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### THE EDITOR SAYS:

The most perplexing question which confronts an editor is, "Does anyone read what I publish?" That question has been responsible for more gray hairs, stomach ulcers and mental breakdowns than we care to contemplate. It is possible that the same question has plagued editors from the very beginning of the printed word. The Editor of the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine is no exception. He has experienced the same doubt.

An affirmative answer has been provided during recent weeks. There is tangible evidence that a large number of our Compatriots do read the Magazine, at least they read some sections of it. The number of orders for S.A.R. Stamps; orders for Souvenir S.A.R. China and checks for the liquidation of the mortgage on our Headquarters, constitute concrete evidence that our Compatriots do read some parts of the Magazine. Such evidence is the source of great comfort.

The majority of our Compatriots are busy men. Their own affairs demand attention. Many of them find it impossible to attend meetings often enough to keep informed of the activities of the Society. The Magazine is designed to serve as the link between them and the Society. It is for the benefit of those Compatriots that accounts of the meetings of the National, State and Chapter organizations are published in the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine.

No effort has been spared to make the Magazine interesting and informative. However, we are dependent upon the officers of the State and Chapter organizations for information. They are the source of news. If clear, concise accounts of interesting meetings and resumes of activities are sent in for publication they will be rendering a valuable service to their Compatriots. Such cooperation will be deeply appreciated and it will help us in our efforts to publish a better and more valuable Magazine.

Fraternally yours,  
HAROLD L. PUTNAM  
Editor

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

All material for the July issue of the Magazine must be received before June 10.

April 1954

## President General's Message



ARTHUR A. DE LA HOUSSAYE  
President General

### COMPATRIOTS:

Another year has almost passed for the Sons of The American Revolution. It is time to take a partial inventory of what has been accomplished. The hard work of previous administrations is coming to fruition. It is believed that your Society is stronger and in a better strategic position than at any time in its history. Today we are a militant organization, constantly on the alert to actively support everything that is for the best interest of our country, and oppose vehemently everything subversive. Our voice is heard and listened to all over America. It is realized that we are an organization seeking no special privileges, but dedicated to preserve the principles upon which this nation was established.

During the past twelve months we have enrolled 1,458 new members,

and reinstated 360 members. This exceeds the number of enrollments of any year within at least the last five years. Eleven new chapters have been organized, the largest number for any one year for which an accurate record is available. Our financial condition has improved. The introduction of S.A.R. Souvenir Plates, Cups and Saucers has been enthusiastically endorsed, and the china will be in your hands at about the same time this magazine reaches you. We have sold 56,000 S.A.R. Souvenir Stamps to further augment our revenue. Best of all, a spirit of good fellowship exists everywhere.

I have only one disappointment. The response for contributions to discharge our old \$10,000.00 mortgage has netted only \$950.00 from 173 contributors. We need \$9,050.00. Contributions are chargeable off on income tax returns within the percentage allowed by law. If the goal is to be reached and the mortgage burned in front of the House of Burgess on the 25th of May, 1954, you will have to send in your contribution now to S.A.R. Headquarters.

It has been an honor and a privilege for me to have served as your President General. I desire to express appreciation for the excellent cooperation received from all of your Officers, for without such loyalty and devotion to duty, our accomplishments would not have been possible. I specifically desire to invite your attention to the outstanding work performed at all times by your Executive Secretary, Harold Putnam.

I hope to see you in Williamsburg.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. DE LA HOUSSAYE,  
President General

### THANK YOU COMPATRIOTS FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MORTGAGE LIQUIDATION FUND

The response to President General Arthur de la Houssaye's suggestion that contributions be sent to National Headquarters for the liquidation of the mortgage, has been gratifying. The number of contributions through March 31 totalled 173 and several State Societies have indicated that checks will be sent before the Congress convenes in Williamsburg.

It is most encouraging to note that the majority of the contributions received to date have been in amounts in excess of the \$1.00 per member suggested by the President General. A total of \$850.00 has been received from 173 contributors which is an average of nearly \$5.00 per contribution. This is evidence of the keen interest some of our Compatriots have in the progress of our National Society. However, it will require an additional \$9,150.00 to accomplish the objective of burning the mortgage at the Williamsburg Congress.

The names of those who have so generously responded to the appeal of the President General are:

Walter L. Abbott  
Fred P. Adkins  
Richard H. Anderson  
Paul P. Ashworth  
David R. Babb  
John H. Babb  
C. I. Baker  
Charles O. Ball  
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P. Bruce Brockway  
A. Paul Brown  
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Harry M. Bucklin  
Jerome T. Bunce  
Dr. F. W. Burnham  
George W. Burton  
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Robert E. Coney  
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Bennett H. Crofford  
Philip Speed Crutcher, Jr.  
Edward Dana  
Maj. Gen. Wm. C. Davis  
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David T. Mason  
Darrell D. Mathews  
George A. McCollum  
Ralph L. McKay  
Dr. Harold I. Meyer  
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H. David Rodee, Jr.  
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Mrs. Ernest E. Rogers  
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Lewis Addington Smith  
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Frank Page Stewart  
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Claude C. Stotts  
J. Barton Stride  
Richard L. Sturdevant  
A. A. Taylor  
Ashby C. Taylor  
H. Mendel Taylor  
William F. Taylor  
Stanley R. Teele  
Paul B. Teeter  
Walter W. Templin  
Harry K. Torrey  
J. Russell Townsend, Jr.  
Maj. Gen. Karl Truesdell  
L. R. Upham  
George M. Walker  
Martin C. Walton, Jr.  
William B. Walton  
Dr. Wallace E. Webber  
Paul C. Welsh  
M. H. White  
Robert C. White  
H. R. Wilson  
John N. Wilson  
Wood Wormald  
Morgan H. Wright  
Ross P. Wright  
D. D. F. Yard

Col. Horace M. Seaman was honored at the University Club by officers of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He is a 50 year member and past president of the Wisconsin Society. Also honored was Henry C. Fuller (left) president of Wisconsin Society. Arthur A. de la Houssaye (right), President General, National Society was the speaker at the dinner meeting.

#### "I WILL"

Some choppers make a lot of chips,  
And yet fell few large trees,  
While others read a lot of books  
And win but few degrees;  
Which proves that one must think  
and strive  
To gain the needed skill  
To get desired results in life—  
To win requires "I WILL."

ALONZO NEWTON BENN



## VIRGINIA SOCIETY COMPLETES PLANS FOR SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONGRESS

A. Herbert Foreman and Crawford S. Rogers, co-chairmen of the General Arrangements Committee for the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress, have completed their plans for the Congress which will convene at Williamsburg on May 23, 1954.

Details which were not included in the tentative program published in the January issue of the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine have been arranged and the program printed in this issue of the Magazine is substantially correct, subject to last minute changes.

One important addition has been made to the program for Monday, May 24th. It is planned to hold the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest at 11:00 A.M. immediately following the addresses of welcome and greetings at the opening session.

The number of reservations as of April 1st, reported by E. Stewart James, chairman of the Housing Committee, indicates that the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress will be one of the largest in the history of the society. There have been many problems in connection with the housing of compatriots and visitors and the Housing Committee has rendered a real service to the members of our Society and are deserving a vote of thanks.

Delegates and visitors are urged to register as promptly as possible following their arrival at Williamsburg. Registration fees will be \$15.00 for delegates and members and \$10.00 for visitors. The registration fee will entitle each member, or guest, to tickets for dinners on Monday and Tuesday and to the President General's Banquet on Wednesday night. The registration fee will include tickets for the historical tour of the restored buildings and the tour of Yorktown and Jamestown.

The Society is fortunate in having secured an outstanding speaker in the person of Frank Kirkpatrick, whose broadcasts over station WGN in Chicago have created a nationwide audience. He speaks on current questions with a fearless, forthright presentation of facts. Mr. Kirkpatrick will speak at the President General's Banquet on Wednesday evening, May 26th.

## PARTIAL PROGRAM SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONGRESS NATIONAL SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Sunday, May 23, through Wednesday, May 26, 1954  
WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA

### Sunday, May 23, 1954

- 10 A.M.-1 P.M.—Registration of Delegates and Visitors, Programs and Badges in Lounge of the Lodge
- 3:00 P.M.—Religious and patriotic services and massing of Colors in Bruton Parish Church.
- 4:30 P.M.—Garden party and reception given by President Alvin D. Chandler of the College of William and Mary on the lawn of the Christopher Wren Building in honor of President General and Mrs. Arthur A. de la Houssaye. All delegates and visitors invited
- 8:00 P.M.—History of Williamsburg in motion pictures—Reception Center
- 9:00 P.M.—National Trustees meet in Game Room—Williamsburg Inn.

### Monday, May 24, 1954

- 9:00 A.M.—Ballroom of the Lodge  
Addresses of Welcome and Greetings  
State of Virginia — Governor Thomas B. Stanley  
Williamsburg — Mayor — Dr. H. M. Striker  
College of William and Mary — President, Alvin D. Chandler  
Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution — Donald W. Shriver, President  
Thomas Nelson Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution — R. Paul Belford, President  
Daughters of the American Revolution — President General, Miss Gertrude S. Carraway  
Children of the American Revolution — National President, Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig  
Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution — Mrs. C. Bernard Bailey, Regent  
Williamsburg Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution — Mrs. J. A. Osborne, Jr.  
Response — President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye  
Announcement of Committee Appointments  
11: A.M.—Douglass G. High—Historical Oration Contest  
2:00 P.M.—Historical Tour of the Restoration Buildings  
(Will leave The Lodge at 2:00 P.M.)  
5:00 P.M.—Historical Tour will end at the House of Burgesses where commemorative services will be held, presided over by President General de la Houssaye and an address by President Alvin D. Chandler of the College of William and Mary.  
8:00 P.M.—Recognition Night at The Lodge.  
9:00 P.M.—Reception to all delegates and guests at The Lodge by Williamsburg Chapter of the D.A.R.

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The plans for the presentation of the awards to be made on Recognition Night, Monday May 24th, will provide a very colorful and interesting portion of the program. In addition to the presentation of Minute Man Awards there will be awards to members who have distinguished themselves in the membership campaign during the past year. The Traveling Banners will be presented to the winning State Societies at the same time.

All Compatriots who have received the Minute Man Medal will be requested to wear their medals and participate in the presentation of the awards to those who will receive them at this Congress.

The Committee on Arrangements have done a splendid job in the preparation of the program and it is believed that this will be one of the most outstanding Congresses in the long history of our Society.

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES FOR SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONGRESS ANNOUNCED

President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye has named the following compatriots who will serve on the special committees of the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at Williamsburg, Va., May 23-26, 1954:

#### Rules Committee:

Wallace C. Hall, Michigan, Chairman  
Allen L. Oliver, Missouri  
Howard E. Coe, Connecticut  
Stanley S. Gillam, Minnesota  
Harry I. Hadsell, Ohio  
Loren E. Souers, Ohio

#### Credentials Committee:

Edward M. Hall, Ohio, Chairman  
John B. Victory, Texas  
Edwin B. Graham, Pennsylvania  
Horace Y. Kitchell, Mississippi  
Robert H. Overstreet, D. C.  
Kenneth C. Patty, Virginia

#### Budget & Finance Committee:

Wheaton H. Brewer, Calif., Chairman  
Ernest S. Crosby, New York  
Edgar Williamson, Jr., New Jersey  
Robert H. McNeill, D. C.  
Allen Foster, D. C.  
Gardner Osborn, New York  
Dr. H. I. Meyer, Illinois

#### Resolutions Committee:

\*John H. Babb, Ill., Chairman  
Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Massachusetts  
Sub-Chairman  
Lew C. Church, Minnesota, Sub-Chairman  
Hugh W. Stallworth, Tennessee  
Col. F. W. Huntington, Texas  
Walter A. Wentworth, New York  
Calvin C. Bolles, Connecticut  
Harvey B. Nelson, Jr., New Jersey  
Folks Huxford, Georgia  
Redmond S. Cole, Oklahoma  
Barry T. Whipple, Michigan  
A. Herbert Foreman, Virginia  
Reginald Mitchell, D. C.

\*All resolutions must be sent to the Chairman, John H. Babb, 33 N. La Salle St., Chicago on or before May 15. Should be in triplicate.

#### Distinguished Guests Committee:

Milton M. Lory, Iowa, Chairman  
All Past Presidents General  
Crawford S. Rogers, Virginia  
Walter A. Wentworth, New York  
Kenneth C. Patty, Virginia  
E. Stewart James, Virginia

#### Public Relations Committee:

Reginald Mitchell, D. C., Chairman  
Wheaton H. Brewer, California  
Frank E. Gannett, New York  
Charles E. Gilbert, Jr., Texas  
George W. Healy, Jr., Louisiana  
Donald L. Miller, Pennsylvania  
Clifton J. Stratton, Kansas  
Charles Hilt, Georgia  
Harold L. Putnam, Executive Secretary

Music by the Choir of William and Mary College.

#### Tuesday, May 25, 1954

9:00 A.M.—BUSINESS SESSION—

2:00 P.M.—An historical tour to Jamestown and Yorktown from The Lodge.

8:00 P.M.—Dinner—Guest Speaker, Hon. F. Edward Hebert, Representative from First Congressional District of Louisiana.

#### Wednesday, May 26, 1954

9:00 A.M.—BUSINESS SESSION—  
Election of Officers.

8:00 P.M.—The President General's Banquet—Guest Speaker—Mr. Frank Kirkpatrick.  
Music by Glee Club of the College of William and Mary.

A. Herbert Foreman—Co-Chairman  
Western Union Bldg., Norfolk, Va.  
Crawford S. Rogers—Co-Chairman  
Norfolk Shipbuilding & Drydock Corp., Norfolk, Va.

Housing Committee  
E. Stewart James, Chairman  
Gloucester, Va.

Transportation Committee  
Donald W. Shriver, Chairman  
City Hall, Norfolk, Va.

Flags & Colors Committee  
James G. Martin IV, Chairman  
Western Union Bldg., Norfolk, Va.

Registration Committee  
Donald N. Frazier, Chairman  
12 North Ninth St., Richmond, Va.

Finance Committee  
R. Paul Belford, Chairman  
Yorktown, Va.

### CAPTAIN SAMUEL WATTS' GRAVE MARKED BY MAINE SOCIETY S.A.R.

Another page in the interesting life history of Samuel Watts, Sr., Captain in General Wolfe's forces during the French and Indian War, wise counselor and active participant in the defense of Machias, Maine, at the outset of the Revolutionary War, and an ardent patriot until his death in 1787, was written on Tuesday, October 6, 1953, in Jonesboro, Maine. On that date a marker provided by the Maine Society, Sons of the American Revolution, was placed on Captain Watts' grave by Mrs. Oscar C. Mawhinney, a lineal descendant, and dedicated by members of Hannah Weston Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, a chapter named for Captain Watts' own daughter Hannah, wife of Josiah Weston and a recognized patriot in her own right.

The ceremony at Captain Watts' grave in the little family cemetery on what was formerly the Watts' farm was followed by exercises in Rose Hill Cemetery, Jonesboro, where a similar marker was placed on the grave of his son Samuel, Jr., who also gave valiant service during the War of the Revolution.

Readers of the Sons of the American Revolution magazine will perhaps remember an article which appeared in the May, 1950, magazine, in which a detailed account of Captain Watts' life and of the finding of his neglected and almost forgotten grave was given by a descendant, Courtland B. Springer, of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania. Mr. Springer's urgent hope that suitable recognition might be given without further delay to the burial place of this important Maine patriot has been warmly supported by Vice President General Harry K. Torrey, of the New England District, Sons of the American Revolution, whose untiring and vigorous efforts have had much to do with bringing the project to fulfillment.

To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Mawhinney, of Jonesboro, belongs unlimited praise for their devoted and energetic handling of the preparatory work which had to be done before the grave could be marked. The knoll on which the burial place is located was cleared of its longstanding accumulation of brush and undergrowth, and a tall tree which had fallen in its midst, with a mass of pro-

jecting roots, was removed. Branches on other trees were trimmed. Captain Watts' tombstone and that of his wife and one belonging probably to a grandchild were found lying under a covering of earth, moss, and vines. Footstones, also, were discovered. All of these have been firmly and permanently set in a cement foundation. Several loads of good loam and sand have been brought in for grading and grass seed has been sown. Mrs. Mawhinney feels that there is still much to be done before she will consider the work suitably completed, but the photograph accompanying this article shows the excellent progress which has already been made.



S. A. R. STAMPS

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL COMPATRIOTS WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE MINUTE MAN AWARD

All Compatriots who have received the Minute Man Award of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution are urgently requested to bring their medals to the Congress at Williamsburg and wear them during the Congress.

The Committee in charge of Recognition Night has planned to ask all of those present who have previously received this, the highest award of our National Society, to participate in the ceremonies in connection with the presentation of the Minute Man Award to those who will receive it at the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress.

The Minute Man Award is given in recognition of outstanding service rendered to our National Society and it is fitting that those who have received this award should be recognized at each Congress, and that those who will receive it will appreciate the fact that they are becoming the honored members of a very select group of Compatriots.



The grave of Capt. Samuel Watts was marked with an official S.A.R. grave marker by members of the Maine Society on October 6, 1953. The grave is located on what was formerly the Watts' farm, and a similar marker was placed on the grave of his son, Samuel, Jr., in the Rose Hill cemetery.



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IN RESPONSE TO THE MANY REQUESTS FOR SOUVENIR PLATES, CUPS AND SAUCERS, ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED WITH THE MANUFACTURER OF FINE CHINA FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CHINA BEARING THE OFFICIAL INSIGNE OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION IN FULL COLORS.

YOU MAY PURCHASE ANY QUANTITY BY SENDING YOUR ORDER TO OUR NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS TOGETHER WITH YOUR CHECK, OR MONEY ORDER. SHIPMENT WILL BE MADE FROM THE FACTORY AND PRICES INCLUDE ALL SHIPPING COSTS.

The Souvenir plates, of translucent china, bear the official insigne of the Sons of the American Revolution, hand painted in the full colors, blue, buff and white, of our Society. The plates measure ten and one half inches in diameter. There are two bands of gold, one on the edge of the well and one on the outer rim. The price per plate is \$4.00 which includes all shipping charges.



The Souvenir demi tasse cups and saucers are of the same fine quality china as the plates. The insigne of the Sons of the American Revolution is hand painted on the cup and in the well of the saucer. The rim of the cup and the rim of the saucer are decorated with a gold band. The price per cup and saucer is \$4.00 which includes all shipping charges.

The coupon below is for your convenience in placing your order for S.A.R. Souvenir China.

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## CONGRESS TAKING TESTIMONY ON STRENGTHENING THE UNITED NATIONS

Both the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and the House Committee on Foreign Affairs have been holding hearings looking to possible changes in the United Nations Charter in 1955.

Ardent internationalists who would give the U. N. the powers of a World Government are heard. Some of the members of the committees are of the World Government persuasion.

There is a possibility that a subcommittee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will travel to various cities to obtain ideas of the public on possible changes in the U. N. Charter. Wherever such hearings are held, the local S.A.R. should not fail to give the Committee the benefit of their convictions on this subject.

Representing the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Admiral Wm. Rea Furlong appeared before the subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. A part of his testimony follows:

"We ask Congress to insure that proposals to strengthen the United Nations do not weaken the United States. The persons most vocal about strengthening the United Nations are the extremists who want world government now, and who hope to establish a super world government through the necessary changes in the United Nations Charter.

One of the frequently advocated changes is the abolition of the veto. The power to veto is the last resort by which the United States can protect its own vital interests and retain its sovereignty against a foreign vote detrimental to us.

The Sons of the American Revolution want the veto power in the charter retained.

Another important matter that will arise among proposals to strengthen the U. N. is that of giving the U. N. greater military power. The member nations have not found it practicable or to their best interests to carry out those articles in the charter such as articles 43, 45, 46, and 47, which give military power to the U. N. These articles require the members to make special agreements with the U. N. for the supply of armed forces and for keeping immediately available air force contingents, and for a military staff committee for the strategic direction of forces under the Security Council. The member nations have not complied with these articles.

A more efficient way of preventing aggression and at the same time not losing

control of our own forces was found in forming regional pacts such as the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, known as NATO.

In the regional pacts, nations ally themselves in a particular region to meet a particular situation. It serves no purpose to keep in the Charter articles which nations will not carry out.

On March 5, 1951, the Collective Measures Committee, which was established under the General Assembly, recommended that member nations maintain within their own armed forces, units for the use of the U. N. Such a measure, if adopted, would strike a blow to voluntary enlistments in our armed services where young men enlist to serve in defense of their own United States, and not where they may be detailed to fight the battles of the U. N. around the globe.

If the U. N. is to continue as a possible preserver of world peace, it is our contention that it should use consultation, cooperation, diplomacy and sanctions. It should not be equipped with a military force of its own. It may call on nations to supply forces voluntarily where sanctions are too slow, but it must never have a permanent military force of its own. That, of course, is an essential, so it is said to be, by the world federalists, who want a supergovernment.

Only 2 days ago, on March 2, as reported in the *New York Times*, the members of the Human Rights Commission of the U. N., after long endeavor, have given up an attempt to draft an article on property rights for inclusion in the U. N.'s future Covenants on Human Rights. Some

nations on the Commission do not have the same regard for property rights as we do. We ask the Congress to give the closest scrutiny to proposed treaties which originate in the committees of the U. N., so they do not abrogate our own laws and go contrary to our own rights.

This recent example of the failure to agree on property rights is one of the things to be watched. The recent debates in the Senate on the effect of treaties on the Constitution show there is a danger for the United States in proposed treaties originating in specialized agencies. As long as these agencies exist as a part of the U. N., this watchfulness must continue in the Congress.

MR. MERROW. Thank you, Admiral, for your statement.

Have you further suggestions as to how it could be more effective in preserving the peace.

Admiral FURLONG. I think a statement made by Dean Rusk, Deputy Under Secretary of State, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, in reply to a similar question answers your questions. He said, the charter contains "provisions which if loyally carried out, would insure peace." "We do not need another overall agreement; we need performance on the ones we already have." You will find that in the Committee Report No. 2501, of September 1, 1950.

The part of the U. N. Charter that I am interested in chiefly, and of which I have spoken here, is that part of the charter which has to do with the preservation of peace and the prevention of aggression. I touched, in the last part of my state-

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The Virginia Society established something of a record when charters were presented to four new chapters at the annual meeting held at the John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, February 22nd. The organizing presidents who received the charters are, left to right: Fred McWane, Lynchburg; Col. Robert P. Waters, Falls Church; Harry M. Pearson, Remington, and Walter E. Sanford, Alexandria. Kenneth C. Patty, retiring President of the Virginia Society, presented the charters.



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ment, on things that have to do with the specialized agencies, which, of course, the United Nations could get along without, because many of them the United States already had in working order by treaties with other nations before the United Nations existed.

MR. MERROW. By "specialized agencies," you mean what?

Admiral FURLONG. Things like UNESCO. But the ones that were already working were things like the International Radio Conferences, the World Meteorological Organization, Safety of Life at Sea, International Boundary Commissions, Control of Opium, Universal Postal Union, and so forth.

MR. MERROW. You would keep those?

Admiral FURLONG. Well, those are not necessary for the United Nations at all in connection with the preservation of peace, except as they say, for the long-term effect. They could operate outside the U. N.

MR. MERROW. I want to get this clear in my mind, Admiral. Do you mean from what you have said that we could do away with the specialized agencies, or is it your view we could do away with the specialized committees in the U. N.?

Admiral FURLONG. Keep the matters handled by these committees as matters handled between the United States and other nations direct.

MR. MERROW. But you don't mean we could do away with the specialized agencies such as the Food and Agriculture Organization, the International Labor Organization, the World Health Organization, and similar specialized agencies?

Admiral FURLONG. Well, what I meant to say was, I am more interested in the immediate preservation of peace, and prevention of aggression. That is the real reason for the U. N. Those other agencies that you have just mentioned could be accomplished between the United States and the other nations without the U. N.

If they are kept in the U. N., then we must have this watchfulness that I speak of by the Congress, on the treaties that they propose for us to carry out. I say it wasn't absolutely essential to put them in the United Nations, because many of them existed before the United Nations existed.

MR. MERROW. You are right; some of them existed before the United Nations came about.

Admiral FURLONG. If you have any that raise such a controversy in the country, as UNESCO, then you have to have that awareness that is going on in the Senate, requiring the Bricker or George amendments.

MR. MERROW. UNESCO was set up by a law, of course, which passed both Houses. UNESCO is controversial.

Admiral FURLONG. My testimony has been mostly on those things I feel are very essential; that the veto power must be retained; and the other matter, that is, the giving to the United Nations direct military power in which they have their staffs

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to control the movements of forces in the field and in which they have the forces given to them as was required by these articles, 43, 45, 46, and 47, which have never been carried out—these articles and the power they give the U. N.—I say, should be omitted from the Charter.

MR. MERROW. You agree with the NATO setup, I take it?

Admiral FURLONG. Oh, yes. Handle regional troubles by nations who are sovereign and who will agree to go in and fight that particular issue and clear it up. But what I am against is this proposed super-power for the U. N. After giving them this direct control of military power, you open the way to give them legislative power to tax to support that military power that you have given them.

MR. MERROW. Mr. Hays, a member of our Subcommittee on International Organizations and Movements, do you have any questions?

MR. HAYS. I don't believe so, Mr. Chairman. I heard just the last part of the Admiral's statement, but I was interested in what he had to say about retaining the veto as long as we have the present condition confronting us. At the moment I see no other alternative myself. I feel that while we are exploring all of the possibilities, that if anyone can come up with an effective substitute for the veto, he would be rendering us a great service to let us have the benefit of his thoughts. I am sure the Admiral would agree that between now and the time of the Charter revisions conferences the Nation would do well to ponder these various matters. That is the value, we think, of the hearings that we are conducting.

MR. MERROW. Mr. Carnahan, a member of the full committee. Do you have any questions?

MR. CARNAHAN. You feel that at least some of the specialized agencies could, perhaps, do a better job operating completely as an independent agency?

Admiral FURLONG. Yes; I noticed that the United States still carries on and does a great deal of work in helping other nations, alone and on its own, and by appropriations of its own, even though you still have the same organization in the U. N. That is because of a feeling that our Congress thinks we can do the job better directly.

I noticed in the report of your subcommittee, sir, dated February 1, 1954, that there were some 800 people employed in the headquarters Secretariat of UNESCO, the largest headquarters secretariat of all the specialized agencies.

We might have in our own Congress a more economical view of the number of people required to carry on a particular work.

MR. CARNAHAN. Do you feel that the U. N. is any particular detriment to any of the specialized agencies?

Admiral FURLONG. No. I don't think it is, but I think it might be a detriment to the United States to have those specialized

agencies under the U. N., if they are not watched, particularly, as I said before when it comes to making treaties that originate in those specialized agencies.

For instance, you will remember how long the Commission has been working on the Human Rights Covenant and how, in the Human Rights Covenant, the matter of regulation of the press came up, and how our representatives from this country went abroad to talk with the foreign representatives about freedom of the press in the Human Rights Covenant and how those editors of ours came back bitterly opposed to the restrictions that foreign nations want in the Human Rights Covenant on the freedom of the press.

That is what I mean by watchfulness; see that some treaty that specialized agencies propose, by which the world is to be governed, is not something which really is less than the rights we already have in our country as to freedom of the press, religion, the right to assemble, and so forth.

MR. CARNAHAN. Do you feel that we, as a Nation, have as much watchfulness over the specialized agencies, through their rather loose association with the U. N., as we would have if they didn't have that association? Will we watch them closer if they are not in the U. N., as we will if they are in the U. N.?

Admiral FURLONG. I think if we, the United States, were represented on an agency directly with the nations that we were going to make a treaty with, on some particular subject, we certainly would watch the proceedings closer than we do in the U. N.

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## NEWS FROM OUR STATE SOCIETIES

Favorable comments received at the Editor's office indicate the increasing popularity of this section of the Sons of the American Revolution Magazine. The reports of activities of the State and Chapter organizations serve as an inspiration and an example for those who have been searching for suggestions for programs and projects for their own organizations.

The strength of our organization is found at the "grass roots level." If the local Chapter is engaged in a program of constructive activity, the individual member will find time to attend the meetings and participate in the activities.

Reports of meetings and accounts of projects undertaken are of lively interest to the officers of the State and Chapter organizations and your Editor welcomes them for publication. Many of our State Societies have responded to the repeated requests for such accounts. There are a few which have failed to send in accounts for publication. To them we repeat our urgent request for this cooperation. We cannot draw on our imagination for such accounts. Please appoint a Publicity Chairman, whose sole duty is that of supplying a ready-to-print account of the activities of the State Society. The most practical method seems to be one in which the Chapters send in reports to the State office and those reports are combined in one complete report.

Pictures of important meetings are highly acceptable. They should be 8" x 10" glossy prints. Newspaper cuts and mats are not suitable for reproduction in our Magazine.

We appreciate the cooperation which has been accorded us in this work and trust that more State Societies will heed our appeals. Your cooperation will help us to make our Magazine a better publication. *The Editor.*

### Arkansas

The 65th Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Society was held on Washington's Birthday at the Sam Peck Hotel in Little Rock. The speaker at the banquet was the Honorable Neill Bohlinger of Little Rock, who addressed the assembly on "The Bill of Rights." A larger than usual number of members attended the meeting.

The Officers elected for the current year were: President, Mason E. Mitchell, Conway; First Vice President, General E. L. Compere, El Dorado; Second Vice President, William R. Snodgrass, Little Rock; Chancellor, Sam W. Wassell, Little Rock; Registrar, Robert W. Mosley, Conway; Genealogist, Joseph Brooks, Little Rock; Chaplain, Rev. Ellis G. Mosley, Batesville; Historian, Dr. John Reynolds, Conway; Treasurer, Edward O. Mitchell, Conway; Librarian, Frank E. Robins, Conway; Secretary, Dr. Cecil H. Dickerson, Conway.

Board of Governors; Mason E. Mitchell, Chairman, Sam M. Wassell, Edmund R. Wiles, Cecil H. Dickerson, Dr. John H. Reynolds, Admiral C. M. Wassell, John N. Heiskell and Edwin E. Dunaway.

Nominated for National Trustee, to be elected by the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress, Mason E. Mitchell.

Delegates to the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress; James A. Mitchell, Pat C. Herrington, John E. Harris, Lionel M. Hawkins, John N. Heiskell, R. Wyatt Wells, Sam M. Wassell, Mason E. Mitchell and Cecil H. Dickerson.

A plan for increased effort to enroll additional members was adopted by the meeting.

### California

San Francisco Chapter participated in a Massing of the Colors Service at Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, Sunday, February 21st, at 4 p.m. together with chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Military Order of the World Wars, and the Society of Cincinnati.

Judge Bradford Bosley, President of the Chapter, participated in the services bringing the greetings of the Society, and Chaplain Dr. Francis Shunk Downs of the California Society gave the address, using the life of George Washington as his subject.

The Massing of the Colors at the close of the service was an inspiring and impressive sight which will be long remembered by all who attended.

Honored guests representing the S.A.R. included Past President General Howard C. Rowley, Vice President General Charles D. Y. Ostrom, and State President Dr. Manfred U. Prescott.

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A Life membership was presented to Col. William T. Carpenter at the annual meeting of the Alabama Society at the Mountain Brook Club, Birmingham, March 14th. Witnessing the presentation are, left to right: Robert P. Gordon, President, Birmingham Chapter; Arthur A. de la Houssaye, President General, National Society; Col. Wm. T. Carpenter, Past President, Alabama Society; Hugh W. Stallworth, Vice President General, National Society and Robert C. Garrison Past President, Alabama Society.

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San Jose Chapter held a Special Washington's Birthday Meeting at the Hawaiian Gardens in San Jose with Vice President General Ostrom as the speaker of the evening. Secretary George W. Reed served as Program Chairman, and President Heath Wagener presided at the affair. One of the high points of the program was the presentation of Good Citizenship Medals by the Chapter to Detective Sgt. Wm. H. MacKenzie of the San Jose Police Dept., and to C. Donald Bernardo of the San Jose Fire Department. Alvin Beilby of San Jose State College presented musical numbers accompanied by Muriel Fosgate.

The annual George Washington dinner of the Pasadena Chapter, was held at the Marino House, San Marino, California, Thursday evening, February 18, 1954.

The event, one of the highlights of the year's program for the Chapter, featured an address by The Honorable Charles Edward Chapel, of Inglewood, California, 46th District State Assemblyman. His subject was "George Washington and Practical Patriotism."

Musical selections were provided by Mrs. Irene Todt, mezzo-soprano, formerly with the Vienna Light Opera Company and Miss Darlene Janzen, concert pianist, who recently returned from a successful tour of Europe.

At this meeting a resolution calling for the outlawing of the Communist Party in the United States was unanimously adopted and later presented personally in Palm Springs, California, to James C. Hagerty, presidential press secretary, by the Chapter's vice president, George H. Todt. Hagerty informed Compatriot Todt that the resolution would be given to President Eisenhower for his consideration during the return trip to Washington.

### TEXT OF RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the society Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), has always stood solidly against any subversive group action which sought the overthrow of the Government of the United States by methods of violence, and WHEREAS the Communist Party of the United States is not a bona fide political party, such as the Republican or Democratic Parties, but is instead a "Trojan Horse" group composed of

people who prefer allegiance to a foreign power, to wit, Soviet Russia, and WHEREAS these enemies of the United States are pledged to sabotage and otherwise injure our country in the unhappy event of war with Soviet Russia, and

WHEREAS it is the solemn duty of all American citizens, regardless of race, creed or color, to protect the United States in an hour of danger.

NOW, THEREFORE, we the Members of the Pasadena Chapter of the California Society, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, one of the oldest patriotic societies in America, call for the outlawing of the Communist Party of the United States by Act of Congress, and do hereby request the Congress of the United States to declare null and void the American citizenship of every citizen in this country who has taken the Communist Oath which is required for membership in the traitorous organization known as "The Communist Party of the United States," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this Resolution be sent to SAR Compatriot Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States, Senator William S. Knowland, Senator Thomas H. Kuchel, Governor Goodwin J. Knight, and other appropriate officials and members of the press.

Resolution adopted by unanimous vote of the Pasadena Chapter of the California Society, Sons of the American Revolution, Thursday, February 18, 1954, at the Marino House in San Marino, California.

Attest: Raymond L. Harkness  
Secretary Treasurer.

### Connecticut

The Connecticut Society and its Branches have had a busy winter, highlighted by the sixty third Annual Banquet which was addressed by Secretary General Milton M. Lory, and the acceptance of six members of the Hillyer family by the Nathan Hale Branch of New London.

The Annual Banquet in honor of the Birthday of General George Washington was held in the Hotel Taft Ballroom, overlooking beautiful New Haven. Branch President Paul W. Redfield was the gracious host at the local portion of the ceremonies, State President James R. Case presided over the later parts of the

meeting and introduced Sec. Gen. Lory whose fine address, "I saw the Iron Curtain Go Down," was well received by the large gathering. Thanks to the Adjutant General, Compatriot Major General Frederick G. Reincke, Col. Wesley Rogerson presented a new Army film which showed the things that make America great to full advantage. President Harry F. Morse of the Nathan Hale Branch of New London had arranged this feature. Honored guests included Compatriot and Mrs. G. Harold Welch, respectively Governor General of the Society of Colonial Wars, and State Regent, Connecticut Daughters of the American Revolution; also our own Dr. Arthur Adams, officer of too many Patriotic Societies to mention them. The greetings of the President General, Arthur A. de la Houssaye, were brought to the Society in a letter read to the gathering.

Prior to the Banquet, the State Board of Managers met and accepted a near-record group of twenty four Applicants, transfers and reinstatements.

The first Branch meeting of the year was held at the Black Point home of Compatriot Reginald Huntington, on January 6. The Nathan Hale Branch accepted the Applications of six members of the Hillyer family. On March 5th, the Branch met at President Morse's home in New London and discussed the major issues of the day. Resolutions approved Senator McCarthy's purposes and the results he has attained; and the Bricker Amendment, particularly the proposals of Senator George.

General Gold Selleck Silliman Branch of Bridgeport met at the Hitching Post on Jan. 15, to hear the Academic Dean of Briarcliff College, Kenneth T. Skelton speak on "Mark Twain, Social Critic." It was an interesting subject to a Connecticut audience, and was very well received. On March 12 the Compatriots of this Branch were thrilled to hear Mrs. Zara Jones Powers, Curator of Manuscripts of the Yale Library speak on "The home Life of Gen. Gold Selleck Silliman," their own Patron Saint. About 75 members, guests and Daughters enjoyed the reading of the General's letters, and Mrs. Silliman's replies, delivered in a delightful Southern accent.

On January 29th, Col. Jeremiah Wadsworth Branch was host to the D. A. R., of Hartford at the Conn.

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Historical Society, and to Rev. Truman H. Woodward who took as his subject, "Three Musketeers from Coventry."

General David Humphreys Branch #1 of New Haven omitted its February meeting in order that Chairman Al Merriam and his Banquet Committee could direct the Branch's efforts toward the success of the annual Celebration. At their January meeting, the Compatriots heard the exciting account of the British attack on New Haven, told by Prof. Rollin Osterweis of the Yale History Department, who has just published "Three Centuries of New Haven." He told the story of the President of Yale, Naphtali Daggett who alone harrassed the Redcoats from behind walls and trees, until they took his musket away, and whipped him with his own ramrod. In her talk in Bridgeport, Mrs. Powers said that he had been one of the suitors rejected by the Mrs. Noyes who later became Mrs. Sillman.

Mattatuck Branch of Waterbury advanced the date of its Annual Meeting to Feb. 11, to enjoy the visit of Vice President General Harry K. Torrey, of Portland, Maine. A general discussion of National and S.A.R. problems and projects was most informative. President Burton J. Hine and his officers were reflected on a platform which provides for the attempt to establish a new Branch of the Connecticut Society in Litchfield County. The Dedication Ceremonies at the new Rochambeau Bridge across the Housatonic River are set for June 26. The S.A.R. has sponsored this name, as the French troops and their train crossed the river on an old structure built nearby.

The next meeting of the State Board of Managers will be held in Lebanon on May 8. The Wadsworth Barn, recently removed from Hartford to Lebanon, will be dedicated that day.

As we write these notes, we are saddened by news of the death of Mrs. Fanny Groton Rogers, widow of our beloved former President General, Ernest E. Rogers. She died at 88, on March 2nd, following a short illness. Her interest in the S.A.R. never waned.

## District of Columbia

Our meeting on the evening of January 26th (Ladies Night) was an extremely well attended one—starting

with a Buffet Supper and followed by our regular meeting. Our Speaker of the evening was Dr. Bernadotte E. Schmitt, formerly Special Adviser, Division of Historical Policy Research, Department of State. The subject of his address was "Reflections on American Foreign Policy."

February was a month of considerable activity for our Society. On Lincoln's Birthday, February 12th, ceremonies were held at the Lincoln Memorial. The President of the United States attended and placed a wreath at the base of the Lincoln Statue. Our Society was represented by a contingent with our colors and a wreath was placed.

On February 16th, the District of Columbia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution was honored at Broadcast House (Columbia Broadcasting System). Vice President Warren C. Foster placed a copy of our Constitution and By-Laws in the Freedom Sphere which, after being filled with memorabilia of local societies will be sealed and placed atop the building. It will in effect serve as the "corner stone."

Our Annual Washington's Birthday Meeting took place at noon in the at-

tractive South American Room of the Statler Hotel. A delicious luncheon was served to the 180 members and their guests who attended. Governor Val Peterson (former Governor of Nebraska and presently Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration) addressed us and, after eulogizing President George Washington, told of some of the many problems with which the Federal Civil Defense Administration was concerned. Governor Peterson's address was well received and he was given a rising vote of thanks for his message.

After the luncheon and address, the members of the D. C. Society met in session for the principle business of nominating Officers of the Society for the year April 19, 1954 to April 19, 1955. The election will take place at our March 23rd meeting at the Cosmos Club.

At 4:00 P.M. on Washington's Birthday, the Annual Joint Celebration was held in the Department of Interior Auditorium. At this year's meeting the Daughters of the American Revolution presided. They were assisted by representatives of the Children of the Ameri-

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Six members of one family—The Hillyers of Niantic, Conn., were elected to membership in the Nathan Hale Branch at the November meeting. L. to R. seated: Lawrence Hillyer, Sr. and Ira A. Hillyer, with their brother Walter L. Hillyer, who has been a member for some time. (L. to R. standing: Lawrence H. Hillyer, Jr.; Frederick A. Hillyer; Ira B. Hillyer; Walter C. Hillyer and Chapter President Harry F. Morse.

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can Revolution, Sons of the Revolution and the D. C. Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Very inspiring music was furnished by the Air Force Symphonette, Mr. Robert Nicholson (baritone), and by the George Washington University Glee Club. Colonel James H. Banville, of the Adjutant General's Office, United States Army, addressed the gathering, his subject being "Principles of George Washington and Their Importance in the Contemporary Scene." The celebration was well attended.

As Chairman of the Immigration Committee of the National Society our President, Robert H. Overstreet, presented a report at the meeting of the Officers and National Trustees held at our Headquarters on February 13th. The meeting acted upon President Overstreet's recommendation by adopting a resolution to be sent to Congress expressing the views of the Society that no changes be made in the McCarran-Walter Act, officially known as the "Immigration and Nationality Act," at least until more experience has been gained under its operation.

On Tuesday, April 13th, the D. C. Society's Twelfth Annual Celebration honoring the memory of Thomas Jefferson on the 211th Anniversary of his birth, will be held at the National Jefferson Memorial.

## Florida

Florida State President James L. Ingram was honored with a banquet on his Annual visit to the Sarasota Florida Chapter SAR February the 19th.

Among the distinguished guests was Frank Hannum, Former National Trustee, Past Florida State President. There were also several local, State and National visitors.

Major J. B. Holt, President of the Sarasota Chapter greeted Compatriot Ingram and announced that the Sarasota Chapter had more than doubled its membership in the first year. The State President was presented with a gavel of local wood, made by the chapter president as a personal remembrance of his visit to the Sarasota Chapter and as an emblem of his leadership in the SAR.

President Ingram spoke on the principles of the SAR to the more than 50 members and guests attending. The pri-

vate dining room was decorated by some of the local members of the DAR. The occasion was one of good fellowship and a pleasant remembrance.

The Annual Massing of the Colors is held at the Church of Bethesda by the Sea, Palm Beach, Fla., on the nearest Sunday to Washington's Birthday. One part of the ceremony is the Church service. This year on the altar with the Rev. Tage Teisen, D. D., Rector of the Church of Bethesda by the Sea, Palm Beach, Fla., were the Rev. William Filler Lutz, Ph.D., Chaplain of the Palm Beach Chapter, S. A. R., and Rev. Magnus Charlton, Past Chaplain in Chief, United Spanish War Veterans, and the speaker The Very Reverend Chester B. Emerson, D.D., Dean Emeritus of Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio.

Among the Distinguished Guests in the Reviewing Group were Captain David McCampbell, U. S. Navy, Winner of the Medal of Honor, Captain Robert S. Cain, United Spanish American War Past National Commander in Chief, John Alton Emmons, Past National Commander, Association Navy

and Marine Veterans, Spanish American War, and Treasurer of the Palm Beach Chapter, S. A. R., Messmore Kendall, Esq., Past President General of Sons of the American Revolution, Lt. Commander, U.S.N.R., William A. Cobb, President of the Palm Beach Chapter, S. A. R., Mrs. D. Warren Webster, Regent of the Seminole Chapter, D. A. R.

The Parade Marshal was Major Enoch Warren Hunt, II, 2nd Battalion, 211th Infantry, Florida National Guard. The music was furnished by four buglers, under Sgt. William T. Burns, U. S. Air Force and Organist Arnold Dann.

Past President General Ray O. Edwards was the winner of a second place award given by the Freedom's Foundation at Valley Forge. The honor went to Compatriot Edwards, who is director of the Housing Authority of Jacksonville, for a public address "Rights and Lefts" which he delivered before S.A.R. groups during his official visits in December 1952 and January 1953.

The award, which will consist of \$50

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The fifteenth annual Massing of the Colors by the Palm Beach Chapter was held February 21st at the Church of Bethesda by the Sea. Participating in the colorful ceremonies were, left to right: Capt. David McCampbell, USN, winner of the Medal of Honor; Rev. Tage Teisen, D.D., rector of the Church of Bethesda by the Sea and Lt. Commander William A. Cobb, USNR, President of the Palm Beach Chapter, S.A.R.



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and the George Washington Medal Honor, will be presented at regional ceremonies to be held later this year, the time and place to be announced.

In his address, Compatriot Edwards brought out that "the office of government is not intended to confer happiness, but to give man an opportunity to pursue it, assuming his own risks and accepting his own mistakes without recourse to government guarantees and grants."

## Hawaii Society

The annual election of officers of the Hawaii Society S.A.R., was held in Honolulu, January 23. The newly elected officers are: President, Herbert Selby Smith; Vice President, Dr. L. Clagett Beck; Secretary, William L. McCracken; Treasurer, Charles Lono Hapai; Registrar, Charles B. Cooper, Jr.; Sergeant-at-Arms, M. Roger Monsarrat; Color Guard, Stephen W. Parker; Chaplain, Rev. Henry P. Judd; Trustee, K. L. Andrew; Trustee, Volney A. K. Howard.

The addition of new members, together with a number of transfers, by Compatriots who were formerly members of other State Societies and now are residents of Hawaii, has given the Hawaii Society a fine nucleus. Plans for an interesting program of activities are being prepared for the future.

## Illinois

Under the able leadership of Col. Edward N. Wentworth, a plan for the establishing of new chapters was inaugurated some months ago. His unfortunate illness made it necessary for other Compatriots to assume the task. Tangible results are now becoming evident. Sparked by the efforts of Compatriot Charles A. Goodwin-Perkins, a new chapter will be chartered in April in the Champaign-Urbana area. Compatriots from the counties of Ford, Iroquois and Vermilion are cooperating in the formation of the new chapter.

The annual meeting of the Springfield Chapter was attended by the president and vice president of the State Society, Earle Benjamin Searcy and John E. King, respectively.

The newly elected officers of the Springfield Chapter are: Roy G. Hill,

president; Charles F. McElroy, first vice president; Dan Zahn, second vice president; Carrol C. Hall, secretary; S. Ben Helms, treasurer; L. T. Coddington, registrar; Frank Darneille, historian; George P. Kreider, chaplain; R. Wells Leib, sergeant-at-arms; and Grover C. Rockwood, chancellor.

The Constructive Citizenship Committee, under the chairmanship of Compatriot Charles B. Elder, has continued a fine program of awarding Good Citizenship Medals to high school students in Chicago and other cities throughout the state.

An excellent and newsy bulletin, edited by Compatriot John D. Randall, is distributed to the members of the Illinois Society. This bulletin, entitled "The Prairie State S.A.R." keeps the individual member informed on the activities and progress of the State Society.

## Louisiana

Prospects for a new chapter at Shreveport are very bright and it is believed that it will be chartered before the Annual Congress of the National Society meets in Williamsburg.

New additions to the membership continue at a steady pace and there are hopes for additional chapters in the near future.

The State Society placed a wreath on Benjamin Franklin's statue in Lafayette Square, New Orleans, on Ben Franklin Day, Jan. 17, 1954, in honor of the great patriot.

## Maine

A marker was placed on the grave of Captain Samuel Watts in the cemetery at Jonesboro, by the Maine Society S.A.R. on October 6, 1953. An account of the ceremony and a photograph of the grave appear in this issue of the Magazine.

## Maryland

The Society assembled on the evening of February 22nd in the Hotel Sheraton Belvedere in Baltimore to celebrate the birthday of our First President. The attendance of forty-eight members was normal for the season, in the light of the numerous other similar celebrations taking place on the same evening. (The writer of the screed in

the January issue of this Magazine, taking Marylanders to task for poor attendance, was himself absent.)

Our First Vice-President, Henry S. Shryock, presided. The speaker of the evening was Professor Rowan A. Williams of the Department of English, History and Government at the U. S. Naval Academy. Speaking on the subject, "The Adolescent George Washington," Professor Williams, a professional historian, covered Washington's life from the age of eleven, when his father died, to his twenty-first year. Although most everyone knows in general of Washington's rapid development, few of us actually realize that during, what we now would call, his extreme youth he had reached the stature of men twice his age, that by the time he had reached his majority he had become adjutant in the Colony of Virginia with the rank of major, and was one of the largest landowners in the Northern Neck. At this early age, Professor Williams, declared, Washington had established himself as a prominent and successful man. After the meeting the customary buffet supper was served.

On March 13th President Henry Powell Hopkins, Sr., of the Maryland Society was host at dinner for his Board of Officers and Managers. The excellence of the dinner and the service attested to Compatriot Hopkins' reputation as a connoisseur of fine foods and as a genial host. Those who could not attend missed an extraordinary experience. The President's dinner for the Board has long since become an annual institution in the Maryland Society.

On April 19th the Maryland Society will hold its Annual Meeting, at which the officers of the Society for the coming year will be elected and inducted into office. The speaker for that evening will be Rear Admiral John Heffernan, U. S. Navy, who is now Historian of the Navy, a post that was created shortly after World War I for the purpose of compiling war records for the benefit of future naval tacticians and strategists. The general theme of the Admiral's speech will be "Education."

The Maryland Society is making plans for its participation in the Annual Congress of the National Society. A large delegation to Williamsburg is presently indicated.

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## Mississippi

The Annual Meeting of the Mississippi Society was held in the Ball Room of the Edwards Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi, at 7:30, Saturday evening, March 27. The host chapter, the Central Mississippi Chapter of Jackson, provided an interesting program and an excellent menu.

President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye was the honored guest and speaker of the evening. His address stressing the importance of the support of Our Constitution was received with enthusiasm.

The Mississippi Society has made great strides forward this year. Thirty-one new members have been added to this date (as of Feb. 1) with several more in prospect before the end of our fiscal year. Definite plans are being made for a Charter Night when Laurel will be given its charter as a local Chapter. Progress is being made at Columbus and we hope that soon our Compatriots in that vicinity will have a Chapter.

## New Jersey

## Elizabethtown Chapter No. 1

Our activities have been concentrated principally on the project of obtaining and setting grave stones for veterans of the various American Wars whose graves are located in the cemetery of the First Presbyterian Church and whose stones are either completely missing or have become illegible due to the ravages of time. Applications were made some time ago to the Quartermaster General of the Army for a total of 50 stones. Of these 50, 24 have now been delivered and arrangements have been completed with the Custodian of Veteran Graves for Union County to have these stones erected in the proper locations in this cemetery.

The Chapter was represented by its Color Guard and a delegation of members at the Washington's Birthday Anniversary Vesper Service of the D.A.R. held in Trinity Cathedral in Newark on February 21 (Sunday). Compatriot David Dearborn aided in the collection at this service and Compatriots Henry W. Crane, president of the Chapter, Dr. George J. Deyo, N. J. Society Secretary, presented the colors.

The following day the Colors were

also among those displayed and the Chapter membership was well represented at the Annual Luncheon of the State Society.

Compatriot Richard E. Crane, Secretary, is in charge of developing a luncheon meeting sometime during the first part of April.

## Montclair Chapter No. 3

Under the auspices of the chapter and the Eagle Rock Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, the annual church service in commemoration of

General George Washington was held, February 21 at 4:00 P.M. at the First Congregational Church, Montclair, N. J. William Y. Pryor, 2nd vice president of the N. J. Society and president of the Montclair Chapter greeted the many organizations who were represented including all the service clubs of the city, various American Legion Posts and several patriotic societies.

The chapter participated actively in attending the Washington Birthday Observance held at the Essex House in Newark. Mr. Pryor was chairman of

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William T. Robinson, President, Atlanta Chapter, presents Miss Helena Carter with the Good Citizenship Medal during a TV program in Atlanta, over WLWA, February 12 (Georgia Day).



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this most successful affair an account of which is detailed elsewhere in the N. J. News.

*Monmouth Chapter No. 5*

At the February 12th meeting of the Chapter, Compatriot John Alden gave a talk on Michael Field; compatriot Francis Borden, treasurer, exhibited the Michael Field Musket and compatriot Dr. C. Malcolm B. Gilman, president, exhibited and talked on the arms of the Revolution including the Committee of Safety, Charleville and Brown Bess Muskets. Kits of duellers and other pistols of the times were shown.

Compatriot Alden talked also on the Lincoln family in New Jersey, and plans were promulgated to develop a committee to aid in cleaning up the Deborah Lincoln grave at Clarksburg, N. J.

By appointment, tours are made Saturdays and Sundays of the Monmouth Battle Field.

Michael Field's grave has been re-discovered. It was found in the woods south of Vanderberg, N. J. As a boy he left his farm, musket in hand, and resisted the British during the retreat after the Battle of Monmouth.

At the next meeting in April, colored movies of Williamsburg, Va. and flower arrangements will be shown—the latter being an appeal to the ladies who will be invited.

A Field trip to Deborah Lincoln's grave and the site of the Battle of Little Egg will be made by chartered bus in the late spring. The purpose is in keeping with a general plan to rediscover, clean up and mark historic sites in Monmouth County.

An activity not to be forgotten is Chapter Society, Compatriot Henry D. Brinley's constant attention to obtain new members. The Chapter is fortunate in having as one of its residents, Mrs. Howard L. Shirley, executive secretary of the N. J. Society.

Considerable newspaper publicity locally has been given to the outlined plans of the chapter in their attempt to mark historic sites in the County.

*Paramus Chapter No. 6*

The December 10th meeting was held at the home of Compatriot Hal M. Mullen. Compatriot Harold Davison gave an informative and interesting talk

on the Parks of Bergen County. At this meeting many prospective members were in attendance. The chapter is continuing its drive for new members in accordance with the State and National Societies' campaign.

Plans were discussed and arrangements made for the annual dinner meeting to be held January 28. President Ray W. Dutcher appointed Compatriots Harold Davison and Clarence Van Dorn to act on the dinner committee. Members of the Ramapo Valley Chapter of the D.R.'s and members of the Saddle River Chapter of the D.A.R.'s were to join in this festivity. Compatriot Hal M. Mullen and his lovely wife served a tasty and sumptuous repast.

On January 11 an informal dinner meeting was held at the YMCA in Ridgewood, N. J. President Dutcher called the meeting to order after which Compatriot Chester Van Dorn led the flag salute followed by the Invocation given by Compatriot Reverend Cook. Noted guests included Mrs. Romig, Regents and Vice-Regents of the various chapters. A moment of silent tribute to the memory of Compatriot Clarence J. Knauss was offered.

Reverend Edgar Franklin Romig,

D. C. Pastor of the West End Collegiate Church, New York City and a brother-in-law of the Compatriot President Dutcher, the speaker for the evening spoke on "An American Takes the Orient Express." It proved to be a most enlightening theme.

Appointed on the Nominating committee were Compatriots John Hill, Chairman; Avery Oakes and Charles Rice. Compatriot Pierre Zabriskie was appointed to seek a good place for the pilgrimage in the spring at which time the Ridgewood High School Essay will be read.

March 18th was the last meeting of President Dutcher's term and was held at his home, 139 Walnut St., Ridgewood. The members were urged to bring as many prospective members as possible. Mr. Lloyd Haberly, professor of English at Fairleigh Dickinson College, Rutherford and Teaneck Campuses, spoke on the Plains Indians. He is an authority on the subject having lived with them.

*West Fields Chapter No. 11*

The Chapter boasts about its membership activity and leads the state in new

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The dedication of the George M. Dame Memorial Park in Homerville, Ga., was attended by four Dame brothers, members of the Wiregrass Chapter SAR, left to right: Judge Flem C. Dame, Ft. Pierce, Fla.; Mrs. Lula Dame Peagler; H. J. Dame, retired attorney; Mrs. Olivia Dame Barnhill; Dr. George A. Dame, President Wiregrass Chapter and Dr. L. H. Dame, Orlando, Fla.

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members. It also has a very large membership on its chapter rolls. Continued activity is led by William Edgar Reeve and challenges other chapters to pass the chapter's 140 to date.

Widespread county publicity was accorded their recent meeting held at the Westfield YMCA, Friday Evening, February 19, when Congressman, Harrison A. Williams, Jr. spoke.

Congressman Williams urged the S.A.R. to Lead War on Totalitarian Left and Right Wings. Over 100 members attended and the number was increased by the attendance of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

President, Compatriot Carolus T. Clark presided, and introduced Compatriot Harvey B. Nelson, Jr., President of the N. J. Society whose remarks were in the nature of a report about the "Bigger Than Ever" attendance February 22nd of the Washington Birthday Observance in Newark.

*The Captain Abraham Godwin Chapter No. 12*

Compatriot President Isaac A. Serven was successful in publicizing in the local press of the Paterson area the encampment of the Continental Army in this area during October and November 1780; and in July 1780 when the army was also encamped hereabouts. Chapter Historian, Dr. D. Stanton Hammond, prepared an enlightening article for the press on "Today is 162nd Anniversary of American Bill of Rights." Dr. Hammond reviewed conditions in the world today and made the reader appreciate the freedoms the citizens of the United States enjoy under the first 10 amendments of the Constitution.

The Chapter is much interested in the move to make the city land at the Passaic Falls a Memorial Park. This spot, visited so often by General Washington and his patriotic troops, will become a memorial tribute to the men of all wars.

*South Jersey Chapter No. 13*

Two new members have been signed up since our last meeting held December 1 reports Compatriot President, Major Lawrence Stratton. At our next meeting March 23 we anticipate additional members.

*Abraham Clark Chapter No. 14*

On January 19th, our last meeting, it was voted to solicit the chapter membership for funds jointly with Abraham Clark Chapter D.A.R. to have Abraham Clark's name and the State seal inscribed on a stone for that purpose on the Valley Forge Bell Tower, as one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. A nominating committee also was appointed.

The Joint Property Committee held a Card Party at the Chapter House which was judged very successful.

Former State Genealogist, Compa-

triot Edwin Baldwin of Summit talked most entertainingly on "Local Incidents of the Revolution."

The Chapter was well represented at the Washington Birthday Luncheon at the Essex House in Newark at which U. S. Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia was the principal speaker and when Admiral William Halsey was presented the Good Citizenship Award by National Trustee, Judge T. Stanton Lawrence. Compatriot Secretary, Robert S. Tomlinson and Compatriot president, Albert B. Caldwell both report that the drive for new members continues.

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The placing of a wreath on Franklin's statue in Lafayette Square, New Orleans, on January 17th by the Louisiana Society was attended by, left to right: Rev. Cannon William Turner; President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye; Stuart O. Landry, Secretary Louisiana Society and R. Kirk Moyer, President of the Louisiana Society. Compatriot Landry was Chairman of the Benjamin Franklin Day Committee.



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*Raritan Valley Chapter No. 15*

Compatriot A. L. Stokes, secretary, has advised that Compatriot Luther H. Martin will continue to represent the chapter on the State Board. A most successful meeting was held February 23 at the Church House of the Reformed Church, New Brunswick. A movie, "The Doctor in Industry" portrays Industrial Medicine and can be secured through General Motors.

*Rutherford Chapter No. 17*

In conjunction with the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society, our chapter, under the energetic leadership of our president, Compatriot Harold S. Johnson, has been engaged in exploratory studies and investigation of what is believed to be the oldest dwelling house in the State of New Jersey.

Situated in Rutherford, known as the Kingsland Kettell mansion, this house is known to be at least 280 years old, and is believed to be much older. It is now owned by a member of our chapter, Compatriot J. Harry Smith, who, with President Johnson, is spearheading our efforts to turn it into an historic shrine. Because of this activity the New York Daily News offered considerable space in its February 14th issue describing in quite some detail this house.

Compatriot Secretary, Frederick B. Chandler, reports that the chapter is also presently carrying on a drive to add to the collection of books which have been donated to the Rutherford Public Library. The drive for new members also continues unabated.

*Jersey City Chapter No. 18*

At the January meeting Compatriot G. Wallace Crawford showed pictures in color of his last summer's trip to Italy and Switzerland.

Together with the Bergen-Paulus Hook Chapter, D.A.R. and the Hudson County Historical Society, Jersey City Chapter conducted a very successful patriotic service commemorating the birthday of George Washington in historical Old Bergen Church, Jersey City. Captain Maurice M. Wither- spoon, U. S. Navy Chaplain, retired, gave a most inspiring address.

Compatriot President, Manton L. Graff, advised that the Jersey City Chapter, home chapter of State Society

President, Harvey B. Nelson, Jr. had a very large attendance at the Washington Birthday Luncheon in Newark.

*Lord Stirling Chapter No. 21*

The Fall Dinner meeting was held November 29th at the Bernards Inn with discussion on membership, subversive activity and examination of textbooks used in local schools.

On January 26, 1954, Compatriot, Dr. George J. Deyo, State Secretary and Chairman of Membership Committee, was the guest speaker at a dinner meeting held at the Bernards Inn, Bernardsville. He outlined a comprehensive program for use in obtaining

eligible members and offered ideas in the form of actual accomplishments which have been used by other societies with considerable success. "Membership is the Life Blood of an Organization." "To allow it to dry up results in eventual Demise." His enthusiasm and sincerity in his delivery radiated to the members according to Compatriot Secretary, James J. Bancker. Compatriot Henry Crane, President Elizabethtown Chapter No. 1 was also a guest at this meeting.

Compatriot President, Clarence L. Smalley, announced that the annual meeting will be held in the latter part of March for the election of officers.

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Members of the Orange-Newark Chapter participated in the rededication of the Lincoln statue at the City Hall Plaza, Ft. Orange, N. J., on Lincoln's birthday, February 12th. Left to right: Harry Peck Haverill, Color Guard; Edgar Williamson, Jr., former City Commissioner, Master of Ceremonies; Mark William M. McConnell; Hon. William P. Wilkins, Chairman City Council and Russell F. George, Color Guard.

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*New Mexico*

The Annual Meeting of the New Mexico Society was held on February 21 and the following were elected to serve for the year 1954-55; President, Clinton M. Roth; First Vice President, Donald C. Collyer; Second Vice President, W. Byron Miller; Third Vice President, Dr. V. H. Spensley; Secretary-Treasurer, Charles A. Dickson; Registrar, Charles R. Cole; Chancellor, Lake J. Frazier, Chaplain, Rev. H. P. Williams; Genealogist, Chester R. Johnson; and nominated for National Trustee, Herbert B. Gerhart.

*Empire State*

For the seventh successive year, Long Island Chapter, of the Empire State Society, held its Washington's Birthday Service in beautiful, historic St. George's Episcopal Church, Hempstead, L. I., on Sunday afternoon, February 21st. (The parish of St. George's dates back to the year 1702 when it received a royal charter. The golden cock weathervane on the Church steeple has sixteen bullet holes in it—put there by Revolutionary War soldiers. The present church edifice of St. George's dates back to the year 1822.)

Joining in this Service with Long Island Chapter were representatives of Huntington Chapter, S.A.R., from the north shore of Long Island, and representatives of fourteen Nassau and Suffolk County, Long Island, D.A.R. Chapters.

An excellent sermon, on appreciating our sacred liberties, was delivered by the rector of St. George's, the Reverend Victor Marshall Regan, who urged his listeners to meditate on our heritage of freedom and to consider the attitude of our Founding Fathers which is inscribed on our United States currency: "In God We Trust."

Following the Service in the Church, excellent refreshments were served by the D.A.R. ladies in the parish hall of St. George's.

Syracuse Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, began marking the graves of the Revolutionary soldiers of Onondaga County—in which Syracuse, New York, is located—in 1927. At that time, Compatriot Dr. Bradford Sherwood, chairman of the Grave Marking Committee, directed the activity.

The first grave marked was that of Col. Jeremiah Jackson in nearby LaFayette in 1927. In the ensuing five years, with the aid of Compatriot Charles Billings and others, there were from 10 to 25 graves marked each year.

Due to lack of funds, no graves were marked from 1933 to 1942. In 1942, Compatriot Newton E. King was appointed as chairman of the Grave Marking Committee, and one grave was marked that year.

During the next four years, 10 graves were marked each year. The Chapter received a legacy from Compatriot Thomas Murray Chase, a large part of which was allocated to the Grave Marking Committee.

With funds available, the work proceeded with new vigor, from 50 to 100 graves being marked each year since, the result being that the project is nearly completed, with 543 marked in cemeteries throughout Onondaga County.

Participating in the project were the following compatriots: the late Maj. Harry Durston, Edward K. Ives, Joseph Schaefer, Floyd Pryne, Cyrus Parsons and Mrs. Guy Chaffee of the D.A.R. Mrs. Chaffee and her husband assisted in marking the graves in the

south, east and northern part, of the county.

The next project of the Graves Marking Committee is to gather the headstones which are lying on the ground in small, abandoned cemeteries and placing them in large, well-kept cemeteries.

So far, three have been placed in Lakeview Cemetery, Skaneateles, where the cemetery association gave the Chapter a fine lot for the purpose.

The three Onondaga County D.A.R. Chapters—Comfort Tyler, Asa Danforth and Fayetteville—have marked a total of 161 graves, making a total of 569 graves of soldier of the American Revolution marked in Onondaga County, New York, by the efforts of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In addition to the satisfaction Syracuse Chapter, S.A.R., gains from this project, historical data which enriches the fund of local history concerning the participation in the struggle for freedom has been discovered and compiled. Syracuse Chapter has been unusually fortunate in having among its membership men who have so unselfishly given so generously of their time and energy to this worthy cause.

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Left to right: Dr. Herschel, Vice President General, National Society; Judge Stanton T. Lawrence, National Trustee; Compatriot Harry F. Byrd, U. S. Senator from Virginia; Compatriot William F. Halsey, Fleet Admiral, ret. and Harvey B. Nelson, Jr. are pictured at the presentation of a Gold Good Citizenship Medal and certificate to Admiral Halsey by the New Jersey Society, S.A.R.



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## North Carolina

On Monday night, February 22, the North Carolina Society of the Sons of the American Revolution held its Washington's Birthday Banquet in the Banquet Hall of the Women's Club, Raleigh, N. C. The meeting was presided over by State President, Major William Oliver Smith, and the attendance at this meeting showed an increase of more than 50% over the banquet held in 1953. The Governor of North Carolina was represented by his wife, Mrs. William B. Umstead, and the North Carolina Society, D.A.R., was represented by Mrs. Lawrence J. Ohleyer, State Corresponding Secretary of the D.A.R. The ladies of the Caswell-Nash Chapter of the D.A.R. and the Colonel Polk Chapter of the D.A.R. volunteered to supervise the preparation of the Banquet Hall and the menus for this festive occasion, and Mrs. Charles Lee Smith, Regent of the Caswell-Nash Chapter, together with her assistants, laid the groundwork for what turned out to be one of the best banquets that the North Carolina Society, S.A.R., has held in recent years.

The invocation was pronounced by Compatriot William T. Harding; the Pledge to the Flag was led by Lt. Col. Jeffrey F. Stanback, Vice President of the State Society, following which there were several patriotic songs by Mrs. Ethel Casey, accompanied by Mrs. Roy O. Caveness. Major Smith, who presided, made several necessary announcements, and presented the distinguished guests. Among these guests were Mrs. E. A. Branch, State President of the Society of the War of 1812; Past Vice President-General Carson D. Baucom; Colonel David L. Hardee, Co-Ordinator of Civilian Defense for Wake County and Raleigh, who during World War II was decorated for his bravery in setting up the headquarters for General MacArthur on Corregidor, and who was later captured by the Japanese and survived the terrible death march of Bataan; National Trustee James E. Henderson of Canton, North Carolina; Mrs. B. Moore Parker, North Carolina President of the American War Mothers; and Mr. Travis B. Callum, Secretary-Treasurer-Registrar of the North Carolina Society, S.A.R.

Major Smith then presented Dr. Rob-

ert B. House, Chancellor of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, who spoke on George Washington as a citizen, as a soldier, as a patriot, and as President of the United States. The address of Dr. House was most scholarly and interesting.

The Banquet ended with the singing of *The Old North State*, and the benediction by one of North Carolina's finest Compatriots, Dr. D. T. Smithwick of Louisburg, N. C.

The Society has been making steady increases in membership and the newly elected officers plan to have one or two new chapters within a few months. Awards of R.O.T.C. medals are made to the three universities in the state each year.

Meetings held on all of the historic holidays have been well attended and patriotic events have been celebrated by the State Society.

## Ohio

The coming of President General de la Houssaye to Cincinnati on February 19th furnished the occasion for one of the most eventful meetings in the history

of the Ohio Society this year. 146 compatriots and ladies, including numerous officers of the Ohio Society and other Chapters, sat down to a delightful dinner at the Hotel Sinton and afterwards enjoyed an interesting program presided over by the retiring President of the Cincinnati Chapter, Compatriot Randolph F. Sellers. Compatriot Howard R. Urmston, chairman of the Chapter's very effective membership committee, presented to the President General twenty-two new members of a class of thirty-two whose applications have recently been passed upon. Included were two sons of our distinguished late Compatriot, the Honorable Robert A. Taft. After greetings by the President General, each of these new members was presented his membership certificate by the Secretary of the Ohio Society, Compatriot Charles A. Jones. President Thomas A. Calhoun brought greetings from the Ohio Society. The address of the President General was received with appreciation, although not all of his hearers were in accord with his suggestion that the "US should get out of the UN and the UN out of the US".

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North Carolina Society S.A.R. holds Washington's Birthday Banquet at Woman's Club, Raleigh, N. C., Monday evening, February 22, 1954. Above, left to right: Major Wm. Oliver Smith of Raleigh, President of the State Society; National Trustee James E. Henderson of Canton, N. C.; Mrs. William B. Umstead, wife of the Governor of North Carolina; Dr. Robert B. House, Chancellor of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; and Lt. Col. Jeffrey F. Stanback of Montgomery County, Vice President of the North Carolina Society.

The next event of primary importance in the Society's history is the State Conference and Meeting which will be held at the Mayflower Hotel in Akron, Friday and Saturday, April 23 and 24. A committee headed by the Registrar General, L. F. Ridgway, who is also Secretary of Lafayette Chapter, and Compatriot J. A. Riner, president of the Chapter, is busily at work arranging an interesting and helpful program. One of the features, of course, will be the Historical Oration Contest, in which a considerable group of candidates from high schools throughout the state, will participate. This is under the direction of a Committee headed by Compatriot Wayne Gardner Smith of Cleveland. There is every indication that there will be a large attendance from over the state.

Many compatriots are making reservations to be present at the National Congress at Williamsburg in May. The Ohio Society hopes to have a full delegation at this historic meeting.

Western Reserve Society (Cleveland)

held its Annual Meeting at the Mid-Day Club on February 22d, with 100 Compatriots and guests present. A masterful and inspiring address on the theme, "The Spirit of America as Revealed in Washington and Lincoln" was given by Dr. Harry B. Taylor, Minister, The Church of the Covenant of Cleveland. New officers and members of the Board were elected, Secretary Winfield Worline being reelected for the ninth term. The president for the ensuing year is Ray E. Munn, Chairman of the Board of The Ransom & Randolph Co., manufacturers and dealers in dental merchandise.

The past year has been one of the best in the history of Western Reserve Society. It has held nine noon meetings with an average attendance of 63. 300 were present at a joint SAR-DAR Dinner Meeting held in October, featured in a picture in the Magazine's last issue.

In the belief that patriotism embraces taking intelligent and informed interest in all affairs affecting the national wel-

fare, the Society tried the experiment of mailing to each member in January a questionnaire covering a number of subjects under consideration for legislative action nationally. Partly the experiment was an endeavor to answer a question often asked by members as to what opportunity they have to state their patriotic convictions through Society channels. The questions were framed so as to avoid any partisan tinge.

Says President Calhoun: "The response to the questionnaire was a revelation as to the intelligent interest shown in the amazingly large percentage of replies received. Not only was intelligent interest registered, but deep feeling and grave concern as well as the desire to 'do something about it'. It seemed to demonstrate that the S.A.R. should do its part in formulating public opinion, in every community, through a program dealing with the fundamental problems of our times. It looks certain that such planning and working together would yield worthwhile dividends in the form

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Membership certificates were presented to twenty new members of the Cincinnati, Ohio, Chapter at the dinner meeting February 19th, at which President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye was guest speaker. The famous sword, a personal gift from George Washington to the Chilley family, of Cincinnati, rests on the small table in front of the speaker's table.



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of better government”.

The Board of Management voted to have a professional analysis made of the hundreds of replies, and this analysis will be reported to the State Conference at Akron, April 23-24. President General de la Houssaye, impressed with the questionnaire and the interest it engendered, requested that a full report be given the National Society, for its consideration and possible use.

The Cincinnati Chapter has purchased a fire-resistant steel, locked cabinet for its records. This has been placed in the rooms of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio, located in the basement of the University of Cincinnati library building.

Benjamin Franklin Chapter at Columbus is completing plans for its annual ‘Honor Meeting’ for especially chosen representatives of the graduating classes at High Schools in Franklin County. This is always an event of importance in Columbus and will be held at the Columbus Club on April 21. Dr. Bland L. Stradley, Vice President of Ohio State University, will be the speaker this year. Dr. J. Boyd Davis, President of the Board of Trustees of Rio Grande College, has been re-elected Chapter President for a second year.

Intensive work is being done in various parts of the state looking toward the organization of new Chapters, with promising hopes for the near future.

The Ohio Society has received the resignation of its Chaplain, the Reverend Chandler Crawford, Episcopal Rector of Xenia. Just after Easter, he is taking up a new work at Mark Twain’s old home, Hannibal, Missouri.

Two members of the Ohio Society, the Honorable Henry A. Middleton and the Honorable Kingsley A. Taft are candidates for re-nomination and re-election to the Supreme Court of Ohio.

## Oklahoma

The Oklahoma Society held its annual meeting on February 22, at the Huckins Hotel, Oklahoma City. Col. Ross H. Routh, member of the Oklahoma City Chapter delivered an interesting address on “Korea and Koreans”. A welcome was extended by Dr. Melvin Vandenberg, President of the Oklahoma City Chapter and the response was made by Compatriot Paul P. Pinkerton of the

Tulsa Chapter. President James A. Campbell presided at the luncheon and at the business meeting which followed.

## Oregon

Portland Chapter held its annual meeting and dinner at the Congress Hotel on Feb. 18. The members listened to an interesting address on “The Significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition” by Lancaster Pollard, superintendent of the Oregon Historical Society. Oregon is preparing to observe the Sesqui-Centennial of that expedition next year, and S.A.R. leaders will have prominent a part in the various ceremonies. At the annual business meeting Ernest C. Potts, who had served three years as secretary, was elevated to the presidency. Ira P. E. Reynolds was named vice-president and John F. Moffett was chosen secretary-treasurer. Named to the board of managers were H. Stockton Boyd, Arthur D. Platt and Col. Owen R. Rhoads. The retiring president, George O. Gannett, presided.

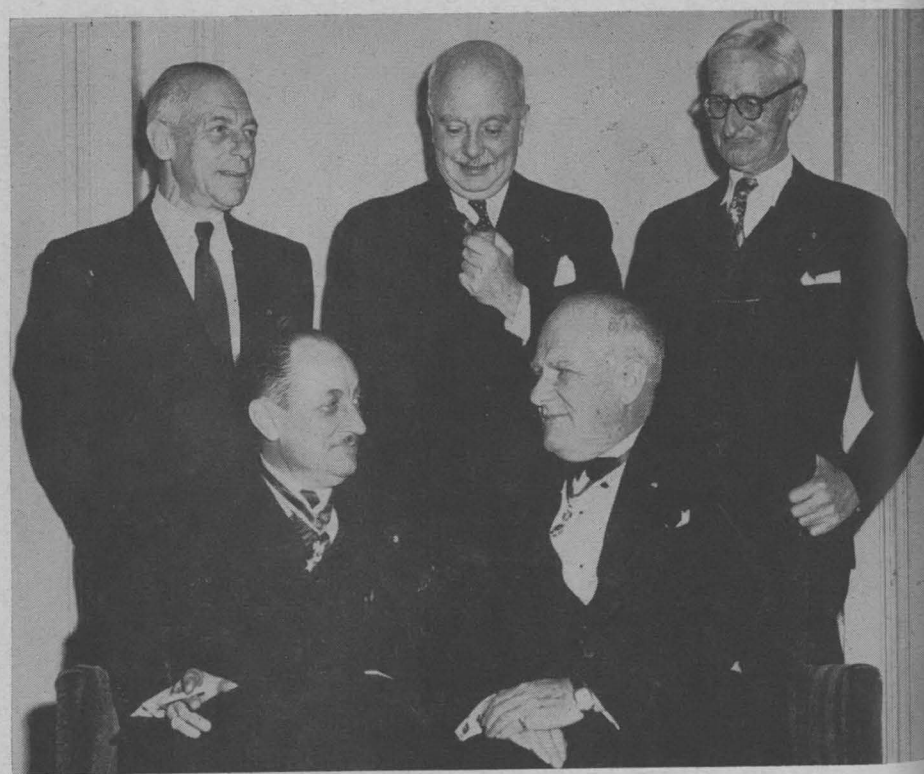
Southern Oregon Chapter held its annual meeting in Medford Feb. 25.

Officers were elected as follows: William R. Bagley, Jr., of Talent, president; John R. Detweiler, 522 Edwards St., Medford, vice-president; Thomas J. Gifford, 419 S. Oakdale Ave., Medford, secretary-treasurer.

## Pennsylvania

The Blair County Chapter S.A.R. and the Col. John Proctor Chapter D.A.R., were the co-sponsors of a well attended dinner meeting at the Penn-Alto Hotel, Altoona, on Friday evening February 12. The speaker of the evening was Compatriot Robert H. McNeill, Treasurer General of the National Society S.A.R., whose subject was “George Washington the Incomparable Patriot.” His remarks were received with enthusiasm by an appreciative audience. Pittsburgh Chapter, Pennsylvania Society, celebrated the anniversary of George Washington’s birthday in the evening of Monday, February 22nd. The occasion was sponsored jointly with the Pittsburgh Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, there being

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Judge Mark E. Garber, standing at left, spoke on the Bill of Rights at the meeting of the Harris Ferry Chapter December 17th. Pictured with him are, seated left to right: Earl M. Schroeder, President Pennsylvania Society and Fred N. Roe, Past President Harris Ferry Chapter. Standing: Col. John McL. Smith, Vice President of the Chapter and Chester Shirk, President of the Chapter.

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about one hundred forty present.

Officers and guests at the Speakers Table followed the National and chapter flags to their places, in the ball room of the Webster Hall Hotel. A turkey dinner followed Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and the singing of one verse of the National Anthem.

The meeting was opened by James L. Taylor, Jr., President of Pittsburgh Chapter, who presented the Toastmaster Doctor H. Ryerson Decker, First Vice President of the Pennsylvania Society. Mrs. Carl Edward Glock, Regent of Pittsburgh Chapter, welcomed the members and guests with appropriate words.

It was regretted that illness prevented the expected address by Compatriot David W. Rial, with colored slides to illustrate the route known as Forbes Road. Mrs. Herbert Patterson, State Regent of Pennsylvania, gave a timely talk on present day conditions, explaining the dangers that are now threatening the freedom of our country, and urging all to be alert and to take action to protect our rights. The Reverend Grover E. Swoyer, Associate Chaplain of Pittsburgh Chapter, gave a spirited address on “Why I Like George Washington,” with historical references and timely humor.

Mrs. Harlow B. Kirkpatrick, National Vice-President, was introduced, as were Charles E. Dinkey, Jr., Chairman of Committee which made the arrangements, and others. Cards and Scrabble followed, until midnight drew near.

## Rhode Island

The traditional Fish House Punch, followed by an excellent buffet luncheon, marked the Annual Meeting of the R. I. Society on George Washington’s Birthday, February 22, 1954.

The meeting, attended by more than 100 Compatriots and guests, was held in the historic John Brown Mansion, home of the R.I. Historical Society. George Washington was entertained here in 1790 and John Quincy Adams, 6th President of the United States, said of it, “the most magnificent and elegant private mansion that I have ever seen on this continent.”

Rev. Harvey Blair Marks, Chaplain of the R.I. Society pronounced the in-

vocation and the salute to the flag was led by Past President General Arthur M. McCrillis. A moment of silence was observed as the names of deceased Compatriots were read by Registrar Philip R. Arnold.

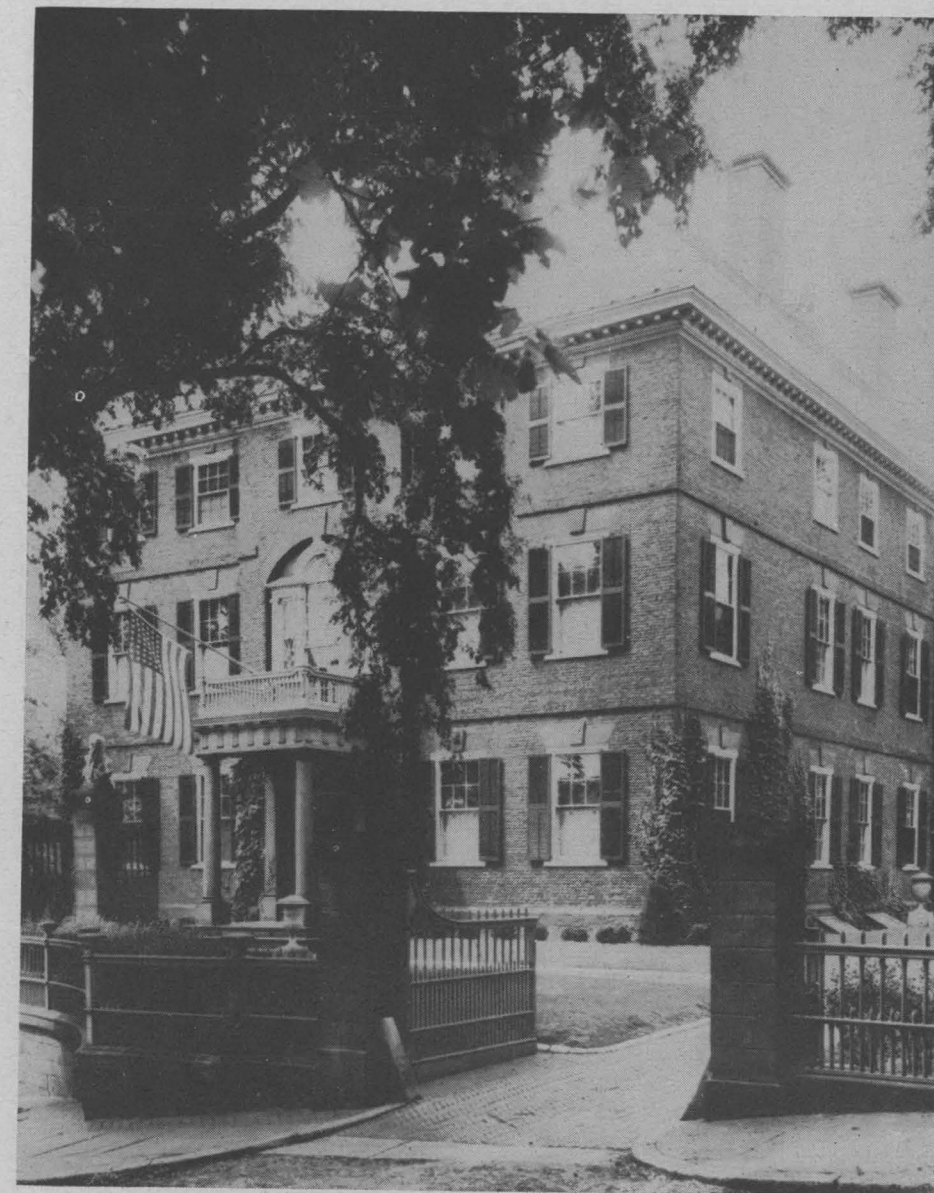
Charles Crosley Horton, retiring after an extremely successful two year term as President of the R.I. Society was given a vote of thanks by the membership, as were other retiring officers. President Horton addressed the members briefly on “Characteristics of Washington.”

Compatriot Herbert A. Crowell, Past Grand Master of Masons in Rhode Island was elected President of the R.I.

Society for the ensuing year and was escorted to the rostrum by Past President Addison P. Munroe (who is also Past Governor General of the Mayflower Society). Henry G. Clark, prominent Rhode Island civic leader was elected Vice President.

The following new members were presented to the Society: Niles Tod Williams, Richard Williams Laferriere, Frederick M. Browning, Charles William Hill, Robert Burch Jones, Frederic Cooper Rogers, Charles Carpenter Viall, Lawrence F. Vories, and John Robert Godfrey (by transfer from the Empire State Society).

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The annual meeting of the Rhode Island Society was held in the historical John Brown House, Providence, February 22, 1954. The house, built in 1786, is one of the most interesting landmarks in the city and is the home of the Rhode Island Historical Society.



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## Texas

Several chapters of the Texas Society had meetings on February 22 commemorating Washington's birthday. The Houston (Paul Carrington Chapter) meeting is covered under a separate item.

The San Antonio Chapter reports a very fine meeting on Washington's birthday. It was held jointly with the D.A.R. and C.A.R. Col. F. W. Huntington, President of the Chapter, was highly gratified by the fine publicity by press, television, and radio. The television program was enlightening with respect to unusual questions and answers regarding the life of George Washington.

A called meeting by the State President, John B. Victory of Houston, of the Patrick Henry Chapter in Austin was held on the afternoon of March 15

for the purpose of renewing interests and activities and for the purpose of re-establishing regular meeting dates. On that evening President Victory brought greetings from the Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution to the Daughters of the American Revolution in its Annual State Convention.

The Texas Society's Annual Convention will be held in Dallas on Saturday, April 24, for the election of new officers and for the transaction of regular business. In addition to this part of the program there will be an oratorical contest in the evening in which there will be participants of eight universities and colleges of the Southwest.

There is much interest among Texans concerning the National Congress at Williamsburg. It is hoped that this will be the largest Texas delegation other than during the National Congress in Houston in 1952. It is with gratification that the Texas chapters report a continued increase in new members.

## Utah

The Utah Society awarded the Good Citizenship medal to Compatriot Chauncey P. Overfield, at the annual meeting of the Society, Tuesday evening, February 22.

Identity of the recipient was not made known until time of the 55th annual banquet, held in the Union Building ballroom, University of Utah. More than 100 members acclaimed the selection of Compatriot Overfield, who is active in civic and charitable affairs, an active layman in St. Mark's Episcopal church and a member of the board of St. Mark's hospital.

Compatriot Harold P. Fabian, immediate past president was presented a past president's award for "outstanding service."

The guest speaker was Preston D. Richards, attorney, who stressed the value of civil liberties sections of the

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The newly elected officers of the Andrew Jackson Chapter are shown at the luncheon meeting at the Maxwell House, Nashville, Tenn. From left to right: Sims Crownover, President; Littell Rust, Vice President; Dorian Clark, Second Vice-President; Douglas Fisher, Secretary; Dr. H. C. Sanborn, Historian and retiring President and H. Martin Nunnelley, Treasurer. Malcolm Rawlings of Chattanooga (right) is State President.

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Constitution and urged a more active study of the document "as the basis of our American heritage."

The newly elected officers are; Rev. Mortimer Chester, president; Frank W. Asper, vice president; the Ven. W. F. Bulkley, chaplain and secretary; former Governor Charles R. Mabey, treasurer Parry W. Jenkins, registrar; George P. Unseld, historian; Karl D. Hardy, nominated for National Trustee; and Chauncey P. Overfield honorary president.

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Robert B. Overstreet, President Paul Carrington Chapter, presents the Good Citizenship Medal and certificate to Francis Marion Law at the annual meeting of the Chapter in Houston, Texas, February 22nd.



## NOTES FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S MEMO PAD

By the time these words are read by our Compatriots, the results of another twelve months of strenuous effort to build a larger and more effective organization will be known. Seldom, if ever, have so many Compatriots participated in the membership campaign. The list of those who will be honored on Recognition Night at the Williamsburg Congress includes more names than ever. Many new Chapters have been organized and the Alaska Society has begun to function as a full-fledged Society. The number of new members admitted during our fiscal year exceeds that for any year within the past five year period and compares favorably with the best in the history of the Society. Several of our Compatriots have made outstanding records in the contest for new members. However, the real secret for our progress lies in the fact that more than ever before, individual Compatriots entered into the spirit of the campaign and took the time to invite friends to become members of our Society. Hundreds of them obtained one or possibly two new applications, but the broadened base of effort has produced results. This augurs well for the future.

Speaking of the future, serves as a reminder, that April 1, is the beginning of a new fiscal year. The plans for continuing the membership contest are being made and will be announced at the Congress in Williamsburg. Additional awards are under consideration and it is believed that they will be of great interest to all Compatriots. All applications registered after April 1, will be counted in the new contest period. Credit will be given the Compatriot whose name appears as the FIRST sponsor. Every Compatriot is urged to participate in the new contest. There are thousands of eligible prospects. The officers of your Chapter or State Society will be able to supply you with names and addresses. Many of them will welcome an invitation to become a member of our Society. However, there is no substitute for direct, personal contact. This is fundamental in selling, and we have something to sell. Many of our Compatriots who have been outstandingly successful in enrolling new members have made good use of the little descriptive folder which is available through National Headquarters at the nominal cost of \$2 per hundred.

The folder describes the purposes, and activities of our Society in simple language. It offers a number of suggestions which are helpful in the preparation of application papers. Its use is highly recommended.

Supplementals continue to be one of our most vexing problems. A supplemental should be prepared with as much care as an original application. Frequently, a supplemental establishes an entirely new line, and it may be the basis on which an original application may be developed. Too often, a Compatriot, whose original application is prepared with meticulous attention to details, will submit a supplemental application which is lacking essential information. The cost in time and labor to process such an application far exceeds the fee of \$3.00. Compatriots are urgently requested to exercise more care in the preparation of supplementals. Otherwise, it may become necessary to increase the fee for filing supplementals or reject all those which are incomplete. A little more care in the preparation of supplementals will eliminate the necessity for some corrective action.

Many of our State Secretaries and Treasurers are needlessly adding to their correspondence burdens by their failure to use the yellow Transmittal form when forwarding applications, supplementals or re-instatements. The forms are available without charge from the Office of the Executive Secretary, and when used they eliminate the necessity of writing a letter. If you are not using this form, you should obtain a supply and take advantage of this work-saving form.

Some progress is being made on the preparation of a hand-book of information for use by the officers of State and Chapter organizations. It will also be of assistance to those serving on committees. Some excellent suggestions have been received from Compatriots who are interested in this project. Any similar handbooks of other organizations which may serve as models will be appreciated.

Copies of the latest edition of the Constitution and By-Laws of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution are carried in stock at National Headquarters. The price is 25 cents per copy. Each left hand page has been left blank in order to provide for future changes or amendments.

State and Chapter officers are invited to bring their problems to the Presidents

and Secretaries Forum at the Williamsburg Congress. This Forum will be conducted by the Secretary General and the Executive Secretary for the purpose of discussing solutions and explaining procedural details.

Advance reservations indicate that the Sixty-Fourth Congress in Williamsburg will be one of the largest in recent years. We shall look forward to seeing you there, May 23 to 26.

HAROLD L. PUTNAM  
Executive Secretary

## SINCERE THANKS!

Through the medium of the S.A.R. Magazine Mrs. Steele desires to express her deep appreciation and grateful thanks to the many Compatriots and personal friends throughout the Society for their wonderful letters in acknowledgment of the Memorial booklet honoring the former Secretary-Registrar General Frank Bartlett Steele.

The Memorial was sent to all National Officers, and State Presidents, and to a fair cross section of Chapter Presidents. A limited number of copies remain and will be gladly sent in response to requests, so long as the supply lasts.

## START NOW TO WIN A MEMBERSHIP AWARD IN 1955



L. to R. Robert Pierce, Pres., New York Chapter SAR; Mrs. Chas. Carroll Haig, Nat'l. Pres. SAR and Walter A. Wentworth, Past Vice. Pres. Gen. SAR, attended the luncheon of the Senior Presidents Council of the Greater New York Children of the American Revolution.

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON, D. C., FEBRUARY 13, 1954

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

The Executive Secretary called the roll at the request of the President General. Those present were: President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye; Past Presidents General A. Herbert Foreman, John W. Finger and Wallace C. Hall; Vice Presidents General Harry K. Torrey, Karl Truesdell, Harry I. Hadsell and Barry T. Whipple; Secretary General Milton M. Lory, Treasurer General Robert H. McNeill, Registrar General Louis F. Ridgway, Historian General Redmond S. Cole, Chancellor General John H. Babb, Librarian General P. Harry Byerly, and Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam. Members of Executive Committee: Wheaton H. Brewer, Adm. William Rea Furlong, Stanley S. Gillam, Charles A. Jones and Edgar Williamson, Jr., in addition to past Presidents General Foreman and Hall. National Trustees: Wheaton H. Brewer, California (also Ex. Com.); John E. Allen, District of Columbia; Col. James D. Watson, Georgia; Milton M. Lory, Iowa (also Secretary General); Harry K. Torrey, Maine (also V. P. G.); George S. Robertson, Maryland; Eugene P. Carver, Jr., Massachusetts; Barry T. Whipple, Michigan (also V. P. G.); Lew C. Church, Minnesota; Harry E. Sherwin, New Hampshire; Stanton T. Lawrence, New Jersey; Ernest S. Crosby, New York; Edwin B. Graham, Pennsylvania; and Robert W. Thompson, Texas. National Committee Chairman: E. Stewart James, Walter A. Wentworth, Reginald Mitchell, and Robert H. Overstreet. State Society officers and members: Rev. C. C. Day, D. C.; Allen R. Foster, D. C.; and George Stansfield, D. C.; Hillis Lory, Iowa; John C. Wroe, Massachusetts; Clarence E. Shriner, Michigan; James F. Harding, Jr., Nebraska; Maj. Wm. Oliver Smith and Travis B. Callum, North Carolina; Edward M.

Hall, Ohio; and Earl M. Schroeder, Pennsylvania.

The President General declared a quorum present and on motion the privileges of the floor were extended to Officers and Compatriots who were not Trustees.

On motion, the Minutes of the meeting of October 3, 1953, were approved as published in the October issue of the S.A.R. Magazine.

President General de la Houssaye reported briefly, stating that his report was practically covered by his Message in the January issue of the Magazine. He called attention to his appeal for contributions toward liquidation of the mortgage on the Headquarters Building and said that he hoped the mortgage may be cleared by the time of the Williamsburg Congress.

A brief verbal report was received from Secretary General Milton M. Lory.

Treasurer General McNeill presented a written report.

Historian General Cole reported that he had prepared a history of the Oklahoma Society and that he had been delving into the history of the National Society.

Registrar General Ridgway reported verbally, quoting membership statistics to February 1, 1954.

Chancellor General Babb reported on decisions rendered in the interval since the October meeting.

The report of the Chaplain General, Dr. Mott R. Sawyers, who was unable to be present, was read by Compatriot Stanley S. Gillam.

Librarian General Byerly presented a written report of progress in the reorganization of the library by the part-time employee authorized by the Trustees at the October 3rd meeting.

Short verbal reports were received from Vice Presidents General Torrey, Truesdell, Hadsell and Whipple, written reports having been published in the January issue of the Magazine.

Executive Secretary Putnam read his report, commenting on the sale of the S.A.R. Insigne Stamps, the availability of the china souvenir plates and demi-

tasse cups and saucers with S.A.R. Insigne, and calling attention to the fact that the engraved brass plates had been attached to the Trustees' Chairs in the meeting room. He also reported that approximately twenty-five chapters were in process of organization throughout the country and that the insertion of the appeal in the November issue of the D.A.R. Magazine had resulted in a list of more than four hundred eligible prospects, each of whom had been sent an individual letter.

The President General asked for the reports of the Chairmen of National Committees and Compatriot Williamson reported verbally as Chairman of the Organization Committee.

Compatriot Overstreet, Chairman, reported for the Immigration Committee, commenting particularly in favor of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act, asking that the Trustees adopt a resolution in opposition to changes in this act at the present time.

Compatriot Brewer reported as Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, explaining the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to the allocation of an expenditure of \$300.00 for screens at Headquarters. Compatriot Brewer recommended that in the future the allowance for the reception to hereditary patriotic societies be made a part of the budget.

General Truesdell reported as Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee, stating that a more adequate lighting system was needed in the Registrar's Office on the third floor at Headquarters. He also recommended the installation of an apparatus for reproducing copies of application papers and other documents, known as Contoura, at a cost of about \$161.00.

Admiral Furlong reported as Chairman of the American Sovereignty Committee, stressing the need of support of the Bricker Amendment and the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act.

Secretary General Lory reported as Chairman of the Americanization Committee.

Compatriot E. Stewart James, Chairman, reported for the Children of the American Revolution Committee, stating that the C.A.R. includes about six thousand boys who are potential S.A.R. members and asking for aid of S.A.R. members in transferring them to our

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Society when they arrive at proper age.

President General de la Houssaye informed the Trustees of the serious illness of Compatriot Edward N. Wentworth, Chairman of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest Committee, and reported that it appeared that entrants from at least ten States would take part at the Congress. There was discussion of the rules for the contest and Compatriot James, a former Chairman of the Committee, expressed the opinion that there should be permanent rules so that the incoming chairman could achieve full participation each year.

Compatriot Carver reported as Chairman of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee that no suggested amendments had been submitted to his committee up to the time of the meeting.

Compatriot Crosby reported verbally as Chairman of the Memorials Committee and presented to the Trustees a suggestion he had received in regard to the Society's recognizing a financier of the Revolution.

Past President General Foreman, Chairman, stated that the Permanent Fund Committee had no report.

Compatriot Thompson, Chairman, reported that the Audit Committee would be ready to act at the proper time.

Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth, Chairman, reported for the Patriotic Education Committee and stressed the need of additional funds and facilities to carry on the work of the National Society. He mentioned the proposed award or citation for patriotic advertising, which was to be brought up under new business.

The President General reported the resignation of the Chairman of the Medal Awards Committee and the Special Awards Committee, Compatriot Robert G. Norfleet, II, due to a new employment assignment, and that all material had been referred to the Executive Secretary, who would prepare the necessary revision and, on motion, the Executive Secretary was requested to put the Special Awards Committee report in final form for action by the Sixty-fourth Congress.

Compatriot Mitchell, Chairman, reported for the Public Relations Committee and outlined plans which he hoped

would result in excellent press coverage of the Williamsburg Congress. He also stated that if delegates could bring news stories with them to the Congress he could get the stories into the hands of correspondents or into the Washington press bureaus. He also asked for 7x9 inch glossy prints to place in the hands of key representatives.

Past President General Foreman reported as Co-Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the Sixty-Fourth Annual Congress, the other Co-Chairman, Compatriot Crawford S. Rogers, having been called back to Norfolk suddenly. The outline of the program will appear elsewhere in the April issue of the Magazine. Compatriot Foreman's statement of the program, planned entertainment, and outline of the historical background of the site of the Congress was received with applause.

Compatriot James reported as Chairman of the Housing Committee for the Congress.

Past President General Hall stated that he had no formal report as Chairman of the Daughters of the American Revolution Committee but commented on the ever-increasing cooperation between the two organizations.

On motion, all actions of the Executive Committee in the interval between meetings were approved.

On motion of Compatriot Brewer, the interim budget for the period April I to May 31, 1954, was approved.

The Executive Secretary announced the arrangements for the luncheon to be held at the Cosmos Club at 12:30 P.M.

The President General presented the recommendations of a special committee and the Executive Committee in regard to Minute Man Awards to be made at the Sixty-fourth Congress.

On proper motion, the presentation of the Minute Man Awards at the 64th Congress was approved unanimously.

The meeting recessed for luncheon at 12:15 P.M., to resume the session at 2:15 P.M.

The President General called the meeting to order promptly at 2:15 P.M. and introduced several visiting Compatriots to the Trustees.

On motion of Vice President General Torrey, a resolution of sympathy to Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam and Mrs. Putnam and good wishes for her speedy recovery from her accident

was passed unanimously and the Secretary General was directed to send a dozen American Beauty roses to Mrs. Putnam.

On motion of Compatriot Jones, the President General was authorized to send a telegram of greeting to Genealogist General W. Guy Tetrick who was absent because of illness.

At the President General's request, a motion was passed authorizing the President General to send a telegram of greeting to the immediate Past President General, Compatriot Ray O. Edwards.

The resolution of the Pennsylvania Society regarding the U.S.S. *Constellation* was considered and, on motion, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee with full authority to act.

On motion of Treasurer General McNeill, the selection of Mr. Joseph Oliver to make the annual audit was approved.

The President General reported on the availability of the S.A.R. china plates and demi-tasse cups and saucers. He displayed samples and stated that the price was \$4.00 per plate and \$4.00 per cup and saucer.

On motion of Compatriot Sherwin, the recommendation of the Executive Committee that \$50.00 be contributed to the work of the American Coalition was approved.

On motion of Vice President General Whipple, the recommendation of the Executive Committee to authorize expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250.00 for the reception to be held April 17th for the officers of hereditary patriotic societies was approved.

On proper motion, the Trustees authorized cash prizes for the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest as follows: First prize, \$200.00; second prize, \$100.00; and third prize, \$50.00.

On motion of Compatriot Whipple, the recommendation of the Executive Committee to authorize expenditure of \$368.00 for a new supply of facsimiles of the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights and tubes for mailing, for distribution at a price to cover costs by the Basic Documents Committee, was approved.

The President General brought up the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to the Syracuse Banner, which had become badly worn and had not been replaced, and on mo-

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tion it was voted that the Syracuse Banner be retired and that the Empire State Society, which was awarded this banner at the Sixty-third Congress, remain its custodian.

On motion of Vice President General Hadsell, the Trustees voted to establish a banner to be known as the Senator Robert A. Taft Banner, to be awarded on the same terms and conditions as the Syracuse Banner.

On motion, \$150.00 was appropriated to secure the Senator Robert A. Taft Banner.

On proper motion, the recommendation of the Executive Committee to invite Mrs. Robert A. Taft to make the first presentation of the banner at the Williamsburg Congress and that, if Mrs. Taft is unable to accept, that Robert A. Taft, Jr. be asked to make the first presentation, was approved.

On motion, a proposal in regard to the disposition of certain books in the library at Headquarters was referred to the President General and Executive Secretary with final authority to act.

The question of reinstatement and transfer of a member was discussed and the Chancellor General, who had been requested to do so at the Executive Committee meeting, rendered the following opinion:

*Chancellor General's Opinion No. 3*  
*"There is nothing in the Constitution and By-laws that would authorize the Trustees to direct a State Society in reference to a reinstatement. Perhaps under our general powers we would have a right to admonish and advise a State Society but in this instance there appears to be no reason to do so."*

The recommendation of the Executive Committee that no action be taken in regard to the suggestion to accept custody of the bronze replica of the Declaration of Independence which is in the U. S. Capitol Building was approved.

On motion of Compatriot Brewer, the recommendation of the Executive Committee to allocate \$200.00 for the work of the Public Relations Committee at the Williamsburg Congress was approved.

On motion, the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the

Society place a bronze plaque on the Sir Christopher Wren Building in Williamsburg at a cost of \$250.00 was approved.

The President General reported on the exchange of correspondence with President Eisenhower which led to the continuation of the President's membership in the Society and on motion of Past President General Foreman the Trustees voted unanimously to extend a vote of thanks to the President General for his excellent handling of a delicate situation.

President General de la Houssaye reported on the contributions to the Mortgage Liquidation Fund which were being received at Headquarters daily. On motion, the President General was authorized by the Trustees to pay off the \$10,000.00 mortgage on the Headquarters Building if sufficient contributions should be received, or to pay such sums as may be received, against the principal of the mortgage, any contributions in excess thereof to be placed in the General Fund.

On motion of Vice President General Truesdell, the Trustees authorized the purchase of a Contoura machine to reproduce documents by photographic process at a cost not to exceed \$175.00.

On motion of Compatriot Brewer, the following Memorial was adopted unanimously by a rising vote of the Trustees:

## MEMORIAL

"NOW, WHEREAS, the Executive Agreements at Yalta and Potsdam still sully the glory of our victory,

AND, WHEREAS, the United Nations poses a constant threat to the supremacy of the Constitution of the United States,

AND, WHEREAS, therefore, the liberties, lives and welfare of the American people depend upon the Constitution of the United States,

AND, WHEREAS, the representatives of the people in Congress assembled have the duty of speaking for the welfare of the people,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, in stated meeting assembled in the City of Washington, D. C. on February 13, 1954, do hereby memorialize and request the Congress forthwith to prepare such

amendment to the Constitution of the United States, or such other resolution, or legislation as shall be effective in forever barring any treaty, executive agreement, or other document from superseding, or setting aside the Constitution of the United States or any part thereof,

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Memorial be sent to each Senator and Member of Congress of the United States, the Governor of each state, and the Press."

(This was mailed in accordance with the instructions to the President, Members of Congress, etc., on February 16, 1954.)

On motion of Admiral Furlong, the following resolution was adopted unanimously.

"RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution in stated meeting assembled in Washington, D. C. on February 13, 1954, reaffirms its faith in the National Origins principal for immigration into this country and believes that this principle must be maintained.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the McCarran-Walter Act should not be changed in any fundamental provision.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chairmen of the Immigration Committees of both Houses of Congress, the President of the United States, the Vice President, the Speaker of the House, and all members of the House of Representatives and Senate."

(This resolution was mailed in accordance with the instructions on February 16, 1954.)

It was moved, seconded and carried that the names of the recipients of the Constructive Citizenship Medal and the Minute Man Awards be deleted from the published minutes.

Secretary General Lory read a letter of appreciation of the Christmas gifts from the staff members and employees at Headquarters.

The President General announced that he had appointed Compatriot John H. Babb as Chairman of the Resolutions Committee at the Sixty-fourth Congress, with Compatriots Eugene P. Carver, Jr. and Lew C. Church as sub-Chairmen.

Compatriot Babb stated that Compatriots Lew C. Church and Eugene P. Carver would act as sub-Chairmen in the same capacity as last year and stated

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that all members of the National Society are urged to prepare, in triplicate, resolutions desired to be acted upon at the Congress at Williamsburg, and send to John H. Babb, Chairman, Suite 1608, 33 N. La Salle Street, Chicago 2, Illinois, not later than May 15, 1954.

Compatriot Walter A. Wentworth, Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Education and Constructive Citizenship, outlined the proposal of his committee for an award for patriotic achievement in the advertising or editorial fields and, on motion, the Committee was authorized to explore the proposal further, without commitment, and to report to

the next Trustees' meeting, at the next Annual Congress.

A resolution in regard to the retention of the Moore's Creek Battlefield in Eastern North Carolina by the Federal Government was discussed. On motion of Compatriot Byerly, the matter was referred back to the originators of the resolution to obtain further information, and that they then refer it to the President General, who will submit it to the Executive Committee with power to act.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Harold L. Putnam  
Executive Secretary



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ROBERT S. BARTON, Massachusetts, January 16, 1954  
FREDERICK F. BLACK, Massachusetts, December 22, 1953  
CHARLES E. BLACKBURN, Ohio, January 27, 1954  
BENEDICT F. BOLAND, Massachusetts, December 24, 1953  
GEORGE R. BONNER, Florida, July, 1953  
STANLEY MAYO BOYD, New Jersey, January 13, 1954  
HARRY P. BRIGHAM, Massachusetts, September 6, 1953  
HARRY K. BROWN, Texas, November 13, 1953  
HENRY G. BRYANT, Massachusetts, November 26, 1953  
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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, D. C., FEBRUARY 13, 1954

Following the recitation of the Lord's Prayer, the President General called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

Those present were: President General Arthur A. de la Houssaye; Executive Committee Members: Wheaton H. Brewer, California; Past President General A. Herbert Foreman, Virginia; Rear Adm. William Rea Furlong, District of Columbia; Stanley S. Gillam, Minnesota; Past President General Wallace C. Hall, Michigan; Charles A. Jones, Ohio; and Edgar Williamson, Jr., New Jersey. Also in attendance were Secretary General Milton M. Lory, Registrar General Louis F. Ridgway, Historian General Redmond S. Cole, Chancellor General John H. Babb, and Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam.

On motion of Past President General Foreman, the minutes of the meeting held October 3, 1953, were approved as published in the October issue of the S. A. R. Magazine.

Compatriot Brewer, Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, presented his report in mimeographed form and stated that \$300.00 spent for screens for National Headquarters should have been charged against Maintenance of Building rather than Operating Expense. On motion of Compatriot Brewer, duly seconded, the budget was amended to charge the \$300.00 expended for screens for Headquarters to Maintenance of Building and the budget and financial statement were approved as amended.

The President General presented the report and recommendations of the special committee on Minute Man Awards. On proper motion, the recommendations of the special committee were approved and it was voted to recommend to the Trustees that the Minute Man Awards be made at the 64th Annual Congress.

Resolutions opposing the admission of Red China to the United Nations and in support of the Bricker amendment were discussed and the President General appointed Compatriots Brewer and Furlong to work out a report and resolution to be presented at the Trustees' meeting.

On motion, it was voted to recom-

mend to the Trustees the selection of Mr. Joseph Oliver to make the annual audit of the books and records of the Society.

On motion of Compatriot Furlong, duly seconded, it was voted to recommend to the Trustees that \$50.00 be appropriated for the work of the American Coalition.

On motion, the Executive Committee approved a recommendation to the Board of Trustees that the gold Constructive Citizenship Medal be awarded at the Sixty-fourth Annual Congress.

On motion, the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250.00 for the reception to be held at Headquarters on April 17th for officers of the D.A.R. and other hereditary patriotic groups was recommended to the Trustees, the expenditure to be charged against the Miscellaneous Account.

The Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest was discussed and on motion it was recommended to the Trustees that \$350.00 be appropriated for prizes in the contest to be held at the Williamsburg Congress.

The Executive Secretary presented estimates of the cost of obtaining a new supply of facsimiles of the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights for distribution by the Basic Documents Committee at a price to cover costs and, on motion, it was voted to recommend to the Trustees the purchase of five hundred facsimiles of each of these documents at a cost of \$278.00 and mailing tubes at a cost of \$90.00.

There was discussion of the replacement of the Syracuse Banner which had become too worn for further use. On motion, it was recommended to the Trustees that the Syracuse Banner be retired because of its worn condition, and since requested replacement had not been made.

On motion, it was voted to recommend that the National Society establish a new banner to be known as the Senator Robert A. Taft Traveling Banner, to be awarded subject to the same conditions and regulations as pertained to the Syracuse Banner. On motion, it was recommended that \$150.00 be appropriated from Miscellaneous Expense to defray the cost of this banner.

On motion, it was recommended that Mrs. Robert A. Taft be invited to present the banner to the first winner at the Williamsburg Congress and, if she is unable to accept, that Robert A. Taft, Jr. be invited to make the presentation.

On motion, the report of the Special Awards Committee was deferred until the Trustees' meeting.

A proposal in regard to the disposition of certain books was discussed and on motion the matter was referred to the President General and Executive Secretary with power to act.

There was discussion of the restoration to membership of a former member in one State Society and transfer to another and the Chancellor General was asked to prepare a ruling to present to the Trustees.

It was the sense of the Committee that the Society had no authority to accept custody of the bronze replica of the Declaration of Independence in the U. S. Capitol Building.

On motion, the appropriation of \$200.00 for the work of the Public Relations Committee at the Congress recommended to the Trustees.

On motion, the Committee recommended to the Trustees the appropriation of \$250.00 for a bronze plaque to be placed on the Sir Christopher Wren Building (the oldest educational building in the United States) at Williamsburg.

It was the sense of the Committee that no action should be taken on the suggested amendment which would add a Surgeon General to the General Officers of the Society.

President General de la Houssaye reported on the interchange of correspondence which preceded the continuation in active membership of President Eisenhower, and, on motion, the Executive Committee unanimously approved the President General's action in continuing the membership of President Eisenhower.

On motion, it was voted to recommend to the Trustees that the restriction of the gold and enamel pin to awards in the membership contest should continue in effect.

It was the sense of the Committee that no action should be taken on a request for a statement in reference to Mr. Zoll and Mr. Smith.

The meeting adjourned at 10 A.M. Harold L. Putnam, *Executive Secretary*



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I love each shining star because  
It tells a wondrous story;  
I love each stripe no whit the less  
And shall as I grow hoary!  
I love its field of azure blue  
Wherein each star does twinkle;  
I love its red and snowy white  
And every fold and wrinkle!  
I love to see it float on high  
Above each tower and steeple;  
I love to doff my hat to it,  
The flag of a free people.  
I love Old Glory more each day,  
The banner of our nation;  
The grandest country in the world,  
The best of God's creation!

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