

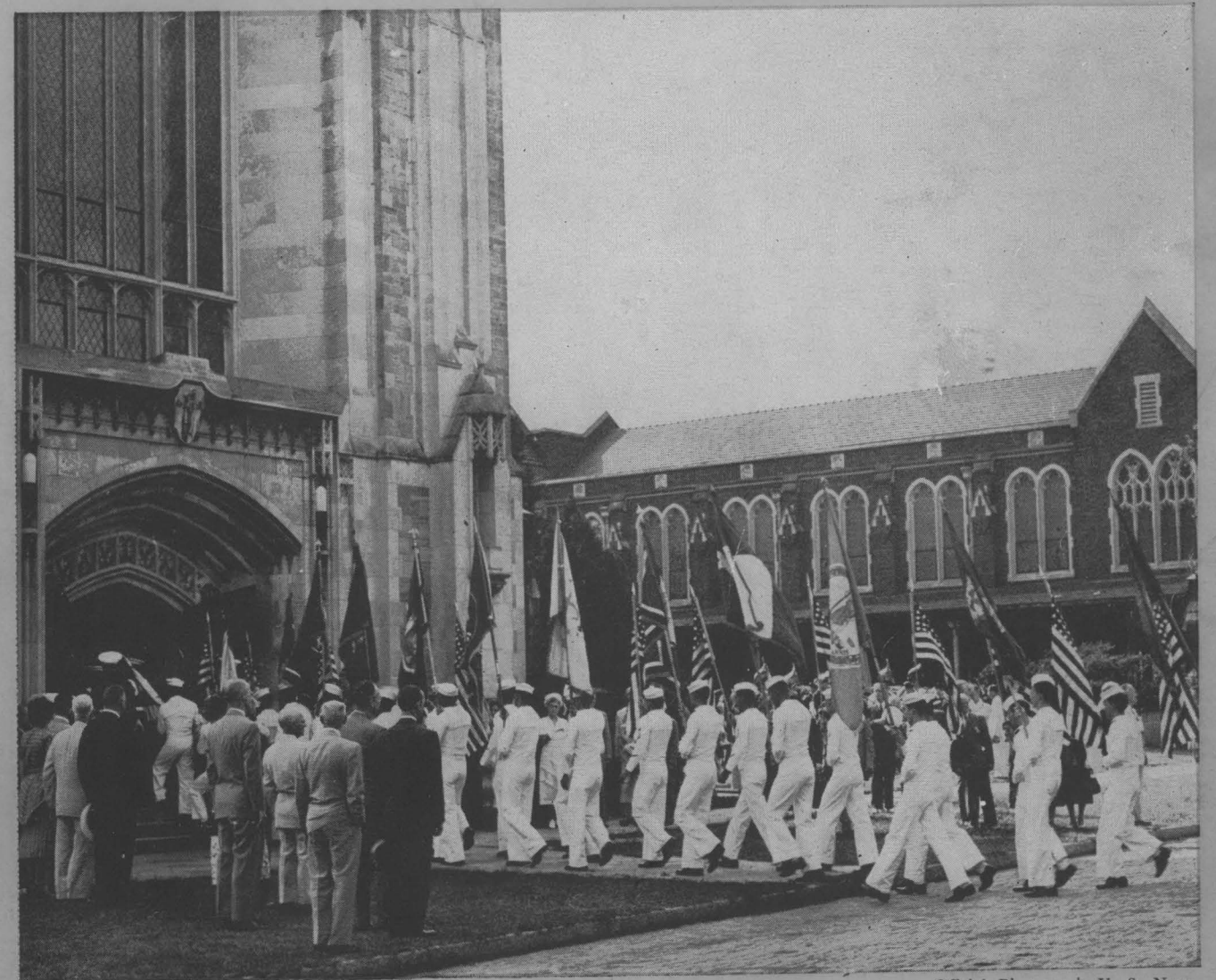


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NATIONAL COLORS AND STATE FLAGS ENTERING THE CHURCH OF THE
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RECESSION OF MASSED COLORS AT MEMORIAL SERVICES
Past Chaplain General Bulkley in foreground.

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This is Your Magazine

IN ACCORDANCE with action taken by the Executive Committee at the Annual Congress in Jacksonville, President General Finger delegated to me the responsibility of editing the Quarterly Bulletin of the National Society, making physical and editorial changes that will effect economies and, at the same time, increase the amount of reading matter that will appeal to *all Compatriots*.

Your Editor approaches this serious undertaking with a deep sense of obligation to maintain the high level of traditional patriotism established by Secretary General Frank Steele. Your Editor also realizes that there is bound to be criticism, but he hopes that it will prove to be constructive. This is your magazine and we trust that many of your letters may be reprinted in each issue.

It will be our aim to publish a magazine to help recruit more and more younger men into our ranks. We hope that you will loan your issues to prospective young men as evidence of the important part that the Society is playing in maintaining the principles and traditions inherited from our distinguished forefathers. Won't you please make an effort to supply the Editor with feature articles and photographs with which to carry out the new editorial program reflected by this and subsequent issues.

You will find an excellent group picture supplied by the Illinois Society featuring Compatriot Ambrose one of the two surviving members of the Illinois Grand Army of the Republic. Your Editor is of the opinion that this type of State Society Event is of keen interest to every reader of *The Quarterly*.

The Lebanon Pilgrimage, the Depew Medal Award, the Continental Congress Chapter installation, the pictures of the Annual Congress... this is the type of story, well illustrated, that we hope to feature in coming issues.

Newspaper pictures cannot be reproduced; a glossy photograph is essential! However, the newspaper story on important events supplies ideal basic copy for the final story. Your local newspaper will generally be pleased to supply you with the required photograph.

Please continue to send your report of State Events to Secretary General Steele. We trust that the October issue

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Secretary-Registrar General

FRANK B. STEELE

As REGISTRAR GENERAL I find it obligatory to report 307 fewer new members enrolled, and a total acquisition of new members for the year of 1,100, as compared with my report of last year of 1,407 enrollments. Reinstatements this past year total 225, with several states to hear from. These figures are all subject to revision as there are still some reports to be received and a re-check will be necessary. The greatest losses reported were in West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

In spite of this disappointment, there are some bright spots. Greater activity and some interesting and rather impressive gains have been made in some states, especially those with smaller membership, and considered more or less inactive; and there have been real efforts to organize chapters in certain localities. All such projects have not completely materialized but are on the way. We had high hopes of organizing a state society in Nevada, but this has been delayed, and North Dakota has been a disappointment, but we hope for a more favorable report from there soon.

The state societies of Alabama, Delaware, Idaho and Mississippi are to be congratulated on their excellent gains and future prospects. Alabama is busy with projected new chapters at Guntersville and elsewhere; Idaho has revived its chapter at Pocatello and is very much on the alert; New Mexico is organizing a local chapter at Albuquerque; Pennsylvania is about ready to complete the pending chapter at York upon which they have been working for some time; and a chapter at Utica, New York, should soon be formally announced, and we are told there is a chapter pending in Kentucky, but no definite report as yet. Ohio inaugurated three new chapters at Ashtabula, Zanesville and Xenia very early in the fiscal year.

The winning of the Traveling Banners is always of interest and we are pleased to announce that the Empire State Society has come back for the *Syracuse Banner*, given for the largest number of new members enrolled,

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General Officers Elected at the Jacksonville, Florida, Congress May 18, 1949

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FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

BANQUET

Toastmaster

JUDGE BURTON BARRS

Former President, Jacksonville Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution

Former President, Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution

Former Vice-President General, National Society, Sons of the American Revolution

Presentation of the Colors:

U. S. Marines from Jacksonville Naval Air Station

Invocation: THE VEN. WILLIAM F. BULKLEY, D. D.

Chaplain General, Sons of the American Revolution

Song: The National Anthem

Remarks: The President General

BEN H. POWELL, III

Remarks: The President General Elect

JOHN WHELCHER FINGER

Historical Oration Contest Awards:

By DOUGLAS G. HIGH, Chairman

Musical Numbers:

By Selected Members of the Jacksonville Junior College Chorus

Address: "Patriotism Today"

HON. J. FIELD WARDLAW

Former President, Florida Society

Former President, Palm Beach Chapter

Address: "The Citizen's Place in Government"

HON. MILLARD F. CALDWELL

Former United States Congressman

Former Governor of Florida

Compatriot, Pensacola Chapter

Address: "The Measure of an American"

HON. RAY V. SOWERS

Director of Field Service, John B. Stetson University

Deland, Florida

Prayer: REV. MOTT R. SAWYER, D. D.

President of the Minnesota Society

HOTEL GEORGE WASHINGTON

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

MAY 18, 1949, 7:00 O'CLOCK

Secretary-Registrar General Continued

which Pennsylvania had wrested from New York for two years past.

The *Colorado Banner*, given for the greatest percentage of gain in states of 100 or more members, goes this year to Delaware with a gain of 13%.

The *Ohio Banner* given for the largest percentage of members under thirty years will lagain go to Missouri with a 68% under 30 enrollment.

We now have still another Banner, given for the first time a year ago, known as the *Texas Banner* in honor of Judge Powell, who so generously donated it. This will go to Mississippi, having enrolled the largest number of new members among states having less than 100 members. This Banner is going to be a fine incentive to these smaller states.

We are happy to learn that at this session we will be honored with two more new State Flags from Alabama and Mississippi, and thus add to our lovely collection. We do appreciate the interest and generosity of these compatriots.

In closing, I cannot emphasize too strongly my admiration and regard for Judge Powell in stepping into the breach last fall. His efforts have been untiring and constructive and have seriously interfered I am afraid, with his own immediate business affairs and practice. He has made many visits in the brief period of his service—one across the continent to California, and one up into New England, and has been untiring in his efforts to keep up the progress of the Society. I know our membership loss has been a keen disappointment to him.

May I express my deep regret that I am unable to present this report in person—the first break in my long period of service. Only the most positive ban on the part of my physician has prevented my appearance. I cannot express adequately my deep appreciation of the consideration shown me from every source and especially from my own immediate Headquarters staff, who have so loyally stood by and worked overtime on the many details to be prepared for this Congress. I am given every assurance of my continued improvement and restoration to complete health and strength, and my mind and heart are present with you today.

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, this, the 59th Congress of the National Society, S. A. R., is about to conclude its deliberation, we would be recreant to all the impulses of gratitude did we not express our appreciation for the genuine friendship, the cordial hospitality and the efficient planning and management for our every pleasure while in this wide-awake and delightful city of Jacksonville. In true Florida style every courtesy has been extended to us.

It would be futile to attempt to individuate every group or person to whom we are indebted. Our only exception is to express a word of praise to the chairman of the general arrangement committee, Mr. Ray O. Edwards.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that we the delegates and guests of the 59th Congress of the National Society, S. A. R. do hereby express our very deep appreciation of the wonderful team work which enabled you to work so smoothly and efficiently and won your goal—making us happy.

As the months and years come and go the gentle breezes from your Southland will continue to waft to us, who have come to you from all over the nation, happy memories of our stay with you.

May we therefore say to each of your organizations and to each of you individually simply, but in all sincerity, thank you.

WHEREAS, it appears to the Members and Delegates of the 59th Annual Congress of the Nation Society, Sons of the American Revolution at Jacksonville, Florida, this 18th day of May, A. D. 1949 that conditions and circumstances relative to the Headquarters Property of this Society located at 1227 16th St., N. W., in the District of Columbia should be carefully studied and reviewed, and action in regard thereto may be advisable and for the best interests of this Society before the convening of another Annual Congress,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the 59th Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution that:

The Board of Trustees of this Society be and hereby are authorized and ordered

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Program of Annual Congress

Sunday, May 15

- 9:00 a.m. Members of Reception Committee at Hotel George Washington to assist visitors.
- 10:00 a.m. Registration Desk opens, Hotel George Washington.
- 4:00 p.m. Church Service, Church of the Good Shepherd, Park Street and Stockton Street. Sermon by Chaplain General, Ven. Wm. F. Bulkley. Open to the public. Buses will leave Hotel George Washington at 3:15 p.m.
(*Massing of the Colors by Jacksonville Naval Air Station Personnel, Parade Music by Robert E. Lee High School Band, Robert Smith, director*)
Reception and Tea in Worsham Hall, north wing of Church Building, under direction of Daughters of the American Revolution in Jacksonville. All in attendance at the Service are invited to the Reception and Tea.
- 7:00 p.m. Dinner, George Washington, given by President General Ben H. Powell, for the Executive Committee and Past Presidents General. Meeting follows. (Flamingo Room)
Dinner given by Mrs. Ben H. Powell, for the wives of Executive Committee Members and of Past Presidents General. (Marine Room)
- 8:30 p.m. Meeting of the National Board of Trustees, Hotel George Washington. (Flamingo Room)

Monday, May 16

Auditorium — Hotel George Washington

- 9:00 a.m. Assembly Call
Entrance of the President General and Party
Call to Order
Presentation of the Colors
Invocation by the Chaplain General
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Singing of The Star Spangled Banner—Led by P. W. Fisher
Preliminary Report of Committee on Credentials
- Addresses of Welcome and Greetings:
For the President of the United States—A Message of Greeting
For the Governor of Florida—A Message of Greeting
For the City of Jacksonville—Mayor C. Frank Whitehead
For the Jacksonville Tourist and Convention Bureau
President Paul Rheinhold
For the Daughters of the American Revolution—National Society—A message of greeting from Mrs. Roscoe C. O'Byrne, President General
Florida Society—State Regent, Mrs. David M. Wright
Jacksonville Chapter—Regent, Mrs. Wm. E. Mott
Katherine Livingston Chapter—Regent, Mrs. J. F. Bartleson

Program of Annual Congress

Monday, May 16—Continued

- For the Children of the American Revolution—
National Vice-President, Mrs. Edward P. Comer, of Miami, representing National President, Mrs. Donald Bennett Adams
Junior State President—Kenneth Murrah, of Winter Park
- For the Sons of the American Revolution—
Florida Society—President Wm. R. Jackson, Sr.
Jacksonville Chapter—President Ray O. Edwards
- Response—The President General
- Announcement of Committee Appointments (Budget, Rules, Resolutions, Officers Report and Committee Reports).
- (Report) of the President General
- Report of the Secretary-Registrar General
Presentation of Traveling Banners and Florence Kendell Awards
Presentation of State Flags
- Report of the Treasurer General
- Special Announcements
(Reports of the Vice-Presidents General:)
New England District.....Douglas Sloane, Rindge, N.H.
North Atlantic District.....John W. Finger, New York
Mid-Atlantic District.....Dr. John A. Fritchey II, Harrisburg
South Atlantic District.....Benjamin I. Powell, Miami
Southern District.....Furman B. Pearce, New Orleans
Central District.....Ransom H. Bassett, Louisville
Great Lakes District.....Alonzo Newton Benn, Chicago
North Mississippi District.....Col. Harold D. LeMar, Omaha
South Mississippi District.....John W. Giesecke, St. Louis
Rocky Mountain District.....Brig. Gen. F. Riter, Salt Lake City
Pacific Coast District.....Brig. Gen. H. G. Mathewson, Alameda
- (Report of National Officers:)
Historian General.....David W. Rial
Chancellor General.....Wallace C. Hall
Genealogist General.....W. Guy Tetrick
Chaplain General.....Ven. William F. Bulkley
Librarian General.....Dr. W. Harvey Wise
- Retirement of Colors
Recess
- 12:30 p.m. (Luncheon) (Dutch Treat)—North Auditorium, Hotel George Washington. Sponsored by Florida *Daughters of the American Revolution*.
- 2:30 p.m. Sightseeing tour for all delegates, guests and visitors to (Naval Air Station) as guests of the United States Navy. Leave Hotel George Washington in Navy Buses.
- 6:00 p.m. (Dinner (Informal) Naval Air Station)
Return to Hotel.

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Resolutions Continued

dered to carefully study and investigate, through a special committee or committees selected by the Board of Trustees the necessities, possibilities and requirements pertaining to the ownership, maintenance, repair, reconditioning, operation, and the future holding, sale, rental or other disposition of these pieces or parcels of land situate in the District of Columbia, and more particularly described as: "Original Lot 10 in Square 196 now described as: Lots 818 and 819 in Square 196 (as designated on the Records of the Assessor of the District of Columbia)" and to report their findings and recommendations to the Board of Trustees at a Special Meeting to be called for such purpose.

WHEREAS, "Red Hill" the home and final resting place of that outstanding patriot, Patrick Henry, was recently sold to settle the estate of the last owner, a descendant of the great statesman,

WHEREAS, the voice and activities of this peerless orator were great factors in arousing the colonists to fight for their freedom, yet he is unhonored and unsung by the nation his talents did so much to create,

WHEREAS, some patriotic Americans have organized the Patrick Henry Memorial Foundation to purchase and restore "Red Hill" as a National Shrine to be dedicated to the aims, ideals and purposes for which the Great Henry lived and labored,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the 59th Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, convened in the City of Jacksonville, State of Florida, on the 18th day of May 1949 that we endorse and commend the aims and purposes of the Patrick Henry Foundation, with the hope and wish for the successful culmination of this worthy and laudable project.

NOTE:—Because of the necessity of conserving space, the two executive officers, President and Secretary, only are published. Please notify the Secretary General promptly of any corrections necessary.

On The Hill

PUBLIC SERVICE has always characterized the spirit of the Sons of the American Revolution. Five Compatriots have held the high office of President of the United States and two Vice Presidents have been members of the Society. The Senate and House of Representatives have always listed our Compatriots since the founding of the Society.

We salute the following members of the Sons of the American Revolution who this year are members of the 81st Congress of the United States of America.

SENATORS

Raymond E. Baldwin, Conn.
Robert W. Bricker, Ohio
Styles Bridges, N. H.
Harry F. Byrd, Va.
Tom Connally, Texas
Frank P. Graham, N. C.
Chan Gurney, S. D.
Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Iowa
Estes Kefauver, Tenn.
Edward Martin, Penna.
Wayne L. Morse, Ore.
Leverett Saltonstall, Mass.
Richard B. Russell, Ga.
Robert A. Taft, Ohio
Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mich.

REPRESENTATIVES

Ernest R. Bramblett, Calif.
(D. C. Society member)
Robert B. Chipfield, Ill.
Norris Cotton, N. H.
Carl Hinshaw, Calif.
Clifford R. Hope, Kans.
Kenneth B. Keating, N. Y.
Clarence E. Kilburn, N. Y.
John C. Kunkel, Penna.
Earl C. Michener, Mich.
Charles A. Plumley, Vt.
Chauncy W. Reed, Ill.
John Taber, N. Y.
Harry L. Towe, N. J.
James W. Wadsworth, N. Y.

Senator Thomas Connally is Chairman of Senate Foreign Affairs Committee. Senator Styles Bridges is Minority leader of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Senator Robert A. Taft is Chairman of the Republican Policy Committee. Herbert Hoover is Chairman of U. S. Commission of Organization. Justice Harold H. Burton of U. S. Supreme Court is recent Ohio Society member.

Program of Annual Congress

Tuesday, May 17

Auditorium — Hotel George Washington

9:00 a.m. Assembly Call

Entrance of the President General and Party
Call to Order followed by the Presentation of the Colors
Invocation by the Chaplain General
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Singing of America—Led by P. W. Fisher
Report of Committee on Rules—the Chairman
Consideration of Amendments to Constitution and By-Laws:
Report of the Special Committee
Reports of National Committees:

(Oral reports limited to three minutes.)

Americanization	Harold L. Putnam
Audit	P. Harry Byerly
Basic Documents	Francis Hoffheins
Benjamin Franklin	J. Henry Smythe, Jr.
Bill of Rights Commemorative	Willis G. Briggs
Boy Scouts	Clarence E. Shriner
Ceremonies and Colors	James L. Ingram
Constitution Day Observance	S. Denmead Kolb
Finance and Budget	Edward M. Hall
Flag and Flag Day Observance	Merrill S. Bernard
Genealogy	W. Guy Tetrick
S.A.R. Historical Oration	Douglas G. High
I am an American Day	A. Watson Brown
Immigration	Robert H. McNeill
Library	W. W. Badgley
Medal Awards	Frank B. Steele
Memorials	H. H. Pritchard
National Defense	Maj. Gen. Amos A. Fries
National Headquarters	Benjamin D. Hill, Jr.
Organization	Stanley S. Gillam
Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship	A. Newton Benn

Permanent Fund	Smith L. Multer
Promotion	Edgar Williamson, Jr.
Public Lectures	John H. Babb
Public Relations	Donald L. Miller
Revolutionary Graves Registry	Charles W. Simmons
S.A.R. Society Activities	Harold M. Blanchard
Youth Council	Albert C. Brand

Retirement of Colors

Recess

12:30 p.m. Dutch Treat Luncheon, Roof Garden, Mayflower Hotel.
(Sponsored by the Daughters of the British Empire.)

Program of Annual Congress

Tuesday, May 17—Continued

2:30 p.m. Sightseeing tour for all delegates, members, guests and visitors to (St. Augustine), the oldest city in the United States. Buses will leave the Mayflower Hotel.

6:30 p.m. Dinner enroute on return trip to Jacksonville, (Ponte Vedra Bath Club.)

Wednesday, May 18

Auditorium — Hotel George Washington

9:00 a.m. Assembly Call

Entrance of the President General and Party
Call to Order followed by the Presentation of the Colors
Invocation by the Chaplain General
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Singing of America—Led by P. W. Fisher
(Continuation of Reports)
Committee on Resolutions
Committee on Officers' Reports
Committee on Committee Reports

Special Announcements and unfinished business

Final Report of the Chairman, Committee on Credentials

Nomination from the Floor for National Officers

Election of National Officers

Installation of Officers by the Chaplain General

Recognition of Officers or Delegates desiring to extend Invitation for the 60th Annual Congress

Final Announcements

Retirement of Colors

Recess

2:00 p.m. (Historical Oration Contest), Ballroom, Hotel George Washington.

2:30 p.m. Meeting of National Trustees), followed by meeting of the Executive Committee (Flamingo Room)

6:30 p.m. Reception in Honor of the President General, his wife and Distinguished Guests, Auditorium, Hotel George Washington.

Resolutions Continued

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States requires an actual enumeration of the people within every term of ten years; and whereas the successive Census records form a source of valuable information regarding the origin and tracing succeeding generations of our population as well as historical and genealogical information not available elsewhere, and that the Federal Archives Building has a large room constantly in use by persons consulting these Census records; and whereas the Census of 1790 listed the names of all heads of families and is in such constant use in all important libraries that the volumes in many cases have been rebound or replaced; that the Census of 1850 and those immediately following contained a complete list of all members of a family with their names, ages, and birthplace; and that the Census records from 1880 to 1930 added the birthplaces of both parents of every individual which is of immeasurable value in discovering family origins; and

WHEREAS, the Census of 1940 contained information as to the birthplace of parents only from every fifth family; and it is announced that in 1950 birthplaces of parents will be asked from every twentieth person only, making the 1950 Census in this important feature 95% worthless for future generations; therefore be it

RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution joins with the Daughters of the American Revolution, in urging the Director of the Census Bureau to return to the question formula as to the birthplace of all parents as used prior to 1940.

Meetings of Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was held at the George Washington Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida, on Sunday evening, May 15th 1949, President General Ben H. Powell, III presiding.

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was held at the George Washington Hotel on Wednesday afternoon, May 18th, 1949, President General Elect John Whelchel Finger presiding.

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was held at the George Washington Hotel on Sunday evening, May 15th, 1949, President General Powell, III, presiding.

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was held at the George Washington Hotel on Wednesday afternoon, May 18th, 1949, President General Elect John Whelchel Finger presiding.

Detailed Minutes of these four meetings have been duly incorporated in the records of the Secretary General. Limitations of space prevent their publication in The Quarterly.

JOHN WHELCHEL FINGER NOMINATED

By Empire State Pres. Williams

PRESIDENT GENERAL POWELL, distinguished officers of the Society and Compatriots from all parts of our United States. It is my privilege, as President of the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, to follow the unanimous instructions of my Board of Managers to place in nomination, for the honored office of President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the past-president of the Empire State Society, Compatriot John Whelchel Finger.

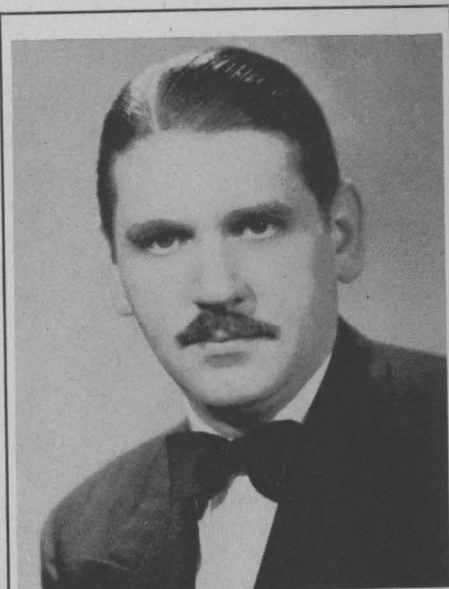
I shall not endeavor to indulge in any burst of flowery oratory, for this is too critical a period in the life of our Society to attempt fanciful appeals to the imaginations and your emotions. The Society is facing practical problems and it is our sincere belief that Compatriot John Finger is uniquely qualified to make a major contribution toward a cooperative program that will greatly strengthen the vitality of the Society and increase its effectiveness as a force to be reckoned with in the National picture.

It is a rather startling fact, but true, that the younger men who are qualified to join this Society want to know what we are doing to justify their support. These questions are not being asked in a critical manner but with the sincere desire that they may find an organization through which the investment of their time and energy may prove of practical benefit to the country and the community in these times of pressing problems. . . . and especially in these times when subversive forces are definitely undermining the traditional beliefs which we are sworn to protect, the basic principles of the constitutional form of republican government handed down to us by our very own ancestors, those great men of the American Revolution.

The words "Sons of the American Revolution" are words to conjure with. They enjoy the respect of a large part of the public today. In the name of this great Society we must advance projects of national importance. Those of you who attended the delightful annual dinner of the Florida Society last Saturday night heard John Finger present a concrete, logical, practical device by which the creation of a Welfare State may be prevented. . . . by amending

the 16th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States in such a manner that a definite and constitutional limit may be placed upon the percentage of our income that may be taxed by the Federal Government. In that address you have a typical example of the manner in which John attempts to approach situations in a practical manner.

By the same token Compatriot Finger instantaneously recognized the national significance and practical soundness of the program advanced by the California Society to effect a national solution to the subversive textbook situation by a



President General Finger

forceful and frontal attack upon the Congress of the United States, in which body there are many, many distinguished Compatriots to whom we can make a direct and personal appeal. The ability to recognize the other man's ideas and the instinctive desire to so cooperate are, again, characteristics that I have had the pleasure of observing in my varied associations in our state affairs at home. The California project will surely fail unless the national officers lend their unstinting support.

John Finger has, upon countless occasions, expressed the hope that we might find ways and means of extending the usefulness of our National Headquarters in Washington, of organizing our politi-

cal pipelines so that we might more readily and more forcefully bring pressure upon Congress in matters of patriotic importance. This means an organized effort that must be intensified, with which must be tied in the fullest measure of well timed support from the state societies and the local chapters. Let us become a pressure group if necessary but let us be an effective one that will attract to our banner an enthusiastic following of younger men who are waiting to be recruited.

Compatriot John Finger is not being presented to you as a medicine man, but rather as a successful, selfmade businessman who has attained success by staying on the beam. But he has never allowed the demands of business to dull his deep seated attachment for our patriotic society interests. He was fortunate in getting a flying start as a member of the Children of the American Revolution. (I might add that he has two sons in the C. A. R. and an energetic wife who is an active C. A. R. officer.) John became a manager of the New York Chapter, a vice president and then its President. The demonstration of his organizing talents brought recognition from the Empire State Society and he became its youngest President. He was further honored by the office of Vice President General of the National Society for the North Atlantic States.

There again I may point to John's successful spirit of cooperation and teamwork, for a brand new working relationship was developed with the President of the New Jersey Society, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, and these two state Presidents went hand in hand down the road together effecting a truly new and vital comradeship between the officers and members of these two sister Societies that had never existed before. As a tribute to this genuine spirit of cooperation the State of New Jersey unanimously drafted John Finger as candidate for the highest office which the National Society can bestow upon a Compatriot. . . . the office which President General Powell has filled with such wholehearted zeal following the untimely passing of President General Charles B. Shaler.

I can assure you that the New York City Chapter faced trying difficulties in holding and increasing its membership, for the great metropolitan area offers

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OBSERVE CONSTITUTION DAY

S. Denmead Kolb, Chairman

IT GIVES ME pleasure to advise that Constitution Day, September 17, 1948, was unquestionably the best publicized and most widely observed anniversary of the signing of this great document preserving the cherished Rights of the American people. The cooperation of those solicited for assistance was most surprising, as well as heartening, which indicates that many Americans are aware of just what the preservation of the Constitution in its original form does mean to our way of life, as well as the insidious attempts that are being made to circumvent or do away with it entirely.

In personal letters addressed to the fifty-two governors and fifty-two superintendents of education of the states and territories, the acknowledgments of cooperation were almost 100%. The replies from the various governors were particularly interesting and their enthusiasm in assisting was very helpful. The response from the presidents of the various state societies was not as encouraging as had been expected, leading one to believe that others outside the Society were more interested than we. This is a matter that should be stressed at future meetings. Many alibis were received from state presidents as to why they were unable to arrange programs. On the other hand, I am glad to say the majority of the state presidents reported outstanding programs for Constitution Day.

Especial tribute must go to the National Association of Real Estate Boards and its aggressive president, Hobart C. Brady. Early in the year, the National Association of Real Estate Boards began the promotion of Constitution Day. Each state association, as well as each local board, was urged to arrange for a special meeting in observance of Constitution Day, and to each and every board that registered with the National Association, indicating its observance of this plan, a historical gavel and an identifying plaque was to be presented. The gavel is made from wood grown at Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, and Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington. Around each is a metal band made of steel plating from the USS *Missouri*, famed battleship on which the Japanese surrender agree-

ment was signed on September 2, 1945, by General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, and Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz.

The black walnut tree from Mount Vernon was donated by the Mount Vernon Ladies Association. The Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation contributed another from Monticello. A Harrisonburg, Virginia, firm contracted to age and work the wood in a process which took almost two years. James A. Forrestal, while Secretary of the Navy, approved a request for a 100-200 pound sheet of metal from the USS *Missouri* and the deck plating was sent to Washington.

The plating was several inches thick and in two large sheets. Numerous steel concerns were approached with the idea of getting the steel flattened out and cut into small strips. They all turned the job down, mainly because it was such a small order and the expense would be exorbitant. Finally, one of the nation's largest steel manufacturers, Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, of Pittsburgh, volunteered to take the job. Analysts found that the metal was carbonized and, therefore, very hard. Seven different metallurgical processes were used in making the metal ready for inscribing and use. For this expensive obligation, Carnegie-Illinois requested four finished gavels in full payment. The steel was then sent to a Washington concern for inscribing and finally it was rust-proofed for protection from future disfigurement.

In addition to this, outside speakers were secured by the various Boards throughout the country. For instance, Admiral Nimitz presented the gavel at appropriate ceremonies to the Burkley, California, Realty Board and Oakland, California, Real Estate Board. Other prominent speakers included Major General J. (Wild Bill) Donovan, at Rochester, New York; Senator Robert A. Taft, Cincinnati, and many other Congressmen, Senators, and high Naval and Army officials throughout the country.

I think it only fair to mention the very unkind and undignified remark of the Washington commentator, Drew Pearson, in his statement that the Na-

tional Association of Real Estate Boards, through tremendous expenditures, had secured outstanding speakers for Constitution Day observance. I understand most authoritatively that not a dollar was paid to any of the outstanding speakers mentioned. They were only too ready to give their services free in promoting the observance of Constitution Day.

It is suggested that in the future the Chairman of the SAR Constitution Day Observance Committee be appointed for at least a period of two to three years, for only through continuity in office would it be possible to build up a worthwhile program enlisting the aid and support of the state Societies and other organizations. As it is now, the election of SAR officers will not be held until the middle or latter part of May and in all probability, committee appointments will not be published until June or July. This leaves only a short period of from two to three months in which to formulate a program and solicit cooperation.

It has, indeed, been a very interesting experience to have served as Chairman of this Committee and to be honored by the confidence of the offices of the Society in entrusting to me such an important assignment.



Robert Orvos, class of January, 1949, Highland Park High School, Michigan, received on June 2nd, 1949, from Lt. Col. Kenneth H. Owens, the ROTC Medal of our Society awarded for leadership, soldierly bearing and excellence in military work. The presentation address was delivered by Major T. P. Dickinson of the Michigan Society.

ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER GENERAL GEORGE S. ROBERTSON

The fact that the Budget Committee could not present a balanced budget last year was the deciding factor in causing the 1948 Congress to pass the amendment increasing the per capita tax from \$1.00 to \$1.50. This, of course, could not affect the fiscal year under discussion as the increase was not effective until April 1st, 1949, the beginning of the new fiscal year. However, at the request of the then President General some of the State Societies made advance payments as loans to the National Society so as to maintain a cash balance and prevent the necessity of borrowing funds to operate the balance of the year.

The State Societies have responded most excellently to the increase in per capita tax. There are now only three State Societies which have paid nothing on account of per capita tax for the current fiscal year and four States which inadvertently sent in on the old basis of \$1.00 per member. Your Treasurer General is confident that these will be paid promptly, probably before the close of this Congress. The balance of the States are paid in full and the increased revenue which will come from this increase in per capita tax will enable the Society this year to operate again on a balanced budget.

It is the sincere hope of your Treasurer General that ways and means can

be devised to create an endowment fund for the Society of a considerable amount in order to be able to furnish yearly income to carry out a national patriotic program which at the present time we are unable to do because of lack of funds.

The carrying out of such a national patriotic program would focus the attention of the American public on our Society and create a desire to belong and thereby accomplish the other objective which your Treasurer General would like to see; namely, a sizeable increase in membership to the point where our Society would command the proper respect to which it is due.

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April 1st, 1948 to March 31st, 1949

Cash Division by Banks:	
In Riggs National Bank, Washington, D. C.	\$ 165.63
In Washington Loan & Trust Co., Wash., D. C.	1,939.14
In Hamilton National Bank, Washington, D. C.	1,626.73
In National Savings & Trust Co., Wash., D. C.	1,445.64
In Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore, Md.	953.49
In Calvert Bank, Baltimore, Md.	1,120.11
	<u>\$ 7,250.74</u>
Cash Division by Accounts:	
General Account	\$ 5,121.41
Headquarters Improvement Fund	685.57
Permanent Fund	502.34
Elmour D. Lum Memorial	100.00
Redemption Fund	
Certificate Interest	4.40
Library Fund for Books	36.18
Florence H. Kendall Fund	
Corpus	\$ 800.00
Interest	.84
	<u>800.84</u>
	<u>\$ 7,250.74</u>
Cash Balance on hand April 1st, 1948	\$ 7,250.74
RECEIPTS	
Per Capita Tax	
1947-1948	\$ 64.00
1948-1949	18,727.50
1949-1950	2,849.00
	<u>\$21,640.50</u>
Entrance Fees	5,480.00
Supplementals	285.50
Certificates & Engraving	98.50
Merchandise:	
Blanks & Supplies	\$ 446.61
Medals	1,504.20
Rosettes & Ribbon	1,070.06
Ribbon Service Bars	2.50
Medal Certificates	23.75
Grave Markers	33.00
Insignia Cuts	13.50
Membership Cards	32.50
Insignia Supplemental Stars	6.20
Handbooks & Pamphlets	72.85
	<u>3,205.17</u>
Interest:	
Bank Deposits	\$ 94.23
Moses Greeley Parker Fund	205.91
George E. Pomeroy Fund	120.71
Investments	167.50
	<u>588.35</u>
Advertising in Magazine	311.00
Contribution to Headquarters	300.00
Commission on Insignia	84.50
Commission on Rosettes & Ribbon	117.20
Reimbursement of Headquarters Expense	12.00
Basic Document Committee	42.73
Copying Papers	52.57
Overpayments	53.25
Subscriptions to Magazine & Cuts	5.50
Contributions to Operating Expense	115.00
Contributions to Americanization Committee	1,255.00
Contributions for Historical Data	160.00
	<u>33,806.77</u>
	<u>\$41,057.51</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:	
Salaries:	
Secretary-Registrar Gen. & Clerical Asst.	\$ 4,800.00
Treasurer General for Clerical Assistant	900.00
Clerical Help at Headquarters	5,400.00
	<u>\$11,100.00</u>
Headquarters Maintenance:	
Domestic Help	1,251.25
House Operating Expense	1,897.77
	<u>3,149.02</u>

Headquarters Improvements	2,372.97
Postage, Telephone, Telegrams, etc.	1,440.65
Certificates	975.57
Magazine	10,181.17
Merchandise:	
Blanks & Supplies	604.09
Medals	472.75
Rosettes & Ribbons	4.22
Membership Cards	42.57
Insignia Cuts	19.77
Grave Markers	9.90
Insignia Supplemental Stars	7.50
Handbooks	194.50
	<u>1,355.30</u>
Printing	915.22
Office Expenses & Supplies	136.37
Traveling Expenses:	
Secretary General	251.44
Treasurer General	262.70
	<u>514.14</u>
Binding Applications Account	16.50
Florence H. Kendall Fund	36.00
Library Account	82.17
Library Fund for Books	31.80
Bond for Treasurer General	62.50
Auditing Treasurer General's Books	125.00
Organization Expense	225.00
Flowers	79.08
Reporting Minneapolis Congress	162.45
Return of Overpayment	4.00
Safe Deposit Box	6.00
Repairing S. A. R. Flag	19.72
Photostats of National Society Charter & Deeds	7.80
Historian General Expense for Historical Data	104.82
Americanization Committee Expense	1,237.00
	<u>34,340.25</u>
Cash Balance on hand March 31st, 1949	\$ 6,717.26
Cash Division by Banks:	
In Riggs National Bank, Washington, D. C.	\$ 2,237.92
In Washington Loan & Trust Co., Washington, D. C.	958.53
In Hamilton National Bank, Washington, D. C.	1,639.86
In National Savings & Trust Co., Washington, D. C.	457.87
In Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore, Md.	974.99
In Calvert Bank, Baltimore, Md.	448.09
	<u>\$ 6,717.26</u>
Cash Division by Accounts:	
General Account	\$5,268.12
Permanent Fund	502.34
Elmour D. Lum Memorial	100.00
Redemption Fund	
Certificate Interest	4.40
Library Fund for Books	4.38
Florence H. Kendall Fund	
Corpus	\$ 800.00
Interest	35.16
	<u>764.84</u>
Americanization Committee Funds	18.00
Historical Data Funds	55.18
	<u>\$ 6,717.26</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS MARCH 31ST, 1949	
Operating Surplus March 31st, 1948	\$ 8,968.80
Reduced by:	
Excess of Operating Disbursements over Operating Receipts	\$ 2,702.29
Depreciation on Furniture and Fixtures April 1st, 1948 to March 31st, 1949	40.01
Decrease in Inventory	1,110.73
	<u>3,853.03</u>
Operating Surplus March 31st, 1949	\$ 5,115.77

EXCERPTS FROM GENERAL OFFICERS' REPORTS

CHANCELLOR GENERAL

WALLACE C. HALL

The Chancellor General wishes to make the following recommendations and suggest that action be taken thereon insofar as permissible at this Congress:

1. That each State Society should amend its constitution and by-laws so as to provide for the election of a State Chancellor to whom all matters pertaining to local legislation should be referred. It is further suggested that these State Chancellors constitute a committee under the Chancellor General as Chairman for the purpose of affecting uniformity in the policy of the societies pertaining to legislation and to activities involving the preparation and presentation of legislation which would be constructive and in fulfillment of the purposes of our Society.

2. It is the recommendation of the Chancellor General that the tax matter, the passage of bill No. HR 4059 in Congress, and if necessary court action, be pursued diligently to a conclusion.

3. It is further recommended that this Congress take positive action in connection with the investigation of subversive text books and teaching practices in accordance with suggestions of the Americanization Committee.

4. It is further suggested that one function of the National Society should be to keep all of the state Societies fully informed on laws pertaining to matters affecting the form of our government, the abridgements of our constitutional protection and the full enforcement and maintenance of the bill of the Bill of Rights and that if possible, each State Society should keep the National Society fully informed of similar matters arising in their respective states so that the National Society could act as a clearing house to aid in the enactment of good legislation and to take positive action against the enactment of un-American legislation in all legislatures.

5. It is also suggested that those State Societies which have never been incorporated should do so now, and that the purpose clause of the National Charter be used in their respective Corporate Charters.

CHAPLAIN GENERAL

VEN. WILLIAM F. BULKLEY, D.D.

Twice during the year I have received requests for our Sons of the American Revolution Funeral Service. Such a service was prepared with my assistance some four years ago. Copies were made by the Society. I hope more are on hand at the office of the Secretary-General. If not I would suggest that more be printed. There seems to be some need for this service. Each State Society and every Chapter should be supplied with a copy. In this connection I would also suggest that our Societies and Chapters should be supplied with copies of the "Office of Installation." That is a rather simple but very good service and should be known and used.

We have in our various states a great many private schools. Many of our boys and girls attend these. I have heard of some that are fully as subversive in their teaching as our public schools. These, I feel, may be easier to control than the public school courses of study. I would suggest that each of our State Societies would make a survey of the private schools in their jurisdictions and that reporting to the National Society, a list of the private schools receiving approval be published by the Society. This would give our stamp of approval to such schools as pass inspection and yet would not bring the difficulties that would result from the negative approach.

Last fall at the invitation of the New Hampshire Society I had the privilege of holding the service and preaching the second anniversary service at the Cathedral of the Pines. I consider this one of the great pleasures and privileges of my ministry. Some thousands attended. It was a glorious day and a glorious service in a perfect setting. This Cathedral of the Pines is a project of the Sons of the American Revolution. Com-patriot Douglas Sloane should be honored and commended for what he has and is doing. This is the outstanding shrine of patriotism in these United States. It has grown in importance ever since it began, and is becoming known and loved all over our land.

HISTORIAN GENERAL DAVID W. RIAL

In September of 1948 the Historian General sent out a notice intended to be placed in the hands of every chapter historian and state historian of our Society. The purpose of the letter, as stated, was to secure written articles of a historical nature concerning local communities especially as it pertained to their Revolutionary history. Every student of history finds an enormous grist of unpublished records, priceless material oft-times headed for the incinerator. But many also exist only in the minds of the elders whose passing means that they may be forever lost. This is doubly pertinent when it comes to clues of genealogical lines. These we are exceedingly jealous to conserve.

Time is so swift in its slowness: Some of you can almost touch the Revolution. The conservation of the record of our historical past, a story of human frailty as well as heroism, we believe should become our constant quest. It is a story of the worth of the individual, of the sovereignty of the people as proud to call themselves American as St. Paul was to call himself a "Roman citizen." If this may be construed as a follow-up letter, then we urge others to send in their contributions.

GENEALOGIST GENERAL W. GUY TETRICK

In my opinion proof of service of a Revolutionary soldier or other person, who rendered service or gave aid to the Colonies during the Revolutionary War, should not be so rigid as to make it virtually impossible for a descendant to furnish acceptable proof. Yet there should be reasonable proof of such service or aid rendered. In my contact with some other patriotic societies I am led to believe they have gone to extremes in their demands for proof of service and the furnishing of every date and place of birth and death in their lines of descent when making application for membership.

It seems to me that it should always be the aim of our Society to seek to increase its membership as fast as possible, to the end that it be made as strong as possible in membership, in finance and in its influence. There is ample material on which to work if sufficient effort is put forth to secure the members.

VICE PRESIDENTS GENERALS' REPORTS

Summarized by Chairman Buford C. Tynes

THE REPORTS of some (unfortunately not all) of our *Vice President Generals* demonstrate an awareness of opportunity for service and devotion to duty which could and should make this office one of great dignity and responsibility, constituting even more than do the National Trustees the true liaison between the National Society and the State Societies and Chapters.

The report of Vice President General *Douglas Sloane* of the *New England District* serves the more firmly to enshrine in our hearts and memories the Cathedral of the Pines as one of the sacred altars of the Nation and as an enduring shrine of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Vice President General *Finger* of the *North Atlantic District*, refers to the benefits that can be derived from intra-state chapter and inter-state society cooperation and interchanges, and reports the inauguration in his district of a Voluntary Contribution Plan and the adoption of a short-form of Application for Membership which is calculated to reduce resistance upon the part of would-be candidates for membership in the society. Vice President General *Fritchey* of the *Mid Atlantic District*, after giving due recognition to the "Bulletin" of the District of Columbia Society as a vehicle of information as to that Society's marvelous activities, demonstrates how great a force our Vice President Generals can be in building up the prestige and membership of our society, once they are informed as to their responsibilities and duties and put their heads and hearts to their performance.

The report of Vice President General *Benjamin I. Powell* of the *South Atlantic District*, after recounting the routine activities of the State Societies and Chapters within his jurisdiction, shows that some Vice Presidents *do*—as they *should*—visit all the states and many of the chapters of their district. Owing to his indisposition during the early sessions of the Congress the report of Vice President General *Pearce* of the *Southern District*, which may be expected to be found prepared with more than ordinary care, was not received in time for review by your committee. Vice President General *Bassett* of the *Central District* summarizes the routine activities of the four state societies in his district, with special mention of the meeting, in Cincinnati last February, of the Executive Committee of the National Society, as providing inspiration and interest to compatriots throughout the district.

The report of Vice President General *Benn* of the *Great Lakes District*, tells how that district has answered the frequent question "What has the Society to offer to the younger members?", by chartering its new "*Junior Chapter, Alexander Hamilton*", limited to compatriots under 37 years of age, thus permitting the younger members to elect their own officers and to arrange for such activities as they may desire," and recounts the outstanding work of the district's Constructive Citizenship Committee in financing and presenting scholarships and medals for essays on Good Citizenship and American History and Government to high school students and in furnishing replicas of the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights to all Illinois High Schools which will agree to frame and prominently display the same. Vice President General *LeMar* of the *North Mississippi District* speaks of the emphasis given the state societies and chapters in his district by the holding of the 58th Annual Congress in Minneapolis, and promises greater accomplishments throughout his district in the years to come.

The report of Vice President General *Giesecke* of the *Southern Mississippi District* tells of the salutatory steps taken in his district toward "the formation of a Council of Presidents and Secretaries for the purpose of full cooperation between the State Societies within his district," and of the study made by a special committee on "Juvenile Delinquency, as it is affected by the so-called comic books sold to children," as a consequence of which "the Society has sponsored a program to secure the enactment of City and State legislation" designed to decrease this form of delinquency, and in closing recommends:

"That serious consideration be given to the holding of the Annual Congress in October rather than in May. It is a stirring thing for an officer or delegate

to attend our Annual Congress . . . but we find that returning from the Congress in the latter part of May, we are met with the summer doldrums which beset not only patriotic societies but businesses and individuals as well.

"The splendid enthusiasm which is engendered by our Annual Congress is thus allowed to trickle away in the summer heat, and in the fall the activities are resumed with but a memory of the meeting of four months previous. If the Congress could be held in October—and the Battle of Yorktown gives us an appropriate date for a meeting of this sort—this enthusiasm could be carried back by the delegates and officers and used immediately for the benefit of their society and to good purpose."

The report recommends further, that a mid-year meeting of the Vice-Presidents General be held, at some central location, with a view to stimulating the activities of the various districts and exchanging ideas for their mutual benefit.

The report of Vice President General *Riter* of the *Rocky Mountains District* presents this cogent analysis of the cultures, symptoms and ravages of Un-Americanism, and challenge to every state society, chapter and compatriot of our Society to enlist in relentless war for its prevention and extermination:

"The Vice President General has had the benefit of numerous communications from the officers of the State Societies within his jurisdiction, with copies of the minutes of the Societies' meetings. He is therefore able to reach with a fair degree of accuracy an estimate as to the underlying motives and thoughts of the Compatriots forming the membership of these Societies. Running through all communications and minutes, there is clear evidence that the membership is deeply concerned over the spread of subversive activities in the United States.

"These State Societies, if they accomplish nothing more, have performed a valuable service in continuously inviting public attention to the dangers confronting our way of life. The Sons of the American Revolution have a genuine mission to perform. They may not find it expedient to take the sword in hand and go out and battle the enemy, but they do represent a cogent force in their communities in the effort to retain the previous heritage of free men. There

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PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM

By Chairman Donald L. Miller

THE SAR PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE began the year with two objectives. One was to make the patriotic work of the SAR better known to the public. The other was to help establish the SAR in the public mind as a leader in working for a strong, free and prosperous nation.

Our committee felt that little more than a start could be made toward gaining these objectives in the nine months allowed us. Actually, however, a great deal of progress has been made.

Outlines on forming active SAR publicity teams were sent to all Chapter and State Society presidents. A monthly national news letter was begun to circulate Chapter and membership news. Many Chapter publicity teams made a good start toward our goal of having the name of each Chapter appear in local newspapers at least once a month.

All this is to the good. In fact, almost without exception the past year has witnessed a growing interest among Chapters and members alike in telling the public about the SAR and about the principles for which the SAR stands. As the basis of a unified and aggressive SAR public relations program, this trend is particularly important now when we are engaged in a crucial phase of the most unusual war of history—a war in which words are used as bullets and ideas are used as atom bombs.

I have here a pamphlet published by the SAR in 1931—18 years ago—which states the aims of the Communists as (1) to strengthen the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and (2) to sap the foundation upon which other countries rest in order to destroy and annex them. These aims are the same today—a fact expressed well by a recent Radio Moscow broadcast which praised the Soviet Union as a vanguard fighter for world peace and ended with these words: "Of course, world peace is indivisible from the destruction of capitalism."

These facts are being emphasized here because for 18 years and more a bitter war of words has been waged to sap the foundation upon which the United States and other free countries rest. Owing to the lack of a vigorous opposition, the Communists have been

winning the war of words. And today, Communist words, repeated by hundreds of people within our own country, are driving many well-meaning citizens to support measures such as socialized medicine, centralized education, nationalization of steel, and a so-called security program which, in fact, would mean federal redistribution of wealth on the familiar Marxian principle of—from each according to his ability to pay—to each according to his need. Every one of these projects takes freedom from the individual and places greater power in the hands of the central state. Each one represents a further step towards economic and political serfdom.

The job of SAR Public Relations, and, for that matter, all American public relations groups, is to join in a campaign to promote wider understanding of American principles both at home and abroad—not in the hackneyed terms of "free enterprise", "capitalism" and "democracy" which have no real meaning for the majority of the people here or anywhere else—but, rather in simple terms with which most people deal in every day living.

What are some of these basic American principles?

One of them is PROGRESS. The American people in the long run never turn down a good idea, new or old, no matter where it comes from. Our freedom to present new ideas, our freedom to choose the good and discard the bad is the reason we have become the freest and most prosperous people in the world.

Another is COMPETITION and the COMPETITIVE SPIRIT which keeps us at our best in sports or in producing better ways of doing things.

A third is our belief in the INDIVIDUAL and his ability to solve his own problems and the problems of his community with out servile dependence upon the directives of an all-knowing central state.

In summing up, we believe that man was made in the image of God; that man has the ability to decide between good and bad; that he has the right to set the course of his own life; and that he has the natural freedom to develop his talents to the extent of his ability and his ambition.

SAR Public Relations during the past year has made a start in promoting these American ideas and now is planning a program to further arouse people's interest in things they are too apt to forget. That enlarged Public Relations program includes:

1. Effective publicity teams in every Chapter and State Society.
2. A speakers bureau to provide speakers for Chapter programs and supply SAR speakers for other organizations.
3. Transcribed playlets emphasizing high points in American history for broadcast over radio stations and for use in high school history and dramatic classes.

The heart of the SAR Public Relations program, however, is not the Public Relations Committee, not the State Society, not the Chapter—the heart of SAR Public Relations is the individual member. The beginning of our expanded SAR Public Relations program for the coming year is a plea for all SAR members to wear their rosettes. For the rosette stands for more than membership in the SAR. It is a symbol of your belief in a strong, free and prosperous United States. And when your friends ask you what the rosette means, tell them. You, the individual member, are the strongest force in SAR Public Relations.

LIBRARIAN GENERAL

W. HARVEY WISE

It is recognized that there are many problems which beset the Society at this time and that the problem of the Library should assume its proper place of importance. However, as Librarian General, I would not be discharging my trust if I did not make a report to you of the condition as it now exists. The Society has the nucleus of a good collection which can be expected to show material growth provided adequate space can be found to accommodate the collection.

Recommendation: 1. Adequate space be provided for housing the present collection of books with some expansion room for the anticipated gift collections. 2. Additional allowance be provided for book shelves, library desk, tables, etc., and a part-time library assistant. This would entail an initial expenditure of at least \$3,000.

ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP IDEAS

By Chairman Stanley S. Gillam

We have heard, in the reports thus far given, of the fact that we have obtained 1109 new members in the year ending April 1, 1949, which, with 308 reinstatements, gives a total gain of 1417. In spite of the fact that this is somewhat less than the growth during the year before, it is a good gain, we are proud of it, and one feels that considerably greater success is just around the corner.

And herein lies the fascination of service on the Committee on Organization and Membership, in spite of all its difficulties and uncertainties. In the totals for 1948 and 1949, we are not credited with the new Pennsylvania Chapter at York, with the new New York Chapter at Utica, nor with the new chapters in the South. They will go in this summer to be credited on the next year. It is from the establishment of new chapters that the larger gains of the past two years were obtained.

In spite of the recent ups and downs in our rate of growth, I would sound a note of courage and of optimism. Great causes are not won by pessimistic fears. It is as certain as day follows night that the Sons of the American Revolution has a great future before it. How great that future is to be no one of us here today can measure or foretell. Grounded in a deep and an all pervading loyalty to the concept of freedom which lies at the heart of America and of American traditions and principles of government, our Society has been proved to be sound and right from the beginning of its existence. When you are right, go ahead!

It is a joy to participate in the activities of such a group. Membership in it implies a sense of inner satisfaction, of solid and permanent enjoyment, a realization of the finer things of life, those finer things which President Eliot of Harvard College had in mind when he recommended to his students the "durable satisfactions". The difference between civilized man and the animals is the durability of his satisfactions. It is a "durable satisfaction" of life to belong to our Society. It has no rules and regulations which it seeks to impose upon us; its requirements, whether of attendance, dues, or service, are light indeed. What

it does do is to afford to us the opportunity of one of the finest relationships any of us may have, an organization of like-minded men, men of faith and confidence in America and in American ideals, seeking to renew and enlarge that faith, seeking education, knowledge, understanding, enrichment, in all that pertains to our beloved country, and to its glorious history and accomplishment. Many men will tell you that their SAR group comprises one of the very best, if not the best, men's organizations with which they are affiliated. It is the content of the program, as well as the personnel, which leads to this result.

The problem of the Committee on Organization and Membership is to translate this excellent program of our Society and its attractive personnel into growth in numbers.

Looking back upon this past year, we are certain that our Chapters have done well. It has been a good year for them. They have had good publicity for their activities. We believe that our Committee on Public Relations has done effective work, on a very modest budget. We are certain that, in general, our Society is in a healthy state, that chapter activities are alive, and that, in some cases, there have been programs accomplished which are outstanding. The growth of the past year is good and it is sound.

Two years ago and last year, one large state increased 500 a year for two years, due to establishment of new chapters. In a year struck with two impacts, namely, an increase of dues and the death in mid-year of President General Shaler, it has not been possible to maintain that growth in that state nor to transfer it into other states. It was too great to absorb into other states, even though they had increases.

My own State of Minnesota has just had the best year in its recent history from the standpoint of new members obtained.

During the year our Committee has published one article in the Bulletin. We would have liked to have had more space for others, but such space was unavailable. We have made two general mailings of material urging membership activity, these mailings being of one

thousand pieces each time. Each mailing required about thirty hours of labor to compose it and to get it out. We have been active in personal conferences, a considerable correspondence, and some travel. We have kept our monetary expenditures low, as was requested of us a year ago by our efficient and careful Treasurer. We are well under our modest budget. Our only expenses have been actual cost of postage and mimeographing of materials, nothing for personal service or labor of any kind or for any travel expense.

The year has shown a great sensitivity to increase in dues. Our dues are still low, however; we must not forget that. We must all work together on this problem of membership. We could double our membership, and do it fairly easily, if everyone could and would do his part at the foundation, which is personal work with individuals.

To achieve this kind of co-operative effort, we would make the following recommendations:

(1) That a paid Organizing Secretary be employed.

(2) That the Committee, for the ensuing year, be set up at the Congress so that, before the Congress is over, the framework of organization can be perfected and personal conferences held with Committee Members who may be in attendance. This will greatly help to obtain an early start in the Committee's activities and will promote that personal acquaintance between the Committee members which is highly valuable in this kind of an undertaking.

(3) That the Committee be allowed a budget sufficient to cover the preparation and mailing of a one page bulletin every month, beginning in May or June, similar to the arrangement now allowed to the Public Relations Committee. If the detailed plans for this can be laid at the Congress itself, or very shortly thereafter, then the Committee will know at once what it can undertake and what its first move may be to keep membership effort continuous and to keep it going with undiminished energy throughout the year.

(4) That the Committee be charged with the duty of preparing and publishing, and be allowed a budget for, a short but carefully worked out booklet on Membership and Organization, bringing together in one place specific suggestions

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MORE NEW CHAPTERS NEEDED

Numerous requests having been received for information on the procedure for forming a new chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, the following outline is submitted. It must be remembered that situations may arise which would warrant slight changes, however, it is believed that in most cases this outline can be followed in its entirety.

I. LOCATION

A—A locality should be selected which is either in a town large enough to build a strong chapter or which is the center of a group of towns.

B—The percentage of population should be high in old stock families, rich in Revolutionary War tradition.

C—Locality which has a well established Daughters of the American Revolution chapter is desirable.

II. LOCAL COMMITTEE

A—Several local S.A.R. members who are willing and anxious to assist is a necessity.

B—Obtain cooperation of State D.A.R. officers and local D.A.R. Regent in obtaining a list of eligibles and for assistance in completing application papers. The list can be started with names of brothers, sons, fathers, and cousins of D.A.R. members.

C—Elect temporary chairman and secretary-treasurer of local S.A.R. organization committee.

D—Committee should determine amount of dues before more members are solicited.

E—Committee should meet every week to make reports on progress and to be assigned new names to be solicited.

F—Petition State Board of Management for permission to form a new chapter in accordance with the Constitution of the Pennsylvania Society.

III. PRE-ORGANIZATION MEETING

A—Mail a letter ten days to two weeks prior to pre-organization meeting inviting men eligible to join S.A.R. as shown on lists prepared by D.A.R. and C.A.R. officers.

B—Local newspaper publicity and radio announcements concerning meeting.

C—At this meeting announce that the petition has been granted by the Board of Management for the formation of a new chapter in the city.

D—Explain the objects and purposes of S.A.R. and invite prospective members to become CHARTER members of the new chapter.

E—Explain concessions allowed men under 25 years of age providing that they are CAR's, or sons of members of Washington Guard, S.A.R., D.A.R. or S.R.

F—Announce that the next meeting will be the ORGANIZATION meeting for the election of officers and the selection of a name for the chapter. State the exact time and place of the next meeting.

G—Again invite all to become CHARTER members of the new chapter by having their applications in the hands of the committee before the next meeting so as to be eligible to vote.

IV. ORGANIZATION MEETING

A—Mail another letter of invitation to the meeting and tell that if application papers are not completed they will be given help with them at the meeting.

B—Election of officers for the society year. It is well to have a nominating committee previously appointed by the state officer in charge report at the meeting.

C—Meeting should be turned over to the newly elected president.

D—Selection of a name of the new chapter.

E—Announce the date and place of the installation.

V. INSTALLATION MEETING

A—Meetings III, IV and V should be spaced about a month apart but certainly not over two months. Under ordinary circumstances the time between III and V should not be over ninety days.

B—If possible, the State Board of Management should hold its stated meeting at Noon of the same day in the same town.

C—The local D.A.R. Regent, state and national D.A.R. and S.A.R. officers should be invited to the banquet preceding the installation.

D—Ceremony of presenting charter and giving oath to local officers shall follow prescribed form.

E—On request the charter may be held open for a short time to allow members working on their paper additional time to obtain elusive information.

Your cooperation is requested in sending me any additional promotional ideas which could be added to this outline.

JOHN A. FRITCHEY, II
1800 North Third Street
Harrisburg, Penna.

Organization Ideas Continued

as to what each member and each Chapter and its officers can do to promote growth in membership. We greatly need definiteness of objective and plain specification of what each person should do; a clearing house of experience and ideas.

(5) That each State Society set up a Cooperation with the D.A.R., and that this Committee, and not the National Committee, be charged with the duty of compiling an active list of prospects from D.A.R. files. This work should be localized by states, and the list kept in each state.

(6) That the individual bringing in the most membership for the year be recognized and honored at each annual State Society meeting.

(7) That information be cleared to the Committee often, and promptly, regarding plans for the establishment of new chapters. In some states there is much skill and experience in this department, which should be passed on to the states which, on their records, need help and encouragement in this regard.

(8) That the responsibilities of this Committee be deemed to end when the new members are obtained and enrolled, and that a new and wholly separate committee, to be called the Committee on Maintenance of Membership, be set up to deal with the question of what happens after the member is obtained and in. It relates to methods of billing for dues, promptness and accuracy in follow-up, personal contact of Chapter and State officers with the membership, and continuous knowledge by them of just what is happening to the individual members. We do not seem to have this kind of follow-up at the present time.

WINNING ORATION OF NATIONAL CONTEST

By Robert Wood, Toledo, Ohio

CERTAINLY TODAY, as we Americans look about us and observe the various happenings in different parts of the world, it is evident to us that we here in America have something that is distinctly different from other parts of the world. It is evident to us that there is something in our country that has given us the vitality, strength, and progress that we now have. We observe that we are healthful and happy in the midst of devastation and despair, and we see that we have plenty in the wake of need.

But then we speculate as to the condition of the United States. Why is it that we're so well off? Why is it that we're still referred to as "The Arsenal of Democracy" in peace just as in war?

The answer is simple: the men who won our independence and founded this country based it upon the rock and not upon the sands! They based it upon the belief that the final end of the state was to make men free to develop their talents. As Justice Brandeis put it: "They valued liberty both as an end and as a means, they believed liberty to be the secret of happiness, and courage to be the secret of liberty." And armed with

this belief they established our first creed of American democracy—The Declaration of Independence!

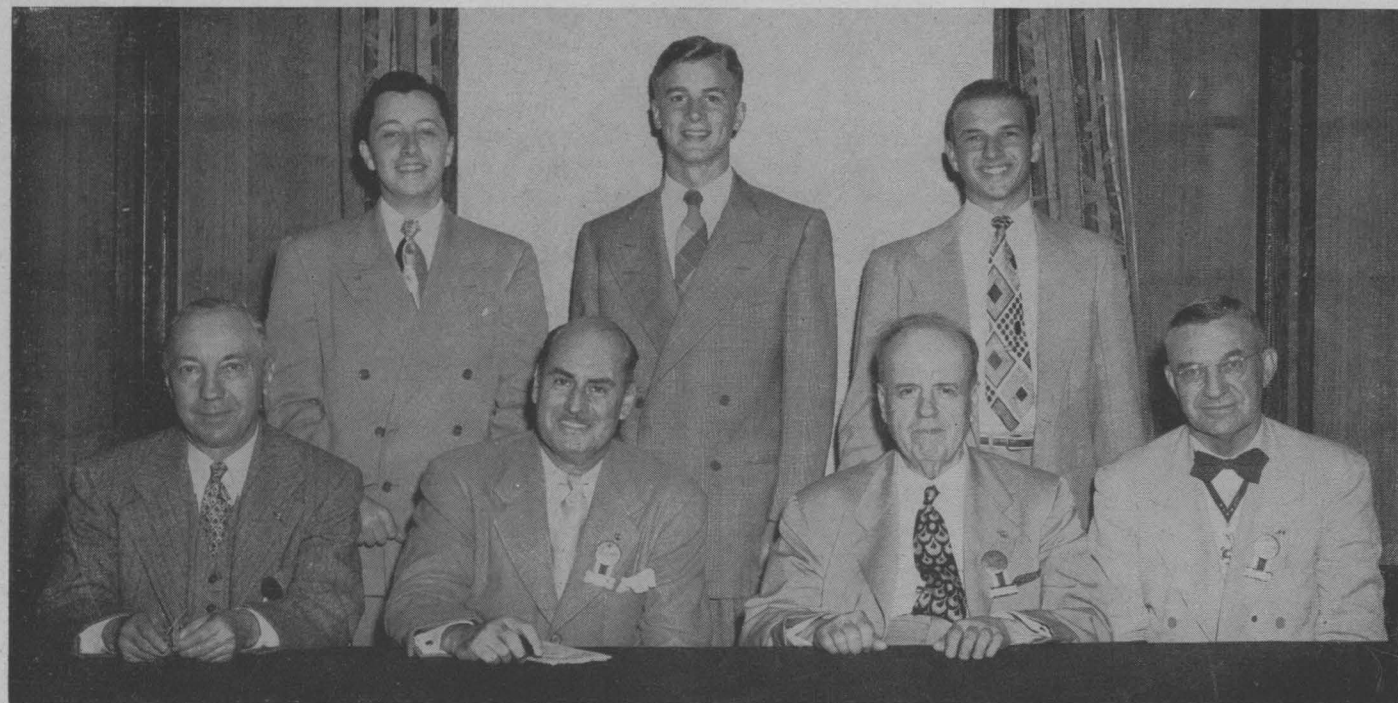
But when considering the Declaration it is important that we realize its true meaning, for its real significance is not to be found in the fact that it was written almost entirely by Thomas Jefferson or that John Hancock boldly sprawled his name across the bottom, but rather its true importance is to be found in the responsibility which it places upon all of us today! For it holds that none of us can uphold the principles embodied in the Declaration, and yet tolerate either the destruction of our own freedom or the freedom of anyone else. It holds that all men are created equal, and not subservient, and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; not death, chaos and the path of destruction as is the case in all too many countries of Europe today. It further holds that governments are instituted among men and not forced upon them; and that these governments derive their power from the consent of the governed and

not the controlling few!

These words from the Declaration that some of us tend to regard as trite or prosaic, take on a new lustre now when we realize that today the democratic way of life is being attacked on many fronts; millions of human beings, individuals like ourselves, are being slowly sapped of freedom and liberty and mobilized forces of oppression. We in America hope that the afflicted and subjugated peoples of other countries might share the freedoms which we have. They can! But only if enough people are willing to accept the burden and apply the principles of the Declaration of Independence.

I think it was much in this spirit of mind that Woodrow Wilson said: "... Right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things which we have always carried nearest our hearts—for Democracy. For the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own governments. For the rights and liberties of small nations, for a universal dominion of right by such a concert of free peoples as shall at last bring peace and safety to all nations, and make the world itself at last free. To such a task as this we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes, with the

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Picture at conclusion of Historical Oration Contest held at George Washington Wednesday afternoon, May 18th, 1949. Seated (L to R) Allen Oliver, Past-President General; Douglass G. High, Chairman of Contest; Past-President General Ben H. Powell, III; Ray O. Edwards, Convention Chairman. Standing (L to R) Robert Wood, winner; Robert Rutishauser and Jim Ade.

CONTINENTAL CONGRESS CHAPTER AT YORK, PA.

*New Group Instituted with Charter
Membership of 68 on Rolls*

SUBVERSIVE BOOKS HIT

The new Continental Congress Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, was formally instituted June 7, 1949, at a banquet and charter program in the Hotel Yorktowne attended by more than 175 persons including many Daughters of the American Revolution.

Earl M. Schroeder was installed as top state S. A. R. officials and representatives of its related organization, the president of the new York group, which starts with a charter membership of 68.

Other officers installed were: Dr. W. Harold E. Miller, second vice president; Dr. William C. Langston, third vice president; Landon C. Reisinger, secretary-registrar; William H. Eisenhart, treasurer; and Clair J. Grove, genealogist.

Dr. Frank A. Fritchey, II, president of the Pennsylvania society and a member of the national group's executive committee, presented the charter. Greetings were given by Mrs. Harlow B. Kirkpatrick, state regent of the D. A. R., and Mrs. Thomas H. Lee, state D. A. R. vice regent. Charles W. Simmons, president of the Harris Ferry chapter, and member of the board of management of the state S. A. R. society, acted as master of ceremonies.

National Aim Cited

John Whelchel Finger, president general of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, listed "subversive textbooks and teaching" as a major target of the organization, in the principal after-dinner address.

Finger said a member of the Un-American Activities committee has promised an investigation of such "subversiveness" in the schools of the United States.

He defined the S. A. R. as a "hereditary, patriotic society, with emphasis on the patriotic rather than the hereditary."

"We welcome all, regardless of the time and place of their birth, who join us in preserving America," said the

president general, adding that "the responsibility of birth in a peculiar and direct way is ours."

Mayor Felix S. Bentzel, one of the chapter members, said York by its colonial and Revolutionary history has a special right to such an organization.

The invocation was given by the Rev. George H. Toadvine, Jr., associate chaplain of the Pennsylvania society, and the pledge of allegiance led by William J. Mathias, chairman of the flag committee and member of the state S. A. R. board of management which met in the Yorktowne earlier.

Mrs. Frank B. Kissinger sang the National Anthem and dinner music was played by Phil Filbey, pianist. The color guard and bugler were from the William Penn Senior High school band.

National Officers Here

Other distinguished guests invited to last night's institutional ceremonies were Edgar Williamson, Jr., and Edward D. Shriner, vice presidents general of the national S. A. R. society; Richard P. South, state vice president; Albert C.

Brand, national trustee, Edwin B. Graham, secretary, treasurer and genealogist of the state group.

Miss Hazel G. Glessner, recording secretary of the state D. A. R. chapter; Mrs. Clayton E. Billheimer, state director, central district, Pennsylvania D. A. R.; Mrs. Frank E. Cremer, president, Regents club, Eastern district state D. A. R.; Mrs. William C. Langston, national chairman D. A. R. Valley Forge committee; Mrs. Gilbert Metz, regent, Yorktown chapter; Mrs. Earl M. Schroeder, regent, Col. James Smith chapter, York; Miss Alice L. Black, regent, Gettysburg chapter; Mrs. Philip N. Forney, regent, Col. Richard McAllister chapter, Hanover; and Mrs. John A. Fritchey, II, state president of the Society of Children of the American Revolution.

Mayor Bentzel explained how he is eligible for membership in the new organization: "My forefathers came across in 1745. A forefather, Baltzer Bentzel, was a captain in the Continental army. By virtue of this, I am qualified for membership."

During his address of welcome, the mayor told how York ranks in prominence with Washington and Philadelphia in historical background due to the fact that Continental congress met here.



Pictured here with participants in the program, they are (left to right): William H. Eisenhart, treasurer; Harold E. Miller, second vice president; Earl M. Schroeder, President; Dr. John A. Fritchey, II, state S. A. R. president who conducted the installation ceremony; John Whelchel Finger, president general, national S. A. R., principal speaker last night; Dr. William C. Langston, third vice president; Clair J. Grove, genealogist; and Landon C. Reisinger, secretary-registrar. Dr. W. Frank Gemmill, first vice president, is not shown.

ADDRESS BY PAST PRESIDENT GENERAL BEN H. POWELL III

It is now my duty, under our Constitution, to give you an accounting of my Stewardship, including a brief discussion of the "State of the Union," so to speak, with recommendations for the future. The circumstances under which I was elevated to this high office have been stated in the January, 1949, issue of our magazine, and I shall not repeat them here. Suffice it to say that, on the 9th of December last year, I accepted the torch which had been carried by the lamented President General Shaler, and immediately dedicated myself to a completion of the tasks he had begun, as well as others which would naturally arise. In all humility, but with a firm resolve, I determined to do my dead level best to keep the faith and do all I could to finish my course in such a manner as to justify the confidence and esteem of those who had given me an opportunity to render this service. You shall be the judges of the measure of success attained.

My first official act was to request all the Committees appointed by President General Shaler to continue their service. They graciously agreed to do so and I shall never cease to be grateful for their generous, thoughtful and efficient cooperation. The results obtained during the year would not have been at all possible but for their aid and encouragement.

Manifestly, it would be impossible to detail, in this report, the work of more than thirty of our National Committees as well as eleven Vice Presidents General and other National Officers. However, most of the Committees and Officers have submitted written reports, mimeograph copies of most of which are available for your reading. In addition to these written reports, further reports will be made hereafter orally. I invite your most careful reading of the written reports and your equally thoughtful attention to the accounting to be made orally. On the whole, I believe you will then agree with me that we have had a very successful year and that the National Society is on the road to still greater achievements.

I do desire, however, to invite your special attention to the work of certain Committees. We have no more important Committee than the one on Organi-

zation and Membership. This Committee has been headed this year by Compatriot Stanley Gillam of Minneapolis. He has been active and the results of his efforts have been quite satisfactory under the circumstances. The success of this particular Committee depends upon the combined and continuous work of most of our National Officers, and particularly the President General. The latter must inspire the sustained interest and zeal of the entire team, so to speak.



Past Pres. Gen. Powell

As we all know, our beloved President General was confined to his bed in a hospital for some four or five months and could not lead this work as he was so anxious to do. I am certain that the loss in new members and reinstatements this fiscal year, as compared with results obtained last year, resulted from the most unfortunate illness and confinement of our late President General. To be sure, after his most untimely passing, we all did everything we could to reawaken the enthusiasm of our members for this most important work. However, we could not make up for all the time which had been lost. Plans for work of this kind particularly must be made in the beginning of any administration. Captain Shaler made an outstanding record in organizing new Chapters and obtaining new members

generally. Had he lived, I am absolutely certain the fiscal year which has just ended would have far exceeded any other year in our history in this respect. He had already begun an active campaign and was rejoicing in its progress when he was stricken. It was impossible, after his passing, to bring his plans completely back to life.

As it is, the record for the last fiscal year is very good, indeed. The figures are not complete. The final and official totals will likely be more favorable than this preliminary report indicates. Figures to date show 1100 new members last year, as compared to 1407 for the preceding year, and 220 reinstatements this year as against 392 the year before. In other words, our record this year is 307 less in new members and 172 less in reinstatements.

I am unable to give you, at this time, a record of our losses in membership by reason of deaths, resignations and dropping for non-payment of dues. Final statistics will be furnished by the Secretary General and published in the July Magazine this year, if not made public sooner. I will say, even now, that I was not unmindful of the very serious losses sustained during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1948, as reported by President General Foreman at Minneapolis. He reported total losses of 1503 during that year. 832 of these were dropped for non-payment of dues. It was my desire to improve this grave situation if possible. So I contacted the State Presidents early this year, requesting their active help in beginning every effort at once to collect dues. These Presidents were most encouraging. They cooperated in every way, I am sure. I heard from many of them. I am hoping that results will be favorable. By the way, I am a firm believer in close cooperation between the National Society and the several State Societies.

In view of the increase in dues, voted at Minneapolis, and which Amendment became effective for the new fiscal year beginning the first of last April, it is feared that the droppings for last year will increase over the preceding year. At this particular time, it seems likely that our net loss in membership for the last fiscal year will be somewhere be-

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ADDRESS BY JOHN WHELCHER FINGER At Annual Florida State Dinner

WHEN CHAIRMAN Ray Edwards invited me to speak to you this evening he asked me to choose my subject and I responded that I would like to talk for about twelve minutes on Patriotic Opportunities of the National Society.

Naturally, I cannot cover the broad scope of this subject in twelve minutes but there are other guests present tonight who will report on phases of the work of our organization and in the Congress to follow we will hear of many accomplishments that do credit to our Society.

I believe that foremost in the list of projects, and I feel safe to say it even in the traditionally rival State of Florida, is the magnificent undertaking of the California Society, to turn the search light on the iniquitous, subversive corruption of our educational system . . . and particularly the textbooks designed to influence the opinion and thought that free enterprise must be supplanted by a Welfare State. The words "Welfare State" are designed to attract the sympathy and support of the people but an analysis of the practical operation of such a program leads to anything but the welfare of our people.

In an article by Compatriot Senator Robert A. Taft in the May 10 issue of *Look* magazine the Senator says, "Freedom and Initiative would suffer. Organized charity and government welfare service to the whole population can destroy the freedom and also the character of the people to whom it is extended. It can paralyze incentive and initiative. Many people like to work but many people won't work unless they have to. We can easily check all progress and all of the productivity and energy which has given all of our people the highest standard of living in the history of the world. The people will be taxed without realizing it through deductions from pay rolls, and they will get only some part of those taxes back after the administrative expenses are paid. And they will get them back in the form of government services and activity which they may or may not want. No family will be able to live without sitting around for hours in government offices trying to find out what their rights are to a free handout. Of

course, the whole program will increase tremendously the power of the central government in Washington, until Washington bureaus govern the daily lives of every family in the United States.

"THE INCREASING TAX BURDEN—Of course, this entire program will tremendously increase the expenses of government and the taxes to be paid. Already the tax estimate for the Federal Government is \$42,000,000,000 and the President is demanding \$4,000,000,000 more at once.

"The imposition of such a tremendous tax burden, amounting to about one-third of our national income, must rest with a deadening effect on the people and on the productive machinery of the country. Already, it is difficult to find any money for investment. As industries become unprofitable under this great burden—as the railroads did before the war—the government will have to step in. There is some point at which the burden will be so great that the private enterprise system cannot support it

longer and cannot continue at all. You can socialize just as well by a steady increase in the percentage of tax burden as you can by direct government seizure. I don't know at just what point the scales will be overbalanced, but certainly we cannot go very much further.

"HEAVY TAXES A MENACE. The very imposition of heavy taxes is a limitation of a man's freedom. There was a time when he could decide how he would spend the money which he earned. Today, the government takes from him a large proportion of his earnings and decides for him how they shall be spent, perhaps without benefit to him, perhaps in offering services which he does not need or desire."

This warning from Senator Taft should be enough to shock the proverbial complacency of the Sons of the American Revolution. I am about to make an equally shocking statement which is rarely expected from a member of any patriotic society. I am about to criticize the Constitution of the United States as amended.

May I quote to you the 16th Amendment to the Constitution which reads, "The Congress shall have power to lay

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President General John Whelchel Finger (right) being welcomed to the Naval Air Station by Lt. j. g. McBrien. Past Chaplain General Ven. W. F. Bulkley, D.D. and Comp. Mason E Mitchell (Class of 1895, U S. Naval Academy) in center.

"A BILL OF GRIEVANCES" TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Reported by Harold L. Putnam, Chairman Americanization Committee

YOUR COMMITTEE on Americanization has endeavored to execute the instruction contained in the resolution adopted by the Congress of our National Society, May 25, 1948 at the Minneapolis convention. The execution of the provisions of that resolution has involved a number of difficult and complex problems. It is with pride and gratification that your Committee is now able to report to the members of this the 59th Congress of our society, that our responsibilities under the aforementioned resolution have been discharged, with the exception of the few details which will be accomplished at this session of the Congress.

The reports of the Committee on Americanization which were filed in 1947 and 1948 gave a detailed analysis of the dangers presented by the infiltration of subversive ideologies into the educational systems of our various states. It is unnecessary at this time to review those reports, as our members have become fully aware of the danger, as is evidenced by the widespread support the efforts of your Committee has received from all parts of the country. Communications and information have been sent to your Committee Chairman from every state in the United States. The volume of material has been so great that it has been impossible to make proper acknowledgment of individual assistance. Therefore, it is timely to make such acknowledgement at this time and to express the thanks of the Committee for such assistance.

One of the most serious problems which has confronted your Committee at all times, is that of obtaining sufficient funds with which to carry on its work. The members of the California Society S.A.R., have once again borne the major portion of the financial burden. Of a total of \$7,225.10 received by the Committee, \$6,048.10 has been contributed by the members of the California Society. This disproportionate share of contributions is due in some major part to the fact that the members of the California Society have been more conscious of the immediate danger presented by the infiltration of subversive teachings

in our school systems. Your Chairman asked for a budget of \$10,000 to carry on the work for the past year. We are short some \$2,000 needed to meet our requirements. After the complete report of the Committee on Americanization has been presented to the members and delegates present at this 59th Congress it is hoped that this situation will be remedied and additional funds will be forthcoming which will enable the Committee to complete its work and achieve a successful conclusion of its efforts.

Our legal counsellor, Compatriot Aaron Sargent, has completed the draft of a petition to the Congress of the United States, which will be presented on the floor of the 59th Congress of our society. This petition, entitled "A Bill of Grievances", represents the product of years of study and investigation by Mr. Sargent and members of your Committee and also the efforts of a number of our California compatriots who have devoted their time and their money to this cause. The filing of this brief with the Congress of the United States marks a milestone of progress in the history of our National Society. It is undoubtedly the most far-reaching activity in which the National Society has ever engaged and if our efforts meet with success, it is the most important contribution our organization has ever made toward the preservation of the American system of government and the maintenance of American ideals.

The presentation of the "Bill of Grievances" does not conclude the efforts which our organization must put forth. There remains a part for each state organization to play in this activity. The filing of the petition by the National Society must be supported by similar action by each state society. Such petitions have been prepared and will be furnished to the delegates of each of the state societies, together with instructions as to proper procedure. This phase of the campaign will be explained in detail at the Congress.

This report is, of necessity, condensed and purposely leaves many details to be explained. Such explanations will be

forthcoming at the proper time during the sessions of the Congress. However, it is fitting that acknowledgment be made herein of the financial and moral support which has been accorded the Chairman of your Committee. The members of the Committee have been called upon to devote much of their time to this work, but due to the fact that most of the material has been assembled in the offices of the members of the California Society, the major share of the work has been done there. However, the members of the Committee have been prompt in meeting every request made of them and thanks is due them for their willingness and cooperation.

The officers of our National Society have given your Committee unqualified support and cooperation and their helpfulness has been a source of gratification and encouragement to the Chairman and the members of the Committee.

WHEREAS, this Society is cognizant of the fact that positive and effective measure must be taken to combat tendencies which are un-American, and we realize that rapid changes are being made in our own as well as other countries, and we believe that this Society should adopt a positive program for the strengthening of our educational system to better equip it for the task of supporting and defending Constitutional governments;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution that a coordinated program be established in cooperation with our several State Societies

(1) To encourage positive and effective instruction in American History, and government and in literature of our American heritage—in all public schools, colleges and universities.

(2) To promote confidence in and for the American public school system as an essential of good citizenship.

(3) To encourage young men and women of fine character, intelligence and personality to prepare for the teaching profession as a career.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO AMERICANIZATION FUND

Contributions and pledges were made in the following names by Compatriots on the floor of the 59th Annual Congress in Jacksonville to cover the expense of the Americanization Committee in its efforts to have subversive textbooks removed from the public schools of the United States.

Individual Compatriots

JOHN H. BABB (Illinois)—for his 3 children
JOHN G. BALLORD (Minnesota)
ROY V. BARNES (Michigan)—for 2 sons
W. A. BATTLES (New York)
C. D. BAUCOM (North Carolina)—for his wife and 90 year old mother
FRED T. BECKEL (Pennsylvania)—for Valley Forge Chapter
ARONZO NEWTON BENN (Illinois)
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M. H. BLISS (North Dakota)
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CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATES AND GUESTS ON SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF NAVAL AIR STATION

NATL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION VOTED AT CONGRESS

Dear Compatriots:

I appreciate very much the opportunity afforded me by your splendid officers to send this greeting to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution assembled in annual meeting. As a life-long member of the Empire State Society, as was my father before me, I have deep roots in this organization and greatly regret my inability to be present with you in person.

About a year ago, the National Society undertook to join with 35 other national, regional and state organizations to sponsor a new national movement for the preservation and interpretation of historic sites and buildings. Out of this movement grew the National Council for Historic Sites and Buildings, of which you are constituent members, demonstrating once again, your great interest in the history of this country by seeking to preserve the physical remains of our cultural heritage. As President of the National Council for Historic Sites and Buildings, I am very grateful for the support that your organization has given to our effort. Without the support of all the organizations that have sponsored this effort, the effectiveness of the National Council would be largely lost.

I shall not attempt to give you the history of the National Council's progress since its formation in 1947, but I would like to point particularly to a project that should be of deep concern to you and to all Americans. From the beginning we have envisioned the creation of a national, charitable and educational corporation, an American National Trust, to receive bequests of property or funds and to hold, maintain, and exhibit historic sites and buildings significant in American history or culture. Such a body, patterned to some degree after the very successful British National Trust, would be clothed with all the dignity and power appropriate to the guardianship of selected national treasures preserved for the entire nation. Its creation would immeasurably strengthen the forces of preservation. I am enclosing with this letter a full committee report outlining clearly and in detail the character and purposes of the proposed National Trust.

I am now most happy to announce to you that on Thursday, May 12, our good friend Congressman J. Hardin Peterson of Florida, introduced a bill into the Congress to authorize the creation of a *National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States*. This important bill bears the number H. R. 4671. As soon as copies of the bill are available, they will be sent to your national officers. I should like to commend H. R. 4671 to your careful study and attention.



Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, 3rd

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution does not need to be told of the dangers confronting our nation in a turbulent world. The causes it has sponsored in the past bear witness to its interest in the American theme. Today we must all support the movements that emphasize our American heritage. Recent years have witnessed the neglect, destruction and loss of a rapidly growing number of unique and irreplaceable historic sites and buildings. These losses from our steadily diminishing storehouse of national treasures have become so numerous and so striking as to produce a surge of interest throughout the nation in the preservation, marking, and interpretation of our monuments of history and architecture. Wherever the modern juggernaut of

the machine age is reaching out to destroy even our few remaining landmarks, civic and patriotic minded citizens are banding together in associations, commissions, and societies to protect the national heritage and needless destruction.

It is my belief that the Sons of the American Revolution will wish to support not alone the National Council for Historic Sites and Buildings but also the setting up of the proposed *National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States*. By preserving the landmarks of our history, we shall be teaching our generation that they have a right to be proud of this nation and what it has accomplished. By reviewing the lessons of the past, we shall mark a trail for our children to follow and we shall make certain that the lessons of the past will help us to ward off the dangers of the present and inspire us toward a constructive future.

With your permission, I should like to ask your consideration of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the preservation of the historic sites, buildings, and landmarks, which represent the highest achievements of the past, is a solemn patriotic obligation we owe to our forefathers, and to posterity; and

WHEREAS, the forces of neglect and destruction are attacking and jeopardizing the perpetuation of many important historic sites and buildings throughout the country thus necessitating new national measures to insure protection of our historic heritage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, meeting in Jacksonville, Florida, on May 18, 1949, strongly approve and endorse H. R. 4671 to provide for a *National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States*, and instruct their secretary to send copies of this resolution to all members of Congress who are also members of the Sons of the American Revolution.

With best wishes for a successful meeting,

Cordially,
/s/ U. S. Grant
U. S. Grant, 3rd,
Major General, USA, (Ret'd),
President

HISTORIC SITES AND BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, subversive elements in the United States are engaged in a concerted campaign to eliminate our historic landmarks through subtle efforts making for neglect of historic sites and buildings and even encouragement of their destruction; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and popularization of these historic landmarks has been demonstrated to be one of the most effective means for the inspiration of patriotism and teaching of American History; and

WHEREAS, there are still many, many such structures as historic WOODLAWN, the home of Nelly Custis, and such historic sites as the PRINCETON BATTLEFIELD, as well as countless historic landmarks of sectional and local importance, such as famous FORT ONTARIO at Oswego in New York State; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers of the Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, at its regular 1948 December Board Meeting held in Syracuse, New York, on December 4, after devoting an entire morning session to a consideration and discussion of the above facts, unanimously voted that its Secretary present the following Resolution to the 59th National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution assembled in Jacksonville, Florida:

RESOLVED, that a standing Committee be created to be known as THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR HISTORIC SITES AND BUILD-

INGS whose specialized responsibility shall be the organization of an active campaign of cooperation with projects for the preservation of sites and buildings associated with events and personalities of importance in the historical background of our Country;

AND FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED, that this Committee communicate with every S. A. R. State Society in an endeavor to have them organize in their various local chapters similar committees for historic sites and buildings that will establish a liaison with the National Committee in the furtherance of the spirit of the first section of this Resolution.

PRESERVATION OF WOODLAWN ESTATE

WHEREAS "Woodlawn," the estate of Nellie Custis, beloved adopted daughter of General George Washington, given to her by the General as a wedding present when she married the General's favorite nephew Lawrence Fielding Lewis,—has recently been purchased by the Woodlawn Public Foundation, Inc., a non-profit organization of patriotic men and women, for the purpose of preserving the estate as a distinguished shrine to which patriotic citizens may repair at all times; said purchase being made when the property was about to be permanently commercialized, and

WHEREAS those forming the Woodlawn Public Foundation, Inc., have shown a fine spirit of patriotic devotion to our national ideals by their financial sacrifices made necessary by their purchase of this great estate of the revolutionary era, and by their pledges to continue their efforts until the property has been fully paid for, furnished and dedicated to the public as another memorial to the fame of the Father of our Country, George Washington;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled at Jacksonville, Florida, this May 18, 1949, in keeping with its chartered objectives, does heartily congratulate and commend those persons and corporations associated with the Woodlawn Public Foundation, Inc., upon their successful endeavors to preserve the Woodlawn Estate from commercial sale and to preserve it as another American Shrine of Patriotism.

RESOLVED FURTHER that the National Society express the earnest hope that their aims and purposes of said Woodlawn Foundation may prove altogether successful so that all citizens of good will who visit this shrine on the outskirts of our National Capital may get a greater appreciation of our National Ideals than ever before.

Visit Historic Woodlawn, the facade of which is shown below, America's new National Shrine, a fine old Georgian mansion located eight miles south of Alexandria, Virginia on U.S. Highway No. 1.



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BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Reported by Chairman Clarence E. Shriner

IT IS A privilege to present to you a report covering the activities of your Committee on Boy Scout Activities. I consider it a special privilege at this time, when our form of Government is being attacked so ruthlessly from without and within by individuals, organizations, and nations whose concept of human dignity and worth is diametrically opposed to ours.

I am convinced that the place where we must become more vigorous in the preservation of our American way of life is with our youth. Cooperation with that great American youth movement—the Boy Scouts of America—is one way in which the Sons of the American Revolution can become more dynamic in maintaining our American principles of liberty, justice, and democracy. The Boy Scouts of America is currently engaged in a two year crusade to Strengthen the Arm of Liberty. It would seem to be very appropriate for the Sons of the American Revolution to give strong support to such a movement as the Boy Scouts of America which is doing so much to develop good solid American citizens, strong in the faith of our ancestors. In fact it is only in the kind of country that America affords that a movement like Scouting can exist. Let us not forget that under Nazism and Communism the Boy Scout Movement was disbanded.

I am impressed by a statement which a former Eagle Scout, Major H. C. Triesler, Jr., now located in Greece, made in a letter sent to his old Troop No. 66 in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Here is what he said:

"The more I am in this country, the more I appreciate the United States and the life we average citizens live and yet why does one have to leave to discover these facts? What I'm trying to say is that although we in the States enjoy the best life in the world, no one is selling the fact to our citizens and especially our youth. We take this for granted and concentrate on other values, thereby chancing to lose the most important thing of all. Other ideologies are not so lax and their incessant propaganda draws converts. Why can't we give our kids of Scout age a start at un-

derstanding some of the basic facts. Of course, it can't be dry or bookish, but surely there must be some way of making America and our way of life an absorbing theme."

The Sons of the American Revolution has long been interested in the Boy Scout Program because of what it has been doing in building a strong and devoted citizenry among the youth of our Country. But it was not until 1948 that the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution, meeting at Minneapolis, adopted a strong resolution, giving endorsement and support to the Boy Scout Movement and instructing the National Committee on Boy Scout Activities to develop a program of cooperation for release to State Societies and Local Chapters. Acting on these instructions, your Committee has endeavored to ascertain the Boy Scout Activities already engaged in by our Compatriots throughout the Country. The record of such service is truly amazing and is too voluminous to recount at this time.

Our President-General Ben H. Powell has been active in Scouting for years and has served as President of his Scout Council at Austin, Texas. Many others have served as Scoutmaster, officers, and members of Local Scout Council Executive Boards, Presidents of Local Councils and at least two of our S.A.R. leaders—Compatriots William H. Pouch of New York City and Dr. George Albert Smith of Salt Lake City—are on the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America.

Your Committee believes that there is no better way to translate our Good Citizenship Program into action than by giving hearty support to the operation and extension of the Boy Scout Movement. This is Good Citizenship in Action.

Today your National Committee on Scout Activities offers every member of the Sons of the American Revolution, every State Society, every Local Chapter, the opportunity to help Scouting, which is national in scope, well organized and administered, deeply American, and universally respected. In helping Scouting you help America.

In every part of our Country there is an organized Scout Council with a trained Scout Executive in charge of the administration of Scouting affairs. Please contact him and arrange to coordinate all your planning and service with him.

YOUR COMMITTEE ON BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING:

1. Each State Society and Local Chapter should appoint a Committee on Boy Scout Activities similar to the National Society Committee.
2. The State Society Committee on Scout Activities should work with Local Chapter Committees in developing opportunities for Scout Service, working in cooperation with Local Council Scout Offices.
3. Local Chapter Committees on Boy Scout Activities should contact Local Scout Executives to inform them of the interest of the Sons of the American Revolution in Scouting and determine ways in which they can be of service.
4. Sons of the American Revolution members should urge their sons and grandsons to join a neighborhood Cub Scout Pack (for boys 9 to 11 years of age) or a Boy Scout Troop (for boys 12 to 14 years of age) or a Senior Unit (for young men 15 years of age and over). Information regarding the location of Scouting Units can be secured from the Local Boy Scout Council.
5. Wherever possible, a Local Chapter should sponsor a Cub Pack, Boy Scout Troop or Senior Unit. The Local Boy Scout Council will help you with the organization of such a unit.
6. We should encourage members of our Society to serve in positions of responsibility on local Boy Scout Councils—such as Executive Boards, District Committees, Council Committees, Merit Badge Counselors, Commissioners, and so on.
7. Local Chapters provide funds wherever feasible for less fortunate Scouts to attend Boy Scout Camps, working this out with their Local Scout Council.

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8. Local Chapters might well present a stand of colors annually to one or more newly organized Scouting Units as agreed upon with the Local Scout Council.
9. One Local Chapter meeting should be set aside during the year as Boy Scout Day and arrange, with the help of the Local Scout Council, for a suitable Boy Scout program, participated in by Scouts.
10. Utilize Boy Scouts as Color Guards, messengers, and escorts at National Congresses, State Society meetings and Local Chapter affairs making needed arrangements through the Local Scout Council. Such service is especially desirable on patriotic occasions such as Washington's Birthday, Franklin's Birthday, Flag Day, Constitution Day, etc.
11. Local Chapters consider ways, in cooperation with Local Scout Councils, whereby the S. A. R. Good Citizenship medal might be presented with proper ceremony, to Eagle Scouts in each year's group, who have achieved distinction because of outstanding service rendered to the community.
12. Local Chapters assist the Local Scout Council in arranging for widespread promotion of Boy Scout Week in February. This to include window displays, radio programs, television, and speaking before clubs and other organizations.
13. Local Chapters assist the Local Scout Council in the conduct of large scale Scouting Activities such as Scout Circuses, Scout Expositions, Camporees, and Historical Pilgrimages.
14. Members of our Society to assist the Local Scout Council wherever feasible in conducting its Annual Finance Campaign to keep Scouting operation on a high plane in the community.

This is the program of cooperation between the Boy Scouts of America and the Sons of the American Revolution which we recommend to you.

Gentlemen, in closing may I say that we have all got to realize that today we are living in a new and different

kind of world. Many of us have never before found it necessary to take an active personal part in the perpetuation of our way of life, because until a relatively few years ago, the American Way was accepted by all our people. Until recently it was not under attack by false disciples of foreign doctrines—now it is!

Today we must reinforce the faith of our people in the American Way of Life. We are faced with the greatest competitive battle in history. It is a battle between those who believe in The American Way of Life and those who seek to destroy it. All of us in this room know how to fight and win against competition. Therefore the only thing we have to guard against is that we shall be lulled into a false sense of security and that we shall fail to realize the necessity of joining hands with organizations like the Boy Scouts of America and give specific help in Strengthening the Arm of Liberty.

If each of us devote the same thought and energy to combat subversive elements and activities as we do toward waging and winning the battle of business survival, there is no power on the face of the earth that can defeat us. If each of us does our part, we can and will succeed in the Crusade to keep America strong in the faith of our founding fathers.

Let us be ever watchful of our freedom—it is our heritage and privileged duty to preserve it for the unborn generations to come.

Fellow Compatriots your Committee on Boy Scout Activities recommends the adoption of the proposed Program of Active Cooperation between the Sons of the American Revolution and the Boy Scouts of America as submitted and I, as Chairman of the Committee, move its adoption.

Youth Council

ALBERT C. BRAND, *Chairman*

OUR LATE President General Charles B. Shaler appointed me Chairman of the Youth Council Committee, but owing to his untimely death, I did not have an opportunity to ascertain what he had in mind for this Committee.

In looking through the Quarterly Bulletin of our Society, I found reference to the Washington Guard. After corresponding with Colonel James D.

Watson, and a conference with Compatriots John W. Finger and Martin W. Mansperger in New York City, I learned that as far back as 1940 the Empire State Society had sponsored the movement to establish Washington Guard Posts in the State of New York, and the correspondence with Colonel Watson disclosed that at the time the National President of the CAR had had its Board endorse this movement. At the National Congress held in Harrisburg in 1944 the Washington Guard was officially recognized by the National Society and an amendment to the Constitution adopted placing the members of the Washington Guard on the same footing as members of the Children of the American Revolution, to wit: that they might present a transfer card from the Washington Guard to the National Society in lieu of the regular admission fee. Apparently, there has been but one Post of the Washington Guard established, which was organized by the Empire State Society and sponsored by the Long Island Chapter of our organization.

My observation is that the Children of the American Revolution cannot hold boys after they reach the age of fourteen and as a consequence it fails to provide a feeder to our Society. We have often been criticized as an organization of old men, and if we are to live this down we must find some method of attracting younger men into our Society. I believe that the Washington Guard offers this opportunity.

It is my recommendation that the President General appoint a committee of young men to encourage the formation of Posts of the Washington Guard throughout the country. Each State Society should be urged to provide for the formation of Washington Guard Posts in its jurisdiction and appoint a committee to contact each Chapter in the State and urge them to sponsor Posts of the Washington Guard in their locality.

Compatriot Mansperger has all the data at hand concerning the formation of Washington Guard Posts, and I am sure that he would be glad to cooperate with, or possibly head a committee to carry out the above ideas. If our Society is to grow, that growth must come from taking in young men, and I firmly believe that this can be accomplished through a revival and extension of the Washington Guard movement.



Revolutionary War Scenes Re-enacted during Pilgrimage Pageant at Lebanon, Conn.

CONNECTICUT RECALLS ITS REVOLUTIONARY GLORIES TO INSPIRE MEN OF TOMORROW

To combat present social trends toward the "isms" the Connecticut Society, S.A.R. planned a Boy Scout Pilgrimage to Lebanon on June 18 and 19. The purpose of this Pilgrimage was not so much to lay wreaths and words of praise upon these men of Lebanon, as to imbue today's youth, the Boy Scouts and their brothers and sisters, with a pride such as they cannot fail to feel.

We want to make them know that they own their great heritage by right of Connecticut citizenship and to instill the knowledge that the deeds of the Revolutionary period at Lebanon were accomplished by men from very humble surroundings who were risking the sacrifice of everything they had earned by a tremendous amount of hard work. They faced the constant fear of death, their final reward was Freedom.

Hardly had the reverberations of "the Shot Heard 'Round the World" quieted, than Captain James Clark marched from Lebanon to Lexington in 172 hours, with 160 men in his company. He earned great honors in the War, and returned a Colonel. Captain Clark's house is still standing at Lebanon.

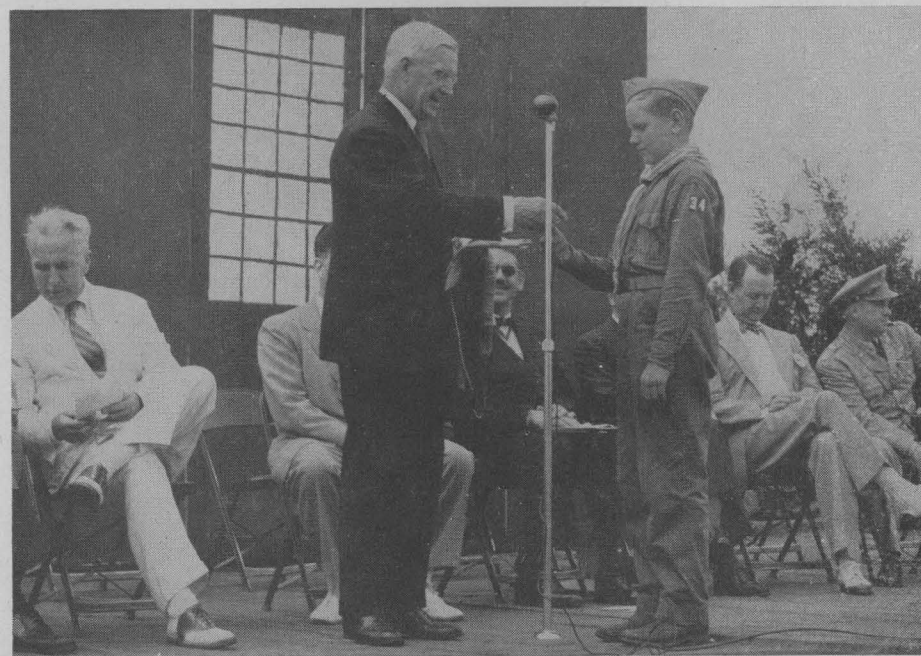
Jonathan Trumbull was Governor from 1775 to 1789—the only duly elected Constitutional Governor of the Thirteen Colonies. Governor Trum-

bull's two sons-in-law, William Williams, whose house is still standing at Lebanon, and Samuel Huntington, signed the Declaration of Independence. Governor Trumbull organized a Council of Safety of nine men. They met 1,200 times, over 1,130 of these being

in the gambrel-roofed War Office now standing at Lebanon, and owned by the Connecticut Society, S.A.R. General Washington, General Knox, General Putnam, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Samuel Adams, Marquis de Lafayette, Count Rochambeau, Duc de Lauzun and many other Revolutionary leaders met there and sought Governor Trumbull's assistance and advice.

General Washington so leaned upon Governor Trumbull that he continually asked him for his ideas and suggestions, stating "they have always proven right and we adopt all of them." So great was the assistance which Governor Trumbull and his men gave to Gen. Washington and his army, food, arms, ammunition, clothing and provisions of all kinds, dispatched by ox-train loads that Connecticut is still known as "The Provision State."

It would appear that over half of Washington's army was sent by Governor Trumbull from Connecticut. The war record shows that General Washington never had over 16,000 men. At one period of great trial and worry he sent to Governor Trumbull for "more and more soldiers." At that time four Connecticut regiments were in Washington's army, totaling about 3,000 men. Nevertheless, Governor Trumbull gathered and immediately dispatched



In the photograph seated (l to r) are: Harry F. Morse, Salem V. Smith, President-General John W. Finger, Fuller F. Barnes, Howard E. Coe and Col. Nathan B. Gatchell. Standing are Dr. Roy M. Houghton and Scout Williams.



Scout parade, ½ mile long, to the Award Meeting on the Lebanon "Green."

nine more regiments, so that Connecticut had in service in Washington's forces nearly 10,000 men in this one period.

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The purpose is not merely to give the Boy Scouts an outing. It is far deeper than that. It rests on the hope that in the atmosphere and amid the scenes which give Lebanon its place in history the boys who attend the Pilgrimage may gain a better insight into the early history of the country and gain new ideals of citizenship and of the privilege of being an American. The hope goes even beyond that. It is that this may have an influence on the future citizenship of the boys and have an influence also in the lives of their elders.

Lebanon is worth visiting from any standpoint. It is as fine an example of a Connecticut town as will be found, situated in attractive rolling country, with excellent farms, and comfortable homes in the village, shaded by great trees. Beyond these physical aspects are the historical associations; the unusual mile-long green which was the training ground of Colonial soldiers as well as the camping place of the French allies who came to assist in our War for Independence. Flanking that are the birthplace of Governor Trumbull, who was the friend of Washington and did so much to

he conducted the affairs which made him the "Brother Jonathan" on whom Washington leaned so heavily. At the head of the Green stands the fine church designed by Trumbull's artist son, a fine example of Colonial church architecture—or will be when the damage done by the hurricane of 1938 has been repaired, a task which needs help of those minded to give it.

In such surroundings Colonial history takes on a reality which textbooks alone cannot give it. The Boy Scouts may not remember what they are taught in school. They will never forget what they see in Lebanon and its association with events that are significant.

The Pilgrimage is inspired by and under the auspices of committees of the Connecticut Society Sons of the American Revolution and of the Order of Founders and Patriots of Connecticut. Naturally a committee of Lebanon citizens assists. These organizations have evolved an idea that is distinctly worthwhile.



This truckload of scouts were part of the two thousand scouts and visitors from all parts of Connecticut that came to participate in the celebration of the 174th anniversary of the Revolutionary War Office founding.

Benjamin Franklin Observance Committee

J. Henry Smythe, Jr., Chairman

THE ALL-YEAR-ROUND Benjamin Franklin movement reports continued progress. 1948 was notable in BF chronology with the minting of the Franklin-Liberty Bell half dollar. This culminated a campaign started by your chairman in 1921 when he launched Franklin Day, January 17, on a national and international scale. Franklin on U. S. coins was a primary objective. 1939 SAR Congress urged Franklin on dimes—an honor accorded later to FDR's face. Previously Jefferson—not "Poor Richard" had been chosen for the nickels.

More States in 1949 proclaimed Benjamin Franklin Day, including Tennessee—named for Franklin—emphasized in Governor Jim McCord's Proclamation; and South Carolina, J. Strom Thurmond, Governor. Other new States promised are Georgia and Utah. Since 1945 over one-third of the States with about half of the Nation's population have had Proclamations. Linked to their Patron Saint Franklin are International Printing and National Thrift Weeks. With these two worthy campaigns added the Gubernatorial and Mayoralty list is much larger.

Requested by this Committee Franklin's Birthday exercises were again held in the United States Senate. Edward Martin of Pennsylvania, who as Governor addressed the Harrisburg SAR Congress; also Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts, the State in which "Ben" was born, were the two orators making excellent speeches. About two pages were needed in the Congressional Record to print their notable remarks. Mention of the Day was made in the House with Benjamin Franklin James featured. Mr. James, a Representative from Pennsylvania, is a member of the "Benjamin Franklins," and a former President of the Franklin Printing Co., founded by Franklin, and the Poor Richard Club, Philadelphia's famous advertising club which sponsored the Benjamin Franklin Memorial and Franklin Institute Museum, now on Benjamin Franklin Parkway at 20th Street.

SAR in 1949 in San Francisco unveiled a plaque on the unmarked BF statue in the Golden Gate City's Wash-

ington Square. Other Chapters in recent years have laid wreaths on other local statues. 1949 saw Illinois Society do so in Chicago's Lincoln Park.

Your Committee nominated Franklin, "Patriot and Father of Advertising in America," for the new Advertising Hall of Fame. Dr. Franklin's name in 1900 was one of the first four selections for the Hall of Fame for Great Americans on the campus of New York University.

Franklin's father was born in Northamptonshire, not far from the ancestral home of the Washington family. Franklin's grandfather Folger was born in Norwich in Norfolk. The British Society for International Understanding at SAR's request is sending leaves from both localities Flag Week for Franklin's grave. Their headquarters is Benjamin Franklin House, 36 Craven Street, London, WC 2, site of Dr. Franklin's pre-Revolutionary War residence. "Good Earth" from General Lafayette's grave is already on hand, gift of the French Boy Scouts for the resting place at 5th and Arch Streets.

Another SAR proposal is to transfer the Hiram Powers statue of Dr. Franklin from its niche in the Senate Wing of the Capitol to the Rotunda. The marble has been approved as Art by Architect David Lynn. The final decision is in the hands of the Joint Committee on the Library.

Your chronicler is also a member of Compatriot Clarence E. Shriner's Boy Scout Committee. He has long cooperated with BSA National and NYC GHQ. For the Paris Jamboree New York City Scouts carried soil from the base of the Statue of Liberty to the Arc de Triomphe where the French Unknown Soldier lies buried. The Quaker City Scouts took "Good Earth" from Dr. Franklin's to General Lafayette's grave. These programs also recalled the fact that Lafayette had once taken dirt from Bunker Hill to be spread posthumously over his last resting place.

Plans are already under way for 1956—250th anniversary of the birth of the Boston-born Philadelphian whom this Committee calls "One of History's Three Greatest."

Basic Documents Committee

Francis Hoffheins, Chairman

AS CHAIRMAN of the Basic Documents Committee, I am submitting my report for the Society here. The previous Chairman of the Basic Documents Committee, Compatriot Donald L. Miller of Pittsburgh turned over some 50 sets of facsimiles of the Basic Documents—Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights—together with previous correspondence and records.

A draft of a letter to the presidents and secretaries of the various societies and chapters was sent to the other members of the Basic Documents Committee for comment. After minor revisions, a letter, asking for the societies' and chapters' cooperation in the Basic Documents program, was sent early in December offering sets of the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights at \$0.50 each and stating that if sufficient orders were secured, a 5-page facsimile of the Constitution would cost \$1.15.

The response from the societies and chapters was disappointing. Since there were so few orders, it was necessary to revise our plans from 1000 sets of the Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence to 500 and to secure from the Executive Committee an appropriation of \$200 as a working fund so that the documents could be secured.

A notice of availability of the sets of facsimiles of the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights was placed in the National Society's bulletin for April, together with coupon for ordering these \$0.65 a set.

This has resulted in only three orders.

A letter, received the past day or so, indicates that a state society is interested in securing 100 sets of the Basic Documents. When the money for this order is received, it will be possible to order 500 sets of the Documents thus making them available for distribution upon receipt of orders. Up to the present, 151 sets of the Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence have been ordered. Fifty-two of these orders have been filled. The Committee has approximately \$63.00 on deposit in the bank. It is hoped that facsimiles of the Basic Documents can be ordered from the printers in a short time and distributed to the societies and chapters.

BILL OF RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Willis G. Briggs, Chairman

DECEMBER 15 LAST marked the 136th anniversary of the adoption of the ten amendments to the United States Constitution known as the Bill of Rights. They are restraints on the government, made applicable by the Fourteenth Amendment also to the states, guaranteeing the individual against curtailment by the government of certain rights; rights safeguarded at least in this United States of America. They refer to governmental action, not to social or business intercourse between individuals. In the latter realm the privilege of free choice must be maintained for every citizen unless he become the mere creature of the state.

President Frank E. Holman of the American Bar Association has recently expressed the alarm that American individual rights are now threatened and imperiled from a new and extraneous quarter. The United Nations General Assembly has approved the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proposed at Paris last December. A covenant on Human Rights is in preparation for approval by the General Assembly of United Nations and for submission to the member Nations for ratification. Many "civilized nations" acknowledge no restraint on government from interfering with the individual's freedom of worship, of speech, of assembly, of petition, right to confront his accusers and for a speedy jury trial. In some "civilized nations" today a gathering of more than eight people can be had legally only upon a permit granted by the state. We dare not trust the inalienable rights of American citizenship to the maintenance or interpretation by those who have not and know not the sacred privileges we possess. The Constitution of the United States, ordained by the will of a free people, must be cherished as the ark of our covenant, our pillar of cloud by day and our pillar of fire by night. Our Society has been charged with fostering a false patriotism, a narrow provincialism, outmoded by the spirit of the day, the universal brotherhood of man. Nothing could be further from the truth. The value and superiority of our national covenant rests upon the theory of the worth of the individuals; his rights God ordained and not stemmed

from a master state. Hence our philosophy can never be reconciled with that of communism or a totalitarian government. Against this agnostic conception all who abide in their attachment to the true greatness of man should struggle and combine. The distinction between freedom and slavery is irradicable. The school is the nursery, the door to the future. Even one generation of misguided instruction opens the avenue of despair. Witness Germany and Japan, recent examples. To the struggling, oppressed and aspiring of every race and in every clime we proffer a sympathetic heart and a generous hand. Would that all men might enjoy the rights guaranteed to us. Our blessings are not self-perpetuating. They must be known and taught to our children's children to be appreciated and preserved. Bill of Rights day is an occasion suitable for this essential task. Disparaging not others, American citizens must stand unflinching upon this rock bed of individual freedom and repel every assault whether from within or without.

Your committee stressed the importance of Bill of Rights Day last December by communication to every state and local chapter S. A. R. Responses were numerous. Suitable literature was requested in several instances. "The Story of the Constitution" issued in 1937 by the Congressional Sesquicentennial Commission of which the late Congressman Sol Bloom was Director General.

Flag and Flag Day Committee

Merrill S. Bernard, Chairman

YOUR CHAIRMAN of the Flag and Flag Day Observance Committee makes this report; he was appointed to the Committee at the Congress held in Minneapolis. Shortly after his arrival back in Tulsa he wrote to the President General requesting instructions as to his duties and he was advised by the Secretary General that matters would be referred to him at times, and that he should take such action as was needed.

No matters for action have been reported to the Committee. The Committee has done nothing in any way

with this appointment. Your Chairman feels that there is probably a necessity for advising the general public on the care of the flag and how it should be flown, but there have been no funds on hand to start anything along that line in a National way.

The only activity which your Chairman has had was concerning a worn flag, which was rarely taken down at night, on the City Hall here in Tulsa. The matter was taken up with the Mayor and the Flag was replaced.

National Headquarters

Benjamin D. Hill, Jr., Chairman

THE ANNUAL report of the National Headquarters Building Committee is submitted herewith, covering the period since the Congress held in May 1948.

No appropriation was set up at the National Congress held in Minneapolis for expenditures by this Committee. However, emergency expenditures were authorized by your Chairman, in the month of June 1948, for repairs to the roof scuppers, in the amount of \$75.46. This covers the work accomplished by this Committee.

At the first meeting of the Executive Committee, a special Committee was created to accomplish a project not covered by this report and to make recommendations on suggestions embodied in the Budget request submitted to the former Budget Committee, covering projects discussed in that meeting and considered most essential by your Chairman. No recommendations have been received from this special Committee.

Your Chairman feels that certain construction repairs, previously recommended, are most essential. The condition of a steel beam in the rear wall is a great hazard, and its replacement should be undertaken at once. Broken plaster ceilings and non-fire resisting doors in the Basement are, likewise, a hazard and would not meet proper fire inspection.

It has been a pleasure to serve you and the Society for the past three years as Chairman of this Committee. Recommendations are being prepared for the consideration of the Budget Committee, and it is sincerely hoped that the Society will, again, make available sufficient funds for the normal up-keep of the National Headquarters Building.

Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship

A. Newton Benn, Chairman

Most PATRIOTIC Americans have finally come to realize the seriousness of the *Red Menace* and are cooperating wholeheartedly to cleanse the churches, schools, colleges, national and state services, labor unions, etc., of the Russian communistic propagandists, disloyalists and traitors and the Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship Committee is able to report quite favorably on the patriotic activities of the various State Societies in this respect.

To report on many states would be merely a repetition of the several routine patriotic activities carried out, so the committee's report will give space principally to two or three States Societies which have been more general in their activities and should suggest to other State Societies activities that they might well engage in during the coming year.

Past President John W. Giesecke of the Missouri Society, his term having expired March 4, reports that a committee secured a copy of the list of approved text books for use in the public schools of the state and is making a study of them; that another committee is working on juvenile delinquency as it is affected in particular by crime, and the so-called comic books sold to juveniles in Missouri and that the Missouri Society has sponsored a program to secure the enactment of city and state legislation to bar the sale to juveniles of publications likely to incite crimes of violence, etc.; in fact such an ordinance has already been introduced before the Board of Aldermen of St. Louis with the backing of the Missouri Society.

The Missouri Society has continued its practice of awarding good citizenship medals and certificates among the schools of the state. During the past year a good citizenship medal was awarded in each school in Missouri where an R.O.T.C. unit is in existence and more than 100 certificates of good citizenship were awarded in as many high schools in the state. In addition thereto the Society sponsored Constitution Day activities throughout the state, which were held in high schools, court rooms and other places of public gathering. Both the Mayor of St. Louis and the Governor of the State of Missouri were called upon to issue proclamations

for Constitution Day.

Another activity the Missouri Society engaged in and which other State Societies might well follow, was the communication which was sent out for Bill of Rights Day. About 1000 copies of a one-page communication consisting primarily of the article which appeared in the National Society Quarterly Magazine were sent to all newspapers in Missouri, to the members of the Missouri legislature, to the mayors of the larger communities, to every member of the Missouri Society, S.A.R., to the Governor of Missouri and to numerous other persons urging them to engage in activities which would promote a recognition and remembrance of the Bill of Rights and what it means to the people of this country.

Furthermore the Missouri Society made an effort to have the U. S. Highway 50 within the state designated as the George Washington Highway, and a letter was sent to a number of newspapers, mayors and the Governor concerning the birth of Benjamin Franklin and requesting that suitable recognition be made on this particular anniversary.

Ward R. Evans, President, Iowa Society, reports that among other activities the Iowa Society has checked the text and reference books used in the public schools and found they were "not bad from an American standpoint." He added, however, that he did not think so well of the Iowa colleges due to a lot of radical sentiment and socialistic teaching.

G. Ward Kemp, President, Washington State Society, reports the discharge of three teachers by the President of the State University due to their communistic leanings, if not teachings and that one of the teachers discharged has since been convicted by a jury in the Superior Court of contempt for failure to answer a committee of the legislature whether he was or had been a member of the Communist organization. He enclosed a copy of a full page Resolution against Communism adopted by the Washington Society at their annual meeting but inasmuch as he has sent a copy thereof together with a full report to the California Good Citizen-

ship Committee, I shall not give it space but it should be read by all S.A.R. members.

President Kemp presented medals to the winners of speaking contests in Seattle high schools, a cup to the outstanding R.O.T.C. cadet at the Washington State University and medals to the leading R.O.T.C. cadets in Tacoma high schools.

The Washington Society also provided the "The Spirit of '76" in the civic parade which takes place annually in Seattle on July 4th—a thirteen-star flag, two drummers, one fifer, and a special banner "Spirit of '76" by the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution. This is splendid publicity for the S.A.R. and might well be copied by other State Societies.

Curtailed space allotment prevents reporting activities in other states.

Public Lectures

John H. Babb, Chairman

PURSUANT TO A resolution passed at the 57th Annual Congress held in Huntington, West Virginia, two years ago, the Public Lectures Committee was created by the Executive Committee for the purpose of organizing a nationwide series of free public lectures to combat communism by bringing to the attention of the mass of voters the great benefit of the American system of individual free and voluntary enterprise as opposed to compulsory servitude to the state. The speakers and their lectures are to be carefully selected and edited and made available to local chapters, which will finance free public lectures in their respective communities.

All state societies have been sent two or more letters, requesting full co-operation in this most important undertaking. Eighteen societies have replied, pledging their co-operation, and most of these have been enthusiastic.

The National Committee has not heard from twenty-nine state societies.

We have received splendid co-operation from President General Ben H. Powell, III, and Secretary General Frank B. Steele. We have operated entirely without appropriation and the only expense the National Society has had has been to send out two general letters to the state presidents.

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IN MEMORIAM

HARRY T. ALSOP, North Dakota, 1949
HENRY P. ARCHER, Maryland, August 27, 1948
F. DUVAL ARMSTRONG, Louisiana, October 3, 1948
GEORGE W. ARMSTRONG, Michigan, September 20, 1948
THEODORE M. BAILEY, South Dakota, 1949
ROGER S. BALDWIN, Connecticut, March 23, 1949
HENRY A. BARBER, Minnesota, March 24, 1949
PRATT BARNOLLAR, Kansas, October 4, 1948
CARLOS E. BARRON, Massachusetts, May 5, 1949
GEORGE G. BATTLE, North Carolina, April 29, 1949
ROSS J. B. BEATTY, Illinois, January 14, 1949
EDWARD H. BERRY, Ohio, July 7, 1948
CHARLES E. BIBY, Kansas, November 29, 1948
JOHN F. BRATNEY, New York, 1948-9
JULIUS H. BRENT, Mississippi, November, 1948
JOSHUA L. BROOKS, Massachusetts, February 16, 1949
CHARLES W. BROWN, Idaho, June 2, 1948
GEORGE C. BRYANT, Connecticut, August 28, 1947
G. EDWARD BUXTON, Rhode Island, March 16, 1949
ROBERT R. M. CARPENTER, Delaware, June 10, 1949
WILLIAM W. CARY, Ohio, February 5, 1949
JOHN A. COE, Connecticut, August 4, 1948
JAMES H. COLEMAN, South Carolina, January 7, 1949
NOYCE L. CORNELL, Ohio, 1949
LEON H. CORNWALL, New York, March 4, 1949
KOHN N. COULTER, Indiana, January 8, 1949
JOHN B. COX, Arkansas, March 23, 1949
AUSTIN CRAIG, Minnesota, February 11, 1949
EMORY A. CRAIG, Maryland, March 22, 1949
RAY CRITCHLOW, New York, November 12, 1948
WILBUR L. CROSS, Connecticut, October 5, 1949
THOMAS A. DAILEY, Indiana, *Past State President*, May 18, 1949
J. RAY DAVIS, Ohio, April 7, 1949
WILLARD P. DAVIS, Ohio, 1949
ALBERT J. DEANE, Minnesota, April 9, 1948
HIRAM W. DEYO, New York, April 1948
EDWARD S. DOTON, Connecticut, February 28, 1949
JOHN C. DOUGHTON, Ohio, May 1, 1948
WILLIAM P. DRAKE, Kentucky, February 10, 1949
GEORGE W. DRUMMOND, Maine, October 4, 1948
WILLIAM B. DUMONT, Louisiana, March 22, 1948
THOMAS M. EARL, California, April 4, 1949
CHARLES F. ENSIGN, Idaho, March 18, 1949
WILLIAM W. EDMONSTON, JR., Maryland, December 18, 1948
WILLIAM W. EVERETT, District of Columbia, March 20, 1949
ROBERT H. FANCHER, New York, 1948-9
W. A. FARNSWORTH, North Dakota, 1948
WILLIAM G. FULLER, JR., Texas, June 14, 1949
HARRY G. GERMAN, Pennsylvania, February 19, 1949
JOHN A. GIBSON, Pennsylvania, February 2, 1943
LUTHER M. GIBSON, West Virginia, 1948-9
BRUCE L. GILFILLAN, Iowa, March 6, 1949
ARTHUR W. GILLAN, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1948
HORACE M. GRAFF, New York, 1949
DANIEL L. GRANTER, Washington State, October 15, 1948
EDWIN C. GREENE, Rhode Island, April 21, 1948
JOHN C. GUNBY, Texas, January 15, 1949
J. WILLIAM HAGEN, West Virginia, 1948-9
J. HAZEN HARDY, Massachusetts, January 15, 1949
EARLE A. HARRINGTON, North Carolina, March 4, 1949
JOSEPH B. HARTY, North Carolina, 1948-9
RICHARD P. HAWES, District of Columbia, January 14, 1949
GILBERT W. HEAD, Maryland, March 17, 1949
HARRY G. HENDERSON, California, March 16, 1949
PLATO D. HERNDON, North Carolina, 1948-9
MILTON P. HILL, Maryland, October 9, 1948
ANDERSON D. HODGDON, Maryland, July 12, 1948
CLINTON E. HOLBROOK, New York, April 9, 1939
JOHN H. HORD, Ohio, April 14, 1949
CHESTER E. HOWELL, SR., New York, April 10, 1949
EVERTS H. HOWELL, New York, April 10, 1949
C. WALTER HUGHES, Missouri, April 11, 1948
CHARLES A. HULL, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1949
CLAUDE W. HUMMELL, Ohio, March 16, 1949
EDWARD M. HUSSONG, Oregon, May 1949
JOHN J. HUTSON, Virginia, July 15, 1948
JAMES R. INGRAM, Texas, March 21, 1949
JOHN L. JACKSON, Louisiana, September 2, 1948
JOHN J. JOHNS, Missouri, April 19, 1949

GLENN T. KENNEDY, Ohio, February 20, 1948
THOMAS R. KUYKENDALL, Texas, 1948
M. WADE LANSING, New York, October 22, 1948
WILSON H. LEE, Connecticut, May 9, 1948
HENRY A. LEEDY, Ohio, April 14, 1948
ALEXANDER C. LIVINGSTON, New York, March 30, 1949
CLAYTON W. LORING, Michigan, March 23, 1948
H. MELVIN LUKENS, Indiana, April 17, 1948
EDGAR S. MCCARDELL, Maryland, October 14, 1948
WASHINGTON J. MCCORMICK, Montana, March 7, 1949
FRANK W. MCCULLOUGH, West Virginia, 1948-9
FERRIN H. MCHAFFIE, West Virginia, 1949
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JAMES A. MASSEY, Maryland, April 23, 1948
FRANK W. MATSON, Minnesota, May 29, 1949
JOHN F. MECK, Pennsylvania, March 12, 1949
BEDFORD K. METZGER, Ohio, October 17, 1948
JESSE B. MILAN, Oklahoma, May 8, 1949
CLARENCE E. MILLER, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1948
RAYMOND F. MONTGOMERY, Kansas, April 13, 1949
RAYMOND T. MOORE, New Jersey, April 9, 1948
HORACE A. MOSES, New York, April 7, 1947
HARRY S. NEWMAN, District of Columbia, January 22, 1948
CHARLES J. NICHOLS, Maine, June 12, 1949
FRANK N. NOBLE, North Dakota, February, 1948
WILLIAM S. O'BRIEN, West Virginia, 1948-9
LESLIE W. OLSON, Illinois, June 1948
VERNER R. O'NEAL, Georgia, January 6, 1949
NORMAN O. ORME, Texas, February 1949
GORDON PARKHILL, Pennsylvania, March 28, 1949
ARTHUR W. PASHLEY, New York, March 6, 1949
JOHN A. PATTERSON, Pennsylvania, March 18, 1949
WITHERS G. PEEBLES, Alabama, 1947
JESS A. PENNINGTON, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1949
J. J. PETTUS, Alabama, March 24, 1949
J. CAMPBELL PHILLIPS, New York, September 1948
HARVEY F. REMINGTON, New York, *Past President General*, March 18, 1949
THOMAS B. RICHEY, Virginia, March 30, 1949
WILLIAM L. ROCKE, Virginia, June 10, 1949
JAMES B. RUHL, Ohio, May 18, 1949
FOREST M. RUNYON, Ohio, May 24, 1949
EDMUND W. SCHALL, Connecticut, February 19, 1949
JOSEPH C. SHEPARD, North Carolina, 1948-9
FERDINAND A. SIEDHOF, Massachusetts, March 13, 1949
LEROY J. SKINNER, New York, 1948-9
FORREST A. SLADER, Vermont, 1948-9
JOHN A. SMITH, District of Columbia, January 19, 1948
PENN S. SPANGLER, Pennsylvania, March 4, 1949
ELLIOTT SPEAR, Louisiana, October 21, 1948
SAMUEL D. STENNIS, Texas, May 11, 1948
JAMES L. S. STEWART, Idaho, December 12, 1948
OSCAR K. SWAYSE, Kansas, June 12, 1949
GEORGE E. TEBBS, Ohio, April 27, 1948
MELVILLE C. THRELKELD, California, April 7, 1949
CHARLES T. TILLMAN, Georgia, November 2, 1948
DEAN LAKE TRAXLER, Illinois, *Past State President*, April 21, 1949
LESLIE A. UNDERWOOD, Massachusetts, March 17, 1949
FREDERICK F. UNGER, Pennsylvania, 1948
JOHN C. UTLEY, North Carolina, 1949
WILLIAM M. VAN PATTERN, Washington State, September 21, 1948
HOMER T. WATERHOUSE, Maine, June 26, 1948
GEORGE F. WEBSTER, South Dakota, 1949
JAMES Y. WELBORN, Indiana, December 20, 1948
JOHN A. WESTON, Washington State, January 15, 1949
HIRAM A. WEYMOUTH, Utah, March 10, 1949
CHARLES E. WHEELER, Connecticut, March 19, 1949
BENJAMIN W. WICKMAN, Ohio, March 7, 1949
RAY WISS, Minnesota, January 19, 1949
ALONZA B. WILLIAMS, Rhode Island, March 14, 1948
CHARLES S. WILLIAMS, Louisiana, November 24, 1948
ROBERT L. WILLIAMS, Oklahoma, April 10, 1948
ROBERT C. WILLIAMSON, Mississippi, October 2, 1948
WILLIAM C. WILLIS, New York, 1949
BEN WOOD, Idaho, January 3, 1949
SHELDON A. WOOD, Michigan, February 17, 1949
J. GANO WRIGHT, Ohio, September 29, 1948
ROBERT M. YERGASON, Connecticut, March 24, 1949
PENROSE H. ZENDT, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1949

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION

Time marches on: we play our little part on the stage of life and the curtain is brought down in the midst of our activities. The only encore is the living memory of friends and loved ones, and the continuing results of good deeds performed.

During the year the grim reaper took from us our elected leader, Charles Shaler, of Pennsylvania. He was an enthusiast and an indomitable worker. He loved his work and put his all into it. Long live his memory!

Likewise during the year there was taken from us two Past Presidents General, G. Ridgely Sappington of Mary-

land and Harvey F. Remington of New York, three Past Vice-Presidents General, J. Garfield Buell of Oklahoma, Robert C. Tracy of the District of Columbia and George Winters of New Jersey, Past Librarian General, McDonald Miller of the District of Columbia, Past Genealogist General Charles W. Tucker of Massachusetts, also Dean Lake Traxler, past Trustee from Illinois. They served well; they loved our Society and thru the years gave generously of their time and talents to its growth and development. They put service above self; well done thou good and faithful servants.

Past President General Oliver

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY CREATES NEW CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW MEDAL

DEPEW TRIBUTE BY HON.
JAMES FARLEY

On this commemorative occasion, when we seek to capture again the spirit of those noble days of Washington and the other great colonial leaders, we are perforce impressed with the great debt we owe to the past. We are reminded too, of the continuing lessons which we may learn by pausing now and then to glance backward while carrying on our steady march to the fore in every field of activity.

With this thought in mind, I would speak today of an inspiring figure from the recent past, the founder of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Chauncey M. Depew. The memory of Chauncey Depew is still fresh in the minds of most of us here present today, and the unique message of his distinguished life of service is one it behooves us frequently to recall to mind.

It is no severe accusation of our contemporaries to say that there exists today no counterpart of Chauncey M. Depew. To expect men of such rare qualities, in

such a happy combination, to appear frequently among us would be asking too much of our already overtaxed good fortune. I suggest, however, that we can with profit seek out and cultivate those attributes which won for this great man his deserved place in our social, political, and commercial history.

Let us remember that Chauncey M. Depew was, first among all things, a man of faith. By his own repeated affirmation, he was a man who trusted in God, who knew how to place trust in others, and who knew how to be true to the trust that others placed in him. Throughout every aspect of his long and full life, he kept faith with the simple, basic creed which for him summed up the entire relationship of man with God and with his fellow men.

Let us remember also that Chauncey Depew was a man of balance. If there is any one answer to the question of how a man could concentrate so much and such varied activity into a single lifetime, I submit that the answer lay in his remarkable ability to see things in their true perspective and to weigh them ac-



cording to a clearly established scale of values. From a study of his life, it would appear that to him nothing was unimportant. By the same token, he allowed no consideration, however pressing, to loom beyond its true proportions. He had the unfailing judgement of a specialist in a wide variety of fields, but never did he make the specialist's common error of total submersion in one line of thought to the exclusion of all others.

If we may select one other mark from the long list of those which distinguished this eminent American, we may well ponder his uncommon gift of human sympathy. For a man who moved continually among what we might call the elect of his time, he commanded a remarkable grasp of the view points of all walks of life. His surpassing refinement, growing out of a firm conviction of man's worth and dignity, won him a position in the public esteem untarnished by any trace of bitterness or malice. In carrying out his avowed purpose of making as many friends as possible, he displayed a singular incapacity for earning the enmity of any one. His stated view that the essence of friendship is "reciprocal attachment and contribution" represents a philosophy of human relations that the world would do well to heed.

Paying tribute to the memory of Chauncey H. Depew, while I consider it a great honor, is not an easy thing to do. From a character so rich, from a life to replete with accomplishment, it seems almost impertinent to select points which at best must appear random observations. And, when one considers the matchless eloquence which crowned his other gifts, the futility of speaking mere words in his honor is the more overwhelming.



George Washington's Inaugural Observance Ceremony on Steps of Sub-Treasury Building, April 29, 1949, Compatriots Listening to George McAneny's Address.

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY MOVES TO FEDERAL HALL MEMORIAL

NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

The Sub-Treasury Building was designated "Federal Hall Memorial" on April 30th, 1939, by Harold L. Ickes, then Secretary of the Interior. Thus, on the 150th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington, the Sub-Treasury became a National Historic Site. Today, it is the home of the Empire State Society.

It is not easy to realize that the United States Government was founded at the corner of Wall and Nassau Streets in little old New York. The historic event occurred in the Spring of 1789 at Federal Hall, on the site of the present Sub-Treasury Building, with the meeting of the first session of Congress under the newly ratified Constitution, and Washington's inauguration as our first President there a few weeks later.

The building in which these momentous events occurred had been especially rebuilt for the new federal government by the city, when New York was designated as the new national capital. Formerly the City Hall, it was transformed into the most beautiful building in the city, if not in the country, under the inspired supervision of a young French architect, Major Pierre Charles L'Enfant, who had served as an engineer in Washington's army.

The entire exterior and interior were remodeled and embellished with details symbolic of its new function, and a new section added to the rear to house the great Representatives Room which was three stories high and occupied almost half of the finished structure. It was the initial example of a new type of architecture, the first style truly characteristic of our country.

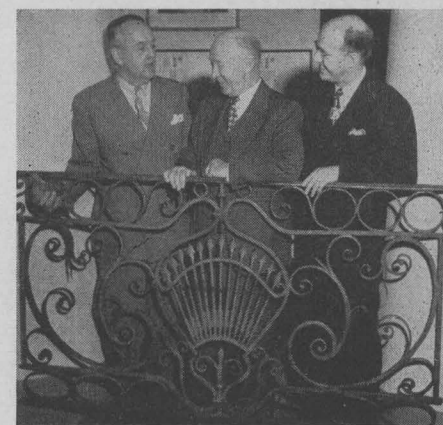
Probably the most colorful event during the building's short but dramatic history was Washington's inauguration as our first President on the large porch or balcony in the front of the second floor overlooking Wall Street. He had been welcomed to the city with a great celebration a week before and, after a round of receptions, was escorted to Federal Hall at noon on April 30, 1789.

After receiving the assembled Con-

gressmen in the Senate Chamber, he stepped out onto the balcony and took the oath of office before the assembled governmental officials and an enthusiastic crowd in Wall Street below. As Chancellor Livingstone proclaimed, "It is done! Long live George Washington, President of the United States," a flag was flown on the roof of the building, at which signal the booming of the guns at the fort and the pealing of the church bells were added to the cheers of the spectators.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Photograph above shows ORIGINAL RAIL behind which George Washington stood on April 30th, 1789, when he was inaugurated first President of the United States of America, standing on the balcony of old Federal Hall, first Capitol of the country under the Constitution, which stood on the present site of the Sub-Treasury Building, corner of Wall and Nassau Streets, New York.



Appearing in this picture, taken in the Federal Hall Memorial Museum in the Sub-Treasury Building, are the following (left to right) gathered to welcome the return of the historic Federal Hall rail to its birthplace, being loaned by the New York Historical Society for the re-enactment of the Inauguration. (1) Gardner Osborn, Secretary, Empire State Society, S. A. R. (2) Frank M. Totton, Grand Master, Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York. (3) Alexander J. Wall, Jr., Asst. Director, N. Y. Historical Society.



SOCIETY LIBRARY IN ROOM 105, SUB-TREASURY BUILDING

Brief Biographies of Newly Elected Officers

John Whelchel Finger President General

John Whelchel Finger, elected to the office of President General May 18th was born in Gainesville, Georgia, the son of John Franklin and Lottie B. (Whelchel) Finger.

He was a charter member of the John Whelchel Society, Children of the American Revolution and the Society's first presiding officer.

Attended Emory University and received an LLB degree from the University of Georgia in 1928. Was admitted to the Bar the same year. Member of the Sigma Nu fraternity.

Entered the employ of the National City Bank of New York and later the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. Is now President, National Equities Corporation; Vice President, Inter-County Title Guaranty and Mortgage Company; and Trustee of mortgage certificate issues.

He served the New York Chapter, S. A. R., as a member of the Board of Managers, Historian, Vice President and President; and the Empire State Society as a member of the Board of Managers and President.

Married Carol Smith Allen, daughter of Martin Smith and Caroline C. (Murphy) Allen and has two sons, Allen Whelchel Finger and John Martin Finger both members of the C. A. R. Mrs. Finger was Secretary and Regent of the Women of '76 Chapter, D. A. R., and New York State Chairman of National Defense. She is now N. Y. State Vice President of the C. A. R.

Mr. Finger is a member of the Layman's Club of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine, and served on the Board of Governors and as Chairman of the Finance Committee for many years. He is a member of The Lawyers Club of New York and The Union League Club.

He joined the Society on the basis of revolutionary service by Francis Whelchel and has filed five supplementals.

David W. Rial Historian General

David W. Rial, a native of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, was elected Historian General at the Minneapolis Congress, May 26th. He is the son of John and Elizabeth M. Smith Rial. His father, a veteran of the Civil War was seriously wounded at Cold Harbor, when the ten thousand men fell in ten minutes.

He received his elementary education in the schools of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, graduated from Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, from Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts, where he received his Masters Degree completing his academic requirements for his doctorate at the University of Chicago and University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Rial has been a member of the SAR for forty-two years the last ten of which he has served as state historian of the Pennsylvania Society and Editor of the official publication the "Pennsylvania SAR News."

He has served as a school and college teacher and school administrator for the greater part of his life except during World War I when he did research work for the Hood Rubber Company in furthering the war effort.

His particular interest has been in the field of history and archaeology. This coming summer he will lead the sixth expedition from the Carnegie Museum of Pittsburgh into the Inter-mountain Basin of the Western states on the trail of pre-Columbia Americans.

His Revolutionary ancestors were Isaac Rial and David Rial, both of whom gave service in New Jersey Continentals.

Mr. Rial is a trustee of the Methodist Church, a former member of the General Conference, a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Phi Kappa honorary fraternities.

W. Guy Tetrick Genealogist General

W. Guy Tetrick of Clarksburg, W. Va., was elected Genealogist General May 26th at the 58th Congress. He was born at Enterprise, W. Va., on January 3rd, 1883, the son of L. Elmer

and Sarah J. (McIntire) Tetrick; education received in the public schools, Mountain State Business College, Parkersburg, W. Va., and Elliott's Business College, Fairmont, W. Va.; married February 9th, 1910, at Clarksburg, to Virginia Anne Heavner; children—Capt. Willis G. Tetrick, Jr., Catherine Virginia, (now Mrs. M. Y. Sutton) Margaret Anne, and Jame E.

He was chief Deputy County Clerk of Harrison County, W. Va.; appointed County Clerk in 1907 and elected to that office for the 1908-14 term. He was publisher of The Clarksburg Exponent, 1915-27; general manager of the Clarksburg Publishing Co. and publisher of the Exponent, Clarksburg Telegram and Sunday Exponent-Telegram, 1927-41. He was member of the firm of Heavner & Tetrick; author, compiler and publisher of 1850 U. S. Census Records for Harrison Lewis, Barbour and Taylor Counties, and Doddridge, Ritchie and Gilmer Counties and Calhoun County for 1860; publisher of Obituaries from newspapers of Northern West Virginia, second series, covering 1932 and 1933 (5 vols.); compiler and publisher of Descriptive Atlas of W. Va., 1933, and publisher of other books and pamphlets on historical subjects; author of Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Democratic Party in W. Va. 1936; republished S. C. Shaw's notes on Wood County, W. Va.; Presidential Elector, 3rd Congressional District of W. Va., 1932; member Harrison Co. Democratic Executive Committee 1905-15; and State Executive Committee since 1917; on Eastern Advisory Board Associated Press 1925-27; director Southern Newspaper Publishers and W. Va. Newspaper Publishers Association 1922-41; member Commission on W. Va. Historic and Scenic Highway Markers and W. Va. War History Commission.

Mr. Tetrick, as a member of the West Virginia S.A.R. since 1927, became the first President of George Rogers Clark Chapter at Clarksburg, and is again its President. He has been the Registrar of the West Virginia Society since its organization in 1927, and a collector of local and family history and genealogy of northern W. Va., families for more than thirty years. He served as a member of the State Legislature in 1945-46.

Dr. Mott R. Sawyers, D.D. Chaplain General

Mott R. Sawyers, D.D., elected Chaplain General May 18th, has been associated with patriotic and public causes all his life and in the S. A. R. came up through the grades.

Born of Southern parents in Unionville, Iowa, a town so named on account of the union sentiment of its founders, in a home active in politics, rich in Revolutionary tradition and equipped with a fine historical library, he was even when a small boy considered "a good historian."

At 18 he was Secretary of a large political club and at 21 he was proposed as a candidate for the State legislature, but believing himself called to the ministry, gave up political ambitions and entered Princeton Theological Seminary.

While still in the service, he was invited to become the Pastor of his home church at Centerville, Iowa. He remained there for 20 years, held many public positions; was twice chosen as President of the Association of Commerce and during the entire period Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs and Improved Highways.

When he closed his pastorate there, the churches of the country, of various denominations united in a farewell meeting. Many of them dismissed services and tried to crowd into his building. Those which did not close, sent representatives. He was presented with a fine wrist watch, given a Life Membership in the Association of Commerce and awarded a hand-lettered Tribute for Constructive Community Services, signed by the Mayor, Head of the Public Schools, County and City Ministerial Associations, American Legion, Federated Women's Clubs, Association of Commerce and similar organizations.

In 1940 he moved to Minneapolis. There being no S. R. there he sought membership in the Minneapolis Chapter of the S. A. R. In that Chapter he has served as private in the rear rank, a Director, Secretary, Chairman of the Membership Committee and President, and is now State President of the Minnesota Society. (He is also an Honorary Life Member of the St. Paul Chapter.) For the last 5 years in succession he has been selected to give the address

at the Annual Washington's Birthday Meeting.

He is the author of a number of books and magazine articles and was for 7 seasons a lecturer with the Redpath Lyceum and Chatauqua Bureau, and is prominently written up in Who's Who in America.

William Harvey Wise Librarian General

The new Librarian General, W. Harvey Wise, elected at Minneapolis, April 26th, was born in Remington, Virginia, on April 8, 1908, the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. Harvey Wise. He was graduated from Remington High School in 1924 and from George Washington University, A.B., 1930, LL.B., 1932; National University, M.P.L. and S.J.D., his Thesis: "International Copyright and the Protection of Radio Compositions in the United States." He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar, admitted in 1931.

The first position held by the Librarian General was in the Copyright Office, Library of Congress. In 1942, at the time he was ordered to active duty by the U. S. Naval Reserve, he was Assistant Registrar of Copyrights. During the war he served as Industrial Relations Officer at the Naval Torpedo Station, Alexandria, Va., and advanced to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Following his service in the Navy he joined the Staff of the Veterans Administration and served in the Richmond Branch Office as Assistant Director of Personnel. In November 1947 he transferred to the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., and now holds the position of Special Assistant to the Chief Counsel, Bureau of Internal Revenue. Author: Cocompiler of the Presidential Bibliographical Series—a series of seven bibliographies on the Presidents of the United States from John Adams through James Buchanan.

He is Past President, District of Columbia Society S.A.R. and a member of the American Bar Association; Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity; Phi Mu Sigma Fraternity; American Legion—Augustus P. Gardner Post; Mt. Vernon Place Church—Member of the Official Board. He married Emily Virginia Miller; one son, William Harvey Wise, IV.

Wallace C. Hall Chancellor General

Wallace C. Hall, attorney at law. He was born in Harbor Beach, Michigan on April 2, 1894, the son of Charles L. Hall, attorney, and Ellen Sophia (Greeley) H. Educated at Bad Axe High School; Michigan State Normal College 1913; A.B. University of Michigan in 1916; LL.B., LL.M. 1921. Married Hazel Harmon Forte of Ann Arbor, June 17, 1920, and has two children—Ellen Lee and Wallace Greeley.

He was a Science teacher at Highland Park High School, 1916-17; instructor English at University of Michigan 1919-21 while completing law studies; professor of Law of Wills, Estates and Equity at Detroit College of Law, 1923-38; member of Detroit Michigan State American Bar Association, Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity.

Served in Army during World War I as Sgt., 1st Class, Meteorological Division, Signal Corps, in France. He is a Director of Denton Sleeping Garment Mills Inc.; Trustee and Treasurer of Frank Wolf Fund; Past Commander of Post 88 of the American Legion.

He is a member of the S.A.R. since 1923; past president of Detroit Chapter, Michigan Society, Past National Trustee, Vice President General; Chancellor General; member of the executive Committee under President Generals Souris, Sappington, Muntz, Oliver, and Foreman. 1st Chairman of Organization Committee under Muntz. Chairman of Deby Liquidation Committee under Oliver; many times Chairman of Resolutions and Rules Committee; attended all except one Congress since 1934.

FLORENCE H. KENDALL AWARD

Compatriot W. Guy Humphrey of Mississippi is the 1949 recipient of the annual Florence H. Kendall Award which is presented to a member of the National Society, S.A.R., who has shown the greatest activity in membership recruiting and other patriotic endeavors of the Society. The medal has been sent to Compatriot Humphrey with congratulations.

Douglas Sloane
Vice President General
New England District

Douglas Sloane, of Rindge, N. H., elected Vice President General at Minneapolis on May 26th, was born June 3, 1890 in Port Chester, N. Y., and was educated at St. Paul's School, Garden City, L. I., Dartmouth, and at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is retired from active business and was formerly with the Sloane Investors Service.

His war service in World War I was with the U. S. Navy Air Corps as Lieutenant, Junior Grade.

His former activities included Sunday School work in New York, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire; the Massachusetts Boys Club, Boy Scouts, and as Chairman of Boys Work Committee of the Rotary Club of Boston; Board of Management of Boston YMCA. He was Honorary member of the Class of 1939, at Dartmouth; Honorary member Lambda Phi Fraternity. He is very active in civic activities at Rindge and Newton, Mass.

He is Past President of the New Hampshire State Society SAR and of the Nathan Hale Chapter at Rindge, and former National Trustee for New Hampshire.

Mrs. Sloane was the former Sibyl Sanderson and their children are Douglas IV; Lieutenant Sanderson, Bomber Pilot in the late war, killed in action; John, III, Lieutenant, Bomber Pilot, and Margaret, now Mrs. Edward C. Brummer. Douglas IV has three children, Penelope, Diana and Douglas V.

Mr. Sloane is an Episcopalian and a Mason. His outstanding service in the S.A.R. has been the creation of the wonderful Cathedral of the Pines and Altar of the Nation at Rindge, for which he provided the site and assisted materially in completing this lovely Shrine in memory of his son Sanderson, where services are held each summer weekly or oftener, by many groups and organizations for special gatherings and to whom the Cathedral is made available upon request. Annual S.A.R. anniversary services are also held here under sponsorship of the Council of New England Presidents, commemorating the original dedication of the Altar and Cathedral.

Edgar Williamson, Jr.
Vice President General
North Atlantic District

Edgar Williamson, Jr., was elected to the office of Vice President General for the North Atlantic District on May 18, 1949 at the 59th Annual Congress of the National Society, held in Jacksonville, Florida.

He was born in Orange, New Jersey November 24, 1903 the son of Edgar and Grace Elizabeth (Van Nalts) Williamson. He joined the Society by right of descent from William Williamson of North Carolina.

A graduate of the East Orange, New Jersey grammar and high schools and Le Master Preparatory School, and is a Realtor by profession, heading a real estate and insurance firm in Newark, New Jersey.

He is a former member of the New Jersey Legislature, having served four terms. Also, a former Commissioner in the City of East Orange, New Jersey.

Former two term President of the New Jersey Society, having previously served as State Secretary for two terms and Vice President and member of the Board of Managers. Also, former president of the Orange Chapter served as General Chairman of Arrangements for the 56th Annual Congress held in Trenton, New Jersey May 1946.

Married Katherine Louise Sibley, daughter of Elmer Parker and Sarah Marie (Tighe) Sibley of Malden, Massachusetts.

Compatriot Williamson is a member of the Calvary Methodist Church, East Orange, New Jersey, serving on the Board of Stewards; Rotary Club of Newark; Down Town Club; Chamber of Commerce; Advertising Club of New Jersey; and is a member of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of New Jersey.

Edward D. Shriner, Jr.
Vice President General
Middle Atlantic District

Edward Derr Shriner, Jr., of Frederick, Maryland, elected Vice-President General of the Mid Atlantic District at the 59th Annual Congress at Jacksonville, Florida, May 18th, 1949, was born in Frederick County, Maryland, November 1st, 1894, the son of Edward Derr Shriner and Nannie Getzendanner.

He became a member of the Sons of the American Revolution on May 11, 1919, his application being filed by his father while he was serving in France in the first World War, by right of descent from Captain John Stoner, of Frederick County, Maryland; and subsequently filed supplemental papers through Michael Shriner, Sr., a private in the Pennsylvania Militia.

He was educated in the public schools of Frederick and entered the banking business with the Frederick County National Bank, of which he was Assistant Cashier for ten years before he resigned in 1932. He then entered the wholesale oil business, in which he was engaged until 1945 when he retired to supervise his own property interests.

He is a veteran of World War I having enlisted in the Army on May 1st, 1917, and saw service in the 58th Regiment of Coast Artillery, serving in the Meuse Argonne Sector and was close to Metz on Armistice Day.

Mr. Shriner, and his father before him, have been constant attendants at the Annual Congresses of the National Society, and both are Donors of the National Headquarters Building. For many years he has served as a member of the Credentials Committee of the National Society and was Chairman of this Committee at the recent Jacksonville Congress.

He has served as the first Secretary of the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter of Frederick, has been a member of the State Board of Managers for many years and Trustee of the Maryland Society since 1941.

He married Virginia Musser, daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Cyrus J. Musser, of Philadelphia, on May 15, 1935.

Ray O. Edwards, Sr.
Vice President General
South Atlantic District

Ray Omer Edwards, Sr., is descended from five Revolutionary ancestors who served with Pennsylvania and Virginia troops. His personal military service consisted of eighteen months in Europe with the Second Division (known as the "Marine" Division) in all its major engagements during World War I and of sixteen months in various hospitals recovering from wounds. He previously had been one of the first

twenty-four American officers in Anti-Aircraft Artillery and one of the three to write the first text book in that newly created branch of the U. S. Army. His decorations include the Silver Star, Purple Heart, French Croix de Guerre and French Fourragere, as an individual decoration and he is entitled to wear the Victory medal with five Battle Clasps, the British Service Medal and the French Commemorative. During World War II, he served as Deputy Chief of Public Works and District Chairman of Housing.

Ray received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Purdue University in 1922 after attending DePauw University and George Washington University of Washington, D. C. He is a member of Beta Theta Pi (social fraternity), Contour (honorary civil engineering) and Tau Beta Pi (honorary engineering scholastic).

In the Sons of the American Revolution, he has been Secretary-Treasurer, Genealogist, 1st and 2nd Vice President and is in his second term as President of the Jacksonville Chapter. For the Florida Society, he has served as Secretary-Treasurer and President and was elected Honorary State President. For the National Society, he has served one year as National Trustee from Florida,

as Chairman of the National Committee on Arrangements for the 59th National Congress and as a member of various National Committees.

Col. William T. Carpenter
Vice President General
Southern District

He was born on December 13, 1878 at Arkadelphia, Arkansas; the son of James T. Carpenter of Jeffersonville, Indiana and Annie M. Castleman of Hardin County, Ky. He was educated in public schools of Lexington, Kentucky; and is graduate of the University of Kentucky, 1898, B.M.E. degree. He received M.E. degree at the same University in 1918.

He is a member of O.D.K., Phi Kappa Alpha Fraternity, and a 32 de-Mason.

He is a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society; Virginia Historical Society; East Tennessee Historical Society; Alabama Historical Society. His SAR membership is based on service of William Dunn of the James (Horseshoe) Robertson Chapter, SAR Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and is now Registrar of same; Secretary, Treasurer and Registrar of the Alabama Society, SAR and Trustee for Alabama Society, 1949.

Fred Inglewood Willis
Vice President General
Central District

Was born at Waterloo, Indiana, on September 27th, 1873, the third child of Frank Welcome and Josephine (Dickinson) Willis. He spent his early boyhood days in Waterloo and was educated in the Waterloo grade and high schools.

He was one of the first men to become associated with the bicycle business early in the history of that industry; this leading to the automobile business both as a distributor of automobiles and automobile supplies. At the time of his retirement from the automobile business he had been in this business continuously longer than any of the other Indianapolis dealers.

In 1914 he was elected Vice President of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce and in the reorganization of the Chamber he was elected President and under his leadership the present program of industrial, business and civic activity of the Organization was started. In 1916 he was also President of the Hoosier Motor Club which was one of the earliest Motor Clubs in the country and its usefulness has continued in a large way to the present day.

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Compatriots above, attending the National Congress, were among those elected vice presidents-general of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Left to right, they are: Edgar Williamson, Jr., of East Orange, N. J.; Walter S. Bear of Portland, Ore.; John H. Babb of Chicago, Ill.; Ray O. Edwards of Jacksonville and Edward D. Shriner of Frederick, Md.

Fred Inglewood Willis Continued

He holds life membership in the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce; in Murat Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and in the Scottish Rite.

He is a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, which organization is composed of descendants of officers of the Civil War. He also holds membership in the Sons of the American Revolution (Dickinson ancestors) and also holds membership in the Royal Order of Scotland.

John H. Babb Vice President General Great Lakes District

John H. Babb, elected Vice President General, Great Lakes District, at Jacksonville, Florida, on May 18, 1949, was born in Emma, Crosby County, Texas, on August 14, 1901, the son of John H. and Lillie (Tanner) Babb, who had long been pioneers in the Western part of Texas.

Mr. Babb's hobby is farming, particularly, tree planting and live-stock raising. His home is in the country, three miles from Barrington, Illinois. He is a member of the Chicago Bar Association, Illinois Bar Association, and American Bar Association, Gamma Eta Gamma, Legal Fraternity, Chicago Farmers, Texas Society, Texas Ex-Students Association, Executives' Club of Chicago, Barrington Lions' Club, Telephone Pioneers, Society of Colonial Wars, and Sons of the American Revolution. He has been a member of the Union League Club, director of the Executive's Club of Chicago, President of the Texas Society, President of Texas Ex-Student Association, President Northwest Hills Country Club, President Barrington Lions Club, Master Key Member of International Lions Club, President of Deer Grove School and a member of Cook County School Survey Committee, established by the Illinois State Legislature. During the War he was chairman of the Fuel Oil Panel of the Office of Price Administration, Barrington, Illinois, and received a citation from the President of the United States.

Mr. Babb has successively served the Sons of the American Revolution as Chairman of the Membership Committee, Illinois Society; Chairman of the

Legislative Committee, Illinois Society, Registrar, Illinois Society, President, Illinois Society for two years, and Trustee of the National Society. He is a descendant of Captain Thomas Babb of Virginia Troops and on his mother's side from Ensign John Rucker, also a Virginian. Both were killed in Battles of the Revolutionary War.

Harold D. LeMar Vice President General North Mississippi District

Harold Dihel LeMar elected Vice President General for the North Mississippi District, at the Minneapolis Congress, May 26, was born January 5th, 1891, at Mead, Saunders County, Nebraska, and was educated in the public schools of Nebraska and college in Tennessee.

After his graduation from college, he entered upon the practice of law at Rapid City, So. Dakota.

On the outbreak of World War I, he entered the Air Service and became a First Lieutenant Pilot in the Air Force. He served two years in France at that time. Returning to the practice of law at Rapid City, he was elected County Judge of Washington and Pennington Counties, South Dakota.

In 1926, moved to Omaha, Nebraska, where he now resides.

In the second World War, he entered service as a Major and was rapidly promoted to Colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Department of the Army. He served overseas a little over two and one half years in Morocco, Italy, France and Germany. He was decorated by the United States, France, Italy and Morocco.

On October 19, 1921, he married Luella F. Petersen of Omaha, Nebraska, and they are the parents of three children, William B., who served during World War II as a First Lieutenant in the Army and is a member of S.A.R.; Lorraine, who recently graduated from Vassar College; and Joan, who recently graduated from Stephens College. Both daughters are D.A.R. members.

Mr. LeMar was a former President of the Omaha Chapter, and former President of the Nebraska Society S.A.R. He joined in 1931. His Revolutionary ancestor George Dehel, Corporal in Pennsylvania Troops and supplementary; James Brush, sergeant in the Virginia Line.

John W. Giesecke Vice President General South Mississippi District

John W. Giesecke, elected at the 58th Congress at Minneapolis, May 26th, was born in Jefferson City, Missouri, June 12, 1903 and was educated in the public schools, Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, and graduated from the School of Law, University of Missouri, class of 1927.

He was married in Fulton, to Miss Roberta Crozier in 1928; two children William Frederick and Nancy Kathryn.

He was in the Legal Department of Central States Life Insurance Company from 1927 to 1933, since which time he has been engaged in the practice of law in St. Louis, Missouri; is a member of the firm of Ackert, Giesecke and Waugh, with offices in the Title Guaranty Building, 706 Chestnut Street. He is a member of the Episcopal Church, Masonic Order, Scottish Rite and Shrine; City Attorney of Glendale, St. Louis County, and Executive Secretary of the St. Louis County League of Municipalities. He is a member of the St. Louis Athletic Club.

He became a member of the S.A.R. in 1942 by right of descent from Nicholas Taliaferro, Captain of Virginia Troops and served three years as Treasurer, and on the Board of Managers of the Missouri Society since 1942, and is now serving his second term as its President.

George E. Tarbox, Jr. Vice President General Rocky Mountain District

George Edward Tarbox, Jr., of Denver, Colorado, elected at the Jacksonville Congress May 8, 1949, was born February 11, 1903, in Hartford, Connecticut, with the history of which city his family has long been identified. The names of twelve of his direct ancestors appear on the Founders' Monument there. He is also a lineal descendant of John Tarbox, who came to Lynn, Massachusetts in 1639 and of Degory Priest, John Alden, and William Mullins, signers of the Mayflower Compact.

Mr. Tarbox graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, Class of 1925. He resided at Birmingham, Alabama, from 1927 to 1932. He removed to Denver, Colo-

George E. Tarbox, Jr. Continued

rado, in 1932 and since that time has been head of the Geo. E. Tarbox Company, Manufacturers Agents engaged in sales and engineering services to the public utilities and to the chemical industries. Chairman, for County of Denver, Citizens Military Training Corps, 1933. Commodore, Sea Scouts of America, and Member of Board of Denver Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1935. Appointed by Gov. Ralph L. Carr to Colorado Council of Defense, 1942. With War Production Board, 1942 to 1944. Mr. Tarbox is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Foundrymen's Society and other similar professional associations and a member of the Denver Country Club and various other social organizations.

Mr. Tarbox became a member of the S. A. R. in 1935 by right of descent from Jonathan Tarbox of Hebron, Connecticut and Zebadiah Pratt of Needham, Massachusetts. His National Number is 50,000. Since his admission, Mr. Tarbox has continuously served the Colorado Society as a member of its Board of Managers. Vice President, Colorado Society, for two terms, 1943-1945. President, Colorado Society, for two terms, 1945-1947. Member of the Board of Trustees of the National Society, 1948. Delegate of the Colorado Society, 1948, to the 58th Congress at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Walter S. Bear Vice President General Pacific Coast District

Walter S. Bear, elected Vice President General for the Pacific Coast at the 59th Congress held at Jacksonville, was born near Decatur, Illinois, August 5, 1876, the son of Alfred Wesley and Laura (Wentworth) Bear. In 1901 he married Jessie May Lowe of Decatur and to their union were born two children—Laura Jeanette Bear, who died in 1948, and Wyman Kendrick Bear, architect in Portland, Oregon, and who is also a member of the S.A.R.

Compatriot Bear began his business career as a printer and was editor and publisher of a weekly newspaper at Bloomfield, Missouri, before he was 21 years of age. Later he was with a farm

implement manufacturing Company at Decatur, Illinois, for three years; then ten years with a cotton concern at St. Louis, Missouri. In 1910 he removed to Portland, Oregon, where he accepted employment in the traffic department of the Union Pacific Railroad Company and continued with that company until his retirement in 1946. For many years he was advertising agent of the Union Pacific in the Pacific Northwest.

Compatriot Bear became a member of the Missouri Society of the S.A.R. in 1901. On his paternal line he is descended from Jacob Bear and Sebastian Bowers, who were privates in the Pennsylvania militia during the Revolution, and on his maternal line from John and Benning Wentworth, father and son and captain and drummer boy respectively in the Massachusetts militia. After removing to Portland, Compatriot Bear transferred to the Oregon Society. He served on the Board of Managers of the Oregon Society for several terms, and previous to his election as President of the Oregon Society in 1945, he had served terms as Registrar and Vice President. He is a Past Mas-

ter Mason and for many years has been treasurer of his lodge. He is a member of the Methodist Church and is also a member of the National Genealogical Society. His hobby is genealogy and he was the compiler of a history of the Baer Family which was published in 1906.

SPECIAL NOTICE

On Saturday, October 1, there will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, the Executive Officers and State Officers and State President at the Sub-Treasury Building, 15 Pine Street, New York City, at 10 a.m. Complimentary luncheon will be served to the members attending, and the session will continue through the afternoon.

On Sunday afternoon, October 2, from four to six o'clock the President General and Mrs. Finger will entertain the guests and their ladies at a reception at their home, 960 Park Avenue, corner of 82nd St., New York City.



HAIL, CAPTAIN THOMAS AMBROSE AND THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

A Committee from the Illinois Society called upon Captain Thomas Ambrose at Hines Hospital, on the occasion of his 100th birthday with the best wishes of the Board of Managers of which he is a member. He is one of two surviving members of the Illinois Grand Army of the Republic and is a most interesting person. In the enclosed photograph left to right, are seen John A. Dawson President, John Knox and Vice-President-General Alonzo N. Benn bearing the warm congratulations of the Organization. Announcement was recently made by the Postmaster General that a new three-cent commemorative postage stamp will go on sale at Indianapolis on August 29th to mark the Final National Encampment of the G. A. R.

Congressional Resolutions Continued

To all those who are with us in spirit, but who, because of illness, are not able to be with us in person, we send greetings and good wishes. We have missed you here in Jacksonville. Many are included in this group, but our attention has been especially called to the absence of Past Presidents General Ames and Multer, Secretary General Steele and Past Vice President General Breckenridge. The good you have done and are doing will live after you.

Upon the untimely death of President General Shaler the Executive Committee met upon the call of the Secretary General and unanimously elected Judge Ben H. Powell as President General to fill the unexpired term. It is not an easy task to effectively take over the duties of a great national Society on a few days notice, but trained in the art of leadership by past experience, blessed with a happy and judicial temperament and fortified by a very deep seated loyalty for and interest in our beloved Society, he has met the challenge nobly.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that:

- (1) We extend our deep sympathy to the family of each of our departed.
- (2) That we greatly miss the presence and counsel of those who have been so active in our organization but who are unable to be with us at this Congress.
- (3) That we commend and approve the action of the Executive Committee in its prompt action in the selection of Judge Powell to succeed Compatriot Shaler as our President General and that
- (4) We thus make known to President General Powell our deep appreciation for his genuine and loyal services and his excellent administration.

WHEREAS, it is common knowledge that our Republican form of government is being weakened by organized propaganda to destroy the faith and confidence of our people, and especially our youth, in the integrity of our representative form of government as set forth in the constitution of the United States, and

WHEREAS, effective representation by members of our State and National government requires wisdom, courage and steadfastness of purpose

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution declare our faith in the sincerity of purpose and loyal intent of our State and National legislators and dedicate our strength and effort to arouse universal respect for true representative government without partisanship.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution welcomes the suggestion made by Congressman Mundt before the recent Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, D. C. by challenging us to institute a "Know Your America Week" devoted to promulgating all the things which are 'Right' in America. Such a program should be designed to impress upon the people that no other form of government can approach the benefits possible under that instituted by our founding fathers.

WHEREAS, it has long been the hope of the National Society, S.A.R. to be one with the National Society, S.R., and

WHEREAS, the purposes of our two organizations are almost identical, and WHEREAS, our requirements for membership are very similar, and

WHEREAS, the ugly head of anti-American groups has shown itself in so many ways in so many places in our beloved land, with the purpose of not only breaking down our form of government, but our government itself, and

WHEREAS, we believe that with united action our joint purposes can be better effectuated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that our President General be and he hereby is authorized and directed to appoint a committee of our Society to confer with a similar committee of the National Society, S.R. to work out some plan for the consolidation of the two national organizations and that our said committee make report at as early a date as practical of the result of its efforts to the membership of the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS the Florida Times-Union published an editorial in its issue of May 19, 1949, under the title of

"SONS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION MINUTE MEN OF THE REPUBLIC, CARRY ON IN SPIRIT OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS" and

WHEREAS the purposes and ideals of the Sons of the American Revolution are described in complimentary terms and

WHEREAS such editorial support is of utmost importance to our Society

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the delegates to the 59th Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution do hereby commend the publisher and the editor of the Times-Union and instruct the Secretary General to forward a copy of this resolution to the publisher and editor of the Times-Union.

WHEREAS, there has been approved by the American representative of the United Nations a draft of a convention on the prevention and punishment of genocide, and

WHEREAS, in the said convention, genocide is defined to mean any act committed with intent to destroy in whole or in part a national, ethnical racial or religious group, and

WHEREAS, while this Society abhors the acts which it is proposed to class and condemn generically as "genocide," and

WHEREAS, if such a convention were ratified many matters now within the traditional domestic jurisdiction of our State and local governments may be removed from their jurisdiction and transferred to a paramount international jurisdiction which may subject citizens to extradition without recourse for trial in a foreign country before an international penal tribunal, and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the covenant in its present form would override and change our constitution and be in contravention of the constitution of many of our States, and

WHEREAS, we the Sons of the American Revolution do not favor the approval or acceptance of something which is based on the idea that individual rights are derived from governments or the United Nations, and are opposed to anything that might be held to im-

Congressional Resolutions Continued

pair or be a substitute for our cherished Bill of Rights which protects the individual citizen against government and also in effect against arbitrary majorities and against lawless unofficial groups, and

WHEREAS, the convention on the prevention of genocide presents for consideration many basic problems and may soon be submitted to the Senate of the United States for consent to its ratification together with domestic legislation to implement and enforce the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled in the City of Jacksonville, May 18, 1949, that this Society is of the opinion that the Senate of the United States should not consent to the ratification of this convention because of its inevitable effect upon the constitutional structure of this country,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President General of this Society be authorized and directed to present these views to the President of the United States and to the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the United States Senate.

WHEREAS, the present Displaced Persons Act of 1948 providing for the admittance of 200,000 aliens over a period of two years was enacted after a comprehensive study of the character of the people who established and maintained this Government intact, and is outstandingly liberal, both as to number and preference, and it now appearing that such number permitted by law may not be used because of the unavailability of aliens who can meet the present and proper required standards:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, in Annual Congress assembled at Jacksonville, Florida, May 18, 1949, that for the protection of the economic and family interests of all of our citizens, and especially of our veterans, for the exclusion of foreign elements of doubtful assimilability, and those with political ideologies wholly at variance with our democratic and constitutional system of government, and for the safety and stability of

our national political economy, we respectfully and vigorously urge upon the Congress that no further impairment or deterioration of our immigration laws be made by general or special legislation, unused quotas, executive orders or otherwise.

RESOLVED further that we do hereby commend the action taken by the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate in opposing the efforts now being made by communist fronts and other pressure groups to break down legitimate and necessary restrictions on the admission of displaced persons.

RESOLVED further that the officers of this Society be and they are hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Honorable Pat McCarran, Chairman of said Judiciary Committee, and to the Chairman of such other committees of Congress as may have this matter under consideration.

WHEREAS, the rights of citizenship including the franchise were secured at great sacrifice by our forefathers, and

WHEREAS, too many of our natural born citizens are delinquent in the performance of their simple but important duty to register and vote and thereby permit organized minorities and subversive groups to govern by default,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution foster and encourage action on the part of its own members and of all other patriotic societies to personally register and vote and to inspire all other citizens to do likewise. Only by so doing can our American institutions be sustained in the face of the undermining influences now prevalent.

Winning Oration Continued

pride of those who know that America is privileged to spend her blood and her might for the principles that gave her birth and happiness and the peace which she has treasured."

With the principles of the Declaration of Independence as our guide and God helping her she can do no other!!!

Nomination Address Continued

the keenest competition and attendance at meetings is greatly complicated by suburban residences. To hold this membership together, and also to inspire the many chapters in western New York State, John Finger inaugurated the publication of a regular newspaper, "The Empire State Minute Man", which has reawakened many compatriots to a realization of the interesting and important activities of our far flung chapters.

Undoubtedly the greatest forward step was realized when, as President of the Empire State Society, John Finger announced that our Headquarters would move into the Sub-Treasury Building, an eight million dollar building at the corner of Wall and Nassau Streets in New York City, where stood the first Capitol of the United States under the Constitution, where was enacted the Bill of Rights, and where George Washington was inaugurated on April 30th, 1789. This building has been declared a National Historic Site and designated "Federal Hall Memorial".

I promised you, when I began these brief remarks, that I would try to stick to practical statements we could all evaluate, that would point to the manner in which our candidate might be expected to conduct himself if honored by your choice. I hope I have touched upon fundamental characteristics that will earn your sincere regard. But may I also say, in closing, that John had to face an equally difficult problem when New Jersey approached him with their draft resolution. John Finger had to make a vital decision, in much the same manner that George Washington hesitated when offered his high office. There is a natural reluctance to incur responsibilities that will take you away from the comforts of home and make unexpected inroads upon the hours normally demanded by that jealous mistress. . . . Business. John faced this decision and the responsibilities it entailed should he be honored by election. His answer was in the affirmative. . . . and it is my sincere hope that yours, my fellow compatriots will also be in the affirmative when you are given that time honored privilege of casting your vote for the next President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. I thank you.

The National S. A. R. Library

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General Society, Sons of the Revolution. Proceedings of Regular Triennial Meeting, held at Washington (Annapolis) on Wednesday, April 19, 1905	Mrs. Charles Marlatt
Year Book of the American Clan Gregor Society Volume XXXIII, Published 1949	American Clan Gregor Society

Brief Book Reviews

SOLDIERS OF BLAIR COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA by Floyd G. Hoenstine.

This volume records the Soldiers of Blair County, Pennsylvania, who have participated in our struggle for independence and its preservation through World War I. Compatriots will find Part I, which covers the Revolutionary War, of particular interest. The sketches of Revolutionary War Veterans, which the author has prepared, may be of great value and interest not only to Compatriots but to the genealogists who have a search covering this period of time. Floyd G. Hoenstine, Hollidaysburg, Penna. \$6.00.

ONE MORE HILL by Franklyn A. Johnson.

Originally written in diary form this book tells, with feeling, the story of Captain Johnson as a combat infantryman through three major campaigns—North Africa, Sicily and Normandy. Coupled with keen human insight and becoming modesty the author relates his experiences from embarkation in New York until his return after V-E Day. In addition, excellent scenic descriptions illuminate the book. Funk & Wagnalls Company, 153 East 24th St., New York 10, \$2.50.

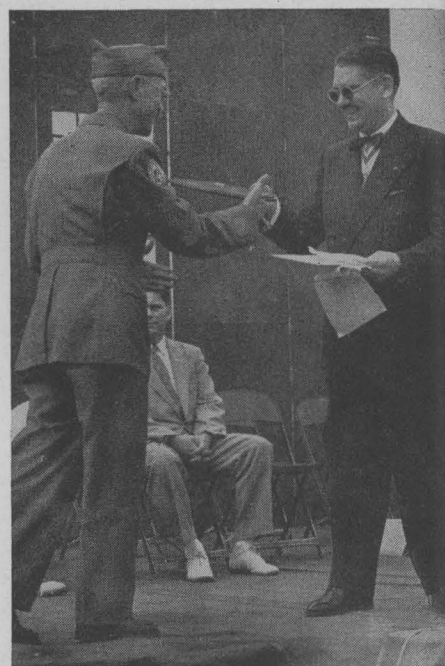
AMERICAN SHEEP TRAILS by Edward Norris Wentworth.

This work is an interesting and colorful story of the sheep industry in the

United States. It is written in an engaging style and has many illustrations. The book is splendidly indexed and has a number of short biographical sketches of the people prominent in this industry. In this country sheep herding has always been a man's work. Marauding animals and stiff fights with the cattlemen in the West have made sheep herding a rugged task. This comprehensive account of the sheep industry will be most valuable to the historian, the student of agricultural and livestock industries, and Compatriots interested in this phase of American economy. Iowa State College Press, Ames, Iowa.

U. S. ARMY IN WORLD WAR II, THE WAR IN THE PACIFIC, OKINAWA: THE LAST BATTLE by Roy E. Appleman, James M. Burns, Russell A. Gugeler, and John Stevens.

This is an official report and sets forth in detail the nature of the problems faced, the methods used to solve them and the mistakes as well as the success achieved. It is a comprehensive account of the military activities in one of the most bitterly fought battles of the Pacific war in which the Army, Marine Corps and the Navy played a very vital part. This is the work of combat historians of the 1st Information and Historical Service, Tenth Army. It is most comprehensive, very well illustrated and completely indexed. Historical Division, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C. 1948.



President General John W. Finger, following his address, presents to George P. Goodrich, as Chairman, Connecticut Councils, B.S.A., Lebanon Pilgrimage Committee, a shield commemorating the first historical Pilgrimage of the Connecticut Councils, B.S.A., to Lebanon, Conn., June 18-19, 1949; presented by the Connecticut Society of the S.A.R.

ADDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP

There have been enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from March 1, 1949, to June 1, 1949, 331 New Members and 124 Supplementals distributed as follows: Alabama, 16; Arkansas, 14; California, 15; Colorado, 1; Connecticut, 17; Delaware, 10; District of Columbia, 21; Florida, 8; Georgia, 6; Illinois, 12; Indiana, 2; Iowa, 3; Kentucky, 12; Louisiana, 4; Maine, 2; Maryland, 6; Massachusetts, 8; Michigan, 7; Minnesota, 7; Mississippi, 6; New Hampshire, 5; New Jersey, 24; New York, 21; North Carolina, 2; Ohio, 26; Oklahoma, 1; Oregon, 2; Pennsylvania, 40; South Carolina, 3; Tennessee, 3; Texas, 14; Utah, 1; Vermont, 3; Virginia, 10; Washington, 2; West Virginia, 6; Wyoming, 1.

Supplementals have been approved from the following States: Alabama, 16; Arkansas, 1; Colorado, 6; District of Columbia, 56; Illinois, 2; Maryland, 3; Massachusetts, 6; Mississippi, 1; New York, 12; Ohio, 2; Oklahoma, 2; Oregon, 2; Pennsylvania, 15.



—Binghamton Press Photo.

REMEMBERING FIGHT FOR FREEDOM IN BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Framed reproductions of the Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence are presented to the Binghamton Boys Club July 11, 1949, by George R. Beers, city clerk. Mr. Beers is president of the Binghamton Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, donor of the copies. Back, left to right: Robert Bond, 13; Mr. Beers, and Foster Disinger, Boys Club president. Foreground, Carlyle Olmstead, 10; William Feldman, 10; and William Geder, 9.

AN OPEN LETTER

Our 59th Annual Congress recently held at Jacksonville, Fla., is now history. The records of our week of activity is one every member of the Society may be proud, and we continue to go forward and progress. We now own our beautiful headquarters building at Washington, and the finances of the Society are in excellent shape for providing the needs of the National and State Societies, and enable us to take our place among ALL patriotic societies and make this a "better country, in which to live and to pass to generations yet to come as the greatest nation in the world.

President General Finger has asked me to serve as Chairman of his RECRUITING COMMITTEE, and on assuming this important activity I shall make sure that no stone is left unturned to reach a membership of 25,000, for the National Society by April 1st 1950. Detailed plans will be furnished you latter, but, we can always talk increase in membership and the sooner we start the better it will be.

Our goal for the year 1949-1950, is

set at 5,000 members or re-instatements. Please figure the quota for your Chapter or State as 20% of your total membership in good standing as of March 31, 1949, and start now to plan your campaign for the year ahead, appoint you an energetic LAPSATION COMMITTEE, and I feel certain that you can procure the average state or Chapter quota from delinquent members of which the National Society has something like 15,000.

The real progressive Chapter is always on the alert for members even after their quota is reached. Their life-blood depends on the constant interest to increase the membership otherwise the success of the Society dies—a strong membership forms the basis for success! Promote good newspaper and radio publicity, along with the ALL IMPORTANT personal contact with eligible prospects. Give them a clear explanation of the work of the SAR.

We all cannot leave wealth to our progeny, but those eligible for membership in our Society can leave them lineage, something that cannot be bought,

and this should make our descendants very proud to claim us for an ancestor as the generations pass. Our "SISTER" Society will gladly furnish you a list of eligible prospects—there's hardly a home among the 200,000 active Daughters of the American Revolution, where there's not a prospective member for the SAR. Get acquainted with your local Chapter of the DAR.

After 59 years the Sons of the American Revolution has moved mighty slow—imagine, just 20,000 active members, and 15,000 delinquents. What a shame, when 100,000 is the number we could easily have and all the very cream of our citizenry.

James D. Watson, Chairman
Organization Committee

NATIONAL CITIZENSHIP DAY

A. Watson Brown, Chairman

"I AM AN AMERICAN" DAY, or as it is also officially designated, "National Citizenship Day" has become an established institution in American life and its influence is continuing to grow as more of our citizens are coming to recognize its meaning and worth. More communities are apparently celebrating the day this year than ever before.

Your committee, being located in various parts of the country, has been unable to meet for joint conference but those that have conferred, either by mail or personal interview, are unanimous in the opinion that the Sons of the American Revolution have a right to be proud of the fact that they originally inaugurated this distinctively American observance. And they urge that the National Society, the State Societies and the various local chapters continue to emphasize its observance and extend its influence.

The recommendation is also made that the suggestions of this committee, contained in last year's annual report to the Annual Congress, particularly as they concern the qualifications of young men and women of American birth, for citizenship, continues to be carefully considered and if possible, be carried out, that "I Am An American" Day may become a very definite factor in elevating the character of American citizenship.

CASTILLO DE SAN MARCOS NATIONAL MONUMENT

Castillo de San Marcos is an ancient fortification dating from the Spanish Colonial period in America. It represents part of Spain's contribution to life in the New World, and is symbolic of the explorer and pioneer spirit—the will to build from the wilderness a new center of civilization and a haven against danger. In this historic structure, the Spanish people have left us a heritage that is an important cultural connection with the Latin-American nations to the south, as well as another means of understanding the diverse old ways that have contributed to the making of modern America.

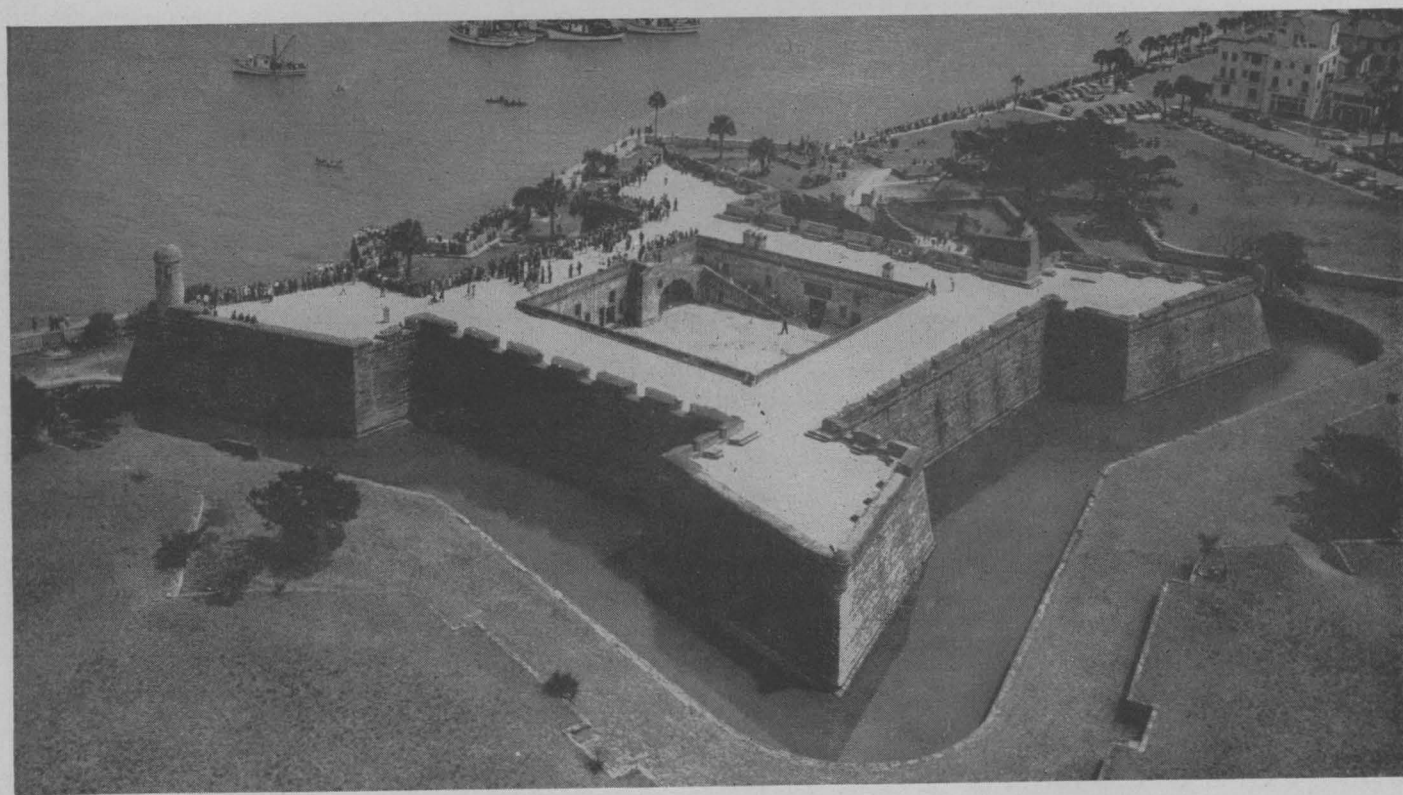
This castle, the oldest masonry fort existing in the United States, was started in 1672 by the Spanish to protect St. Augustine, the first permanent white settlement in this country. Castillo de (pronounced Ka-steel'-yo-day) San Marcos became a focal point of Spanish

colonial culture—Spain's last impregnable outpost on the shores of the North Atlantic. The castillo is a symmetrically shaped, four-sided structure, constructed in the fashion developed by the Spanish from earlier Italian engineers. Surrounded by a moat 40 feet wide, its only entrance is across a drawbridge. The great walls are from 9 to 16 feet thick, constructed of coquina blocks, a native marine shell-rock. The coquina blocks are cemented together by an oyster lime mortar. Beautifully arched casemates and interesting cornices testify to the workmanship and imagination of the Spanish builders. The fort contains guardrooms, dungeons, living quarters for the garrison, storerooms, and a chapel. Nearly all the rooms open on a court, about 100 feet square.

Although the castillo was the most important fortification in colonial Florida it was by no means the only defense.

Earthworks and palisades extended from the castle to enclose the little town of St. Augustine, an area of less than a square mile. Far to the south, west, and north were military outposts. Sixteen miles to the south was the strongest of these, the stone Torre de Matanzas (now Fort Matanzas National Monument), which guarded the lower entrance to St. Augustine harbor. Matanzas, the Spanish word for "Slaughters," derived its name in 1565 from the bloody incident that determined the ownership of Florida.

The Castillo de San Marcos was declared a national monument by Presidential proclamation of October 15, 1924. It is one of the areas administered by the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior which belong to the people of the United States and are preserved for their benefit and enjoyment.



Delegates to the National Congress, members of the Society and their guests visited St. Augustine on sightseeing bus tour, Tuesday afternoon, May 17th, stopping at Fort Castillo de San Marcos where we were all inspired by this National Monument. The photograph shown above was taken especially for the Sons of the American Revolution Quarterly Magazine through the courtesy of Thomas J. Allen, Director of Region One of the National Park Service, with headquarters at Richmond, Virginia. Your Editor takes this opportunity to acknowledge his unusual cooperation. Many thanks, Tom!

ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER GENERAL

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Due to the financial condition last year a suggestion was made that our headquarters (building be sold or rented) and the Society move its offices into smaller quarters someplace in the outlying sections of Washington. This suggestion was not looked upon with favor by either Past President General Shaler or President General Powell and at the Executive Committee meeting in February of this year this proposal was turned down; and, in fact, to protect and make our headquarters even more imposing, it was suggested that the land north of our building up to the street corner be purchased. This would enable the Society at some future date to erect a building on this lot where the Society could hold its Annual Congress and where the District of Columbia Society and other patriotic organizations could meet.

The work of the California Society in having subversive textbooks removed from the public schools is one such project and there are a number of others of like nature which could be undertaken if funds were available for their execution.

It is the hope of your Treasurer General that the day will soon come when we will have a considerably increased membership and a considerably increased income to promote patriotic work.

Your Treasurer General again recommends that the monies in the corpus of the Florence H. Kendall Fund be invested so as to bring in revenue to pay for the awards which are made annually in conformity with the provisions of the gift.

Your Treasurer General wishes to pause for a moment to pay honor to our late departed President General Charles B. Shaler of Pittsburgh. Probably no two members of the Society realize the loss the Society sustained in his passing more than do your Secretary General and your Treasurer General who came in such close contact with him. No man was ever enthused with more of a desire to build our National Society to a strength, both in numbers and position, which might be considered comparable with our sister society. But for his untimely passing he certainly

would have made far strides in that direction. From the time he was elected until he was taken with an infection on one of his trips in behalf of our Society, he devoted his entire time, at his own expense, to our cause and his passing was a great blow to the National Society.

Your Treasurer General wishes also to pay respect to President General Powell who upon assuming office in the midst of a fiscal year has been most zealous in his efforts to make the year successful, and the fact that we did not get as many new members this year as last is due to no fault of your President General and his administration. Presi-

dent General Powell has travelled considerably in the interest of the Society and he has borne the entire expense of that travel, as well as his clerical expense, at no cost to the Society.

The picture here presented is not as bright as your Treasurer General would have liked to have given you. However, with the united effort of all working unison for the advancement of the Society, he is confident that the financial report which will be given one year hence will show the Society to be in a much stronger financial position.

Respectfully submitted,
G. S. Robertson
Treasurer General

Mr. Frank B. Steele,
Secretary-Registrar General
National Society, S. A. R.
1227 Sixteenth St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Steele:

This is to notify you—in case you did not happen to read it—of the death of Bertram D. Hulen, a member of the S. A. R. in Washington, who resided on Dunbarton Avenue.

I happened to be reading of the air crash in Indonesia in tonight's paper and was stunned to read his name among those Newsmen who were killed. It so happens that he is my own cousin and I felt very near to him since during our childhood we lived across the street from one another and were both graduated from the same grammar and High Schools. When I became the Office Secretary here in the Mass. Society S. A. R., I suggested to Captain Patten that he send in Bert's name to you as a prospective member for your Society, and I made out the lineage since of course his and mine were identical and my son had joined on the same line, just as I had the D. A. R.

I did not want Bert to think I was forcing him to join anything just because I was Secretary here, so thought it best that Capt. Patten suggest that you approach him, thus leaving Bertram free to not accept if he saw fit. He did join, and I soon received a letter from him stating he had been approached and had joined—and thanking me as he had an idea I was instrumental anyway. I had done quite a bit of family genealogy and sent him copies, and we corresponded quite regularly. But in the Boston paper there were so many killed in this crash that the names were not in large print—thinking this might not reach you for some little time, I decided, even though the office is closed, to type a letter to you on my very poor typewriter I have here at home. You may wish to have this for your next National Magazine.

I have no idea how active Bertram Hulen was in the S. A. R. there, but I do know that if he had the time to be active, you must have found him a most worthy member for he was highly intelligent and of excellent character.

Very truly yours,
HAZEL P. BROOK, Asst. Secretary
Massachusetts Society, S. A. R.
July 12th, 1949

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY, SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
Federal Hall
Sub-Treasury
New York, N. Y.

PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

We hereby petition for an independent and impartial investigation of the interstate traffic in subversive textbooks and teaching materials as requested in the petitions now on file presented by the National Society and the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and we do hereby join in and make ourselves a party to those proceedings.

We request the Congress to grant us all relief possible in this matter by determining the facts and giving them to the people with appropriate recommendations.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 1949, in the
City of New York, State of New York.

NEW YORK SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION

by _____
President.

Secretary.

Each State Society was supplied with the form reproduced above and requested to mail a copy to one Senator and one Representative from their state, together with an accompanying letter, these petitions being duly stamped with the state seal.



Painting by H. A. Ogden, Sol Bloom
Collection, Federal Hall Museum

1799: Nellie Custis' Wedding Day

WOODLAWN NOW A NATIONAL SHRINE!

Washington himself selected the site, arranged for the landscaping, and even sketched several rough plans for the historic dwelling in which Nellie Custis and Major Lewis were to reside, and Dr. William Thornton, architect of the National Capitol, executed the General's plans. The result was a beautiful dwelling in which the Lewises spent thirty-five happy years and which today, overlooking the present Mount Vernon, is still one of the nation's fine specimens of Georgian architecture.

Woodlawn was recently about to be sold through the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, Virginia, for private institutional occupancy and use. Before the transaction was consummated, the Woodlawn Public Foundation, Incorporated, a non-profit corporation, was formed to raise funds to buy the property and "devote it to the interest of the American nation."

By paying \$95,000 of the \$170,000 purchase price for the Woodlawn estate and mansion, the Foundation was able to take official possession of the property on Washington's Birthday, the 150 anniversary of the wedding of Nellie Custis and Lawrence Lewis, to whom General Washington had deeded the property.

OHIO HISTORICAL SPEAKING CONTEST

The Historical Speaking Contest for young men in Ohio High Schools conducted by the Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution, was held again this year as an important part of the program of the forthcoming Annual Meeting of the Ohio Society at Canton.

All Chapters were urged to participate. Last year some Chapters devoted one or two Chapter meetings, prior to the State meeting, to hearing the entries from their local Public High Schools and thereby selecting the candidate to represent their Chapter at the Ohio Society Meeting.

The suggested procedure for the Contest was as follows:

1. Each chapter may enter one candidate (a young man) from the junior or senior class of a high school, who is planning to continue his education in college.
2. Each chapter is to use its own method of selection in cooperation with the local superintendent of schools.
3. The candidate selected to be brought by the sponsoring chapter, at chapter expense, to the Annual Meeting of the State Society.
4. At the Annual State Meeting the candidates competed for the Awards in the presence of the Compatriots attending the Annual Meeting. The competition consists of an oratorical contest. Each candidate speaks for not more than six (6) minutes nor less than four (4) minutes on a subject of his choosing, provided it deals with American history of the period immediately preceding, during or following the Revolutionary War and pertains to a significant event or document related to the principles upon which our American way of life was founded and perpetuated. State Societies and Chapters to decide and assume the method and amounts of awards.
5. It is recommended that the local chapters have their contests shortly before their State Convention and the

chapter winners participate in the State-wide contest at the Annual State meeting.

6. The sponsoring chapter pay the expenses of the contestant to the State convention.

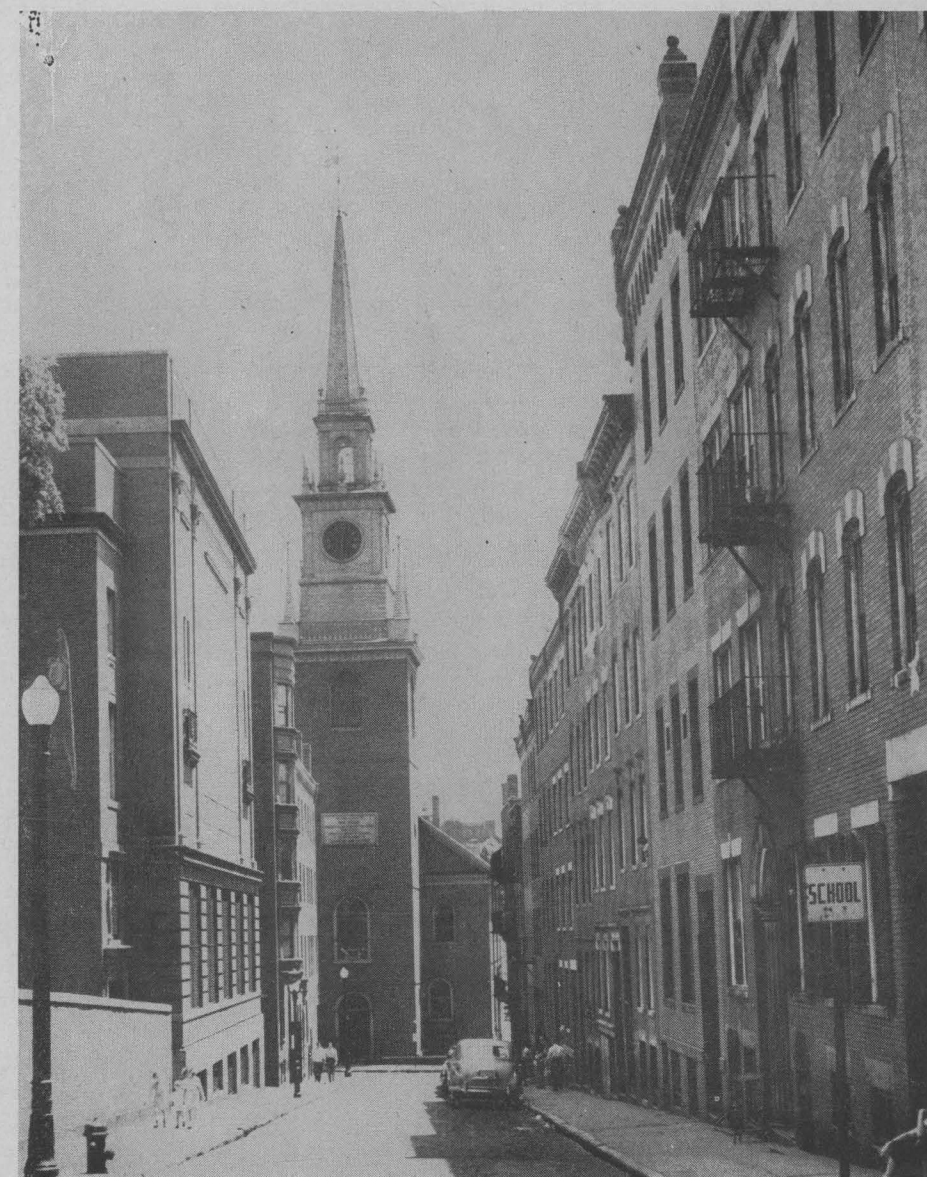
7. The winner of the State Contest to appear at the National Congress with expenses paid by the State Society.

8. Chapter and State Society Presidents should appoint a committee at once with a qualified chairman to begin arrangements for the Contest to be held in the spring, at their Annual State Convention.

9. Judging of the contestants will be based on: a. Composition; b. Delivery; c. Logic; d. Significance of the event or document selected; e. Clarity; f. General over-all appraisal.

10. The candidates winning the First, Second, Third and Fourth place awards were the guests of the Ohio Society at the Annual Banquet of the Society the evening of April 29th.

11. The names and addresses of the entries were sent in by the sponsoring Chapters to Compatriot Douglass G. High, Chairman of the Historical Contest Committee, 1339 Union Trust Building, Cincinnati 2, Ohio.



OLD NORTH CHURCH, BOSTON, MASS.

H. P. Orcutt

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION UPON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to Article XXVII of the By-Laws, which refers to amendments to the By-Laws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, you are hereby notified that the following amendments to said By-Laws were submitted by the Annual Congress of the National Society held in the City of Minneapolis on the 25th day of May, 1948, and will be acted upon at the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to be held in the City of Jacksonville, Florida, on the 16th day of May, 1949, or as soon thereafter as they may be heard:

Amend Article XX—Delegates and Members of a Congress—Section 1, of the By-Laws by striking out the words at the beginning thereof, "The following shall be members of the Annual Congress or of a special Congress and entitled to vote therein," and substitute therefor the following, "The following shall be members of and delegates to the Annual Congress or any Special Congress and entitled to vote therein." (REJECTED)

Amend Article XX—Section 1, of the By-Laws, by adding thereto the following paragraph (5): "No member of the Annual Congress or of any Special Congress shall, however, cast more than one vote. The Member, if entitled to vote under more than one of the foregoing paragraphs, shall elect under which category he casts his vote." (ADOPTED)

Amend Article II—State Societies and Chapters—Section 7 (4) of the By-Laws by striking out the following words, "or who is serving in the armed forces of the Nation." NOTE: This amendment eliminates the provision for exemption from annual per capita dues of Compatriots who are serving in the armed forces. (ADOPTED)

Amend Article II, Section 7, of the By-Laws by striking out in its entirety paragraph (5) thereof. NOTE: This amendment eliminates a provision in reference to a certain form now obsolete. (ADOPTED)

Amend Article V—Vice-Presidents General—Paragraph (12) of the By-Laws, by inserting after the word "All" at the beginning thereof, the words "United States and", so that said paragraph shall read as follows "(12) All United States and foreign territory not hereinbefore specifically included." (ADOPTED)

Pursuant to Article VI of the Constitution of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution which refers to amendments thereof, you are hereby notified that the following amendment to the Constitution of said Society has been submitted by the Executive Committee of the National Society at a meeting held in Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 18th day of February, 1949, and will be acted upon at the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to be held in the City of Jacksonville, Florida, on the 16th day of May, 1949, or as soon thereafter as it may be heard:

Amend Article IV—Officers—Section 1, of the Constitution by adding after the words, "a President General," the words, "a First Vice-President General." (REJECTED)

Pursuant to Article XXVII of the By-Laws which refers to amendments to the By-Laws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, you are hereby notified that the following amendments to the By-Laws have been submitted by the Executive Committee of the National Society at a meeting held in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, on the 18th day of February, 1949, and will be acted upon at the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to be held in the City of Jacksonville, Florida, on the 16th day of May, 1949, or as soon thereafter as they may be heard:

Amend Article V—Vice-Presidents General—of the By-Laws by adding a Section 1: "The First Vice-President General shall be elected from the membership at large and shall in the event of illness, disability, resignation or death of the President General, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President General during such illness or disability, or until the next Annual Congress, and shall, at other times perform such duties as the President General may direct." Add the words, "Section 2" (in Article V—Vice-Presidents General) before the words, "In the election of twelve Vice-Presidents General", etc. (REJECTED)

Amend Article XVII—Executive Committee—Section 4, of the By-Laws by adding after the words, "In case of the death or disability of any officer of the National Society" the words, "except the President General." Article XVII, Section 4, will then read as follows: "In case of the death or disability of any officer of the National Society except the President General, the Executive Committee shall have the power to elect a successor to fill the unexpired term of office." (REJECTED)

Amend Article II—State Societies and Chapters—Section 7 (4), after the words, "Pay to the Treasurer General as of April 1st of each year, the annual dues for such Society, computed at the rate of," the words, "One dollar and fifty cents" instead of "one dollar." Article II, Section 7 (4) will then read as follows: "Pay to the Treasurer General, as of April 1st of each year, the annual dues for such Society, computed at the rate of one dollar and a half for each member carried on the rolls of such Society as of that date: . . ." (ADOPTED)

Amend Article XIX—Fees and Dues—Section 5, by striking out after the words, "When any member, whose membership has terminated," the words, "for any cause." Also add after the words, "shall at the same time pay to the National Society a fee of one dollar" the words, "and fifty cents (\$1.50)." Article XIX, Section 4, will then read as follows: "When any member, whose membership has terminated, shall be reinstated by his State Society, such State Society shall immediately report such reinstatement to the National Society, and shall at the same time pay to the National Society a fee of one dollar and a half (\$1.50) for such reinstatement." (ADOPTED)

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION UPON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The Following resolutions, passed by the Board of Managers of the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at a meeting held at 9 Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts, on March 3, 1949, are submitted in accordance with Article VI of the Constitution and Article XXVII of the By-Laws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution:

RESOLVED; Section 1 of Article XVI of the By-Laws is hereby amended by striking out therefrom the words, "all surviving Past Presidents General," so as to read "Section 1. The General Officers named in Article IV of the Constitution and one member from each State Society shall constitute the Board of Trustees." (REJECTED)

RESOLVED; Section 1 of Article XVII of the By-Laws is hereby amended by striking out said entire section and inserting in place thereof the following: "Section 1. When so directed by the Annual Congress, the Board of Trustees shall at its first meeting following the adjournment of the Congress, elect six of its own members who, together with the President General, the Secretary General, and the Treasurer General, shall constitute an Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. No person who has served two consecutive years, and no person who has served three years in all on said Committee shall be elected to such membership. In case of a vacancy from any cause in the membership of the Executive Committee, the Committee may fill such vacancy from the members of the Board of Trustees." (REJECTED)

RESOLVED; Section 5 of Article XVII of the By-Laws is hereby amended by striking out at the end thereof the words "five members thereof" and inserting in place of said words the words "three members of said Committee, of three State Societies, or of five members of the Board of Trustees," so that said section shall read: "Section 5. The President General may call a meeting of the Executive Committee at any time, and shall call such a meeting on the written request of three members of said Committee, of three State Societies, or of five members of the Board of Trustees." (REJECTED)

Pursuant to Article XXVII of the By-Laws, which refers to amendments to the By-Laws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, you are hereby notified that the following amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws have been submitted by the West Virginia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, at a meeting held in the City of Charleston, West Virginia, on the 5th day of March, 1949, and will be acted upon at the Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to be held in the City of Jacksonville, Florida, on the 16th day of May, 1949, or as soon thereafter as they may be heard:

Amend ARTICLE XVI—Board of Trustees—By-Laws

SECTION 1. The General Officers named in Article IV of the Constitution, all surviving Past Presidents General, one member from each State Society, and not exceeding four members of the Society at large whom the President General, out of personal and administrative considerations, may see fit to nominate for such office, no two of whom shall be members of the same State Society and not more than two of whom shall come from the same geographical District of the National Society, shall constitute the Board of Trustees, all of whom shall be elected annually, at the Annual Congress of the National Society, for a term of office of one year. The President general shall be the Chairman of the Board. (REJECTED)

SECTION 2. The Trustees from each of the several State Societies shall be elected upon the nomination, or from the list of nominees, to be made by each of the State Societies and submitted to the National Society by the filing thereof with the Secretary of the National Society at least thirty days before the meeting of the Annual Congress of the National Society. In the event any one or more of the State Societies shall omit or neglect to make such nominations or submit said list of nominees by the time herein required, then the President of the State Society so in default, *virtute officii*, shall be considered the nominee to represent such State upon said Board. In the event of a vacancy from any cause in the case of a Trustee elected upon nomination by a State Society, the President of such State Society shall automatically become the Trustee from such State for the unexpired term of office. In the event of a vacancy from any cause in the case of a Trustee elected upon nomination by the President General, such vacancy shall be filled by the President General from among members of the Society possessing the qualifications hereinbefore laid down for Trustees so elected. (REJECTED)

SECTION 3. The Board of Trustees shall be the custodian of the National Headquarters Building in Washington, D. C., and of all other property, real and personal, belonging to the National Society, and shall have charge of and shall manage the business and affairs of the Society and shall perform such other duties as may be committed to it by the meeting of the National Society; *Provided*, that it shall not have power to sell, convey, or encumber any real estate belonging to the Society or incur any liability other than for ordinary current expenses except it be so ordered by a Congress of the National Society or by an affirmative vote of at least *three-fourths* of the members of the Board of Trustees. (REJECTED)

SECTION 4. The Board of Trustees shall have the power to admit or reorganize as a State Society any association of fifteen persons duly qualified for membership in the Society. Such State Societies shall be so admitted, organized, or reorganized, and shall always exist, under charters from the National Society, which may be granted, and may be revoked, altered, or amended by the Board of Trustees, subject to appeal to the next Congress. (REJECTED)

SECTION 5. The Board shall designate the places where all annual Congresses and special meetings of the National Society shall be held. (REJECTED)

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION UPON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

SECTION 6. The Board of Trustees shall hold two regular meetings during the fiscal year for which elected. One of such meetings, to be known as the Organization Meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be held, at the call of the President General, at a convenient hour following and at the place of the holding of the Annual Congress at which the Board was elected. The other of such meetings, to be known as the Year's-End Meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be held, at the call of the President General, at a convenient hour preceding and at the place of the holding of the next ensuing Annual Congress of the National Society. The Trustees present at said two meetings, or either of them, being not less than eleven in number, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any and all business, except business of the character which by Article V of the Constitution or by Section 3 of this article of the By-Laws, requires a larger number of members to constitute a quorum.

The President General may call such further meetings of the Board of Trustees as he may deem necessary or desirable, and shall call a further meeting or meetings upon the written request of any eleven members thereof, for such date and at such place as he may deem expedient, by notice dispatched, if by mail, not less than ten days and if by telegraph not less than five days before the date set for such meeting. Should the business coming before any such meeting be of a character that by Article V of the Constitution or by Section 3 of this article requires the presence of a greater number than eleven members to constitute a quorum at such meeting, the President General may, in his discretion, cause the Secretary General to take the vote of the Trustees upon such matter by written ballot dispatched to each of the trustees by mail; *Provided*, that to be entitled to be counted, the ballots evidencing such votes by mail shall be received back from the Trustees by the Secretary General not later than the expiration of the 20th day after the dispatching of such ballots to the Trustees. (REJECTED)

SECTION 7. The Board of Trustees may, from time to time, by appropriate action of record, authorize the Executive Committee to perform, between the meetings of the Board, such of the duties of the Board as the Board may deem expedient and that are not, by Section 3 of this Article V of the Constitution, made expressly or impliedly non-delegable. (REJECTED)

Amend ARTICLE XVII—*Executive Committee*—By-Laws

SECTION 1. At the Organization Meeting of the Board of Trustees the President General shall, subject to the approval of the Board, appoint and constitute an Executive Committee, composed of himself, as Chairman, and of eight other members of the Board of Trustees, of whom not less than four shall have been elected upon nomination by the State Societies, as provided in Section 2 of Article XVI of the By-Laws. Not more than one of the members of the Executive Committee, exclusive of the President General, shall be members of the same State Society, and not more than two of them, exclusive of the President General, shall be members of the same geographical District of the National Society. In the event of a vacancy from any cause in the membership of the Executive Committee, the President General shall fill such vacancy from the membership of the Board of Trustees; *Provided*, that if the vacancy be in respect of a member who was appointed to the committee as a duly elected Trustee of one of the State Societies, such vacancy shall be filled from among other Trustees who were similarly elected. (REJECTED**)

SECTION 6. (New). The Secretary General shall, within thirty days after any meeting of the Executive Committee, dispatch by mail to each member of the Board of Trustees of the National Society an informative summary of the proceedings had and the action taken at such meeting, and not less than thirty days before the Year's-End Meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall dispatch by mail to each of said Trustees a summary of the recommendations which the Executive Committee purposes to make to the ensuing Annual Congress of the National Society. (REJECTED**) **Rejected with the understanding that this section be put into effect by Executive order."

Amend ARTICLE XXVI—*Quorum*—By-Laws

A quorum at the Annual Congress or any special meeting of the National Society shall be twenty-five delegates. A quorum of the Board of Trustees shall consist of eleven members except when otherwise specifically provided. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of five members. (With the rejection of the preceding amendments, it was agreed that these last three need not be voted upon.)

Amend ARTICLE XXVII—*Amendments*—By-Laws

Add to the text of said article as now constituted the words: "and to each member of the Board of Trustees of the National Society." (Not voted upon)

THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION

Amend ARTICLE VI—*Amendments*—Constitution

Add to the text of said article as now constituted the words: "and to each member of the Board of Trustees of the National Society." (Not voted upon)

John W. Finger's Address Continued

and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several states, and without regard to any census or enumeration." This amendment was proposed by Congress on July 12, 1909 and declared ratified on February 25, 1913. This amendment giving the Federal Government *unlimited* power of taxation to the point where they can take everything the worker makes and spend it for him, is the power to convert us from a nation of free enterprise into a so-called Welfare State. We have now reached the point where after paying our taxes and for normal shelter and subsistence, we have hardly enough money left to defend our rights to the profits of our labors and gradually we are being paralyzed and rendered unable to take a stand in defense of the liberties provided for in the first ten amendments, which we call our Bill of Rights.

If we are deprived of the wherewithal to defend these precious rights for which our forefathers sacrificed their lives, what can we look forward to for ourselves and our descendants.

Paternalism by individuals or governments always produces the same results—decadence and inertia. . . . We are all familiar with the stories of lack of purpose and ambition on the part of pampered rich men's sons but do we realize that paternalism on the part of a government is infinitely worse. I never believe in generalities. I like specific examples and to illustrate this point, let us consider the fate of the American Indian. When our ancestors landed on these shores, the Indian *Brave* was a factor to be reckoned with. He was physically strong, mentally alert and all of his senses were sharpened by the hazards of survival.

The same brand of socialism and security from the cradle to the grave, now recommended for us by the erudite benefactors of mankind, has been enacted into legislation for the Indian, and what do we find . . . a dully, subservient, plodding, pitiful figure, hardly worthy to be called a man.

Go visit a reservation where a government commissioner does their thinking for them and ask yourself, "Is this the fate destined for my children?"

Did you know that a delegation of high chieftains made a pilgrimage to

Washington and pleaded with the Congress to be relieved of government benefits and accorded the right to compete with and earn their living as white men?

Our Society need not be partisan in its fight for fundamental principles. A great deal of confusion exists in the minds of the people because of the labels of our two great political parties, the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. Despite the names of these political units, I take occasion to remind our Compatriots that our form of government is a Republic where we are governed by our duly elected representatives and not a Democracy where each voter can cast a ballot with respect to each issue. If you will look up the words Democracy and Republic in the dictionary you will realize that every time you hear a speaker crying to save our Democracy, he is totally inaccurate in his choice of words.

Our duly elected representatives in the Congress and the Senate, the majority of whom are good Patriotic Americans with a sincere desire to carry out the will of their constituents, make gallant stands against encroachments by the Federal Government on our personal liberties. However, these representatives are subject to the coercion of many pressure groups who would sacrifice the strength of our nation to gain their selfish ends.

Can anything be more worthy of our praise and endorsement than the actions of Senator Harry Byrd, Senator Walter F. George, and former President, Herbert Hoover, to curb federal spending and eliminate waste in government operation. I doubt that their efforts can ever prevail as long as the Constitution permits unlimited taxation of our income and, therefore, my attack is leveled, not against representatives, but against this 16th Amendment of the Constitution that can be the means of destroying the very fibre and strength of our people; that has already harnessed us with a curbed-bit and obliged us to draw a load heavier than can be justified by humane considerations.

I advocate an amendment to the Constitution to repeal the 16th Amendment and substitute therefore an amendment that will place a definite limitation on the power of the Federal Government to levy income taxes and thereby remove the existing threat of reduc-

ing both the states and the people to the position of vassals and slaves of the Federal Government.

Ladies and Gentlemen, the Sons of the American Revolution is the only National organization which I know can successfully stem the tide and turn our Nation into the path that will keep its people free and strong. The National Association of Manufacturers cannot do it—the Real Estate Lobbies cannot do it—not even the labor unions can do it—but we are pledged, in our Constitution, to protect and defend the principles of government created by our ancestors, and if we are to be worthy descendants, we must begin to fight yesterday.

The Bill of Rights guarantees us free speech and freedom of assembly. These are two great powers and means whereby we can arouse all good Americans. It costs money to organize meetings, provide the right speakers with the right messages, and the right literature to bring to the vivid consciousness of our citizens the fate that is in store for them. We can, without apology for the sacrifice it may entail, solicit funds from all the people, as well as members of our own Society for a program to save our American Way of Life. The more we can curb public spending by government, the easier our task will become and brighter our hope of realization that we have proved faithful to our trust and are worthy to be called good Americans. Thank you.

V. P. G. Reports Continued

are other organizations having the same ideals, who are probably better organized to conduct operations in the field than The Sons of the American Revolution, but none are more sound in their fundamental conceptions of individual liberty and freedom.

The report of Vice President General Mathewson of the *Pacific Coast District*, after reviewing the work of its various State Societies, and in particular the magnificent accomplishment of the Californis Society, under the leadership of Compatriot Brewer, in ridding the Public Schools of California of subversive text books and related evils, points out the value of our Society's cultivating a closer relationship with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Past Pres. Gen. Powell Continued

tween 400 and 500. In other words, by reason of deaths, resignations and dropping for non-payment of dues, we will more than wipe out the 1320 new additions and reinstatements above reported. These droppings for non-payment of dues present a serious threat which I shall discuss later in connection with my recommendations for the future. We cannot prevent deaths. We may expect a number of deaths in our Society each year because of the average age of our members. But, we certainly should be able, in some way, to avoid resignations and droppings.

All historical days have been generally observed. This is most encouraging for we are, after all, incorporated as a historical and patriotic Society.

The Boy Scout Committee, under the able leadership of Compatriot Shriner of Ohio, has done splendid work. It is most important that the Boy Scouts and the Sons of the American Revolution join hands in youth work. These young men today will be the grown-ups of tomorrow.

Compatriot High, also of Ohio, is still doing excellent work in his oratorical contests. I hope we shall soon have the privilege of hearing these young people during our Congress. These patriotic essays and orations will inspire much needed patriotism.

I have called particular attention to our work with the young people. We must continue to interest them and challenge their attention. Otherwise, we will soon have no field from which we can reap the harvest in the future.

We again celebrated the anniversary of the dedication of the altar of the nation at the Cathedral of the Pines, at Rindge, New Hampshire. This is a most beautiful spot and we should go there every Fall for inspiration. I am looking forward with very great pleasure to my first visit to this sacred place.

The Chancellor General has rendered excellent service. I am thinking especially of his aiding us in the solution of the attempt on the part of the taxing authorities of the District of Columbia to have us pay taxes on our personal property at National Headquarters. We hope to amend our Exemption Statute by Act of the Congress so as to eliminate this claim without question. If we

were required to pay this tax, we would spend about \$1,000 up to this time. If Congress refuses us the relief just mentioned, we will defend against the claim in the courts under the present law. We have considerable hope that the courts will rule with us when they properly interpret the present Exemption Statute.

We have lived within our income during the last fiscal year. Rather unexpectedly, we had to spend more than \$1,500 on our heating plant at National Headquarters. But, some of the States very generously advanced us some funds against their dues for 1949-1950. Since the dues had been raised 50c per capita per annum for that year, it seemed safe to accept these small advances. The Treasurer General's report is before you and shows that we are in the black, which is most gratifying. I shall have more to say about finances in my recommendations for the future.

The Secretary General's report is also quite interesting. I call your special attention to this very thorough accounting by a faithful Officer who has been with us for many, many years. If his health does not permit his attendance at this Congress, we shall all miss him very much. I understand he has not missed a Congress for some thirty years. I am hoping and praying that he may be able to be with us.

Our Executive Committee had a most interesting session in Cincinnati on February 18. Its Minutes were published in the April issue of our National Magazine which is just off the press. Only two of the nine members of our Committee were absent. And, several other officials from Ohio and neighboring States were with us. We enjoyed them very much. We also attended the annual meeting of the Ohio State Society and were genuinely thrilled by their zeal and enthusiasm. This particular Society is certainly wide awake.

In my personal message in the Magazine just distributed I stated that I planned to attend the annual meeting of the California State Society on April 9 at San Francisco. I did so and am happy to report that this Society is likewise wide awake with a thrilling program. Their main project is a continuance of their very vigorous fight against subversive textbooks. A petition has just been filed by this State Society with the Congress of the United States, urging

that Honorable Body to take charge of the investigation of this subversive activity on a nationwide basis. This plot against our schools is too far reaching to be effectively controlled by any one or more individual States. Our National Society filed an accompanying petition asking the Federal Congress to take charge of this matter. I am convinced that this is the most important work we are doing right now and I was quite proud of the privilege of signing this petition as President General of this great Society. Let us all do all we can to secure favorable action at Washington. To that end, we will have a full hour of discussion of this wonderful work at our present Congress when our Compatriots from California will be in charge of the program. These Compatriots have borne the burden of this fight and have raised several thousand dollars to carry on the fight. I am glad the National Society has been able to aid in a fairly substantial amount, but much less than California has raised. We should and must have more individual subscriptions to air in this fight. After Congress takes up the work the financial strain on us will be greatly reduced.

While our Executive Committee was in session in Cincinnati we heard of a serious threat on the part of one of our State Societies to take action which, in its necessary effect, would have resulted in a secession from our National Society. We were advised that the question would be determined the next day at a called session of the State Society in this distant commonwealth. The Committee suggested that I visit that meeting and explain the views of the National Society and request the Compatriots of that State not to secede, but to settle our differences, if any, in the legal way provided in our own organization. The motion to sever with the National Society was argued at length by both sides. The negative was represented by me. I am very happy to report that the State Society voted against the motion by practically a unanimous vote. After this action was taken harmony seemed to prevail and I do not believe we will meet any such threat again in the near future. I hope we will never meet it again. We have one nation, indivisible. We should have a National Society of the same kind. Had this effort looking

toward dismemberment prevailed, it might have caused trouble elsewhere. It is most gratifying to me to be able to report to you that peace and harmony prevail throughout the nation, as I see the situation. This being true, we should have nothing to fear as to our future prospects. While a house divided against itself cannot stand, it is equally true that in union there is strength. My ability to bring a peaceful solution to this one serious threat will always be most gratifying.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE

Since assuming my present office, as my message in the April Magazine just issued will show, I have traveled very extensively on official business, in fact, across the nation from the Pacific to the Atlantic, and also from the Great Lakes to the Gulf. And, these travels have carried me to a great many State Societies. I have enjoyed these splendid contacts. The finest possible welcome awaited me everywhere. I have been privileged to meet hundreds of the finest men in the nation and have cemented numerous close friendships which I value most highly. I am glad our Charter provides that we shall "unite and promote fellowship" among ourselves. Such a status is not only pleasant and personally profitable, but it makes much more probable the achievement of our other and greater aims and purposes.

My travels and visitations just mentioned, as well as my experience in other official work covering some eight years in this organization, have enabled me to reach certain conclusions as to what we should do in order to go forward promptly and effectively. I am going to make four definite recommendations, foregoing others for the sake of brevity. Then, too, I know if I make too many recommendations they may all be ignored. If those I shall now suggest, or any of them, appeal to you, I shall be glad to see them adopted. Here they are:

FIRST RECOMMENDATION

We should make every possible effort, at once, to raise an endowment fund of not less than a quarter of a million dollars. If this Society is to progress as it should and if it hopes to achieve its manifest destiny, it must have certain specific projects which appeal to wide awake members. We must re-

member that history necessarily relates to the past, and, at best, does not readily appeal especially to the young. Youth we must have in our ranks. If we are to receive and hold them as members we must be able to point to certain definite things we are trying to accomplish. As an example, let us take the California fight against subversive textbooks. That will challenge anyone and should inspire all. California needs much more help financially than we have been able to give.

We should remember that monuments of metal and stone, as valuable as they are, cannot equal living monuments in the nature of our young folks growing up. We should and must establish scholarships, give medals, and do everything we possibly can to inspire them with a desire to help us preserve our American way of life.

I know of other organizations which have suddenly awakened renewed enthusiasm by certain worthy projects. For instance, the Shrine, a Masonic organization, moved forward with its crippled children's hospitals. In Texas, the Scottish Rite Masons invested a million dollars in a great dormitory for girls at the University of Texas, a beautiful place where they can be cared for at absolute cost. These Masonic Bodies moved forward. In my home city, the Rotary Club built an orphan's home. The members of this civic organization could see great and helpful things being done and they were awake again.

I think our National Society should limit its activities to its Charter purposes. But, within this Charter, we should start new projects and expand others. We cannot do this on our present budget. Our dues, even as raised recently, will do no more than care for maintenance of our National Headquarters and meeting our payroll for those now employed. We all know we need to expand our organization. I doubt if we should raise our dues again soon. So, it seems to me we should look to an endowment or trust fund, for we must have more money in some way if we are to realize our destiny in the reasonably near future. You may be sure no project, however worthy, can prevail in the absence of funds with which to project it.

The American Bar Association, the American Law Institute, various hospital organizations, and others, have re-

ceived large endowments. Why not us? Surely, their work cannot be considered as more important than the preservation of the American way of life. We should strive to interest everyone, Compatriots and others, in our trust fund and permit them to earmark their gifts for any specific purpose if they so desire. We should seek small and large gifts. Each investment, however small, will mean renewed interest by the donor in our work. Let us not forget that the small giver frequently sacrifices more than the large one. So, let us welcome every dollar anyone will subscribe. I suggest that every member of our Society be contacted in this matter as well as others. I really believe that many very wealthy people will give substantial amounts to this fund if we educate them to our needs.

As I look down the years, I can dream of the day when this Society will have a membership of at least 100,000. When that goal has been reached, I do hope the necessary traveling expenses of our Officers can be paid from the Treasury. I say this because I would welcome the day when no Compatriot, *otherwise qualified*, would be unable to serve as President General or in any other office because he was unable to pay his own expenses incurred in the performance of his official duties. Those who hold any of our offices should not be *restricted* to those upon whom fortune in dollars has smiled.

SECOND RECOMMENDATION

We should have an "Organizing Secretary" at once. Our Constitution provides that there may be such an Officer, to be elected by the Board of Trustees and to hold office at their pleasure. Our By-Laws describe this Secretary's duties as follows:

"It shall be the duty of the Organizing Secretary under the direction and control of the President General and the Executive Committee to promote the growth of membership and interest in State Societies and in Chapters and to assist in organizing new chapters where none exists."

In spite of most active and efficient work of the various Presidents General and Committees on Organization and Membership for the past several years,

we are making but little net progress in our membership. A year ago, the *net gain* was only some 300 although we had obtained some 1800 new members and reinstatements during that year. In other words, we are losing too many each year. As already stated herein, I do not know whether we sustained a net loss last year or not. I am reasonably sure we have had a net loss of at least 400. And, this will probably be true even though we obtained some 1320 new members and reinstatements during that year. Faced with these definite trends, I do know that we need *now* and not *later*, to do something to awaken an interest in many State Societies and local Chapters. As an *experiment*, I recommend the "Organizing Secretary." Let's try it for a year and see what we can do to meet these stern facts which now confront us. We simply cannot afford to show a net loss each year in the future. Our membership is comparatively small now.

If we keep losing, we will soon be without sufficient members to operate at all.

In my first recommendation, I urged the raising of trust funds for worthy projects and purposes. I shall now practice what I have preached. It may be necessary to pay the salary and traveling expenses of this "Organizing Secretary" outside our regular dues. If so, I shall be glad to be one of ten Compatriots who will underwrite this total expense for one year. I feel that nine other Compatriots will join me in making this experiment. We have all to gain and nothing to lose.

It seems to me that I can make this offer with propriety, since I am retiring from office with the adjournment of the present Congress and can have no further ambitions for honors or distinctions at your hands. The "Organizing Secretary" should be a comparatively young man, physically equal to much travel. He should spend much time in the field. Our voluntary work along these lines should and must continue also. We need all possible help. We should have an all-time Officer to lead the work in the several States.

THIRD RECOMMENDATION

It seems to me that we should amend our By-Laws so as to authorize the several States to cast in the Annual Congress the entire vote to which they are

severally entitled even though any given State is represented in the Congress by fewer delegates than it has votes. I have no particular wording in mind for this Amendment, but am very favorably impressed with a similar Amendment prepared by the California Society. This Amendment would add Section 3 to Article 20 of our By-Laws, reading as follows:

"Any State Society may, provided it so certifies over the signature of its president and secretary to the Secretary General prior to the opening of any Society meeting, select by a majority vote of its board of managers one of such State's accredited delegates to any annual Congress or special Congress of the Society, who shall have, in the case of elections of national officers and in the case of amendments of the constitution and/or by-laws, the power to cast the requisite number of votes, in addition to his own and those of other accredited delegates present, to make the total vote of such State Society on these matters equal to the total legal delegate opportunity of such State at such meeting as provided in sections 1 and 2 of this Article."

If the foregoing Amendment should pass, we would have to delete the word "*present*" from Section 1 of Article 4, of our Constitution.

I realize that some will say that if a delegate desires to vote at the Congress he should be present. But, we must remember that this is a very large nation and that it is a long way from Washington State or Maine to Florida. In fact, the distance is great from any part of our country to the other, unless you are thinking of particular localities only. Even if the Congress be held in the central part of the country, it requires much travel and time to reach it. I know that traveling across this country requires considerable time and money. I am sure many delegates have neither the time nor means to spare. In that event, I submit it is wrong to deprive them or any others in the election of National Officers or the amending of the Constitution and By-Laws. If they cannot take part in these elections or amendments they really have no voice in the important work of their Society. I am convinced that, under our present sys-

tem, we have a case of taxation (they all pay dues) without representation.

I am a firm believer in *representative democracy* and not the so-called *mass meeting* type. And, our own By-Laws so provide. These By-Laws set up our Congress as a gathering of *State Delegates*.

A careful review of several recent sessions of the Congress will show that only 33 States were represented in 1946, and but 30 in 1947 and only 36 in 1948. In other words, more than one-fourth of the States were not represented at all. Furthermore, even where the States were represented, many did not have anything like their whole voting strength present. It is clear that, for many years, the Congress has been run by a minority of the authorized votes. That is not a healthy condition.

I am advised by those who have kept statistics that, during several Congresses, the States East of the Mississippi River had a tremendous advantage of those West of this great stream. But, be that as it may, it is clear to me that, in all fairness, every State should be privileged to name one delegate, if it chooses to do so, who would have the right to cast its full vote. Certainly any State Society would be able to pay the expenses of one delegate to the Congress. He could and should vote as they wish. With this Amendment, each State Society would feel that it had an active interest in the Congress and an *equal* voice with all other States in proportion to its membership. In that event, no situation could arise where a few States near the Congress, casting but a few votes compared to the nation's potential could control results. We should pass this or some similar Amendment in the very near future and then see if we do not almost immediately have a Congress where every State will be represented with its full voting strength. Then, indeed, will representative democracy prevail with a real rule by a genuine majority. In that happy day, we will, in fact, have a real *National Society*.

FOURTH RECOMMENDATION

Our main foe is communism. It threatens us from abroad as well as at home. We must show it no quarter if we wish to preserve the liberties bequeathed by our ancestors. When Lenin returned to Russia some years ago he vowed to do all he could to destroy our

faith in God and to subject the *individual* and his rights to the good and control of the *State*. Such a declared purpose is in direct conflict with our own aims and ambitions. We are a Christian nation. The Pilgrim Fathers went to Church with a Bible in one hand and a gun in the other. We had altars in our homes. We publicly profess our faith in God by declaring our trust in Him on our coins. We have never known defeat in a war because, as I view it, "twice armed is he whose cause is just." Our record is in keeping with real religion. As long as we follow in the footsteps of the Christ we shall not know defeat. Let all aggressors beware! In Russia, the State is all important. Here we believe the individual is supreme. We are protected in our individual rights by the so-called "Bill of Rights." We must preserve these safeguards and really put into practice throughout the future the thought that those people "are best governed who are least governed."

I fear, however, that there are those in our own country who may be willing to barter away their liberties for so-called "security." We must not do that. If we expect the State to make us secure we may be sure we will give it power which will be taken from us. We should provide for ourselves and retain our liberties and self control. Let us not think that the Government owes us a living. Rather, let us believe that we owe it our support.

We know that Russia is trying to undo our principles and ideology. Whether the *cold* war will become a *hot* one or not, we cannot tell. But, should Russia or anyone else bring on the fire and heat of war, let them beware and remember that we have the fuel and that we are unafraid. My prayer is that war may be avoided. This prayer can best be realized if we will simply adopt the Golden Rule laid down some two thousand years ago by the Saviour of the world. We have reached the point where, I fear, it is either "Christ or Chaos."

EXPRESSIONS OF PERSONAL APPRECIATION

After serving as President of my local Chapter and of the Texas State Society, I graduated into the service of the Na-

tional Society. In the Spring of 1941, at the Columbus, Ohio, Congress, I was, while in Washington City myself, elected Vice-President General of the South Mississippi District. In 1942, at Old Williamsburg, in Virginia, I attended my first Congress. It has been my privilege to be very active in our National Society for eight full years. The official and committee assignments are briefly outlined in our January Magazine this year. I shall not mention them here. Suffice it to say that the trail led, early in December of last year, to the very top rung of the ladder. At that time, I became your President General. In my judgment, it is not only the highest honor the Society can confer, but perhaps the highest one of its kind in the world. I accepted the call in deep humility but with a firm resolve to meet its obligations.

I felt especially honored in being the first Texan so honored. And, for that matter, to have the distinction of being the first Compatriot to represent that vast territory South and Southwest of Norfolk, Virginia, and South of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and East of California. I hope it will not be so long next time before this almost half of the nation is again honored.

I am also particularly thankful that every honor conferred upon me came unsolicited, voluntarily, and unanimously. I was never subjected to a contest. This happy status has made my work much more pleasant and, I am sure, also much more effective. One can perform his duties more easily when no scars have been left. Finally, since no one had been in any contest with me, I could naturally love everybody. I do feel very kindly toward and close to every Compatriot in the entire Society.

Nor can I cease to be grateful to a very kindly Providence which has blessed me with good health during these years. I have been privileged to attend every Congress since 1941 and have never missed a meeting of any Committee of which I have been a member.

Nor will I ever fail to remember the thoughtfulness of Compatriots over the entire nation who congratulated me on my appointment as President General, offering me their support. No one could have been more cordially welcomed or more generously aided.

Not only did I receive such a welcome for my present term, but the Compatriots from every section of the country urged me to permit my friends to nominate me for reelection. Their loyalty and friendship will be most gratefully remembered throughout my life. I want all of you to know that I could not continue to serve as President General for another term because of litigation recently filed in Texas which I must defend personally. The suits involve a client of more than twenty years and I cannot forsake this company now.

In relinquishing the great office of President General at the end of this Congress, I am, in no sense, stopping or ending my labors for SAR. After all these eight years, I would be lost if I stopped work now. I am only leaving an all-time task. I shall continue, in season and out of season, to work for this organization which has so greatly honored me. And, as a Past President General and as a Compatriot in the ranks, I see no reason why my effectiveness should be curtailed. I hope to be able to continue always to render as worth while a service as possible. You have my assurance that no effort on my part will be lacking.

As I reflect on these years of service, and on my membership in this great Society, I have mainly enjoyed two things: In the first place, I have made many intimate and loyal friends. They are the salt of the earth. I shall cherish those friendships always. In the second place, the system of government bequeathed to us by our forefathers is the greatest in the world. We owe a great deal to those who gave us these rights and liberties. I have been delighted to have a part in their preservation. Certainly, it must never be said that we failed to exert every effort to join the martyred Lincoln when he firmly resolved that this Government "of, for and by the people should not perish from the earth."

Insofar as the President Generalcy is concerned, I have considered that the fiscal year just ending has belonged to Captain Shaler and myself. I have been honored to have a part in the same year with him. I hope he is looking on at this time, as many of us believe, and giving us his benediction. We owe him a great deal and I gladly pay tribute to his memory.

Records of 331 New Members and 124 Supplementals Approved and Enrolled by the Registrar General from March 1, 1949 to June 1, 1949.

HOWARD GEHRIG ALLEN, Garwood, N. J. (71314). Great-grandson of Samuel Allen, Captain, N. J. Militia.

JOHN EDWARD ALLISON, Charleston, S. C. (71311). Great-grandson of Robert Allen, Lieutenant, S. C. Militia.

HENRY POWELL ALVES, Guntersville, Ala. (69942). Great-grandson of James Hogg, member Provincial Congress, N. C. & Com. Safety, Orange Co., N. C., etc; great-grandson of Thomas Shreshley, Major, Va. Militia; great-grandson of William Johnston, on Com. & Council of Safety and member Provincial Congress, N. C.; great-grandson of Joseph Bohannon, Captain, Va. Militia.

WALTER JOHNSTON ALVES, Guntersville, Ala. (69943). Great-grandson of James Hogg, supra; great-grandson of Thomas Shreshley, supra; great-grandson of William Johnston, supra; great-grandson of Joseph Bohannon, supra.

FRANK C. ANDERSON, Lebanon, O. (71248). Great-grandson of Elijah Foote, private, Conn. Line.

WILLIAM DILWORTH ANDERSON, Waxahachie, Tex. (71426). Great-grandson of Richard Anderson, private, Va. Line.

WILLIAM ROBERT ATKINS, Louisville, Ky. (70437). Great-grandson of Richard Chew, private, N. J. Line.

EDGAR KNOX AVRIETT, Homerville, Ga. (70754). Great-grandson of William Cone, private, Ga. Militia.

EDGAR KNOX AVRIETT, JR., Homerville, Ga. (70755). Son of 70754 supra.

RONALD PHILIP BAAB, Greensburg, Pa. (71257). Great-grandson of John Mitchell, private, Va. Militia.

CARLETON NEWELL BAKER, Melrose, Mass. (70935). Great-grandson of Henry Walbridge, Sergeant, Mass. Militia.

HARRY FRANKLIN BAKER, JR., Rockland, Del. (70893). Great-grandson of Josiah Phillips, Lieutenant, Penna. Militia.

RAYMOND EARL BALDWIN, Stratford, Conn. (71163). Great-grandson of Joel Hine, private, Conn. Militia.

ROLAND DENNIS BALDWIN, Jacksonville, Fla. (71403). Great-grandson of Thaddeus Munson, private, Vt. Militia.

WILLARD CLINTON BALDWIN, Stratford, Conn. (71164). Great-grandson of Josiah Hoit, Ensign, Conn. Militia.

RICHARD ALDO BALSAM, Weston, Mass. (70937). Great-grandson of Stephen Hosmer, Corporal, Mass. Militia.

WILLIAM POND BARBER, JR., Hartford, Conn. (71162). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Pond, Lieutenant, Mass. Militia.

CARLYLE FULLER BARNES, Bristol, Conn. (71174). Great-grandson of Thomas Barns, Sr., private, Conn. Militia.

FREDRIC NORMAN BREWSTER BARNES, Chicago, Ill. (71088). Great-grandson of Moses Kimball, private, Conn. Militia.

FULLER FORBES BARNES, Bristol, Conn. (71175). Son of 71174 supra.

HARRY CLARKE BARNES, Bristol, Conn. (71551). Same as 71174 supra.

WALLACE BARNES, Bristol, Conn. (71552). Son of 71551 supra.

JAMES FRANKLIN BARNETT, III, Ark. (64018). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Nathaniel Moore, private, N. C. Militia.

WILLIAM PENDLETON BARRET, Richmond, Va. (70417). Great-grandson of John Morrison, private, Va. Militia.

PAUL JEHU BARRINGER, Sanford, N. C. (71182). Great-grandson of Matthew McAuley, Lieutenant, N. C. Line.

JAMES KEENE BASSETT, Pine Bluff, Ark. (69922). Great-grandson of William Chipley, Captain, Md. Militia.

CHARLES HUGH BATE, Canton, O. (71232). Great-grandson of Richard Taylor, Lieut. Colonel, Va. Line.

FRANCIS MCCORD BAUM, Chicago, Ill. (71082). Great-grandson of William Means, private, S. C. Militia.

WILLIAM SPENCER BEATTY, Hamburg, N. Y. (71022). Great-grandson of Lewis Ford Dunham, Surgeon, N. J. Line.

JAMES DUNCEITH BECKETT, Hinsdale, Ill. (71092). Great-grandson of Thaddeus Avery, Lieutenant & Captain, N. Y. Cavalry.

ARTHUR ROYS BEEBE, New Haven, Conn. (71161). Great-grandson of Ashahel Johnson, private, Conn. Militia.

RICHARD MILLER BEER, Charleston, W. Va. (70614). Great-grandson of James Davis, Captain, Va. Line.

GRANT SQUIRES BEMIS, Oakland, Calif. (70959). Great-grandson of George Harkins, Captain, Mass. Militia.

WILLIAM HARRY NEWSHAM BENTZ, JR., Allentown, Pa. (71258). Great-grandson of John Schaeffer, Ensign, Penna. Militia.

ROBERT BINGHAM, Riverside, Calif. (70960). Great-grandson of Matthew Hubbell, private, Mass. Militia.

ROY CORNELIUS BLACK, JR., Inglewood, Calif. (70968). Great-grandson of James DeNeale, Recognized Patriot, signed Fairfax Resolutions, Va.

RALPH WAYNE BLAKE, Parkersburg, W. Va. (70615). Great-grandson of Abel Thayer, Captain, Mass. Militia.

JAMES RUSSELL BLANKENSHIP, Westboro, Mass. (70938). Great-grandson of Seth Cowing, private, Mass. Militia.

ISAAC NICHOLAS BLAUVELT, Hamilton, O. (71250). Great-grandson of Isaac Blauvelt, Corporal, N. Y. Militia.

VANCE HUBBERT BLITCH, Colo. (60587). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Aaron Rice, private, S. C. Militia.

EDMUNDS ALFRED DEWITT BLOWERS, Rocky River, O. (71228). Great-grandson of Matthew Lewis, Corporal, Mass. Line & private, Vt. Militia.

EDWARD SIDNEY BOCK, JR., Charleston, W. Va. (70612). Great-grandson of William Hall, private & Ranger, Va. Militia.

JOHN HAMMOND BOVIER, N. Y. (70738). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Israel Parshall, Lieutenant, Penna. Militia; great-grandson of Amariah Hammond, private, Conn. Line; great-grandson of Lebbeus Tubbs, Lieutenant, Conn. Militia.

WARNER WINDOM BRACKETT, Ridgewood, N. J. (71308). Great-grandson of Joseph Brackett, private, Mass. Militia.

OSCAR EBENEZER BREED, Dearborn, Mich. (71105). Great-grandson of William Calef, Ensign, N. H. Militia.

NELSON ARTHUR BRIGGS, Medford, Mass. (70940). Great-grandson of Henry W. Snyder, private, N. Y. Militia.

WARD WRIGHT BRIGGS, Wilmington, Del. (70891). Great-grandson of Johannes Lawyer, private, N. Y. Militia.

GEORGE BUCKNER BROWER, Quakertown, Pa. (71275). Great-grandson of John Edwards, Jr., Major, Penna. Militia.

CHARLES LESTER BROWN, JR., Boscawen, N. H. (70694). Great-grandson of Edward Hall, private, N. H. Militia.

WALTER SCOTT BROWNING, Ashland, Ky. (70438). Great-grandson of Joseph Davidson, private, Va. Militia.

DAVID ALLEN BURNETT, Goshen, N. Y. (71377). Great-grandson of Robert Burnet, Lieutenant, N. Y. Line.

RICHARD THOMPSON BYNUM, Ann Arbor, Mich. (Tenn. 68989). Great-grandson of John Rickman, private, Va. Artillery.

DILLON AUSTIN CADY, Elmira, N. Y. (71388). Great-grandson of Oliver Cady, private, N. Y. Militia.

HENRY CLAY CAMP, JR., Winder, Ga. (70757). Great-grandson of Thomas Camp, private, N. C. Militia.

RALPH H. CAREY, Lebanon, O. (71243). Great-grandson of Daniel Gray, private, N. J. Troops.

CHARLES MARION CARROLL, JR., Little Rock, Ark. (71329). Great-grandson of Ephraim Liles, Jr., Lieutenant, S. C. Militia.

HUGH BARRET CARSON, Joliet, Ill. (71087). Great-grandson of Thomas Yale, private, Conn. Militia.

CHRISTIAN VOGELER CASTLE, Hyattsville, Md. (D. C. 71284). Great-grandson of Gideon Castle, private, N. Y. Militia.

GEORGE ARCHIE CHANCELLOR, SR., Hattiesburg, Miss. (70911). Great-grandson of William Chancellor, private, Va. Line.

JOSEPH DURRELL CHAPLINE, Philadelphia, Pa. (71263). Great-grandson of James Latimer Alder, private, Md. Line; great-grandson of Thomas Sappington, private, Md. Militia.

CHARLES HENRY CHENEY, Concord, N. H. (70692). Great-grandson of Asa Kimball, Lieut. Colonel, R. I. Troops.

JOHN ELDER CHOISSE, Eldorado, Ill. (71090). Great-grandson of Samuel Elder, private, S. C. Militia.

FRANCIS BUGBEE CLEMENTS, Birmingham, Ala. (69949). Great-grandson of Amos Bugbee, private, Conn. Line; great-grandson of Reuben Long, Lieutenant, Va. Line; great-grandson of Joseph Woodward, Corporal, Conn. Troops.

STERLING WARNER CLEMENTS, Warrensville Hts., O. (71227). Great-grandson of Joseph Green, private, Penna. Militia.

THOMAS L. CLEVENGER, Minneapolis, Minn. (71057). Great-grandson of William Clevenger, private, Va. Militia.

THOMAS K. CLEVENGER, Minneapolis, Minn. (71060). Son of 71057 supra.

WILLIAM A. COBB, Lake Park, Fla. (71406). Great-grandson of Joshua Barney, Captain, Continental Navy.

THOMAS BEALE COCKEY, JR., Catonsville, Md. (70830). Great-grandson of Edward Cockey, Colonel, Md. Militia; great-grandson of Charles Alexander Warfield, Recognized Patriot, Md., with "Peggy Stewart Tea Party."

WILLIAM AARON COCKRILL, Oakland, Calif. (70973). Great-grandson of Joseph Venable, private, S. C. Militia.

JOHN ALLEN COE, III, Waterbury, Conn. (71169). Great-grandson of John Coe, Signed Oath of Fidelity; on sundry War Committees.

ANDREW ELLICOTT COLSON, Glen Ridge, N. J. (71309). Great-grandson of Andrew Ellicott, Major, Md. Militia.

SHERIDAN COLSON, Montclair, N. J. (71310). Same as 71309 supra.

NORBERT WILLIAM COMPTON, Pomeroy, O. (71238). Great-grandson of William Neel, private, Va. Line.

BENJAMIN STANLEY COOK, JR., Texarkana, Ark. (71326). Great-grandson of William Hutchison, Captain, N. C. Troops.

FREDERICK ROBERTS COOK, Pittsburgh, Pa. (71256). Great-grandson of Gideon Station, Sergeant, Mass. Line.

GEORGE CROUSE COOK, JR., New York, N. Y. (71380). Great-grandson of George Crouse, private, N. Y. Militia; great-grandson of Amos Cook, private, Conn. Levies.

JOSEPH LINDLEY COON, Cedar Rapids, Ia. (70357). Great-grandson of Daniel Coon, Sergeant, Conn. Line.

HOWARD FRANKLIN CRAIG, Audubon, N. J. (71311). Great-grandson of Jonathan Read, private, N. J. Militia.

JOHN WILLIAM CRITTENDEN, Washington, D. C. (71279). Great-grandson of Joseph Sandridge, private, Va. Militia.

FRED C. CROWELL, Ashland, Ky. (70432). Great-grandson of Aaron Crowell, private, N. J. Militia.

DAVID SHIFFER CRUMLEY, New Orleans, La. (71035). Great-grandson of Abraham Baer, private, Penna. Militia.

WILLOUGHBY BRANCHLEY CULPEPER, Norfolk, Va. (70422). Great-grandson of Josiah Foster, Ensign, Va. Militia.

CHARLES WESLEY CUTHBERTSON, Washington, D. C. (71281). Great-grandson of John Cuthbertson, private, N. C. Militia.

KENNETH LEE DANE, Houston, Tex. (70821). Great-grandson of Amos Putnam, private, Mass. Militia.

ALBERT CLARE DANIELS, Ross, Calif. (70961). Great-grandson of Robert Rodes, Captain, Va. Militia.

ROBERT FOWLER DARBY, Westfield, N. J. (71315). Great-grandson of John Darby, private, N. J. Militia.

GEORGE MANSFIELD DARLOW, Buffalo, N. Y. (71021). Great-grandson of George Miltenberger, private & gunner, Penna. Militia.

JAMES WILLIAM DAVIS, Lubbock, Tex. (71434). Great-grandson of James Cameron, private, S. C. Militia.

ELWIN LINWOOD DEAN, Washington, D. C. (71277). Great-grandson of Sylvester Dean, Corporal, Mass. Militia.

NEVIN WARNER DELLINGER, York, Pa. (71536). Great-grandson of Felix Glatfelter, private, Penna. Militia.

EDWIN JOSEPH DOWLING, JR., Washington, D. C. (71285). Great-grandson of David Dishman, Recognized Patriot, gave material aid, Va.

ORION THOMAS DOZIER, New York, N. Y. (Ala. 69939). Great-grandson of Thomas Lewis, member Va. Convention 1776; Signed Augusta Co., Resolutions, etc.

EPHRAIM BURNHAM DUNTON, Westfield, N. J. (71302). Great-grandson of Allen Malcolm, private, Mass. Militia.

FRENCH L. EASON, Evanston, Ill. (71083). Great-grandson of Thomas Cresap, on Com. of Safety, Frederick, Md.

PAUL BLAKE EDGAR, Cleveland Heights, O. (71229). Great-grandson of David Kilgore, Captain, Penna. Line.

WILLIAM HENRY EISENHART, Wrightsville, Pa. (71537). Great-grandson of John Bull, Lieutenant, Penna. Militia.

RUDOLPH PELL ELLIS, New York, N. Y. (Del. 70895). Great-grandson of Tobias Rudolph, on Com. of Correspondence, Md.

FRANKLIN HARPER ELNORE, JR., Jacksonville, Fla. (71405). Great-grandson of John Smith, Colonel, Va. Militia.

JOHN REYNOLDS ERNEST, Newark, Del. (70900). Great-grandson of John Cole Reynolds, Signed Oath of Allegiance, Dela.

DONALD CARLTON ERWIN, Short Hills, N. J. (71312). Great-grandson of George Hill, private, Penna. Militia.

FORREST WILLIAM ERWIN, Whiting, Ia. (70355). Great-grandson of David Erwin, private, N. J. Line.

FRANCIS MIGUEL ESTUDILLO, Riverside, Calif. (70969). Great-grandson of William Rixford, private, N. H. Militia.

REX KEMP ESTUDILLO, Riverside, Calif. (70970). Same as 70969 supra.

THOMAS PAGET EVERITT, Elmira, N. Y. (71378). Great-grandson of John Coryell, Major, Penna. Associators.

GEORGE WILLIAM FARLIN, Seattle, Wash. (71577). Great-grandson of Nicholas Neighbour, private, N. J. Troops.

OSCAR GARTH FITZHUGH, Kensington, Md. (D. C. 71278). Great-grandson of Henry Fitzhugh, on Com. of Safety, Va.; signed decla. of Freeholders, Va.

GASTON CASSEL FLETCHER, Ocean Springs, Miss. (70908). Great-grandson of Edmund Mathis, private & musician, N. C. Militia.

FREDERICK DAVID FOOTE, Castine, Me. (69661). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Foote, Corporal, Conn. Line.

BERNHARD DUDLEY FORBES, Walpole, N. H. (70697). Great-grandson of Levi Hooper, Captain, N. H. Militia.

LEWIS HENRY FOSTER, DuBois, Pa. (71274). Great-grandson of Daniel Foster, private, Vt. Militia.

ARTHUR PRESTON FREED, Penna. (67366). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Christian Stoner, private, Penna. Militia.

CLAUDE FREED, Red Hill, Pa. (71526). Great-grandson of John Freit (Freed), private, Penna. Militia.

PERCY KALB FREY, York, Pa. (71538). Great-grandson of George Frey, private, Penna. Militia.

WILLIAM REA FURLONG, Washington, D. C. (71282). Great-grandson of John Grant, Captain, N. J. Militia; great-grandson of Eli Allen, private, Penna. Militia; great-grandson of Henry Holman, private, Penna. Militia.

CARLTON HARRIS FURR, Norfolk, Va. (70418). Great-grandson of Enoch Furr, Lieutenant, Va. Militia.

RALPH HARRY GAMBLE, Ridley Park, Pa. (Del. 70898). Great-grandson of Joseph Sawtell (Sartell), private, Mass. Militia.

EMERY WILLIAM GARRED, Catlettsburg, Ky. (70434). Great-grandson of James Graham, Captain, Va. Militia.

JOHN LEE GARRED, Whiting, Ia. (Ky. 70440). Great-grandson of James Graham, supra.

MATHEW DAVID GARRED, JR., Ashland, Ky. (70430). Great-grandson of James Rogers, Captain, Va. Militia.

ULYSSES VICTORIS GARRED, Ashland, Ky. (70436). Same as 70434 supra.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS GARRED, Ashland, Ky. (70435). Great-grandson of James Graham, supra.

FRANKLIN DAVIDSON GARRETT, Bethesda, Md. (D. C. 71286). Great-grandson of Frederick Landis, private, Penna. Militia.

KENNETH HERSHEL GASS, Massillon, O. (71236). Great-grandson of John Stitt, Sergeant, N. Y. Line.

WALLIS GEARING, Norfolk, Va. (70424). Great-grandson of John Fulford, Major, Md. Artillery of Line.

WILLIAM EVAN GELDER, San Francisco, Calif. (70974). Great-grandson of Samuel McPherson, Captain, Md. Line.

MERRITT H. GIBSON, Longview, Tex. (71432). Great-grandson of David Elder, private, Ga. Line.

WILLIAM CARROLL GILGER, Minneapolis, Minn. (71058). Great-grandson of John Knauss, Sergeant, Penna. Militia.

RICHARD SPENCER GILL, W. Palm Beach, Fla. (71407). Great-grandson of Alexander Glas Strachan, Recognized Patriot, gave material aid, Va.

CLARENCE GIFFORD GILLAM, Austin, Minn. (71059). Great-grandson of Ezekiel Gillam, private, N. J. Militia.

JEAN GILMAN, JR., Norfolk, Va. (70419). Great-grandson of Moses Gilman, Corporal, N. H. Line.

SAMUEL L. GLADNEY, El Dorado, Ark. (69921). Great-grandson of Samuel Gladney, private, S. C. Militia.

EDWARD ABRAHAM GLATFELTER, York, Pa. (71539). Great-grandson of Felix Glatfelter, private, Penna. Militia.

CAMPBELL WALLACE GLOVER, JR., Guntersville, Ala. (69944). Great-grandson of Joseph Glover, Colonel, S. C. Militia.

HENRY FRANCIS GOING, Pontiac, Mich. (71102). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Hill, Recognized Patriot, signed Decla. of Resistance, N. H. 76.

WILLIAM PARKER GOLDER, Chicago, Ill. (71086). Great-grandson of Edward Briggs, private, N. Y. Militia.

EVERETT BIRD GOODRICH, Mass. (56051). Supplemental. Great-grandson of David Gardner, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of Daniel Crooker, Corporal, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of Isaac Bird, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of Edward Bartlett, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of Ephraim Cole, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of James Sandborn, Signed Test Oath, N. H., 1776.

CLYDE EMERSON GRANT, Wellesley, Mass. (69660). Great-grandson of Moses Worster, Sergeant, Mass. Militia.

WILLIAM LEVERT GRAY, Natchez, Miss. (70914). Great-grandson of Arthur Gray, Lieutenant, S. C. Militia; great-grandson of William Hutton, Captain, S. C. Militia.

PETER BULKELEY GREENOUGH, Cleveland, O. (71249). Great-grandson of Elijah Vose, Lieut. Colonel, Mass. Line.

DAVID WILLIAMS GUNSALLUS, Newton, Mass. (N. Y. 71382). Great-grandson of Henry Kirk, private, Penna. Militia.

FREDERICK WILLIAM HAGAN, San Francisco, Calif. (70971). Great-grandson of Robert Thompson, Sergeant, Penna. Line.

GERALD GERDING HANNAH, Oliver Springs, Tenn. (68988). Great-grandson of Alexander Mathes, Captain, Va. Militia.

MARION SCRIBNER HARLAN, Grosse Ile, Mich. (71108). Great-grandson of John Avery, Lieutenant, Conn. Militia.

CHARLES HENRY HARRIS, Athens, O. (71241). Great-grandson of Silas Bingham, Sr., private, Conn. Troops.

GEORGE TURNER HARRISON, Tulsa, Okla. (71351). Great-grandson of Joseph Knox, private, N. C. Militia.

WILLIAM MARTIN HARTON, Conway, Ark. (71330). Great-grandson of John Moore, private, N. C. Line.

WILLIAM MARTIN HARTON, JR., Conway, Ark. (71333). Son of 71330 supra.

RICHARD PAULISON HAWES, Washington, D. C. (71295). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Avery, Colonel, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of John Henry, member Md. Legislature & Continental Congress; great-grandson of Robert Goldsborough, Md., member Md. Assembly & Continental Congress, & Md. Conventions, etc.; great-grandson of John Goldsborough, 1., Judge of County Court, Md., member of Stamp Act Assembly, etc.; great-grandson of Henry Steele, took Oath of Fidelity, member Md. Council of Safety and Gen. Assembly, 1777, etc.; great-grandson of William Smith, Recognized Patriot and preacher, Md.; great-grandson of Nehemiah Beckwith, Corporal, Md. Militia & seaman.

ROBERT CARROLL HAZELTON, Chester, N. H. (70696). Great-grandson of Sherburn Sanborn, private, N. H. Line.

HERBERT LONG HENDERSON, Dayton, O. (71628). Great-grandson of Vachel Burgess, Lieutenant, Md. Troops.

WALTER LEE HENDERSON, Chattanooga, Tenn. (68987). Great-grandson of Thomas H. Christopher, private, Md. Troops.

MAURICE WILHELM HIBSCHMAN, San Francisco, Calif. (70975). Great-grandson of Heinrich Hibschman, private, Penna. Militia.

EDWARD DICKSON HICKS, Nashville, Ore. (68990). Great-grandson of John Cockrill, private, Va. Line; great-grandson of Frederick Davis, private, N. C. Line.

WALTER L. HILLYER, Natick, Conn. (71170). Great-grandson of Gershom Halstead, private, N. Y. Militia.

PRINCE ALMON HINDS, Detroit, Mich. (71110). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Hinds, Sergeant, Mass. Militia.

EDWARD STUART HOPPING, Bloomfield, N. J. (71301). Great-grandson of John Hopping, Jr., private, N. J. Militia.

DOUGLAS BUNTING HORNE, Washington, D. C. (71287). Great-grandson of Asa Douglas, Major, N. Y. Militia.

JAMES OSCAR HORTON, JR., Guntersville, Ala. (71477). Great-grandson of William Hubbard Hobbs, private, Va. Militia.

WILLIAM HENRY HUDGINS, Chase City, Va. (D. C. 71297). Great-grandson of William Edmiston, Colonel, Va. Militia.

WILLIAM CLARENCE HUDSON, Mich. (62909). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Thomas McCoy, Lieutenant, Penna. Line.

HARRY REAMSHART HURSH, Camp Hill, Pa. (71549). Great-grandson of Peter Hurst (Horst), private, Penna. Militia.

ALBERT CASS HUTCHINSON, JR., Detroit, Mich. (71106). Great-grandson of Solomon Hutchinson, private, N. Y. Militia.

Records of New Members Continued

HENRY MERRIMAN, Waterbury, Conn. (71171). Same as 71173 *supra*.
WILLIAM GLEASON MERRIMAN, Watertown, Conn. (71172). Same as 71173 *supra*.
DAVID DANIEL GILBERT MILLER, SR. San Diego, Calif. (70972). Great-grandson of *David Daniels*, Corporal, Conn. Line.
WILLIAM CONWAY MILLER, Dallas, Tex. (Ark. 71334). Great-grandson of *Richard Pile*, Sergeant, Va. Line.
HOWARD PRECOTT MILLIGAN, Wilmington, Del. (70892). Great-grandson of *Cornelius Conner, Sr.*, Sergeant, Va. Line.
JOHN IRWIN MILLIGAN, Miami, Fla. (Del. 70899). Same as 70892 *supra*.
FRANKLIN BURDETTE MOORE, Canton, O. (71235). Great-grandson of *John William Krichbaum*, private, Penna. Militia.
WILBUR FULTON MORSE, Corpus Christi, Tex. (70825). Great-grandson of *John Washington*, Recognized Patriot, gave Material aid, N. C.
GROVER CLEVELAND MOSELEY, JR., Winder, Ga. (70756). Great-grandson of *Nicholas Ware*, private, Ga. Militia.
ROBERT E. MUMFORD, Westfield, N. J. (70797). Great-grandson of *Daniel Baker*, Ensign, N. J. Troops.
LELAND G. MUSTAIN, Osseo, Minn. (71061). Great-grandson of *Avery Mustain*, private, Va. Troops.
CHESTER G. MEYERS, York, Pa. (71542). Great-grandson of *John William Henry Roderfeld*, private & gunner, Conn. Line.
HEWITT JEFFRIES MYERS, York, Pa. (71543). Great-grandson of *Nicholas Hewitt*, private, Md. Militia—signed Oath of Allegiance.
JOHN HAWKINS NAPIER, III, Picayune, Miss. (70913). Great-grandson of *John Wheat*, private, Ga. Militia.
HUGH NESBITT, Mendham, N. J. (N. Y. 71383). Great-grandson of *Leonard Walsh*, Corporal, Penna. Militia.
JULIAN VAN CLEEF NEVIUS, Westfield, N. J. (71310). Great-grandson of *John Van Derveer*, private, N. J. Militia.
FRANK NEWKIRK NORRIS, Turtle Creek, Pa. (71272). Great-grandson of *Peter Norris*, Corporal, N. J. Line.
FRANK WILLIAMS ODENHEIMER, JR., Norfolk, Va. (71601). Great-grandson of *Levin Potzell*, Lieut. Colonel, Va. Line.
WILLIAM ANDERSON O'FLAHERTY, Richmond, Va. (70420). Great-grandson of *John Page*, on Com. of Safety & delegate to Va. Constitutional Convention, etc.
GARDNER OSBORN, N. Y. (58393). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Hesekiah Augur*, private, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *David Osborn*, private, Conn. Line; great-grandson of *Reuben Gardner*, private, Mass. Militia.
CHARLES HOTCHKISS OSTERHOUT, Binghamton, N. Y. (71024). Great-grandson of *Gideon Hotchkiss*, Recognized Patriot, on sundry War Committees, Conn.
JOHN DAVIS OWEN, JR., Dallas, Tex. (71433). Great-grandson of *Glen Owen*, private, Ga. Militia.
WALTER OLIVER PAGE, Starkville, Miss. (70909). Great-grandson of *Abram Penn*, Colonel, Va. Militia.
ARTHUR N. PARSONS, Binghamton, N. Y. (71387). Great-grandson of *David Hall*, private, Mass. Militia.
THOMAS M. PASCALL, Newark, N. J. (70799). Great-grandson of *Cornelius Stagg*, Lieutenant, N. J. Militia.
WILLIAM DUNCAN PATTERSON, Rockland, Del. (70896). Great-grandson of *Thomas Ayer*, private, S. C. Militia.
JOSEPH BARNETT PAUL, Washington, D. C. (71289). Great-grandson of *Eosa Sibley*, Sergeant, Conn. Line.
ROBERT ASHLEY PECK, Little Rock, Ark. (71331). Great-grandson of *John Ashley*, private, S. C. Troops.
CHARLES ADELBERT PENNEY, Oswego, N. Y. (71381). Great-grandson of *Richard Cole*, Ensign, R. I. Militia.
JOHN WILLIAM PERSOHN, Youngstown, N. Y. (71389). Great-grandson of *James Stiff*, private, Va. Line.
ALVIN GILDEROY PETTIT, JR., Blacksburg, Va. (D. C. 71276). Great-grandson of *Lawrence Brooks*, Surgeon, U. S. Navy.
CHARLES ALAN PHILLIPS, Westfield, N. J. (70798). Great-grandson of *Lorentz Guth (Good)*, private, Penna. Militia.
WILLIAM MASON PHILLIPS, Lebanon, O. (71242). Great-grandson of *Benjamin Penn*, private, Md. Line.
SAMUEL EVANS PIERCE, Philadelphia, Pa. (71266). Great-grandson of *Ward Peirce*, Lieutenant, N. J. Militia.
GEORGE DAVIS PORTER, Syracuse, N. Y. (71023). Great-grandson of *Ezekiel Porter*, Corporal, Mass. Militia.
FRANK EUGENE STANTON POU, Jacksonville, Fla. (71404). Great-grandson of *James Stanton*, private, S. C. & Va. Troops.
GEORGE WILLIAM PUTNAM, Upper Montclair, N. J. (71304). Great-grandson of *Abiel Abbot*, Major, N. H. Militia.
BRUCE AYLAND QUIGLEY, Charleston, S. C. (71130). Great-grandson of *William Pearce*, Recognized Patriot—member Boston Tea Party.

JOHN CHRISTIAN QUINN, Cincinnati, O. (71239). Great-grandson of *(John) Rudolph Waymire*, Recognized Patriot, gave material aid, N. C.
WILLIAM HENRY RADCLIFFE, Rockville, Md. (D. C. 71290). Great-grandson of *John Henry*, member Md. Provincial Congress & Continental Congress; great-grandson of *William Smith*, Recognized Patriot & preacher, Md.; great-grandson of *Robert Goldsborough*, member Continental Congress '76, etc., Md.; great-grandson of *John Goldsborough*, member Md. 1st Assembly '76; great-grandson of *Nehemiah Beckwith, Jr.*, Corporal, Md. Militia & seaman; great-grandson of *Henry Steele*, took Oath of Fidelity; member Com. of Safety & Md. Assembly, etc.
LEON RAYBURN, Ala. (69933). Supplemental. Great-grandson of *William McGuffy Rives*, private, N. C. Militia.
ROBERT BATORY REDICK, Glencoe, Md. (70827). Great-grandson of *John Redick*, Ensign, Penna. Militia & Line.
HORACE SHERWOOD REED, Menlo Park, Calif. (70964). Great-grandson of *Simeon Reed*, private, N. Y. Militia.
WILLIAM BROOKS REED, Poland, O. (71237). Great-grandson of *John Thornton*, private, Penna. Militia.
RAY RALPH REX, Orwell, O. (71240). Great-grandson of *Roswell Steuens*, private, Conn. Militia.
JACK LONGSTREET RHYMES, Macon, Miss. (70915). Great-grandson of *Sylvanus Ames*, Chaplain, Mass. Troops.
JOHN LEMUEL RICHERT, Madison, Ind. (71451). Great-grandson of *George Benefiel*, private, Penna. Militia.
ROBERT MINOT RICHMOND, Baltimore, Md. (70831). Great-grandson of *Samuel Pool*, Lieutenant, Mass. Militia.
DAVID LELAND ROBB, Minneapolis, Minn. (71062). Great-grandson of *Amos Chapman*, private, Conn. Line.
EDWIN GAY ROBB, Minneapolis, Minn. (71063). Same as 71062 *supra*.
RICHARD GREENWAY ROBBINS, Pittsburgh, Pa. (71533). Great-grandson of *Brinton Robbins*, Ensign, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Moses Robbins*, private, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Joseph Boardman*, Captain, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *John Peter Altman*, private, Penna. Line; great-grandson of *Mathias Cowan*, Signed Oath of Allegiance, Penna.
FRANK ELMER ROHRER, New Castle, Ky. (70431). Great-grandson of *Drury Ragsdale*, Lieutenant, Va. Militia.
HUGH GRANT ROWELL, N. Y. (64734). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Samuel Richardson*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *William Whittier*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Benoni Rowell*, Signed Test Oath, N. H. '76.
CHRISTIAN FOLTZ RUPP, III, West Point, N. Y. (Pa. 71535). Great-grandson of *Jacob Roof*, Jr., private, Penna. Militia.
CLAUDE E. RUPP, Dauphin, Pa. (71269). Great-grandson of *Jacob Roof, Jr.*, *supra*.
RICHARD BREVARD RUSSELL, III, Winder, Ga. (70761). Great-grandson of *Thomas Camp*, Recognized Patriot, gave material aid, N. C.
ROBERT LEE RUSSELL, JR., Tallahassee, Fla. (Ga. 70762). Same as 70761 *supra*.
ALFRED K. ST. JOHN, Norwalk, Conn. (71165). Great-grandson of *Justin St. John*, Corporal, Conn. Line.
RICHARD GARRY SAUNER, Delaware, O. (71230). Great-grandson of *William Lowther*, Major, Va. Militia.
RUSSELL STANLEY SAYFORD, Harrisburg, Pa. (71270). Great-grandson of *Christian Petrie*, private, Penna. Militia.
HARRY COLVIN SCHWARTZ, Lebanon, O. (71247). Great-grandson of *Anthony Geoghegan (Geogh—)*, private & drummer, Md. Line.
HAYDEN WOODSON SEALE, Cleveland, O. (71626). Great-grandson of *Charles Barker*, private, Va. Militia.
HERBERT BARNUM SEELEY, Bridgeport, Conn. (71166). Great-grandson of *Aaron Hawley*, Major, Conn. Militia.
HAROLD RICHARD SEGOINE, New Brunswick, N. I. (71305). Great-grandson of *Lewis Couwenhoven (Conover)*, Sergeant, N. J. Troops.
GREEN B. SEIBOLD, Guntersville, Ala. (71479). Great-grandson of *James Gilliam*, Ensign, Va. Militia; great-grandson of *John Hopkins*, Colonel, Va. Militia; great-grandson of *James Newcomb*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Job Hodges, II*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Job Hodges, Sr.*, private, Mass. Militia.
FREDERICK WEBER SHAFER, III. (65404). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Francis Fenton*, private, N. H. Militia; great-grandson of *John Jewett*, Signed Oath of Allegiance, N. H.
WILLIAM HALDEMAN SHANK, York, Pa. (71544). Great-grandson of *Abraham Updegraff*, private, Penna. Militia.
ALDEN KINGSLEY SHAW, Swanton, Vt. (69389). Great-grandson of *Amasa Edson*, private, Mass. Troops.
JOHN SANFORD SHEPARD, Franklin, N. H. (70695). Great-grandson of *Robert Barber*, Captain, N. H. Line.
IRA SHORT, Wilmington, Del. (70894). Great-grandson of *Daniel Jessor*, private, Del. Militia.
JAMES FULLER SHRYOCK, Frostburg, Md. (70828). Great-grandson of *Henry Shryock*, Lieutenant, Md. Line.
JOHN CARTER SHRYOCK, Frostburg, Md. (70829). Great-grandson of *Henry Shryock*, *supra*.

GRAHAME THOMAS SMALLWOOD, D. C. (59860). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Thomas Rumrill*, private & musician, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Aaron Rumrill*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Thomas Clapp*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *John Livermore*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Nathaniel Livermore*, Recognized Patriot, gave financial aid, Mass; great-grandson of *Nathaniel Felton*, on Com. of Corres. & Safety, Mass.; great-grandson of *Nathan Morse*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Joseph Clark*, Corporal & Sergeant, N. H. Militia; great-grandson of *Israel Frink*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Cornelius H. Muller*, Lieutenant, N. Y. Militia; great-grandson of *Hendrick Muller*, Lieutenant, N. Y. Militia; great-grandson of *Ayre Phillips*, private, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Joseph Cadwell*, Drummer, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *James Jackson*, Signed Loyalty Pledge, N. H. '76; great-grandson of *Jonathan Mooney*, private, Mass. Line; great-grandson of *Hercules Mooney*, Colonel, N. H. Troops; great-grandson of *David Allard*, private, N. H. Militia; great-grandson of *Henry Allard*, Signed Oath of Loyalty, N. H. '76; great-grandson of *Abraham Sedgwick*, Captain, Conn. Troops; great-grandson of *James Weed*, Lieutenant, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Josiah Weed*, Corporal, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *James Richards*, Corporal, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Thomas Parmelee, Jr.*, Sergeant, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *James Harrington*, private, R. I. Militia; great-grandson of *Caleb Legg*, Corporal, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *William Legg*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Solomon Hurd*, Cornet, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *David Hayden*, Corporal, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Nehemiah Hubbell*, private & Drummer, N. Y. Militia; great-grandson of *George Kellogg*, Ensign, Conn. Militia; great-grandson of *Joseph Mason*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Marmaduke Mason*, private, R. I. Militia; great-grandson of *Israel Dewey*, private, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Benajah McCall*, private, N. Y. Militia.
CARL THURMAN SMITH, Philadelphia, Pa. (71530). Great-grandson of *Christopher Huldeman (Hulder—)*, private, Penna. Militia.
CHARLES WILLIAM SMITH, Harrisburg, Pa. (71271). Great-grandson of *Johann Adam Smith*, Ensign, Penna. Militia.
H. ALVIN SMITH, E. Williston, N. Y. (71386). Great-grandson of *Samuel Patterson*, Lieutenant, Conn. Troops.
JOHN ALBERT SMITH, Greenwood, Miss. (70910). Great-grandson of *Hugh Montgomery*, on Com. of Safety, Rowan Co., N. C.
RAYMOND AUGUSTUS SMITH, N. Y. (70270). Supplemental. Great-grandson of *Sterling Daniels*, private, Mass. Militia.
ROY CLAYPOOL SOULE, Lake Grove, Ore. (69592). Great-grandson of *Daniel Soule*, Corporal, Mass. Militia; great-grandson of *Ephraim Soule*, Sergeant, Mass. Militia.
WILLIAM MICAJAH SPENCER, JR., Ala. (69938). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Hudson Berry*, private, N. C. Militia; great-grandson of *William Halbert*, Lieutenant, Va. Militia & Line; great-grandson of *John Anthony*, private, N. C. Militia.
COURTLAND BOWKER SPRINGER, Md. (19038). Supplementals. Great-grandson of *Straine Gould*, private, Del. Militia; great-grandson of *James Hicklen*, private, Del. Militia.
CEDRIC ARTHUR STANLEY, Lebanon, O. (71246). Great-grandson of *Job Borden*, private, N. J. Militia.
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Your Editor will be deeply grateful for suggestions to improve subsequent issues of The Quarterly.

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