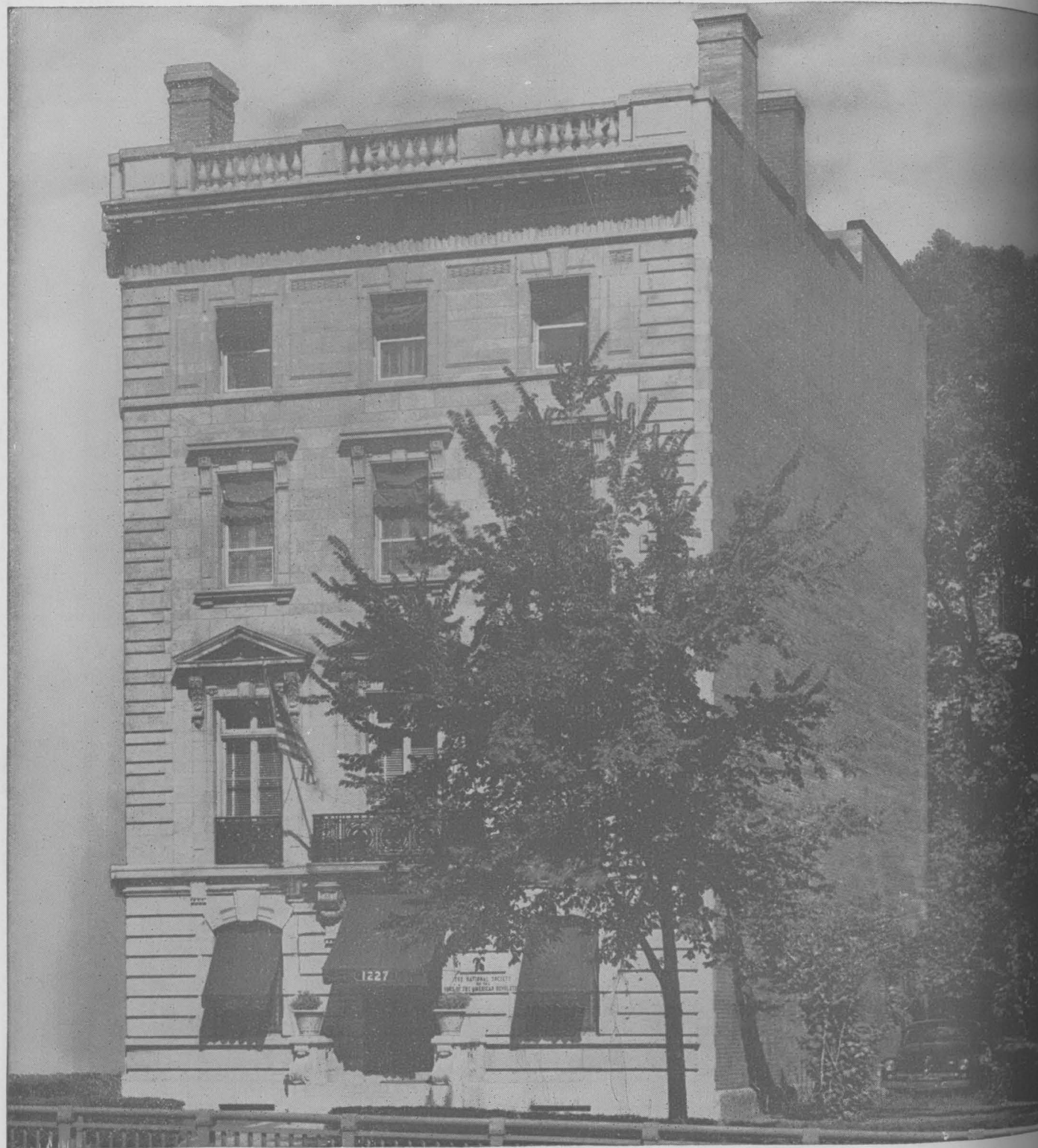


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A sky-line view of Chicago, the site of the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. In the foreground is Grant Park and the lake front. The large building at the extreme left is the Conrad-Hilton Hotel, the Headquarters of the Congress.

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THE EDITOR SAYS:

Once more we stand at the threshold of a New Year, a year which seems to offer promises of peace, progress and prosperity. It also promises to be a year of great decisions on the international front. The leaders of our Nation will be called upon to exercise calm and courageous judgement in dealing with the problems which will confront them. We pray that they may be given the wisdom and the courage to face these problems and solve them to the benefit of our Republic.

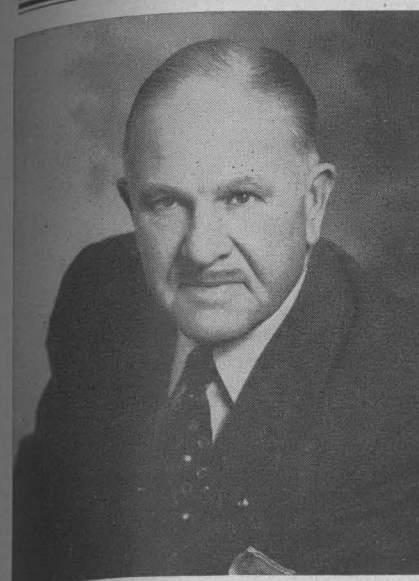
The prospects for our Society as a national organization are equally bright and filled with promise. Our progress during the past year lends substance to the belief that the year of 1955 will be one of even greater achievement. The opportunities for service to our nation are unlimited and our Society is in a better position to render service.

A review of the accomplishments of the past year offers the basis upon which we may base our hopes for the future. The progress which was reported at the Williamsburg Congress in May has continued. The indebtedness on our Headquarters property has been reduced to an amount which is well within the ability of our Society to liquidate on or before July 1955. New chapters are being organized in the majority of the states. The increased prestige of our Society is evident on every hand. Other patriotic societies have followed our lead in adopting resolutions on national and international affairs. An example of our growing prestige is furnished by the fact that in one single issue of the Congressional Record, November 29, 1954, three separate references to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution were carried. Voluntary requests for membership in our Society continue to increase. More and more of our chapters are adopting programs of activities which will focus the attention of their communities on the work being done by the S.A.R.

We have been accorded the splendid cooperation of hundreds of state and chapter officers, and individual Compatriots during the past year, and it seems that this is the appropriate time to thank them and to express the hope that their cooperation will continue throughout the New Year.

HAROLD L. PUTNAM
Editor

January 1955



MILTON M. LORY
President General

Someone has said that there is nothing so constant as change. And this axiom is probably true as any could be. The only thing about change today is that it takes place so fast that the ordinary individual can hardly keep pace. Coupled with the fear, apprehension and inconsistencies of the times it is a wonder that human affairs keep going as smoothly as they do.

Change has even affected the S.A.R. The metamorphosis has been pronounced and has been forced upon us by the jeopardies and unforeseen conditions that face our nation.

The S.A.R. has emerged from the cocoon of a calm and quiet genealogical society into a spirited organization with reawakened members holding high the torch of freedom. I wish you could travel over the country with me and talk to many of our Compatriots. The feeling of "what can I do" instead of "what can S.A.R. do for me" is most prevalent. More younger men are joining. The average age has dropped considerably. Membership is increasing, never before has our Society been more noticed than it is today. It is obtaining more and more public recognition.

The Society was never in a stronger position, thus placing severe obligations upon its elected officers to maintain the trust that has been placed in them—to do everything to promote the welfare of our nation and organization. We are chartered by an act of Congress as a historical, genealogical and patriotic Society. The accent today is on Patrio-

The President General's Message

tism. If we keep that paramount we can go steadily forward.

In too many organizations, other than S.A.R., there is a wide gulf between local and state groups and the higher ups in the national offices. One thing that the present administration of your Society wishes to do and that is to bring the National Society closer than ever to the local level. I want to visit as many State Societies and Chapters as possible during my tenure of office. I am embarking on a series of speaking tours that will take most of my time the next few months, in an endeavor to accomplish just this. One itinerary, for example, will take me in one month from Portland Oregon to Portland Maine.

Strong state societies are those that have vigorous activities at the chapter level. Therein lies the strength of the S.A.R. What is your chapter doing to promote a stronger country? Does your chapter have enough exciting and controversial subjects for programs to stimulate attendance and attract new members? It has been noted that chapters that have not been afraid to take a positive pro-American stand upon local issues have thrived best and gained more members than purely genealogical or historical luncheon groups.

Pass a resolution on some current controversial question and see that your local press knows about it. You will be surprised at the interest you will create and the prospective members who will approach you with a view to enrollment. Do not be afraid to protest anything you see in your community of an un-American nature, regardless of the attacks or smears you may receive. After all the enemies we make should increase our pride of membership in the S.A.R.

It is hardly reasonable to expect the National Society to pass a resolution or take a stand on some heated issue of the day unless the local chapters initiate the action. If the National Society in an annual congress deems it wise to take a stand for the Bricker Amendment or against the United Nations, just to name a couple of examples, should it not be just as obligatory for a local chapter to do the same? The Resolutions Committees at our Congresses are literally flooded with motions submitted by patriotic members. Oftentimes little rest or the enjoyment of a Congress is had

by members of the Resolutions Committee for this reason. Possibly their work might be lightened if the proponent of a resolution was asked, "Has your chapter or state Society passed this?"

If someone should ask me to name a couple of things I would most like to get rid of in this country, I would not say liberalism, Communism or socialism, I would say Fear and Apathy. These are, in my opinion, the gravest menaces we have and are the strongest tools of the subversives. If fear and apathy could be banished we would have no trouble with the pinkos, reds and liberals. All of which I am trying to say to my good compatriots, trying to get them to do, is to become more bold, more outspoken and more vigorous in fighting subversion and promoting Americanism.

Let us be proud that we are a conservative, non-liberal organization. Let us wear our rosettes daily, talk S.A.R., hold our heads high and speak of this country as a republic not a democracy. Let us make the S.A.R. a rallying place for those of like minds and hearts who can qualify for membership. Let us show them what we are doing to protect their heritage, to maintain the Christian principles established by our forefathers. Tell them that the best way in which they can play an active part in keeping the United States strong and protecting it from its enemies is by means of a membership in the Sons of the American Revolution. Our organization is not a closed corporation, so to speak. There is lots of room at the top for those who will work and particularly those whose patriotism has been of action instead of merely flag waving.

I want to thank my Compatriots for their generous response to my plea for funds to restore the steeple of Old North Church. Your response has been generous. An accounting will be given in this magazine shortly. I also want to express my appreciation here for the many, many letters I have received commending my previous "messages." They were indeed appreciated. If acknowledgements have been slow please be patient. This is a time consuming office but the reward is the service I can give. But I shall get to you eventually. Thanks.

MILTON M. LORY
President General

RESTORATION OF WEST PARISH MEETINGHOUSE AT BARNSTABLE REACHES HALF WAY MARK

A current restoration of unusual historic and architectural significance is West Parish Meetinghouse at West Barnstable, Mass., now in its second stage. This is the home of, probably, the oldest congregational society with continuous history in the world—"gathered" in Southwark, London by Henry Jacob in 1616. Under persecution, the congregation crossed the Atlantic and settled in Scituate in 1634; then moved in search of better pasturage to the Great Marshes in 1639, and founded the town of Barnstable. For all our belief in separation of church and state, this society was both political and religious.

The "Publick Meetinghouse at the Great Marshes" was begun in 1717 when the parish was divided between East and West. No product of the schools, these builders, but craftsmen who knew good precedents, and both their capacities and their limitations. The framing is of massive timbers of rugged design, suggestive of ship building. The exterior is simple, almost stark, with the exception of the bell tower with its graceful balustrades, fluted corner posts, and gilded cock from England. A Paul Revere bell was added in 1807. Then in 1852 the structure was "modernized"; tower, balconies, pulpit and pews removed, the building cut in two and lengthened; fenestration radically altered.

Here principles of government had been debated fifteen years before George Washington was born. Here the Otis family, among others, had its nurture; James, "the first champion of the Revolution"; Samuel Allyn, who held the Bible on which Washington was sworn in as first president; Mercy, historian, feminist, and wife of General Warren. The exterior, meticulously restored after careful research, was the scene of a "half way celebration" in June 1954; and the superb interior framing was "unveiled" after a century of obscurity behind one and then two ceilings.

The work will proceed under the guidance of the West Parish Memorial Foundation of which Dr. J. Edgar Park, president emeritus of Wheaton College, is president, and N. Horton

Batchelder, headmaster emeritus of the Loomis School, is chairman of the fund raising committee. Pews, galleries and

pulpit are costly items, but the trustees move slowly and steadily ahead in hope of adequate support.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

Sunday, May 22, 1955

Registration of Delegates and Visitors and issuance of Programs and Badges Memorial Services and Massing of the Colors in the Central Church of Chicago at 3:00 p.m.

Sunday evening the Executive Committee and the Board of National Trustees will hold meetings, the hours and places of meetings to be announced.

Monday, May 23, 1955

The opening session of the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress. Addresses of welcome and greetings from other patriotic organizations.

Reports of General Officers.

Monday afternoon will be devoted to sight-seeing tours. Monday evening will be Recognition Night, at which time all awards for services to our Society will be presented.

Tuesday, May 24, 1955

Second business session of the Sixty-Fifth Congress. Reports of General Officers and Chairmen of National Committees.

Tuesday afternoon will be given over to sight-seeing. Tuesday evening a dinner meeting with a speaker of national reputation.

Wednesday, May 25, 1955

The final business session of the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress. The adoption of resolutions. The election of General Officers for the ensuing year and the consideration of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws. The President General's banquet will be held Wednesday evening in the Grand Ball Room of the Conrad-Hilton Hotel, at which time the President General elect, and other General Officers, will be formally installed.

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(Additional sub-committee chairmen will be named as the program is developed.)

CHICAGO SELECTED AS SITE OF THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

An enthusiastic group of Illinois Compatriots is planning a royal welcome for the delegates and visitors to the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress, which will be held in Chicago, Illinois, May 22 through May 25, 1955.

The Committee on Arrangements, of which John E. King, vice president of the Illinois Society is Chairman, includes Dr. Harold I. Meyer, Hotel Accommodations; S. L. Elbel, Reception; Clifford A. Wiltsee, Registration; Edwin A. Asmann, Flag and Color Guard; Paul B. Teeter, Finance; Alden S. Field, Sr., Publicity; John T. Haynes, Transportation; Paul G. Armstrong, Distinguished Guests; Ralph M. Snyder, Public Relations; with additional committee-men to be named as plans are developed.

The acceptance by the Board of National Trustees at the meeting held in Washington, D. C., on October 16, of the invitation extended by the Illinois Society was predicated on the belief that the selection of Chicago would insure a large attendance, possibly larger than the record attendance at Williamsburg.

The Conrad-Hilton Hotel has been chosen as the Headquarters Hotel of the Congress and all business sessions will be held in the Waldorf Room on the third floor of the hotel. A block of 400 rooms has been reserved for delegates and visitors. Those who prefer to stay elsewhere will find no difficulty in making reservations at one of the many good hotels within walking distance of the Conrad-Hilton. For the convenience of those who plan to attend a reservation form and a schedule of room rates will be found on this page.

The Committee on Arrangements is planning a program which will enable the delegates to discharge their official responsibilities without seriously interfering with the entertainment which will be provided. Chicago has many attractions including, the world famous Shedd Aquarium, containing ten thousand specimens of fresh and salt water fish; the Chicago Stock Yards, the largest in the world and a "must" for every visitor; the Art Institute and its magnificent collection of paintings, prints and sculpture; the Museum of Science and Industry

and the ever fascinating views along the lake front. The visiting ladies will, of course, find Marshall Field's and The Loop points of utmost interest.

The Committee on Arrangements is busily engaged in the preparation of a program of events which will include the appearance of speakers of national reputation at sessions of the Congress and at the dinner meetings. There are many details yet to be completed, but a tentative and partial outline of the program has been prepared for publication in this issue of the Magazine.

The Compatriots of the Illinois Society join in extending a cordial invitation to all Compatriots and their families to attend the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress, which they promise will be one of the most enjoyable and outstanding Congresses in the long history of our Society.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW TO ATTEND THE SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS MAY 22-25, 1955

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HEADQUARTERS MORTGAGE

Our President General has granted me permission to express appreciation, on behalf of our Society, for your generous contributions, totalling \$5,959.50, for the purpose of liquidating the mortgage on our National Headquarters. This, with the \$1,500.00 allocated for the mortgage liquidation by the Sixty-Fourth Congress in the annual budget, will leave a balance due of \$1,040.50. I do hope that we will have this paid before the Chicago Congress. I leave the answer to you, individually.

*Arthur A. de la Houssaye,
Past President General*

RESERVATION FORM FOR SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

This reservation form and schedule of rates at the Conrad Hilton Hotel is furnished for your convenience in making reservations for the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, May 22-25, 1955.

All reservations must be made through the Conrad Hilton Hotel. An early reservation will assure you of the accommodations you desire.

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With ☐ One Person } and bath
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For ☐ Double Bed } at \$ _____ per Day
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RATES		LAKEFRONT	LAKEFRONT
SINGLE ROOMS . . .	\$ 6.00 to \$ 9.00	\$ 9.50 to \$11.50	\$11.50 to \$14.50
DOUBLE ROOMS . . .	11.50 to 14.50	13.50 to 16.00	15.00 to 18.00
TWIN ROOMS . . .	13.00 to 16.50	13.50 to 16.50	17.00 to 19.50
SUITES	22.00 to 24.00	33.00	38.00 up

NEWS FROM THE STATE SOCIETIES

Alabama Society

Logan Martin, general counsel of the Alabama Power Company, gave the Constitution Day address to the Birmingham Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution at their Constitution Day meeting at 7 p.m. at the Elizabeth Aust Tea Room on September 17th. Fifty-eight members and guests gathered for the meeting.

Mr. Martin considered the Constitution in the light of economic history, principles and experience. Beginning with the mercantilist theory of colonial control as background he developed the historical factors leading to the British concept of the place of the American colonies in the total plan. From this he developed the American reaction to the British insistence on the use of the colonies for the economic advancement of the home country without regard to either the wishes or fortunes of the American colonist. Adam Smith's doctrines of laissez faire were so late in being advanced that the hardened attitudes could not be retracted from the course of leading to violence in the conflict of wills, Mr. Martin noted.

"Following the clash of arms in the new world, the historic documents of the Declaration of Independence, the Articles of Confederation and the Constitution of the United States laid the foundations for the new republic," Mr. Martin said.

The speaker commented on the restraints on government that were urged both in the Constitutional Convention and that were insisted upon before ratification of the document. Mr. Martin noted Washington's advice that if the Constitution was to be changed it should be by amendment and not by usurpation.

The history of decisions relating to the regulation of commerce and the exclusion of manufacturing as a matter within the province of congress to regulate were traced to the historic decision in 1938 when the Supreme Court reversed itself and concluded that manufacturing was a matter within the regulation of the Federal government.

The change in the interpretation of the Constitution by the Supreme Court, Mr. Martin commented, was responsible for the greatest shift in the economic life of the people of the United States and

has altered not only legal relationships but has made a distinctly different economic pattern in this nation.

"A hopeful sign for stability," Mr. Martin said, "is that an amendment to the Constitution has been proposed that 12 states in convention may propose an amendment to the Constitution, so that with the ratification of the amendment by 36 states, including the 12, that the States by action may avoid the usurpation of powers by the Federal government."

In the business session that followed the address of Mr. Martin, a resolution was adopted requesting that the Lantern League of Old North Church, Boston make a piece of wood from the church recently damaged by hurricane available to the Birmingham Chapter for a gavel and offering to pay \$17.75 as an appropriate amount as symbolic of the year when the famous signal was flashed from the Church.

New members of the Chapter were introduced and recognition was given to President Robert P. Gordon for the large number of new members that he had obtained that has brought new life to the Birmingham Chapter and has been given national recognition by the



The District of Columbia S.A.R., presented an American flag to the Naturalization Division of the District Court on December 15. Participating in the ceremony, left to right; Charles T. MacDonald, president D.C., S.A.R.; Chief Judge Bolitha Laws; Judge Alexander Holtzoff; Maj. Gen. U. S. Grant, III; Chief Judge Harold Stephens and Robert H. McNeill, Treasurer General, National S.A.R. (Washington Post photo)

award of an SAR lapel pin for his energetic work.

California Society

President General Milton M. Lory will be in California in January and plans have been made for gatherings in his honor. January 10th he will be in San Francisco and January 12th at Los Angeles. A great gathering is expected in both cities, to which members of the D.A.R., and other patriotic groups will be invited along with our own members and guests.

California's Membership Campaign continues, with new members each month being presented for membership. In addition to efforts on the part of the State Committee the various local chapters follow up on prospects located in their areas, and real progress is being made. The goal, to double the size of the California Society.

Special attention is being given to the State Library located in the DeYoung Building in San Francisco, in cooperation with the California Genealogical Society, and the Library Founders and Patrons Assn., and with the help of many of the D.A.R. chapters. New books are added

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STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

each month, and many valuable manuscripts and books are being bound. Members have built bookcases, and shelving, and have added to the usefulness of this valuable collection of books. A Microfilm Reader has been placed in the Library, and microfilms which have been purchased or are on loan are now available to the membership. A voluntary Library contribution from interested members has made possible the additions. The Library is staffed with volunteers, and is open daily from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and plans are being perfected to make possible hours on Saturdays beginning the first of the year.

San Francisco Chapter

Following his appearance before the Reece Committee at Washington, D. C., Compatriot Aaron M. Sargent addressed the SF Chapter at their October monthly meeting on the subject "The Gentleman, The Witness, and The Chairman." At the November meeting Program Chairman Commander Marvin H. Miller arranged for an informative talk by a local representative of the F.B.I. President Bergen Van Brunt has appointed Compatriot Harry E. Marshall, former Chapter President, and founder of the R.O.T.C. Award Program in the SF Schools, Chairman of a committee to secure a Chapter S.A.R. Flag. Plans have been completed for participation in the joint patriotic services to be held February 20th, at Grace Cathedral in honor of George Washington, along with the D.A.R., Society of Cincinnati, and the Military Order of the World Wars.

Los Angeles Chapter

Los Angeles Chapter has been meeting regularly under their new officers headed by Compatriot Morton Harvey. Plans have been completed for a gathering at the Dixie Restaurant in Los Angeles in honor of President General Lory on January 12th at 7:30 p.m., with State President Carl Helmick of Riverside, and State D.A.R. Regent Mrs. Ruth Apperson Rous of Los Angeles, as honor guests.

San Jose Chapter

Vice President Charles A. Mersereau, and State Secretary H. Lewis Mathewson were honor guests at the November meeting of the San Jose Chapter held at the home of Compatriot Harry C.

Darling in San Jose. Three new members were welcomed to the group and plans for the next few month's activities perfected under the leadership of President Heath Wagener, and Secretary George W. Reed.

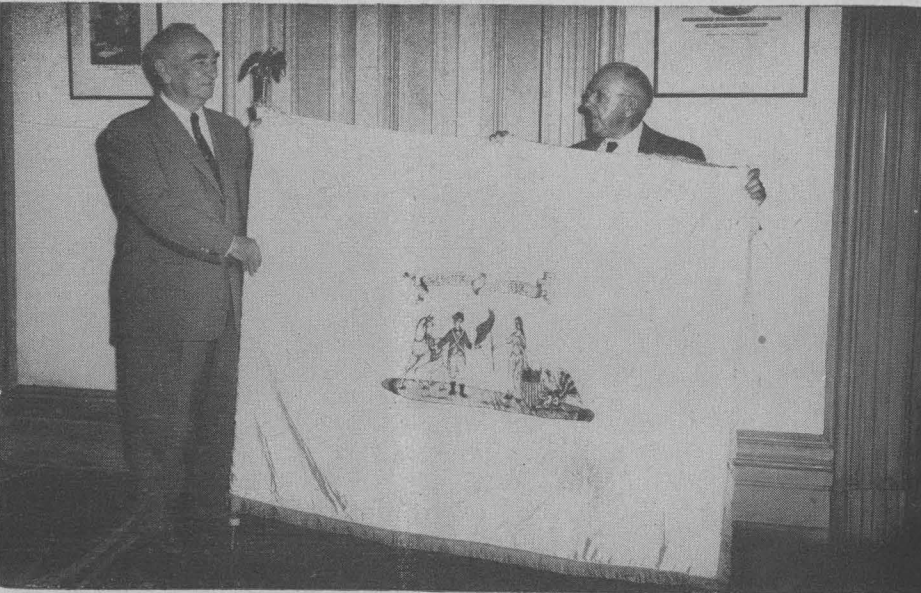
San Diego Chapter

Chaplain A. Watson Brown was the speaker at the November meeting of the San Diego Chapter held at the San Diego Club, telling of the first Thanksgiving held at Plymouth in 1621. The Chapter voted to award the Citizenship Medal to Compatriot R. King Kauffman for his long and outstanding service to the Chapter. Compatriot Morgan J. Lane is Chairman of a committee to investigate the possibilities of a young men's group of S.A.R. in the San Diego Area. Tribute was paid at this meeting to Compatriot Ralph R. Allen, now confined to his home on account of illness, for his outstanding patriotic activities.

San Diego Chapter continues to conduct a vital program under the leadership of President MacArthur Gorton and Secretary Captain Arthur D. Rupel.

Pasadena Chapter

Pasadena Chapter held their November meeting at the Huntington-Sheraton Hotel, on Armistice Day and had as their speaker State President Carl N. Helmick of Riverside. Compatriot George H. Todt was installed as President of the Chapter at this meeting,



The Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, the Hon. Samuel Wilder King and Herbert Selby Smith, president of the Hawaiian Society S.A.R., proudly display the Texas Traveling Banner, which was won by the Hawaiian Society in the membership contest last year. (Honolulu Star-Bulletin photo)

Rear Admiral Ellsworth D. McEathron as Vice President, Paul W. Gaebelein, Treasurer, Raymond L. Harkness as Registrar, and former State President Wilfred Corr as Chaplain. Wives of the members were present, as also were members of the D.A.R. and C.A.R. in the Pasadena area.

Reno Chapter

Vice President General Charles D. Y. Ostrom was the speaker at the meeting of the Reno Chapter at which time a number of new members were received, and their Chapter Charter presented. Additional members are still being signed up, and it is hoped that before long sufficient members will be registered so as to make possible the organization of a Nevada Society. President Olin C. Moulton recently made a trip to Las Vegas to interview members living in that area, and to enlist them as members of the proposed Nevada Society.

Auburn Chapter

President Guy Brundage is planning for a meeting of the Auburn Chapter with Vice President Charles A. Mersereau, and Secretary H. Lewis Mathewson of the State Society. It is planned to include all members of the Society in Placer County in the Auburn Chapter in the future, and to arrange for regular activities.

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STATE SOCIETY NEWS—Continued

Peninsula Chapter

The newly chartered Peninsula Chapter has added a number of new members and has held several meetings at San Carlos in San Mateo County. Plans for additional activities and a program of meetings are being made by President Ostrander assisted by Secretary Schmock.

Marin County Chapter

Compatriot Wallace Hall, Supt. of Schools for Marin County, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee on Awards, and assisted by Compatriot Frank Vanderbilt Smith will present a program to the chapter at an early date. Compatriots Kiernan and Schutte were appointed as a committee to arrange for the joint D.A.R.-S.A.R. dinner and program to be held in January at the Pony Express Retreat at San Rafael.

Riverside Chapter

Riverside Chapter under the leadership of Dr. Bingham as President, and Compatriot Joseph Shipp Bordwell as Secretary, has been leading the state in the number of new members secured. The assistance of Mrs. Bordwell is acknowledged for her untiring help in preparing some of the lineage data necessary, and for the inspiration and help of State President Carl N. Helmick, organizer and one of the charter members of the group.

Long Beach Chapter

President John W. Teed of the Long Beach Independent PRESS TELEGRAM reports several additional new members and several transfers of membership of Compatriots now living in the Long Beach area who are members of eastern societies, and there are two more to come during the first month of the year. Compatriot John M. Johnston of the City Attorney's office has been elected Secretary, succeeding Compatriot McLaughlin who continues as Treasurer for the chapter.

Colorado Society

The annual Constitution Day Luncheon was held this year on September 17, 1954, in the Green Room of the Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado. Forty-four (44) Compatriots, their Ladies and Guests were in attendance and heard an interesting and informative address by the Rev. Chas. Odell Thiboudeau on the subject of the Constitution of the United

States. Compatriot Frazer Arnold presided over the meeting. President Tenney C. DeSollar also presented Rosettes to five (5) of our Compatriots who had obtained one or more members during the year 1953-54. Compatriot Roy Carter, Chairman of the Membership Committee introduced nine (9) new members and presented them with their Certificates of Membership and Rosettes.

On December 13, 1954 the annual Bill of Rights luncheon was held in the Green Room of the Albany Hotel, Denver, Colorado; attended by Forty-three (43) Compatriots, their Ladies and Guests. Compatriot Frazer Arnold, Chairman of the Board of Managers, introduced the speaker, Compatriot Frank McDonough, Jr., who gave an address on the history of the Bill of Rights. President Tenney C. DeSollar introduced two new members of our Society and they were presented with Membership Certificates and Rosettes.

Both of these meetings were graced by the presence of Compatriot E. W. Milligan, our oldest living past state President.

Plans are already under way for our annual meeting and banquet, which will be held on February 22, 1955 in Denver, Colorado, with a speaker of national prominence.

Under the leadership of President DeSollar the Colorado Society has developed a certificate to be presented to each recipient of the Society's ROTC. Bronze Medal. It is felt that this will

add further dignity and worth to these presentations.

Connecticut Society

In accord with the resolution unanimously adopted at the September 1954 meeting of the Nathan Hale Branch No. 6 of the Connecticut Society, S.A.R., the Branch petitioned the members of the incoming Connecticut State Assembly to respectfully consider naming a new cross-state 140-mile long highway—"The Governor Jonathan Trumbull Throughway."

The Nathan Hale Branch feels that Governor Jonathan Trumbull—the Connecticut Governor from 1769 to 1784—and his family constitute the most famous family in the Revolutionary War period.

Governor Trumbull refused high office in the armed forces at the inception of the war. As Governor of the State of Connecticut he saw to it that that state—which from his and the state's efforts became known as the Provision State—kept a continuing supply of arms, ammunition, money and men in a constant stream of assistance to the Continental Army.

The "Council of Safety" of Connecticut appointed by him by sanction of the State Assembly met 1145 times in the country's first War Office at Lebanon—considering at practically every meeting means by which they

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President General Milton M. Lory addressed an enthusiastic audience at the Annual Meeting of the Illinois Society at the University Club in Chicago, on the evening of December 3.

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might aid in the securing of independence for the colonies.

Over 450 letters and messages were received from General Washington by Governor Trumbull asking for assistance (250 of which are in the Congressional Library today); and a reply sent by Governor Trumbull to all of these (over 150 of which are in the Congressional Library today).

The records seem quite apparently to show that Connecticut supplied sixty per cent of the man hours of the Continental Army. Certain it is that forces from Connecticut fought not only in the northern area, but constituted a very large percentage of the men at Yorktown and at all of the conflicts of the Continental Army in between these two extremes, from the beginning to the ending of the fighting of the Revolutionary War.

From Valley Forge a very dire message came in February, 1778, from General Washington with the advice that "The Colonies of Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland are very nearly exhausted. Any relief that can be obtained from the more southern states will be but partial, trifling, and of a day. We must turn our eyes to the eastward, and lay our account of support from thence. Without it, we cannot but disband." And therefore, Sir, we lay our trust in you to "prevent such a melancholy and alarming catastrophe." Within a few days Governor Trumbull had 300 cattle on the hoof on the way to Valley Forge and followed this with a steady stream of food and supplies which saved the army.

The above is only one of the instances of the continuing aid to the army concerning which General Washington repeatedly addressing "Brother Jonathan" as he affectionately called him, said, "You in Connecticut have never failed us!"

District of Columbia Society

At the first meeting of our Society on October 26th, we were signally honored by the presence of the President-General, Milton M. Lory, who favored us with a most interesting and illuminating account of his reactions gained by his visits to other Societies of the Sons of the American Revolution throughout the United States.

After mentioning the progress of the

drive to restore the steeple of the badly-damaged Old North Church in Boston the President-General informed us that as the result of the National Trustees Meeting recently held here in Washington, Chicago had been selected as the site of the next Congress for the Sons of the American Revolution; that it would be held there during the week of May 22nd and that the Headquarters of such Congress would be the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

President-General Lory then went on to mention certain distinct impressions he had received in his wide-spread travels in visiting Societies throughout the country—notably the insidious undercurrent of what appears to be an attempt nationally to "soften-up" our sovereign, Constitutional safeguards; the movement to undermine the McCarran-Walters Immigration Act and last but not least the unhealthy sniping and belittling criticism of our duly and Constitutionally-elected representatives in the Congress of the United States.

In further elaboration of this general theme he severely deprecated the sharp attacks made on Congressional Investigative Committees stating in effect such valuable safeguards are provided by law enacted by the representatives of the people themselves to protect our sacred American institutions. Our sincere thanks go to President-General Lory for

a most inspiring and informative address.

At the conclusion of President-General Lory's address we were favored with an excellent talk by the Honorable Nelson T. Johnson, former Assistant Secretary of State, Ambassador and Envoy, and Minister Plenipotentiary, whose topic was "China As I See It!" He was escorted to the platform by Vice President-General Karl Truesdell (U. S. A. Retired) and Past President Orville H. Walburn. The discussion was authoritative, penetrating and erudite. It covered in effect both the whole range of Ambassador Johnson's life experience in China as well as the history and background of that vast continent. Particularly interesting was his reference to the system of severe government examinations which gave rise in the past to China's culture. He emphasized the fact that formerly an intellectual aristocracy was the ultimate criterion of success rather than achievement of nobility through birth. The Ambassador then went on to state that as in the past the present regime of Mao Tse Tung is seeking to destroy the old culture of China. His discourse was most profound and informative and was completely appreciated by all Compatriots present.

Hawaiian Society

Governor Samuel Wilder King signed a proclamation for the Hawaiian Society,

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Compatriot Hugh M. Wilkinson, Louisiana Society S.A.R., purchased the burial ground of his Revolutionary ancestors in Calvert County, Maryland, which was owned by his family 200 years ago. The spot was dedicated as a historic site on Sept. 30, 1954 at ceremonies conducted by Mrs. Ross Boring Hager, regent of the Maryland D.A.R. Past President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye was the speaker of the occasion.

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naming Friday, September 17th, National Constitution Day.

In addition, Governor Samuel Wilder King delivered his Constitution Day address before a luncheon gathering of the Hawaiian Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, observing the 167th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. Hawaii's people were called upon by the Governor to reaffirm their loyalty to America and at the same time condemn Communist efforts to destroy our Nation. Americans, the Territory's Chief Executive said, have come to realize since World War II there exists a "definite conspiracy" in the United States to overthrow the Government. "We have our share of it in Hawaii," he noted. "It is very fitting this day that we should reaffirm our loyalty to the United States and condemn any efforts by infiltration, indirect or any other way that would tend to destroy the ideals of government incorporated in the Constitution." The commemoration program was held September 17, 1954, at the Young Womens Christian Association, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Idaho Society

The News Letter of the Idaho Society announces that President General Lory and Mrs. Lory will be the honored guests of the Society on January 4th. A luncheon meeting with the State Officers and the Board of Managers will be held at noon followed by a dinner meeting in the evening. All members of the S.A.R. and their wives and members of the D.A.R. and their husbands are invited to attend the dinner which will be held in Idaho Falls.

The Board of Managers voted unanimously to increase the annual dues of the State Society from \$3.00 per year to \$5.00 per year.

The Essay Contest at the University of Idaho, sponsored by the Society, will be continued for the year of 1955 and also 1956, with awards for first, second and third place.

The Eagle Rock Chapter presented flags to 55 naturalized citizens who received their papers at ceremonies held in the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium. The program was sponsored by the Ninth Judicial Bar Association and more than 1700 people attended. Other chapters are urged to adopt similar plans for the welcoming of new citizens and acquaint-

ing them with their rights and responsibilities.

Compatriots of the Idaho Society have erected a huge wooden cross five miles north of Moscow along highway 95 to designate the location of Mission Springs, a historical spot of Catholic and Protestant churches in Latah County. A delegation of members from Moscow including Compatriots A. B. Robinson, J. G. Eldridge, Earl David, D. L. Fourt and Allen S. Janssen inspected the installation and announced plans to erect a large wooden sign to tell the early history of Mission Springs.

Illinois Society

The annual meeting of the Illinois Society was held at the University Club in Chicago, on the evening of December 3. The honored guest and speaker of the evening was President General Lory, who was accompanied by Mrs. Lory and Executive Secretary and Mrs. Harold L. Putnam. The meeting was well attended with representatives from all chapters in the state. President Earl B. Searcy, of Springfield, presided and asked that the business portion of the meeting be confined to the bare essentials in order that the President General might have sufficient time in which to deliver his inspiring message. Rosettes were presented to those compatriots who had earned them during the past year in the membership campaign. Certifi-

cates of membership were presented to a large number of new members who were present to receive them. Executive Secretary Putnam spoke briefly on the plans for the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress of the National Society to be held in Chicago, May 22-25, 1955. The report of the nominating committee was presented by Compatriot Goodwin Perkins and the incumbent officers were unanimously re-elected. President Searcy then introduced President General Lory who delivered an address which was received with marked enthusiasm.

The Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress, Compatriot John E. King and members of his Committee met with the President General and the Executive Secretary at the Conrad Hilton Hotel on Saturday to make plans for the forthcoming Congress. The conference lasted from 10 a.m. until late in the afternoon.

The President General and the Executive Secretary were the guests of Historian General Harold I. Meyer at the University Club at a luncheon on Friday. Some twenty officers and members of the Illinois Society attended the luncheon which afforded the opportunity for the Compatriots to become acquainted with the visitors from the National Society.

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At the speaker's table at the Constitution Day meeting of the Massachusetts Society were, left to right, standing: Chalmers A. Peairs, Secretary; John C. Wroe, President; Rear Adm. Robert A. Theobald, guest speaker; Eugene P. Carver, Jr., National Trustee. Seated: Miss Elizabeth A. H. B. Jackson, Regent Dorothy Brewer, Chapter D.A.R.; Mrs. John C. Wroe; Mrs. Theobald and Dr. Arthur Adams, Chaplain.

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Louisiana Society

A burial-ground of Revolutionary ancestors was recently rescued from oblivion by Compatriot Hugh M. Wilkinson of the Louisiana State Society, who purchased the weed-grown area containing the grave-markers on a tobacco plantation in Calvert County, Maryland, owned 200 years ago by his family. On September 30th, 1954, in connection with the Tercentenary celebration of the founding of the county, the place was dedicated by the Maryland State Society of the American Revolution as a historic site. In the small plantation cemetery lie buried Joseph and Betty Heighe Wilkinson, parents of General James Wilkinson, one of Washington's officers who afterwards became commander-in-chief of the United States army, American commissioner for the transfer of Louisiana at New Orleans in 1803, and first governor west of the Mississippi, at St. Louis, in 1805. Also buried on the plantation are an elder brother, General Joseph Wilkinson, who served with Maryland troops during the Revolution and was a delegate to the convention of that State which ratified the Constitution in 1788, and his wife Barbara Mackall Wilkinson. Compatriot Wilkinson is a great-great-grandson of General James Wilkinson.

The D.A.R. dedicatory exercises were conducted by Mrs. Ross Boring Hager of Baltimore, regent of the State Society, and the speakers were Compatriot Wilkinson and immediate past President-General Arthur A. de la Houssaye, S.A.R., who spoke on "The Wilkinsons of Louisiana."

Maryland Society

Constitution Day this year was observed by the Maryland Society, S.A.R., in cooperation with the superintendents of State, city and parochial schools, by a radio broadcast from Baltimore's station, WFBR. The broadcast was a recorded "Story of the Constitution," and was timed, 11:30 a.m. to noon, to fit into the activity schedules of those schools which wished to tune in on it. In addition, a half score or so of members of the Maryland Society had speaking engagements at various ceremonies throughout the State in commemoration of this great day.

On September tenth the State Board of Officers and Managers assembled for

dinner at the home, in Baltimore, of Compatriot Henry S. Shryock, President of the Maryland Society. In October the Board met on the twelfth of the month in Frederick, Maryland, at the home of Compatriot Edward D. Shriner, Jr. This was also a dinner meeting. Compatriot Shriner belongs to the Sergeant Lawrence Everhart Chapter, the only Chapter in the State, and is a member of the Board of Managers of the State Society. The necessary business of the Society was conducted after dinner on each occasion.

On October nineteenth the entire State Society celebrated the anniversaries of the Burning of the Brig, Peggy Stewart, and the Surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, by a stag meeting at the Hotel Sheraton Belvedere in Baltimore. The speaker on this evening was Dr. Meredith B. Colket of the National Archives, an authority on genealogy, who spoke on "Some Principles of Genealogical Research." After the speech and business meeting a buffet supper was served.

Massachusetts Society

On 16 September 1954 the Society held its Constitution Day meeting in the Piety Chapel, Covenant Congregational Church, Waltham, with President Wroe presiding.

The Society's World War II medals were presented by Rear Admiral Robert A. Theobald to our new compatriots Warren C. Emerson and Paul Vaites, Jr.

Compatriot Hibbard Richter read Governor Herter's 1954 Constitution Day Proclamation.

Admiral Theobald, the guest speaker, discussed the present American position in international affairs, pointing out that present U. S. difficulties stem essentially from diplomatic errors during the period between World War II and the Korean War, and to America's voluntary failure to win in Korea.

America's present European position is weak, he said, because of the lack of enthusiasm among our western European allies, and to active obstruction by our allies of realistic utilization of German and Spanish aid against potential Red aggression. The U. S. position in Asia is poor because the S.E.A.T.O. has not been drawn as an effective anti-aggression measure anywhere, and deliberately excludes Formosa from its area

of concern, and our strategic and diplomatic position has been weakened by unnecessary military concessions in Korea, and weakness and vacillation in dealing with the Indo-China problem.

Admiral Theobald concluded that the time is at hand for the "agonizing reappraisal" of American Foreign policy anticipated by Secretary Dulles, and that an essential ingredient for success in the Western World's struggle against communism is a better understanding by our allies of the nature of the communistic threat.

A meeting of the Society will be held this year on February 7, instead of the usual Washington's Birthday meeting. This is because February 7, was the only date President General Lory could arrange to be present.

On Washington's Birthday, members will, however, be welcome to attend the Governor's reception at the State House, time and details will be given in the February Bulletin.

Michigan Society

Detroit Chapter has held two interesting meetings this fall. On Friday, September 17th, the group was addressed by Dr. Raymond C. Miller of the History Department of Wayne University on the development of constitutional government. Dr. Miller presented a most unusual treatment of the subject which was greatly appreciated by the audience. Governor Williams attended the meeting and urged the Society to expand its recognition of historic sites and buildings throughout the State. A delightful social hour with complimentary refreshments followed the formal meeting.

On October 22nd Detroit Chapter conducted a panel discussion of the "Use and Abuse of the Fifth Amendment" under the expert direction of Compatriot Judge Robert M. Toms, Compatriot John M. Chase, and Compatriot Neil A. Cameron.

Valley Forge Chapter of Bay City-Saginaw has set a pattern which should be most beneficial to the S.A.R. generally. On October 5th the Chapter presented as a guest speaker Paul Harvey, Chicago ABC news commentator and author. A crowd of 600 interested persons gathered in the Central High School auditorium to hear Mr. Harvey's message and left in a very enthusiastic mood. A typical comment in that very

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alert newspaper, the Bay City Times, says: "once again my thanks to this fine organization for their wonderful choice in their first public presentation. May they sponsor more speakers of this type who will awaken the AMERICAN PEOPLE." More power to this enthusiastic new Chapter of the S.A.R. Their energy and enthusiasm is a model to be emulated by other groups in the State.

Detroit Chapter entertained as its guests on December 10th the President-General of the National Society and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Milton M. Lory of Sioux City, Iowa. The President-General addressed the group on the subject "Conquest by Subversion and Propaganda." Refreshments and a social hour followed, the practice a delightful habit at the meetings of Detroit Chapter.

Minnesota Society

The St. Paul Chapter held its Annual Business Meeting in the Ryan Hotel, December 13, 1954. The attendance was gratifying. The Secretary's Report showed that the Chapter has held a regular meeting every month in the past year; had entertained the State Board and President General and Mrs. Lory, and had also done its part in awarding Citizenship medals.

The Treasurer reported the finances in a healthy state and condition, with a good balance on hand and all bills paid.

Dr. H. O. Skinner reported on a recent trip to South America, where the progress, built in coffee, is amazing; a new building being completed every eight minutes.

Major General Carl R. Gray, Jr., former head of the Veteran's Bureau, gave a forecast of his book "Running the Railroads in the Warring Nations during World War II," which is to be published this next summer.

The following officers were elected for 1955, and promise a vigorous administration: W. R. Howard, President; J. P. Orendorff, First Vice President; A. E. Henry, Second Vice President; L. F. Knowles, Secretary; Jackson W. Petter, Treasurer; and Dr. Mott R. Sawyers, Chaplain.

New Hampshire Society

The following Compatriots were elected or re-elected to public office on November 2nd; Lane Dwinell, Governor; Styles Bridges, United States Sen-

ate; Norris Cotton, United States Senate; and Perkins Bass, United States Congress. The Nathan Hale Chapter held its Bill of Rights meeting on Saturday December 18th, at the Forrest Park Restaurant, Ashby, and Compatriot Perkins Bass, Congressman-elect, was the speaker. He served as a Major in the U.S. Airforce in Indo China during World War II and told of his impressions of the Indo Chinese during the campaign.

President General Milton M. Lory, will be the luncheon guest of the New Hampshire Society on February 3rd, at the Eagle Hotel, Concord at 12:30 p.m. The Society will meet on April 17th to celebrate its 65th anniversary as a State Society.

New Jersey Society

Over 250 Compatriots and their guests attended the Fall Meeting of the New Jersey Society, SAR, at the New Jersey Historical Society Building, Newark, New Jersey.

Harvey B. Nelson, Jr., of Bernardsville President, presided and introduced Judge Harold R. Medina of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. He was presented with a citation certificate and the Society's gold Good Citizenship Award by National Trustee, Judge Stanton T. Lawrence of Rutherford.

In response Judge Medina said that "It is of paramount importance that

American justice should win out over that insidious subversive element—Communism." He revealed how he became ill and depressed during the course of the trial of 11 Communists in 1949 who were finally convicted of conspiracy. He called a 20 minute recess and secluded himself in his chambers. While the Communists' lawyers were waiting for him to weaken, he was praying fervently to God for strength. He said, "When you know how to pray and when words are not meaningless, your faith in God becomes a dominant factor and this faith is a tower of strength." From this time on he knew that he could continue and would not fail.

A 25 year membership bar was presented by Elizabethtown Chapter #1 to Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr., who has held all the offices in the state; was Secretary General and is now a member of the Executive Committee and chairman of the Membership Committee of the National Society. Compatriot Dr. Herschel S. Murphy, immediate Past Vice-President general of the North Atlantic District, made the presentation. Compatriot Murphy also announced that Compatriot Williamson has been nominated by the New Jersey Society for President General.

30 rosettes were presented to compatriots for their efforts in bringing in new members. Compatriot Dr. George

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Judge Harold R. Medina was presented with a citation and the Gold Good Citizenship medal at the Fall Meeting of the New Jersey Society. Participating in the presentation ceremony were (left to right): Edgar Williamson, Jr., National Society Executive Committee; Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary, National Society; Harvey Nelson, Jr., President, N. J. Society; Judge Harold R. Medina; Judge Stanton T. Lawrence, National Trustee and Clement D. Asbury, Vice President General, North Atlantic District. (Handy-Boesser photo)

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J. Deyo, New Jersey Society's Secretary, Membership Chairman, singled out Compatriot William E. Reeve of West Fields Chapter, who has brought in more members than any one man and has developed his Chapter to where it now stands first in the state with over 140 members.

\$100 was collected at the meeting for the rebuilding of Old North Church Steeple in Boston, which toppled during the hurricane. Some chapters have sent in their contributions directly and the amount should reach well over \$200.

President Nelson announced that the Washington Birthday Observance Luncheon, February 22, 1955, at the Essex House, Newark, New Jersey, would attract more than 1,000 because of the excellence of the program. General Douglas MacArthur has accepted the New Jersey Society's invitation to be present to receive the gold Good Citizenship Medal and certificate citation. United States Senator Karl E. Mundt has accepted to be the speaker and F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover is also expected to attend. Advance notices have been sent out and reservations at \$4.50 each are being received in great numbers. It is hoped that no one will be turned away because of tardiness in making reservations.

Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary, National Society, graced the occasion and delivered a most timely address on matters concerning the National and State Societies.

He stressed the importance of continuing with our membership campaign to secure new members, the life stream of organizations such as ours. He was warmly welcomed and applauded on this his first visit to one of our State meetings.

The New Jersey Society is pleased to announce that President General Milton M. Lory will visit with us Wednesday, February 9, 1955, at our Headquarters, 33 Lombardy Street, Newark, New Jersey. State officers, Chapter officers and chairmen of committees are asked to be present. Because of lack of accommodations at 33 Lombardy Street, we are unable to house the entire membership, although any members desiring to come are cordially welcomed to attend. Refreshments will follow the meeting.

This meeting will take the place of our regular Board of Managers meeting

usually held the second Friday in the month.

Elizabethtown Chapter #1

Several hundred persons witnessed ceremonies, Sunday, November 7th, in the cemetery of First Presbyterian Church dedicating 50 headstones replacing weathered ones which had marked the graves of men who fought in the Revolutionary and other wars. The program arranged by the Chapter was highlighted by a posthumous tribute to Captain William K. Foley, who helped the chapter in the restoration work. Representatives of more than a score of other patriotic groups were part of the church's observance of Veteran's Day.

Installation of the new markers represented the start of what is expected to be a continuing project on the part of Elizabethtown Chapter. Many in other cemeteries also have become victims of weather and time, with barely legible inscriptions, and are in need of replacement.

The memorials were provided by the U. S. Quartermaster General's Office and were set up with the cooperation of Foreign Service Chapter #34, DAV and William W. Vander Hoof, Commander of Foreign Service Chapter #7, DAV of Plainfield.

The stones were dedicated by Rev.

Charles Alexander Ross, First Church Pastor, who also pronounced the invocation and benediction.

Compatriot Col. Henry G. Nulton read the citation, after which Compatriot Arthur F. Cole presented the Good Citizenship Award to members of Captain Foley's family. Tribute to Captain Foley, formerly Union County Superintendent of Veterans' Interment, was paid by Compatriot Henry W. Crane, General Chairman of the Dedication Committee, and Daniel W. Seib, Captain Foley's successor.

Compatriot Judge Stanton T. Lawrence, Trustee of the National Society, SAR, delivered the principal address. Greetings from the New Jersey Society, SAR, were extended by Harvey B. Nelson, Jr. and Norman B. Wild, President of the Chapter, also spoke.

A volley was fired by a detail from the Third Battalion, 102nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, New Jersey National Guard, and "TAPS" was sounded.

The church service was preceded by a procession of colors of patriotic societies in attendance. In addition to the New Jersey Society, SAR, and Chapters, the Argonne Post 6, Bayway Post 260, American Legion and its auxiliaries; Boudinot Chapter, DAR; Reserve Offi-

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Harpur College representatives join with members of the Binghamton Chapter, S.A.R., to place an S.A.R. marker in front of the headstone at the grave of Robert Harpur, after whom the college is named. Participating are: Harpur President Glenn G. Bartle, at left, and Dr. Hugh S. Gregory, Chapter President.

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cers' Association; Daughters of the War of 1812; Foreign Service Chapter 34, DAV; Spanish American War Veterans; Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies' Auxiliary; The Huguenot Society of New Jersey; Elias Boudinot Caldwell Chapter; Children of the American Revolution and Boy Scout Troop 15, were represented.

The printed program included the names and ranks of all the soldiers buried in First Presbyterian Church cemetery. The project had taken three years to complete and was guided by Past President Compatriot Henry W. Crane. Those serving on the Dedication Committee were Compatriots Norman B. Wild, President; Henry W. Crane, General Chairman; Dr. George J. Deyo, Secretary; Col. G. Bartram Woodruff, Dr. Kenneth N. Albrecht, Albert B. Caldwell, Arthur F. Cole, Richard E. Crane, John W. Crane, Col. Henry G. Nulton and Lucius H. Plumb.

A dinner was served at the Elizabeth Cartert Hotel after the services for the guests, which included Compatriots Edgar Williamson, Jr., Executive Committee, National Society; Clement deMille Asbury, Vice President General North Atlantic District, both of whom were introduced at the exercises; Mr. Howard Satterfield, President Huguenot Society of New Jersey; Compatriots Dr. C. Malcom G. Gilman, President Monmouth Chapter and Henry D. Brinley, Secretary of Monmouth Chapter; Judge Stanton T. Lawrence and Harvey B. Nelson, Jr. All were accompanied by their wives.

Compatriot Col. G. Bartram Woodruff, who introduced the various speakers at the exercises, toasted the committee and stated that he believed this kind of contribution is noteworthy of our organization; also that the markers will keep alive the memory of the men who died in the cause of freedom.

Monmouth Chapter #5

Compatriot Henry D. Brinley, Secretary, has announced the slate of officers for the Chapter to be voted on by return postal card enclosed with the announcement by the Nominating Committee. It is understood that any member may vote for any candidate, who is a member in good standing of the Society, for whatever office he chooses. The pro-

posed slate is: President, Dr. C. M. B. Gilman; Vice-President, Robert M. Stanton; Secretary, Henry D. Brinley; Treasurer, Francis R. Borden; Historian and Genealogist, John D. Alden; Chaplain, The Rev. Henry W. Armstrong.

Paramus Chapter #6

Compatriot John R. Hill, Secretary, reports that all their meetings during the past year have been well attended and the Chapter has had a net increase of ten percent in membership.

Following the Annual Pilgrimage all the compatriots attended church services at the historic Paramus Church. At the National Congress President John B. Goddard represented us, and gave an interesting account of the proceedings.

Compatriot Ray W. Dutcher, Past Chapter President, presented Miss Marilyn Talbot the prize in the Historical Essay Contest at the Ridgewood High School.

The January dinner—always a delightful affair—will be under the aegis of Compatriots Clarence A. Van Doren and Harold M. Davison. The ladies of the DAR and DR will again be welcomed as guests.

At our Fall meeting, held at the home of Compatriot Van Doren, we had the pleasure of listening to Commander Edmund B. Redington, Compatriot from Nathan Hale Branch in Connecticut, trace the history of the Coast Guard from its inception in 1790 as a cutter service to prevent smuggling to its consolidation in 1915 with the Life Saving Service to form the modern Coast Guard. He further reviewed the service of the Coast Guard in all the wars and described in detail its modern importance in providing electronic navigational aids.

Mrs. Van Doren is also to be commended for her gracious hospitality in entertaining the compatriots.

Morris County Chapter #7

The Morris County Chapter contributed \$25.00 for the repair of the steeple of the Old North Church, Boston, Mass., which was destroyed by hurricane "Carol," August 31, 1954.

On November 18, 1954, our regular meeting night, Mr. William H. Mason, Jr., Superintendent of Schools for Morris County, gave an outstanding address on Educating Our Youth. He praised the guidance given the pupils of Morris

County by the teachers and the text books used. His address was most reassuring to the members of the Chapter who are deeply concerned with the education and training given our future citizens.

Our next meeting will be held Thursday, March 17, 1955, (St. Patrick's Night) probably at the Old Mill Inn, Bernardsville. It will be Ladies Night; also Election and Installation of our new officers. We anticipate several VIP guests.

Executive Committee Chairman Everett P. Balch, reported on a letter he had received from National Headquarters indicating that the Bill of Grievances they presented to Congress (originating in California SAR) has been the basis for the Senate and House investigations of Un-American activities and Communistic infiltration. As we are "Dedicated to the Preservation of 'Inalienable' and 'Constitutional' Rights in America" this is a right kind of activity.

Passaic Valley Chapter #6

The Chapter had a reorganization meeting, Thursday night, November 18th, at the new Headquarters, 1-5 Short Hills Avenue, Short Hills, New Jersey. The following officers were elected: President, Harold A. Sonn, Short Hills; Secretary, Augustus W. Smith, Short Hills; Vice President, Channing R. Dooley, Summit; Treasurer, Harold T. Graves, Summit.

A membership drive will start immediately and the Chapter will embrace the towns of Millburn, Short Hills, Springfield, Summit, Chatham, New Providence and vicinity.

The new Headquarters, a modern office building, has complete kitchen facilities as well as ample meeting and parking room. It is located on the border line of Union and Essex Counties where Millburn, Short Hills, Springfield and Summit practically meet.

Other officer vacancies and a Board of Trustees will be selected at the next scheduled meeting in mid-January.

The new President is the editor and publisher of The New Jersey Genesis, which is a publication of genealogical and historical data of early New Jersey.

West Fields Chapter #11

The Chapter was well represented Sunday, November 7th, at the Elizabeth-

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town Chapter #1 dedication service.

Secretary Compatriot William Brock Bell, reports that Membership Committee Chairman William Edgar Reeve, "the young octogenarian" continues with great zeal to bring in new members.

Compatriot Reeve has directed our attention to the demise of Compatriot Chester B. Kellogg, an outstanding citizen of the community and well known to the business world.

Raritan Valley Chapter #15

Besides continuing with our membership effort, we have been holding periodic meetings, the last one being in the Fall, when at the home of our President, Compatriot G. Clifford Nevius, it was our pleasure to view the pictures of Gettysburg, by Mr. George Davis, North Brunswick, New Jersey. His interesting running narration of historical Gettysburg offered a most pleasant evening. Secretary, Compatriot Alfred L. Stokes reports that his Chapter expects to bring down a large delegation to attend the Washington Birthday Luncheon.

Jersey City Chapter #18

In 1947 the Jersey City Chapter placed a bronze marker on a monument commemorating the Revolutionary War Battles of Paulus Hook which had taken place on that site. The monument stands on the property of the Provident Institution for Savings in Jersey City at the corner of Washington and York Streets.

In May of 1954 the plaque was stolen. Recovery was attempted without success.

Last August a duplicate plaque, donated and erected by Mr. George R. Beach, President of the bank, was dedicated. Compatriot Manton L. Graff, President of the Chapter participated in the dedication ceremonies.

The original plaque has since been recovered and is in the possession of Mr. Beach. It is intended that the recovered plaque will be installed in the lobby of the "Provident."

We have had two meetings this season, one in September and the other in November, at the home of the Secretary, Compatriot G. Wallace Crawford, who showed colored slides of the Scandinavian countries.

On January 20, 1955, a Chapter

meeting will be held at the home of Compatriot W. A. Alexander, 194 Belmont Avenue, Jersey City, when President Graff will offer a "Kodachrome Travelogue."

The Chapter will attend the George Washington Birthday Observance Luncheon in Newark and will also conduct a patriotic service Sunday, February 20th, at Old Bergen Church at 8:00 P.M. Brig. Gen. Henry Darlington, D.D. (Retired) will give the address entitled "Seven Steps."

Empire State Society

Members of the Binghamton Chapter joined with Harpur College students, November 7, to pay tribute to Robert Harpur for whom the college is named. The ceremonies were conducted at Harpursville Cemetery where a metal marker was placed in front of the Harpur headstone. Dr. Hugh S. Gregory, president of the Binghamton Chapter paid tribute to Harpur's record during the Revolutionary War, and Dr. Glenn G. Bartle, president of Harpur and vice president of the chapter commended the spirit and ideals that guided Harpur. A tour of the Harpur homestead followed the ceremonies at the cemetery.

On November 11th last, Buffalo Chapter was one of a number of civic organizations to back a particularly successful public Naturalization ceremony at Kleinhans Music Hall. In accordance with the plan pretty generally employed throughout the country, this public ceremony was staged for the particular purpose of extending a more-than-ordinary welcome to a large number of new citizens and at the same time to

aid in fostering the instinct of patriotism on the part of the newcomers. It was felt that additional prestige and support would be possible if the ceremonies were held in the auditorium of the beautiful Kleinhans Music Hall. This necessitated the raising of funds for rental and other purposes. Buffalo Chapter was pleased to assist the co-chairmen, Mrs. Hornlein of the state D.A.R., and its old friend Paul Wamsley of the Department of Education with whom we have worked closely in the Know Your America week observances and other patriotic undertakings.

The "courtroom" was presided over by Federal Judge John Knight and a group of distinguished citizens occupied the platform including our veteran Registrar Ed Ellis and past President Walter Merwin. Nearly 500 new citizens occupied the front row section of the Hall and were duly sworn in by Judge Knight. They proved to be a particularly representative group, many of whom have already gained recognition for achievement during their naturalization period. A particularly interesting feature was the singing by an international choir, dressed in a variety of native costumes, of four American patriotic and folk songs—"America, the Beautiful," "Erie Canal," "My Old Kentucky Home" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

The spirit evidenced was magnificent and one could sense the loyalty and affection for their adopted country already inculcated in the minds of the new citizens.

Believing that this is a very effective

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Members of the North Carolina Society participated in the observance of the founding of the Greensboro Historical Museum. Left to right: A. Earle Weatherly; McDaniel Lewis; Dr. Archibald Henderson; Karl E. Prickett; Charles Alderman; and Major William Oliver Smith, President of the North Carolina Society. (Greensboro Daily News photo)

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and necessary part of any Americanization program and that such programs are certainly one of our important functions, we heartily commend the idea of participation in Naturalization Day observances to all our Chapters throughout the country.

The New York Chapter held its Annual Dinner Meeting in the Great Dome Room of the Old Sub-Treasury Building (Federal Hall Memorial) on Thursday evening October 21, at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker was Rear Admiral Lewis L. Strauss, Chairman of the United States Atomic Energy Commission, who gave an "off-the-cuff" talk on Atomic Energy. In recognition of the patriotic services Admiral Strauss has rendered the nation, the chapter presented him with the Society's Gold Medal.

The Oriskany Battle Chapter has undertaken the task of providing a life-size statue of George Washington for the city of Utica. The model has been prepared by Compatriot Benjamin T. Gilbert, a member of the chapter. A campaign has been organized to raise the necessary funds through public subscription and several hundred dollars have been pledged by members of the chapter and by other patriotic organizations. The model was part of a patriotic window display contributed by Compatriot Lambert Grant, Treasurer of the chapter and owner of Grant's Book Shop, Utica, N. Y. The chapter was host to the Western State Conference of the Empire State Society, on October 2nd, at which Dr. James Elliott Mooney, served as proxy for Admiral Richard E. Byrd, USN(ret) and accepted the Gold Good Citizenship Medal on behalf of the Admiral. Maor General Konrad C. Hsu, Ph.D. retired member of the Chinese Nationalist Army Staff spoke on "The Chinese Viewpoint on Formosa."

North Carolina Society

Members of the North Carolina Society participated in the celebration which marked the observances of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the founding of the Greensboro Historical Museum, October 28. One of the special exhibits was the Robert H. Davis Collection of O. Henry letters, which with other letters and papers make this the most valuable collection of O. Henry material in exis-

tence. The exhibits include the original furnishings of the W. C. Porter Drug Store in Greensboro, where O. Henry worked as a young man and where his friend, Lunsford Richardson, first made Vaporub, which led to the organization of the great Vick Chemical Co. O. Henry (William Sidney Porter) was born in Greensboro. Compatriots A. Earle Weatherly, former Museum president, who prepared the exhibits; McDaniel Lewis, former president of the Museum and chairman of the executive board of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History and chairman of the celebration; Dr. Archibald Henderson of the University of North Carolina, author of the first biographical

essay on O. Henry following his death, and biographer of George Bernard Shaw; Charles Alderman, Museum vice president; and Major William Oliver Smith, president of the North Carolina Society, and National Commander of the Army and Navy Legion of Valor, participated in the celebration ceremonies. Other important collections on display at the Museum include the antique furnishings and paintings for the restored colonial palace of governor William Tryon at New Bern, the restoration now being made by the State through the generosity of Mrs. Maude Moore Latham, and the collection of weapons from the Guilford Courthouse Battleground.

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A "postponed" Constitution Day Dinner was one of the largest events ever staged by the Cincinnati Chapter. It was held October 15 with 500 present to hear U. S. Senator William E. Jenner (left) deliver a warning against Communism. Chapter President Robert M. Booth (right) presided and introduced the speaker.

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Ohio Society

President General Lory was speaker at the third annual dinner of Western Reserve Society and the eight chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution in the Cleveland territory at the Cleveland Hotel on Thursday evening, December 9. 200 were present and the presiding officer was Compatriot Ray E. Munn, of Western Reserve Society. Solos by Compatriot Ralston Fox Smith were much enjoyed by the audience.

In a forceful address, the President General described his experiences in Russia, stating that in 1937 he saw in Moscow a draft of a United Nations Charter substantially the same as that later adopted at San Francisco, and that he also saw a map of the United States with divisions such as the Communists would propose were they to take over control of this country.

The President General presented the view that the real object of the United Nations was to change the form of government in the United States. He warned against dangers imminent in pending proposals to change the charter of that organization, and urged adoption of the Bricker amendment as one means to prevent the destruction of America's liberty through actions of the United Nations and others. "The greatest danger is the weakening of the moral fibre of our people. Through the gradual softening of the American people, the Reds are getting so close we can almost see the whites of their eyes," he said.

At one of the largest events ever staged by the Cincinnati Chapter, a postponed 'Constitution Day' Dinner held at the Sheraton-Gibson Hotel on the evening of October 15, and attended by about 500 citizens, the speaker was United States Senator William E. Jenner, of Indiana. Nation-wide publicity was received by the Sons of the American Revolution as the news services carried considerable extracts from the Senator's address, in which he emphasized that "misled leaders are digging the United States into the Red grave." (Printed in the Appendix of the Congressional Record, Nov. 29, 1954.)

The Chairman of the Senate internal security subcommittee warned his audience that "unless we quickly see the

present shape of the Communist invasion, unless we quickly work out the right counter attack, then—and I say this most solemnly—you and I will live to see the Soviet conquest of the U.S."

Compatriot Robert M. Booth, of the Cincinnati Chapter, presided and the dinner was notable for the 'streamlining' way in which its program was carried out. Even the usual introductions of distinguished guests was dispensed with.

The second Conference of the Board of Management for this year was held in Columbus on November 13, with 24 members present. National Trustee Calhoun reported on the meeting held in Washington on October 16, and numerous actions were taken looking to the expansion of the Society's activities. Much attention is being devoted to the next State Conference to be held in Toledo April 29-30, 1955.

Many chapters over the State are giving special attention to plans for the 1955 Historical Oration Contest. President Taylor has reappointed Compatriot Wayne Smith of Cleveland as Chairman of the State Committee, with Compatriots John F. Locke, Cincinnati; Charles R. Morgan, Toledo; Dr. J. Boyd Davis, Columbus; and M. P. Watts, Canton, as associates.

The Ohio Society and its Chapters are giving strong support to the movement led by Compatriot F. J. Milligan of Columbus to secure from the incoming General Assembly legislation to revise the school laws so that it shall be provided that Ohio schools shall teach

American history, rather than *may* teach it, as a change in the law provided in 1943 when an amendment was slipped through the General Assembly as one of 459 amendments, unpublicized and undebated, weakening the previous statutes. Many Compatriots including President Taylor and Immediate Past President Calhoun are members of 'The Committee for Ohio Schools'.

The Ohio Society hopes also to secure legislation authorizing the placing of a statue commemorating Revolutionary soldiers on the State House rotunda, where now stand similar statues commemorating the services of the Civil, Spanish-American wars and World War No. 1.

A valiant leader in another battle to save the historic Old Court House in Dayton at the November election was Compatriot William M. Pettit, for many years preceding 1948 secretary of the Ohio Society. Many compatriots of Richard Montgomery Chapter played their part. Although endorsed by the Dayton Chamber of Commerce, both daily papers and other strong forces, they defeated by a substantial vote a bond issue that provided for the sale of the structure and construction of new buildings on the site. Over a number of years Compatriot Pettit has been in the forefront of an extended battle to save the noted landmark.

Western Reserve Society, Cleveland, holds well attended regular monthly luncheons at the Mid-West Club. In

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Dr. John A. Fritchey II (left), past president and Earl M. Schroeder, president of the Pennsylvania Society were present at the installation of the officers of the Harris Ferry Chapter. C. E. Shirk (second from right) was re-elected as president and the Very Rev. T. H. Chappell, dean of St. Stephen's Episcopal Cathedral was the guest speaker.

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September, Compatriot Carl V. Weygandt, Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, spoke on "Constitution Day Reflections." In October, Compatriot Earl M. Richards, Member of the Board of Directors, The Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway Association, spoke on "The St. Lawrence Seaway." In November, Compatriot Albert S. Porter, Cuyahoga County Engineer, spoke on "A Freeway System for Metropolitan Cleveland," giving a preview of the five hundred million dollar project, an ambitious program said to be unequalled in the United States. The Society sent every member a "Get Out the Vote" postcard just previous to the November election.

At the October meeting of Benjamin

Franklin Chapter, Columbus, Compatriot F. J. Milligan discussed the pending legislation for revision of Ohio school teaching laws. At the November meeting Compatriot E. J. Taylor, Jr., retired Rear Admiral of the United States Navy, spoke of the services of 'Rufus Putnam, Commander of the Corps of Engineers', in the Revolution and later at Marietta and other Ohio points. A new member of the Chapter, J. Wallace Cherry, bases his membership on the service of Captain Samuel Cherry who served in the Continental Army from 1775 to 1781, and whose Commission as an officer and Certificate of Membership in the Order of the Cincinnati, signed by George Washington, are valued possessions of descendants in Columbus.

Gallipolis Chapter observed Constitution Day with a dinner meeting at the Island View Inn, addressed by Compatriot Raymond A. Lee, Secretary of Ewings Chapter, at Athens, who gave a splendid review of the early history of the formation of our government, its difficulties, etc. Members of Ewings Chapter were guests. Then in October, members of Gallipolis Chapter were guests of Ewings Chapter at a meeting held in Middleport.

In Dayton, Dr. Arthur Ludwig spoke to members of Richard Montgomery Chapter on November 19th, on "Communism as it pertains to our present day American life."

Compatriot Carl V. Weygandt of Western Reserve Society has brought to

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A plaque in memory of General Arthur St. Clair was installed in the St. Clair Memorial Hospital by the Pittsburgh Chapter, Sept. 24, 1954. Participating in the ceremonies were, left to right: John M. Russell; Franklin Blackstone; James L. Taylor, Jr.; Arthur G. Trimble; Richard C. Trimble; Charles E. Dinkey, Jr. Second row: Ansley A. Izenour; John W. Cost; Stephen C. M. Goddnough; Henry Rockwood; Edwin B. Graham; Walter L. Moser; George M. Bogue; Malcolm Macpherson. Back row: William J. Titzel and H. Ryerson Decker. (Brady Stewart photo)

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an end by resignation, 22 years of distinguished service as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio. Ill health of Mrs. Weygandt and the financial situation affecting the office, were reasons given by the Judge, who in August had been elected Chairman of the Conference of Chief Justices of the United States.

In the November election, Compatriot Kingsley A. Taft was re-elected a Justice of the Supreme Court, and Compatriots Oliver P. Bolton, Cliff Clevenger, and Poul F. Schenck were elected to the House of Representatives.

Compatriot Charles A. Bowers, Cleveland, has been elected president of the Ohio Society for Crippled Children.

Oregon Society

An important affair in history of the Oregon Society was a dinner held the evening of November 11 honoring as special guests all past presidents of the Society and its two chapters. Held in the University Club of Portland, it was more of a party than a formal dinner. As a surprise feature, each past president upon concluding felicitous greetings was handed a beautiful specially printed "Certificate of Appreciation," quite suitable for framing. Climaxing the program was a pithy talk by Compatriot (Colonel) Quincy Scott, who had been president 1939-40. Speaking on the theme "The Musket over the Mantel," he expanded on the symbolism of the musket as standing for defense and of the mantel as standing for the home. Of 13 living ex-presidents of the Society, all 11 present in the city attended. Unhappily, none of the six past presidents of Southern Oregon Chapter could attend. Portland chapter had two of its three living past presidents at the "party." Society President Dr. Burt Brown Barker presided. At this affair the rosette awards of the National Society to those who obtained new members the past year were bestowed upon Compatriots Walter S. Bear, Harry J. Beeman, George H. Corey, Dr. Cecil J. Ross and Ernest C. Potts, Portland Chapter President. (The Oregon officers suggest to other Societies and Chapters that a party of this sort both honors ex-presidents suitably and serves to keep alive their active interest.)

Oregon S. A. R. officers and mem-

bers have pleasant anticipations that before the next "Quarterly" circulates they will enjoy the honor of a visit from President General Milton M. Lory—tentative date January 8.

Portland Chapter recently effected needed revisions of its Constitution and By-Laws. It is continuing its monthly luncheons with marked success, there always being a featured speaker or a suitable motion picture.

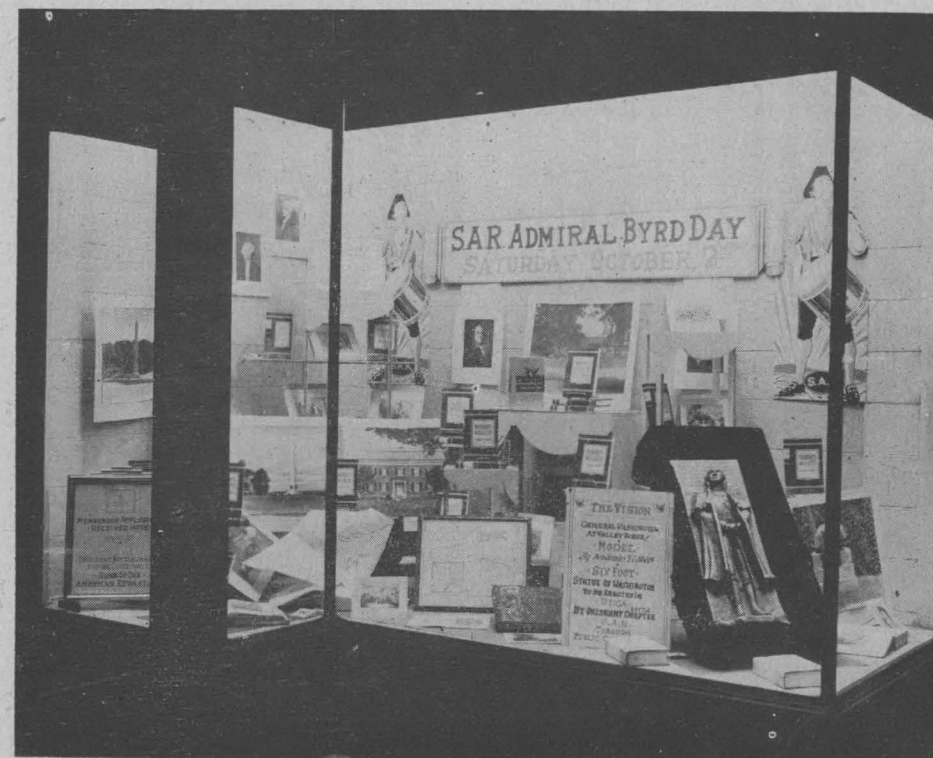
Officials of Southern Oregon Chapter at Medford recently acted upon an inspiration and led in arranging a big home-coming welcome for Richard Applegate, radio-news correspondent who was held prisoner by the Chinese Communists for almost two years. He is the son of Compatriot Frank L. Applegate, a former president of the Chapter.

Pennsylvania Society

Recipients of Good Citizenship Awards for 1955 of the Philadelphia Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, were announced Monday, December 6 at a meeting of the organization in the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. Annual election of officers was held at the same time.

Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd, famed polar explorer, and Frank M. Folsom, president of the Radio Corporation of America, were announced as the recipients of the awards by Charles R. Fish, newly elected president of the local S.A.R. chapter.

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Oriskany Battle Chapter's window display, courtesy of Lambert Grant Book Store, in observance of S.A.R. Admiral Byrd Day, Oct. 2. The Chapter is spear-heading a plan to erect a statue of George Washington in Utica, N. Y. A model of the statue, created by Compatriot Benjamin Thorne Gilbert is pictured in the upper photograph.

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Fish, vice president of the group, was elected to a one-year term as president, succeeding David L. German, Jr. retiring president.

Fred H. MacIntire was elected vice president. Two incumbent officers, A. Liston Townsend, secretary, and William H. Haffner, treasurer, were re-elected to the same posts.

In announcing the award recipients, Fish stated that both Byrd and Folsom had been notified of their election and had accepted the honor. The medals will be presented on Washington's Birthday, February 22, at an annual luncheon in the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

The awards, according to Fish, are made on a basis of the recipients "outstanding contributions to science, statesmanship, public welfare and similar achievements." Previous winners of the award have included General of the Army Omar Bradley, General George S. Patton, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, Samuel F. Houston and Admiral William F. Halsey.

On the evening of September 24, 1954 the Pittsburgh Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, added another contribution to its long career of distinguished patriotic activities, by presenting and unveiling a Plaque to the memory of General Arthur St. Clair in the St. Clair Memorial Hospital.

The committee in charge of this event was Compatriot Arthur G. Trimble and the presentation address was given by Compatriot Franklin Blackstone who is an eminent authority on the activities of General Arthur St. Clair.

This memorialization to General Arthur St. Clair was accomplished by personal contributions from members of the Chapter, and the Chapter and patriotic public express sincere thanks to those who made this memorial possible.

General Arthur St. Clair was one of Pennsylvania's distinguished men of Colonial Days and it is an honor and privilege to pay due honor and respect to those who by their Patriotic activities won immortal fame. Long live the memory of our early patriotic ancestors.

Pittsburgh Chapter conducted its 28th annual Golf Tournament at the world famous Oakmont Country Club, on Friday 8th October, 1954.

Compatriot R. H. Youngman, Jr., a member of the Club, was Chairman of the Committee and made all arrangements. Compatriot H. R. Decker, M.D., First Vice President of the Pennsylvania State Society, was Master of Ceremonies, with Compatriot Franklin Blackstone as Statistical Officer, and Compatriot William Campbell of Butler, Pa., as Toastmaster at the delicious roast beef dinner which followed the tournament.

The low gross Chapter Championship prize was won by Compatriot T. C. Zeller, M.D. with 83, and the low net by Compatriot William J. Titzell, 80. The second low gross was won by Compatriot Youngman, and the second division prize by Compatriot Charles E. Dinkey, Jr. The participants voted unanimously to recommend that the 29th Annual Tournament be held at the Youghiogheny Country Club, of which Champion Zeller is a member.

Tennessee Society

R. N. Sims Crownover of Nashville

was elected president of the Tennessee Society S.A.R., at the annual meeting held at the Fairyland Club, Chattanooga, September 5.

Other officers elected were: Dudley Gale, Judge Thomas A. Shriver, Austin W. Smith, W. Warren Woodruff, Thomas C. Wren, vice presidents; Dorian Clark, secretary-registrar; John W. Clay, treasurer; William R. Wright, national trustee (nominated); Arthur Crownover, chancellor; Stanley F. Horn, historian and genealogist; Charles R. Henry, surgeon; Moses R. Box, sergeant-at-arms; and Rev. Charles S. Hale, Chaplain.

Major General Clayton Bissell, USA (ret) was the principal speaker in an off-the-record address on "France, U.S.A. and the EDC."

The John Sevier Chapter held its annual meeting at the Patten Hotel, Chattanooga, December 7 and elected the following officers for the year: Paul S. Mathes, president; W. W. Woodruff,

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Newly elected officers of the Tennessee Society, left to right, front row: M. J. Rawlings, board of governors; R. N. Sims Crownover, president; Maj. Gen. Clayton Bissell, guest speaker; Col. Harrison Gill. Back row: Dorian Clark, secretary-treasurer; W. Warren Woodruff, vice president; Hugh W. Stallworth, board of governors. The election was held September 5, at the Fairyland Club, Chattanooga.

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first vice president; Harry T. Burn, second vice president; M. J. Rawlings, secretary-treasurer; W. L. Henderson, chaplain; A. Selby Ochs, historian; Col. James F. Corn, chancellor; Dr. Charles Henry, surgeon. It was reported that the chapter had secured 13 new members and 11 reinstatements during the year, and that Good Citizenship medals had been presented to 27 students in the schools of the area. The chairman of the membership committee has a list of 71 eligible candidates for membership and 35 applications are in the process of completion.

Texas Society

Under the leadership of Col. Frederick W. Huntington, president of the Texas Society, a vigorous effort was made to stimulate the observance of Bill of Rights Day throughout the state. One of the most important results was the issuance of a proclamation by the Acting Governor of the State, Dorsey B. Hardeman, which read in part "Now, Therefore, I, Dorsey B. Hardeman, as Acting Governor of the State of Texas, do hereby proclaim December 15, 1954 as BILL OF RIGHTS DAY in Texas, and call upon all our citizens to join in appropriate observances thereof as an expression of our gratitude and as a tribute to the memory of those patriots whose sacrifices established 'constitutional' American liberty."

In San Antonio, the newspapers published editorials and news stories in connection with the observance and gave full credit to the efforts of the S.A.R. Additional emphasis was given to the observance by the presentation of a facsimile of the Bill of Rights to Boysville "the home with a heart for homeless boys" the presentation being made by Col. Huntington.

Utah Society

Under the leadership of Compatriot Clyde C. Edmonds, the Committee on Constitution Day arranged for a joint observance with the Salt Lake City Kiwanis Club with the Constitution as the subject.

The usual notices were sent to all Compatriots and there was a good representation present. Compatriots Mortimer Chester, Calvin A. Behle, Charles R. Mabey, Frank Asper, W. F. Bulkley, Clyde C. Edmonds and C. P. Over-

field were seated at the speakers table. Other Compatriots seated throughout the audience were asked to stand while they were given a round of applause by the members of the Kawanis Club.

Compatriot Calvin A. Behle introduced the speaker, Dr. Stanford H. Kadish, of the Law Department of the University of Utah, who gave a clear and interesting picture of the growth of the Constitution. The speaker pointed out the many dangers that are now threatening our Constitution, not only communism and other alien forces, but also those that come through the apathy of the people and the desires of special groups to make changes which would favor their special interests and views.

Virginia Society

The new chapters which were organized by the Virginia Society during the last year are engaging in programs of activities which augur well for the future. The Lynchburg Chapter which held its organization meeting at the Virginian Hotel, Lynchburg, May 7, 1954 now has 21 members and papers are in process for several additional. The officers elected for the current year are: Robert A. Abernathy, president; Fred W. McWane, first vice president (served as organizing president); Alfred K. Tuck, second vice president;

Charles L. Harer, secretary-treasurer; and Claude H. Miller, historian. The Charter for the chapter was presented by Donald W. Shriver president of the Virginia Society. Kenneth Patty, past president of the Virginia Society, under whose administration the chapter was organized and E. Stewart James, chairman of the committee on the Organization of Chapters for the Virginia Society were present at the presentation of the Charter. The George Mason Chapter, which was organized in April, has held meetings each month since its organization, except during August. A constitution has been drafted and adopted by the chapter. Constitution Day was celebrated by the chapter with a dinner on September 17, at which John Locke Green gave a well received address on the Constitution of the United States. Guests on this occasion were Benjamin J. Norris of Washington-Lee High School who is applying for membership in the S.A.R.; Francis J. Hayes, Rector of Falls Church; Hillis Lory, of the State Department and brother of President General Milton M. Lory.

One of the Virginia Society's most distinguished members has been accorded an additional honor. It was announced in the Norfolk Ledger Dispatch on December 15, that Crawford S.

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"From the S.A.R. to the C.A.R." was the phrase used in the presentation of an American Flag to the Richard Bland Society, C.A.R., by the Richmond Chapter S.A.R. Left to right: Walter F. Beverly III, flag bearer; Edward T. Collier, senior president C.A.R.; Joseph H. Cottrell, president Richmond Chapter S.A.R. and James D. Brady, Jr., junior president of the C.A.R. society.

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Rogers (Vice President General of the National Society) had been named as "The First Citizen" of Norfolk by the Cosmopolitan Club of Norfolk. He will receive the Distinguished Service Award at a dinner and reception at the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club on January 27. His record of service to his community, state and nation filled columns of newspaper space. His Compatriots join in congratulating him upon receiving this well earned recognition.

Wisconsin Society

President General Milton Lory paid an official visit to Wisconsin Dec. 2 and was guest of honor at a "family night" dinner planned by the James Morgan chapter.

More than 70 members of the chapter, their families and members of the Lt. Nathan Hatch chapter of the DAR and guests heard an inspiring address and saw color movies of 18th century life in colonial Williamsburg.

The Rev. Hansen Bergen, president of James Morgan chapter, and a member of the board of trustees of the national society, presided. Compatriot John E. Dickinson, president of the Wisconsin society, introduced President General Lory. Compatriot Henry C. Fuller, Sr., vice-president general of the Great Lakes district, spoke briefly on his collection of American flags.

WHY AN INCREASE IN DUES WAS NECESSARY

An overwhelming majority of our Compatriots have recognized the validity of the reasons why an increase in the per capita dues to the National Society was voted by the delegates to the Sixty Fourth Congress at Williamsburg. For the benefit of the small minority which may not have understood the necessity for the increase, the reasons are re-stated.

It has been recognized for many years that our Society cannot fulfill all of its obligations as a patriotic society without adequate funds with which to finance its various activities. It has also been apparent that there is a vast potential membership which can only be reached through consistent and well directed effort. It is believed that the employment of an Organizing Secretary who will be able to devote his entire time and energies to the organization of new chapters and the enrollment of new members

will bring about the increase in membership and strengthen our Society.

The financial burden imposed on the man who serves our Society as President General has prevented many able Compatriots from aspiring to the highest office in our Society. The increase in dues will permit the Society to assume a portion of the traveling expenses of the President General.

In addition to the aforementioned points, it must be borne in mind that the decreased purchasing power of the dollar has affected the revenues of the National Society. Increased costs of printing have hampered efforts to improve the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine. At the same time there have been increasing demands for service from National Headquarters.

All of these factors combined to make it imperative that additional revenues be made available to the National Society and the only substantial source of revenue is the annual dues paid by the individual member. In comparison with dues paid to other national organizations, \$2.50 per year is a modest figure.

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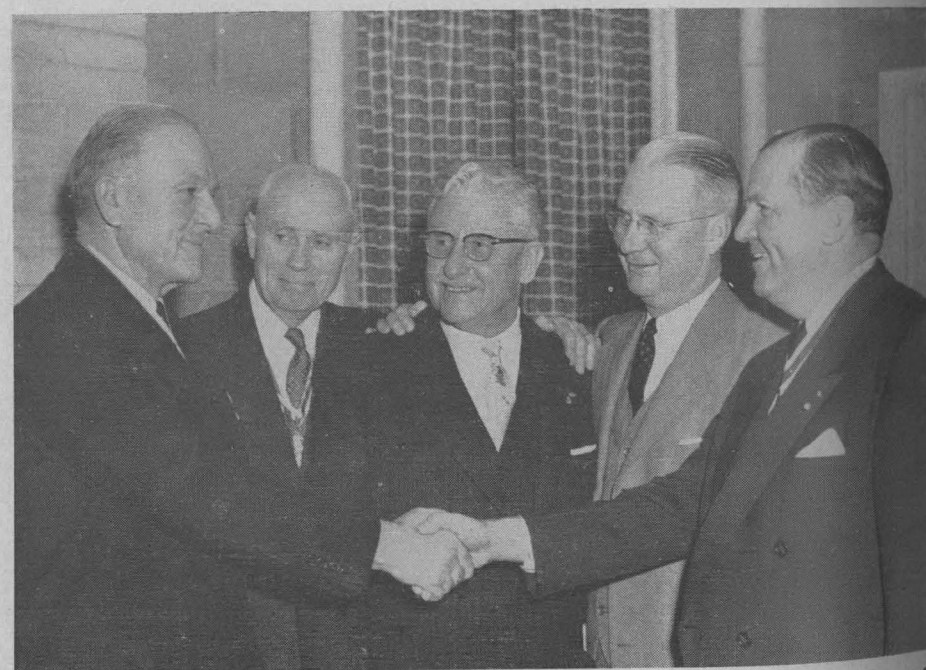
The success of an organization depends upon its growth. An organization

such as the Sons of the American Revolution requires a constant influx of new members in order to grow and make progress towards its goals. The high mortality rate among our Compatriots necessitates a constant effort to enroll new members to replace those Compatriots whose names appear each year in the In Memoriam column.

We have a Membership and Organization Committee in the National Society, and most of the State and Chapter organizations have a Membership Chairman, which is all well and good. However, the actual work of securing new members is done by individual Compatriots. There is no substitute for personal contact. It is safe to say that every Compatriot knows at least one man among his circle of acquaintances who is eligible for membership in our Society. If each and every Compatriot would assume the responsibility for securing just one additional member between now and March 31, 1955, our Society would solve its most pressing problems and would experience an unparalleled growth.

Last May at Williamsburg, 600 Compatriots were honored on Recognition Night at the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress. That was most encouraging, but translated into cold figures it means that

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President General Milton M. Lory (left) was warmly greeted by a delegation of Wisconsin Compatriots upon his arrival in Milwaukee, Dec. 2. Participating in the welcome, left to right: Henry Fuller, Vice President General; Col. Hansen Bergen, President of the James Morgan Chapter, Read E. Widrig, former National Trustee and John E. Dickinson, President of the Wisconsin Society.

THE CHALLENGE TO THE S.A.R.

R. S. Anderson, M.D.
Past President, Erie Chapter

(In response to many requests, this timely study of the S.A.R. is reprinted in this issue with the permission of the author.)

In the Spring of 1889 a small group of men set about to organize a society. Its members were to be male lineal descendants of men who participated in the American Revolution. The objectives of the Society were not only fraternal and memorial in nature but also included the fostering of patriotism; the creation of historically significant holidays; and above all, the guardianship of those abiding principles which collectively we have long perceived as the American way of life. The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was, therefore, sixty-five years old this past April 30.

The observance of birthdays always affords us an opportunity for self analysis. We might well ask ourselves at this juncture whether our objectives still remain sound; our direction proper; and the degree of progress up to expectations. Are we as an organization growing? Are we vital and do we have any appreciable influence on the affairs of everyday life in our community? It is quite probable that many of you have asked these questions and have perhaps wished that someone would make an effort to arrive at some kind of answer. It would seem that this study represents an effort to accommodate you.

This past winter, entirely on my own responsibility and wholly unknown to the Erie Chapter—which is thereby absolved from any criticism for the undertaking—I submitted a twelve-point questionnaire to the secretaries of fifty-five S.A.R. chapters. These were located from Maine to California and from the Great Lakes to Florida and Texas. What was uncovered by this sampling of S.A.R. nation-wide opinion constitutes the subject matter of my discussion.

The face of the American coin is seemingly very bright and hopeful but on the reverse side there have been many disturbing factors, largely working beneath the surface against the very substance of our national structure. These facts are well-known to you all and before giving you the details of this survey, perhaps it would serve a good purpose to put our minds in better orientation as to the problems confronting us. Let me briefly review some of the destructive influences that have been threatening us from within our borders.

1. The relaxation of our immigration policies and the more recent flagrant circumvention of the revised immigration law. Relative to this subject, it is important to recall that there were in excess of 3,900,000 people in the United States by 1790, just a few years after the successful conclusion of the War for Inde-

pendence. The population then contained an estimated 600,000 white families. Their origins directly or by descent were largely from England, Scotland, North Ireland, Germany, Holland, Sweden and a few from France, Spain and other countries. From 1790 to 1830 the native white population almost doubled itself twice but subsequent to 1830, immigration has been an increasingly proportionate factor in the growth of our nation. In fact, from 1790 to the present time in excess of 40,000,000 immigrants have come into this country through legal entry and Heaven only knows how many have entered illegally, especially since World War II. With these figures at hand it should be emphasized that a very large percentage of immigrants since 1880 have come into the nation from countries whose political and social ideals are vastly different from those that are traditional in America. Indeed, it would have required an intensely hot fire of nationalism to melt to a smooth blend this heterogeneous, polyglot mixture. The daily press hints incessantly to our short-comings with this chore.

2. The second destructive influence to be noted here is the rise of disrespect for organized law and the resultant increase in major crime, perpetrated largely by poorly assimilable nationals many of whom have entered the country as the result of the aforementioned immigration laxity.

3. The diplomatic recognition of Soviet Russia on November 16, 1933. This opened the flood gates of the United States to international communistic subversion and propaganda. Our refusal to recognize the Soviet regime would not have wholly prevented subversion but it is inconceivable that the problem today would be of its present magnitude.

4. The passing of the Sixteenth Amendment and its resultant confiscatory income tax. According to some authorities, this has made possible the sharp rise of government paternalism, the open door to Fabian Socialism.

5. The contemptible tinkering with Americanism in our schools.

6. The attempted political regimentation of our forces of labor and the evolution of the concept that the government owes the wage-earner preferential treatment. As a corollary to this; the right to strike regardless of who gets hurt is now held by many as sacrosanct as the Constitution itself.

7. The surreptitious, undersurface influence of certain "fellow-travelers" whose ideals, though very, very ancient are foreign to the Christian precepts on which our nation was founded. Good Americans in strategic places tell us that this element of our population, backed by large financial resources, have adversely influenced our international thinking and at times have "put gags into the mouths" of our statesmen; and on occasion, intimidated the public press and the publishers of books in a manner which virtually ignores one of our basic constitutional guarantees, the freedom of the press.

8. The rise of "One Worldism" and

the continuous attempt to use the United Nations as a means to override and bypass our magnificent Constitution. All loyal Americans can go along with the obvious need for international cooperation but that it a far different matter than selling our national soul for a mess of "One World" pottage.

9. The growth of Neo-paganism which holds that cleverness is preferable to honor, a code that virtually favors corruption in government at any level.

Ours has been a basically sound nation with a potentially magnificent and inspiring future. Yet, even a mountain can be worn down by the attrition of slow erosion. Bruce Barton was probably referring to this possibility when he quoted the philosopher Hegel who stated: "People and governments have never learned anything from history." "Is this true of us?" Barton asked. "Are we marching gayly down the same path that has led England and France to the bread lines?"

Certainly, one of our most distinguished compatriots, General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur, has been profoundly concerned with the direction in which our national affairs appear to be going. It will be recalled that after years of absence from this "land of the free" he was abruptly afforded an opportunity to return and as a private citizen look us over. In the Cleveland Auditorium on September 6, 1951, General MacArthur spoke thus: "I have seen many new and wonderful things but some which to me create a disturbing outlook for the future. Possibly one of the most pernicious is our steady drifting toward totalitarian rule with the suppression of those personal liberties which have formed the foundation stones of our political, economic and social advance to national greatness. He is further quoted: "Our government now differs substantially from the design of our forefathers as laid down in the Constitution." George Sokolsky commenting on the pagan philosophy advanced in the book of the late Harold Laski entitled "Faith, Reason and Civilization" has neatly summed it up. Sokolsky states that there prevails among many erstwhile intellectuals the concept that the Christian era has terminated and "that the next period in history will be the Russian version of Marxism." Sokolsky observes further that: "to many this is inevitable even if unpleasant and they somehow adjust their thinking to a way of life which they hate but believe cannot be averted." What a warning to America! Are not these insidious trends a challenge to organizations such as ours? Just what are chapters of S.A.R. across the length and breadth of the land inclined to do about this? To evaluate our current thinking in the face of these grave problems was the fundamental purpose of this study.

The questionnaires which have been previously mentioned were sent out over a period of several weeks beginning with January 2. With each one a covering letter, and in some situations, additional

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correspondence back and forth was necessary. In the covering letter it was pointed out that the undertaking was entirely a personal one and had no official connection whatsoever with my chapter or any other segment of the organization. It was requested that the secretary of each chapter contacted either answer the questions himself, if he were sufficiently experienced in his own chapter work to be familiar with representative opinion, or to confer with other officers and possibly past officers, if he chose. It was further pointed out that an official chapter reply was not essential, although actually a small percentage of the replies received had that status. Finally, my letter stated that all replies would be held in strict confidence, known only to myself and neither the chapters identified nor the person or persons responding to the questionnaire would be revealed to others. It was anticipated that this policy would be conducive to frankness and I believe the candid correspondence which I have received has tended to confirm this conviction. It was very heartening to note the interest and in some cases enthusiasm of those who responded to this effort.

There are in excess of 230 chapters of S.A.R. across the nation. I contacted 55 and received replies from approximately half that number or around 11% of all chapters. Actually, the percentage is probably higher because some chapters are not active. We are advised that national fact-finding political-opinion polls are based on as low as a 2% coverage and that industry is satisfied with a prospective market opinion based on a 10% coverage. In view of these considerations, it would seem that my 11% of S.A.R. sampling based on a wide variety of chapter contacts with such variable factors as size of the chapter, rural or urban location, and total number of chapters in the geographic area, would constitute an adequate return on which to base some realistic even though tentative conclusions.

The first question was preceded by the following explanatory statement "The stated objectives of S.A.R. can be briefly classified under the following six headings: (a) patriotic, (b), historical, (c) memorial and commemorative, (d) social, (e) educational, and (f) political. The term "political" is here used in its broadest sense rather than in the partisan one and together with educational activities should embrace any program which attempts to enlighten the public on all proposed measures which would affect our traditional freedoms.

The questionnaire itself was as follows:

1. "Accordingly, does your chapter engage actively in any program along this line?"

In response to the question 37% replied "Yes" and 52% "No," leaving a balance of 11% which either were in doubt or did not choose to answer the question.

2. "Have you or do you contemplate

making a survey of textbooks and teaching philosophy used in your public schools?"

It is rather astounding to note that only 37% were able to answer "yes" to this question against 56% "No." Even some of the positive answers showed that their programs with the school children were little more than a gesture.

3. "Do you take any steps to uphold historic American ideals of liberty, justice, free enterprise, etc. in the minds of your children? If so, with what grade level do you start your program?"

This was more encouraging as 59% reported "Yes" and 33% "No." It should be noted, however, that approximately only a third of such programs among the 59% were started in the secondary grades where they are most effective whereas, the majority of such programs were deferred until the high school years when the ideals of many students have begun to crystalize on many matters of government and economics.

4. "Do you take any steps to improve the idealistic concepts of your foreign-born population groups?"

Only 7% replied "Yes" as opposed to 78% "No." Some of the chapters in the South and in the Northwest incidentally are in communities where there is no sizeable foreign-born population.

5. "Do you think S.A.R. is large enough in membership to carry on an effective educational program as implied above?"

This question rated a 44% "Yes" and a 37% "No." With respect to this question some felt that we are large enough to function more actively than we do, provided leadership would be more dynamic and the membership could be aroused. Some felt that we should join forces with other patriotic organizations to realize the same desired objectives. One compatriot, experienced in leadership in both his local chapter and state society, commented as follows relative to this question: "The life and power of this society does not lie with the Chapter President, the State Society President nor with our National President General but in the hands of the three Secretaries—Chapter, State and National."

6. "Or do you think our chapters should confine their interest largely to patriotic display, memorial observance and historic and social activities rather than attempt dynamic programs to foster basic American principles in everyday life?"

Twenty-six per cent answered "Yes," indicating that we should attempt no ambitious programs but 44% thought that we should be more dynamic, which leaves 30% with no definite opinion on the subject.

On this point, one compatriot wrote these words: "In fact I believe our forefathers would have much rather made certain that the ideals for which they sacrificed, fought and bled should be continued than have any memorial services, etc." Another said: "I think we should have a strong dynamic program that will interest others." There were similar expressions accompanying a num-

ber of other replies but a few wanted to know more specifically just what I had in mind.

7. "Do you feel that your state society and your national society are in sufficiently close liaison with each other and with the local chapters to carry on an effective national program?"

This received a 26% "Yes" reply and 56% "No." This 56% negative response on this question was one of the pronounced trends of thought uncovered by the study. In other words, there is a definite feeling that we should be more closely knit as an organization on all levels.

8. "Would you recommend that the state societies and individual chapters from time to time be given adequate instructions from our Washington office as to how they can support, promote and implement inferences embodied in the resolutions passed during the Annual Congress and at other times?"

Eighty-one per cent said "Yes" and only 7% returned a "No" reply to this question. However, it is interesting to note that on this proposal some of the few negative repliers were quite decided in their convictions. A New York State attorney replied: "Definitely not!" One of our good compatriots from the deep South replied: "We want nothing from Washington but the Bricker Amendment and recognition of and respect for our State's Rights!"

9. "Would you favor joint action, national or local, with such organizations as D.A.R., Colonial Dames, American Legion, etc., where common objectives need the strength of unity?"

It is quite surprising to note that this idea received only a 30% favorable response against 48% who are opposed to joint activity even temporarily with other patriotic organizations. Reflection on this question leads to the conclusion that by retaining our autonomy in action we can remain on safer and at times less embarrassing ground.

10. "Would you favor the creation of a new classification of membership known as 'Associate' Member made up of carefully selected third generation or more worthy citizens invited to S.A.R. by local chapters?" (This has to do with outstanding individuals who cannot qualify for regular S.A.R. membership and their privileges to be limited.)

This received an understandable 30% "Yes" reply and 48% "No." Twenty-two per cent were either undecided or ignored the question. I received an appreciable number of comments on this suggested innovation both pro and con.*

Finally, the last two questions were aimed at the appraisal of the general public reaction and the publicity efforts of our organization. Many of us have been anxious to know whether or not S.A.R. is making appreciable impact on the public mind.

*A detailed recommendation re this subject may be forthcoming in a later report.

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11. "Do you think that the average man in your community is a better American because of the activities of your chapter?"

To this only 22% replied in the affirmative and 49% "No."

12. The last item of the questionnaire read as follows: "Do you sense that most of your citizens realize that there is such a thing as S.A.R. in the first place?"

The response to this pointed question was more reassuring. Forty-one per cent said "Yes" and 48% still insisted that the answer should be "No."

Several obvious conclusions can be drawn from this study. First of all, we are quite too small to be completely effective on any level. The D.A.R. is reputed to have a current membership nationally of 175,000 whereas, we number apparently less than 20,000. It is probable that we will never surpass the 100,000 mark; if indeed, we do that well we will be fortunate. It is to be remembered, however, that small groups of devoted people can accomplish much when their convictions are sufficiently deep and determination moves them to action. The "cells" of Communists themselves have demonstrated this fact, much as we want no part of their methods.

Furthermore, we cannot overlook the fact that many of our members are well along in middle life or past and are preoccupied with routine duties and exigencies of everyday living in these complicated times. In addition, most of our meetings must be held at night and in the majority of chapters a few carry the load which should be borne to some degree by all. It follows, therefore, that the greater our over-all size the larger will be that central core of members needed to "spark" the chapter's program.

The second obvious conclusion is that most active S.A.R. members around the country would like to see our Society more closely knit. While our Society constitution does not permit the higher strata of the organization to dictate to the chapters concerning local activities, most groups would prefer a closer tie with the state and national officers in order to keep better informed. It is apparently felt that our national officers in Washington and the officers of the state chapters should be in advantageous positions to keep a watchful eye on prospective laws fed into the legislative hoppers as well as on matters of interest in the various departments and bureaus. Some efforts at legislation need our support; others should be given our uncompromising opposition. The chapters seemingly wish to have these matters brought to their attention so that they may take whatever action they desire, if any. This is equally true in relation to the resolution passed on during National S.A.R. Congresses and at other times when the chapters would like to be advised how they can help implement such actions.

Some of the correspondence received in relation to questions (11 and 12) indicated strongly that we are "hiding our light under a bushel" and we are not giving our activities enough publicity. Too few people know about us and some who do, presume to think that our every function is to exude pride in ancestry. In fact, one of our national officers has confided this opinion. "I think," he writes, "you can recognize one obstacle that must be overcome before we can begin to attain the prestige in the eyes of the public to which we are properly entitled. That obstacle is the conception of our Society which still exists in the minds of many members; namely, that our purposes are merely to preserve records and engage in what might be termed 'ancestry worship'! It is only within recent years that any substantial portion of our membership has recognized the fact that we can no longer afford the luxury of basking in the reflected glories of our ancestors."

Aside from conventional S.A.R. activities of a historical and commemorative nature, it would seem that our "educational" functions should have two objectives.

The first of these is to do our part within the limits of our time and resources, to assure all our children and growing adolescents a sound training in Americanism. This we should continue to do through the schools and with such extremely important organizations as the Boy Scouts. In both spheres the challenge to us is clear-cut, if we can only accept it. Efforts here will come to fruition in the years ahead. This would be true also with our foreign-born who have just received their naturalization papers or are about to go through the process; and likewise with their children. Let's not overlook the columns of the foreign language newspapers which these people customarily read.

Looking to the future, another suggestion which may merit consideration is the establishment by S.A.R. chapters of "library corners" dedicated to traditional Americanism. Each year any chapter could give to its local, central or branch libraries several suitable books on the subject of Americanism. An appropriate plaque might be purchased and displayed over the section in the library where these books are confined. For a small price a gift certificate bearing the chapter's identity and insignia could be affixed to the inside covers of each volume. The library patrons should have their attention drawn to this collection from time to time and it would thus serve not only as a publicity medium for S.A.R. but to focus the attention of young developing minds on the fundamentals of our theories of government and the economic freedoms we might continue to have if we remain vigilant. Nowadays, students fail to hear enough of this in our social-conscious schools. This project, like many others, would doubtlessly require financing out of collateral funds other than the limited income available to chapters from dues.

While such functions are very important they in no way meet the threatening trends which face us now. In this regard, there is one thing that should be definitely emphasized as a result of this sampling of S.A.R. opinion and its collateral correspondence, and of which our state and national officers should be clearly appraised; that is, that there is present a deep desire on the part of many S.A.R. members around the country to somehow come to grips head-on, so to speak, with these disruptive forces that have been threatening our liberties for a quarter of a century. I perceive a wide-spread feeling of frustration that we have seemingly been able to do so little about them. In the words of one compatriot who wrote with great feeling: "We should in the name of God, give less of our time to the pageantry of powdered wigs and devote more of our energies as an organization to the sins of government in Washington and elsewhere!"

Right here our planning should call for the wisest of counsel. Regardless of our individual urges to "buckle on armour and get into the fray" there are certain practical considerations that will restrain us as organized chapters. We simply must be realistic and objective in our thinking and no matter to what heights our blood pressures soar at times, we are still a small organization and thereby limited in what we as chapters can actually accomplish. As with the writer, it is probable that this cold truth has occasioned you all much disillusionment.

Perhaps the following concept will help set us right in the matter. After much reflection, I have personally come to the conclusion that an S.A.R. chapter can serve its most useful purpose in meeting these current problems by becoming a dependable source of essential information to its members. Let's think of our chapter meetings as forums of inspiration and knowledge where the individual compatriot can hear discussions not only on history but the compelling problems of the present. Let him come there to learn what is going on, especially beneath the surface and what he needs to know to be a true Son of the American Revolution.

Let him devote some of his spare hours at home to reading informative books and periodicals on these subjects, not relying wholly on the public press. We may respectfully suggest that the quarterly Magazine of S.A.R. publish from time to time a list of reading material some of which may have been forced by ulterior influences from the normal outlets and may be hard to come by. Then, whenever we are individually confident that we are fully surcharged with information, let's use our personal influence in our individual respective walks of life to disseminate this knowledge among others. We need not be radicals or zealots with our patriotic ardor; we need not resort to chauvinism, but within reasonable bounds, who knows how far such influence may reach?

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Remember the classical illustration of the pebble tossed into a still pool and the succession of ripples that go out for remarkable distances beyond.

In the final analysis I find myself decidedly skeptical that any small group such as our chapters can do very much as an organization to change the political and economic thinking of large numbers of adult minds. That category of our population which persists in believing that government and Santa Claus are synonymous terms are particularly resistant to the force of logic. Whatever we at the chapter level can accomplish with such people perhaps can be done more effectively by our members acting as individuals rather than as an organization in which they have no interest. Non-members traditionally resent organizations trying to tell them what to do. The situation, of course, is more hopeful with young plastic and immature minds, as previously mentioned.

All of which is not to say that we should never on proper occasions take action as a chapter and even at times use our influence with other local societies which claim patriotic motives. The feeling is prevalent that our chapters should not hesitate to stand up and be counted when circumstances warrant it, just as our National Society has done a great many times. If we have convictions, tell the world! If we have none, let's step aside!

In conclusion, we might again remind ourselves that some of our country's most brilliant thinkers are presently worried over the current and future status of many of America's cherished freedoms. They see vast numbers of our people looking to government for "hand-outs" reaching for the mirage of "something for nothing." They see these same millions upon millions of our citizens slowly losing their status of free men and still remaining serenely oblivious to the ultimate fate that may await them at the end of the socialistic road. Here it would seem is the real challenge to S.A.R.!

Would it not be a useful objective for the state and local chapters to join forces under the planned guidance of our National Society to systematically study this departure from the paths laid down for us by the founding fathers? Should we not know thoroughly the causes and mechanisms of our quarter of a century of digression? We might then seek means to check this devious trend and then direct our energies in a well-thought-out plan to help turn the tide in a more acceptable direction. It has taken a generation for the nation to stray off the beaten path to its present status and it will probably require another generation or two, if not longer to get back. Certainly no thinking person can be so naive and politically so partisan as to imagine that a mere change of administration in Washington will promptly deliver us to a more normal way of life. Indeed, will it not require years of planning, re-education of the public

and concerted action by right thinking Americans everywhere to bring that day to pass?

True Sons of the American Revolution, men worthy of the honor will want to see our organization play its just and noble part in that great campaign of tomorrow. If we and others of like mind are remiss in our duties now, the designation "Sons of the American Revolution" could become a meaningless phrase, a mere nostalgic ideal out of a receding past. Clearly we have a challenge. May all chapters across the land muster courage and resolve to meet it!

Dated: June 25, 1954

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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only 3 and 1/3% of our members actually worked on getting new members. Surely we can double that number between now and March 31.

It is not too late to make another New Year's resolution. Why not resolve now, today, that you will help your Society to the extent of enrolling at least one new member this year. Every Compatriot is a member of the Membership Committee and we need your help now.

Fraternally yours,
Edgar Williamson, Jr., Chairman
Membership-Organization Committee.

SAVE THE USS OLYMPIA CAMPAIGN SPONSORED BY PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

A campaign to save the flag ship of Admiral Dewey from the scrap heap is being sponsored by the Philadelphia Chapter S.A.R. in cooperation with other patriotic organizations in Philadelphia and vicinity. On November 6, a group of Compatriots headed by Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell went to the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard and inspected the ship. Station WCAU sent a team which took pictures while this was being done and John Facenda, a noted news broadcaster televised it that night. On November 8, Compatriot A. Liston Townsend gave a short radio broadcast outlining the project and inviting cooperation from other patriotic groups and individuals. A meeting of all interested groups was called on December 7 at which time plans were made for a nation-wide appeal for funds to provide for the repairs and upkeep of the famous fighting ship. Additional details of the plan may be obtained by writing to Compatriot Townsend at 628 Maple Avenue, Haddonfield, New Jersey.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, D. C. OCTOBER 16, 1954

The Colors were advanced to the platform by the Color Guard of the District of Columbia Society. The Invocation was given by Rev. Chauncey C. Day, Chaplain of the District of Columbia Society, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The President General requested the Executive Secretary to call the roll and those present were: President General Milton M. Lory; Past Presidents General A. Herbert Foreman, Wallace C. Hall, Ray O. Edwards, and Arthur A. de la Houssaye; Vice Presidents General Calvin C. Bolles, Clement D. Asbury, Maj. Gen. Karl Truesdell, Crawford S. Rogers, Dr. V. E. Holcombe; Secretary General Walter A. Wentworth; Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill; Registrar General Louis F. Ridgway; Historian General Dr. Harold I. Meyer; Genealogist General Redmond S. Cole; Chancellor General Lew C. Church; and Librarian General P. Harry Byerly. Executive Committee members: John H. Babb, Wheaton H. Brewer, Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Adm. William

Rea Furlong and Edgar Williamson, Jr. Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam.

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On motion of Compatriot Truesdell, seconded by Compatriot Asbury, the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees held on May 26, 1954, were approved as published in the July issue of the Magazine.

On motion of Past President General Hall, seconded by Compatriot Ridgway, the Executive Secretary was instructed to send a telegram of congratulations and best wishes to Past President General Arthur M. McCrillis, who was observing his eightieth birthday on that day. (Continued on page 26)



The Chaplain's Breakfast at the Williamsburg Congress was one of the many unusual features of the Sixty-fourth Congress. Those present, left to right, standing: Dr. Grant L. Jordan, Mich; Rev. Mortimer Chester, Utah; President General de la Houssaye; Chaplain General Dr. Mott R. Sawyers; Dr. Francis Shunk Downs, Calif.; Rev. Frederick P. Mudge, N. J.; Dr. Lewis A. Ward, N. Y. Seated, left to right: Dr. Chauncey C. Day, D. C.; Compatriot Louis A. Bowman, Ill.; Rev. Henry Armstrong, N. J.; Dr. Levi Edgar Young Utah and Col. Hansen Bergen, Wisc.

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The President General addressed the Trustees briefly, commenting on the excellent publicity the Society has received in recent months in connection with its assistance in the collection of funds for the restoration of the Old North Church Tower and other items of interest. He reported on contacting officials of the Girl Scouts in reference to the Girl Scouts Handbook in accordance with the direction of the Williamsburg Congress.

The President General asked for the reports of the other General Officers and Vice President General Bolles reported briefly on a recent meeting of the New England Council.

Vice President General Asbury reported on a meeting in Newark, New Jersey, at which Judge Media spoke, and a recent meeting of the Empire State Society which was held in Utica.

Vice President General Truesdell commented that representatives of three of the States in his District were present at the meeting.

Vice President General Rogers reported in regard to the establishment of new chapters in his District. The President General commented on Compatriot Rogers' excellent recovery from a recent serious illness.

Vice President General Holcombe reported briefly for his District.

Treasurer General McNeill presented his report in writing and commented on the progress of the Mortgage Liquidation project and on the additional revenue the Society will derive from the increase in per capita dues which will become effective April 1, 1955.

Registrar General Ridgway presented a comparative membership statement for the month of September, 1954 and 1953, and a comparative statement of the first six months of the fiscal year, showing that the number of new members taken in this year was somewhat below the number admitted during the same period last year.

Historian General Meyer reported that he had done some research on the medical aspect of the Yorktown campaign. He also stated that he believed the history of the Society should be brought up to date and published in booklet or brochure form.

Genealogist General Cole reported on a case on which his opinion had been requested.

Chancellor General Church stated that he had rendered two opinions, each within two days of the receipt of the request, in accordance with the precedent established by two of his predecessors.

Librarian General Byerly reported verbally on the program to reorganize the library at Headquarters.

On motion, visiting officers and members were accorded the privilege of the floor.

Executive Secretary Putnam presented his report in writing as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Due to the lack of time the report of the Executive Secretary to the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress was not read and a very brief summary of the report was presented by the Executive Secretary. Mimeographed copies of that report were distributed to the delegates, but it is possible that some members of the Board of National Trustees did not find time to read that report. Therefore, it may be in order to mention some of the items contained in that report and to revise them in accordance with developments since the adjournment of the Congress. Some of the most important items are:

MEMBERSHIPS which are the life blood of our Society, showed a substantial and encouraging increase during the year ending March 31, 1954. 1,465 new applications were received during the twelve month period April 1, 1953 through March 31, 1954. Since April 1, 1954, we have continued to receive new applications but the rate has been somewhat lower than that for the same period in the preceding year. Actually we have received 466 new members from April 1, to October 1, 1954. Last year for the same period we received 537. In other words we are 71 behind our record of last year, as of October 1st. I am happy to say that, the rate at which applications are being received during the month of October, thus far, it seems possible that we may reduce this loss to date during this and the coming months. One of the most encouraging aspects of the membership effort is the number of new Chapters which are in varying stages of organization throughout the Society.

FINANCIAL CONDITION The financial condition of our Society as shown by the report of the Treasurer General is healthy and encouraging.

The sale of SAR stamps is producing additional revenues and as of this date \$1,041.00 have been received from this source. The sale of souvenir china is also producing additional revenues and up to this time we have received a total of \$1,143.00 in orders for plates and cups and saucers.

THE TREASURER GENERAL'S REPORT makes mention of the fact that our Society is the beneficiary, to the extent of some \$5,100.00, from the trust established by our late Compatriot Samuel Outwater. In view of the fact that our Society has recognized the value of the work done by the Children of the American Revolution it seems that this is an opportune time to establish an Educational Fund with the \$5,000 and that the income be used to provide for a scholarship, and that the boys who are members of the CAR be given the opportunity to compete for this scholarship. It is recommended that the President General be authorized to appoint a committee to formulate a program in accordance with this recommendation. Perhaps it might be of interest to all of us to note that the operating surplus on the Auditor's Report for March 31, 1951 was \$2,506.93 and that on March 31, 1954 it was \$18,639.36, an increase of \$16,132.43.

HEADQUARTERS PROPERTY In order to maintain our National Headquarters on an efficient basis it is necessary to make improvements from time

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to time. The Chairman of the Headquarters Committee will have some recommendations to offer in this connection and it is hoped that these recommendations will be acted upon favorably by the Board of Trustees.

One of the important items on the agenda for this meeting is that of the consideration of the offer to purchase a portion of our property by the Phi Gamma Delta Educational Foundation. I shall not attempt at this time to present the details of my recommendation on this matter. I think it necessary to state that the offer of \$25,000 is not equal to the market value at this time.

OLD NORTH CHURCH FUND

Immediately following the destruction of the tower of the Old North Church in Boston, Massachusetts, a number of suggestions were received at this office in connection with the raising of funds for the reconstruction of the tower. Upon the instructions of the President General a letter was sent to all State and Chapter organizations suggesting that contributions for this purpose be channelled through the Headquarters of the Sons of the American Revolution. Contributions for this purpose received to date total \$251.00, plus an additional \$100.00, which was contributed by members of the New Jersey Society at their fall meeting on the evening of October 8th. This sum was raised in cash and a check for \$100.00 should be forthcoming immediately. It is planned to send all contributions to the Old North Church Fund, which is under Chairmanship of Governor Herter of Massachusetts. A list of contributors is being compiled and these names will be forwarded at the time the money is transmitted to the Old North Church Fund.

HANDBOOK Work on the preparation of a handbook of information on the activities of our Society and a guide for all State and Chapter officers has progressed to the point where it is now possible to complete the task. The proposed format is a 48 page booklet, page size 5 x 7 3/4, on 60 lb. paper, with a blue HIGHLIGHT cover designed to provide the maximum wear. The estimated cost of this handbook is \$639.75 for 2,000 copies, which is approximately 32c per copy. It is recommended that these handbooks be made available to

members of our Society at a price of 50c each, which will cover the production cost plus handling and postage. It is recommended that the President General appoint a committee of not more than five members from the Board of Trustees to collaborate with the Executive Secretary to determine the contents of the handbook in final form.

MAGAZINE Efforts are being continued to improve the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine and make it a more effective link between our Society and individual members. Compatriot Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., Chairman of the Publications Committee, presented a report at the Williamsburg Congress which contained some suggestions designed to increase the revenue from advertising in our Magazine. Due to the very crowded schedule at the Congress this report could not be given the consideration at that time which it deserves. It is recommended that Compatriot Gilbert's report be given further consideration at this meeting and that steps be taken to implement some of the proposals contained in the report. A copy of this report is available and will be presented by the Executive Secretary, if Compatriot Gilbert is not present to offer the report in person. In brief, the report recommends the adoption of a plan which has been used by the Daughters of the American Revolution with considerable success.

In conclusion it is gratifying to be able to report that the general condition of the Society is healthy; that the membership is increasing, although not as rapidly as we should like to see it; that there is evidence of increased activity on the part of Chapter and State organizations and that the financial situation continues to show improvement. At this date there is every reason to believe that the reports made at the Annual Congress in 1955 will reflect additional progress and growth. On concluding this report the Executive Secretary wishes to express his appreciation of the cooperation and support which has been accorded him by the General Officers, the Executive Committee, National Trustees and Committee Chairmen.

Respectfully submitted
Harold L. Putnam
Executive Secretary

Compatriot Tarbox read a portion of a letter of Vice President General

Ostrom to the effect that General Ostrom was meeting on October 19th, with others, to induct the new Reno, Nevada, Chapter, and that from that meeting he hoped to receive a request for a Nevada State Society Charter.

The President General asked for the reports of Committee Chairmen and Compatriot Furlong reported as Chairman of the American Sovereignty Committee that he had kept in touch with the various committees and subcommittees of Congress in connection with the matters in which the Society is interested. He mentioned especially the question of American sovereignty in the Antarctic. He also mentioned Public Law 107 which specifies that no flag, foreign or international, shall be flown in a place superior to our United States flag, except at meetings of the United Nations itself. Admiral Furlong also stated that he had available pamphlets on the proposed Bricker amendment. His report was received with applause.

Compatriot Holcombe, Chairman, reported for the Basic Documents Committee, stating that he had spoken at a number of meetings of patriotic societies in West Virginia and that he was receiving a number of orders for the facsimile copies of the Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights.

Compatriot Parker, Chairman of the C. A. R. Committee, called attention to a short article he had prepared for the October issue of the *SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE* in connection with bringing youths into the C. A. R. He asked for the cooperation of the State Societies in organizing to interest boys in joining the C. A. R.

The Chairman of the Americanism Committee, Compatriot Norman Anderson, was unable to be present because of illness. Compatriot Babb reported in his behalf later in the session.

Compatriot Charles A. Jones, Chairman of the Constitution Day Observance Committee, reported that as usual his committee had sent personal letters to the Governors of each State requesting that they issue proclamations emphasizing the importance of Constitution Day, and also letters to the State Society and Chapter officers making suggestions in regard to the observance of this day. He reported that the request for proclamations had met with varying

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success. Compatriot Jones report was received with applause.

Past President General Hall, Chairman of the D. A. R. Committee, reported on the splendid cooperation given our Society by the D. A. R. officers and members.

Compatriot James, Chairman, stated that the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee would present its new rules as new business at the afternoon session.

Compatriot Grant, Chairman, reported for the Historic Sites and Buildings Committee, stating that the only way the destruction of historic structures can be prevented is by vigilance in each community. He expressed the hope that the Society would adopt a policy of asking the State Societies and Chapters to report such proposed destruction and stated that the historical facts could be verified through the National Trust for Preservation of Historic Sites and Buildings.

Compatriot Brewer, Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, reported that the Society is well within the budget of the current fiscal year.

Compatriot Overstreet, Chairman of the Immigration Committee, stated that only three bills, of minor importance, in connection with immigration had been passed by the last session of Congress. He also spoke of the continuous effort on the part of some interests to alter the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act.

Executive Secretary Putnam announced that a luncheon would be held at the Cosmos Club at 12:30.

On motion, the session recessed at 12:05.

The meeting was called to order by the President General at 2:00 P. M.

Compatriot Williamson, Chairman of the Membership Committee, concurred with the report on membership made by the Registrar General earlier in the day.

Compatriot Truesdell reported as Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, making certain recommendations which on motion were referred to new business.

Compatriot Mitchell, Chairman, reported for the Public Relations Committee, emphasizing the committee's need for a budget to carry on its work.

Compatriot Stanback called attention to the splendid address made at the

Williamsburg Congress by Representative Herbert of Louisiana and expressed the hope that it would be published in the S. A. R. MAGAZINE.

Several visiting officers and Compatriots were introduced to the Trustees.

The President General announced that consideration of the location of the 1955 Congress was next on the agenda. Compatriot Meyer of Chicago presented the invitation of the Illinois Society to meet in that city, reading letters from the Governor of Illinois, the Mayor of the City of Chicago, the President of the Illinois Society, Earl B. Searcy, and others. He mentioned a number of hotels and available dates, from May 15th through the third week of June. He emphasized the enthusiasm of the Illinois Society for entertaining the Congress and the hope of its members that the invitation would be accepted.

Compatriot Tarbox of Colorado spoke on behalf of the invitation to hold the Congress in Albuquerque which had been extended by the New Mexico Society at the Williamsburg Congress, stating that a Congress had not been held in the Rocky Mountain District for many years. He outlined the plans of the New Mexico Society for entertaining the Congress and stated that the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Albuquerque would be designated as headquarters.

Executive Secretary Putnam read a letter of invitation by Kent Chapter to hold the 1955 Congress in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Absence due to serious illness in his family had prevented the National Trustee for Michigan, Compatriot Charles S. Prescott, from presenting the invitation in person.

There was discussion of the invitations and of the constitutional method of changing the date if desired. The Chancellor General was asked for an opinion and read Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution, as follows:

"Section 1. The Annual Congress of this Society for the election of officers and for the transaction of business shall be held on the third Monday of May in each year unless otherwise ordered by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board of Trustees voting upon the question, which vote may be taken by mail. . . ."

The Chancellor General stated that it was his opinion that two-thirds of the Trustees present could vote to determine the question of changing the date of the

Congress from the third Monday of May to another date.

There was discussion of the site of the Congress and of the constitutional method of changing the date. The President General ruled that the invitation of Grand Rapids could not be considered because it came from a Chapter and not the State Society.

Past President General Edwards moved, and it was seconded and carried unanimously, that a roll call vote be taken of the Board of Trustees, each member of the Board to designate his choice of the invitations extended, namely, those from Chicago and Albuquerque.

Tellers were appointed, the roll was called, and the result was seventeen votes for Chicago and twelve for Albuquerque, and the President General announced the city of Chicago had been selected as the site of the Sixty-fifth Congress of the Society.

There was discussion of changing the date of the Congress.

On motion of Compatriot Babb, seconded by Compatriot Brewer, the Trustees voted to change the date of the Sixty-fifth Congress of the Society to the week beginning May 22, 1955, and designated the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago as the headquarters hotel. There was again a roll call vote and the result was 29 in the affirmative and two in the negative. Compatriot Tarbox requested that it be recorded that he protested by not voting on the question.

Compatriot Babb, who had arrived late at the meeting due to travel conditions caused by the hurricane "Hazel" presented the written report of the Chairman of the Americanism Committee, Compatriot Norman Anderson, who was unable to be present. On motion of Compatriot Babb, duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the Board of National Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution meeting in regular session October 16, 1954, at Washington, D. C. compliments the Chicago Tribune's stalwart American editor and publisher for the historical and instructive news article about the signing of the United States Constitution on the 167th anniversary and also for the fine reproduction in color of Christy's great painting of the

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signing of the Constitution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in recognition of his unselfish service and example in patriotic citizenship, his stimulation of public interest in American ideals and the achievement of true patriotic standards, together with his labor to bring about wider recognition of the principles on which this Nation was founded, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution proudly awards Colonel Robert R. McCormick a citation for distinguished service to America.

On motion of Compatriot Babb, seconded by Compatriot Overstreet, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God, the Supreme Commander, to summon to his immortal army the beloved Senator Patrick A. McCarran who served his country in the halls of Congress 1933 to 1954, and

WHEREAS, we bow to the will of Divine Providence, while ever cherishing in our hearts the memory of his distinguished contributions to our Nation as: established the Civil Aeronautics Authority 1938; author Internal Security Act 1950, Co-sponsor of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Bill 1952; member and chairman of the subcommittee to investigate the administration of the Internal Security Act of the Committee on Judiciary of U. S. Senate; and contributor to other Federal legislation and congressional committees; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of National Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in regular meeting assembled on this 16th day of October and in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four mourns the passing September 28, 1954, of the Honorable Patrick A. McCarran and in token of our common grief and our Country's great loss, prayerfully stand with bowed heads in his honor, and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution expressing our affections and deep sympathy be presented to his family, and to the chairman of the Subcommittee of Internal Security of the Committee on Judiciary of the United States Senate and respectfully request the recording of the resolution in the Congressional Record.

On motion of Compatriot Brewer, seconded by Treasurer General McNeill, a Christmas bonus for the employees at Headquarters of approximately one week's salary was authorized by the Trustees.

At the request of the President General, Chancellor General Church submitted to the Trustees the proposal by the Phi Gamma Delta Educational Foundation to purchase a portion of the Headquarters property. On motion of Compatriot Church, seconded by Treasurer General McNeill, the offer of the Phi Gamma Delta Educational Foundation to purchase the twenty-five foot strip of the Headquarters property for the sum of \$25,000.00 was rejected and the Executive Secretary was instructed to notify that organization and to return its deposit of \$2,500.00 made in connection with the offer.

Under unfinished business, there was discussion of the selection of an official hymn for the Society and it was the sense of the meeting that no action should be taken at present and that the use of "Faith of our Fathers" should be continued.

Also under unfinished business, Executive Secretary Putnam explained that there had been suggestions that the Society should provide one medal for military service, with a bar to be attached to specify the war, rather than separate medals for World War I and World War II as at present. On motion of Admiral Furlong, the Trustees approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee that such a medal be provided, at a cost for dies of \$225.00, with a modification suggested by Compatriot Grant that it be known as a "War Service" rather than a "Military Service" Medal.

The request of the Virginia Society that the amount which the Committee on Arrangements for the 64th Congress had turned over to the National Society to cover certain expenses in connection with the Congress be returned to the Virginia Society was discussed. Compatriots Foreman and Rogers, Co-chairmen of the Arrangements Committee, presented the viewpoint of the committee, and Compatriot Kenneth C. Patty presented the case of the Virginia Society. On motion of General Truesdell, seconded by Compatriot Ridgway, in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee, the following

resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the registration fees paid by the delegates and visitors to the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution are for the purpose of paying the expenses of the Congress, and

WHEREAS, A. Herbert Foreman and Crawford S. Rogers, Co-chairmen for the Congress held in Williamsburg, May 23-26, 1954, were of the opinion there would not be sufficient funds to pay the expenses of the Congress from the registration fees and asked Harold

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L. Putnam, the Executive Secretary, who was present at the Board of Managers meeting held in Williamsburg on August 19, 1953, which extended an invitation to hold the next Congress in Williamsburg if the National Society would pay the following expenses:

*Installation of Public Address System	\$105.00
Programs at the Congress	168.30
Badges and Ribbons for the Congress	117.46
*Telephone Line	5.00
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	\$395.76

*These items were authorized subsequent to the meeting of August 19.

AND WHEREAS, the Co-chairmen are of the opinion that the Executive Secretary, and verified by him, made this statement anticipating a deficit, and

WHEREAS, some members of the Virginia Society feel that this \$395.76 paid to the National Society for expenses as outlined above should be refunded to the Virginia Society, and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Board of Trustees of the National Society that the above expenses of the Congress amounting to \$395.76 should be paid from the registration fees received from delegates and visitors and not returned to the Virginia Society, and after payment of this amount the balance of \$183.71 be paid to the Virginia State Society, and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the National Trustees held in Williamsburg on May 23, 1954, during the Congress, the payment of the above expenses was authorized by the National Society;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the said resolution passed by the Trustees in Williamsburg on May 23, 1954, authorizing the payment of the above expenses be and is hereby rescinded.

There was discussion of the resolution and on motion of Secretary General Wentworth, duly seconded, the Executive Committee was directed to formulate a policy with reference to responsibility for expenses of a Congress.

On motion of Compatriot Truesdell, seconded by Compatriot Brewer, the Board of Trustees authorized unanimously the following expenditures:

Lawn improvement at Headquarters	\$150.00
Fluorescent lighting for the third floor offices at Headquarters	105.00
Two 2-unit air conditioning units for Headquarters	850.00
Replacement of the Society and United States flags at Headquarters	220.00

The request of Miss Salita C. Cooke for indorsement of a song was discussed and the President General was directed to write Miss Cooke explaining that the Society was not in a position to take action upon her request. The request of Miss Mabel R. Brooks for help in preparation of textbooks was brought up and the President General was directed to write her that the Society was not in a position to undertake such assistance.

On motion, the insertion of a one-page advertisement in the C.A.R. Magazine at a cost of \$30.00 was authorized.

The request of the Military Order of the Purple Heart for support in the effort to promote George Washington to the rank of General of the Armies was discussed and it was the sense of the Trustees that no action should be taken because his preeminence in the hearts of Americans makes such promotion superfluous.

Former Vice President General Murphy of New Jersey spoke in behalf of the Society's providing for an inscription in the Bell Tower at Valley Forge and there was full discussion of the project. On motion of Past President General de la Houssaye, seconded by Compatriot Brewer, it was the sense of the meeting that a sum of not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$1,000.00 be appropriated, to be expended at such time and in such way as the Executive Committee determines, the Society reserving the right to stipulate the wording of the inscription. Compatriot Stanback, Na-

tional Trustee for North Carolina, asked to be recorded as having voted against the motion.

At the request of the President General, the Executive Secretary explained the need for an amendment to the By-laws to make the amount of the reinstatement fee conform with the annual per capita dues of \$2.50, which will become effective on April 1, 1955, and the Chancellor General read the following resolution, which on motion was adopted unanimously:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution does propose that Article XIX, Section 5, of the By-laws of said Society be amended by striking out the words and figures, "one dollar and a half (\$1.50)" and inserting in lieu thereof the following words and figures, namely:

"two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50)," and that the Secretary General of said Society be, and hereby is, directed to send notices of the proposed amendment in accordance with the provisions of Article XXVII of said By-laws.

The request of the American Heritage Foundation for the use of the Society's membership list was discussed. It was the sense of the Trustees that the established policy of not permitting use of the mailing list should be adhered to.

Compatriot Zoller, who had examined the documents at the request of the Treasurer General, and Compatriot McNeill reported in regard to the bequest to the Society by our late Compatriot Samuel Outwater. On motion of Compatriot McNeill, seconded by Compatriot Zoller, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, that the President General and Executive Secretary be authorized to receive and receipt for the bequest of \$5,110.33 by the late Samuel

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Outwater in accordance with the terms of the instrument which will be delivered to the Society by the Trustee of the estate, and the President General and Executive Secretary are further empowered to execute any and all further instruments which may be necessary to conclude said transaction and to procure the funds bequeathed to the said Society by Samuel Outwater.

There was consideration of the proposal to erect a statue of George Washington in the Dominican Republic and the President General was directed to write a letter to the effect that the Society is not in a position at the present time to undertake the financial obligation.

The Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee, Compatriot James, had been compelled to leave before the close of the meeting, and Compatriot Wayne Smith of Ohio presented the revised rules for the contest which on motion of Compatriot Ridgway, seconded by Compatriot de la Houssaye, were unanimously approved by the Trustees.

RULES OF THE DOUGLASS G. HIGH HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST:

Time: Five to six minutes shall be allowed.

Entrants: The contest shall be limited to juniors and seniors in high schools. Subject: A subject relating to events before, during or after the American Revolution, if possible correlated with present day events.

Since the October Magazine had been published, it was understood that the committee would have the rules printed as soon as they are in final form and several copies would be sent to the Presidents and Secretaries of the State Societies so there would be no unnecessary delay in promoting the contests.

On motion, the President General was authorized to name the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee for the 1955 Congress and Compatriot Lory stated that the name of the Chairman would be announced in the January issue of the Magazine.

Compatriot Brewer spoke in reference to Compatriot George H. Todt, current President of Pasadena Chapter, a prominent figure in television, radio and the newspaper world, and on motion of Mr. Brewer the following reso-

lution of protest was adopted unanimously:

NOW, WHEREAS, the Honorable George H. Todt has performed a public service for the people by his radio and television comments over Station KNBH in Hollywood, California, for the past thirteen months, and

WHEREAS, he has exercised his constitutional right of free speech in criticizing and pointing out dangers to America, the American Way of Life, and the Constitution of the United States, and

WHEREAS, on September 5, 1954, he presented a telescript which pointed out what were, in his opinion, dangers to our freedoms caused by the United Nations, which was approved by the Continuity Department of N.B.C. in Hollywood, California, and

WHEREAS, immediately thereafter, he was banned from the air by the National Broadcasting Company, upon vague, loose and unsubstantial grounds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the National Officers and Trustees of the Sons of the American Revolution, in stated meeting assembled in Washington, D.C. on October 16, 1954, that this unpatriotic, unfair, and un-American action of said National Broadcasting Company, be, and it is, hereby unanimously condemned and that this organization protests such unfair, un-American and unpatriotic censorship of expression of opinion, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this condemnation be conveyed to the National Broadcasting Company, to the press, and other means of transmission to the public, and to the Members of Congress of the United States.

On motion of Chancellor General Church, duly seconded, the President General was authorized to appoint a committee of three, to consist of at least one lawyer and not more than two lawyers, to consider House Joint Resolutions 568 and 569, the committee to

report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. It was the sense of the Trustees that these resolutions should be published in the January issue of the *SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE*.

There was consideration of a proposal regarding facsimiles of the Constitution of the United States and, on motion of Secretary General Wentworth, the matter was referred to the Committee on Observance of Constitution Day without discussion.

It was the sense of the Trustees that no action should be taken on the proposal to bring back Pocahontas's remains to Jamestown, Virginia.

Compatriot Huxford of Georgia spoke of the passing of Colonel James D. Watson, National Trustee for Georgia, on June 26, 1954, and moved that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Compatriot Watson and that a resolution of sympathy be sent to his widow. The motion was adopted unanimously.

The President General spoke briefly in closing the meeting and, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD L. PUTNAM
Executive Secretary

THE REVISED PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

In compliance with the suggestion of several Compatriots, the revised Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag of The United States of America is published in this issue. The addition of the words "under God" seems to create some confusion when the pledge is recited in public meetings. The revised pledge is; "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands; one nation *under God*, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."



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Recent additions to our Library including genealogical and historical material are listed below for the information of compatriots. On behalf of the members your Librarian General extends our sincere appreciation to the donors.

We are pleased to announce the receipt of one of the largest donations in recent years of historical and genealogical material from the collection of our late Compatriot William M. Hannay of the D.C. Society, S.A.R. This collection which totals approximately 100 volumes was presented to our National Library in memory of Compatriot Hannay by his niece, Mrs. Margaret Spinks of the District of Columbia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. Compilation and review of this material, which has been delayed because of our rehabilitation program, is expected to be completed for listing in our next issue.

DONATIONS Genealogical

Two Pioneers Of Tompkins County, New York, by Albert Benjamin Genuing. 27 p.p. and Post Script, July 1954, Freeville, N. Y. A pamphlet on the life and times of Samuel Crittenden of McLean, N. Y. and Benjamin Genuing of Bessemer, both great-great-grandfathers of the author. Donated by the author.

Davol-Dee Genealogy, Descendants of William Davol-Dee, by Orville Augustus Dee and Myrtle M. Jillson, editor and Co-compiler, (Chicago, Ill., 1954) 263 p.p. plus index, 82 p.p. Donated by the Author, Compatriot Orville A. Dee.

The Hout Family, by Margaret Birney Pittis. (The Central Publishing House Cleveland, O., 1952. 619 p.p. plus Index of Surnames, 19 p.p. illus.) Presented by Compatriot M. E. Branthaver, Greencastle, Pa.

Danish Royal Skiöldung genealogy of Zinke (Zinke, Zinke, Zingg) And Certain Gebhardt (Kephart, Capehart) Families, by Compatriot Calvin Kephart, D. C. Society, S.A.R. 20 p.p. mimeograph. Donated by the author.

Historical

The Frontier Forts of Western Pennsylvania. Reports of the Commission To Locate The Site Of The Frontier Forts Of Pennsylvania, Volumes I and II, Donated by Compatriot B. LeRoy Stauffer, Pa. Society, S.A.R.

The Revolutionary Scene In New Jersey, by Robert V. Hoffman. (The American Historical Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., 1942. 283 p.p. plus Index 16 p.p., illustrated) Donated by the publisher.

Four Centuries On The Pascagoula, Volume I, collected and edited by Compatriot Cyril Edward Cain.

(Thos. J. Morans Sons, New Orleans, 1953. 204 p.p. plus Prospectus on Volume II and Index, 10 p.p.) Donated by Compatriot Cyril Edward Cain, State College, Mississippi.

George Washington, Patriot and President, Volume 6, by Douglas S. Freeman. (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons Co., 1954, 529 p.p., \$7.50) Donated by the publisher. The distinguished historian died just after completing this volume of the series which was published posthumously. It describes General Washington's career from his return to Mt. Vernon after the close of the American Revolution until his reelection to a second term as President in 1793. Based upon extensive research into original sources the series as a whole presents a definitive picture of Washington the Military Leader. The series should be in the library of all students of this period.

The Light Of Distant Skies, American Painting 1706-1785, by James Thomas Flexner. (New York: Harcourt Brace and Co., 1954. 306 p.p., illus. \$10.00) Donated by the Publisher. This is the second in a projected series of histories of various periods in American painting. The first volume, *First Flowers of the Wilderness*, appeared in 1947 and received critical acclaim. *The Light of Distant Skies* is similarly a chronicle and an interpretation of the changes in art forms arising out of the differences in American experience from the older cultural patterns of our European heritage. The author's interpretation is seen through his more detailed study of the life and works of two generations of the artists whom he considers most significant. There are 102 carefully chosen illustrations, bibliographies, sources, references and

This will prove a welcome addition to the shelves of anyone interested in this period of American history and especially to compatriots.

Periodicals

Half King, Seneca Diplomat of the Ohio Valley, by Louis Mulkearn in the *Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, Summer 1954, Vol. 37, No. 2, p.p. 65-81 incl. Post-Revolutionary Indian relationships.

The Hudibastic Attack on Western Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Politics, 1798-1804, by Abe C. Raitz in the *Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, Summer 1954, Vol. 37, No. 2, p.p. 83-90 incl. An evaluation upon an historical basis of the New England attacks upon "Populism" through the medium of poetry.

Brodhead's Trail Up The Allegheny, 1779, by Compatriot William Young Brady (D. C. Society, S.A.R.), in the *Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, March 1954, Vol. 37, No. 1, p.p. 19-31 incl. An account of Colonel Daniel Brodhead's expedition through Western Pennsylvania during the Revolution.

Knickerbocker Santa Claus, by Charles W. Jones, in the *New York Historical Society Quarterly*, October 1954, Vol. XXXVIII, No. 4, p.p. 357-383. An interesting account of the historical origin of St. Nicholas during the Revolutionary and subsequent era.

Andrew Moore, First U. S. Senator From West of the Blue Ridge Mountains, by Charles W. Turner, in the *Filson Club History Quarterly*, Louisville, Kentucky, October 1954, Vol. 28, No. 4, p.p. 354-370 incl. Story of a Revolutionary soldier and statesman.

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The Connecticut Settlement of Nova Scotia Prior To The Revolution, by Jean Stephenson, Ph.D., Washington, D. C., in the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, June 1954, Vol. XLII, No. 2, p.p. 53-60 incl. A very interesting resume' of the emigration to Canada by early residents of New England.

Registers and Miscellany

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Local Chapters can sponsor a Historical oration contest for the boys in Junior and Senior grades of High School.

Many local Chapters and State Societies have found this activity stimulating to the membership as well as being a constructive service and source of inspiration to the youth of the community.

First, appoint a Chairman; then visit the Principal and Speech Instructor of your High School and obtain their cooperation.

The local winner of the Contest could give his Oration at the annual (or other) meeting of the Chapter. The winner would be sent to the State Contest where the State winner would be selected.

To assure participation of its representative, local Chapter and State Rules of the Contest should harmonize with the Rules outlined below for the

DOUGLASS G. HIGH NATIONAL HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST

ELIGIBILITY: Boys of Junior and Senior High School ages are invited by the local Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution to participate. Members of Children of the American Revolution are especially invited.

SUBJECT: Oration of not more than six minutes, dealing with American History of the Revolutionary War period, event or document and its relationship to events of today.

STATE ELIMINATIONS: Each State may have a Contest to secure State Winner who may give his Oration at the State Society's Meeting.

STATE WINNER: Each State Society may send its winning orator to the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress to be held in Chicago, May 22-25, 1955.

NATIONAL CONTEST RULES: The National Contest will be held at the Annual Congress in Chicago, Illinois. Each contestant will be limited to six minutes and a Committee of judges will select the winners on the following basis:—

(A) Composition; (B) Delivery; (C) Logic; (D) Significance
AWARDS: 1st Prize—\$150.00; 2nd—\$75.00; 3rd—\$50.00

NATIONAL WINNER: Will give his Oration before the Sixty-Fifth Annual Congress and receive national publicity.

ENTRIES: Names and addresses of all entries must be sent by the sponsoring Chapter to: Compatriot E. Stewart James, Chairman, National Historical Oration Contest Committee, Gloucester, Virginia not later than March 15, 1955.

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There have been enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from September 1, 1954, to December 1, 1954, 260 new members, distributed as follows:

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