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The General Officers and Past Presidents General grouped in front of the massed colors of the states in the Pavilion Caprice, where the business sessions of the Sixty-Third Annual Congress were conducted.



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THE EDITOR SAYS:

This issue of the Magazine is devoted almost entirely to accounts of the Sixty-Third Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Consequently some material which might otherwise be published in this issue has been deferred until a later date.

The report of the Publications Committee, which was presented at the Congress contained a number of excellent recommendations which will be adopted as rapidly as conditions will permit.

One of the most important features of the magazine, seems to be the news of activities carried on by the state and chapter organizations. The Editor is not in a position to evaluate the news of activities of the state or chapter. It is essential that some one in each state organization be appointed as Publicity Chairman, and that he assume the responsibility of preparing a summary of the activities for each issue of the Magazine. This material should be sent in form ready to be sent to the printer. The practice of sending in a miscellaneous collection of newspaper clippings, copies of programs etc., is impractical and delays the publication of the Magazine.

Changes of address should be sent to the National Headquarters promptly in order to insure the receipt of the Magazine. An intensive effort has been made to bring the mailing list up to date and substantial progress has been made, but we must have the cooperation of the individual member to make our efforts successful.

Please note that the "dead-line" for material for the next issue is September 15. Thank you,

THE EDITOR.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Due to the fact that some of the biographies of the newly elected General Officers of the National Society did not arrive in time to be included in this issue of the Magazine, all have been held for the October issue.

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President General's Message



ARTHUR A. DE LA HOUSSAYE
President General

Compatriot Arthur A. de la Houssaye is a native son of Louisiana, having been born in New Orleans in 1901. He graduated from Franklin High School and received his LL.B. from Tulane University and is practicing his profession in New Orleans. He is married and has two children.

He is a member of Phi Alpha Delta (legal fraternity); Beta Theta Pi (academic) national officer; The Boston Club; Stratford Club; and the Newcomen Society of England (Louisiana Secretary).

Compatriot de la Houssaye has been a member of the U. S. Naval Reserve since 1929, and entered active duty January 3, 1941 and served 5½ years with the rank of Captain from 1944. Received Secretary of Navy Commendation Award with right to wear ribbon; First Commanding Officer, Volunteer Law Unit 8-2 New Orleans; Judge Advocate for 1949-50 for Louisiana of Reserve Officer's Association of U. S.; Member, Naval Reserve Advisory Council of New Orleans.

He has served the S.A.R. as Secre-

MY FELLOW COMPATRIOTS:

It gives me great pleasure to address you as "Fellow Compatriots." It assures me that we are members of a group dedicated to the highest of purposes—the love of God and the love of Country. We enjoy a heritage which has been bought and paid for at a high price. Many of our forebears were the leaders who fashioned our free institutions; others, in the glory of young manhood, made the supreme sacrifice in fighting against enemies who would destroy us.

We, who are privileged to be called compatriots, have a great responsibility and trust. This cannot be better expressed than in the words of a distinguished President of the United States, who said:

"It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall

tary, President and member of the Board of Managers of the Louisiana Society; as Vice President General, Chancellor General, Member of the Executive Committee, Chairman of Resolutions Committee at several Congresses, Member of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, of the National Society. He won the Golden Gate Marathon Contest in 1951 and received the Minute Man Award in 1952.

Compatriot de la Houssaye's great-great-grandfather was an officer under General Galvez at the capture of Baton Rouge in September 1779.

have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people and for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

I am afraid that all of us in the past have taken the word "dedicated" too lightly. Just as our forebears pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor, it is now imperative for the very existence of our nation that we re-dedicate ourselves to the principles upon which this republic was established and fight for its preservation. If we fail, liberty and the love of God will perish from the face of the earth. You have heard these expressions many times, *but please heed them before it is too late.*

Interest yourselves in the work of your society. I am not interested in doubling or tripling the membership per se. I am interested in awakening in the hearts of men a realization of the danger that confronts us. If the eighteen thousand or more members of the Sons of the American Revolution will truly deserve the salutation "Sons of the members of the American Revolution," I have no fear for America. We can spark the light that will be gladly carried by our citizens. America needs leaders! We believe that we are those leaders America is seeking. Let us prove it by working together as a team as never before. I offer you the challenge of work, sacrifice, dedication and devotion to country. Will you accept it? I am sure of your answer and, therefore, let us make it known by your action, which will be heard around the world, so that you may truly justify your title, "Sons of the American Revolution." They did it in 1776, and we are doing it again in 1953.

ARTHUR A. DE LA HOUSSAYE
President General

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD AT THE NETHERLAND PLAZA HOTEL CINCINNATI, OHIO — JUNE 14-17, 1953

The meeting was called to order by President General Ray O. Edwards and was opened with an invocation by Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers.

This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Vice President General, Robert G. Norfleet, II, and by the singing of The National Anthem.

The following report was given by Compatriot Frank W. Hannum of Florida, Vice Chairman of the Cre-

dentials Committee:	
General Officers Registered	23
Trustees Registered	21
Others Registered	115
Total Registration	159

Secretary General Edgar Williamson, Jr. then read a message from the President of the United States, Dwight D. Eisenhower, expressing his best wishes for the success of the Sixty-Third Annual Congress.

Compatriot Myers Y. Cooper, former Governor of the State of Ohio, ex-

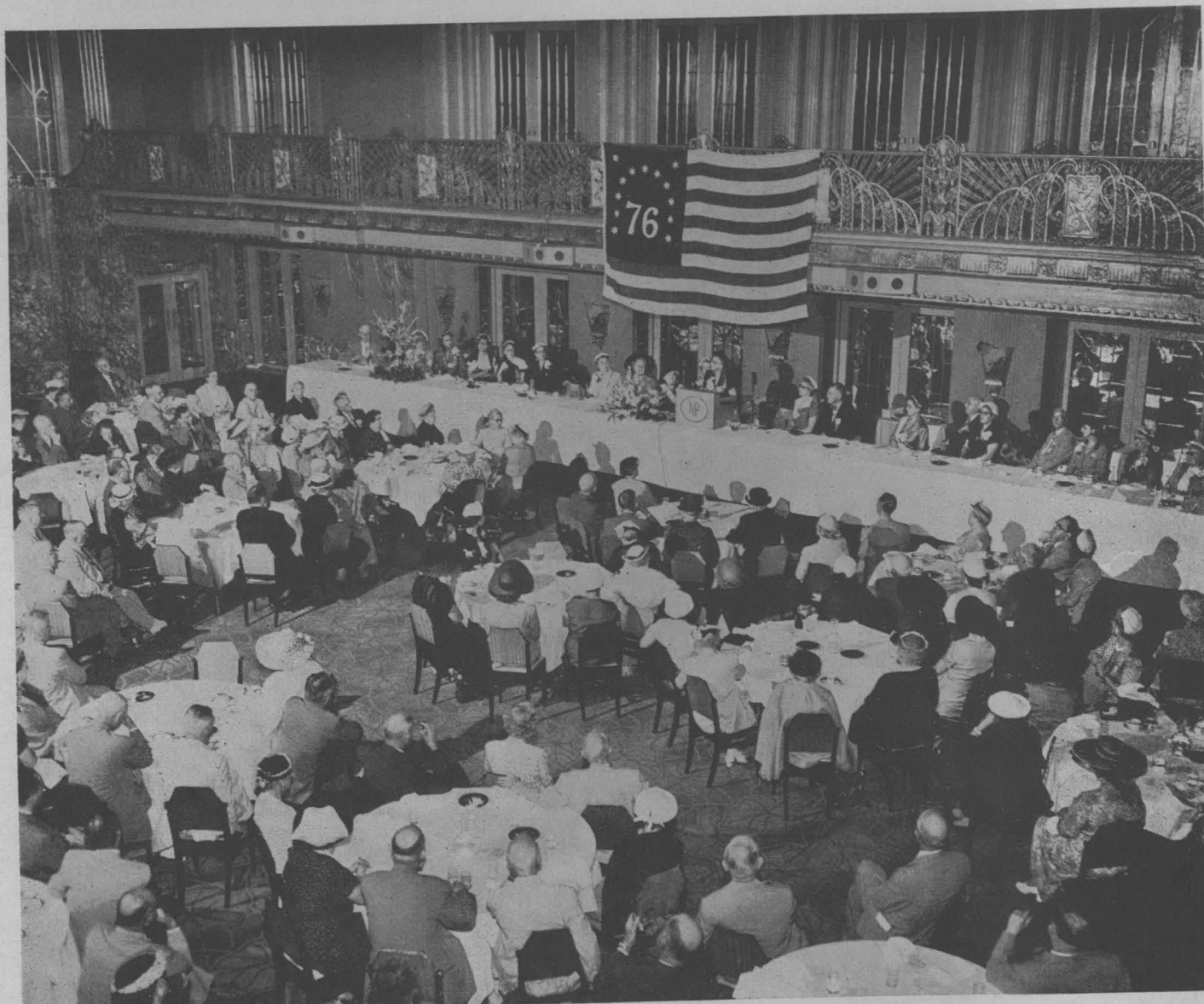
pressed greetings and welcome to the Sixty-Third Congress.

Greetings were brought from the City of Cincinnati by the City Manager, W. R. Kellog.

Welcome was conveyed from the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce by its Executive Vice President, Compatriot Douglas K. Fuller.

Greetings were brought by the President of the Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Compatriot C. Donald Brown.

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"Stand Up and Be Counted" was the theme of an inspiring address given by Mrs. Marshall H. Bixler, State Regent of the Ohio D.A.R. at the Tuesday luncheon of the Sixty Third Annual Congress. The luncheon was sponsored by the Ohio Society D.A.R., and the attendance taxed the capacity of the Hall of Mirrors in the Netherland-Plaza.

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Compatriot Randolph Sellers of Ohio introduced Robert A. Taft, Jr., who brought greetings from his father, who was unable to attend because of illness.

A message of welcome was brought by Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, President General, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. The following is a portion of her message.

"Mr. President General, Daughters, Sons and Friends, on behalf of your sister organization the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, it is a great honor to bring greetings to our brothers at this annual convention.

"Our organization of 175,000 members is proud of your achievements, which will become even greater in the years to come. We are proud and pleased to cooperate in your more important drives. Our aims are similar and they have served our nation well. Today they are more important than ever before.

"Unless we are alert to the dangers and intensify our efforts to better service we may lose our freedom. Our principles are the same and they have been so for years. Furthermore, these principles have never varied despite changing conditions of changing times.

"Today in the midst of these changes we must remain steadfast in our principles. We must practice and preach love of country and love of our Societies. It is essential to keep our country safe, unchanged in its freedoms, a strong nation composed of many strong states established on principals of freedom and humanity. We must be strong and forthright and clean and fine so that our qualities may inspire younger crusaders in the years to come."

Greetings were extended by Mrs. Marshall H. Bixler, Regent, Ohio Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

A short speech of welcome was made by Mrs. Vilas U. Fischer, Past Regent, Cincinnati Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig, Senior President of the National Society, Children of the American Revolution, brought a message of greetings, of which the following is a part:

"Mr. President General, Madam General, distinguished guests, and members, it is a happy privilege to greet you

members of the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution, and I very much appreciate the opportunity of talking to you about a very important subject, American youth.

"I bring you greetings from fourteen thousand young people, from 788 associations, whose boys and girls congratulate you upon your fine achievements in the past with best wishes for a successful Congress and greater accomplishments in the future.

"I wish to call to your attention a valuable contribution by six members of your organization to the Children of the American Revolution last year. This contribution is our Children of the American Revolution Handbook, which six of your members headed by Past President General John W. Finger of New York made possible for us to have printed by a contribution of \$600.

"We thank them all and thank you for your advertising in our magazine, and we thank you for the National Committee of the Children of the American Revolution which you authorized last year at your Sixty-Second Congress.

"We are very proud to claim Mr. Ray O. Edwards as Honorary Vice President of our Society. Youth work has always been very important but is even more so today. We need more boys in our Society so that in the future you can have more members. Will you please enroll your sons and nephews in the Children of the American Revolution.

"Those of you who have visited the Library of Congress and have read the inscription there should realize that the foundation of any state is the education of its youth. This is as true today as the time when it was written, and it is upon this sentiment that our Society is organized.

"From the beginning the importance of understanding the Constitution and all of its phases has been recognized, and, therefore, we must recognize that each clause was written to right some wrong. It is also important today to remember that the Constitution provides for three separate sections of Government, the Executive, the Legislative, and the Judicial Departments. We all know, also, that the Constitution is made up of checks and balances to keep our nation a free and sovereign nation, but if these

checks and balances are sufficiently ignored we can easily legislate ourselves into a nation of slavery.

"One of our Society's members, a high school student, wrote an article for the January issue of our magazine entitled, "I Speak for Democracy," and Senator Bricker of Ohio has had this article placed in the Congressional records.

"Throughout the life of the Children of the American Revolution various age groups have shown an interest in American Government, but new and fantastic interpretations are being given to it these days. There is much before us if our youth is to be truly educated. Each day brings a new challenge, and if we as individuals are to meet these challenges we must spread our work to every county in the land and must work as never before.

"What of the future where the generations yet to come call to us? We must work to keep this heritage. Youth of America, we must not leave this challenge unanswered. We will answer this challenge and work constantly to keep free our nation, and go forever forward, for in ourselves the future lies. American Youth hears the future calling. Do you?"

Greetings were brought from Carleton Cunningham, Junior, President, Ohio Society, Children of the American Revolution.

President General Ray O. Edwards announced that the Congress was most appreciative of these words of welcome and was deeply grateful for the presence of Officers from the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution. He stated that it was the first time in his memory a National Congress had been so honored. He stated that the Congress had also been sent greetings from Past President General Arthur M. McCrillis of Rhode Island, who was not able to attend the Congress because of his wife's illness.

President General Edwards announced that the Congress had also been sent expressions of regret and best wishes from the following Past Presidents General:

Howard C. Rowley of California
Messmore Kendall of New York
Ben H. Powell III of Texas
John W. Finger of New York

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A motion was made and seconded that telegrams be sent to these members thanking them for their messages. The motion was carried unanimously.

A short talk was given by Past President General Loren E. Souers of Ohio, of which the following is a portion:

"President General, Compatriots, Friends, and I wish particularly to salute Carleton Cunningham, I am particularly gratified to greet the President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She is the first as far as I can remember who has neglected to remind us that the founders of our Society turned them down as an organization.

"I know that our friends in Cincinnati have made every effort to arrange things so that you will have a happy time, and that is well, because we have a very important session of our Congress. There are important things to do, grave matters to consider and act upon. It is my hope that all of these questions will be approached in a spirit of amity and that we will be motivated in the spirit to do as adversaries do in law—"strive mightily but eat and drink as friends."

"I am sure that this will be the spirit of our deliberations. It is more important perhaps than ever before that we have complete unity in our Society and in our country. We are living in troubled and dangerous times, and at times we elders are forced to wonder what will be the future in which our children will live. Must we always live in a world fearful of war? If that continues long our free institutions are in great danger. So, let us in these days meet and greet each other as friends being nothing else but friends and loyal Americans.

"Let us resolve any differences we may have and part as friends dedicated to go on with more unity than ever, doing what we can to preserve and strengthen the free nation in which we live."

President Edwards announced that in an Executive Committee meeting an idea was proposed by Compatriot Tarbox for presenting an award of a Certificate of Appreciation to General Officers for the services they have rendered. At the February meeting of the Board of Trustees this was authorized and the first presentations were to be made at the Sixty-Third Congress.

A Certificate of Appreciation was then presented by President General Edwards to Past President General Loren E. Souers for his services to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in the office of President General, in recognition for the faithful, loyal and commendable manner in which he performed the duties of his office.

Past President General Sterling F. Mutz of Nebraska gave a brief talk, and the following is a portion thereof:

"Mr. President General, Compatriots and distinguished guests, in 1942 when I had the honor to be elected President General we were just following Pearl Harbor, a most serious time in the history of our nation. At the annual Congress we decided that the member who most nearly expressed the mind and heart of our Society at that time was Loren Souers. For many years he has been a spokesman for our organization.

"What Judge Souers has said is strikingly true, which is that the members of the Sons of the American Revolution are the sort who will preserve our nation no matter what the attack.

"It is nice to be here and to have members of the Daughters of the American Revolution here."

At this time President General Edwards presented the Certificate of Appreciation to Past President General Sterling F. Mutz.

Past President General Allen L. Oliver of Missouri gave a brief talk, and the following is a part thereof:

"Mr. President General, Madam President General, distinguished guests, and Compatriots, we "younger" men are happy to come back year after year, and again we are friends. Friendships are made in these meetings and year by year are cemented so that they are life long and very real. I count among you some of the best friends I have had in my lifetime.

"I was very much impressed with the words of wisdom from Loren Souers. You may well be proud of him in this state of yours as we are throughout the nation.

"I hope that at this meeting we shall maintain the friendships that we have always had and that we shall keep our minds upon the purposes of our organization, which are very worthwhile, and that as we disagree with each other we shall not be disagreeable."

The Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Past President General Allen L. Oliver.

A short talk was made by Past President General A. Herbert Foreman of Virginia. The following is a portion of his speech:

"Mr. President General, Compatriots, distinguished guests and ladies, I have always considered it a great privilege and honor to be able to attend a National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution. We who are devoted to the principles on which it is founded by coming year after year renew friendships, and it is, no doubt, a wonderful help to us when we return to our homes and communities.

"It is a great help to us to hear of the work being done by the Daughters of the American Revolution. When we hear them say that they have 175,000 members and we have not quite 20,000, we ask ourselves 'Are we as interested in our work as the DAR?'

"However, I feel that by our being here we recognize that in no period of American history was there ever work of the Sons of the American Revolution needed more than today. I am sure that we will not only continue in the work we are doing and trying to increase our size and achievements, but we will return with an inspiration to do an even greater work than ever before."

The Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Past President General Herbert Foreman by President General Ray O. Edwards.

A brief talk was made by Immediate Past President Wallace C. Hall of Michigan, and the following is a portion thereof:

"Mr. President General, Madam President General, distinguished guests and Compatriots, what a pleasure it is to see all of these good friends again. I believe that the joint efforts of the DAR and the SAR have accomplished wonderful results over the whole country.

"The people in the United States today might well say the prayer, 'Thank you God for everything,' because we do have so much to be thankful for, but it is not enough that we only offer our thanks. We have work to do if we want good government. We must work for it for our Constitutional freedom is in present danger."

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The Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Past President General Wallace C. Hall.

A short report was then given by President General Edwards, and the following is a portion thereof.

"The past thirteen months has been a wonderful experience for me. I hope that we will continue to have our annual meeting in June so that the Compatriots with children can bring them and come to the National Congress on vacation, because without the interest of the younger generation our Society cannot prosper.

"I have met with 262 societies and chapters of the DAR, SAR and CAR, and it has been most valuable to me in determining their thinking and their wishes. Our travels have taken us into all but nine of the forty-eight states. I had hoped to go to France to be with them on July Fourth for the ceremonies at Lafayette's tomb, and we are going to fly there next month.

"At the beginning of this administration we made our first visit to the Rocky Mountain district, and we love it as we love all of the forty-eight states. But, I made one mistake. I prepared my schedule of automobile travel on the basis of normal daylight driving time without thinking that I would be making speeches and be up late every night. I could never have made the trip without the assistance of my wife, who drove while I slept.

"The reason for these trips is that part of the strength of our National Society lies throughout the entire nation. It was through the individual states that our Nation became strong, and it will be through the efforts of our individual members and chapters that our Nation will return to an intelligent, self-sufficient future. We must have a good feeling united membership. Our Society has enjoyed a good year and closes with the largest membership in years.

"Several Societies have sponsored legislation in their states that September 17th be named Constitution Day. These and other progressive acts will be brought to you by reports of the committees. It has been our job to build a better citizenry and stronger country, and we have worked toward this common goal. Our way of life has been

founded upon the dreams of men whose minds were broad and whose faith in men was unlimited. From these dreams we have become a Nation of free people, and we would not change this if we could even though we cannot.

"If our contribution in life is one of constant faith, honesty, and true loyalty to friends our destiny will be a glorious one. May our followers be as proud of what we pass on to them as we are of the heritage which we received from our forefathers."

President General Edwards then called for reports of the General Officers, which follow.

The report on the New England District was made by its Vice President General, Harry K. Torrey, and mimeographed copies of this report were made available to the members of the Congress.

After the above report President General Edwards presented Vice President General Torrey with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Vice President General Herschel S. Murphy reported in regard to the activities of the North Atlantic District for the preceding year. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available for distribution. After his report Dr. Murphy announced that one of the members

of the Congress was Benjamin Coe, Compatriot from New Jersey. Compatriot Coe has been a member of the SAR for sixty years and has attended twenty-two National Congresses.

Compatriot Stuart Landry of Louisiana announced that a member of the Louisiana Society had also been associated with the SAR for sixty years.

Compatriot Charles Jones of Ohio called attention to the fact that Compatriot Henry A. Williams in Columbus was the first Secretary of the Ohio Society and had participated in a meeting at New York City in which the National Society, SAR, was organized. Compatriot Williams is eighty-nine years of age.

Vice President General Theodore Marvin was not present to give his report concerning the Mid Atlantic District, but President General Edwards announced that it had been filed with the Executive Secretary and mimeographed copies were available.

A report on the activities of the South Atlantic District was given by Vice President General Carson D. Baucom. Compatriot Baucom reported that his district had thirty-nine new members and that with one exception all the states

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Two of the faithful patriarchs of our Society who attended the Sixty-Third Annual Congress, Frank Merriam Keezer (left) who joined the Colorado Society in October 1897 and Benjamin Coe, a member of the New Jersey Society since June 1893.

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have had annual meetings and elected new officers. He reported that the Vice President General had attended all the called meetings except one in Denver, Colorado.

Vice President General Cyril E. Cain reported on the activities of the Southern District, and mimeographed copies of his report were made available for distribution. In addition to this, Vice President General Cain stated that while on the whole the increase in membership for all the SAR Societies was a little less than one per cent, the increase in membership for the Southern District was a little more than eight per cent. Not one Society in the Southern District had a loss in membership, while one state gained thirty-two per cent and two chapters increased membership by twenty-five per cent.

Vice President General George L. Clark of Indiana reported on the activities of the Central District, and mimeographed copies of his report were provided for distribution.

A report on the North Mississippi District was given by Vice President General Milton M. Lory of Iowa, and mimeographed copies of his report were made available to the Congress.

The following report was made by Vice President General Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., concerning the South Mississippi District.

"While there has been no great addition to the membership of the states in the South Mississippi District during the past year, there has been added interest and several of the states have been particularly active.

"Owing to the vast distances that are included in the district and the failure to receive written reports from several of the states, it is not possible to give a definite report on the condition of all the states here, but they doubtless will report to the Congress.

"Texas has had a most successful year, aided greatly by the fact that the Congress was held in Houston in May, 1952. Several new chapters have been created and two which were not active have been revived. Particularly I wish to call attention to San Antonio's chapter, which is now well on the road to becoming a large and useful chapter after several years of inactivity. Texas

Society held its annual meeting there in May of this year, and it was one of the best in attendance and results we have had recently.

"Dallas shows a slight gain, and Houston is proud of an increase of forty-five per cent in membership since 1951.

"Arkansas reported a very small loss, but State President Mason E. Mitchell states a campaign now under way will correct this shortly.

"May I suggest that our Society would be greatly enhanced in value to the country as well as in size and usefulness if some way of adding a field staff man could be provided, or if we could so arrange the time of the executive secretary as to permit him to visit more of the states and chapters."

A report of the activities of the Rocky Mountains District was made by Vice President General Robert G. Norfleet, II, of Albuquerque, New Mexico. A mimeographed copy of this report was made available to each member of the Congress. Vice President General Norfleet also asked for recognition of Compatriot Frank M. Keezer of Colorado, presently a member of the Congress, who had been a member of the SAR for fifty-seven years.

Vice President General Lewis Adington Smith of Washington reported on the year's activities for the Pacific Coast District. Mimeographed copies of his report were made available for distribution to the delegates.

President General Edwards then asked for the reports of the National Officers.

The report of the Secretary General was made by Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr.

The report of the Treasurer General was made by Compatriot Robert H. McNeill.

The report of the Registrar General was made by Compatriot Dr. John A. Fritchey, II.

The report of the Historian General was made by Compatriot Redmond S. Cole.

The report of the Genealogist General was made by Compatriot W. Guy Tetrick.

The report of the Chancellor General was made by Compatriot John H. Babb.

The report of the Chaplain General was made by Compatriot Dr. Mott R. Sawyers.

The report of the Librarian General was made by Compatriot P. Harry Byerly.

Mimeographed copies of the reports made by the National Officers were made available to the members of the Congress.

Vice President General Carson D. Baucom, Chairman of the Rules Committee proposed the adoption of the following rules for regulation of the Sixty-Third National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution.

1. Our Constitution and By-Laws, supplemented by Robert's Rules of Order, shall guide the course of our deliberations.

2. All resolutions shall be in writing and must be presented to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, Mr. John E. Dickinson, prior to 6:00 P.M. of Monday, June 15, 1953. No resolution shall be presented from the floor except by unanimous consent.

3. Nominating speeches for the office of President General shall be limited to one speech of not to exceed five minutes, with no seconding speeches.

Nominating speeches for all other offices shall be limited to three minutes, with no seconding speeches.

4. A compatriot who makes a motion may speak once not to exceed five minutes in support of the motion. Any other delegate may also speak, not to exceed five minutes, for or against the motion and shall be limited to one time. The moveant of the motion shall have three minutes within which to close the argument before balloting.

5. On proposed constitutional amendments, a delegate may speak not to exceed five minutes, for or against the amendment and shall be limited to one time. The sponsor of the amendment shall have three minutes to close the debate before balloting.

6. In the event this Congress creates a new general office, said office shall be filled by this Congress in the same manner and at the same time as all other general elective offices.

7. Should there be more than one candidate for any office, the method of conducting the election shall be as follows: The President General shall appoint four tellers. Two members of the Committee on Credentials shall check the name of each delegate prior to his being given a ballot.

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8. All voting shall be by secret ballot. In the event of a contest, every means shall be used to give orderly attention to speakers and during balloting delegates shall sit together as state units before voting.

9. No person except legally accredited delegates shall have the privilege of the floor, except by unanimous consent of the Congress.

10. These rules may be suspended by unanimous consent.

Vice President General Baucom moved that the foregoing rules be adopted by the Congress. His motion was seconded and the rules were adopted.

Compatriot Folks Huxford, President of the Georgia Society, moved that the Secretary draw up an appropriate resolution of esteem, love, and good will and transmit it to Compatriot Henry A. Williams of Columbus, Ohio, who had been present at the founding of the National Society. This motion was seconded and was carried by a unanimous vote.

President General Edwards then adjourned the meeting until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 16th.

Tuesday Morning Session

The meeting was called to order by President General Ray Edwards and was opened with an invocation by Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers.

This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and by the singing of The National Anthem.

The following report was made by Compatriot Frank W. Hannun of Florida, Vice Chairman of the Credentials Committee:

General Officers Registered	25
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Others Registered	143
Total Registration	192

A report was made on the Committee on Americanization by Chairman Milton M. Lory of Iowa. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available to the delegates.

A report on activities was made by Dr. V. E. Holcombe of West Virginia, Chairman of the Basic Documents Committee.

A report on the Bill of Rights Committee was made by Chairman Charles A. Jones of Ohio. Mimeographed copies

of the report were made available for distribution.

Vice President General Harry K. Torrey of Maine, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported on the activities of that committee during the past year. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available to the delegates. Vice President General Torrey also read a letter from Compatriot Harry Sherwin, Secretary of the New Hampshire Society, which stated that he could not attend the Sixty-Third Annual Congress because of illness. Vice President General Torrey moved that a telegram of regret be sent to Compatriot Sherwin. The motion was seconded and was passed by unanimous consent.

Vice President General Torrey moved that the newly printed Constitution and By-Laws of the National Society be officially adopted. His motion was seconded by Past President General Allen L. Oliver of Missouri, and the motion was adopted by unanimous vote.

A report on the Committee on Daughters of the American Revolution was given by Registrar General Dr. John A. Fritchey, II. The following is a portion of his report.

"I wish to say a few words about the cooperation we have had from the Daughters of the American Revolution. I have found it very easy to work with them. On a national level I think their present program is grand. On a state level it is up to you to go back to your own state and work with them there. This goes down to the roots of our Society. It is essential to get this important work done within the individual Chapters. Cooperation means an activity on both sides. Therefore, we must not expect just cooperation from the DAR, but we must also cooperate with them and attempt to get our own wives, relatives and friends to become Daughters of the American Revolution. Let us cooperate one with the other."

A report on the Genealogy Committee was made by its Chairman, W. Guy Tetrick, Genealogist General, who stated that his report for the committee was the same as that he had made previously as Genealogist General. Mimeographed reports were distributed at that time to the delegates.

A report of the Committee on the Douglass G. High Historical Oration

Contest was given by Compatriot Col. Edward N. Wentworth, Vice Chairman. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available to the Congress.

President General Edwards announced that reports on Historic Sites and Buildings and I Am An American Day would not be given but that the respective committees had filed these reports with the Executive Secretary and that mimeographed copies were available.

The report of the Library Committee was given by Compatriot P. Harry Byerly, Chairman, who stated that his committee report was the same as the one he had given previously as Librarian General. Mimeographed copies of this report were distributed to the delegates.

A report of the Memorials Committee was given by Chairman Mott R. Sawyers, Chaplain General. He stated that the work of the committee might be summed up as "Too much attempted, too little accomplished." He added that no reports had been received from any state societies in regard to suggestions the Memorials Committee had made to them.

In the absence of Compatriot Millard Caldwell, Chairman of the National Defense Committee, this report was given by President General Edwards. President General Edwards stated that the National Defense Committee had done an excellent job. He added that if national defense should become necessary and fails it will not be the fault of this committee.

The report of the National Headquarters Committee was made by Vice President General Carson D. Baucom, Committee Chairman. Mimeographed copies were made available to the delegates.

The report of the Budget and Finance Committee was made by Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill in the absence of Committee Chairman George S. Robertson. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available for distribution.

The report of the Permanent Fund Committee was given by Past President General A. Herbert Foreman, Chairman, and the following is a portion of this report.

"We now have in this fund \$7,600. The interest on this fund can be used

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for general purposes, but in order to use the principal recommendation must be made by the Executive Committee, approved by the Board of Trustees, and voted on by a general Congress. It has been recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the Trustees that \$7,000 be used to reduce the mortgage loan on the National Headquarters Building."

(See Resolution on Permanent Fund adopted by the Congress.)

The report on the Public Lectures Committee was made by Vice President General Lewis Addington Smith, Chairman. Mimeographed copies of this report were made available to the delegates. There was a discussion concerning the patriotic films mentioned in the report, and Compatriot Laird Goodman, President of the Minnesota Society, stated that these films could be obtained at almost all college libraries.

Vice President General Norfleet, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee announced that his report was incomplete as yet and requested that he be permitted to make this report during the next session of the Congress.

Reports were made regarding the activities of the Committee on Organization and the Committee on Constitution Day Observance, by Compatriot E. Denmead Kolb, Chairman of both committees. Mimeographed copies of these reports were made available to the delegates.

President General Edwards announced that James C. Mounie of Virginia was the winner of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest and would appear on three television programs in Cincinnati.

The report of the Publications Committee was made by Chairman John E. Dickinson of Wisconsin, and the following is a portion thereof.

"The charts which I am about to show you today are only recommendations to serve as a guide for the incoming President General and any Publications Committee he may appoint.

"The SAR Quarterly Bulletin is one of the most important functions of the National Society and should be used to increase membership. We mail this bulletin free to approximately 19,000 members and it takes about twenty-five

per cent of our budget of \$40,000. We believe that this is completely out of line and represents too large an expense for publications. It should be brought into line. The following four recommendations are made by the committee as aids for correcting this fault.

"1. To modernize and redesign the cover. This is a matter of accomplishment and will create more interest.

"2. Endeavor to secure income that will be used to defray costs and promote a wider magazine distribution.

a. Mark all copies '50c per copy.' This does not mean we will charge 50c for them, but it puts a value on the magazine.

b. Increase the annual dues by \$1.00 per year.

c. Recommend that we continue to send the magazines out free.

d. Allocate this \$1.00 membership fee to a publications fund as a budget.

e. Create a voluntary publications fund to be used for subscriptions at \$2.00 per year to libraries, Congressmen, Senators, Governors, etc. and list the donors in each bulletin.

"3. Recommend that a voluntary fund be established to provide subscriptions at \$2.00 per year to be sent free

to U.S. Congressmen, Senators, Governors, public officials, public libraries and other influential persons.

"4. Recommend that the SAR Bulletin be used to contact the thousands of persons eligible for SAR membership through their relatives who are members.

a. That each issue contain a full page outlining the objectives of the SAR and how to qualify for membership.

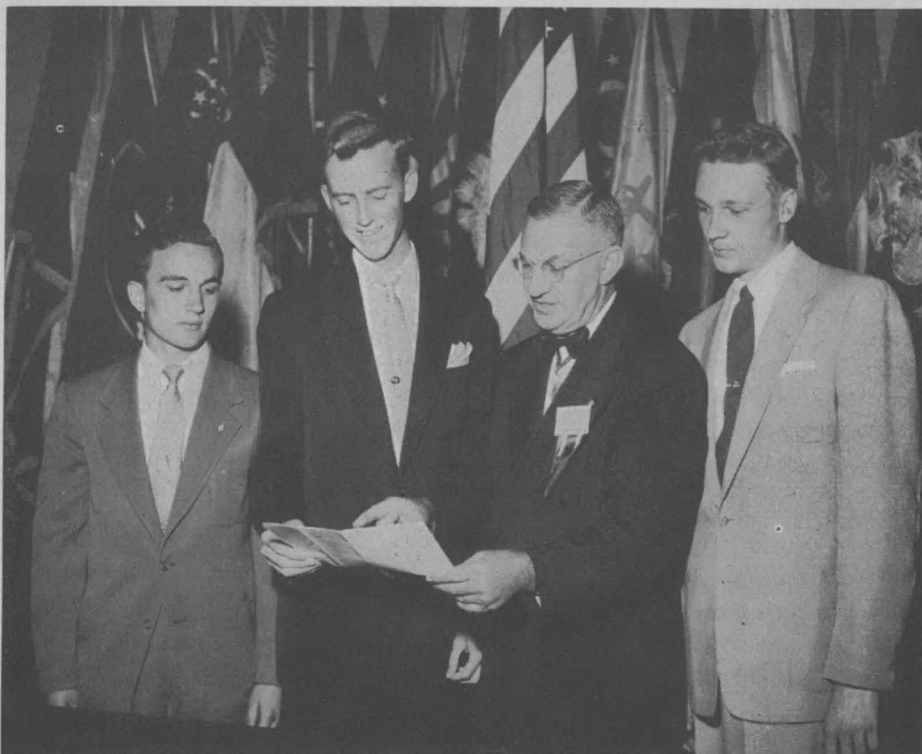
b. That an information card be put in each issue of the magazine for SAR members' use in indicating friends and family who are eligible for membership.

c. That the back cover of each issue contain a picture of the Washington Headquarters with a signed invitation to all members to visit the National SAR Headquarters.

d. That an actual membership card be designed to carry in the wallet serving as a daily reminder of membership in our great organization."

The proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws were brought up for the consideration of the Congress. During the discussion concerning these amendments and objections to

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Winners of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest at the Sixty-Third Annual Congress, left to right: Theodore Lutkus, Illinois, 3rd Prize; James C. Mounie, Virginia, 1st Prize; President General Ray O. Edwards and David H. Stull, Ohio, 2nd Prize.

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them Col. James D. Watson of Georgia moved that all the amendments be tabled. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barry T. Whipple of Michigan. The proposed amendments were tabled by a majority vote.

President General Edwards adjourned the meeting until the next session at 9:00 a.m. on June 17th.

Wednesday Morning Session

The meeting was called to order by President General Ray O. Edwards and was opened with an invocation by Compatriot Folks Huxford, President of the Georgia Society. This was followed by the singing of one verse of *Faith of Our Fathers*.

The entire assembly then joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the singing of the National Anthem.

The President General called for the report of the Resolutions Committee and Compatriot Lew Church of Minnesota, Chairman of the sub-committee on Legislation offered the following resolutions; Resolution Approving the Use of The Permanent Fund, Resolution Supporting Limitation of Treaty Making Powers, Resolution of Approval of S. 694 Regulations for Display of United States Flag, Resolution of Good Wishes to Compatriot Senator Robert A. Taft, Resolution Authorizing Storage of Microfilms, Resolution of Appreciation to Compatriot Randolph F. Sellers, Resolution Commending Congressional Investigating Committees, Resolution of Commendation to State Legislatures, Resolution Opposing Federal Aid to Education, Socialized Medicine and Compulsory Health Insurance, Resolution on Observance of Constitution Day, Resolution Regarding Public Schools, all of which were adopted.*

Compatriot Eugene P. Carver, Jr., of Massachusetts, presented the report of the Resolutions Sub-Committee on Patriotic Affairs and offered the following resolutions; Resolution Commending the Idaho S.A.R. and D.A.R. for Marking Grave of a Revolutionary Soldier, Resolution Reaffirming Opposi-

* (The full text of all resolutions adopted by the Sixty-Third Congress will be found on pages 36-38 in this issue of the Magazine. They have been grouped together for the convenience of our readers.)

tion to World Government, Resolution Defining Relationship with Patriotic Education, Inc., Resolution re Merger of General Society of the Sons of the Revolution with the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and a resolution commending the D.A.R. and the C.A.R. all of which were adopted.*

Compatriot John E. Dickinson, of Wisconsin, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee summarized the work of the Resolutions Committee and presented the following resolutions; Resolution of Appreciation to The President General, General Officers, Board of Trustees, Executive Committee and the Executive Secretary; Resolution of Appreciation to The Governor of the State of Florida; and they were adopted by unanimous vote of the Congress.

The report of the Resolutions Committee being completed, the committee was discharged by President General Edwards.

Compatriot Anderson made a motion to thank the members of the Resolutions Committee for their fine work. The motion was seconded by Compatriot William T. Carpenter of Alabama and it was passed by unanimous vote.

Past President General Allen L. Oliver of Missouri commended the officers and committee members for their fine reports and moved for the adoption of all the mimeographed reports which had been submitted. This motion was seconded by Compatriot Barry T. Whipple of Michigan and was passed by unanimous consent.

The report of the Special Awards Committee was made by Vice President General Robert G. Norfleet, II, Chairman. Mimeographed copies of this report were distributed to the members of the Congress.

Chancellor General John H. Babb moved that the words "abolishing all secrecy," should be deleted from the first page of the above report under the section headed *MINUTE MAN AWARD*, the second line of the first paragraph. This motion was seconded by Past President General Allen L. Oliver and was passed by a unanimous vote.

Compatriot Col. James D. Watson of Georgia moved that an amendment be made to the section of the report headed *FLORENCE KENDALL*

AWARD. His motion was defeated.

Vice President General Norfleet moved that his entire report be accepted by the Congress including the one amendment which had been passed. His motion was seconded and was carried unanimously.

President General Edwards announced that copies of the message of greeting from the President of the United States would be available to all members of the Congress at the end of the meeting.

Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers announced that the State Chaplain of the Illinois Society, Louis A. Bowman, had become paralyzed as the result of a stroke. He made a motion that a telegram be sent to the family of Chaplain Bowman expressing sympathy and condolences. The motion was seconded and was accepted with no dissenting votes.

The meeting was then recessed until 2:30 p.m., for the afternoon session, by President General Edwards.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The meeting was called to order by President General Ray Edwards and was opened with an invocation by Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers.

This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and by the singing of The National Anthem.

The Syracuse travelling Banner for the greatest number of new members was won by the New York Society and was received by Compatriot Dr. Glenn A. Wood of the Syracuse Chapter.

The Ohio Banner for the largest number of new members under thirty was retained by the South Carolina Society.

The Texas Banner went from the Idaho to the Hawaii Society for the greatest increase in membership in State Societies under one hundred members. The Banner was received for the Hawaii Society by Vice President General Lewis Addington Smith of the Pacific Coast District.

The Colorado Banner for the greatest membership increase in State Societies of over one hundred members went from Georgia to the Mississippi Society.

A stand of colors awarded to State Societies or Chapters having a twenty-

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five per cent or better membership gain during the year went to the following:

Mississippi State Society

The Greenwood Chapter of the Mississippi Society

The Hattiesburg Chapter of the Mississippi Society

The El Paso Chapter of the Texas Society

The San Antonio Chapter of the Texas Society

The Houston Chapter of the Texas Society

The Eagle Rock Chapter, Idaho Falls, Idaho Society

The Seattle Chapter of the Washington Society

An amended Budget Report was made by Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill. After presenting this report Treasurer General McNeill moved that it be adopted. His motion was seconded by Compatriot Norman D. Anderson of Illinois, and was passed by unanimous vote.

President General Edwards reread the rules which had previously been adopted for regulation of the Sixty-Third Annual Congress.

Vice Chairman Frank W. Hannum of the Credentials Committee reported that 208 qualified delegates had been registered at the Congress.

The President General announced that nominations for the office of President General were in order.

The first nomination speech was made by Past President General A. Herbert Foreman of Virginia, who nominated Compatriot Arthur A. de la Houssaye of Louisiana, in the following words:

"Mr. President General and Compatriots, if we analyze the reason for the success of some of our great corporations starting with a small capital and a few employees and later having a capitalization of hundreds of millions and thousands of employees, we ascertain that this phenomenal success can be attributed to the experience and thorough knowledge of every phase of the work by the President obtained by holding almost every position in the corporation.

"Compatriots, we who are so devoted to our Society and the principles on which it was founded crave its growth and influence in this critical period of

our history. In electing our President General if we apply the criterion which was used in electing the president of a corporation which had such phenomenal growth, our goal would become a reality.

"The office of President General is the greatest honor that our Society can bestow upon its members. However, in selecting one, the honor should be relegated to oblivion and elect one who by qualifications, temperament, equipment and experience can and will render the best service and leadership for our Society.

"Compatriot Arthur A. de la Houssaye has filled most acceptably almost every position in his local, state and our national Society. From this experience he is thoroughly familiar with the problems and every phase of our work and as President General will render our Society outstanding service and strong leadership.

"He was born and reared in the State of Louisiana where his forebears for five generations were born. He is an eminent attorney and his charming wife will add dignity and grace to any occasion.

"He has been very active in civic affairs and has given unstintingly his talents to the public. Time forbids the enumeration of these services.

"Suffice to state that his work as Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana was outstanding.

"His adherence to patriotism is exemplified by his active duty in the U.S. Navy from January 3, 1941 for five and one-half years, holding the rank of Captain from 1944. For his meritorious services he received the Secretary of Navy Commendation Award with the right to wear Ribbon. He has been a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve since 1929.

"The records of the Louisiana Society will reveal how valuable his services were as Secretary, President and member of the Board of Managers.

"As Vice President General of the Southern District his work was outstanding.

"As a member of the Executive Committee in two administrations he has become conversant with the problems of our Society.

"As Chancellor General his decisions were clear and concise.

"One of the most exacting committees at our National Congress is the reso-

lutions, and he has served as chairman at several Congresses.

"As a member of the constitution and by-laws committee he has rendered yeoman service.

"For securing 51 new members for our Society in 1951 he was the winner of the Sons of the American Revolution National Society Golden Gate Marathon to Strengthen Freedom's line. This was more than any compatriot secured that year and a feat equalled only by a very few. When we recall the work required to secure even one new member we can truly realize the time and effort required to secure 51.

"For outstanding and meritorious service rendered our Society he was the recipient of the Minute Man Award in 1952.

"With Arthur de la Houssaye as our President General, his executive ability, his thorough knowledge of the work and problems of our Society, his enthusiasm for the dissemination of patriotism, his qualification for leadership will inspire our entire membership to greater zeal and activity and his administration would be a banner one in the growth and usefulness of the Sons of the American Revolution.

"So, Mr. President General and Compatriots, it gives me a unique pleasure to have the honor of nominating for the President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution a distinguished member and a prominent citizen of the State of Louisiana, Arthur A. de la Houssaye."

The following speech of nomination was made by Vice President General Robert G. Norfleet, II, of the Rocky Mountains District.

"Mr. President General, National Officers, Delegates, compatriots and distinguished guests, I have been given, by all the seven State Societies which comprise the Rocky Mountain District, the honor and the privilege of placing the name of one of our most distinguished compatriots, the Honorable George E. Tarbox, Jr., of Denver, Colorado, before the Sixty-Third Annual Congress, in nomination for, and election to, the high office of President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

"Compatriot Tarbox is one of the outstanding citizens of the Rocky Mountain West. He is a graduate of the

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United States Naval Academy of Annapolis, Maryland. In business the Company which he heads renders sales and engineering services to many industries. He is a member, and frequently has been an officer, of many business, social, and patriotic organizations.

"Since becoming a member of the Colorado Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in 1935, Compatriot Tarbox has continuously served that Society as a member of its Board of Managers. He was Vice President of the Colorado Society for two terms, and also its President for two terms, and has been a delegate to several Congresses since then.

"He has served the National Society as a Trustee and as Vice President General for the Rocky Mountain District for two terms. He is presently serving the National Society as a member of its Executive Committee.

"During his tenure of office as Vice President General of the Rocky Mountains District, this district experienced a tremendous upsurge in activity, interest, and membership gains, which have continued to the present time.

"It is impossible to enumerate the great number of services that Compatriot Tarbox has performed, and the thousands of miles that he has travelled in the Society's interest. When Vice President General, he made official visits to every State Society in this District. This alone is a major accomplishment which has never been duplicated.

"Since his appointment to the Executive Committee Compatriot Tarbox has attended every Trustees' Meeting, as well as the special meeting for the dignitaries of all Patriotic Societies, which President General Edwards called last April in Washington. It is safe to say that he has travelled on his own time and at his own expense further—oftener—to attend these meetings than any other member of the Society with the exception of the President General. This willingness, and ability, to attend all of these important meetings is indicative of his sincerity, and his belief that the acceptance of an office in our National Society carries a moral obligation and duty.

"It is our belief that, by presenting a few pertinent facts for your consideration, you will be convinced that Compatriot Tarbox is the logical choice for

the office of President General this year.

"First, the undeniable fact is present that we have just had a most excellent President General from the deep South. The office should go elsewhere this year.

"Second, the undeniable fact is present, that in the sixty-four years of the Society's history, NO compatriot from the Rocky Mountains District, regardless of his worth, has been allowed to serve our Society as its President General, while every other District has been so honored. The statement has been made at this Congress that recognition of the West could be deferred for still another year. Isn't sixty-four years long enough to wait?

"Third, our District, which is the largest in area, but smallest in population—only three per cent—has consistently supplied between six and ten per cent of all new applicants on a national basis. Our District deserves recognition.

"So much for facts! You must now ask yourself whether you want, or intend, to elect a candidate that is presently pledged to another patriotic organization, and might, as its current Vice President, possibly succeed to the Presidency of that Organization which is "separate and distinct" from the Sons of the American Revolution—which might demand his full time and attention to the detriment of the SAR.

Now ask yourself whether it would not be better at this particular time to elect a non-partisan President General—one who can, and will, promote and restore harmony and unity within our Society. Is it not of utmost importance that we elect a man who has not been actively identified with any faction, or with any of the quarrels of the past few years? Is it not evident that by electing such a man, tempers would be allowed to cool, and the cleavage which so seriously threatens our Society might disappear? Differences could be reconciled and our Society would be given a chance to regain its unity.

"With this presentation of his record of service and with a great amount of pride and pleasure the Rocky Mountain District now places the name of its outstanding compatriot, the Honorable George E. Tarbox, Jr., in nomination for the high office of President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution."

President General Edwards then in-

structed the delegates to proceed with the balloting for the office of President General.

Nominations were then requested by President General Edwards for the General Offices.

Nomination for the office of Secretary General was made by Trustee Wheaton H. Brewer of California, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"I place in nomination the name of a man who has inspired patriotism in his community. I assure you that the candidate that I am nominating will continue to do the fine job and the detailed work that has been done in this office.

"Compatriot Lory was born in Iowa and has been President of this State Society, and is now Vice President General of his district. Milton M. Lory of Iowa needs no real introduction. Those of you who are close to the detailed workings of the Society need no reassurance of his ability to perform these duties.

"It is with every sense of pride that California nominates Milton M. Lory for the position of Secretary General of this Society."

There being no other nominations for the office of Secretary General it was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed, and the Executive Secretary was instructed that a unanimous ballot be cast for Compatriot Milton M. Lory for this office.

Compatriot John E. Allen of Washington, D. C. made a nomination for the office of Treasurer General, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"It is really unnecessary for me to say much about the candidate which I am to nominate on behalf of the Washington, D. C. Society. Compatriot Robert H. McNeill, your current Treasurer General was born near Charlotte, North Carolina. He received his law degree in 1897 and has more recently received his degree as Doctor of Laws.

"Dr. McNeill has had a distinguished career in the Bar in his native state of North Carolina and also in Washington, D. C. since 1903. He set up his law office there in 1903 and has become one of the most distinguished attorneys in the District of Columbia at the present time. He has for over fifty years been a member of the Bar before the Supreme Court. At one time he was Republican candidate for Governor of North Carolina.

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"On behalf of the District of Columbia delegation it is a great honor and great pleasure to present the nomination of Robert H. McNeill for Treasurer General."

Past President General Loren E. Souers of Ohio moved that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous vote for Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill. This motion was seconded by Col. F. W. Huntington of Texas and was passed with no dissenting votes.

Nomination for the office of Registrar General was made by Compatriot Charles A. Jones of Ohio, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"We had originally planned to nominate our candidate for the position of Secretary General, but after that we learned of the candidacy of our good friend Mr. Lory and also learned of an opening for the office of Registrar General. Therefore, we withdrew our candidate for the office of Secretary General and present him to you for the position of Registrar General.

"He has had a very distinguished record in our Society. He was one of four to whom the Minute Man Medal was awarded for personally bringing in new members. He has been officer of his local chapter and is now an officer of our State Society. He has served one year as a member of a National Committee.

"I am very happy, therefore, on the part of our own Ohio Society to bring to you as a nominee for this office the name of Compatriot Louis F. Ridgway."

Vice President General Dr. Herschel S. Murphy moved that the nominations for Registrar General be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Louis F. Ridgway. His motion was seconded and was passed by a unanimous vote.

Nomination for the office of Historian General was made by Past President General Allen L. Oliver of Missouri and the following is a portion of his speech.

"The gentleman who was to have nominated my old classmate in school has stepped out of the room, so I am here to fill the breach and it is a very happy pleasure. Redmond S. Cole from Oklahoma is a historian by nature and

by experience. He is interested in preserving the records not only of our Society but of the days and times that have gone ahead, which is an enviable thing for any man to do. He has served one term and is willing to do so again, and it is my privilege to nominate Redmond S. Cole for the office of Historian General."

A motion was made and seconded that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Redmond S. Cole for Historian General. The motion was carried unanimously.

Nomination for the office of Genealogist General was made by Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth of New York, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"I have the honor and privilege of placing in nomination one of the finest genealogists in, not only the United States, but the whole world. We elected him in 1948 and 1949. Then he stepped aside so that someone else might serve. Then the Congress requested him to serve again, and in 1951 and 1952 he was reelected.

"He has been actively engaged in genealogical work for thirty-five years. I sincerely hope that everyone here knows that I am talking about our good friend from West Virginia, Genealogist General W. Guy Tetrick, and I place him in nomination for that office."

A motion was made by Compatriot Folks Huxford from Georgia that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot W. Guy Tetrick for the office of Genealogist General. The motion was seconded and was carried unanimously.

Col. Edward N. Wentworth of Illinois made the nomination speech for the office of Chancellor General, and the following is a portion thereof.

"In the middle of this meeting and under the weight of two folks from the same family I should like to place in nomination the name of a man who is a member of the Illinois Bar, the Texas Bar, and the Bar before the Supreme Court. He is a member of the Chicago, Illinois and the American Bar Associations and is the counsel for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company. Also, he has received the Minute Man Award . . . John H. Babb."

A motion was made that the nomina-

tions for the office of Chancellor General be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot John H. Babb. The motion was seconded and was carried.

Nomination was made by Past President General Allen L. Oliver for the office of Chaplain General, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"I want to place in nomination for a position which very few of us can fill the name of Dr. Mott R. Sawyers for the office of Chaplain General. Dr. Sawyers is a retired Presbyterian minister from Minneapolis, Minnesota. He has served the Society well and has organized the Chaplains in the State Societies, and he is willing to serve us again.

"It is my pleasure to place in nomination Compatriot Mott R. Sawyers for Chaplain General."

A motion was made by Compatriot Stanley S. Gillam of the Minnesota Society that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Dr. Mott R. Sawyers as Chaplain General. The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous vote.

Nomination for the office of Librarian General was made by Vice President General Harry K. Torrey, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"The office, not the man! I refer to Compatriot Byerly and wish to nominate him for another term as Librarian General. I take pleasure in nominating for Librarian General a man who has brought order out of chaos, P. Harry Byerly."

A motion was made by Past President General Allen L. Oliver that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for P. Harry Byerly for Librarian General. The motion was seconded and was carried unanimously.

Compatriot Herbert S. Hodson, President of the Maine Society made the speech of nomination for the Vice President General from the New England District, and the following is a portion thereof.

"The man I am nominating has served us well and is a willing and able worker. He joined the Sons of the American Revolution in 1910, forty-three years ago, served in 1925 and

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1926 as President of the State Society. He was Secretary and Treasurer of the New England Council, and was on the National Executive Committee in 1951. He served as National Trustee from Maine for nine years.

"We all know that he has served for two years on the National Committee on Constitution and By-Laws. It is with real pleasure that I nominate for reelection for the office of Vice President General of the New England District my very good friend Harry K. Torrey."

A motion was made that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Harry K. Torrey. This motion was seconded and was passed.

Nomination for the office of Vice President General from the North Atlantic District was made by Compatriot Ernest S. Crosby, President of the Buffalo Chapter of the New York Society, and the following is a portion thereof.

"It was just a year ago that New York had the opportunity in Houston to do a very good deed by placing in nomination for Vice President General from the North Atlantic District the name of Dr. Herschel S. Murphy of New Jersey.

"He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and he was also a founding Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He has served in numerous other public spirited offices, and he has served this organization in his local chapter, in the New Jersey State Society, and as Vice President General for the last year.

"You have all had the opportunity to see him at work and know of his zeal and of the efficiency of his work here. I am very happy to place him in nomination for Vice President General of the North Atlantic District."

A motion was made and seconded that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Dr. Herschel S. Murphy as Vice President General of the North Atlantic District. This was carried unanimously.

A delegate of the Washington, D. C. Society made a speech of nomination for the office of Vice President General of the Mid Atlantic District, and the following is a portion thereof.

"The D. C. Society has the pleasure this year for the Mid Atlantic District to

present to you an outstanding candidate, a Compatriot of the District, a former President of the D. C. Society, and a former Governor of the Founders and Patriots of America. A gentleman and scholar who has served his country for over forty years in all grades from Second Lieutenant to Major General. I give you Compatriot Karl Truesdell."

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried that the nominations be closed and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Major General Karl Truesdell as Vice President General of the Mid Atlantic District.

Vice Chairman Frank W. Hannum of the Credentials Committee made the following report on the results of the balloting for the office of President General.

Out of 193 votes cast: 1 invalidated; 64 for Compatriot George E. Tarbox, Jr.; 128 for Compatriot Arthur A. de la Houssaye.

Compatriot Tarbox moved that his votes be transferred to Compatriot de la Houssaye and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Arthur A. de la Houssaye as President General of the National Society. The motion was seconded and was passed by a unanimous vote.

Vice President General Carson D. Baucom placed in nomination for the South Atlantic District the name of Compatriot Frank W. Hannum of Florida.

Col. James D. Watson of Georgia nominated Compatriot Crawford S. Rogers of Norfolk, Virginia for the office of Vice President General of the South Atlantic District.

The nominations were closed and Compatriot Eugene P. Carver, Jr., of Massachusetts was appointed to act as temporary Chairman of the Credentials Committee in the place of Vice Chairman Hannum, a candidate, while the Congress proceeded with the balloting.

Vice President General Cyril E. Cain from Mississippi placed in nomination for the office of Vice President General of the Southern District the name of Compatriot Hugh W. Stallworth of Tennessee. There being no other nominations for this office President General Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Stallworth.

Dr. V. E. Holcombe of West Vir-

ginia presented Compatriot Harry I. Hadsell of Ohio as candidate from Ohio for the office of Vice President General of the Central District. President General Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Hadsell.

Compatriot John E. Dickinson placed in nomination the name of Compatriot Barry T. Whipple for the office of Vice President General of the Great Lakes District, and the following is a portion of his speech.

"The Great Lakes District comprises the States of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin. Those of us who have attended these conferences for many years know of the devotion and hard work of our Compatriot Barry Whipple. He has been President of his State Society and has served three terms as National Trustee. I move that Barry Whipple be elected Vice President General from the Great Lakes District."

There being no other nominations President Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Barry T. Whipple as Vice President General of the Great Lakes District.

Vice President General Milton M. Lory placed in nomination for the office of Vice President General of the North Mississippi District the name of Compatriot Howard Chapin, Jr. There being no other nominations for this office, President General Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Chapin.

Compatriot John Victory of Texas nominated Vice President General Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., for reelection to that office in the South Mississippi District. There being no other nominations, President General Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Gilbert.

Nomination was made by Vice President General Robert G. Norfleet, II, of the name of Compatriot J. R. Gobble, President of the Idaho Society, for the office of Vice President General of the Rocky Mountains District. There being no other nominations, the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Compatriot Gobble for this office.

Wheaton H. Brewer of California placed in nomination for the office of Vice President General of the Pacific

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Coast District the name of Brigadier General Charles Ostrom of California. There being no other nominations for this office, President General Edwards instructed the Executive Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for Brigadier General Ostrom.

President General Edwards then requested that invitations be given for the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress.

The first invitation was given by Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill for the Washington, D. C. Society, and the following is a portion thereof.

"I have been working here as a working delegate and official of the Society for many years. I now have the distinguished honor and pleasure to represent the group who came here from the great capital of your country and wish to discuss with you the next Congress.

"In our Society some time ago we began talking over the question whether or not we would be able to justify bringing you this invitation. Our committee met and for three hours deliberated on what to do. It was unanimously agreed that we should invite the States to come to Washington for the year 1954, and I feel that I am very greatly honored by having the right to speak for the Washington Society.

"I do not know whether there will be any other invitations or not. If I thought there would be I should go into this invitation in more detail. We can give you a historical background unequalled in this whole republic. We can show you the sacred documents of our history. We have in our archives the Bill of Rights, the Constitution of the United States, the Articles of Federation, the Emancipation Proclamation, all of which will be free to a patriotic group like ours.

"If you are a doctor you can see our great hospitals. If you are a lawyer you can see our great Supreme Court Building and new District Court Building, Congress in session, the great libraries, and the Hall of the Daughters of the American Revolution. You will be greeted by the officers of that great organization.

"Now, Compatriots, there is one joker in our invitation. It is an expensive day we are living in and because of the high cost of so many things, if you accept our invitation you must take it with

the understanding that the registration fee will be \$15. We think we need this money to properly finance your entertainment. We have arranged with the Statler Hotel to give us four hundred rooms, and we have gotten public authorities, bus lines, and utilities to agree to give us special rates.

"A free banquet at the Statler Hotel is included in this invitation. We will show you where Abraham Lincoln walked and rode across the city while the war was going on, and the great events pictured by history in Washington. All you will have to pay for everything is the registration fee of \$15. We will give you a welcome from the members of the Washington Society.

"I am giving you the sentiment that we have that it will do you good and do us good if you can come."

Treasurer General McNeill asked Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig, Senior President of the National Society, Children of the American Revolution to add her invitation to his on behalf of the Daughters and the Children of the American Revolution.

An invitation was given by Compatriot George E. Tarbox, Jr. to the Sixty-Fourth National Congress to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The following is a portion of his speech of invitation.

"In simple Western fashion I wish to extend on behalf of the New Mexico Society and on behalf of the states in our District an invitation to come to the Southwest. I am not going to paint any word pictures of the West, but instead ask you to come see it. I am asking you to come to Albuquerque.

"We do not ask for an increased registration fee, and you will find it an entirely different country. Come and see for yourselves."

President General Edwards announced that the two invitations for the Sixty-Fourth Congress would be taken under consideration by the Executive Committee.

President General Edwards announced the names of the nominees for Board of National Trustees and on motion they were elected:

Robert P. Gordon of Alabama
Read Mullan of Arizona
Mason E. Mitchell of Arkansas
Wheaton H. Brewer of California
Earl A. Richardson of Colorado

Calvin C. Bolles of Connecticut
Theodore Marvin of Delaware
John E. Allen of the District of Columbia

R. R. Roger of Florida
Comte Charles de Chambrun of France
Col. James D. Watson of Georgia
Volney A. K. Howard of Hawaii
Hon. Edwin H. Deal of Idaho

Col. Edward N. Wentworth of Illinois
James G. Cecil of Indiana
Milton M. Lory of Iowa
Clifton J. Stratton of Kansas
Ransom H. Bassett of Kentucky

Stuart O. Landry of Louisiana
Harry K. Torrey of Maine
George S. Robertson of Maryland
Eugene P. Carver, Jr. of Massachusetts
Barry T. Whipple of Michigan

Lew C. Church of Minnesota
Horace Y. Kitchell of Mississippi
John W. Giesecke of Missouri
Lowell R. King of Nebraska

Harry E. Sherwin of New Hampshire
Stanton T. Lawrence of New Jersey
Herbert B. Gerhart of New Mexico
Ernest S. Crosby of New York
James E. Henderson of North Carolina

M. E. McCurdy of North Dakota
C. Donald Brown of Ohio
Earle H. Amos of Oklahoma
Frank S. Gannett of Oregon
Edwin B. Graham of Pennsylvania

Chester R. Martin of Rhode Island
Major G. T. Prior of South Carolina
Jay B. Allen of South Dakota
Arthur Crownover, Jr. of Tennessee
Robert W. Thompson of Texas

Karl D. Hardy of Utah
Oscar A. Rixford of Vermont
Crawford S. Rogers of Virginia
Jean A. Hibbard of Washington
Dr. V. E. Holcombe of West Virginia
John E. Dickinson of Wisconsin
Leslie A. Miller of Wyoming

Compatriot Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Temporary Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that in the balloting for the office of Vice President General of the South Atlantic District Frank W. Hannum had received 42 votes and Crawford S. Rogers had received 133 votes. The Executive Secretary was instructed to record the name of Crawford S. Rogers as new Vice President General of the South Atlantic District.

There being no further business, President General Edwards declared the Sixty-third Annual Congress adjourned.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS

Delegates and visitors to the Sixty-Third Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution were provided with a program of entertainment sandwiched in between the business sessions which eliminated all possibility of dull moments.

From the opening of the registration on Sunday morning to the adjournment on Wednesday evening, one interesting event after another kept everyone fully occupied.

The Memorial Service, conducted by Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers, was held in the Hall of Mirrors and was exceptionally impressive. Tributes to Past Presidents General Smith L. Multer and Louis Annin Ames were delivered by Secretary General Edgar Williamson, Jr., and Past President General Allen L. Oliver (see page 22).

Past President General Loren E. Souers made the presentation, posthumously, of the Minute Man Medal to our late Compatriot Douglass G. High, which was accepted by Mrs. Douglass G. High.

The Past Presidents General, General Officers, members of the Executive Committee and their wives were the guests of President General and Mrs. Ray O. Edwards at the dinner which preceded the meeting of the Executive Committee and the Board of National Trustees.

Motion pictures showing the work of the Lebanon Foundation were shown for the entertainment of the ladies and those delegates who were not attending the Trustees meeting.

Those who were fortunate enough to obtain tickets to the luncheon on Monday noon were rewarded by an address by The Honorable James Garfield Stewart, Judge of the Ohio Supreme Court and former Mayor of Cincinnati, who spoke on "The Early History of Cincinnati and Ohio."

At 2:30 p.m. the Douglas G. High Historical Oration Contest was held in the Pavilion Caprice, and the judges were confronted with the difficult task of selecting a winner from three eloquent young orators. After a lengthy conference, James C. Mounie of Virginia was declared the winner, David H. Stull of Ohio was named for the second award and Theodore Lutkus of

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PROGRAM

SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS

NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

CINCINNATI — JUNE 14-17, 1953

(All events were scheduled on Eastern Standard Time)

All meetings were held on the fourth floor of the Netherland-Plaza Hotel unless otherwise indicated on the program.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 1953

- 10 to
12:00 A.M. — Registration on the fourth floor, Netherland Plaza Hotel. Programs, badges, information, etc.
- 2:30 to
2:45 P.M. — Flags assemble on 3rd floor, Netherland Plaza Hotel.
2:55 P.M. — Procession and massing of the colors in the Hall of Mirrors.
3:00 P.M. — Memorial Service in the Hall of Mirrors.
Music by Ellen Laib and Harold Krell, organist.
- 6:00 P.M. — Dinner given by President General Ray O. Edwards and Mrs. Edwards for the Past Presidents General, the General officers, the Executive Committee members and their wives.—Parlor I, Fourth Floor.
- 7:30 P.M. — Motion pictures by Lebanon Foundation, Inc., for Compatriots and their wives who were not attending other meetings. Parlors A to D, Inc. Fourth Floor.
- 8:30 P.M. — Meeting of the Board of Trustees, National Society. Open to all Compatriots. Parlors A to D, Inc.
- 8:30 P.M. — Continuation of motion pictures by Lebanon Foundation, Inc., for the ladies, during Trustee's meeting and, for Compatriots, after Trustee's meetings, so that all had opportunity to view them. Parlors E and F. Fourth Floor.

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1953

- Pavilion Caprice, Fourth Floor, Netherland Plaza Hotel.
Registration on Fourth Floor — 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
- 9:00 A.M. — BUSINESS SESSION —
Entrance March.
The Color Guard and the National Officers — Trustees, General Officers, Past Presidents General, and the President General. Sixty-third Annual Congress called to order by the President General, Ray O. Edwards.
Invocation: Dr. Mott R. Sawyers, Chaplain General.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Robert G. Norfleet, II, Vice President General.
The National Anthem. Leader: Mrs. Ellen K. Laib.
Preliminary Report by Committee on Credentials.
Greetings:
Compatriot Myers Y. Cooper, former Governor of the State of Ohio.
W. R. Kellogg, City Manager of the City of Cincinnati.
Compatriot Douglas K. Fuller, Executive Vice President, Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce.
Compatriot C. Donald Brown, President, Ohio Society, Sons of the American Revolution.
Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, President General, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.
Mrs. Marshall H. Bixler, Regent, Ohio Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.
Mrs. Vilas U. Fischer, Past Regent, Cincinnati Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF CONGRESS

Illinois was named for the third award. It was announced that the winner would appear on three television programs and that he would deliver his oration at the President General's Banquet on Wednesday evening.

The President General's reception preceded the dinner Monday evening at which the speaker of the evening was Mr. William L. McGrath, employer consultant to the United States Delegation to the International Labor Organization at Geneva, Switzerland. Mr. McGrath's revelations of the inside story of the I.L.O. and its effects on the Constitution were of great interest and some of the information startled his audience.

The Tuesday luncheon, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution, was thoroughly enjoyed by a capacity crowd. Mrs. Vilas U. Fischer, Past Regent of the Cincinnati Chapter, D.A.R., presided. Mrs. Marshall H. Bixler, State Regent of the Ohio Society, D.A.R., made an inspiring address on the topic "Stand Up and Be Counted." A beautiful tree of orchids was presented to Mrs. Ray O. Edwards with the compliments of Governor Dan McCarty of Florida. Mrs. Edwards shared the many orchids with the wives of the General Officers.

A tour of the Taft Museum was arranged for the delegates and visitors at 2:30 p.m., and at 4:30 busses were provided to transport all of those in attendance to Coney Island where an informal dinner was served in the pavillion and on the lawn.

The President General presented the awards and citations to those who had rendered services to the Society and had been selected by the Trustees for the honors. Minute Man Medals were presented to: Past President General Loren E. Souers, Ohio; Past President General Sterling F. Mutz, Nebraska; Folks Huxford, Georgia; James Francis Miller, Kentucky; Oliver B. Wight, Maryland; Col. James D. Watson, Georgia; Clarence A. Cook, Indiana; Edward M. Hall, Ohio; Randolph F. Sellers, Ohio; S. Denmead Kolb, Maryland.

The awards for membership achievement for those securing 10 or more members consisting of the 14-carat gold-enamel pin were presented to:

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PROGRAM OF SIXTY-THIRD CONGRESS

Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig, National President of the Children of the American Revolution.
Carleton Cunningham, Junior President, Ohio Society, Children of the American Revolution.
Report — Ray O. Edwards, President General.
Announcements.

Reports of General Officers

VICE PRESIDENTS GENERAL

Harry K. Torrey	.....	New England District
Herschel S. Murphy	.....	North Atlantic District
Theodore Marvin	.....	Mid Atlantic District
Carson D. Baucom	.....	South Atlantic District
Cyril E. Cain	.....	Southern District
George L. Clark	.....	Central District
Col. Samuel R. Todd	.....	Great Lakes District
Milton M. Lory	.....	North Mississippi District
Charles E. Gilbert, Jr.	.....	South Mississippi District
Robert G. Norfleet, II	.....	Rocky Mountains District
Lewis Addington Smith	.....	Pacific Coast District

NATIONAL OFFICERS

Edgar Williamson, Jr.	.....	Secretary General
Robert H. McNeill	.....	Treasurer General
Dr. John A. Fritchey, II	.....	Registrar General
Redmond S. Cole	.....	Historian General
W. Guy Tetrick	.....	Genealogist General
John H. Babb	.....	Chancellor General
Dr. Mott R. Sawyers	.....	Chaplain General
P. Harry Byerly	.....	Librarian General

Retirement of the Colors

RECESS

12:30 P.M. — Monday Luncheon — Hall of Mirrors — Third Floor.
Invocation.
Address: "The Early History of Cincinnati and Ohio."
The Honorable James Garfield Stewart, Judge of the Ohio Supreme Court; Former Mayor, City of Cincinnati.
Presented by Compatriot Myers Y. Cooper, former Governor of Ohio.

2:30 P.M. — Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest, Pavilion Caprice.
Vice Chairman, Col. Edward N. Wentworth, Illinois.
(Entries not more than one contestant from each state.)

6:30 P.M. — Monday Dinner. Hall of Mirrors.
(The President General, the General Officers and their wives were in line at 6:10 P.M. to receive.)

Invocation.
Song: "America the Beautiful."
Leader: Mrs. Ellen K. Laib. Organ: Harold Krell.
Address: "The Constitution and the I. L. O."
William L. McGrath, employer consultant to the United States Delegation to the International Labor Organization at Geneva, Switzerland.

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 1953

9:00 A.M. — Business Session, Pavilion Caprice.
Entrance March. The Color Guard and the National Officers — Trustees, General officers, the Past Presidents General and President General.
Congress called to order. The President General.

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Name	State Society	Number Enrolled
James Francis Miller	Kentucky	28
Folks Huxford	Georgia	27
*H. Lewis Mathewson	California	20
George L. Weeks	New York	20
John R. Gobble	Idaho	19
Lewis Addington Smith	Washington	19
*W. Guy Humphrey	Mississippi	16
F. K. Woodring	Florida	15
*Clement D. Asbury	New York	15
Clarence A. Cook	Indiana	14
*Gardner Osborn	New York	14
**William C. Sessions	Florida	12
John H. Babb	Illinois	11
*John W. Finger	New York	11
*C. H. Grett	Texas	11
*Granville T. Prior	South Carolina	11
William T. Carpenter	Alabama	10
Arthur P. Freed	Pennsylvania	10
*Gen. C. P. Summerall	South Carolina	10

*Those who were not present to receive the award in person will receive it by mail.

**Deceased.

Rosettes and lapel ribbons were presented to those who had secured one or more new members during the year. It was announced that 496 members had qualified for the various types of awards. Due to the difficulties of transportation, the traveling banners and the stands of colors were presented to the winning states and chapters at the Wednesday afternoon session of the Congress.

The Wednesday luncheon was featured by the address of Mr. Paul E. Heckel, Coordinator, American Industrial Team to Assist Rehabilitation to Austria. He spoke on "New Challenge to American Patriotism" and presented some thought provoking phases of the purposes of the program designed to rehabilitate the Austrian economy.

The President General's Banquet reached a fitting climax to the Sixty-Third Congress. Compatriot The Honorable John W. Bricker, Senator from Ohio, made a stirring address on "A Needed Constitutional Amendment," in which he explained the reasons for the proposed Constitutional Amendment of which he is the author. Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, President General, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, spoke on "American's Duty to America." Her remarks were delivered in her own inimitable style and drew frequent applause from the audience.

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Invocation	National Anthem.
Pledge of Allegiance.	
Report by Committee on Credentials.	
Reports of National Committee Chairmen.	
(Verbal reports limited to three minutes.)	
American Coalition Board	Gardner Osborn
American Sovereignty	Rear Adm. W. R. Furlong
Americanization	Milton M. Lory
Audit	George S. Robertson
Basic Documents	Dr. V. E. Holcombe
Benjamin Franklin	J. Henry Smythe, Jr.
Bill of Rights Commemorative	Charles A. Jones
Boy Scouts	William H. Pouch
Budget and Finance	George S. Robertson
Ceremonies and Colors	Col. Samuel R. Todd
Children of the American Revolution	E. Stewart James
Constitution and By-Laws	Harry K. Torrey
Constitution Day Observance	S. Denmead Kolb
Daughters of the American Revolution	John A. Fritchey, II
Genealogy Committee	W. Guy Tetrick
Douglass G. High Oration Contest	E. Stewart James
(Report given by Vice Chairman Edward N. Wentworth)	
Historic Sites and Buildings	Gardner Osborn
I Am An American Day	Rev. A. W. Brown
Immigration	H. Orville Walburn
Library	P. Harry Byerly
Medal Awards	Robert G. Norfleet, II
Memorials	Rev. Mott R. Sawyers, D.D.
National Defense	Millard Caldwell
National Headquarters Organization	Carson D. Baucom
Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship	S. Denmead Kolb
	Alonzo N. Benn
Permanent Fund Committee	A. Herbert Foreman
Public Lectures Committee	Lewis Addington Smith
Publications	John E. Dickinson

Retirement of the Colors.

RECESS.

12:30 P.M. — Tuesday Luncheon, Hall of Mirrors.
Luncheon sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution.
Invocation.
Pledge of Allegiance.
National Anthem.
Presiding Officer: Mrs. Vilas U. Fischer, Past Regent of the Cincinnati Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.
Address: "Stand Up and Be Counted" — Mrs. Marshall H. Bixler, Fremont, Ohio, State Regent, Ohio D. A. R.
2:30 P.M. — Historic Exhibit at Taft Museum. (East 4th St. to Pike St.)
2:30 P.M. — S. A. R. Chapter Presidents and Secretaries Forum, Parlor H. (Fourth Floor)
2:30 P.M. — Ohio Society Business Sessions, Hall of Mirrors.
4:30 P.M. — All members attending the Congress and their wives board special busses at Fifth Street entrance of the Hotel for complimentary sight-seeing trip, evening dinner, and dancing, at famous Coney Island, on the Ohio River. Paul Neighbor's band.
Presentation of Awards and Citations by the President General.
Return to Government Square by busses leaving Coney Island every fifteen minutes, following entertainment and dancing.

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One of the most enjoyable portions of the program was the singing by the Cappella Choir of Western Hills High School. The enthusiastic applause of the audience persuaded them to extend the program with several encores.

As a fitting tribute to one who has rendered invaluable services to the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution during her term of office as President General of The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the gold Constructive Citizenship Medal and the Certificate were presented to Mrs. James B. Patton, by President General Edwards. The presentation was accompanied by a spontaneous ovation from the audience.

The newly elected officers of the National Society were assembled in front of the speaker's table and the Chaplain General Dr. Mott R. Sawyers administered the oath of office and declared them duly installed in their respective offices.

Past President General Edwards placed the President General's insigne around the neck of President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye and handed him the gavel, thus completing the transfer of authority. President General de la Houssaye then placed the Past President General's insigne around the neck of the junior Past President General.

The newly elected President General made a brief speech of acceptance in which he asked for the cooperation of every member and then led them in reciting "The Lord's Prayer."

The Sons of the American Revolution deem it an honor and a privilege to have had as our guests at our Sixty-Third Congress Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, President General, and Mrs. James B. Patton, Honorary President General, of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig, National President of the Children of the American Revolution. Their attendance throughout the Congress is tangible evidence of the cordial relations which exist between our societies, and augurs well for the future.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1953

- 9:00 A.M. — Business Session, Pavilion Caprice.
Entrance March. The Color Guard and the National Officers.
Call to Order by the President General.
Invocation by the Chaplain General.
Pledge of Allegiance.
The National Anthem.
Report of the Committee on Resolutions.
Officers' Reports.
Committee Reports.
Adoption of the Budget.
Retirement of the Colors.
RECESS.
- 12:15 P.M. — Wednesday luncheon, Hall of Mirrors.
Invocation.
Address: "New Challenges to American Patriotism."
Paul E. Heckel, Coordinator, American Industrial Team To Assist Rehabilitation to Austria.
- 2:30 P.M. — Business Session, Pavilion Caprice.
Call to Order.
Presentation of the Colors.
Election of Officers.
Invitations for the Sixty-fourth National Congress.
Closing Exercises.
Retirement of the Colors.
- 6:30 P.M. — President General's Banquet, Hall of Mirrors.
(Admission by complimentary coupon supplied with registration. Individual admission, \$5.00—tickets purchased in advance. Formal dress optional.)
Pledge of Allegiance.
Invocation.
National Anthem.
Dinner.
Vocal Solo: "You'll Never Walk Alone." Mrs. Ellen K. Laib.
Address: "A Needed Constitutional Amendment." The Honorable John W. Bricker, Senator from Ohio. Presented by Myers Y. Cooper, former Governor of Ohio.
Music: A Cappella Choir of Western Hills High School.
Address: "Americans' Duty to America." Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, President General, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution. Presented by Mrs. James B. Patton, Honorary President General, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.
Special Awards.
Installation of Officers.
Vocal Solo: "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You." Mrs. Ellen K. Laib.
Adjournment—Sixty-Third Annual Congress.

YOU can help build our membership by sending in to Headquarters, the names and addresses of friends or members of your family who are eligible for membership. Such information will be forwarded to the proper state officer and an invitation to join will be extended.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD IN THE NETHERLAND PLAZA HOTEL CINCINNATI, OHIO, JUNE 17, 1953

The meeting was called to order by President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye. Those present were:

Past Presidents General — Loren E. Souers, Allen L. Oliver, A. Herbert Foreman, Wallace C. Hall.

Vice Presidents General — Howard A. Chapin, Jr., Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., John R. Gobble, Harry I. Hadsell, Dr. Herschel S. Murphy, Brig. Gen. C. D. Y. Ostrom, Hugh W. Stallworth, Harry K. Torrey, Barry T. Whipple; Secretary General — Milton M. Lory; Historian General — Redmond S. Cole; Genealogist General — W. Guy Tetrick; Chaplain General — Dr. Mott R. Sawyers; Librarian General — P. Harry Byerly.

Trustees — John E. Allen, District of Columbia; Wheaton H. Brewer, California; C. Donald Brown, Ohio; Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Massachusetts; James G. Cecil, Indiana; Ernest S. Crosby, New York; John E. Dickinson, Wisconsin; Herbert B. Gerhart, New Mexico; Edwin B. Graham, Pennsylvania; J. A. Hibbard, Washington State; Horace Y. Kitchell, Mississippi; Earl A. Richardson, Colorado; Robert W. Thompson, Texas; Col. James D. Watson, Georgia; Member of the Executive Committee — Stanley S. Gillam; Executive Secretary — Harold L. Putnam.

Compatriot Brewer read a telegram from the Dictaphone Corporation, announcing the presentation of a Dictaphone to President General Arthur de la Houssaye, and introduced Mr. Fred Hardenbrook, who presented the Dictaphone with the compliments of his corporation.

It was thereafter moved, seconded and carried that the following resolution be adopted:

"WHEREAS, the Dictaphone Corporation has become aware of the need of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for a Dictaphone, primarily for use by its President General, and

"WHEREAS, said corporation being imbued with patriotic fervor, and deeply interested in furthering the good work

of this Society, has presented to its President General a Dictaphone Time-Master;

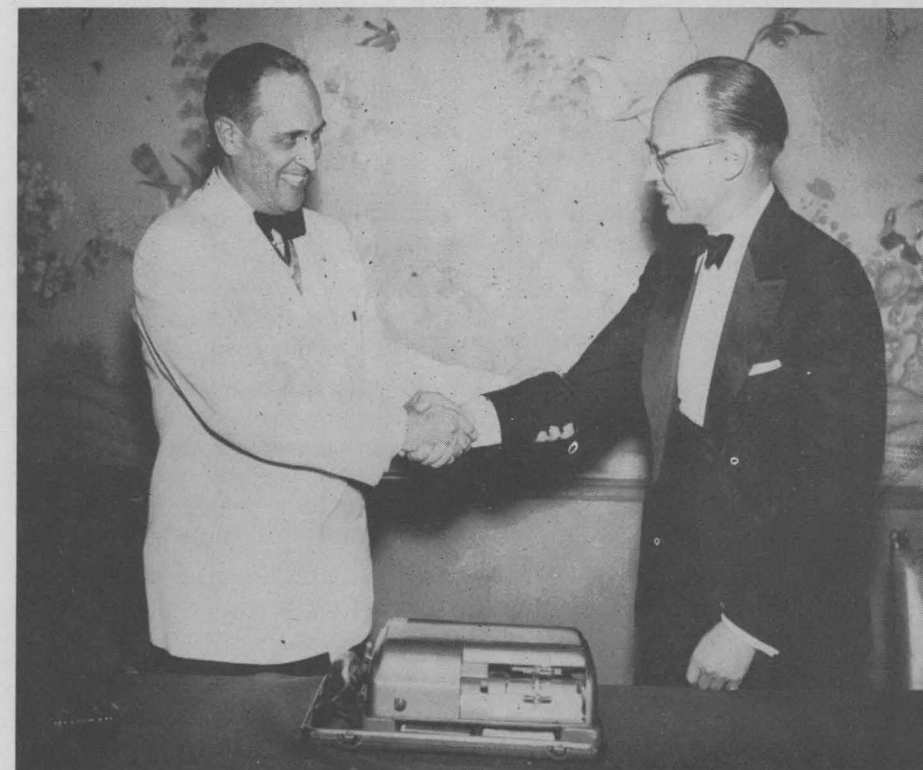
"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that the President General be, and he is hereby authorized to accept said Dictaphone on behalf of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution;

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

that this gift be accepted with deep appreciation, and the President General requested to acknowledge said gift to the Dictaphone Corporation, and that a certified copy of this resolution accompany said letter."

The Executive Secretary read correspondence from The Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, offering to store the microfilms of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Detroit, Michigan, without cost to the Society. It was moved, seconded and carried that the offer be accepted and that the Executive Secretary be authorized to proceed with the necessary arrangements.

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President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye accepts the gift of a Time-Master Dictaphone, presented by Mr. Fred Hardenbrook, Sales Representative, on behalf of the Dictaphone Corporation. The telegram of congratulations which accompanied the Dictaphone is reproduced below.

WESTERN UNION

June 17, 1953

Arthur A. de la Houssaye
Netherland Plaza Hotel
Cincinnati, Ohio

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND TO S. A. R. FOR SECURING SO CAPABLE A LEADER TO HELP WITH YOUR MANY TASKS. I HAVE ASKED OUR CINCINNATI MANAGER TO PRESENT YOU WITH ONE OF OUR NEW TIME-MASTER MACHINES, USABLE ON TRAINS, PLANES AND DESKS STOP MY SINCERE BEST WISHES.

Lloyd M. Powell, Vice President
Dictaphone Corporation

The President General presented the names of Wheaton H. Brewer, A. Herbert Foreman, Rear Admiral William Rea Furlong, Stanley S. Gillam, Wallace C. Hall, Charles A. Jones, Allen L. Oliver, and Edgar Williamson, Jr. for confirmation as members of the Executive Committee. On motion, the nominations for the Executive Committee were approved.

It was moved, seconded and carried that authority be delegated to the Executive Committee to conduct the affairs of the National Society of the S.A.R. between meetings of the Board of National Trustees.

In accordance with the resolution adopted by the Sixty-Third Congress, the Treasurer General was authorized to take the necessary steps to transfer \$7,000.00 from the Permanent Fund and apply it on the mortgage loan held by the Riggs National Bank.

The President General was authorized to present the Minute Man Medal to Compatriot Alonzo Newton Benn of Illinois at such time and place as the President General may deem advisable.

The Executive Secretary presented a proposal to print and sell stamps bearing the insignia of the National Society of the S.A.R. at \$1.00 per sheet of seventy stamps.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Secretary be authorized to proceed with the purchase and distribution of the stamps at an estimated cost of approximately \$550.00 for the first \$10,000 sheets.

The President General suggested that consideration be given to a plan for providing S.A.R. dinner plates or demi tasse cups. It was moved, seconded and carried that the plan be adopted, providing it would require no investment on the part of the Society.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the regulations governing the use of the President General's suite at National Headquarters, which were adopted by the Board of Trustees on July 8, 1951, shall continue in effect. (See inside back cover for rules.)

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Secretary be authorized to prepare preprints of the resolutions adopted by the 63rd Congress and distribute the preprints in accordance with the resolutions adopted.

The President General announced the names of the Chairmen of National Committees and stated that the names of the members of the committees, together with those of the chairmen, would be published in the July issue of the Magazine.

The President General announced that the President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the National President of the Children of the American Revolution have accepted appointments as advisory members of the National Committees for the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution, respectively.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a Public Relations Committee be appointed.

At the request of the Executive Secretary, it was moved, seconded and carried that the estimate of \$250.00 for the erection of flag poles at Headquarters be accepted, and the Executive Secretary was authorized to proceed with this matter.

On motion, the invitations for the 1954 Congress were referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

It was moved, seconded and carried that all correspondence and records relating to the possible merger of the Sons of the American Revolution be turned over to the Executive Committee.

On motion, the membership contest dates for the current year were established as April 1, 1953, to March 31, 1954, inclusive.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the President General be authorized to appoint a committee to select an official hymn for the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and to report to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the actions of the Executive Committee prior to June 17th be approved.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Secretary be authorized to send the following telegram to the President of the United States in the name of the National Society:

June 18, 1953

"President Dwight D. Eisenhower
The White House, Washington, D. C.

Attention: Hon. Sherman Adams,
Adm. Asst.

"The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in Congress assembled at Cincinnati, Ohio, is shocked and outraged at the inexcusable delay in the carrying out of the sentences imposed on the Rosenbergs under their conviction as Traitors.

"This Society urges the President to utilize the full power and authority of the Chief Executive to procure an immediate reconvening of the Supreme Court and rehearing in the Rosenberg case, to the end that the sentences may be speedily carried out, and the confidence of the people in the judiciary be thereby restored."

ARTHUR A. DE LA HOUSSAYE
President General

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Board of National Trustees schedule a meeting in the fall of 1953 and the spring of 1954 at National Headquarters in Washington, D. C.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned at 12:25 a.m.

HAROLD L. PUTNAM
Executive Secretary

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE NETHERLAND PLAZA HOTEL, CINCINNATI, OHIO, JUNE 17, 1953

The meeting was called to order by President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye. Those present were: Past Presidents General Allen L. Oliver, A. Herbert Foreman and Wallace C. Hall; Committeemen Wheaton H. Brewer, Stanley S. Gillam and Charles E. Jones and Edgar Williamson, Jr. Also present were: Secretary General Milton M. Lory, Chancellor General John H. Babb and the Executive Secretary.

Consideration was given to the site of the 1954 Annual Congress of the National Society and a motion was passed authorizing the President General and the Executive Secretary to explore other possibilities which might be available during the month of May.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the President General be authorized to ask the Board of Trustees to approve, by mail vote, an increase in the regis-

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VISITORS REGISTERED AT SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS

Allerton, Mrs. E. W. Cleveland, Ohio	Dickinson, Mrs. J. E. Milwaukee, Wisc.	King, Mrs. John E. Indianapolis, Ind.	Shryock, Mrs. Henry Baltimore, Maryland
Anderson, Mrs. Chas. Warren, Ohio	Dickinson, Sarah Milwaukee, Wisc.	King, Mrs. John E. Wheaton, Ill.	Smith, Mrs. R. W. Hattiesburg, Miss.
Austin, Mrs. Henry Washington, D. C.	Dougherty, Mrs. E. F. Johnston, N. Y.	Lambie, Mrs. Wm. K. Clarksburg, W. Va.	Souers, Mrs. Loren Canton, Ohio
Baber, Mrs. E. A. Cincinnati, Ohio	Dwight, Mrs. C. H. Cincinnati, Ohio	Lawson, Mrs. Mabel Seattle, Wash.	Springer, Mrs. W. E. Phoenix, Ariz.
Bailey, Mrs. Lindon Indianapolis, Ind.	Edwards, Mrs. Ray O. Jacksonville, Fla.	Leger, Mrs. P. Falls Church, Va.	Stallworth, Mrs. Hugh W. Nashville, Tenn.
Baucom, Mrs. C. D. Raleigh, N. C.	Eddy, Mrs. Henry Cincinnati, Ohio	Locke, Mrs. John Cincinnati, Ohio	Stem, Mrs. Geo. W. New Orleans, La.
Baucom, Mrs. J. R. Raleigh, N. C.	Feist, Macella Ft. Thomas, Ky.	Lory, Mrs. Milton Sioux City, Iowa	Tarbox, Mrs. George Denver, Colo.
Beck, Mrs. G. C. Cincinnati, Ohio	Findley, Mrs. May Minneapolis, Minn.	Lowmaster, Mrs. F. Grosse Point, Mich.	Taylor, Mrs. Warren M. Cincinnati, Ohio
Bellamy, Mrs. C. C. Norfolk, Va.	Foreman, Mrs. A. H. Norfolk, Va.	Martin, Mrs. Andrew Cleveland, Ohio.	Teeter, Mrs. Paul Berwyn, Ill.
Blodgett, Mrs. Arthur Miami, Fla.	Freed, Mrs. A. P. Connellsville, Penna.	Mercer, Mrs. A. L. Cleveland, Ohio	Tetrick, Mrs. Guy Clarksburg, W. Va.
Booth, Mrs. Robert M. Cincinnati, Ohio	Gaines, Mrs. Price Cincinnati, Ohio	Mersereau, Mrs. Chas. San Francisco, Calif.	Tetrick, Miss Margaret Clarksburg, W. Va.
Bracy, Mrs. Rex Norwalk, Ohio	Garrison, Mrs. James Cincinnati, Ohio	Milligan, Mrs. Edw. Denver, Colo.	Thompson, Mrs. R. W. Dallas, Texas
Brallier, Mrs. J. M. Pittsburgh, Pa.	Gilbert, Mrs. C. Jr. Houston, Texas	Morpurgo, Mrs. Louis Buffalo, N. Y.	Tolin, Mrs. Garnet W. Burlington, Ky.
Breece, Mrs. Chas. Nashville, Indiana	Goodman, Mrs. A. L. Duluth, Minn.	Mullen, Mrs. Hal G. Ridgewood, N. J.	Trimble, Mrs. A. G. Pittsburgh, Penna.
Brown, Mrs. C. D. Toledo, Ohio	Gray, William, Jr. State College, Miss.	Murphy, Mrs. H. S. Roselle, N. J.	Victory, Mrs. John Houston, Texas
Byerly, Mrs. P. H. Falls Church, Va.	Hadsell, Mrs. Harry Cleveland, Ohio	McConoughey, Mrs. Wm. Shaker Heights, Ohio	Waggoner, Mrs. A. Lindsey, Ohio
Cain, Mrs. Cyril E. State College, Miss.	Hall, Mrs. Edw. Shaker Heights, Ohio	McDowell, Mrs. Horace Albuquerque, N. M.	Watson, Mrs. James D. Winder, Ga.
Calhoun, Mrs. T. A. Dayton, Ohio	Hall, Mrs. Wallace Detroit, Mich.	McNeill, Mrs. Robert Washington, D. C.	Wentworth, Mrs. Edw. N. Chicago, Ill.
Carpenter, Mrs. Wm. Tuscaloosa, Ala.	Hannum, Mrs. Frank Jacksonville, Fla.	Nelson, Mrs. H. Jersey City, N. J.	Wentworth, Mrs. W. A. New York, N. Y.
Clark, Mrs. George Indianapolis, Ind.	Holcombe, Mrs. V. E. Charleston, W. Va.	Ncwell, Mrs. Roy Zanesville, Ohio	Whipple, Mrs. Bessie Detroit, Mich.
Coe, Mrs. H. E. Waterbury, Conn.	Holt, Mrs. John Frederick, Maryland	Patterson, Mrs. Geo. Cincinnati, Ohio	White, Mrs. T. R. Cincinnati, Ohio
Cole, Mrs. Redmond S. Tulsa, Okla.	Holsinger, Mrs. Wm. Shaker Heights, Ohio	Powell, Mrs. B. I. Miami, Fla.	Williamson, Mrs. Edgar Newark, N. J.
Cooper, Mrs. Myers Y. Cincinnati, Ohio	Houston, Mrs. S. K. Akron, Ohio	Putnam, Mrs. Harold Washington, D. C.	Woods, Mrs. T. S. Duluth, Minn.
Cost, Mrs. J. W. Pittsburgh, Pa.	Jameson, Mrs. Holder M. Melrose, Mass.	Ridgway, Mrs. Louis Akron, Ohio	Woodbridge, Mrs. F. L. Cincinnati, Ohio
Cox, Mrs. A. New Orleans, La.	Jones, Mrs. C. A. Columbus, Ohio	Roberts, Mrs. Richard Cincinnati, Ohio	Woodring, Mrs. F. K. Clear Water, Fla.
Crosby, Mrs. Ernest Buffalo, New York	Jones, Mrs. L. M. Oklahoma City, Okla.	Sellers, Mrs. Randolph Cincinnati, Ohio	Wormald, Mrs. Wood Jackson, Wyoming
de la Houssaye, Mrs. A. New Orleans, La.	Jordan, Mrs. Edwin H. New Orleans, La.	Shriner, Mrs. C. E. Detroit, Mich.	Wright, Mrs. D. W. Basking Ridge, N. J.

tration fees to \$15.00 for delegates and \$7.50 for visitors and guests, which increase will permit the host society to furnish one or two lunches without additional charge.

On motion, the Executive Secretary was directed to compile all correspondence pertaining to the proposal for a merger with the Sons of the Revolution.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Secretary to take the nec-

essary measures to change the signature cards with the banks with which the funds of the Society are deposited.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the Executive Secretary to make the changes of names on the fidelity bond, to include the newly elected officers.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Executive Secretary be authorized to establish rules governing the use of records of the Society by members

and non-members.

A rising vote of appreciation was accorded Mrs. Harold L. Putnam for the services she has rendered the National Society during the past year.

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
HAROLD L. PUTNAM
Executive Secretary

MEMORIALS TO PAST PRESIDENTS GENERAL LOUIS ANNIN AMES AND SMITH L. MULTER

Memorial Tribute to Past President General Louis Annin Ames, by Past President General Allen L. Oliver

This is Flag Day—the 176th anniversary of the adoption by the Congress on July 14th, 1776 of our national flag. The subject of my brief sketch made more flags than any one in the United States. How fitting it is that on this day, at this memorial service, we pay tribute to Colonel Louis Annin Ames.

In the small community where I live there lives my friend, Dr. A. C. Magill, for thirty years head of the Science Department of the Missouri State College there. He recently made the statement that the greatest discovery in the history of the world was the discovery of the open tomb on that first Easter Morning, nineteen hundred and fifty-three years ago. The Christian world looks forward to a resurrection morning when tombs will open and the spirits of friends and loved ones will reunite.

Among those present on that great day will be the spirit of our departed leader, Colonel Louis Annin Ames.

Within my limited knowledge, I have known of no person who has made a deeper impress upon the work and the character of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution than Colonel Louis Annin Ames of New York. President General in the year 1918, he served on the Executive Committee for a longer period than any compatriot in the history of our Society.

His was the intimate, detailed and personal knowledge of men and of affairs. He had broad experience, an analytical mind, a pleasant personality, a determination to succeed, a vision of the possibilities of cooperative effort, a deep respect for the sacrifice of our forefathers in the founding of our country, a patriotic zeal, a quiet and judicial temperament, a sense of humor, and a host of friends. He was a patriot, an executive, a manufacturer, a realtor, a churchman, a man among men, and yet a man who found time to serve as counsel for boy scouts, a member of a service club, Kiwanis, membership in numerous clubs, social and otherwise, and a man who loved his home and those in it.

Born on the island of St. Helena, South Carolina, September 5, 1866, he

lived to the ripe age of four score years and six.

Among patriotic organizations, he was a natural—a born and a cultivated leader. In the management of the organizations in which he was active he was never dictatorial, but usually managed to have his way, modified, however, by the views of others, which views he was always ready to hear and consider. The National Society, Sons of the American Revolution owes a great debt to Colonel Louis Annin Ames as does the Empire State Society of which he was so long an active member.

May I add this personal word. It was not until 1938 that it was my privilege to know Colonel Louis Annin Ames. I met him on the train enroute to the Congress at Dallas, Texas. Our views on some matters coming before the Congress were diametrically opposed. We each expressed our views directly and frankly, but always courteously. In that Congress he won and I lost. But we formed a friendship that will never die. He was very good to me, generous beyond my deserts. He had a great deal of influence over me and my work in the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution. We sometimes disagreed, but we never quarreled. We usually agreed. I respected him, I admired him, I formed a very deep affection for him. I am sure that thousands of others among us held him in high esteem and revere his memory.

Memorial Tribute to Past President General Smith L. Multer by Edgar Williamson, Jr., Secretary General of the National Society

WHEREAS, Smith Lewis Multer, Past President General of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution has passed away since our last annual Congress, it is fitting for us, his cherished Society, to memorialize his long and unusual life in our Society and in the walks of life in which he trod, and spread these remarks upon our minutes and send an enscrolled copy thereof to the surviving members of his family.

Past President General Multer was born in Worcester, Otsego County, New York, the son of Madison H. and Hannah Smith Multer upon the 18th day of July, 1874.

Compatriot Multer at an early age came to New Jersey and resided in the City of East Orange and soon associated himself with the Munn Avenue Presbyterian Church, in East Orange, where he rapidly arose to the dignity of presiding Elder, which position he held for many a year.

Mr. Multer, during all of this period was a fearless and active participant in civic affairs in his community. For the record, it might be well to state that he was a graduate of Brown University and New York University Law School. He was a member of the Bar of the State of New York.

Among other notable positions held by Compatriot Multer was that of general counsel for the Interborough Rapid Transit, New York.

Compatriot Multer first entered the New Jersey Society, Sons of the American Revolution by joining the Orange Chapter on March 31, 1931, listing as his qualifying ancestor, Lodewick Becker, a member of the Colonial Militia in New York.

Compatriot Multer held many offices in the Orange Chapter and rapidly advanced to the office of President, and after was elected Chancellor of the New Jersey Society. In April, 1941 he was elected President of the New Jersey Society and served until April, 1943. After two terms as President of the New Jersey Society, he was elected Chancellor of the National Society and was chosen in 1943 as President General of the National Society, and served three successive terms during the war years until 1945.

Toward the end after retiring as President General, he changed his residence to Florida where he was affiliated with the local Chapter in St. Petersburg and served as the Chaplain, also continuing his memberships in the Orange Chapter and New Jersey Society.

Compatriot Multer made his last visit to the New Jersey Society Headquarters May 27, 1952, and proceeded to Boston where he was taken ill and died on July 16, 1952. He was buried in New York State at Worcester, his birthplace and on his 78th birthday, at which time an appropriate delegation of the National Society, New Jersey Society, and the Empire State Society attended the services.

NEWS FROM OUR STATE SOCIETIES

Due, no doubt, to the preoccupation of many of our state societies with matters concerning the Sixty-Third Annual Congress, there is a dearth of news of activities for this issue of the Magazine. This is understandable and we hope that there will be more news forthcoming for the October issue. Just as reminder to those charged with the responsibility for furnishing news for this section of the Magazine, we repeat that the deadline for such material is September 15. The cooperation of those correspondents will be sincerely appreciated. If your state is not mentioned in this issue please see that a summary of activities is sent to the Editor for the next one.

Connecticut

The annual meeting of the Connecticut Society was held in the Community Room of the Rathbun Free Memorial Library, East Haddam at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 6. The annual meeting was preceded by a special meeting of the State Board of Managers at 11:30 a.m. Members in attendance brought lunches and the State Society furnished ice cream, coffee, sugar and cream. A report of progress on the project to obtain official designation of the new Route Number 6 bridge over the Housatanic River at Southbury as the "Rochambeau Bridge" states that the measure has been passed by both Houses of the Legislature. Compatriot Raymond H. Miller, of Waterbury, was appointed by Governor Lodge to represent Connecticut, at Mount Vernon, Virginia when a distinguished international group met to prepare plans for marking the route traveled by le Comte de Rochambeau and for a celebration when the task is completed. Ceremonies at the graves of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence will be held on July Fourth in New Haven for Roger Sherman, Lebanon for William Williams, Norwich for Samuel Huntington and Litchfield for Oliver Wolcott. Compatriot Harry F. Morse is endeavoring to interest other states where any of the 38 signers are buried.

Society in France

The Society in France met on April 22, 1953 at the home of the Duc de Broglie in Paris. Those in attendance were: Le General Comte de Cham-

brun, President; Vicomte Charles Benoist d'Azy, Vice President; Comte Victor de Pange, Secretary-Treasurer; Baren Le Vert, Archivist; and eighteen members of the Society, including four members of the Executive Committee. After approval of the minutes of the last meeting, the Secretary reported with regret, the death of Honorary President Comte Charles de Chambrun. The Secretary, Comte de Pange, gave an account of his visit to the United States in 1952 and described the National Headquarters in Washington, D. C. The members present voted unanimously to express appreciation to the National Society for mailing the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine to all of the members of the Society in France. The coming visit of President General (now Past President General) Ray O. Edwards to Paris was announced and the Society in France planned to organize a reception in his honor.

Idaho

Members of the Idaho Society S.A.R. and of the D.A.R., are cooperating in the project to erect a monument at the

site of the grave of John Day, Revolutionary soldier. This is believed to be the only grave of a Revolutionary soldier in the state and possibly in the entire Rocky Mountain area. Letters have been sent to each of the societies in the thirteen original states, requesting a contribution in the form of a native stone of the state. It is planned to set the thirteen stones in a circle on the face of the monument and place the official grave marker of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in the center with a suitably worded plaque. Plans provide for the dedication to be made on July 4.

Illinois

The Flag Day Dinner was held June 12 at 314 S. Federal Street, in Chicago. The speaker was Mr. O. A. Smith who spoke on "Civilians and Atomic Warfare." His message was timely and informative and those in attendance were well repaid for the effort they made to be present. More than 20 High Schools participated in the Society's Historical Contest with the contestants using

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A group of the members of the Alaska Society assembled at the Forest Park County Club, Anchorage, where plans for the future activities of the newly organized society were discussed. Those present were: back row, left to right; D. T. McMahon, Palmer; Robert J. Claypool, Marshall R. Lovett, Jr., Marshall C. Hoppin and A. Letcher Seamands, of Anchorage. Front row, left to right; William W. Elliott, Jr., Palmer; Seely V. Hall, Jr., John L. Seamands, II, and Louis E. Graner of Anchorage.

American History of the Revolutionary War Period as the basis for their orations. The Society recorded a net gain of 45 for the year ending March 31, and the two champions as far as new members is concerned were Compatriots Alonzo N. Benn and John H. Babb. Members of the Illinois Society are kept informed of the activities of the Society through the medium of a News Letter issued at frequent intervals.

Iowa

The annual meeting of the Society was held April 18, at Ames, and according to "The Old Continental" the bulletin of the Iowa Society the members in Ames staged a royal welcome for their Compatriots from other parts of the state. The newly elected President, Charles E. Zink, issued a statement calling for increased efforts to enroll new members in the Society. He urged every member to get at least one new member during the year and forcefully stressed the fact that the passage of time had taken its toll on the ranks of the membership. It was also announced that the Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Crow would be on the job all summer to accept dues and handle new applications. Plans for new chapters are under way. The first contributions to the endowment fund have been received and it is hoped that more will be forthcoming.

Kansas

Presentation of the R.O.T.C. medal to Cadet Lt. Col. Melvin G. Villeme, of Washburn University Air Force R.O.T.C. unit was made on Tuesday May 4, on behalf of the Kansas Society S.A.R., by Compatriot Ambrose Deatrick, Chairman of the Medals Award Committee. The medal was presented for "leadership, soldierly bearing and excellence in the military field." Also present from the Kansas Society was Compatriot Arthur J. Carruth, a past President of the Kansas Society.

Maryland

The annual meeting of the Maryland Society was held in the Sheraton-Belvedere in Baltimore on Monday evening, April 20, 1953. This meeting also celebrated the anniversary, April 19th, of the Battle of Lexington.

Reports of officers of the Society were read to the fifty-eight members present, then followed the election of officers for the ensuing year. The reports indicated that, although there were numerous changes in membership, the net change was zero; there being 386 members at the beginning and end of the year.

The President, Mr. Chase Ridgely, presided throughout the business meeting and then called upon the Program Chairman, Commodore Myron W. Hutchinson, USN (ret.), to introduce the speaker, Colonel W. N. D'Ettore, U.S.A.F. Colonel D'Ettore, a member of the Air Force Research and Development Command with headquarters in Baltimore, spoke on "Development in Air Force Research," and afterwards presented a motion picture with sound of an atomic explosion.

After the speech the new President, Mr. Henry P. Hopkins, was sworn into office in an impressive ceremony. The meeting then adjourned for a social hour and buffet supper.

The officers elected at this meeting and who will serve during the following year are:

President, Henry Powell Hopkins
First Vice-President, Henry S. Shryock
Second Vice-President, Duane Ridgely
Rice

Third Vice-President, Myron W. Hutchinson, Commodore, USN (ret.)

Trustee of National Society, George S. Robertson

Secretary, George S. Robertson

Treasurer, Robert Minot Richmond

Registrar, James Graham Marston, M.D.

Historian, Oliver B. Wight

Chaplain, Rev. Edgar Cordell Powers, D.D.

Michigan

Eight Grand Rapids eighth grade students, winners of the annual Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizenship medals, were honored by members of the Kent Chapter, at a luncheon Friday, June 12 in the Wolverine Room of the Rowe Hotel. Maurice R. Quick, chapter President, congratulated the recipients who were chosen for the honor on the basis of good citizenship by their classmates in the city's eight public junior high schools. Special guests at the event were the parents and teachers of the students. Those receiving the Good Citizenship medals and certificates were: Wayne H. Beld, Norma Rutkoskey, Terry Schurr, Kenneth Clare, Elaine Houston, John Winter, James Ahmed and Joanne Hoffman.

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Presentation of facsimiles of the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights to the Idaho Falls High School and to the O. E. Bell Junior High School, was made jointly by the Idaho Society and the Eagle Rock Chapter on April 13, Jefferson's Birthday. Left to right: Edwin R. Holden, president of Eagle Rock Chapter No. 3; Mayor E. W. Fanning, of Idaho Falls; Nickie Backstrom, vice president of Idaho Falls High School student body and J. R. Gobble, president of Idaho Society S.A.R.

STATE NEWS—Continued

New Jersey

On Saturday, June 27, the 175th Anniversary of the Battle of Monmouth was celebrated at Freehold, New Jersey. The New Jersey Society S.A.R. was given the honor of leading the parade which was sponsored by the Monmouth Historical Society. The Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Marine and National Guard units participated together with floats and bands from many parts of the state. A special pilgrimage to Ringwood Manor was made by members of the Montclair Chapter on June 7, to attend the services for the unveiling of the bronze tablet in honor of General Robert Erskine, who served as Surveyor to the Continental Armies. Vice President General Dr. Herschel S. Murphy, and Secretary General Edgar Williamson, Jr., represented the National Society S.A.R. State President Harvey B. Nelson presided and an excellent address was given by Compatriot D. Stanton Hammond, Chairman of the Committee on monuments and memorials, and President of the Passaic County Historical Society.

Empire State

Friday afternoon, May 29, an official bronze marker of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, issued in recognition of military services performed during the Revolutionary War was placed at the grave of Robert Creighton in the Old Hebron cemetery, by the Syracuse Chapter S.A.R. He served as a private in Captain Charles Hutchinson's company of the Charlotte County militia, commanded by Col. John Williams of Salem. Three descendants of the patriot, Kermit White of West Hebron, Joseph H. Schaefer and Mrs. Benjamin F. Ladd of Salem were present at the installation.

Members of the Binghamton Chapter, including President Walter V. Irving, Chaplain Carl H. Elliott, Past President Lester R. Mosher and Roger C. Underhill, Chairman Placement Committee participated in the ceremonies in Remembrance of the Veterans of the American Revolution at the Spring Forest Cemetery July Fourth. Units of the American Legion and members of the General Memorial Day

Committee of Broome County also participated in the program which included the placing of markers on the graves of Revolutionary Soldiers. Those honored were: David Chamberlain, Robert Corbett, Sylvanus Finch, Andrew Hauver, Jesse Hinds, Joseph Leonard, Gaius Morgan, Ebenezer Park, Elias Pratt, Winthrop Roe, John Rose, William Rose, John Sawtelle, Selah Squires, and Joshua Whitney.

North Carolina

The Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Society was held in the Mecklenburg Hotel, Charlotte, on Saturday, May 9th at 3:30 p.m. with President Carson D. Baucom presiding.

Reports by officers of the State Society were presented and discussed. Most of the reports emphasized the importance of ways and means of interesting new members and developing programs which will maintain the interest of the present membership.

President General Ray O. Edwards was introduced and he offered some suggestions regarding the problems under discussion. He specifically urged that efforts be made to enlist the cooperation of the Daughters of the American Revolution and assured the members that such cooperation would be forthcoming if it was requested.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented and the following officers were elected for the current year: President, W. Oliver Smith of Raleigh; First Vice President, Jeffery E. Stanback of Mt. Gilead; Second Vice President, Thomas J. Holton of Charlotte; Genealogist, Edwin S. Yarbrough of Durham; Historian, Burnham S. Colburn of Biltmore; Chaplain, Dr. Charles E. Maddrey of Hillsboro; Secretary-Treasurer-Registrar, Travis B. Callum of Raleigh; and James E. Henderson of Canton was nominated for National Trustee.

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A memorial to "The Forgotten General" Robert Erskine, was unveiled June 7, by members of the Montclair Chapter S.A.R. at Ringwood Manor, N. J.

Following the business session, the members enjoyed a Banquet at which the President General was the principal speaker.

Ohio

One of the factors which has played an important part in the growth in membership experienced by the Ohio Society during the past two years is the Bulletin of the Society. It reviews the activities of the Chapters and informs the members of coming events. Compatriots in Ohio were kept fully informed of the progress made in perfecting the plans for the Sixty-Third Congress, held in Cincinnati and as a result the "host" Society was represented by an impressive delegation. Credit for the excellence of the Bulletin is due Secretary-Treasurer Charles A. Jones who serves as Editor. He has just assumed a new responsibility in the National Society, having been named as a member of the Executive Committee.

Oregon

The Annual Meeting of the Oregon Society was held Friday April 24 at the University Club, Portland. The speaker of the evening was Compatriot Sprague, former Governor of the state, and more

recently alternate delegate of the United States to the United Nations. His address explained the inner workings and deliberations of the United Nations organization. Dr. Burt Brown Barker was elected President and Harry J. Beeman was re-elected Secretary-Registrar.

Pennsylvania

Fifty Good Citizenship medals were presented to the Honor Pupils of the Pittsburgh Public Schools on Friday June 12 at 10 a.m. in the Frick School by the Pittsburgh Chapter. Reverend Walter Moser, D.D., Chaplain of the Chapter made an appropriate address, the Invocation was given by Reverend Kenneth R. Waldron, Associate Chaplain and the medals were presented by Chapter President James L. Taylor, Jr. The annual Flag Day observance was held on June 11, at the Sheraton Hotel. Honorable John Drew, Judge of Common Pleas Court was the speaker at the luncheon meeting. His topic was "Justice Under The American Flag." The R.O.T.C. medal was awarded to Cadet James V. Alster of the Department of Air Science and Tactics of the University of Pittsburgh, May 1, the presentation being made by President Taylor of the Pittsburgh Chapter.

The Pennsylvania S.A.R. News reviews the activities of the Chapters in the state; serves as a splendid medium through which contact is maintained with the members.

Texas

The Annual Meeting of the Texas Society was held on May 8 and 9 at the Gunter Hotel in San Antonio. The two day meeting was devoted to reports by officers and committee chairmen, transaction of business and the election of officers for the current year. Contributions for prizes to the contestants in the State Oratorical Contest were made by Compatriots Clifford Jones, George Walker, Charles B. Zuber and W. P. Soash. The Oratorical Contest was featured event of the Saturday morning session. The State Society presented seventeen R.O.T.C. medals to cadets at the Texas A.&M. College on May 10, in accordance with the established custom.

Don't forget!! September 15 is the dead-line for the October Magazine. Please send news early!



Officers and members of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society in attendance at Penn-Alto Hotel, Altoona, meeting. Left to right, seated; Morris W. Hazel, vice president; Fred Schenk; A. G. Trimble, registrar; James L. Taylor, Jr., president of Pittsburgh Chapter; Richard Blough, president of Cambria County Chapter; and Gene Davidson. First row, standing; Dr. Lewis E. Theiss, historian; Dr. Gerald Groskin; Dr. G. H. Miles; E. M. Schroeder, vice president; and Edwin B. Graham, secretary-treasurer. Second row, standing; Floyd G. Hoenstine, president of Blair County Chapter; James Mathers, secretary of Blair County Chapter; Dr. H. R. Decker, vice president and Richard P. South, president of the Pennsylvania Society.

NORTH DAKOTA SOCIETY REACTIVATED

By MILTON M. LORY
Vice-President General
North Mississippi District

Great news is coming out of North Dakota these days. An oil boom of tremendous proportions in the fabulous Williston Basin, increased real estate activity, excellent prospects for another bumper wheat crop, a growing population and good business: these are some of the bits of good news you hear. But to members of the SAR, for the moment, the big news is the reactivation of the North Dakota Society.

May the second was the day. The place was Fargo—in the attractive East Room of the Gardner Hotel. From near and far in that state of long distances—came loyal, SAR and their wives to participate in reorganization, a luncheon that was almost a banquet. The long and wide table was almost filled when the meeting was called to order after those present were seated. I was extremely grateful for the good response to the invitations mailed. Mrs.

Lory and I had journeyed to Fargo with some doubt as to whether the long trip would be worth while.

Much credit for the success of this reactivation must go to compatriot W. E. Davenport, head of the department of marketing at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks. His splendid cooperation with me from the beginning of negotiations and his unswerving devotion to the cause was outstanding. While he credits me with much of the success I assure you he deserves the greatest share of praise. Almost countless letters were exchanged before the date, the place and an assured attendance was confirmed. Of course there were others who helped but Prof. Davenport spearheaded the movement in North Dakota. He did not go unrewarded, however, for he was named president of the state Society.

The last report of North Dakota to the National Society was made in 1949. The Society was, in effect, non-existent and was subject to suspension. I made a plea, however, at the Houston Congress, that suspension be deferred until I was given an opportunity to try for a reactivation. This was granted. I went to work with the results indicated.

All of the old records, some musty with age, of the North Dakota Society had been gathered together and were laid upon the table before the assembled compatriots. The records of some 260 fine men were there, many of whom have answered the final Roll Call. But their records are available for their sons and grandsons who later may desire membership. The new Registrar, Dr. E. R. Brownson of Mayville now has this invaluable material in his possession.

The following are the new officers:

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Newly elected officers of the reactivated North Dakota Society with wives of officers and members present at the meeting held in the Gardner Hotel, Fargo, May 2, 1953. Seated, left to right: Mrs. M. E. McCurdy, Washburn; Mrs. O. A. Stevens, Fargo; Mrs. Milton M. Lory, Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. N. B. Knapp, Grand Forks; and Mrs. W. E. Davenport, Grand Forks. Standing, H. L. Chaffee, third vice president, Bismarck; M. E. McCurdy, national trustee, Washburn; Eldon Lum, chaplain, Wahpeton; O. A. Stevens, Fargo; N. B. Knapp, Secretary-Treasurer, Fargo; W. B. Shotwell, Fargo; Fred A. Irish, second vice president, Fargo Milton M. Lory, vice president general, Sioux City, Iowa; B. E. Groom, Historian, Grand Forks, and W. E. Davenport, president, Grand Forks.

NORTH DAKOTA SOCIETY REACTIVATED

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Committee on Correspondence—A. O.
Stevens and W. B. Shotwell, Fargo

Excellent publicity was given the meeting with the *Fargo Forum* displaying a three column picture. The Associated Press carried the story of the reactivation throughout the Northwest where it appeared in many papers. The *Sioux City Journal* gave it front page space in the next day's Sunday paper. Three days after the historic meeting, Compatriot McCurdy from his home in Washburn, 225 miles distant, had in the mails, a mimeographed bulletin to all members, giving details of the reactivation and other pertinent news. It was a fine accomplishment and should be of great help to the Society.

North Dakota now starts out with about forty members. The zeal expressed at the Fargo meeting was expressed by unanimous opinion of those present that fifty additions will be made within the year. The good women present entered whole-heartedly into the spirit of the occasion and spurred the men on to greater activity. Ten new members, relatives, were pledged by women present who are DAR.

A finer or more patriotic group of people have never been assembled than those participating in the reactivating meeting. They were aware of the dangers facing our country and were there to try to do something about it. The singleness of purpose, that of making a success of the SAR in North Dakota, was most apparent and very inspiring to me. It was good for me. It did something to me. After the meeting I drove out into the night heading for my home in Sioux City, Iowa, 400 miles to the south, a better Son of the American Revolution for having been to Fargo.

NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S MEMO PAD

Now that the Sixty-Third Annual Congress is a matter of history, we can turn our attention back to less exciting but equally important affairs of our Society.

The failure of the Congress to take

favorable action on the proposal to authorize the sale of the gold enamel lapel pin prevents its sale for general use by our members. The rule is still in effect which reserves this pin for use as an award for membership achievement.

The newly appointed chairman of the Organization Committee, Compatriot Edgar Williamson, Jr., is preparing plans for the membership campaign which will be announced in the immediate future. The plan under consideration contemplates the use of a monthly bulletin which will be sent to all State and Chapter organizations and will list the standing of each state each month. Meanwhile, every member is urged to

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Vice President General Lewis Addington Smith, presented the R.O.T.C. medal to Midshipman Richard K. Halverson, Naval R.O.T.C. Unit, University of Washington. The medal is awarded annually by the Washington Society S.A.R. (Official U. S. Navy Photograph)

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State Secretaries, Registrars and Treasurers are urged to use the yellow "Transmittal Forms" when sending in applications, supplementals and reinstatements. The use of the form eliminates the necessity for writing letters and should be of real assistance to those officers who have the responsibility of handling so much paper work. These forms are furnished by National Headquarters without charge and may be obtained upon receipt of request.

There is an ample supply of rosettes on hand at Headquarters. The long delayed shipments from France have arrived and orders will be filled promptly.

The many favorable comments received following the printing of the price list in the magazine indicate that it is a convenience for State and Chapter Officers. The price list of supplies will be continued as a regular feature of the magazine.

It was pleasant to see so many of our friends at the Sixty-Third Annual Congress. Our one regret is that the demands on our time were such that we had no opportunity to exchange more than brief greetings, and by the time the final details were completed in connection with the Congress, we found that everyone had departed.

The prospects for the current year are most promising and we believe that the reports which will be presented in 1954 will reveal substantial progress.

Fraternally yours,
HAROLD L. PUTNAM

SUMMARY OF THE MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF NATIONAL TRUSTEES HELD JUNE 16, 1953

The President General called a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees, to act on recommendations which were presented.

A proposal to award the gold Constructive Citizenship Medal and Certificate to Mrs. James B. Patton, Honorary President General of the National Society D.A.R., was approved.

Proposals to award the Minute Man Medal to Compatriot S. Denmead Kolb,

Chairman of Committee for Observance of Constitution Day, and to award the Minute Man Medal to Compatriot Randolph F. Sellers, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for the Sixty-Third Congress were approved.

Past President General Allen L. Oliver, reported that the proposal regarding the LaFayette Baton had been withdrawn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.



William J. Grede (left, seated) president of Grede Foundries, Inc., was awarded the gold Good Citizenship medal and certificate of the Sons of the American Revolution by the Wisconsin Society. Henry C. Fuller, Sr., president (seated right) made the presentation which was witnessed by (standing left to right) Franklin S. Hubbard, chairman of the award committee; John E. Dickinson, national trustee and Read E. Widrig former national trustee. The ceremony was held at the University Club, Milwaukee, Monday evening May 4, 1953. (Milwaukee Sentinel Photo)

NEW MEMBERS BY STATE SOCIETIES

There have been enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from March 1, 1953, to June 1, 1953, 437 New Members, distributed as follows:

Alabama, 14; Arizona, 4; Arkansas 1; California, 22; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 13; Delaware, 1; District of Columbia, 9; Florida, 43; Georgia, 13; Hawaii, 4; Idaho, 7; Illinois, 12; Indiana, 6; Iowa, 5; Kansas, 5; Kentucky, 1; Louisiana, 8; Maine, 2; Maryland, 12; Massachusetts, 11; Michigan, 17; Minnesota, 5; Mississippi, 12; Missouri, 2; Nebraska, 2; New Hampshire, 3; New Jersey, 21; New Mexico, 4; Empire State, 32; North Carolina, 2; Ohio, 33; Oklahoma, 1; Oregon, 4; Pennsylvania, 24; Rhode Island, 2; South Carolina, 6; Tennessee, 1; Texas, 15; Utah, 2; Virginia, 35; Washington State, 10; West Virginia, 5; Wisconsin, 2; Wyoming, 2.

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The newly-elected Chiefs of the Cherokee Indians, Chief Fine Eagle (Governor John S. Fine, of Pennsylvania, left) and Chief Red Lion (Past President General John Welch Finger, center) receive instructions in their duties from Chief Osley Bird Saunooke, Head Chief of the Cherokees at the ceremony held on the reservation in North Carolina on Inauguration Day, April 30.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONGRESS OF THE
NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AT
CINCINNATI, OHIO, JUNE 17, 1953

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING
CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING
COMMITTEES**

WHEREAS, the NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION has continually endeavored to be a bulwark against Communism and all other subversive activities in this Nation, and,

WHEREAS, the introduction of legislation to curb these destructive subversive influences, together with the investigation and public exposure of Communists and subversives has been mandated by the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution for many years, and,

WHEREAS, members of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution have become increasingly concerned over the vicious barrage of criticism directed against the Congressional committees investigating various aspects of communist activity in American life and these attacks make it clear that there is under way a deliberate and intensive campaign of smear and intimidation designed to hamper the work of the investigating committees; and

WHEREAS, it is our belief that the majority of these attacks arise from sources which serve the cause of communism. Whether knowingly or not, some of the most abusive attacks have come from persons whose tragedy is not that they are communists, but that they do not understand the true nature of communism. No man or woman can be a communist or a pro-communist and a loyal American at one and the same time. To support communism is to support treason, and THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION do not believe that traitors should be accorded deferential treatment under any circumstances.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, commends the splendid efforts of Congressional committees, investigating communist and subversive activities, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the members of the appropriate committees in the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING
LIMITATION OF TREATY-MAKING
POWERS**

WHEREAS, those who wish to alter our form of Government are ever diligent in seeking new weapons for accomplishing their purpose, and

WHEREAS, the treaty power of the government under our Constitution has lately been utilized in efforts to effect changes that could not be otherwise accomplished, and

WHEREAS, we deem this misuse and subversion of treaty powers one of the most dangerous threats to the American system, and

WHEREAS, there are pending before the Congress, several proposals to amend the Constitution of the United States— notably S. J. Res. 1—submitted by Senator John W. Bricker and over 60 others; and S. J. Res. 43 proposed by the American Bar Association, and

WHEREAS, both of these proposals have great merit, THE NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, recommends that these proposed amendments be reconciled and consolidated into one proposed amendment which will embody the features of the American Bar proposal providing that a treaty shall become effective as Internal Law in the United States only through legislation by Congress which it could enact under its delegated powers in the absence of such treaty

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, THE NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, transmit this resolution to all United States senators and all Congressman urging every United States Senator and every Congressman to use every proper effort to secure the prompt submission to the several states of such Constitutional Amendment for ratification, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NATIONAL SOCIETY transmit copies of this resolution to every state society of the NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION and request the state societies to supplement

the power and effectiveness of this resolution by urging the United States senators and congressmen of their individual and respective states to firmly support and enact this necessary legislation for the continual preservation of our national sovereignty under the supreme law of our land, the Constitution of the United States of America.

**RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL OF
S. 694, REGULATIONS FOR
DISPLAY OF THE U. S. FLAG**

BE IT RESOLVED that S.694 "a bill to prohibit the display of flags of international organizations or other nations in equal or superior prominence or honor to the flag of the United States except under specified circumstances, and for other purpose", now pending in the Congress of the United States be, and hereby is, approved; and that a copy hereby be sent to the appropriate committees in the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States.

**RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING
OPPOSITION TO WORLD
GOVERNMENT**

RESOLVED: That the Sons of the American Revolution reaffirm their stand against "world government" or any other limitation on our national sovereignty.

**RESOLUTION OF GOOD WISHES TO
COMPATRIOT SENATOR ROBERT A.
TAFT**

WHEREAS it has come to our knowledge that our esteemed Compatriot, Honorable Robert A. Taft, United States Senator from Ohio, has been forced to forego his accustomed active public service and to spend some time in a hospital,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the delegates to the National Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution now in session at Cincinnati, Ohio, do hereby extend to him our best wishes and our sincere hope for his speedy and permanent recovery.

**RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
TO STATE LEGISLATURES**

WHEREAS, the Congress and the legislatures of several states have at the instance of the Sons of the American Revolution and others, sought by investigations to acquaint our people with the dangers which threaten our way of life,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we commend the work done and urge that such committees leave no step unturned to expose all enemies within our gates.

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING FEDERAL
AID TO EDUCATION AND
SOCIALIZED MEDICINE**

RESOLVED THAT in accordance with previous commitments made, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution reaffirm our opposition to Federal Aid to Education, to Socialized Medicine and to Compulsory Health Insurance.

**RESOLUTION ON OBSERVANCE OF
CONSTITUTION DAY**

WHEREAS, September 17, 1953 will be the 166th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sons of the American Revolution and other Americans are urged to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies as Constitution day.

**RESOLUTION REGARDING PUBLIC
SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, the Nation's Educational Process is the very taproot of our form of Government, and any subversion therein is the most cowardly and lawless stratagem of the enemies thereof, and

WHEREAS, it is the lawful right of every boy and girl in American Public Education to be taught the true history and government of the United States, and of the several states, positively, (and not by negation) so as to inculcate understanding, patriotism and loyalty to the Constitution of the United States, and

WHEREAS the differences between the American way of life and a way of life offered by Communism or Scientific Socialism lies in the fact that under our way of life the freedom of the individual is guaranteed, whereas under the other system the individual is guaranteed nothing but the right to work when, where and at whatever task an autocratic government may prescribe.

WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States of America provides the only lawful means of change in, or amendment thereof, any effort by teaching in the Public Schools, or the use of textbooks to work upon the minds of

Children to indoctrinate them with the idea of World Government of Communism, or Socialism, violates the specific means of change or amendment provided in the Constitution of the United States, and is subversive;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That we respectfully propose that the Congress of the United States and the Legislatures of the several States do all things necessary to expose to the American Public all subversion within the Nation's Educational Process, including the teaching in Public Schools of change in our form of Government by unlawful means, and that proper legislation be enacted by the Congress and the Legislatures of the several States, so as to insure the teaching of the true History and Government of the United States and the several States, so as to inculcate understanding, patriotism and loyalty to the Constitution of the United States of America.

We beseech all American Citizens to bring to bear every reasonable and lawful means, including resort to the Courts to up-root subversion, including all teaching in the Public Schools of change, by unlawful means, in our form of Government.

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING D.A.R.
AND C.A.R.**

RESOLVED: Fully realizing that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty" we sincerely commend the splendid patriotic work of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Children of the American Revolution in connection with safeguarding the great principles for which our ancestors fought.

**RESOLUTION DEFINING
RELATIONSHIP WITH PATRIOTIC
EDUCATION, INC.**

RESOLVED THAT: Misconception having arisen among our members as to what connections there may be between the Sons of the American Revolution and Patriotic Education, Inc., the Sons of the American Revolution goes on record as informing our members that the Sons of the American Revolution and Patriotic Education, Inc. are two separate and distinct organizations, but we reaffirm our approval of the aims and purposes of Patriotic Education, Inc., as we do the aims and purposes of all really patriotic organizations.

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING IDAHO
S.A.R. AND D.A.R. FOR MARKING
GRAVE OF REVOLUTIONARY
SOLDIER**

RESOLVED: That we commend the Idaho societies of the Sons of The Ameri-

can Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution for their efforts in connection with appropriately marking the grave of John Day, the Revolutionary soldier who died in what is now the state of Idaho in the year 1820; and we request the co-operation of the other state societies in providing an appropriate ceremony in connection with the dedication of the monument at the grave on July 4th next.

**RESOLUTION RE MERGER OF THE
GENERAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF
THE REVOLUTION WITH THE NATIONAL
SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

WHEREAS, an organization known as Sons of the Revolution was organized with fundamentally the same objectives and purposes as the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, overtures have been made on a very high plane by the Sons of the Revolution to merge with The Sons of the American Revolution and unite our joint efforts in the best interest of our beloved country, realizing that in unity there is strength;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixty-third Congress of The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that it hereby openly expresses its strongest desire to effect a union and merger with Sons of the Revolution, and to that end does hereby authorize and direct its President General to appoint a committee of not more than nine, and not less than five, members, of which the President General shall be ex-officio a member, and at least two other members to be Past Presidents General, to confer with the general officers of the Sons of the Revolution to formulate a merger and union, and when mutually agreed upon, shall become effective and binding on the Sons of the American Revolution when approved by a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees at any regular or special meeting thereafter held, or by a majority vote of said Board of Trustees after being polled by mail.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be immediately forwarded by the President General, elected at this Congress, to the President General of the Sons of the Revolution.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
STORAGE OF MICROFILMS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in annual Congress duly assembled at Cincinnati of this 17th day of June, 1953, that the Executive Secretary be and hereby is authorized and directed to make all necessary arrangements for and deposit

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the microfilm negatives of our genealogical records in a safe and fire proof and so far as can be determined, bomb proof vault outside of Washington and preferably in some Midwestern city and also preferably away from the great industrial centers, the purpose being to preserve our records for posterity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Executive Secretary consult and work with the President General elected at this Congress and the Executive Committee appointed at this Congress, in the selection of the site and the making of arrangements for the transportation of and depositing said microfilms in said safe storage.

RESOLUTION APPROVING USE OF PERMANENT FUND

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee has heretofore recommended that the permanent fund be diminished by \$7000.00 and that same be used and applied to reduce the mortgage loan on the building of the National Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has approved the recommendation of the Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, the said action of the Executive Committee and the Board of Trustees cannot be effective until ratified by a three-fourths vote of the delegates present at an annual or special Congress; and

WHEREAS, this Congress desires to ratify said action,

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Executive Committee and the approval of the Trustees to diminish the permanent fund by \$7000.00 by using and applying same to reduce the mortgage loan on the building of the National Headquarters is hereby ratified.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO COMPATRIOT RANDOLPH F. SELLERS AND CINCINNATI CHAPTER, S. A. R.

RESOLVED: that each and every Compatriot and guest at the Sixty-third National Congress of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, wishes to express sincere appreciation to the Cincinnati Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and particularly to Chairman Randolph F. Sellers and to all those who have assisted him, for the splendid program planned and executed so smoothly in our behalf.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO THE PRESIDENT GENERAL, GENERAL OFFICERS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

RESOLVED: That each and every Compatriot and guest at the 63rd National Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution wishes to express sincere and grateful appreciation to the President General Ray Edwards; to each and every member of the Board of Trustees; the National Executive Committee; the General Officers of the Society and to Executive Secretary Harold Putnam for their diligent devotion to duty during the past year. We commend them for their untiring and unselfish patriotic endeavor, not only to our national society, but to the great cause of freedom and democracy under our Constitutional government.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO THE GOVERNOR OF FLORIDA

RESOLVED, that the Sons of the American Revolution in congress assembled do hereby express to Governor Dan McCarty of the State of Florida their heartfelt gratitude for his great kindness and thoughtfulness in honoring the gracious lady of our President General Ray Edwards with the beautiful tribute of the Tree of Orchids.

IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING

Compatriots who may wish to attend chapter meetings in the cities visited while travelling, will find these listings of meeting dates and places, of interest.

A special rate of \$5.00 per year has been established for this listing. The first five appear in this issue and it is hoped that others will adopt the plan.

CALIFORNIA, San Francisco Chapter, Meetings 4th Monday, Colonial Manor, 20 O'Farrell St., at 12:15 p.m.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Hammels Restaurant, 2nd Wednesday each month, 12:10 p.m. Visiting Compatriots are invited to attend these meetings.

FLORIDA, Jacksonville Chapter, George Washington Hotel, 1:00 p.m., 4th Tuesday of each month.

FLORIDA, Palm Beach Chapter, Luncheon Third Monday, Elks Club, N. Olive Ave., at 5th St., West Palm Beach.

TEXAS, San Antonio Chapter No. 4, Plaza Hotel, 12:30 p.m., 2nd Saturday of each month.

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The meeting was called to order by President General Ray O. Edwards, and Chaplain General Mott R. Sawyers opened the meeting with the invocation. Those present were:

Past Presidents General Loren E. Souers, Sterling F. Mutz, Allen L. Oliver, A. Herbert Foreman and Wallace C. Hall. Secretary General Edgar Williamson, Jr., Registrar General Dr. John A. Fritchey II, Historian General Redmond S. Cole, Genealogist General W. Guy Tetrick, Chancellor General John H. Babb and Librarian General P. Harry Byerly.

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Executive Committee George E. Tarbox, Jr., Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam.

The following delegates to the Congress were present: E. M. Schroeder, L. A. Bailey, W. A. Wentworth, Edward N. Wentworth, R. S. Walkirk, Richard E. Spurr, Edwin B. Graham, H. R. Eubank, James G. Marston, M.D., Henry S. Shryock, Henry Powell Hopkins, Robert Minot Richmond, L. F. Ridgway, Herbert S. Hodsdon, John S. Kuhn, Samuel K. Houston, J. A. Hibbard, W. E. Springer, D. C. Meigs, T. C. DeBolbur, Frank M. Keezer, Harry I. Hadsell, Aaron L. Mercer, Edwin Hundley Jordan, Beale Howard Richardson IV, Folks Huxford, John B. Victory, William H. Sutton, Jr., Clinton M. Roth, A. Clark Miller and Lowell R. King.

A motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 14th was carried unanimously.

The request of the North Dakota Society for reinstatement of the charter suspended by action of the Board of Trustees on May 18, 1952 was presented. This request had previously been submitted to the Executive Committee, and it was their recommendation to the Board of Trustees that the request be granted. A motion was made by Secretary General Williamson that the North Dakota Society be reinstated. The motion was seconded by Past President General Hall, and was carried unanimously.

An application was read, by Executive Secretary Putnam, from the Alaska Society, requesting a charter. It was the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the charter be granted with the stipulation that a six-month period be given during which additional charter members might be enrolled. A motion that the recommendation of the Executive Committee be followed by Compatriot Murphy, seconded by Trustee Wormald, was unanimously carried.

Vice President General Lewis Addington Smith was commended for his work in forming the Society in Alaska. Compatriot Smith stated that this movement in Alaska has been aided by Compatriot Seamands from California, in Anchorage.

It was the intent of the Sixty-Second Congress to transfer \$7,000 from the permanent fund, so as to reduce the present indebtedness on the building. The Chancellor General ruled that appropriate legal action was not taken at that time. Therefore, the following resolution was presented to the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee:

"Be It And It Is Hereby Resolved that the recommendation of the Executive Committee to diminish the permanent fund, by \$7,000 by using and applying same to reduce the mortgage loan on the building of the National Headquarters, is hereby approved.

"Be It Further Resolved that the President General and Treasurer General or other proper officers apply said \$7,000 to said mortgage loan without further delay, subject only to ratification

by a three-fourths vote of the delegates at an Annual Congress convened in Cincinnati, Ohio in June 1953."

A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Past President General Hall, seconded by Trustee Brewer, and unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Past President General Foreman to approve the action taken by Treasurer General McNeill and by President General Ray O. Edwards in appointing Mr. Joseph Oliver as Auditor for the Society's books for the year 1953. This motion was seconded by Trustee Col. James D. Watson of Georgia and was unanimously carried.

President General Edwards presented the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Board of Trustees make available \$275 in cash awards to the contestants in the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest. Motion was made for approval of this recommendation by Genealogist General Tetrick and was seconded by Trustee Whipple of Michigan. The motion was carried.

Compatriot Snyder from the Newburgh, New York Chapter made a proposal in regard to the LaFayette Baton program, which has been originated in Newburgh. It was his proposal that the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution dedicate this baton as it starts its tour of the country.

After a brief discussion of the project, it was suggested that the matter be referred to a special committee.

Past President General Hall moved that a committee be appointed to sit down with Compatriot Snyder, obtain full and detailed information concerning the LaFayette Baton Program, and make a written report to the Sixty-Third Congress. This motion was seconded by Vice President General Smith and was carried unanimously. President General Edwards appointed a committee of three: Chairman, Past President General Oliver, Past President General Mutz and Past President General Hall.

Vice President General Murphy of New Jersey announced that he had stopped at Valley Forge and had seen the tower that the Daughters of the American Revolution had built. It was his suggestion that we look into the possibility of having some inscription made on the tower in recognition of the con-

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MINUTES OF TRUSTEES MEETING, JUNE 14—Continued

tribution the National Society of the SAR has made toward its erection. Vice President General Murphy moved that consideration be given to this matter and that it be referred to the incoming Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Secretary General Williamson and was carried unanimously.

The Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, John E. Dickinson, requested that all members of his committee be in Room 1239 at 2:00 P.M., Monday, June 15th to complete the work of this committee.

Compatriot Norfleet, Chairman of the Special Awards Committee, stated that he had not been able to complete the work of his committee because of difficulty in obtaining the necessary information and the delays caused by handling all the committee work by correspondence. Compatriot Norfleet called a meeting of his committee for Monday at 2:30 P.M. in Room 1811.

Compatriot Frank Hannum, Vice Chairman of the Credentials Committee, announced that at 8:30 Monday morning members of his committee would be at the registration desk to receive credentials.

Compatriot Cooper asked when and where the Rules Committee would meet. Vice President General Carson D. Baucom, Chairman, announced that the Rules Committee would meet in Room 1115 at 7:30 Monday morning and from there proceed to a breakfast meeting. The Rules Committee at this time consists of Carson D. Baucom, Chairman, and Compatriots Dr. Holcomb, Crosby, General Ostrom, and Gobble.

President General Edwards then read a letter from Vice President General Harry K. Torrey of Maine in reference to the Board of Trustees meeting in Jacksonville, Florida on February 14th. In his letter, Vice President General Torrey requested that President General Edwards make a written retraction to all General Officers and Trustees of his statement at the above meeting, to the effect that Vice President General Torrey was the originator of the proposed amendment to Article IV of the Constitution and By-Laws. This proposed amendment provides that candidates for

General Offices file statements concerning their civic, political, and religious backgrounds, in addition to full details of their activities in the Society. President General Edwards read his answer to Vice President General Torrey's letter denying that he had stated Vice President General Torrey was the author of the proposed amendment and explained to the Board of Trustees that he had been misunderstood at the time of the alleged statement.

President General Edwards then made the suggestion that the bookkeeping system now being used by the Society be reorganized so that some method of checking bills might be followed before these bills reach the President General for his authorization. President General Edwards cited as an example of the need for such a check the fact that personal long distance calls had been included in the Society's telephone bills. He stated that this was in no way intended as a personal criticism of any member, but of the accounting system as a whole, and recommended that the incoming administration direct its attention to this problem.

The meeting was then called into Executive Session by President General Edwards, and all persons not members of the Board of Trustees were asked to be excused.

President General Edwards then requested proposals for candidates to receive the Minute Man Medal.

Executive Secretary Putnam then read the recommendation from the Alabama Society that Col. James D. Watson of Georgia be awarded the Minute Man Medal. Past President General Souers of Ohio moved that the medal be presented to Col. Watson. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wormald and carried.

A communication was read by Executive Secretary Putnam from the Indiana Society, recommending President Emeritus Clarence A. Cook as candidate for the award of the Minute Man Medal. A motion was made by Past President General Oliver of Missouri that the medal be awarded Compatriot Cook, was seconded by Past President General Hall of Michigan, and was carried unanimously.

A recommendation from the Ohio Society was read in regard to the award of the Minute Man Medal to Trustee

Edward M. Hall of Ohio. A motion was made in favor of this recommendation by Past President General Hall of Michigan, seconded by Trustee James G. Cecil of Indiana, and unanimously carried.

Vice President General Robert G. Norfleet, II of New Mexico was proposed as a candidate to be awarded the Minute Man Medal. However, Compatriot Norfleet requested that his name be withdrawn.

The Georgia Society recommended that Compatriot Dr. Guy H. Wells be awarded the Minute Man Medal. Col. Watson of Georgia moved that the medal be granted Compatriot Wells. Past President General Oliver then suggested that it would be more appropriate to award the good citizenship medal to Compatriot Wells, and that this award should be made by the Georgia Society. This motion was seconded and carried.

Chancellor General John H. Babb moved that Trustee Alonzo N. Benn of Illinois be presented the Minute Man Medal. This motion was seconded by Past President General A. Herbert Foreman and was carried unanimously.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vice President General Murphy and was seconded by Secretary General Williamson. The meeting was adjourned by President General Edwards.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD IN THE NETHERLAND PLAZA HOTEL CINCINNATI, OHIO—JUNE 14, 1953

The meeting was called to order by President General Ray O. Edwards with the following members of the Executive Committee present: Cyril E. Cain, Arthur A. de la Houssaye, John E. Dickinson, A. Herbert Foreman, George S. Robertson, Clarence E. Shriner, and George E. Tarbox, Jr. Also present were a number of general officers and the Executive Secretary, Harold L. Putnam.

The minutes of the meeting of February 14th were approved as published in the May 1953 magazine.

The request of the North Dakota

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State Society SAR for reinstatement of the charter suspended by action of the Board of Trustees on May 18, 1952, was approved and recommended to the Trustees, including the provision that the delinquent dues be waived.

The application by members in Alaska for a charter for the Alaska Society was presented and referred to the Board of Trustees with the recommendation that the application be approved and that the list for charter members be held open for a period of six months.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Be it and it is hereby recommended that the Board of Trustees take appropriate action to diminish the permanent fund by \$7,000 by using and applying same to reduce a mortgage loan on the building of the National Headquarters."

It was recommended that the action taken by the Treasurer General and approved by the President General in selecting Mr. Joseph Oliver as auditor for the Society's books for 1953 be referred to the Trustees with a recommendation for approval.

It was recommended that the Trustees authorize the payment of \$275 in cash awards to the contestants in the Douglass G. High Historical Orator Contest.

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

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