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I THEREFORE BELIEVE IT IS MY DUTY TO MY COUNTRY TO LOVE IT; TO SUP-PORT ITS CONSTITUTION; TO OBEY ITS LAWS; TO RESPECT ITS FLAG; AND TO DEFEND IT AGAINST ALL ENEMIES.

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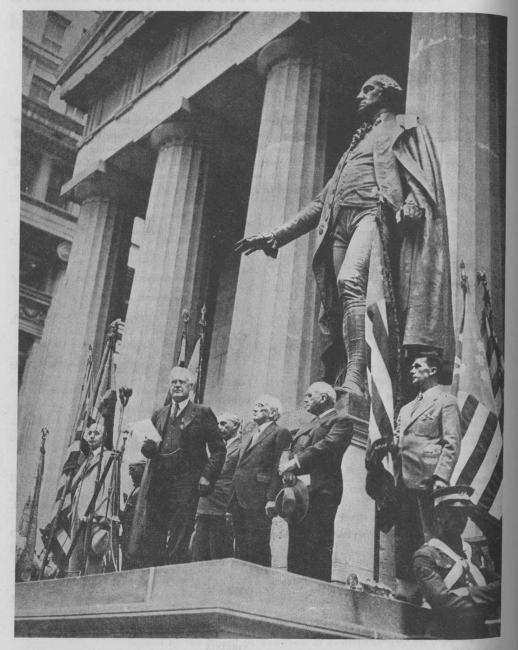
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PRESIDENT GENERAL BAKER MAKING HIS CONSTITUTION DAY ADDRESS
AT CEREMONIES AT THE SUB-TREASURY SEPTEMBER 17TH

To the right of Mr. Baker may be seen President Cone of New York Chapter, and President Messmore Kendall of the Empire State Society, S. A. R.



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Application for membership is made on standard blanks furnished by the State Societies. These blanks call for the place and date of birth and of death of the Revolutionary ancestor and the year of birth, of marriage, and of death of ancestors in intervening generations. Membership is based on one original claim; additional claims are filed on supplemental papers. The application and supplementals are made in duplicate.

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# The President General's Message

Another celebration of "Constitution Day" and "Constitution Week" has recently been completed.

From reports which have come to me, it would appear that the celebrations have been more general and more enthusiastic than ever before since the Society inaugurated the event eighteen years ago. These celebrations contribute to a greater interest in and understanding of the Constitution and the government created thereunder.

I take this opportunity to congratulate Chairman Pierson and all those associated with him upon the success of their efforts. They deserve the thanks of every member of the Society.

It seems to me that the question to which we should give most attention at this time is increase in our membership. We have a constructive program which should appeal to all those interested in their Country's welfare, especially to those who are descendants of the men who achieved the independence of the American people and founded the Republic. Furthermore, conditions existing in the Country today are such as to command the thoughtful consideration of all citizens and prompt them to give support to and cooperate with any plan having remedial measures as its objective. The basis for our appeal for new members should be an invitation to join with us in a united effort to bring about a better knowledge and understanding of our institutions and reverence for American ideals.

If this program is properly presented, I feel sure many will enlist under our banner. Major Laurence Leonard, the Chairman of our Organization Committee, will, in the near future, present plans for organization and a campaign to bring our membership up to what it should be and must be to get results.

It is my hope and expectation that our members will give loyal support to these plans and each do his share toward the creation of strong active committees in every State Society and in every Chapter. We must all realize the condition which confronts us and the necessity for cooperative effort.

We cannot be content with the programs of the past no matter how worthy they may have been. There can be no doubt but what we have united and promoted fellowship among our members, increased reverence for the principles of government founded by our forefathers, and have contributed largely to the encouragement of historical research in relation to the American Revolution. We have done much to inculcate a spirit of patriotism in the community at large.

All these things we must continue to do. In normal times this may be all we could be expected to do. These are, however, abnormal times. A spirit of change is in the air, the nerves of the people are on edge, the fundamentals of our scheme of government are being attacked; in many of our educational institutions Socialism and Communism are being encouraged, and even in the Army and Navy subversive propaganda is being distributed, apparently without let or hindrance.

Therefore, there is greater necessity for our activity than ever before. We must be alive to the situation. People must be made cognizant of the dangers which threaten our institutions

Educational institutions must be made to realize their obligations to civilization and the maintenance of representative government. Our hope is in an intelligent electorate and in the rising generation. Our people must be made to understand what the Constitution means, and the teachers in our schools must be imbued with a respect for our institutions and committed to the teaching of Americanism.

A review of the situation must convince every thinking person that something must be done to keep the Ship of State on an even keel. We cannot stand idly by and permit the theorist, the socialist and the communist to get command of the ship.

We must be up and doing. We must put the principles contained in our own Constitution into practice. We must prove the necessity for our existence by constructive action. People generally must be made Constitution conscious, our schools must be purged of any existing anti-Americanism.

We cannot hope to accomplish these results without a large membership. Numbers are what count most with the average politician. With a membership of all those eligible to our Society we could make such an impress upon the public mind as to command the attention of our lawmakers.

Let us unite in making this a memorable year for achievement.

Fraternally,

HENRY F. BAKER,

President General.

# Our Headquarters—Two Historical Events in Its Purchase

On August 26th, 1927, three Compatriots of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution met in Washington, D. C., to carry out the mandate given at the Congress of this Society in May of that year in Richmond, Virginia. It had been unanimously decided by this Congress that the Society would purchase a beautiful building on Sixteenth Street at Scott Circle in Washington, which was completely furnished and ready for occupancy.

Some slight difficulty was experienced during the few months that intervened between the original first payment or option, to secure the twenty-five thousand dollars which was to be the first actual payment on the property, but through the efforts of those men who were deeply interested in this plan to have a National Headquarters in Washington, this sum was raised, several individuals who had sufficient faith in the future of the Society, making personally substantial loans to complete the amount.

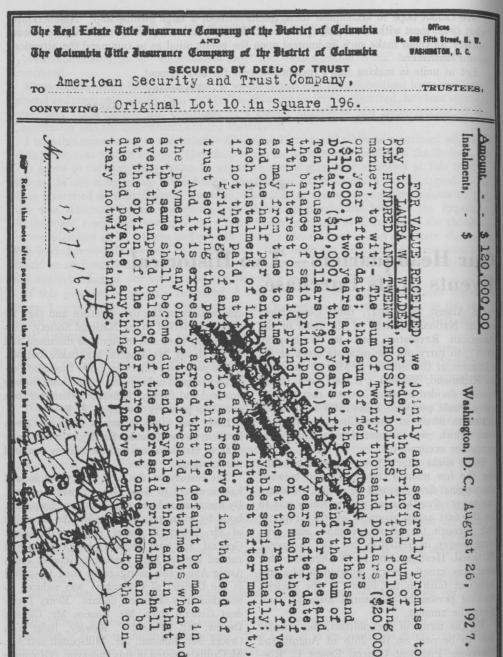
By the terms of the contract, this amount was to be paid on the 26th of August and therefore, President General Ernest C. Rogers, Mr. Henry F. Baker, who was Chairman of the Headquarters Committee, and Secretary General Frank B. Steele met in the Capital City for the purpose of closing this momentous project.

Because of a possible certain legal aspect, and to conform with the provisions of our National Charter, it was thought best that the property should be deeded to these three compatriots in the first instance and then by them transferred to the National Society. Accordingly, when the matter was discussed and finally closed, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Baker and Mr. Steele paid over the twenty-five thousand dollars and signed individually a joint note for one hundred and twenty thousand dollars and took over this property for the S. A. R.

Later that same autumn a deed was given by them to the National Society at a ceremony at these Headquarters and the Society assumed

the mortgage.

The history of the next few years is well known except to some of our newer members. By means of arduous and extensive campaigns, both by correspondence under the direction of Mr. Henry F. Baker, now our President General, and later under a plan proposed and carried out by Past President General Louis Annin Ames, this mortgage, or trust (so-called in the District of Columbia) was reduced to less than fifty thousand dollars. Every President General since, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Ganson Depew, Mr. Howard C. Rowley, Judge Van Orsdel, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Millspaugh and Mr. McCrillis, assisted in this endeavor. Of course the condition of the country after 1929 made the raising of any large amount of money extremely difficult, but our earnest, loyal compatriots, who were determined to have these Headquarters free and clear from debt, decided in the last two years to work out a plan that would at least clear up the original indebtedness. So in 1933 a committee was appointed under the chairmanship of Mr. John L. Walker



of Pittsburgh, then Vice President General, and the present plan was devised for the issuing of Certificates of Indebtedness, the sum so raised to apply on the mortgage. As is known to our compatriots generally, this plan was successfully carried out and, under the able leadership of our then President General Arthur M. McCrillis, assisted by our energetic

Treasurer General, George S. Robertson, and of course, the committee in charge, the end was practically achieved at the Congress held in Louisville this last May, after which, demonstrating the deep interest of our compatriots, there were \$855.00 worth of Certificates purchased by subscribers since the Congress, and \$388.50 paid on old pledges to the Headquar

ters Fund, making a total of \$1243.50 which has been paid in since the Congress.

Then, on August 26th, 1935, the note that these three compatriots, Rogers, Baker and Steele, had signed personally without any compunction eight years previously, was canceled and this is now in safe keeping at the National Headquarters and will probably be framed and placed conspicuously on its walls.

There was never any doubt in the minds of these gentlemen that the National Society Sons of the American Revolution would stand by and eventually free them from this personal obligation, and now the only outstanding obligation against our National Society is that which we owe to our own members who have subscribed for these Certificates of Indebtedness, and this splendid Headquarters building in Washington, all of this, is our own—held by our members, and will in a few years, it is firmly believed, be fully liquidated.

A most gratifying aid to our anxious efforts to clear this property of the mortgage and thus lift the burden of annual interest payments and final principal was the securing of tax exemption on this property, after seven years of effort to have the necessary legislation passed by Congress, which was finally accomplished in the spring of 1934. This relieves the Society of an annual outlay of some \$1600.00 or more, which sum is to be regularly laid aside now in a special redemption fund to take care of the Certificates of Indebtedness as they become due.

It is very appropriate and quite a coincidence that Mr. Henry F. Baker, who initiated the drive for funds for the National Headquarters, should now be the President General in whose administration the mortgage was finally cleared.

With this achievement as an inspiration before us, every member of this Society should deem it his duty to assist the officers of the Sons of the American Revolution to increase in strength and activity. This can best be done by a large increase in membership, and if all compatriots—officers of state societies and chapters, and individuals—will work together to this end, during the coming year, we can look forward to a substantial increase over last year's figures.—F. B. S.

# Past President General Ernest E. Rogers Writes:

August 31, 1935.

My dear Secretary-General Steele:

May I thank you for your interesting letter of August 27, advising me that the balance of the mortgage on our National Headquarters Building was liquidated on the 26th, just eight years after the purchase of the property.

After my election as President-General in Richmond, Va., on May 18, 1927, my home in New London became the National Head-quarters of the Society, and certain papers were transferred here from Adrian, Mich., the home of the preceding President General.

A meeting of the National Executive Committee was held at my residence on August 6, 1927, called primarily to hear the report of Henry F. Baker, the chairman of the Headquarters Committee.

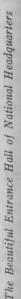
On August 26, you, Mr. Baker and I, with a forward looking view, guaranteed for the Society the payment of the mortgage of \$120,000. I am glad the mortgage is paid, but never for a moment during these eight years have I

regretted my share in the purchase of the property.

The National Headquarters was moved from my residence to Washington on October 1, 1927, and on October 18th it was my privilege to accept in the National Headquarters Building the deed of the property from Henry F. Baker, Chairman, and now our beloved President General. In my opinion our Society, without its Headquarters Building in our national capital, would not be the great power for patriotism which it is.

I always felt grateful that the members of the Executive Committee adopted the resolution which I sent by mail on September 1, 1927, proposing the removal of the Secretary General from Buffalo to the National Headquarters Building in Washington. May I say that my confidence in the ability of you and Mrs. Steele has been more than justified and the genial presence of both of you in the National Headquarters has been a valued asset to the organization. Kind regards.

Very cordially yours,
ERNEST E. ROGERS.



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# Notes and Comments

OUR members will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. G. Ridgely Sappington, wife of our esteemed Chancellor General, on August 22nd last, and the sympathy of all compatriots will be extended to her bereaved husband.

STATE OFFICERS, ATTENTION! Supplemental claims need be accompanied now with \$1.00 only instead of \$2.00 as formerly, in accordance with the amendment passed at the Louisville Congress.

THROUGHOUT the year the Red Cross stands ready to answer all calls made upon it to give emergency aid to victims of disaster and maintains programs of health work and education, first aid, water lifesaving, assistance to wardisabled ex-service men and members of our armed forces. Once each twelvemonth the Red Cross comes to you for support, to raise funds with which to do its work, by asking you to enroll as a member. Make it YOUR Red Cross. Join during Roll Call, November 11 to 28.

An organization has been formed and named "THE ALEXANDER ALEXANDER MEMORIAL Association," the object of which is to improve the burial plot of Alexander Alexander and his family on his old farm near Wells Tannery, Fulton County, Pa., and erect a monument on the plot to the memory of Alexander Alexander and his wife, Agnes Kelly, who were pioneer settlers of what is now Fulton County. Alexander Alexander was a seaman in the American Navy in the Revolution, serving on the armed boats "Chatham" and "Hancock" and the Fire Brig "Vesuvius."

The President is Mr. William Alexander Miller of 911 Monroe St., N. W., Washington, of the District of Columbia Society, S. A. R.

IT WILL BE of interest to our members to learn that the work of binding the application papers of our membership, now filed in drawers in the office of the Registrar General, has been started, pursuant to authorization by the Ways and Means Committee and a special appropriation providing for this work as recommended and adopted by the Louisville Con-

This is a constructive and very necessary alphabetically.

piece of work for the safekeeping of our valuable records of application, which should have been undertaken many years ago, and will take many years to complete or bring up to date, but the staff at National Headquarters has undertaken to get it underway, and hopes to complete an adequate number of bound volumes during the current year and to see that each year an equal number or more are finished. The preservation of our records for the future demands this attention.

PAST PRESIDENT General Josiah A. Van Orsdel was the principal speaker at Constitution Day exercises under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce at Lincoln, Nebraska, on September 17th.

All patriotic, military and service clubs participated and a large gathering greeted our distinguished member, whose address on "Our Constitution" was accepted with rousing enthusiasm.

FORMER Vice President General of our National Society, Dr. Clarkson N. Guyer, of Colorado, has recently written, requesting two R.O.T.C. medals, which he proposes to present to the Georgetown (Colorado) High School unit. Dr. Guyer was very active in the formation of the State Societies of Wyoming and Idaho during his term as Vice President General, and although he has not been very active of late, writes that his interest in the Society has never wavered, and he recalls many early friendships among the older compa-

It is good to learn of the continued loyalty of those who took active part in the earlier history of our organization and have seen it grow in numbers and influence, and who still are ready to cooperate in our patriotic efforts. Our Greetings go out to them through these pages!

A PICTORIAL MAP attractively colored, of part of the northern historic section of New York State has been received from Compatriot James G. Riggs of the Empire State Society. Col. Riggs is the compiler, together with a chronological supplement giving a brief history of the towns and historic points arranged

# Constitution Day Address of President General Baker

# At the Observance Sponsored by New York Chapter at the Sub-Treasury Building, New York, September 17, 1935

The Society of the Sons of the American Revolution is composed of the lineal descendants of those who, through their service and sacrifice, achieved the independence of the American people.

It is non-partisan and non-sectarian. Its membership embraces all shades of political and religious opinion. It never has departed from its primary objective—to inspire its members and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by their forefathers.

In pursuance of these fundmental principles the Society inaugurated "Constitution Day" in 1917, and has fostered a nation-wide celebration of the adoption of the Constitution on every anniversary since then. Today we are gathered together for another celebration of this great event and of the inauguration of a scheme of government, which, as Gladstone has said, was the most perfect ever conceived by the mind of man.

It is most appropriate that this celebration should take place on this historic spot, where the "Father of his Country" and the presiding genius of the Constitutional Convention, was inaugurated as the first President of the Republic.

As we stand on this hallowed ground and recall the history made here, we should be inspired by a greater love of Country and a determination to protect it and to preserve its institutions and ideals against all enemies either from within or from without. This not only is a time for celebration of the event and congratulations upon the success of the American scheme of government, which has made us the greatest, the richest, the freest and the most contented people in the world, but also a time for introspection. To my mind our first duty is to reach an understanding of the fundamental principles of the Constitution and the government created thereunder; and to see that the people generally have an understanding that will enable them to act intelligently when the time comes for them to determine if, and how, the Constitution and our form of government shall be changed. The first question which appeals to the intelligent mind

is, What is the Constitution of the United States? The Constitution was devised to correct well known defects in the Articles of Confederation. In the Constitution practically every one of these defects was corrected by provisions which had been tested by practical political experience in the States under the Articles of Confederation.

The purpose of the Founders is clearly expressed in the preamble of the Constitution, which is as follows:

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

The lock and key of our National Guide and Anchor is contained in Article VI, Section 2, of the Constitution, which reads:

"This Constitution and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made or which shall be made under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby, anything in the Constitution or Laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding."

John Adams, then our Minister to France, and therefore, apart from any altercation or debate, expressed this opinion:

"Better adapted to the genius, character, situation and relations of this Nation and Country than any which had ever been proposed or suggested."

Daniel Webster, the greatest authority on the Constitution of all time, said on December 11th, 1850:

"The Constitution of the United States is a written instrument; a recorded Fundamental Law; it is the BOND and the only BOND of the union of these States; it is all that gives us a National character. Almost every man in the country is capable of reading it, and that which deeply concerns all should be made accessible to all."

On this day of all days and on this spot

made historic by Washington, we should thoughtfully consider the admonition contained in his Farewell Address on the subject of adherence to the Constitution. He said:

"Towards the preservation of your government and the permanency of your present happy state, it is requisite, not only that you steadily discountenance irregular opposition to the acknowledged authority, but also that you resist with care the spirit of innovation upon its principles, however specious the pretext."

In more recent years, one of our greatest jurists. Justice Joseph Story, said:

"A Constitutional government is addressed to the common sense of the people and never was designed for trial of logical skill or visionary speculation."

To get a comprehensive understanding of the Constitution, we must review the history of and experience in government before its adoption. Time will not permit more than a reference to the conditions which existed prior to the establishment of the American Republic.

During the centuries prior to the adoption of the Constitution the pendulum of government swung back and forth from one extreme to the other: from the mob to the monarch; from the monarch to democracy; from democracy to the demagogue; from the demagogue to mobocracy; from mobocracy to autocracy; from feudalism to communism; from bondage to license.

This describes the unsuccessful efforts toward stable government and failure over thousands of years. There were occasional rays of hope for better government as in Greece, Rome, Holland, England, and Switzerland, but no government was before devised to secure to its people religious freedom, civil liberty, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, security of individual rights, popular education or universal suffrage until the adoption of our Constitution and the creation of the form of government under which we now live.

We are prone to think the Constitution was an inspiration of the moment; that those great statesmen and patriots were inspired, I have no doubt. They were, however, students of history and of government. They were familiar, as few were, with the failures of the past. They realized that failure had been due to lack of vision and of understanding of the fundamentals necessary to good and stable government. Therefore, their first step was to establish certain principles of government and have them recorded in a written Constitution—

the first ever promulgated in the history of the world.

They had their inspiration from the ideals and aspirations of the pioneers. The pilgrims and other pioneers in their native lands were living under a highly socialized condition. While governments then were monarchial in form they were socialistic, in that people were regimented—every act being dictated and controlled by government.

It was from this they sought to escape and establish the right of mutual self government. We see evidence of this aspiration from the very first. One of the first acts of the Pilgrims was to enter into a compact on board the Mayflower, committing to writing a set of rules for their government.

If you will study your history you will find that the principles espoused by these hardy and fearless men permeated all schemes of government adopted by the American commonwealths. We find them in the town meetings of New England, in the assemblies of Maryland and Virginia, in the Declaration of Independence, and indelibly incorporated in the Constitution of the United States. Now we are being told by some that these men were all wrong in their conceptions, that we must have a change in the fundamental principles of government to fit the change in conditions.

Other peoples have conceived the same idea, with the result that the pendulum of their governments has swung from one extreme to the other, not only without benefit to themselves but to the detriment of their liberty and happiness

During all these years of experiment we have adhered steadfastly to the fundamentals established by the Founders. Shall we now depart from a safe anchorage and embark on unknown seas?

Personally, I have great confidence in the common sense of the American people. I do not believe they will approve of any change in the fundamentals of their form of government if they understand the meaning of such proposed changes.

We are adrift on an unknown sea. We are losing our sense of direction. We are like the man lost in the forest—running in circles. The body politic is in a typhoid condition, anemic and lethargic. Something must be done to stimulate interest in public affairs and bring us back to a safe anchorage.

We are now facing one of those cycles in the history of a people which try men's souls. The public mind is in a state of flux. Unless we are imbued with a love of Country, courage, and understanding, we are apt to lose our equilibrium and like the drowning man grasp at any straw. To my mind the greatest danger we face today is the possibility that, through ignorance, emotion, confusion, panic or the harangues of the demagogue, the socialist or the communist, we are tempted to take some hasty action which would change our *form* of government.

This audience is, I believe, a typical cross section of the American people. Among you are descendants from colonial and revolutionary ancestry, some from those who more recently came to this Country, and others who came direct from foreign lands. We must not forget, however, that no matter whence they came or when they came, all came with the same objectives and hopes: to find a haven in which they would have freedom of worship, freedom of action, local self government, property rights and opportunity for individual initiative.

Therefore, all citizens of whatever class or heritage should be interested in preserving that which their ancestors created or came here to enjoy

This is Constitution Day and it is meet and right that we should discuss this great instrument and the government created under it, without suggestion that it reflects a partisan spirit. Adherence to the Constitution is *not* a partisan but a patriotic question.

The Society of the Sons of the American Revolution does not take the position that the Constitution should never be amended, but that it should not be so amended as to change our form of government. We are not tyros, theorists or fanatics. We are practical men of affairs from every walk of life who have had wide and varied experience in the vicissitudes of economic and political strife. Shall we fold our tents and silently steal away because the Socialists and Communists propose a change in our form of government? We say, "No!" I for one do not think it is partisan to oppose encroachment upon American principles from these sources.

As an illustration of what I mean by a change in our form of government, I will refer to the plank in the platform of the Socialist party which proposes to divest the Supreme Court of the authority to interpret the constitutionality of the laws passed by Congress. We do not dispute the right of the American people to change their form of government by amendment to the Constitution. They can

swing the pendulum of government back and forth as was done for centuries before the adoption of the Constitution. What we do contend is that whatever they do should be done calmly and with intelligence.

Such an amendment as proposed by the Socialists would change our form of government from one based on a written constitution to one by statute only.

The Constitution provides for three distinct branches of government, the Legislative, the Executive and the Judicial. This amendment would at once reduce it to two branches. The Legislative branch, with full power to interpret its own laws, could take all authority from the Executive, and thus leave all governmental authority in the hands of one branch.

Then we would no longer have a Republic but a semi-Democracy. With no constitutional arbiter, how are the interests of the States and local self-government to be protected? To safeguard these interests there must always be an impartial and courageous tribunal to check the power of Federal authority. With Congress unrestrained by constitutional limitations, there would be constant conflict between the exercise of power by the respective States and the Congress. It is not difficult to imagine what such disagreements and jealousies would lead to.

If the States are to maintain their sovereign power and preserve their jurisdiction, the Federal authority must be limited to its proper sphere of action. This can only be done by constitutional provision, and the Constitution can be preserved only by having an impartial

This, and perhaps many other questions pertaining to the Constitution, may be brought to the people for decision in the near future. It is the duty of every citizen to study these questions so that when the time comes to express an opinion it will be done with intelligence and full knowledge of the consequences.

Shall we drift into collectivism and regimentation with our eyes closed? Do we want our people returned to the condition from which our ancestors escaped? As for us, we say "No!" Change the rules as it becomes necessary, but never change the principles. Make repairs when necessary but even with the view to improvement, strength and durability. Never a change in the architecture of the governmental structure. Men for centuries had the vision of a government which would guarantee liberty. Our ancestors crystallized these aspirations and hopes in the Constitution.

They bled and died in order that posterity might have life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Shall we sacrifice all that was gained for us will preserve?

by these sacrifices, or shall we, as good Americans and worthy descendants of those patriots, see to it that what they created we will preserve?

# One Hundredth Anniversary of the Cracking of the Liberty Bell

Remarks of Mayor Moore, of Philadelphia, to Sons of the American Revolution— Placing Wreath Upon the Liberty Bell, July 3, 1935

It has been deemed appropriate to receive your Committee of the Sons of the American Revolution here at Independence Hall this eighth day of July, 1935, to memorialize a notable incident in American history—the cracking of the Liberty Bell.

Only four days have elapsed since the people of Philadelphia and vicinity renewed their allegiance to their Flag and the Constitution of their country at exercises held here, in commemoration of the adoption and signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The Liberty Bell, hanging in Independence Hall, was the centerpiece of this celebration. It was revered as the most sacred national relic, proclaiming the spirit of liberty and independence as our forefathers of the Revolutionary period breathed and established it.

The story of the Bell is known around the world. Its history and significance have been the topics of annual celebrations, and innumerable occasions intervening, since the memorable Fourth of July, 1776, 159 years ago; but the cracking of the Bell, which silenced the tocsin of great events in the American advance—with this, you Sons of the American Revolution are properly and patriotically concerned today.

The Bell had rung out for liberty in the epochal year of the Declaration; it had gladdened the hearts of the American patriots with news of the surrender of Cornwallis to Washington, at Yorktown; it had cheered a

liberty-loving world when it announced a union of the Colonies under a Constitution of the United States of America; it had heralded wars and victories and great national achievements for full fifty-nine years, when, on the eighth day of July, 1835, one hundred years ago this day, it tolled for the last time, and thereafter remained silent.

Seemingly, more sensitive than the people themselves in the great sorrow that befell them when Chief Justice John Marshall, interpreter of the Constitution, died, it ceased to function. As the body of the great lawgiver was being escorted from Philadelphia on the way to its last resting place in Virginia, the Bell paid tribute, but cracked in the effort. But its rich notes only were hushed; the Bell itself, minus its tonal qualities, immediately became the outstanding champion of Constitutional liberty and independence. It became an enduring symbol of liberty and law under the Constitution and has been so regarded down to the present day. It stands now for liberty and independence as it did in the days of the Revolution; yea, for more than that; it stands for liberty and law under the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by John Marshall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Sons of the American Revolution! The Mayor of Philadelphia welcomes you to the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall, where one hundred years ago today it rang out for the last time, in honor of the great exponent and defender of the Constitution.

# Membership—Our Most Important Problem

Now that our Society has paid for its Headquarters in Washington and need no longer go outside its own membership for ever-necessary funds to carry on its functions, your Organization Committee feels that the greatest emphasis in the year just beginning should be placed by all individual members of the Society and all State Societies and Chapters upon the gaining of new members.

The losses during the few past troubled years have not as yet been made up although each succeeding year shows a marked increase in the acquisition of new members.

However, we have a long way to go to reach the totals once recorded by our membership roll and this fact offers an ever present challenge to all officers responsible for the welfare of their individual State Societies and Chapters. The officers of the National Society are all agreed that the acquisition of new personnel is the answer to all of the problems of our Society. New members, new personnel, will pump new life blood and new ideas into our ranks, which is highly desirable in any group or organization.

The time is ripe for a concentrated drive to get new members because every man, woman and child in the United States is alive to the most important problem facing our country today—the preservation and upholding of our Constitution. This matter is constantly before each of us when we pick up our daily paper, listen over the radio, and talk with our friends. It is a problem that we as individuals, as an organization, and as a nation, cannot side-step. We must face it and since we must face it we are all thinking about what is best for our United States of America.

These thoughts are bound to arouse interest in the Sons of the American Revolution and they are certain to cause many eligibles who through carelessness or lack of sufficient interest have neglected to present their credentials, to wish to become active and to range themselves with the members of our Society, thus taking the positive stand that we do take on the subject of our Constitution.

With this masterpiece, the product of the brains of our ancestors, constantly before us, many good Americans who have never before evidenced interest in patriotic societies will

need little urging to join because they now fully realize the necessity for protecting what their forefathers fought to achieve.

In the months to come the upholders of the Constitution must unite and work as a unit, for otherwise alien ideas may gain a foothold in the fabric of our government.

It seems to your Organization Chairman that never before was there such a clear goal to be achieved by the members of the Sons of the American Revolution, that never before was there such good reason for holding membership in this Society, and we therefore urge since there is this great work to be done that each and every member of our Society take it upon himself to bring within the membership one or more of his relatives or friends so that those of us who wish to preserve the best that has been handed down to us may band together and work faithfully and intelligently.

With these ideas in mind I am making now a few practical suggestions for the State Societies and Chapters to carry out in the drive for new members.

First. If you have not already done so appoint a special membership committee. This committee should consist of members who are actively interested in the work of the Society. Special emphasis should be given to placing young men on such committees.

Second. The chairman of this committee should have regular meetings, if possible once a week, in order to talk over plans and follow up possible leads for new members.

Third. To acquire as soon as possible either from members of your own State Society or Chapter or local chapters of the D. A. R. the names of eligible members in your community. These eligibles should be indexed and followed up by your special membership committee.

Fourth. Publicity. On all occasions when a meeting of your State Society or Chapter is held see that at least a certain amount of publicity be given in your local papers. It has been found by long experience that if publicity is given, it has awakened many persons to the desirability of becoming a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Laurence Leonard, Chairman,
Organization Committee.

# Good Citizenship Medals Win Approval of the C.M.T.C.

It is most gratifying to the Chairman of the Medals Committee to note with what enthusiasm and approval the awards of Good Citizenship and R.O.T.C. Medals are received by the Commandants and Instruction Officers of our C.M.T.C. and R.O.T.C. units wherever these have been offered.

In every instance the bestowal of these awards has been received in a spirit of complete cooperation, and later, a request for their continuance.

Two outstanding presentations, in which rather a larger number of medals were offered than in most units, were those of the Missouri Society S.A.R., of ten medals more specifically mentioned on page 119, and which has become an annual event sponsored by our Society in that State; and the presentation of eighteen medals, one for each platoon, at the C.M.T.C. at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. These medals were the gift of Lt. Colonel J. B. Ladd, Inf. Res., Compatriot of our Minnesota Society, and Battalion Commander of Camp Harry McHenry, at Fort Des Moines, who hopes to make it an annual event.

First Lieutenant L. W. Haney, in charge of Citizenship Training, in his formal report states: "It is the opinion of the Senior Instructor and his assistants that these awards were beneficial in the Citizenship Training for the Camp and that they should be continued."

Upon the recommendation of the Board of Officers the awards were made to:

Company "A": 1st Platoon, Earl J. Sowle; 2nd Platoon, Lloyd L. Buehrer; 3rd Platoon, Bernard O. A. Bailey. Company "B": 1st Platoon, Roger A. Eicher; 2nd Platoon, Joe C. Utter; 3rd Platoon, Harold M. Harmon.

Company "C": 1st Platoon, Delmer L. Thompson; 2nd Platoon, Gordon C. Lentz; 3rd Platoon, No "Basics." Troop "E": 1st Platoon, Charles A. Toomer; 2nd Platoon, Arley G. Edgerton; 3rd Thomas M. Davis.

Troop "F": 1st Platoon, Keith E. Miller; 2nd Platoon,
 Leo H. Umstattd; 3rd Platoon, George E. Rippey.
 Troop "G": 1st Platoon, Jack L. Motley; 2nd Platoon,
 Glen E. Easter; 3rd Platoon, Neil W. Wheatley.

The Headquarters of the 350th Infantry at Des Moines proposed to keep a close check-up on the return of the C.M.T.C. Medal winners in 1936, '37 and '38, who will become 2nd Lieutenants of Infantry and Cavalry Reserves in 1939—our future Army.

We take the liberty of quoting from a rather informal personal report made to Lt. Col. Ladd, which shows the interest aroused by the awards among the individual contestants:

"As you see the campaign was a great success, and I believe fully fulfilled its purpose. I remember particularly a young fellow in "B" company, who shined his shoes, even into the night and especially the ones under his bunk. and who performed his charge of quarters better than anyone else because he was 'bucking for that medal' and the result was that he also won the medal for greatest improvement in personal appearance for the whole camp, and I think it was wholly due to the interest created by the S. A. R. platoon medals. One sad part was that in the same platoon was another boy who gave him a good run for his money and it almost broke his heart to lose out, but his citizenship spirit came out and he accepted his defeat like a good soldier citizen. Several of the winners wired home (collect) the news that they had won the medals. This, I think, shows outstanding interest. \* \*

"The newspapers of the district each of the winning boys were from, were notified of the awards. The editor of the Maxwell paper came to the presentation. One editor came from Dayenport."

In planning for these awards, Colonel Ladd elaborated upon our regular Plan of Award, to some degree, to bring the points considered most desirable from a military point of view more forcibly to the fore, adding to the usual S. A. R. requirements, such features as "Courtesy to the Flag of the U. S.; Defense of the Constitution; Inspiration; Duty, etc.," in all ten, rather than five points, designating these as the "Ten Commandments of Good Citizenship," as an objective of making the C.M.T.C. at Camp McHenry a better camp.

Col. Ladd also is personally responsible for offering the Good Citizenship Medal at St. Raphael's School, Springfield, Minnesota, which is to be a permanent award.

Our Maryland Society has also done splendid work in promoting the distribution of a large number of medals throughout the State and has made a comprehensive report covering the distribution over a period of years since 1929. The annual average for the seven years has been about 65, but actually for the past few years the number given has been over 80.

The work is combined with that of the Americanization Committee of the Maryland Society, and certain conditions are imposed in addition to those outlined in the National Society's "Plan of Award," such as a knowledge

of the preamble of the Constitution of the United States, which has had excellent results, and very good cooperation from the schools concerned has been apparent.

The Massachusetts Society has presented R. O. T. C. as well as Good Citizenship Medals and the details of the presentations of the former during the summer will be found on another page. Colonel Frederick F. Black, to whom much credit is due for the adoption of the R. O. T. C. Medal by the National Society, made one of the presentations.

The above instances are brought to the attention of our compatriots first, because of their definite interest and to show the value of our medal awards, and then, because NOW is the time for our state societies and chapters

to be formulating their programs for the coming year, and to definitely arrange for these awards in their respective communities. As has always been advocated by your Chairman, every society and chapter should make this project their own, and an annual part of their patriotic educational or Americanization work. One of the most pleasing features of our Good Citizenship Medal Plan is that it is so elastic and is available for a group or an individual as circumstances dictate.

NOW is the TIME! Make your plans, and send your orders promptly!

Frank B. Steele, Chairman,
Good Citizenship and R. O. T. C.
Medals Committee.

#### Credit Given Mr. Pierson

"It is proper that we should express gratitude today to David L. Pierson, former Historian General of the Sons of the American Revolution, who eighteen years ago suggested the observance of Constitution Day as a national event. The day was first observed in 1887, the centenary of the framing and signing of the Constitution by the members of the convention, but it was not celebrated nationally until 1917, when Mr. Pierson's patriotic vision and energy led to the specific observance of this day as a national privilege and duty. Since that time interest in the celebration of Constitution Day has grown rapidly. Through the efforts of the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution a great many States now issue proclamations in recognition of it. Churches, fraternal and civic organizations are becoming constantly more active in presenting programs to honor and dedicate its significance. These efforts are highly commendable and I express the hope that the years immediately ahead will record an

ever-enlarging participation on the part of the American people in the observance of this historic day."

It was gratifying indeed to hear Secretary Daniel C. Roper give the above deserved credit and tribute to Mr. David L. Pierson on the occasion of his Constitution Day address on September 17th. So often has the fact of Chairman Pierson's great contribution to our patriotic observances in bringing about the annual recognition of this day—epochal in our national life—been overlooked.

Secretary Roper made this address first at ceremonies under the auspices of the Kiwanis Club of Alexandria, Virginia, at the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Temple, and immediately afterward the same address was broadcast over a nation-wide hook-up.

Secretary General Frank B. Steele attended the exercises at Alexandria and expressed his pleasure that our National Society and Compatriot Pierson was given this public recognition on so important an occasion.

# The Congress and the Constitution\*

Address of Hon. Tom Connally, Junior Senator from Texas, Compatriot of the Texas State Society, S. A. R.

Before the Virginia State Bar Association, at White Sulphur Springs, August 9, 1935

In the United States, since the foundation of the Republic we have lived under a system of Federal union of pre-existing States, in which the Federal authority is delegated and limited by a written constitution, which also limits the powers of the States, and under which all powers not delegated to the Federal Government and not denied to the States are retained by the States or the people.

It was this dual system—the existence of two separate governments acting upon and requiring the obedience and loyalty of the individual citizen-which was a novel feature of the American system and distinguished it from European forms. It was its dual character that required the adoption of a written constitution defining the jurisdiction of the Union and the States and limiting the powers of the departments of the Federal Government. Likewise, the adoption of a written constitution delegating, limiting, and defining powers, logically required the creation of an agency or tribunal in which might be asserted and maintained the distribution of powers and the enforcement and security of the rights guaranteed severally to the Union, the States, and every citizen claiming the protection of either.

In the Convention at Philadelphia the framework of the Federal Government was debated in great detail, but when the Constitution emerged it carried no express authority to the Supreme Court to declare invalid an act of Congress. It did, however, provide that "the judicial power of the United States shall be vested in one Supreme Court and in such inferior courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish"; and that "This Constitution and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof \* \* shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every State shall be bound thereby. anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding," and that "the judicial power shall extend to all cases \* \* \* arising under this Constitution" as well as under the laws and treaties of the United States. It must also be borne in mind that eminent men in the Colonies had de-

\*This address is quoted in part only as printed in the Congressional Record.

nounced the Stamp Act and other royal measures as "unconstitutional" and that under existing State constitutions State courts in some of the States exercised the power of declaring State statutes unconstitutional. Since most of the provisions of the Federal Constitution were derived or adapted from similar clauses of the various State constitutions or the articles of Confederation, and the framers were guided both as to the rights to be secured and abuses to be prevented by their experience under the respective State governments, there is ample ground for the assumption that the Convention intended that the judicial power should extend to declaring acts beyond the Constitution invalid just as had been the practice in a number of the States. The "unconstitutionality" of legislation is strictly an American doctrine arising from our written constitutional systems and arising from the necessity of restraining the exercise of unauthorized powers.

The dangers of unrestrained legislative power were foreseen in the Philadelphia convention. The expansion of legislative power in the States after the Revolution was noted by James Madison when he said:

"Experience had proved a tendency in our governments to throw all power into the legislative vortex. The executives of the States are, in general, little more than ciphers; the legislature omnipotent. If no effectual check be devised for restraining the instability and encroachment of the latter, a revolution of some kind would be inevitable."

If Congress should be alone the judge of its own power and should be free to choose the scope and breadth of its authority, the limits of Federal jurisdiction might be so extended as to build up a centralized Government far beyond the dreams of the founders of the Constitution. A hundred years ago Senator Berrien, of Georgia, in the United States Senate, exclaimed, "Is there a State in the Union which would have ratified that charter if such had been its provisions?"

The States, he said would utterly lack security for all their rights if they were to be committed "to the exclusive guardianship of Congress, unrestrained in the exercise of their

powers, but by their own interpretation of our Federal charter."

With Congress unrestrained by constitutional limitations, and with the States resisting its encroachments, it is not difficult to imagine innumerable conflicts between the exercise of their respective powers. With no constitutional arbiter the balances and checks of the Constitution would prove ineffective and futile. How are the 48 States to preserve their jurisdiction and to maintain their sovereign powers unless the Federal authority be limited to its proper sphere of action? How are the powers specifically denied to the States to be successfully prohibited unless there be a supreme judicial authority to nullify their pretentions?

While in the entire history of the Congress only 73 provisions of acts have been declared unconstitutional, the existence of the Court and its construction and expounding of the Constitution have unquestionably been of inestimable aid to the Congress in its observance of its limitations. The legal philosophy displayed by the Court in upholding acts of Congress has no doubt many times satisfied the people that a power has been properly exercised, when otherwise doubt as to its justice might arouse objection and resistance. It is said that Congress, bound by oath to support the Constitution, may be trusted to keep within proper bounds. While it is the duty of Senators and Representatives to construe the constitutional power of Congress and to observe its limitations, they, just as the judges of the courts themselves, frequently disagree as to a disputed power.

Congress, under popular pressure and anxious to accomplish a desirable end, may unconsciously and innocently extend its authority beyond its constitutional bounds. The Court, free and independent, may disregard interest and defy every improper consideration.

There are 25 prohibitions in the Constitution against the exercise of powers by the Federal Government. How are they to be effectively maintained and enforced? That great document catalogs many prohibitions as to the power of the States. The power of the President of the United States is perhaps greater than that of any reigning monarch on the globe and yet there are limitations upon his authority which the Court in a recent decision defined and maintained.

In the Humphrey case the extent of Presidential removal of a Federal officer and the authority of Congress to prescribe and limit

the causes for removal were involved and the Court upheld the Congress. Has the wisdom of man ever devised a more appropriate agency than an independent judiciary, appointed for life, learned in the law, and removed from political and partisan activity, to sit in solemn judgment on such titanic issues of constitutional government?

The reserved right of amendment is always available. Whenever and however the distribution of the powers of the Federal Govern. ment among the several branches may seem to require a readjustment or change, there is ade. quate recourse through amendment of the fundamental law. But whatever that adjustment or rearrangement may be, there will still remain the necessity for a supreme tribunal to preserve and secure a proper and legal observance of the limitations of power. If the distribution of powers as between the States and the Federal Government is not such as to adequately meet the necessities of the time or afford agencies and instrumentalities for the people to meet and deal with modern problems. through amendment modifications and changes may be adopted. However, in any such new adjustment there will always remain the necessity for a lofty, impartial, and courageous tribunal to keep in check pretentions of power not authorized, and to preserve the checks and balances of the Constitution. If the existing Court should be destroyed or limited, in the course of time necessity would require the erection of another in its stead.

If the power of Congress is not broad enough to deal with modern problems, let the people by amendment of the Constitution give it new or added power. Jefferson said that each generation had a right to amend, change, or modify the fundamental law. The Constitution was made for the people. The people were not made for the Constitution.

But whatever rearrangement may be provided, whatever readjustment may be devised, wisdom dictates that there shall always remain a great tribunal to serve the people and the Constitution by preserving the rights of the former and vindicating the authority of the latter.

The Constitution and its guarantee belong to all the people of the United States. They are the possession of no political party; they belong to no clique or faction.

As an American citizen I oppose divesting the Supreme Court of the power to construe and interpret the Constitution at the suit of any citizen of the Republic whenever any right guaranteed to him by that instrument may be invaded by the Congress, the Executive, the courts, or any State of the Union. Where else can the citizen appeal for the protection of those fundamental Federal rights of trial by jury, freedom of speech and of the press, the writ of habeas corpus, freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures, and other treasured rights for which the Colonists first fought as Englishmen, and then, throwing off the royal yoke, as Americans flung at the base of the British throne a courageous challenge, of which Buckle said:

"In 1776 the Americans laid before Europe that noble declaration which ought to be hung up in the nursery of every king and emblazoned on the porch of every royal palace."

If the Court should corruptly or wantonly and willfully transcend its just powers, there always remains the remedy of impeachment. Powerful and exalted, yet it is not above the organic law. Its towering authority does not reach beyond the arm of the Constitution. It is not sacred. It is not sacrosanct. It is composed neither of gods nor demigods. But

where shall we find a better or wiser or more impartial tribunal in which to test the authority of a mighty government over a weak and humble citizen—in which to subdue the turbulent clashes between State and Federal authority, and through which to drive back within the boundaries of their respective jurisdictions legislative, executive and judicial aggressors? Before what other bar would the American people consent to have summoned a sovereign State at the suit of another State?

These lofty judicial functions must be preserved if the American conception of a dual system is to survive. These high powers must be exercised if the distribution and limitations of governmental power charted by the Constitution are to be observed and maintained. Let the rights and powers secured by the Constitution remain where the might and the majesty of a great people, through that noble charter, deposited and secured them. May the Supreme Court, with the same regard for the limitations of its own authority, which it requires of others, with wisdom and justice and courage, ever protect and defend them.

A Proclamation Issued by the National Constitution Day Committee calling upon the American People to Participate in the Observance of the 148th Anniversary of the Formulation of the Constitution of the United States, on September 17.

The Constitution of the United States was adopted in 1788, after years of virtual chaos under the old Articles of Confederation. The fruits of a great war to achieve the liberty of a sovereign people were being lost through lack of proper governmental machinery. The Constitution was designed to preserve that liberty and to guarantee

to future generations the right to govern themselves. For nearly a century and a half this Nation has lived under that Constitution, and so living, has developed into one of the most powerful nations of all time. The Constitution is the bulwark of our liberties, as potent today as ever in the past. So long as it stands no tyrant can seize autocratic power; nor can any subversive activities deprive the majority of liberty-loving Americans of the right to govern themselves as their fathers have done for more than five generations. The Constitution of the United States is now and always has been the supreme law of the land. It must be defended against all foes from within or without.

Compatriots! Please keep in mind that donations or bequests to the National Headquarters Building will be welcome at any time to reduce the amount of the Certificates of Indebtedness or create an Endowment Fund.

# The National S. A. R. Library

THE NUMBER of individual donations to the library is steadily increasing, a fact that is indeed very encouraging to the special "Boost the National S. A. R. Library" committees which have been organized in a few of the state societies.

This fall an unusual effort will be made to have similar committees appointed in all of the remaining state societies. It is hoped that all state society and local chapter officers will cooperate with the National Headquarters library committee in this most important work. If all those to whom the special campaign letters are directed will wholeheartedly support this movement our efforts are sure to be crowned with success. Each individual compatriot should consider it his duty to assist the society in establishing at its National Headquarters in Washington a library fitting to our needs and purposes, a library which will add to the dignity of our society and guide the coming generations in continuance of our work. Future issues of this bulletin will report the progress of the campaign in the various state societies and local chapters.

Start at once by urging your local officers to appoint committees to solicit donations for the library. Books of genealogical or historical nature are especially desired. In case duplicate or inappropriate volumes are received exchanges can be made with other libraries. Would it not be a grand thing if each and every compatriot would donate at least one book? Ask yourself, therefore, "When will I make my contribution—and why not NOW?" Then too, it requires such small effort to find perhaps right in your own home just the book needed. A little time spent in wrapping it, a few cents postage, and the gift is on its way to Washington for a greater and better National S. A. R. Library.

Do this at once and in return for your generous cooperation the Librarian General will send you a set of six beautiful prints as explained in the special announcement on page 113. Every compatriot will be proud to possess a set of these very lovely prints. Act now before the supply is exhausted.

#### Book Reviews

(Note: Exceptionally valuable and worthwhile books are reviewed as a courtesy to the publishers who have donated them.)

"The Presidential Bibliographical Series," in twenty volumes, published by the Riverford Publishing Company, Atlas Building, Washington, D. C., at \$1.00 per volume.

These well prepared research aids were compiled by trained library assistants under the direction of John W. Cronin, A.B., LL.B. and Compatriot W. Harvey Wise, A.B., LL.B. Every possible source of material was consulted including the catalogues of the Library of Congress,

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# Selected Reports to the 46th Annual Congress, S. A. R., Louisville, Kentucky, May 20, 1935

# Representative on American Coalition Board

SO WELL known now is the work of the American Coalition that it is unnecessary to dwell on the history of its formation and beginnings. Suffice it to say that it represents today 109 patriotic societies, in whose behalf. and in accordance with whose accepted policies, it is actively engaged in opposing legislative and official action deemed hostile to and destructive of our American institutions; and likewise pushing and encouraging all government activities considered constructive and in accordance with our inherited principles and the Constitution of our country. The greatest benefit rendered by the Coalition, of course, is thus concentrating and harmonizing the action of these 109 societies and at the same time that it is thus making their work more effective, it is also making their efforts far more economical.

The Coalition under the able leadership of Captain John B. Trevor, President, and Judge Josiah A. Van Orsdel, its Executive Vice-President, has done yeoman's service in this past year, so filled with violent upsets of our long established and successful system of laws and operation of government departments. It may safely be said that within the memory of most men now living there has never been a period when so many, so radical and so disturbing changes have been threatened. As a consequence, the work of the active staff of the Coalition has pushed the office to the limit of its capacity. General Fries, in the field, that is, appearing before the various legislative committees and at general sessions of Congress. and the Secretary, Mrs. Walker, at the headquarters, have been virtually on the job not only every day but often far into the night.

The National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, is unusually well represented, both on the Executive Committee as well as in the Cabinet of the Coalition, having besides the President and Executive Vice-President, both S. A. R. members, the retiring President General, Arthur M. McCrillis, who succeeded me on the Executive Committee of the Coalition. The election of Mr. McCrillis is especially ap-

propriate in view of his long and distinguished work as Chairman of the Committee of Correspondence and Safety of the National Society, S. A. R., a work that has especially fitted him to render outstanding service to the Coalition

During this past year, under the special direction of Captain Trevor, the Coalition took a decidedly aggressive step to meet and oppose the rising tide of planned governmental experiments and constantly increasing invasions of private business. An able Advisory Committee was formed of prominent men with long and honorable records in public life in various states, an entirely non-partisan body, headed by the Hon. Bainbridge Colby as Chairman. The publicity put out by this Committee has been bold and fearless, and both by their broadcast speeches and letters and pamphlets sent by mail the members of the Committee have reached every State in the Union and have aroused individual enthusiasm and support on every side.

Reviewing the many and valuable articles sent out by the Coalition, I have felt great regret that a more general use was not being made of this splendid literature. Too often the articles and letters remain in the file of the person to whom they are sent instead of being put at the active disposal of the organization headed by the recipient. In our own state societies we are losing many valuable opportunities through this neglect. If the individual members of chapters, as well as chapter officers, could come to headquarters and consult the files of these documents, our members would be able to send hundreds of individual protests to their Senators and Representatives in Congress against these bills, many of which threaten our most vital interests. Not only that, but getting the data from these wellplanned, ably composed letters, our members would be sure that their protests would be properly worded, appropriate and effective, as is never the case when undirected individual letters are sent. I have installed this system in the New Jersey Society, keeping a file of the Coalition documents open for consultation

and examination by all of our members, and feel sure that it will make our work far more effective in the coming year.

H. Prescott Beach,

Representative.

# Committee on Americanization (Partial)

IN THE matter of education the mission can and should be three-fold:

1. To carry the message of what America really is and really stands for to the aliens in our population—what the set-up of her various governmental units is and what the duties and obligations of citizenship are. Primarily, this message should be to those who are coming up for their final examinations for citizenship. The message can be brought to other aliens generally through the night schools, etc.

2. To rouse up in native born Americans a sense of their responsibilities as citizens (a) so that they will take a more interested and active part in public affairs; (b) so that they will not be led astray by antique nostrums for governmental ailments that have never succeeded anywhere since the dawn of time; and (c) so that they will be able to meet the onslaught of the radical, socialist or communist with a solid phalanx of opposition.

3. To be unceasing in season and out in their efforts to see that anti-American ideas and ideals are not being implanted in the minds of our children in the schools or of the young men and young women in the colleges and higher institutions of learning.

In every community in which there is an S. A. R. Chapter there should be a special committee whose duty is to survey the local school system in the light of its pro-American attitude. If it is found there are evidences of radical teaching, then to see such a remedy as conditions warrant.

Encourage the formation of chapters of the C. A. R. and to help such chapters in every way, because the children who become members are additional American propagandists of a very different sort.

Scrutinize very carefully the American attitude maintained in colleges and higher institutions of learning—in spite of the dicta of eminent educators, the greatest damage to American principles—political, economic and moral—is being caused in these institutions.

Anti-Americans are well organized, well directed and well financed. We pro-Americans are quite the reverse.

The committee reverts to its report of last year to revive the thought of the patriotic value and necessity of organizing chapters of the S. A. R. among the undergraduates and professors in the colleges and universities throughout the land. This, we hold, would be a foil for a great deal of radical and foolish pacifistic work that is being continuously carried on in these institutions.

HARRY F. BREWER, Chairman,

# Committee of Correspondence and Safety

AS NO FUNDS were available for the work of this committee, your President General felt that it would be unfair to ask anyone else to take up the task, he therefore appointed himself as Chairman.

Subscriptions to subversive publications have been kept up and numerous pieces of literature distributed, also responses written to all requests for information. The expenses incidental to these activities have been met by your Chairman.

It is extremely unfortunate that the work of this committee has been deprived of financial support and your Chairman recommends that the Ways and Means Committee be requested to provide, when possible, funds for the continuance of the work.

The need for the work is obvious. Communist activity is admitted by all. The Socialists are making great progress, especially by inculcating in the minds of the youth the idealistic but utterly impracticable theory of production for use and not for profit.

Today, many acts are proposed and some have been adopted which are claimed to be contrary to the Constitution of our Country. Honorable Bainbridge Colby, in a recent speech, called "The Constitution—the most American Thing about America."

The charter of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, granted in 1906 by the Congress of the United States, reads in part: "The purposes and objects of the Sons of the American Revolution are to inspire a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers

. . . to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble to the Constitution of our Country."

There are few, a very few I believe, of our members who maintain that, because defense

of our Constitution at this time involves op- ting on the ballot with their avowed disloyals position to some acts and proposals of the Administration at Washington, we should abandon our work, lest we be charged with entering the political field.

With that point I am not in accord.

Other heads of non-partisan bodies agree with me. For example, former Commander Edward A. Hayes of the American Legion, when he addressed the Constitution Day celebration at Philadelphia, September 17th last, said:

"Men who are of serious purpose will not be motivated by partisan political consideration in their support of Constitutional principles. Neither will they be deterred from defending the Constitution because partisan politics seem to be involved. Upholding and defending the Constitution transcends politics."

I sincerely trust that all our members, regardless of party affiliations, will stand firm for preserving the Constitution.

To that end the Committee of Correspondence and Safety should be supplied with sufficient funds to enable it to furnish our members with the necessary information to counteract every movement which threatens the fundamental ideals and institutions of our country.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR M. CRILLIS, Chairman.

### Committee on Patriotic Education (Partial)

Several articles of the past have come to light which your committee think should have more general notice.

Franklin L. Burdette of this committee has made a report on the teachers' Oath of Allegiance in 14 states which require it and others pending. Unpatriotic groups oppose it of course as they do the Boy Scouts, the Church, military training and law and order in general.

The Communist Party is well written up in Fortune and condensed in the Reader's Digest. These items may be noted. The party has 26,000 trained lieutenants and some four or five hundred thousand sympathizers. Russia fell to 79,000 of them and Germany to 100,000. If allowed free rein as now, it takes no prophet to foretell disaster. They are controlled by Moscow. They teach their children hate and opposition to teachers and order. They plan mass opposition to police and give militant leadership in strikes, and the relief ranks are burdened with them. Finding difficulty in get-

they now change to the labor party and ho to control as in England. Rep. N. H. Fai banks of Ohio and this committee reports

Sec. 4785-100a. No political party shall be recognized and given a place on the ballot which advocates the overthrough of local, state or national government by force, and violence or which advocates or carries on a program of sedition or a treason by radio, speech, press, or by any means whatsn ever. No newly organized political party shall be permitted on the ballot until it has filed in the office of the Secretary of State of Ohio, an affidavit by its officers, under oath, that it does not advocate the overthrow of local, state or national government by force and violence, and that it is not affiliated in any way with any political party or organization, or subdivisions of organizations, which advocates such a policy by radio, speech, press, or by any other means whatsoever,

This is offered for the S. A. R. Congress to recommend to the states in general. Respectully submitted,

E. C. POTTER, Chairman.

### Committee on Visual Education

During the year past the Committee on Visual Education has made some progress in its work. The Great Lakes district, Mr. Wallace C. Hall, chairman, is planning the preparation of one or more sets of slides bearing upon the history of that region. The South Atlantic district, Mr. G. Guy Via, chairman, plans to prepare a set relating to Williamsburg, Virginia, and possibly Yorktown. Mr. Willis B. Hall, enthusiastic chairman of the New England district, has kept the work moving in his region but he has modestly refrained from reporting the number of programs he has presented.

One set of slides and notes on "Old Ironsides" has been added to the Library; this is from the Rocky Mountain District, Mr. Lawrence C. Blunt, chairman. Owing to lack of material available, this is not as complete as it should be and we trust that some chapter in the east will undertake to enlarge it for future

The Rocky Mountain district is also working on another set, "Following the Trail of Pike," which should be completed this summer. The other districts have not reported.

Since May, 1934, your chairman has delivered thirty illustrated lectures on various Western topics, and loaned five sets of slides with notes for use in the Denver Schools.

Possibly the members do not grasp the intent or purpose of this committee. The idea behind it is to build up a central library of illustrated

Every part of the country has a colorful and interesting background, much of which is known only in a general way. Our Society, with its historically minded membership, has an opportunity to develop this for the benefit of each community in which the chapter may be located.

Movies have their place, but recreating historical scenes is too expensive for us. Slides made from old photographs or sketches or from new negatives are far better for our purpose. The audience has more time to study the picture and 85 per cent of our impressions come through the eyes.

Collecting scattered pictorial history, getting

lectures of a historical nature, which may be it into a unit under a definite subject and then drawn upon by various societies for programs using it, will prove a fascinating pursuit as well at their own meetings or to present before other as very profitable work for the chapter or individual members of our society to undertake. It is worth all the effort you can put into it.

While we are making progress rather slowly, we believe there is sufficient interest in certain districts to warrant the continuation of a Committee on Visual Education. Other districts will undoubtedly grasp the idea and decide to contribute something from their region.

Regretting that more has not been accomplished and with sincere appreciation of the honor of having been chairman of this committee, I remain

Very sincerely.

EDWARD W. MILLIGAN. Chairman.

#### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Librarian General has available for distribution several hundreds of variously sized prints (some as large as sixteen by twenty inches) of George Washington, Martha Washington, John J. Pershing and Franklin D. Roosevelt. A complete set of six prints, suitable for framing, will be sent to every compatriot making a donation to our National S. A. R. Library. This is our gift to you, and all you need to do is to cooperate in the big "Boost the National S. A. R. Library" campaign by merely making your donation to the library, whether in the form of a book of historical or genealogical nature, a Revolutionary War relic, a gift in cash or, in fact, any form of contribution whatsoever. Send in your donation at once before we exhaust the supply of these very lovely prints which you can frame and give to your friends as Christmas presents. Remember every donor receives a set of six prints. (There will be a nominal charge of fifteen cents to partially help cover the wrapping and postage costs of the complete set.)

Every compatriot should possess these beautiful prints of the "Father of his country," George Washington; the first "First Lady of the land," Martha Washington; a fellow compatriot, John J. Pershing; and our president, Franklin D. Roosevelt. The complete set of these four subjects consists of six prints. Send your donation to the library NOW and secure your set of these fine prints.

There should be a picture of George Washington in the home of every compatriot. Here is your opportunity to evidence not only patriotism to your country but also loyalty to your society by acting now. Compatriots should avail themselves of this opportunity by sending their donations to our library while we have a goodly supply of these fine prints on hand.

Louis Charles Smith, Librarian General.

### **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 before December 1, 1935.)

#### California Society

For the Committee on observance of Flag Day, Col. H. G. Mathewson, the Chairman, reported that greater interest than ever was displayed. Schools closed later than usual, and generally observed the occasion by appropriate exercises.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER celebrated at a noon luncheon jointly with ALAMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER. Col. W. P. Humphreys, Past President of California Society, recounted the history of the adoption of the flag.

ALAMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER celebrated the anniversary of the capture of Ticonderoga on May 10, Compatriot Maj. D. Y. Ostrom giving the story of that historic event. This chapter plans a special dinner meeting for Constitution Day, with the D. A. R. as guests.

The vacation season has not been one of inaction, though it has not been found feasible in all the Chapters to hold the regular meetings.

Los Angeles Chapter substituted round table discussions for formal addresses, with marked success.

AUBURN CHAPTER celebrated Flag Day by a meeting which was well attended, and gave promise of renewed activity the coming year.

SACRAMENTO CHAPTER had perhaps the most conspicuous activity, uniting with D. A. R. and C. A. R. in contributing a historic float to the Fourth of July parade in the State capital. The July meeting of this Chapter was the outstanding meeting of the year. Hon. C. M. Goethe, President of the Immigration Study Commission, and one of those most active in securing the enactment of the Immigration Quota acts of 1921, 1922, and 1924, and the Filipino Exclusion act of 1934, was the principal speaker. His subject was "America's Debt to the Colonials."

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER sponsored the award of Good Citizenship medals in the public schools, the presentation being made by President Riley R. Jackson, and Past Presidents Leon R. Briggs and Allen H. Wright. The award to a Japanese girl, Mary Sakamoto, of the Point Loma Junior High School, occasioned special interest. On Flag Day, the

Chapter joined with the D. A. R. in an observance with exercises at the Exposition grounds. Past President Allen H. Wright spoke at the organ pavilion exercises in the morning, while Vice President Charles J. Creller gave a patriotic address at exercises in the auditorium of the House of Hospitality on the Exposition grounds, in the afternoon. Members also attended Flag Day exercises held at Inspiration Point in Balboa Park under auspices of the Masonic Order. Maj. Gen. Joseph H. Pendleton, U. S. M. C., retired, a Past President of San Diego Chapter again directed the hoisting of a new flag on the grounds.

SAN JOSE CHAPTER'S outstanding activity is the sponsoring, in conjunction with the D. A. R. and the Evening News, of an essay contest on a patriotic theme. The contestants are members of the Senior Classes of the high schools of San Jose and neighboring communities, and about five or six hundred participate. Owing to the burning of the San Jose High School audiorium, the Flag Day exercises, at which the essays selected for awards are regularly read, were held at the Women's Club.

On June 4, the Chapter held a dinner meeting, the Chapters of D. A. R. of the vicinity being guests. Col. W. P. Humphreys, Past President of California Society, spoke briefly of the Society and its aims, and remarks were made by President Louis W. Jenkins, Past President Leon French, and Past National President Howard C. Rowley. The principal speaker was Mr. Alonzo Baker of the Pacific Press, who gave an able and stirring address on the dangers that threaten our Nation.

#### Colorado Society

A joint celebration of Flag Day was held on the grounds of the State Capitol at Denver, in which the Colorado Society participated in cooperation with the Sons of the Revolution of Colorado and the Colorado Daughters of the American Revolution. Former State President of the S. A. R., Frank M. Keezer presided and Invocation was pronounced by State Chaplain Willson W. Kirby. Mrs. Clarence H. Adams, State Regent D. A. R., gave an address of greeting, while the address of the day was given by Hon. John C. Young. Justice of the Supreme Court of Colorado.

This observance marked the 40th anniversary of the first celebration of Flag Day which

originated in Denver on June 14, 1895, and has since through the efforts of the S. A. R. and D. A. R. become a national patriotic event, celebrated by our Society and other patriotic societies throughout the country. On another page we quote from the official program of this celebration a "Flag Ritual" which might well be very widely studied and observed.

#### Connecticut Society

The annual meeting of the State Society took place at East Haddam on June 22nd, when Mr. Wilbur F. Tomlinson, formerly President of the CHAPLAIN EBENEZER BALDWIN BRANCH of Danbury, was elected State President. Howard E. Coe was re-elected Secretary, and the retiring State President, Charles B. Whittelsey was nominated for National Trustee, to be confirmed at the next National Congress, 1936.

MATTATUCK BRANCH, Watertown, on June 26th, elected Hon. Frederick M. Peasley of Cheshire, as President, and re-elected Howard E. Coe, Secretary.

CHAPLAIN EBENEZER BALDWIN BRANCH, Danbury-In tribute to their highly honored former President, and in recognition of the honor conferred upon him by election to the office of State President S. A. R. the members of this Chapter tendered a testimonial dinner to Mr. Wilbur F. Tomlinson, on the evening of July 18th, at Hawley Manor, Newtown, Greetings from other branches of the Connecticut S. A. R. were brought by representatives from New Haven, Meriden, Bridgeport, Waterbury and Greenwich, and the occasion was most enjoyable. Paul S. Smith editor of the Newtown Bee, acted as toastmaster, and addresses dwelt largely upon the Tercentenary celebration of Connecticut which has been foremost in the minds of its citizens during this year. Mrs. John C. Downs extended greetings of the women and members of the D. A. R. and Wallace Mitchell of Newtown made the principal address. A feature of the occasion was the presentation of a wall plaque of the S. A. R. Insignia in full color, appropriately framed. Mr. James R. Case, President of EBENEZER BALDWIN BRANCH, made the presentation on behalf of the Chapter.

#### District of Columbia Society

President C. C. Griggs of this Society has issued an urgent letter calling attention to Constitution Day and offering constructive suggestions for its observance in Washington. This letter went to all ministers, school execu-

tives, patriotic and civic bodies in the City of Washington.

Members of the Society in the District actively participated in the several observances throughout the city. Major General Amos A. Fries, Past President of the Society, was in charge of the general celebration in the City of Washington, which was under the auspices of the American Legion.

A very fine parade and pageant, with appropriate addresses, and followed by fireworks, culminated the day's observances, the Color Guard of the D. C. Society being among the prominent marching units, and General Fries presiding over the formal ceremonies.

The Society held a mid-summer meeting of the Board of Managers on August 20th, to formulate plans for Constitution Day and other future programs, and authorized an extra issue of the Society's regular bulletin of announcement, so as to present the names of new and proposed members to avoid delay in their induction into the Society. This issue published a full and comprehensive report of the pilgrimage and exercises at Mount Vernon briefly described in the pages of the July S. A. R. MAGAZINE.

The report of the annual golf tournament between the Pittsburgh Chapter and the D. C. Society golfers held at Bedford Springs, Pa., on June 16th, was shown in this bulletin, and showed Compatriot John Seward of the District Society and Compatriot W. H. Cogswell of Pittsburgh as tied on low gross score, and on net score the D. C. Society won by 39 points. The D. C. golfers have issued a call for entrants in a special tournament at the Kenwood Club, D. C., for September 20th, the result of which will not be available before this issue goes to press.

#### Florida Society

Jacksonville Chapter — The regular monthly meeting was held June 10th with a good attendance and guests from the State Societies of North Carolina, Mr. Edward Dwelle, Jr., and Ralph H. Von Glahn. Two new members of the Chapter were presented, Compatriots O. E. Harrell and Dr. Paul Eaton. The President of the State Society, Judge Burton Barrs, was also present.

Judge Barrs announced that the deferred annual meeting of the Florida State Society would be held on Flag Day, June 14th, at Pensacola, and discussed certain amendments to the Constitution to be offered at that time.

Members of the Chapter present gave short

accounts of places of historical interest they had visited in recent weeks.

At the meeting held on July 18th, President Bates M. Stovall presided, and out of town guests included Dr. A. W. Baltzell of Marianna, Vice President of the State Society, and Messrs. L. W. Baldwin and Joseph Hartman, the former of whom addressed the Chapter on the life of the late Governor William D. Bloxham of Florida, born one hundred years ago this month.

Judge Barrs, President of the State Society, reported on the state conference held on June 14th, and announced that by action of this meeting, the annual State Society meetings would in future be held in different cities of the State. The Florida Society at this meeting had authorized the investment of \$100 in the National Society's Certificates of Indebtedness.

At the August meeting, the speaker was the Reverend Scott, whose topic was "The Brevity of Life." Plans were made for a proper observance of Constitution Week.

#### Society in France

An annual meeting and election of officers was held on May 21st at the Cercle de l'Union Interalliée, the President, Marquis de Chambrun presiding. The past officers were reelected, including, Marquis de Chambrun, President; Edward H. de Neveu and Major Albert B. Cudebec, Vice Presidents; Vicomte Benoist d'Azy, Secretary; and Comte de Luppe, Registrar.

Plans were made for the annual 4th of July celebration at Picpus cemetery, which was later carried out with brilliancy, and attended by the American Ambassador and representatives of all the patriotic American and French Societies of Paris.

The American Flag which the Society maintains over the grave of Lafayette was renewed, according to annual custom, and wreaths were placed.

#### Georgia Society

It is with regret that the Georgia Society announces the resignation of its President, Mr. William M. Francis, who has served the Society for a number of years. The Acting President is Dr. Jasper Beeson, first Vice President, of Milledgeville.

JOHN MILLEDGE CHAPTER, Milledgeville— The site of Rock Landing, noted trading post and head of navigation on the Oconee River one hundred and fifty years ago, was marked with interesting exercises when a granite boulder and tablet was dedicated by John Mill. Edge Chapter S. A. R., Nancy Hart Chapter D. A. R., and Sukie Hart Society C. A. R., which three patriotic societies have been cooperating in various patriotic activities in this section.

An address of welcome to visitors from throughout the state was delivered by Miss Floride Allen, Regent of Nancy Hart Chapter D. A. R. The address of the day was delivered by Honorable Warren Grice of Macon, who was introduced by Reginald W. Hatcher, President John Milledge Chapter S. A. R. Patriotic songs were sung, a salute to the flag given when the marker was unveiled by little Misses Elizabeth Heine and Betty Cantey Allen of Sukie Hart Society C. A. R.

The site of Rock Landing which bore an outstanding relation to the early pioneer and Indian history of Georgia and this section had long lain in obscurity and was located with some difficulty through the zealous efforts of the membership of the three societies. Its correct location was carefully established from old records that would probably have been lost to posterity as no vestige of the former fort and village remained.

#### Illinois Society

GEORGE ROGERS CLARK CHAPTER, Peoria—Flag Day was celebrated by this Chapter with a dinner at Hotel Endres, at which a very illuminating address was heard from Dr. L. C. Ives, of the National Guard, and an investigator in Communism, who told of his work in this field and the excellent results secured.

The Chapter held a summer outing at the home of Compatriot Edward J. Smith at Prospect Heights when the members enjoyed a delightful social gathering with a lovely prospect from the home of their host.

The Chapter has been called upon to relinquish a valued member, Compatriot Mark D. Batchelder, whose death occurred on August 20th. Mr. Batchelder was a past president of the Illinois State Society and fifth President of George Rogers Clark Chapter, and an outstanding citizen.

#### Indiana Society

A meeting and luncheon of the Society was held on August 6th in honor of Col. O. P. Robinson, who addressed the Society on Citizens Military Training Camps. It was an instructive and entertaining address. Colonel Robinson is a member of the Virginia Society but has

been stationed in Indiana for some years in charge of R. O. T. C. work in Indiana University and later as a ranking officer at Fort Benjamin Harrison. He has been ordered to the College of the City of New York where takes command of the R. O. T. C. units.

As a token of the high esteem in which he is held by his compatriots in Indiana, the State Society presented Colonel Robinson with the S. A. R. World War Service Medal. National Trustee Clarence A. Cook made the presentation for the Society.

#### Iowa Society

The usual summer outing of this Society, which has become an annual event, was held July 4th on the campus of Iowa State College, Ames, picnic lunches and general out-door games and festivities being the order.

The Society is continuing the issue of the *Old Continental* in mimeograph form for the present, to conserve costs, and President Mark Morris in his first message to the membership urges more attention given to attractive programs and frequent meetings for promotion of interest and activity, as well as a special effort to restore former members to the roster.

The Society distributed about thirty History and Good Citizenship Medals during the past year, and will continue this excellent work as results are most gratifying.

JOHN MARSHALL CHAPTER, Sioux City—The annual meeting with banquet and program was held on the evening of June 10th in the West Hotel, at which time the following officers were elected: President, W. R. Felton; Vice President, Edward T. Kearney; Secretary-Treasurer, Alvan E. Line. President Mark Morris, of the State Society was a guest and spoke of his plans for the coming year. The speaker of the evening was a former Chapter President, William S. Gilman, his topic being "Our Government." The Chapter has presented a number of medals for excellence in history and for Good Citizenship awards.

LEXINGTON CHAPTER, Keokuk—At a recent meeting the members responded to the roll by giving a brief description of the part taken by their respective ancestors in the Revolutionary struggle. The records were transcribed for permanent archives of the Chapter.

Washington Chapter, Ames—A regular monthly meeting was held on June 19th, at which the President and State President, Mark Morris, presided. The guest of honor was the newly elected Vice President General of the North Mississippi District, Mr. Elmour D. Lum of Wahpeton, N. D., who spoke to

the members briefly on the work of the Society and the recent Congress at Louisville. The speaker of the evening was Mr. M. G. Davis, Superintendent of Schools, on the subject. "The Ames Schools."

BUNKER HILL CHAPTER, Waterloo-Cedar Falls.—At a recent meeting Professor Hugh S. Buffum, of Iowa State Teachers College, was elected President. An interesting year is being planned.

#### Maryland Society

On October 19th the Maryland Society will hold its annual Yorktown anniversary meeting and banquet, and the occasion this year will be especially in honor of the President General, Mr. Henry F. Baker, who is a former President of the Maryland Society. A reception to Mr. and Mrs. Baker will precede the dinner, and members of the National Executive Committee are especially invited, with their ladies, following the meeting of this Committee the preceding day in Washington.

#### Massachusetts Society

Cooperating with the National Constitution Day Committee the Massachusetts Society participated actively in the outstanding observance of Constitution Day at Faneuil Hall, September 17th, jointly with representatives of all other patriotic and civic organizations in Boston and vicinity.

Two notable meetings were held, in the afternoon and evening, the speakers at the former being the Hon. Frederick W. Mansfield, Mayor of Boston, Hon. Walter J. Kohler, former Governor of Wisconsin, Hon. William R. Pattangall, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maine, retired, and Fred E. Clark, Commander in Chief of the Crusaders.

At the evening meeting His Excellency, Governor James M. Curley, Hon. James M. Beck, former Solicitor General of the United States, Hon. Albert C. Ritchie, Former Governor of Maryland, and Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., were the speakers.

The National Society Sons of the American Revolution was represented at these meetings by Vice President General Laurence Leonard of the Middle Atlantic District, and Chairman of the National Committee on the Observance of the 150th Anniversary of the adoption of the United States Constitution of the S. A. R.

The National Constitution Day Committee, under whose auspices this special observance was held, is composed of approximately one hundred patriotic and military organizations, and conducted its first celebration a year ago at Philadelphia, the National Society S. A. R. An interesting S. A. R. scrapbook in eighteen being prominently represented also on that volumes and seventy other books from the occasion. Mr. Archibald R. Giroux is National Chairman.

Bellevue, Boston, on October 16th. Members of the Society throughout the State are urged to attend and bring prospective members as additions to the library, which now contains guests.

The Society presented R.O.T.C. Medals in four Massachusetts colleges to the following: J. E. Arthur, T. L. Tingley, Boston University; George W. Bartlett, Thonet C. Dauphine, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Ronald C. Malloch, Benjamin J. Wihry, Massachusetts State College; Alfred M. Torrielli, Nathaniel B. Kurnick, Harvard University.

The presentations at Harvard and Boston Universities were made by Lieutenant George E. Norton, Jr., at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by Past President Currier, and at Massachusetts State College by Dr. F. H. Smith.

Lt. Maraspin, President of the Massachusetts Society, Capt. Patten, Secretary, and Lt. Norton attended the closing exercises of the R.O.T.C. Unit at Fort Devens, Mass., and President Maraspin presented medals to the following students: Gilbert A. Williams, Thomas E. Gurnett, Alden W. Whitney, and Walter P. Humenczyk.

Good Citizenship Medals were presented this summer to the outstanding Massachusetts man in each of the four Citizens' Military Training Camps in the First Corps Area.

Major F. A. A. Healy, a member of the Society, made the presentation at Fort Devens, Mass., and Colonel Frederick F. Black, member of the National R.O.T.C. Medal Committee, presented at Fort McKinley, Maine.

The Commanding Officers of the Camps are unanimous in their appreciation of the award of these medals, and assure us that they contribute greatly to the high morale and esprit de corps of the C. M. T. C. regiment.

The following are the candidates who received the medals: Philip H. Johnson, Jr., at Fort Adams, R. I.; John J. Sullivan, at Fort Devens, Mass.; James K. Healy, at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt.; John P. McDonough, at Fort Mc-Kinley, Me.

The Massachusetts Society is appreciative of two interesting gifts to its library this summer from the estates of deceased members.

estate of the late Charles S. Parsons, together with bookcases; and seventy-five valuable The Massachusetts Society will hold the volumes from the estate of the late Luther first of its fall luncheon meetings at the Hotel Atwood, Past President of the Society. Other gifts of value have also been received during the year totalling one hundred and sixty-seven 1300 volumes.

> The Massachusetts Society has done some outstanding work in marking Revolutionary graves, and during the past year placed over seventy, beside several renewals. Thirty-nine of the new markers are located in the town of Chatham and credit is due Compatriot Paul W. Karr for this work. The Society now has on its records a list of over six thousand markers placed in Massachusetts, and over two thousand in other states and in France. The Society uses its own marker.

OLD COLONY CHAPTER, Brockton-A summer meeting was held on June 20, at the Commercial Club, President H. Lawton Blanchard presiding. Following dinner, the speaker was Mr. John Fisher Robinson, Vice President of the Massachusetts State Society, whose talk on "Patriotism" was both instructive and most interesting.

Michigan Society

DETROIT CHAPTER—The annual meeting. was held on Flag Day, June 14, in the Judge Woodward Room at the Hotel Statler. Luncheon was followed by reports of committees and annual election of Officers and Board: President, Lloyd DeWitt Smith; Vice President, William C. Krichbaum; 2nd Vice President, J. Randolph Kennedy; Secretary, Raymond E. Van Syckle; Treasurer, Charles A. Kanter; Historian, James B. Bogner; Chaplain, Rev. M. Luther Canup; Board, Frank O. Clements, George A. Ducharme, Dr. E. Carleton Fox, Edward C. Hough, John N. W. Sloan, Paul H. Otis, Henry P. Stacy, Robert M. Toms, Roland R. Weaver.

In memory of members deceased during the past year, an interval of silent reverence was observed.

Wallace C. Hall, President of the Michigan State Society, made interesting comments upon the state delegates' trip to the National Congress at Louisville, Kentucky, May 20-22; recounted a recent trip with former Vice President General Conger to Battle Creek in connection with a public school ceremony at which the Michigan Sons of American Revolution presented Good Citizenship Medals; and gave

an appropriate talk concerning the history of Flag Day.

Norman B. Conger received congratulations upon his recent election to the National Executive Committee. Mr. Conger further described the Congress at Louisville and paid tribute to the incoming Vice President General of the Great Lakes District, Charles B. Elder, Chicago, for work already begun toward the duties of his office. William C. Krichbaum and Raymond E. Van Syckle gave additional accounts of the Louisville Congress. To those unable to attend, the highlights of a National Congress appeared to lie in a very gratifying satisfaction and pleasure in meeting, mingling and working with the high caliber type of men carrying on S. A. R. ideals and objectives.

Thomas Schooley and the Detroit Chapter were pleased to learn that the Chapter's funeral drape, designed some years ago by Compatriot Schooley and now used in commemoration at funeral services where the S. A. R. Society is represented, has found favor with the Toledo, Ohio, Chapter and one similar may be considered for use there.

A resolution proposed by John Sloan, of the Board, was adopted by the Chapter for transmittal to the Detroit City Council. The resolution placed on record Detroit Chapter as advocating that the City's commemorations to early Detroit citizens be not merely decorative of the City but be in the nature of statues, busts and memorials of more historical, inspiring and patriotic significance, appropriate to Detroit's participation in the development of America.

On July 3rd a noon day luncheon meeting convened to honor Secretary General Frank B. Steele. A very worth while discussion followed. Mr. Steele gave a comprehensive outline of activities carried on at National Headquarters. Activities of the Society in Michigan also were discussed. The meeting adjourned with all feeling highly pleased with the opportunity of meeting with the Secretary General.

On August 13, a noon day luncheon was held in honor of Charles B. Elder, Vice President General of the Great Lakes District. A large attendance, especially during the vacation season, attested to DETROIT CHAPTER'S interest in S. A. R. doings. Mr. Elder discussed the Society's activities in Illinois, in Michigan, and future plans for revival of the Wisconsin Society, one of which is to hold a Tri-State meeting of the Societies of this District in Milwaukee, if this should prove feasible. Wallace C. Hall, as President of the Michigan Society, spoke regarding projected plans for S. A. R. participation, in Michigan, of observance of Constitution Day, September 17. President Smith, and all present generally, contributed to the discussion. Detroit CHAPTER appreciated Mr. Elder's visit and is pleased at his progress in carrying on the duties of Vice President of the Great Lakes

DETROIT CHAPTER held its first meeting for the present season of 1935-6, at noon September 17, at luncheon at the Hotel Statler, in observance of Constitution Day. The guest speaker was Prof. Smith Burnham of the History Department of Western State Teachers College at Kalamazoo, and a member of the Board of Trustees of Michigan State Historical Society. President Lloyd DeWitt Smith

President Smith has appointed the following committees for the ensuing year: Program: Marquis E. Shattuck, William C. Krichbaum; Publicity: John N. W. Sloan; Americanization: J. Randolph Kennedy, Roland R. Weaver, Julian G. McIntosh; Legislation: William S. Gilbreath, Harold H. Emmons. Hon. George E. Bushnell; Historical: James B. Bogner, George A. Ducharme, Dr. Stephen H. Knight; Flag and Drape: James B. Bogner, Paul H. Otis, Hon. Robert M. Toms; Defense: Dr. George S. Deffenbaugh, Hon. Arthur E. Gordon, Chas. D. Williams, Jr.; Finance: Henry P. Stacy, Frank O. Clements, Frederic T. Harward; Auditing: Dr. Frank Ward Holt, Robert C. Kingsley, Francis C. Campbell; Memorials: Thomas H. S. Schooley, Barry T. Whipple: Membership: George L. Austin, Henry B. Kellogg, Dr. E. Carleton Fox, Marcus Bostwick, Dr. F. Marion Barker, A. Jerome Bosley: Reception: Norman B. Conger, Edward C. Hough, Hugh W. Allin, John P. Antisdel, Harold S. Ellington, Robert C. Heathman, Sidney T. Miller, Jr., Paul B. Wilson, Lew W. Hoffman, C. Dale Curtis.

#### Missouri Society

On July 30th the last day of training of students at the C. M. T. C. at Jefferson Barracks, the Good Citizenship Medals, awarded by the Missouri Society, S. A. R., were presented to twelve young men by Hon. Charles W. Rutledge, Vice President, who made a brief speech during the presentation, stating that the medals were being presented on behalf of the Missouri Society, to those having the

highest record for Dependability, Cooperation, Leadership, Patriotism and Cleanliness, and incidentally explained to them that all members of the Sons of the American Revolution were direct descendants of soldiers who actively participated in the Revolutionary War; that our objects were to keep alive the spirit of patriotism shown by American soldiers and citizens during the Revolution and to maintain and preserve the American institutions, which were the result of the Revolutionary War, and which had made this nation the leading nation of the world.

There were in the Stadium 1425 young men comprising twelve companies under the command of Lt. Col. William A. Smith and Camp Adjutant W. W. Brier, Jr. The following twelve men were called and stood in line as the address was given, each man being called to the platform and presented with his inscribed medal, receiving a hearty handshake and congratulations:

John L. Sprague Millard G. Gray Thomas J. North Lewis F. Spoffard Red Frank M. Pepple Henry T. Lohrmann William E. Russell Robert M. Ellison Charles O. Austin, Jr. William J. Harmon

James E. Miller Gordon C. Groggs

This is the sixth consecutive year the Missouri Society has offered Good Citizenship Medals to the students of the C. M. T. C. at Iefferson Barracks, and as in the past, were awarded to those receiving the highest grades in the four courses known as Basic, Red, White and Blue.

The engraving of the names of each of the honor students on the medals was contributed through the generosity of Honorary Vice President Linn Paine, of the Missouri Society.

Preparations are now being made for the Annual Banquet of the Society, October 19th, in commemoration of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, at Yorktown. The speakers and honor guests for the occasion will be announced later.

#### Montana Society

This Society made its usual contribution to the general observance of Constitution Day by inspiring proclamations from the Governor of Montana, Hon. Frank H. Cooney; and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Miss Elizabeth Ireland, and generally promoted celebrations and exercises by the service clubs, churches, and patriotic and military groups throughout the State. The response was very gratifying and a general display of the American Flag, radio programs and special observances were state-wide. State Secretary Leslie Sulgrove should have credit for being the driving force which resulted in this fine showing.

#### New Jersey Society

The Headquarters have been open all sum. mer and in active use by various members and especially its genealogical library. A number of important committee meetings have been held in July and August. The first fall meeting of the Board of Managers will take place on October 11th. The more active chapters report a good number of prospects under consideration, both new members and reinstatements.

The Society suffered a severe loss in the untimely passing of its Treasurer, Compatriot George Moore Reuck, who was also President of the NEWARK CHAPTER, on June 17th. He was one of the most active officers of the Society and will be sorely missed, both throughout the State Society and in his Chapter. Compatriot Ray E. Mayhem has been appointed to fill the unexpired term.

Taking his cue from the inspiring watchword of the President General, President Beach has called upon the Society to make the subject of Constitutional defense its chief activity for the balance of 1935 and 1936. He has appointed a strong committee of the most active and forceful members known as the Committee on Constitutional Defense. This committee will inspire the chapters to arouse the interest of citizens in every community.

ELIZABETHTOWN CHAPTER — Constitution Day, September 17th, was observed in Elizabeth with an elaborate program including church services, a public meeting and a historical exhibit. In all these activities the members of the Chapter played a prominent part. Two of the members were on the Civic Committee in charge of the affair. The Chapter in cooperation with Boudinot Chapter, D. A. R., is placing a bronze tablet on the wall of the First Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth, as a memorial to the soldiers of the American Revolution who are buried in the graveyard adjoining the church. The dedication will be held on Columbus Day, October 12th. A research has disclosed that there are more than 100 Revolutionary soldiers and sailors in this historic burial place.

ORANGE CHAPTER—The first meeting of the fall season was held on September 19th when Captain R. A. Snook spoke on "Fingerprinting and Identification," with exhibits. Capt. Snook is Supervisior of the Bureau of the N. J. State Police at Trenton.

At the request of the Chapter Mayor Martens issued a proclamation for the observance of Constitution Day. Local clergymen as well as the Business Men's Clubs and Service Clubs were requested to observe the day.

On September 21st the Chapter dedicated a bronze plaque in memory of John Wright, a revolutionary soldier whose farm was part of what is now Soverel Field, a city playground of East Orange. Compatriot Franklin W. Fort delivered the main address and spoke on the Constitution. Mayor Charles H. Martens delivered the address of welcome and Miss Frances H. Haire, Supervisor of Recreation, presented on behalf of the Chapter two Good Citizenship medals to a boy and girl of the Field who showed a marked improvement in service, loyalty and helpfulness. State officers and local S. A. R. and D. A. R. Chapter members attended the dedication.

MONTCLAIR CHAPTER—At Class Day exercises in June the Chapter presented the Society's Good Citizenship Medal to a boy and a girl in the graduating class of the Mt. Hebron and George Inness Junior High Schools of Montclair. The medals were presented at the former by Past President Harold Bouton and at the latter by Past President H. Prescott Beach. This is now looked upon as an annual custom and always arouses much interest in the student body.

The Chapter's colors, escorted by a delegation of members, were present at the annual Church Service in commemoration of the Battle of Springfield, conducted by PASSAIC VALLEY CHAPTER at the historic Presbyterian Church in Springfield on Sunday, June 23rd.

The Chapter took a leading part in Montclair's celebration of Independence Day. President Ouimby, as Chairman of the Town's Committee in charge of the celebration, presided at the patriotic exercises held in the High School Amphitheatre. Vice President-General Beach as President of the New Jersey Society gave a brief address. Thirty-four stacks of colors, representing the patriotic societies, scouts and service clubs of the Town, added much to the beauty of the occasion as they appeared in procession at the beginning and at the end of the exercises.

The Chapter was active in seeing to it that Constitution Day was duly celebrated in the schools of Montclair and vicinity. The Chapter Historian, Compatriot Louis S. Carpenter, prepared several interesting articles, which were featured in the local press.

NEWARK CHAPTER—Twenty-seven winning pupils of the Newark Public Schools were presented with Good Citizenship medals at the commencement exercises. Compatriot Harold H. Blanchard, Chairman of the Committee, reported increased interest had been shown in the competition. On September 16th the Chapter took part in the Constitution Day parade sponsored by the American Legion. The event was very successful and a large delegation from the Chapter was present.

MONMOUTH CHAPTER—Compatriot John D. Alden, President of the Chapter, reports on August 23rd the Chapter sponsored a talk before the Long Branch Rotary Club on the subject of "Monmouth County in the Revolution." On August 28th the same address was delivered before the Belmar Kiwanis Club. The Chapter took an active part in the observance of Constitution Day, September 17th.

PASSAIC VALLEY CHAPTER - On Sunday, June 23rd, the twenty-first annual Church Service commemorating the 155th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield, fought June 23, 1780, was remembered at the Presbyterian Church. Springfield. The services were conducted by Compatriot Chauncey S. Hickok, President of the Chapter, and the local chapters of the S. A. R. and D. A. R. cooperated. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Compatriot H. Prescott Beach, President of the State Society, and the historical address was delivered by Rev. Dr. Lewis S. Mudge of Philadelphia. Prayer was offered by Compatriot Rev. Dr. George A.

Plans for the fall activities have been announced by President Hickok who states that the most important will be a membership drive. A committee will be appointed to canvass the business men in Summit and get them interested in the display of the American flag on patriotic occasions. A trip to the national shrine, Jockey Hollow at Morristown, is planned for the very early fall. Still another movement is the naming of a committee to see that graves of all soldiers and sailors who served in wars of the United States are properly

WEST FIELDS CHAPTER—On June 22nd more than sixty members of the local D. A. R., S. A. R. and C. A. R. motored to Ringwood,

Passaic County, on the twelfth annual pilgrimage of the Chapter. Several stops on the way were made at historical points and the objective of the pilgrimage was Ringwood Manor, the home of Robert Erskine, Surveyor-General to Washington. The building was opened especially for the occasion and Erskine Hewitt showed the visitors through, pointing out articles of Revolutionary connection. From the Manor House the party went several miles to a picnic ground on the estate and enjoyed a basket supper, later returning to Westfield. Compatriot Albert R. Sampson was in charge of the Pilgrimage.

Independence Day was observed with the annual Sunrise Service in Mindowaskin Park. The service was in charge of Compatriot C. Milton Tremaine who originated the idea. Past Chaplain-General Rev. Dr. Frank A. Smith was the speaker and the program included selections by the Westfield Band, flag raising and the reading of the Declaration of Independence by Compatriot Ray E. Mayham, Chapter Historian.

South Jersey Chapter — The quarterly meeting of the Chapter was held on June 11th when Flag Day was observed. The American Creed was recited in unison, following which the President, Compatriot Edwin S. Glenn, presented a paper giving extracts from the Congressional Record, incident to the Creed's adoption, with a brief biography of its author, followed by an analysis of its component passages citing the origin of each.

The fall quarterly meeting will be held at the Indian King Tavern on October 10th.

ABRAHAM CLARK CHAPTER—Constitution Day was observed with a patriotic service sponsored by the Chapter at the Methodist Church, Roselle Park, on September 15th. Col. John H. M. Dudley of Elizabeth was the speaker.

RUTHERFORD CHAPTER—The Chapter presented Good Citizenship medals to the following pupils in the local schools: Wheeler Dennis of Rutherford, presented by the Chapter Secretary, Compatriot Frederick E. Pinkham; Beatrice Lagotta of East Rutherford, presented by the Chapter President, Compatriot E. E. Dimon, and to Edna Haese of Woodridge, presented by the Supervising Principal.

JERSEY CITY CHAPTER—The Chapter was very active in the observance of Constitution Day, requesting Governor Hoffman of New Jersey to issue a proclamation for the observance of the day and requesting Mayor Hague, Dr. Nugent, Superintendent of Education, Mr. Lord, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerca to see that the day was fittingly observed.

A pilgrimage is being planned for the early fall and it is hoped to obtain a number of new members for the chapter from Bayonne, N. I. Several events are being arranged by the En tertainment Committee for social and finan. cial development.

#### **Empire State Society**

NEW YORK CHAPTER—The Chapter took an active part in the Thayer Sesquicentennial Celebration at West Point on June 14th, 15th and 16th. Frederick H. Cone, President of the Chapter, was Vice-Chairman of the Committee in charge, Past President-General Louis Annin Ames delivered the address at the exercises held at Battle Monument, and Major Chas. A. DuBois, State Secretary, served as Marshal of the Massing of the Colors.

Many compatriots remained at West Point for the entire three days of the celebration and a large party made a one-day trip on Sunday, the 16th. Leaving the Hotel Plaza early that morning in special buses, they arrived at West Point in time to participate in all the events of the day. The return trip in the evening, after the dress parade of the Cadets. completed a delightful outing.

The observance of Constitution Day under the auspices of New York Chapter was as always, an outstanding event in the patriotic observances of New York City.

This is held annually on the steps of the Sub-Treasury at noon, and is attended by thousands. The occasion this year was memorable because of the presence of President General Henry F. Baker who made the principal address, which is printed elsewhere in this issue of our Magazine, and which expresses Mr. Baker's sound views and uncompromising stand in upholding our fundamental law in unmistakable words.

The exercises were presided over by Mr. Frederick H. Cone, President of NEW YORK CHAPTER, Rev. A. Elwood Corning, Chaplain of the Empire State Society pronounced the Invocation and Benediction; the National Anthem was beautifully rendered by Miss Helen Alexander, coloratura soprano of Major Edward Bowes' Capitol Theater Family; accompaniments and musical features were given by the 16th U. S. Infantry Band, and a wreath was placed on the Washington statue by President Messmore Kendall, of the Empire State Society, and the program completed by the community singing of "America" by all pres-

The reading of Proclamations by the Governor of New York and the Mayor of the City and the Pledge to the Flag by the audience were also included in the general program. Syracuse Chapter—An outstanding dedication was participated in by this Chapter, jointly with the State of New York, and Onondaga County, when a bronze plaque marking the site of an early Onondaga settlement, a mile south of Three Rivers, was placed on June 29th. A goodly assemblage gathered to witness the exercises, at which the principal address was made by Dr. Alexander C. Flick, N. Y. State Historian. Compatriot Frank N. Decker, Historian of Syracuse Chapter, was master of ceremonies, and gave a short introductory talk on Indian history and achievements, and the debt of the white man to his Indian predecessors in this section. The marker was unveiled by two lads. Frank N. Decker, Ir., and Alexander Lobarno, grandson of Dr. Flick. Dr. James R. Riggs, honorary president of Central New York Historians, assisted in the program by reading "Hiawatha," and a

The dedication ceremony was preceded by a meeting and luncheon of the Local Historians of Central New York, who were hosts to the official guests of the occasion.

brief talk was given by Chief Jesse Lyons,

representing the Onondaga Indian nation.

Earlier in the month, President Messmore Kendall of the Empire State Society S. A. R., with Vice President General Beach of New Jersey, visited this spot and saw the Marker to be dedicated, on the pilgrimage of SYRACUSE CHAPTER, briefly described in our previous issue.

NEWTOWN BATTLE CHAPTER, Elmira-The death of President Harry N. Hoffman, of this Chapter, on June 26th, after a long illness, brought much sorrow and sense of loss to the members. The first Vice President of the Chapter, Wilson T. Day, will most ably guide the activities of the Chapter for the unexpired term.

#### North Dakota Society

The summer meeting of this Society was held at the American Legion Memorial Park, Spiritwood Lake, on July 21st, and an excellent attendance together with members of the D. A. R. and other guests made a gala occasion. Luncheon was served, followed by a were presented by President Vine D. Lord. Vice President General Elmour D. Lum and Past State President Dr. John D. Carr gave of September 17th.

brief reports of the Louisville Congress which they had attended. Social contacts, boating and swimming, for those who so wished, completed a very enjoyable day.

An intensive campaign for new members is planned, and will be energetically pursued.

On Constitution Day the Society sponsored a forty minute radio program which was broadcast throughout the State.

#### Ohio Society

RICHARD MONTGOMERY CHAPTER, Dayton-The grave of one who served with colonial rangers in protecting the frontier against the hostile Ohio Indians during the revolutionary period, Sebastian Heeter, was marked with impressive ceremonies by RICHARD MONTGOMERY CHAPTER, at New Providence, on June 30th. Fifty-three descendants of this honored soldier were present, two grandsons among them, octogenarians, and the youngest descendant, Kenneth Weaver, of six years.

The old Lutheran Church and cemetery date back to 1825, and other distinguished persons are buried here, among whom may be mentioned William McCormick, inventor of the reaper bearing his name, and a Mexican war veteran, buried in upright position, to fulfill

The exercises were presided over by President Virgil Z. Dorfmeier of the George ROGERS CLARK CHAPTER, and brief addresses were made by Hon, Lester L. Cecil, President of Ohio State Society, Mrs. A. H. Dunham, Mrs. Sarah Wuichet representing Ohio D. A. R. and Ionathan Dayton Chapter, and President David Drake of the C. A. R. of Dayton. The tablet was unveiled by Compatriot Ezra M. Kuhns. Other past and present officers of the Ohio Society S. A. R. and an audience of over 250 were in attendance.

#### Oklahoma Society

OKLAHOMA CITY CHAPTER—A luncheon meeting was held on September 13th, at the Y. W. C. A., with a Constitution Day program, the speaker being Mr. R. L. Disney. A membership certificate was presented to Compatriot John F. McCullough by President H. B. Downing. Each member was asked to bring an eligible guest.

#### Oregon Society

The Society opened the season with a meeting program at which the newly elected officers of the Board of Managers September 6th, followed by a most instructive Constitution Day meeting at the University Club on the evening

The event was unusually well attended, and from the enthusiasm evidenced the coming winter bids fair to be one of activity for Oregon S. A. R.

The program committee had something new to offer in the way of a discussion pro and con of adherence to the Constitution. Mr. Lamar Tooze discussed the affirmative side, or strict construction of the Constitution, while Mr. Hugh L. Biggs took the negative side for a more flexible Constitution.

The subject was ably handled by the speakers and in such manner as to arouse only friendly discussion.

Especial activities for the coming year will be a drive for new members; renewed fight for strict enforcement of our immigration laws, and more meetings of the membership.

#### Pennsylvania Society

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER—Recognition of the 100th anniversary of the cracking of the Liberty Bell was promoted by this Chapter at special exercises in Independence Hall on

July 8. It was on this date, 1835, that the hall cracked as it tolled the death knell for the funeral cortege of Chief Justice John Marshall A wreath was placed by President Harold of Whiteside for Philadelphia Chapter, and a brief but inspiring address was given by Mayor T Hampton Moore, who also broadcasted a similar message over a national hook-up on Independence Day just preceding, from which wa quote on another page of this issue. This anniversary was observed and quite widely commented on by the press throughout the country

The Chapter also participated in the usual Independence Day Observance on July 4th, at Independence Hall, when particular attention was called to this centennial of the treasured relic, Mayor Moore being the chief speaker also at the time.

The Chapter held Constitution Day exercises in Constitution Chamber in Independence Hall on September 17, with excellent attendance and inspiring ceremonies which were given wide publicity.

LAFAYETTE CHAPTER, Wilkinsburg-On Sunday, May 26, President Robert Wise, with Wm.



From left to right: Harold C. Whiteside, Chairman of Committee; Hon. J. Hampton Moore, Mayor of Philadelphia; L. C. Hickman, President Philadelphia Chapter.

rance and Charles Nesbitt, members of the Albert Smith are giving splendid support to the Chapter, drove to Beulah Church Graveyard, two miles east of Wilkinsburg, Pa., on the Wm. Penn Highway, where they placed new markers and flags on the graves of 24 Revolutionary Soldiers' graves: James Beatty, Capt. Charles Bonner, Col. Robert Cunningham, John Cole, John Hughey, James Horner, Charles Johnston, John Johnston, John Kelly, Matthew Long, Capt. John McMasters, Dr. John Mc-Dowell, James McKelvy, John McCullough, Wm. McElroy, James Milligan, Capt. Peter Perchment, Capt. Nathaniel Poyntz, Wm. Park, James Speer, Col. Wm. Stewart, Major tour took the visitors first to the Mariners' Thos. A. Sampson, Samuel Taylor, and Capt. Peter Whiteside.

This burying ground is supposed to be the oldest west of the Allegheny Mountains. Gen. Forbes in his march westward camped on this hill in 1758 and in 1769 Wm. McCrea gave 23/4 acres of his farm for a burial ground. The oldest marked grave remaining is James Bonner (age 8), 1793, while the oldest person was Jane Johnston, born 1700, died 1806, mother of John Johnston, George Washington's sec- Hilton Village for luncheon, where greetings retary.

#### **Utah Society**

The Utah Society has been active during the summer months in the presentation of medals at the R. O. T. C. Camps and the CCC Camps in the Intermountain Country. These medals have been presented for general proficiency and in some cases oratorical ability on patriotic subjects. The Chairman of the Medal Committee being the efficient Vice President of the Utah Society, Gen. William F. Bulkley, Episcopal Archdeacon of Utah.

The late summer meeting of the Society was held at the Salt Lake Country Club as a dinner meeting, the guest of honor being Miss Gladys Voris, of Salt Lake City, whose portrait appeared in the July number of the S. A. R. MAGAZINE. Miss Voris delivered her address on National Defense, the address for which she won the first prize in the Mountain States Oratorical Contest last spring.

Vice President General Hon. Benjamin L. Rich

Aiken, Wm. Dick, James Callan, Harold Tor- and former Vice President General Hon. George patriotic work of the Society.

#### Virginia Society

The semi-annual meeting of this Society was held in observance of Constitution Day at Hilton Village, suburb of Newport News, on September 17th, and an attractive program arranged by the local committee from the THOMAS NELSON, JR., CHAPTER, of the Peninsula, and President Philip St. George Cooke, brought a fine attendance of the members from all parts of the State. A morning sight-seeing Museum for a brief inspection, and thence to Yorktown, where the many interesting historic places were visited, including the Moore House, Swan Tavern, and the present work on the reconstructed Revolutionary trenches, and the diving operations at the wreck of the British ship Charon proved of much interest; the drive connecting Yorktown with Jamestown and Williamsburg completed this tour, which brought the party back to the Colonial Inn at were exchanged by officers of various chapters present, in response to the welcome of President L. S. Foster of THOMAS NELSON, JR., CHAPTER.

The afternoon program was presided over by State President Philip S. Cooke, and reports were heard of Society's activities and plans, and an address by Hon. J. Boyd Sears completed a most enjoyable day.

RICHMOND CHAPTER—The first fall meeting was held on September 12th at Mayo Memorial, at which Mr. Edwin Hill Courtney addressed the members and guests, and a musical program by Mrs. Cora M. Ferrell, Miss Mildred Howard and Mr. Alex Traylor contributed much to the pleasure of the evening.

#### West Virginia Society

GENERAL NATHANAEL GREENE CHAPTER, No. 3, Bluefield-Compatriot V. L. Sexton, President of the Chapter, is planning a luncheon for the observance of Constitution Day on Sep-The Utah Society is exceptionally active and tember 17. The address for the occasion will be broadcast over the radio.

# Additions to Membership

There have been enrolled in the office of the Ohio, 7; Ore., 1; Penna., 10; S. C., 1; S. D., 1; Registrar General from June 1, 1935, to September 1, 1935, 81 new members, distributed as follows: Ark., 1; Calif., 2; Conn., 7; D. C., 3; France, 4;

Tenn., 1; Tex., 1; Utah, 2; Vt., 1; Va., 9; Wash., 1 Supplemental claims have been approved from Ark., 1; Calif., 2; Conn., 7; D. C., 3; France, 4; Ill., 6; Iowa, 1; Ky., 1; Md., 1; Mass., 2; Mich., 3; Minn., 1; Mo., 1; N. J., 1; New York, 11; Pa., 2; S. D., 2; Vt., 1; W. Va., 1.

### Records of 81 New Members and 29 Supplementals Approved and Enrolled by the Registrar General from June 1 to September 1, 1935

HUGH GIBSON BEATTY, Ohio (49335). Supplemental. ALLISON DODD, New Jersey (27363). Supplemental Great-grandson of George Wilson, Lieut. Colonel in Penna. Troops.

HARRY LEWIS BEERS, Norwalk, Conn. (54204). Great3grandson of Seth Seymour, Captain in Conn. Troops and on Committe of Inspection.

LEWIS REXFORD BEERS, Norwalk, Conn. (54205). Son of 52304 supra.

JAMES B. BOSTWICK, New York, N. Y. (53973). Great2-grandson of John Bostwick, private in N. Y.

WILLIAM McAFEE BRUCE, Arkansas (53355). Supplemental. Great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of William Miller, Captain in Va. Troops.

WILLIAM CHASE CARPENTER, N. Tarrytown, N. Y. (53974). Great2-grandson of Ebenezer Chase, private in N. Y. Levies.

ELBRIDGE COLBY, Burlington, Vt. (54126). Great4grandson of Jonathan Bagley, Colonel in Mass. Militia; great3-grandson of Obadiah Colby, private in Mass.

AYLETT RAINS COTTON, San Mateo, Calif. (53711). Great2-grandson of Theophilus Cotton, Colonel in Mass.

CLAUDE DALE CURTISS, Detroit, Mich. (53683). Great2-grandson of Samuel Chubb, private in Vermont

RAYMOND LOUIS LEON FRANCOIS D'AIGUY, Paris, France (54277). Great2-grandson of Amie Guillard, Sergeant in Expedition under Admiral d'Estaing.

RAYMOND CHRISTIAN GILBERT D'AIGUY, Paris, France (54277). Son of 54277 supra.

FREDERICK REED DALLYE, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54111). Great3-grandson of Peter Colvin, Sergeant in R. I. Troops. JAMES DWIGHT DAUGHERTY, Montclair, N. J. (Pa.

54110). Great3-grandson of William Prowell, Captain in

JOHN FARWELL ANDERSON DAVIS, South Hamilton, Mass. (53896). Great2-grandson of Samuel Davis, Sergeant in Mass. Troops

GILBERT DE CHAMBRUN, Paris, France (54276). Great8-grandson of General de Lafayette, Major General in American Revolutionary Army.

JOHN LEROY DE FOREST, Stamford, Conn. (54206). Great3-grandson of Neazer Hoyt (Hoit) private in Conn.

ARTHUR WILLIAM CRANSTON DESOE, Auburndale, Mass. (53895). Great2-grandson of Samuel Folsom, Jr., Private in Vermont Militia.

WALTER EARL DE WEESE, Ohio (47740). Supplemental. Great2-grandson of Joshua De Weese, private in Dela. Troops.

FREDERICK PETER DE WITT, Mohopac Falls, N. Y. (53975). Great2-grandson of Johannes De Witt, private in N. Y. Militia.

MARTIN J. DE WITT, Wallkill, N. Y. (54176). Great2grandson of Charles De Witt, Member of Committee of Safety and Colonel, N. Y. Militia.

Great-grandson of Joseph Dodd, Private in N. J. Militia. LAWRENCE DRIGGS ELY, Chicago, Ill. (54251). Great3-grandson of Richard Smith, private and teamster in Conn. Troops.

ZELAH RICE FARMER, Washington, D. C. (54031). Great2-grandson of Nathan Farmer, private in Va. Troops, GEORGE H. FELIX, Reading, Pa. (54107). Great-grandson of Stephan Felix, Ensign in Penna. Militia.

ERVIN MOUL FITZ, Ohio (53392). Supplemental. Great3-grandson of Conrad Maul (Moul), Private in Penna. Militia.

HOFFMAN H. GARDNER, Norfolk, Va. (53821). Great3-grandson of John Lindsay, Major in Ga. Troops, HARRIE WILBUR GLEIM, Fort Dodge, Iowa (52669). Great2-grandson of John Wunderlich (Winderly), private in Penna. Line.

GEORGE BENJAMIN GRIFFETH, JR., Ludingtonville. N. Y. (Conn. 53500). Great2-grandson of Joshua Griffeth, private in N. Y. Militia.

KARL DEAN HARDY, Salt Lake City, Utah (53019). Great2-grandson of Abner Hardy, Minute Man in Mass. Troops.

HOWARD SHELDON HATFIELD, Cincinnati, Ohio (53848). Great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of John Short, private in Va. Troops.

CHARLES ERASTUS HERRICK, Chicago, Ill. (54252). Great-grandson of John Herrick, private in Mass. Minute

CLARENCE BUSSEY HEWES, Washington, D. C. (54030). Great3-grandson of Edward Bussey, 1st Lieutenant in Md. Line.

FRANK DAVID HIGBEE, New London, Conn. (54207). Great3-grandson of Obadiah Highee, private in N. J.

EDWIN STANLEY INGERSOLL, Rochester, N. Y (54177). Greats-grandson of George Gorton, private in R. I. Militia.

FREDERICK COWLES JENISON, Lansing, Mich. (53682). Great2-grandson of Hopewell Jenison, Sergeant in Mass. Troops.

ARTHUR HOMER KELLEY, Florissant, Mo. (53655). Great2-grandson of William Carter, private in Va. Troops; great2-grandson of William Haynes, private in Va. Troops.

ROBERT FERGUSON KELSO, New Lexington, Ohio (54302). Great3-grandson of William Kelso, 2nd Lieutenant in Penna. Militia.

EARL HERBERT KLOCK, South Dakota (51383). Supplementals. Great2-grandson of Henry Zimmerman, Lieutenant in N. Y. Troops; great2-grandson of Cornelius Beekman, Lieutenant in N. Y. Militia.

RIDGWAY BREWSTER KNIGHT, New York, N. Y. (54178). Great2-grandson of Daniel Knight, Drummer and Fifer in Penna Militia.

CLIFFORD WALTER LEAVENWORTH, JR., Wallingford, Conn. (54201). Great4-grandson of David Leavenworth, Captain in Conn. Militia.

CLARENCE CYRUS LERCH, Rockford, Ill. (54253). Great3-grandson of Henry Vanderslice, Wagonmaster and Corporal in Penna. Troops.

LOUIS EDWARD McCURDY, Salt Lake City, Utah (53018). Great2-grandson of Thomas Sharp, Captain in

DAVIS GOODWIN MARASPIN, Massachusetts (50593). Supplementals. Great2-grandson of Joel Ruggles, private in Mass. Troops; great4-grandson of Job Crocker, Captain in Mass. Militia; great2-grandson of Jeremiah Allen, private in Mass. Militia; great3-grandson of Joseph Lum, took Oath of Fidelity.

RANDOLPH MAYNARD, Richmond, Va. (53825). Great3-grandson of John Cosby, private in Va. Troops. BLAKE WALDEN MEADOR, Richmond, Va. (53823). Great3-grandson of William Meador.

RETURN JONATHAN MEIGS, Cranford, N. J. (N. Y. 54179). Great3-grandson of Return Jonathan Meigs, Colonel in Conn. Line.

RICHARD H. MENAFEE, Louisville, Ky. (51749). Great2-grandson of John (Jack) Jouett, Captain in Va.

CHARLES VICKERS MERRIMAN, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54104). Great3-grandson of John Leasure (Leezer, Leazer), private in Penna. Troops.

RODNEY B. MICHAEL, Bayonne, N. J. (53645). Great2-grandson of John Craig, private in Md. Troops.

TAMES ROSCOE MILLER, Chicago, Ill. (54254). Great3-grandson of Henry Miller, private in Penna. Militia and Line; great3-grandson of Nehemiah Letts, private in N. J. Troops; great3-grandson of George Christian Gleim, private in Penna. Troops.

WILLIAM BYRON MILLER, New Mexico (52086). Supplemental. Great3-grandson of Joseph Goddard, Corporal in Va. Troops.

MASON EDWARD MITCHELL, Arkansas (46172). Supplemental. Great3-grandson of Edward Spicer, Sr., Captain, N. C. Militia, and Member of Provincial Congress. CHARLES CORE MOORE, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54102).

Great2-grandson of Justus G. Darrt, Fifer in N. H. Militia.

JOSEPH F. MOORE, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54103). Great2grandson of Isaac Cornelius, private in Md. Militia.

MELBOURNE MOOSE, Arkansas (53356). Supplementals. Great3-grandson of William Miller, Captain in Va. Troops; great8-grandson of Shaderach Hargis, Captain in N. C. Militia.

EUGENE FOSTER MORROW, Columbus, Ohio (53847). Great2-grandson of John Sink (Zink), private in Penna.

JONATHAN WHITEHEAD OLD, JR., Norfolk, Va. (53818). Great2-grandson of Caleb Old, 1st Lieutenant in Va. Militia.

LOGAN EDWARD OLD, JR., Elizabeth City, N. C. (Va. 53824). Great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of Caleb Old, Lieutenant in Va. Militia.

GEORGE WILLIAM PARDY, La Jolla, Calif. (53710). Great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of Seth Stanley, Lieutenant in Conn.

RALZEMOND B. PARKER, Detroit, Mich. (53681). Great3-grandson of Ezra Parker, Sergeant in Mass. Line.

FRANCIS ALEXANDER PEDEN, New York, N. Y. (54180). Great3-grandson of Arthur Johnson, Ensign in Va. Troops.

JOHN CARL PERRY, JR., Washington, D. C. (54032). Great3-grandson of Thomas Washington, Lieutenant in Va. Continentals.

MAURICE PETSCHE, Paris, France (54279). Great3grandson of Jean Francois Vacher, Surgeon in N. Y. Troops. (Came with Lafayette.)

WILLIAM OVERTON POINDEXTER, Newport News, Va. (53819). Great3-grandson of Joseph Poindexter, Captain in Va. Militia.

KEITH WALKER POWELL, Salem, Ore. (54326). Great2-grandson of Benjamin Walker, Sergeant and spy in Md. Troops.

KEEN ALEXANDER RAFFERTY, Baltimore, Md. (54002). Great<sup>3</sup>-grandson of John Williams, private in Md. Militia.

ROBERT MORRIS REESE, Kingston, Pa. (54109). Great3-grandson of Benjamin Harvey, private in Conn.

RICHARD DAVID ROLLINS, Spartanburg, S. C. (51714). Great2-grandson of Samuel Moorer, private in S. C.

GEORGE HEWS ROSS, Richmond, Va. (53922). Great3grandson of Phineas Pelton, private in Conn. Militia.

RULEF COMBS SCHANCK, Pennsylvania (29256). Supplemental. Great-grandson of Rulef P. Schanck (Schenck), private in N. J. Troops.

VINCENT LEGRAND SEXTON, West Virginia (46034). Supplemental. Great2-grandson of Joseph Cole, Jr., Captain in Va. Militia.

ROMER SHAWHAN, New York (53924). Supplementals. Great2-grandson of Thomas Erskine Birch, served with John Paul Jones on Bon Homme Richard and Serapis; great3-grandson of John Sevier, Colonel in N. C. Troops.

RALPH S. SHELL, Dayton, Ohio (54301). Great3grandson of Peter Shell, private in Penna. Militia; great3grandson of George Weimer, private in Penna. Militia; great3-grandson of John Lesher, Major in Penna. Militia; great3-grandson of John Getter, private in Penna. Miliita; great3-grandson of George Gebhart, private in Penna.

JOHN SHEERAR, Cincinnatus, N. Y. (54181). Great2grandson of George Malaechia Segor private in N. Y.

REXFORD MONROE SHEILD, Salem, S. D. (51383). Great2-grandson of Robert Sheild, Ensign in Va. Militia. JOHN JOHNSON SHERRARD, Steubenville, Ohio (Pa. 54108). Same as 54105.

THOMAS JOHNSON SHERRARD, Wellsburg, W. Va. (Pa. 54105). Great2-grandson of William Sherrard, private in Penna. Flying Camp.

IAMES WILLIAM SOMERVILLE, Clarendon, Va. (53825). Great3-grandson of Benjamin Chapin, Surgeon in Va. Navy.

FRANK JOSEPH SPARKS, W. Hartford, Conn. (54202). Great-grandson of Zaccheus Cande, private in Conn.

FRANK JOSEPH SPARKS, JR., W. Hartford, Conn. (54203). Son of 54202 supra.

JAMES HENRY SPEIR, Brooklyn, N. Y. (54183). Great3-grandson of William Gaylord Hubbell, Captain in Conn. Militia.

JOHN LAFAYETTE STOCKTON, Siloam Springs, Ark. (53357). Great3-grandson of Shaderach Hargis, Captain in N. C. Militia.

HARRY EUGENE STOOPS, Chattanooga, Tenn. (53855). Great4-grandson of Joseph Sherer, Captain in Penna.

EDWIN CAMPBELL STREET, Waco, Tex. (53579). Great2-grandson of Arthur Campbell, Colonel in Va.

DONALDSON STRONG, Weston, Conn. (N. Y. 54182). Great2-grandson of Solomon Strong, Sr., Minute Man in Mass. Troops.

LEON EARL TEMPLE, Toledo, Ohio (53846) Great2grandson of Stephen Temple, private in Mass. Militia. ROLAND THORP, Norfolk, Va. (53820). Great2-grandson of Richard Taylor, Captain in N. C. Militia.

- FRED SYLVESTER TINTHOFF, Peoria, Ill. (54255). Great3-grandson of Stephen Kneisel, private in Penna. Troops
- CHARLES MacLELLAN TOWN, Pennsylvania (51755). Supplemental. Great2-grandson of Robert Patton, Captain in Penna. Militia.
- CHARLES D. TRIPP, Barberton, Ohio (53850). Great3grandson of Acus Tripp, Corporal in Mass. Troops.
- ALLEN SHELDON TRUX, Minneapolis, Minn. (52687). Great2-grandson of William Trux, Ensign in Md. Troops. WALTER LYNN TUPPER, Illinois (53458). Supple-
- mental. Great3-grandson of Asa Spencer, private in N. H. Troops.
- EDWARD R. VINCENT, New York, N. Y. (Ohio 53849). Great2-grandson of William Woodward, private in Con-
- KARL S. VON SENDEN, Pittsburgh, Pa. (54106). Great2-grandson of Timothy Strong, private in Conn
- FRANK EDWARD WEIDENHAMER, La Grange III (54256). Great8-grandson of John Weidenhamer, Lieu. tenant in Penna. Troops.
- LEWIS DANIEL WILLIAMS, JR., South Bend, Wash. (52541). Great2-grandson of Isaac Whealdon (Weldon) private in Dela. Troops. Killed at Brandywine.

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Page 72, third record, read: Albertsen, great<sup>8</sup>-grandson of Thomas Gaddis. Eighth record, same, read: William Wallace Barre, not Page 74, same, first record, read: John Collas Hyde. Record of D. D. Matthews, same, second line, read: Joseph Stidham (Stedham).

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- Q. Why do we salute the flag?
- A. Because we desire to honor it. O. Why do we honor it?
- A. Because it stands for liberty, justice and equal opportunities for all those who live under its folds.
- Q. How can we best show our devotion to the flag?
- A. By becoming law-abiding and patriotic citizens of our country.
- Q. Who are the enemies of our flag?
- A. Every person who strikes at our flag by force of arms or by breaking the laws that are made to preserve our liberties. Those who violate a public trust are

even more dangerous enemies than those who would openly fire upon our flag.

- Q. How can we best protect and preserve our form of government?
- A. By making it our duty to vote at all elections. My keeping inviolate our own votes and helping in every way to enforce a strict obedience to our election laws. Above all, we must remember that we are American citizens whose duty it is to place the welfare of our country above selfish greed or personal ambition. Therefore, we "pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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