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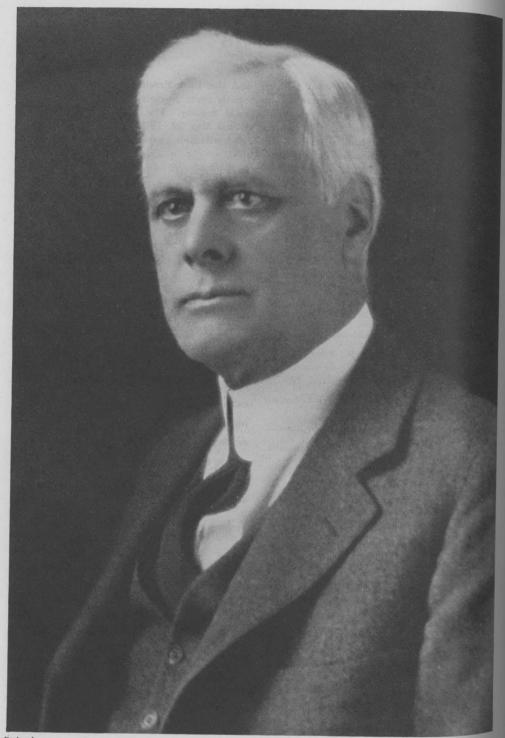
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HENRY FENIMORE BAKER President General, 1935–36

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President General's Message

• IN THIS, my first message to the membership, I wish to express my grateful appreciation of the great honor conferred upon me and my State. I hereby most solemnly pledge my best efforts in the interests of the Society.

One of the most important questions which should receive our attention is to increase our membership. Every effort should be made to enroll as many as possible in the cause of constitutional government and good citizenship.

It is a self-evident fact that a determined effort will be made to amend the Constitution in a manner to change our form of government. The attitude now being taken by political leaders strongly indicates that this will be a leading issue in the next campaign.

As an organization we cannot take sides in political controversy. However, we can and should assert ourselves when fundamental principles are attacked. The public mind on these questions is in a state of flux. Comparatively few people understand the Constitution and the significance of the proposed changes.

Our ancestors have placed a great responsibility upon our shoulders—to see to it that that which they created must be preserved. We should assume this trust as sacredly as we would the last request of a beloved parent. The mere adoption of high-sounding resolutions will avail little. We must do something constructive. There never has been a time in the history of our Country so pregnant with danger to the Constitution and American ideals. There is evidence on every hand of a tendency toward socialism and communism. This drift must be checked if the form of government established by the Founders is to endure.

The intention was to have "A Democracy in a Republic"; we are rapidly becoming a pure democracy. The next step will be socialism, then communism, followed by chaos and mob rule.

As an illustration of the effect of proposed changes in the Constitution I will refer to but one as an example. That one is the proposition to take from the Supreme Court the authority to interpret the constitutionality of laws passed by Congress. If this is done we will no longer have a basic principle of government but government altogether by statute. Statutes can be changed at will, and frequently would be changed through some whim or "brain storm" due to temporary conditions. To combat these propositions all citizens interested in the perpetuation of the form of government established by the Founders must organize and take aggressive action.

The Sons of the American Revolution as descendants of those who obtained our liberties and founded our government are the logical ones to take the lead in the movement—Back to the Constitution.

I am convinced that if any fundamental changes are made in the Constitution it will be due to ignorance of the meaning of that instrument and the result of its abolishment. Therefore, it seems to me to be necessary to take steps looking to the education of the people in an understanding of this question, in order that they may vote intelligently when the time comes.

To this end I beg to offer the following plan. Have each State Society and Chapter create a committee to organize such a movement in their respective communities, these committees to function as the "key" in bringing together other organizations for the purpose of organizing community-wide committees, these large committees to be subdivided for specific duties—organization, speakers, publicity, etc. The primary object of this activity is to make people Constitution minded. In order to achieve this much desired result we must arrange for meetings of patriotic bodies, fraternal organizations, luncheon clubs, church clubs, parent-teachers associations, etc., and organize study clubs and round table discussions. To present this matter intelligently and forcefully we must have a corps of "Minute Men" well versed in questions pertaining to the Constitution and the form of government prescribed therein. Attention should also be given to the course of study in our schools and the character of the teachers. One great menace to the stability of our institutions is the lack of instruction given in our schools and colleges respecting the Constitution. In fact, in too many of our educational institutions the students are imbibing ideas contrary to American ideals—socialism, communism and atheism. Unless this situation is corrected the next generation will be sovietized, then good-bye to all we have striven for, for one hundred and fifty years.

The best form of government ever conceived by the mind of man will then be in the scrap heap of experiments, and personal liberty, individual initiative, states rights and local selfgovernment doomed.

I know this is a big order; but do we not owe it to our Country and to our ancestors to make the effort?

It is my hope that my fellow compatriots will take these suggestions seriously and organize as proposed. I feel quite sure that if we can put this program over we will provide an incentive which will result in increased membership and interest.

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I shall welcome any comments, suggestions or criticism respecting this proposition.

Fraternally,

HENRY F. BAKER,

President General.

Constitution Day, 1935

AS WE approach the anniversary of the 150th year of the adoption of the United States Constitution, in 1937, we should make each intervening observance of this anniversary, more and more outstanding as leading up to it.

It is conceded that our Society as originating the Observance of Constitution Day, and continuing to make a special celebration of it annually throughout our land, should take a most leading part in its Sesquicentennial, and so we mean to do. As announced in the proceedings of our Louisville Congress, by the President General, the Honorary Chairman of this great event will be the present National Committee Chairman, David L. Pierson, to whom the greatest credit is due, both to the inauguration of the anniversary observance as a national celebration and the able manner with which he has conducted our society in its annual

observances since. The active Chairman of this great special committee, will be Major Laurence Leonard, of Washington, Vice-President General for the Mid-Atlantic District, and the committee itself will be composed of outstanding compatriots throughout the country, whose prominence in governmental and social fields will insure fine leadership in the nationwide celebration.

In the meantime, let us all bend every energy to the immediate problem of this year's observance, and cooperate with Chairman Pierson in every possible way. Each State President of the S. A. R. is to head a committee in his own state, and see to it that the United States Constitution is studied, and held up to reverence and patriotic tribute on September 17th next, and during the Constitution Week.

Comments

MR. HENRY F. BAKER, our newly elected President General, has been spending much time during the weeks since his election at our National Headquarters in consultation with the Secretary General and other National Officers with reference to many details of the work of the Society. The formulation of National Committees, matters relating to the Magazine, and other items of routine have had his personal attention.

Among other matters President General Baker has shown much interest in pending legislation designed to create a Commission to promote the Observance of the Sesquicentennial of the Adoption of the United States Constitution in September 1937, and has personally contacted the Senators and Representatives responsible for the bills which have been introduced. An immediate response was received to Mr. Baker's communications, and a hearing on the Joint Resolution is being arranged as we are about to go to press.

This is a subject very dear to the heart of our new Presidnet General and he will use

every personal effort to secure this legislation which will be so vitally important to the part our Society will be able to take in this notable observance.

Mr. Baker has also become deeply interested in the work of the American Coalition and attended a Congressional Immigration Committee hearing which was recently held

IN RECOGNITION OF the valuable gift made by Past President General R. C. Ballard Thrus. ton, and in accordance with a resolution passed at the Louisville Congress, a special committee has been created to promote the publication by the United States Government of the valuable records compiled by Mr. Thruston relating to the Signers of the Declaration of Independ. ence. (See page 20)

President General Baker, in response to this action of the Congress, has appointed Past President General Harvey F. Remington as Chairman of this Committee, with J. Walter Allen, Historian General, and Frank J. Wilder, Chairman of the National S. A. R. Library Committee, as his associates.

The Committee will be known as the Committee on Publication of the Thruston records.

D. C. Pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon, June 15th

President General Baker; Major C. C. Griggs, President D. C. Society; Senator William H. King of Utah; Vice President General Laurence Leonard; Treasurer General G. S. Robertson; Colonel Dodge, Superintendent of Mount Vernon; Secretary General Frank B. Steele.

The Forty-Sixth Annual Congress of the National Society, S. A. R.-1935

An Inspiring Church Service

IN SPITE of the inclement weather which prevented the colorful parade to the beautiful Christ Church Cathedral, a large number of the delegates and guests attended the service which was held at four-thirty in the afternoon of Sunday, May 19th. A reverent and patriotic ritual was conducted by the Very Rev. Richard Lightburne McCready, Dean of the Cathedral and Chaplain of the Kentucky Society, S. A. R., assisted by The Reverend John Millard Nelson, Canon Missioner. The full vested choir, splendidly trained, lent much to the service.

Our own Chaplain, The Reverend Major Frank C. Rideout, U. S. A., Chaplain General of the Sons of the American Revolution, preached a sermon which was most inspiring and patriotic. Chaplain Rideout dealt with many of the problems that confront us today and contrasted them with the ideals of our ancestors and how these problems were met in the past and pointed out what we should do to maintain the principles of our Constitution and its meaning. The delegates were deeply impressed by the force and truth of Major Rideout's address.

Digest of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive **Committee of the National Society of the Sons** of the American Revolution

Held at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., on Sunday, May 19, 1935

THERE were present the following: Messrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, Louis Annin Ames, Ransom H. Bassett, James M. Breckenridge, Rulef C. Schanck, Loren E. Souers, and Josiah A. Van Orsdel. Also present, Secretary General Steele and Treasurer General Robertson, and the following Past Presidents General: Messrs. Chancellor L. Jenks, Frederick W. Millspaugh, Harvey F. Remington, Howard C. Rowley and R. C. Ballard Thruston.

Meeting called to order by the President General.

Voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 1st as published in the Magazine.

Voted to approve the mail vote of the Executive Committee of April 22nd authorizing the allocation of \$1,600.00 towards the payment of the principal of the mortgage.

Moved to approve the mail vote of the Executive Committee of May 8th authorizing \$1,800.00 to be transferred from the General Fund of the Society toward the Retirement Fund.

Amended by Judge Van Orsdel as follows:

Amend the original motion to the effect that the matter be referred to the Ways and Means Committee to consider in connection with their general report to the Congress with the recommendation of the Executive Committee that if possible the fund of \$1,800.00, or as much thereof as possible, be allocated toward the reduction of the mortgage.

The Amendment on being put was adopted. The original motion as amended was then put and adopted.

Voted that the privilege of the floor be extended to the guests present.

With reference to the cases of several Societies delinquent in payment of per capita dues, it was moved by Mr. Souers and adopted:

That when this Committee recesses it be to meet again this evening, at such time as may be directed by the President General, for the purpose of meeting with delegates of the State Societies that are in default with regard to payment of dues and that in the meantime the Committee on Credentials be instructed to receive the credentials of the Society delegates, deliver their badges, but hold the credentials in suspense without registering the delegates as accredited delegates until further action by the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees.



In the case of the Rhode Island Society it was moved by Mr. Souers and adopted:

That if it shall be found that the Rhode Island Society has a by-law which provides that members who are in arrears for any period of time shall be dropped from membership at the end of the Society year and that the thirtyfour members as to whom a correction is requested by the Rhode Island Society were in arrears for such time as provided by that by-law, then the Registrar of the Rhode Island Society be permitted to file an amended report excluding the thirty-four persons in question.

Meeting then recessed for luncheon, members being the guests of the President General.

Upon reconvening, the President General recognized Mr. Breckenridge who presented a resolution in connection with approving the removal of expenses from the Retirement Fund for the sale of Certificates of Indebtedness, which motion was adopted.

Moved by Mr. Souers and adopted:

That the Executive Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees that inasmuch as the Wisconsin Society has been inactive and has failed for two years to pay the annual dues to the National Society that it be declared by the Board of Trustees, pursuant to section 3 of Article II of the By-Laws, that the Wisconsin Society has become defuncand that the charter of the Wisconsin Society stand revoked

The matter of the delinquency in the pay. ment of per capita tax of Georgia and South Carolina was left in abeyance until the delegates could appear before the recessed meeting of the Executive Committee this evening.

The delinquency in the payment of per capita tax of Washington State Society was referred to the incoming administration.

Voted that the Massachusetts delegation be asked to come before the Executive Committee now to discuss their claim.

Mr. Souers presented a resolution which the Ohio Society will present to the Board of Trustees.

Meeting recessed until 7 o'clock this evening

FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General,

Digest of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Held at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., Sunday, May 19, 1935, at 8 P. M.

Present:

Arthur M. McCrillis, *President General*, presiding.

Past Presidents General: Louis Annin Ames, New York; Chancellor L. Jenks, Illinois; F. W. Millspaugh, Tennessee; Harvey F. Remington, New York; Howard C. Rowley, California; R. C. B. Thruston, Kentucky; J. A. Van Orsdel, District of Columbia.

Officers: W. H. Arnold, Arkansas; H. Prescott Beach, New Jersey; Col. Ansel E. Beckwith, Ohio; Norman B. Conger, Michigan; Willis B. Hall, Maine; W. B. Livezey, Virginia; G. Ridgely Sappington, Maryland; Dr. C. P. Clark, District of Columbia; Frank B. Steele; G. S. Robertson.

Trustees: A. H. Alexander, Delaware; Wm. H. Francis, Georgia; J. M. Breckenridge, Missouri; E. D. Lum, North Dakota; A. H. Armington, Rhode Island; J. Walter Allen, Tennessee; W. Mac Jones, Virginia; and other incoming Trustees and members of the Executive Committee, who had been invited to attend.

It was voted that the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, held at Baltimore, May 23, 1934, be approved as printed in the July, 1934, issue of the Magazine.

Voted that the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, held at Washington, on December 8, 1934, be approved as published in January, 1935, issue of the Magazine.

Voted that Minutes of the Executive Committee meetings, held during the past year, be approved as published.

Voted that the Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting, held this day, May 19, 1935, be approved as read.

Voted that the acts and procedure of the Executive Committee as taken during the past year be approved, ratified and confirmed.

Voted that the words "ratified and confirmed" be added to all of the foregoing motions relative to the Minutes.

Voted that the courtesy of the floor be extended to representatives of the members of the Board of Trustees present.

Voted to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the Charter of the Wisconsin Society be revoked.

A Resolution of the Ohio Society presented by Col. Beckwith, with reference to the per capita tax was after discussion, on motion tabled.

Upon invitation, representatives of the Illinois Society were present to discuss the matter of delinquent dues of this Society. Following considerable discussion, it was voted.

To give Illinois delegates full privileges of the 46th Congress and that the matter of the per capita tax of this Society be placed with President Helm, Mr. Elder and the Treasurer General for settlement.

President Maraspin of the Massachusetts Society was then extended the privilege of again presenting the matter of the Massachusetts Society's claim.

A prolonged discussion followed, which was finally closed by adoption of the following motion: That the Board of Trustees sanction the proposal of the Massachusetts Society to settle their full and complete claim against the National Society on the basis of allowing them a credit of Fifty Dollars each year for the three consecutive years commencing April 1, 1934, April 1, 1935, and April 1, 1936.

Judge Van Orsdel stated that in refusing to register delegates from certain State Societies today, Mr. Robertson was carrying out the instructions of the Executive Committee and he hoped that none of the delegates would have any personal feelings against the Chairman of the Credentials Committee for thus discharging his duties.

The meeting then adjourned.

FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution

Held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., May 20, 21, and 22, 1935.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION

THE BUGLE CALL was sounded and the National Officers, speakers and distinguished guests were escorted to the platform.

The President General, Mr. Arthur Milton McCrillis, called the Congress to order, after which the Colors were presented and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Compatriot Ansel E. Beckwith. The assembly then joined in singing one stanza of The Star Spangled Banner, led by Compatriot Robert C. Tracy.

The invocation was pronounced by Dean Richard L. McCready, of Christ Church Cathedral, Chaplain of the Kentucky Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

President General: We will now have the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee, Compatriot George S. Robertson, Chairman,

Mr. Robertson reported a sufficient number of delegates present to declare a quorum for the Forty-sixth Congress of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, and the President General declared the Congress to be in session.

The President General then introduced in

turn the following representatives of various organizations, each of whom extended words of cordial greetings to the Congress:

Dr. Henry L. Grant, President of the Kentucky Society, S. A. R.

His Honor, Neville W. Miller, Mayor of Louisville.

His Excellency, Hon. Ruby Laffoon, Governor of Kentucky.

Mrs. William A. Becker, President General of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

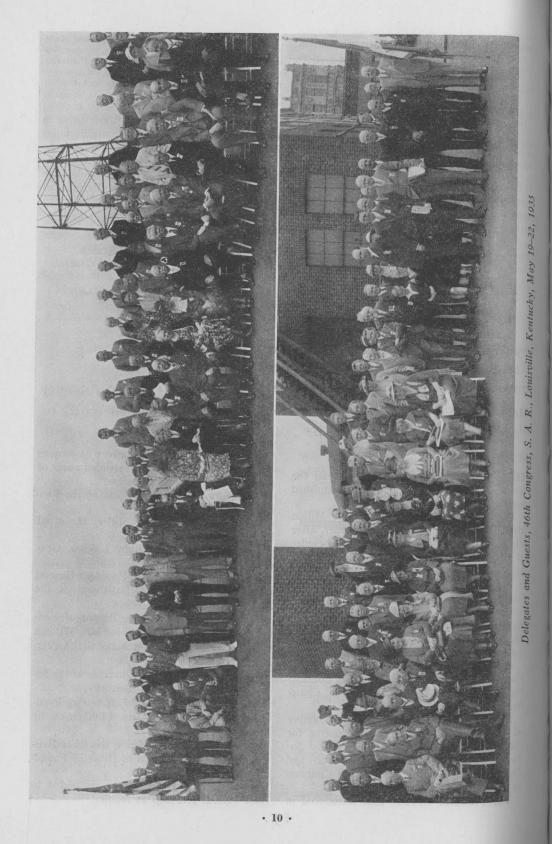
Mrs. Keene Arnold, State Regent of Kentucky, D. A. R., represented by Mrs. William C. White, Regent of John Marshall Chapter, D. A. R.

Hon. Gustav A. Breaux, Governor of the Society of Colonial Wars in Kentucky.

Mrs. Josiah A. Van Orsdel, Honorary President of the National Society, Children of the American Revolution.

Colonel Louis Annin Ames, Governor General of the General Court of Order of Founders and Patriots of America.

The President General then responded to these various greetings as follows:



RESPONSE OF PRESIDENT GENERAL MC CRILLIS

FROM 1911 to 1935 is a brief period in the history of the nation. In the existence of the Sons of the American Revolution the span from our previous Congress here in 1911 covers more than half the life of our Organization. I know that I express the sentiments of all our delegates when I say to you, President Grant and through you to all the Compatriots of Kentucky, that we are delighted to again partake of the hospitality of the Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution; to again be in the land of the blue grass, thoroughbred horses and above all beautiful women.

The cordial words of greeting of His Excellency, Governor Laffoon and His Honor, Mayor Miller are especially appreciated. It is no slight courtesy for busy executives to leave their desks in these troublesome times to greet strangers within their gates. Permit me to say that we come to you as loyal and *true* Americans, not with conceit because of our ancestry but with a deep sense of the obligations that ancestry imposes upon us to maintain and perpetuate all that is best of the high ideals and principles which our forefathers bequeathed to us.

To the representatives of the other great Patriotic Societies who have today brought us felicitations I express not only thanks but a feeling of kinship which, I am sure, will ever keep cordial our relations as we continue our efforts to make Our Country an even better place in which to live.

The historic background of Kentucky makes it especially fitting that we should meet here. Your early pioneers were struggling to conquer this territory during the period leading to the War for Independence. The earliest exploration was in 1750, the first log cabin was completed the same year, Daniel Boone built the first fort in 1775 and 1792 Kentucky was made a separate State.

So, friends all, we meet with you with admiration for your past, with pleasurable anticipation of the events of our visit and with high hopes for the future of the Sons of the American Revolution and the State of Kentucky.

PRESENTATION OF STATE FLAGS

THE presentation of gifts of State Flags followed. The President General first called upon Compatriot Milo Summers of the District of Columbia Society, as representing the National Committee on House and Grounds to receive these gifts. Judge Samuel M. Wassell, Past State President of Arkansas, in presenting the State Flag of Arkansas on behalf of his Society, gave an historical address of much interest relating to his State and the significance of the design of this Flag.

Mr. Clarence A. Cook, Past President and National Trustee from the Indiana Society, presented the Flag of Indiana, giving its history and significance.

Compatriot Ambrose A. Deatrick, Secretary of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter of Topeka, Kansas, on behalf of the Kansas Society presented the Kansas Flag, with descriptive remarks.

Compatriot Summers then accepted these three beautiful flags on behalf of the National Society.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE TRAVELING BANNERS

CALLING upon the Registrar General to announce the winners of the Traveling Banners, given for increased membership, these were presented as follows:

The Colorado Banner, given for the largest percentage of net gain in membership, was awarded to the Tennessee Society.

Mr. Arthur Crownover, Jr., State Secretary of Tennessee, received this Banner at the hands of Mr. Albert R. Van Dyke, Secretary of the Minnesota Society, last year's winner. The Tennessee Society had a gain of $112/_3\%$.

The Syracuse Banner, given for the largest number of new members secured during the year, again went to the Empire State Society, which has accepted 120 new members. Col. Messmore Kendall, President, came to the platform and acknowledged acceptance of this Banner on behalf of the Empire State Society.

The Ohio Banner, given to the Society having the largest percentage of gain of members under thirty years of age, was won by the Arizona Society, showing a gain of these new members of over 23 per cent, and in the absence of a representative this banner was accepted on behalf of the Arizona Society by Mr. George Albert Smith, Trustee of the Utah Society and representing the Rocky Mountains District.

At this point the Chair presented Mrs. E. L. Powell, of Louisville, who presented to the Kentucky Society, for the use of the State Chaplain during his term of office, the ceremonial insignia of her late husband, Rev. E. L. Powell, who was formerly Chaplain of the

Kentucky Society. This gift was accepted by Dr. Henry L. Grant, President of the Kentucky Society.

was then received.

Report of President General Arthur M. McCrillis

IT IS with deep appreciation of the honor conferred upon me and with a keen sense of the obligations of the office of President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution that I present this, my second Annual Report.

Above all else, I desire to pay tribute to the entire official body of our organization and to many individual members with whom I have had correspondence and personal dealings. The members of the Executive Committee have given valuable advice, without which the path of a President General would indeed be difficult. That the contributions of the members of this important committee be fully realized, I will mention that they pay all of their expenses of attendance at our four meetings, and some have to travel long distances. The Vice Presidents General have shown a keen interest in the work of their office. Our Secretary-Registrar General and Treasurer General have cooperated fully. The responses from State and Chapter officers have been most heartening. To all of these, I extend my sincere thanks.

Throughout the year, my entire time has been devoted to the work of the Sons of the American Revolution and, at my own expense, the same efficient secretary has worked full time in my office in the interests of our organization. It would have been interesting had I tabulated the number of letters written. I know that there were several thousands.

Death has taken a heavy toll from our past officers, including two Past Presidents General. At two o'clock today, a Memorial Service will be held in tribute to all past officers and Compatriots who have entered into their Eternal Rest during the year.

At the close of the Baltimore Congress, a year ago, I went to our Headquarters at Washington to do everything possible to secure passage of bills pending in the Congress of the United States to exempt our Headquarters property from taxation. The bills were passed and our property is now exempt. Credit is due to many of our members, both in and out of

Congress, for this long desired and fully de served relief. It is most gratifying that it came to us during these two years in which The annual report of the President General of necessity, matters financial have required so much attention from your President General

This past summer, feeling the need for com. plete rest, that I might better carry on the S. A. R. work, accompanied by Mrs. McCrillis I spent a few weeks in Europe. For the period of my absence, Compatriot Rulef C. Schanck of Pennsylvania, a member of the Executive Committee, accepted the position of Acting President General. It affords me pleasure, at this time, to publicly thank him for his assist. ance and efficient work.

Met in Paris by members of the Society in France, I found them greatly pleased at the prospect of an official visit, as in the entire history of the Society, no President General had met with them. Their pleasure and mine was greatly enhanced by the presence of Past President General Louis Annin Ames, who joined me on the day of my arrival and was present with me at all the notable functions.

The Society in France tendered your President General a delightful banquet at the Interallies Club. The history of this Club is worthy of mention. Prior to the World War, there were, in Paris, numerous athletic, sports and political clubs, but no social club of the type with which we are familiar. Feeling the need of such, a group of fifty officers secured from M. Rothschild, owner of the property, permission to use one of the kitchens and a portion of the garden. These men put in one dollar each, bought some tables and chairs and hired a chef. From this small beginning, the club has grown to be one of the best known and most influential international clubs in the world. It owns, free and clear, the magnificent former Rothschild residence, with its celebrated illuminated garden, centrally located in the heart of Paris.

To this place, on September sixth, came Vice President General Marquis de Rochambeau, from his chateau some two hundred miles away; also, an official representative of M. Barthou, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and the Compatriots of the Society in France, which as you know, is composed of citizens of France, direct descendants of our French Allies, and citizens of the United States whose ancestors fought to establish this country of ours.

Edward H. deNeveu, Vice President of our Society in France, presided, and Vice President General Marquis de Rochambeau, Past President General Ames and your President General lelivered addresses.

The following morning, accompanied by Vice President General Marquis de Rochambeau, Past President General Ames and a delegation the Compatriots, I placed, in the name of the National Society of the Sons of the Ameriran Revolution, a wreath on the Tomb of the inknown Soldier of France.

In an article published in our Magazine, I have told of my calls upon Compatriot Warington Dawson at Versailles, and upon Major Albert B. Cudebec in the house built by the mandfather of General Lafayette. I must mention two other places of great historic interest.

Count General Chambrun, a direct descendant of General Lafayette, with his wife, nee Clara Longworth, sister of the late Nicholas Longworth, were our hosts on a visit to Picpus Cemetery. In this hallowed spot lie the remains of General Lafayette and his wife. Over his grave constantly flies an American flag, maintained by our Society in France. A bronze base lettered. "Erected by the Empire State Society, S. A. R.," was placed here in 1912 and carries the staff to this day. You will recall that, at our last Congress, we received, as a gift from the Society in France, a flag which had for a year served as a mute tribute to our honored ally, the Marquis de Lafayette. We were also delighted to note a bronze marker at the tomb of Lafayette and his wife. At the top was the insignia of the S. A. R., the bronze tablet below reading:

LAFAYETTE

A TRIBUTE FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION 1804

Past President General Ames, Mrs. McCrillis and I, with others, then drove to the Chateau La Grange, where we were entertained at tea by Count de Lasteyrie, also a direct descendant of General Lafavette. This farm, with its picturesque Chateau, was the home of General Lafayette for over thirty years. The library is just as it was in the early Nineteenth Century, when its former owner lived there. The building is rich with personal belongings, furniture and portraits of Lafayette.

The members of our Society in France are especially interested in the S. A. R. and proud of the eligibility. Their loyalty to our organization is as great as that of the members of any

Society or Chapter I have visited. We have every reason to be proud of them.

Crossing to England, Mrs. McCrillis and I visited Sulgrave Manor. As we entered the door, we saw a beautiful American Flag and were delighted to note from the marker that it was presented by the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, June 21, 1921.

Permit me here to interject a word in regard to the value of wearing our rosette. On the boat from Boston to Naples. I met a member of the Empire State Society and his wife, and on our return voyage from Southampton to New York, I met a member of the New Jersey Society and his wife. These meetings were entirely due to the rosette worn by each of the men. From that evidence of loyalty to our Society, friendships have been formed which we expect to be lasting. I urge every member to wear the rosette daily.

On October 26th and 27th, 1934, a meeting of the Executive Committee was held at our Headquarters in Washington, with all but one member present.

November 17, 1934, Mrs. McCrillis and I were guests of Colonel and Mrs. Messmore Kendall, President of the Empire State Society, at their home, formerly the Headquarters of General George Washington at Dobbs Ferry, New York. That evening, President Kendall entertained at dinner in his home the Board of Managers of the Empire State Society.

December 8, 1934, at our Headquarters in Washington, was held a special meeting of the Board of Trustees and a special session of Congress of the National Society.

January 1, 1935, I was the guest of honor and addressed the Old Middlesex Chapter at Lowell, Massachusetts, being the house guest of Past Vice President Burton H. Wiggin.

On February 7, 1935, I addressed the Altrusa Club at Providence, Rhode Island, and, on February 12, 1935, the Rotary Club of Providence.

February 22, 1935, was a busy day with two addresses given by me; the first, at the annual meeting and luncheon of the Western Reserve Society, S. A. R., at Cleveland, Ohio, and the second at a banquet in the evening tendered me by the Anthony Wayne Chapter at Toledo, Ohio

February 25, 1935, I was with the Indiana State Society at Indianapolis, attending their luncheon and business meeting at noon and a banquet in the evening, at which I delivered an address.

On March 1, 1935, I held a meeting of the Executive Committee at our Headquarters in Washington.

On April 4, 1935, I attended the meeting of the Board of Managers of the Empire State Society at their Headquarters in the Hotel Plaza, New York City.

On April 5, 1935, I was the guest of honor and addressed the Captain Matthew Mead Branch No. 11 at Greenwich, Connecticut, this being the fifth anniversary of the organization of that Branch, a notable occasion graced by the presence of Mrs. Brosseau, Past President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

As a member of the Executive Committee of the National Committee for the Protection of Child, Family, School and Church, organized to oppose ratification of the so-called Child Labor Amendment, I have been active during the past year. While unalterably opposed to child labor. I am equally opposed to this socalled Child Labor Amendment, which would permit the transferring of the control of the child from the home to the State. The legislatures of twenty-one states considered bills to ratify. Eighteen rejected and only four voted to ratify. It is hoped that the proponents of this pernicious piece of legislation will now cease their efforts to secure ratification.

For some years, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has gone on record by resolutions adopted at Annual Congresses, as favoring the enactment of laws requiring all teachers in public schools and all universities, colleges or other State institutions of learning, in whole or in part supported by public funds, to subscribe to an oath of allegiance to the United States and to the State it has again been necessary to reduce the size in which employed.

During the past year, Franklin L. Burdette, Secretary of the West Virginia Society and a member of the National Committee on Patriotic Education, S. A. R., has compiled a digest of the laws or the lack of laws on teachers oath in all the States in the Union. This will prove a great aid in continuing the work to secure passage of such laws, and I am pleased to have this opportunity to express to Compatriot Burdette the thanks of the National Society for completing this worthwhile task to which he has devoted so much time.

reports which will be presented later, I must refer to the outstanding work of our National

Chairmanship of Frank J. Wilder, and our Special Headquarters Library Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Louis Charles Smith Largely due to the interest aroused by these two efficient chairmen, the District of Columbia Society has given to the National Society its complete library of more than one thousand books and pamphlets. I desire to thank the District of Columbia Society for this magnificent gift.

A year ago, Chairman Frank J. Wilder offered to give five hundred dollars worth of books to the library of the National Society if the members of the Society would contribute one thousand volumes of genealogies, town histories, vital records, etc., to our library during the current year. Many Compatriots accepted that challenge and did their part by making book contributions. The condition was ful. filled and Compatriot Wilder has sent to our Headquarters the five hundred dollars' worth of books. It gives me great pleasure to extend to him the thanks of our National Society.

The members of the Special Headquarters Library Committee, composed of young men residing near our Headquarters Building. worked diligently many evenings rearranging and cataloging our library. The details of this work will doubtless be presented in the report of Chairman Smith, but I want, at this time, to thank him and all the members of that committee for their great contribution to our National Society.

The S. A. R. MAGAZINE still is one of the best publications of the patriotic organizations. Great credit is due our Secretary General and Mrs. Steele for maintaining the high standard of each issue. In the interests of economy, of the MAGAZINE. This is far from satisfactory to the officers and imposes added work on the editor. I earnestly recommend that, before our expenses are increased in any other lines, the MAGAZINE be restored to its former size.

The report on membership is most encouraging. We have received 129 more new members than last year—an increase of over 30 per cent. Losses have been heavy and the net total is unsatisfactory. An increase in new members is the only solution. We are indebted to the National Membership Committee, under At the risk of anticipating the contents of the leadership of Major Laurence Leonard, and to the energetic work of many State and Chapter officers for this excellent showing. It Headquarters Library Committee under the proves that new members can be secured even

in hard times. I urge redoubled efforts during he coming year. It should be possible to atain our former average of 1200 new members nnually.

That which is said last is most likely to be remembered, hence, I have deferred reference a financial matters to this point.

After the strenuous struggle with monetary problems last year, your President General would have preferred to devote his entire efforts to other lines of activity-but necessity jecreed otherwise.

By dint of close attention and diligent effort on the part of the President General and the Secretary General, I have the greatest pleasure in announcing that, during the past year, expenditures have been kept within receipts.

A year ago, I was able to report a total saving on current expenses, as compared with the previous year, of approximately 34 per cent. It seemed well-nigh impossible to make further savings this year. But it has been done. Our operating expenses were \$1,830.32, or more than 12 per cent less than last year.

In addition, we have paid from Current Receipts:

Interest on the Headquarters Indebtedness A Special Appropriation for Our Library	. \$2,259.85 . 200.00
To the "Retirement Fund"-for Payment A	c- 1,600.00
To "Redemption Fund" for Certificates of In debtedness	

\$4,524.85

Also \$1,900.00, recovered from the closed Park Bank, has been used to reduce the mortgage indebtedness.

And at the close of our fiscal year, we had a balance of \$1,817.44 in the Treasury. Since then, \$1,800.00 of that balance has been transferred to the "Retirement Fund" and applied to payment account principal of the mortgage. If there are no objections, I shall defer until the Tuesday morning session the detailed report on the sales of Certificates of Indebtedness and the present indebtedness on our Headquarters property.

For the record, I will say here that, since April first, 1934, the mortgage indebtedness has been reduced by \$15,000.00 and the loan from the Johnson Estate has been reduced by \$1,750.00, making a total of \$16,750.00. I cannot close without a personal word. I am deeply grateful to the Compatriots for the opportunity given me to serve you. The two years of contacts with our membership throughout the country and in France have con-

vinced me of their loyalty and earnestness. Their never failing honor paid to our organization through its President General is most noteworthy. Particularly do I want to speak of the friendliness of our members. My life from now on will be richer because of the high type of men I have added to my list of valued friends. Above all, I am convinced of the value of the Sons of the American Revolution. The best hope which I can express for its future is that it may each year become more of a working organization. It should be the leader in every move to uphold all that is best and true in Government.

When, on Wednesday, I become a Past President General, I shall by no means lose my interest, but shall ever be ready to work for the Sons of the American Revolution.

Respectfully submitted.

Following his address, the President General recognized Mr. Laurence Leonard of the D. C. Society, who moved that Committees be appointed on Rules, Resolutions, Committee Reports, and Officers' Reports.

The motion was seconded and adopted.

Past President General Ames moved to instruct the Secretary General to send Greetings from this 46th Congress to all absent Past Presidents General, which motion was unanimously adopted.

The President General announced the appointment of the following Committees:

COMMITTEE ON RULES

Loren E. Souers, Ohio, Chairman; Malcolm MacPherson, Pennsylvania; J. Walter Allen, Tennessee; Alexander H. Lord, Delaware; A. H. Armington, Rhode Island.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

G. Ridgely Sappington, Maryland, Chairman; Richard V. Goodwin, New York; Arthur Crownover, Jr., Tennessee; Robert M. Ewing, Pennsylvania; Laurence Leonard, District of Columbia.

COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS

Frederick G. Williamson, Missouri, Chairman; James M. Breckenridge, Missouri; W. F. Tomlinson, Connecticut; Pope McAdams, Kentucky; Edward K. Ives, New York.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clarence A. Cook, Chairman; John T. Gardner, Rhode Island; Dr. Clifton P. Clark, District of Columbia; Col. Ansel E. Beckwith, Ohio; Dr. Henry L. Grant, Kentucky.

The Secretary General read some telegrams of Greeting.

After hearing several announcements of committee meetings, and arrangements of the Entertainment Committee, the Chair announced a recess until 2 o'clock, at which time a Memorial Service would be the first order.

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Memorial Service

President General: Compatriots, it seems fitting that the Forty-sixth Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution should at this time pay tribute to its past officers and members who have during the year gone to the Great Beyond. First will be read the name of the deceased, the State Society of which he was a member, and the office which he held, and then the Compatriot who will speak briefly on the service of the deceased will be called upon.

Past Presidents General

There have been taken from our midst during this past year two of the Past Presidents General. Arthur Preston Sumner of the Rhode Island Society. Tribute will be paid by Compatriot Arthur H. Armington, Trustee of the Rhode Island Society.

Compatriot Armington paid tribute to Past President General Arthur Preston Sumner.

President General: Ganson Depew, of the Empire State Society, Past President General. Tribute will be paid by Past President General, Colonel Louis Annin Ames.

Compatriot Ames paid tribute to Past President General Ganson Depew.

President General: Osborne Allen, of the Maine Society, a Real Son. Tribute will be paid by Vice-President General Willis B. Hall. Compatriot Hall paid tribute to Osborne Allen.

Past State Presidents

Colorado Society-Benjamin F. Young, tribute by Orville Vaughn of California.

Iowa Society-Herman Knapp, tribute by Past President Ezra C. Potter.

Maine Society-William B. Berry, tribute by Vice-President General Willis B. Hall.

Maryland Society-James D. Iglehart, Past President and Charter Member of the National Society, tribute by Treasurer General Robert-

tribute by President Davis G. Maraspin.

Montana Society-Charles W. Rhule, trib. ute by Secretary A. R. Van Dyke.

Nebraska Society-Smith C. Wilson and Dr A. L. Bixby, tributes by Secretary Joel A Piper.

North Dakota Society-John S. Hanchett tribute by Dr. John D. Carr, Past President

Rhode Island Society-Prof. Wilfred H Munro, tribute by National Trustee Arthur H Armington.

President General: Ordinarily our Memorial Service is confined to National Officers and State Presidents, but during the past year, Iowa has lost a very unique man of great value to his State Society and to the National Society George A. Jewett, for many years Secretary of the Iowa Society.

Compatriot Potter paid tribute to George A. Jewett. •

Tribute to other distinguished Compatriots were given as follows:

Albert W. Cummins, of the Delaware Society, first Secretary and the last of the founders of the Society to pass away. Tribute was given by Alexander H. Lord, President of the Delaware Society.

Daniel S. Spencer, National Trustee, and Past President of the Utah Society. Tribute was given by Hon. George Albert Smith.

President General: In addition to the officers already honored, we today will also bow in reverence in memory of 387 other members deceased during the past year. I will ask Compatriots and guests to rise while Reverend E. A. Arthur of Indiana takes the place of our Chaplain General and offers the prayer.

An appropriate prayer was then offered by Reverend Arthur, at the close of which Taps was sounded by the bugler.

The President General then called the Congress to order in business session and recognized Mr. Loren E. Souers, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, who reported the Rules recommended by his committee and moved the adoption of the Report, which was seconded and the Report unanimously adopted.

(The report of the Committee on Rules is omitted in the interest of space conservation, but was substantially the same as adopted by former Congresses and as previously printed in July, 1933 .- Editor.)

The President General then announced his appointment of a COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS, in accordance with the recommenda-Massachusetts Society — Luther Atwood, tion of the Committee on Rules, as follows: Chairman, Josiah A. Van Orsdel; R. C. Ballard Thruston, Kentucky; Howard C. Rowley, California; Harvey F. Remington, New York; Louis Annin Ames, New York, all Past Presidents General.

The Reports of National Officers were then received and each was referred under the Rules to the Committee on Officers' Reports, without comment. Reports of officers not present were referred without reading.

The following officers then presented their respective reports:

Mr. Frank B. Steele, Secretary General.

Mr. George S. Robertson, Treasurer General. Mr. James M. Breckenridge, of the Committee on Audit.

At this point Vice President General Livezey took the Chair while the President General retired for a brief period. Reports continued:

Mr. Frank Steele, Registrar General.

The Vice Presidents General, as follows:

Mr. Willis B. Hall, Maine, New England District.

Mr. H. Prescott Beach, New Jersey, North Atlantic District.

Mr. John L. Walker, Pennsylvania, Mid-Atlantic District.

Mr. W. B. Livezey, Virginia, South Atlantic District.

Mr. Archie M. Smith, Louisiana, Southern District.

Col. Ansel E. Beckwith, Ohio, Central District.

Mr. Norman B. Conger, Michigan, Great Lakes District.

Hon. Louis B. Hanna, North Dakota, North Mississippi District.

(On motion of Vice President General Hall at this point, a message of sympathy was sent to Vice President General Hanna.)

Hon. William H. Arnold, Arkansas, South Mississippi District.

Mr. Benjamin L. Rich, Rocky Mountains District.

Hon. Robert Tucker, Oregon, Pacific Coast District, no report.

Marquis de Rochambeau, France, Foreign District, no report.

Mr. Ben W. Palmer, Historian General, Minnesota, no report.

Dr. Clifton P. Clark, District of Columbia, Genealogist General.

Mr. Ridgely Sappington, Maryland, Chancellor General.

Major Frank C. Rideout, U. S. A., Chaplain General, no report.

Reports of National Committee Chairmen followed, each of which was referred automatically to the Committee on Committee Reports.

Representative on National Coalition Board, Mr. H. Prescott Beach, of New Jersey.

President General McCrillis here resumed the Chair, and following a few announcements, declared the Congress recessed until 9:30 A. M. Tuesday.

The Colors were then retired, and the Congress recessed.

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Congress was called to order by the President General, after which the Colors were presented and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag recited, led by Compatriot Ansel E. Beckwith. The invocation was spoken by the Chaplain General, Major Frank C. Rideout, after which the assembly joined in singing "America."

President General: The first order of business this morning is continuation of the reports of Officers and Committees. I will request Vice-President General Beach to take the Chair.

Vice-President General Beach: Carrying over from yesterday's program, there is the report from Vice-President General Arnold, of Arkan-Sas

Vice President General Arnold reported for the South Mississippi District.

During Vice President General Arnold's report, the President General resumed the Chair, but immediately called Vice-President General Livezev to preside.

Vice-President General Livezey: The next order of business is the report of the Americanization Committee, Harry F. Brewer, Chairman. He is not present but requests his report be read.

Secretary General Steele read the report of the Americanization Committee as submitted by Harry F. Brewer, Chairman.

Committee Reports were continued as follows, each being referred to the Committee on Committee Reports:

Ceremonies and Colors, Alfred A. Hoffman, District of Columbia.

Comity, Col. Louis Annin Ames, New York. Constitution Day Observance, David L. Pierson, New Jersey.

(The President General resumed the Chair.)

President General McCrillis announced progress in plans for appointment of a Special Committee for Observance of the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the United States Constitution, as authorized at the Baltimore Congress, and that Compatriot David L. Pierson would be Honorary Chairman, and Laurence Leonard, of the District of Columbia, would serve as Chairman of this Committee.

Reports continued:

Finance Committee, John L. Walker, Pennsylvania.

Flag Committee, Charles A. Breece, Indiana. Flag Day Observance, Mark H. Reasoner, Indiana.

Golf Events, Col. Franklin Blackstone, Pennsylvania, no report.

Good Citizenship and R. O. T. C. Medals, Frank B. Steele, New York, and District of Columbia.

Ways and Means Committee, Josiah A. Van Orsdel, District of Columbia, special order of business at this time.

Report of Ways and Means Committee

YOUR Committee on Ways and Means finds that the estimated receipts from all sources for the coming year amount to \$18,485.00. The expenses have been budgeted to meet this amount. This has necessitated holding the appropriations for disbursements to the most economical possible basis without impairing the activities of the organization. It is, however, believed that the expenses of the Society can be kept within the limits of this budget. The budget in full is submitted with this report.

Your Committee recommends-First-That the headquarters expenses for the housekeeper. additional maid service and furnace man shall not exceed \$900.00 per annum.

Second—We recommend that all salaries shall be retained at the same reduced rate as fixed for the preceding year.

Third-We recommend that the MAGAZINE be published quarterly as heretofore, at a total expense of not exceeding \$4,000.00 for the four quarterly editions; and the contract for printing shall be accorded to the lowest bidder, quality of work and material and convenience of service to be considered.

Fourth-We recommend that the sum of \$200.00, as provided in the present budget for the binding of membership applications, be continued annually until the binding of applications is brought up to date.

Fifth-We recommend that there be set aside annually, as we have provided in the budget for the current year, the sum of not less than \$2,000.00, which includes the provision made under Section 4-C of the resolution adopted on May 22, 1934, to be applied for the

liquidation of the Johnson Note, the Certifi, cates of Indebtedness and any balance remain. ing on the mortgage on the Headquarters Build. ing known as 1227 Sixteenth St., N. W., Wash, ington, D. C., which insures the complete payment of the total indebtedness within the period of twenty years.

Sixth-Your Committee commends the efficient administration of the affairs of the Society for the past two years by your President General. We find that at the expiration of the fiscal year, March 31st, 1935, that after all bills were paid, there was unexpended cash on hand in the operating account of the Society of \$1,814.44. This amount was accumulated during the past fiscal year, the year starting with a deficit of \$47.62. The Committee recommends that such funds be held in the treasury of the Society as a reserve fund to meet any unexpected emergency should same arise In the event that this fund is not otherwise required to meet an emergency the Executive Committee may, at any time it deems advisable, transfer the fund, or any portion of it, to the Redemption Fund.

We cannot close this report without especially commending President General McCrillis for the marvelous success he has achieved in the sale of Certificates for the liquidation of the major portion of the mortgage indebtedness existing against the Headquarters property.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSIAH A. VAN ORSDEL, Chairman. R. C. BALLARD THRUSTON HARVEY F. REMINGTON HOWARD C. ROWLEY LOUIS ANNIN AMES

Budget for 1935-1936 RECEIPTS

Per Capita Tax	\$14,000.0
Entrance Fees	2.850.0
Supplementals	2.50.0
Certificates	60.0
Interest	275.0
Advertising in Magazina	150.0
Advertising in Magazine	300.0
Contributions	300.0
Commissions on Insignia and Ribbon	125.0
Miscellaneous	25.0
Merchandise Account	450.0
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\$18,485.00

DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries	\$5,460.00
Office Supplies	100.00
Postage	600.00 200.00
Traveling	4.000.00
Magazine	300.00
Printing	
Binding Applications	200.00
House Account	2.200.00
Repairs on House	300.00
Certificates	600.00
Miscallaneous	
Miscellaneous	1.715.00
Interest on Mortgage and Certificates	210.00
Interest on Loans	210.00
Redemption Fund	2,000.00
Library	300.00

\$18,485.00

was unanimously adopted.

The Report of the President General on the Certificates of Indebtedness was then received.

Mr. McCrillis:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee held October 26th and 27th, 1934, "the President General was authorized to carry out provisions of the special resolution on refinancing Headquarters." He submits herewith his report on the same.

That the members of the Forty-Sixth Congress may have the full picture before them, it is desirable to devote a few minutes to a review of the necessity for refinancing and the steps taken to formulate our plan.

When our Headquarters property was purchased, we gave a large purchase money mortgage; one extension of time has been granted by the mortgagee and the same falls due on August 26, 1935. Recognizing the necessity of refinancing the mortgage before that time, vour President General, after the Cincinnati Congress, appointed Vice President General John L. Walker as Chairman of the Finance Committee and requested him to formulate a plan. We are greatly indebted to Compatriot Walker and his committee for many long hours of work resulting in the presentation of our plan which was later adopted.

That you may know that this plan was thoroughly considered before adoption, I will review the steps taken.

On October 30, 1933, the Executive Committee considered the plan and referred it back to the Finance Committee for suggested changes.

On February 26, 1934, the Executive Committee again discussed the plan and made several minor changes.

On May 20, 1934, the Executive Committee adopted the plan and referred it with recommendations to the Board of Trustees.

On May 20, 1934, the Board of Trustees approved the plan and recommended it for adoption by the Congress.

On May 21, 1934, the Congress referred the recommendation of the Board of Trustees to the Ways and Means Committee.

On May 22, 1934, the Ways and Means Committee reported with recommendation for adoption and the Certificate of Indebtedness plan was adopted and authorized by Congress.

Immediately after adoption, a number of Certificates of Indebtedness were subscribed for by Compatriots in attendance. Shortly after, it was found that there was a misunder-

On motion of Judge Van Orsdel, the Report standing on the part of the subscribers in that they thought the interest was to be paid annually, whereas the plan, as originally adopted, called for interest at the end of the 20-year period. It seemed evident to the officers that long-deferred payment of interest would seriously limit the sale of Certificates, therefore, at the meeting of the Executive Committee on October 26th and 27th, 1934, the Executive Committee decided that it was desirable to pay interest annually and to issue the Certificates in coupon form. To legally do this required a vote of both the Board of Trustees and the Congress and, therefore, on December 8, 1934, there was held at our Headquarters in Washington a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees and a Special Congress of the National Society. Both of these bodies authorized the desired change. Steps were immediately taken to prepare the necessary printed matter and launch our sales campaign.

> It should be noted that while this plan was first considered in May 1933, it was not until January 1935 that it was ready for presentation. From that time to date, your President General has been exclusively Certificate-of-Indebtedness-conscious. He made an extensive trip through the Middle West; he has interviewed numerous Society and Chapter officers and he has worked his secretary overtime writing letters, until he fears some of our officers cringe when they receive an envelope bearing his return address.

> But results have been accomplished and the following are the figures which you no doubt are anxious to hear:

> On May 23, 1934, the indebtedness on our Headquarters property was:

First mortgage	\$40,000.00 7,000.00
Total	\$47,000.00
CONTRA Funds available from sources other than sale of Certificates of In- debtedness:	
Balance in Headquarters Fund, May 23, 1934	5,193.05
(The balance of this report was written since the 46th Annual Congress adjourned, that final figures might be presented.) Total subscriptions for Certificates of Indebt- edness up to May 15, 1935 (including gifts of \$300.00 incident to the campaign) Received during the Congress subscriptions totaling Also payment of a former pledge	18,595.00 18,345.00 250.00
	\$42,383.05

The above sum is sufficient to pay the mortgage.

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A detailed account of securing subscriptions from the floor of Congress follows in the Minutes.

April 21, 1935, there was paid account Johnson Estate note of \$1,000.00, leaving a balance of \$6,000.00, which, under the terms is payable \$1,000.00 annually.

The liquidation of this mortgage, which falls due in August, was the goal of the campaign to sell Certificates of Indebtedness. Its accomplishment is a source of great gratification to the writer. He takes this opportunity to thank every subscriber for Certificates, also all those who so loyally assisted in the work of placing the same.

The President General then called upon the Treasurer General to read that portion of his Report in which he set forth the status of the Society in regard to the indebtedness as of May 15th, which Treasurer General Robertson then read.

The President General then read the list of subscriptions, by States, as of May 15th.

President General: But let us see what has come in between May 15th and the present moment:

Connecticut, \$50.00; District of Columbia, \$2,000.00; Delaware, \$10.00; Indiana, \$600.00; New Jersey, \$800.00; New York, \$365.00; Ohio, \$800.00; Virginia, \$1,100.00. A total of \$5,725.00.

President General: This leaves to be sold this morning, and we are going to do it this morning, \$18,094.70. And, I have a revised list of the standing by States which has changed somewhat.

Now, Compatriots, we are not asking you to give us a cent. We are asking you to purchase a Certificate of Indebtedness which has behind it first, and most important to my mind, the honor and integrity of the Sons of the American Revolution. But as that is not a bankable security, it has behind it our Headquarters property, which cost us \$145,000.00, which was assessed recently by the District of Columbia Tax Board at \$114,000.00, which has been appraised, the building alone, at \$94,000.00 and some odd dollars. In other words there is about three times the real estate value there of the amount of Certificates of Indebtedness we are asking you to purchase this morning. These Certificates are in coupon form; they are payable to bearer; they can be transferred, if desired, the same as any first class bond or certificate of indebtedness. Now the Chair awaits subscriptions.

Mrs. George S. Robertson: I would like to make the first subscription of One Hundred Dollars in honor of the Treasurer General.

Mrs. John T. Gardner: One Hundred Dollars in honor of the President General of the Sons of the American Revolution from Rhode Island. Following these two initial subscriptions, various compatriots gave pledges as follows:

General.) Edwin L. Paddock, New, York. Miles S. Kuhns, Ohio.... Clarence A. Cook, for Indiana..... 300.00 Richard V. Goodwin, for N. Y. C. Chapter.... Richard V. Goodwin, in memory of brother.... Richard V. Goodwin, in memory of brother.... Edgar M. Lazarus, Oregon..... Rulef C. Schanck, for Pittsburgh Chapter..... Rulef C. Schanck, for Pennsylvania. Rulef C. Schanck, in memoriam, Mrs. Schanck... Col. F. Judson Hess, New York...... Frank B. Steele, for 3 grandchildren (\$10 ea.)... John L. Schrum, Indiana..... James M. Breckenridge, Missouri, \$25 each for 2 grandchildren 50.00 100.00 30.00 25.00 2 grandchildren Harvey F. Remington, New York, for a grandchild Elmour D. Lum, North Dakota, \$25 each for 3 50.00 25.00 grandchildren Frederick G. Williamson, \$25 each for 2 grand-75.00 50.00 200 00 W. Harvey Wise, Jr., for the District of Columbia. J. L. Schrum, Indiana, for Soc. of 1812 Alfred A. Hoffman, for the District of Columbia... 50.00 25.00

Vice President General W. L. Livezey at this point offered to be one of ten others to give \$500 to make up \$5,000.00.

Col. Judson Hess, of New York, and Compatriot Gaillard Tuck, of Kentucky, each responded with a pledge of \$500; also the Empire State, S. A. R., Board of Managers, through Col. Kendall. Mr. Livezey was asked if his offer would extend over until the next day to try to complete the amount, to which he assented.

Mrs. Oscar S. Thompson, of New Jersey, pledged \$10 each for thirteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Time for recess having arrived, the President General stated that further subscriptions would be received until the adjournment of the Congress, and after several announcements, a recess was declared until 2 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Continuation of Committee reports: Patriotic Education, E. C. Potter, Iowa.

Organization, Laurence Leonard, District of Columbia.

President General: We are now going to have the great pleasure of listening to a report of a joint Committee of the S. A. R. and of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, of which Committee Past President General R. C. Ballard Thruston is Chairman and who will now render his report.

Past President General Thruston then presented his report as follows:

May 21, 1935.

MR. PRESIDENT GENERAL AND COMPATRIOTS:

Whilst a member of the Joint Committee of our organization and the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence and seeking for information regarding that document, its signers, etc., an historian made the statement to me that some thirteen of the Signers signed that document by proxy and not in person. I reported that matter to the Committee and we made a very careful study of the question. Our conclusions were that no two signatures were by the same individual and we doubted if any signature was by proxy. Of course, we had access to many letters and documents containing reputed signatures of the Signers, but the question with us was: Where could we find their undoubted signatures? We concluded to make a study of their original wills, although we did not reject their signatures to letters and other documents.

So far as I know and believe the information that we obtained has never been published, and believing that it will be of material interest to members of our organization, I thought it best to place it before this Congress.

Of the 56, 45 left wills and 9 died intestate. There are two of whom we have no information as to this matter—Braxton of Virginia and Heyward of South Carolina. Nor are there any inventories of their estates extant. The records where we would expect to find information regarding their estates were destroyed, and unless somebody turns up who made a copy at some early date we will have to give them up as hopeless.

There were nine who died intestate. (In this, as in other lists, an asterisk (*) in front of the name means that the inventory has been located and copied.) These nine are as follows:

*THORNTON Of New Hampshire *WHIPPLE of New Hampshire *HANCOCK of Massachusetts *GERRY of Massachusetts *WILSON of Pennsylvania READ of Delaware *CHASE of Maryland *MIDDLETON of South Carolina WALTON of Georgia. Of the 45 who left wills, we have obtained copies of all except Hall of Georgia. The fact that he left a will has been established, but the place of record has been destroyed and we have never been able to locate anyone who made a copy before the destruction. In the case of Wythe, of Virginia, the place of record and all the papers were destroyed, a copy of his will was filed in a lawsuit and those papers were destroyed, but fortunately some one had made a copy of the will and published it. So those two wills are certainly lost or stolen and certainly also the wills of *Lynch and *Rutledge of South Carolina.

Another four wills were possibly lost or stolen—as follows: Wolcott of Connecticut, Lewis of New York, *Francis Lightfoot Lee and *Nelson of Virginia. In Rhode Island and New York the executor or heirs were authorized to withdraw the original will after it was recorded. In this way the wills of *Ellery and Hopkins of Rhode Island and Floyd and Morris of New York are missing.

Another four wills have been extracted from the records and are either in autograph collections or in private hands. They are *Taylor of Pennsylvania, *Stone of Maryland, Harrison of Virginia and *Gwinnett of Georgia. Of the Gwinnett will we obtained a facsimile reproduction; of the other three we obtained photostats.

All of the remaining 29 are in the archives where they belong. With the exception of Carroll of Maryland, we have either photographs or photostats of all of these wills. In the case of Carroll, his will was a very long one with three codicils and a two-page renunciation by the executors. In all it made just one hundred pages and as the only portions written by Carroll were his four signatures, we did not attempt to either photograph or photostat that will.

Of the 33 that we have found and located, each of 32 of them is in the handwriting of the Signer.

The twenty-nine are as follows:

BartlettN. H.	*Franklin Pa.
J. Adams Mass.	MorrisPa.
S. Adams Mass.	*MortonPa,
Paine Mass.	Ross Pa.
Huntington Conn.	*RushPa.
Sherman	*Smith Pa.
WilliamsConn.	*McKeanDel.
LivingstonN. Y.	RodneyDel.
Clark	*Carroll Md.
HartN. J.	Paca
HopkinsonN. J.	*JeffersonVa.
StocktonN. J.	*R. H. LeeVa.
WitherspoonN. J.	Hewes N. C.
Clymer Pa.	Penn

The above makes an interesting compilation which, the question being called for, the vote and there are four complete sets. One is in the hands of the descendants of the Signers; one went to Mr. John Calvert and following his death, his widow presented it to the Historical Society in Philadelphia; one is in the hands of the National Society, S. A. R., at their home at 1227 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and the fourth has been given to The Filson Club here in Louisville, where it can be consulted at any time.

Your very respectfully.

R. C. BALLARD THRUSTON.

Upon the conclusion of this report and the presentation of these volumes, the President General accepted this valuable gift with much appreciation and sincere thanks, on behalf of the National Society.

Past President General Remington (following a few preliminary remarks): I move you Mr. President General:

That a special committee be appointed by the incoming President General, for the purpose of bringing to the atten-tion of the Congress of the United States the question of the future publication of these records.

The motion was duly seconded, and unanimously carried, by a standing vote.

Compatriot Kendall moved a resolution of thanks of this Society to the donor of this magnificent gift, which was unanimously adopted.

The next special order of business being the consideration of proposed amendments to the Constitution, the Secretary General was called upon to read the first amendment proposed, as follows:

Amend Article II, Section 7 (4) by striking out the following:

"Provided, that if the State Society shall remit the dues of any member who is an invalid pensioner of the United States on the ground of military or naval service rendered, States on the ground of minitary or naval service renered, or who is in receipt of compensation from the Veterans' Bureau of the United States for disability received in the Military or Naval service, such State Society shall not be liable for the foregoing assessment upon members whose dues are so remitted; provided that in case a State Society shall remit the dues of any member on account of area or shall remit the dues of any member on account of age or infirmity, coupled with inability to pay, such State Society shall not be liable for annual dues to the National Society on such member."

So that Article II, Section 7 (4) shall read as follows:

"Pay to the Treasurer General, as of April 1st each year, the annual dues for such Society, computed at the rate of one dollar for each member carried on the rolls of such Society as of that date."

Judge Van Orsdel moved the adoption of the Amendment, which was duly seconded.

members voicing objections to adoption, after

was put, and those for and against adoption of the amendment rose to be counted, and the amendment was declared lost.

The Secretary General then read the second proposed amendment as follows:

Amend Article XIX, Section 2, as follows-

"A fee of *one dollar* shall accompany each supplemental claim to establish additional ancestral lines for eligibility."

Article XIX, Section 2, now reads.

"A fee of two dollars shall accompany each supplemental claim to establish additional lines of eligibility."

Mr. Millspaugh moved the adoption of the proposed amendment which was duly seconded.

Following a short discussion, the question was called for and the motion was put, and on a rising vote the proposed amendment was carried, 66 to 25, and the Amendment declared adopted.

The Chair called for a continuation of reports of Committees, which were presented as follows, each being duly referred to the Committee on Committee Reports:

National Headquarters Library, Frank I. Wilder, Massachusetts.

Special Headquarters Library, Dr. Louis Charles Smith, D. of C.

Printing Committee, Thomas W. Williams, New Jersey.

Revolutionary Events, Cap E. Miller, North Dakota.

Revolutionary Graves Registry, Dr. J. F. Streeter, Mass. No report.

Visual Education, Edward W. Milligan, Colorado.

House and Grounds, John P. Earnest, D. of C., read by Mr. Summers.

Memorials, Judge Sam M. Wassell, Arkansas. Vice President W. H. Arnold now took the Chair during the reading of the following report.

Correspondence and Safety, Arthur M. Mc-Crillis, Rhode Island.

The President General resumed the Chair and presented the Rev. A. Elwood Corning, President of Newburgh Chapter, New York, who spoke for a brief period on the plans of the National Temple Hill Association.

The President General called upon Judge Van Orsdel for final report of the Ways and Means Committee. Justice Van Orsdel stated that the Committee had no further report to make except that the reorganization of Com-A long general discussion ensued, many mittees which had been referred to it, would be attended to during the year.

Opportunity was given for general remarks and discussion at this time in which several delegates indulged. Compatriot Keister of Indiana made a plea for some uniform system of records by state officers; General Fries commented on the plans presented shortly before hy Rev. A. E. Corning; and Mr. Beach spoke for a few moments relative to the project for establishment of a National Park at Ringwood, N. J.

The President General read a letter from the Robert E. Lee Memorial Association, and a number of telegrams and greetings from several members, state and chapter groups, and kindred organizations.

The Colors were then retired and the session was declared recessed until Wednesday morning at 9:30.

Although the hour was late, the group meetings of Presidents and Secretaries-Registrars, were convened in other rooms, a résumé of which follows:

Round Table Group Meetings

The President General met with the State Presidents and many matters with regard to general and local problems of importance were discussed, chiefly with reference to membership, honorary membership, Good Citizenship Medals and delinquent dues.

At the meeting of Secretaries and Registrars presided over by the Secretary General, some fifteen or more state officers were present and topics relating to the work of these officers were discussed, resulting in a number of concrete suggestions and showing the deep interest of the state officers in the details of their work. The Secretary General distributed the following "Do's and Dont's" for general information and discussion. (Copies of these may be obtained at National Headquarters if desired.)

Do's and Don'ts for Secretaries and Registrars

DO NOT add state number to application papers before sending them to Washington—this *must* be done by the Registrar General. DO give all available dates on applications, especially the

bith, marriage and death dates of applicants' parents and grandparents—any man should be able to supply these. Papers not having this information are held for it, causing

DON'T refer to a D. A. R. National Number as proof of a Revolutionary service claim; such a reference may be added as further confirmation, but the record of service with

autentic references MUST appear on the paper. DO give complete addresses of applicants on the papers— Breet addresses are essential to secure delivery of a magazine. DON'T fail to notify National Headquarters of ALL changes in rosters, and DON'T fail to send per capita dues for ALL reinstated members, at the time of reinstatement. DO follow up C. A. R. transfers, of which you are notified, and secure these eligible prospects. DO send remittance with all orders for supplies; our prices are well known and usually listed in each Magazine.

DON'T include remittance for supplies in checks for initiation fees or per capita dues.

DO obtain one dollar for each transfer requested from the member to be demitted, and send same with transfer blank to National Headquarters for copy of record to go to the

to varional recarduaters for copy of record to go to the receiving society, and for completion of transfer. A new blank will soon be prepared for this use. DO keep a copy of the annual reports sent to the National Headquarters; if adjustments are necessary, revise your own copy as a basis for the next year.

The above suggestions were all discussed in a most friendly spirit and criticism, many questions asked, and the experiences of the officers present given which offered ideas and suggestions to others.

One suggestion of importance put forward by Compatriot Keister, Registrar of the Indiana Society, was that there should be some uniform system of keeping reports and records among all the state societies, and that such uniformity would be of great value in both the National and the State Societies in their work. Further, that regular monthly reports should be forwarded to the National Headquarters in Washington, giving the status of the respective societies as to membership, i. e., resignations, deaths, dropped, and changes in address. Many societies now do this as a matter of course, but if this could be universal, it would be most helpful. Secretary-Registrar General Steele, heartily concurred in these suggestions.

Discussion of the lack of uniformity in the fiscal years of many societies ensued, and the majority of opinion was that it would be a great advantage if the same fiscal year could be adopted by all state societies.

The hour being so late it was impossible to continue the meeting, although many other matters were touched upon with brief discussion. The hope was expressed that more time might be given to these group meetings at future Congresses, as these are the only opportunities for the working officers of the society to get together and have an interchange of views and informal discussion.-F. B. S.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Congress was called to order by the President General, after which the Colors were presented and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag given, led by Compatriot Charles A. Breece. The invocation was spoken by the Chaplain General and the assembly joined in singing "America," led by Compatriot Robert C. Tracy.

President General: I will ask Vice-President General Beach to take the Chair, and at the same time will call upon General Fries to render the report of the Committee on Immigration.

Vice-President General Beach took the Chair and Compatriot Amos A. Fries made his report as Chairman of the Committee on Immigration for the past year.

At the close of Compatriot Fries' report, the President General resumed the Chair.

President General: Compatriots, we will now have the very important report of the Resolutions Committee. I call upon its Chairman, Chancellor General Sappington, of Maryland.

Chancellor General Sappington: Mr. President General, Compatriots, the Resolutions Committee had before it several dozen resolutions, in fact about fifty. Acting under the rules, the Committee has reported some of the resolutions as presented with its recommendations for adoption by the Congress. Some resolutions under the rules are not reported. In many cases the Committee has redrafted a resolution because we would have a number all directed to the same end, and we think in the resolutions presented we have covered all the points. I want to say at this time that all actions of the Resolutions Committee have been unanimous.

Chancellor General Sappington then read the resolutions as follows, omitting preambles. Each was read and acted upon separately and unanimously adopted. In several cases, the Chairman offered explanatory comments.

1. Be it resolved, by the Forty-sixth Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. That this society extends its congratulations and good wishes to Compatriot Admiral Richard Evelyn Byrd upon his safe return to the United States. This society recognizes his sacrifices and suffering in the increase of human knowledge and recognizes in him the strain of the American pioneers who have made America great and for which this society stands. Be it further resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this society and that a copy be sent to Admiral Byrd.

Admirai Byrd. 2. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, That in view of the splendid work being done by the Society of the Children of the American Revolution, all State Societies and local Chapters are urged to cooperate with that association in the furtherance of our common aims.

association in the furtherance of our common aims. 3. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, That the society use every effort to bring about a nationwide celebration in September, 1937, of the 150th Anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, including the official recognition of the celebration by the Government of the United States and its participation therein

adoption of the Constitution of the United States, including the official recognition of the celebration by the Government of the United States and its participation therein. *A. Be it resolved*, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, That we urge every State Society and every Chapter to wage an unceasing campaign by the radio, by the daily press, by constant watchfulness in schools, colleges and universities, and in every other way found desirable in different localities to teach loyalty to the Constitution of the United States and to our form of Government, and to combat every subversive movement in government, achool, church or society.

movement in government, school, church or society, 5. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, That we express our approval of H. R. 2897, introduced in the 74th Congress by the Honorable Robert Ramspeck, Congressman from Georgia, entitled a bill "to make it a crime to advocate or promote the overthrow of the Government of the United States by force or violence, etc.," and urge its enactment or the enactment of any similar bill of the same import. 6. Be it resolved, by this 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. That we reaffirm our stand that the surest guarantee of peace is preparedness against attack, and we urge that the personnel and equipment of the Army, the Navy, the National Guard, the Reserve Training Corps, and the Citizens Military Training Camps be raised to and maintained at a strength which will provide adequate guarantee of security for our country in time of need.

7. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, That we reaffirm our unalterable opposition to the ratification of the so-called Child Labor Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

tion of the United States. 8. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, That we vigorously oppose the granting of permission to hold public meetings, parades, or other gatherings to organizations or groups who advocate the overthrow of our Government by revolution.

Government by revolution. 9. Be it resolved, by this 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. That we urge the extension of the quota system of immigration to North and South America; that we oppose all attempts to let in more classes of relatives of citizens or aliens now in the United States other than under the quota system and subject to all the restrictions placed on other classes of aliens; that we oppose all attempts to give legal aliens illegally in the United States, that we urge the enactment of any laws necessary to deport all aliens illegally in the United States, and oppose all laws that give to any officials authority to halt deportation of those found deportable for any cause; that we oppose all legislation tending to give citizenship to any alien who does not take an unqualified oath of allegiance to the Government of the United States, and the Government of the United States, and uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States gainst all enemies, foreign or domestic; that we urge the enactment of laws and that, above all, we urge a vigorous enforcement of our immigration laws and denounce all attempts to relax their requiring resting or indirectly.

and that, above all, we urge a vigorous enforcement of our immigration laws and denounce all attempts to relax their requirements directly or indirectly. 10. Be it resolved, by the 46th Annual Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, That we urge upon the legislature of the several states the enactment of laws requiring all teachers in public schools and universities, colleges or other institutions of learning in whole or in part supported by public funds, who are citizens of the United States, to take an Oath of Allegiance to the United States and to support the Constitution thereof and requiring all aliens so employed take an oath not to teach anything antagonistic to the Constitution of the United States.

11. Whereas, This 46th Congress of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution has been entertained by the Kentucky Society and by the Compatriots and citzens of Louisville with their usual hospitality, and all who have ever been the recipients of their hospitality know that no higher praise could be spoken, but we desire before saying good-bye for the time being, to express our appreciation; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the delegates to this Congress offer their thanks to the Kentucky Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, our compatriots in Louisville and all its citizens, for the splendid hospitality which we and our guests have enjoyed and the many courtesies which have been extended; to the Daughters of the American Revolution of Kentucky, and particularly the John Marshall and Fin-castle Chapters, and the ladies of Kentucky who helped to make this visit a happy one, for the ladies accompanying us; to Compatriot R. C. Ballard Thruston, Honorary Chair-man, and Compatriot Ransom H. Bassett, Chairman, and all the members of their several committees, and all who have cooperated with them, for their most successful efforts for our comfort and entertainment, and for the many personal kindnesses which they have shown us; to Christ Church Cathedral for the welcome extended to us at our annual service of worship; to His Excellency Governor Ruby Laffoon, Governor of the State of Kentucky, for his genial greeting, which was just what one expects from the Governor Kentucky; to His Honor, Mayor Neville Miller, Mayor the City of Louisville, for his generous welcome; to the speakers at the banquet for their most delightful and inspiring addresses; to the management of the Brown Hotel for the courteous treatment we have received: to the press of Louisville for its courtesy and attention; to the 149th Infantry, the 138th Field Artillery, the R. O. T. C. unit of Louisville Male High School, and the police authorities of Louisville for their aid and assistance; to the Presi-dent General and other officers of the Daughters of the American Revolution and officers of other great patriotic

societies for their attendance during the Congress and their dightful greetings; and, conscious of our tendency to lapses of memory, to all those not specially mentioned who have contributed to making this Congress a pleasure to be long membered: to all of you we extend our thanks and our assurance as to those of us who have had the privilege of being in Louisville before you have lived up to your well norm and well deserved reputation as generous and deigntful hosts, and as to those of us with whom it has been the first experience you have inspired an irrevocable determination to return.

Chancellor General Sappington: Mr. President General, inasmuch as no one has moved to include the Committee on Resolutions in that resolution, that concludes our report.

President General: Chairman Sappington, it gives the President General great pleasure to include the Committee on Resolutions. To be perfectly serious and sincere, I do heartily thank you for this very hard task so ably performed.

Following the adoption of the Report of the Resolutions Committee, General Fries of the District of Columbia moved:

That it be the sense of this Congress that the members of the Society take every opportunity to commend those publications working for Americanism and against Communistic and subversive influence, and to support them for their stand and stand with them when they are right.

The motion was seconded and, following a short discussion, the question was called for and the motion was adopted on a rising vote.

The President General at this point presented to the Congress, Mrs. Albin C. Carlson, the National President of the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion, who spoke briefly, bringing greetings from her organization.

Compatriot Loren E. Souers in offering the motion which follows, commented very forcefully on certain resolutions reported by the Committee on Resolutions and particularly endorsed the Resolution which has to do with our watchfulness concerning movements and activities which tend to subversion of the principles of the Constitution. Mr. Souers gave some concrete instances in regard to certain textbooks on civics which had been unanimously approved by a committee of teachers, in which there was included a direct advocacy of the concentration of the power of the government in the single department of the Executive, and expressed his belief that there is no principle of the Constitution more important than that of the separation of these powers. Mr. Souers then moved as follows:

Mr. Souers: I take the liberty of addressing myself at this time to my friend, Past President General Van Orsdel, and I move:

That this Congress extend its deep gratitude and appreciation to President General McCrillis for his tireless zeal and faithful and earnest service to the Sons of the American Revolution during these past two trying years and express

to him not only our thanks for his past services but our confidence in the results which will follow from that service and our earnest good wishes to him in all his work and life for the future.

Compatriot Amos A. Fries: I would like to personally indorse that motion. As a member of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety in the District of Columbia, Chairman of the National Immigration Committee for these two years, I know the wonderful influence President General McCrillis has had on the very questions that Compatriot Souers and others have spoken about.

Past President General Van Orsdel: All in favor of that resolution will please rise.

The motion was adopted by everyone rising. *Past President General Van Orsdel:* Mr. President General, the resolution is unanimously adopted.

President General: Compatriots, I am very deeply moved; in fact, my emotions rather have the better of my voice for the moment. But I do want to say that whatever may have been accomplished could not have been accomplished without the wholehearted and very loyal support which I have received not only from Committee Chairmen but from Compatriots in the ranks. I have tried to express that in my report which I read to you on Monday. I shall always feel that I have never adequately expressed my appreciation of the loyal, the friendly, and the enthusiastic cooperation of the Compatriots of the Sons of the American Revolution. I thank you.

President General: We will now have the report of the Committee on Officers' Reports, Compatriot Frederick Williamson, of Missouri, Chairman.

Compatriot Williamson then presented the report of the Committee on Officers' Reports as follows:

Committee on Officers' Reports

YOUR Committee on Officers' Reports have done their best to combine and evaluate the information submitted to this Congress by the various officers, and to suggest proper disposition of such recommendations as appear to have been made.

The President General's report shows a laudable activity in keeping the Society on its proper course during what appears to have been a particularly trying period of its history. It is perhaps unfortunate that financial problems should have become so insistent during this administration, as their proper solution necessarily required much time and attention which would otherwise have been available for

work along promotional and educational lines. It is a matter for congratulation that so much should have been accomplished in both directions. His report shows that Certificates of Indebtedness to over half the necessary amount had been sold or subscribed for, and there is every reason to believe that the refinancing plan will be a success. The President General's contacts with the various State Societies, including the first visit of a President General in office to the Society in France, and the successful outcome of the efforts to secure Congressional action to exempt the National Headquarters from taxation amounting to about \$1,600.00 annually, show that other duties of the office have by no means been neglected, but have been most satisfactorily handled.

The report of the Secretary General is most encouraging, in declaring that numerically our membership is again on the upgrade, and that many compatriots who felt it expedient to discontinue their membership during recent trying times, are again allying themselves with our Society. The point made, that many prospective members write in to National Headquarters regarding requirements for membership, etc., instead of communicating with their own State Officers, emphasizes again the importance of local publicity and of greater activity on the part of state recruiting committees.

The Secretary's reference to our affiliation with the American Coalition and the desirability of cooperation with them, should not be overlooked, nor should his reminder that the National Society publishes a number of most informative pamphlets, which can only serve the purposes intended, to the extent that they are purchased and distributed by the State Societies. The other commendable activities of the Society, with which the report of the Secretary General so ably deals, merit our unqualified recommendation, and we feel sure will receive that favorable consideration from the several Committees, to which they are entitled.

The Treasurer General's report exhibits his usual care in keeping the Society fully advised regarding the state of the treasury. It must be gratifying to every delegate to note that while the Society started the year with a slight deficit in the General Fund, the year was finished with a surplus of nearly \$2,000.00.

The recommendation of this report relating to provision in definite amount for the sinking fund, against the principal of the Certificates of Indebtedness, has evidently already received favorable consideration from our Ways and Means Committee. The Registrar General's report calls attention to the fact that the number of new members received last year was greater than a year ago by 31%—a most encouraging sign of renewed activity.

We commend most highly the revision and unification of the membership list maintained by the Registrar General, and urge that this work be continued. His request for an appropriation to provide for binding the membership applications—a vitally important matter—has since received the approval of the Ways and Means Committee.

The report of the Genealogist General stresses two recommendations:

1st. That sale of supplies by an ancestor to the Revolutionary forces should of itself sufficiently qualify a descendant for membership in our Society, and

2nd. That descent from a Justice of the Peace of the Colonies during the Revolutionary period, should likewise of itself entitle a descendant to membership in our Society.

This Committee is not favorably inclined to modification of the interpretation placed on our present law, which has been reaffirmed by previous Congresses of the National Society more than once in the past. Therefore, we disapprove the recommendations contained in this report.

Enlightening reports have been received from the Vice-Presidents General of the following districts:

	New England DistrictWillis B. Hall
9	North Atlantic District
1	Mid Atlantic District
	South Atlantic District
	Central District
	Great Lakes District Norman B. Conger
	South Mississippi District
31	Rocky Mountains District Benjamin L. Rich
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While not all of the Vice Presidents General have found it possible to travel over their districts, fairly close touch has been maintained by correspondence. Good use has been made of Good Citizenship Medals and the R. O. T. C. Medals, and holidays and historical anniversaries have been generally observed.

Study of the reports of the several Vice Presidents General and review of similar reports by the same officials to previous Congresses, and personal observation on the part of the members of this Committee, impel us to urgently recommend to the Congress that the incoming President General be authorized and directed, as soon after assuming office as may be convenient, to appoint a Committee to prepare recommendations for the consideration of the President General and his Executive Committee and for submission to the next Congress, to the following effect:

(a) That copies of communications of material importance concerning such State Societies, emanating from the National Officers or the National Headquarters, be furnished promptly to their Vice Presidents General.

(b) That both responsibility and authority be conferred upon the office of the Vice President General to the end that all concerned may be in better position to forward the work of the Society.

All the foregoing reports of these respective co-laborers of our President General, Arthur M. McCrillis, bear testimony that despite these trying times he leaves his high office with the interests of the Society further advanced than when he began his labors.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G.	WILLIAMSON, Chairman
W. F. TOMLINSON	JAMES M. BRECKENRIDGE
Edward K. Ives	POPE MCADAMS

Mr. Williamson moved the adoption of the above Report and its recommendations, which was unanimously carried.

The Report of the Committee on Committee Reports was then called and Mr. Clarence A. Cook, Chairman, presented the Report as follows:

Report of Committee on Committees Report

The American Coalition Board H. PRESCOTT BEACH, Representative

This report very ably covers the activities, aims and purposes and present working conditions of this most important Coalition of 109 Patriotic Societies. The report speaks for itself, altho, your committee would call attention to the fact that much of the mail sent out by Coalition has been under a "frank" and often has not reached members in time for effective action for defeat of bills which were about to be brought up in Congress.

It would be most effective aid to the work of this Society if literature sent to its members could be either mailed regular, or where important under letter postage so that it would reach them in time for action. The suggestion of Compatriot Beach that the literature of the Society be placed on file where it would be readily available to the members of the Chapters of the Society is a very good one, yet a far better and a more effective matter would

be to, as far as possible, enlarge the list of those to whom this literature should be sent.

Americanization

HARRY F. BREWER, Chairman

This report penned in the usual vigorous style of Compatriot Brewer who for many years has been an unceasing worker for the promulgation of Americanization, thoroughly covers the field. As in his report of former years he lays stress on the fact that the local papers of our society should be awake to the spreading in schools and among the young citizens of foreign ancestry the best ideas in reference to our American institutions.

This report stresses in its recommendations of prizes, medals, honor plaques, etc., to be given in the best work of United States History and Civics by the presentation of Good Citizenship and R. O. T. C. Medals. In fact, the work of the Americanization Organization Committee ties in very closely to several other committees of our National Society and the work of one, without the support of others cannot be affected. It is a sad fact that today the hardest foe that we have to combat in the promulgation of the best ideas of American Citizenship is found in the schools and institutions of higher education in this country as it is an undeniable fact that a large proportion of our teachers are not in thorough accord with the best principles of Americanism as laid down by our ancestors. The fact that teachers' societies are so well organized and are carrying on active campaigns not to be interfered with in their ideas of what or what not to teach is one that is hard to combat, especially as the amount of funds at our disposal for this purpose is so limited.

With this thought in mind the best that this society can accomplish is to be constantly on the alert with schools and educational institutions, boys' camps, girl and boy scout organizations to combat the condition that is openly assailing this country; and it is a common knowledge that this influence, while it comes to us within our own precincts, is directed and financed from other nations.

Committee of Ceremonies and Flags

SERGEANT A. HOFFMAN, Chairman

This brief but definite report of Sergeant A. Hoffman, Chairman of this Committee is right to the point. It contains no suggestions as to what is to be done in the future, but what has been accomplished by personal agencies in charge of the Colors of our Society and a number of important public activities. As usual, Sergeant Hoffman has but little to say and accomplishes much.

Flag Committee

CHAS. A. BREECE, Chairman

This report is short, pithy and to the point. There are two outstanding suggestions which should be known and are well to be followed by local papers and state societies.

One is the use of the flag by gas stations, many of whom have used flags which should have been retired and destroyed. It is one of the fundamentals of the use of the flag that, when displayed, it should be in a whole and clean condition, and that when this period has passed, the flag should be burned and not used for any other purpose. One of the largest companies in the United States was using flags that were a disgrace to the name. Their attention was called to this matter and they provided new flags for all their stations and since that time have renewed them every year. Compatriot Breece speaks of the fact that only American flags made in the United States should be used. No more true statement can be made. A recent newspaper article stated that millions of small American flags were being imported through California ports of entry.

This committee feels that our organization should go on record in aiding and furthering the efforts of the Daughters of the American Revolution to have provision made for flag poles on new buildings now being erected by our Federal government at Washington, D. C. If there is any place in the United States where the flag should be constantly displayed it is at the seat of our government.

Flag Day Observance

MARK H. REASONER, Chairman

In the opinion of our Committee, this was a most excellent report, and showed plainly that the Chairman had given much thought to the work of his committee. We particularly endorse his recommendation that in our public schools Flag Day be observed on Patriots Day, April 19th.

In most districts of the United States the schools are on vacation on June 14th; therefore, this very important day cannot be observed properly by the schools. We therefore commend this thought of Chairman Reasoner very highly and recommend that Flag D_{ay} observance be held where possible on April 19th, in connection with the celebration of Patriots Day.

Constitution Day Observance

DAVID L. PIERSON, Chairman

Compatriot Pierson sends to Congress one of the most thorough and exhaustive report out of a long line of similar reports made by him It so happens that several members of this committee are, or have been, members of Com. patriot Pierson's Committee and can vouch for the fact that he is a most efficient chairman Year by year, the observance of Constitution Day is growing. Organizations of every character, schools, colleges, luncheon clubs, etc., have special programs which are participated in by outstanding members of the bar and bench. In addition to these public meetings the day is more and more being celebrated through radio talks, newspaper and magazine, articles. Compatriot Pierson has wholly organized and his work has extended into every state, society and local papers of this great organization. He has been very successful in enlisting the day by the Governors of many States, Mayors of cities, school boards and other public officials so that year by year this great American Day is becoming much more widely celebrated and it might be said to a great extent by the force of this organization through the work of Compatriot Pierson.

Correspondence and Safety

ARTHUR M. MCCRILLIS, Chairman

Chairman Arthur McCrillis makes a very pertinent and most important statement in his brief report. This is to the effect that just as soon as possible the Ways and Means Committee should furnish funds and continue this most important work which is really one of the outstanding obligations of our association. He calls attention to the fact that the Charter of the National Society among other things states, "that it is to carry out the purpose expressed in the preamble to the constitution of our country."

Our President-General does not agree with the opinion expressed by a small minority of our members who believe that under present political conditions we should not continue to carry on the work of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety, because in so doing we might be charged with entering the political field. This Committee is unanimous in being in accord with our President-General and believes that just as soon as possible his work, most efficient in the past, should be resumed.

Good Citizenship and R. O. T. C. Medals

FRANK B. STEELE, Chairman

The Chairman, Frank B. Steele, makes a very fine report of the interest, increase in entries and disposal of Good Citizenship and our R. O. T. C. Medals. They no doubt are growing in favor with our papers and societies. The distribution of these medals offers an opportunity for service in the community and an increase in the patriotism of boys and girls in our schools where it can do the most good.

House and Grounds

JOHN PAUL EARNEST, Chairman

This comprehensive report covers the small amount of repairs which have been made to the property during the past year and also some suggestion as to what should be done in the immediate future. In the light of present financial condition of our Society this report can be more thoroughly reviewed and acted upon by either the Budget or Ways and Means Committee, and it is respectfully referred to them for their action.

Immigration

Amos A. FRIES, Chairman

We commend the report of the Committee on Immigration for showing clearly the dangers of permitting any further influx of aliens and the necessity of deporting those unlawfully and criminally in this country. We commend also the vigorous plea of the Committee on Immigration for the Sons of the American Revolution to become crusaders for Americanism and to voice everywhere and on all occasions opposition to all forms of radicalism until the volume of protest will spur every American to action to take our Country back to the Constitution, and give enough backbone ¹⁰ those in authority to curb with strong hands those who would lay violent hands on the liberty of the citizens of the United States to guide their own destiny without outside interference.

National Headquarters Library

FRANK J. WILDER, Chairman

This report, which is really a brief review of the work done by Compatriot Dr. Louis Charles Smith and his Committee, shows that during the past year a renewed interest has been taken in the library of the society; it has not only shown a wonderful growth in the number of volumes, but is being catalogued and properly arranged by a number of the younger members of the District of Columbia. Compatriot Wilder's report does not include his great contribution to the library of the Society; it is his gift of 228 valuable volumes which he donated toward the upbuilding of this most important feature of our association and national headquarters.

Library of the National Society

DR. LOUIS CHARLES SMITH, Librarian

This is a most exhaustive report and covers thoroughly what has been done during the past year in placing the valuable books and documents owned by the Society where they will be more accessible than formally. Not only has this been done but they are following the cataloguing system used in the National Library of Congress, and books and manuscripts owned by the society are now so catalogued that they can be located either under title, author or subject matter. All treasure works have been placed in a steel cabinet under lock and key, and all manuscript material has been put in protective envelopes.

At the Baltimore Congress a similar report showed that the society owned 1113 books and 300 magazines, and during the past year by individual donations, the donation of F. J. Wilder and that of the District of Columbia which gave its entire library consisting of 1225 books and 590 magazines to the National Society, our library now has a total of 2710 books and 1069 magazines, etc., or a grand total of 3779 in the National Library. Altho this committee has sent out several appeals to the various state societies to interest them in this work only a few have responded and it is hoped that during the coming year that Compatriots and citizens having valuable books of reference may donate them to our National Library where they will be most valuable, especially in works of genealogy and local history.

The requests for additional shelving, funds for cataloguing, purchase of books and other necessary details toward building up this library I would say are matters for the Budget or the Ways and Means Committee and not for the Committee on Committee Reports.

Compatriot Smith cannot be too highly com-

accomplished in such a short time. Our thanks are not only due him but the many members of the District of Columbia Society who have so freely given their time in helping this most interesting work.

Organization

LAURENCE LEONARD, Chairman

The decision of Chairman L. Leonard and the Vice-President General cooperating with him to devote the activity of this committee to secure new members is highly commendable. The matter also of retaining our present membership and the reinstatement of members who have dropped out is also of vital importance.

This committee desires to thank Major Leonard and his assistants for the fruits of their labor manifested in the addition of 545 members during the past year indicating a gain of 30 per cent over the previous year.

Patriotic Education

E. C. POTTER, Chairman

Our committee desires to commend this report on Patriotic Education and we recommend that the members of our Society take advantage of the information gained by Chairman Potter as to the location of several valuable published articles relating to subversive activities in this country and of the means of combatting them.

The bill has been introduced by Compatriot Fairbanks immediate Past President of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution to the following effect, "that no political party shall be recognized or given a place on the ballot which advocates the overthrow of local, state or National Government by force, etc.," and he recommends to all state societies that they advocate this measure in their respective legislatures, as this bill is a very important one and is worthy of the endorsement of the National Society.

Printing

THOMAS W. WILLIAMS, Chairman

This is a very businesslike statement of printing and all monies expended for printing during the past year. It is divided into three parts, the first of which covers Miscellaneous Printing, for which a total of \$283.81 was expended. Our committee cannot see how a large organization expended so little for printing.

mended for the wonderful work which has been The sum of \$397.49, which covered all print. ing for the sale of certificates of indebtedness including coupon bonds, advertising literature and the proper card for copying certificate records. These items do not belong in the General Expense Account but very properly are charged to the Certificate Campaign. The sum of \$267.54 was expended for the printing of various papers and pamphlets sold by the National Society to its members and state societies. This amount expended brings our cash sales to date on the above items to \$287.17 which shows a profit of \$10.63 and there is on hand supplies amounting to \$118.00 or a total balance to the credit of the National Society amounting to \$128.63.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE A. COOK. Chairman. DR. HENRY LEE GRANT. JOHN T. GARDNER, CLIFTON P. CLARK. COL. ANSEL E. BECKWITH

Chairman Cook moved the adoption of his Report with its recommendations, which motion was unanimously adopted.

President General: We will now receive invitations for the next Congress. Under our By-Laws, these invitations are received by this Congress and referred to the incoming Board of Trustees.

Compatriot Willis B. Hall invited the 1936 Congress of the Society to meet in Maine, either at Portland or Poland Springs.

The Secretary General read a letter addressed to Compatriot W. F. Tomlinson, authorizing him to invite the 1936 Congress of the Society to meet in Hartford, Conn. After the reading of the letter, Compatriot Tomlinson spoke for a few minutes with regard to this invitation.

President General: Are there any other invitations to be presented? Hearing none, we will revert to an item of unfinished business. Yesterday, one of our loyal compatriots agreed to be one of ten men to take \$500 worth each of Certificates. I am going to ask the Treasurer General to come to the platform and first tell us how many we had yesterday and then we will see how many we can get today.

Treasurer General Robertson stated that in response to the offer of Compatriot Livezey of Virginia to give \$500 providing nine others would do likewise to make up \$5000.00, four \$500 subscriptions were made by Mr. Livezey, Colonel Hess of N. Y., Compatriot Tuck of Ky., and the Empire State Society Board of Managers, and that at the close of yesterday's

session \$11,510 had been subscribed. If this \$5000.00 could be raised it would wipe out the mortgage indebtedness on the Headquarters property leaving only the loan of the Benjamin Johnson Estate of \$7,000.00 which can be liquidated by \$1,000.00 annual payment.

The Treasurer General stated that he had additional pledges of \$500 each from the following:

Wilson A. Campbell, Pennsylvania. Minnesota Society. Col. Messmore Kendall, New York. Laurence Leonard, District of Columbia.

This totaled eight subscriptions. The Kentucky Society, through President Grant, had agreed to take the tenth subscription if the ninth were subscribed. Immediately upon this announcement Major Harry A. Davis of the D. C. Society arose and pledged \$500, which was received with great applause.

Treasurer General: Major Davis of the District of Columbia takes the ninth. Gentlemen, that completely wipes out the mortgage with the exception of an item of \$400.00 which I think will come in. I have one suggestion to make. Last year and yesterday pledges were made for our children and for our grandchildren and yesterday one for a great grandchild. We meet in the month of May and one of the most important days in the year is celebrated during that month. However, no Compatriot yet has thought to give a pledge in the name of his mother, and I will give the first of \$25 in the name of my mother. Who will join with me?

The following Compatriots joined with the Treasurer General in pledging \$25 in the name of their mothers: W. F. Tomlinson, Ansel E. Beckwith, Dr. James Hall Long, R. P. Gage, H. Prescott Beach, Malcolm Macpherson, R. C. Ballard Thruston, Lewis A. Rice, Josiah A. Van Orsdel, R. C. Schanck, Frederick W. Millspaugh, Loren E. Souers, Arthur M. McCrillis, G. Ridgely Sappington, Clarence A. Cook, Louis Annin Ames, E. M. Fitz, Sam M. Wassell, Messmore Kendall, Mrs. Arthur M. Mc-Crillis, W. A. Graham, Orville Vaughn, George Albert Smith, Mrs. H. Prescott Beach.

President General: "Miss Helen" who takes the minutes of our meeting, is not even a member of the Society, and without any solicitation on anyone's part has purchased a \$50.00 Certificate.

Further subscriptions were then made by the following compatriots:

Clarence A. Cook, in honor of Mrs. Cook's mother	\$25
Robert F. Ewing, Pa., in memory of a brother	63
Ears C Potter \$10 for 3 gr children	30
Howard C Rowley in memory of his mother	40
Mrs James H Long in memory of her mother	40
Arthur U Armington \$10 each tor 5 gr. children	30
William M. Francis	100

Treasurer General: Your Treasurer General can only say that he thanks you for helping the President General to relieve the mortgage on our Headquarters Building.

President General: There is nothing that can be more gratifying to your President General than to feel that you have given this enthusiastic, wholehearted support of the endeavor to refinance our Headquarters indebtedness. While we have not sold the whole \$40,000.00, we have provided for everything that is necessary to refinance. I think a word of explanation to that is due, although most of you know it. The money due to the Johnson Estate can be paid in equal amounts of \$1,000.00 annually, so that was not a pressing obligation and not one that was necessary to refinance. We have now refinanced the Headquarters property and we own that property free and clear of debt from outside people. Our only indebtedness is to our own members who own the Certificates, and I want to thank you most heartily. I am going away from here a much happier man than I would have had this not been done.

President General: The next item of business is the final report of the Credentials Committee.

Chairman George S. Robertson then made the final report of the Credentials Committee as follows, and on motion of the Past President General Thruston the report was accepted:

Report of Credentials Committee

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17	Kansas Kentucky	5	Tennessee Utah
35	Maine Maryland	1 1	Vermont West Virginia
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,	Total 189		

President General: The next business will be the nominations for National officers. I recognize Mr. Lewis A. Rice, Vice President of the Brook, New Jersey, Board of Trade, New Jersey, Board of Board of Trade, New Jersey, Board of Tra Marvland Society.

Mr. Rice: The Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, in pursuance of a resolution unanimously adopted at a meeting held on April 26, 1935, nominates for President General of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution its former President, Compatriot Henry F. Baker, of Baltimore. In taking this action, the Maryland Society was fully conscious of the qualities of mind and heart with which the Executive Head of our great organization should be endowed. He should, if possible, have an impressive personal appearance. His personality should be a magnetic and inspiring one. He should be experienced in executive work and in leadership of men. He should be imbued with a deep, unswerving devotion to the principles for which our Society stands. He should have an outstanding record of important service to the Society and should have also a wide acquaintanceship among its membership, particularly among those who have been most active in the management of its affairs and most interested in the promotion of its welfare.

The Maryland Society believes that its candidate, Mr. Baker, possesses all of these qualifications in highest measure. He has been a member of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for a number of years. He served for two years as the President of the Maryland Society with great efficiency and success. He acted as the chairman of the First National Headquarters Committee and has also served as a Director General of the National Society. At all times he has manifested the deepest personal concern in promoting the growth and development of the National Society. Whenever called upon to render a service in its behalf, he has done so vigorously and aggressively. All of the members of the Society who have acted as officers or as members of its committees and who, for this reason, have come in contact with Mr. Baker, can testify to his zeal and fidelity. Mr. Baker is an unusually experienced and highly trained executive. Indeed, he long ago established the custom of acting as president of the various organizations with which he has been identified and this condition was only made possible because of the recognition by his associates of his peculiar fitness for the discharge of executive duties. In proof of this assertion, it is only necessary to call attention to the fact that Mr. Baker has served as president of the following organizations: Bound sev State Board of Trade, Baltimore Associa tion of Commerce, Baltimore Safety Council Baltimore Drug Exchange, Civitan Club of Baltimore, The Mount Washington Club and Thompson Chemical Company; as chairman of the Maryland State Tax Commission and the Baltimore Commission to the Jamestown Ex. position; and as treasurer to the Maryland Commission to the Panama-Pacific Exposition He has had large experience in financial matters, an important qualification for the office of President General during the coming year because he has been a member of the wellknown banking firm of Robert Garrett & Sons and has served as a director in many financial and industrial corporations.

At the present time Mr. Baker has retired from active business and, although he is still serving as a trustee of Goucher College, as a director of the Baltimore Association of Commerce and of the Hopkins Place Savings Bank and as treasurer of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, he will be able to devote the major portion of his time and thought to the affairs of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. If elected to the office for which his name is now proposed, the discharge of his duties will at once become the dominant and absorbing activity in Mr. Baker's life and he will consecrate all of his talents and the results of his long and varied experience upon the solution along sane and conservative lines of the various problems which now confront the Society. The Maryland Society believes that Mr. Baker will display unusual efficiency in reducing the debt of our organization and that he will devise helpful plans for extending its membership through the cooperation of the State Societies.

Mr. Baker is a native of New Jersey. He was engaged in business in New York City for a period of nine years, from 1893 to 1902, and thereafter moved to Baltimore where he has since resided. He is a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. No citizen of Baltimore is more highly regarded or can boast of a more extensive group of cordial and devoted friends than Mr. Baker. He represents the highest type of citizenship. We believe that if he is elected to the office of President General he will at all times and under all circumstances, in public meeting or in private counsel, represent our organization worthily and well.

The Maryland Society at its April meeting also authorized me as its First Vice-President

to be present at this Congress of the National society and to present its nomination of Mr. Baker for the office of President General. It gives me great personal pleasure to carry out this mandate of my own State Society because I have known Mr. Baker for many years and can add my personal endorsement of his eminent fitness to fill the office for which he is now proposed. Compatriots, it is my belief, and the confident belief of every member of the Maryland Society, that no man can be pronosed who is more perfectly qualified than Mr. Baker to serve you as your President General during the ensuing year.

Prolonged applause greeted the conclusion of Mr. Rice's address.

Past President General Ames: Mr. President General, Compatriots, I come upon this platform to lend my support at the request of the President of the Empire State Society. I shall advocate the election today for President General a native son of New Jersey, in which I now reside. Last evening the delegates of the Empire State Society met and were instructed to cast their ballot as a unit for one selected by the President of the Empire State Society. I was delegated to support the candidacy of a New Yorker, first, last and all the time; and, so you see I stand here ready to support the candidacy of a native son of New Jersey, one who meets the requirements of the Empire State Society that he must be a man trained in business in New York, and I have just listened to the nomination of an old friend of mine. You may think I am placed in a difficult situation but I am very glad to second the nomination of Henry F. Baker, born in New Jersey, bred and educated in New York, and joined the Sons of the American Revolution in the State of Maryland.

The nomination of Mr. Baker was numerously seconded by the following: H. P. Beach, New Jersey: W. Mac Jones, Virginia; Wallace C. Hall, Michigan: A. H. Lord, Delaware; Wilbur Helm, Illinois; M. H. Reasoner, Indiana; D. G. Maraspin, Massachusetts; J. C. Harris, North Carolina; L. L. Cecil, Ohio; J. D. Carr, North Dakota; George A. Smith, Utah; W. H. Arnold, Arkansas: Arthur Crownover, Jr., Tennessee; R. C. Schanck, Pennsylvania; W. F. Tomlinson, Connecticut; A. R. Van Dyck, Minnesota; E. C. Potter, Iowa; Amos A. Fries, District of Columbia; Willis B. Hall, Maine; J. A. Piper, Nebraska, and others.

Past President General Thruston moved to close nominations and that the Secretary cast officers were duly nominated and elected by

the unanimous ballot of the Congress for Mr. Baker. The motion was seconded and adopted.

The Secretary General cast the ballot for Mr. Baker, and the President General declared Mr. Henry F. Baker of Baltimore duly elected as President General of the National Society for the ensuing year.

President General: Nominations are now in order for Vice-Presidents General.

The following gentlemen were then nominated in order named and each was declared unanimously elected Vice-President General for the respective districts, by a single ballot cast by the Secretary General:

Willis B. Hall, of Maine, for New England District, nominated by Samuel F. Punderson.

H. Prescott Beach, New Jersey, for North Atlantic District, nominated by Messmore Kendall.

Laurence Leonard, District of Columbia, Mid-Atlantic District, nominated by Josiah A. Van Orsdel.

William A. Graham, North Carolina, South Atlantic District, nominated by Walter B. Livezev.

Archie M. Smith, Louisiana, Southern District, nominated by Arthur Crownover, Jr.

Col. Ansel E. Beckwith, Ohio, Central District, nominated by Loren E. Souers.

Charles B. Elder, Illinois, Great Lakes District, nominated by Wilbur Helm,

Elmour D. Lum, North Dakota, North Mississippi District, nominated by Ezra C. Potter. William H. Arnold, Arkansas, South Missis-

sippi District, nominated by James M. Breckenridge.

Benjamin L. Rich, Utah, Rocky Mountains District, nominated by George Albert Smith.

Hon. Robert Tucker, Oregon, Pacific Coast District, nominated by Edgar M. Lazarus.

Marquis de Rochambeau, Paris, France, Foreign District, nominated by R. C. Schanck.

The Chair then called for nominations for the office of Secretary General and recognized Dr. Bradford W. Sherwood, of New York, who placed in nomination the name of Frank Bartlett Steele for this office, which was seconded by H. Prescott Beach, Dr. Louis C. Smith, and delegates from Virginia, Iowa, Nebraska, and many others. On motion of W. Mac Jones, duly seconded, nominations were closed and the President General directed to cast the ballot of the Society. The President General cast the ballot and declared Mr. Steele duly elected to the office of Secretary General.

In the same manner the following General

the unanimous ballot of the Congress in the Past Presidents General Thruston and Ames order named: For the office of Registrar General, Frank Bartlett Steele, nominated by Milo C. Summers.

For the office of Treasurer General, George S. Robertson, nominated by Chancellor L. Jenks.

For the office of Chancellor General, G. Ridgely Sappington, nominated by L. Wylie Tipton.

For the office of Genealogist General, Dr. Clifton P. Clark, nominated by Laurence Leonard.

For the office of Chaplain General, Major Frank C. Rideout, nominated by Dr. Henry L. Grant.

The Chair declared all the above officers were duly elected.

For the office of Historian General, J. Walter Allen of Tennessee was nominated by Arthur Crownover, Jr., seconded by James C. Breckenridge. The name of Dr. W. H. D. Squires of Virginia was also placed in nomination for this office by Tom Moore, seconded by Davis G. Maraspin.

Calling for further nominations for this office and hearing none, the Chair declared nominations closed and appointed as tellers Mr. Crownover, Mr. Moore, Mr. Arthur F. Cole, and Mr. Robert P. Boggis. Ballots were distributed and the election proceeded during the completion of the foregoing business.

When the tellers had completed the count, the Chairman was recognized and reported as follows:

There were 98 votes cast. J. Walter Allen received 52 and Dr. Squires received 48.

The Chair announced that Compatriot I. Walter Allen of Tennessee has been elected Historian General.

W. Mac Jones of Virginia: I move that the election of Compatriot Allen be made unanimous.

The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

The Chair then called upon the Secretary General to read the list of nominations for National Trustees.

The Secretary General read the list and moved these nominees be elected and confirmed. The motion was duly seconded and adopted. (See list as published preceding frontispiece.)

President General: We now come to the ceremony of the installation of the newly elected President General. The Chair will ask

to act as the escort to the President General These gentlemen then retired. Announced by the bugler and preceded by the Color Bear. ers, carrying the American and the Maryland Flags, Mr. Henry F. Baker was escorted to the platform by Past Presidents Thruston and Ames.

Past President General Thruston: Mr. Presi dent General, I have the pleasure to present to you, Compatriot Henry F. Baker, the newly elected President General of the National So. ciety of the Sons of the American Revolution President General McCrillis: In behalf of the National Society, I give you most hearty welcome.

Chaplain General Rideout: Mr. President General elect: Compatriot, you have been elected to the highest office in this honorable Society. Do you accept the office, and in so doing pledge yourself to abide by its Constitution, to faithfully serve its interests at all times and, so far as you are able, to stimulate in others the love of Country, of Flag, and of all Patriotic endeavors? Do you so pledge yourself?

Mr. Baker: I do.

The Retiring President General then invested the incoming President General with the insignia of the Society, after which the Chaplain General offered a prayer.

President General Baker:

Mr. Past President General, Compatriots. and super-Compatriots, the ladies, it is impossible for me to find words that will adequately express my feelings at this moment in appreciation of the confidence that has been placed in me. It is not my intention at this time to deliver a long address nor is it my purpose to definitely outline the policies of my administration. I can, however, Compatriots, pledge to you the very best that is in me in service to Society, and I want you to pledge thing that will contribute most to the success of our efforts, the principal one of which is the building up of the membership. I said that I would not dwell upon the policies of my administration but I think it is due you to know how I feel on some subjects and one in particular. I want to say to you now that when it comes to the Constitution of the United States and the form of Government provided for therein, I am a fundamentalist. I do not think that any person who listened to that earnest ad dress last night of our President General and of Dr. Dyer can fail to appreciate what we are fac-

ing at this time and what our duty is to preserve the fundamental principles of our Government. I am not so concerned about the soap box orators preaching Communism. I and not especially alarmed about the fellows who parade the streets with the Red Flag. They are out in the open. We know what they are and we know they do not represent Americanism. But, what I am concerned about, and which I think should be the concern of every American and more particularly members of this Society, is the oncoming generation. I am larmed because of the things I learn through my contact as a Trustee of a college and my contact with people connected with colleges and with schools. I am concerned because of the lack of education of the oncoming youth in the principles of our Government. It seems to me that the thing to which we should apply ourselves this coming year is to see to it that the youth particularly are made familiar with the Constitution. We should, as an organization, see to it that the Constitution and its meaning is taught in every school in our land. We should see to it that the youth is taught the fundamental principles of the Govemment handed down by our forbears. I look upon the Constitution of the United States as I would look upon the last dving request of a beloved parent. They were our parents. They did hand down to us a Constitution and form of Government and placed it in our care and said to us that this is your Government, we put this in your hands to preserve; and it is our duty to preserve what the Founders created. I am sure there are practical ways by which we can carry out this mandate of our forebears. I beseech every person here to pledge support to this movement to make the people more Constitution-minded.

I shall through correspondence and personal contact endeavor to carry the message to every Society and every Chapter.

As an illustration of the lack of interest shown by the average person in governmental affairs, I need but point to the fact that even In a presidential election only about 50% of the voters exercise their right of franchise.

It seems to me, Compatriots, that if we will apply ourselves to this problem; if we will organize in our several communities by nviting other patriotic organizations, and more specially the Daughters, of course, to organize general committees in those communities, the purpose of which will be to select men and women to study the Constitution, prepare themselves to deliver addresses on the Constitution, and have those addresses delivered to the luncheon clubs, the church clubs, the parent-teachers associations, patriotic organizations: and yes, even to have the home circle organization to study; because I believe that the safety of this Government, the sanctity of our Constitution, depends on the study of that instrument and a comprehension of what it means. It is unnecessary for me to tell you men that we have been drifting, and more recently rapidly drifting, away from the original intent of the founders. We are drifting into a pure democracy. The next step in the drift is to Socialism: the next step is to Communism; and the next step to mob rule; and them some strong character, a Napoleon, will rise up, and then we will have a Monarchy: and thus the vicious circle will be completed.

I want to impress upon you that I am not talking as an extremist. I am not talking as an alarmist. I am talking as an old-fashioned business man. I am speaking as one who appreciates the situation. There has never been a time in the history of this country from its foundation when it was so necessary for the people imbued with the proper spirit of Americanism to come to the defense of the country. And, in conclusion, what a splendid thing it will be if this dream that I have expressed can come true and that the Sons of the American Revolution will be put on record not as an association of passing resolutions but put on record as the body which has started this movement to study the Constitution and to bring our people back to the foundation built by the fathers.

(Applause.)

President General Baker (assuming the Chair): I would ask the members of the Board of Trustees to meet with me here immediately after the adjournment of this session. The meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at 3 o'clock in room 436. Is there any further business to bring before the session?

President General Baker: Will the Chaplain General please pronounce the benediction.

Chaplain General Rideout then pronounced the benediction.

President General Baker: I declare the Forty-sixth Annual Congress of the Sons of the American Revolution adjourned sine die.

The Colors were then retired and the 46th Congress stood adjourned.

> FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Held at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., Wednesday, May 22d, 1935

Present:

Henry F. Baker, President General, presiding.

Trustees: Messrs. J. Walter Allen, Tennessee; Arthur H. Armington, Rhode Island; W. H. Arnold, Arkansas; Col. Ansel E. Beckwith, Ohio; James M. Breckenridge, Missouri; Dr. John D. Carr, North Dakota; Lester L. Cecil, Ohio; Clarence A. Cook, Indiana; Wilbur Helm, Illinois; Tom Moore, representing Virginia; Ezra C. Potter, Iowa; George Albert Smith, Utah; and Orville Vaughn, California.

Past Presidents General: Louis Annin Ames, Arthur M. McCrillis, Howard C. Rowley, R. C. Ballard Thruston, and Hon. Josiah A. Van Orsdel.

Officers: Vice-President General H. Prescott Beach; Vice-President General W. A. Graham; Vice-President General Willis B. Hall; Vice-President General Laurence Leonard; Secretary General Frank B. Steele; Treasurer General George S. Robertson; Genealogist General Clifton P. Clark; Chancellor General G. Ridgely Sappington and Chaplain General Frank C. Rideout.

President General Baker submitted his nominees for the Executive Committee for the coming year as follows: James M. Breckenridge, Missouri; Norman B. Conger, Michigan; Louis B. Hanna, North Dakota; Messmore Kendall, New York; Arthur M. McCrillis, Rhode Island; Rulef C. Schanck, Pennsylvania: Loren E. Souers, Ohio; and Josiah A. Van Or_{S} del, District of Columbia.

On motion of Mr. Potter, these names were approved and confirmed by the Board of Trustees.

It was voted that the Executive Committee be authorized to conduct all necessary business of the Society and perform such duties as from time to time are deemed expedient.

It was voted that the salaries of the Secretary General, Treasurer General and clerical assistants and the Headquarters housekeeper be authorized in conformity with the report of the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Cook placed in nomination the name of Dr. Louis C. Smith for Librarian General and the name of Frederic deG. Hahn for Chorister General. On proper motion the nominations were closed and the Secretary instructed to cast the ballot. The Secretary cast the ballot and the Chair declared Dr. Louis C. Smith elected Librarian General for the coming year, and Mr. Frederic deG. Hahn elected Chorister General for the coming year.

It was voted that the matter of the selection of the meeting place for the 1936 Congress be referred to the Executive Committee by the Board of Trustees with power to act.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on proper motion the meeting adjourned.

meeting held Sunday, May 19th, was dispensed

with, as they had been presented to the Board

tended to the visitors present.

On motion, the courtesy of the floor was ex-

On motion of Judge Van Orsdel, the con-

sideration of the matter of the location of the

next Congress was referred to the fall meeting

of the Executive Committee, following a de-

tailed presentation of proposed plans and ar-

rangements made by Compatriots Hall and

FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General.

Digest of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee

Held at the Brown Hotel, Louisville, Ky., Wednesday, May 22d, 1935

There were present the following:

Henry F. Baker, President General, presiding.

Messrs. James M. Breckenridge, Norman B. Conger, Messmore Kendall, Arthur M. Mc-Crillis, R. C. Schanck, Loren E. Souers and Josiah A. Van Orsdel. Also present Past President General Rowley, Secretary General Steele and Treasurer General Robertson.

On motion of Colonel Kendall, duly seconded and carried, the reading of the minutes of the of Trustees.

Ricker of the Maine Society, who had been asked to appear before the Committee.

A discussion took place on the question of allowing extra compensation in connection with the work of the Registrar General's office, and on motion it was voted that the President General and the Budget Committee in the interim between now and the October meeting of the Executive Committee be empowered with discretionary power to act in this matter.

There was considerable discussion with regard to the collection of the Certificates subscribed for at the Congress and the payment of the mortgage on the due date, no definite action taken; it being the consensus of opinion, however, that if monies were not in hand to cover the entire mortgage on the due date that it would be best to allow the mortgage to carry on as an overdue mortgage.

It was voted that the Treasurer General be instructed to deposit the monies of the Retirement Fund, the Redemption Fund and the General Accounts of the Society in such banks as are designated by the Executive Committee, the sums not to exceed the amount insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in

Louisville's Hospitality

AS WAS anticipated, the entertainment the delegates and guests received while at the Congress in Louisville more than came up to their expectations. There were not many present who had been at the Congress in 1911 but the fame of that Congress had always been preserved and this one came well up to the standard. Unfortunately the good hosts in Louisville were handicapped somewhat by the downpour of rain that persisted during two or three days of the Congress, but, nothing daunted, they went ahead with the plans and did all that could be expected to entertain the guests.

On Sunday, besides the beautiful Church Service, the committee arranged for sightseeing trips around the city and many availed themselves of this opportunity.

Monday the ladies of the delegates were entertained with a most delightful tea at the charming home of Mrs. Downey M. Gray and enjoyed the hospitality of this lovely hostess.

Monday evening was the President General's Reception and was held in the Crystal Ball Room of the Brown Hotel. All of the dele-

any bank, such banks to be members of that organization.

It was voted that the Metropolitan National Bank, Washington Loan and Trust Company, Riggs National Bank and Hamilton National Bank, of Washington, D. C., and the Calvert Bank, Equitable Trust Company, Fidelity Trust Company and First National Bank, of Baltimore, Maryland, be designated as authorized depositories of the funds of the Society.

Treasurer General Robertson brought up the question of giving 3,500 copies of the pamphlet "Our Government—How Founded" for distribution in the C. M. T. Camps this summer. The matter was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

It was moved by Judge Van Orsdel, duly seconded and carried, that the thanks and appreciation of this Committee be extended to Miss Helen Hottenbacher for her efficient services in reporting the Forty-sixth Annual Congress of the S. A. R.

On motion, the meeting adjourned. FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General.

gates and guests attended this reception and were received by Dr. and Mrs. Henry L. Grant, the President of the Kentucky Society, S. A. R., who in turn presented them to President General and Mrs. McCrillis, and to Mrs. William A. Becker, President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution, who was the guest of the Congress. After the formal reception, an informal program of songs by colored singers was given under the direction of our indefatigable compatriot Ransom H. Bassett, and many of the delegates and ladies joined in the singing and fun.

On Tuesday afternoon the John Marshall Chapter and Fincastle Chapter D. A. R. gave a charming tea in honor of Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis, wife of the President General, and for Mrs. William A. Becker, President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The tea was held at the beautiful Women's Club from three to five and was most delightful.

Tuesday night the banquet was held and it was probably one of the most interesting and unique we have had for many years. It was held in the Crystal Ball Room of the Brown Hotel and after the sumptuous dinner, Dr. Henry Lee Grant, President of the Kentucky Society, introduced the toastmaster of the evening. Col. Frank D. Rash, who carried the evening's program through with clever wit and apt introductions.

The first speaker of the evening was our own President General, Arthur M. McCrillis, who spoke earnestly and forcefully of some of the conditions that are confronting the country at this time and especially dwelt upon the effect these conditions are having upon our youth. It would be well for every compatriot to read this address which is published in full in this magazine.

Then came one of the most remarkable addresses that it has been the privilege of this Society to hear. The Honorable Gus W. Dver. Professor of Economics at Vanderbilt University, gave what might be termed a "Sermon in Humor," for while keeping his audience convulsed with laughter, there was in every story and every sentence a deep underlying thought that must have appealed to everyone present. His discussion of the problems of this era was filled with epigrams and stories that made the fallacy of some of them ridiculous and his conclusions were unanswerable. It was truly a wonderful address and deeply appreciated.

General James Tandy Ellis, of Louisville, ended the evening with a most humorous address and yet a tribute to many illustrious patriots of the past and, as a climax, sang with his banjo several delightful songs of the South. The banquet committee was in charge of Lieutenant-Colonel Danforth Caldwell, Chairman, and the arrangements were carried out with great perfection.

On Wednesday, immediately following the adjournment of the Congress, the Kentucky Society, S. A. R., tendered a luncheon to the visiting ladies of the Congress, held at the Brown Hotel, and this was a most delightful occasion. Mrs. Henry L. Grant presided, and before dispersing, Mrs. Arthur M. McCrillis as honor guest and spokesman for the ladies present, expressed in a few brief words the appreciation and thanks of the visiting ladies for this hospitality.

There were a number of private luncheons and dinners given during the period of the Congress in honor of some of the visiting national officers, which added to the gaiety of the week. Some enjoyed a taste of the famous Kentucky races, which were still in progress when we arrived, but the inclement weather prevented very large attendance. The doors of the Filson Club, housing the very splendid Historical Museum of Louisville, and largely the result of the interest and generosity of our beloved Past President General, Mr. Thruston were wide open to all our members and guests and many availed themselves of a visit to its interesting rooms.

The trip on Thursday to several historical places in Kentucky took many of the guests to Bardstown, the Old Kentucky Home, which is a beautiful old southern mansion about forty miles from Louisville. The home was shown to the guests by the ladies in charge and was greatly admired. A light lunch was served at Bardstown and then the guests were taken in buses and autos to Hodginville, the birth place of Abraham Lincoln, and then through a beautiful country via Lexington back to Louisville after a most delightful day. Many of the guests visited the Mammoth Cave which is but a little farther south and enjoyed the wonders of this great cavern.

Truly the Congress at Louisville was a most happy and delightful one.—F. B. S.

The Boy Scout National Jamboree

THE great gathering of Boy Scouts of Amer- destined to experience one of the greatest ica which will be held in Washington August 21-30, in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the organization of this wonderful move- the administration of the camp when in operament, deserves passing notice.

plus another 100 acres for purposes of demon- course will be given every opportunity to see stration, is being made ready, and will un- and visit the government buildings and art doubtedly prove to be the greatest outdoor centers and places of historical interest in and camping event for boys in the history of Amer- about Washington, and this alone is a worthica, and where every Boy Scout present is while object lesson for every young American.

thrills of his life.

The physical aspects of preparation, and tion are stupendous undertakings, and their A tent-city of 30,000, occupying 300 acres, execution deserves all admiration; the boys of

But what of the other and deeper-lying purposes?

The figures reach into the millions, of boys rained or training through Scouting in First Aid Civics, Firemanship, Public Health, Lifesaving, and similar social services. Neither is this training self-centered, for the boys are encouraged in cooperating with other agencies, such as the Red Cross, Tuberculosis Association. Salvation Army and others. And the present crowning effort or goal is the so-called Ten Year Plan, the objective of which is to see that one out of every four new male citizens

by the end of the decade is a "Four-Year Scout Trained Man."

No wonder the most outstanding religious leaders, educators, and men of national affairs lend their active approval and support to the Scout Movement. Incidentally, so does the Sons of the American Revolution, and in many places our Good Citizenship Medals are given as awards to Scouts as leaders in Good Citizenship ideals among our young men.

Truly this is a Youth Movement in which we can most heartily cooperate and should support with all our strength!

Brief Biographies of Newly Elected Officers

Henry F. Baker

President General

HENRY FENIMORE BAKER, elected President General of the National Society at the Annual Congress in Louisville, Kentucky, May 22, 1935, was born in Somerset County, New Jersey, March 28, 1859, where his boyhood was spent. In early manhood he lived in Connecticut and was educated as a chemist and later went to New York City associated with the General Chemical Co., removing to Baltimore in 1902. There he was President of the Thomsen Chemical Co. until 1913, when he resigned to enter the banking firm of Robert Garrett and Co., from which he retired in 1918. Mr. Baker has been actively identified with many civic activities including president of the Boards of Trade of the State of New Jersey, and Bound Brook, N. J., the Baltimore Association of Commerce, Baltimore Drug Exchange. Baltimore Safety Council, Civitan Club, and Mt. Washington Club, the Council of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. He is at present a Trustee of Goucher College, Maryland, and director of the Baltimore Association of Commerce, Hopkins Place Savings Bank and director and treasurer of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association. He is a member of the Episcopal Church.

During the World War, he was President of the Welfare Association of Battery B. 58th Regiment C. A. C., Chairman of the Citizens Committee to recruit National Guard to war strength; Chief of the Maryland Division of Secret Service under the Department of Juslice, and Chairman of the Manufacturers'

Committee on Liberty Loans and a four-minute speaker.

Mr. Baker comes from lines of distinguished ancestry, having entered the Sons of the American Revolution through several lines, Daniel Baker of New York, John Maxwell and Jonathan Fenimore of New Jersey. He has served the Maryland Society as President and on many committees, and the National Society as member of the Executive Committee in 1927-8, and was the Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee at the time our property in Washington was purchased, and served for several years thereafter on this committee and successfully promoted the campaign for funds for its purchase through the first few years of our possession.

Mr. Baker married Cora Warman of Trenton, New Jersey, in 1887, and has six children, eighteen grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Laurence Leonard

Vice-President General **Mid-Atlantic District**

LAURENCE LEONARD, elected Vice-President General at Louisville, May 22, 1935, was born in Campbell County, Kentucky. There he attended public and private schools and later did his college work at the Universities of Pennsylvania and Harvard where he specialized in finance and law. He won a scholarship, played football, rowed on crew, was a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

During the World War he was selected by General George Goethals as his assistant and later served Charles M. Schwab in a similar capacity—at one dollar per year.

After the War he represented the government in litigations involving large interests and amounts and has since served three Presidents in a confidential capacity, all without compensation.

His private business career centered in legal and financial matters and he was actively interested in oil in California, cotton in Texas, and lumber in British Columbia until 1928 when he retired from active business life.

Vice-President General Leonard is descended on the paternal side from the Massachusetts Leonards who arrived in Plymouth a few years after the Mayflower, and on his maternal side from the Morins who came to Charleston, South Carolina, in 1685. Through these lines he is a member of many distinguished hereditary and patriotic societies including the Society of the Cincinnati, Society of Mayflower Descendants, Society of Colonial Wars, Huguenot Society of South Carolina, St. Nicholas Society, Society of the War of 1812, Order of Indian Wars, Italy American Society, and the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. He is Deputy Governor General of the General Court of the Order of Founders and Patriots, is First Vice-President General of the Federation of Huguenot Societies in America, President of the Huguenot Society of Washington, and First Vice-President of the District of Columbia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

His clubs include Union, Metropolitan, Union League, Lawyers, Pilgrims and Church, all of New York; Union League of Philadelphia, Metropolitan of Washington, Charleston Club of Charleston, South Carolina, Queen City Club of Cincinnati, and Chicago Club of Chicago.

He is a Mason and a member of the Episcopal Church and acts as a director for many companies and charitable institutions.

In addition to his duties as Vice-President General he will again serve as Chairman of the Organization Committee of the National Society and also as Chairman of the special Committee for the nation-wide Observance of the 150th Anniversary of the Adoption of the Constitution of the United States on September 17, 1937.

William A. Graham Vice-President General South Atlantic District

WILLIAM ALEXANDER GRAHAM, elected Vice-President General at Louisville, May 22, son of the late Major William Alexander and Julia Lane Graham, was born in Lincoln County, North Carolina, at the old Graham homestead July 26, 1873. His father was a southern veteran of the War between the States and served a number of times as member of the North Carolina General Assembly, was a large farmer in Lincoln County and a member of the State Board of Agriculture.

The subject of this sketch attended school at Piedmont Seminary, the Horner Military School, and the University of North Carolina. He was a member of the State Senate of 1923, having been elected from the Twenty-fifth Senatorial District of North Carolina. While in the State Senate he served as chairman of the Committee of Agriculture and was active in securing the passage of many important laws affecting the agriculture of the state.

Upon the death of his father, who was Commissioner of Agriculture from 1908 until December, 1923, he was appointed by Governor Morrison to fill out the unexpired term and has since been three times elected to fill this important post.

Like his father he is a farmer by profession, and has been active in political affairs all of his life, having been chairman of his Precinct Committee, a member of the County Executive Committee, and for a number of years was a member of the State Democratic Executive Committee.

He has always been interested in agriculture and agricultural pursuits. In the fall of 1924 he attended his first meeting of the National Association of Commissioners, Secretaries, and Departments of Agriculture, and in 1927 he was elected president of this organization at its meeting in Chicago. Since that time he has held important committee posts in the organization. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Southern Association of Commissioners of Agriculture and has taken leading parts in the discussions of southern problems coming before that group.

Mr. Graham is also a member of the Executive Committee of the National Conference on Weights and Measures.

He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and is a Baptist. Since his great grandfather, General Joseph Graham, was a noted hero of the American Revolution, Mr. Graham inherited membership in the S. A. R. and in due time became an active and participating member. He has attended many state and national gatherings of this organization, and has served as President of his State Society.

Mr. Graham has always showed a keen personal interest in civic affairs and has been so pronounced in his devotion to the various interests of the state that the General Assembly finds no hesitation in placing in his Department for execution many laws that involve the interests of the whole people and cannot be thought of as strictly agricultural acts.

Charles B. Elder Vice-President General Great Lakes District

CHARLES B. ELDER, elected at the Louisville Congress, is a native resident of Chicago, Illinois, the son of Robert S. and Harriet Newell (Dewey) Elder, a descendant of Thomas Dewey who settled in Dorchester, Mass., in 1633, James Vandenburg, Colonel of New York militia and a friend of George Washington, Sergeant Jasper Jones the second man to enter Stony Point, and ancestors in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia. He received his education, principally, in Chicago public schools and in the College of Liberal Arts and the Law School of Northwestern University.

Concurrent with an active and varied practice as a lawyer, principally in corporation, real estate and estate law, including considerable litigation in the State and Federal Courts, he has had some part in legal education, being a professor of law in Northwestern University for more than twenty-five years. He is the author of a case book on Interstate Commerce and a number of published articles. He is a member of long standing in the American Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association, a member of the Order of the Coif (legal scholarship fraternity), the Delta Upsilon Fraternity, an honorary member of Delta Theta Phi, a life member of the Northwestern University Alumni Association, a life member of the Chicago Art Institute and a member of the Union League Club of Chicago. He is a Mason, Thirty-second Degree, Knight Templar, and Shrine.

Mr. Elder was Chancellor of the Illinois Society in 1930, 1931 and 1932, President in 1933, and is now a member of its Board of Managers, Chairman of the Constructive Citizenship Committee, Vice-Chairman of the Patriotic Education Committee and of the Budget Committee, and a member of the Radio Committee.

Elmour D. Lum Vice-President General North Mississippi District

ELMOUR D. LUM, elected Vice-President General of the North Mississippi District at the Louisville Congress May 22, 1935, was born in Calhoun County, Michigan, on August 31, 1871. His parents were Edward D. Lum and Amelia Van de Bogurt. He is a descendant of John Lum, who was at Stanford, Connecticut, in 1642, and whose ancestry has been traced back to 1307 in England.

His ancestry is entirely Revolutionary of Massachusetts and Connecticut stock; he has proven seven Revolutionary ancestors. With his parents, when seven years of age, he moved to Minnesota in a wagon train; after one year residence in that state moved across the line into Iowa on a farm and grew to young manhood in Northwood, Iowa.

About 1900 he engaged in the newspaper business in North Dakota and has continued to own and operate newspapers in that state. At the present time with his two sons, Edward Donald and D. Eldon, he owns the *Richland County Farmer-Globe* at Wahpeton, North Dakota, and other papers.

Mr. Lum, during the intervening years has owned papers in Virginia, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and other states and has been credited by trade papers with having owned more different newspapers in the United States than any other man.

He has published a book of the Sylvanus Lum family which gives a history of the Lum family and partial histories of the Van de Bogurt family, Bean, Gary Fordy family, Payn family, Morris families, Walker family and others. This booklet was printed and distributed with the compliments of E. D. Lum and Sons.

At the present time Mr. Lum is a member of the North Dakota State Planning Board, which is an appointive position. Mr. Lum has

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never been a candidate for elective office of any kind, but is recognized as a power in politics in his state.

Mr. Lum was President of the North Dakota State Society in 1933-34, and is at present National Trustee for that state.

James Walter Allen

Historian General

JAMES WALTER ALLEN of the Andrew Jackson Chapter, Tennessee Society, was elected Historian General at the annual meeting at Louisville, Kentucky, on May 22, 1935. He has been an active, hard working member of the Society for many years and has been National Trustee of the Tennessee Society for ten years.

He is the son of John Allen of Hardeman County, Tennessee, and Louisa Harwood of Gibson County, Tennessee. He was reared by his grandfather, John Allen, a prominent planter who emigrated from Warren County, North Carolina in 1819 and settled in Rutherford County, Tennessee, near the Hermitage, the home of Andrew Jackson. John Allen was the son of Vincent Allen of Warren County, North Carolina, and a sergeant in a company of the first North Carolina Militia, War of 1812. In 1835 he moved to Hardeman County, Tennessee, and settled the plantation upon which he died near Whiteville in 1881.

Mr. James Walter Allen received his education in a private school and at the University of Tennessee. He married Flora Hamel of Humphreys County, Tennessee, who descended from the Pickard, Chambliss, Spencer and Saunders families of Chatham and Caswell Counties of North Carolina and Sussex County, Virginia. He had three sons in the World's War, all commissioned officers, also a daughter who volunteered as a trained nurse.

He was appointed Chief Clerk in the State Comptroller's Office at an early age, serving 6 years. In 1889 he succeeded Colonel Pickard as Comptroller of Tennessee and held that office for two terms. In 1898 he was Consulting Accountant for the administration of Governor Benton McMillin. In 1902 he was appointed examiner for the Tennessee Insurance Department by the Hon. Reau E. Folk, Commissioner, in which capacity he served for 15 years under several different administrations. He was later examiner for the Insurance Department of Kentucky under the Commissionership of Hon. C. F. Thomas.

One of the outstanding activities in which Mr. Allen participated was in the examination of the New York Life Isurance Company in 1905 in connection with the Insurance Departments of several other states which resulted in the restoration of public confidence in "Insurance" as a business and as an institution and a revision of the Insurance Laws by the various states throughout the union.

In 1921 he was appointed Bank Accountant in the Department of Justice and assigned to anti-trust activities, resigning in 1929. In 1933 he was appointed on the Special Review Board in the Veterans Bureau from the Washington District. In 1934 he was appointed Examiner-Accountant by the Federal Trade Commission and assigned to the Securities and Exchange Division and on September 1, 1934, he was appointed Examiner-Accountant by the Securities and Exchange Commission where he is now employed.

Mr. Allen descends from Charles Allen of Lunenburg County, Virginia, a military genius, who was in the French and Indian Wars in 1758 and moved to Bute County, North Carolina (now Warren County) in 1763 and was in the battle of the Alamance in 1771 under Captain Nathaniel Hart and was later Captain of a company in the second and fifth regiments in the Continental Line, Revolutionary War.

Other revolutionary ancestors of Mr. Allen were: John Morton, John Harwood, James Beazley, Abner Porter, all of Virginia; and John Bowdoin, John Odeneal, of North Carolina.

Abner Porter was a son of Charles Porter of Orange County, Virginia, at whose house General LaFayette had his headquarters for several days, enroute to Yorktown.

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Vermont's Real Son

WE TAKE pleasure in calling the attention of our compatriots and in giving a brief sketch of the honored REAL SON of our Vermont Society, Mr. William Constant Stores Wheeler, who is still hale and hearty at the age of 87, and living with his son Earle Wheeler of Marshfield, Vermont.

Mr. Wheeler was born on December 4, 1847, son of Comfort Wheeler, and his third wife, Permilia Ainsworth. Comfort Wheeler was born in 1766 and in April, 1780, at the age of 14. enlisted under Captain Duel at Shongun, N. Y., was discharged in December, 1780, and re-enlisted under Captain Keith at Killingly, Conn., in May, 1781; at the close of that three months' service, he again re-enlisted under Captain Corbin for one year and was detailed as orderly to General Nathanael Greene. Comfort Wheeler's third marriage was at the age of 76, and two children were born of this union, a daughter who died when 16 years old, and the subject of our sketch, William Constant. The later was 63 years younger than his oldest halfbrother James, born of the first marriage.

Comfort Wheeler is buried in the little cemetery on the hill in South Woodbury, Vermont, where he went to live following his first marriage, and his grave is marked with the simple government marble tombstone. Next to it is a granite stone to be marked for Constant and his wife, when they die, now awaiting only the dates to be added.

William Constant Wheeler is reported to be spry and happy in his ripe old age, with excellent sight and hearing, a sense of humor and unfailing memory, from the stores of which he recalls his childhood and the stories and songs his father told and taught him, which he remembers well, as he was eight years old when his father died. He relates that his father Comfort had a fine voice and his favorite tune was "The Green Leaves Grew Thereon."

He also tells of his own Civil War service experiences. He belonged to Company I of the 112th Pennsylvania regiment, and of participating in the battle of Fort Stevens, the only battle witnessed by President Lincoln; of capturing a spy at Silver Springs, and showing a scar he carries above one eye as a result of guard duty; pneumonia following night exposure in inclement weather; convalescent weeks in the hospital at Washington, and final discharge.

Mr. Wheeler married Agnes Evaline Pierce, and has two sons, neither of whom married.

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So far as is known, William Constant Wheeler is the last living Real Son of the American Revolution. This statement has been made before in our pages with reference to Osborne Allen, of Maine, who passed away during the past year, and whom it was thought at the time was the last to hold this honor. While Mr. Wheeler's title to this recognition was of course formerly known, it has only recently been called to the attention of the present editor of the S. A. R. MAGAZINE, and was discovered in checking back on some old application papers, after which, by correspondence, the facts above stated were furnished, through the kindness of Mr. Clarence L. Smith, Treasurer of the Vermont Society. In October, 1930, Miss Fanny Clapp McEnroe published an article in the Burlington (Vt.) Free Press and Times, and some few years prior to that the Brattleboro Reformer published quite a story about Mr. Wheeler, to both of which articles we are indebted. We are told that quite recently he was featured in one of Ripley's "Believe It or Not" cartoons .- F. B. S.



WILLIAM CONSTANT WHEELER Real Son

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Reports of Officers and Committees

Annual Report of the Secretary General To the 46th Congress S. A. R.

By FAR the most happy event of the year just past was the consummation of all our hopes for the past seven years and after much effort, the passage of the Tax Exemption Bill releasing our Headquarters property from taxation burdens, which occurred very shortly after our last Congress meeting in Baltimore, last May, 1934, and just prior to the adjournment of the 72nd Congress. This legislation, followed by the signature of the President, making it immediately effective, has lifted a burden of some \$1600 in round figures, annually, from our Society, and put courage into the hearts of us all.

The second outstanding matter of importance has been the completing and putting into operation of the plan for refinancing our Headquarters indebtedness, by the sale of Certificates of Indebtedness. I merely mention this here, as both the President General and Treasurer General will present full details, but must record that in connection with this matter it was found necessary to call a special Congress of the Society, which call went out for December 8, 1934.

This Congress was held at our Headquarters in Washington, and was very well attended, better than we had anticipated, as you will have learned from the report published in our January S. A. R. Magazine; a number of state societies having members resident in Washington. sent them as delegates, so that in all some twenty state societies were represented, and an attendance of more than fifty delegates, only twenty-five being needed for a quorum. A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was also called at this time. To procure a quorum of this body was much more difficult than for the Congress itself, but it was achieved. Reports of both of these meetings appeared in our January issue.

The proper sanction of the Trustees and the special Congress having been obtained, our officers were equipped to put the plan into operation, and as you are aware, it is now functioning. So far it has resulted in a substantial reduction of the mortgage, and encouragement is felt for the final retirement in the near future. Your officers have all made great personal effort to dispose of the bonds and the careful provisions which have been made for their retirement and the interest payments will impress all our thoughtful members with their safety as an investment, it is firmly believed.

As to general matters, it is felt that we are on the up-grade now, and that the prestige and influence of our Society, through all the difficulties of the past two or three years, has not been seriously impaired. Our state societies have suffered some membership losses, it is true, but we are able to show a large number of reinstatements this past year, and more states show a gain instead of a loss. Not a week passes but several inquiries as to how to become a member are received in my office. and I still maintain and repeat what I have previously stated in these reports, that where one man takes the trouble to write in to inquire, there must be a half-dozen or more who do not take this trouble; and that there is a wide field of prospects available in every state, if our officers will take the trouble to locate them and follow up inquiries.

Our prestige and influence has been evident in the continued interest and effort to keep our work going forward in the field of restricted immigration, flag protection and other national defense problems, and the fact that we are called upon to testify before the Congressional committees at hearings on these subjects. As formerly, we are affiliated in this work with the American Coalition which does a great service along these lines, and let me urge you at this time to give every favorable consideration to the literature and appeals which may reach you from this source, for you may be assured that the influence of the Coalition is very effective and the measures which it sanctions are those to which we invariably give our approval. The work of our Immigration Committee Chairman, General Fries, is most outstanding in this line, and no more effective representative before the Congressional committees could be desired.

Aside from routine matters connected with the Secretary General's office, the most important work is that of the editing and compiling of our S. A. R. Magazine.

With effort, we have been able to keep to the greatly restricted minimum of pages, but feel that in spite of this it has been possible to retain much of the interest and value of the

Magazine. For the first time in two years we were able to publish an article of interest aside from the routine society matters in our last issue, and I hope this will be possible in more than one issue during the coming year. Our circulation has slightly increased, owing, I am happy to state, to a larger number of new memhers received over last year, and also to a larger number of reinstated members. I am pleased to state that in two instances, state societies which had been deprived of the Magazine, under the instructions of the Ways and Means Committee, because of failure to report and to send a list of their members, have been restored to the mailing list. This is another cause of our increase of circulation. We also have a reorganized Society in Arizona whose members have been restored.

Our costs for printing the Magazine have been kept as low as possible, and are offset by advertising receipts to the amount of \$207.00 which in my opinion should be credited to this account, or, in fact, be made available to the editor in the interests of the Magazine. I venture to hope that there may be a slight increase in the appropriation for our publication over last year's so that we may be able to partially restore it to its former size and corresponding interest.

I wish also to urge the authorization of the printing of the Index of our Magazine, which is most important and in demand by all libraries receiving it, as well as by many members. The current index is not as yet in print, or funds appropriated for this; many requests have already been received for it, and copy for printing is prepared. It will be a great pity to destroy the continuity of our Index, and be a much heavier expense if deferred. Application of a portion of our receipts from advertising to this use would not be amiss, in my judgment.

As custodian and distributor of supplies, I mention here only the sale of the Official Grave Marker, and pamphlets, as our Medal distribution is covered in another report. Our Grave Markers move steadily though slowly. An excellent increase, however, of our index of known Revolutionary graves is worthy of special mention. Through the kindness of several compatriots, we have had additions of many records from Rhode Island, Ohio and New York states.

We keep a supply of several pamphlets for distribution at a nominal cost, and pertaining to the work of the Society. The most popular

of these is entitled "Our Government-How Founded," by Compatriot David L. Pierson. This is especially in demand for distribution on Constitution Day and like anniversaries; a little pamphlet of general information is also kept in stock, and a new supply of this will be needed in the near future; The George Washington Questionnaire, very appropriate for school distribution, is also popular, and all of these are kept in stock for resale and net the Society a small amount over the price of printing. We also keep a supply of our Constitution and By Laws, and a new edition of this is now much needed. I suggest that this be printed in our October S. A. R. Magazine, and that reprints of this be purchased in pamphlet form, following its publication in the Magazine. This has been a customary procedure in the past.

The improved condition of our Library will be brought out in detail in the Librarian General's Report, and Report of the Library Committee, but as it has taken place under my direct knowledge, I wish to mention it and to compliment Dr. Louis C. Smith, Librarian General, and his special committee of assistants who have worked so assiduously and enthusiastically in the cataloging and arrangement of the books. This has been purely voluntary and a real labor of love on the part of these younger members, all affiliated with the D. C. Society, and they deserve the utmost credit. We also take pleasure in emphasizing the generous gift of our District of Columbia Society in this connection, that of its entire Library, except Society records, which it turned over to our National Library of the S. A. R. at the suggestion and recommendation of Dr. Smith. Over 1,000 volumes and pamphlets were included in this most generous gift.

The collection of a library and its cataloging and arrangement might well be a project to suggest to our societies which are looking for something in which to interest their younger members.

Our Executive Committee has held the usual number of meetings, one immediately following the Baltimore Congress, in that city, and two in Washington, in October and March, respectively, and one in this city just preceding this Congress. At these meetings the details of the plans and work of the year have been carefully considered and arranged for. You have had the reports of the essential actions in your Magazine. of dropped members, tax exemption, sale of Certificates, and general revival of interest all along the line, I am full of hope for the coming year, and wish to add my grateful appreciation

With increase of new members, restoration to all my fellow officers for their cooperation and support during the year past. Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STEELE, Secretary General.

Report of the Treasurer General

April 1st, 1934, to March 31st, 1935

April 1st, 1934, to March 31st, 1935		
Cash Division by Banks: \$1.83 In Riggs National Bank, Washington, D. C. \$1.83 In Calvert Bank, Baltimore, Md. 1,665.15 Baltimore Trust Company (restricted balance) 1.00 Park Bank (In receivership) 1.00 Chesapeake Bank (In receivership) 1.00	\$1,669.98	
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Cash Division by Accounts: 6.58 General Account. \$47.62 (deficit) Applicable to General Account. \$47.62 (deficit) Applicable to Permanent Fund. 54.20 Headouarters Account. \$4.20 1,663.40		
Applicable to Permanent Fund 54.20 1,663.40 Headquarters Account	\$1,669.98	
Cash Balance on hand April 1st, 1934		\$1,669.98
Per Capita Tax 1933–34. Per Capital Tax 1934–35	\$14,581.00	
Entrance Fees—General Account	2,575.00	
	266.00	
Certificates & Engraving	70.50	
Merchandise for Resale: Blanks & Supplies. Medals		
Medals		
Rosettes & Ribbon	2,222.46	
Interest: \$50.40		
Interest: \$50.40 Bank Deposits		
Bank Deposits 50.00 Investments 212.10 Moses Greeley Parker Fund 212.10	312.50	
Advertising in Magazine. Retirement Fund: \$8,930.00 Certificates of Indebtedness. \$8,930.00 Contributions to Headquarters Fund. 945.00 Interest on Deposits. 4.65	185.00 9,879.65	
Commissions on Insignia & Ribbon House Account Refund Contributions to Library Fund. Recovery of Funds—Park Bank. Returned Insurance Premium.	$ \begin{array}{r} 150.98\\300.00\\20.00\\1,900.00\\4.69\end{array} $	
Overpayments	$10.00 \\ 5.00$	
Flowers Copying Papers Subscriptions to Magazine	8.75 1.00	32,492.53
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		\$34,162.51
Disbursements Salaries: Secretary-Registrar General & Clerical Asst. Secretary-Registrar General for Clerical Assistant. Stenographer at Headquarters. 1,190.00	\$5 570 00	
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Headquarters Maintenance: \$900.00 Housekeeper		
Repairs	2,172.96	
Postage, Telephone, Telegrams, Etc Certificates	575.47 645.27	
Magazine	3,606.34	
Merchandise for Resale: \$213,00		
Rosettes & Ribbon. 134.29 Grave Markers. 12.00	1 020 27	
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Printing. Office Expenses & Supplies Traveling Expenses—Secretary General. Library.	\$250.71 99.44 21.10 220.00	
Payment on B. N. Johnson Loan. Payment on Mortgage. Interest on B. N. Johnson Loan. Interest on Mortgage.	750.0010,000.00169.852,090.00	
Interest of Indebtedness Campaign: \$39.33 President General's Stenographer. \$7.62 Printing & Supplies. 383.70 Postage & Telegrams. 63.29	573.94	
Bond for Treasurer General Auditing Treasurer General's Books Photograph of B. N. Johnson in Magazine Constitution Day Committee Expense Snecial Congress Expense.	$\begin{array}{r} 62.50 \\ 100.00 \\ 75.00 \\ 26.93 \\ 7.90 \end{array}$	
Framing Pictures. Flowers Check Tax prior to January 1, 1935	4.50 42.10 3.38	\$28,106.76
Balance on hand March 31st, 1935	•••••	\$6,055.75
Cash Division by Banks: In Riggs National Bank, Washington, D. C. In Washington Loan & Trust Co., Washington, D. C. In Calvert Bank, Baltimore, Md. In Equitable Trust Company, Baltimore, Md Baltimore Trust Company (restricted). Park Bank (in receivership). Chesapeake Bank (in receivership).	\$783.24 19.15 3,719.11 1,531.25 1.00 1.00 1.00	\$6,055.75
Cash Division by Accounts: General Account. Retirement Fund Redemption Fund. Permanent Fund.	\$1,817.44 3,719.11 465.00 54.20	
Library Fund		\$6,055.75

Balance Sheet, March 31, 1935

Assets		
Cash: On deposit—Operating Account: \$1,814.44 General Account: \$1,814.44 Redemption Fund. 405.00 Permanent Fund. 54.20 On deposit—Retirement Fund. 3,719.11 Book Value of balances in closed banks (\$1.00) each. 3.00 Imprest Fund. 200.00		
Advance to Committee of Correspondence & Safety Real Estate: National Headquarters	112.14	
Funiture: National Headquarters Inventories	1,701.03	
Total Assets		\$154,185.19
LIABILITIES Accounts Payable: Unexpended Contributions to Committee of Correspondence & Safety. \$794.66 Due Student Loan Fund. 200.00 Due Mountain School Fund. 295.00 Due Redemption Fund. 465.00 Due Permanent Fund. 54.20 Mortgage on National Headquarters. 54.20 Dan-Estate of Benjamin N. Johnson: \$7,000.00 Payable to the Estate. \$7,000.00 Retirement Fund: 250.00 Certificates of Indebtedness Issued and Outstanding. \$8,930.00 Remainder of Fund. 73.05	\$1,808.86 30,000.00 7,250.00 <u>9,003.05</u> \$48,061.91	
Surplus		
Contributed and Appropriated Surplus Invested in Building	106.123.28	
Total Surplus.		\$154,185.19
Total Liabilities and Surplus		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

STUDENT LOAN FUND		
Student Loan Fund Contributions Amount due by General Account	\$200.00	\$200.00
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Mountain School Fund Appropriations Amount due by General Account	\$295.00	\$295.00
REDEMPTION FUND	d Indebredness (
Redemption Fund Appropriation	\$465.00	\$465.00
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Residue of Permanent Fund Appropriations. Investments (Society's Book Value). Amount due by General Account.	54.20	\$5,054.20
Operating Surplus reflected by Balance Sheet March 31, 1934		\$1,534.08
Decreased by: Adjustment recorded March 31, 1935 effective March 31, 1934: Amount credited Permanent Fund Corpus representing that portion of proceeds manent Fund Investments sold during year ended March 31, 1934 which was absorbing Deficit as of March 31, 1933	s of sale of Per- not required in	54.20
Adjusted Operating Surplus March 31, 1934	M. ankil NO 2090	\$1,479,88
Increased by:	e Binker	
Net Income of Fiscal Year ended March 31, 1935: Excess of Operating Receipts over Operating Disbursements. Increase in Inventory March 31, 1935.	\$3,465.06	
Less: Retirement Fund Appropriation	1,600.00	
Net Income		1,936.73
Distribution from Park Bank	\$1,900.00	1100.15
Less: Retirement Fund Appropriation	1,900.00	0
Operating Surplus March 31, 1935		\$3,416.61
PERMANENT FUND SECURITIES		
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Baltimore, Md., May 15, 1935.

Mr. President General and the Members of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

It has been an extreme pleasure for your Treasurer General to have submitted the figures to which you have just listened, but before closing his report he would like to make a few comments.

It is very gratifying to see a decided improvement in this financial report over that which has been given for the past several years in the fact that not only have the disbursements been held within the receipts but that an actual cash balance of \$1,817.44 is in hand in the general account at the close of this fiscal year.

Special work during the past year has been the plan of refinancing the indebtedness of our Society with regard to the mortgage on the National Headquarters and the loan which was advanced for a payment on the mortgage by former President General, the late Benjamin N. Johnson. By the plan of the Finance Committee adopted at the Baltimore Congress in May of 1934 and changed by act of the Special Congress in December 1934, Certificates of Indebtedness bearing 4 per cent annual interest have been issued and sold to the Compatriots.

At the time the sale of these Certificates was started the obligations on the Headquarters amounted to \$47,000.00. With the money coming from the sale of the Certificates of Indebtedness, returns from the defunct banks, the appropriation of \$1,600.00 from the general treasury and the balance which was carried over from last year in the Headquarters Fund, the mortgage has been reduced considerably.

There has already been paid \$15,000.00 on the mortgage and \$1,000.00 to the Johnson Estate and there is at the time this report is being written \$4,970.00 cash in hand for payment on the mortgage. This will leave \$20,-000.00 still due on the mortgage held by Mrs. Laura W. Wilder and \$6,000.00 due the Benjamin N. Johnson Estate; and it is the sincere hope of your Treasurer General that the Compatriots of our Society will purchase enough of the Certificates of Indebtedness so that our entire obligation on our mortgage at least will be paid off when the mortgage falls due on this coming August 26th. As you will observe from the figures which preceded these remarks, practically 50 per cent of the amount necessary to be raised to pay off the obligation of the Retirement Fund has been raised, leaving slightly less than \$24,000.00 worth of Certificates to be sold, which together with the \$2,000.00 worth of Certificates which have been pledged and which will not be paid for until August 1st, makes the \$26,000.00 previously mentioned.

Vour Treasurer General earnestly recommends that a policy be adopted by this Congress providing for a definite amount to be set aside each year from the Society's treasury for the redemption of these Certificates of Indebtedness. As the saving in the interest charges between the Certificates of Indebtedness and the former mortgage will be approximately \$800.00 per annum, your Treasurer-General feels that \$2,000.00 per year can be appropriated from the general treasury for the redemption of the Certificates in addition to the \$1.00 from the entrance fee of each new member as provided for in section 4 of the resolution adopted on May 22, 1934. This appropriation of \$2,000.00 to be in addition to the regular appropriation for interest on the outstanding Certificates of Indebtedness which must be made to the Redemption Fund. In this way we will retire the Certificates before the maturity date and your Treasurer General feels that the sooner these Certificates are retired the better the Society will be in the fact that it will have some money in its treasury to expand the work of the Society.

Economies which have been effected in the operation of our Headquarters, as well as in the operation of the Society as a whole, must be strictly adhered to during the coming year. It is unfortunate that we have been forced to cut our Magazine to the size it is, but study of the possible receipts for the fiscal year of 1935-1936 does not indicate that more money can be paid for the Magazine than has been paid in the last fiscal year. The same situation also applies to the salaries of the paid officials of the Society. These salaries, to effect a balanced budget, must be kept at the figure as established for the regular salaries last year. A great deal of credit is due our President. expenditures of the Society to see that they did not exceed the amounts which had been allocated to various items in a tentative budget on which the Society was run during the past year, and he deserves the major portion of the credit for the sale of the amount of Certificates which have been sold to date. He has worked earnestly and faithfully to try to relieve the entire mortgage obligations of our Society during his incumbency. Like his predecessors, the expenses of his office, as well as his traveling expenses, as President General have been borne without cost to the National Society.

General for the way he has untiringly watched

Your Treasurer General considers it a great honor and a pleasure to have served the Society during the past year. Respectfully submitted,

G. S. ROBERTSON, Treasurer General.

Auditor's Statement

APPENDED to the above reports of the Treasurer General was a report of the Certified Public Accountant and Auditor, showing a careful and detailed examination of the books of the Treasurer General and certifying to the correctness of the above reports. Following which the Chairman of Audit made the following report:

May 16, 1935.

Mr. President General and Compatriots:

Your Auditing Committee is pleased to submit herewith a report of the audit of the accounts of the Treasurer General for the fiscal year April 1, 1934, to March 31, 1935.

The audit was conducted for your Committee by Mr. Joseph Oliver, C. P. A., who has made similar audits of the Treasurer General's books during previous years, and shows the statement of the Treasurer General to be correct,

The report of Mr. Oliver's audit is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

Benson Blake, Jr., Chairman. James M. Breckenridge.

Society: Luthes Atwood, first (Insident Massisanian) sachusette: William R. Beny, Past President Maine; Han. George W. P. Hunt, former Governor of Arrana; and muty others, whose services and heards of membership in this Society.

Report of the Registrar General 1934-1935

YOUR REGISTRAR GENERAL takes pleasure in reporting an increase of new members during the past year over those of the previous year, of 129. Of this number 28 were transfers from the C. A. R., who entered without the initiation fee. In all, we have received 545 new members as against 416 a year ago.

Needless to say I feel much encouraged by this substantial gain. There is also encouragement in the larger number of reinstated members reported by the several state societies, and the fact that 15 state societies have shown a gain in total membership instead of a loss.

It is also a pleasure to note that our accessions from the C. A. R. have been in much better proportion than last year, owing to the kind cooperation of the officers of that Society, who have notified my office by post card of every transfer issued to boys, giving the state and chapter of the member transferred. In turn I have sent this information to the Secretaries of our state societies concerned, with the result that many more of these boys have been received into our Society than were brought in last year. The total number received from this source was 28.

Our losses have been heavy, but we face them with much less discouragement than a year ago. Death takes a heavy toll, so that our increase of younger members from the C. A. R. and those under 30 years of age are most welcome, and our state officers should make a point of enlisting members from this younger element. Our losses by death were approximately 406, among whom were many prominent citizens, a few only of whom I venture to mention here. James D. Iglehart, of Maryland, a Charter member of our National Society and Past President of the Maryland Society; Dr. Julian A. C. Chandler, President of William and Mary College; Daniel S. Spencer, National Trustee, and Past President Utah Society, and Frederick A. Hale, also of Utah and a Charter Member of the National Society; Benjamin F. Young, Past President of Colorado; Osborne Allen, REAL SON of Maine; General William C. Borden, U. S. A., of the Empire State Society; Ganson Depew, of New York, and Arthur Preston Sumner, Past Presidents General of this Society: Luther Atwood, Past President Massachusetts; William B. Berry, Past President, Maine: Hon. George W. P. Hunt, former Governor of Arizona; and many others, whose services and length of membership in this Society

entitle them to special mention, did space and time permit.

In a more cheerful vein, it is the privilege and duty of the Registrar General to announce the fortunate state societies which have won the Traveling Banners of our Society for their efforts in increasing membership, and who richly deserve this recognition.

It is with much pleasure I announce that for the third consecutive year, the Empire State Society has again won the Syracuse Banner, given for the largest number of new members secured during the year. This Society has elected 120 new members into its ranks this past year, and the large majority of these are in the eastern part of the state, affiliating with the New York Chapter. No other state has approached this figure in its number of new applications, the next largest number being 38. accepted in Massachusetts. The splendid results obtained by our New York compatriots is due to the persistent and effective energies of its Registrar and Secretary, Messrs. Hogeboom and DuBois, who have been consistently on the alert; it has not been too easy, and they deserve this special mention, for their efforts have not been matched in any degree by the other chapters in the state which in some instances have been quite lethargic.

The Colorado Banner, awarded for the greatest percentage of net gain, to societies having a total membership of 100 or more, has been won this year by the Tennessee Society, which has a gain of 11²/₃ per cent. Much credit is due the Secretary, Mr. Arthur Crownover, Jr., who has by his personal efforts brought back many members who had dropped out, as well as secured many fine new members.

Our congratulations will go to the Arizona Society which (23 9/17 per cent) receives the Ohio Banner, going to the society enrolling the largest percentage of new members of thirty years of age or under, the percentage being based upon the ratio of such new members to the total membership of said society at the end of the fiscal year. This banner was given a few years ago to promote the enrollment of younger members and has served a fine incentive to this end. The Arizona Society will receive this banner at the hands of the New Mexico Society which won it last year, a proof that this award is just as likely to go to one of our smaller state groups as to the larger ones.

To refer briefly to the routine work of the

Registrar General's office, this entails a vast amount of detail, some eight or nine separate processes being essential to the passing and recording of each original and supplemental application, preparing the record for publication, the certificate orders, and other details. With my very limited staff, we have endeavored to improve the files and make corrections where errors have been brought to light. In this effort, which is possible only when time can be spared from other duties, it has been possible to re-write and correct about 2,000 cards in the file.

Again at this time I bring to your attention, and urgently recommend that a special appropriation be made of not less than \$100 annually for the Registrar General's office for the binding of our original application papers. This is the only proper method for their preservation, and is very greatly needed. Many of our older papers are becoming ragged and show sad need of this care. I desire an annual appropriation so that we may begin at once to have a certain minimum number of papers bound each year, and hope that as funds permit, this amount may be increased. When this work is begun, the index cards can be properly revised at the same time, and our files put in proper order and convenient condition and our valuable records properly cared for.*

I desire to lay special emphasis on the fact that many of our applications are received with very imperfect data, and to urge our state officers to take more care in this regard. I have consistently refused, and shall continue to, to accept papers which fail to give complete dates of at least the first two generations back of the applicant; it is reasonable to expect a man to be able to supply the dates of his own parents' and

* The Ways and Means Committee approved an appropriation for this work.-Ed.

grandparents' births, marriages and deaths; also it has been necessary in many cases to remind our state officers that reference to a member of the D. A. R. by national number in that Society is NOT satisfactory or sufficient proof of a claim; this proof of service must be on our papers: to refer to the D. A. R. number as such proof is not acceptable; to refer to such a number as additional reference or confirmation is quite proper and acceptable as such, but your Registrar General should not be expected to go to the D. A. R. offices to find this record and transfer it to the paper of an applicant of this Society, which is what has been necessary in these cases. In all cases the record should be on our applications with authentic proof, and this I insist upon. Conforming to these requirements in submitting applications will greatly relieve your Registrar General, and will obviate much delay and considerable correspondence on the part of all concerned.

Our new Certificates of Membership which were put into use just about a year ago, have met with much approval and are considered a great improvement over the former larger ones.

Only a very small part of the appropriation which was assigned to the Registrar General's office by the Ways and Means Committee, in case the work of this office became overwhelming, has been made use of, and the small sum of \$10 monthly was paid to my office secretary, Miss Lewis, in recognition of her most helpful assistance in many of the details of this office—a very meager recompense for the efficient and cheerful services rendered. I sincerely hope that more adequate appropriation for this service may be available during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK B. STEELE, Registrar General.

Copies of the July and October 1934 issues of the S. A. R. MAGAZINE are in much demand and the reserve supply at National Headquarters is practically exhausted. Compatriots having these issues to spare will confer a favor by sending them to the Secretary General.

The Mess We've Made

Banquet Address of Arthur M. McCrillis, President General, May 21, 1935

How MANY times have you heard some wellknown commencement orator say: "My generation has made a mess of things and it is up to this younger generation to remake the world"?

That thought has been expressed by presidents of leading colleges, by ministers and by not a few leaders of the body politic.

I submit that it strikes a false note, if not actually untrue. Certainly it has produced disastrous results. It is one of the causes of the present discontent of youth.

It is not at all uncommon to hear young people say, "this country is not so 'hot'; everything is all wrong; the old way must be changed; etc." In fact the patriotism of youth is at a low ebb.

They are not responsible for this attitude. Youth of today is just as brilliant, has the same inherent qualities for good and the same desire for knowledge as former generations. They do not have the same opportunity to acquire correct knowledge that was granted to us.

When we were young, our parents taught us love of country and faith in its basic principles; when we went to school and college, our teachers continued and confirmed this.

Today, even if the parents inculcate the same loyalty to our nation, the situation is different when the youth goes outside the home. Many professors and, sad to relate, ministers, under the guise of liberalism, teach forms of disloyalty. The professors and ministers are frequently of magnetic personality. There is a natural tendency of youth to consider father and mother old-fashioned. Hence, it is not surprising that the radical views are accepted.

These and other causes have, as the headmaster of the Horace Mann School recently said, "produced a seething unrest among young people. Unless youth can be stabilized, the world will go to smash tomorrow."

We admire the energy and idealism of youth. We desire to use both of those excellent qualities, but, in youth, there is lacking a necessary element-experience. Someone has said that, "Knowledge without experience is water with no pitcher in which to carry it."

While not admitting that we have made a mess of things and not agreeing that youth alone should lead us out, it is our plain duty to show youth that "it is the collective experience that has made America what it is"; that if they are to enjoy the best which our country can offer, they should accompany us, that they may be fitted in a few years to take our places. Are we not failing in this? Let us review briefly some of the youth movements of the radicals:

There are the Young Pioneers of the Communists with their publication, "The New Pioneer" and its slogan "Smash the Boy Scouts"; and the Pioneer Youth of the Socialists. Both of these hold summer camps.

Then there are the Communist Sunday Schools; and for the Socialists, the Church Intercollegiate League for Industrial Democracy with its publication "The Student Outlook."

For the youth of college age, there is the Intercollegiate League for Industrial Democracy with its publication "The Student Outlook."

Also there is the Communist National Student League. The president of a leading university, in reply to a letter asking if this League had a branch in his institution, replied that he didn't know. Why didn't he know?

The American Association for the Advancement of Atheism has active branches in many of our colleges.

The National Council for the Prevention of War maintains a special department for youth; and the Committee on Militarism in Education which, in spite of its name, is opposed to military training in schools and colleges, encourages students to go on strike against military training.

These and many others are appealing to our youth, especially to the best minds, the idealists of the day.

What youth movements have we? None which meet the menace of those mentioned above. The Boy and Girl Scouts are wonderful in their fields, but are not directly counteracting radicalism.

Are you parents able to meet the situation? Can you point out to your children the fallacy of the socialist theory, "Production for Use and Not for Profit"? Can you convince them that war cannot be legislated out of existence; that as long as human nature is what it is, treaties and pacts will not prevent war; that adequate national defense is the only sure way to keep war?

To the Sons of the American Revolution is presented the great challenge of its history. Youth, with its idealism, wants a country it can love, wants a government of which it can he proud, wants the best the world has to offer. Youth will strive to attain its desires. Youth will follow the course it is convinced is best. On us rests the task of showing them that the form of government established by our ancestors has produced the greatest nation of the world and that by the continuance of that form of government, we can go forward to greater heights.

Is it not an exaggeration to say that we are in a mess? It is true we are living in a most unsatisfactory period. We are undergoing hardships. There is real suffering and hunger. But even so, the well-being of our people is better than that of the inhabitants of any other country in the world.

We have the same natural resources, the same fertile fields, the same manufacturing facilities, which produced the prosperous era of the nineteen twenties.

What is wrong? Is it human nature? Has man deteriorated? If that be the cause of our trouble, we cannot legislate ourselves out of it. A certain "experiment" known as the Eighteenth Amendment proved that.

If man has failed, man must be changed, confidence restored, faith renewed, until man, under divine guidance, rules this country with justice for all.

If we are to lift man out of this period of despair, if we are to have citizens with high hopes and aspirations and with the determination to conquer, we need youth to help.

An old word has come into frequent usepsychology. We constantly hear of the psychology of fear, the psychology of government, the psychology of this and the psychology of that. Yet, these leaders of thought are using the poorest kind of psychology when they tell youth of the mess we have made. Let us not launch youth into the world with a pessimistic thought. Rather, let us take advantage of the optimism and idealism of youth. Above all, let us try to win their confidence to understand us. We realize and sympathize with their position. We both have the same purpose, namely, the greatest comfort and happiness for the greatest number of people. In our years of experience, we have lived through phases of radicalism, which they are now meeting for the

our country from becoming involved in another first time, and we have learned that relying upon our Constitution has maintained the soundest foundation for the well-being of all.

> Gladstone said: "The Constitution of the United States is the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man."

> That Constitution is not an antiquated and useless document. Read the preamble. "What word should be added? What word should be struck out? What purpose should be eliminated? What further purpose should be included" to make it fit the needs of the present day?

Yes, we must defend the Constitution.

As a recent writer has said, "We should not pass laws when what we need is a change of heart."

When all was going well in those long ago days before 1929, we rode on the wave of prosperity. We thought of little else than the acquiring and spending of money. We knew there was a government, but we paid attention to it only on election day and then often played golf rather than casting our ballot.

Today, men are thinking about the form of government as never before. Unemployment and want make them desire a change-they think that change should be in law rather than in the heart.

Five philosophies of government are today considered for adoption: Individualism, liberalism, communism, fascism and socialism.

Liberalism tends towards mob rule or the leadership of demagogues, so may easily end in communism, fascism or socialism.

Professor Carothers of Lehigh University dismisses the last three in these words, "Neither communism, fascism nor socialism has as yet solved the most difficult problem, that of liberty under a state-controlled life. What is gained in economic security is lost in political peonage."

Can there be any doubt as to which "ism" we should choose? The pioneer spirit has not been lost. Rugged individualism still prevails. The lowliest worker and the multimillionaire, at the end of the day, wants to go home to rented room or mansion, feeling that it is all his own.

Is it not the particular duty and privilege of the Sons of the American Revolution to take a leading part in bringing men to choose the philosophy of individualism?

There has recently been some interesting dis-

cussion among scientists as to the possibility of "a new world where all the inhabitants are made over to order out of test tubes." They agree that startling changes may be made in the body by treating the glands, but the personality which resides in the body remains unchanged. The whole secret of personality lies in heredity.

It has frequently been said that our heritage imposes upon us a duty. Now the scientists tell us that it especially fits us for the task of preserving those ideals and principles which our ancestors established.

What they gave us is epitomized in the Constitution. Let us be leaders in preserving it.

The task may not be as hard as it seems in these dark days. Let me close with an illustration.

A minister had a daughter who had reached the age of asking questions. Being a wise parent and knowing that was the method of the child-mind for development, he attempted to

answer all. But time and patience were often lacking. One day, when working on his sermon for the next Sunday, the girl came into his room insisting on attention and answers Finally, he gave her a representation of the world cut up into the small and intricate pieces of the familiar picture puzzle, saying, "Take that and when you have put it together you may come back." In an incredibly short time she returned with it all pieced together. "Why daughter," he said, "how did you do that so quickly?" "Oh," she said, "I turned the pieces over and found the picture of a large man on the back. I put the man together, then turned the whole over and there was the world all right."

The commencement orator's "Mess We've Made" is but a picture puzzle. Youth plus experience, plus age, will produce the collective man to turn it over and make the world all right.

The National S. A. R. Library

THERE has been a steady increase in the number of individual donations to the library during the past year. While this is encouraging, it must be remembered that only a small portion of our membership has been represented in the lists of donors. The Librarian General was able to report at the Louisville Congress that the National S. A. R. Library has increased approximately one hundred and fifty per cent since the Baltimore Congress of 1934, due mainly to the District of Columbia Society's donation of their own library and the very generous contribution of Compatriot Frank J. Wilder, Chairman of the National Library Committee, who throughout past years has been a steady supporter of our Library by his regular donations. His contribution this year of two hundred and twenty-eight works should inspire in each member a sincere resolution likewise to do all possible to help in-

crease the size of our library with worthwhile donations. Genealogies and local histories are especially desired.

Outstanding, also, with Compatriot Wilder as an exceptional donor in this issue's list of contributors to our library is Compatriot R. C. Ballard Thruston, President of the Filson Club of Louisville, Ky., who gave to the National Society, volumes numbered eleven to twenty, inclusive, of the F. W. Leach manuscripts concerning the genealogies of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. The first ten volumes of this work were donated by Compatriot Thruston some years ago. Our library now has a complete set as thus far compiled. It is also to be noted in the present list of donors that the Institut Français de Washington gave to us a copy of each of the more important volumes published by them.

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First Good Citizenship Medal Awarded in Washington, D. C.

THROUGH the efforts of the First Ward Citizens Association in cooperation with the District of Columbia Society, Sons of the American Revolution, the Good Citizenship Medals will from now on be awarded in each of the seventeen Junior High Schools of Washington yearly.

In order to make a beginning, the first of these medals was awarded to Luther B. Connell of the Stuart Junior High School who is president of the graduation class. The award was made at the graduation exercises on June 17th in the presence of a large audience and made a deep impression on those present.

This being the first presentation in Washington, Secretary General Frank B. Steele, Chairman of the National Committee on Good Citizenship Medals, made a short address in giving the medal to the winner, Luther Connell, and Miss C. Virginia Diedel, who is the President for the First Ward Citizens Association and through whose efforts this privilege was granted by the school authorities in Washington was present and assisted in the ceremonies.

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List of Works Included in the Frank J. Wilder Donation

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Approximately one hundred of the volumes in this gift concerned local history of the following places: Connecticut (Meriden: New Haven; New London; Preston; Waterbury; and Woodstock); Delaware (Chester and Wilmington); Maine (Bandolph and Windham); Massachusetts (Alford; Arlington; Barrington; Billerica; Boston; Bradford; Cambridge; Danvers; Dartmouth; Framingham; Groveland; Holden; Hudson; Hyde Park; Ipswich; Kingston; Lancaster; Lee; Lexington; Lowell Malden; Marshfield. Medford; Medway; Methuen; Milford; Murrayfield; Newburyport; Northampton; Oakham; Palmer; Peru; Petersham; Rehoboth. Shrewsbury; Southborough; Southbridge; Sturbridge; Wakefield; Washington; Weston; and Wilmington; also the following count ties: Essex; Hampden; and Worcester); Michigan (Detroit); Missouri (St. Louis); New Hampshire (Benton; Concord; Coven. try; Dublin; Manchester; and Peterborough); New Jersey (Essex and Hudson counties); New York (Pompey and Utica; also the following counties: Chemung; Columbia; Lewis; Schuyler; Tioga; and Tompkins); Pennsylvania (Chambersburg and Middle Spring): Rhode Island (Narragansett Historical Register, complete set Vol. 1 to Vol. 9, no. 2; no. 2 and no. 3 of Vol. 2 lacking); Vermont (Brattleboro and Rochester); Virginia (Gloucester County); and Wisconsin (Dame County).

various volumes, encyclopediae, etc., referring to our S. A. R. Library the present donation of Comlocal town and state histories, every one of which was not duplicated by any other volume already on our shelves. Because of this and also the fact

The remaining works included in this gift were that these are exactly the type of works needed in patriot Wilder is considered an extremely valuable addition to our collections.

> LOUIS CHARLES SMITH, Librarian General.

Book Reviews

(NOTE: The books mentioned below are being reviewed as a courtesy to their publisher, the Columbia University Press, New York, N. Y. The Columbia University Press is a regular contributor to our library, supplying us with copies of such of their publications which are appropriate to our needs and purposes.)

"The New York merchant on the eve of the Revolution," by Virginia Draper Harrington. (\$4.50.)

The purpose of this book has been to present the colonial merchant in New York as a business man. It discusses the way in which mercantile business was organized and conducted; the relations of the merchant with his correspondents and customers in Europe, in the West Indies and in neighboring American colonies; the reaction of

the merchant to government regulation; and the problem of investment.

"Women in eighteenth-century America," by Mary Sumner Benson. (\$4.00.)

A study of opinion and social usage, this book describes the standards which contemporary theorists held for womanly thought and conduct and shows the influence of European writers and Old World customs on these standards. It includes a discussion of the education offered women in the later colonial era and the progress in this respect which followed the Revolution. There is also a brief survey of the legislation affecting women

> LOUIS CHARLES SMITH. Librarian General.

Attention of State Society officers is called to the portion of the Report of the Registrar General referring to the data required on application papers.

Events of State Societies

(Editor's Note: State and Chapter Officers are requested to furnish news items of their activities for publication in this department. Such items should be sent to National Headquarters for our next issue on or hefore September 1, 1935.)

Arkansas Society

Good Citizenship Medal presentations form an important part of the yearly program of this Society, and at Conway Central Grammar School the winner was Wilbur Kamp. Secretary Mason Mitchell made the presentation. An R. O. T. C. medal was presented by Secretary Mitchell to an officer of the unit at Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, on May 27th, this being the first presentation of the kind in the State of Arkansas. Cadet Major James E. Tull was selected to receive the medal, which was a complete surprise to him, no preliminary announcement having been made.

At the State University, Favetteville, Compatriot Leonard C. Price, of the University School of Engineering, presented an R. O. T. C. Medal for the Arkansas Society to the honor man at this institution, Cadet Colonel Gould P. Groves having been selected as the outstanding R. O. T. C. officer this year. In both of these institutions, the greatest interest and appreciation was expressed by the faculty and officers at this recognition given by our society.

It is gratifying to learn that one of the Good Citizenship Medal winners of 1934, Lloyd Jones, was this year's honor student at the Conway High School; while these medals are not given for scholarship, ability in this line is very frequently found to go hand in hand with the medal qualifications.

The Arkansas Society takes pride in the recent appointment of its First Vice President, Joseph S. Utley, as Circuit Judge of the Pulaski County Court

California Society

The annual meeting of the State Society was held on April 19th at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, beginning with a dinner which was followed by the business session and the election of officers. Major Leon French, as Chairman of the Committees on National Defense, Subversive Activities, and Resolutions, presented resolutions recommending the purging of the relief rolls of all persons advocating overthrow of the Government of the United States; deportation of unemployed aliens and aliens on relief; universal registration of citizens and aliens; and rescinding American recognition of Soviet Russia. Resolutions protesting new attempts to weaken the California Criminal Syndicalism law; weakening of the national immigration policy or of the deportation laws; and anti-war strikes in the public schools, all of which were unanimously adopted. Other resolutions urging adequate National Defense, the transfer of decisions regarding deportation of aliens from the Department of Labor to the Department of Justice, and the investigation of F. E. R. A. supported schools in which subversive doctrines are taught were also presented by the Committee and unanimously adopted.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Society: Louis Wm. Jenkins, President; Col. Henry G. Mathewson, Orra E. Monnette, Frank B. Smith and Allen H. Wright, Vice-Presidents; Franklin J. Sheehan, Secretary; Charles E. Hancock, Treasurer-Registrar; Charles B. Gleason, Historian. Following his election, President Jenkins announced the appointment of Rev. Frank S. Brush as Chaplain of the Society for the ensuing year, and Orville R. Vaughn was nominated National Trustee.

The California Society again this year will present the medal of the Society to the outstanding private in the competitive drill of the San Francisco R. O. T. C. Unit. This year, for the first time, a medal will be presented to the outstanding military student of the Junior R. O. T. C. Unit in the Sacramento High School, the presentation to be made by a member of the Sacramento Chapter. Dr. Leslie J. Seely, of Etna, California, who

last year conducted contests in the schools of Etna and Fort Jones, California, has enlarged his field of activity to include the schools of Greenview and French Creek, as well as Fort Jones and Etna. He will, on behalf of the State Society, present six medals to the winners of Good Citizenship contests conducted in the schools.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER-On the evening of March 19th, the Society's Good Citizenship Medal was presented to an outstanding member of each of the sixteen troops of the Boy Scouts of America in this district. The presentation was made by Colonel Henry G. Mathewson, President of the Chapter.

A luncheon was held April 4th, commemorating the adoption of the present design of our flag by the Congress in 1818. The guest speaker was Mr. Joshua T. Colvin who spoke on the history of our flag. On May 10th, at a luncheon commemorating the capture of Fort Ticonderoga,

compatriot, Major Charles D. Y. Ostrom, U. S. A., gave the story surrounding this historic event.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER-On January 17, a luncheon meeting was held, to which ladies were invited. Mrs. Louise Ward Watkins, President of Friday Morning Club, spoke on "The Pressing Problem of Citizenship." On February 17, the Chapter attended services at St. Paul's Cathedral, the occasion being commemoration of the birthday of Washington.

Luncheon meetings were held in February and March. At the latter, Prof. Warren L. Strickland, Principal of Willowbrook Junior High School, was the speaker.

Compatriot Strickland, who is a member of the Colorado Society, was the donor of the National Society's Good Citizenship Medal won by Lorraine Lavalle of his school. The presentation was made by Mr. Orra Monnette, President of the Los ANGELES CHAPTER. This was the first of what is intended to be an annual award.

The annual meeting was held on April 18. Compatriot Orra E. Monnette was reelected President, and Capt. Raymond A. Nelson, Secretary. AUBURN CHAPTER—Newly elected officers of this Chapter are as follows: President, Lathrop

Huntley; Vice President, Guy W. Brundage; Secretary, Pierre B. Goss, Jr.; Treasurer, John G. Walsh; Registrar, Edwin T. Robie.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER-This Chapter has held nine luncheon meetings the past year, with speakers, and one evening meeting, given jointly with the D. A. R., and having as guests the C. A. R., which has been actively fostered by this Chapter. Patriotic Education has been especially notable in the activities. Two trophies for Character Education have been presented to Junior High Schools from the Clarence H. Smith Fund, established for this purpose, and arrangements have been made to present the R. O. T. C. with a plaque on which will be inscribed the name of the best drilled company each year, this company to receive also a medal from the Chapter. Compatriot C. H. Smith, the Chairman of the Patriotic Education Committee, will renew his gift of fifty dollars for this purpose.

The incoming President, Compatriot M. D. Beadle, has furthered this work by establishing an oratorical contest in the Grant Union High School. He purposes to give a medal annually to the winner in the contest, and will provide a permanent fund for this purpose.

Newly elected officers of the Chapter include Maynard D. Beadle, President Buell F. Butterfield, Vice President; George W. Coe, Treasurer; Frank B. Smith, Secretary-Registrar; Rev. R. L. tinuing through September. Bailey, Chaplain.

SAN JOSE CHAPTER-For the sixth year, San Jose Chapter is joining with the local Chapters. D. A. R., and the San Jose Evening News, in promoting an essay contest for the senior classes of the high schools in the valley. One scholarship prize of fifty dollars is given to a student of the San Jose High School, and another to a student of the group consisting of the other high schools About 625 students compete, and the best ten or twelve essays in each group are passed upon by judges from outside the schools. The topic this year is "The American Citizen: His Rights and His Civic Duties."

ALMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER, OAKLAND-The following officers have recently been elected: President, Martyn F. Warner; Vice President, F. Howard Seeley; Secretary, Errol C. Gilkey; Treasurer, Charles L. Smith; Registrar, George R. Babcock. SAN DIEGO CHAPTER-The officers of this chapter who have recently been elected are President, Rilev R. Jackson; Vice President, Charles J. Creller; Secretary, Dr. Leon R. Briggs; Treasurer, Willis W. Brown; Chaplain, Rev. Charles E. Spalding; Marshal, Dr. Isaac B. Hamilton; Historian and Librarian, Allen H. Wright.

Connecticut Society

The patriotic societies of Connecticut are all looking forward to the Tercentenary of the Nutmeg State, the early ceremonies of which havesome of them-already been held. Mr. Albert R. Rogers, director of the Tercentenary, spoke at the New Haven Colony Historical Society on May 25th. It is expected that President Roosevelt will be in Hartford in June and broadcast an address. All over the land at a given hour, the school children of America will sing "America." On May 31st, the Tercentenary exercises opened with a military pageant, and a dinner and military ball in the evening. June 1st, 3500 singers gathered in the Yale Bowl and took part in the program.

The MacMonnies statue of Nathan Hale was dedicated on June 6th in New London, by the Connecticut Society S. A. R. Past President General Ernest E. Rogers was Chairman of the program for this event, of which details have been published in previous issues. The newly elected President General of the National Society, Mr. Henry F. Baker, was a special guest on this occasion and the program was one of the outstanding events of the general celebration.

The City of New London and the area near to it has arranged a comprehensive program of events for numerous dates covering the entire Tercentenary period, beginning April 4th last and con-

DAVID HUMPHREYS BRANCH, NEW HAVEN-The

April meeting held on the 12th, brought out a good attendance, both at the supper and the evening meeting. The film displayed was "The Frontier Woman" and the story was told by Mr. Irving N. Countryman, Assistant Principal of the High School, who described the lives of the brave patriotic women who were such a factor in the winning of the West.

Responding to a request from Troop A. Boy Scouts, it was voted to present them with a Troop Flag. Guests of the evening were Mrs. Cov. Regent of the Eva Lear Chapter, D. A. R.; former State Secretary, Robert F. Bradley; and State Treasurer, H. H. Pritchard.

On the evening of May 10th, the Chapter held its annual meeting preceded by supper, President Wentworth presiding. Following annual and special reports, the Boy Scouts were presented with the troop flag, above mentioned, and responded by giving a demonstration of their work. A film of historic interest was presented, giving details of the life of Alexander Hamilton, commented on by Compatriot Henry M. Bradley, Jr., State Senator. Officers elected for the ensuing year include President, Harry B. Kennedy; Vice President, Edwin S. Pickett; Secretary-Treasurer, Frank A. Corbin; Historian, A. McMatthewson Necrologist, Samuel H. Williams; Chaplain, Rev. Roy M. Houghton. Executive Committee: Stillwell Nevius, Miles G. Blakeslee, Almond H. Wentworth.

On June 16th the Chapter conducted its annual Memorial Services, jointly with the Second Company of Governor's Foot Guards. Following the service at the Historical Society House, a parade formed and marched to place wreaths at the Monument to General David Humphreys and the statue of Nathan Hale at the Yale Campus.

CAPTAIN JOHN COUCH BRANCH, MERIDEN-A regular meeting was held on March 7, at the State Trade School. Prizes were awarded the winners of the George Washington Student Art Competition. This was followed by a short speaking program. All the pictures in the competition were displayed.

The Chapter called its annual meeting on April 22nd, but it was immediately adjourned to the evening of May 6th at the home of President Decherd. After hearing annual reports, a program



STATUE OF NATHAN HALE AT NEW LONDON

descriptive of the Tercentenary Celebration of Connecticut was enjoyed. All officers were reelected.

Tri-State Meeting

Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island Societies held their annual Tri-State meeting at the invitation of the Connecticut Society at New London, on June 6th, in connection with the ceremonies of dedication of the Nathan Hale statue above illustrated.

The meeting preceded the formal program of the dedication, at the Methodist Church, the delegates first enjoying a luncheon served by the ladies of the church. In addition to delegates from each Society, the Hon. George M. Haight, executor of the will of Carlotta Boone, donor of the fund for the erection of the Hale statue, was a special guest, the honor guest being the newly elected President General, Mr. Henry F. Baker of Baltimore. Frederick MacMonnies, the artist sculptor of the original statue, of which the present one is a duplicate, was also present.

President Whittelsey of the Connecticut Society, as host, and Past President General Ernest E. Rogers, in charge of the program of dedication, welcomed the guests, and Mr. Baker extended the greetings of the National Society in a brief address, stressing the need of teaching both love and understanding of the Constitution, and to resist all efforts to tear it down.

Following the business and short program of addresses, a parade was formed escorted by a platoon from the Regular Army, augmented by platoons of Marines, Coast Guard, and Legion Color Guards and Color Guards from several veterans' organizations, with their auxiliaries, Mattatuck Fife and Drum Corps in colonial uniforms, and High School marching units, all making a most colorful pageant. Massed S. A. R. Flags surrounded President General Baker, Chairman Rogers and the S. A. R. officers, who were followed by the Connecticut Compatriots, the Massachusetts and Rhode Island S. A. R. officers and members.

The dedication program, arranged by Past President General Rogers as Chairman, was impressive and provided one of the most appropriate occasions for the entrance of Connecticut into her Tercentenary year, this being one of the earliest celebrations on the general program which was inaugurated at New Haven a few days earlier. To have an exclusively S. A. R. celebration seemed most suitable.

Delaware Society

The annual meeting and banquet of this Society was held on the evening of April 27th, at the Wil mington Club, Wilmington. President G. Morris Whiteside presided, and following annual reports the following officers were elected: President Alex. ander H. Lord; Vice Presidents, Joseph L. Pyle Cummins E. Speakman, William V. Sipple; Secre, tary-Treasurer, Joseph R. Hatch; Reigstrar-His. torian, Charles A. Rudolph; Chaplain, Rev Charles W. Clash. Managers: Walter D. Bush. George A. Elliott, Willard A. Speakman, Willard Springer, Jr., was nominated for National Trustee. and the retiring President, G. Morris Whiteside II. was appointed as Secretary to the Committee of Correspondence and Safety, cooperating with the National Committee.

The banquet speaker was Dr. St. George L. Sioussat, whose topic was "True and False Fears Concerning the Constitution."

The Society was represented at the Louisville Congress by the newly elected President, Mr. Alexander H. Lord.

District of Columbia Society

The 45th anniversary of the organization of this Society has been commemorated by special programs through the months of April, May and June, this being the period covering the preliminary organization to the receiving of the Charter from the National Society. In March the Society was privileged to hear an outstanding address on "The Evacuation of Boston," illustrated, by Mr. Charles Colfax Long, nationally known lecturer and a recently accepted member.

The April meeting, to which the ladies were invited, celebrated both the preliminary organization of the Society and Army Day, and the dual program honored these early members of the Society still active, with special "citations," and presented an address on "The Civilian Conservation Corps," by Hon. James J. McEntee, Assistant Director of this work, with a musical program by Mrs. Marion Gardner.

In May the Society held special Memorial Services in honor of deceased members and of Dr. Stephen B. Balch, Revolutionary soldier, at Oak Hill Cemetery, Georgetown. This is an annual event, and a most impressive ceremony. Tribute to Dr. Balch, as representing all revolutionary soldiers of the District, and to each deceased member of the Society who has passed on during the year, were given by various compatriots, concluding with "Taps" at the grave of Dr. Balch and from the four points of the compass. After these formal ceremonies, supper was served at the

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Georgetown Presbyterian Chapel, by the ladies of the Parish. A brief business meeting ensued.

On June 15th the Society made a pilgrimage to Mount Vernon and placed a wreath on the Tomb of General Washington. At this meeting President General Henry F. Baker was guest of honor, together with other national officers, including Vice President General Laurence Leonard, Secretary-Registrar General Frank B. Steele, Genealogist General Clifton P. Clark, and Treasurer General George S. Robertson of Baltimore. This meeting marked the close of the anniversary meetings.

A very fine address on this occasion was made by Senator King of Utah, who spoke inspiringly in defense of the Constitution, and of our obligations at this time.

A delightfully informal supper party in honor of President General Baker was tendered by the officers of the District Society after the return to Washington following these ceremonies.

Florida Society

The annual meeting of the State Society was unavoidably deferred until June 15th, because of the illness of Secretary John H. Cross. The following officers were elected: President, Judge Burton Barrs; Vice Presidents, Peter O. Knight, F. M. Hudson, Dr. H. M. Richards, H. F. Atwood, William F. Look, M. E. Shultz, Frederick W. Taylor, and Dr. Baltzell; Secretary-Treasurer, John H. Cross; Registrar, F. F. Bingham; Chancellor, George P. Wentworth; Chaplain, Rev. Edgar L. Pennington; National Trustee, George D. Cross.

JACKSONVILLE CHAPTER—Regular meetings are held each month, the outstanding event of the winter being the Washington's Birthday banquet, on February 22nd, held at the George Washington Hotel. The Hon. G. B. Knowles, of Bradentown, past president of the Florida Department of the American Legion and the president of the Alumni Association of the University of Florida, was the speaker. Judge Burton Barrs, President of the Florida State Society was also present and spoke.

The annual meeting of the Florida State Society was postponed from April to June because of the illness of State Secretary John H. Cross. The Jacksonville Chapter and the Florida Society have been actively interested in the passage of H. R. 3416, to establish the Fort Caroline National Monument in Duval County, Florida, and have requested endorsement and cooperation on the part of all state societies S. A. R., and other patriotic organizations.

All the regular meetings of the Chapter, have been marked by interesting addresses of historical significance, and special musical features.

Illinois Society

A Flag Day meeting was held in the Wedgwood Room of Marshall Field's, Chicago, with an attendance of more than 100 members, who were addressed by Charles R. Walgreen on the subject of the Constitution. Mr. Walgreen advocated seriously legislation requiring teachers to take Oath of Allegiance to the Constitution. Vice President General Charles B. Elder also spoke as did Hon. Newton H. Fairbanks, former State President of the Ohio Society, S. A. R.

President Wilbur Helm of the Illinois Society was the speaker at exercises of re-dedication of the burial place of David Kensington, a Revolutionary patriot, which has been changed from its old obscure site to one of more prominence.

SPRINGFIELD CHAPTER-The annual Lexington Day observance was this year postponed until April 27th, when the chapter met at the home of Compatriot Ozias M. Hatch, whose father was Secretary of the State during the Civil War and a personal friend of Abraham Lincoln, and who showed interesting photographs of the period. An interesting discussion was held on present day conditions. A guest of honor was Rev. J. H. Mac-Donald, whose great-great grandfather, Rev. Philip Mulkey, conducted the services at the funeral of General Washington, of whom he was a personal friend. Other traditional stories were told, one by Secretary Diller, who related how his grandfather, with other lads, had often seen General Washington drive in his coach to Christ Church, Philadelphia, and assist Mrs. Martha Washington to alight, as they came to attend divine service.

The Chapter has been able to continue its distribution of Good Citizenship Medals through the generosity of individual members.

Indiana Society

This Society was adequately represented at the annual Congress of the National Society at Louisville, by Compatriots Clarence Cook, Mark Reasoner, Newton Keister, Charles A. Breece, John L. Schrum, J. E. Mechling, E. A. Arthur, C. J. Buchanan, Clarence H. Smith, and R. P. Elder. One of the outstanding events of the opening session was the presentation to the National Society of the Indiana State Flag, a beautiful emblem, and which was presented by National Trustee Clarence A. Cook on behalf of the Indiana Society.

Iowa Society

The annual meeting of the State Society was held at Ames, on April 19th, at Memorial Union Hall, State College. The meeting commemorated the 40th year of the Iowa Society, and special honor was paid to the Charter members and other early members of the Society now living.

Registration in the morning was followed by luncheon, after which the business session convened for reports and election. A drive about the city followed this session. In the evening a banquet was served to members and guests. The speaker of the evening was Dr. Charles E. Friley, Vice President and Dean of Industrial Science at Iowa State College.

Officers were elected at the business session as follows: President, Mark B. Morris, of Ames; Vice President, Ross R. Mowry, Newton; Hugh S. Buffum, Cedar Rapids; Treasurer, William E. Barrett; Registrar, David G. Mott; Secretary, Dr. J. A. Goodrich, all of Des Moines; Historian, Edwin P. Tinkham, Fort Dodge; Chaplain, Rev. E. N. Tompkins, Sioux City; Sergeant at Arms, Captain Charles Hamilton, Ames. Managers, Charles D. Reed, Rev. Charles E. Snyder, Rev. Austin W. Lyons, and the officers. Past President Ezra C. Potter was nominated for National Trustee.

Kentucky Society

This Society has been completely absorbed during the past few months in preparations for holding the annual Congress of the National Society at Louisville, and now that the event is past history, rests in honorable pride in an achievement well done. The thanks of all who were fortunate enough to attend this Congress are due our compatriots of this State.

Recently elected officers of the Kentucky Society include Dr. Henry L. Grant, President; J. B. Wathen, Jr., Harry D. Baylor, Thomas J. Wood, George W. Hubley, Vice Presidents; Edward O. Nobbe, Secretary-Treasurer; Col. Ben LaBree, Registrar; Dr. George F. Doyle, Historian; Dean R. L. McCready, Chaplain; Dr. Frank P. Strickler, Surgeon; Edward O. Nobbe was nominated for National Trustee, and Downey M. Gray is Chairman of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety. Presidents of the several local Chapters in the State include: James C. Ward, of the PARIS CHAPTER; John S. Cline, PIKESVILLE CHAPTER; Hon. John M. Stevenson, WINCHESTER CHAPTER.

Louisiana Society

At the annual meeting held on February 22nd, the following officers were elected: President, Archie M. Smith; Honorary President, Col. Robert C. Churchill; Vice Presidents, Edwin T. Weeks, Lawrence A. Stone; Secretary, Arthur A. de la Houssaye; Treasurer, George A. Treadwell; Historian, Henry W. Robinson; Registrar, Dr. Hugh Blain; Chaplain, Rev. Frank L. Levy; Managers, Dr. Joseph T. Scott, John W. Craddock, Edwin T. Colton, E. R. DuMont, Douglas Branch.

Maryland Society

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting held in April: President, Alexander Armstrong; Secretary, George S. Robertson; Treasurer, William H. Blakeman; Registrar, Francis B. Culver.

Massachusetts Society

The 46th annual meeting of the State Society was held on April 30 at the Chamber of Commerce Building, Boston, a business session preceding the evening banquet.

A number of proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society constituted the main portion of the business meeting, at which also reports of the year's work were received from officers and committee chairmen. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Davis G. Maraspin; Vice Presidents, Graham R. Whidden, John F. Robinson, John F. Streeter: Treasurer. Ralph M. Eastman; Secretary, Clarence W. Patten; Registrar, George F. Partridge; Historian, Dr. Albert Bushnell Hart; Chaplain, Rev. Howard D. French; Curator, Dr. John F. Streeter; Trustee for three years, Channing H. Cox; Managers, Walter H. Black, Henry L. Blanchard, Wm. E. Chenery, Rupert W. Jaques, George E. Norton, Jr. Nominated for National Trustee, William J Holbrook.

The banquet followed at which the guest speaker was Hon. Leverett Saltonstall, Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

Monthly luncheon meetings continued and were held as usual in April and May at the Hotel Bellevue, Boston.

On May 26th the Massachusetts Society participated in the ceremonial Massing of the Colors at Emmanuel Church, Boston, by the presence of the Color Guard of the Society in Colonial uniform and attended by many compatriots,

On June 6, at the invitation of the Connecticut Society, S. A. R., the annual Tri-State meeting was held at New London, which representatives of this Society attended, the occasion being eventful because of the dedication of the statue to Nathan Hale by the Connecticut Society, which has been elsewhere mentioned.

OLD MIDDLESEX CHAPTER, LOWELL—The annual meeting took place on March 29, at the Holly Tree Cafe, at which time the members were addressed by Mr. Frederick W. Coburn of the *Courier-Citizen*, on the subject, "The American Revolution—A Real Revolution," and by Rev. Isaac Smith on "The Fruits of Independence." Other past officers and visiting state officers made brief remarks.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Graham R. Whidden; Vice President, Willard D. Pratt; Secretary, Charles A. Robinson; Treasurer, Russell C. Pratt; Historian, Frank W. Hall; Chaplain, Austin D. Fletcher; Auditor, Charles E. Blaisdell. Managers, Burton H. Wiggin, George L. Van Deusen, C. E. Blaisdell and Frederic Estes. OLD SALEM CHAPTER met at the Hotel Haw-

thorne, Salem, on the evening of March 11, President James D. Phillips, presiding. Judge Charles Thornton Davis delivered a scholarly address on "Marblehead in the Revolution." Officers were elected as follows: President, James D. Phillips; Vice Presidents, Charles T. Davis, George B. Farrington; Registrar, Frank A. Gardiner; Secretary Nathaniel T. Very; Executive Committee, Stephen W. Phillips, Lawrence W. Jenkins, Raymond C. Allen, Carl F. A. Morse.

OLD ESSEX CHAPTER, Lynn, met on May 16th and elected the following officers: President, John H. Welch; Vice Presidents, Edward F. Breed, Alden W. Garland; Secretary, Rupert W. Jaques; Treasurer, Homer D. Ricker; Historian, Joseph Atwood.

Michigan Society

The annual meeting was held on April 6th, at the Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, as guests of Washtenaw Chapter. The business session was held in the afternoon and was followed by a banquet to which the Daughters of the American Revolution were invited guests. A luncheon for delegates and registration preceded the business meeting. President Walter B. Ford, of Ann Arbor, presided.

Following reports of the year's work, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Wallace C. Hall, Detroit; Vice Presidents, H. Wibert Spence, Grand Rapids, William C. Krichbaum, Detroit; Secretary, Raymond E. Van Syckle; Treasurer, Charles A. Kanter; Registrar, Marquis E. Shattuck; Chaplain, Rev. Joseph A. Vance, all of Detroit; Historian, Glenn K. Stimson. Managers, Harry C. Leonard, Henry D. Wilson, Eugene P. Lake, Chester D. Woodbury, George H. Kimball, G. Marion Barker, Harry A. Burnett, George A. Ducharme, Frederic T. Harward, Robert C. Kingsley, Sidney T. Miller, Jr., Phelps Newberry, Thomas H. S. Schooley, Lloyd DeWitt Smith, Hugh E. Keeler.

A Ladies' Committee, supplemented the duties of the Entertainment Committee to provide for the pleasure of the visiting ladies, and a drive and visit to the Clements Historical Library formed part of the program. The presentation of War Service Medals to Michigan compatriots who served in the World War was a feature of the business session. The Michigan Society was represented at the Congress of the National Society at Louisville by President Wallace C. Hall, Secretary Raymond E. Van Syckle, Vice President Wm. C. Krichbaum, Vice President General Norman B. Conger, and Crawford S. Reilley.

DETROIT CHAPTER, at its luncheon meeting, held May 7th in the Ivory Room of Hotel Statler, heard Dr. M. R. Keyworth, Superintendent-elect of Public Instruction for Michigan, who spoke on the problems confronting our democratic institutions and presenting a challenge to our public schools.

WASHTENAW CHAPTER, ANN ARBOR—At the annual meeting, held January 23rd, the following officers were elected: President, Hugh E. Keeler; Vice President, W. Sears Herbert; Secretary-Treasurer, W. W. Florer; Historian, Frank M. Miller; Chaplain, Rev. G. Warren Peek.

New Jersey Society

The 46th annual meeting was held on April 27th at the Down Town Club, beginning with a noon luncheon, followed by the business session, and the election of officers resulted as follows: President, H. Prescott Beach; 1st Vice President, D. Stanton Hammond; 2nd Vice President, Clifton C. Quimby; 3rd Vice President and Librarian, Russell B. Rankin; Secretary, George Winters; Treasurer, George M. Reuck; Registrar, Dr. Harry G. Thomas; Genealogist, Ross K. Cook; Historian, Thomas W. Sweeney; Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Harry W. Noble; Chancellor, Raymond T. Parrot; National Trustee, Thomas W. Williams, and chapter representatives to the Board of Managers and delegates to the forty-sixth Congress of the National Society. After an interesting talk by Compatriot Hiram Calkins on the acquisition and preservation of the forges and Ryerson-Ringwood Manor at Ringwood, N. J., he offered a Resolution which was signed by all Compatriots present at this meeting approving the project.

The annual awards by the New Jersey Society of a dress sabre to the honor students in Military Science in the R. O. T. C. Units in Princeton and Rutgers Universities was made by President H. Prescott Beach on May 14th and May 17th respectively, President Beach being a member of the inspection and reviewing party in each case headed by Major General Dennis E. Nolan, commandant of the Second Corps Area. Cadet Lieutenant Charles W. PerLee, Jr., of Liberty, Mo., was the winner at Princeton and Cadet First Sergeant Harold R. Haskins, of New Brunswick, N. J., was the recipient at Rutgers. On June 1st President and Mrs. Beach were guests of honor at the annual meeting and luncheon held by the Revolutionary Memorial Society at the Wallace Homestead in Somerville, one of General Washington's Headquarters, restored and maintained by the Society. Past President General W. I. Lincoln Adams, of Montclair, Compatriot Merritt G. Perkins, National Trustee Thomas W. Williams, Thomas W. Williams, Jr., and David L. Pierson were present. President Beach, Past President General Adams and George DeB. Keim, Governor-General of the Society of Colonial Wars made addresses. Compatriot Charles Capron Marsh, President of the host Society, was Chairman and made the address of welcome.

President Beach, as Vice President General of the National Society, was a guest of honor with Col. Messmore Kendall, President of the Empire State Society, at an historical pilgrimage, reception and banquet given by the Syracuse, N. Y. Chapter, S. A. R., on June 4th, the party visiting the famous sites of the old forts including Fort Brewerton, Fort George, Fort Oswego and Fort Ontario, the tour ending at the Pleasant Point Club on Lake Ontario where the reception and banquet were held. President Kendall and Vice President General Beach made addresses. On June 7th, President Beach was a guest at a luncheon given by President Kendall of the Empire State Society, in honor of President General Henry F. Baker at the Metropolitan Club, New York City.

Flag Day, June 14th, was generally observed by all the Grammar and High Schools in the State and members of this Society were present at many of them making a number of addresses.

President Beach was Delegate at Large of the New Jersey delegation to the 46th annual Congress at Louisville where he reported as Vice President-General for the North Atlantic District and also as representative of the S. A. R. on the Board of the American Coalition. At the Congress the New Jersey Society subscribed for \$650. of the Certificates of Indebtedness of the National Society. The total subscriptions of New Jersey individuals and the Society were \$1750.

ELIZABETHTOWN CHAPTER celebrated Memorial Day by placing a wreath and holding appropriate services at the Minute Man Monument at the site of the Battle of Elizabethtown. The wreath was placed by Miss Martha Crane, daughter of William W. Crane, President of the Chapter and by Waler H. Cole, 3rd, nephew of Arthur F. Cole, Chapter Secretary.

On Flag Day, June 14th, the Chapter took a prominent part in the American Night Celebration held at Bennett Field, Elizabeth. An episode of

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the pageant was the Battle of Elizabethtown in which the continental army of 24 soldiers and officers was portrayed by members of the Chapter. In addition six members took part in a tableau entitled "The Marriage of Elisha Boudinot and Katie Smith," in cooperation with the ladies of the Boudinot Chapter, D. A. R.

On June 25th a successful meeting was held at the Elizabeth Y. M. C. A., having as guests members of the Abraham Clark, West Fields, and Passaic Valley Chapters, as well as the members of D. A. R. The speakers were State President H. Prescott Beach, Charles A. Philhower, an authority on the American Indian, and Mrs. John F. McMillan, Regent of the Boudinot Chapter, D. A. R.

On June 23rd the 155th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield, a patriotic service was held at which Dr. Louis Seymour Mudge was the speaker. The services were conducted by Rev. George A. Liggett, former Chaplain of the State Society.

ORANGE CHAPTER contributed and sent representatives to a reception held in Orange High School on April 11, 1935, to all graduates of the Y. M. C. A. Citizenship Classes. The first spring meeting was held at the Headquarters on April 18th. The members and invited guests were shown a motion picture film on copper and nickel mining and manufacturing in Canada, which was followed by refreshments and a social hour. On Sunday, April 28th, Vice President H. P. Havell spoke at Newark Museum on the Life of Audubon, and the Museum displayed his valuable collection of Audubon Birds of America.

President Cook represented the Chapter and State Society at the presentation of a plaque by Hannah Arnett Chapter, D. A. R., on May 21st in memory of John Wright, Revolutionary Soldier, which was placed upon his home in East Orange. On Sunday, May 26th, the Color Guard (father and son) and a delegation of Chapter members attended a Memorial Service held at Trinity Congregation Church. Past President David L. Pierson made his annual patriotic address on Memorial Day at Rosedale Cemetery in the presence of the G. A. R. and its affiliates.

The last meeting of the season was held on June 20th at the Chapter Headquarters when Lieutenant E. P. Sjostrom, Assistant Supervisor of Identification, N. J. State Police, spoke on fingerprinting and identification with exhibits.

MONTCLAIR CHAPTER—The annual meeting was held April 2nd at the home of Compatriot and Mrs. Edwin S. Hall, when the following officers were elected: President, Clifton C. Quimby; Vice Presidents, Dallas Flannagan, Charles C. West; Secretary, James C. Higgins; Treasurer, V. T. Smith; Registrar, Frank R. Pingry; Historian, Louis S. Carpenter; Chaplain, Rev. John H. Willey. The Chapter participated in the Town of Montclair's celebration of Memorial Day. Many of the Chapter members were on the Mayor's Committee and took an active part.

Mayor Carlson of Montclair appointed Compatriot Clifton C. Quimby Chairman of the Independence Day Committee for 1935. The Chapter will take an active part in the celebration.

NEWARK CHAPTER—The annual meeting took place on April 10th at the State Headquarters, at which time the following officers were elected: President George M. Reuck; Vice President, Sayers Coe; Secretary, Watson W. Ingersoll; Treasurer, Benjamin J. Coe; Historian, Rev. Joseph F. Folsom; Registrar, Dr. Herbert R. Talmage; Chaplain, Rev. Walter L. Whallon.

The first meeting of the new year was held on May 22nd when a demonstration of the Newark Police Auto Radio was given. Past President Louis Sherwood of the State Society gave a very interesting address on "Our Immigration Problem."

PARAMUS CHAPTER, RIDGEWOOD—The annual meeting was held on April 25th, when the following officers were elected: President, Louis J. Rice; Vice President, Charles A. Bogert, Treasurer, Willard P. Smith; Registrar, Arthur J. Goff; Historian, Ira W. Travell; Chaplain, Rev. Henry D. Cook. The meeting was held at the home of Compatriot Charles A. Bogert at River Edge.

On May 25th members and friends motored to Tappan and visited the old Dutch Church, the place of Major Andre's execution; the jail where he was confined, and Washington's Headquarters. From there they visited Stoney Point at the site of Mad Anthony Wayne's battlefield, thence to Washington's Headquarters at Newburgh. After a delightful dinner an address was delivered by Past President Arthur J. Goff. The pilgrimage was enjoyed by a large representation of the Chapter.

PASSAIC VALLEY CHAPTER, SUMMIT—The 20th anniversary of the founding of the Chapter was marked by a very enjoyable and largely attended dinner and reception at the Canoe Brook Country Club on May 6. Mrs. William A. Becker, newly elected President-General of the Daughters of the American Revolution and H. Prescott Beach, President of the New Jersey Society, were guests of honor. President Chauncey S. Hickok presided. A very interesting summary of the founding and activities of the Chapter were read by Chapter Historian Malcolm McDougall. A brief address was given by President Beach, and greetings were brought by Mayor Edward T. Snook. John Len-

ord Merrill, Past President, who at the time of the organization of the Chapter presented the charter to the chapter, delivered a delightful address. Mrs. William A. Becker, whose speech was the first publicly made since her election in Washington, outlined the activities of the D. A. R. and emphasized the work to be done. Following the program of the evening a reception followed in the lounge of the club, with Mrs. Becker, Mr. Merrill, Mr. Beach, Mr. Hickok and Mayor Snook receiving the guests.

WEST FIELDS CHAPTER-On Sunday, May 26th, as a preliminary to the usual Memorial Day observance, a Union Memorial Service at which all the patriotic societies of Westfield were present, was held in the Congregational Church under the auspices of this Chapter. Veterans organizations, patriotic, civic and fraternal groups attended. massing their colors at the altar of the Church. An address was delivered by Rev. William K. McKinney. On Memorial Day members of the WEST FIELDS CHAPTER, with colors and color guard, participated in the regular Memorial Day parade and services at the Woodlawn and Revolutionary Cemeteries. Wreaths were placed jointly by S. A. R. and D. A. R. before World War and Revolutionary monuments.

Plans for the annual pilgrimage on June 22nd conducted by this Chapter have been completed by Chairman Albert R. Sampson. The trip will be to Ringwood Manor.

CAPTAIN ABRAHAM GODWIN CHAPTER, PATER-SON—At the annual meeting the following officers were elected: President, Effingham N. Dodge; Vice Presidents, Victor Dumont, George Winters; Recording Secretary, Dr. William H. Rauchfuss; Treasurer, George Winters; Corresponding Secretary, Edward J. Serven; Historian, D. Stanton Hammond; Registrar, Isaac A. Serven; Chaplain, Rev. Arthur N. Bean.

Dr. William H. Rauchfuss, an active member of the Chapter, has been appointed Curator of the Dey Mansion.

The Chapter has been cooperating with the Passaic County Historical Society in setting up the museum at the (Lambert Castle) Garret Mountain Reservation. There are a number of Revolutionary War relics in the museum. Memorial Day was observed by the Chapter at Lambert Castle, where a most interesting display of flags from the Revolutionary War period to the present time were seen.

SOUTH JERSEY CHAPTER—The Chapter held its annual meeting at the Indian King Tavern, when the following officers were elected: President, Edwin S. Glenn; 1st Vice President and Secretary, Joseph Walton; 2nd Vice President and Treasurer, Frank H. Stewart; Registrar and Historian, George C. Connor; Chaplain, Frank A. Kendall; Captain of the Color Guard, Frank D. Martin.

ABRAHAM CLARK CHAPTER, ROSELLE—The annual meeting was held at which the following officers were elected: President, Arthur R. Chaffee; Vice President, Robert R. Williams; Secretary, Rev. H. K. England; Treasurer, Gail B. Jenkins; Chaplain, Rev. Herbert K. England; Registrar, Oliver P. Schneeweiss. The Chapter is cooperating with the local patriotic organizations in celebrating the patriotic holidays.

MAPLEWOOD CHAPTER—At a recent meeting the following officers were elected: President, Thomas W. Sweeney; Vice Presidents, Arthur G. Kingman, Egbert W. Van Nest; Corresponding Secretary, Wentworth L. Harrington; Recording Secretary, A. T. Bunzey; Treasurer, Ripley Watson; Registrar, Robert E. Goldsby; Historian, Chester L. Fisher; Chaplain, A. P. Bachman.

On April 25 a meeting was held at the Maplewood Country Club when Mr. John DeHart, Chairman of the Township Committee spoke on "Maplewood, Its History and Its Problems of Today." The Chapter was well represented at the meeting. At a meeting on May 23rd, First Vice President D. Stanton Hammond spoke on "The History of the Sons of the American Revolution," at the Washington Inn.

RUTHERFORD CHAPTER—The annual meeting was held at the home of Compatriot Stanton T. Lawrence when the following officers were elected: President, Elmer E. Dimon; Vice Presidents, Stanton T. Lawrence, William K. Vernon; Treasurer, Charles T. Hamilton; Secretary, Frederick E. Pinkham; Historian, Charles E. McDowell. An open meeting of the Chapter was held on April 12th at the Unitarian parish house when Rev. Dr. Harry Bowlby was the principal speaker. Several musical features formed a part of the program.

JERSEY CITY CHAPTER—At the annual meeting the following officers were elected: President Arthur S. Kimball, Vice Presidents, John M. B. Wainwright, Walter B. Fred; Secretary, Dr. Harold A. Koonz; Treasurer, Sanford A. Tracy; Registrar, James N. Elliott; Historian, Irving Underhill.

NUTLEY CHAPTER—On June 14th Compatriot John T. Hancock, President of the Chapter, presented a medal to Robert Scott of the Senior High School for the best essay on the "Adoption of the American Constitution." The essay contest was sponsored by the Chapter. It is planned to make this medal award an annual affair. On June 19th a representative of the Chapter presented a Good Citizenship medal to the student of the Junior High School who was selected by other pupils of the class and the faculty as the outstanding h_{Onor} student in all respects.

The Chapter has been commemorating historic anniversaries in the Senior and Junior High School Assemblies. On the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and Concord, President Hancock spoke to both assemblies. Compatriot William J. Coughtry spoke to the High Schools on Memorial Day.

Empire State Society

The annual meeting of the State Society and of the NEW YORK CHAPTER were held jointly, according to custom, at the Hotel Plaza, on the evening of April 24, Col. Messmore Kendall presiding over the former. Reports of the year's work showed a very creditable number of new members admitted during the year, namely, 120, placing this Society again at the head of all other states in acquisition of new members; an excellent proportion of these were under thirty years of age. This fine increase gives the Empire State Society custody of the Syracuse Traveling banner, for the third consecutive year.

Officers elected at this meeting are as follows: President, Col. Messmore Kendall; Vice Presidents, Joseph D. Morrell, Captain Joseph N. Greene, De Edward J. Wynkoop; Secretary, Major Charles A. DuBois; Treasurer, Rexford Crewe; Registrar, Francklyn Hogeboom; Historian, Oscar J. Smith; Chaplain, Rev. A. Elwood Corning; National Trustee, George McK. Roberts.

At the banquet following the business session there were brief talks from Chapter representatives present, and a special talk was given informally by former Congressman William S. Bennet, who spoke on Temple Hill, and Captain John B. Trevor, President of the American Coalition, spoke on the work being done by this organization.

On June 7th, President Kendall tendered a luncheon in honor of President General Henry F. Baker at the Metropolitan Club in New York, when the latter made a most impressive address outlining his convictions on the present day situation with reference to attempts being made to tear down the fundamental principles of the United States Constitution, and of the need of our immediate efforts to prevent changes in our form of government.

Among the guests were H. Prescott Beach, Vice President General; Col. Louis Annin Ames, Past President General; Frederick H. Cone, President of the New YORK CHAPTER; Charles A. Du-Bois, Secretary; Francklyn Hogeboom, Registrar; Frederick deG. Hahn; David L. Pierson; Rev. A. Elwood /Corning; Thomas W. Williams, President of NEWBURGH CHAPTER; Capt. Richard V. Goodwin; Capt. John Bond Trevor; Charles Edward Merrill; Col. Henry B. Fairbanks; Hon. William S. Bennet; Lieut.-Col. Chas. H. Bauer; Alan R. Hawley; George McK. Roberts; George Royce Brown; Hon. Oscar J. Smith, and William Van Wyck.

SYRACUSE CHAPTER—The Chapter was visited on March 29th by Secretary General Frank B. Steele, who met the compatriots at a luncheon gathering and told of the activities of the National Society and especially made a plea for subscriptions of the Certificates of Indebtedness which are to re-finance the mortgage indebtedness of the Headquarters property in Washington. Mr. Steele told of the work being done along the lines of immigration restriction and general National Defense and urged active support of all.

On June 6th, the Chapter conducted a patriotic pilgrimage about the historical sections of Onondaga and Oswego counties, visiting sites of much interest, principally the pre-revolutionary forts at Oswego. Vice President General H. Prescott Beach, of New Jersey, and Col. Messmore Kendall, President of the Empire State Society, attended, both of whom gave brief talks of practical interest and value regarding the work of the Society and the responsibilities of the individual members and Chapters. The tour was most ably directed by Dr. J. C. Riggs, formerly principal of the Oswego Normal School, who planned the trip with the thought of bringing the maximum information to those who attended. At Fort Oswego, General Charles D. Roberts, in command, gave a splendid talk on early activities at this point and continued with the party to the Pleasant Point Country Club, where dinner was served.

The Chapter was represented at the Louisville Congress by an excellent delegation, including Dr. Bradford W. Sherwood, President, Edward K. Ives, President-elect, and Alfred Wise, Secretary. The Chapter deeply mourns the loss by death recently, of Dr. Henry H. Hadley, Chaplain, and prominent divine of Syracuse.

On June 14th, the Chapter will dedicate a tablet and boulder in commemoration of services rendered early settlers by the friendly Onondaga Indians, which is erected jointly by the N. Y. State Educational Department, the City of Syracuse and SYRACUSE CHAPTER, S. A. R.

NEW YORK CHAPTER—The group of younger members of this Chapter known as the Young Men's Division, is well organized, with by-laws formally adopted, and committees on membership and entertainment, and plans for regular meetings well arranged. Meetings were held in January, February and March, a dinner and dance being a feature of the first two, while an informal smoker and address by Colonel Vaughn, second-ranking

American World War Ace, at the March meeting, was full of interest. On April 6th, members of the Division participated with the N. Y. Color Guard in the Army Day parade led by President Frederick H. Cone, to the number of about thirty, and at the special service on April 14th at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, the Color Guard in uniform served as ushers. A Glee Club has been organized under the direction of Mr. John Lockwood, and rehearsals are in progress, preparatory to rendering programs at the meetings next winter.

NEWBURGH CHAPTER, on April 30th, lected the following officers: President, Rev. A. Elwood Corning; Vice Presidents, Roy P. Curtis, William E. DeWitt; Secretary, J. Percy Hanford; Treasurer, George C. Atkins; Registrar, William M. Stanbrough; Chaplain, Rev. M. Seymour Purdy; Historian, Claude A. Conover; Color Custodian, Lewis Webb.

President Corning attended the Louisville Congress and was given a short time on the program to present the project of Temple Hill, in which this Chapter is greatly interested.

COL. CORNELIUS VAN DYCK CHAPTER, SCHENEC-TADY—The annual meeting was held on June 4, at the Alpine Restaurant, dinner following the business session, at which Thaddeus S. Ogonowski, Esq., addressed the members on "Activities of Kosciuszko and Pulaski in the American Revolution." President W. W. Campbell presided.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Dr. H. S. Liddle; Vice Presidents, J. Glen Sanders, John W. Van Auken; Secretary, Hanford Robison; Treasurer, Frank C. Zapf; Chaplain, Aaron Becker; Registrar, P. Schuyler Miller; Historian, C. E. Bennett. Executive Committee, William W. Campbell, Adam Reynolds, C. E. Huntley, R. A. Rowlands, H. S. Van Vorst

It is planned to participate in September in patriotic exercises tentatively being arranged at Lake George, where re-interment of the bones of four Revolutionary soldiers recently discovered is expected to take place, at Lake George Battlefield Park. The New York Historical Association is interested and will sponsor these exercises.

BUFFALO CHAPTER—The annual meeting was held on Flag Day, June 14th, at the Buffalo Club, at which time the following officers were elected: President, Joseph D. Morrell; Vice Presidents, Andrew B. Gilfillan, Horace B. Pomeroy; Secretary, Lewis C. Conant; Treasurer, Charles T. Wettlaufer; Registrar, Charles F. Adams; Chaplain, Paul H. Hoffman. Directors chosen were George E. Barrows, George B. Bassett, A. Burt Armstrong, George W. Whitehead, Oscar C. Lautz, Bert J. Ross, Dr. Frank S. Rasbach, Burton U. Dimick, William E. Otto. The members were addressed by Assemblyman Arthur L. Schwartz, who spoke on the Constitution, urging opposition to radical changes therein now being attempted.

The Chapter has been called upon to relinquish by death two devoted members and officers, Mr. William A. Galpin, Registrar, and Major Henry A. Brown, Treasurer and former President.

North Dakota Society

The annual meeting was held in Fargo, on April 26th, at which time these officers were elected: President, Vine D. Lord, Cando; Vice Presidents, H. L. Chaffee, Amenia; George S. Register, Bismarck, and C. S. Buck, Jamestown; Secretary, Leland S. Burgum; Registrar, Morton L. McBride; Treasurer, W. S. MacFadden; Chaplain, C. T. Ensign. Retiring Secretary, Cap E. Miller, and retiring Registrar, Albert B. Yoder, have been serving the Society for a long period and have done splendid work in their respective offices. Mr. Yoder has recently removed to Seattle.

Retiring President Dr. John D. Carr and the former President, Elmour D. Lum, attended the Louisville Congress, where the latter was elected to the office of Vice President General for the North Mississippi District.

Ohio Society

The annual meeting took place at Toledo, on April 26, at which time the following officers were elected: President, Hon. Lester L. Cecil, Dayton; Vice Presidents, Harry S. Manchester, William H. Alexander; Secretary-Registrar, William M. Pettit; Treasurer, William H. Alexander; Historian, Walter J. Sherman; Chaplain, Rev. Walter King; Chaplain Emeritus, Rev. Edward P. Whallon. Managers: E. Nelson High, Milo J. Warner, H. William Holsinger, Dr. Frank V. Gardner, Donald F. Lybarger, Alfred C. String, Paul R. Lamiell. Hon. Lester L. Cecil was nominated as National Trustee.

The Society went on record in a series of resolutions as endorsing a strong National Defense program; Military Training in Schools and Colleges; the distribution of the Good Citizenship Medal of the National Society and support of other citizenbuilding programs; and assistance in building up of the National S. A. R. Library by appropriate contributions thereto.

The Society will make every effort during the coming year to restore to membership those who have been obliged to drop out because of financial conditions.

RICHARD MONTGOMERY CHAPTER, Dayton—A luncheon meeting was held on June 7th at the Engineer's Club, when plans were made for the dedication of a tablet at the grave of Sebastian Heeter, a Revolutionary soldier buried at New Providence Lutheran Cemetery, near Trotwood, on Sunday, June 30th. Compatriot Ezra M. Kuhns will unveil the marker.

The Chapter has been honored in the selection of its President, Hon. Lester Cecil, and former President William M. Pettit, as President and Secretary-Registrar, respectively, of the State Society. Vice President W. H. Alexander is also State Treasurer, all of which will center the State Headquarters at Dayton. The retiring Secretary-Registrar of the State Society, Mr. Walter D. McKinney of Columbus, has served the Society in this capacity most faithfully for a number of years.

CINCINNATI CHAPTER—Participation in the ceremony of the Massing of the Colors was an outstanding activity of this Chapter, at which time eleven facsimiles of early American flags, marking the evolution of our present emblem were carried by compatriots of the Chapter. The service took place out of doors in the beautiful natural amphitheater at Eden Park.

Oklahoma Society

At a luncheon meeting held on April 12, the OKLAHOMA CITY CHAPTER was privileged to entertain Vice President General William H. Arnold, of Texarkana, Arkansas, in charge of the South Mississippi District. New officers of the Chapter were installed.

TULSA CHAPTER—The annual meeting was held on April 19th, when the following officers were elected: President, Waldo J. Bashaw; Vice President, J. Garfield Buell; Secretary-Treasurer, George E. Bennett; Registrar, John B. Meserve; Historian, John K. Weaver; Chaplain, James M. Hall.

The Chapter is making many plans for renewed activity and increase of membership, and will hold regular monthly meetings.

Oregon Society

On May 22nd, the Society was privileged to meet as guests of Compatriot James A. Hill, at the Hill Military Academy. A program of music by the Academy Orchestra, and an enjoyable social time was greatly appreciated.

The Oregon Society was successful in bringing in a goodly number of younger members who transferred from the C. A. R. during the past year, and at the close found it had tied with the California Society in this respect, so that the Traveling Banner given by Compatriot T. W. Williams of New Jersey to the National Society C. A. R., for transferring the largest number of C. A. R. members to the S. A. R. was shared with the "Golden Gate State." The presentation was made at the annual Congress of the C. A. R. by Secretary General Steele, representing Mr. Williams, and was accepted by the C. A. R. Director of California for her Society for six months, after which the banner will be received and held by the Oregon C. A. R. for the remainder of the year.

This Society was represented at the Louisville Congress by Mr. Edgar M. Lazarus, who presented a report showing the Oregon Society had closed its year with a net gain in membership, for the first time in several years. The Society has done splendid work in placing a number of the Certificates of Indebtedness issued by the National Society, totaling over \$700.00, and is gaining constantly in membership and active interest in general patriotic work.

Pennsylvania Society

PITTSBURGH CHAPTER held an open luncheon meeting on April 18th in celebration of Lexington Day, when members and guests were addressed by Compatriot Rev. W. L. Moser, D. D., Chaplain 112th Regiment, P. N. G., on the topic, "Patriots' Day."

This Chapter has distributed 100 Good Citizenship Medals to the schools in Pittsburgh this year, and has been interested in this splendid work since it was inaugurated.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER held the usual Memorial Day ceremonies on May 30th, members attending exercises at Cheyney Burial Ground and assisting in the decorating of the Revolutionary soldiers' graves there and elsewhere, and visiting the Brandywine Battlefield. Past President Hiram L. Wynne placed a memorial wreath at Bethel M. E. Church on Skippack Pike on Sunday, May 26th. On Flag Day the Chapter placed a wreath at the grave of Betsy Ross in Mt. Moriah Cemetery, and on July 4th members will participate in a religious service on invitation of the Old Pine Street Presbyterian Church.

CONTINENTAL CHAPTER, Philadelphia, elected the following officers on February 22nd: President, W. Harvey Johnson; Vice President, Benjamin T. Hare; Secretary, John P. Henrie; Treasurer, William B. Vrooman; Registrar, Pearce M. Gabell; Historian, Frederick C. Young.

GEN. ARTHUR ST. CLAIR CHAPTER, Dormont— Officers of this Chapter were elected in the early spring as follows: President, Samuel J. Reno, Jr.; Secretary, Ralph A. McGiffin, both of Pittsburgh.

Rhode Island Society

Members of this Society participated in dedicatory exercises sponsored by the D. A. R. on April 18th at "Patriots' Square," commemorating the services of R. I. men in the Revolutionary War. Col. Willis C. Metcalf, U. S. A. Ret., presided and with other S. A. R. members assisted in arranging the impressive ceremonies. Mrs. Lucien O. Appleby, Regent of Stephen Olney Chapter D. A. R., unveiled the tablet.

The new President of the Rhode Island Society is Mr. Winfield S. Solomon, elected on February 22nd. Other officers were re-elected.

Tennessee Society

This Society received the award of the Colorado Traveling Banner at the Louisville Congress for its very fine percentage of gain in membership during the year, and will proudly hold this banner for the coming year and display it on all possible occasions.

The Society was represented at the Congress by Past President General Frederick W. Millspaugh, Secretary Crownover, Marc F. Sanderson and National Trustee J. Walter Allen, the latter receiving the honor of election as Historian General of the National Society.

ANDREW JACKSON CHAPTER, Nashville—A delightful luncheon meeting was held at the University Club on April 17th, when the honor guests were Admiral Caperton, U. S. N., and Bishop Thomas Gailor, the latter having been the first Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in America.

Texas Society

The annual meeting was held at Arlington, in the Gymnasium of North Texas Agricultural College, at which time the guest of honor was Vice President General William H. Arnold, of the South Mississippi District, from Texarkana, Arkansas. Mrs. Arnold accompanied the Vice President General, and much appreciation of their visit was felt.

At the business session, following reports which showed that the Society is making steady gains in membership and outlining plans for future activities, the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Valin R. Woodward, of Fort Worth; Vice Presidents, Col. P. L. Downs, H. T. Baird, A. C. McDavid; Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. C. S. Woodward; Registrar, R. W. Fender; Directors, W. D. Bates, J. B. Sawtell, W. F. Beers and James C. Jones.

Vice President General Arnold gave a very fine address at the open meeting following the business session, taking the Constitution as his subject. He was introduced by former Vice President General, Hon. Oscar B. Colquitt, and Dean E. E. Davis of the College greeted the guests in a brief address of welcome. Good Citizenship Medals were presented by President Charles J. Maxwell to a boy and girl of the Arlington grammar school. The incoming President, Dr. Woodward, has donated these medals for several years past.

GALVESTON CHAPTER—A luncheon meeting was held on March 25th, at the Jean Lafitte Hotel, President Robert W. Humphreys presiding. Brief remarks by Mr. Humphreys relative to the work of the Society and the need of more frequent meetings and renewed activity preceded informal discussion. A majority of the Chapter went on record as endorsing the establishment of an R. O. T. C. Unit in the Galveston High School. Also at the suggestion of the State Secretary, Dr. C. S. Woodward of Arlington, the Chapter voted to extend an invitation to the State Society to hold its 1936 annual meeting at Galveston.

President Humphreys advocated appointment of a committee in the State Society to further legislation requiring teachers in schools and colleges and higher institutions be required to take Oath of Allegiance to the U. S. Constitution, similar to legislation passed in several other commonwealths. Appointment of delegates to the meeting of the State Society at Fort Worth on April 19th and election of officers concluded the business. Officers include Mr. Robert W. Humphreys, President; Thomas D. Affleck, Vice President; Walter S.

Utah Society

Mayer, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Utah Society is honored by an experience, unique in the annals and history of the National Organization in that two medals, presented by the Society for patriotic oratory, were won by the same contestant within one week of each other, and that contestant a fifteen-year-old girl. Miss Gladys Voris, of Salt Lake City, granddaughter of Hon. F. C. Richmond, for many years a member of the Utah Society, was the winner. Miss Voris whose picture appears herewith is a student at Rowland Hall, the leading Girls School of Salt Lake City. Miss Voris won the oratorical contest at Rowland Hall, her subject being National Defense. A few days later a four state contest of Nevada, Idaho, Arizona and Utah was held at the Brigham Young University, Provo. Miss Voris was invited to compete and again won the first prize which was presented by the Utah Society. Miss Voris treated her subject with exceptional ability and her grace and poise, while delivering her oration, were exceptionally fine. Every other contestant in the interstate contest was several years older than Miss Voris.

It is interesting to note that the late Calvin Coolidge, former President, won a similar prize on the same subject when a student at Amherst Col-



MISS GLADYS VORIS Salt Lake City Medal Winner

lege. The Utah Society is proud of Miss Voris and extends congratulations to her honored grandfather, Compatriot F. C. Richmond.

Virginia Society

Compatriot Charles H. Hart, Jr., 1st Lieutenant, U. S. A., of the Military Department of the University of Idaho, at Moscow, and a member of the Virginia Society, has personally sponsored the award of an R. O. T. C. Medal at the annual inspection and review of the students. The Medal was given to Cadet Theron Ward, of Jerome, selected by the committee as best typifying the ideal qualities for which these Medals are presented.

NORFOLK CHAPTER—At a meeting held on April 5th, at the home of Compatriot Joseph T. Deal, this Chapter paid tribute to two of its honored members. Judge William H. Sargeant, who founded the Chapter on February 7, 1924, and has since been President and served both the Chapter and State Society of Virginia in many honored capacities, was made Honorary President for Life. Mr. Charles Day, of the staff of the Ledger-Dispatch, was elected poet laureate for the Chapter. Delegates and alternates were elected to attend the National Congress at Louisville, and the candidacy of Dr. W. H. T. Squires for the office of Historian General of the National Society was endorsed. Plans for a fall meeting and Constitution Day observance were formulated. The speaker was Mr. Winder R. Harris, of the Virginian Pilot, whose address was on "The Relation of the United States to the Present International Situation."

The Chapter has made steady growth in membership during the past five years, despite adverse conditions, and closed this year with a membership of over 60. Good Citizenship Medals have been presented annually to the number of about fourteen.

THOMAS NELSON, JR., CHAPTER, The Peninsula— The Chapter was entertained on the evening of April 5th at the home of Mrs. H. C. Krebs, Willamsburg, when an illustrated talk on the work of the National Park Service in preserving and developing the historical sites and structures at Yorktown, and the exploration being conducted on the wrecks of the British vessels *Charon* and *Guadalupo*, sunken in York River, were graphically described by Mr. Floyd Flickinger, Superintendent of the National Colonial Monument, Yorktown.

On May 30th the Chapter met and elected the following officers: President, Dr. L. S. Foster; Vice Presidents, William B. Colonna, Joseph Phillips, J. A. Luttrell; Secretary, Almon C. Black; Treasurer, G. Guy Via; Historian, T. J. Stubbs, Jr.; Chaplain, J. A. Willett; Chorister, H. S. Cunningham. Managers, W. T. Stauffer, L. W. Wertheimer, Walter B. Livezey, T. C. Dickerson, DeWitt Crane.

RICHMOND CHAPTER—The March meeting took place at the Mayo Memorial, when Hon. Ben A.

Of Special Interest

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY is the proud possessor of three new State Flags, the generous gifts of the State Societies of Arkansas, Indiana and Kansas. These will be displayed on all appropriate occasions, with our other state banners, and the sincere appreciation of our officers and members generally is felt for these beautiful gifts.

It is hoped that our collection will be complete in the near future and officers of state societies not represented are assured of the receptive attitude of the National Officers in this regard.

Ruffin was the speaker. A musical program and social hour followed. In April following the business session, the Chapter was entertained by the local C. A. R. Society, with a program of "Music of Washington's Time," rendered by the young people in colonial costume.

West Virginia Society

The annual meeting of the West Virginia Society was held in the West Virginia Hotel in Bluefield on April 27. The GENERAL NATHANAEL GREENE CHAPTER acted as host to the State organization.

Because of the unavoidable absence of President James S. McCluer, First Vice President J. Hornor Davis presided at the afternoon business session. Compatriot Edwin C. Wade of Bluefield, President of Bluefield College, was elected State President for the year 1935-1936. Other officers elected were J. Hornor Davis, Clarksburg, First Vice President; E. G. Smith, Clarksburg, Second Vice President; Franklin L. Burdette, Huntington, Secretary; W. A. Markell, Charleston, Treasurer; W. Guy Tetrick, Clarksburg, Registrar; Frank L. Burdette, Huntington, Historian; Rev. Samuel W. Moore, Bluefield, Chaplain; B. B. Burns, Huntington, National Trustee; and Robert Rhodes Davis, Clarksburg, John Reid French, Bluefield, C. C. Harrold, Huntington, Lant R. Slaven, Williamson, and George W. Tavenner, Parkersburg, members of the Board of Managers. Upon an invitation extended by Compatriots from the GEORGE ROGERS CLARK CHAPTER, Clarksburg was named as the place for the next annual meeting.

SENATOR WILLIAM H. KING of Utah, in addressing the District of Columbia compatriots at Mount Vernon on June 15th (mentioned on page 61), said in effect, "This Society of yours, the Sons of the American Revolution, should have, not 15,000 to 18,000, as I understand your numbers to be, but 15 to 18 *million* members! Its worth-while work, and far-reaching prestige and influence, are well known to me and are of the greatest value to our country, and are needed in defense of our country's Constitution."

Additions to Membership

THERE HAVE BEEN enrolled in the office of the Registrar General from *March 1, 1935, to June 1, 1935, 169 new members, distributed as follows: Arizona, 3; California, 2; Colorado, 2; Connecticut, 9; Delaware, 3; District of Columbia, 11; Idaho, 1; Illinois, 18; Indiana, 4; Iowa, 1; Kansas, 1; Kentucky, 1; Louisiana, 1; Maine, 6; Maryland, 7; Massachusetts, 12; Michigan, 3; Minnesota, 1; Missouri, 1; Montana, 1; Nebraska, 3; New Jersey, 6; New York, 36; Ohio, 10; Oklahoma, 1; Oregon, 3; Pennsylvania, 4; Rhode Island, 3; South Dakota, 1; Tennessee, 3; Texas, 1; Utah, 4; Virginia, 6.

Supplemental Claims have been approved from the following states: California, 2; Connecticut, 1; D. C., 10; Indiana, 1; Massachusetts, 1; Missouri, 3; New York, 14; Ohio, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; South Dakota, 2.

Records of 169 New Members and 37 Supplementals Approved and Enrolled by the Registrar General from *March 1 to June 1, 1935

- JAMES A. ABBOTT, Providence, R. I. (53930). Great²grandson of *Josiah Pierce*, private from Maine in Mass. Troops.
- HORACE AVERY ABELL, Rochester, N. Y. (53284). Great⁴-grandson of John Workman, private in Mass. Troops; great⁸-grandson of John Bolton, private in Mass. Troops.
- WILSON FREDERICK ALBERTSON, Pekin, Ill. (53800). Great⁶-grandson of *Thomas Gladdis*, Colonel in Penna. Militia.
- OTIS HAMBRA ALDERSON, Belton, Mont. (46871). Great³.grandson of *Rev. John Alderson*, *Sr.*, patriot and soldier in Va. Troops.
- FREDERICK DE LONG ALDRICH, Cleveland, Ohio (53841). Great⁸-grandson of Peter Aldrich, Jr., private in Mass. Troops.
- EVEREST JUNIUS ALLEN, Port Chester, N. Y. (53962). Great³-grandson of *Joseph Everest*, Corporal in Vt. Militia; great³-grandson of *Waterman Wells*, private in Mass. Minute Men.
- JOHN H. BABB, Chicago, Ill. (53790). Great⁸-grandson of Blanche Mercer Babb, furnished supplies without pay in Va., 1782.
- WILLIAM WALLACE BANE, Dayton, Ohio (53844). Great²-grandson of James Miller Belden, private in Mass. Troops.
- CHARLES DOUGLASS BARNES, New York (44701). Supplementals. Great⁵-grandson of Benjamin Littell, private in N. J. Troops; great⁸-grandson of Thomas Thompson, private in N. J. Troops; great⁸-grandson of Joseph Sayre, private in N. J. Troops; great⁸-grandson of Josiah Merritt, private in N. Y. Militia.
- NATHANIEL WARING BARNES, Newburgh, N. Y. (53912). Great²-grandson of *William Deusenberrie*, private in N. Y. Line.
- HARRY JOHN BEEMAN, Glen Ellyn, Ill. (53791). Great³-grandson of Nathan Bostwick, Ensign in Conn Line.
- KENDALL BELLAMORE, New York, N. Y. (53971). Great⁸-grandson of *Daniel Barron*, private in Md. Troops.
- SAMUEL OTIS BENNION, Salt Lake City, Utah (53014). Great².grandson of *William Loveridge*, private in Conn. Troops.
- ARTHUR CAMPBELL BERG, New Rochelle, N. Y. (Conn. 53497). Great⁴-grandson of John Campbell, Quartermaster in N. J. Line.
- KREPPS WILDE BLACKBURN, Wilmington, Dela. (52269). Great³-grandson of John Hayden, private in N. J. Militia.
- * The April issue erroneously listed the new records as from *January* 1935, and should have read as from *Decem*ber 1, 1934, to March 1, 1935.

JOHN BEVERLEY BOSTWICK, New York (33237). Supplementals. Great³-grandson of *Thomas Thome*, private in N. Y. Troops; great²-grandson of Jesse Van Duzer, private in N. Y. Militia; great³-grandson of Nicholas Smith, Ensign in N. Y. Militia.

OSWIN TUTTLE BOURDON, Boston, Mass. (53884). Great²-grandson of Solomon Tuttle, private in Conn. Line.

- EVANS RALPH BRECK, Dolgeville, N. Y. (53956). Great²-grandson of *Daniel Breck*, private in Mass. Line. ROBERT EVANS BRECK, Dolgeville, N. Y. (53957). Same as 53956, *supra*.
- GEORGE FREDERICK BRICE, Portland, Ore. (52719). Great³-grandson of Seba Buttolph, private in N. Y. Line. DONALD BURGESS BRIGHAM, Pittsburgh, Pa. (53571). Great²-grandson of Jonas Brigham, Lieut. in Mass. Minute Men.
- ALBERT GRAHAM BRIGHT, Rochester, N. Y. (53913). Great²-grandson of *Walter Bernard*, private in Va. Militia.
- ELWARD DUDLEY BROWN, Brooklyn, N. Y. (53914). Great².grandson of Samuel Brown, Captain in N. J. Militia, and Captain of Gunboat.
- WALTER BIRDSALL BROWN, Governor's Is., N. Y. (53915) same as 53914 supra.
- FRED SELDON BRUINGTON, Meade, Kans. (51319). Great³-grandson of James C. Foster, private in S. C. Troops.
- WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54101). Great²-grandson of John Stevenson, Sr., private in Penna. Militia.
- FRANK WOODRUFF BUCKLES, Baltimore, Md. (D. C. 54028). Great³-grandson of *Robert Buckles 2nd.*, Lieut. in Va. Troops.
- ABRAM LINCOLN BURBANK, Upper Montclair, N. J. (53642). Great²-grandson of *Arthur Bennett*, private in Penna. Militia.
- PERRY EGICAL BURNHAM, Salt Lake City, Utah (53015). Great³-grandson of Joshua Burnham, private in Conn. Militia.
- SILAS SYLVESTER BURNHAM, Salt Lake City, Utah (53016). Same as 53015 supra.
- EARL PHILIP CADY, Chicago, Ill. (53792). Great⁸grandson of *Isaac Cady*, private in Conn. Militia.
- ARCHIBALD HENDERSON CALDWELL, Tucson, Ariz. (48897). Great-grandson of Andrew Caldwell, General in Penn. Line and Member Committee of Safety.
- THOMAS CHESTERFIELD CAMPBELL, New Orleans, La. (51867). Great²-grandson of *Peter Montjort*, private in Penna Militia.
- WALTER ALBERT CAMPBELL, Jr., Springfield, II. (53781). Great³-grandson of *Frederick Goodyear*, private in Penna. Militia.

- FREDERICK HOPE COLBURN, Belmont, Mass. (53886). Great-grandson of Ebenezer Coburn (Colburn), 1st Lieut. in Mass. Militia.
- CHARLES HENRY COLES, Hartford, Conn. (53492). Great³-grandson of *Elijah Mather*, private in Conn. Troops.
- JOSHUA CHRISTY CONNER, Wilmington, Dela. (52272). Great²-grandson of James Conner, private in Delaware Troops.
- HARRY MOORE COOK, New York, N. Y. (53963). Great²-grandson of John Cook, private in N. Y. Militia.
- STEPHEN ELWELL CORNELL, Brighton, Mass. (53885). Great³-grandson of Nathaniel Blake, private in Mass. Troops.
- WILLIAM FRANK CORNELL, Ohio (49738). Supplemental. Great³-grandson of *William Cornell*, private in Mass. Minute Men.
- CHARLES REEFFE CRAKES, Moline, Ill. (53782). Great⁴-grandson of Jesse Peck, Corporal in Conn. Troops.
- GEORGE HAZARD CROOKER, Providence, R. I. (53928). Great²-grandson of *Carder Hazard*, Justice of Colonial Judiciary and Committee for recruits in R. I.
- HAROLD KENNETH CROPSEY, New York, N. Y. (53916). Great^a-grandson of *Josiah Hull*, private in Mass. Line.
- GEORGE PRENTICE CUMMINGS, Fort Ringgold, Texas, (Mass. 53880). Great³-grandson of Elisha Cummings, private in N. H. Line.
- ROBERT GEORGE DEAN, Middlebury, Conn. (53495). Great³-grandson of *Median Griswold*, private in Conn. Line.
- FRANK NORTON DECKER, New York, N. Y. (29779). Supplemental. Great²-grandson of *Reuben Decker*, private in N. Y. Militia.
- VICTOR BARR DEMAREE, Macon, Mo. (53652). Great²-grandson of Samuel Demaree, Captain in N. J. Militia; great²-grandson of Daniel Brower, private in N. Y. Militia; great³-grandson of Abraham Banta, private in Penna. Militia; grandson of Andrew Carnine, I, private in Va. Militia.
- WILLIAM JENNINGS DEMAREST, Rye, N. Y. (53964). Great²-grandson of *Cornelius N. Demarest*, private in Minute Men of N. J.
- CHARLES MILTON DEMERS, Waterville, Me. (51623). Great²-grandson of *Thomas Olmsted*, private in Conn. Troops.
- GUY LINTON DIFFENBAUGH, Tallahassee, Fla. (54076). Great²-grandson of *John Diffenbach*, private in Penna. Militia.
- WILLIAM HARPER DILLON, W. Lafayette, Ind. (52997). Great²-grandson of *Philip Swigert*, private in Penna. Militia.
- VALENTINE SHERMAN DOEBLER, Baltimore, Md. (\$3069). Great²-grandson of *Thomas Hepburn*, Colonel in Penna. Troops.
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