Washington given by **Oakland Chapter** President John Sparrow in February. The Past President's Pin was presented to Mrs. Stanley F. Johnson in memory of her husband.



Three generations of the Ben Stout Hoff family have been accepted for membership in the Central Coast Chapter. The youngest of the family, Ben IV, has been proposed for membership in the C.A.R. Chapter President J. Rey Hatfield congratulated (from left) Ben, Jr., Ben III (holding Ben IV), and Ben, Sr., who will serve as Chaplain.



was represented by George E. Lillicotch (left) and William B. Melton, President, at the October Ventura County Genealogical Society Seminar. A display of SAR information brochures, copies of the Declaration of Independence were displayed along with *The SAR Magazine* and the *California Patriot*. At least 90 pieces of SAR material were chosen by interested genealogists.



Steven Peart (left) became the 4th generation Peart to join the SAR and the 3rd generation to become a member of the **Sacramento Chapter.** Also receiving his membership certificate at an April meeting was Maj. Paul Pulliam (center). Steven's grandfather, Luke, became an SAR in 1927 and was elected Chapter President in 1939.

Colorado Society

The copy of an embroidered campaign ribbon, worn in George Washington's 1792 bid for the Presidency, was shown to attendees at the Society's Annual Patriots Day Dinner by its owner, Compatriot Earl F. Dodge. It was part of the display he had on hand of Presidential campaign ribbons, badges, pins, medals, emblems and election literature taken from his extensive collection. This particular ribbon was copied from

an original shown at the Centennial Exposition held in Philadelphia in 1876 and was made at about that time. According to Compatriot Dodge, twice a Vice Presidential candidate of the Prohibition Party, the campaign of Harrison and Tyler probably brought out the first large and unique advertising campaign with its "Tippecanoe and Tyler too" slogan. He then traced advertising and political trends.

Connecticut Society



It was all smiles for these 16 high school students who were presented Bronze Good Citizenship Medals at the **Nathan Hale Branch** Annual Awards Dinner in May at the U.S. Submarine Base, Groton. Representing each of the 16 schools in southeastern Connecticut, they were chosen by their teachers and fellow students for scholastic achievement, leadership and high ideals. At the right was Branch President Harry J. Hewitt. Speakers for the event were Society President Ray M. Henshaw and Commodore Frank W. Butterworth, Senior Commanding Officer of Submarine Group Two.

In April the General David Humphreys Branch #1 held its Annual Ladies Night, with over 100 in attendance. The guest speaker entertained with his "glass harmonica", playing tunes by running his fingers on the rims on various sized goblets.



The Nathan Hale Branch presented an award for high scholastic achievement to Cadet Gilbert Teal, a member of this year's graduating class at the Coast Guard Academy in New London. Cadet Teal, who scored the highest grade in American history, was given a pair of marine binoculars. The presentation was made at the Academy by (from left): Rear Admiral George H. Wales, USN (Ret), Branch Chaplain; Admiral Nelson, Academy Superintendent; and Harry J. Hewitt, Branch President.



During a March meeting of the **General David Humphreys Branch #1**, Branford Police Sergeant Stanley Konesky, Jr. was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal in recognition of his work in "youth development through crime prevention." Doing the honors were Chapter President Gary LaBrake (left) and Society President Philander Cooke.

District of Columbia Society

Twenty patriotic and hereditary organizations participated with the Society in the 240th Birthday Observance of Thomas Jefferson on April 13. The Honorable J. J. Simmons III, Under Secretary of the Interior, gave the Address of the Day, while the Joint Services Color Guard presented The Colors and the U. S. Marine Band provided music. Col. Stewart McCarty, Past President, was Master of Ceremonies and Secretary General Carl F. Bessent placed the wreath for the NSSAR. Also placing wreaths were the DC and Virginia Societies and the George Washington and George Mason Chapters, VASAR.



Col. Stewart McCarty, Past President; Carl F. Bessent, Secretary General; and Col. Donald R. Perkins, President, conducted the Birthday Observance of Thomas Jefferson at the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Florida Society

The Society awarded Miss Evelyn Walker for winning the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest at its Annual Assembly in May. Banquet speaker was the interesting Phillip S. Kaplan, Career Foreign Service officer who is Staff Director of the Secretary of State's Policy Planning Council. Clovis H. Brakebill, Chairman of the National Society's Congress Planning Committee, installed officers. Earlier he had met with Society officials to discuss the Annual Congress scheduled to be held in Florida in 1986.

Local law enforcement officials were honored at the Ocala Chapter's April meeting when it awarded Law Enforcement Commendation Certificates to Sheriff's Investigator Tom Clements and Corporal Harvey Armstrong of the Ocala Police Department. Ocala Chief of Police Lee McGehee was given his SAR membership certificate, while the guest speaker was Sheriff Don Moreland.



Judge Hale Stancil (left), a member of the Ocala Chapter, awarded Law Enforcement Commendation Certificates to Sheriff's Investigator Tom Clements (center) for his reorganization work in the special investigation unit and to Corporal Harvey Armstrong for his courageous rescue of persons trapped in burning automobiles in a 22-vehicle accident on I-75 in February.

The Naples Chapter took a leading role in the Annual Memorial Day Ceremony at Naples Memorial Gardens along with a number of veterans organizations. The keynote speaker was Compatriot Ad Miller, while Compatriots James S. Rhoades and Jack Heck served as Color Bearers. On Flag Day, Compatriot Carl Hedin addressed those gathering for a ceremony at Cambier Park. He displayed 25 American flag replicas dating from the Revolutionary War.



During an April Awards Program, **Naples Chapter** President John E. Beebe, Jr. (center) presented ROTC Medals to two outstanding cadets, while their commanding officers observed.

A combination Memorial Day and dedication ceremony was held by the **Miami Chapter** at the Florida Society Library — Miami Chapter Headquarters in Coral Gables. The occasion was marked by designation of the building as an Historical Landmark by the Coral Gables Historic Preservation Board. The unusual structure was given to the Chapter last year by Compatriot W. L. Philbrick.



The recruiting of 26 new members and 32 prospective members has won the **Miami Chapter** the State Society's Calvin E. Sutherd Award for enrolling the most new members in a Chapter. President William M. Jones was pleased to accept the award on behalf of the Chapter.

A lively slide presentation on hurricanes and tornadoes was shown in April to the **Fort Lauderdale Chapter** by a representative of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The 10th anniversary of the chartering of the Caloosa Chapter was celebrated by 95 members and guests including SARs from the Naples, Charlotte and Saramana Chapters. Society President J. Alan Cross was guest speaker.

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IN MEMORIAM

WALTER GAGE STERLING President General, 1968-69

Past President General Walter Gage Sterling was called to eternal rest in early June. He had been a member of the Texas Society for over two decades.

Compatriot Sterling's service to the Society was long and varied. It included the positions of Vice-President General for the South Mississippi District (now South Central District), National Trustee and President of the Texas Society, President of the Paul Carrington Chapter and Charter Member of the Houston Chapter. In addition, he chaired or was a member of numerous national committees.

His business interests and activities were manifold. Upon his death, he was President of Royalty Properties, Richmond Manufacturing Co., S. H. Oil & Royalty Co. and the Real Estate Corporation. In 1951 he succeeded his father, Governor Ross Sterling, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Hermann Hospital Estate. He later became Chairman. He was a Director of the Texas Medical Center, Inc. and for four years a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas System. And he had an absorbing interest in the Association of Christian Schools, which he served as Chairman.

In World War II President General Sterling was in the U.S. Air Force from May, 1942 through October, 1944 with the rank of Captain.

He was interred at Glenwood Cemetery, Houston. Our Society extends sincere condolences to his wife, Ruth, and to his sister. Compatriot Walter's loyal support and wisdom will be greatly missed.





Framed facsimiles of the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights were presented by **Caloosa Chapter** President Raymond Haas to the Principal of North Fort Myers High School. The event was part of the Chapter's program to present documents to all county senior high schools.

Georgia Society

The Society held its Annual Meeting in Atlanta in April with Atlanta Chapter as host. William B. Worthy, Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District, installed Dr. Louis Alderman as President. The winner of the competition for the Eagle Scout Scholarship was presented a certificate and trophy, and a run-off of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest was held with nine students competing. Middle Georgia Chapter was presented the Ben Holland Plaque for having the best overall SAR-oriented program in the Society.



Georgia Eagle Scout competition winner James C. Bearden of the Atlanta Area Council was awarded a Bronze Eagle trophy and certificate by President Homer E. Wright at the Annual Meeting of the Society.

The Semiquincentenary (250th Anniversary) of Georgia was noted by the Coweta Falls Chapter on May 5, with three DAR Chapters cooperating. Following a luncheon with keynote speaker Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr., historian and genealogist, the group had a parade with the U. S. Army Band and Color Guard and re-dedication of the Oglethorpe Monument. The monument commemorates James E. Oglethorpe's crossing of the Chattahoochee River to form a treaty with the Indians in 1739.

Augusta Fire Department Chief W. L. Maddox was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal at the May meeting of the Col. William Few Chapter in recognition of 32 years of service to city citizens. The Chapter has also been active in awarding ROTC Medals, including one to a descendant of Daniel Boone.



Coweta Falls Chapter recognized Eagle Scouts at the Annual Recognition Banquet of Chattahoochee BSA Council, Columbia, in February. Eagle Scout Robert Thomas Dees (extreme right) later represented the Chapter in the state competition. Adults in the center of the group were: Frank G. Lumpkin, Jr. (right), for whom the 1982 Eagle Scout Class was named, was the first Eagle Scout in Columbus (1920); and Sidney Colquitt, Jr., 86, who was the Scoutmaster who presented Lumpkin the Eagle award.

Indiana Society

The Society's 94th Annual Meeting, held at Lafayette and hosted by the William Henry Harrison Chapter, saw seven young students compete in the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest — with the winner being originally sponsored by the Clarence A. Cook Chapter. Robert Allan Cline was presented the coveted Patriot Medal, while the Continental Chapter was named outstanding Chapter of the year for having recruited 39 new members.

Illinois Society



Ten Iroquois County high school students were honored by the **Piankeshaw Chapter** in March with Good Citizenship Medals. They were presented by Compatriots Glenn C. Hamilton (front row, right) and Ralph D. Moore (front row, left).

Kansas Society



The top Eagle Scout in Kansas was named at the Society's March meeting in Wichita. Proudly showing off the trophy he captured was L. Glenn Trammel III, while President Robert Orrin Dickey and Public Relations Chairman Robert E. Burt observed. Compatriot Burt (right) is Chairman of the National Society's Boy Scouts Committee.



The Silver ROTC Medal was presented by Paul L. Wilbert, Chancellor of the Society, to Cadet Jeffrey B. Bitner of Pittsburg State University. His commanding officer, Captain William Doan, received the award in his absence.

Kentucky Society

Modern-day patriots of the Civil Air Patrol were discussed by Captain Reed A. Martin Jr. of the Patrol in April at the Louisville-Thurston Chapter meeting.

The Battle of Saratoga was vividly described by Dr. Paul David Nelson of Berea College at the April meeting of the **James Madison Chapter**. National Trustee V. Gordon Walker installed officers, including Charles M. Ballard as President.

Noted professor of history at Western Kentucky University, Dr. Lowell Harrison, spoke on "Framing the Constitution" at the March meeting of the **Charles Duncan Chapter.** In May, the group heard the Warren County Court Administrator describe life in early Bowling Green with a slide program entitled "Down Memory Lane."

The Ashland Chapter made local newspaper headlines in April by meeting for the first time in Floyd County. Mayor Harold Cooley welcomed the group saying that "the meeting honored the county." Former Floyd resident John David Preston, now a commonwealth judicial attorney, was awarded The Silver Good Citizenship Medal by Society Secretary-Treasurer Col-

onel Robert C. Jobson. As principal speaker, Mr. Preston discussed "The Causes and Origin of the American Revolution."

Managers member J. Garland Green. In addition, Past Society President Earl M. Altizer participated.

Louisiana Society



The Louisiana Society entertained at its Annual Spring Cocktail Party at the home of Compatriot and Mrs. Robert M. Schoenfeld. Pictured in the receiving line, from left: President Bruns D'Aunoy Redmond and his sister, Miss Gloria H. Redmond; Mr. and Mrs. Schoenfeld, hosts; Mrs. O. D. Fontenot and National Trustee Fontenot; Mrs. William S. Arkle and Party Chairman Arkle.



During the Society's Annual Meeting, L. G. "Bill" Shreve was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for writing the biography of his ancestor, Col. Tench Tilghmam, General Washington's Aide-de-Camp. Making the presentation were PG Hamilton (left) and Secretary General Carl F. Bessent, a Past President of the Society.

Maryland Society

Sparrows Point Country Club was the striking setting for the 94th Annual Meeting of the Society, which drew over 100 Compatriots and guests and was spotlighted by an address by President General Howard L. Hamilton on Thomas Jefferson in celebration of the Patriot's 240th birthday. Also celebrated was the 76th birthday of Past President General Wilson King Barnes, who was given a colorful cake for the occasion. Two Silver Good Citizenship Medals were presented, as described in accompanying photos.

Although the Col. Aquila Hall Chapter has been recognizing outstanding students for some time, this year's program in May saw Good Citizenship Medals going to students representing every high school in Harford County. The event was well-attended by Compatriots, including Chapter President Wilford A. Councill III and several Chapter members, as well as these officers of the Maryland Society: President Charles H. Williams, Vice-President Granville W. Wehland, Historian Fred L. Coover, Jr., Secretary Henry C. Peden, Jr. and Board of



PG Hamilton (left) and Secretary General Carl F. Bessent were pleased to award the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Frank Nicolette, a noted Baltimore artist, for painting the "Battles of the Capes" commemorating the French fleet's victory over the British fleet in Chesapeake Bay which led to the Victory at Yorktown.



In 1781 the Continental Congress awarded Col. John Eager Howard a silver medal for his conduct at the Battle of Cowpens. It was thus a unique occasion recently when a silver copy of the medal was presented by Past President General Wilson King Barnes (second from right) to his own Chapter, which is named after the famed Patriot. Present for the event were Secretary General Carl F. Bessent (left), Past Chapter President William G. Browning and President Lester A. Foster. The gavel shown here and the base incorporating the medal was crafted by Compatriot Browning for use by the Chapter president at functions. SG Bessent is also Past President of the Chapter



Dignitaries attending the Society's Annual Meeting included (from left): Secretary Henry C. Peden, Jr., Vice-President General J. King B. E. Seegar, Jr., M.D., Secretary General Carl F. Bessent, President General Howard L. Hamilton, President Earl Altizer and Treasurer Earl Davis.

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Massachusetts Society

Following a long-standing tradition, the Society marked Patriot's Day on April 19 in Concord with special morning services at the Old South Burying Ground and a luncheon at the Colonial Inn. Speakers for the occasion were Roger W. Hunt, Vice-President General for the New England District, and Louis Cataldo, former Chief of Police of Orleans. "Inside S.A.R." was the topic chosen by Compatriot Hunt, while Chief Cataldo discussed "Live Movies on Cape Cod in the Revolution."



Distinguished guests attending a recent meeting of the Navy League of the United States were (from left): Massachusetts Society National Trustee Paul H. Walker; Capt. David V. Burke, Jr., USN, Commanding Officer of the Naval ROTC at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (guest speaker); Asa E. Phillips, Jr., Past Society President and Past Vice-President General; Mrs. Burke; and Boston Chapter President Howard T. Hay.

Following cancellation of the Cape Cod Chapter's January and February meetings due to a variety of reasons (including a brisk snowfall in February), newly elected officers were finally installed in March by Past Society President Robert C. Bolton, an honorary member of the Chapter. Highlighting the gathering was presentation of a framed testimonial to Compatriot Frederick B. Walker for his many years of activity in the Boy Scouts program. The Chapter's meeting in April was the annual "Show and Tell" program covering stories and artifacts of the Revolutionary War.



During the University of Lowell's April Military Ball/Awards Ceremony, Past Society President Robert C. Bolton recognized Air Force Cadet Steven Dionisi with the ROTC Medal.

Michigan Society

The Chancellor John Lansing Chapter hosted the Society's Meeting in April with Lansing Mayor Terry McKane, an SAR, illustrating his speech with slides of Lansing's sister city in Japan. He also spoke of the launching of the luxurious lake steamer "Michigan" (also in Japan) and his speech to the Japanese people celebrating the occasion. Guests included representatives from the DAR and C.A.R. The Patriot Medal was bestowed on outgoing State President Charles E. Dewey, Jr. by his successor, Clyde Wolff. Also in April, Chapter President David M. Trebing was a guest auctioneer on a television auction which benefited public television.

Minnesota Society

Rounding out the season's activities for the Society was hosting of the North Central District Meeting during April in Minneapolis. Following an afternoon business session, presided over by Vice-President General C. Worthington Fowler II, and a conducted tour of the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, the gathering concluded with a banquet in honor of President General Howard L. Hamilton, who was guest speaker.



Following his address, PG Hamilton was presented a certificate naming him an honorary citizen of Minneapolis. Doing the honors was Past Society President John Hallberg Jones.

Mississippi Society



O.M. Smith, President of the Colonial Patriot Chapter, presented the ROTC Medal to Cadet Staff Sergeant Richard Budzinski at the Mississippi State University ROTC Awards Banquet in April.

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New Jersey Society

President General and Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton were honored guests at the Society's Annual Meeting and Luncheon during April in Freehold. Of special interest to the ladies was a program featuring David A. Miller, President of the New Jersey Association of County Cultural and Heritage Commissions and Executive Secretary of the Burlington County Unit. He lectured on "Smithville," a growing South Jersey restoration.

As in the past the West Fields Chapter participated in the community's Memorial Day program, which included a parade and a stop at the colonial cemetery.

For the third year in a row, the Pinelands Chapter recognized Eagle Scouts with certificates. Altogether 22 Scouts were honored, with Douglas Schilling being awarded a Bronze Good Citizenship Medal for being selected by the Chapter for competition in the Society's run-off for the NSSAR scholarship. The Chapter also presented Good Citizenship Medals and Certificates to students at four county high schools. The cost of this worthy gesture is assumed by individual Compatriots, with the list lengthening each year.

The South Jersey Chapter had the largest turnout in 20 years to celebrate its 60th anniversary last Christmas. Speakers included Dr. Ralph K. Turp, Society President, who presented "John Bowne — Pilgrim Freedom", and Maj. Lawrence Stratton, Past State President, who presented "Retrospect to Chapter and State Since 1950." Both are members of the Chapter.



The 60th anniversary cake of the South Jersey Chapter was displayed by James B. Snodgrass, Jr., outgoing President (left); and Richard A. Scudder, incoming President.

The Elizabethtown Chapter marked its 90th Anniversary with a dinner on the 203rd Anniversary of the Battle of Elizabethtown. Guest speakers Compatriot and Mrs. William Frolich chose as their topic "Thomas Edison in New Jersey". The Society's headquarters in Elizabeth, the Bonnell House, was the splendid site of the Chapter's 9th Annual Awards Presentation. Students from ten area high schools were awarded Bronze Good Citizenship Medals by President Ken Hendrix. The Rev. David King, Pastor of St. John's Church of Elizabeth, was speaker.

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Compatriot Robert J. Reiser of the **Old Bergen-Hudson Chapter**, in line with a program begun in 1957, bestowed the Annual ROTC Award to Cadet Stefanie M. Wentworth during a ceremony at St. Peter's College, Jersey City, in May.

North Carolina Society

When W. Hardy Mills assumed Presidency of the Raleigh Chapter, he vowed to see that two close friends wounded in World War II were properly recognized by the general public through a special Chapter activity. That pledge came to fruition earlier this year at a meeting where North Carolina Secretary of State Thad Erue re-pinned medals the pair had received as the result of their deeds in the service. One, Jack Ashby, received the Legion of Merit for his experiences during the Battle of the Bulge and subsequent capture by the Germans. The other, Harry Douglass - who entered the service with Compatriot Mills - was severely wounded in Italy and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. His medal was never officially pinned on him, one reason being that he stayed in the hospital for the rest of the conflict.



As a result of **Raleigh Chapter** President Mills' recognition program, Secretary of State Eure pinned the Distinguished Service Cross on Harry Douglass at a recent meeting at the Carolina Country Club, Raleigh.

Ohio Society

The 94th Anniversary State Conference of the Society was held in Austintown in early May, with President General Howard L. Hamilton and Past President General Charles A. Anderson, Sr., MD, as honored guests. The guest speaker at a banquet, which followed an afternoon business session, was W. L. Weeks, a Vice-President of



Attending the Society's Conference were (from left): PPG Anderson, PG Hamilton and Ohio President Anderson. The flags behind them were but a few of those on display from the spectacular collection of the late Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott.

Republic Steel Corporation. PG Hamilton spoke briefly about the National Society and was presented a certificate by Society President Charles A. Anderson, Jr. "in recognitions and grateful appreciation for his superb and dedicated services to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution." The next morning saw presentation of the Eagle Scout trophy to the Society's winner in a statewide competition and a spirited run-off of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest.



During an April meeting of the **Western Reserve Society**, President John A. Horner, Jr. presented the Good Citizenship Medal to Maj. Robert Lloyd, AUS (Ret), a Past President of the Cleveland Chapter, Retired Officers Association, in appreciation for his tireless efforts in support of the Society's February 22nd civic celebrations.



A recipient of the ROTC Medal, Cadet Loretta Phillas of Cleveland State University was a guest at the **Western Reserve Society's** May meeting and extended her thanks to the membership.

Oklahoma Society

During the 78th Annual Congress of the Society, which was held in Tulsa in April, two prominent men were honored. Receiving the coveted Patriot Medal was Charles G. Cruzan, President of the Bartlesville Chapter, for exceptional services to the SAR. William S. Price, United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma, was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal for the outstanding work he did in prosecuting scores of county commissioners involved in kickback schemes with suppliers. Making the presentation to Mr. Price was Past President General M. Graham Clark. Honored guests at the event included Vice-President General Augustus di Zerega, who inducted newly elected officers; Registrar General G. Arthur Luther; Alfred H. Benjamin, Chairman of the Law Enforcement Section of the National Public Relations Committee; and Texas Society President Clovis H. Brakebill.



The Society's Annual Congress featured presentation of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by Past President General M. Graham Clark to U. S. Attorney William S. Price.

Oregon Society

Salem was the site for the Annual Meeting of the Pacific District, presided over by Washington Society President Vance E. Senter in the absence of Vice-President General Earl A. Phillips, who was ill. Dr. Senter also entertained the nearly 50 at-

tendees with a brilliant musical program, which included a variety of bugle calls.

The **Salem Chapter** recently secured an entire page about the flag in a local newspaper. It included numerous quotations on the SAR by President Brace I. Knapp, MD.

Pennsylvania Society

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held in May at Monroeville, southeast of Pittsburgh, with President Howard L. Hamilton as guest of honor and principal speaker. Receiving the Patriot Medal was Henry B. Brown, Jr. in recognition of his exceptional services at both the Chapter and State levels. Earl L. Wieand was given the membership trophy for securing the most new members by an individual, 29. The Centre County Chapter was recognized as

the top Chapter in membership growth, a 33 per cent increase, while coming out on top with honors in activity programing were the Harris Ferry, Arthur St. Clair and Christopher Gist Chapters. Following his talk on "Genealogy and Genetics," PG Hamilton was given a replica in glass of a mustard jar in the shape of old Fort Pitt. Mrs. Hamilton, who was absent due to illness, was sent a handmade medal tray showing the view of Pittsburgh from Duquesne Heights.



Following the morning business session of the Society's Annual Meeting, members and guests enjoyed a party boat ride on the Allegheny River. The boat paused in front of the remains of Fort Pitt while a ceremony was held in memory of Compatriots who had died during the year. Shown with a wreath that was placed in the river at the ceremony's conclusion are (from left): Society Historian John S. Cupp, Society Treasurer-Registrar Warren G. Hayes, Jr., Society President Grafton Duvall, President General Howard L. Hamilton, Secretary General Carl F. Bessent and Vice-President General J. King B. E. Seegar, Jr., MD.

The Continental Congress Chapter participated in the June Naturalization Ceremony at York County Courthouse when 35 new citizens were welcomed. Secretary-Treasurer Richard Young addressed the group and presented each with a parchment showing the 39 Presidents of the United States. On June 14th the Chapter held its Annual Flag Day observance at the Historical Society of York County, offering an opportunity to view the finished project which members initiated through a memorial to their first President, Earl Schroeder, and which was supported as a State project by the C.A.R. Pennsylvania Society. This involved the preservation of documents, including muster rolls, commendation letters. quartermaster data and various committee records of the Continental Congress. The

records will be available on microfilm through the Pennsylvania Museum and Historical Commission.

In May, during the Pittsburgh Chapter's Annual Law Enforcement Day program, Society President Grafton Duvall awarded Law Enforcement Commendation Medals to Detectives Raymond Scherer and Jack J. Bello for the capture of two bank robbers.

Nearly 30 members and guests of the Centre County Chapter enjoyed an April bus sightseeing trip of Mifflin and Juniata County. Among the sites visited were McCoy House, the new Mifflin County Courthouse, Jack's Creek Stone Arch Bridge and the Tuscarora Academy, a former orphanage. In early June, members visited "Mud Church" in Mifflintown.

Ronald S. Dancer, son of the famous racing driver, Stanley Dancer, treated the **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter** in May with an illustrated talk on harness racing. A June meeting featured an interesting talk on "The Power of Prayer" by Rev. Edward Schulte of the Allentown, N.J. Presbyterian Church.



Col. Carl Black of the **Erie Chapter** presented two Eagle Scout Certificates to scouts from the Washington Trail Council: James Reese (left) and Timothy Spacht. The Chapter has made Eagle Scout presentations for more than 20 years.

The Compatriot's Day Meeting of the Conococheague Chapter was held in April with Dr. Mac E. Barrick, Shippensburg State College professor, giving a well-documented program on witchcraft in Pennsylvania. An expert on local folklore, he related newspaper and court records of witchcraft incidents. The Chapter's Flag Day Dinner and Ladies Night in June drew almost 50 members and guests and saw President Frank H. Bender receive the President's Award. The guest speaker, Bruce Kessler, Professor of Public Administration at Shippensburg University, chose as his topic "United States Foreign Policy."



The Northeast Chapter honored ROTC student John Pritchard at the University of Scranton Annual Spring Awards Ceremony. Robert H. Dymond, Sr., Secretary, made the presentation.

South Carolina Society

The 94th Annual Convention of the Society was held jointly with the South Atlantic District Convention in early April at Florence, with the **Gen. Francis Marion Chap-**

ter serving as host. Following the Society's business meeting in the morning, Secretary General Carl F. Bessent addressed the luncheon gathering about South Carolina and NSSAR history and activities. Receiving the Patriot Medal was Dr. E. Thomas Crowson in recognition of his years of service as State Historian and in other offices. (Compatriot Crowson authored the article about South Carolina in the Revolution that appeared in the Spring 1981 Issue of *The SAR Magazine*.)



Mrs. E. Thomas Crowson proudly pinned the Patriot Medal on her husband's dinner jacket during the Society's Annual Convention.



On behalf of the author, who was unavoidably absent, outgoing President Charles M. Pace presented a copy of a new book, *Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution*, to newly elected President Walter T. Barron at the Society's Annual Convention. Written by Bobby Gilmer Moss, Professor and Chairman of the Social Studies Division of Limestone College, the work received \$1,000 in financial support from the Society.

Tennessee Society

The Annual Meeting of the Society featured a variety of interest seminars, with the following Compatriots as leaders: Vice-President General William A. Cochran, Jr., on chapter finances and fund raising activities; Past Vice-President General Judson P. Mason, on recruiting and retaining members; and John A. Marks and Neill S. Brown, Membership Chairmen of the Memphis and Andrew Jackson Chapters, respectively, on how to prepare and process SAR applications. The keynote speaker at a dinner was retired B/Gen. Austin C.

Shofner, who was a prisoner of war in World War II. Awards given are described in accompanying photos.



Stones River Chapter President Robert Mc-Lean (left) looked on with satisfaction as his Chapter's entry in the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest, Jeffrey Lee Adcock, was determined the winner and given an award by newly elected Society President Robert A. Ragland, Sr.



The excited winner of the Eagle Scout competition, Jud Reasons, received his trophy from Compatriot Scobey Rogers, his sponsor in the **Andrew Jackson Chapter**.

Members and guests of the **Memphis Chapter** assembled in April for a dinner that featured an address by Kurt Flexner, Professor of Economics at Memphis State University. He discussed what could be expected within the next few years relative to such areas as finances, Social Security and investments.

Stephen Holston Chapter President George E. Chittenden, Jr. and Secretary-Treasurer Lewis F. Parsly appeared in May on the Morning Line Show on radio station WKGN, Knoxville, in response to a listener's query about what was being done to observe July 4th in the city. This gave the pair an excellent opportunity to publicize Chapter activities.

Texas Society

President R. Carl Tumey, Sr. has announced that the Society has organized an official American Revolutionary Color Guard, which will be dressed in uniforms of the day and armed with muskets and weapons of that time. The group will perform at Society functions and various civic affairs.

State Senator John Leedom, a member of the **Dallas Chapter**, recently addressed the Chapter on activities of the Texas Legislature. Lt. Gen. John Wright, Jr., Chairman of the Awards Committee, announced that 65 SAR medals had been presented to students of area schools and colleges.

The 41st Annual Celebration of Ladies Night was held in April by the El Paso Chapter. Sarah John, Oral Historian of the University of Texas, El Paso, addressed the group regarding the school's outstanding collection of Spanish tape recordings concerning the Revolutionary War of Mexico. In May the group heard Col. Levin Lee discuss 200 years of the U.S. Cavalry.

The Hill Country Chapter was interested to hear what the President of the Kerrville Area Chamber of Commerce had to say in April about the excellent growth in store for the area. In May the group was given a historical review of the U.S. monetary system by Ed. Lewis III.

The Patrick Henry Chapter welcomed five new Compatriots in April and heard Compatriot Bob Duke review the fascinating six-volume work of Dumas Malone on the life of Thomas Jefferson. In May, Dr. James B. Carter discussed "Causes of Disease and Death in the 19th Century" based on death certificates and census reports of the 1850s and 1860s. "Women's Rights in Colonial Days" was the topic addressed by Clarence F. Niebuhr, Treasurer of the Texas Genealogical Society, in June.

Utah Society

Weber State College in Ogden was the setting for the Society's Annual Awards and Installation Dinner in May. William J. Critchlow III, Chairman of Ogden's Bicentennial Collection of Historic Art, was guest speaker and conducted a tour of the exhibit.

Virginia Society



Compatriots Robert M. Gillespie (a direct descendant of Thomas Jefferson), John C. Crouch, and William B. Fitzhugh placed a wreath at Jefferson's statue in the rotunda of the Virginia State Capitol on the 240th anniversary of his birth. All are members of the Richmond Chapter.



Jennings H. Flathers of the **Culpeper Minute Men Chapter** pinned the Silver Good Citizenship Medal on Bob Jacobs honoring him as an outstanding educator.

The Thomas Jefferson Chapter, during its Annual Ladies Night in June in Charlottesville, honored both President General and Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton. A new award was initiated: the "Dr. Howard Laverne Hamilton Service Recognition Award," with Certificate No. 1 being presented to the President General "in recognition of his service to the Sons of the American Revolution at the levels of the local, state, and national organizations." Certificate No. 2 was presented to Charter Member Linwood H. Warwick, age 96, for services to the Chapter since its founding in 1939. Then Society Past President Thomas P. Nelson gave the Martha Washington Medal to Mrs. Hamilton for her many services to the SAR at all levels.

The May meeting of the George Mason Chapter was held at Mason's historical home, Gunston Hall, with a guided tour preceding the meeting. Society President and Past Chapter President Conrad Mook installed the new officers. A specialist on Soviet political and military affairs, particularly illegal chemical and biological warfare, Gary B. Crocker, was guest speaker. He is the Senior Political-Military Analyst in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research within the Department of State. He noted the use of lethal chemical and toxin agents in the Afghan resistance as well as by the North Vietnamese.



Mrs. Pauline C. Ramsey was given the National Membership Award for her recently deceased husband, Elliott M. Ramsey, former Secretary-Treasurer of the **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter**. President David P. Minichan made the presentation, saying that Compatriot Ramsey served untiringly to strengthen the membership of the SAR.

Following the long-established policy of honoring those who are outstanding in their respective fields, the **Culpeper Minute Men Chapter** named three such individuals at a recent Awards Night. Bob Jacobs, Head of the Fauquier High School Studies Department, was presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal for notable service in behalf of American principles and Mrs. Elizabeth Flathers and Mrs. Jean Hume were honored as outstanding citizens with the Medal of Appreciation. Both of their husbands are SARs.

Washington Society

More than 100 attended the Annual George Washington's Birthday Celebration conducted by the **Spokane Chapter** in conjunction with the DAR, Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, Society of Mayflower Descendants, Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Flagon and Trencher and other patriotic and hereditary societies of eastern Washington and northern Idaho. The featured speaker was Dr. William E. Sweikert, noted author and lecturer.



Spokane Mayor James Chase and his wife joined with the **Spokane Chapter** and other patriotic societies on Washington's Birthday to hear noted lecturer Dr. William E. Sweikert explain the significance of the Great Seal of the United States of America.



The Seattle Chapter honored three worthy citizens in March (from left): Assistant Police Chief David W. Grayson was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal; Sgt. Charles Pollon received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal; and Mrs. Mary Nixon, widow of Past President Clay Nixon, received the Silver Good Citizenship Medal. Dr. William Taylor Gillespie, Seattle Police Captain and Society Chaplain, made the presentations.

Wisconsin Society

Early June saw President General and Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton, along with their two daughters, wing to Milwaukee as honored guests at the Society's Annual Meeting. He installed newly elected officers, participated in an awards ceremony and gave an inspiring address.



President A. Peter N. McArthur (left) congratulated award winners at the Society's Annual Meeting: Mrs. Fred W. Bush, Honorary DAR State Regent, Medal of Appreciation; Thomas P. Curtis, Society Genealogist, Silver Good Citizenship Medal; David Osborne, Honorary C.A.R. State President, Silver Good Citizenship Medal; and Earl B. Eggleston, a member of the Nathaniel Ames Chapter, Meritorious Service Medal. Compatriot McArthur received the Patriot Medal.



Honored guests were welcomed to the Society's Annual Meeting by President A. Peter N. McArthur (from his left): President General Howard L. Hamilton, Past President General Len Young Smith, Vice-President General Ted Grange, NSSAR Museum Board Chairman James A. Williams and Michigan Society President Clyde Wolff.



During the April Awards Banquet of the Elisha Raymond Chapter, held in conjunction with the DAR, Capt. Karl Hasen of the Racine Police Department was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by President Walter Smith (left) and Past President Robert V. Osborne.

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At the May meeting of the **Nathaniel Ames Chapter** George Extrom of the City of Madison's History Roundtable gave an interesting talk entitled "What Ever Happened to Paul Revere's Horse." He provided an in-depth look at Revere's famous ride and how a British officer commandeered his horse to return to Boston.



Members of the **General Tadeusz Kosciuszko Chapter** participated in May in the celebration of Polish Constitution Day in Milwaukee. Following a Mass at St. Stanislaus Church, a parade wound its way to Kosciusko Park for a ceremony at a statue of the Patriot. Driving in the parade were Secretary Randy Klibowitz and Founding President Thomas A. Mereen. Their car flew the United States, SAR and Polish Flags.

Wyoming Society

The Society held its 74th Annual Meeting in April to hear historian and author Bill Bragg discuss the captivating events which surrounded the early days of Casper and Natrona County.



State Secretary-Treasurer Theodore Eastmond presented two Eagle Scouts to the Society in April as outstanding examples of citizenship. Eric R. Dowdle (left) received the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal, while Benjamin W. Sanders was presented the medal as well as the Bronze Eagle trophy as state winner of the NSSAR Scholarship Program.



Society President Charles E. Luxmoore presented the Medal of Appreciation to Mrs. Maggie Price for her outstanding membership recruitment for the Society this year. The award was made at the Society's Annual Meeting.

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Lynchburg Chapter Honors Patrick Henry

By Jennings H. P. Flathers, Editor, The Virginia Bulletin

Nearly a half century ago, a stranger from another state hundreds of miles away ferreted out the weed-infested grave of Patrick Henry, planted a Revolutionary Patriots Marker, and then disappeared into the unknown. The "Voice of the Revolution" which had been silenced on June 6, 1799, died at the age of 63 and was buried at the foot of the sloping garden.

For nearly 150 years this homespun American lay beneath a simple slab of stone in a forgotten grave on his plantation, Red Hill, the land he had once called "one of the garden spots of the world." Like its master, the plantation was gone. The land had been



Participating in the marker ceremony were (from left): John M. Hudgins, Secretary of the Lynchburg Chapter; Conrad P. Mook, Virginia Society President; and Clifton W. Potter, Chapter President.

divided and sold, and the house, including most of the other buildings, had been destroyed by fire. All of this took place before the origin of the Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation, a non-profit organization, in 1944. Since that time, the plantation house has been rebuilt on its original foundation and so have the kitchen, smokehouse and the cook's cabin. The original law office, still intact, has returned to its former position.

On May 29, the 240th anniversary of Patrick Henry's birth, members of the Lynchburg Chapter of the Virginia Society, their families and friends gathered at the grave of this revolutionary giant to pay homage and voice their patriotic appreciation and respect. To visually honor Patrick Henry, John M. Hudgins, Secretary of the Chapter, and State President Conrad P. Mook implanted a second Revolutionary Patriots Marker at the base of the grave. The program for the day was planned and directed by

Compatriots Hudgins and Clifton Potter, President of the Lynchburg Chapter.

Also participating in the program were Patrick Dailey, Director of the Foundation at Red Hill; the Honorable Joseph P. Crouch, Delegate from the 22nd District to the Virginia General Assembly and the speaker for the occasion; Edith Poindexter, representing the DAR Red Hill Chapter; and Elizabeth Scott, President of the Staunton River Historical Society.

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WOOTEN - WOOTTEN - WOOTTON - WOOTON Patriots; Wooten and related Families Association. Publications include quarterly and monographs. Send SASE for membership information to Sect-Treas Amos L. Moore, P.O. Box 1143, Greenville, NC 27834. Genealogical inquiries to Richard C. Wooton, 3517-A So. Stafford, Arlington, VA 22206. Compatriots Louis E. Wooten, Sr., Pres.; Jas. Alf. Miller, Jr., Dir.

POMEROY, NATHANIEL of Suffield, CT served as Captain in General Spencer's Regiment during the years 1776, 1777 and 1778. We know he was born in Suffield 23 May 1734, married Abagail King 16 Sept. 1756, and died in Suffield 12 Feb. 1787. Would appreciate receiving any information about Capt. Nathaniel Pomeroy's military career including battles, wounds, decorations, etc. Please write to Chester M. Pomeroy, 7826 N. Pinesview Dr., Scottsdale, AZ 85258.

Interested in exchanging information on early American families from Monroe and Noble County, Ohio, including Williams, Archer, Morris, Weekley, Davis, Enochs, Pool, Morse, Devolld, Gorby or Richmond families. W. H. Williams, P. O. Box 707, Rockford, IL 61105.

Conspiracy Upset

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gratuity. They have prevented in all probility our suffering one of the severest strokes that could have been meditated against us. Their names are John Paulding, David Williams and Isaac Van Wart."

In response to this letter, the Congress passed the following legislation:

By the act of 3rd November, 1780 it was "Resolved, whereas, Congress have received information that John Paulding. David Williams and Isaac Van Wart, three young volunteer militia men of the State of New York, did on the 23rd day of September last, intercept Major John Andre, Adjutant General of the British Army, on his return from the American lines, in the character of a spy, and, notwithstanding the large bribes offered them for his release, nobly distaining to sacrifice their country for the sake of gold, secured and conveyed him to the commanding officer of the district, whereby the dangerous and traitorous conspiracy of Benedict Arnold was brought to light, the insidious design of the enemy baffled, and the United States secured from danger, Resolved. that Congress have a high sense of the virtuous and patriotic conduct of the aforesaid John Paulding, David Williams and Isaac Van Wart. In consideration whereof, ordered that each of them receive annually out of the public treasury \$200 dollars in specie or equivalent in the current money of these States during life. and that the Board of War procure for each of them a silver medal, on one side of which shall be a shield with this inscription, 'Fidelity' and on the other side the following motto, 'Vincent amor Patrias' and forward them to the Commanderin-chief, who is requested to present the same, with a copy of this resolution, and the thanks of Congress for their fidelity, and the eminent services they have rendered their country."

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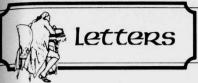
Buffalo Chapter Remembers Vets

Remembering veterans confined to a local Veterans Administration Medical Center is an important part of the annual programing for the Buffalo Chapter, ESSAR (New York).

About five years ago the Chapter gained representation on the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service Board. Ever since, it has sponsored a variety of events, including concerts by a Shrine Dixieland Jazz Band and the Gordon Highlanders Pipe Band.

According to Immediate Past President Everett J. Thompson, the Chapter received an Outstanding Service Award certificate from the VA last fall.

SAR MAGAZINE



The following letters of interest to the membership have been received by the Editor. They have been edited for space considerations.

Robert Bone's article on the Treaty of Paris was extremely interesting and the best such paper I've ever read. But there is an interesting detail that he omitted, one that I learned as U. S. Naval Liaison Officer Gibraltar while studying the history of "The Rock."

As Mr. Bone says, our treaty with France precluded a separate peace with Britian, and the Franco-Spanish treaty guaranteed Spain no overall peace without the return of Gibraltar. Our commissioners and the British had reached a separate agreement, but could not conclude it because of the two treaties. Admiral le Comte De Grasse, who made possible the victory at Yorktown, had subsequently been captured by the British in the Battle of the Saints Passage in the West Indies and was then a prisoner-of-war in London. So the British cooked up a deal. They sent De Grasse to Paris to propose that the Americans and British sign a separate treaty; the French could then explain to the Spanish that the Americans had gone back on their word but the French would guarantee the return of other Spanish territory in lieu of Gibraltar - which the British would not cede under any circumstances.

And so it was done. Our treaty was finally signed separately. Britain gave back Florida and the Balearic Isles to Spain but kept Gibraltar, and the Anglo-Franco Spanish treaty was then signed with no reference to America.

Capt. Roy C. Smith, USNR (Ret)
Director of Publications
U. S. Naval Academy Alumni Association
Annapolis, MD

On page 11 of the Spring 1983 Issue it asks "An SAR Record?", referring to Allan Herrick's six grandsons in the SAR. In addition to my son, I have put in and paid dues for seven grandsons.

J. Hayward Erickson

Can anyone break this record? Ed.

Concerning the article on page 39 of the Winter 1983 Issue entitled "Three Generations in War", I have had a father, son and grandson as supplementals for years. I did not think this noteworthy. Now I do! Check my file for my Robinsons (Capt. John, James and Maj. James).

Lt. Gen. Herman Nickerson, Jr. Mount Vernon, VA

North Henderson, II.

Please send copies of the magazine to the above-listed (four) libraries and send the bill to me. The purpose is to acquaint people with the SAR and local Chapters where they can get further information. Two of these have Genealogical Departments, so the magazines should be of special value.

Johnthan M. Cook CSSAR Publicity Chairman

A subscription for four consecutive issues costs only \$4.00! Ed.

(With reference to the article about the Battle of Point Pleasant that appeared in the Winter 1983 Issue), I have helped numerous men fill out papers for the SAR on records of ancestors who

When you are TRAVELING . . .

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Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, and functions monthly except July & August. Tel: SAR Hdqrs. 215-735-5234, Engineers' Club, 1317 Spruce St., Phila. for info.

TENNESSEE

Shelby Chapter, Brunswick, invites SAR members and their families to visit historic Davies Manor, 9336 Davies Plantation Road, headquarters for the Shelby Chapter, on Tuesday between one and four o'clock from May through October. For information contact John Charles Wilson, Chapter President, Arlington, Tennessee (901) 867-8289 or Mrs. Hillman Philip Rodgers, Chapter's Executive Secretary, (901) 386-0715.

TEXAS

Dallas Chapter. 8:00 a.m. breakfast meeting at Preston Center, Wyatt's Cafeteria each 2nd Sat. Visiting SARs most welcome.

Patrick Henry Chapter. Austin meets 3rd Sat. 11:30 a.m. Wyatt's Cafeteria. Hancock Center. Pres. Rob't N. Winston, Sr. Ph. 345-4951.

Houston Chapter meets monthly for Dinner the 2nd Wed. except Aug. All SARs, their ladies, and DARs welcome. Phone for details — Pres. Denis Fluker: (713) 468-7717.

San Antonio Chapter. Luncheon meeting, noon, 2nd Thursday, monthly, Earl Abel's Restaurant, 4200 Broadway at Hildebrand.

VIRGINIA

Virginia Society. Office: 3212 Cutshaw Ave., Suite 201; mailing address: P.O. Box 11181, Richmond, VA 23230. Open Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9 to 12 a.m. Visiting SAR's welcome. Tel: (804) 355-1776. Robert F. Morse, Secy.

Fairfax Resolves Chapter (Fairfax County) meets the 3rd Thursday of each month September thru May in Annandale. For information contact President Mike Walker (703) 978-0063 or Secretary Milo Olds (703) 339-6037.

WISCONSIN

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



SARs AND DARS TOGETHER — Opening night of the NSDAR Continental Congress on April 19 saw these dignitaries waiting for the festivities to begin (from left): United Kingdom Society President Sidney T. Telford, Jr.; Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton, a DAR who also is President General, Order of the Three Crusades 1096-1192; President General Howard L. Hamilton; and DAR President General Mrs. Richard Denny, Shelby. PG Hamilton brought greetings from the SAR, while Compatriot Telford was guest speaker.

fought in the battle. I will gladly send data on the Mitchell Clay and Capt. Ralph Stewart families. Mrs. Verna Allen Trevison 2917 Kendale, Apt. 203 Toledo, OH 43606 The correct name of the young man in the photo on page 7 of the Winter 1983 Issue is Anthony Lee Thomas, not Davis as in the cutline.

Frank P. O'Brien, Jr., President

Lower Cape Fear Chapter, NCSAR