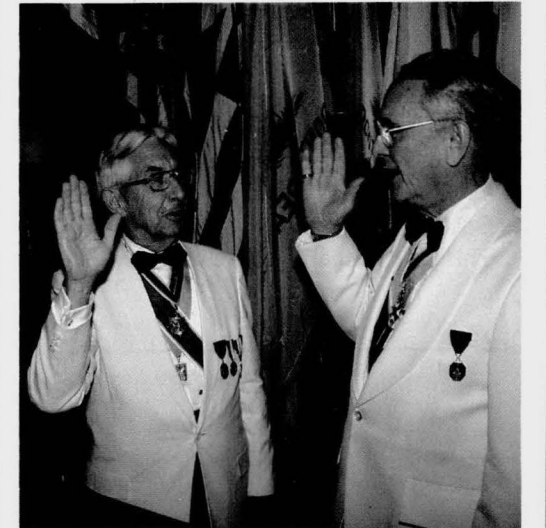




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The PRESIDENT GENERAL'S MESSAGE...

The Executive Secretary's request for an early retirement has made it necessary for your President General to temporarily make his residence in Louisville. The Trustees, Officers and all other Compatriots greatly appreciate the contribution that he has made to the Society.

In my speech following the installation of officers at the 90th Annual Congress, I said, "Headquarters has never fully supported the membership efforts of the States." I plan on improving Headquarters' service and its assistance to you.

I also stated that "The Vice-Presidents General are charged with the duty to increase membership, hold seminars and promote the welfare of the Society. Theirs is a most responsible, important position which should be effectively fulfilled.

"A Trustee is the most important part of the National Society. He is the National Society on the State level. This is the team established by our Constitution and



Bylaws to assist the State Societies and Chapters in their functions. We all have the responsibility to help and improve the Chapters. To assist them in every way to become active, interesting, educational, patriotic bodies . . . their life blood is new members."

Every Compatriot has an obligation to his ancestors, to his family and to his country to strengthen the Society, to the end that it may make a greater contribution to our faltering nation.

Sincerely,

During the Congress in Dallas, President General Calvin E. Chunn invested newly elected President General Arthur M. King with his emblem of office and then slipped the priceless George Washington ring onto Compatriot King's finger, a traditional ceremony. Chancellor General Richard H. Thompson, Jr., gave the oath of office.



Compatriot Arthur M. King Elected 1980-81 President General



Dear Mr. Williams (Editor):

This letter concerns the article in the Spring Issue (1980) on page 7 relative to the Bedford Flag. . . . It actually is called the Bedford Cornet. The original still hangs in the Bedford (Massachusetts) Court House . . . My brother and I are descended from Nathaniel Page, who carried the Cornet at Lexington.

Amory H. Waite, Jr.
Venice, FL

Dear Sir (Editor):

I am undertaking a project to locate burial places of all known War of 1812 veterans buried in Minnesota, with January, 1981 projected as the publication date. The project will build a military and biographical file. These veterans would have to be born prior to 1800 and also early settlers of Minnesota.

Arthur Louis Finnell, CGRS
703 North Sixth St.
Marshall, MN 56258

This letter to President Carter is being reprinted with permission of the writer. Ed.

Mr. President:

I have the honour to be honorary Governor, Citizen or State Secretary of many USA States, but the title I am really proud of is to be the only Italian who is a Son of the American Revolution, being a descendant of Col. Francis Vigo, Vincennes, Indiana . . . I love America, where I have my best friends, and I am the happiest man in the world when, every year, I can spend one or two months there . . . You may imagine, therefore, my indignation when someone dares to insult the United States, and to threaten the life of U.S. citizens as is being done by that foolish Khomeini, who misuses the name of God and acts like the real gangster he is . . . I support your efforts to obtain the release of the hostages by peaceful means. Should you be compelled to take military action against Iran, I am asking the honour to volunteer under the glorious U.S. Flag . . . I am 61 and still very healthy. I will do my duty as my ancestor did and as I did during World War II, when I was in command of a Partisan Brigade, fighting the Nazis together with the U.S. Army .

Prince Enrico Vigo-Paleologo
Cannes, France

Dear Editor:

In the Spring Issue of the magazine is a letter to you from members of the Nathan Hale Educational Society. I note with satisfaction that our Compatriots in Connecticut, along with others, are now taking a brave and determined stand to get these basic Founding Documents (Fundamental Orders of the Connecticut Colony, Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution, etc.) restored as mandated subjects of study in all Connecticut schools. All SAR Chapters should make sure that the General Statutes of their own state do not have similar, quietly-passed legislation which might deprive our children and posterity of their rightful heritage. I takes only an hour's research at the local library to settle the point . . . I do not know whether the Nathan Hale Educational Society accepts members from other states but I feel sure they deserve and would welcome notes of encouragement from

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Congress, Trustees Meeting Dates Set

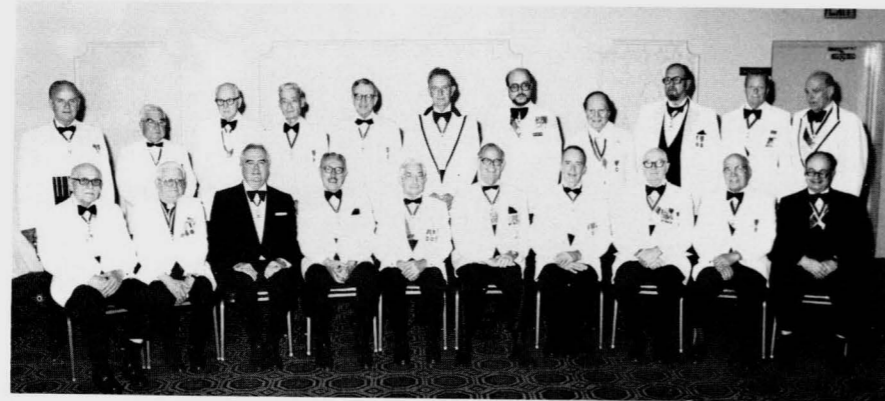
Three important dates for future national meetings were established during the 90th Annual Congress in Dallas, as follows:

Trustees Meeting — October 17-18, 1980, The Louisville Inn (formerly Stouffer's), Louisville, KY.

91st Annual Congress — June 6-10, 1981, Skirvin Plaza, Oklahoma City, OK. This represents a shift of one week ahead of the previous schedule.

Trustees Meeting — October 16-17, 1981, Holiday Inn 1776, Williamsburg, VA. Since these dates immediately precede the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Yorktown, only a limited number of rooms are available. Reservations will be made through National Headquarters following a date to be announced.

As these meetings approach, complete details will be forthcoming from Headquarters and reported in *The SAR Magazine*.



New national officers elected were: (front row, from left) Librarian General Gracie R. Rowntree, MD, Chaplain General Rev. William H. Lister, Chancellor General Hon. John C. Mowbray, Secretary General Warren G. Hayes, Jr., President General Arthur M. King, Treasurer General Carl F. Bessent, Registrar General Howard L. Hamilton, PhD, Genealogist General Maj. Gen. Carleton E. Fisher, Historian General G. Arthur Luther and Surgeon General John P. Henry, MD; (back row, from left) Vice-Presidents General Asa E. Phillips (New England District), John R. Naisby, Jr. (North Atlantic), Frank W. Kinnamom (Mid Atlantic), Horace A. Donham (Southern), Col. Benjamin H. Morris (Central), John L. Ruby, PhD (Great Lakes), John Hallberg Jones (North Central), Ross L. Robe (South Central), C. Norman Flanders (Rocky Mountain), Allan Himes Reid (Western) and Herbert W. White, Jr. (Pacific). Not present when this photo was taken were Vice-Presidents General John D. Williams (South Atlantic), Carroll V. Henderson (Intermountain) and Carl K. Hoffmann (Foreign).

1980-81 Slate of Officers Elected at Dallas Congress

Nearly 450 delegates, general officers and guests gathered in Dallas, Texas, from June 28 through July 2 to participate in the 90th Annual Congress of the National Society. Despite the abnormally hot weather, virtually everyone agreed that this meeting was one of the best ever, thanks to the highly commendable job turned in by the Texas Society and especially to Congress Chairman Clovis H. Brakebill. Full details of major activities and actions are reported throughout this issue of the magazine.

All positions for national offices were uncontested, with Arthur M. King, Kansas Society, being elected President General for the 1980-81 term. Other officers are shown in the accompanying photograph. Compatriot King named the following to the Executive Committee, which also has as *ex-officio* members the President General, Secretary General, Treasurer General and Chancellor General: Dr. Calvin E. Chunn, Immediate Past PG; Richard H. Thompson, Jr., Immediate Past CG; Cecil W. Grange, Past President of the Illinois Society, re-

appointed for a second term; Clovis H. Brakebill; and Marshall E. Miller, Past President of the Indiana Society.



A SURPRISED NEW MEMBER — While bringing greetings from the Governor of Texas to Congress attendees, Allen Clark, Administrative Assistant to the Governor, stated that he was qualified for the SAR and has completed and turned in his application papers. Much to his complete surprise, he was then given a new membership certificate and rosette by President General Calvin E. Chunn.

Guests Bring Greetings to the Congress

For what is believed to be a first at an Annual Congress, a broad range of patriotic and hereditary organizations was represented by top officers, each of whom brought warm words of greetings. In addition, Congress attendees were welcomed by officials from the State of Texas and the City of Dallas.

This portion of the Congress took place during the Opening Session on Monday, June 26 in a large meeting room at the North Park Inn, which is located several miles north of downtown Dallas. Many of the honored guests stayed for luncheon at the Inn's cavernous Convention Complex.



Mrs. Roland C. White
Treasurer General
Daughters of the American Revolution



Mrs. Ernest Scott Brainard
Regent, Texas Society
Daughters of the American Revolution



Mrs. Thomas C. Burkey
Senior National President
Children of the American Revolution



Bradley A. Bartol
National President
Children of the American Revolution



Mrs. Howard L. Hamilton
President General
Order of the Three Crusades, 1096-1192



Mrs. Luther D. Swanstrom
President General
The National Huguenot Society



James J. Shannon
General President
Sons of the Revolution



Donald E. Lathrop, PASAR
Treasurer General, Society of the Descendants of the Colonial Clergy



Donald Cronan
Hon. Commander-in-Chief, Society of the Desc. of Washington's Army at Valley Forge



Mrs. Elise C. Young
President General
Colonial Dames of the 17th Century



Carl K. Hoffman, FLSAR
Member
36th Infantry Division Association

George Mason Chapter Receives PG's Cup Plaque

Coveted awards were given out during the 90th Annual Congress Recognition Night ceremonies to Compatriots, State Societies and Chapters for having rendered outstanding service to the Society during the year:

President General's Cup Plaque (to the State Society or Chapter which presents evidence of the most complete program of activities): *George Mason Chapter, VASAR.*

The Edwin B. Graham Trophy (to the State Society sponsoring the first place winner of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest): *Florida Society.*

The Allene Wilson Groves Award (to the State Society or Chapter which presents evidence of implementing SAR resolutions and principles): *Tennessee Valley Chapter, ALSAR.*

The Texas Award (to the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among States with less than 100 members): *Montana Society, 26.7%.*

The Colorado Award (to the State Society with the highest percentage of increase in membership among States with more than 100 members): *Oklahoma Society, 32.7%.*

The Ohio Award (to the State Society which enrolled the highest percentage of new members under 30 years of age): *Iowa Society.*

The Len Young Smith Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members under 40 years of age): *Pennsylvania Society.*

The Walter G. Sterling Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members transferred from the Children of the American Revolution): *Georgia Society.*

The Robert L. Sonfield Award (to the State Society with the largest numerical increase of members at the end of the year): *Kentucky Society, 52.*

The Houston Chapter Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest percentage of new members transferred from the CAR): *Vermont, 25%.*

The SAR Magazine Award (to the State Society which tendered the most cooperation in supplying usable magazine material): *Empire State Society.*

The Harold L. Putnam Award (to the State Society or Chapter Chairman responsible for the winner of the Historical Oration Contest): *Clearwater Chapter, FLSAR.*

The Senator Robert A. Taft Award (to the State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members): *Florida, 111.*



The Empire State Society gained the SAR Magazine Award. Accepting from Secretary General Arthur M. King on behalf of the Society was President Paul K. Adams.

The William Y. Pryor Award (to the State Society with the largest number of registered delegates at the Congress with consideration for the distance factor): *Pennsylvania Society.*

The Syracuse Award (to the State Society which chartered the most new Chapters): *South Carolina Society, 3.*

The 1776 Trophy (to the State Society which reinstated the largest number of dropped and resigned members): *Empire State Society, 81.*

The Eugene C. McGuire Award (to the State Society enrolling the largest number of sons, grandsons and nephews of SARs and DARs): *Pennsylvania Society, 25.*

The Kentucky Cup (to the Membership Chairman of that State Society which enrolled the largest number of new members): *Montana Society, 26.67%.*

The Admiral William R. Furlong Memorial Award (to the State Society with the best U.S. Flag program): *DC Society.*

The Florence Kendall Award (to the Compatriot who recruited the most new members): *Louis C. Alderman, Jr., GASAR, 21.*

The Charlotte Lund Woodward Award (to the Editor of the best Chapter or State Society (in which there are no Chapters) periodical newsletter): *Pennsylvania.*

The Stephen Taylor Award (to the Compatriot who by his research and writing has made a distinguished and significant contribution to the preservation of the history of the American Revolution era and its Patriots): *Charles E. Bennett, FLSAR, for his book entitled "Southernmost Battlefields of the Revolution."*

In addition, scores of members received awards for signing up new Compatriots, as reported on page 19.



Secretary General Arthur M. King (right) congratulated Compatriot Louis C. Alderman, GASAR, for winning the Florence Kendall Award.



Receiving the President General's Cup Plaque on behalf of the George Mason Chapter was Virginia Society President Roderick D. Brown (right). Making the presentation was Secretary General Arthur M. King.

States, Chapters Gain Recognition

For the second time, State Societies and Chapters were recognized for their breadth of activities as based on an accumulative point system devised by President General Calvin E. Chunn. All entrants offered extensive documentation to back up their point tallies.

Recognition Night at the Congress saw awards going to State Societies competing during 1979-80 in the following membership categories: To 199 members, Nebraska; 200 to 499, South Carolina; 500 to 999, no entries; and over 1,000, Virginia.

Chapters gaining top honors were: To 49 members, Williamsburg, VASAR; 50 to 99, Col. Thomas Taylor, SCSAR; 100 to 199, Saramana, FLSAR; and over 200, Western Reserve Society, OHSAR.

Future issues of the magazine will detail the various winning programs which were carried out.

Delaware, Nevada Societies Win King Membership Awards

The first Arthur M. and Berdena King SAR-DAR Membership Comparison Awards were presented in Dallas during Recognition Night at the 90th Annual Congress.

The Delaware Society received a \$200.00 check and a customized gavel with a gold identification band for having on April 1 the highest percentage of any State Society membership when compared to the total DAR membership in the State.

Receiving similar prizes was the Nevada Society for having the largest percentage increase in the ratio of SAR to DAR membership during the year preceding April 1. Rankings of all State Societies as of April 1, 1979, were published in last year's Summer Issue of the magazine.

Itemized below are data compiled by Compatriot King showing the rankings as of April 1, 1980, the beginning date of this year's contest.

| | SAR | DAR | Percentage SAR of DAR |
|-------------------|-------|--------|-----------------------|
| 1. Delaware | 225 | 613 | 36.70 |
| 2. Rhode Island | 279 | 808 | 34.52 |
| 3. Arizona | 349 | 1,200 | 29.08 |
| 4. Utah | 81 | 351 | 23.07 |
| 5. Hawaii | 26 | 122 | 21.31 |
| 6. Florida | 1,712 | 8,938 | 19.15 |
| 7. Nevada | 58 | 304 | 19.07 |
| 8. Pennsylvania | 1,984 | 11,350 | 17.48 |
| 9. D. C. | 470 | 2,802 | 16.77 |
| 10. New Hampshire | 240 | 1,451 | 16.54 |
| 11. Maryland | 511 | 3,188 | 16.02 |
| 12. North Dakota | 29 | 193 | 15.02 |
| 13. Connecticut | 564 | 3,805 | 14.82 |
| 14. Idaho | 68 | 481 | 14.13 |
| 15. New Mexico | 155 | 1,107 | 14.00 |
| 16. New Jersey | 619 | 4,446 | 13.92 |
| 17. Massachusetts | 543 | 4,046 | 13.42 |
| 18. Virginia | 1,130 | 8,482 | 13.32 |
| 19. Ohio | 1,076 | 9,240 | 11.64 |
| 20. Alaska | 15 | 137 | 10.94 |



Receiving Membership Comparison Awards from Compatriot Arthur M. King (right) on behalf of their State Societies were Frank W. Kinnamon (left), DESAR, and Chief Justice John C. Mowbray, NVSAR.

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|--------------------|--------|---------|-------|
| 21. Louisiana | 528 | 4,920 | 10.73 |
| 22. South Carolina | 434 | 4,177 | 10.39 |
| 23. South Dakota | 40 | 398 | 10.05 |
| 24. Vermont | 90 | 933 | 9.64 |
| 25. Kansas | 353 | 3,755 | 9.40 |
| 26. Texas | 1,356 | 14,455 | 9.38 |
| 27. New York | 1,094 | 11,651 | 9.38 |
| 28. Minnesota | 122 | 1,302 | 9.37 |
| 29. Colorado | 208 | 2,317 | 8.97 |
| 30. Illinois | 998 | 11,161 | 8.94 |
| 31. California | 826 | 9,423 | 8.76 |
| 32. West Virginia | 286 | 3,355 | 8.52 |
| 33. Kentucky | 432 | 5,259 | 8.21 |
| 34. Maine | 133 | 1,695 | 7.84 |
| 35. Indiana | 649 | 8,675 | 7.48 |
| 36. Alabama | 340 | 4,571 | 7.43 |
| 37. Michigan | 291 | 3,934 | 7.39 |
| 38. Wisconsin | 157 | 2,180 | 7.20 |
| 39. Washington | 139 | 2,058 | 6.75 |
| 40. Oregon | 119 | 1,533 | 6.49 |
| 41. Oklahoma | 200 | 3,302 | 6.05 |
| 42. Tennessee | 401 | 6,754 | 5.93 |
| 43. North Carolina | 370 | 6,267 | 5.90 |
| 44. Arkansas | 129 | 2,522 | 5.11 |
| 45. Georgia | 374 | 7,756 | 4.82 |
| 46. Nebraska | 99 | 2,201 | 4.49 |
| 47. Wyoming | 18 | 467 | 3.85 |
| 48. Mississippi | 203 | 5,388 | 3.76 |
| 49. Iowa | 146 | 3,890 | 3.75 |
| 50. Montana | 23 | 719 | 3.19 |
| 51. Missouri | 203 | 6,734 | 3.01 |
| | 20,895 | 207,125 | |

Discover Unique Way to Raise Funds

The Iowa Society inadvertently discovered recently that an "auction" is an effective means of raising money needed to pay for projects.

In this case, the auction was actually spontaneous and took place during the Society's Annual Spring Meeting. It all came about when Secretary G. Arthur Luther reported on two programs that required financial support: (1) Purchase of SAR markers to place at the graves of six known Iowa Real Sons; and (2) Purchase of a new "Family Book" to augment one started in 1903 to record detailed information about new members (over 1,700 names are contained in this huge book,

which measures three feet wide when open and is two-and-one-half feet deep!).

When Secretary Luther presented the proposals, which called for several hundred dollars to implement, a Compatriot took to the floor and began to auction the costs. Within minutes, a high percentage of the funds was pledged and before the meeting concluded, a flood of checks were written. In a later mailing to the full membership, a form was included to permit others to participate financially. Should an over-subscription occur, excess funds will be held for some future memorial purpose.

What a great way to raise funds!



A COVETED HONOR — During the Opening Session of the Congress, President General and Mrs. Calvin E. Chunn were made Honorary Citizens of Texas and Dallas.

Congress Establishes Liberty Bell Fund

Because of tight budget conditions, the delegates meeting during the Congress in Dallas voted to establish the "NSSAR Liberty Bell Fund" as a means of generating voluntary contributions for the Liberty Bell program carried out by Compatriot Joe Head.

No sooner had a special resolution been passed, than several attendees spontaneously took to the floor to announce pledges of support on behalf of themselves or their State Society or Chapter. As of August 1, over \$2,500 had been pledged, with the bulk of this sum already received. Checks should be made payable to the "NSSAR Liberty Bell Fund" and mailed to National Headquarters in Louisville.

Compatriot Head is now planning a Fall swing through Ohio and several New England states. SARs desiring to have him stage a program in particular cities should contact him directly.



NEW FISCAL YEAR — Treasurer General Carl F. Bessent told Congress attendees that the Society's fiscal year should be changed back to April 1 - March 31, for a number of reasons. Later, the change gained approval.

Intermountain District Honors Flood Victims

A high point in the history of the Intermountain District was reached May 18 and 19 when Compatriots from Utah, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming gathered in Rexburg, Idaho to honor the victims of the tragic 1976 flood resulting from collapse of the Teton River dam. Also saluted were those who aided the victims.

Coinciding with a District business meeting, the event featured a Community Recognition Program at Ricks College and a Commemorative Monument Dedication at the Old Rexburg Tabernacle. Several thousand Idaho citizens also at-

churches, Red Cross, National Guard and government agencies.

"Their combined efforts to rebuild the stricken areas reflect the highest ideals of American citizenship and the indomitable spirit of the western pioneers.

*Erected May 19, 1980
Sons of the American Revolution
Utah - Idaho - Montana - Wyoming."*

Representing other Societies in the District were: Montana Past President Carroll V. Henderson, Wyoming President Col. T. L. Eastmond (Ret) and Utah Past President Lynn W. Richards.



Participating in making remarks during the unveiling were County Commissioners and Vice-President General Oliver R. Smith (right).



The commemorative plaque was unveiled by Mrs. Duddleson, Idaho Society Regent, DAR, and Vice-President General Oliver R. Smith.

tended the college program, which spotlighted the college program, which spotlighted the college program, a parade of state flags, singing of *The Star-Spangled Banner*, speeches by federal, state and local officials and the active participation of Vice-President General Oliver R. Smith and Idaho President Theodore F. Meyer. The committee organizing the two-day affair was chaired by Compatriot Smith, while Past Vice-Presidents General Homer S. Deal and Howard Thompson served as Vice Chairmen.

Nearly 150 Compatriots in the District contributed a generous \$1,500 toward the purchase of a commemorative bronze marker for the monument. On permanent display, the marker reads:

"The collapse of the Teton River dam on June 5, 1976 unloosed a savage flood which caused \$500,000,000 in damage, took eleven lives, and made thousands homeless in Wilford, Sugar City, Rexburg, Salem, Hibbard, Blackfoot, and environs.

"But this tragedy was turned into triumph by the victims' own faith and courage and by an outpouring of aid by many volunteers from Idaho and nearby states, effectively coordinated by local leaders and generously supported by Ricks College, L.D.S. and other

Five Receive Minuteman Medal

During Recognition Night at the 90th Annual Congress, five Compatriots were presented the Minuteman Medal, the highest award available from the National Society: Alexander Hamilton, Dr. James B. Hoge, Jr., Frank W. Kinnamon, Winston C. Williams and Albert C. Wirth. Each was first nominated for the award by his State Society. From those submitted, the Executive Committee made the final selections.

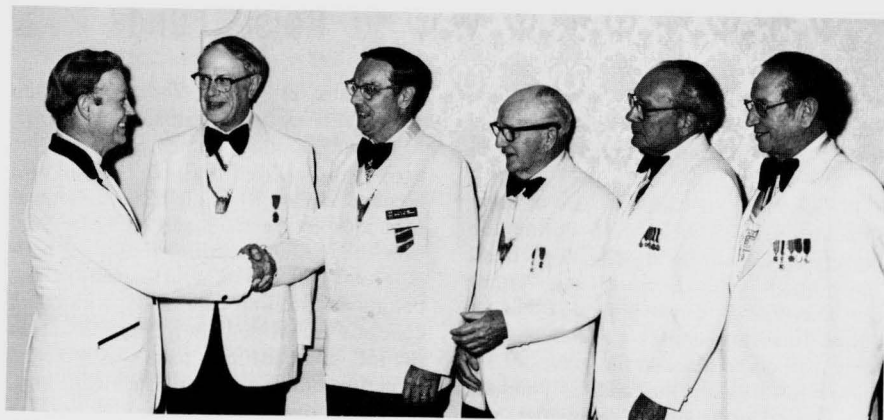
A resident of Maine and an SAR since 1945, Compatriot Hamilton has served as Librarian General, Vice-President General (New England District), National Trustee and President of the Maine Society and as a member of numerous committees. He holds a Patriot Medal.

Compatriot Hoge has served the SAR in numerous capacities: Chaplain General, President of the Oregon Society and Salem Chapter (ORSAR), President of the Sacramento Chapter (CASAR), Vice President, North (CASAR), Chairman of the National Audit Committee and as a member of many national committees. He received national membership award plaques from 1976 through 1980 and a Distinguished Service Citation last year. He is an ordained Baptist clergyman.

Now Vice-President General (Mid Atlantic District), Compatriot Kinnamon has been Secretary General, member of the Executive Committee, National Trustee and President of the Delaware Society and a member of several committees. A cabinet maker by trade, producing copies of authentic antiques, he has received citations from two Delaware governors and is Cabinet Maker to the Governor.

Currently Editor of *The SAR Magazine*, Compatriot Williams has served as a member of the Executive Committee, Vice-President General (Great Lakes District), National Trustee and President of the Wisconsin Society and on several national committees. He holds the Patriot Medal and the Gold and Silver Good Citizenship Medals. His profession is that of a public relations counselor.

A Past Historian General, Compatriot Wirth has been National Trustee and President of the North Carolina Society, President of the Raleigh Chapter and has served on nine national committees. He holds the Patriot Medal and has been awarded numerous membership award plaques. He is now Contract Representative for the Peden Steel Company.



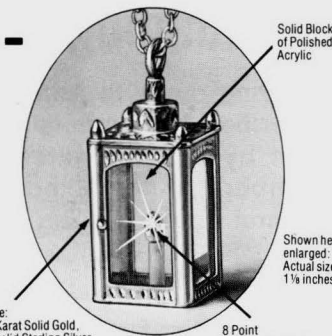
Following Recognition Night festivities, President General Calvin E. Chunn personally congratulated each Minuteman Award winner (left from Dr. Chunn): Alexander Hamilton, Dr. James B. Hoge, Jr., Frank W. Kinnamon, Winston C. Williams and Albert C. Wirth, Jr.

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Introducing Your 1980-81 National Officers

During the 90th Annual Congress in Dallas, the General Officers described below were duly nominated and elected to a one-year term by the delegates present. Also introduced here are the members of the Executive Committee appointed by President General Arthur M. King.

President General —

ARTHUR M. KING

The Immediate Past Secretary General, Compatriot King has spent many years in top level positions within the SAR. This service includes Presidency of the Delaware Crossing Chapter, KSSAR, Presidency of the Kansas Society, Vice-President General of the South Central District, Co-Chairman of the Special Real Estate Committee, Vice Chairman of the Headquarters Acquisition Commission and a member of the Executive Committee. He holds the Silver Good Citizenship, Patriot, Law Enforcement Commendation and Minuteman Medals in recognition of his many contributions to the Society and his community.

PG King has served as the Mayor of Weatherby Lake, an affluent community in Platte County, for a decade. During his tenure of office, he was instrumental in saving the lake from pollution by obtaining grants for a waste water system, reorganizing the police department, consummating a fire suppression agreement with Kansas City, establishing a Planning Commission, augmenting the Zoning Board and the Board of Zoning Adjustment and adopting uniform building codes. Last year he was named Platte County Citizen of the Year for his 30 years of civic service.

Following graduation from the University of Illinois in 1928, he was employed by the A. & P. Tea Company in a variety of capacities. He retired in 1968 and is currently President of the King Investment Company and a Director of the Security Investment Fund.

With a total of 18 ancestors who assisted in the Revolutionary cause, Compatriot King is a member of numerous fraternal and hereditary societies. Just a few of these are Knights Templar, Shrine, Order of Americans of Armorial Descent, Huguenot Society, General Society of Colonial Wars and the General Society of the War of 1812.

He has been married for over 50 years to the former Berdena Lee, who has served DAR as a Kansas Society officer.

Secretary General —

WARREN G. HAYES, JR.

An SAR since 1967, Compatriot Hayes has just completed a one-year term on the Executive Committee and as National Trustee for the Pennsylvania Society. He is a Past President of the Philadelphia-Continental Chapter and Pennsylvania Society. He is also a Past Chairman of the National Membership Committee and

the National Budget and Finance Committee. He has been awarded the Patriot and Silver Good Citizenship Medals.

SG Hayes attended the University of Pennsylvania and took graduate work at Rutgers University, where his thesis was accepted for the libraries of the American Bankers Association and the Harvard School of Business Administration. He spent his business career with the Philadelphia Bank, as Vice President upon his recent retirement. During this period he was listed in *Who's Who in the East*.

He is a member of several other hereditary societies and is married to the former Mabel Elizabeth Brown. They reside in Norristown.

Treasurer General —

CARL F. BESSENT

Entering his second term as Treasurer General, Compatriot Bessent has an extensive background in SAR activities at all levels, including service as President of the John Eager Howard Chapter, Maryland Society President, National Trustee and Vice-President General of the Mid-Atlantic District. He has also served on and chaired several National Committees, has been personally responsible for organizing three Chapters and established the Maryland Continental Color Guard, which served as the official Color Guard for the 87th and 88th Annual Congresses.

A graduate mechanical engineer from Clemson University, he is Assistant Superintendent of the Mechanical Department at Bethlehem Steel's Sparrow Point plant. He was in the Air Force during World War II and saw duty in both the European and Pacific Theatres, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel.

An Eagle Scout, Compatriot Bessent is active in his local Boy Scout Council and is a vestryman of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church of Baltimore, where he and his wife, Velma, make their home.

Registrar General —

HOWARD L. HAMILTON, PhD

Having just completed simultaneous terms as a member of the Executive Committee and President of the Virginia Society, RG Hamilton is culminating years of service to the SAR. This has included being President of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter and a member of various National Committees. He has received the Patriot and Gold Good Citizenship Medals and the Virginia Society's Medal of Merit.

He currently is Professor of Biology at the University of Virginia and has been

Chairman of the Department of Zoology and Entomology at Iowa State University. A native of Iowa, he earned his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees at the University of Iowa and became a Doctor of Philosophy at John Hopkins University. During World War II, he served at the Army Medical Center, Washington, DC, as Medical Research Officer in Virus and Rickettsial Diseases. He is a Colonel in the Medical Service Corps Reserve.

Compatriot Hamilton belongs to several national and international professional scientific societies, as well as numerous hereditary societies, including being the current President of the National Society of Americans of Royal Descent. He and his wife, the former Elizabeth Burnley Bentley, reside at Charlottesville.

Historian General —

G. ARTHUR LUTHER

A member of the Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska Societies, HG Luther currently serves as National Trustee and Secretary of the Iowa Society. His extensive SAR experience includes having been Secretary-Treasurer of the National Headquarters Acquisition Commission, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for 1979 National Trustees meeting in Des Moines, and as Vice President of the Central Iowa Chapter. He holds the Patriot Medal.

Compatriot Luther received a B.A. Degree, with a major in American History, from Simpson College and his M.A. from the University of Iowa with a major in American History, with emphasis on the American Revolution and History of the South. A life member of ISEA and NEA, he taught American History at the senior high school and junior college levels for 40 years.

His community activities encompass being Past President of the Floyd County Bicentennial Commission, Past President of the Charles City, IA Community Concerts Association and a 20-year member of Kiwanis (he becomes President of his local Red Oak Club in October). He is a member of several historical and genealogical societies.

Genealogist General —

MAJ. GEN. CARLETON E. FISHER

Re-elected for a second term, GG Fisher has been involved for many years in the genealogical field, including serving as President of the National Genealogical Society for two terms. He was an organizing Trustee and the first President of the Board of Certification of Genealogists and has authored a number of books and articles on genealogical, historical and military subjects.

Compatriot Fisher has served the Clearwater Chapter, FLSAR, as Member-

ship Chairman, Member of the Board of Management and President. He continues as the Chairman of the National Genealogy Committee. He and his wife reside in Largo.

Chancellor General —

HON. JOHN C. MOWBRAY

The Immediate Past Vice-President General of the Western District, Compatriot Mowbray has been the President and National Trustee of the Nevada Society. He has been awarded the Silver and Gold Good Citizenship Medals, as well as the Patriot Medal.

A member of the Supreme Court of Nevada since 1967, he currently serves as Chief Justice. Prior to that he was a District Judge. He was graduated from Notre Dame Law School with a Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree, Cum Laude, in 1949. Compatriot Mowbray has been active in numerous fraternal organizations and is the recipient of a long list of awards, including three from the Freedoms Foundation. He and his wife, Kathryn, reside in Las Vegas.

Chaplain General —

REV. WILLIAM H. LISTER

A Past President of the Richmond Chapter, VASAR, and present Chapter and State Chaplain, Rev. Lister is the Rector of St. Timothy's Anglican Church, Richmond, and All Saints Anglican Church, Hillsborough, North Carolina. He has been awarded the Virginia Society, Silver Good Citizenship and War Service Medals.

Compatriot Lister is a graduate (AB and MA) of the University of Michigan. He was ordained while head of the Journalism Department of Bob Jones University, following service in World War II, where he served under Patton in the 2nd Armored Division and as Officer in Charge of *Stars and Stripes* in Oran, South Africa.

Librarian General —

GRADIE R. ROWNTREE, MD

Elected for a second term as LG, Dr. Rowntree has served as liaison for the Headquarters Acquisition Commission and Chairman of the Library Committee. He is a Past President of the Thruston Chapter and of the Kentucky Society and Past Surgeon General. He is a Professor of Occupational Medicine at the University of Louisville and School of Medicine and President of the University of Louisville Health Science Library. His wife, Marjorie, is an active member of DAR and also a physician.

Surgeon General —

JOHN P. HENRY, MD

Currently National Trustee and First Vice President of the Vermont Society, Compatriot Henry has been an Annual Congress Delegate since 1976. An SAR since 1960, he has served Vermont in a

number of officer and committee positions.

Dr. Henry is a solo practitioner of internal medicine in Norwich and is Deputy Health Officer there. His extensive medical background encompasses several prominent posts within the Veterans Administration, including that of Associate Chief of Staff at the VA Hospital in River Junction, VT. Additionally, he has served on the faculty of the University of

Vice-Presidents General

New England District —

ASA E. PHILLIPS, JR.

Having just completed a second term as Historian General, Compatriot Phillips is continuing the important project of publishing an updated history of the NSSAR as Chairman of the History Book Committee. He has held a number of top SAR positions, including those of National Trustee and President of the Massachusetts Society and Chairman of the State Presidents' Caucus. A practicing attorney in Boston, he holds the Patriot Medal.

North Central District —

JOHN R. NAISBY, JR.

Compatriot Naisby has a long string of SAR activities to his credit, including having been National Trustee and President of the New Jersey Society, Charter Member and President of the Col. John Rosenkrans Chapter, NJSAR, and Chairman of the National "Keep USA First" and Independence Day Committees. He designed the "Keep USA First" postcard and was responsible for putting up the first "Keep USA First" billboard in the nation. He is retired from the New Jersey Zinc Co., having been Metallurgical Chief. He holds the Patriot and Silver Good Citizenship Medals.

North Atlantic District —

FRANK W. KINNAMON

Compatriot Kinnamon was awarded the Minuteman Medal during the 90th Congress. Biographical data appear on page 8 of this issue.

South Atlantic District —

JOHN D. WILLIAMS

Retiring in 1969 and moving to Florida, Compatriot Williams became an SAR the following year. Since then, his numerous positions have included being President of the Tallahassee Chapter, Vice President of the Northwest Region, FLSAR, and President and National Trustee of the Florida Society. Born in Kentucky and educated in that state and Indiana, he moved to Hawaii in 1930 as a member of the Armed Services. He subsequently joined the U.S. Postal Service and transferred later to the U.S. Customs Service, where he occupied several different positions before retiring as Assistant Director of the Customs District of Hawaii.

Southern District —

HORACE A. DONHAM

A Past President of the John Sevier Chapter, TNSAR, Compatriot Donham has also served as President and National Trustee of the Tennessee Society. He is a past member of the National DAR and Bylaws Committees and holds the Patriot Medal. He served overseas in

Illinois College of Medicine in the departments of Physiology and Internal Medicine and in the department of Physiology, Dartmouth Medical School.

An enlisted man in the U.S. Naval Reserve subsequent to World War II, Compatriot Henry served as a medical officer during the Korean War, achieving the rank of Lt. Commander.

Mrs. Henry, the former Flossie E. Horton, is a Registered Nurse and a DAR.

World War I with the 28th Infantry 1st Division and in his business career has been an insurance representative. His memberships include several hereditary and patriotic organizations.

Central District —

BENJAMIN H. MORRIS

Compatriot Morris is a Past President of the Thruston Chapter, KYSAR, and Past President and National Trustee of the Kentucky Society. He currently is serving a second term as Chairman of the National Headquarters Committee. He received his Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Louisville, joined Brown-Forman in 1950 and rose through the ranks to his present position of Vice President & General Counsel. During World War II, he was a Captain in the U.S. Army Air Corps and served as a pilot in the Troop Carrier Command in the Middle East, Mediterranean and European Theaters. He is a Colonel (Ret) in the Air Force Reserve.

Great Lakes District —

JOHN L. RUBY, PhD

A retired Lt. Colonel (AUS), Compatriot Ruby attended Purdue University and later Michigan State University, where he earned a PhD Degree majoring in Forest Genetics and minoring in Statistics. He is a Past President of the Chancellor John Lansing Chapter, MISAR, and the Immediate Past President of the Michigan Society. He retired in 1977 as a Professor Emeritus of MSU. He has been an SAR since 1933.

North Central District —

JOHN HALLBERG JONES

A native of South Minneapolis, Compatriot Jones became a member of SAR in 1962 at the age of 19. He is a Past President of the Minnesota Society and currently serves as its Secretary-Treasurer. He has served on several national committees and received many citations for his work in membership recruitment. He is the first Governor of the Minnesota Branch, Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims and is President of the Minnesota Society of the Sons of the American Colonists.

South Central District —

ROSS L. ROBE

Compatriot Robe has been an SAR since 1928 and has held an array of officer posts, including President of the Oklahoma City Chapter and President and National Trustee of the Oklahoma Society. He presently is serving on the Arrangements Committee planning the 91st Annual Congress. Active for many years

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Committee Responsibilities, New Activities Detailed

The new NSSAR Committees, their chairmen and members are enumerated in an accompanying article. Their responsibilities, outlined by President General Arthur M. King, are below.

Where a particular committee consists of several sections, he points out, the chairman of each section should be considered a member of the committee as a whole. Thus, the Americanism Committee would include the Chairmen of Basic Documents, Yorktown, Constitution Week and Allegiance Sunday, Flags, Historic Days, U.S. Stamps and Historic Sites. Compatriot King further points out that the Committee Chairman is the overall administrator and is responsible for the various Section Chairmen in preparing materials for NSSAR.

AMERICANISM COMMITTEE

This overall committee conducts various activities for the benefit of our nation, remembering that our purposes cover patriotic and historical activities.

Basic Documents Section — will prepare a booklet containing the famous and beloved documents that make our nation great, from the Mayflower Compact through the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation and the Constitution and amendments, including anthems. This booklet will be suitable for distribution to schools.

Yorktown Section — will make plans, prepare programs, outlines and materials to assist SAR Chapters to celebrate the most important date in the history of the world: October 19, 1781, British surrender day at Yorktown, VA. The Headquarters Office will handle distribution.

Historic Days Section — will compile and urge Chapters to memorialize various historic days of our nation, many of which would make the basis for suitable Chapter programs.

Constitution Week and Allegiance Sunday Section — will focus on encouraging State Societies and Chapters to celebrate these important events through their own activities and encourage special community observances of both.

Flags Section — will prepare a booklet describing flag etiquette, hopefully with illustrations of all of the United States flags from Betsy Ross to the Fifty Stars. This booklet will also be suitable for Chapters and schools.

U. S. Stamps Section — through its effort to honor Patriot George Mason, the Virginia Society has succeeded in having the Postal Service issue a Mason Commemorative Stamp in 1981. Here is an area in which the NSSAR can make a valuable contribution to the nation. This new section is charged with developing other stamps which we should sponsor.

Historic Sites Section — like Historic Days, will assemble information about

historic sites, particularly those which have not been suitably memorialized, and will encourage State Societies and Chapters to mark them with a suitable statue or other significant emblem. The committee will conduct a contest to obtain suggestions from SARs as to what the emblem should be (such as, for example, a minuteman statue).

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Will stand by to help State Societies and National Headquarters to keep by-laws up to date and current with the wishes of all members.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Will continue its task of examining and registering the credentials of Congress delegates, as well as the registration of guests and visitors. An additional responsibility will be to conduct the voting for candidates for National Office.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Combines several activities which formerly were handled by other committees. It will encourage the creation and awarding of college scholarships by State Societies and Chapters, encourage patriotic education and the endowment of colleges and fight for the continuation of instruction in basic Americanism in all schools.

FISCAL COMMITTEE

Contains the Sections of Finance, Auditing, Budget, Trusts and Bequests, and Insurance.

Auditing Section — will be the overall committee watchdog for the professional auditor.

Budget Section — will prepare program budgets for the following year and make adjustments in the budget during the current year as directed by the voting bodies.

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George Mason Stamp Coming in 1981

Congratulations are in order for the perseverance of the George Mason Chapter, VASAR, and its Commemorative Stamp Committee, because the Postmaster General has announced that a regular first class stamp will be issued in 1981 honoring George Mason.

The exact date of issuance has not been established. In the meantime, the Chapter is planning First Day of Issue ceremonies at Gunston Hall Plantation, the restored home of Mason in Fairfax County. Built in the late 1750s, it was opened to the public as a National Historic Landmark in 1954. Colonel Mason framed the Virginia Declaration of Rights and the Commonwealth's first constitution. His public work and patriotic service became the basis for our National Constitution and Bill of Rights.

The Chapter's commemorative stamp project began last September during the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Virginia Society. It was then that Compatriot John B. Minnick of the George Mason Chapter was called upon to speak about the effects of George Mason's work on our nation's Constitution and Bill of Rights. Following this, Chapter President Conrad Mook asked Compatriot Minnick to assume leadership of a program to encourage the Postal Service to issue a special Mason stamp. He soon organized a committee to tackle the project. Next came a written program of action, followed by a nationwide campaign to seek support.

Hundreds of letters were sent across the country to the SAR, DAR and other hereditary organizations, as well as local,



An important phase of the George Mason Chapter's stamp program was to obtain supportive resolutions from governmental units. At right Compatriot Minnick receives one passed by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors from Board Chairman John F. Herry and Clerk Ethel Wilcox Register.

state and national public officials. Recipients were asked to write letters to the Postmaster General and to generate resolutions advocating issuance of the proposed stamp. Initially, the Postmaster General was inclined to postpone consideration of the proposal until 1991 in conjunction with the Bicentennial celebration of the adoption of our National Bill of Rights. But the Chapter's program drew such widespread response that the date was moved ahead to next year.

The Chapter's ambitious work vividly demonstrates that the government will react favorably when enough people make their legitimate wishes known.

Trusts and Bequests — will encourage members and non-members in the preparation of documents and wills to donate funds for the benefit of the NSSAR.

Insurance Section — will continue to assist the governing bodies in obtaining adequate insurance coverage for the NSSAR.

GENEALOGY COMMITTEE

Will continue its excellent work and will monitor revised application forms. In addition, the committee will meet periodically during the year and will conduct a Genealogical Workshop during the Annual Congress.

HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Will oversee policy concerning the National Headquarters building and work closely with the Executive Secretary and the Executive Committee for an efficient operation of the Society's property.

Library Section — will help build the SAR's Library into one of the finest genealogical sources in the country.

Museum Section — will continue collecting artifacts to describe life during the Colonial, Revolutionary War and early Federal Period, with artifacts being kept on display in rooms suitably decorated for that purpose.

HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST COMMITTEE

Will be responsible for encouraging State Societies to conduct contest run-offs in order to sponsor a candidate at the National Contest held during the Annual Congress. Rules and rule changes come under this committee's jurisdiction.

HISTORY BOOK COMMITTEE

This committee is charged with completing an updated Society history. Editors have been appointed to assemble materials and prepare the actual history, as well as having control of printing. A Manuscript Section will review and comment on materials developed, while other appointees will work with the committee chairman and editors as needed.

MEDALS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Will continue to study the Society's medals, awards and certificates, with their improvement as its goal.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Increase membership by whatever aggressive activities which can be devised and provide leadership and assistance to Chapters throughout the country.

PERMANENT FUND COMMITTEE

Acting within the Bylaws, invest the Society's funds wisely and in the safest manner possible.



The First Christian Church of Sun City was one of the first to participate in the Saguro Chapter's Flag program. The following were present at a special dedication ceremony (from left): George A. Rodocker, Chapter Publicity Chairman; Col. Robert T. Cunningham, Chapter President; Paul Smith, Church Board Vice President; Dr. Barton McElroy, Minister; and Lester Wistrand, Church Board Chairman.

Saguro Chapter Giving Flags to Churches

The Saguro Chapter, AZSAR, is to be highly commended for initiating a patriotic program that Chapters throughout the Society would do well to consider adopting: Donating United States Flags to local churches.

The project is the brainchild of Compatriot George A. Rodocker, a Chapter Past President and currently Publicity Chairman. Upon his suggestion, the Chapter voted unanimously in March to offer the 27 churches and one synagogue in Sun City and adjoining Youngtown a Flag and to install either a wall-mounted bracket or a hollow metal tube holder near the outside entrance. The objective was to have the Flag flying at least during services.

The next step was to mail a letter and

return questionnaire to every minister, priest and rabbi in the area announcing the program and asking whether their church would participate. The questionnaire provided space for entering a convenient date for an installation ceremony. This part of the project went out over the signature of Chapter President Robert T. Cunningham.

The program has been a resounding success. Several Flags have already been donated, with a number of churches voting to erect tall poles in prominent locations (some have even placed spotlights to permit 24-hour flying of our National Colors). It is anticipated that in the near future, virtually all of the churches contacted will be participants.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

A multi-faceted committee, its main objective is to publicize SAR activities across the country. Additionally, it will assist and recognize the activities of Boy Scouts, Daughters of the American Revolution, Children of the American Revolution, Law Enforcement, National Society history and Veterans. All of these various activities are for the benefit of NSSAR public relations and will continue to spread the word of SAR's interest in them. The **Veterans Section** is designed to encourage interest in and work for the benefit of veterans in VA and non-VA hospitals.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Receives suggested resolutions for consideration by delegates to each Annual Congress, edits them into suitable language and form and presents them for vote. In addition, this committee will suggest ways for State Societies, Chap-

ters and individuals to publicize resolutions which are passed, in order that they will be carried out by those bodies to which they are directed.

REVOLUTIONARY GRAVES COMMITTEE

Will continue registering the final resting places of our forefathers who gave us this nation. Its first assignment will be to prepare a book describing the graves which have been located — some 20,000 in total — and will be prepared in the future to update the book as more graves are discovered.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Conducts the program and business affairs of the NSSAR between meetings of the Trustees and the National Congress. It accepts recommendations from SARs and offers recommendations to the Trustees and the Congress for their consideration and vote where necessary.

Florida Society Fields Oration Winner

As happens at every Annual Congress, Compatriots and guests had their faith in today's youth rekindled when 13 high school students competed in the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest in Dallas. Following an evening of stirring, patriotic talks, the judges chose Brian Keith Stolley, sponsored by the Florida Society, as the top orator. His oration is reprinted below.

Capturing second place was Catherine Rose Martin, representing the Empire State Society, while Mark Dersch, brought to Texas by the Indiana Society, took the third spot. The latter two orations will be reprinted in future issues of the magazine. Serving as judges were Past Presidents General M. Graham Clark, Jr., Len Young Smith and Wilson King Barnes, Sr.



Compatriot James A. Williams, ILSAR and Chairman of the Oration Contest, proudly presented the first-place award to Brian Keith Stolley during a ceremony following the contest. Brian has been appointed to the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis. He received recognition from the National Merit Scholarship Foundation for being ranked in the top five per cent of high school students in the country.

escape the multitude of emotions that accompany the right of being a citizen of this country? Who has not stood misty-eyed at the playing of the National Anthem at one time or another? Who has not wiped away a tear at the playing of Taps on Memorial Day? No one can ignore these emotions, and particularly not when the source of these feelings is remembered and appreciated. We, as Americans, hear the echoing sounds of our infant colonies; not working apart, not planning apart, but working together, planning together, and forging the iron foundation of unity and brotherhood upon which this nation is based.

We Americans live not in just another country; we live in the United States of America. By our history, our ancestry, and our destiny we live not in just another nation. We live in a monument — a monument to freedom and justice and liberty — and it is the right and responsibility of every American to remain confident in the strength of that monument.

Americans must ask themselves these questions: Did John Paul Jones falter in his courage when the commander of the Serapis, a vessel much larger and stronger than his own, asked him to surrender or die? Certainly not. He courageously shouted that he had not yet begun to fight and went on to defeat and capture the British gunship. Would America's history be so great or even existent if George Washington had turned away discouraged when all the odds were against him at Valley Forge? Again I say, certainly not.

Therefore, our history commands us to remain strong in spirit and forever be proud. We, too, must not get discour-

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Compatriots in the Public Eye



CALIFORNIA SOCIETY — *Russell A. Estep*, Past President of the Palo Alto Chapter, received the Belmont Chamber of Commerce's Member of the Year Award during a recent dinner. Compatriot Estep was overwhelmed when the Mayor of Belmont presented him with a framed resolution from the City Council commemorating January 30, 1980 as Russell A. Estep Day.

DELAWARE SOCIETY — *Donn Devine* has been appointed permanently by the Mayor of Wilmington to the post of Director of the City Planning Department. He had been Acting Director. . . *Van H. King III*, Lower Cape Fear Chapter, has been selected by the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association to be on the organization's Committee on Mental Health.

GEORGIA SOCIETY — *James E. Warren, Jr.*, was recently given the Governor's Award in Poetry upon recommendation of the Georgia Council of Arts and Humanities. The presentation was made by Governor George Busbee in February. Compatriot Warren's *Collected Poems* has also been published this spring, his 15th collection of poetry.

KANSAS SOCIETY — *Philip W. Bernstorff, MD*, Washington Chapter, has been elected a Fellow of the American Medical Association. . . *George M. Hiles*, Washington Chapter, was a Delegate to the Republican National Convention this July. . . *Henry S. Blake, MD*, President of the Thomas Jefferson Chapter, and *Warren W. Shaw, JD*, a member of the same Chapter, have received Distinguished Service Awards from the Washburn University Alumni Association in recognition of outstanding community service.

MARYLAND SOCIETY — *George Preston Williams*, Past President of the Christian Ardinger Chapter, is now Chairman of the Maryland Joint State Legislative Committee, an organization consisting of selected members of the American Association of Retired Persons and the National Retired Teachers Associations. He is an active member of AARP. The Committee works to bring about legislation helpful to all older persons and the state community.

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NY) — *Ralph E. Turner*, President of the Rochester Chapter, was recently awarded Honorary Membership by the American Society for Testing and Materials. Citing Compatriot Turner's distinguished service to ASTM and radiography, the award is the highest and most prestigious given by the organization. . . *Col. Charles W. Skeele*, ESS Vice President, has received the Dedicated Service Award from the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. . . *The Hon. John Van Voorhis*, retired New York State of Appeals Judge and a member of the Rochester Chapter, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by the Holland Society of New York.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY — *Clyde Callahan* recently won the Stanley Draper Award from the Oklahoma Heritage Association. A Past President of the Kiowa County Historical Society, he has long been active in preservation of the state's history.

UTAH SOCIETY — *James D. Moyle*, Past State President, has received the Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah. He currently serves as Chairman of the State Parks Board of Utah.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY — *Dr. Sheldon H. Short III*, a member of the state's Department of Conservation and Economic Development Board, has been appointed to serve on two board committees, the Virginia State Parks Division and the Virginia State Travel Service. He also recently had an article published in the *University of Edinburg Journal* about his experiences while an Edinburg student.

PPG Chunn In New Posts

Now that his terms as President General have been completed, Dr. Calvin E. Chunn is off and running in leadership posts of two other patriotic and hereditary organizations.

First, he has been elected Commander-in-Chief of the Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge. This relatively new group had its first meeting in 1976, with the first encampment convention taking place on Washington's Birthday week-end in 1978 to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the encampment of the Continental Army. This has become an annual event and is scheduled in the time frame of the original encampment, this being any designated date from December 19 through June 16. Compatriot Chunn states that the Society now boasts around 600 men and women members, each of whom are direct descendants of a soldier serving in the Continental Army under the command of Excellency George Washington at Valley Forge in 1777-78.

Next, PPG Chunn has been elected Governor of the National Society Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims California Branch, an organization with which he has had a long affiliation.



GREAT PROMOTION IDEA — When the Georgia Society held its Annual Meeting in Columbus, greeting Compatriots at the motel meeting location was this large, double-sided SAR billboard proclaiming "Keep America First." Both of the colorful signs were mounted on a low-bed trailer. Catching the eyes of motorists driving into the city from both the north and south were additional billboards, which are available for purchase from National Headquarters. Several Chapters across the country have been able to obtain complimentary space for displaying them.

Research Sources Offered

Several publications of value in genealogical research are available from the Superintendent of Documents for 70 cents per copy:

Where to Write for Birth and Death Records (PHS) 78-1142, revised 1978.

Where to Write for Marriage Records (PHS) 78-1144, revised 1978.

Where to Write for Divorce Records (PHS) 78-1145, revised 1978.

Make checks payable to "Superintendent of Documents" and mail to U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. Be sure to indicate the name and item number of each booklet wanted.

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AND TODAY'S

DEATH TO AMERICA!

Quite a shocking statement, isn't it? And no true American can sit through that phrase without feeling a rise of anger or shocking disbelief that anyone could possibly wish that to be so. No one wants to hear such rubbish, and a person is asking for certain violent abuse if he was to make that statement in any crowd in this country. Yet every night the average American turns on his television set and listens to that vile statement chanted time and time again by tens of thousands of students in the streets of Tehran. Many times I've grinded my teeth at these broadcasts and cursed at my television set in blind rage. But one day I stopped my cursing and calmed down. Now, whenever I hear these broadcasts, I simply laugh and shake my head at the wasted breath of the people involved. Yes, something changed my attitude, something changed my thinking, and I'd like to tell you why I did so.

Anyone who's been a student in the American system of education has been taught the history of these United States, and most emphatically, the history of the American Revolution. I'm no exception. I can remember walking out of my American history classes day-dreaming that I was one of the great heroes of the past who built this country from the fever of their hearts and the sweat of their brows. I've traveled to the backroom of a newspaper print shop as one of the Sons of Liberty, perhaps Paul Revere or Dr. Thomas Young, planning the daring and notorious Boston Tea Party.

I've gone back to 1775 and joined the ranks of the Regulators who fought 1,200 soldiers of a crack British regiment at the Battle of Alamance Creek in protest of unjust laws and I swell with pride when I think of how most of the 2,000 Regulators were unarmed, yet faced the royal guns out of their love of justice. I've gone back to 1775 and the Second Virginia Revolutionary Convention at St. John's Episcopal Church in Richmond; and, as Patrick Henry, I've leapt to my feet shouting "Is life so

dear or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

I can see myself as a rebel at the Battle of Lexington/Concord, and I feel my blood boil as I hear the crack of the shot heard around the world. Oh, how I would love to have been a soldier in the Continental Army and feel my love of liberty rise to a fever pitch as I hear Colonel William Prescott shout "Don't fire until you see the whites of their eyes!" at the Battle of Bunker Hill, where British casualties rose to over 50% at the hands of angry patriots. The history books are packed to the brim with story after story of how American Patriots stopped at nothing in order to secure justice and freedom.

I've pondered, too, over the words of our Declaration of Independence, a work of prose not equaled among documents in the history of any nation. In the lines of this great work are cries of anguish over a people's deprivation of basic human rights, and little elsewhere can a person be so stirred or so convinced of the bravery and determination of our founding forefathers. It is a source of great pride, also, when I look to the bottom of this document and find that our ancestors pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor upon a belief which they held sacred in their hearts.

Our Constitution opens with language that echoes in the soul of every citizen. Rare is the person who does not know the opening lines of this document, and rarer still is the person who does not thank Divine Providence that he or she was born under the protection of such a set of laws. Even if one were to forget America's past and her achievements, one certainly cannot forget our Declaration or our Constitution, and cold is the person who does not walk with dignity in the light of this knowledge.

Where lives the American who can

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in the Kiwanis Club of Uptown Oklahoma City and the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, he is President of Colony Real Estate, Ltd.

Rocky Mountain District —

C. NORMAN FLANDERS

A native of Illinois, Compatriot Flanders received his Juris Doctor Degree from the Kent College of Law (now affiliated with the Illinois Institute of Technology) and was a practicing attorney in the Chicago area until his retirement to Tucson, Arizona, in 1971. While in Illinois, he was a member of the George Rogers Clark Chapter. Past President of the Tucson Chapter and Past Secretary-Treasurer of the Arizona Society, he also has been a member of the National Headquarters Acquisition Commission and the National Resolutions Committee. He holds the Patriot and Silver Good Citizenship Medals.

CALVIN E. CHUNN, PhD

Having just completed two successful terms as President General, Dr. Chunn continues his SAR service at the national level as a member of the Executive Committee and Editor of the updated NSSAR history now in preparation. Prior to being elected PG, he had been Registrar General. Additional top posts included being Vice-President General for the Western District, California Society President and President of the Sacramento Chapter. He retired in 1978 as Chief of Textbooks, State of California. His military career saw him serving as a Major during World War II on Bataan and Corregidor and being held captive by the Japanese for 3½ years.

RICHARD H. THOMPSON, JR.

As with Dr. Chunn, Compatriot Thompson

Intermountain District —

CARROLL V. HENDERSON

Compatriot Henderson is responsible for re-activating the Montana Society in 1973, serving as President and receiving the NSSAR Kentucky Award. Later he became President of the Sourdough Chapter and National Trustee for Montana. A graduate of the University of Wichita, Kansas, he later owned a retail business and then became developer and administrator of the Hillcrest Retirement Home in Bozeman. He now is in the real estate and construction business.

Western District —

ALLAN HIMES REID

A member of the California Society since the late 1930s, Compatriot Reid is a Charter Member and Past President of the Palo Alto Chapter and Past Vice-President, North, President and National Trustee of the California Society. He holds the CASAR's Service Award and the DAR Bicentennial Award (for

his contributions to the Bicentennial Courtyard of the Palo Alto Veterans Hospital. A native of Oregon, he was graduated from Oregon State College with a B.S. in Lands, Gardens and Horticulture. He started his own landscaping business in 1946 and continues to be active in this field.

Foreign District —

CARL K. HOFFMANN

Compatriot Hoffmann has been a member of SAR since 1950, when he transferred from CAR. He has been President of the Miami Chapter and of the Florida Society and has been Chancellor General and Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. Following graduation from Northwestern University, he served with the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He received his Juris Doctor degree from Yale Law School and a Fulbright Scholarship to the University of Sydney, Australia. He is presently engaged in the practice of law in Miami.

Executive Committee

has completed two terms of office at the national level, as Chancellor General. He previously was Vice-President General for the South Atlantic District. His SAR posts have also included being President of the Florida Society and President of the Clearwater Chapter, FLSAR. A graduate of Yale Law School, he retired in 1974 as Vice President and Head of the Legal Department of a major corporation. He resides in St. Petersburg.

CECIL W. GRANGE

A native of Nebraska and Past President of the Illinois Society, Compatriot "Ted" Grange is beginning a second term on the Executive Committee. President General Arthur M. King has also appointed him Chairman of the Public Relations Committee, a post he has previously held. His career has been dominated with a

breadth of experience in the newspaper field and as a practicing public relations professional. He resides in Des Plaines.

CLOVIS H. BRAKEBILL

When the site of the 90th Annual Congress was suddenly switched to Dallas late last year, it was Compatriot Brakebill as Congress General Chairman and his committee that saw the complicated event to a successful conclusion. An SAR since 1973, he has served as President of the Dallas Chapter and is now a District Vice President of the Texas Society. He holds the Patriot and Silver Good Citizenship Medals. During World War II, he served four years in the Army in Europe and retains the rank of Captain, USAR. He currently is a Vice President and Senior Consultant for RIMCO Risk Management, Inc., Dallas.

California Society Forms Educational Fund

Several State Societies maintain special trust funds used to generate monies to carry out patriotic, historical and educational programs. The California Society, for example, has announced the formation of an "Educational Fund" which other states may want to consider adapting in one form or another.

The purposes are as follows: "To provide money to be used to increase knowledge of American history in the State of California through the funding of scholarships for students of American history and for the free enterprise system of government. Further purposes include but are not limited to the development of libraries and the presentation of programs to increase public awareness of American history generally in the State."

Fund assets, by a special agreement, are managed by the San Diego Commu-

nity Foundation (SDCF) as directed by the Society's Board of Managers. Annual earnings are administered by the Educational Fund Committee, acting for the Board of Managers.

The SDCF, designated as a "public charity" under tax laws, was established to receive gifts, bequests and donations to be held in trust and administered for charitable purposes. A non-profit California corporation registered with the Attorney General, it is managed by a 15-member Board of Governors which has general charge of activities, property and assets of the Foundation. They are selected by the chief executive officers of 13 representative public organizations in the county. The Foundation is thus an ideal vehicle for handling the Society's Educational Fund.

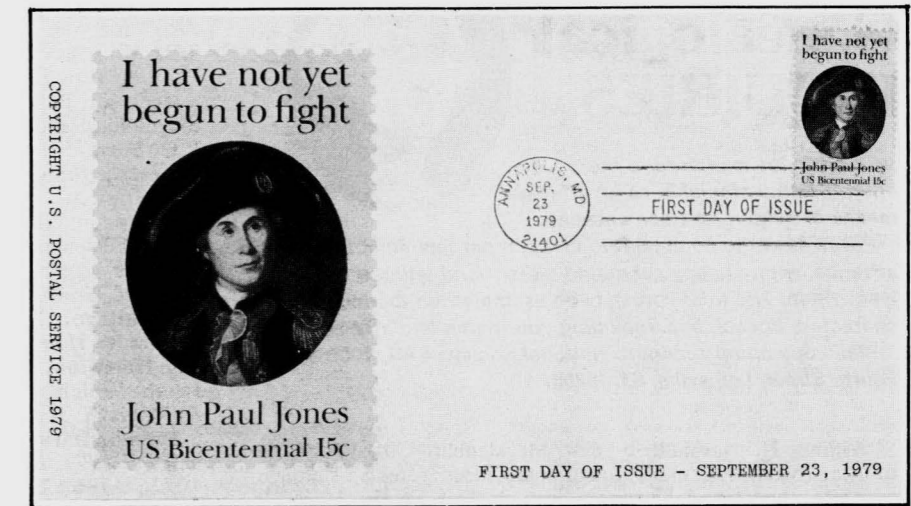
Funds Sought to Restore Historic Home

First Day Cover Proceeds to Help

Here's an extraordinary opportunity to possess a unique first day cover and at the same time help along the restoration of a historic home.

The cover, which was designed and executed by Warren A. Burdette, Past President of the Maryland Society, honors Jones, the famous naval hero of the American Revolution. Not in the form of a conventional envelope cover, it actually unfolds to a sheet size of 17 inches deep by 14 inches wide. On one panel is a message from J. William Middendorf II, Secretary of the Navy, 1974-1977. Another panel contains a detailed description of the Jones stamp prepared by the U.S. Postal Service, while the inside spread features a reprint of a fascinating article by Norman S. Meese, 33°, about Jones that appeared in *The New Age* (official publication of The Supreme Council 33°, Ancient & Accepted Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, United States of America).

Compatriot Burdette had several hundred of the covers, with stamps affixed, postmarked at Annapolis, Mary-



land, on the first day of issue, September 23, 1979. In addition, he has a supply of covers without stamps.

What about the historic home? It's the one where Jones was born in Scotland. Plans are now underway to restore it with monies donated to the tax-deductible John Paul Jones Restoration Fund recently established by Secretary Middendorf. As a means of partially raising the estimated \$40,000 which will be required for the

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Awards Recognize New Member Recruiting Efforts

In addition to the major awards given out during the 90th Annual Congress (as reported on pages 6 and 7), the following Compatriots were recognized for their efforts in recruiting new members:

Gold Enameled Plaque of Honor

Dr. Gracie R. Rowntree, KY, 19 new members; Earl L. Hogard, OK, 18; Luther C. Leavitt, OH, 16; Dr. Donald L. Worley, 16; Carleton E. Fisher, FL, 15; John W. Hillmeyer, MO, 15.

Gold Membership Plaques

Ralph H. Bacon, NY, 14; Harris S. Moore, Sr., AL, 14; William B. Worthy, SC, 12; Robert A. Stevenson, PA, 11.

Silver Membership Plaques

James F. McClanahan, FL, 10; Frank A. Walker, NH, 10; A. F. Drouilhet, TX, 10; Thomas R. Brodbeck, IL, 10; Robert Carl Tumey, Sr., TX, 9; C. A. Bayles, VA, 8; Albert E. Becker, IN, 8; Dr. Calvin E. Chunn, CA, 8; Comte Rene' de Chambrun, France, 8; James G. McGrew, CO, 8; Maurice A. Thorne, VA, 8; George D. Skinner, OH, 8.

Bronze Membership Plaques

William T. Allgood, SC, 6; Edward Atkinson, SC, 7; Carl F. Bessent, MD, 5; Lloyd D. Bockstruck, TX, 6; Henry B. Brown, Jr., PA, 7; William W. Caldwell, AR, 5; Jack K. Carmichael, IN, 6; Robert C. Carroon, WI, 5;

Milton L. Draper, DE, 5; Ralph Goodell, KA, 7; Thomas W. Hall, RI, 5; Henry A. Hamann, MD, 5; Clay Herrick, OH, 5; Charles W. Hill, KA, 5; Henry L. Hinkle, FL, 7; Cyril L. Johnson, IN, 5; John Hallberg Jones, MN, 5; Henry T. Lindberg, Sr., PA, 6; John A. Marks, TN, 6; George Morris, Jr., FL, 5; Peter S. Olesen, ID, 5; Albert B. Padon, KA, 5; William R. Prather, MA, 5; Heasty W. Reesman, NE, 5; Michael O. Shannon, TX, 5; Selby E. Smith, KY, 5; L. Duncan Stokes, KY, 5; Richard E. Sweet, CA, 6; Boyce H. Wright, IL, 6; Lewis Wroe, DC, 7; Gordon P. Tierney, IL, 7.

Miniature Membership Plaques

Estell Larue Allen, IN, 3; George Axe, VA, 3; William Gary Baker, SC, 3; Jackson Bird, CT, 4; Carl R. Black, PA, 3; John S. Board, VA, 3; Leslie A. Bryan, IL, 3; H. Michael Charles, FL, 4; William A. Cochran, Jr., AL, 4; Lyle C. Hoolidge, AZ, 3; Jennings B. Collins, PA, 4; J. Allen Cross, FL, 3; C. Franklin Daily, CA, 3; Douglass R. Davis, GA, 3; James L. Davis, MS, 3; George T. Des Champs, SC, 4; Lester Robert Dunham, NJ, 3; Robert Diamond, PA, 3; Hallit Edson, VA, 4; James M. Edwards, TN, 3; Russell A. Estep, CA, 4; George Homer Fainchard, TX, 3; Gerald G. Fling, GA, 3; Mervin F. Foley, OR, 3; O. D. Fontenot, LA, 3; A. J. Forester, NJ, 3; Ben R. Franklin, LA, 3; Edwin H. Gideon, PA, 4; L. S. F. Hale, GA, 3; Glendon C. Hall, CA, 4; Grant V. Harrison, VA, 4; Carroll V. Henderson, MT, 4; John S. Her-

rick, KY, 4; Joe Hill, TX, 4; Floyd Hoeinstein, PA, 4; E. Marshall Hunter, TX, 3; John W. Irwin, PA, 3; Frank N. Kruske, KA, 3; Fred Latham, FL, 4; G. Arthur Luther, IA, 4; Thomas J. Lyne, KY, 3; Hector McClain, NC, 4; Tom W. Nelson, TX, 4; Frank O'Brien, NC, 3; Russell Otham, NC, 3; Curtis Pottinger, KA, 3; Louis Owens, KY, 3; Charles Patton, TN, 3; Russell Payne, IN, 4; T. A. Perry, KY, 4; Walter Polk, OK, 4; Stanley G. Price, VA, 4; Paul F. Pritchard, TX, 4; Charles F. Printz, WV, 3; Alden J. Rerick, IL, 4; Frederick Rupert, CA, 4; J. Ruby, FL, 3; Rylan Rudy, KA, 4; Francis Settle, OK, 4; C. A. Shepherd, AL, 3; Donald Slayton, VA, 3; Frank Sleeper, MS, 3; Ray T. Smith, Jr., MA, 3; John P. Spigner, SC, 3; C. G. Spillman, WA, 3; Oscar Stroh, PA, 3; George Sutherland, LA, 3; Lawrence Sutherland, PA, 3; Raymond Swaford, TX, 3; Roland Taft, NC, 3; Roland Thomas, CA, 3; William Vogel, PA, 4; C. A. Walworth, WV, 4; Alex Williams, GA, 3; Lynn D. Wilson, AZ, 3; Albert C. Wirth, NC, 3; Howard Wiseman, NJ, 3; Langford Wood, TX, 4; Joseph Ziekeib, VA, 3.

IS YOUR FLAG
FLYING TODAY?



During a recent re-enactment staged by the BAR, the 9th Virginia Regiment, Continental Line, advanced to the attack.

Re-Enacting the Revolution

Numerous units are active in re-enacting battles of the American Revolution. Compatriot Robert G. Carroon reviews this important phase of the Bicentennial and relates how SAR Chapters can tie in.

The rattle of musketry and the rolling thunder of the cannon echoes across the battlefield. Through the rising smoke the eyewitness can discern the blue and buff and shining bayonets of the Continental Line. 1780? Not at all; it is another event conducted by a Revolutionary War re-enactment unit. From early Spring to late Fall men, women and children across the United States are gathering on week-ends to portray life in America during the period of the Revolutionary War.

The Revolutionary War re-enactment groups are dedicated to portraying "living history" to educate the public about life in America in the 18th century. They do this by means of week-end encampments which include tactical battle demonstrations. The visitor to a re-enactment event will see an authentic military camp of the period, divided of course between Patriot and Crown forces. The visitor will often be drawn into participating in a colonial game, a recruiting party, operating a colonial press or some other activity that will enable him to experience life as our ancestors knew it.

Authenticity Top Priority

The uniforms and accoutrements of the men, as well as the dresses and camp equipment of the women (called "Mollies") and children, is as realistic as possible using real wool, linen and reproductions of muskets and camp items. Authenticity is assured by the Inspector General's departments of one of the major re-enactment associations which arranges and oversees the events.

In the eastern United States the major re-enactment association is the Brigade of the American Revolution, founded in 1962 and composed of some 85 different military units. In the midwestern area the North West Territory Alliance with 30 units is the coordinating body and in the southern United States it is the National Re-enactment Society. There are other groups as well, some organized on a state-wide basis, such as the North Carolina Historical Re-enactment Society. The member units portray British, American (Patriot), American (Loyalist), French, Spanish, and Hessian forces and are expected to conform to rigidly

enforced standards of authenticity.

Membership in these groups, which appear before thousands of spectators each year, is composed of people who are interested in portraying life in Revolutionary America in a carefully researched and authentic manner. There are no genealogical requirements for membership; however, the SAR has benefited from increased membership as unit re-enactors discovered their own Revolutionary War ancestry. Not only has the SAR gotten new members, but extremely knowledgeable ones as well.



Catching their breath during last year's 200th Anniversary re-enactment of the capture of Fort Sackville at Vincennes, Indiana were these Loyalists (from left): Harrison Bartling, 8th Regiment of Foot; David Berry (MASAR), Roger's Queen's Rangers; Dr. Robert G. Carroon (WISAR), Butler's Rangers; Marshall Miller (INSAR), portraying a French voyageur; and Robert Reiser (WISAR), Butler's Rangers. All of these units are a part of the NWTA.

By the same token, SAR and CAR members "16 to 60" have discovered a new appreciation of their ancestors' way of life by participating in a re-enactment group.

What Chapters Can Do

SAR Chapters looking for programs on Revolutionary War history should establish a close relationship with their local re-enactment unit. In Racine, Wisconsin, for example, the Elisha Raymond Chapter has its annual banquet prepared and served by members of the Third New York Regiment and in Milwaukee the General Tadeusz Kosciuszko Chapter has as its color guard a unit of the Commander-in-Chief's Guard which is commanded by the Chapter's Vice-President. One of the closest relationships between SAR chapters and re-enactment groups is that maintained by the Stone Arabia Chapter of the Empire State Society and the Tryon County Militia and Butler's Rangers.

The Revolutionary War re-enactment units like to appear at authentic sites of Revolutionary War battles, such as Monmouth, Vincennes or Kings Mountain, on the 200th anniversary of the particular engagement, but they will appear wherever or whenever a sponsoring organization is willing to make the necessary arrangements. SAR Chapters will find the sponsorship of a Revolutionary War living history weekend one of the most satisfying projects they can have. Public attendance at some week-ends is in excess of 10,000 persons. Planners for the Battle of Yorktown, October 16-19, 1981 anticipate an attendance of 250,000 spectators and a re-enactment force of 2,500 men. The opportunity to tell the SAR story in the context of a re-enactment event is one that should not be missed.

For further information please contact the following: **The Brigade of the American Revolution (BAR)**, David Johnson, 1170 Bamford Drive, Pontiac, MI 48054 or Richard G. Ivory, 1749 Oak Hill Dr., Union, NJ 07083; **The North West Territory Alliance (NWTA)**, William W. Burke, 5003 Biscayne Ave., Apt. 6, Racine, WI 53406.

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UPCOMING RE-ENACTMENTS

- Sept. 6-7: Fort Wayne, Indiana; NWTA
- Sept. 13-14: Fort Meigs, Ohio; BAR
- Sept. 20-21: Fort Crevecoeur, Peoria, Illinois; NWTA
- Sept. 27-28: Feast of the Hunter's Moon, Lafayette, Indiana (French trading post re-enactment); NWTA
- Oct. 6-7: Oregon, Illinois; NWTA
- Oct. 11-12: 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, South Carolina; Participants invited by the National Park Service
- Oct. 18-19: 200th Anniversary of the Schoharie Raid, New York; BAR
- Oct. 18-19: 200th Anniversary of the Battle of Stone Arabia, New York; SAR Stone Arabia Chapter and the Tryon County Militia



A common training program during the American Revolution was to "troop the colors" before the men to help them identify their regimental colors in the field as an alignment and rallying point. The colors were often preceded by the Musick of the Brigade, portrayed here by the 3rd New Jersey Regiment, BAR.

Gifts of Books to Genealogical Library Continue

Reference books continue to arrive at the NSSAR Genealogical and Historical Research Library in Louisville from Compatriots and friends. Here are some recent additions:

Bell, Jack Horner: *HORNER PATRIOTS OF PENNSYLVANIA*; Copyright 1980, Gateway Press, Inc.; 93 pages.

Stemmons, John D. and E. Diane: *THE VITAL RECORD COMPENDIUM*; Copyright 1979, The Everton Publishers, Inc., 315 pages; Bibliography.

Kirkham, E. Kay: *A SURVEY OF AMERICAN CHURCH RECORDS*; Copyright 1978, The Everton Publishers, Inc.; 333 pages; Glossary.

Stemmons, John D.: *THE UNITED STATES CENSUS COMPENDIUM*; Copyright 1973, The Everton Publishers,

Inc.; 144 pages; Bibliography.

Mansberger, Faye Lelia (Brady): *DESCENDANTS OF THE MANN-SPERGS*, Volume III 1590-1979; Copyright 1939, 149 pages; Illus; Index.

Hubbard, Robert Merrill: *GENEALOGY OF THE HUBBARD AND ASSOCIATED FAMILIES OF NORTHERN INDIANA*; 1970, published by the author; 97 pgs.

Stemmons, John D. and E. Diane: *THE CEMETERY RECORD COMPENDIUM*; Copyright 1979, The Everton Publishers, Inc.; 261 pgs., Bibliography.

Mentzel, Laura W.: *DAVIS FAMILIES OF THE SAVANNAH RIVER VALLEY*, Volume I; Copyright 1978, Hobby Press; 410 pages, Illus.; Index.

Hurst, J. C.: *HURST OF SHENANDOAH*; 174 pgs., Index.

Woodward, Norma Slater: *ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS OF MATTHEW A. B. HOWARD, GEORGIA-FLORIDA, 1793-1978, WITH ALLIED FAMILIES*; Copyright 1979, Rose Printing Co., Inc.; 194 pages; Index.

Willson, Richard Eugene: *THE WILLSON FAMILY, 1672-1959 AND THE WILLSON FAMILY SUPPLEMENT, 1959-1979*; 219 pages; Illus., Bibliography, Index.

Mitchell, Patricia Ann: *ANCESTORS AND DESCENDANTS OF ISSAC AND PHOEBE CHAMBERS MITCHELL OF MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA*; Collegiate Printers; 82 pages; Illus.

Winana, C. F.: *LETTERS OF AXEL DE FERSEN TO HIS FATHER DURING THE WAR FOR INDEPENDENCE IN AMERICA*; 151 pages; Illus.

SPANISH COINS

DOMINATED AS COLONIAL LEGAL TENDER

By Compatriot Larry Woolis

Since Biblical times, coins have not only shaped history, but have been mirrors into which we can see the unfolding of history. In the case of the Bible, Judas' thirty pieces of silver come to mind. They were known as "Shekels of Tyre." During the American Colonial and Revolutionary War period, a peculiar and surprising group of coins comes to mind.



Figure 1



Figure 3



Figure 5



Figure 2



Figure 4



Figure 6

My main interest as a numismatist is the U.S. silver dollar. After taking a close look at the earliest such coin, I came upon a curious fact: The first minted in the U.S. was struck in 1794 (Figure 1). In fact, almost all of the first U.S. silver coins were made in 1794. Why 1794 — since that was eighteen years after the founding of our country?

The answer is that there was an ample supply of well-accepted silver coins already in general circulation well before the Revolution. These coins, minted by our Patriot forebearers, were the legendary Spanish pieces of eight (or eight reales) and their lesser counterparts, the four, two one and 1/2 reale pieces.

Why were Spanish coins used instead of English? The answer has to do with the supply of silver during the period. There was an acute world shortage of the metal, so most countries had a difficult time keeping enough coins in circulation to supply commercial needs. England was not about to ship coins sorely needed at home to their new colonies in America. Spain found an abundant supply of silver to be had for the taking in their New World possessions in Central and

South America. Logistically, it was most expedient for them to refine the ore at the mine site and then mint the silver into coin before shipping it to Spain. Spanish coins quickly became the period's world trade pieces and the predominant coins of the American colonies because of their proximity to South America. In fact, the eight reale and its lesser counterparts remained, by act of Congress, legal tender in the United States until 1857. In other words, the dollar which President Washington was supposed to have thrown across the Potomac was not a U.S. silver dollar as we know it, but rather a Spanish eight reale or "Piece of Eight."

Coin Symbolism

Interesting symbolic devices were pictured upon these Spanish coins. Two crowned pillars were pictured, separated by two globes on the obverse (front side) of the early "Spanish Milled" coins (Figure 2). These globes symbolized the old and new worlds, or Eastern and Western Hemispheres. The

pillars were the legendary "Pillars of Hercules" and represented the rock formations at the sides of the Straits of Gibraltar. Wrapped around the pillars was a banner with the Latin phrase "Plus Ultra" written on it ("Plus Ultra" translates into English as "More Beyond"). This illustrated the contemporary popular belief that the exit to the Mediterranean Sea was the gateway to the New World. Interestingly enough, these two pillars with the banner intertwined is said to be the origin of our modern dollar sign symbol (\$). Also seen on the obverse side is the Latin legend "Ultraque Vnum" ("Both are One").

On the reverse side of the coins, the heraldic coat of arms of the King of Spain was pictured along with the legend "Carolus III D. G. Hispan. Et Ind Rex" ("Carlos III by the grace of God, ruler of Spain and the Indies") (Figure 3). Later, Spanish-milled coins had a likeness of the then King of Spain on the obverse side (Figure 4) and the "Pillars of Hercules" on the reverse side,

with the Spanish coat of arms between the pillars rather than the two globes that were seen on the earlier pieces. Another interesting sidelight is that the slang expression "two bits" as used when referring to the quarter dollar is said to have come from the fact that the two reale coin was one quarter of a colonial dollar.

During the 18th Century, it was the practice of the English to overstamp a likeness of King George III on the obverse side of the eight reale piece, thus making it an English five shilling coin (Figure 5). Coins bearing the likeness of King Carlos IV of Spain were over-stamped with a small likeness of King George III of England on the neck of the Spanish monarch's likeness. This gave rise to a popular rhyme circulated by the "wags" of London who didn't think highly of either King George or King Carlos. The rhyme went, "The English bankers in order to make their money pass, put the face of a fool on the neck of an ass."

"Cob" Type Coins

In the early 1700's, other more crudely made Spanish coins found their way into colonial North America. They were known as "cob" type coins (Figure 6). The name "cob" comes from the Spanish term "capo de barra," which translates as "end of a bar." These coins were made by cutting pieces from the end of a bar of silver, clipping them to exact weight and then heating them before they were placed between dies and struck with a large mallet. In many cases, the design on the dies was only partly impressed on the coins. Enough of the design was normally shown to prove their authenticity as legal coins of the realm.

Many of these Spanish coins were lost when the galleons that carried them to Spain were wrecked during the frequent Caribbean hurricanes. These shipwrecks are the target for modern day treasure hunters, particularly in the Florida Keys. Even today after a storm, blackened pieces of eight can be found washed ashore on beaches of Florida and Texas. Many of the privateers and pirates who played a large part in the war at sea during the Revolution helped themselves to these same pieces of eight transported by fat treasure galleons through the Caribbean and off the southern U.S. coast.

Current Prices

Although these Spanish coins were actually legal U.S. coins, they have been largely ignored by the average U.S. collector. For this reason, today's price for a late 18th Century Spanish eight reale is much less than that of an early U.S. minted silver dollar. For example, the pictured pillar dollar (1764) sells today for between \$175.00 and \$225.00. The 1795 U.S. dollar (pictured) sells for \$1,000.00 to \$1,200.00. Many counterfeit examples of early coins are being sold today to less knowledgeable collectors.

Anyone interested in obtaining one of these historic coins should contact a reputable coin dealer who will guarantee the coin's authenticity. Specimens of early colonial coins are available at much lower prices than those quoted here. Many of these are lower-denomination Spanish coins than the dollar. Also, coins in lesser condition with more wear than those shown are available at lower prices.

I derive great enjoyment from my love for history and coin collecting, especially when I hold one of my Spanish pieces of eight and wonder to myself, "Could this coin have been in Benjamin Franklin's pocket during the signing of the Declaration of Independence? Or perhaps it could have been with Paul Revere on his midnight ride..."

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Spanish Victory at Baton Rouge in 1779

This little-known conflict, studiously recalled by Compatriot Eric Beerman, had a strong impact upon the outcome of the Revolutionary War.

It is possible that the contribution of Spain and its honored General Bernardo de Galvez in Baton Rouge is equally important as the role played by France and General Jean Lafayette during the Revolution.

Few people remember that from the close of the French and Indian War in 1763 until 1803, the vast Louisiana Territory was a Spanish colony with its capital at New Orleans. The significance of the Spanish role is this: because of the Spanish capture of British Fort New Richmond at Baton Rouge, the British were forced to fight a two-front war on the North American continent. Without the Spanish effort, British troops could have been concentrated against beleaguered American colonists to the north, perhaps with devastating effect.

Alliance With France

General Bernardo de Galvez arrived in New Orleans and assumed Spanish governorship of that vast land on the first day of 1777. His uncle, Jose de Galvez, was instrumental in this appointment. He was the all-powerful minister of the Indies and future Marquis of Sonora. The American Revolution was in full swing in the American colonies and although Spain was not yet an active participant in the con-

Compatriot Beerman, a native of California, has his B.A. from the University of Oregon, M.A. from the American University, and Ph.D. from the University of Madrid, Madrid, Spain. For several years he has resided in Madrid and is currently associated with a microfilming project of the University of Guam in Spain. A former official of the State Department in Latin America and Washington, DC, he has researched and written a long list of articles on the Spanish historical heritage in the Americas, plus a book.

flict, she supplied the American cause. In 1778, France and the Colonies formed an alliance. Spain and France did likewise through the Family Compact of 1779.

Spain was concerned that Great Britain intended to attack New Orleans from Fort New Richmond to the northwest on the eastern bank of the Mississippi River. Spain viewed the huge Louisiana Territory as not so valuable in itself, but rather because of its role as a buffer against British encroachment on the vast gold and silver wealth of Mexico.

General Galvez had audaciously decided that the best defense was a good offense. Although war was not formally declared between Great Britain and Spain until June 21, 1779, Galvez had already planned and prepared for a Spanish assault on Fort New Richmond.

Assaults Launched

On August 27, Galvez summoned his expeditionary force to the Main Square of New Orleans and informed his troops of their first objective — Fort Bute, named after the British prime minister and located at Manchak, five leagues south of Baton Rouge. Galvez's force consisted of 170 regular troops,

330 recently arrived recruits from Mexico and the Canary Islands, 20 carbineers, 60 white militiamen, 80 free black and mulatto militiamen and seven American volunteers. Galvez himself marched out of New Orleans that hot day at the head of the column. Volunteers joined the Spanish force en route, so that a total of 1,427 men arrived at Fort Bute on September 7th. Seeing the futility of attempting to make a major stand at Fort Bute, the British commander evacuated most of his troops to Baton Rouge. Following a token artillery exchange, the British fort at Manchak surrendered after one British defender was killed out of a defending garrison of only three officers and 24 enlisted men.

Galvez rested his troops in preparation for the coming assault on Baton Rouge, five leagues to the north. Fort New Richmond had been recently strengthened with new fortifications and reinforcements from Fort Bute, Mobile and Pensacola. This fort was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Dickson of the XVI Regiment with a sizable garrison of 400 regular troops, as well as 150 armed settlers and their slaves. In addition, the fort had 13 well-emplaced cannons as compared with ten by the attacking force.



Realizing that a frontal assault was too costly, Galvez planned a brilliant feint. The logical point of attack was from a small grove of trees near the fort. Spanish militiamen and Indian auxiliaries were sent to the grove to cut down trees and to make as much noise as possible to pretend an attack base was being prepared. The fort, turning full attention to this Spanish unit, directed artillery fire at it. Meanwhile, Galvez constructed an artillery battery in an orchard located on the opposite side of the fort. By the time Dickson realized the ruse, it was too late.

Unconditional Surrender

The Spaniards opened fire on September 21. Artillery Captain Julian Alvarez commanded the Spanish battery fire against the fort, which retaliated in kind. For three and one-half hours, the artillery exchange went on. The fort suffered the worst and was destroyed. Colonel Dickson sent two officers under a white flag to ask Galvez for a truce. Galvez insisted on unconditional surrender. Dickson concurred and the following day British troops, including units from the German Waldek Regiment, marched out of Fort New Richmond 500 paces to lay down their arms and turn over their regimental battle flags to Galvez. The soldiers were made prisoners of war and the settlers were sent home. Capitulation terms also stipulated that the British Fort Panmure at Natchez surrender. This fort had been taken by Captain Juan de la Villebeuvre and 50 Spanish soldiers, who returned to Baton Rouge with 80 grenadiers as prisoners of war.

Galvez took eight British vessels, three forts and 500 regular troops in addition to sailors, civilians and slaves during his 1779 Mississippi River campaigns. Spain suffered one killed and two wounded. As a result, the river was safe for Spanish and American shipping which continued to supply Colonel George Morgan at Fort Pitt with money, men, muskets, munitions and materiel. This was vital to the American cause because most of her ports were blockaded by the numerically superior British fleet. British attention was also divided by the threat of impending attacks on Mobile and Pensacola. This caused British troops and ships to be diverted to the Gulf Coast.

Both Spain and General Bernardo de Galvez should be remembered and honored for their contribution to the American Revolution by dividing the attention and energies of the British and by making the Mississippi River a safe passageway for needed war supplies during a decisive period of the Revolution.

The bicentennial of the capture of Fort New Richmond at Baton Rouge was celebrated in 1979 with great honor.

Programing Boosts Membership

The Palo Alto Chapter, CASAR, has proof positive that good programing can lead to increased membership.

According to President Herbert B. Murnan, Col. USA (Ret), the key is exposure of the SAR to other fraternal, historic and patriotic societies. Over the past year, this objective has been shown to be successful through a series of special events, most of which resulted in requests for information about our Society and applications for membership. These included:

SAR-DAR Constitution Day Program in September featuring a speaker and entertainment.

Yorktown Day Commemoration in October, a meeting held jointly with the local American Legion Post and with DAR Chapters participating. Highlighted was an address about the Battle of Yorktown and surrender of the British forces, by Maj. Gen. Kenneth G. Wickham, USA (Ret), former Adjutant General of the Army. He was presented a Silver Good Citizenship Medal. Membership of this Post consists of prominent retired businessmen, educators, doctors and military officers.

George Washington Birthday Program in February, held jointly with the DAR, American Legion, National Sojourners, Military Order of World Wars and the George Washington Masonic Club. Unique here was the presentation of a Silver Good Citizenship Medal to one member selected by each of these organizations for having displayed outstanding community involvement in patriotic, historical and civic activities. The event

was capped by an address by Colonel Carroll F. Sullivan, USA (Ret), on Washington.

Presentation of the Law Enforcement Medal to Police Chief William Dodeward of Morgan Hill at a joint session of the City Council and Supervisors.

President Murnan stresses that an important phase of this type of cooperative effort and joint participation is the arranging for news coverage. Next comes the follow up on applications distributed and assisting with their completion and processing.

The favorable response received from this approach to community involvement by the Chapter is already being reflected in the planning of an even more elaborate program for the coming year.

Service Medal Now Available

The Distinguished Service Medal, a handsome new award for giving to SARs who have distinguished themselves in their service to our Society, is now available from National Headquarters.

Featuring a raised relief of Thomas Jefferson ringed by laurel leaves, the silver finish medal measures 1¼ inch deep and is priced at \$15.00. A miniature, ⅝ inch deep, costs \$9.00.

It should be pointed out that this award does not carry the same degree of distinction as the more limited Patriot Medal.



This dramatic editorial cartoon, created by Compatriot Thomas P. Curtis (who serves as Political Cartoonist of *The Milwaukee Sentinel*), has been awarded the Freedoms Foundation "Valley Forge Honor Certificate Award." It was included in the newspaper's Memorial Day edition in honor of servicemen who died in America's wars. He is an active member of the General Tadeuz Kosciuszko Chapter, WISAR.

Chapter & State Societies

NEWS & EVENTS...



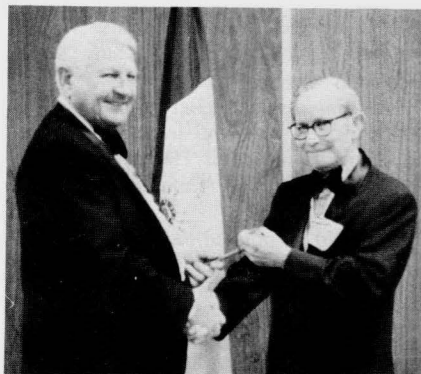
News stories about State Society and Chapter events are always welcome for consideration in the editorial columns of your SAR Magazine, as are such items as District meetings and committee reports. Because of space limitations, the Editor reserves the right to condense or omit stories that do not have broad interest. All photos must be black-and-white glossies and at least 4x5 inches in size.

Also welcome are copies of SAR-related speeches given by members that could be edited into special articles. Additionally, members are encouraged to submit outlines of articles they would like to prepare on SAR educational, historical and patriotic subjects. Each such inquiry will be given careful consideration.

DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES: Fall (November) – October 1; Winter (February) – January 1; Spring (May) – April 1; Summer (August) – June 15

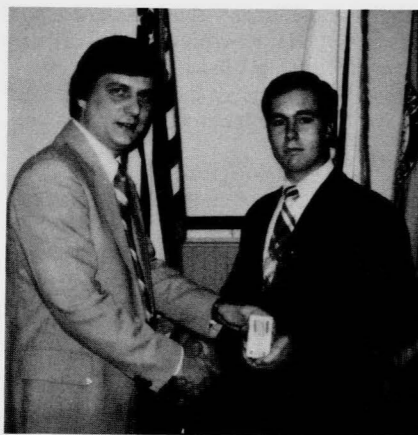
ALABAMA SOCIETY

The Alabama Society, along with the Southern District, held its Annual Meeting at Tuscaloosa in April. Compatriots gave approval for eight scholarships to be given to school teachers to attend a patriotism education workshop at Samford University. Six of the scholarships were sponsored by the Alabama Society, while two were sponsored by Compatriot Paul Mitchell of Montrose. Past President General Ryall S. Morgan was speaker at



Major James G. Charles passed the gavel to Dr. David Mason, newly installed President of the Alabama Society.

the gala banquet. Vice-President General O. D. Fontenot presented Martha Washington Medals to Mrs. Jule Morgan and Mrs. Helen Charles, wife of the retiring Alabama President, for the active support and assistance given to their husbands while holding SAR offices.



At the University of Alabama Presidents Day, Secretary-Treasurer Cary J. Williams of the James "Horseshoe" Robertson Chapter presented the Silver ROTC Award to Cadet Michael Morrow, Army ROTC, for achievement as outstanding Freshman cadet. This ROTC detachment is the largest in the United States.

initiating a newsletter to help cement closer fraternal ties."



Los Angeles Chapter President John R. Justice presented the Silver ROTC Medal in April to Cadet Anne E. Conroy, who is attending California State University. The ceremony took place during the Unit's Annual Spring Dining Out.

The Sacramento Chapter heard a highly informative talk by Air Force Colonel Jerry Mouton in March at the McClellan Officers' Club concerning the use and operation of the Fairchild A-10 low-flying attack aircraft. The group viewed movies and slides about this aircraft, which is designed to combat enemy tanks in the European theatre by flying very close to the ground to escape radar detection. The craft works in close support with troop-carrying helicopters. McClellan Air Force Base has overall responsibility for the Fairchild A-10.

CALIFORNIA SOCIETY

A well-written, attractive newsletter has been launched by the Los Angeles Chapter as a means of better communicating with the Chapter's far-flung membership. Editor John R. Justice, who also serves as Chapter President, states that the newsletter is one of a number of programs designed to spark participation and knit the Chapter membership into a closer group. "The nice thing," he emphasizes, "is that it can convey a positive image of the SAR when used as a recruiting tool on the local level. When prospective members ask what we do, I provide them with a copy. I strongly recommend that each Chapter consider

COLORADO SOCIETY

The 205th Anniversary of the Battles of Lexington and Concord was observed on April 19th in Denver, with Vice-President General G. Wendell Hagood (Rocky Mountain District) speaking about the courage, tenacity and endurance of General George Washington and his poorly equipped Continental Army. It was reported that 29 ROTC Medals were presented in six colleges and several high schools during the year.

CONNECTICUT SOCIETY



Attending the Captain Matthew Mead Branch No. 11 50th Anniversary Banquet were (seated, from left): Helen Binny Kitchele, recipient of the Good Citizenship Medal; Past President and Trustee, Warren Dennison; Ruth L. Sims, First Selectman of Greenwich; President General Calvin E. Chunn; and Past President William E. Finch, Jr. Standing, from left: Trustee Raymond M. Orben, Jr.; President John E. Porter; Compatriot Oliver Saucheter; Vice-President General Francis H. Strain; Connecticut Society President Harold F. Nash, Jr.; Vice-President John P. Livingston; and Former President DeHaven Ross, Jr., recipient of a 59-year membership certificate.

Retired U.S. Army General J. R. Beishline stressed that a stronger military is required to return the United States to the status of "number one" at the 50th Anniversary Banquet of the Captain Matthew Mead Branch No. 11 in May. In his speech, entitled "My Times with a President," he recounted memories of former President Harry Truman following World War II. He also compared the U.S. to the Roman Empire in pointing out his objections to SALT II. The featured speaker was President General Calvin E. Chunn, who stated that General Anthony Wayne, Revolutionary hero, would be a strong model for today's leaders to follow. He expressed concern over the deterioration of American strength. A Patriot Medal was presented to Vice-President General Francis H. Strain.

Over 100 Compatriots and guests of the General David Humphrey Branch No. 1 attended memorial services on July



During the Military Awards Banquet presented by the United States Air Force Connecticut Squadron 21-AFJROTC at the Danbury High School, Connecticut Past President Gerard J. Morgan III presented Bronze ROTC Medals to Cadets Jon Valle and Maria Nappi. This was done on behalf of the Capt. Matthew Mead Branch No. 11.

4 honoring Roger Sherman, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and the famous officer after whom the Chapter is named. The program's setting was the old Grove Street Cemetery in New Haven, the first to be laid out in family plots in the country. Guest speakers included Mayor Biagio DeLieto and Brig. Gen. John F. Gore, the state's Assistant Adjutant General.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SOCIETY

In cooperation with the National Park Service and the Military District of Washington, the Society celebrated Thomas Jefferson's Birthday on April 13 at the National Jefferson Memorial, Tidal Basin, Washington, DC. Introductory remarks were given by President Lewis Wroe, while Second Vice President Stewart B. McCarty, Jr., served as Master of Ceremonies. A highlight of the event was a review of the Joint Armed Services Honor Guard by President General Calvin E. Chunn, who also laid a wreath at the foot of the Jefferson monument. Principal speaker was Rear Admiral John D. H. Kane, Jr. He chose as his topic the life of Jefferson and the significance of this 237th anniversary of his birth. The service was the 38th to be sponsored by the Society.

Then on April 19 the Society staged a colorful Annual Banquet, which included the rendition of patriotic songs by Mrs. Cornelia Gordon, a former opera singer and the sister of President Elect Fred W. Dickens, Jr., and an address by President General Calvin E. Chunn. Dr. Chunn spoke on the extraordinary exploits of "Mad" Anthony Wayne, stating that "what we need in these times of self-doubt, dependency and complacency is

action by SARs to show our meddle as patriots, to lead the way, as did Anthony in reaching his objectives, and activate our Society towards achieving our patriotic goals."



In appreciation of President General Calvin E. Chunn's active support of the SAR throughout the nation, President Lewis Wroe presented him with a commemorative plate bearing the Congressional Seal during the DC Society's Annual Banquet.

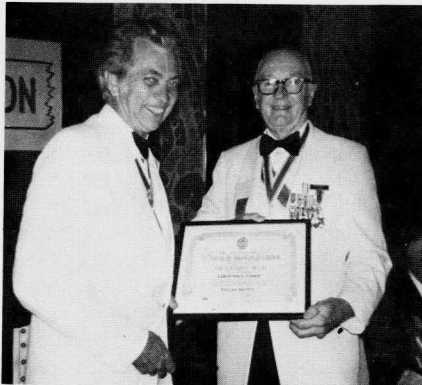
Highlighting luncheons in May and June were addresses by distinguished newsmen, Philip C. Clark and Allan C. Brownfield. The former illustrated his subject, "National Defense and the Soviet Threat", with a showing of "The SALT Syndrome", a new motion picture film that offers a powerful exposition of the relative strengths of the United States and the Soviet Union. He currently is Communications Director of the Coalition for Peace Through Strength and the American Security Council, in addition to being a member of *America's Future* editorial and research team. A Contributing Editor of the same newsletter and a syndicated Washington newsman, Mr. Brownfield spoke on our survival as a free society, with emphasis on the pitfalls of present-day trends in government and where we are straying from the original concepts of freedom of the Founding Fathers.



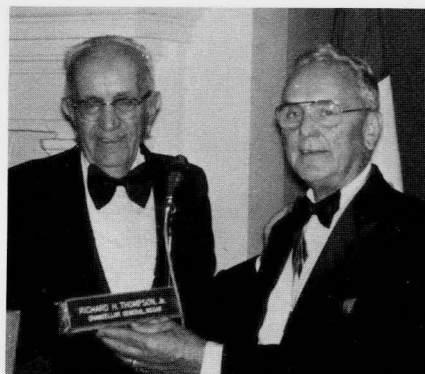
DC Society President Elect Fred W. Dickens, Jr., representing the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, reviewed the Color Guard during Thomas Jefferson Birthday services in Washington, DC.

FLORIDA SOCIETY

The **Suncoast Chapter** was installed April 9 at Tarpon Springs, with 62 persons attending a Charter luncheon. Compatriot Charles W. Phifer was installed as President. The audience was captivated by a narrative of George Washington's elite "Life Guard" given by Genealogist General Carleton E. Fisher of Largo. Officially titled "The Commander-in-Chief's Guard," the group was begun in March, 1776 and disbanded in December, 1783. It was composed of the best of the Continental Army. Surprisingly, however, three of its members were arrested in June, 1776 for plotting to kill General Washington, and another was hanged after poisoning peas which were to be served to the Commander-in-Chief. On the other hand, the Guard set an excellent standard for military drill and tactics for the colonial forces and otherwise protected Washington's life. They also were instrumental in preserving his personal papers and records.



Boca Raton was the setting for the Florida Society Assembly in May where prominent Compatriots were awarded the coveted Patriot Medal. Past President General Matthew B. Sellers presented the medal to Genealogist General Carlton E. Fisher (above), Registrar Henry L. (Butch) Hinkle and Genealogist Sidney S. King, Jr.



Celebrating at the **Palm Beach Chapter's** Annual George Washington's Birthday Banquet, Chancellor General Richard H. Thompson, Jr. accepted a bronze name plate as a memento of the occasion from Chapter President Harry A. Goodman, toastmaster for the event.



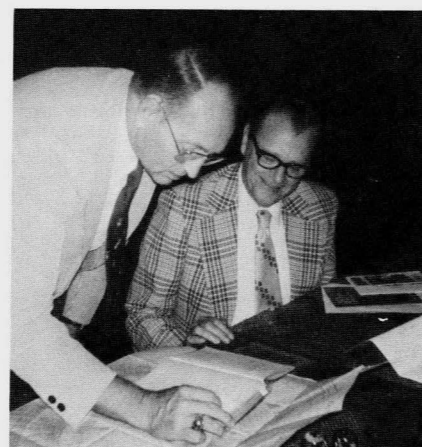
St. Petersburg Chapter's Law Day Program in May featured a talk by Judge Robert E. Beach and saw presentation of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Detective Jenkins by President Samuel S. Gilbert.

During the **Caloosa Chapter's** May meeting, honored guests were a large number of local high school students who had received Bronze Good Citizenship and ROTC Medals at special ceremonies at each school. Past Chapter President Guy Walton was recognized for personally presenting 16 of the Good Citizenship Awards.



Compatriot George F. Youngs of the **Daytona-Ormond Chapter** awarded the Sixth Grade Good Citizenship Certificate to Jessica Shoemaker of Edgewater. This was one of more than 200 certificates given by his and two other Chapters to local elementary and high school students.

Speaking at the May meeting of the **Daytona-Ormond Chapter**, genealogist Mrs. Newell Adams reviewed the contents of the genealogy section of the City Island Library and stated that three excellent sources of information are within easy reach of prospective members tracing their lineage. The finest collection is at the Deland Library, while the largest is at the Orlando Library. A micro-film reference library at the Orlando Branch of the Mormon Church is also available.



Ocala Chapter President Chuck Morris is helping prospective member John B. Marshall to locate data in his lineage. The Chapter is two years old and has become quite strong, thanks to hard-working officers.



DeBary-Deltona Chapter President Fred Drew (right) gave a Certificate of Appreciation to Dr. Paul Steeves, Professor of History at Stetson University at a May meeting. Dr. Steeves spoke about his recent trip to the Soviet Union with some of his students.

GEORGIA SOCIETY



The **Rome Chapter** joined with the Coosa Valley Scottish Rite Association to present members of the Board of Education copies of the book *Why Public Schools* by Henry C. Clausen. The book describes the history of public schools and their responsibilities for the future. Pictured here is Board Chairman Jerry L. Bryant receiving the book from Chapter President Robert E. Hardin, with Compatriot Fred H. Crouch, Jr., also representing the Scottish Rite.

IDAHO SOCIETY



During the recent marriage of a grandson, Idaho Vice President Pete Olesen (at rear) gathered together members of his family whom he had recruited to join the ranks of the SAR. In the front row were Dr. Michael Clement, Scott Clement and Carl Kerrick, while behind them were David Kerrick and Dr. Steven Kerrick. All are members of the **Ft. Boise Chapter**.

ILLINOIS SOCIETY

Society President Gordon Tierney presented a Charter to the new **Lewis and Clark Chapter** in May and installed Dr. Donald L. Worley as President. Installation of the Chapter brings the total number in Illinois to 13. The esteemed Silver Good Citizenship Medal was awarded to President Worley and Ivan E. Feller, Vice-President of the Southern District, Illinois Society.

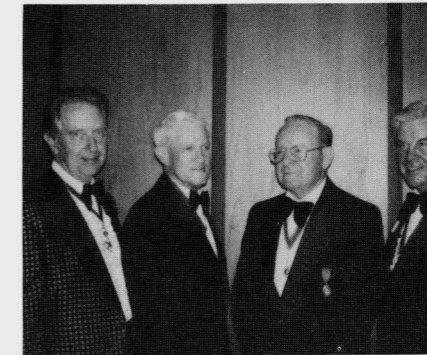
The Annual Great Lakes District meeting was hosted by the **John Hancock Chapter** in Peoria on May 16 and 17. Honored guests at the formal dinner included Secretary General Arthur M. King, Past President General Len Young Smith, Vice-President General Carleton Banker and Illinois President Gordon P. Tierney. Silver Good Citizenship Medals were awarded to Compatriots Thomas R. Brodbeck, Maurice A. Garland and Joseph A. Merrill III. Mrs. Garland was presented with the Martha Washington Award.



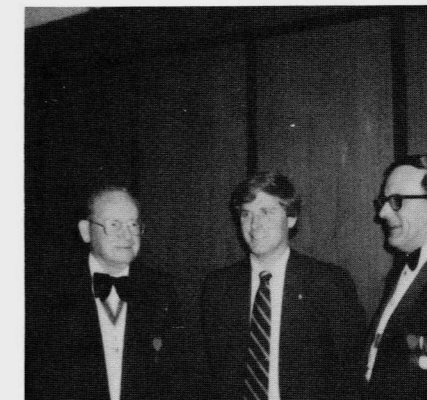
John Hancock Chapter President Thomas R. Brodbeck placed a wreath at the tomb of Abraham Lincoln on April 15 as part of the Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony in Springfield.

INDIANA SOCIETY

The 91st Annual Meeting of the Society was hosted in April by the **Continental Chapter** of Muncie. Featured speaker was Congressman and Compatriot Dan Quayle of Indiana's Fourth District. The Chapter was honored as "Outstanding Chapter" in the Society for the third time and the second in succession.



Honored at the Annual Meeting of the Indiana Society were (from left): Michigan President John L. Ruby (30-year member of the Indiana Society before moving to Michigan); Illinois President Gordon P. Tierney; newly installed Indiana President Kenneth J. Petro; and Ohio President John T. O'Neil.



Congressman Dan Quayle, a member of the **Continental Chapter**, greeted newly installed Indiana Society President Kenneth J. Petro (left) and Vice-President General (Central District) Jack K. Carmichael.

IOWA SOCIETY

The Society's 87th Annual Meeting was held May 3 in Des Moines and featured Vice-President General for the North Central District, John Halberg Jones, as speaker. Compatriot Jones proposed that the District sponsor an oratory contest in order to jointly send an entrant to the National Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest. This was met with great enthusiasm. (*Editor's note: The Great Lakes District - Wisconsin, Illinois and Michigan - jointly sponsor a contestant to the Contest.*)

KANSAS SOCIETY

State President Dick McGehee was awarded the Patriot Medal at the Annual Congress of the Kansas Society in Wichita on March 15. In addition, Law Enforcement Commendation Medals were given to two Wichita policemen. President General Calvin E. Chunn and Secretary General Arthur M. King were pleased to attend this fine event.

President pro tem W. J. Reals presented a film entitled "The Mission of the Air Force Reserve" at the February meeting of the **Washington Chapter** which recounted the activities and training of the citizen-soldier.



During a May meeting of the **Washington Chapter**, Past Kansas President Richard C. McGehee (left) and Chapter President William E. Miller (right) presented the Gold Good Citizenship Medal to Arch N. Booth, a Past President of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and the SAR Medal of Appreciation to Mrs. T. R. Hammer for her efforts in recruiting new SARs.



Kansas Society Chancellor Paul L. Wilbert presented the ROTC Medal to Mark D. Monsour of Frontenac on behalf of the **Benjamin Franklin Chapter**.

KENTUCKY SOCIETY

The **Thruston Chapter** played host to the Annual Meeting of the Society in Louisville May 9 and 10, with 125 Compatriots and guests attending. A highlight of the gathering was presentation of the Patriot Medal to President Fritz F. Jacobs and the Martha Washington Medal to Mrs. Tom Lyne in recognition of her service to the SAR. The featured speaker was President General Calvin E. Chunn.

LOUISIANA SOCIETY



The Society held its gala Annual Spring Cocktail Party May 3 in New Orleans at the home of Compatriot and Mrs. Jack W. Thomson. Receiving guests were (from left): National Trustee and Mrs. William S. Arkle; Society President and Mrs. James Wilkinson III; Vice-President General for the Southern District and Mrs. O. D. Fontenot; and First Vice-President and Mrs. Ivan H. Purinton.

MARYLAND SOCIETY

The 90th Annual Meeting of the Maryland Society was attended by 175 members and guests at the Sparrows Point Country Club in April. Russell Jones, General Manager of Bethlehem Steel's Sparrows Point Plant, spoke concerning the economic need for government mea-

asures to modernize the steel industry. He was awarded the Gold Good Citizenship Medal. President General Calvin E. Chunn invested the Society officers and described current National Society activities.



Pictured at the Annual Meeting of the Maryland Society with the Society's Continental Color Guard are (left to right): Past President General Wilson King Barnes, Sr.; President General Calvin E. Chunn; Russell Jones, Bethlehem Steel; Treasurer General Carl Bessent; National Trustee Clement Erhardt.



Compatriot William H. Forman, Jr., Major, USAFR awarded the Silver ROTC Medal to Cadet Thomas W. Parks of the Air Force ROTC Unit at the University of New Orleans in April.



Compatriot Warren A. Burdette (second from left) was awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal for his years of service as an auditor of the Maryland Sales Tax Division at a recent meeting of the **Colonel Nicholas Ruxton Moore Chapter**. Past President General Wilson K. Barnes (left) made the presentation, assisted by Mr. Burdette's daughter, Mrs. Melinda Curtis, and President Edward L. Beauchamp.

MICHIGAN SOCIETY

On behalf of the Michigan Society, President Harold M. McCracken attended the Memorial Day Service for the Grosse Pointe area which included the placing of wreaths at a bronze tablet bearing the names of the community's 158 war dead.



Compatriots Perry L. Bailey and Lynn V. Lawrence on behalf of the **Chancellor John Lansing Chapter** recently placed SAR markers on the graves of two Revolutionary War Soldiers buried in outlying cemeteries. Shown here is the grave of Joshua Simmons. The other one marked is that of Johnathan Ingalls.

The service was conducted by the Reverend Allan A. Zaun, Ph.D., of the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit, who was awarded a Gold Good Citizenship Medal in 1976 by the late Past President General Marion H. Crawmer. Rev. Zaun had delivered an inspiring sermon, which PPG Crawmer submitted to the Freedoms Foundation. The sermon was later given top honors.

Another of Compatriot Crawmer's efforts came to fruition in June when his former church, the First Presbyterian near downtown Detroit, was officially declared a historic site by the State of Michigan. A special Sunday program saw dedication of a bronze marker detailing the church's history. Several years ago, Compatriot

Crawmer had initiated the filing of the proper papers to seek the historic designation. Dr. Kenneth V. Kettlewell, Minister of the church, serves as Chaplain of the **Detroit Chapter**.

MINNESOTA SOCIETY

At a combined Annual Society Meeting, Board of Managers meeting and annual **St. Paul Chapter** meeting in February, Chapter President Irving Adams West showed his very interesting slides of a recent visit to China.

Minneapolis Chapter Compatriots heard a unique presentation of "Coins and Medals of the Revolutionary Era" given by James Marrinan of the Minnesota Historical Society at its May meeting. His presentation included showing paper currency used at the time of the American Revolution.

MISSISSIPPI SOCIETY



The Society placed a marker at the courthouse in Laurel and Ellisville in memory of John Shows, Revolutionary Soldier, in April. Registrar H. H. Daniels (left) recognized honored guests and presented the marker to Dr. Thomas R. Beech, the oldest member of the Shows descendants and to other members of the Shows family.

NEBRASKA SOCIETY



Society Secretary Henry M. Cox had the honor of presenting ROTC Medals to three members of Units at the University of Nebraska - Lincoln in a special May ceremony.

The Annual Conference of the North Central District was hosted by the Nebraska Society in Omaha. An interesting slide lecture was delivered by Charles Martin which described the various westward immigration trails used during the last century. The vivid talk set the stage for a visit to the General Crook House at Old Fort Omaha. The day concluded with a banquet at which Secretary General Arthur M. King was featured speaker.

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY



Past New Jersey President and National Trustee Albert E. Stokes of the **Raritan Valley Chapter** presented an ROTC Medal to Cadet Craig J. Willits during an April Awards Banquet at Rutgers University. This was one of several such awards given throughout the state.

The **West Fields Chapter** participated extensively in the community's Memorial Day observance and assumed leadership for Independence Day festivities, which were held on June 29 to avoid conflicts with other events. President John E. Flemming was in charge.

The **South Jersey Chapter** hosted the Society's Annual Meeting in May at Freehold. Theodore J. Demarest spoke on "The Reality of UFO's."

EMPIRE STATE SOCIETY (NY)

The 20th Joint Patriotic Societies Meeting and Dinner was hosted in May by the **Buffalo Chapter** for members of the Society of Colonial Wars, Sons of the Revolution, DAR and the Society of the War of 1812. Guest speaker was Joseph B. Manzella, Chairman of the Museum and Acquisition Commission, Buffalo Naval and Serviceman's Park.

Representatives of the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce and the Netherlands Club were guests of the **Stony Point Chapter** at a May meeting. A ranking Dutch official discussed restoration of the Dutch West Indies Company in Amsterdam and the involvement



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of the company in the early settlement of Rockland County. In June the Chapter heard John Scott talk on "The Old King's Highway", the aged thoroughfare in the county.

The **Rochester Chapter** participated throughout the July 4th celebration in the Town of Ironduoit by manning a display at the Town Hall of Revolutionary War artifacts and a portion of the "Eddy Collection" of items retrieved from the Saratoga Battlefield over 150 years ago, as well as distributing SAR materials and American Flags. In May the Chapter joined in the dedication of a monument, which members helped purchase, honoring Korean and Vietnam War Soldiers in the Village of East Rochester.



Buffalo Chapter President Arthur S. Merrow, Jr. (right), recently presented a mounted print to Mayor James Griffin for hanging in the Admiral's ward room aboard the U.S. Cruiser *Little Rock*, which is docked at the Buffalo Naval Park. The print depicts the first recognition of the American Flag by a foreign power, the French Fleet.

At the conclusion of the State Society's June Board Meeting, which was hosted in Rome by the **Oriskany Battle Chapter**, a ceremony was held at the graves of four unknown Revolutionary War Soldiers buried near reconstructed Fort Stanwix. Participating were ESS President Paul K. Adams, Vice-President General Robert B. Newcomb, Past Presi-

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dent General James B. Gardiner, National Trustee Norman H. Dieter, Trustee Ray C. Perry, Past ESS President E. Fred Dougherty and Chapter President Walter S. Cookenham.

The May meeting of the **Stone Arabia Chapter** in Gloversville featured a talk by Compatriot Robert M. Palmer, Fulton County Historian, about the 1780 raid by Sir John Johnson through Tryon County.

Binghamton Chapter President Chester A. Johnson entertained at an April meeting by providing a slide presentation of his tour of Great Britain to locate family origins through town, church and cemetery records.

NORTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The Spring Issue of *The SAR Magazine* inadvertently reported that the featured speaker at the George Washington's Birthday Banquet sponsored by the **Lower Cape Fear Chapter** was Capt. Frank S. Conlon, USN (Ret). Chapter PR Chairman and Historian Nathan P. Xanthos has reported that Compatriot Conlon introduced the speaker, Dr. James J. McGivern, Chairman of the Department of Religion and Philosophy at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

OKLAHOMA SOCIETY



Compatriots gathering in Tulsa for the combined Oklahoma Society/South Central District meeting included (front, from left): General Louis Rumaggi, President General Calvin E. Chunn and Secretary General Arthur M. King; (back, from left): **Tulsa Chapter** President Conrad L. Eckert, Oklahoma President Jim McReynolds, Vice-President General R. W. Overton and Joe Hill. The Chapter served as host.

OHIO SOCIETY

The 91st State Conference of the Society was held in April in Cincinnati. The two-day meeting included a reception for President General Calvin E. Chunn followed by an excellent address given by him at the evening banquet. Flags displayed on the dias were given by the late Compatriot S. Hubbard Scott. They have flown at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Ohio State University Half Time Shows, the Peace Bridge and at several Annual Congresses.



During the installation of new officers, President General Calvin E. Chunn presented a Patriot Medal to Ohio President John T. O'Neil.



Former Macedonia Mayor William Frew Long was honored on his 100th birthday, April 28, by the **Western Reserve Society**. The Society presented Compatriot Long with a resolution in appreciation of his faithful membership since 1911. Making the presentation were (from left) Cdr. Luther C. Leavitt, USNR (Ret), National Trustee and Past President of the Ohio Society and Western Reserve Society; Col. Ross R. Caldwell, USA (Ret), Western Reserve Society President; and Past Chapter President Irvin Dawson.



The Old Elliot Cemetery in the hills of Holmes County was the dedication site of a Revolutionary War Marker (provided by the VA Department of Memorial Affairs, Washington, DC at the grave of Samuel Bucklew by Registrar General Robert J. Reynolds and **Lafayette Chapter** Registrar Auchmutey. Honors were rendered by the American Legion Color Guard and the Spartan Masonic Lodge.

PENNSYLVANIA SOCIETY

Several area DAR Chapters were guests of the **Valley Forge Chapter** at a February gathering, which featured an address by William J. Moran, a member of the Northampton County Council. He traced the rise and fall of patriotism through World War II, the Korean and Vietnam Wars and the present crisis in Iran and Afghanistan.

As has been the custom for many years, the **Pittsburg Chapter** joined with the local DAR Chapter to sponsor a Flag Day Program in the public and parochial schools, with eighth grade students competing for American History prizes fur-

nished by the DAR and Bronze Good Citizenship Medals from the SAR. The winners and runners-up were presented their awards at a mass meeting at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall on Flag Day. Each also received an American Flag. Parents and friends were invited to attend.



On behalf of the **Shenango Chapter** Compatriot David Ketler presented a Silver ROTC Medal to Cadet Teresa A. Smith during the Annual Awards Day at Grove City College where she received a commission in the USAF Reserve. Also a graduate of the college, he served as a United States Naval Officer.

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

Over 50 members of the **General Andrew Pickens Chapter** and the Andrew Pickens Chapter, DAR, jointly conducted an impressive Memorial Service to the General in May at the "Old Stone Church" near Clemson. General Pickens is called the "Fighting Elder" of the Revolutionary War and, along with Marion and Sumter, helped keep the British from over-running South Carolina after the fall of Charleston and Camden. He and other Patriots are buried in the cemetery next to the church.



Cadet Bernard A. Barton, named the outstanding Army ROTC student at Clemson University was one of five at local colleges and schools to receive the ROTC Medal. Making the presentation was William Allgood, Secretary of the **General Andrew Pickens Chapter**.

SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY

The **General Thomas Sumter Chapter** hosted the Society's Annual Conference in historic Camden on April 12th.

Chief Roger E. Poston, Florence Director of Public Safety, was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by the **General Francis Marion Chapter** at a Charter Dinner in May. He was introduced by Mayor C. Cooper Tedder. Major General Billy J. Ellis, Vice Commander of the Ninth Air Force, spoke about current matters of national defense. Also speaking was South Carolina Hall of Fame Scholar, Dr. Robert Bass, concerning the service of General Francis Marion. Past State President William Buford Worthy presented the Chapter with its new Charter and commented on SAR purposes and activities.



Chief Roger E. Poston was presented with the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by **General Francis Marion Chapter** President Hazen Booth during a May meeting.

TENNESSEE SOCIETY



Dr. McCarthy DeMere, an internationally known plastic surgeon and First Vice President of the **Memphis Chapter**, was recently presented the DAR Medal of Honor by Mrs. Anthony A. Aspero, Regent of the Alexander McCullor Chapter, DAR. This is the highest honor that the DAR can confer upon a native born citizen and is awarded for outstanding demonstration of leadership, service, patriotism and trustworthiness.



Now Vice-President for the Society's West Tennessee Region, Charles W. Patton welcomed three of his sons to membership while serving as **Memphis Chapter** President this past year. Can any Compatriot top this?

Knoxville was the scene of the **Stephen Holston Chapter's** May meeting to which the membership of the DAR, CAR, American Legion, VFW and other veterans, historical and genealogical organizations were invited. Guest speaker was Secretary George E. Chittenden, who at one time served as President of the **Abraham Clark Chapter**, NJSAR. He spoke on Revolutionary War battles of the Jerseys and their significance.



General William Grover Moore, USAF (Ret), was the featured speaker at the Annual Dinner of the Society in April.

TEXAS SOCIETY



The Silver ROTC Medal was awarded to Cadet James Infinger of Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos, at the Annual Awards Banquet of the **Patrick Henry Chapter** by Compatriot George H. Fancher.

UTAH SOCIETY

Senior Judge of the U.S. District Court for Utah, A. Sherman Christensen, was awarded the honored Gold Good Citizenship Medal by the Society at its Annual George Washington Birthday Banquet in February. The presentation was made by Past President Lynn S. Richards to Mrs. Lois Christensen in the absence of the Judge, who was recovering from illness. "The Spirit of Revolution," an address prepared by the judge, was delivered by his son. The speech criticized "pseudo revolutionists" of the 20th century who seek selfish privileges from law without its responsibilities. "The Revolutionists (of 1776) set themselves free," he said, "because they were free men and they were determined that no power, even the Revolution itself, should destroy the freedom they were seeking. They did not expect revolution to tear down. They exemplified the spirit of freedom and equality to build up."

Rear Admiral C. Monroe Hart, USN (Ret), addressed the **Utah Valley Chapter** in March. He served as Supervisor of Shipbuilding for the Navy and received the Legion of Merit for his work as director of submarine design on the Polaris weapons system.

VIRGINIA SOCIETY

On June 14, the **Culpeper Minute Men Chapter** held a Flag Day wreath-laying ceremony in the Culpeper town square, with Virginia President Roderick D. Brown speaking on the meaning of the Flag. In May Compatriots gathered in Warrentown at the statue of former Chief Justice John Marshall to honor him as a member of the original Minute Men, a soldier of the Continental Army under General George Washington and as Chief Justice.

The Annual Ladies Night of the **Fincastle Resolutions Chapter** was held in Salem during May. Virginia President Roderick D. Brown spoke on "The Lead Mines of Austinville, Virginia." Austinville is the county seat of Fincastle County and it was here that freeholders on January 20, 1775 drew up the "Fincastle Resolutions" from which the Chapter derives its name.

Gunston Hall, the home of Revolutionary War Patriot George Mason, was the setting for the Annual High School Good Citizenship Awards Dinner of the **George Mason Chapter**. Nearly 100 members and guests, including 12 northern Virginia medal winners, were on hand to hear an interesting talk on the Restoration of Gunston Hall given by Librarian-Curator Ben Brown.

The Annual DAR-Ladies Night of the **Thomas Jefferson Chapter** included members and guests from the **Augusta**



Alexandria Mayor Charles Beatley presented a proclamation to **George Washington Chapter** President Stanley G. Price and the Regents of five area DAR Chapters setting aside April 13 as Thomas Jefferson Day. The ceremony was followed by a joint SAR/DAR luncheon. LCdr Morton Levy, USN (Ret), spoke on the life of Jefferson and his many contributions to the establishment of the United States.

Declaration Chapter, VASAR, and four area DAR Chapters. Silver Good Citizenship Medals were presented by Virginia Past President Thomas Page Nelson to Compatriots Homer Gilmer Richey, Arnold Smith and Dr. Arthur Frederick Stocker. The Virginia Society's Medal of Merit was presented to Compatriots Ro-



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land Grosvenor Eaton, Jr., and J. William Siegfried, Jr. State Senator Harry Michael, Jr., spoke on the basic values held by the American people despite dissident voices who get attention in the news media. He used as an example Confederate Maj. Gen. William B. ("Wild Billy") Mahone who wished to repudiate the war-time debt owed by the Commonwealth of Virginia to English bondsmen. Senator Michael said that the people rose against the General, cast him out of office and voted to pay their debt. This cost him the Governorship of Virginia and a possible Vice Presidency of the United States.

WISCONSIN SOCIETY



The presentation of awards was a highlight of the Wisconsin Society's Annual Meeting in April, with President General Calvin E. Chunn doing the honors in Milwaukee. Winners on the left were Mrs. Arloine Wernicke, DAR State Regent (SAR Medal of Appreciation) and President Robert G. Carroon (Patriot Medal), while at the right were Frederick Olson, Professor of History at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (Silver Good Citizenship Medal) and Harry Anderson, Executive Director of the Milwaukee County Historical Center (Silver G.C.M.).



During the Annual Awards Banquet of the **Elisha Raymond Chapter** in Racine during April, President Walter Smith presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Clayton G. Nielsen (left), President of Nielsen Iron Works, and the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Inspector Lawrence C. Hagman of the Racine Police Department. Both recipients are prominent in community involvement.



FOR THOSE DEPARTED COMPATRIOTS — The Memorial Service, which took place at the outset of the 90th Annual Congress, was held in the beautiful Highland Park Presbyterian Church. The Color Guard was provided by a local ROTC Unit.

Updated History Progressing

Immediate Past Historian General Asa E. Phillips, Jr., reports that preparation of the updated history of the NSSAR is well underway. Additionally, several thousand dollars have been received from book orders, gifts and sponsorships, all of which will be applied toward defraying publication expenses (see page 8 of the Spring Issue of *The SAR Magazine* for details on how to help underwrite the book).

Compatriot Phillips continues as Chairman of the Book Committee, which

has been expanded to broaden input from SARs. For example, one sub-section will direct the collection and preparation of material to be published, while another will review the draft.

Advance subscriptions are being accepted at \$18.50 for the new book and \$12.50 for a reproduction of the original history (through 1962) prepared by then Historian General John St. Paul, Jr. Checks should be made payable to "NSSAR Book Fund" and mailed with the coupon below to Compatriot Phillips.

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ARIZONA

Palo Verde Chapter meets the 3rd Saturday monthly (except July and August) at 9 a.m. at Sir Georges Restaurant, 7000 E. Main St., Mesa. Annual joint DAR-SAR meeting in June. Ladies, winter visitors and guests are always welcome. For information, call or write Granville J. Foster, Sec./Treas: (602) 894-0022, or 1938 W. Javelina Circle, Mesa 85202.

Phoenix Chapter meets every Tues. at Phoenix Press Club in Valley Bank Center, Van Buren St. & Central Ave. For info. call L. D. Wilson, 994-8466.

Saguaro Chapter meets for breakfast on 3rd Sat. monthly except July & Aug. at 8:30 a.m., Sir George's Restaurant, Peoria & 107 Ave., Sun City.

Tucson Chapter. Luncheon meetings at noon 3rd Wednesday monthly, except July & August. Phone (602) 298-3949 or 885-3671.

CALIFORNIA

Oakland Chapter. Meets 6:45 p.m., 4th Monday monthly except Dec., Lovely's Restaurant, 336 Grand Ave., Oakland. For info call (415) 841-4501.

Palo Alto Chapter. For meeting information, call Creel E. Leman (408) 299-2401 or (408) 629-8344, or Allan H. Reid (415) 327-1930 at 345 Calif. Ave., Palo Alto 94306.

Redwood Empire Chapter. Luncheon meeting at noon, 1st Tues. monthly except July & Aug. at Oakmont Inn, Santa Rosa.

San Diego Chapter. Meet 3rd Sat., monthly, noon luncheon, Admiral Kidd Club, Harbor Dr. Ph. Sec. 296-3595, (No meeting June, July & Dec)

San Francisco Chapter. Luncheon meetings at noon last Thurs. monthly except Aug. & Dec. Fort Mason Officers Club, Van Ness Ave. at Bay St.

CONNECTICUT

Captain Matthew Mead Branch No. 11, Greenwich, has the following meetings scheduled: December 6, Pearl Harbor Dinner with the DAR at Riverside Yacht Club; March, 1980, 50th Anniversary (to be announced); April 30, Annual Meeting. Anniversary SAR, Putnam Cottage. For info call (203) 637-1652.

FLORIDA

Boca-Deerfield Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11:30 a.m. 3rd Wednesday monthly at the Boca Raton Country Club, 7601 N. Country Club Blvd., Boca Raton, Florida. Phone Treasurer Harry E. Parker - 305-421-2424 for info.

Brevard Chapter. While in Brevard see the Kennedy Space Center, and also join us for lunch, 3rd Sat. monthly at noon. Call Pres. Sam Stevenson at (305) 636-2659 day and 632-6181 night for location and reservation.

Caloosa Chapter. Fort Myers. Luncheon meeting at noon 2nd Wed. monthly, except July, Aug. & Sept. Phone Pres. Joslyn J. Williams (813) 481-3653

Central Florida Chapter, Orlando. Meeting and refreshments, third Monday each month 7:30 p.m. Dade Federal Savings and Loan, 2301 East Colonial Drive. Wives invited. Ph. Cecil Bothwell, 305-841-2827.

Clearwater Chapter. Dinners, Soc. hr. 5:30 P.M.: Feb. 15; May 16; Oct. 17; Dec. 12; Luncheons, 11:30 A.M.: Jan. 18; Mar. 21; Apr. 18; Sep. 19; Nov. 21; Caribbean Gulf Hotel, Clearwater Beach; Ladies and guests welcome. Phone: D. B. Light, 443-3585.

Daytona-Ormand Chapter. Luncheon 12 noon, 3rd Thurs. monthly at Halifax River Yacht Club, 331 S. Beach St., Daytona Beach.

DeBary-Deltona Chapter meets 3rd Monday monthly 12 noon, Deltona Inn, except June, July, August. Ladies and guests welcome.

Fort Lauderdale Chapter. Luncheon meetings 11:30 a.m., 2nd Thurs. monthly, except Dec. special meeting. SAR's, ladies and guests welcome. Williamson's Restaurant. Phone Pres. Wilbur R. Casey, 971-6853, or Sec. Jean P. Tillman, 564-1035.

Miami Chapter. Monthly meetings held on 4th Friday at various sites. Special observance Washington's Birthday, 4th of July and Constitution

Day. Visiting SAR's & Ladies welcome. Call W. E. Howard for info, (305) 261-3691 or (305) 266-4192.

Naples Chapter meets at 11:45 a.m., 2nd Monday monthly, at Hospitality House Cafeteria, 2355 No. Tamiami Trail, Naples. Unstructured meetings during June, July, August. For information, call President Alfred Walden: 262-8192 or 775-2389.

Palm Beach Chapter meets 3rd Mon. except Feb. at Helen Wilkes Hotel, 201 N. Flagler Dr., W. Palm Beach. In Feb., the annual Washington Birthday Banquet will be held at another location or about Feb. 22nd. For info. call Pres. Harry A. Goodman (305) 585-7291.

St. Petersburg Chapter. Luncheon meetings 12 noon 2nd Sat. monthly except June, July & Aug. Special observance Washington's Birthday & Constitution Day. SAR's welcome. Phone 544-4490 or 384-2211.

Saramana Chapter, Sarasota. Monthly luncheon meetings October thru May at Forest Lakes Country Club. All SARs and their ladies welcome. Call President Albert Twiggs 355-1614.

GEORGIA

Atlanta Chapter. Meets 12:00 p.m. 2nd Friday monthly. Admiral Benbow Inn, 1470 Spring St. N.W. Special meetings Flag Day, Fourth of July, Constitution Day, Geo. Washington's Birthday. Visiting SAR's welcome.

ILLINOIS

Illinois Society Board of Manager's Meetings are scheduled at 12 noon, 36 South Restaurant, Carson-Pirie-Scott & Co's. Store, State Street, Chicago: May 27, Sept. 30, Nov. 25. All State members welcome. For reservations, contact Secretary Joseph A. Merrill, Jr., P.O. Box 186, Libertyville 60048. Ph: (312) 680-1775.

American Bicentennial Chapter. Meets 1st Tuesday monthly except Dec., July & Aug. at 7:30 p.m. Arlington Heights Memorial Library, 500 N. Dunton, Arlington Heights. For information, phone Pres. Charles Post, (312) 639-9006.

Piankeshaw Chapter meets last Wednesday monthly August thru May in Champaign. Call Secretary Dr. Roy A. Axford: (217) 367-8026 for particulars.

INDIANA

Continental Chapter, Muncie. Dinner meetings in February, June, September, and November. Call Chapter Secretary, Jack K. Carmichael (317:282-2475 or 317:288-6101), for details.

John Hay Chapter, Salem. Dinner meetings on the Third Thursday Evening, at 7:00 p.m. (EST), of February, June, September and November. Call Chapter Secretary-Treasurer Estel LaRue Allen (812-883-2934 or 812-282-8961, Ext. 5117), for location and details.

KANSAS

Delaware Crossing Chapter holds breakfast meetings on 3rd Sat. of each month. Visitors should phone Secretary Marvin D. Vawter for details: 942-2380.

Washington Chapter in Wichita welcomes SARs & ladies. 3rd Sat. of each month. Call (316) 682-5063 for time & location. Frank N. Kruske, Jr., Sec.

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Society is holding a luncheon every 2nd Thurs. monthly at the Pendennis Club, 115 University Pl., N. O.

Gen. Philemon Thomas Chapter, Baton Rouge. Noon, 1st Tues. monthly at the City Club, 335 North Blvd. Luncheon optional.

MASSACHUSETTS

Cape Cod Chapter meets every 4th Saturday monthly. Social hour 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m., except July and August; at the Daniel Webster Inn, Sandwich. Family picnic Aug. 16 for SARs, DARs and CARs, Yarmouthport. All visiting SARs and their wives and guests welcome.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska Society Annual Meeting February. Lincoln Chapter meets 2nd Tues., monthly. For info. telephone State Secy: (402) 466-2761.

NEVADA

Northern Nevada Chapter, Reno, is holding 4 luncheon meetings annually, 4th Sat. in Jan.-Apr.-Jul.-Oct.; Locations vary. Call (702) 882-2946, 323-5985 or 747-0951.

NORTH CAROLINA

Lower Cape Fear Chapter, Wilmington meets monthly except Feb. & July at Balantine's Buffet, Long Leaf Mall at 11:45 on 3rd Fridays. Washington's Birthday & Independence Day dinners yearly.

OHIO

Benjamin Franklin Chapter, Columbus, meets 3rd Fri. monthly Sept. thru May, except Feb. on Sat. noon before Presidents Day and no meeting in Dec. For info call Sec. George Skinner: (614) 262-4836.

Western Reserve Society holds luncheon meetings second Wednesday, Sept. through June, at the Cleveland Engineering Society, except for Annual Meeting February 22 at Higbee's Auditorium. For info call President Ross Caldwell, Col. USA — Ret.: 932-6324.

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