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Soon after the outbreak of hostilities against England, the Continental Congress began to consider the question of support from Europe. Even before Independence became a reality, the field of possible allies had been narrowed down to France with hopefully, The Netherlands and Spain, joining in secretly.

As early as November, 1775, a Committee of Secret Correspondence, composed of Benjamin Franklin, Silas Deane and Arthur Lee, was instructed by the Congress to put out feelers to foreign powers. Many secret meetings were held, here and abroad, with little concrete results. In October, 1776, Franklin set sail for France to step up aid of all sorts and to effect a Treaty of Commerce and Amity.

Franklin spent many months at a villa in Passy while the delicate discussions continued. Finally, in February, 1778, news of the American victory at Saratoga reached the French Court. This was the final catalyst that was needed: France guaranteed the independence of America and promised to continue hostilities until the great aim had been gained.

Despite efforts to keep the Treaty a secret until all French ships at sea had been alerted, Louis XVI made formal avowal on March 20, 1778 by receiving the American Commissioners at Versailles. The cover photo, from the collection of the Library of Congress, shows Franklin being presented to the French Court.
DEAR MEMBERS:

When this Administration took office last April, it was announced that the new officers and chairmen would be involved in “Building For Our Future.”

The proposed National Project of the President General, on which you will be asked to vote at the 87th Continental Congress, encompasses one phase of this building.

The project will be the enclosing of the open areas on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Administration Building which, when completed, will provide additional office space. The materials to be used will be in keeping with the rest of the complex that makes up National Headquarters. More importantly, the Administration Building will finally be completed. (You will note the plan on the opposite page.)

If the delegates approve this project, its financing will be accomplished by a contribution of 50 cents a member for the next two years or a total of one dollar per member.

Another phase of “Building For Our Future” is being pursued with much success—the updating of our public relations, a top priority of this Administration. Giant steps have been taken in a number of areas and some results are being felt. From all over the country have come news items which show an increased interest by the local news media, including many inquiries by telephone, about the National Society and its activities. The National Society is also involved in a number of areas relative to its public acceptance and progress is being made.

I thank you for your consideration in helping your National Society in “Building For Our Future” which might well be the slogan for this Administration. Let each one of us become involved in this by supporting the proposed National Project and by continuing to emphasize the fine things we hope to accomplish.

Faithfully,

Jeanette C. Baylies
Mrs. George U. Baylies
President General, NSDAR
Surnames developed from several sources, such as a person's occupation (Baker, Carpenter, Taylor, Skinner); his physical characteristics (Armstrong, Little, Redman, Young); or his place of settlement (Hilton, Brook, Meadows, Knowles). Almost one third of American surnames are derived from a father's name (Johnson, Davidson, Williams, MacDonald).
Oh, what was your name in the states?
Was it Thompson or Johnson or Bates?
Did you murder your wife
And fly for your life?
Say, what was your name in the states? 1

One who is interested in his or her own genealogy should also strive to have a basic knowledge of western surnames; their histories, traditions, and problems as encountered in the field of Onomatology. In the study of our individual genealogy problems, we seldom take time to ponder the questions of surnames. Surnames should be viewed in a more comprehensive sense than just the individual last names we are concerned with in our own family genealogies. There are some interesting, even fascinating origins to surnames of the western world.

America probably has a greater number of surnames than any other country on earth. We have read several sources which put the number between 300,000 and 400,000 as compared to roughly 100,000 for Great Britain. This situation exists for the simple reason that all other countries on earth contributed to our medley of surnames. When one considers the variety of last names our land has gained from the centuries of migration, plus the array of misspellings and name alterations, a person might begin to see the complexities of the American surname collection.

Ironically enough, perhaps the largest group of Americans who truly have “American surnames” is the Negro. Coming to this land as slaves, these people generally lost their names along with their freedom. Often the slave master renamed the slave, using a generally accepted surname of the day such as Washington, Jefferson or Hamilton. Hence, the one group of people who came to America without freedom, possess many surnames which are very closely associated with this country’s heritage.

As an individual takes an interest in surnames, he or she will often be asked, “What’s in a name?” We might rather harshly reply to that question with the often used quote. “There is sometimes more in a name than there is in many persons who possess it.” 2 Indeed, the vast majority of names have a much longer history than the individuals possessing them.

Nevertheless, surnames have not always been a part of mankind. The development of a surname went hand in hand with the development of man and his world. We can only speculate about names prior to written records. Early man surely called his neighbor by some appellation, even if it was a simple “Hey You.” We imagine some people might conclude that in the above case, “Hey” would be the first name and “You” the surname. We will leave that argument to others! However, we must believe early man living together must have had some way to appeal to or designate a particular individual.

In a more practical sense, we can indeed establish some sort of history for the development of the surname. We know, for example, that fixed surnames began to appear in France around the year 1000. In the 11th through 14th centuries, there developed a gradual shift to the use of a family name. The use of a single name seems to have disappeared by the 15th century in Europe. 3 Apparently, as western society became more complex and interested in commerce and other modern characteristics, the use of a surname became an increasing necessity.
The manner in which an individual chose or became identified with a particular surname is not only intriguing, but involves large speculation. Nobody, not even an expert in Onomatology such as Elsdon Smith, would claim that a name developed in an exact manner. But through much study and some conjecture, researchers have recorded a number of interesting observations. For example, in Rome and eventually in England before street numbers were used, shop owners and other individuals who were engaged in business, would hang a sign over their stores. It became common for people to go to the “sign of the Swan” or the “sign of the Rose.” Eventually, it became an accepted practice to refer to the proprietors as “Swan” or “Rose.” Pot, Kettle, Bell, Peacock, Wolf, Lion, and Sparrow are other names which possibly developed in such a manner.

Elsdon Smith in two of his books concerning surnames advances some interesting facets of their development in the western world. According to Smith, most of America’s surnames derived their origins from four basic sources; a father’s name (Patronymics), an Occupation, a Nickname, or a Place Name. Of course, as we mentioned earlier, not all names can simply be placed in one group or another. Time, misspellings and other corruptions of names cause us to speculate on many of their origins today. An appraisal of 7,000 of the most common surnames in the United States gives us a breakdown of surnames into the four categories previously mentioned:

- **Patronymics**: 32.23%  
- **Occupational**: 15.16%  
- **Nicknames**: 9.48%  
- **Place Names**: 43.13%

By using Smith’s *American Surnames* we can now take a categorical look at the four basic origins of western surnames.

Patronymics is an easy convenient manner to identify a young man or boy by referring to him by his father’s name. This could be done (depending on the language involved) by simply adding a prefix or suffix to the father’s name. Hence, John becomes Johnson; Garry-Garrison; Sam-Samson; William-Williamson. For the Irish this same effect was achieved by adding “Mac” or “O” to a father’s name as in MacDonald, Cormac, O’Donnell, or O’Connor.

Another easy method for a man to gain a fixed name was by his occupation or a nickname. Such names as Smith, Miller, Cooper, Turner, Baker, Cook, and Stewart could be considered occupational names. Notice that these vocations date back to the Middle Ages. Nicknames certainly comprise a noticeable portion (over 9% according to Smith) of American surnames. Some examples could be Duff, possibly one of dark complexion or Blank (Blanc is a French word meaning white) for a light complexion. Rudd, Rust, Ruff, all meaning reddish brown, are typical surnames originating from nicknames.

Surnames from Places are abundant in American genealogical study. If we would stop and ponder the vast array of Place surnames we have in the western world we would find it amazing. A village, landmark, stream, or other features of the world in which we live have indeed given us the largest single group of surnames. The name “Hill” is the most common. Naturally, there are many others such as Mills, Brooks, or Woods. Hurst, meaning thick woods, is a name in the Buis genealogy that probably originated from a “place.”

Of course, so many names are borderline cases and can not be placed neatly within any certain group. That only heightens the intrigue surrounding surnames. Many names might indeed be derived from a variety of other sources. Trees such as Ash, Alder, Thorn, and Maple or status such as Knight or Freeman might have given rise to surnames. The Bible and Pageantry (Pope, King, Page, Abbott) undoubtedly served as foundations for names. The variety of possibilities is what makes the subject one of untiring interest.

As we continue our various approaches to our own individual genealogical studies, we would suggest keeping an open mind and active file of surnames and their story. It can be a side light to our own family genealogies and a hobby that can be pursued to any depth one wishes.

The 20 most common surnames in the United States in 1790 and today are listed below!

**1790:** Smith, Brown, Johnson, Jones, Davis, Clark, Williams, Miller, Wilson, White, Taylor, Thompson, Allen, Moore, Hall, Hill, Adams, Reed, Baker, Green.

**Today:** Smith, Johnson, Williams, Brown, Jones, Miller, Davis, Wilson, Anderson, Taylor, Moore, Thomas, Martin, Thompson, White, Harris, Jackson, Clark, Lewis, Walker.

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**NOTES**


5. Smith has published *American Surnames*, Chilton Books, Philadelphia, 1969 and the before mentioned *The Story of Our Names*. I find these two basic sources a must for anyone interested in surnames. Smith spent a major portion of his life involved in surname research. The figures I mention concerning surname categories I drew from his American Surnames. His books have helped me greatly in my understanding of surname problems and I would highly recommended his work to anyone.
THE PRESIDENT GENERAL is pleased to announce that Dr. Margaret Rhea Seddon, one of six women named as the first female astronaut candidates in the U.S. Space program, was admitted to membership, along with her sister, at the February 3, 1978, meeting of the National Board of Management. They are members of the Colonel Hardy Murfree Chapter, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

WITH THE PRESIDENT GENERAL: By the time you receive this issue of the DAR Magazine, the President General will be making her official visit to the State Conferences of Mississippi, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Kansas and Missouri. An interesting sidelight occurred during the rehearsal for the 56th Anniversary Concert of the United States Army Band when the President General was introduced to the members of the Band and given an autographed photograph of it taken on the stage of Constitution Hall. The Leader and Commander of the Band, Colonel Eugene W. Allen, was most complimentary about the acoustics of the Hall and the privileges the DAR has always extended them.

1900 CENSUS: The Administrator of the U.S. General Services Administration has announced that restrictions on access to records of the 1900 census have been lifted. The new ruling now permits reproduction of entire rolls of census microfilm for public and research institutions as well as circulation of copies through inter-library loan. At that time, it was stated that the experience of the National Archives staff since 1973 indicates that the confidentiality restrictions are no longer necessary.

AT HEADQUARTERS: The 4th Volunteer Genealogist Training Program was held by the Registrar General the week of January 23rd.

1978 DAR BANQUET: This year the Banquet will be held at the Capital Hilton Hotel in the lovely Presidential Room. Additional information on tickets, etc., can be found elsewhere in this Magazine.

DAR MUSEUM: The Museum loaned display cases for the use of exhibitors at the 1978 Washington Antiques Show which took place at the Shoreham Americana Hotel in January. The Virginia Dining Room was illustrated in the catalog of this Show.

CONGRESS HOUSING BUREAU: The National Society will initiate a Congress Housing Bureau for the 88th Continental Congress, April 16-20, 1979. Complete information will be available during the 87th Continental Congress and you will be provided with reservation forms which must be used. Your Executive Committee felt such an arrangement would insure housing for all members attending the meetings of Congress, but in order for it to be successful, each member is asked for her cooperation.

WOMEN IN NURSING: A recently published book states "At the turn of the century nursing had not yet become a respected profession. As late as 1898, during the Spanish-American War, it was not to the Nurses' Associated Alumni (shortly to become the American Nurses Association) that the government turned for recruiting and training nurses, but to the Daughters of the American Revolution." Dr. Anita Newcomb McGee was Surgeon General at the time and was instrumental in securing the nurses needed for the Spanish-American War. In commemoration of her service, each year since 1967 the National Society has given an award to the Army Nurse of the Year in cooperation with the United States Surgeon General's office.
Federal Financing of a Foolish Feminist Festival

By Phyllis Schlafly
National Chairman, National Defense Committee, NSDAR

"International Women's Year" (IWY) was a publicity gimmick originated in the United Nations. The UN promotion climaxed in June 1965 at an international "consciousness-raising session" in Mexico City where selected women went (at their government's expense) to discuss women's problems. Of course the United States sent a delegation.

The Mexico City conference was an unviable gathering of women who had practically nothing in common. It was impossible to agree on common goals for both American women, who want to get out of the kitchen, and women from other countries whose fondest dream is to have an American-style kitchen. Discussions were difficult among women who do not observe Robert's Rules of Order or customary procedures of civilized debate, and the meeting degenerated into angry wrangling and even fistfights.

Before it was over, however, the UN International Women's Year conference adopted the following resolution:

The National Commission on International Women's Year, as its first public action and highest priority, urges the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. . . .

As our main commitment to the observance of International Women's Year, we pledge to do all in our capacity to see that the Equal Rights Amendment is ratified at the earliest possible moment.

The unanimity of the IWY Commission against ERA was admitted by Chairman Ruckelshaus in later testimony before a House Committee. When asked about that vote, she said: "The first act of our Commission was to consider the Equal Rights Amendment and to vote unanimously as a Commission of 35 members." Congressman McEwen asked, "That was unanimous?" Chairman Ruckelshaus replied, "It was unanimous."
Congressman McEwen asked, "There was no dissenting or minority view?" Chairman Ruckelshaus answered, "No."

In 1975 and 1976, the IWY Commission operated under Executive Order without any Congressional appropriation. It acquired its funds by a diversion of $780,000 from other Federal agencies. This included both cash and personnel contributions, such as $50,000 from the State Department, $125,000 from HEW, $35,000 from the Transportation Department, $20,000 from the Interior Department, $10,000 from the Justice Department, the services of a $35,000 executive each from the Defense Department and the Labor Department, and the services of two executives from USIA.

On January 13, 1977, the Comptroller General of the United States reported that $266,234 of the above funds, for which there was no proper Federal authorization, had been provided to the IWY "without proper legal authority" and were received and spent by the IWY Commission in violation of the law. In late 1977, Congressman George Hansen initiated court action to require the reinstatement of those funds to the agencies to which Congress had appropriated the money.

The spending of hundreds of thousands of dollars only whetted the appetite of the IWY Commissioners for more money. They spent a good part of their energies seeking official Congressional status and larger funding. IWY Commissioner-Congresswoman Bella Abzug became the sponsor of a bill to grant the IWY Commission $10 million for the purpose of staging state and national conferences.

When it became apparent that the pro-ERA Congresswomen were determined to push this extravagant proposal to a vote, Congressmen (according to *The Washington Post*) were "deluged with opposition mail saying that IWY conferences would be used to generate support for the Equal Rights Amendment and for abortion."

**How Congress Was Fooled**

In order to overcome the opposition, the proponents solemnly assured their colleagues that all the IWY conferences would be fair and include all viewpoints. Congresswoman Bella Abzug stated during the House debate on December 10, 1975:

The significant thing about this national conference is that it will afford an opportunity for every kind of woman, representing every viewpoint, in every state of this nation to make a statement of her concern. . . . This is not a bill which projects or requires the conference to project a particular point of view. There will be women coming to this conference who hold opposing viewpoints on all subjects.

There will be those who are for the ERA represented there, there will be some who are opposed to the ERA represented there. . . . The funding proposed in this bill . . . is necessary to make certain that there can be state meetings to provide the opportunity for women of all kinds . . . representing every point of view. . . .

The Commission would assist in establishing in each state a coordinating committee drawn from the broadest possible spectrum of interested women.

Congresswoman Patsy Mink, another supporter of the Abzug bill, added: " . . . in the committee we were very careful in accepting an amendment which restricted altogether any activities whatsoever that could in any manner, form or shape be called lobbying. This would prohibit the use of these funds in any way whatsoever for the purpose of any lobbying activities, whether it be for ERA or abortion or any other piece of legislation. . . . So if the concern is that there will be lobbying for ERA or lobbying for abortion or whatever else, I believe the public law is clear on that, and the appropriations language in this bill is also clear."

Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm echoed the same promises: "This is not going to be a one-sided conference. . . . The fact that we are going to introduce an amendment which will negate having any kind of lobbying activities, I think, is something that will help many of you who have been having a great many qualms about this particular conference."

Congress accepted the sponsors of the Abzug bill at their word and appropriated $5 million to the Commission on International Women's Year. Congress apparently thought it was safeguarding against misuse of the funds by adding a prohibition against "lobbying activities" in both the authorization law setting up the Commission and in the appropriation.

**"Lobbying Activities"**

The statutory prohibition against "lobbying activities" was impossible to enforce, provided no sanctions for violation, and depended on the Commissioners' good faith in fairly presenting all points of view about major women's issues. The lack of good faith is proved by the official resolution of April 15, 1965, resolving "to do all in our capacity" to see that ERA is passed "at the earliest possible moment." Despite the clear prohibition against "lobbying activities" in both IWY laws, fliers were passed out at the Illinois IWY state conference urging everyone to picket the homes of all Illinois State Legislators who voted NO on ERA. The flyer specified that picketing was to be done between 11:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Father's Day, Sunday, June 19th.

In June 1976 the IWY Commission published its book called "To Form a More Perfect Union" in which it sets forth its legislative and political goals. Its sales price by the Government Printing Office was $5.20, but thousands of copies were distributed free at the taxpayers' expense. This book proudly reproduced the official pro-ERA resolution of April 1975 and re-proclaimed the policy of the IWY Commission "to do all in our capacity" to see that ERA is ratified at the earliest possible moment. This book lists the organizations which urged the IWY to set up a public lobby in behalf of the Equal Rights Amendment. Every one of the organizations listed, such as the National Organization for Women, is known to be publicly and aggressively supporting ratification of ERA. Excluded from that list were organizations that have not endorsed ERA, such as the NSDAR, the American Legion Auxiliary, the VFW Auxiliary, Farm Bureau Women, PTAs known to be opposed to ERA, branches of the General Federation of Women's Clubs on record against ERA, and many women's organizations of various denominations.
As a result of the input of pro-ERA organizations, the IWY Commission set up a subgroup called the ERA Committee, funded by Federal money. This group, in turn, served as "catalyst and convener" for a separate lobbying group called ERAmerica. While ERAmerica presumably does not operate on taxpayers' money, it cannot deny its parentage. It was a creation of the IWY Commission, and Liz Carpenter, the co-chair of ERAmerica, remains an IWY Commissioner.

The 1977 IWY Commission

When the Carter Administration took office in early 1977, the President appointed new Commissioners of his choice. He appointed former Congresswoman Bella Abzug as chairman, 41 Commissioners who are pro-ERA, and one whose position on ERA is unclear.

The current IWY Commissioners include almost every militant ERA leader in the country: Gloria Steinem, editor of MS Magazine; Jean O'Leary, co-executive director of the National Gay Task Force; Eleanor Smeal, president of the National Organization for Women (NOW); Audrey Row Colom, past president of the Women's Political Caucus; Martha Griffiths, the House sponsor of ERA; Liz Carpenter, co-chair of the ERA lobby called ERAmerica; Elizabeth Athanasakos, past chairperson of the IWY Commission; Sey Chassler, editor of Redbook Magazine who had organized a consortium of 35 women's magazines to publish simultaneous pro-ERA articles in the Bicentennial month of July 1976; Ruth Clusen, president of the pro-ERA League of Women Voters; and Senator Birch Bayh, Senate sponsor of ERA. No leader opposed to ERA was included.

The stated purpose of the $5 million that Congress appropriated to the IWY Commission was to put on women's conferences in each of the 50 states in 1977, to be followed by one national conference. Once the pro-ERA activists on the IWY Commission got their hands on the Federal money, however, they promptly changed the purpose. The IWY Commission designed the state and national conferences as a series of charades in which taxpayers' money would be spent to bring together groups of women who would pass resolutions demanding certain legislation, and these resolutions would then be presented to Congress and State Legislatures as what "American women" want. Actually, the IWY conferences were expensive, staged "media events" in which subsidized delegates participated in controlled meetings, passing resolutions which were all pre-written and pre-packaged more than a year earlier by the IWY Commission and published in its June 1976 book called "To Form a More Perfect Union."

The Pattern of Bias

In pursuance of this goal to control the outcome of the women's conferences, the pro-ERA activists on the IWY Commission excluded from participation, programming, or funding, everyone known to be actively opposed to ERA. ERA proponents are consistently unwilling to grant equal rights to those opposed to ERA.

The National IWY Commission appointed a Coordinating Committee in each state to plan and supervise the state IWY conferences. The State Coordinating Committees mirrored the same lopsided bias as the National Commission. For example, in Illinois the Coordinating Committee was 58 pro-ERA to one con-ERA, with a NOW member as chairman. The paid staff hired by the Coordinating Committees in each state was usually 100 percent pro-ERA and dominated by NOW and Women's Political Caucus officials or organizers.

The general-session speakers at the IWY State Conferences were 100 percent pro-ERA, including Bella Abzug, Gloria Steinem, Jill Ruckelshaus, Carolyn Bird, Shirley Chisholm, and Ruth Clusen. No speaker opposed to ERA was permitted to address any general session at any one of the 50 IWY State Conferences. At the dozens of small workshops, the ratio was about 100 pro-ERA speakers to one token con-ERA.

The device by which participants in the IWY State Conferences were conned into voting their approval of the goals already pre-determined by the IWY Commission was set forth in "Agenda Letter #17." This instructed the State Coordinating Committees how to set up a phony "ballot" designed and loaded to elicit a "yes" or "agree" answer on the 16 pre-determined goals of the IWY Commission. The question itself was presented in a highly biased way, and then it referred back to the relevant pages in the Federally-financed book "To Form a More Perfect Union." For example, question #6 asked for a vote on ERA. It cited the pages in the IWY report which are highly biased in favor of ERA and highly prejudicial against opponents of ERA.

The technique of the IWY "ballot" can be illustrated like this. Suppose you were asked to vote for President of the United States and, instead of being given a ballot that simply listed Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford, you were given a "ballot" which stated: "Jimmy Carter is a good man who would make an excellent President who would solve all our problems. Agree ___ Disagree ___ Don't Know ___." With that type of a "ballot," the result would surely be "agree." This is the way that the IWY state conference approved ERA, universal Federal child-care, and government-funded abortion-on-demand.

The original IWY agenda did not include a provision for lesbian privileges. The first official action taken in 1977 after Bella Abzug became chairman and Jean O'Leary a member of the Commission was the authorization of lesbian workshops. This brought into the state conferences large numbers of lesbians and their sympathizers whose obscene T-shirts and signs, vulgar language, offensive "entertainment," and aggressive behavior were a source of shock and dismay to the pro-family women who attended. For example, a workshop listed on the Hawaii conference program as "Coming Together" turned out to be a lesbian dance performance that simulated two lesbians making love in a pay toilet. Filthy-speech narrations accompanied this "entertainment."

In order to put lesbian privileges on the official IWY agenda, the IWY allowed state conferences to approve additional resolutions that came out of the state workshops. Lesbian resolutions were approved in 30 of the 50 state conferences. Other radical resolutions approved by many of the state IWY conferences included repeal of all laws against prostitution,
female “quotas” to get women in jobs in place of more qualified men, hiring taxpayer-financed “women’s advocates” at all levels of government including the Cabinet, reduction in the work week to 35 hours with no cut in pay, wages for housewives (at the taxpayers’ expense), taking the money out of the B-1 bomber and transferring it to the promotion of IWY goals, the abolition of veterans preference, and the replacement of Robert’s Rules of Order with Group Dynamics.

Improprieties at State Conferences

It was quite a challenge, however, to make sure that the IWY Commission-approved resolutions were passed, but pro-family resolutions were not, especially since, in several of the first states to hold conferences, pro-family women arrived in sufficient numbers to vote down the pre-written IWY resolutions. The improprieties and illegaldos at the IWY state conferences have been redundantly documented in Ad Hoc Congressional hearings chaired by Senator Jesse Helms in Washington on September 14 and 15, 1977, and by Congressman Robert K. Dornan in Houston on November 18, 1977.

Here were the methods used to make sure that the IWY resolutions were approved at most of the state conferences:

1) The IWY recruited participants among such groups as NOW and the Women’s Political Caucus, even subsidizing attendance by persons from those groups, while not notifying or encouraging attendance by women from groups known to be opposed to ERA. Anti-ERA women who did attend the state conferences were usually greeted in an inhospitable and even hostile manner. The arrogant attitude of most IWY officials and employees can be summed up as follows: (a) if you do not support ERA and other IWY goals, you have no right to attend; and (b) if you are a member of a feminist group you are welcome, but if you are a member of a church you are suspect.

2) The IWY devised, controlled and manipulated the rules in any way necessary to achieve their goals. The rules were kept secret as long as possible, then changed daily before the state conferences, and hourly during the state conferences.

3) The IWY officials ran most general sessions with an iron hand that allowed no interference with their steamroller. Robert’s Rules of Order and other rules of civilized parliamentary procedure were ignored. IWY officials never permitted an appeal to the assembly from the chair’s arbitrary and inconsistent rulings.

4) Easy passage of the IWY-approved resolutions was facilitated in most states by the device of voting on them as a bloc so that there could be no separate debate on controversial resolutions.

5) Non-IWY resolutions were prevented from emerging from workshops by the MMOPP Strategy (Monitoring and Mobile Operation Partnership Program). This consisted of a roving band of women recruited from NOW, the Women’s Political Caucus and the Lesbian Caucus who monitored the workshops, alerted their troops by walkie-talkies and beepers, and crowded in just before any vote was taken.

6) If perchance a non-IWY resolution was voted out of the workshops, then it was blocked from consideration by the device of placing an IWY-approved resolution on the same subject immediately ahead of it, and then having the chair rule the non-IWY resolution “out of order” so that no vote could be taken on it.

7) In Kansas pro-family delegates were simply locked out of the hall where the resolutions were voted on because of an alleged rule of the Fire Marshal that the capacity was limited to 2,500. Since 4,600 persons were registered, a couple of thousand persons who paid $2 each were excluded from voting on resolutions. The next day it was discovered that the actual capacity of the convention hall was 5,200.

How Elections Were Rigged

The other business of the state conferences was the election of delegates who would represent each state at the national conference in Houston. The tactics used by the IWY to make sure that a large majority of pro-ERA delegates would be elected included the following:

1) The election committee was placed in the exclusive control of pro-ERA, IWY-selected persons, usually chosen from NOW and Caucus groups.

2) The IWY customarily refused to allow non-IWY candidates to have poll watchers during the counting of the ballots. This fundamental right of candidates in any honest election was denied in most states, and allowed in some only after threat of court action.

3) The rules in regard to nominations, elections, and the counting of the ballots were changed repeatedly, secretly and arbitrarily, in order to elect IWY delegates and defeat non-IWY delegates. For example, in Florida, although pro-family forces had a comfortable two-thirds majority and could easily have elected a full slate of delegates to Houston, the IWY officials rigged the rules so that the pro-family forces could nominate candidates for only 13 out of 40 delegate positions. In order to accomplish this totalitarian control, the IWY conference officials: (a) used up most of the nominating time in accepting nominations for pro-ERA candidates, (b) refused to permit a vote on a motion to extend the time for nominations, (c) refused to permit write-in candidates on the ballot, (d) refused to permit any motion to appeal from the chair to the assembly, (e) disconnected the floor microphones of con-ERA participants, and (f) adjourned the meeting in order to preclude any non-IWY-approved action.

4) After the state conferences finished their task of electing delegates to the Houston conference, the IWY National Commission appointed an additional 400 delegates of its own choosing—just to make sure that the pro-ERA delegates had an overwhelmingly safe majority in Houston.

The Houston Anti-Climax

There were no surprises at the national IWY conference held in Houston, Texas, on November 18-21, 1977. Four-fifths of the elected delegates dutifully voted as they had been pre-programmed. The principal resolutions among the 26 passed in Houston were: (1) ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment, (2) privileges for homosexuals and lesbians to teach in the schools, to rent from any landlord, and to have custody of children; (3) Federally-funded abortion-on-demand, the requirement that
abortion be included in privately-financed medical services, and the approval of abortions for teenagers without parental knowledge or consent; (4) a major role for the Federal Government in directing and funding comprehensive universal child care (which Time Magazine estimates will cost $25 billion per year). Most of the resolutions demanded more Federal control and greatly increased Federal spending.

Although about 20 percent of the official IWY delegates opposed these resolutions, the IWY Chair refused to allow these pro-family delegates to present their Minority Report. This was clear evidence of the intolerance of the IWY toward non-IWY views.

The IWY national conference made it clear that lesbianism is not an issue confined to extremist elements on the fringes of the movement. Lesbian goals were part and parcel of the official IWY policies. The IWY leaders closed ranks with each other in support of lesbian goals, and they approved the publication of an official 38-page IWY booklet called “A Lesbian Guide.” On the cover it states proudly: “This booklet was prepared by the National Gay Task Force and officially approved by the National Commission on the Observance of International Women’s Year.” The inside front cover lists the names of all the IWY National Commissioners.

In addition, the IWY officials permitted lesbians to display and peddle at and near the conference their offensive and obscene booklets, buttons and devices. Lesbian pamphlets openly distributed included: “What Lesbians Do,” “The Playlist for Women About Sex,” and “High School Sensuality: A Teaching Guide.” Buttons worn at the IWY Conference included “Mother Nature is a Lesbian,” “Out of the Closet and Into the Street,” and others too indecent to repeat.

The IWY Conference failed to include one word of condemnation of the worst exploitation of women—pornography. The reason is obvious. The lesbian pamphlets are just as pornographic as the smut peddled by pornography profiteers in “adult” bookstores.

The really newsworthy event took place several miles away from the IWY conference at the Astro-Arena, where a much larger crowd assembled for a Pro-Family Rally featuring speakers against ERA, abortion, lesbian privileges, and Federal child-care. More people came to the Pro-Family Rally at their own expense than came to the IWY National Conference to which thousands of pro-ERAers and Federal employees were sent at the taxpayers’ expense, after extensive media promotion. The Houston Post reported that 20,000 persons came to the Pro-Family Rally. The IWY Conference was held at the Albert Thomas Convention Center which has a seating capacity of about 9,000, and large blocks of seats were empty most of the time. The amazing success of the Pro-Family Rally proved decisively that the IWY national conference does not speak for American women.

Like all Federal bureaus, the IWY Commission is requesting more funds for continued operations. The question is, will Congress grant another appropriation to the pro-ERA activists to promote their own special-interest goals at the taxpayers’ expense?

The National Society Regrets to Report the Death of:

- FLORENCE HENDRICK MILLER (MRS. CHESTER F.) on January 14, 1978 in Saginaw, Michigan. Elected Honorary Vice President General in 1960, Mrs. Miller served as Vice President General 1949-52 and as Michigan State Regent 1946-49. She was a member of the Saginaw Chapter.


- RUTH RALLS FISHER (MRS. GEORGE BAIRD) on January 20, 1978, in Osgood, Missouri. State Regent of Missouri 1958-60, Mrs. Fisher was a member of the General John Sullivan Chapter.

- FLORENCE E. LEDNUM SCOTT (MRS. JAMES H.) on July 30, 1977 in Wilmington, Delaware. Mrs. Scott was a member of Caesar Rodney Chapter and served as State Regent 1938-41.

- ALICE HAIRSTON GERON (MRS. RICHARD PRESTON) in Huntsville, Alabama in December 1977. A member of the Twickenhan Town Chapter, Mrs. Geron served as Alabama State Regent 1964-67 and as Vice President General 1967-70.
The Treasurer of a DAR Chapter should be a woman who knows how to keep records, has integrity and a sense of responsibility; one who knows how to reconcile her own personal checking account with the bank statement of that account, and who pays meticulous attention to detail. Every Chapter Treasurer should have the “Guide for Chapter Treasurers” and the current edition of the DAR Handbook. In these two sources she has the outline of the work of Chapter Treasurer and the method of handling this work.

A Treasurer is custodian of the funds of the Chapter and is responsible for these funds. She collects and receives all funds of the Chapter and deposits these funds in a Bank or Banks selected by the Board of Management or the Chapter, to the credit of the Chapter and not in a personal account. All checks written on the Chapter account should be signed by the Treasurer with the word, “Treasurer,” under her name. The funds of the Chapter should be disbursed only on the order of the Chapter or the Board of Management. Personal gifts to DAR Projects which are given through the Chapter for specific purposes or projects do not require authorization from the Chapter for disbursement.

A Treasurer is legally responsible for the accuracy of her reports. Her accounts should be audited once a year. If the Bylaws of the Chapter do not require a monthly report of the Treasurer, she should be prepared and must give a report on the finances when requested to do so. The report of the Treasurer should show: (1) Balance in bank from the last report with the date; (2) Receipts from the time of the last report to the date set for the current report; (3) Disbursements for the same period of time; (4) Balance in the checking account to set date; (5) Assets or amounts due the Chapter; (6) Amounts due and payable by the Chapter. The report should always show the balance on hand at the beginning and at the close of the period for which the report is made. The report is to inform the Chapter of its financial condition, not the dates monies were received nor dates money was paid out. The Treasurer should insist upon having her books audited because the adoption of the auditor’s report by the Chapter assures her the accounts are correct for the period covered in the audit, except in case of fraud. Robert’s, Parliamentary Law, states: “But in ordinary societies it is practicable to have the Treasurer’s reports properly audited, without expense, by an auditing committee of two or more members of the society” and further, “In nearly all cases it is better to appoint the auditors, as the auditing committee will be called, in advance, so that the Treasurer’s report may be audited.” It would seem that in most of the Chapters the books of the Treasurer should be audited by a committee named from the membership.

The duties of the Chapter Registrar are outlined in the DAR Handbook, 1975. She is the person directly responsible for seeing that the lineage papers of the prospective member meets all requirements before they are sent to the office of the Treasurer General thence to be verified for membership through acceptable service of her ancestor. In addition to the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, and War and Navy records, service will be accepted upon proof of holding Civil office during the Revolutionary War (1775-1783), Patriotic service during the same period, member of Continental Congress, Signer of Oath of Fidelity and Support, Oath of Allegiance, Articles of Association, Association Tests, Non-Consumption and Non-Importation Agreement, etc., Boston Tea Party, Aid to Boston (1774), Galvez Expedition, St. Louis Patriots, Edenton Tea Party, Cherokee Expedition, Defenders of Forts and Frontiers, etc. Service by women is recognized as patriots, nurses, doctors or others rendering aid to the wounded. There are even more categories which the Chapter Registrar has information about.
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**MARCH 1978**
NATIONAL OFFICERS

Chaplain General's Prayer Breakfast and Pilgrimage: Sunday, April 16, 1978: Breakfast 7:30 am, State Room, Mayflower Hotel. A substantial breakfast will be served, $6.50. Pilgrimage to Arlington National Cemetery and Mount Vernon for wreath-laying ceremonies: Minibuses leave from the DeSales Street entrance of the Mayflower Hotel at 8:30 am. Tickets $6.00. (Due to restrictions on large buses entering Mount Vernon grounds, only minibuses and private cars will be permitted to drive directly to the Tomb.) Breakfast and minibus together, $12.50. Return to Mayflower Hotel is anticipated by 12:15. Please make reservations by April 1: Mrs. Richard P. Taylor, 8801 Belmart Road, Potomac, Maryland 20854. Send stamped, addressed envelope with check. State buses are welcome. Please clear all arrangements with Mrs. Taylor.

Memorial Service: Sunday, April 16, 2:30 pm, Constitution Hall. Places on platform for State Chaplains. Assemble in President General's Reception Room at 1:30 pm.

Organizing Secretary General: See Registrar General. Meeting, Thursday, April 20, 11:40 am—Noon, Assembly Room, second floor of the Administration Building.

Treasurer General: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, National Board Room, second floor, 10:50-11:30 am.

Registrar General: Joint meeting with National Membership Commission, Monday, April 17, Constitution Hall, National Officers' Club Hall, second floor, 10:15 am. Membership Commission includes Organizing Secretary General, Librarian General, Genealogical Records Committee, Lineage Research, National Membership Committee and Seimes Microfilm Center.

Historian General: Joint meeting with the Reporter General and American History Month Committee. Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, National Board Room, second floor, 9:45-10:45 am.

Librarian General: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Library Balcony East, 9:30-10:15 am. Joint meeting with Registrar General 10:30 am.

Curator General: Joint meeting of all DAR Museum connected committees, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, National Board Room, second floor, 8:30-9:30 am. Meeting to include Museum Advisers, Docents National Vice Chairmen, Friends of the Museum and Special Museum Events.

NATIONAL COMMITTEES

American Heritage: Round Table, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Banquet Hall, third floor, 10:00-11:30 am.

American Indians: Business meeting, Monday, April 17, C.A.R. Board Room, Memorial Continental Hall, third floor, 2:30-3:30 pm. Breakfast, Wednesday, April 19, Mayflower Hotel, State Room, 7:15 am, $8.00. Reservations before April 1, Mrs. Ernest B. Dickerson, 7237 Allan Avenue, Falls Church, Virginia 22046. Send self-addressed stamped envelope. During Congress: Mrs. Dickerson or Mrs. Sherman B. Watson, Lower level Constitution Hall.

Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship: Meeting, Monday, April 17, 10:00-11:30 am. C.A.R. Board Room, Memorial Continental Hall, third floor.


Conservation: Workshop, Thursday, April 20, Guest Speaker to be announced, Memorial Continental Hall, Banquet Hall, 3rd Floor. Coffee, tea, donuts, 7:30-9:00 am.

DAR Magazine: Joint meeting with DAR Magazine Advertising, Wednesday, April 19, Magazine Office, Administration Building, second floor, 8:00-9:00 am.

DAR Magazine Advertising: See DAR Magazine.

DAR Schools: Luncheon, Wednesday, April 19, Mayflower Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 12:15 pm, $10.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. James E. McCormack, 3401 Alabama Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22305. Please send self-addressed stamped envelope. During Congress: KDS Booth, Corridor Constitution Hall, Monday until Tuesday noon. Tickets will not be sold at door. All seats reserved.

DAR Service for Veteran Patients: Breakfast, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, State Room, 7:30-9:30 am, $6.25. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. W. Todd Devan, 213 Eichelberger Street, Hanover, Pennsylvania 17331; during Congress: Mayflower Hotel.

Flag of the U.S.A.: Meeting, Wednesday, April 19, Memorial Continental Hall, Library Balcony East, 8:00-9:00 am. National Vice Chairmen, State and Chapter Chairmen and interested members invited.

Genealogical Records: See Registrar General.

Honor Roll: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Administration Building, Assembly Room, 2nd Floor, 10:00-11:00 am. Certificates may be picked up in the Lafayette Room, South, Constitution Hall, Monday, April 17, 2:00-4:00 pm. Tuesday, April 18, 9:00-3:00 pm. Wednesday & Thursday, April 19 & 20, 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

Junior American Citizens: Meeting, Tuesday, April 18, Assembly Room, 2nd Floor, 8:35 am.

Junior Membership: Junior Forum and Workshop Meeting, Monday, April 17, Constitution Hall, National Officers' Club Hall, 2nd floor, 8:00-10:00 am. Junior Dinner, Monday, April 17, Capital Hilton Hotel, 16th & K St., N.W., South American Room, 5:00 pm-7:30 pm. Reservations before Congress: Send check payable to Junior Membership Committee, NSDAR with stamped self-addressed envelope no later than April 10 to Mrs. Charles D. Nixon, 607 16th St, Virginia Beach, Va. 23451; during Congress: all reservations received after the 10th will be held for pickup at the Junior Bazaar Booth. Junior Executive Committee Meeting, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Chairman's Room, 6:00-7:30 pm.

Lineage Research: Meeting, Monday, April 17, 2:15-4:00 pm, Assembly Room, second floor, Administration Building. See Registrar General.

Membership: See Registrar General

Motion Picture: DAR AWARD DINNER OF THE MOTION PICTURE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, Sunday, April 16, Motion Picture Association of America Building, 1600 Eye Street, NW, MPAA lounge and dining room, 5:30 pm. Cocktails, dinner and preview. By Invitation (DAR) only. Please present card at door. Invitation not transferable. MOTION PICTURE & TELEVISION BREAKFAST & ROUND-TABLE, Tuesday, April 18, East Room, Mayflower Hotel, 7:30 am, $6.25. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Eldon Wetmore, 80 Benedict Ave., Tarrytown, NY 10591. During Congress: Mrs. Wetmore, Mayflower Hotel.

National Defense: Luncheon, Monday, April 17, Grand Ballroom, Mayflower Hotel, 12:00 noon-2:00 pm. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Walter E. Ward, 4822 Drummond Ave., Chevy Chase, Maryland 20015. During Congress: Mayflower Foyer, entrance to Ballroom, Monday, April 17. $10.50.

Chairmen's Roundtable, Monday, April 17, 3:00-5:00 pm, Mayflower Hotel, New York Suite. (Limited to National Vice Chairmen and State Chairmen only.)

Program: Meeting and Yearbook Clinic, Tuesday, April 18, National Officers' Club Hall, Constitution Hall, 2nd Floor, 1:30-3:30 pm.

Public Relations: Regular meeting, Tuesday, April 18, 7:45-9:00 am, National Officers' Club Hall; joint meeting with DAR Speakers Staff.

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Alabama: Meeting, Monday, April 17, American National Red Cross Building, Assembly Room, 2nd Floor, 17th and D Streets, N.W., 9:00 am-10:30 am. Tea, Tuesday, April 18, Presidential Room, Mayflower Hotel, 5:00-6:30 pm, $9.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. J. A. Grow, 306 17th Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401. During Congress: Mrs. J. A. Grow, Mayflower Hotel.

Arkansas: Breakfast, Thursday, April 20, Mayflower Hotel, Chinese Room, 7:30-8:30 am, $7.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. J. A. Marmouget, 1314 W. Oak Street, Rogers, Arkansas 72756; during Congress: Mrs. J. A. Marmouget or Mrs. J. H. Stevenson, Mayflower Hotel.
California: Tea, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 4:00-6:00 pm, $9.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. John J. Morton, 2725 Ptarmigan Road, Walnut Creek, California 94595; during Congress: Mrs. John J. Morton, Mayflower Hotel.

Colorado: Meeting, Monday, April 17, DAR Administration Building, 3rd Floor, Colorado Room, 9:30-10:30 am. Tea, Wednesday, April 19, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 4:00-6:00 pm, $8.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. John W. McGuire, Jr., 3907 Homestead Drive, Prairie Village, Kansas 66208; during Congress: Mrs. J. W. McGuire, Mayflower Hotel.

Connecticut: Get Together, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Virginia Room, 7:00-10:00 pm. See New England States.

Delaware: Luncheon, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Pan American Room, 12:30-2:30 pm, $11.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Robert J. Kennedy, 210 Gills Neck Rd., Lewes, Delaware 19958; during Congress: Mrs. Joseph Wolf, Park Central Hotel, 705 18th Street, N.W.

Florida: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, Presidential Room, 2:15 pm. Tea, Wednesday, April 19, Mayflower Hotel, Chinese Room, 4:00-5:30 pm, $8.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Loyd G. Kelly, 11095, S.W., 53rd Avenue, Miami, Florida 33156; during Congress: Mrs. Loyd G. Kelly or Mrs. John Dean Milton, Mayflower Hotel.

Georgia: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, Presidential Room, 2:30-3:30 pm. Dinner, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 6:00 pm, $16.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Jonathan W. Fox, P.O. Box 415, Leesburg, Georgia 31763; during Congress: Mrs. Fox, Mayflower Hotel.

Idaho: See Northwestern States.

Illinois: Dinner, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 6:30-10:00 pm, $15.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. William P. Jackson, 1507 W. Clark Street, Champaign, Illinois 61820; during Congress: Mrs. R. Taylor Drake, Mayflower Hotel.

Indiana: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Indiana Room, 2nd Floor, 9:15 to 9:30 am. Tea, Monday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 3:00 to 5:00 pm, $8.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. George Vickery, Jr., 7814 Windcombe Boulevard, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240; during Congress: State Regent Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, Mayflower Hotel.

Iowa, Nebraska & North Dakota: Luncheon, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Chinese Room, 1:00 pm. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. J. Carroll Bobbitt, 5815 Florence Blvd., Omaha, Nebraska 68110; during Congress: Mrs. Henry B. Wallace or Mrs. J. Carroll Bobbitt, Mayflower Hotel. Tickets $11.00.

Kansas: See Colorado.

Kentucky & Ohio: Reception, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, East/State Rooms, 8:30-11:00 pm, $8.25. Reservations before Congress: KENTUCKY TICKETS: Mrs. Roy C. Nestor, 299 Main St., Florence, Kentucky 40142; during Congress: Mrs. H. E. Kitzmiller, Mayflower Hotel. OHIO TICKETS before Congress: Mrs. H. E. Kitzmiller, 565 Overlook Drive, N.E., Lancaster, Ohio 43130; during Congress: Mrs. H. E. Kitzmiller, Mayflower Hotel.

Louisiana: Tea, Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel Chinese Room, 5:00-7:00 pm, $9.00. Reservations before Congress: Miss Frances Flanders, 1703 North Third St., Monroe, Louisiana 71201; during Congress: Miss Flanders, Mayflower Hotel.

Maine: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Maine State Room, 3rd Floor, 9:30-10:30 am. See New England States.

Maryland: Luncheon, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, State Room, 12:30-2:00 pm, $10.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. John T. Rogers, 6008 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, Maryland 20034; during Congress: Mrs. John T. Rogers, 6008 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, Maryland 20034. Reception, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Maryland Room, 10:15-11:15 pm.

Massachusetts: See New England States.

Michigan: Reception, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Chinese Room, 8:30-11:00 pm, $7.80. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Maxwell E. Hunt, 16756 Greenview Road, Detroit, Michigan 48219; during Congress: Mrs. Hunt, Mayflower Hotel.

Minnesota: Dinner, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Pan American Room, 6:30-9:00 pm, $13.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Max L. Pharr, 1039 Manship Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202; during Congress: Mrs. Max L. Pharr, Mayflower Hotel.

Mississippi: Breakfast, Tuesday, April 18, 7:30-8:30 am, Mayflower Hotel, Presidential Room, $7.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Max L. Pharr, 1039 Manship Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202; during Congress: Mrs. Max L. Pharr, Mayflower Hotel.

Missouri: Brunch & Short Meeting, Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 10:00-12:00 noon, $7.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Frank T. Louk, Route C, Box 951, Camdenton, Missouri 65020; during Congress: Mrs. Frank T. Louk, Mayflower Hotel.

Montana: See Northwestern States.

Nebraska: See Iowa

Nevada: See Northwestern States.

New England States: Colonial Tea, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Ballroom, 5:00-7:00 pm, $8.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Kenneth G. Maybe, Old Mill Road, Center Conway, New Hampshire 03813; during Congress: Mrs. Kenneth Maybe, Mayflower Hotel. Benefit of Hillside School.


New Jersey: Luncheon, Tuesday, April 18, Army Navy Club, 1627
Eye Street, N.W., Sky Room, 12:00 noon-3:00 pm. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Alan R. Crawford, State Vice Regent, 476 W. Saddle River Road, Upper River, New Jersey 07458; during Congress: Mrs. Crawford, Mayflower Hotel. Price of tickets $10.00.

New Mexico: See Colorado

New York: Board of Management Meeting and Buffet Supper, Sunday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, New York Suite and Pennsylvania Suite, 4:30 pm. Open House, Monday, April 17, New York State Room, Memorial Continental Hall, 2nd Floor, 9:30-11:30 am. Luncheon and meeting, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 12:30-3:30 pm, $11.50, check payable to New York State Luncheon. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. George F. Bratt, 135-2 S. Highland Avenue, Ossining, New York 10562; during Congress: New York State Room, 7:30-9:30 am, $7.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. William A. Burgett, Mayflower Hotel.

New York: See Northwestern States.

Oregon: See Northwestern States.

Pennsylvania: Meeting, State Board of Management, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Third Floor, C.A.R. Board Room, 11:45-12:45 pm. Luncheon, Tuesday, April 18, Washington Hilton Hotel, Connecticut Avenue and Columbia Road, N.W., Washington, D.C., Jefferson, Lincoln, and Monroe West Rooms, Lower Level, 12:00 noon. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. J. Watson Scarborough, "Willowyck," 602 Barrington Place, Lansdale, Pennsylvania 19446. During Congress: Corridor Lobby near House Committee Desk, Constitution Hall, Monday, April 17, 10:00-12:00 noon.

Rhode Island: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Rhode Island Room, 1:00 pm, $9.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. H. C. Bradshaw, 1107 Vickers Avenue, Durham, North Carolina 27707; during Congress: at the door.

North Carolina: Meeting, all members, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, National Board Room, 2nd Floor, 2:30-3:30 pm. Tea, Wednesday, April 19, Mayflower Hotel, State Room, 4:00-6:00 pm, $8.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. George F. Bratt, 135-2 S. Highland Avenue, Ossining, New York 10562; during Congress: New York State Room, Monday, April 17, 9:30 to 11:00 only.

North Dakota: See Iowa

Northwestern States: Breakfast, Tuesday, April 18, Mayflower Hotel, Chinese Room, 7:15-8:30 am, $7.75. Reservations before Congress: Miss Lorene Burks, MSDAR State Regent, 3603 4th Avenue, North Great Falls, Montana 59401; during Congress: Miss Lorene Burks, Holiday Inn, 1615 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036.

Ohio: See Kentucky

Oklahoma: Meeting, all delegates and member, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, Oklahoma Colonial Kitchen, Lower Floor, 9:00-10:00 am. Golden West Tea, see Colorado. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. O. E. VanMeter, 7710 Grensted Lane, Lawton, Oklahoma 73501; during Congress: Mrs. O. E. VanMeter, Mayflower Hotel.

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West Virginia: Meeting, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, East Room, 12:30 pm, $10.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. James H. Lemen, Summit Point, West Virginia 25546; during Congress: Mrs. Hubert Marshall. Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Constitution Hall, West Virginia State Room, 2:30 pm.

Wisconsin: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Memorial Continental Hall, C.A.R. Board Room, 3rd Floor, 8:30-9:30 am. Luncheon, Thursday, April 20, The Astor Restaurant, 1813 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 12:30 pm, $8.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Fred Bush, 8104 Brookside Place, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53213. Final Reservations Date: Tuesday, April 11.

Wyoming: See Northwestern States.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Auditing: Meeting, Thursday, April 13, Constitution Hall, Lafayette Room South, first floor, 1:30-3:30 pm. Members only.

Resolutions: Meeting, Tuesday, April 11 through Saturday, April 15, 8:30 am, Assembly Room, Administration Building, second floor. Monday, April 17 through Friday, April 21, 8:00 am, Genealogical Records Committee Annex, Memorial Continental Hall, second floor.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

American History Month: See Historian General

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Constitution Week: Meeting, Tuesday, April 18, C.A.R. Board Room, Memorial Continental Hall, third floor, 8:00-9:00 am. Display table for Scrapbooks will be in Dressing Room 1, ground floor, Constitution Hall, Monday, April 17 through Friday, April 21.

DAR Membership Commission: See Registrar General

DAR Museum Docents: See Curator General

Friends of The Museum: See Curator General

Seimes Microfilm Center: See Registrar General

Units Overseas: Luncheon, Thursday, April 20, Mayflower Hotel, President Room, 12:15-1:45 pm, $10.50. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. Alex W. Boone, 2526 Elm Street, Davenport, Iowa 52803. During Congress: Mrs. Alex W. Boone, Mayflower Hotel.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

DAR American National Chorus: Rehearsals Monday & Tuesday, April 17 & 18, Memorial Continental Hall Banquet Hall, third floor, 1:30-4:00 pm. Wednesday, April 19, immediately following the close of Congress Session, Constitution Hall. Mrs. Anson H. Russell IV, 3960 Lake Road, Sheffield Lake, Ohio 44054.

Congress Program: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Conductor’s Room, first floor, Constitution Hall, 12:30-1:30 pm.

Credentials: Meeting, Friday, April 14, O’Byrne Room, Administration Building, ground floor, 10:00 am. For instruction of Committee Members.

Guest-Hospitality: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Conductor’s Room, Constitution Hall, first floor, 9:30-11:00 am.

House: Meeting, Monday, April 17, Auditorium, Constitution Hall, 9:00 am.

Marshal: Breakfast, Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, Potomac Room, 8:00-10:00 am.

Men’s Dinner: Monday, April 17, Mayflower Hotel, Pan American Room, 5:45 pm refreshments, 6:30 pm dinner, $13.50. Black tie optional for gentlemen attending Opening Night Ceremonies. Reservations with check before Congress: Grahame T. Smallwood, 45 East 200 North, Apartment 6, Salt Lake City, Utah 84103. No tickets mailed, but door list kept: during Congress: Hotel Presidential or at door if reservations made in advance.

Pages: Registration and meeting, Monday, April 17, for Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs only, 10:45 am, Pages’ Lounge, Constitution Hall, lower floor. Registration of all Pages, 11:30 am, Pages’ Lounge, Constitution Hall, lower floor. Orientation and instruction for all Pages, Auditorium, Constitution Hall, 12:45 pm.

Platform: Meeting, Monday, April 17, 11:00 am-1:30 pm, Constitution Hall Stage.

President General’s Reception Room: Meeting, Monday, April 17, 10:00 am, President General’s Reception Room, first floor, Constitution Hall.

Press Books: Monday, April 17 through Friday, April 21. Press Books will be on display in Lafayette Room East, first floor, Constitution Hall.

Registration Line: Meeting, Friday, April 14, The Baylies Centre, Administration Building, ground floor, opposite O’Byrne Room, 10:30 am. Seating: See Credentials.

SPECIAL

50 Year Member Recognition: Meeting and Luncheon, Sunday, April 16, Mayflower Hotel, Maryland Room, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, $10.00. Reservations before Congress: Mrs. J. Herschel White, 3100 Cherry Creek Drive, South, Apartment 1104, Denver, Colorado 80209.

N.S.C.A.R. National Convention
April 20-23, 1978

Thursday, April 20—Senior National Board of Management, National Officers Club Room, 2nd floor, Constitution Hall, 9:00 a.m.—all day

Friday, April 21—Opening of Convention, Sheraton-Park Hotel. Cotillion Room—8:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 22—Convention Business Sessions, Sheraton-Park Hotel—9:00 a.m.

National Banquet, Sheraton-Park Hotel—7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 23—Annual Pilgrimage
JUNIOR EVENTS 1978

By ROBERTA E. NOWRY
National Vice Chairman in Charge of Junior Events

JUNIOR BAZAAR
Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. April 17 through April 20, and 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 noon on April 21. Volunteer salesgirls are welcomed and needed. Please write the Junior Bazaar Chairman, Mrs. Denise Dodds, 15 Rock River Ridge, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933 if you will give some of your time at your “Junior Bazaar Booth.”

JUNIOR FORUM AND WORKSHOP
Monday, April 17, 1978 — 8:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in the National Officers’ Club Room, second floor, Constitution Hall, 1776 D Street, NW (across from C.A.R. Headquarters). All Juniors and interested “Daughters” are welcome and urged to attend. Bring your friends, questions, suggestions and enthusiasm.

JUNIOR DINNER
Monday, April 17, 1978 — 5:00 p.m. on the nose — South American Room, Capitol Hilton, 16th & K Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. The price is $13.50. Dress in long white gowns, as we go directly to Constitution Hall following dinner. The program will feature professional entertainment, and the announcement and presentation of all State and Divisional Winners of the 1978 “Outstanding Junior Member Contest.” Junior winners, send in your reservations, too. A special way to get acquainted — Olé.
Return the Junior Dinner Reservation Blank below with a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and your check or money order for $13.50, made payable to Junior Membership Committee NSDAR. Send no later than April 10 to: Miss Mary Anne Nixon, Junior Dinner Chairman, 607 16th Street, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23451.
Tickets will be mailed. For reservations received after April 10, tickets may be picked up at the Junior Bazaar Booth, D Street Corridor, Constitution Hall during Congress.
See you there!

Junior Dinner Reservation Blank
1978 Congress DAR

Name and address


Number of reservations at $13.50 each

Amount enclosed

MARCH 1978
The State House
Evolution Of A National Shrine

By Geneva Aldrich Wright
Past Vice President General
Jeptha Abbott Chapter, Ardmore, Pennsylvania

Few historic buildings in Philadelphia are quite as notable and picturesque as The State House, which was known generally as The State House until after the middle of the nineteenth century when it became known as Independence Hall.

Prior to the construction of The State House in 1732, the Provincial Government of Pennsylvania had no official building. They met in private dwellings rented annually for the purpose, or occasionally in the City Hall at Second and High (now Market) Streets.

It was on May 1, 1729 the Assembly considered “the necessity of a House for the Assembly”. The motion was passed unanimously. So it came to pass “a house for the representatives of the freemen of this province to meet and sit in general assembly in the City of Philadelphia . . .” was constructed in 1732.

The building of The State House was a slow process. The Assembly was not able to meet in the new building until September 1735. Even then the building remained in an unfinished state for many years. A few years after it was completed, the Assembly in January 1749 authorized the Superintendents of The State House “to carry up a building on the South side of the said House to contain the Staircase, with a suitable Place thereon for hanging a Bell.” By March 20, 1753 the brick tower was finished and construction on the belfry began.

The Bell for The State House was authorized on October 15, 1751. The Superintendents of The State House acted promptly. On November first they requested Robert Charles, the Provincial Agent in England, “to get a good Bell of about one hundred pounds weight . . .” The Superintendents estimated the cost of the Bell to be about one hundred pounds sterling and enclosed a bill of exchange for that amount. Their letter further stated, “Let the Bell be cast by the best Workmen and examined carefully before it is shipped with the following words well shaped in large letters round it vizt.” — By order of the Assembly of the Province of Pennsylvania for THE STATE HOUSE in the City of Philadelphia and underneath,

PROCLAIM LIBERTY THRO' ALL THE LAND
TO ALL THE INHABITANTS THEREOF.
Levit XXVIO.

(The Bell received its name “Liberty Bell” from the Biblical verse inscribed on it.)

Thomas Lester of Whitechapel, England, cast the Bell, and it arrived in August 1752. Upon being tested the Bell cracked “by a stroke of the clapper without any other violence as it was hung up to try the sound. . . .” At this critical time “two ingenious Work-men” of Philadelphia offered their services. Pass, “a native of the Isle of Malta,” and Stow, the son of the doorkeeper of the Council, undertook to recast the Bell in their foundry. The tone was unsatisfactory, and it was cast again by Pass and Stow in 1753. The inscription was altered somewhat in the final casting by Pass and Stow. Thus it became,

PROCLAIM LIBERTY THROUGHOUT ALL
THE LAND UNTO ALL
THE INHABITANTS THEREOF.
Levit XXVIO.

How prophetic this was?
Having arranged for a Bell for the tower, the Assembly ordered in March 1752 that the Superintendents of The State House provide a "large clock to strike on the Bell, in the Tower of the said Building, within a suitable Dial-plate to show the Hours and Minutes."

After all this was accomplished, it is interesting to note many residents in the area complained about the noise when the Bell was rung so often. A petition from "divers Inhabitants of the City of Philadelphia, living near The State House," was presented to the Assembly complaining of "the too frequent Ringing of the great Bell in the Steeple of State House. . . ." The petition was laid on the table for further consideration, and appears to have been forgotten. Human nature never changes.

Thus the structure came into being and at the close of the Colonial period The State House of the Province of Pennsylvania was one of the best known edifices in America. It was destined to become prominent during the American Revolution. Events changed the character of The State House from a provincial house to a national house. Philadelphia, the metropolis of English America, was located near the geographical center of the thirteen colonies. It was, therefore, the logical meeting place for the delegates of these Colonies. The First Continental Congress, which convened in September 1774 to protest against Britain's policies, was offered the use of The State House, but this offer was refused in favor of Carpenters' Hall.

On May 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress met in the Assembly Room in The State House. This body, forced by events, moved from protest to resistance. In view of the fact that warfare had broken out in Massachusetts, the Congress in June 1775 in The State House Assembly Room chose Colonel George Washington to be General and Commander in Chief of the Army. While Washington organized the army, Congress organized the civil government. Then on July 2, 1776, the Congress adopted the resolution offered by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia declaring "That these United States are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States. . . ." Two days later the Congress adopted and signed the document largely written by Thomas Jefferson which is known as the Declaration of Independence. Also the Articles of Confederation and Perpetual Union, the first framework of government, went into effect in the Assembly Room on March 1, 1781. And here took place the official receipt, on October 24, 1781, of the news of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, Virginia. Finally, it was here the Federal Constitutional Convention convened in the Assembly Room on May 25, 1787. With George Washington as the presiding officer, it completed the drafting of the Constitution and adjourned on September 17 of that year.

During the American Revolution, Congress sat in the Assembly Room of The State House except for periods of danger — such as the occupation of Philadelphia by the British from September 1777 to June 1778. When the British occupied the City, The State House was used as quarters for their troops. After the Battle of Germantown, however, the long room on the second floor served as a hospital for the wounded American soldiers.

It is evident The State House was left in poor condition by the British. The building was found by the Americans "in a most filthy condition and the inside torn to pieces. . . ." Because of the condition of the building the Congress was forced to meet in the College Hall for a brief period. The Assembly Room, after repairs were made, was again occupied by the Congress until the summer of 1783.

With the turn of the century, Philadelphia ceased to be a Capital City; the State Government moved to Lancaster and the Federal Government to Washington. The State House became an empty building used apparently only at elections. It was badly in need of repairs and the steeple had to be removed. The State Government was anxious to dispose of The State House so they could realize money from the property to be used in building the new capitol in Harrisburg. Fortunately, in the Act approved March 11, 1816, providing for the sale of the square by the Legislature one section of the Act saved The State House. (A guardian angel was watching over this sacred shrine.) The Act provided that the City of Philadelphia should have the privilege of purchasing the buildings and the square for the sum of $70,000. The City Councils promptly passed an ordinance to purchase the property and took title to it March 23, 1818.

After the City of Philadelphia had saved The State House and its sister buildings from possible destruction, there is no evidence that there was any desire to preserve them intact. The various uses to which The State House was put during this period also shows that it was not venerated as a patriotic shrine. Many alterations — good and bad — were made to accommodate various occupants.

Prior to 1824 there was little, if any, reverence or regard to The State House; but in that year the visit of the Marquis de Lafayette to Philadelphia awakened an interest in the building, which with the exception of brief periods of backsliding persisted. Elaborate preparations were made for the visit of the celebrated Frenchman, much of it centering around The State House, which became the principal place of interest. The Assembly Room — then called The Hall of Independence — was completely redecorated. The interest in The State House engendered by the visit of Lafayette was not permitted to die. Yes, dear reader, the guardian angel was close by.

Within two years after the rebuilding of the steeple, interest was aroused in the restoration of the Assembly Room, then referred to as The Hall of Independence. On December 9, 1830, the subject of the restoration of this room "to its ancient form" was considered by the Councils. John Haviland, architect, was authorized to proceed. It was said of the room, "It was undergoing repairs in order to render the appearance similar to that
which it bore when our ancestors there assembled on the 4th of July, 1776."

For a few years after this restoration, the "Hall of Independence" apparently was little used. Then interest in the room, as shown by the multitude of applications to the Councils for its use, and the growing veneration of the room, caused that body to adopt a policy governing its use. In November 1836 the Councils passed an ordinance declaring "it shall not be lawful to allow the Hall of Independence to be used for any purpose of public exhibitions, or any display for which money should be demanded for admittance, without permission thereof being previously obtained from the Councils".

During the decade of the 1840's the development of the idea of a shrine continued. By the 1850's, and during the critical years of the Civil War, veneration for The State House was even more evident. About the middle of the nineteenth century The State House name slowly passed into oblivion and Independence Hall came into being. In 1852 the Councils resolved to celebrate July 4 annually "in the said State House, known as Independence Hall." The idea of a patriotic shrine was again expressed on July 4, 1858 by the famed orator Edward Everett in his usual grandiloquent manner. "Let the rain of heaven distill gently on its roof and the storms of winter beat softly on its door. . . ."

Many famous visitors came to the Hall during these years. President-elect Lincoln on February 22, 1861 raised the flag of the United States over "the Hall of Independence" and was received in the historic room. His brief remarks have not been surpassed in stating the significance of the room:

I am filled with deep emotion at finding myself standing in this place, where were collected together the wisdom, the patriotism, the devotion to principle, from which sprang the institutions under which we live. You have kindly suggested to me that in my hands is the task of restoring peace to the present distracted condition of the country. I can say in return, Sir, that all the political sentiments I entertain have been drawn, so far as I have been able to draw them, from the sentiments which originated and were given to the world from this hall. I have never had a feeling politically that did not spring from the sentiments embodied in the Declaration of Independence.

During the Civil War, the Hall served a solemn purpose. From 1861 on, the bodies of not a few local soldiers killed in the war, and in 1865 the body of President Lincoln, lay in state in the east room.

Again there was a lull and little beyond maintenance of the building seems to have occurred until 1871, when Independence Hall today. National Park Service Photo.
with the approach of the Centennial of the Independence of the United States, a committee for the restoration of Independence Hall was named by the Mayor. The committee reported that “of the original equipment of the Hall, it appeared that not one single piece of furniture remained after the fitting up of 1802...” This committee entered upon its duties with energy. So that during the Centennial restoration project, the entire first floor of Independence Hall was renovated, and furniture believed to have been in the Assembly Room in 1776 was gathered from the state capital in Harrisburg and from private sources.

With the close of the Centennial celebration, Independence Hall experienced another period of quiet, disturbed only by the increasing number of visitors. Toward the close of the nineteenth century another restoration cycle began. This time interest shifted from the east room to the remainder of the building. An ordinance of the Common and Select Councils, approved by the Mayor December 26, 1895, called for the restoration of Independence Square to its appearance during the Revolution. A committee of city officers concerned with public buildings and an advisory committee of leading citizens were named by the Mayor to carry out the work. On March 19, 1896, a resolution of the Councils granted permission to the Philadelphia Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to proceed with the restoration of the old Council Chamber on the second floor of Independence Hall. The committee and the Daughters of the American Revolution between 1896 and 1898 carried out a most extensive program of restoration. For their part the Daughters of the American Revolution attempted to restore the entire second floor to its Colonial appearance by reconstruction of the long room, the vestibule and the two side rooms. (In 1972 The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution pledged and raised the sum of $200,000 from its members for authentic antique furnishings of the Colonial period to be placed in the Governor's Council Chamber and the Assembly Committee Room on the second floor of Independence Hall. This was the DAR'S GIFT TO THE NATION.)

During the nineteenth century, the program of restoration and preservation was concerned largely with work on Independence Hall with little thought being given to the entire group of historical structures.

With the twentieth century came an interest in the restoration of the remainder of the group on Independence Hall, containing a large concentration of significant historical buildings, was the next logical development. This movement to preserve the historical buildings in Old Philadelphia, and, incidentally, to provide a more appropriate setting for the buildings, had long been considered.

In 1942 a group of interested persons, many of whom represented over fifty civic and patriotic organizations, met in the Hall of the American Philosophical Society and organized the “Independence Hall Association.” One of the prime movers was Judge Edwin O. Lewis, who served as President. This association was the spearhead of a vigorous campaign which resulted in stimulating official action to bring about the establishment of the Independence National Historical Park project. Thus in March 1943 Independence Hall, (and its associate buildings) was designated a “National Shrine.” Independence National Historical Park was developed by the concerted efforts of the City of Philadelphia, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America.

While this historic edifice became a National Shrine in 1943, Philadelphia, appropriately jealous of its possession, retained ownership and management of its historic property. The first official agreement in 1943 states —

“The City of Philadelphia agrees:

1. To retain and preserve the grounds and buildings on Independence Square in perpetuity for the benefit and inspiration of the people of the United States.”

Then on January 1, 1951, the custody and operation of the Independence Hall group of buildings and the square was transferred, under terms of a special contract, from the City to the National Park Service. The title to the property will remain in the City.

The old State House has survived more than two centuries; during these years the English colonies grew, successfully revolted from the mother country, and established a new form of government which has persevered to this day. In all of these events Independence Hall and its associate buildings have played a conspicuous part. It is indeed fortunate these old structures have survived, sometimes through accident rather than willful design, so they may now serve as tangible illustrations of this nation's history for the inspiration of this and succeeding generations of Americans.

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Letters to the Editor

Editor:

Why cannot we have a home for retired Daughters? Many live to a very old age—often in good health, and if together, could continue their interest and work for the DAR among congenial friends.

Sincerely,

Bertha L. Stratton
Staten Island, N.Y.

Editor:

I resented the article "In the Name of Education" by Jo-Ann K. Abrigg in the August-Sept. issue of the DAR Magazine.

First, where is the author's bibliography? Where are her statistics? Where does she get her facts?

Secondly, does the author consider teacher candidates so stupid that they can be brainwashed and indoctrinated by a few silly psychology, guidance and methods courses?

Third, I've taught senior English for 13 years. Yes, I've had my students keep journals and diaries. Why? I felt that the "language experience approach" was particularly good for those in low socio-economic levels who have no reading materials at home and can really draw only a few experiences from their meager existences. I have found out these students are truly to be pitied and do appreciate the help given them.

Since when has Ms. Abrigg taught in a public school or even visited one?

The only item that I agreed with in her entire article referred to some of the stands that the NEA has taken, (although not documented by her) and I do not belong to the NEA because of these rather radical stands.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Shaw
Brownsville, Tenn. 38012

Editor:

I sat down and read "In the Name of Education" and was horrified. My daughter took it to the school where all eight of her children had received their education through grade age. We are Catholics and then the children went to public high schools. The head nun was amazed and said you know some of our nuns take these courses. She had copies of it made for all the Board; etc. to read. It is a most illuminating subject and Jo-Ann K. Abrigg did a marvelous job of research. My suggestion—"Front Cover" next magazine—"Have YOU read 'In the Name of Education' in the September issue of our DAR Magazine?" Learn what these athiests are doing to this country's children. They are the world government group who want to eradicate Christian teaching and the love of God for our children. Every mother or grandmother—put on your bonnet and get copies of school books, read them, and if you want a change, talk it over with your children. It may not be too late.

We owe a big debt of thanks to Jo-Ann K. Abrigg for opening our eyes to what is being done to all children.

With love,

Adelaide M. Rice

Editor:

Some behaviorists and humanists are atheists or make a religion out of their work. So do some producers of central heating make a religion out of their technology, profits, and prestige. That is not to say that behavioral techniques to help children settle down and learn are any less needed than a practical method of putting heat in cold houses.

Our children come from broken homes, have poor discipline, rarely have religious training, and attend schools which are too large and depersonalized. American inner cities are decaying and suburbs lack the features of a true community. American youth grow up distant from their parents livelihood and ill prepared to make a living. Urban and other schools present severe problems. Thousands of young people are functionally illiterate, drop out of school, engage in sexual and runaway behavior and use illicit drugs.

The children of today need adults who will love them, limit them, and set the example of leading stable lives. I agree with Mrs. Abrigg that the Judeo-Christian tradition offers something that is stabilizing, particularly if it helps the individual to find personally the fatherhood of God and brotherhood of man.

Also the careful study of human behavior has given us information and techniques which shed some important light on men, which we should value and use at this time of great human need. My own experience is that behavioral techniques and psychotherapeutic attention are helpful to children and teachers in schools, as well as patients in clinics and hospitals.

Some of the social scientists named by Mrs. Abrigg may hold non-theistic beliefs. The validity of their findings cannot be invalidated because of their beliefs. Attempting to destroy by naming is poor technique argument, and certainly falls far short of the respectful dialog that should exemplify Judeo-Christian practice.

Sincerely yours,

Roger Mesmer, M.D.
Director of Medical Education
Warren State Hospital
Warren, PA
Editor:

On July 15, 1977, I wrote to the Registrar General enclosing my check for $8.00 and asking for copies of papers regarding three Revolutionary soldiers. The fourth paper I asked for by member number. I had a specific reason for wanting this particular paper dealing with my husband's ancestor. The three papers arrived promptly, I have never received the fourth nor has my $2.00 been returned nor any explanation given me.

In Aug. 19 I wrote to the Registrar General's office inquiring about this fourth paper. No answer.

On September 29 I addressed a similar inquiry to the Registrar General. There has been no reply nor has my $2 been returned.

For some twelve years I was a Chapter Registrar, and I know the demands of the National Office regarding prompt reply. I believe that National owes me the same courtesy.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Donald R. Wilson
John Alden Chapter
Midland, Michigan

According to the records of the Registrar General, all four copies were mailed July 25, 1977. A duplicate copy will be sent.

Editor:

I agree with Nora G. Frisbie, Claremont, California who requested a registrar's procedure book. The "Information for Chapter Registrars" is a poor excuse for procedures. During my five years as registrar of a large chapter, I have used the 10-page instruction booklet written by a former registrar with sixteen years of service. The registrar who preceded me had a college degree in and taught secretarial skills, also had a great deal of difficulty sorting out proper procedures.

During my years I have processed every kind of membership change including some very difficult ones. I have a long list of grievances about what a registrar has to go through to find out the proper procedures.

Sincerely yours,
Jane H. Fulton
New York City Chapter
New York, N.Y. 10028

This booklet has been revised and is available from the Office of the Registrar General.

Editor:

I am doing research on supplemental lines. Is there help for me in DAR records at the library? I have hired genealogists from N.H. to Kentucky with no results. I cannot come to the Library; do not wish to hire another genealogist, so what does our NSDAR offer those who continue research? I constantly share my findings with others and that opens the door for new members.

We tried the Grandmother File for my Great-Niece and someone in NSDAR suggested she just use one of the lines (they noticed she had several others) already developed. Another opportunity to use our Library lost.

Sincerely,
Frances Banister Rabb
Greenwood, Mississippi
Chakchiuma Chapter

Note: Photocopies of Library material are obtainable at a fee of 50¢ for the first page and 15¢ for each additional page. Perhaps someone in your State Society could get information for you when she comes to Washington at 10¢ per sheet. Please be assured that we want our Daughters to use the Library and encourage them to do so.

Editor:

We salute "Letters to the Editor" and welcome the column as a useful and constructive tool or "conversation forum."

At Continental Congress we hear the National Theme announced by our President General.

Following summer recess and in September the National Packets and State Chapter Packets are distributed (during DAR DAYS) outlining new DAR interests and services to be accomplished and recorded by answering the various committee questionnaires by the specified dates.

Also in September, Chapter Yearbooks (or program books) are distributed and may have been compiled without benefit of the guidelines and updated instructions contained in the National and State Chapter Packets.

Would it be essentially beneficial to chapters to have these packets for study and implementation and for use in programming chapter activities?

We were wondering — what do you think?

Cordially,
Kay B. Martin
(Mrs. Gidney J.)
Caseyville, Illinois 62232

The National Packet is usually mailed in July but understandably at the beginning of an Administration, the newly appointed National Chairman must be given some additional time to receive materials from the past National Chairman and to formulate her own program for the committee which she heads. The National Chairman of the Program Committee always mails her letter of instruction prior to the packet and chapters can ascertain from the Program Committee letter, the requirements for the Program Book. Additional copies of the packet are available from the Corresponding Secretary General's Office after they have been mailed to the Regents. This may be a way to get a head start if you do not have summer meetings or your Regent is away for the summer.

Editor:

"Something New"? GREAT!!

Amend the NSDAR Bylaws Article XVI, Section 2. One of the better ways to promote DAR would be to be able to wear our large pin publicly and proudly to meetings such as — A.A.U.W., museum, library, town board, school, church, local Historical Association, etc. We are no longer those little old ladies in tennis shoes hiding our membership by wearing a tiny recognition pin.

Louella L. Meyers
Hannakrosi Chapter
Ravenna, N.Y.

Editor:

Our Chapter meets the second Tuesday each month, and it seems that our National Magazine is never delivered in time for us to read the President General's Message at this meeting. Isn't there some way the monthly magazine could be sent out so as to reach at least one of our members by the second Tuesday? Her message in the October issue was one that should have been read in October. — November was late and not significant.

Sincerely,
Mrs. William E. Kaiser
Rebecca Griscom Chapter
East Liverpool, Ohio

Magazines are mailed the week of the 20th of the month preceeding the cover date. If you are not expiring, this should allow time for delivery in most areas.
Life in The Orient
Shanghai Chapter,
Daughters of the American Revolution

By Lucile Cummings Oliver
Last Regent, Shanghai Chapter, China

Contrary to popular belief, all members of the Shanghai Chapter were not missionaries nor were our husbands necessarily missionaries. We represented so many Americans who lived and worked in China during the period 1916 to 1943 when we had to leave because of Japanese occupation in World War II. Our chapter continued its existence until 1957. Our headquarters were in Pasadena, California after our evacuation from China.

My husband was Mr. Jay C. Oliver who represented the International Committee of the Young Mens Christian Association of the United States and Canada. We were assigned to China. October, 1916, we departed from Vancouver on the Empress of Japan, a small steamer, headed for Japan and China. We were accompanied by our two children. Our daughter, Lillian, was a bit over two years old. Our son, John, was ten months old. Storms at sea and roughness made us wonder at times whether we would ever reach the Orient, but we did, on November 8th. Our first introduction to the Far East was Yokahama, Japan where we stopped for refueling. We enjoyed lunch with a YMCA family.

Shanghai did not present a very attractive scene to us as it was a cold, rainy morning when we arrived. Rickshas were a novelty as we journeyed to Missionary Home. We did not know where we would be sent or if the four of us would be united. Our time in Shanghai lasted about a month. My husband had a chance to meet the staff, view the programs and activities as well as to get a better idea of the nature of the work to which he was going.

On December 20th, we left by train for Peking where we were to enter the second semester classes of the North China Language School. The schedule called for five days a week of five hours each spent with Chinese teachers who spoke no English. They were able to introduce us to the difficult language of the Chinese. After six months in Peking, we went with our teachers to a lovely summer resort located at Peitaiho. We continued our study as well as enjoying a bit of vacation.

Our first assignment was Hangchow which is about 125 miles southwest of Shanghai. Hangchow is reputed to be the most beautiful city in all China. A beautiful lake with mountains surrounding the city all helped that reputation. Housing was a bit unusual as there were no residences for Y secretaries from America. We moved into such places as became available by missionaries going on furlough. Inasmuch as the language in Hangchow differed from that in the north meant another year of study. It limited us to what we could do in English.

The staff and Board of Directors of the Y were all Chinese, and the entire movement made the Y indige-
furlough. She returned to Shanghai in the summer of 1923. We were able to return home on furlough in June of 1923. We brought home three children, having added one daughter who was born in Hangchow, so school programs were in order, home management, and travel for my husband to tell the story of the Y in China to other Y's in the United States and Canada.

Meantime, there was a real desire to have a chapter of the DAR in Shanghai. Mrs. E. S. Dickerson was authorized in 1920 by the National Society to organize a chapter. She worked hard. Those interested met informally, but we had no official meeting until 1924. Mrs. Dickerson, then Regent, had to return to the States. Mary Mattison Wilbur, Vice Regent, was at home on furlough. She returned to Shanghai in the summer of 1924, and went on with the work promoted by Mrs. Dickerson. I must tell you about Mary Wilbur as it was through her efforts the Shanghai Chapter was able to hold together, in spite of interruptions, as long as she did.

The first big meeting was held at the home of the American Consul General, Mr. E. S. Cunningham, and his wife on November 6, 1924. There were seventeen charter members. Their names were printed in each year book. Constant changes due to furloughs, etc., made changes in our membership.

At this first meeting, the then Regent, Mary Wilbur, reminded the group that this was not just another social club, but rather a patriotic society with aims and purposes with projects and responsibilities. Mr. Cunningham said he was glad for her remarks, and was pleased such a society now existed in Shanghai. He felt it could be a real force in the community. He suggested it might be a chance to instill a love of country, and appreciation of their heritage if the Shanghai Chapter brought these things to the attention of the students of the Shanghai American School. The Shanghai Chapter did just that. There was an essay contest each year for the students of the 7th and 8th grades. Each boy and girl who presented the best essay on the topic chosen by our Society was given a prize.

When the chapter was organized, it was part of the responsibility of Mrs. Caroline Holt, Regent of the Orient. Mrs. Holt lived in Manila, but came to Shanghai. She offered suggestions and help. We were asked to help in providing funds for the School of Nurses' Training in Manila.

Distances and slow communication made it seem wise to Continental Congress to make the Shanghai Chapter a new unit in the Overseas Organization. Mrs. Dickerson was named Regent of China. After she returned to the States, Mrs. Wilbur became State Regent of China, and held that office until 1957. In 1950, there were eleven Overseas Units. You may be interested to know where they were located: Hawaii, Cuba, Philippine Islands, France, China, England, Alaska, Canal Zone, Italy, Puerto Rico, and Germany. Each Regent read a report of her area at Continental Congress each year.

Programs of the Shanghai Chapter were varied. The members studied contributions of the individual states in the early days, important persons in wars and government, American Indians, approved schools, conservation, better films, and many other subjects. Music had a large place in the lives of some of the members so attention to music in programs and other places had a part. Each year, the biggest meeting was the one in February when the birthday of Washington was celebrated. Husbands were invited and special speakers were secured. A very special banquet, festive decorations, and a spirit of fellowship prevailed. Other American holidays were observed too. Services were held in Bubbling Well Cemetery in memory of Americans who had been buried there. Members attended in a body to place a wreath at the cemetery. On November 11th, Armistice Day, a service was held. Wreaths were placed on the cenotaph in memory of men who had died in battle.

Projects were important. First was the Shanghai American School prize which was a scholarship for a student in Manila. Later, such a prize was given to a Chinese student. Finally there were contributions to Bacone College for student aid. As various events occurred and refugees poured into Shanghai from neighboring places, there was a great deal of need for aid in knitting, sewing, and providing garments for these refugees. Funds were sent for a chair to be placed in Constitution Hall as well as funds for other projects there. Flags were given to Girl and Boy Scouts. One was given to the library of the Shanghai American School, and one was given for the large pole in front of the main building of the School. In response to a request from the Chaplain, a flag was supplied to the Marine Chapel. No group requesting a flag was refused.

Two other rather unusual projects were undertaken by the chapter. One was the compilation of vital statistics of Americans living in China at the time, and a collection of statistics from cemeteries of Americans buried in China. Neither was completely finished, but a great deal of effort was put into these projects nearly at the end of the time meetings were held in Shanghai. So much was done for the men in the service who were stationed in Shanghai. The Army and Navy YMCA took responsibility for providing events of entertainment, information, tours, and other things of interest to them. We were constantly called upon to cooperate in these events. One of us was often asked to be the Mother of the Year at a special meeting and dinner for the men. Mother of the Year represented their tributes to their mothers or other mothers. I had that honor once. We were also asked to offer hospitality to the men in our homes if we cared to do so.

Inasmuch as we were located in Hangchow until 1937, I did not become a member of the Shanghai Chapter.
few days. Instead, they were with us for fifteen months. They came to be with us in our apartment for a

In 1920, White Russians came into Shanghai in large numbers. They needed housing, jobs, food, and clothing. Many were of the Royal group who were not prepared to take care of themselves. Our aid was given them.

Later, another large group from Austria and Germany escaping from the tyranny of Hitler arrived. They could come into Shanghai without passports so they chose to land there. They were another group which needed a great deal of effort on our part to help them adjust to life there.

In 1927, there were student demonstrations and disorders sponsored by the Communist groups. Women and children of Americans were asked to go to Shanghai prepared with small articles of baggage of necessary articles. They understood they might have to be evacuated on military ships on short notice. Fortunately, that did not become necessary, but anxiety prevailed in all areas. Homes were crowded with American refugees, and for most of us that lasted a year. I was there with our three children. Our eldest daughter was a student at the American School. She lived in the dormitory.

My husband remained at his work in Hangchow. Communications were almost impossible. There was neither telephone nor wire service. Mails were disrupted by events at that time. My husband was able to get up to Shanghai two or three times for a brief visit, but it was a harrowing time wondering what was happening at home. Trips from Hangchow to Shanghai were made by trains. They were difficult at best.

In 1932, the Japanese succeeded in taking some of the northern provinces, and so decided to try out Shanghai. They did not remain long as they did not seem to accomplish what they had in mind.

In 1937, they came in earnest. Wives and children who had remained were evacuated to Manila or other places during the bombing. Instead of the safety I hoped to find, I had a very bad accident with great suffering, but almost complete recovery. We were there from August to Thanksgiving Day. Never was a Thanksgiving Day more truly celebrated than in our home.

In 1940, though we had just returned from furlough, wives and children were again advised to return home or go to some other place of safety.

Pearl Harbor came in December of 1941. We realized we were really in the war. Three men secretaries of the Army and Navy YMCA were evicted from their building. They came to be with us in our apartment for a few days. Instead, they were with us for fifteen months until all of us went to internment camp. The Japanese had us wear arm bands with numbers, and a big "A" to show we were Americans. That brought even greater concern and courtesy from the Chinese.

We were told early in 1943 that inasmuch as the Japanese in America were being interned, it would be necessary to do the same to us. We were allowed to take beds, and a couple of boxes of whatever we wanted to take. We took food and some clothes.

We were assigned to rooms. There were seven couples of us in one room which measured 15' x 45'. It was indeed a case of "close fellowship." We had been told to bring curtains so our room looked like a Pullman car at night although it was like Joseph’s coat of many colors and kinds.

We were in camp seven months. When being repatriated, we spent a month on a Japanese ship which was meant for a total of 300 persons, but had 1,200. At Portuguese East India port, Goa, we were transferred to the Gripsholm. It was the Gripsholm’s second trip to pick up folk from China. We never had a complete sense of freedom until we were on our way on the Gripsholm. We had left Shanghai on September 20th. We arrived in New York December 1st. It had been a long trip, but we were so glad to see the Statue of Liberty as we approached New York.

It took about a year to recuperate from the various things that had taken place during those years. Healthwise, nerves, anxieties, etc., took time to mend. However, we began at once to plan for our return to China.

My husband went out in 1945. Women were not allowed to go so I had to wait until March of 1946. There had been great destruction all over the country, and a plan for reconstruction had to be made.

Before there had been time for much of that work to be completed, the Communists burst into our city in May of 1949. They set up their regime in full form without too great a resistance. The Chinese had been brain washed to some extent. They had been made to believe this party would repair all the damages the Japanese had accomplished. Various methods of policy were started. There were parades picturing Uncle Sam in cruel ways exploiting the Chinese. Meetings were called with required attendance. Meetings for servants were scheduled about meal time. Other meetings were held on Sunday at time for church. Chinese had no choice but to go along with them. All offices had to have lessons in the principles of Communism. It was an uncomfortable time. Many applied at once for exit permits, but those were not readily given. My husband was in charge of all YMCA property that belonged to or was given by the American Committee so it took a year before he was allowed to leave. No one could dismiss any worker so things had to be taken care of whether there was any need or support for them or not. In order to leave, we had to take a train north to Tientsin. In Tientsin, we found passage on a ship which took us to Hong Kong. Fortunately, air passage was available from Hong Kong to Los Angeles. We took that, grateful to again be home after those anxious days.

You may be interested to know of some of the other organizations we women had a part in. The American Women’s Club was a very active group with splendid programs, good book reviews, studies of Chinese culture and art. Their papers were preserved in book form for some years.

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The American Association of University Women was also active with many members of the Chinese community who had degrees from our American colleges and universities as well as American ladies.

The Chinese Association of University Women was organized with help from us. It was a very active group.

The Joint Committee of Women's Organizations was organized. The membership was composed of representatives of each organization. The Joint Committee's interests included city improvement, safety devices, better files, and many other projects.

The Chinese Association of University Women was caring for the many Chinese refugee groups which came to live in Shanghai.

Community Church was a wonderful group with twenty or so nationalities, and as many denominations. There was a real spirit of cooperation, and an attempt to incorporate all groups into one unity. The church was built across from the American School. A good program was carried on for the students. It was a matter of great satisfaction to find mutual understanding is possible, and when a task has to be done, it can be accomplished if all work together.

While all of these events were taking place from time to time in Shanghai, Mary Wilbur lived in Pasadena, California. Whenever a member of the Shanghai Chapter passed through, she met with Mary Wilbur. They planned other activities or carried on as best they could the projects which had already been started.

By the time I returned in June of 1950, I had been appointed Vice Regent. Meetings were held whenever possible. There were only seven or eight of us by 1954, or thereabouts. We knew we would have to disband as it would not be at all possible for us to return to Shanghai to carry on as a chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. We knew that it would be such a source of sorrow for Mary Wilbur to have the chapter disband because she had given so much of herself to its work. We decided to await her demise which seemed imminent. She soon was called to her final rest. In February, 1957, I sent notices to the members for a vote on disbandment. All knew it was necessary, but regretfully gave their consent to disband. Only two decided not to vote, but the majority voted favorably. We urged members to join the chapter nearest them, or to become a member at large and attend meetings. I was Regent at that time. I joined the Claremont Chapter of Claremont, California.

The interest of our members in the Shanghai Chapter of Shanghai, China, the close fellowship of congenial friends, and especially Mary Wilbur's perseverance and courage kept the Shanghai Chapter alive for a bit over fifty years. So this is the story of the checkered career of the Overseas Unit of China in the Shanghai Chapter.

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United States Capitol Historical Society Sponsors History Conference

In recognition of the historic importance of the Franco-American Alliance of 1778 the U.S. Capitol Historical Society of Washington, D.C., will sponsor with the cooperation of the United States Congress, a two day conference, March 15-16, 1978.

The conference will meet in the Senate Caucus Room of the Russell Senate Office Building in Washington and the program, under the chairmanship of Professor Ronald Hoffman, University of Maryland, will consist of four sessions and a concluding reception and dinner in the Senate Reception Room of the United States Capitol. The Honorable Fred Schwengel, President of the U.S. Capitol Historical Society, is General Chairman.

Four scholars, prominent in the fields of French and American Diplomatic history will deliver papers at the conference: Professors Alexander DeConde, University of California at Santa Barbara; Jonathan Dull, Assistant Editor of The Papers of Benjamin Franklin; Orville Murphy, State University of New York at Buffalo; and William Stinchcombe, Syracuse University. They will discuss the Franco-American Alliance from different perspectives.

Professor Lawrence Kaplan, Kent State University, will comment on the papers presented as part of his address, "Reflections on Entangling Alliances," at the dinner following the last formal session of the conference on March 16.

The conference is open, free of charge, to all interested persons except for the reception and dinner on March 16, for which reservations are required. These may be arranged through the U.S. Capital Historical Society at 200 Maryland Avenue, N.E. Washington, D.C., 20515 by mail or by telephone (202/543-8919).
HEAR YE! HEAR YE! The National Chairman's Project "to complete the purchase of the 1880 Soundex Index Films by 1980" is well on its way. We invite you, your Chapter and State Organization to participate in this project. A donation of $100.00 for a Life Membership places your name on a plaque in the Center. Many of these donors have specified that their contribution be used for the purchase of the 1880 Soundex on their State. If each chapter designated the amount of one roll ($12.00), this valuable and helpful project could be completed. This is not to neglect the contribution of other valuable state and county rolls. Your State Chairman has a list of what the Center has on your State and also a list of what is available for order from the Salt Lake Genealogical Society. All films are $12.00 per roll. Following is a picture showing the format of the 1880 Spundex Index. Compare this with the regular 1880 Census.

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Mrs. Margaret Cox, District of Columbia State Chairman, invited her Chapter Chairmen to a “Coffee” at National Headquarters. Her suggestion “Adopt-A-Spot”, which means select an 1880 Soundex Index Film where you have an interest in research and contribute it to the Center. The District of Columbia Soundex is complete.

Mrs. James Howard, Regent, Commodore Joshua Barney Chapter, Baltimore, Maryland, brought her regular monthly meeting to the Microfilm Center for a workshop. This is an excellent way for members to become better acquainted with their Center.

Our appreciation to the 31 donors of Life Memberships, Honorarioums, and Memorials.

In Microtape Volume 3 (October 1977) under new acquisitions two corrections should be made:

1. Georgia, Jefferson County, seven reels was given by John Franklin Wren Chapter.
2. Missouri, 1880 Ohio Soundex Index, Roll 74 was given by Gayoso Chapter.

An INDEX to the Center is being compiled. It will be available for sale to all members and non-members in early 1978. The INDEX will list, by States, all available film in the Center. Another section will contain family genealogies which are in the Center. Through this INDEX much time will be saved by researchers using the Microfilm Center.

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From the Desk of the National Chairman . . .

This Committee wishes to thank all the chapter members and those who have contributed valuable unpublished genealogical material. Your interest is most gratifying. Contributions must be received in this office by March 1, 1978 in order to be reported this year. Contributions received after that date will be carried over to your 1979 Report.—Sue Eileen Walker Muldrow.

QUERIES

PRESTON: Need parents of Philip Preston b. 1715, where? Will naming ch. 7 Jul 1797 in Bedford Co., Va.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

EVERETT-(EVERITT)-PULLEN: Need marriage of Winifred Everett to Wm. Pullen, have his will, Lancaster Co., VA 1797 naming ch.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

PULLEN: Henry Pullen, his will Lancaster Co., VA naming ch. and w. Mary, inventory 1698. Could he be the son Abraham Pullen m. "a relick" in Isle of Wight Co., VA?—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

MCCLELAND-FURGESON: Minerva McClelland b. 1808 in PA, d. 1878 in Van Buren Co., MI m. Marshal Furgeson ca. 1828. Need parents of couple.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

COOLMAN: Hon. Wm. Coolman b. Jun 1759 d. 26 Sep. 1843 Middletown, CT m. Amelia? moved to OH settled in Ravanna, Portage Co., OH. Need maiden name and couples parents.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653


DELIKE-UPCHURCH: Frances Delke m. Michael Upchurch (Immigrant). Was she the dau. of Roger Delke Sr (Immigrant), who d. Surry Co., VA before 1663, with w. Alice? Need Alice's maiden name.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

CHAMBLESS-MASON: Aaron Chambless b. 1817 TN or GA? m. Mary Mason of MS. Moved to AK where Masten E. was b. 4 Feb 1836. Need names of parents of Aaron.—Sue N. Farrand, 493A Calle Cadiz, Laguna Hills, CA 92653

MONROE: William Monroe b. Muskingum Co., OH 14 Feb. 1809. Will appreciate any valid info. regarding his parents names, dates and places of birth, etc.—F. M. Monroe, 2605 Durwood, Little Rock, AK 72207


HENDERSON-SADLER: Need parents or other info. on Thomas Henderson, b. 1780 d. 1885, Westmoreland Co., PA m. Hannah Sadler b. 1786, ch. George, Thomas, James, Rachael and Hannah.—Mrs. Mildren Goodrich, Box 66, Shenandoah, IA 51601

BAILEY-SPENCER: Need ancs. of Jesse Bailey, Haddam, CT m. Olive Spencer, ch. Erastus Bowen Bailey, b. 1819. Also info. on Bowen and Spencer.—Mrs. William Lamont, Rt. 1, Aberdeen, SD 57401


CROUCH-LONG-PECK: Info. desired on parents and place of birth of Daniel Crouch b. 4 Jul 1822 d. 10 Jul 1852 Phelps, NY, m. Lydia Peck 14 Sep 1844. Sarah Long b. 25 Jul 1792 d. 28 Jan 1878 NY m.? Crouch she is Daniel's mother.—Mrs. Stephen Materio, Box 256A, RD #1, Lindwood, NJ 08221

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE
TRUITT-TAYLOR-MORGAN-NEWBERRY-RODDY-GIVAN-DELK-BATES: Need info on parents, brothers, etc., of Perminter Morgan Truitt b. 12 May 1827 NC. Both parents b. VA. He came to Shelby Co., TX before 1842 either with relatives or parents. We think his father may have been Isaac Levy who went further West and his g's Levy Truitt m. Susanna Morgan. Need info on parents of Amos Taylor b. 24 Feb 1877 d. 27 Nov 1847 near Meridian, MS m. 30 Jul 1818 Deborah Newberry who d. Aug 1840. Daus, m. W. T. Roddy, J. R. Givan, R. T. Delk and J. M. Bates.—Mrs. Jerry Terrell, 2002 Victoria Ct., League City, TX 77573

MERIWETHER: Reunion plans necessitate locating living descendants of Nicholas Meriwether I b. 1631, d. 1678 in VA. Contact—Meriwether Reunion, 1906 Lafayette Avenue, Greensboro, NC 27408

JONES-BROWN-HOUCHIN-SHEPHERD-TANNER-BOT-\nKIN-DAVIS-BOGGS-BARDWELL-STRANGE: need parents \n& grandparents of William & Elizabeth (Phoebe) Brown 
Jones. Wm. b. Nelson Co., Ky. ca. 1785, d. Feb. 12, 1846. Phoebe b. N.C., d. Dec. 2, 1864, age 82 yrs. 11 mo. 23 days. Had 10 ch. Some born in Nelson Co., KY., some in Oran Twp., Logan Co., Ill. Polly b. 1812, m. Houchin, Freeman b. 1815, m. Luvona B. Sheppard, Samuel believe earlier, m. Susan Charlott Tanner, Larkin b. 1822, m. Sarah Botkin, Annie m. Davis & Boggs, Sarah m. Bardwell, Margaret, Phoebe & Precious d. early in life. William b. May 29, 1834, m. Mary Catherine Strange. William & Phoebe came to Ill. 1828, settled 1830 in Oran Twp. & d. there. They say grandfather Jones was stolen and sold to pay his passage to America. Lived to be around 100.—Mrs. Leo A. Canfield, Jr., McLean, IL 61754

WHITE-WILLIAMS: Sarah E. White b. 2-1834 d. 30 Apr. 1922 MS w. of Jarriett A. Williams b. 2 Apr. 1829 MS m. 30 Apr. 1853 Hinds Co., MS w. Mary Catherine Strange. Need info on father and mother of John Harrison b. Feb 25, 1771 m. Alice Seybold b. Aug 7, 1770. John Harrison is a grandson of Benjamin Harrison IV and wife Anne Carter, dau. of Robert (King) Carter, Va.—Elsie Alverda (Harrison) Montgomery, 801 North 18th St., Boise, ID 83702

HARRISON-SEYBOLD-CARTER: Need names and info. on father and mother of John Harrison b. Feb 25, 1771 m. Alice Seybold b. Aug 7, 1770. John Harrison is a grandson of Benjamin Harrison IV and wife Anne Carter, dau. of Robert (King) Carter, Va.—Elsie Alverda (Harrison) Montgomery, 801 North 18th St., Boise, ID 83702

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CONTINENTAL CONGRESS BANQUET

Banquet: Friday, April 21, 7:30 p.m., Capital Hilton Hotel, Presidential Ballroom. Tickets $16.00 each. Send all reservations and checks made payable to “Treasurer General, NSDAR,” to the Chairman, Mrs. H. J. Lichtefeld, 931 North Paxton Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22304. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.
With the Chapters

AMARISCOGGIN (Rumford, Maine) dedicated a marker for a black Revolutionary War Patriot, Pvt. Pomp Russell. The service was held at the gravesite in Masterman Cemetery at Weld, Maine. Mrs. Helen McLeod, Regent, presided and the invocation and prayer were given by Mrs. Ethel Pillsbury, Chaplain. The program was presented by Mrs. Jean Noyes, Historian, who gave a short resume of his service. Members of Colonial Daughters Chapter, Farmington Maine and members of the Weld Historical Society took part in the ceremony.

Mr. Kenneth Blake, President of the Historical Society, told a brief story about Pomp Russell. In 1761, Thomas Russell of Massachusetts purchased a Negro boy, who was brought up like one of the family. The Russells had 11 children of their own, among whom were Thomas, Jr., who originally purchased the town of Weld from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Pomp lived at one time in Wilton, N.H. on land given him by the Russells. In 1806, he and his family followed the Russells to Weld where he established a home. He died in Weld and his grave is marked by a simple stone with the inscription “Pomp Russell, N.H. Mil. Rev War.” Mrs. McLeod also gave recognition to two other Revolutionary War soldiers buried in this same small cemetery, Joseph Storer and James Masterman, whose graves were marked by Amariscoggin Chapter in 1938.

Following the ceremony the group went to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Pollard for a tour, as Pomp Russell reportedly once lived in their house.

YAMHILL (McMinnville, Oregon) became a part of NSDAR January 24, 1920. It was named for a tribelet of Calapooian Indians once roaming the valley, who called themselves “Yam Hill” or “Yamhella,” and for the Yamhill River flowing east from its source in the Coast Range. The county is “Yamhill.” So was the fort in the southwest corner where Captain Phil Sheridan was located 1860-61.

To Yamhill Chapter some twenty-five years ago came a chic and knowledgeable lady, transferring from Brouillet Chapter, Clinton, Indiana. She had been an active charter member in Indiana and became an equally active member in Oregon. Often an officer or delegate, Mary Zell Spears Shumaker worked tirelessly for her new chapter and state, so on a June day fifty years after Mary first became a member of Brouille Chapter, Yamhill “daughters” drove to the pleasant Senior home where she now lives, to have lunch with her and give her a fifty-year pin. A young ninety-five, she is as enthusiastic as ever with DAR; her one regret that none of her three daughters, separated by many miles, could see her accept her pin.

Yamhill Chapter completed several projects in the ’76-77 period. The registrar organized genealogy groups that met for study at the City Library. The regent gathered information and wrote a brochure entitled OSSDAR Names and Places giving the history of Oregon chapter names. The historian wrote a series of biographies of the member’s Revolutionary ancestors. Published in the McMinnville newspaper they helped win the state Public Relations award at the ’77 conference. Seven awards went to Yamhill, and it is working hard to make it “eight in ’78.”

Under the supervision of State Curator, Mrs. Robert Le Doux, and American Heritage State Chairman, Mrs. Marcella Rawe, Yamhill Chapter with Mrs. Dale Jones as Regent, now has the project of refurbishing the interior of a school building brought from the pioneer settlement of Butteville to the grounds of Newell House, one of Oregon’s DAR museums. Hand-built desks and benches and flour sack curtains are planned, slates and ancient readers have been collected as well as the play things on “teacher’s” desk: a sling shot and a rusty knife, home made marbles and a willow whistle.

CONOCOCHEAQUE (Hagerstown, MD.) The original home of Hagerstown’s founder, Jonathan Hager, built over two free flowing springs, is located within the grounds of beautiful City Park. Constructed shortly after Hager came to present day Washington County in 1739, the old stone house has been meticulously restored and is now open to the public. A visit to Hager House is your opportunity to relive day-by-day history in the 18th century.
Just behind the Hager House is the Jonathan Hager Museum exhibiting Hager memorabilia and artifacts which comprise "the finest archaeological find in all of Maryland." Consisting largely of items uncovered beneath the stone porch of the Hager House during restoration in 1953, the collection contains pottery, glass, china, wrought iron, brass, 18th century coins and innumerable other objects of interest.

NOAH COLEMAN (Rolla, Mo.) met in October for their 68th Anniversary meeting. Miss Sandra Johnson, Missouri State Regent, Mrs. Wm. Snoddy, East Central District Director in Missouri, and Mrs. Nathan Calhoon, Chairman of the DAR Magazine Advertising in Missouri, were guests and each spoke to the Chapter members, ending with question and answer period.

All members of over 25 years were honored. Three members of over 60 years and five members with fifty-odd years received special recognition. A summary of the Chapters organization and special activities over the years was given by Mrs. Geers. A copy of the Application papers of the organizing Regent NSDAR was on display. Mrs. Harriet Forbes, the Organizing Regent, was also the descending ancestor of Noah Coleman, a surgeon in the Revolutionary War. Other interesting records and memorabilia of the Chapter were also shown and talked about.

At our February luncheon meeting, the Chapter presented pins and awards to our Good Citizen and the winner of the DAR American History Essay Contest in Rolla Schools. We also recognized our local High School Student, chosen by the Faculty, to whom Noah Coleman Chapter gives Scholarship aid each year.—Mrs. D. J. Bisett.

WASHINGTON (Washington, Iowa). Twenty five members were presented certificates for long-time membership at the chapter's 71st anniversary dinner held November 17, 1977. The certificates were signed by Mrs. George Baylies, President General, and Mrs. H. B. Wallace, State Regent.

Mrs. Lawrence Zuehlke, Regent, and Mrs. Neal Hall, Vice Regent, recognized nine members for fifty or more years of service and 16 members for more than 25 years of membership.

Miss Helen Wilson, the chapter's only life member, was honored for 67 years of continuous membership in the Washington chapter. Mrs. Cornelia Shrauger, a more recent transfer, has been in DAR for 63 years having held chapter and state offices. Mrs. Mabel Rankin was honored for 59 years; Mrs. Eunice Montgomery for 58 years; Miss Helen Cunningham for 53 years; Mrs. Maud Snakenberg for 52 years; Mrs. Ethel Crane for 51 years; and both Mrs. Almyra Flynn and Miss Lovisa Young for 50 years.

Those with more than 25 years of membership included Mrs. Alma Perry — 47 years; Mrs. Grace Robbins — 45 years; Miss Nondas Richardson — 43 years; Mrs. Flo Cherry — 37 years; Mrs. Lela Schantz — 36 years; Mrs. Kathryn Cruise — 33 years; Mrs. Jessie Stewart, Mrs. Elizabeth McCutcheon, and Mrs. Pearl Kennedy — 31 years; Mrs. Edith Logan and Mrs. Dorothy Helscher — 29 years; Mrs. Betty Morgan — 28 years; Mrs. Cecile Ferrell — 26 years; Mrs. Winifred Kurtz, Mrs. Flora Wiley, Mrs. Helen Durst — 25 years.

Following the presentation, the guests sang "For They are Jolly Good Ladies" accompanied by Lawrence Zuehlke who also played a musical interlude.

Charles Hotle presented a slide program on "Glimpses of Washington County History."

Dedication of the marker was made by Mrs. Desider B. Ecker, Chapter Regent. She was assisted by Miss Kathleen Farrar, St. Louis, and George L. Stamper, Jr., Columbia, Missouri, descendants of Farrar.

DESCENDANTS OF '76 (Washington, D. C.). On October 27, 1977, Mrs. James A. Bowler, Chapter Regent, presided over a ceremony in the sanctuary of Faggs Manor United Presbyterian Church, Cochranville, Pa., honoring her ancestor, Lt. Thomas Love, Revolutionary soldier. About 100 members and guests of the D. C. Chapter and the Chester County Pa. Chapter attended the service.

Mrs. Allen G. Powell, Chester County Chapter Regent, presented distinguished guests, including Mrs. Douglas G. Dwayer, Vice President General; Mrs. Walter E. Ward, Honorary D. C. State Regent and past Vice President General; a message was read from Mrs. Charles Carroll Haig, Honorary Vice President General.

The Rev. Randal L. Bremer, Minister of Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church, Parkesburg, Pa., recounted the history of the Chester County Presbyterian Churches in the Revolution, and Mrs. Latta McClellan spoke of Faggs Manor Church and the Love family. Lt. Love, his father John and his son James each served as Elder in the Church for over 50 years.

A luncheon was served to 50 guests at Faggs Manor by the Women of the Church, followed by the dedication of a DAR marker placed on the tombstone of Lt. Love in the Church cemetery. A copy of Lt. Love's commission was read by Mrs. Powell and the DAR dedication ritual was conducted by Mrs. Bowler with the Chaplain of Descendants of '76, Miss Sara E. Rode, and guests responding. A wreath was placed on the grave by another descendant, Mrs. Bowler's mother, Mrs. Nellie Love Butcher, Treasurer of Descendants of '76 Chapter. A twenty one gun salute was fired by members of the 2nd Batt., 11th Inf., PAARNG.

Pictured at the marked tombstone (L to R) are Mrs. Dwayer, Mrs. Bowler, Mrs. Powell and Mrs. Ward.

GENERAL EBENEZER LEARNED (Oxford, MA). On September 12th, Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis signed a proclamation declaring October 7, 1977 as General Ebenezer Learned Day in the Commonwealth. An Oxford, Massachusetts native, General Learned was honored at appropriate ceremonies held in the Oxford schools on that date. A proclamation was issued by the Board of Selectmen and the flags were flown in the Town's central business district.
The Oxford Middle School conducted a program in the South Cemetery at the site of the monument where Regent, Mrs. Harlan P. Moore was the principal speaker. Shown above in the accompanying picture is Ex Regent, Miss Helen G. Olney as she placed a floral wreath at the Learned family monument in the South Cemetery where the General is buried.

EDMUND RANDOLPH (Richmond, CA) members and former members enjoyed a recent festive 30th birthday celebration. Mrs. Elmer Anderson, Mrs. Charles Criss and Mrs. Leo Viano, organizing members, all past Regents and present office holders, are shown with Mrs. John Emrich, Chapter Regent. From twenty organizing members the chapter now numbers thirty-nine. A floral arrangement in memory of the late Mrs. Milton Selleck, Organizing Regent, was presented by her daughters, Mrs. Robert Bovey and Mrs. Norwood Pickering.

Mrs. Arthur F. Strehlow, State Regent, installed the 1977-78 slate of officers, headed by Mrs. Emrich, serving a second year as Regent. Mrs. Strehlow and Mrs. Lee Martindale, chapter delegate, reported on the Continental Congress. Mrs. Emrich gave an humorous account of '76 happenings. Copies of the first year's activities were distributed.

Three generations of chapter membership were represented by Mrs. Lester Sterner; her daughter, Mrs. Wilson Sieamon; and her granddaughter, Mrs. David Stratton.

Edmund Randolph continues to carry out the aims and objectives of the National Society by awarding Good Citizens medals to seniors in seven Richmond high schools; presenting a Girl Homemaker award; presenting American History medals and certificates to local elementary students; participating in a community tree planting program; maintaining membership in the local museum; subscribing to the DAR magazine for the local library; contributing clothing and food to American Indians; and distributing Citizenship Manuals. The chapter contributes annually to Kate Duncan Smith and Tamassae DAR Schools; American History Scholarship fund; Friends of DAR Museum; Veterans Hospitals; USO; California State Indian Scholarship; Microfilm Center; National Defense; Investment Trust Fund; Junior Membership General Fund; Occupational Therapy Scholarship; Constitution Hall Maintenance Fund; Seimens Microfilm Center; California Room Refurbishing; cataloging Museum and Period Rooms Collections; to Conservation through Torrey Pines, the Redwoods and Pennies for Pines.—Geraldine Kenney Benfer.

GRIFFITH RUTHERFORD (Rutherfordton, N.C.) On October 9, 1977 at the family cemetery in Logan Store Township, many descendants, members of the Griffith Rutherford Chapter, and friends were present for the dedication of a marker for Major Francis Logan, Revolutionary War Patriot.

Francis Logan was the son of Hendrick Logan and wife, Ailda Pruyn. He was born in Albany, N.Y. and was baptised in the Dutch Reform Church, July 29, 1734. He had three brothers and two sisters, John, David, Hendrick, Anna and Margaret. Francis Logan emigrated from New York to Virginia, then to Berkley County, S.C. before the Revolution. He married Hannah Trimble, daughter of James and Grace Trimble of Virginia.

Francis served as Captain throughout the Revolution and was commissioned Major, but the commission was not confirmed until the close of the war. However, he was known as Major Francis Logan after the war ended.

After Independence was declared, Francis Logan located in Rutherford County, North Carolina. Francis and wife, Hannah Trimble had five sons, Moses, Andrew, James, John and Francis Jr. and one daughter, Jemina.—Kate Duncan Smith Conley.

ADAM THOROUGHGOOD, LYNNHAVEN PARISH, PRINCESS ANNE COUNTY (Virginia Beach, VA) coordinated a city-wide observance of Citizenship Day and Constitution Week, September 17-23, 1977, to open the decade prior to the bicentennial of the signing of the Constitution.

The DAR Steering Committee was composed of the Regent and Constitution Week Chairman of each chapter: Mrs. Rice M. Youell, Jr. and Mrs. John A. Herrmann, Adam Thoroughgood; Mrs. James J. Gregory and Mrs. William Hoeke, Lynnhaven Parish; and Mrs. Clarence J. Smith and Mrs. George Johnson, Princess Anne County. Many members from the three chapters worked on this project and the DAR was assisted by over fifty companies, civic clubs, school officials and individuals.

To celebrate Citizenship Day, the chapters honored an outstanding citizen of the city, J. Roy Alphin, by nominating him for the DAR Medal of Honor. Mrs. Eldred M. Yochim, State Regent of the Virginia DAR, presented the medal to Mr. Alphin, who had served the City of Virginia Beach as Chairman of the Bicentennial Commission.

To remind the citizens of the city of the significance of Constitution Week, the Mayor issued a special proclamation. An outdoor advertising company donated a 14x48 foot billboard which was illuminated at night (on a main thoroughfare) proclaiming Constitution Week and bearing the message, Fly the Flag Proudly!

The five public libraries prepared displays and exhibits through the cooperation of the City Director, Marcy Sims. The president of the Ministerial Association, Rev. William Austin, announced our plans at a meeting of his organization, and gave the ministers the DAR “Grace Before Meals” cards. Many of the ministers mentioned the Constitution in their sermons, prayers and bulletins on Sunday, 18 September. These cards explain that the original Presidential Thanksgiving Proclamation issued by George Washington was in response to a Joint Congressional Resolution recommending to the people of...
the United States that they acknowledge by prayer the many signal favors of Almighty God, especially a constitution of government for their safety and happiness.

Many special programs were held. Mr. Ed Hugdins, president of the Virginia Beach Bar Association, spoke on the subject "Our Democracy's Strength is in the Constitution," focusing attention on our national theme.

To train young citizens for the future, the chapters sponsored two contests in the public schools on the subject Citizenship and the Constitution. A poster contest was held for the 4th-5th and 6th grades. A winning poster from each school was displayed during Constitution Week in a central shopping mall. Merchants donated prizes to the winners. The winning essay from each participating school was printed with a photograph of the student-author in The Beacon, an insert of the Virginia-Pilot newspaper.

A culminating activity was the dedication of the highest flag to be flown in our Tidewater Area. The Regents of all area chapters were invited to participate in this ceremony. The Flag was raised for the first time above a new bank building. At the ceremony, Mr. Austin M. Wilkins, vice president of Pembroke Realty and a partner in Newtown Associates, owner of the bank, was the speaker. —Mrs. Rice Youell.

CLAVERACK (Clinton, New Jersey) is proud of its distinction in receiving a framed copy of a certificate of award at the Continental Congress from the National Membership Chairman, Mrs. Paul G. Meyer, for having the greatest percentage net increase in membership for the past year.

The chapter also received a gold honor roll certificate and an award for 71% subscription to the DAR Magazine. The Chapter Bicentennial Committee received a special mention for submitting a passport to history from the city of Clifton which had been stamped for each Bicentennial event in the city in which one or more of the chapter members have participated or which a chapter member had attended.

Miss Katherine Chase, a chapter member and State Chairman of Constitution Week, was cited at the Continental Congress as one of only sixteen chairmen able to report 100% reports from local chairmen.

Chapter members are planning a busy 1977-78 season which began with a dinner at the Dayton Restaurant located in Clifton's Sullivan Square, part of Botany Village, a restoration of a shopping area in the style of the 1890s.

Young Tim Daley, a blind boy from Elmwood Park was the recipient of a braille flag from the Claverack Chapter Millicent Quallins of Fair Lawn, Vice Regent of the chapter, hand-made the flag.—Eleanor P. Craig.

VALLEY OF THE MERAMEC (Pacific, Missouri). Twenty members of the chapter participated in the Dedication Ceremonies of the DAR Marker at the grave of the Revolutionary War Soldier, Leonard Farrar, on Sunday, October 9. Fifty descendants, relatives, and friends were also present.

The ceremony was held at 2 p.m. at the Giersa Cemetery in the St. John's Gildehaus area, Franklin County, near Villa Ridge, Missouri.

Among guest speakers was Lester B. Fischer of Jefferson City, Missouri, a descendant of Farrar, who paid tribute to the Revolutionary War soldier. Leonard Farrar was born in Goochland County, Virginia, April 4, 1764. At age 14 he joined the Continental Army in North Carolina to serve in the Revolutionary War. He volunteered to serve as a substitute for a family acquaintance who was drafted.

Farrar served at three different intervals with the army. He was among the troops who were present at the taking of Yorktown and the surrender of Cornwallis.

In late 1789, Farrar, his wife and two children came to Missouri and settled in St. Louis County.

Farrar died April 30, 1836 and was buried in Giersa farm cemetery near St. John's Gildehaus Church, Villa Ridge.

AMERICAN LIBERTY (Washington, D.C.) had as their guest speaker, Captain Roger M. Pineau, USNR, Director of the National Defense Navy Memorial Museum located at the Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. Captain Pineau's talk was on the Navy Museum and was very interesting and informative. At that time Captain Pineau invited the members of American Liberty Chapter and their husbands to visit the Navy Yard for a personal tour.

Arrangements were made and our Chapter held its annual June "Dutch Treat Luncheon" in the Far East Room of the Officers Club in the Navy Yard. Mrs. Doris Schulten, Past Regent, was in charge of the luncheon. Immediately following the luncheon, a World War I Yoeman F Cape was presented to Captain Pineau for a World War I exhibit at the Navy Yard. Miss Sarah Magdalene Swartz, a Yoeman F veteran of World War I, Yoeman F Cape was presented to Captain Pineau for a World War I exhibit at the Navy Yard. Miss Sarah Magdalene Swartz, a Yoeman F veteran of World War I, was the donor of the cape. She had enlisted as Yoeman F, second class, USNR at the Washington Navy Yard and was assigned to the USS Triton, a tug running from the NAS Anacostia to the Washington Navy Yard, Washington D.C.

Miss Swartz, being unable to make the presentation herself, requested Mrs. Miriam Walter Woodhead to make the presentation. The cape was modeled by Miss Grace Shannon, a World War I Yoeman F who enlisted at the Navy Yard the first day World War I was declared.

After the presentation Captain Pineau personally conducted the tour of the museum and also included the old Navy Yard brig. It was a memorable day!

In the picture are shown: Mrs. Gladys Jackson, present Regent; Captain Roger M. Pineau, Miss Grace Shannon, veteran World War I, Yoeman F; Mrs. Miriam Woodhead, past Regent and Chapter Chairman of the Museum Committee and Mrs. Doris Schulten, past Regent.—Miriam W. Woodhead.
BARTOW (Bartow, Florida)—As a part of our American Heritage program, the history of the first wagon train to come to our area, and the story of the establishment of the first fort were given.

Members of Bartow Chapter "made history live" by meeting at a replica of Fort Blount, and studying its history.

Fort Blount was a strong log building where the first permanent settlers took refuge in time of danger. The first wagon train reached here in 1851. This settlement became known as Fort Blount, named for the wagon-master, Reading Blount. Later, it was called Peas Creek because wild peas grew and were gathered by Indians along a creek bank nearby. The settlement was finally named Bartow after the War Between the States.

On Feb. 20, 1948, Miss Louise Oates, Regent of Bartow Chapter, presented a marker to the State Road Department marking the site. Words on the marker read:

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In 1976, Bartow Bicentennial Committee built a replica of the fort in Mary Holland Park, a city park located on reclaimed phosphate land near the Bartow Civic Center, and named for a DAR member, Mary Holland, wife of the late U.S. Senator, Spessard Holland.

Bartow Chapter contributed to the building of the replica by sponsoring a quilting bee to complete a Bicentennial quilt which was auctioned to raise funds.

The park with the fort replica has done much to stimulate and encourage the study of history, arts, crafts, and music.

Mrs. O. H. Wright, Mrs. Herbert Stanfill, and the Regent, Mrs. W. Sam Dunn, coordinated the activities for this American Heritage program.

CATAWBA (Rockhill, SC) can thank its program chairman for having planned a very inspirational program for 1977-78, a program which embodied many of the principal tenets of the National Society. Those that provoked the greatest interest concerned the Constitution, the flag of the United States, National Defense and the American Indians.

A local boy who won second place in a national oratorical contest presented to the Chapter his entry entitled "Bridge Between Two Rivers."

The Chapter shows a very active interest in National Defense, conferring each year a Good Citizenship Medal to each of the two senior high schools and an ROTC medal (Air Force) to the same schools.

At the November meeting the director of the ROTC work at Northwestern High School, Colonel William H. Bryd, was our speaker. Col. Byrd had a distinguished career in the Air Force before his retirement when he came to Rock Hill to direct the ROTC program at Northwestern High School. In his talk to the Chapter he outlined the current defenses of the United States and accompanied his talk with the showing of a film. The information he gave us was very reassuring.

Northwestern High School has an annual ROTC dinner at the close of the school year, an occasion that is always very impressive. The chapter's National Defense chairman presents the DAR award to the student designated by the director. In May, 1977 the student so honored was for the first time a girl.

The Chapter subscribes annually to the DAR Magazine for the two local senior high schools and for the junior high school. Librarians at all the schools have expressed their appreciation and say that the students put the magazine to good use. The Chapter also pays for a subscription each year to Winthrop College, a state college located in Rock Hill.

**HENRY DOWNS (Waco, Texas) welcomed its oldest member when Mrs. David William Crawford established her line and joined this spring at the age of 96. Her revolutionary ancestor was Spencer Clack, who was a First Lieutenant from Loudon County, Virginia. He died in Sevierville, Tennessee, and the DAR Chapter there is named for him. Mrs. Crawford is pictured with her youngest daughter, Mrs. George Gann Clark, who joined with her.

Martha Miller McKinney, another member of Henry Downs Chapter, and great great-great-granddaughter of Jacob Brazelton (1749-1835) is shown by the W. T. Miller Grist Mill. Her grandmother, W. T. Miller (1846-1936), a pioneer Dublin, Texas businessman, built the mill in 1882. The W. T. Miller Grist Mill was designated a Texas Historical Landmark by the Texas Historical Commission in 1976. Much of the original machinery remains in the mill. The mill is now a museum in the W. M. Wright Historical Park, located in Dublin, Texas.

**BETTY BONNEY (Arkansas City, Kansas).** The annual Christmas tea, was held December 17 in the beautiful home of Miss Verna Stuteville. Her home was decorated in seasonal greenery, enhanced by her personal collection of antique green glass. Miss Stuteville, a past Regent, is hostess every year for the tea.

In keeping with the religious theme, Mrs. Howard Neumann gave an inspirational and interesting program on the theme, "The Role of Churches in Establishing American Independence," with members and guests in discussion of various religions. The Regent, Mrs. Richard Brooks, read a letter of thanks for the book, "Kansas Society of The Sons of the American Revolution 85th Anniversary Registry 1892-1977" which was presented to the local library by Betty Bonney. She also read a letter of appreciation to our local cable television for reporting their monthly announcements of our meetings on their computerized channel. She also commended the chapter for its sale of all occasion cards as a money raising project.

Mrs. R. B. Woods, past Regent and Mrs. Earl Livingston, Chapter Reporter, gave reports on the interesting trips they made to Parsons and Pratt to regional chapter meetings. Mrs. Maurice Maxwell and Mrs. Tom Clark served refreshments in keeping with the Christmas season, and the Regent, Mrs. Brooks, served at the tea urn.—Mary K. Maxwell.
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