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President General and Mrs. Paul H. Walker



The President General's Message

Dear Compatriots:

The 102nd Annual Congress, in Norfolk, Virginia gave us the finest Virginia hospitality, vistas of great beauty, festive companionship, all this, and more, a renewal of our dedication to the faith, the moral principles and responsible freedom handed to us by those who formed this Nation.

From this time of celebration we have turned now to the work of this Society, much of which, in fact, is more celebration, for to celebrate the greatness of our country is a major reason for our existence. But mid these celebrations, we now come to the somber reality that our membership losses have assumed crisis proportions. Despite a healthy flow of applications, all expeditiously processed, lapses through nonpayment have grown to such an alarming degree that total membership at midyear stood at some 2,000 under that of the year before.

Although this emergency calls for drastic action, weeping, handwringing and fault finding have no part in the solution. Quite the opposite. Cheerful, friendly reminders to those who have discontinued; imaginative, attractive programs and simple courteous attention to each individual Compatriot, both current and lapsed, will show that the door is open and each individual is wanted. Give a party, invite those who have fallen away, and have a good time.

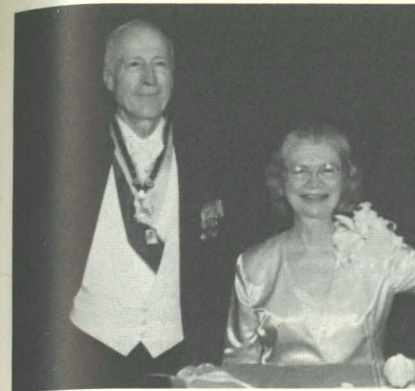
To assist in reaching those lapsed members in your state, National Headquarters will be glad to supply a current list. In addition, we expect to be able to supply mailing labels with a small charge to cover costs. Write Mrs. Joyce Adams, Staff Registrar, NSSAR, 1000 South Fourth Street, Louisville, KY 40203.

This organization is a Society whose members seek in today's world the strengths that gave the Nation its beginning. Both in ceremonies which provide reminders of our heritage, and in our regular association with men of high purpose we find the support we need to uphold that which has come down on us. We are more than a Society of record keepers. This is an organization which teaches and supports us in higher standards of citizenship. It also provides us with marvelous good times together. SAR honors our ancestors; SAR can help you become an ancestor of whom your descendants will be proud.

Paul H. Walker

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President General

THE COVER PHOTO was taken at National Headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky. Since President General Walker is an attorney, it was appropriate that he pose next to the handsome painting of John Jay, first Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. The painting is a copy of the original rendered by Gilbert Stuart.



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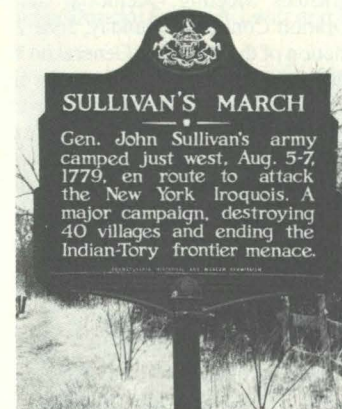
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During the ceremony at the 102nd Annual Congress that saw Paul H. Walker installed as President General, George Washington's Seal Ring was placed on his finger by retiring PG George H. Brandau. Mrs. Walker proudly observed. Our Society's most valuable possession, the ring is kept in a bank vault through the year.



LEFT: The oath of office was administered to newly elected PG Walker by Chancellor General Duane T. Sargisson, while Mrs. Walker held a Bible. **RIGHT:** PG Brandau presented the badge of office to Compatriot Walker.



NATIONAL NEWSLINE

102nd Annual Congress Successful Event

When the final attendance tally was made at the 102nd Annual Congress, which was held in Norfolk, Virginia, June 20-24, 343 Compatriots and 223 guests were officially registered — a larger total than was on hand for last year's Congress in Kansas City.

Throughout the several days of varied activities, it was most evident that the planning efforts the Virginia Society had expended over the past months were paying off. Attendees wholeheartedly agreed that arrangements had been well organized down to the last detail. Serving as Chairman of the Congress Planning Committee was

Past Society President Reon G. Hillegass; capably assisting him was Vice-Chairman Walter W. Brewster, also a Past President.

Unanimously elected President General for a one-year term was Paul H. Walker, a longtime member of the Massachusetts Society. He had been Secretary General for the past year and had previously served as Registrar General and Chancellor General. All other officers selected by the Nominating Committee were also elected without contest. PG Walker named the following as members of the Executive Committee: FPG George H. Brandau, M.D., TXSSAR;

Howard F. Horne, Jr., Ph.D., DESSAR; John F. Newell, AZSSAR; Russell D. Page, ILSSAR; and James A. Shelby, MOSSAR.

Throughout this issue are news stories about every major Congress event — from the Trustees Meeting, Memorial Service and Oration Contest on Sunday, June 21 to installation of the President General on Wednesday night. Also appearing are the biographies of the General Officers and appointed members of the Executive Committee, composition of the National Committees and an updated roster of key National Society, State Society and Chapter officers.



Color Guards fielded by these State Societies performed at Annual Congress events: California, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts,



Missouri, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The drummer in the group photo is Mrs. Raymond Fleck, a Past President General of the DAR!



LEFT: Jason Hrachovy of La Grange, Texas was presented a \$4,000 scholarship check for being named top Eagle Scout in the National Society's competition. Participating in the ceremony were (from left): President General George H. Brandau, M.D.; Eagle Scout Committee Chairman Lauren R. Bradley; and FPG Arthur M. King, who was



instrumental in launching the scholarship program several years ago. **RIGHT:** Attending the Congress was Malvern H. Omohundro, Jr. (center), who became an SAR in 1924! Welcoming him were FPG Carl F. Bessent (right) and Paul H. Walker, the newly elected President General. He is a member of the Virginia Society's Richmond Chapter.



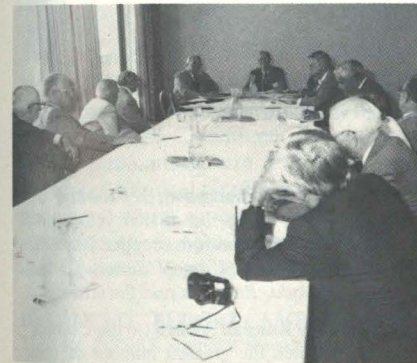
LEFT: These three Compatriots were jointly responsible for planning and implementing Congress programs (from left): Walter W. Brewster, Vice Chairman of the Virginia Society Congress Planning Committee; Reon G. Hillegass, Chairman of the Committee; and Thomas J. Bond, Chairman of the National Society Congress Planning Committee. **RIGHT:** Helping to ensure that the Congress ran smoothly and keeping meticulous records of proceedings were Executive Director Robert A. Lentz and Secretary Kathleen M. Lentz.



LEFT: Registrar General Stewart B. McCarty and Staff Registrar Joyce A. Adams were on hand to answer membership questions. **CENTER:** Working on the solution of problems with application papers were Interim Genealogist General Grahame T. Smallwood



(left), Staff Genealogist Susan L. Collins and Robert H. McIntire, incoming Genealogist General. **RIGHT:** Merchandise Supervisor Michael T. Scroggins and Office Associate Cindy Scroggins (both at left) helped attendees select from a variety of items for sale.



Several diverse meetings were held at the time of the Congress. **LEFT:** The SAR Magazine Advisory Committee under the Chairmanship of FPG Carl F. Bessent (at far end). **CENTER:** Council



of State Presidents; **RIGHT:** A Genealogy Workshop conducted by Interim Genealogist General Grahame T. Smallwood and Staff Genealogist Susan L. Collins.



Data Lacking on Some Old Applications

During the 102nd Annual Congress in Norfolk, a lively two-hour Genealogy Workshop was conducted under the direction of Grahame Thomas Smallwood, a member of the Utah Society who had been appointed Interim Genealogist General upon the death of Dr. Everett H. Sanneman.

Among the major problems discussed was the wide use of old SAR and DAR applications as proof of ancestry. It was brought out, for example, that some as old as 1910 are completely lacking in dates and

places because they were not required.

Chapter and State Registrars are urged to read this statement on page five of NSSAR Folder 0910 entitled *General Information and Application Requirements*: "Because of the lack of documented information on some SAR and DAR approved application papers, these papers when used in support of an application for membership in SAR, will be judged on their merit and the applicant may be asked to furnish further data or documentation." Compatriot Small-

wood pointed out that in recent years papers dating back to the early 1900s are submitted with no further documentation.

When the Genealogy Committee met under the chairmanship of Compatriot Smallwood at the Congress, the following was unanimously resolved: "When applications are based on old SAR or DAR papers which did not provide spaces for dates or places of birth, marriage or death, the application **must** complete those spaces and provide acceptable documentation."

Do You Know Compatriots Whose Age Is 100 Or More?

The Fall Issue of our magazine will feature a special story about living Compatriots who have attained the age of 100 or over. To help develop this historical piece, please send the names and addresses of members you know about who fit this remarkable category to Carl F. Bessent, 4405 Norwood Road, Baltimore, MD 21218.

A Former President General, Compatriot Bessent has authored a wide variety of interesting articles for the magazine. Readers will recall his latest series about those whose SAR membership stretches back over 65 or more years.

Annual Congress Memorial Service Remembers 605 Deceased Compatriots

Always a solemn highlight of every Annual Congress, the Memorial Service on Sunday, June 21 saluted 605 Compatriots who had been called to eternal rest during the past year.

Presiding over the program was President General George H. Brandau. Also taking part were Secretary General Paul H. Walker, Chaplain General Dr. Paul T. Butler, Past Chaplain General Rev. Canon Charles I. Kratz, Chaplain General Nominee D. Gene Patterson and Former Presidents General Carl F. Bessent, James R. Calhoun, Charles F. Printz and James R. Westlake.

who had contributed to the national welfare: Episcopal Church Bishop Arthur McKinstry, DESSAR, who served as Chaplain of the New York State Legislature and officiated at the wedding of Lady Bird and Lyndon Johnson; James Roosevelt, ESSAR (NY), the eldest son of President Franklin D. Roosevelt who served as a delegate to the United Nations and six terms as a U.S. Congressman from California; Nathaniel Gorham, ESSAR, noted New York newspaper writer and editor; and Dair J. Stewart, WISSAR, industrial coatings manufacturer. Following a summation of those Compatriots



This year the traditional Memorial Service was held in the Headquarters hotel; weather prevented it being at a nearby outside amphitheatre. Hundreds of Compatriots and guests witnessed a moving program dedicated to remembering those SARs who had passed away during the previous year. Responsible for the event was Chaplain General Rev. Paul T. Butler, a Past President of the Missouri Society who serves as a Professor at Ozark Christian College.

As he has for numerous such services, FPG Bessent memorialized those who had "translated from earthly mortality to the miraculous immortality", as he so eloquently put it. "The relationship with these Compatriots is our noble Society, the Sons of the American Revolution, enthusiastic love of country and fostered fellowship with other descendants of American Patriots who fought and died to establish this great republic."

He singled out two who had given especially noteworthy service: Dr. Everett Saneman, Jr., KYSSAR, Past Surgeon General, builder of the handsome diorama of famed Independence Hall for National Headquarters; and Col. Lynn D. Sprankle, DESSAR, Past Genealogist General, Past Vice-President General.

He then remembered four Compatriots

who had been Vice-Presidents General and/or National Trustee, he named seven who had been SARs for at least 64 years.

Chaplain General Butler delivered the traditional sermon. He pointed out that "in a nation of over 300 million people, it remains for us and a combined membership of all American patriotic organizations together, about one percent of the population, to convene such Annual Congresses and consecrate such services as these to memorialize Compatriots who have left the footprints of Patriots on the sand of time. It is up to us, in memory of our departed Compatriots, to pass to coming generations of Americans a godly heritage of self-sacrifice in the name of liberty and justice for all. Remembering is a part of being, a part of the uniqueness of being human."



Chaplain General Rev. Paul T. Butler in his sermon emphasized that "we are gathered here today to honor the memory of deceased Compatriots. Of their patriotism, the involved kind, the kind that gives to preserve the goodness and greatness of our nation, we have very little."



FPG Carl F. Bessent commented that Compatriots "who passed beyond this horizon were from all stations and walks of life. Many were prominent in government, finance, commerce, industry, education. Many were leaders in our Society. Others were faithful members who took a place in the background of Society functions."



The Memorial Service was one of several Annual Congress events in which the Combined SAR Color Guard performed.

North Carolina Lad Selected Oration Contest Winner

Seventeen brilliant young men and women participated in the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest held during the 102nd Annual Congress, with their topics ranging from what happened to the Signers of the Declaration of Independence to Alexander Hamilton and Thomas Jefferson. Each fit the contest rule that content must deal with an event, a document or a personality pertaining

to the Revolutionary War—and demonstrate the relationship it bears to America today.

Following the pattern set for the first time last year, two preliminary competitions were held on Sunday morning, June 21 at the Omni Norfolk Hotel, which served as Congress Headquarters. Ten winners selected by judges from these contests delivered their orations that evening before Congress

attendees. A different set of judges then chose the three top winners, with John C. O'Quinn from North Carolina named first place contender. He was presented a check for \$1,000; his oration is reprinted here. Serving as judges in the final round were Fredrick O. Jeffries, Chairman, COSSAR; Donald J. Pennell, MISSAR; and George N. Sells, NMSSAR.



Seventeen young people participated in the contest. Seated from left: Melissa McGunegill, IN; Bernadine Okoro, DC; Rebecca Shaia, VA; Janelle Raine, IA; Jennifer Earhart, KY; Michelle Rosen, FL. Second row: Thomas Lawhorne III, GA; James Gilmore, Jr., LA; Victor Hindjosa, TX; John O'Quinn, NC; James Pociuluyko, MD; Akash Bijlani, IL. Back Row: Butler Cain, AL; Justin Livengood, KS; Michael Fitzsimmons, CA; Nir Salomon, OH; Chad Fletcher, TN.



The three winners received medals contributed by Former President General and Mrs. Clovis H. Brakebill (left) and checks presented by President General George H. Brandau, M.D. and Contest Chairman G. Arthur Luther (right). Receiving \$1,000 was John O'Quinn (next to Mrs. Brakebill), while \$600 went to Rebecca Shaia and \$400 to James Gilmore, Jr. This is the 43rd year in which the contest has been continuously held.

Here's His Speech Text: "The Greatest Compromise"

Imagine if you will a well-oiled, high-powered chainsaw, lacking a safety bar. This chainsaw has the capacity to fell mighty trees, to provide firewood through the rigorous winter, and to provide the materials to build one's home. Yet this chainsaw has one flaw. Lacking a safety bar, it has the potential to maim or kill its operator.

The chainsaw represents The Constitution of the United States. Its operator is the citizens. Although the framers of the Constitution omitted the safety bar—a Bill of Rights—the ratification process ensured that a Bill of Rights was included. Four states, New York, Virginia, Rhode Island, and even North Carolina refused to sign the document until they were assured that a Bill of Rights would be added upon ratification.

This past year, our nation celebrated the two-hundredth anniversary of the Bill of Rights. In order to understand the impact of the Bill of Rights on the Constitution, history itself, and the individual citizens, we must examine two areas of analysis.

The first area we must consider is the history surrounding the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The French philosopher Montesquieu had a dream. His dream was to see the creation of a system of separation of powers. Yet Montesquieu is but one individual whose philosophy would be drawn from in the writing of the Constitution. John Locke's *Two Treatises on Government* details a social contract that exists between the government and citizens of a nation. Using these philosophies and the model of the ancient Roman

Republic, the delegates voted on May 30, 1787 that "a national Government ought to be established." While the fathers of our nation agreed on the form of government, the key question was who would control the new government.

From the conflict between Small and Large states, grew Sherman's famous "Great Compromise" in which a bicameral legislature—one house based on population, the other requiring equal representation of states—was established. Yet the greatest compromise was not to occur at the Philadelphia convention. The signing of the Constitution was but the first step on the long road to ratification.

Many individuals such as Patrick Henry and Samuel Adams feared the "uncontrolled chainsaw" created at the Constitutional Convention. Patrick Henry feared the centralization of power. "It squints toward monarchy." Even Samuel Adams, patriot of the revolution, feared the national government would be a threat to human rights. Fortunately for the young Republic, Adams, as well as many of the delegates to the ratifying conventions of Virginia and New York, were swayed to approve the Constitution after the addition of a Bill of Rights to protect freedoms, to act as a "safety bar" was promised. Many such as Alexander Hamilton argued that such a document was unnecessary. "Why declare that things shall not be done," he asked "which there is not power to do?"

Nonetheless, the federalists upheld their part of the compromise and on December

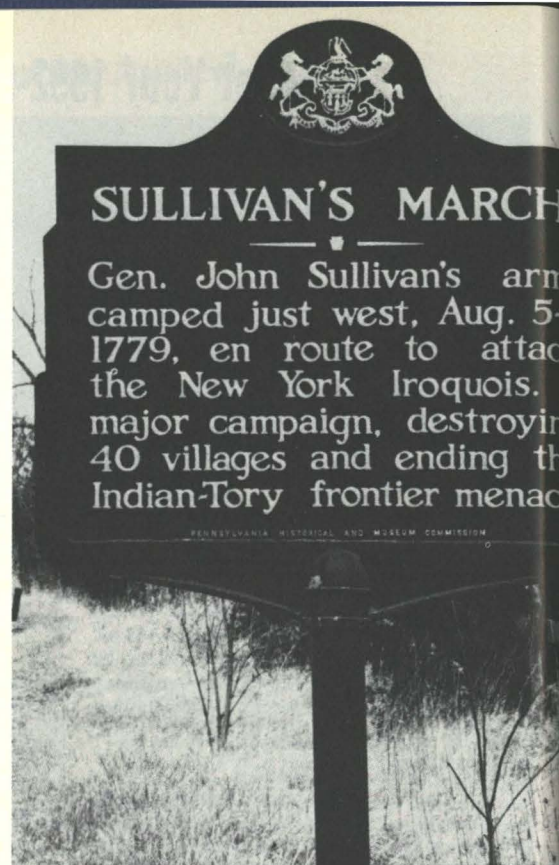
15, 1791, the first ten amendments to the Constitution were ratified. This basic document plus only sixteen other amendments guarantee the rights of United States citizens and set an example for the entire world.

For our second area of analysis, we should observe the impact of the Bill of Rights on history. Federalists such as Hamilton had no idea of the importance of listing rights of citizens in the form of the Bill of Rights. First, the Supreme Court has issued numerous landmark rulings based on the Bill of Rights. We must also see how the Bill of Rights protects our human liberties daily. If an individual is arrested, amendment five specifies that he appear before a Grand Jury, and ultimately a jury of his peers. These are but a few examples of how the Bill of Rights protects the freedoms of citizens. The fact that we are here in this room, assembled; the fact that we may read our daily newspapers; the fact that we may worship as we please are all freedoms guaranteed by the first amendment. Through these areas of human rights, the United States Constitution has served as a beacon for the entire world community.

In conclusion, we have studied the history of the Bill of Rights, how it protects our rights daily, and in doing so, continues to be a guiding light. Ben Franklin observed the half sun carved on George Washington's chair at the Constitutional Convention. He was confident that it was a rising, and not a setting sun. Indeed Ben Franklin is correct, for through the Bill of Rights, the dream of our forefathers of democracy and liberty is alive!

The Sullivan Expedition

This marker near Wyalusing, Pennsylvania points out where Sullivan's army camped for several days. (Courtesy Endless Mountains Visitors Bureau.)



During 1779, under orders from Commander-in-Chief George Washington to protect settlers in Pennsylvania and New York, Patriots launched successful attacks against Tory forces and Indians of the Six Nations, as told by Compatriot Thomas E. Van Hying.

In the summer and fall of 1779, Major General John Sullivan met the objectives set by George Washington in securing northeastern Pennsylvania and much of upstate New York for the Colonists. His victory in a crucial battle near Elmira, New York, on August 29, 1779, helped achieve Washington's blueprint.

The appointment of George Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army by Congress was followed by the designation of eight Brigadier Generals, John Sullivan being one of them.¹ A lawyer by training and a native of New Hampshire, Sullivan was a delegate to the first Continental Congress in 1774, and served in Washington's army through the siege of Boston.²

Sullivan was not Washington's first choice to lead the 1779 Expedition against the Loyalists and the Iroquois League. In a letter to Sullivan dated March 6, 1779, Washington stated: "Should Major General Horatio Gates decline, it is my wish it (the command) should devolve upon you."³ Gates respectfully declined the appointment on grounds that "the man who undertakes the Indian service should enjoy youth and strength, requisites I do not possess."⁴

THE IROQUOIS LEAGUE

The Six Nations comprised the Mohawks, Oneidas, Onondagas, Cayugas, Senecas and Tuscaroras. They numbered about 25,000 at their peak, and held dominion over all of New York state with the exception of some land west of the Genesee River. Their War Chief was Joseph Brant, also

known by his Mohawk name, Thayendanegea. Brant was educated at the Charity School of Lebanon, Connecticut, established to "teach, clothe and board six children of the six Nations."⁵ He helped translate the Gospel of St. Mark, the Acts of the Apostles and portions of the Indian Prayer Book into the Mohawk language.

Brant achieved other distinctions. He was the first Iroquois Chief to participate in a naval engagement at sea when the packet ship *Lord Hyde* confronted the American privateer *Warren* near Bermuda. Brant was the chief planner of the November 1778 Cherry Valley, New York, raid which resulted in 74 casualties for the Colonists, but only one injury to the Iroquois. (The only injury was a result of a warrior being hit over the head with a frying pan by one Sarah Dunlop.)⁶

WASHINGTON'S BLUEPRINT

Washington's instructions to Sullivan were to protect defenseless frontier settlements; cut off the food supply of corn, dried vegetables and fruits going from the Iroquois League to the Loyalists; and destroy enemy settlements and towns. By August 22, 1778, \$932,743.33 was appropriated by Congress for a campaign against the Senecas and other hostile tribes.⁷

Of immediate concern to Congress was the July 3, 1778 Wyoming Massacre where some 400 Americans faced a combined British, Tory and Seneca force three times their size. Over half of the Colonists lost their lives. The surrender of Fort Mifflin became official on July 4, 1778 at 4 p.m. when Major John Butler, Superintendent of Indian Affairs for King George III, marched his columns through the north gate, smiling at widowed women.⁸

SULLIVAN'S PREPARATIONS

John Sullivan arrived in Easton, Pennsylvania on May 7, 1779 to begin preparations for the campaign. During the next six weeks, some 3,400 troops, boatmen, pack-horsemen and cattle drivers were mobilized.⁹ Sullivan had many capable officers under his command including Lieutenant Colonel Francis Barber, his Adjutant General, of the Third New Jersey Regiment. In the Virginia campaign of 1781 Barber commanded the New Jersey contingent chosen by Washington to be under the direction of General Lafayette, where they served until the end of the war. Of this New Jersey Battalion, Lafayette said, "They are the best troops that ever took the field, far superior to any British Troops."¹⁰

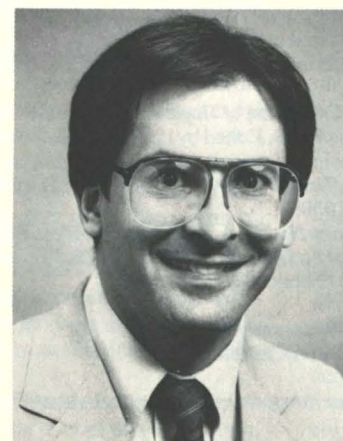
In addition to three New Jersey Regiments of the First Brigade, Sullivan had six regiments of New Hampshire and Massachusetts troops as part of his Second Brigade, and various Pennsylvania Regiments as his Third Brigade. A fourth



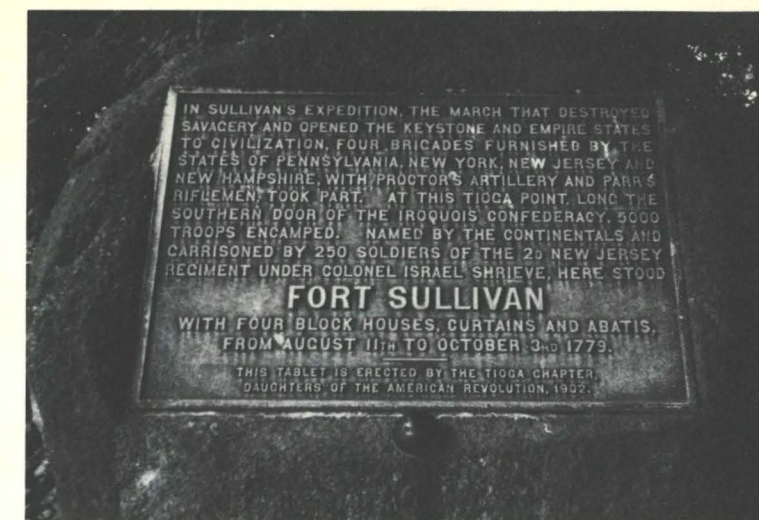
Standing beside the commemorative marker at the Newtown Battlefield in Lowman, New York is the author of this enlightening article. It was erected by the SAR Newtown Battle Chapter in 1970.

brigade of New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania troops under Brigadier General James Clinton was being mobilized in Schenectady, New York. Washington ordered General Clinton to place himself and his 1,600 men under Sullivan on May 24, 1779.

The four brigades comprised approximately one-third of the Continental Army's total manpower. Washington planned to hold his main campaign in check until this masterstroke in the west was achieved to his satisfaction.¹¹



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This tablet was erected by the DAR Tioga Chapter in 1902 to mark the site of Fort Sullivan in Athens, Pennsylvania. It points out that 250 soldiers of the 2nd New Jersey Regiment under Colonel Israel Shrieve were garrisoned there from August 11 to October 3, 1779.

SULLIVAN'S MARCH

At 3 a.m. on June 18, 1779, the troops began assembling for the trip to Wyoming, Pennsylvania. Captain James Norris noted that the march through the Delaware Gap near the Pocono Mountains "resembled the straits of Thermopylae where 300 Greeks under Leonidas checked the progress of 800,000 Persians commanded by Xerxes."¹² On June 23rd, the troops reached Wyoming, 58 miles from Easton. During the rest of June and July, Sullivan's men replenished their supplies and prepared for the march up the Susquehanna River. Reverend Samuel Kirkland, who had joined the expedition on June 20th, would play a decisive role later on.

At 1 p.m. on July 31st, 214 boats, 1,200 pack horses, 800 beef cattle and troops were part of a two-mile-long procession moving 85 miles north toward Tioga (present-day Athens, Pennsylvania). Pittston, Tunkhannock, Wyalusing and Towanda were some of the towns on the route. Norris mentioned that the plains of Wyalusing were "covered with the greenest and richest carpet that nature can spread." His diary included this entry for August 11th: "We now find ourselves happily arrived at Tioga . . . with our army and fleet . . . fewer accidents happened on the march than could be expected in a mountainous, wild, uncultivated country."¹³

Brigadier General Clinton was headquartered at Cooperstown, New York in the summer of 1779. On August 8th, his men broke the dam across the outlet of Lake Otsego to flood the river. It took 10 days for Clinton's troops to reach Sullivan's forces in Tioga.

The destruction of cornfields began in earnest on August 13th. About 40 acres of corn were destroyed near Chemung, but three officers and six men perished at the hands of a Tory

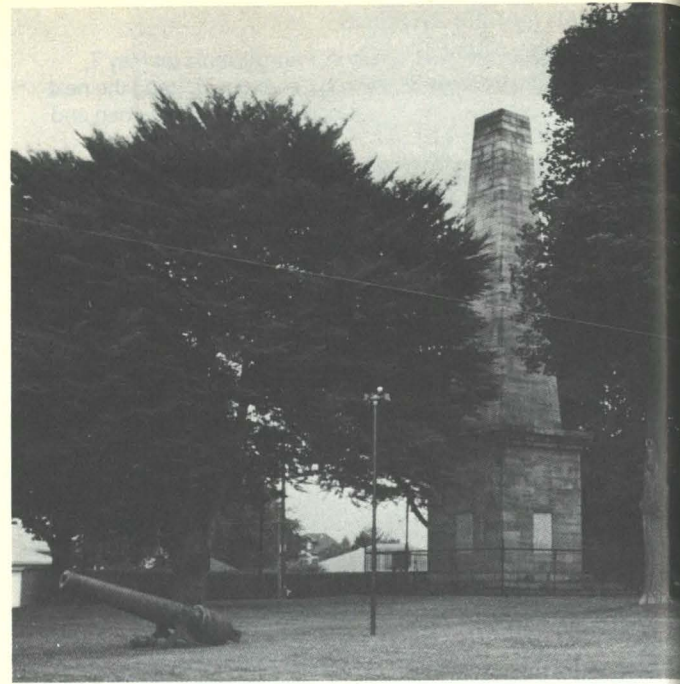
and Indian ambush. Captain Norris wrote in his diary that an esteemed paymaster, Captain Kimball of New Hampshire, was killed on August 23rd when a soldier accidentally discharged his musket. Six days later, the fighting would be for real.

THE BATTLE OF NEWTOWN

Brigadier General Edward Hand of the Pennsylvania Third Brigade led the advance corps for Newtown at 10 a.m. on August 29th. Friendly Oneida chiefs, with Reverend Kirkland interpreting for them, had alerted Sullivan that this village was a main launching point for the Iroquois and British in their attacks against the New York and Pennsylvania frontiers.¹⁴

The British battle plan was to fire into the exposed flank of Sullivan's army, and to send two groups to the rear of the enemy to stampede the cattle and pack horses. Colonel John Butler's Rangers, numbering about 250, with some 1,000 Senecas, Cayugas and Mohawks under Brant, provided the opposition.

Sullivan's plan of attack was to place the artillery on a ridge 300 yards from the angle of the enemy's fortified line with Hand supporting the artillery with part of his troops. This would mislead the enemy into thinking the Colonists were focusing on the hill with the fortified line. General Enoch Poor's Second Brigade and Clinton's forces were to move northward so as to cut in behind enemy lines and stem their retreat toward Newtown. A quarter-mile-wide swamp made it difficult for these troops to secure their positions, and they were sighted by an Indian detachment.



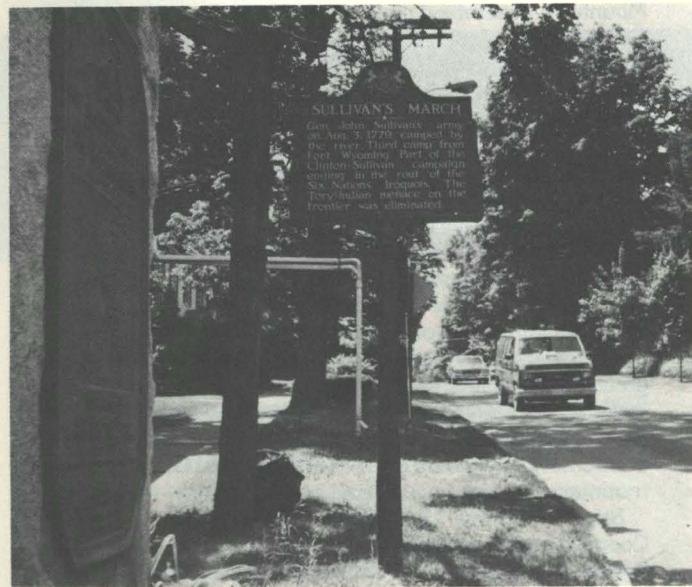
The Wyoming Monument in Wyoming, Pennsylvania was built to honor those Patriots who lost their lives on July 3, 1778.

On October 14th, the day before the army led by General Clinton reached Easton, Congress thanked Washington, Sullivan and the "brave officers and soldiers" for "Effectually executing an important expedition" against the hostile Indians.

Major General Sullivan retired from the military on November 30, 1779 at age 39. He became a member of Congress, a two-term governor of New Hampshire and state Attorney General. In 1789, President Washington appointed Sullivan as Federal Judge for the District of New Hampshire. Washington never missed an opportunity to show his esteem for Sullivan, and he (Sullivan) ranked next to Lafayette in his affections.¹⁷

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In Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania, the third campsite from Fort Wyoming, a roadside marker briefly describes Sullivan's march in the area.

The direct artillery attack ordered by Sullivan was more than enough to defeat the enemy. Brant ordered a retreat based on the sheer size of the enemy, their "thunder trees" and sharp bayonets. It was not a bloody battle. The Americans reported three killed and 36 wounded. Twelve of the enemy forces died, two were taken prisoner and the wounded were carried away.¹⁵

MISSION COMPLETED

Sullivan returned to Tioga on September 30, 1779 after destroying forts, burning towns and villages and eradicating countless acres of cropland. In his official report to John Jay, President of Congress, Sullivan provided a summary of the campaign's accomplishments. This included 40 towns destroyed, at least 160,000 bushels of corn burned, a vast quantity of vegetables demolished, and, in his words: "We have not left a single settlement or field of corn in the country."¹⁶

Chapter Offers Solid Support To Top C.A.R. Society in Ohio

By President Warren W. Gerber, Western Reserve Society, OHSSAR

At last it happened: A Compatriot literally "passed the baton" to a younger generation leader, only to watch and listen as young leaders reconfirmed the perception that they are already running the good race at Olympic speeds.

Substituting for Dr. Bradley Hull III, Western Reserve Society Chapter member and dedicated liaison with the C.A.R. Catharine Avery Society, the author passed an authentic relay team baton to C.A.R. President Ryan R. Cross in opening ceremonies at the C.A.R. Ohio Society's 1992 Conference earlier this year. Compatriot Hull could not be present for the exciting event.

Both the C.A.R. weekend convention agenda and a review of the local Chapter's activities over the last year prove the fact that these young people represent almost everything their seniors could hope for in knowledge of history and patriotic principles, dedication, performance, enjoyment of association and food. If some of their ancestors, nine generations ago, went hungry, C.A.R. members are making up for them.

In order to spur activity, membership and as idea starters (if appropriate locally), "Go thou and do likewise" is respectfully suggested by Western Reserve officers to other senior SAR advisors.

The agenda was shown on a printed program and successfully followed. In addition to "welcomes" by local political officials and DAR and SAR advisors, election of an extended slate of 1992-93 state officers and year-end accomplishments reports by portfolio officers and state committee chairpersons, local Chapters submitted written and oral reports of 1991-92 activities. Seniors tried to hide lumps in the throat and smiles as a super-serious 15-year-old recounted several patriotic projects and when a small girl was lifted up to the microphone by an advisor so that her Chapter could be counted present and accounted for.

Western Reserve Compatriot Rev. Wilton Haffey was on hand in his roles as Senior National Bylaw Chairman and National Parliamentarian.

A Lolly-the-Trolley Cleveland bus tour worked well here as did an early-arrival splash party. A formal dance featured a re-enactment of "When Washington Danced the Minuet." The Awards Banquet was the setting for many awards and certificates for young and senior workers.

Ryan Cross, as State Organizing Secretary, was named Outstanding State Officer and elected to another state office. Ann N. Foreman of the Avery C.A.R., serving as State Historian, 1991-92, was advanced to State Organizing Secretary. Other members, parents and advisors served as pages, aides, color bearers and conference committee chairpersons.

Avery won the State President's Prize — awarded to the best overall local Society in



During the C.A.R. Conference, Western Reserve Society Compatriot Warren W. Gerber "passed the baton" to Ryan R. Cross, President of the C.A.R. Catharine Avery Society.

the state — first place for best Society scrapbook, first place for best Society newsletter, State Gold Merit Award for overall excellence in planning and carrying out programs and activities, second place for best written Society history, third place for the largest net gain in membership and third place for publicity with "only" two dozen news and feature stories published in the previous year.

A check list of Avery activities, not in any order, would include:

- Public ceremonies dedicating a new grave marker for a Revolutionary Patriot; planting of flowers on the grave site of another Revolutionary Patriot; picnic with DAR and SAR families.
- Program celebrating the 80th anniversary of Chapter founding; starting plans to observe National C.A.R. 100th anniversary in 1995.
- Participation in National History Month with Mayor's proclamation presented at Avery's Chapter meeting; promotion of Constitution Day and the heritage of the American Flag; book review program on "Women in the American Revolution" with stories of "Our Patriot Mothers."
- Soup label collection program in support of three DAR Mountain Schools; "Ancestor Day" when members spoke briefly on Patriot ancestors, zoo tour.
- American Flag lapel pin fund raiser sale; reforestation program address and tour; modeling at Cleveland area DAR Centennial Jubilee Fashion Show; participation in Salute to New Citizens swearing-in ceremonies; and visit to a local pioneer farm village.

This summer, Avery will be the lead organization to plant a flowering cherry tree and place a plaque on a big natural stone at the grave sites of Catharine Avery and her devoted, widowed husband, Elroy Avery, founder of the SAR Western Reserve Society exactly 100 years ago.

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Membership Statistics Detailed By State Societies for 1991-92

By Col. Stewart B. McCarty, Registrar General

During the 102nd Annual Congress it was suggested that membership statistics be published for the benefit of our membership. President General Paul H. Walker concurred; the results are tabulated below. These figures are for the period beginning April 1, 1991 through March 31, 1992.

It is interesting to note that the largest category of losses is "Dropped, NPD", which is always the case, but these are somewhat ameliorated by "Reinstatements", which usually follow-on after the annual reports are received from the State Societies and audited.

Reinstatements are a high priority, because it is really less effort to bring a member back in than it is to process a new member from scratch. But even better, we should try to keep our members interested and involved so that they do not have to reinstate later. In reinstating members, we should keep in mind that they only have to pay current year's dues in order to be reinstated.

Two other items of interest: (1) National Life Membership Program Participants stand at 756, and (2) Youth Membership Certificates issued are 986. Sponsors are urged to encourage those who have become 18 or older to become regular members of our Society.

	Members 4/1/91	New Members	Rein- stated	Trans-In	Deaths	Resigned	Dropped NPD	Trans- Out	Members 3/31/92
AL	377	33	22	2	10	5	22	5	392
AK	32	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	29
AR	289	28	9	2	7	0	40	1	280
AZ	450	34	3	3	16	10	39	3	422
CA	1,125	100	26	7	32	0	111	6	1,109
CO	182	9	10	1	2	1	7	4	188
CT	552	32	2	2	19	5	17	6	541
DA	63	3	0	0	1	1	3	0	61
DE	292	11	0	2	11	1	1	0	292
DC	336	9	3	2	13	9	3	5	320
FL	1,908	171	22	23	40	29	195	11	1,849
GA	617	127	70	6	14	1	156	2	647
HI	44	0	1	2	1	0	4	1	41
ID	75	6	3	0	1	0	1	0	82
IL	877	60	55	5	18	9	104	4	862
IN	671	49	18	3	20	7	48	1	665
IA	144	13	0	0	11	9	25	2	110
KS	509	39	20	2	13	0	82	1	474
KY	774	60	9	3	18	0	69	0	759
LA	531	46	16	1	14	3	58	5	514
ME	140	6	0	0	3	0	3	0	140
MD	700	73	19	4	11	1	50	0	734
MA	565	24	1	1	18	2	0	1	570
MI	259	15	9	0	7	8	27	0	241
MN	123	12	0	2	3	6	4	2	122
MS	277	26	7	1	1	0	57	4	249
MT	39	10	2	1	1	1	2	0	48
MO	458	38	26	4	3	3	58	0	462
NE	107	3	0	0	3	3	10	1	93
NV	72	7	2	0	2	4	0	0	75
NH	188	3	0	2	10	3	19	0	161
NJ	500	41	53	1	13	12	48	6	516
NM	162	24	5	1	5	1	15	0	171
NC	402	49	13	8	8	9	43	3	409
NY	951	35	46	6	31	4	109	5	889
OH	1,263	72	15	1	35	29	90	4	1,193
OK	186	25	23	0	6	2	30	0	196
OR	117	23	0	5	2	0	16	0	127
PA	1,955	134	72	7	52	41	98	4	1,973
RI	208	5	1	0	6	0	0	0	208
SC	584	60	14	5	13	5	39	3	603
TN	658	54	15	4	22	2	157	2	548
TX	2,297	185	12	3	47	40	150	3	2,257
UT	142	6	1	0	1	8	26	0	114
VT	94	1	2	0	3	2	9	0	83
VA	1,418	105	6	11	42	24	45	3	1,426
WA	186	10	2	1	6	2	13	0	178
WV	300	29	7	1	7	1	39	2	288
WI	131	5	5	1	9	1	13	0	119
WY	54	4	1	2	0	0	3	1	57
Sub-Total	24,384	1,915	648	138	633	304	2,159	102	23,887
France	319								319
Switz.	18						10		8
Can.	3	4	1	1					9
U.K.	12								12
Total	24,736	1,919	649	139	633	304	2,169	102	24,235

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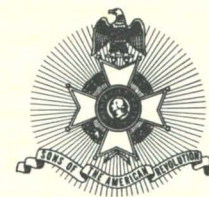
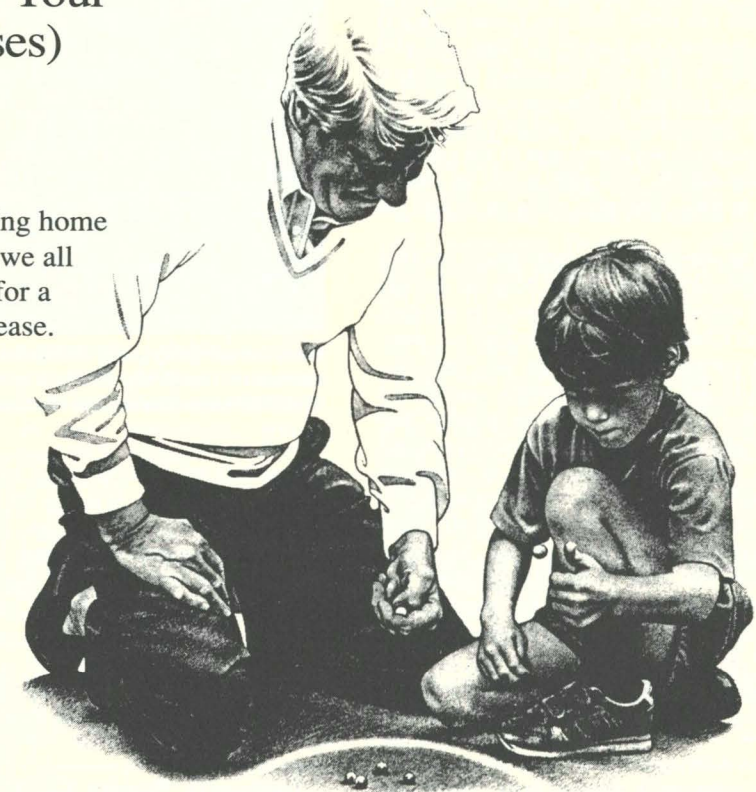
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Societies, Chapters Urged to Publish Newsletters

By Barrett L. McKown, Chairman, National Newsletters and Periodicals Committee

For most of our SAR members the only contact they have with the State Society or even the local Chapter is their State or Chapter Newsletter. The notices of the varied activities and projects of the State Societies and Chapters keep members informed and should serve as an encouragement for greater participation by all members. Sending your newsletter to editors in other states will promote your activities and foster new ideas within the entire National Society. This is accomplished in part by the state activities section in *The SAR Magazine*; however it is very limited by the space available. If each newsletter editor would send a copy of his newsletter once a year to just a portion of the editors, everyone would be able to get an idea of what is going on around the Society.

The objective of the Newsletters and Periodicals Committee of the National Society is to encourage the better use of newsletters by all Chapters and states to keep our members informed and promote their participation in our ongoing activities. Awards are given at the Annual Congress to those Chapters and states that have produced a newsletter, periodical, newspaper or magazine which in the opinion of the committee is an outstanding example. There are many marvelous newsletters being produced. Some, like those of the Massachusetts and Pennsylvania Societies, are many paged booklets which could run competition with *The SAR Magazine*. Others are one-page folded newsletters that come out monthly or two to four times each year like some of those of the Florida Chapters. They announce the meetings and tell of any important issue on a regular basis. Others are informative, giving minutes of the state board meetings, new members, articles of historical topics, meeting notices, treasurers' reports, news of Chapter activities. Every state should be able to find an editor and funds to produce a 2-4 page newsletter occasionally. It will keep your members interested.

Added Awards Made

Having served on this committee since 1984 and upon becoming chairman in 1989, I was very aware that it is impossible to judge apples and oranges and cherries. Before 1984 there was one award. In 1985 a new award for Chapter newsletters was instituted by President General Carl F. Bessent to encourage Chapter participation. And then in 1990 a new award was endowed with a \$5,000 contribution. This was given in memory of our former Committee Chairman Jennings Flathers of Virginia by his widow, Elizabeth Flathers. This new award gave us an opportunity to subdivide the categories further and use this means to promote newsletters in states with fewer than 500 members. It had been difficult for the newsletters of small states to compete favor-



Here is a sampling of the newsletters produced by State Societies and Chapters. Their size, content and method of production vary widely. Editors are urged to send copies to the Editor of *The SAR Magazine* and the National Society Library in Louisville.

ably with those of larger states and greater production funds. A year ago for the 1991 Congress we tried to subdivide the larger states and Chapters into groups based on the size of the newsletter, and this was also carried forward at this year's Congress in Norfolk. There are now five categories within the three named awards:

Charlotte Lund Woodward Award — States over 500 members: for more than ten pages each issue; and for fewer than ten pages each issue.

Jennings H. Flathers Award — States under 500 members.

Carl F. Bessent Award — for Chapters with Single-Sheet Newsletters; and for Chapters with Multiple-Sheet Newsletters.

Those State Societies and Chapters that won the awards at the 1992 Congress were recognized at the awards program as reported elsewhere in this issue of our magazine. A special award was given to the Vice-President General and the member states of the South Central District (Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas) for their publication of "THE MOKAT MEOW," the first District Newsletter. This could be another permanent category if many Districts would work out a newsletter.

Newsletter Data Base

As you can see there are a lot of possibilities for recognition. The committee has been compiling a data base over the last two years of all newsletters produced by states and Chapters. There are now listed 73 newsletters from 32 State Societies, with 15 of the states having over 500 members and 17 with fewer than 500 members. There are 39 Chapter newsletters, with Florida and Virginia producing the most with seven

and six respectively. Not all of the states and Chapters with publications have even entered the awards program. This year only 23 states (72%) and 27 Chapters (69%) sent their issues for review.

The Committee meets at the Fall and Spring Trustees Meetings in Louisville. The Spring Meeting is devoted to reviewing the newsletters received, so all issues beginning with March or April of the previous year should be submitted to the Chairman by mid-February. A letter was sent to each editor on record and to each State President in early January notifying them of the date. If you will put the Chairman on your mailing list, you will be automatically entered: Barrett L. McKown, 3580 South River Terrace, Edgewater, MD 21037-3245. It is also a good idea to put *The SAR Magazine* Editor and the SAR Library on your mailing list. The editor can sometimes use materials from your mailings for the magazine, and the library should have a complete record of your activities. The listing of editors is updated each year and sent to all editors and committee members. If you have been left out somehow, please let me know.

We would like to continue to improve the awards categories. At this point only the Flathers Award has any monetary remuneration. We have been able to give \$150 to the winner each year and \$50 to the honorable mention as a result of the earnings from the endowment. We would like to give new names to several of the subdivisions of the other awards and are anxious to have some recommendations and endowments for these awards. As part of my committee report at the Congress I mentioned these possibilities. We were most fortunate, and I would like to again express the thanks of

the Committee and the Society to Mrs. Eleanor B. Niebell, member of the DC Society DAR, and Former National Senior President of the C.A.R., for her \$5,000 contribution to endow an award for state newsletters for states with over 500 members. This award, new for 1993, will be called "The Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award." It is given by his sister in recognition of "Chip's" continuous support and many outstanding contributions to the SAR.

Please let us know if a State Society or you as an individual are interested. There are many awards named after states and individuals already, and I have the names of Revolutionary Period editors and newspapers from the original 13 states — one such, "the Benjamin Franklin Award", would be an excellent possibility.

Newsletters Vary Widely

As part of the data base questionnaire on newsletters, there are spaces to indicate size, frequency, number of pages, printing type and mailing method. Most are in the 8½ x 11 letter-size (41), 1 to 4 sheets, that is, 2 to 8 printed sides (56) and are mailed first class (42). The majority (29) come out four times per year, are done by word processor or a desktop publishing program (43) and are photocopied (44). The total number for each category may not add up to 73.

Other statistics are:

Mailing — 31 Bulk, 42 First Class.

Printing — 44 Photocopy, 24 Offset, 4 Typeset, 1 Mimeograph.

Production — 28 Word Processor, 15 Desktop, 22 Typewriter.

Size — 8½ x 11 (41), 8½ x 14 (14), Folded 11 x 17 (18).

Frequency — 2/yr. (3); 3/yr. (10); 4/yr. (29); 5/yr. (5); 6/yr. (3); 7/yr. (2); 8/yr. (1); 9/yr. (5); 10/yr. (6); 12/yr. (7).

Pages (this number may vary from issue to issue) — 2 pp. - 15; 3 pp. - 1; 4 pp. - 22; 6 pp. - 8; 8 pp. - 10; 10 pp. - 2; 12 pp. - 3; 16 pp. - 4; 20 pp. - 2; 20+ pp. - 3.

If anyone would like a copy of the editor list or copies of Revolutionary War clip art for their newsletters that has been handed out at previous Congresses, please send a stamped (52 cents for editors or clip art, 98 cents for both), self-addressed envelope to the editor.

Judging Guidelines

The Committee has established the following guidelines for newsletters and periodicals that are submitted for consideration for the Woodward, Bessent and Flathers Awards.

There should be a minimum of three (3) issues per year. All issues for the year should be sent to the Committee Chairman to be entered in the judging before the Spring Trustees Meeting approximately the 1st of March.

The minimum number of pages should be four (4) pages each issue or twelve (12) pages total per year.

The method of printing, whether Xerox, print or mimeograph is not to be of primary



During the Congress, Committee Chairman Barrett L. McKown was pleased to accept a contribution of \$5,000 from Mrs. Eleanor B. Niebell to fund a newsletter award.

concern. See under cost factor below.

Quality of production will be judged looking at mistakes and errors; is there an identifiable masthead with the State or Chapter name and SAR logo prominent; has color been used? Do pictures make up part of the coverage? Does the content contain state activities, a calendar of events, a welcoming of new members, deceased members remembered, special observances announced and reported on, Chapter events given coverage in state newsletters, special stories, national SAR events?

Cost of production should not be the major factor in determining the "best all-around" newsletter. It is true that with more money to spend, the quality of the print, pictures and design will be high, but content, and making do with the available resources should be considered.

It was decided by the committee that we would not make an award to the same State or Chapter in two consecutive years (1991).

Every Compatriot Is Welcome At National Trustees Meetings

All Compatriots and their ladies are welcome and invited to attend the National Society Trustees meetings held in the Spring and Fall of each year at National Headquarters, Louisville, as well as the SAR Annual Congresses.

The overall agenda of each meeting consists of National Committee meetings on Friday, an informal dinner on Friday evening, the Trustees meeting on Saturday with luncheon, a separate special luncheon for ladies and a formal black tie banquet on Saturday evening.

Information including fees and registration forms for the SAR Annual Congress are published in the Winter and Spring Issues of *The SAR Magazine*.

If you are not a General Officer, National Committee Chairman or State Society President, you will need to complete and return this form to receive registration and hotel information.

Robert A. Lentz, Executive Director
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Minutes of the Annual Congress, Trustees Meetings

Two meetings of the National Trustees and the General Sessions of the 102nd Annual Congress were held at the Omni Norfolk Hotel in Norfolk, Virginia. The Minutes presented here are edited and condensed, with items marked (*) reported elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. Full Minutes are available from the Executive Director.

1991-92 TRUSTEES MEETING — Sunday, June 21, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by President General George H. Brandau, M.D. The Invocation, led by Chaplain General Rev. Paul T. Butler, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Secretary General Paul H. Walker.

The Minutes of the March 7 meeting of the Trustees were approved as distributed.

Budget Committee Chairman Edward S. Hoyt summarized the budget and recommended to the Board of Trustees that the revised 1992-93 budget of \$547,000 be presented to the Congress for approval. The motion to approve the revised budget was seconded and passed. A motion to recommend to Congress the proposed 1993-94 budget of \$564,500 was seconded and passed.

With no further business at hand, a motion was accepted for adjournment.

OPENING GENERAL SESSION — Monday, June 22, 1992

The Session was called to order at 9 a.m. by President General George H. Brandau, M.D. The Invocation, led by Chaplain General Rev. Paul T. Butler, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Secretary General Paul H. Walker. The Colors were presented by the Combined SAR Color Guards.

Alvin P. Reynolds, Jr., Chairman of Registration and Credentials, presented a preliminary report that there were 526 Congress registrants, with 292 of these being delegates certified to vote.

A welcome was received from Virginia Society President Thomas W. Sale, M.D. City of Norfolk Mayor Joseph A. Leafe read a Proclamation of Freedom and proclaimed June 22, 1992, as SAR Day in Norfolk. SG Walker read proclamations from Virginia Governor Lawrence D. Wilder and United States Senator John Warner.

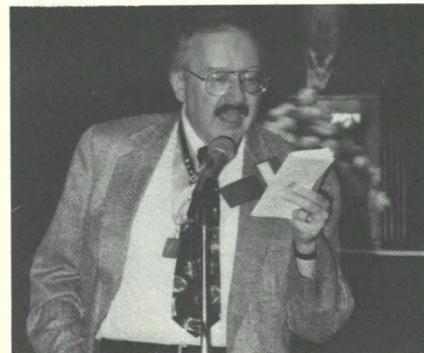
Greetings were received from Mrs. Roger Wrenn Carroll, Curator General, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution; Mrs. Philip W. Bernstorff, Senior National President, Children of the American Revolution; Former President General James B. Gardiner, General Treasurer, Sons of the Revolution; Mrs. Terry Davis, Great Bridge Chapter, representing the DAR Virginia Society.

Presentations were made to the National Society. These ranged from books for the Library to contributions to various Funds.

Next were comments and reports from Former Presidents General.

FPG James R. Calhoun, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported on the Committee's selections: President General, Paul H. Walker; Secretary General, Col. Robert B. Vance, Sr.; Treasurer General, Reon G. Hillegass, Jr.; Registrar General, Col. Stewart B. McCarty; Historian General, William C. Gist, D.M.D.; Chancellor General, Duane T. Sargisson; Surgeon General, Vance E. Senter, M.D.; Chaplain General, Rev. D. Gene Patterson; Genealogist General, Robert H. McIntire; Librarian General, Richard E. Willson. FPG Calhoun noted that Dr. Clarence M. Pickard had withdrawn his name from nomination.

The reports of virtually all General Officers and Committee



Librarian General Richard E. Willson reported that the Society's collection has a value of over \$1 million and consists of 8,412 family genealogies, which are in book and microfiche format; 362 census indexes; 1,703 Revolutionary War histories; 1,704 manuscripts; 6,208 microfilms excluding family genealogies; 8,594 local, county and state histories; 1,915 George Washington titles; and 1,535 other miscellaneous books.

Chairmen were submitted prior to the Congress and distributed to attendees. Pertinent verbal remarks follow.

SG Walker reported on actions taken by the Executive Committee:

(1) The Lineage Link Data Base has been approved in principle, subject to feasibility and expense.

(2) Voted: (a) To accept a special-purpose endowment fund for the Flag Committee to include the \$1,000 contributed thereto plus interest thereon; (b) That the minimum amount for the establishment of an endowment fund is \$1,000; (c) And that the corpus of any fund which has been inactive except for interest accruals for a period of five years and the purpose of which is no longer viable will be transferred to the Permanent Fund.

(3) The Handbook will be reprinted and ready for sale at the next Congress.

(4) The Illinois Society has been authorized to participate in the telephone directory program on a pilot basis, along with the California Society.

(5) Resolutions are to be presented to the Executive Committee for consideration prior to the Congress, excepting only emergency Resolutions (emergency to be determined by the Committee or by vote of the Congress).

(6) Individual solicitations by individuals for funds is prohibited at any National SAR meeting.

(7) The official abbreviated name of any State Society is the state postal abbreviation followed by the letters SSAR (e.g., KYSSAR for Kentucky Society).

(8) Special ribbons or color-coded badges will be used at Congress for identification of national officers, state presidents and committee chairmen.

Treasurer General Robert B. Vance, Sr. encouraged attendees to read the budget, investment and finance reports given to them. He noted that although interest rates are down resulting in decreased income, the Society has managed to stay under budget.

Registrar General Stewart B. McCarty reported that new membership was the highest during any year. The Society also experienced the greatest loss of members, resulting in a total member count of 24,887 as of 6/3/92.

George Washington Fund Board Chairman Charles B. Schweizer presented checks to committee chairmen who had submitted requests for reimbursement. The Christmas Card Program produced \$24,000 for the GWF.

Medals and Awards Committee Chairman James A. Shelby reported that a certificate for the War Service Medal will be available at the Fall Trustees Meeting.

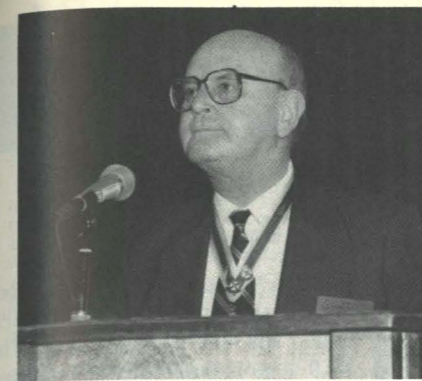
SG Walker, Chairman of the Planned Giving-Trusts-Bequests Committee, urged Compatriots to remember the NSSAR in their wills. By providing National with a copy of the instrument (just the portion pertaining to SAR), a member will become a Torchlighter and receive a certificate designating him as such. Credit can be obtained even by naming the SAR as a contingent recipient. Also, stock given would be exempt of income tax for the gain in value and can be used as a deduction in the amount of the gift. Gifts such as these will provide long-range funds and a solid financial basis for the future. With such gifts, our



FPG Nolan W. Carson, Chairman of the Investment Committee, stated that during the 1991-92 Fiscal Year, the Permanent Fund made two distributions of investment income which totaled \$61,247; of this amount, \$29,172 went to the National Society's General Operating Fund and \$35,075 went to the various Special Purpose Operating Funds. Additionally, the balance of the investment income was added to the principal of the Permanent Fund for investment.



The Eagle Scout Committee met under the chairmanship of Florida Society Compatriot Lauren R. Bradley. It was reported that thousands of National Society Certificates had been given to new Eagle Scouts across the nation. This recognition program began back in the early 1980s through the leadership of FPG Arthur M. King.



Bylaws amendments were introduced by Duane T. Sargisson, a member of the Bylaws Committee who was elected Chancellor General at the Congress.

Society will not have to rely so heavily on periodic dues increases. The Congress was recessed until 9 a.m. June 23.

SECOND GENERAL SESSION — Tuesday, June 23, 1992

The Session was called to order at 9 a.m. by President General George H. Brandau, M.D. The Invocation, led by Chaplain General Rev. Paul T. Butler, was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Secretary General Paul H. Walker.

In the absence of Bylaws Committee Chairman William R. Eddleman, who did not attend the Congress because of illness, Committee member Duane T. Sargisson presented the following proposals for Bylaws Amendments:

1. An addition to Bylaw #7, Section 2, changing the procedure in disbursements, was moved, seconded and passed, as follows: Disbursements shall be made by check signed by any two authorized officers, except that the Executive Director is authorized to sign, without another signatory, any check for headquarters operations payable in an amount of three hundred dollars (\$300) or less and when authorized by FAX upon proper documentation, the Executive Director may sign checks for \$7,500 or less. The Executive Director shall supply the documentation to the authorized officer and with FAX approval add the plate signature of the Treasurer General or in his absence the President General or Secretary General.

A motion to adopt the proposal to amend Section 2 was seconded and passed.

2. Bylaw #21 — Amendment to establish Section 4, concerning the distribution and management of funds for the George Washington Fund, was discussed and tabled.

3. Bylaw #17, Section 1 - A motion to amend the Bylaws to limit appointing members of the Executive Committee to currently serving presidents of state societies was seconded. After discussion, the question was called and the proposal was defeated.



During the Wednesday morning meeting of the Trustees, newly elected President General Paul H. Walker was escorted to the lectern by FPG James R. Calhoun.

PG Brandau called for additional nominations for each General Office. There being none, the uncontested slate presented by the Nominating Committee was passed unanimously.

SG Walker read the nominees for Vice-Presidents General. There being no other nominations, it was moved, seconded and approved to close the nominations and the Secretary General be instructed to cast an unanimous ballot (*).

SG Walker read the nominees for Trustees and Alternate Trustees. There being no other nominations, it was moved, seconded and approved to close the nominations and the Secretary General be instructed to cast an unanimous ballot (*).

Carl K. Hoffman, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented proposed Resolutions for consideration. (Those approved are reported elsewhere.)

Registrations and Credentials Chairman Alvin P. Reynolds reported that the Congress had 566 registrants, with 328 of these being certified delegates.

Budget Committee Chairman Edward S. Hoyt presented the amended budget for 1992-93 and the proposed budget for 1993-94. Motions to adopt the budgets were passed.

THIRD GENERAL SESSION — Wednesday, June 24

The Session was called to order at 9 a.m. PG Brandau thanked the Board of Trustees, the NSSAR staff and the membership for their support, assistance and hospitality extended to him during his term; and shared a few observations based upon his experiences during the past year.

Charles M. Lonnberg, Secretary of the Council of State Presidents, reported on the election of State Presidents to serve as members of the Nominating Committee or alternates: James A. McCafferty, MD; Larry D. Jester, AR; Allen W. Moore, IN; Arthur L. Oglivie, CA; Thomas L. Riley, KY; Charles G. Carl, NJ.

A motion to accept the Audit Report was seconded and passed.

1992-93 TRUSTEES MEETING — Wednesday, June 24, 1992

The meeting was called to order by President General George H. Brandau at 10 a.m.

The Trustees and Alternate Trustees were invested in their offices.

President General-elect Paul H. Walker was introduced and offered remarks. He announced his appointments to the Executive Committee (*).

A motion for the Resolution to transfer and bank account from one administration to the next was seconded and passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

FINAL SESSION — Wednesday, June 24, 1992

The Session was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Following the installation of officers and presentation of awards, the new President General, Paul H. Walker, concluded the Congress with an address and declared the Congress adjourned.

NJ Society Computerizes

"With the urging of our President to move into the age of technology, the Connecticut Society has purchased a computer and laser printer," reports Compatriot Stephen P. Shaw, a professional in the field of computers who is serving as Society Technologies Manager.

He states that the equipment will mainly be used to store and update such information on all current members as address and ancestor's name, in turn facilitating the printing of labels and notices of activities; keeping complete nine digit zip codes will permit receiving postal discounts on future mailings.

"When all current members are up to date," he continues, "then past members will be added. This will allow us to produce a booklet of all Compatriots — and their ancestors — who have been members during the Society's 102-year history."



Observing the new computer and printer are Society President Thomas Sprague III (left) and Stephen P. Shaw, Technologies Manager, who set up the gear and is maintaining it.



Members of the Flag Committee patted themselves on the back for a successful year when they met (from left): Kenneth D. Hendrix, NJ; Harold H. Lighthipe, DE; Raymond A. Haas, FL; Chairman Charles B. Schweizer, IL; Lee E. Kielman, MD; Stanley W. Eno, CT; E. G. Van Orman, VA; Al Snapp, FL. It was announced that a \$3,000 endowment fund had been established to recognize State Societies that present at least one Flag Certificate during the year and whose majority of Chapters do the same. A streamer will be awarded the first year, a star for the streamer each succeeding year.

State Society and Chapter EVENTS



All news stories about State and Chapter events appearing here and elsewhere in the magazine are prepared from materials submitted through a variety of means, including press releases and newsletters (which should be directed to the Editor at the address shown on the bottom of page 3).

Black-and-white, glossy photographs are preferred. However, color photos are acceptable if they are of good quality, especially in contrast. They will be returned upon request if accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Individual Compatriots are encouraged to submit ideas for historical feature articles they would like to write. Each will be given careful consideration.

DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES:
Fall (November) — September 15; Winter (February) — December 15; Spring (May) — March 15; Summer (August) — June 15

Alabama Society



When the Society held its Annual Convention during February in Birmingham, President General George H. Brandau presented the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to newly elected President Willard A. Israel. He was recognized for his outstanding service to the SAR at all levels.



A March activity of the **Edward Mitchell Pride Chapter** was presentation of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to William L. McDonald (left), Florence area historian and author, in recognition of his outstanding service to the community. Doing the honors was President Goodloe Pride, Jr.



Receiving the Bronze Eagle Trophy from President General George H. Brandau at the Society's Annual Convention was Eagle Scout Brad Ricketson. The lad was sponsored by the Birmingham Chapter.

Arizona Society



This spring the **Palo Verde Chapter** awarded ROTC Medals to these two high school students, Michael Burkart (left) and Stuart C. Kirk, at a May meeting in Mesa; making the presentation was Vice President W. Dale Harpster. Guest speaker for the occasion was Col. Michael C. Lane, a former Vietnam POW; he is Manager of Operations Support for McDonnell Douglas Training Systems. The Chapter also offered the award to two other high school students and two cadets at Arizona State University during special ceremonies.

During a March luncheon, the **Phoenix Chapter** entertained three representatives of the Phoenix High School District ROTC: Col. Pat Patterson, USA (Ret); LTC James Webb, Director of the ROTC program; and Cadet Captain Jeffrey Hockersmith, a junior at Maryvale High School. Each offered remarks.



Ms. Gertrude Hodges-Randall spoke to the **Palo Verde Chapter** at its regular March meeting held at the East Valley Institute of Technology; she chose as her topic citizen participation in government. She is a Professor at Arizona State University in the Department of Planning and serves as President of Urban Coalition West.

Arkansas Society



North Little Rock Chapter President James R. Howell was on hand in April to present the ROTC Medal to Cadet Alisa Dean, a member of the Air Force JROTC Unit at Cabot High School. The ceremony was staged at the school.



Society Historian William W. Doak, Jr. (left) was the recent recipient of the Arkansas Distinguished Service Medal and a Certificate of Distinguished Service. Making the presentation was Society Registrar Lynn N. Gaines, Jr. Both are members of the **Bayou Bartholomew Chapter**.

California Society

Featured at the March meeting of the **Joseph Warren Revere Chapter** was an address by James Hudgins, Chief of Communications and Community Liaison for the Sixth U.S. Army. He offered a slide presentation on the history of the Presidio and discussed its future as part of the Golden Gate Recreational Area.

The **San Fernando Valley Chapter** was fortunate to have as speaker at its March meeting, Albert Bresnik, who for eight years was photographer for famous aviatrix Amelia Earhart. Owing to a twist of fate, he missed her last flight when her Lockheed Electra 10E mysteriously disappeared.

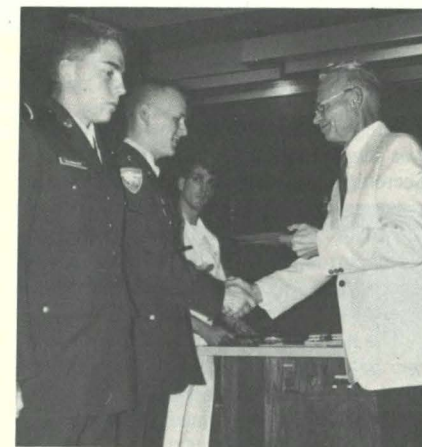


Col. Richard F. Locke, USA (Ret), President of the **Redding Chapter**, had the distinct pleasure of awarding the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Richard Dickerson, Commander of the Shasta Interagency Narcotics Task Force at an April meeting. In law enforcement activities since 1964, he has developed and managed one of the most effective narcotics task forces in the state.

Colorado Society



When Compatriot Carl T. Chilcott (right) was on hand in May to award the ROTC Medal to Cadet William M. Roche, Jr. at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, he visited with LTC Mark A. Pieffer, U.S. Army Professor of Military Science. He is shown holding the coveted General Douglas MacArthur Award, which the school's Mountain Ranger Battalion won in 1990 and 1991 for being the top unit in the nation. The Society has been a strong supporter of the ROTC for many years.



Present for the Annual Tri-military Awards and Decorations Ceremony, held at the University of Colorado at Boulder in late April, was Compatriot CDR John Peebles. He offered the ROTC Medal to Air Force ROTC Cadet John Blomquist and Army ROTC Cadet Kevin Drury.

Connecticut Society



Cmdr. Filmore B. Buchanan, USN (Ret), shown standing, had the honor of introducing Adm. Harold E. Shear, USN (Ret) as guest speaker at the March meeting of the **Nathan Hale Chapter**. His topic was evolution of the U.S. Seabased Nuclear Deterrent; his active duty included such posts as Commanding Officer of the Polaris Missile Submarine *USS Patrick Henry* and Commander in Chief, U.S. Naval Forces Europe. Compatriot Buchanan is a Past Society President.

District of Columbia Society

A highlight of the Society's March black tie gathering was awarding of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Detective Jonathan Fuller of the DC Metropolitan Police Department. He was recognized for valor in risking his life to prevent an assault with a deadly weapon upon a citizen at night.

Florida Society

At the March meeting of the **Charlotte Chapter** the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was given to retired Judge Elmer O. Friday. He was recognized for his long and distinguished career as an attorney, judge and supporter of the correctional and rehabilitation work of Crossroads Wilderness.

For rescuing a mother and her two children from a burning West Tampa house, Po-

lice Officer Fred Arnold was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal by the Tampa Chapter at a May meeting.



When President General George H. Brandau (right) attended the Society's Annual Meeting in May at Cocoa Beach, he was honored to present the gavel of office to incoming President Al Snapp. Observing was retiring President H. R. Ford.

Georgia Society



Butts County is the area that will be served by the new **Captain Samuel Butts Chapter**, which received a Charter in April from Society President James R. Holman; accepting was President Thomas E. Kirby. The group is starting off with more than 20 members.

Illinois Society

The Society's 102nd Annual Conference was staged in early May at Effingham, with Secretary General Paul H. Walker attending as honored guest and principal speaker. Early arrivals for the two-day affair were afforded the opportunity to tour the Teutopolis Monastery Museum, a former Franciscan Monastery Museum founded in 1858.

The June meeting of the **Fox Valley Chapter**, held in Aurora, featured presentation of the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Sergeant Michael Gilloffo and Officer Michael Harkins of the Aurora Police Department. They were cited for their outstanding work in organizing a series of neighborhood walks against gangs, drugs and crime in the city.

Indiana Society

The Stonehenge Lodge in Bedford was the April setting for the Society's Spring Meeting, which was presided over by President John M. Hayes and hosted by the **Daniel Guthrie Chapter**. Chapter Compatriot John A. Williams, the Mayor of Bedford,



When John C. Hayes (right) relinquished the office of President at the Society's Spring Meeting, he was presented a Past President Pin by Society President Allen W. Moore.

ford, gave an interesting after dinner address on the history and development of the city and its famous stone industries. The 1991 Gold Star Outstanding Chapter Award, given annually to the Chapter that fields the most outstanding activities and projects, was presented to Past President Carson C. St. John for the **Clarence A. Cook Chapter** of Indianapolis.

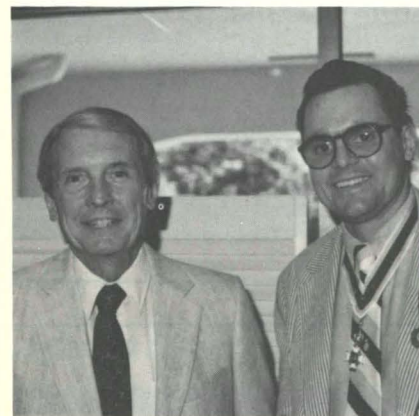
Kansas Society

Revolutionary War uniforms for Compatriots and colonial dress for the ladies took the spotlight when the Society staged its 100th Celebration Dinner Anniversary at the end of March in Topeka. Heading the list of dignitaries present were Secretary General and Mrs. Paul H. Walker; the SG led the Society's Color Guard with the United States Flag, installed newly elected officers and spoke on "The Responsible Patriot". The event was held in conjunction with the organization's Annual Meeting presided over by President Herrick H. Kesler.

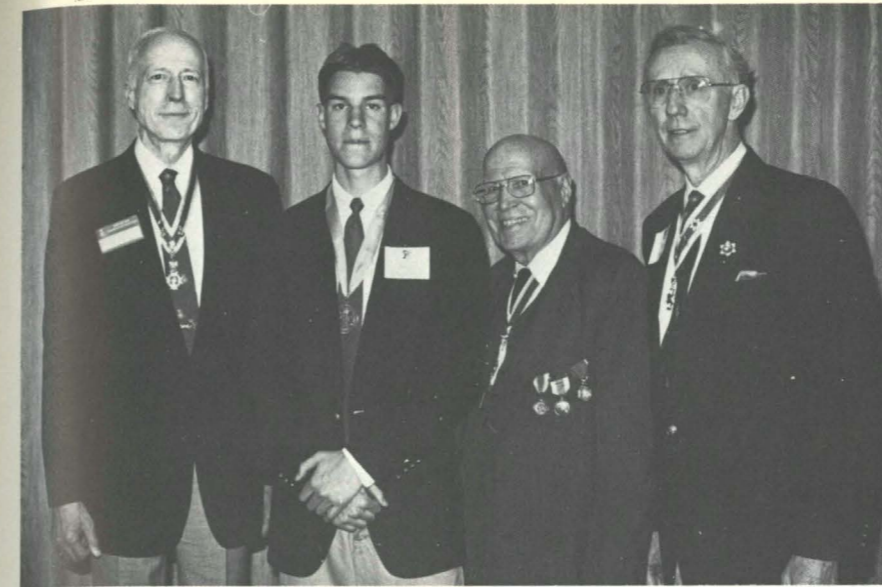


The Society's Annual Meeting featured presentation of the Bronze Eagle Trophy to Eagle Scout John P. Greenwood by Robert Sjolín, Eagle Scholarship Chairman for the Society.

Society President Al Snapp (left) was pleased to present an SAR 50-Year Membership Pin to Francis VanPraag at the regular May meeting of the **Lakeland Chapter**. Another event was the installation of newly elected officers.



U.S. Representative Harry Johnston (left) was guest speaker at the **Boca-Deerfield Chapter's** April meeting. Introduced by President Anthony Shea (right), he spoke about how H. Ross Perot's independent candidacy for President could assure that no candidate would win a majority of the popular votes in this year's election, thus leaving it up to the House of Representatives to select a winner.



When young Justin Livengood (second from left) won the run-off of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest at the Society's Annual Meeting, he was congratulated by (from left): Secretary General Paul H. Walker; G. Arthur Luther, who serves both as Chairman of the Society's Oration Committee and that at the national level; and Herrick H. Kessler, President.



The family of Compatriot Philip W. Bernsdorf (he is second from left) was very much in evidence at the 97th Annual Convention of the National Society, Children of the American Revolution, held in late April at Arlington, Virginia. Posing with him were (from left): son David of the Kansas Society; Mrs. Donald S. Blair, President General of the NSDAR; Mrs. Bernsdorf, who was elected Senior National President of the youth group; and Laura, David's daughter and a C.A.R. Compatriot Bernsdorf has for some time served as Chairman of the NSSAR C.A.R./Young Adults Committee.

Louisiana Society



The April meeting of the **Attakapas Chapter**, held in Lafayette, featured presentation of two awards by Past Society President Philip R. Allin (left): Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Society President Daniel R. Allain and Martha Washington Medal to Pearl M. Segura, a DAR and retired university librarian.



Larry Richard, an American Indian and Curator of the Mississippi Valley Indian and Missionary Museum at Lafayette, Louisiana, was guest speaker at a recent meeting of the **Attakapas Chapter**. Secretary W. Thomas Angers observed him displaying an Indian blow gun.



At the April meeting of the **Attakapas Chapter** in Lafayette Eagle Scout Frank S. Hardee III was awarded the Bronze Eagle Trophy on behalf of the Society. He is a member of the C.A.R., while both his father and grandfather are Chapter Compatriots. The lad is entering the United States Military Academy at West Point this year.

Maryland Society

The Quality Inn in Towson was the site selected by the **Colonel Nicholas Ruxton**



Former Presidents General Carl F. Bessent (left) and Benjamin H. Morris (right) were on hand to celebrate the Society's Annual Meeting during April in Baltimore. Passing the gavel of office to newly elected President James A. McCafferty (next to Compatriot Morris) was retiring President Barrett L. McKown. Nearly 100 members and guests attended the gala event.

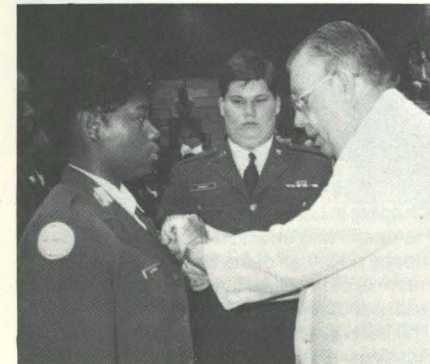
Moore Chapter for its Annual Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters Recognition Dinner in mid-May. The guest speaker was

Deputy Chief James H. Barnes, Jr. of the Baltimore County Fire Department.

Mississippi Society



Past Society President William C. Pittman (center) was doubly honored in February. On the 25th the DAR Pontotoc Chapter awarded him the coveted DAR Medal of Honor, while on the 22nd President General George H. Brandau presented him with the Patriot Medal on behalf of the Mississippi Society. Participating in the DAR ceremony were (from left): Society President Martis D. Ramage; DAR State Regent Margaret DeMoivre; Chapter Regent Helen Gregory; DAR Awards Chairman Sarah Naugher; Mrs. Pittman; Harriet Pittman Walker, his sister; and sons Tom and Bill.



Awarding the ROTC Medal to Cadet Gwentina Clemons of the Air Force JROTC Unit at Robert S. Caldwell High School in Columbus was Compatriot Bland Campbell. The presentation was made in April during a special ceremony.

Missouri Society



Ozark Mountain Chapter Compatriots assembled on Armed Forces Day during May at the grave sites of two Patriots, Elisha Headlee and David Bedell, in Old Salem Cemetery in northern Green County. More than 70 people attended the program, which featured an inspiring address by Former President General M. Graham Clark and the placing of wreaths.

Montana Society



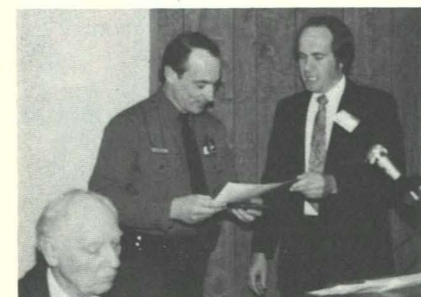
Grahame Thomas Smallwood, Jr. (left), Vice-President General for the Intermountain District, recently presented the gavel of office to newly elected Society President Eugene Graft.

Nebraska Society

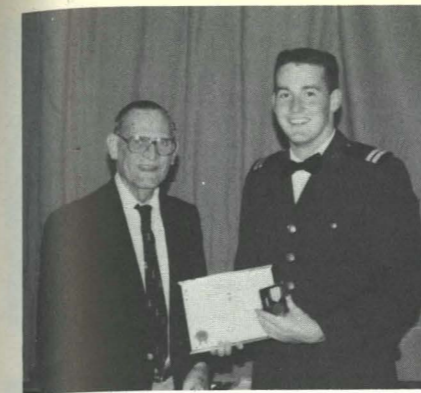
Nearly 50 Compatriots and guests were in attendance for the Society's Annual Meeting, which was fielded at the Legionnaire Club in Lincoln. Elected President was Donald C. Classen of Omaha, while Royce N. Kent was reelected National Trustee. Among the honored guests present was William H. Lees, Vice-President General for the North Central District. The two accompanying photos illustrate highlights of the gathering.



National Trustee Royce N. Kent awarded the Bronze Eagle Trophy to Eagle Scout Michael Suberly. The lad read the essay that he had submitted earlier in the statewide competition. Observing was VPG William H. Lees.



On behalf of the **Lincoln Chapter** Tom Masters (right) awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Officer Richard C. Doetker of the Lincoln Police Department. Also receiving the Medal was Gary R. Young, Sheriff of Thayer County.



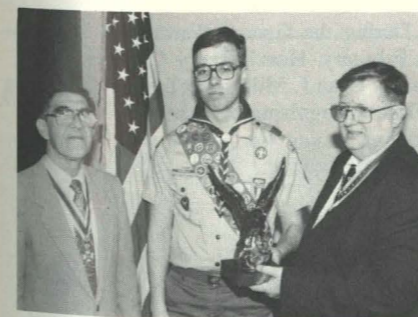
National Trustee Royce N. Kent was proud to present the ROTC Medal to Cadet Mark Cox at the University of Nebraska at Omaha during an April awards program for the Air Force ROTC Unit.

New Jersey Society



At a May meeting of the **Raritan Valley Chapter** Harry Kels Swan (left) was presented his 25-Year Member Pin by Past Society President Albert L. Stokes. Several years ago Compatriot Swan authored a scholarly feature story for *The SAR Magazine* about the crossing of the Delaware River by Commander-in-Chief George Washington and his army.

Empire State Society (NY)



A feature of the Society's Annual Meeting at West Point in early April was awarding of the Bronze Eagle Trophy to Eagle Scout Theodore R. Brooks; his essay concerned the military activities of his Revolutionary War ancestor. Doing the honors were President George Lombart (left) and Eagle Scout Chairman Ronald E. Newton.

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Cadet Scott Lew, a member of the Air Force ROTC Unit at Clarkson University in Potsdam, was the May recipient of the ROTC Medal. Making the presentation was Compatriot Walter Cookenham.

North Carolina Society

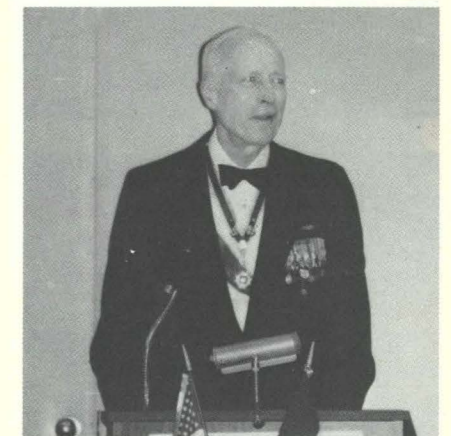
The Society staged a highly productive State Convention when Compatriots and guests gathered at the Beau Rivage Plantation, a golf resort in Wilmington, over the first week-end in April. The affair started with a reception on Friday evening, where President General and Mrs. George H. Brandau had an opportunity to meet attendees. Saturday featured a luncheon at which greetings were brought by the PG and representatives of the DAR and C.A.R.; the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was presented to Pender County Sheriff Michael H. Harvell; a run-off of the Douglass G. High Historical Oration Contest was held; and the Bronze Eagle Trophy was given to Eagle Scout John C. O'Quinn. An afternoon business session, presided over by President Lee W. Porter, Jr., was followed that night by a reception and banquet. The PG was keynote speaker.

The statue of General Nathanael Greene atop his horse has been returned to its place in the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park at Greensboro following restoration made possible with contributions by the **Raleigh Chapter**, private citizens and the National Park Service. The four-ton,

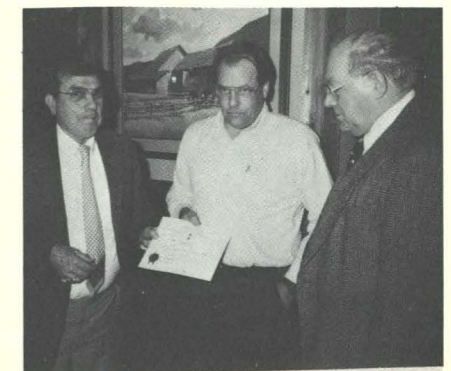


Lower Cape Fear Chapter Compatriot Charles Davis was pleased to award the ROTC Medal to Cadet Richard D. Bryant during the May Annual Awards Night program of the Air Force ROTC Unit at Wilmington's Ensley A. Laney High School.

Ohio Society



The keynote speaker at the Society's Annual Conference was Secretary General Paul H. Walker. Another highlight of the gathering was the appearance of George Washington as portrayed by Thomas B. Williams, President of the Indiana Society's **Clarence A. Cook Chapter**, Indianapolis. Publicity Chairman Charles G. Edwards was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal.



Former Beavercreek Chief of Police Eric Bernt (center) was presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal during a recent **Richard Montgomery Chapter** meeting. Doing the honors were President Bernard Handley (left) and LTC Herbert Webb, the Society's Southwest District Chairman.

The **Cincinnati Chapter's** Flag Day and Pilgrimage Dinner was held at the historic Trolley Tavern in Cincinnati in June, with Marjorie Burress serving as guest speaker. An historian and author, she chose as her topic the history of Congress Green Cemetery. Following this event, Compatriots and guests adjourned to the cemetery to dedicate new markers at the grave sites of William

Rittenhouse and Timothy Symmes. Within sight of this area is the tomb and memorial



Past Chaplain General and **Cincinnati Chapter** Compatriot Samuel Holt (center) was recently awarded the Paul Harris Fellow Award by the Rotary for "tangible and significant assistance for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations between people of the world." He is shown flanked by fellow Rotarians.



At the April meeting of the **Northwest Chapter** the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was given to Williams County Sheriff Alan L. Word (right) by President Woodrow W. Wilcox.

Oregon Society



New to the Society is the **Lewis and Clark Chapter** whose President is Robert A. Bogardus (left). Also present at the April program that saw the installation of officers were (from his left): Treasurer Charles H. Thompson, who presented a Youth Registration Certificate to grandson Richard J. II, shown being held by son Richard J.; and Forrest C. Blodgett, Vice-President General for the Pacific District.



May witnessed the holding of a joint meeting of the **William Cannon Chapter** and the **DAR Susannah Lee Barlow Chapter** in Portland. Receiving the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal was Clark H. Patrick Detloff of the Clackamas County Sheriff's Department. Making the presentation was President Robert J. Crane (right) and Forrest C. Blodgett, Vice-President General for the Pacific District.

for William Henry Harrison, 9th President of the United States.

Pennsylvania Society



Guest speaker at the February George Washington Birthday Dinner held by the **Centre County Chapter** was Bellefonte Mayor James F. Kirschner (left); his topic was "Perspectives on Washington." Following his remarks, he was awarded the Silver Good Citizenship Medal by President R. Steven Houtz.



In May **Philadelphia-Continental Chapter** President Herbert T. Armstrong (second from left) presented the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal to Willie L. Williams, Commissioner of the Philadelphia Police Department (he has since become Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department). Also participating in the ceremony at the Police Administration Building were BG Harold Pierce (left) and Acting Commissioner Thomas Seamon.

During the George Washington Dinner in February, **Harris Ferry Chapter** Compatriot Evan J. Miller was presented a Certificate recognizing 65 years of SAR membership. Doing the honors was President Lloyd E. Lehman.

Texas Society

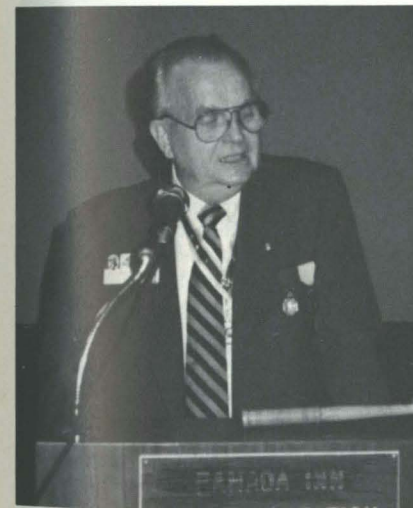
The Hon. Steven B. Derounian, a former Justice of the New York Supreme Court and now a resident of Austin, was guest speaker at the May meeting of the **Patrick Henry Chapter** held in Austin. He spoke on "Crime and Punishment in the United States." At one time he was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives from New York.



A new marker at the grave site of Patriot William Sparks in Old North Church Cemetery, Nacogdoches, was dedicated during May by members of the **Lt. Nathan Gan Chapter** (from left): Nathan W. Gann, Vance Roberts, Lester Sparks and President Robert L. Kurth, also serving as Surgeon General at the time.

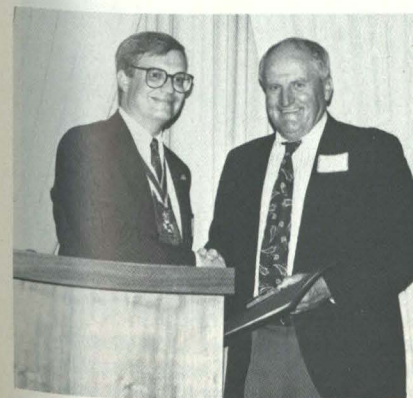


Lee Abernathy, Vice President of the **Big Country Chapter**, awarded the ROTC Medal to Cadet Dallas Collins during May ceremonies at the Air Force JROTC Unit at Abilene High School, Abilene.



Col. Delbert M. Fowler, at the time President-elect of the Society, spoke on "The Battle of King's Mountain — Turning Point of the Revolution" at the April meeting of the **Independence Chapter** in College Station. He also installed 1992-93 officers.

Utah Society



The Society's Annual Meeting, held in Salt Lake City during May, saw presentation of the Silver Good Citizenship Medal to Lavelle Edwards (left), head football coach at Brigham Young University, with President Brent F. Ashworth doing the honors. Mr. Edwards was recognized for his promoting of responsible citizenship in the community. His teams have won 14 conference championships and one national championship.

Virginia Society

Col. Michael Wardinski, Special Consultant on Eastern Bloc Affairs, was principal speaker at the April gathering of the **George Washington Chapter**. He noted several actions the West should take to ensure successful development of democracy and free market advances that seem to have taken hold.



When the Air Force ROTC Unit at Virginia Military Institute held its awards ceremonies in April at Lexington, Col. George M. Brooke offered the ROTC Medal to Cadet Linden A. Fravel.

Washington Society

Ross McClurg was guest speaker at the June meeting of the **Spokane Chapter**. He told about the diary kept by his great grandfather Solomon Zumwalt, a neighbor of Daniel Boone. Solomon's father, who served in the Revolutionary War, was also discussed.

Alexander Hamilton Chapter Compatriot Glenn Oliver addressed the May meeting of the **Cascade Centennial Chapter**. He spoke on the Civil War period with emphasis on the part that his great grandfather played in the conflict.

Wisconsin Society

The exclusive Wisconsin Club in Milwaukee was the locale for the Annual Meet-



Society President Richard B. Eager (second from left) chatted with dignitaries attending the Annual Meeting (from left): VPG Charles B. Schweizer, PG George H. Brandau and Historian General James A. Williams.

ing of the Society in late May. Among the honored guests were President General and Mrs. George H. Brandau, Vice-President General (for the Great Lakes District) and Mrs. Charles B. Schweizer and Historian General James A. Williams. Receiving awards were: President Richard B. Eager, Patriot Medal; Past President Charles Nelson, Meritorious Service Medal; DAR State Regent Mrs. Barbara Roberts, Medal of Appreciation; and Mrs. Robert V. Osborne, Martha Washington Medal. The PG installed newly elected officers and was guest speaker.



Nathaniel Ames Chapter Compatriot Mark Nelson presented the ROTC Medal to Midshipman Meade Dillon during the May Awards Ceremony of the University of Wisconsin-Madison ROTC Unit.

Wyoming Society

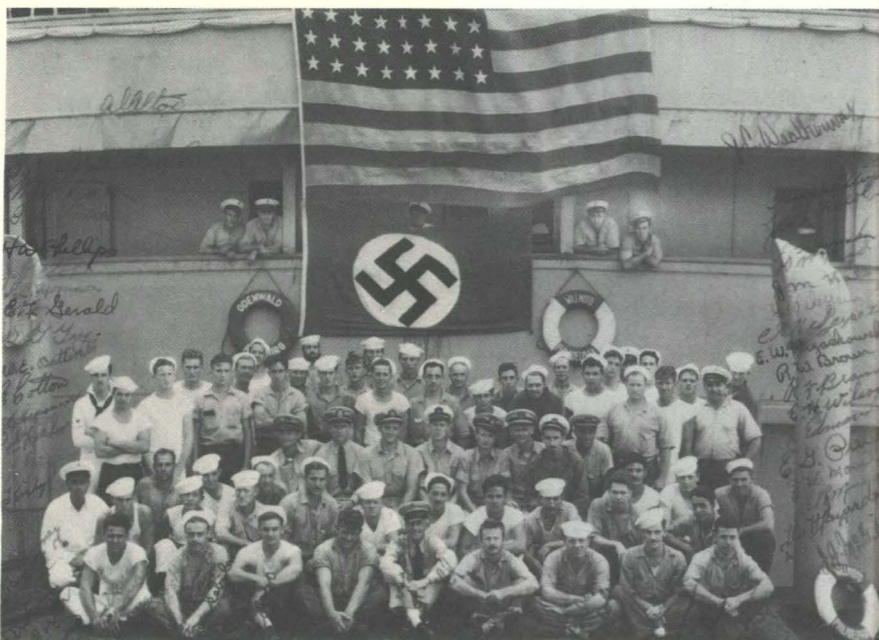


The installation of newly elected officers was a feature of the Society's recent Annual Meeting held in Casper. Among them were (from left): National Trustee Charles E. Luxmoore, Vice President Harold B. Gardiner and President Maurice Cartier.

Ohio Society Compatriot Recounts His Part in Capturing German Ship

On November 15, 1948 Jess W. Monteith, now a member of the Ohio Society's George Rogers Clark Chapter serving the Springfield area, received a check for \$3,000. This sum turned out to be his share of the money that was paid to crew members of the *USS Omaha*, a light cruiser, who participated in the capture of a German ship just prior to the attack on Pearl Harbor. Here's what happened, as he tells it.

from the Admiralty Court with a request for the names and ranks of all who were involved in the operation and how they were involved. The check that came to Compatriot Monteith went to reduce the mortgage on the home he purchased a year before and where he still lives. He states that this salvage money was the first to have been paid to a commissioned ship since the War of 1812; to his knowledge none has been paid since.

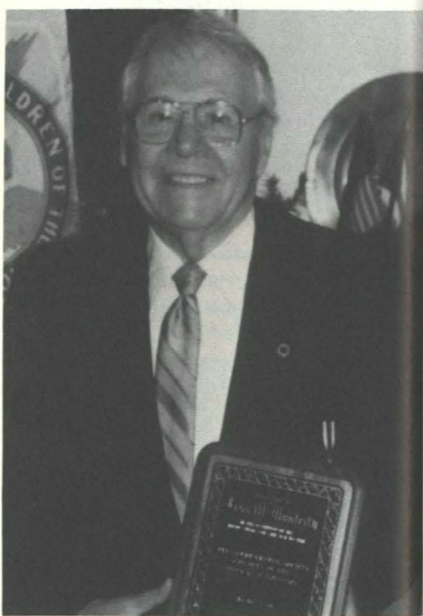


These crew members of the *USS Omaha* made up the prize crew of the "Odenwald". They are shown posing at the No. 2 hold when the German ship arrived in Puerto Rico. Their autographs may be seen around the perimeter.

On November 6, 1941 the *Omaha* was on routine neutrality patrol with the *USS Somers*, a destroyer, near the equator and off the hump of Africa. At dawn they made contact with a merchant ship, which was apparently trying to take evasive action to hold off contact on challenge from the *Omaha*. The challenge was ignored, with confusing answers then being sent. The vessel was flying American colors at the stern and had the name "Willmoto" Philadelphia inscribed on her. She was ordered to stand by and await a boarding party.

As the party approached the ship, internal explosions were heard and the crew lowered the American colors and hoisted the German swastika. She was actually the "Odenwald" of the Hamburg-American lines enroute with a cargo of contraband for the German war machine. The party evaluated the precarious situation and signaled the *Omaha* for a salvage party of damage control experts to locate other explosions and stop flooding. Eventually, the "Odenwald" was brought under control and journeyed to Puerto Rico, where she was turned over to the United States Marshall.

After the war was over, the crew heard



Compatriot Monteith is shown here with a plaque he was awarded by the C.A.R. Elizabeth Kendon Society for his efforts in helping to organize the Chapter. Six of his grandchildren were Charter Members.

Society Helps Celebrate Kentucky Bicentennial Thru Flag Distribution

By David L. Riley, Kentucky Society Historian

The Kentucky Society played an important role in observing the state's bicentennial with a program of distributing replicas of 1792-era flags across the state and participating in ceremonies unveiling the Kentucky Statehood Stamp.

The flags were brought out of "retirement" by our Society and the state 4-H organization as a Kentucky Bicentennial tribute.

"We felt a certain obligation to help observe Kentucky's Bicentennial with a project like this," said Dr. Thomas L. Riley, Society President and retired Hopkinsville (KY) Community College President. "After all, it was veterans of the Revolutionary War who were the early settlers and leaders in founding Kentucky in 1792."

Compatriot Riley said the partnership with the 4-H youth organization was based on the location of 4-H offices in each of Kentucky's 120 counties, the group's desire for special bicentennial projects and SAR's desire to involve youth in its programs.

Flags Made In Louisville

SAR contracted with a Louisville flag manufacturer for the banners and defrayed the cost of the first flag purchased by a given county. Additional flags were sold at cost with the recommendation that they be flown over the respective courthouses at least on June 1, June 14 (Flag Day) and July 4. Most of the flags were delivered last winter and were presented to county governments — and other agencies — in imaginative ways.

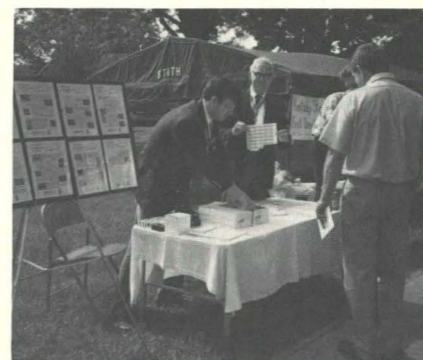
The 1792-design flag bears 15 five-pointed stars and 15 stripes, reflecting Kentucky's status as the nation's 15th state; the design is uniquely tied to the Bluegrass state.

Early leaders dispensed with adding both a star and a stripe with each new state when it became apparent that the flag's design

would become out-of-balance — and possibly confusing on the battlefield — with many more stripes. States added after Kentucky gained only a star, with the stripes reverting from 15 to 13.

It was the 15-stripe flag that earned the nickname "The Star-Spangled Banner", as it flew over Fort McHenry during the bombardment of Baltimore in the War of 1812.

Some flags will be flying beyond the confines of county government. One, for instance, was presented to Gov. Brereton Jones for flying over the state capitol.



David Riley, the author of this special story shown at the left, and Society President Dr. Thomas L. Riley manned an exhibit in conjunction with the ceremonies in Danville to unveil the new Kentucky Statehood Stamp. Featured was the 10-page display in the background and commemorative envelopes for purchase.

Special Commemorative Activities

Compatriot Riley said that the stamp project developed among philatelists in the State Society and included the printing of commemorative envelopes and creation of a 12-page display of stamps featuring Kentucky themes and personalities.

The U.S. Postal Service chose Danville, Kentucky as the site for unveiling ceremo-



Dr. Thomas L. Riley (left), Society President, presented a 15-star, 15-stripe flag to Kentucky Governor Brereton C. Jones, while Society Secretary Jessie Hagan observed.

nies for the 29-cent postage stamp, the Boyle County city being the location of the first post office west of the Allegheny mountains. The city's Constitution Square State Historic Site was the ceremony's location, with those festivities kicking off the commonwealth's Statehood Day celebration.

The KYSSAR booth was set up next to the original log post office (where, appropriately, stamps were being sold) and opposite the log meeting house where postal clerks were busy applying the commemorative "First Day of Issue" cancellation.

Coincidentally, the Kentucky National Guard Color Guard that opened the statehood stamp ceremony carried one of the 15-star flags promoted by KYSSAR.



This is a sample of the commemorative envelopes that were printed and distributed by the Kentucky Society for collectors of the Kentucky Statehood Stamp.



The Color Guard that opened Kentucky's Statehood Day celebration carried one of the 15-star, 15-stripe flags.

Gentlemen, can you prove descent from a New England ancestor born before 4 July 1776 in any of the six New England states?

If so, you may be eligible for membership in the National Society, Sons of Colonial New England. For information about Sons of Colonial New England, write Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr., Registrar General, Sons of Colonial New England, 45 East 200 North, Salt Lake City, UT 84103

Cincinnati Chapter Promotes Good Citizenship

By Charles G. Edwards, Past President, Cincinnati Chapter

The SAR endeavors to assist schools in their task of producing a high grade of citizenship. Since the SAR has as one of its chief purposes the stimulation of a vigorous patriotism, it believes that such a purpose can be secured only as the youth of our schools become imbued with high ideals of character and citizenship.

Two important ways to stimulate our youth in a sense of patriotism and good citizenship are through a good program in our schools on United States History, the government, the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution; and rewarding youths for achievements in good citizenship ideals such as through the SAR Good Citizenship Program.

There have been attempts in the past to eliminate all required courses in American History and related subjects. Through the efforts of the SAR and other patriotic organizations and some dedicated educational leaders, we now have a fine program of American History and related subjects as required courses in most of our schools.

The Cincinnati Chapter wanted to reward outstanding eighth grade students from the public and parochial schools in Hamilton County. From 1933 and several years after, the Chapter presented outstanding students Good Citizenship medals. One student from each of the 14 schools in Hamilton County received this honor.

In 1954 the Cincinnati Chapter started to issue Good Citizenship Certificates to outstanding eighth grade students. John Locke of the Chapter — and a member of the Cincinnati Board of Education — set up a program to issue these Certificates to the honored students at a gathering held at Walnut Hills High School late in May of each year. This program usually drew well over 1,000 people. The Chairman in the 1960s was Compatriot Alfred L. McCartney.

In the years 1954 through 1968, 90 to 113 schools took part in this program and Certificates were issued to 239 to 396 students. The public ceremonies for awarding these Certificates continued until about 1969 when the Cincinnati Chapter started to mail them to the schools, which awarded them at the school class day event in May of each year. In 1968, 105 schools participated in this program and 544 Good Citizenship Certificates were issued to eighth grade students. By 1986, 126 schools participated and 731 Certificates were issued.

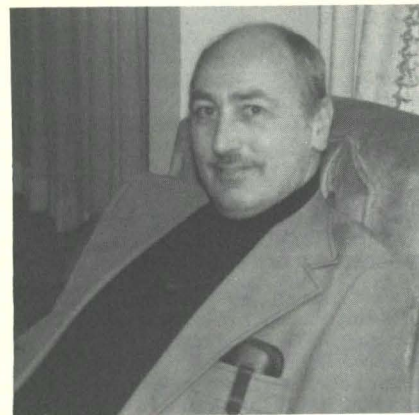
Up until 1986 Cincinnati schools and schools of Hamilton County were contacted about our program. In 1987 Compatriot Robert Boling discovered that schools in northern Kentucky and a few schools outside of Hamilton County were not informed of the program. Therefore, they have since been contacted. In 1989, 146 schools participated with 751 to 815 Certificates awarded. In 1990 Good Citizenship Awards Committee Chairman Compatriot Robert E. Boling contacted 205 schools in the Greater

Cincinnati and northern Kentucky area. Of these, 147 schools replied and 917 Certificates were awarded.

In 1991 Good Citizenship Committee Chairman David A. Mathews contacted 210 schools in the Greater Cincinnati and northern Kentucky area. Of these, 150 schools replied, with 950 Certificates later being awarded to their eighth grade honor students.

The qualities considered for Good Citizenship awards are dependability, cooperation, leadership, patriotism and clean speech and habits. To determine who shall receive the Certificate, each home room eighth grade class in the school meets and by vote of the class nominates not more than five of their number whom the class considers to be eligible to receive the Certificate. From this five, the final decision is made by a majority vote of the principal, counselors and all the teachers who have had the nominee in class during the year.

The Cincinnati Chapter has received many letters and telephone calls from school officials expressing their thanks and appreciation for this great Good Citizenship Award Program.



Compatriot Edwards is currently serving as Publicity Chairman for the Ohio Society and Revolutionary War Graves Chairman for the Cincinnati Chapter. A holder of the Meritorious Service, Silver Good Citizenship and War Service Medals, he also is active in a variety of other organizations, including the American Legion, National Genealogical Society, Caledonian Society and the Sons of Indian Wars. He is employed by the National Underwriter Company, an insurance trade publisher.



Some of those participating in the marker dedication program were (from left): Galveston Chapter Secretary Donald E. Harper, Jr., Former President General Clovis H. Brakebill, Surgeon General Robert L. Kurth, M.D., Chapter President Clark P. Wright, National Trustee David H. Peterson and Chapter Genealogist Charles D. McBea.

Texas Society Marks Beginnings

The founding of the Texas Society was marked in May when a Texas State Historical Commission marker was dedicated at 23rd and Avenue F in Galveston. This was the site of the old Tremont Hotel (1872-1928) where an organizational meeting of the Society was held in 1896. The Society was admitted to National the following year, with the founding group becoming the first Chapter, Galveston No. 1. The first President was Ira Hobart Evans, former Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

Serving as Master of Ceremonies was National Trustee David H. Peterson, with appropriate remarks being given by Surgeon General Robert L. Kurth, M.D. and Former President General Clovis H. Brakebill, both Texas Compatriots. The principal speaker was President T. David Yeilding, Ph.D. Galveston Chapter members participating were President Clark P. Wright, Chaplain Keith W. Peters and Past Presidents Gordon R. Robinson and William L. Curry.

MISSOURI

Ozark Mountain Chapter, Springfield, meets 3rd Sat. monthly except Aug., Noon, Heritage Cafeteria, 1310 S. Glenstone. SARs, Wives, Guests. Call Pres. Delbert Bishop (417) 833-0740.

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NEVADA

Southern Nevada Chapter, Las Vegas, is holding a Breakfast Meeting at 9 a.m. every 2nd Sat. monthly at Denny's Rest., Rancho Rd. & Sahara Ave.

NEW JERSEY

Abraham Clark Chapter, invites all Compatriots and guests to a luncheon every 3rd Thursday from Sept. to June. Meet at "Coach & Four" Restaurant, Cranford, NJ at 1 pm. Next to R.R. station, near Ex. #137 Garden State Pkwy. For details call (908) 486-1783 (Eves.).

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Albuquerque Chapter meets 11:30 AM on third Tuesday of Jan., Mar., Apr., Sep. and Oct. at East Officers Club, Kirtland Air Force Base. Call Murray Bacon, 505-255-1351 for details.

Las Cruces Chapter luncheon meeting normally Good Samaritan Village third Saturday of each month except July, Aug. and Dec. For details call Joe Miller, Sec., 505-522-3905.

NORTH CAROLINA

Lower Cape Fear Chapter, Wilmington, NC Luncheon meeting, 11:45 AM, 3rd Saturday monthly except February & July (special event), at Steak House, 1602 S. College Rd. Chapter President: G. W. Fry, 919-256-8539.

OHIO

Western Reserve Society, noon luncheon, 2nd Wed., Koran Mosque. Sept. through June, except Oct. evening. For info call Burton Printz: (216) 932-2819.

PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia-Continental Chapter. Meetings, luncheons, dinners, and functions monthly except July and August. Tel: SAR Hdqrs. (215) 688-4722, William G. Dorwart, Secretary, 435 E. Lancaster Ave., #214, Wayne, PA 19087.

TENNESSEE

Shelby Chapter, Brunswick, invites SAR members and their families to visit historic Davies Manor, 9336 Davies Plantation Road, headquarters for the Shelby Chapter, on Tuesday between one and four o'clock from May through October. For information contact Colonel Charles C. Yates, Chapter President, 7046 Great Oaks Road, Germantown, TN 38138 (901) 754-8122 or Mrs. Hillman Philip Rodgers, Chapter's Executive Secretary, 9140 Davies Plantation Road, Brunswick, TN 38014, (901) 386-0715.

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TEXAS

Dallas Chapter, 8:00 a.m. breakfast meeting at Preston Center, Wyatt's Cafeteria each 2nd Sat. Visiting SARs most welcome.

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Houston's Paul Carrington Chapter meets frequently. Visitors are welcome. For info call Robert Smith, 713-469-2003 or write 10711 Laneview, Houston, TX 77070.

Houston Chapter meets monthly for Dinner the 2nd Wed. except Aug. All SARs, their ladies, and DARs welcome. Phone for details — John P. Wolff, Phone 713- 771-0463.

San Antonio Chapter. Luncheon meeting, noon, 2nd Thursday, monthly, Earl Abel's Restaurant, 4200 Broadway at Hildebrand. Pres.: Raymond F. Frost (512) 344-1173; Sec./Treas.: Tom Bresnehen (512) 822-1586.

VIRGINIA

Virginia Society. Office: 3600 West Broad Street, Suite 579, Richmond, VA 23230-4918. Mon., Tues., Wed., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. & Fri., 9 a.m. to Noon. Visiting SAR's welcome. Tel: (804) 355-1776. John D. Sinks, Ph.D., Secretary.

Fairfax Resolves Chapter, McLean, meets at 7:30 p.m. on 2nd Thursday, Sept.-Apr. at McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road. Call Pres. Thomas P. Crawford (703) 941-8941 or Richard E. Spurr, Sec/Treas (703) 751-2829.

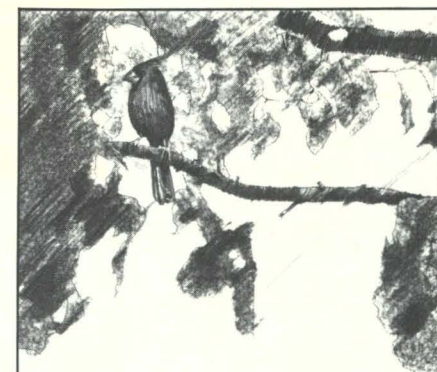
George Washington Chapter, Alexandria, 11 a.m. Luncheon usually 2nd Saturday Sep-May at the Cameron Station Officers Club. Phone 960-6468.

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