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OF THE IOWA SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

On July 6, the panic Year of 1893, nine prominent Iowa men met in the Old Iowa State Capitol at Des Moines at the call of Hon. H.E.J. Boardman of Marshalltown and formed the Iowa Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Others attending were Theodore Faulker Bradford, a Marshalltown lawyer, Franklin Gilman Pierce, also of Marshalltown, O.W. Munsell, Des Moines, J.H. Strong and F.D. Hussey, also of Des Moines, R.D. McGeehon, Atlantic, L.S. Kilburn of Marshalltown and W.H.H. Asbury of Ottumwa. A committee consisting of J.R. Sage, J.H. Keatley and Peter A. Dey, the latter from Iowa City, was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws.

On September 5, 1893, twenty-five recommended candidates were admitted to membership, as follows:

W.H.H. Asbury, Ottumwa Charles H.E. Board, Marshalltown Charles E. Boardman, Marshalltown Henry E.J. Boardman, Marshalltown Theodore F. Bradford, Marshalltown W.H. Bremer, Marshalltown Samuel Berry Evans, Ottumwa Edward H. Hazen. Des Moines W.P. Hepburn, Clarinda Frank S. Hunt, Dubuque Timothy Hunt. Grinnell S. Lincoln, Kilbourn R.D. McGeehon, Atlantic Frank Ashley Millard, Burlington D.C. Mott, What Cheer Orson W. Munsell, Des Moines Stephen B. Packhard, Marshalltown Franklin Gilman Pierce, Marshalltown Levi P. Raymond, Hampton John R. Sage, Des Moines Tram Allen Sawyer, Keckuk, Station Charles D, Shepard, Gilbert Station Erastus B. Soper, Emmettsburg Albert Strong, Winterset Edward M. Vittum, Grinnell

This list of leaders in their home towns set a pattern of leadership dedicated to patriotic citizenship service which has endured through 78 intervening years until the present date, Oct.1, 1971, and promises to endure into the forseeable future along with The Bill of Rights and our democratic form of government.

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A rival Iowa Society of the Sons of the Revolution - the word "American" not used - was formed in 1900 with chapters going in Davenport and
Ottumwa but died out in the course of time. The Rev. Mott R. Sawyers, a
noted Presbyterian minister of Davenport and members of the Ballard family
of Davenport belonged to this society, their meetings "covered" by the
writer, then a young newspaperman. Mott Sawyers died recently in Minneapolis
at the advanced age of over 100 years and esteemed S.A.R. service. The
writer's acquaintance with Rev. Sawyers until the latter's death was
renewed at frequent intervals.

In its long life of 78 years the Iowa S.A.R. has never ceased to abide by its Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all" nor has it ever forgotten that other Pledge to S.A.R.: "We descendants of the Heroes of the American Revolution who by their Sacrifices established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of freedom and American democracy and pledge ourselves to defend them from every foe". All national S.A.R. programs have been endorsed and implemented within the state and a motto developed: "Fly the United States Flag in every place where Iowa People live and gather".

Special emphasis has been given to observance of Flag Day, Jume 14, to Independence Day, July 4, by "Ringing of Bells", by the observance of Citizenship Day and Constitution Week in September and the sponsorship of the R.O.T.C. by award of medals to cadets outstanding in scholarship and leadership categories.

Two Herbert Hoover innovations were adopted by the Iowa State Society, the first being to open the door of its two big meetings each year to S.A.R.

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wives and families, also to members of the Daughters of the American Revolution and to other patriotic fellow citizens and public servants of the Iowa City area. All present at these meetings participated in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Pledge to the S.A.R. honoring the memory of the Heroes of the American Revolution, whether their ancestors or not.

Guest speakers at these meetings included Cuban refugee Dr. Ramon
Sanchez, President Willard Boyd of The University of Iowa, Donald E. Johnson,
now Veterans' Administration chief, Col. Brooks Booker of the U of I
R.O.T.C., Iowa Supreme Court Justices Robert L. Larson and Harvey Unlenhopp,
Mayor Loren Hickerson of Iowa City, Iowa State Representatives Minnette
Doderer and Earl Yoder, Professor John R. Schmidhauser, former U.S. Congressman from the 1st Iowa District, Don Kirkham, Curtiss Distinguished Professor, Iowa State University, and Mrs. Ray H. Gruwell, State Regent of Iowa
Daughters of the American Revolution.

The membership of the early S.A.R. reached a high point of 450 active to 1930, according to an early historical account by E.P. Tinkham, 9 chapters being in operation then: John Marshall in Sioux City, Ben Franklin in Des Moines, Lexington Chapter at Keokuk, Washington Chapter at Ames, Bunker Hill Chapter at Waterloo, Fort Dodge Chapter at Fort Dodge, Lewis & Clark Chapter at Council Bluffs, Valley Forge Chapter at Nevada. Earlier chapters had been as follows: Ottumwa Chapter at Ottumwa, Blackhawk Chapter at Wapello, Alexander Hamilton at Chariton, Alexander Hamilton at Sheldon, Poweshiek at Grinnell and Lew Wallace Anderson at Cedar Rapids - 15 all together.

Mortality among the S.A.R. chapters was heavy until by 1964 only one survived, that at Sioux City, now bearing the name of the George W. Wakefield Chapter.

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The fact that state headquarters of the Iowa S.A.R. was also located at Sioux City and for 14 years was under the able leadership of Willism D. Crow assisted a hard core of zealous compatriots in keeping the chapter there intact.

In the early days of the S.A.R. movement it had been noticed that the book membership number was always far ahead of the active membership count, a comparison which remains today. The writer, in seeking to find a reason for S.A.R. membership shrinkage has been led to conclude that the competition of the civic clubs such as Rotary, Kiwanis, Gyro and Junior Chamber of Commerce, none of which have an ancestral qualification to meet and can devote their program energies to home town betterment rather than the less tangible patriotic service offered by S.A.R., is responsible.

However, there are bright spots in the present spectrum of Iowa S.A.R. for new blood was pumped into its veins by the organization of Herbert Hoover Chapter, April 25, 1964, now with a roster of 70 paid-up members and an expanded patriotic citizens program. Organization of the Elias Jennison Chapter of Belmond at Christmas time in 1970 brought 14 young men into the S.A.R. ranks and won national honors in the form of Silver Membership Plaques to Iowa S.A.R. President George M. Sheets and Registrar Robert O. Moninger. At this writing a third chapter—the Central Iowa Chapter S.A.R.—is just completing organization, and has announced a meeting December 11, 1971, in Des Moines at which time the Charter will be formally presented and officers will be elected. Re-birth of Iowa State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, has taken place and the future appears most encouraging.

Note -- In writing this History, the author gives credit to the Edwin P. Tinkham and E.C. Potter Histories of the Iowa S.A.R., the George M. Sheets Autobiography and to the Old Continental, Vols. 9 No. 2 and 12 No. 3 for valuable source material.

The W.T. Kiepura Note Book relating activities in 1937-38-39-40 and 41 has also been a valuable source of S.A.R. history, but of the John Marshall Chapter rather than Iowa State Society.

Herbert Hoover, son of Jesse Clark Hoover and Hulda Minthorn Hoover, was born at West Branch, Iowa, on August 10, 1874. He became fatherless at the age of six and was an orphan at nine. In 1886 "Bertie" was sent to Newberg, Oregon to live with his uncle, Henry John Minthorn.

"Bert" Hoover worked his way through college and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in geology in 1895 as a member of Stanford University's first four-year graduating class. "With \$40 and no debts," he first worked at a variety of mining jobs in the American West, then as a mining engineer.

Herbert Hoover and Miss Lou Henry, a native of Waterloo, Iowa and a schoolmate during his final year at Stanford, were married at Monterey, California in 1899.

In 1902 Mr. Hoover became partner in a mining firm in London and in 1908 he established his own business as a consultant in mining engineering. He successfully administered mining concerns in many countries, while circling the globe five times. Mrs. Hoover and their two young sons were with him at most locations.

World War I marks the beginning of Herbert Hoover's public service career, which did not end until his death in 1964.

After leaving the White House in 1933, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover returned to their home at Palo Alto, California. In 1934 they moved to the Waldorf-Astoria Towers in New York City, where Mrs. Hoover died in 1944 and where Mr. Hoover resided during the rest of his life.

The Herbert Hoover Birthplace Foundation includes members of the Hoover family, friends and associates of the former President. Persons prominent in national and state affairs serve as trustees.

Much of the Hoover archives and memorabilia now in the Presidential Library originally was housed at the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace, a research center established following World War I at Stanford University.

In 1967 the Library grounds and park covered 33 acres. Plans call for expansion of the area to approximately 200 acres. Over 900,000 persons have visited the Hoover site since the Library was opened in 1962.

Mr. Hoover's first publicized visit to West Branch as a national figure was during his Presidential campaign on August 21, 1928. His last visit was for the Library's dedication August 10, 1962. Mr. Hoover died October 20, 1964 and the final return was his burial at the "Overlook" on October 25.

The Library building was designed by Eggers and Higgins of New York City; Wetherell-Harrison-Wagner of Des Moines were associate architects. Building walls are of native stone quarried at Stone City, Iowa. Grounds and park were planned by the Landscaping Architecture department of Iowa State University.

President and Mrs. Hoover had two sons—the late Herbert Hoover, Jr., mining and petroleum engineer and Undersecretary of State under President Eisenhower; and Allan Hoover, New York businessman. Both always have been active in family affairs. At the time of Herbert Hoover's death, there were six grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.



HERBERT HOOVER

Thirtieth President of the United States, was elected in 1928 and served to 1933. He was not only Iowa's greatest son but also S.A.R.'s greatest member.



The Herbert Hoover birthplace cottage at West Branch, Iowa is shown in the photograph above.

A History of Herbert Hoover Chapter Sons of the American Revolution

The Herbert Hoover Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, which has made an important contribution toward revitalizing the Iowa State Society now in its 78th year, was originally chartered April 25th as The Eastern Iowa Area Chapter and grew and prospered as christened until September 17, 1967, when at the suggestion of its organizer, president George M. Sheets, it was changed to honor Iowa's Greatest Son and the S.A.R.'s Greatest Member, Herbert Hoover, 30th president of the United States.

The Application For Charter dated February 29, 1964 bore the names George Marsh Sheets, Iowa City; Richard H. Tinsley, Coralville; Don Kirkham, Ames; Robert H. Caughey, Ames; Henry Giese, Ames; Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis; James M. Chamberlin, Davenport; Wilson H. Shorey, Davenport, and Chrence W. Moody, Burlington.

The formal charter was signed by George M. Sheets, Ermal Loghry, Ralph E. Walker, George H. Rigler, Clarence W. Moody, M.E. Godbey, Richard H. Tinsley, Don Kirkham, J.B. Dill, Stanley S. Gillam, R.C. Wead, Henry Giese, Thomas S. Denham and Benson H. Guinn.

No time was lost by the founders of the new chapter in effecting a formal organization, for on May 9, 1964 a luncheon meeting was held at the Carousel restaurant in Coralville and officers were elected and installed, George M. Sheets being chosen president and other officers named as follows: lst vice president, Don Kirkham, Ames; 2nd vice president, J.B. Dill, Washington, Iowa; 3rd vice president, Clarence W. Moody, Burlington; secretary, George H. Rigler, Iowa City, and treasurer, Richard H. Tinsley, Coralville. The president was a veteran Iowa newspaperman, Kirkham a faculty member of Iowa State University, Dill a læge landowner in the Washington area, Moody an editor on the Burlington Hawkeye, Rigler a retired financier and Tinsley an industrialist with Procter & Gamble Company in Iowa City. Installing officer and master of ceremonies was Attorney Stanley S. Gillam of Minneapolis, vice president general of the national society, S.A.R. Thirteen members and candidates for membership were present.

Publicizing Flag Day on June 14 was the next activity of the new Chapter, and with two veteran newspapermen among the officers it is not surprizing that the Iowa City Press-Citizen ran nearly a column on rules and customs for the public to follow in its June 12 issue. The same newspaper gave the S.A.R. program "Ring the Bells on the 4th" even more support as the publication had run that program on its own the previous year and was glad to turn the job over to a patriotic organization.

An event of its own birthing was the new chapter's next promotion—a visit to the Iowa State University Memorial Union at Ames, September 26, 1964, where a regular meeting was held following luncheon in the cafeteria. The following members were present: George M. Sheets, Richard Tinsley, Don Kirkham, Henry Giese, Stanley S. Gillam, James B. Dill, and R.C. Wead.

Also present was Ron K. Parish, Iowa City, presently a State University of Iowa student, whose credentials had already been approved and whose formal application for membership was currently in preparation. The formal S.A.R. ritual was followed, the "Colors" being presented, "Pledge of Allegiance" and "Pledge to the S.A.R." recited, and Invocation given by Compatriot Stanley Gillam. The president presented a new member, R.C. Wead, who paid the chapter dues of \$2 and signed the charter, still open. The president reported Benson H. Guinm, prominent Belle Plaine, Iowa, citizen, had paid membership dues and presented application papers but was unable to attend the

meeting on account of sickness. The chairman also reported the long illness and hospital confinement of State Society Secy.-Treas. William D. Crow. Cooperation of the Iowa D.A.R. through Mrs. George H. Rigler, State Chairman, of the American Heritage Program with the S.A.R. was also announced. Four prospective new members in Keokuk, Cedar Rapids and other eastern Iowa cities were likewise mentioned by the president. Treasurer Tinsley reported \$26 in dues had been collected.

Vice-president Don Kirkham, professor of soils and physics and Curtiss Distinguished Professor of Agriculture at I.S.U. was then introduced and told of his recent visit to Balkan countries-Hungary, Roumania, Jugoslavia and Montenegro-lecturing on soils science and participating in deliberation of the International Soils Science Society. The talk was illustrated with color photographs.

Washington was chosen as the next meeting place of the chapter in April, 1965, compatriots Dill and Wead being in charge of arrangements. This meeting was held on May 8, 1965 at The Captain's Table, a popular Washington restaurant, the following compatriots being present: Gillam, Strieby, Kirkham, Wead, Denman, Tinsley, Rigler, Sheets and Dill. Following the formal routine, a letter was read from Sam T. Morrison, former Iowa S.A.R. state secretary, currently a retired insurance company executive. The annual dues were raised from \$2 to \$3. Three-minute talks were given by the S.A.R. members present on "My Revolutionary Ancestor." The program feature was a talk by Professor Pruitt of Parsons College on the History of Economics. September 25 was set as the date for an Autumn meeting. The above events were listed in the minutes of Secretary George H. Rigler.

The September 1965 meeting was staged in the University Athletic Club in Iowa City, made available to the S.A.R. owing to the fact that Secretary George Rigler was a member of that exclusive organization. Here, for the first time we find listed by the secretary in his minutes, three wives of the attending compatriots, as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Buerge, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Sheets and Mr. and Mrs. George H. Rigler, Stanley S. Gillam, Richard H. Tinsley, R.C. Wead and J.B. Dill, Old Reliables of the young chapter.

That the attendancs was not much larger may have been due to the time being a Saturday afternoon in football time. Or the small number may have been due to a lack of pre-publicity, for the speaker was Colonel Brooks Booker, USAF, a forceful and entertaining person who delivered a stimulating and informative talk on some of the nation's problems and what the Armed Forces are doing in their program of preparedness. Col. Booker endorsed the U.S. podicy of sending troops to South Viet Nam to fight the Viet Cong and to oppose Communist aggression in Southeast Asia and throughout the world wherever free peoples are threatened. He stated, however, that "the United States can neither win nor lose the battle in South Viet Nam alone, but that victory for the world freedom philosophy must be won in the hearts and minds of the people of all countries."

The presiding officer, President George Sheets of the S.A.R., called attention to the meeting being in observation of the 178th anniversary of the birth of the U.S. Constitution and featured the proclamation of the president of the United States, Lyndon B. Johnson, sulogizing the Constitution as "the great framework of our government under which our nation has survived the greatest crises, has grown from 13 to 50 states with a population of 200 million souls and has attained the proud position of leader-ship among the free peoples of the world."

Stanley Gillam spoke on "The Character of the Constitution" and President Sheets on "Our Obligations Under the Constitution." He closed his talk with the words, "Let us ever revere the Constitution of the United States as we honor the memory of our

ancestors who made it possible by winning the Revolutionary War: Compatriot Buerge gave a condensed life history. The meeting was the first time ladies sat in a S.A.R. meeting in Iowa and took part in the ritual.

Growth of the Eastern Iowa Area chapter during 1965 is shown by six new members being taken in as follows: R.C. Wead, Ermal Loughry, Benson Guinn, Jon Parish, Themas Denham and Byard Strieby. By the spring of 1966, Eastern Iowa Area Cnapter's members numbered , and the organization was oriented to think big and not be backward about putting its thoughts into action. "Why not hold our next meeting in the birthplace of Herbert Hoover, Iowa's Greatest Son and the S.A.R.'s greatest member?", was the big question asked.

And so it was made to come about that a pilgrimage was made to the little town of West Branch where a boy, later orphaned, was born, who was to become the 30th President of the United States and a world benefactor. In the Herbert Hoover Memorial Library erected by the U.S. government in recognition of the orphan boy's contribution to world history and inspiration to American youth, the worshipful chapter staged its third annual meeting May 7. 1966. The public was invited to join the S.A.R. in attendance.

Mrs. Don Kirkham, lineal descendant of the same ancestor as was Herbert Hoover, welcomed the audience. Compatriots present, several accompanied by their wives, were: Mr. and Mrs. George Rigler, Mr. and Mrs. George Sheets, Mr. and Mrs. Benson Guinn, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Buerge, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Bruner, Mr. Byard Strieby and daughter, Mr. Robert Wead, Dr. and Mrs. Don Kirkham, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Parish, Mr. Stanley Gilam, Mr. William Cockran, and Mr. J.B. Dill. Following luncheon in the Century House, the meeting was called to order by President Sheets. The Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the S.A.R. were recited. The election of officers was held with re-election of the president, George Sheets; 1st vice-president, Don Kirkham; 2nd vice-president, J.B.Dill; 3rd vice-president Julian Bruner; secretary, Jon K. Parish; treasurer, Richard Tinsley; chaplain, George Rigler; registrar, R.C. Wead.

The officers were installed by Compatriot Stanley Gillam, national trustee from Minnesota. Compatriots George Sheets, J.B. Dill, Julian Bruner and Byard Strieby were chosen as delegates to attend the annual meeting of the Iowa Society to be held in Des Moines on May 14, 1966.

The Eastern Iowa Area Chapter year of activities was announced as "Fly the Flag and Ring the Bells, National S.A.R. program on Independence Day and the Constitution Day observance in September. The former program to be followed in all cities where members of the chapter reside.

Speakers on the program, held in the auditorium of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Memorial Library, included chapter president George Sheets, Archivist Charles W. Corkran, of the National Archives and Records Service, Professor and Mrs. Don Kirkham of Ames. Mrs. Kirkham, blood relative of President Hoover, welcomed the delegates and general public as a family representative and told of their mutually shared ancestor. Compatriot Sheets described the two occasions on which he had met Mr. and Mrs. Hoover—the first at the original Hoover homecoming celebration in West Branch on August 21, 1928, when the guest of honor was the nominee of the Republican party for president, and the second, December 2, 1931, when he was invited by President Hoover to attend the Hoover Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership in Washington, D.C. and to a reception in the White House where he had the privilege of meeting and shaking hands with the President and Mrs. Hoover.

Professor Kirkham delivered an illustrated talk on "Argentine Agriculture" and Archivist Corkran on "Presidential Libraries", especially describing the Hoover memorial collection.

AT the business meeting, three-minute talks on "My Revolutionary War Ancestors" were given by Jon Parish and Julian Bruner. Following these interesting talks, chapter members and guests visited the Hoover gravesite and were taken on a tour through the Memorial Library by Archivist Corkran. (The meeting description is from the minute book of Secretary Jon K. Parish.)

The next chapter activity was conducting the "Ring the Bells" program on Independence Day, July 4th. Seven Iowa Communities, Iowa City, Mt. Vernon, Lisbon, Clinton, Washington, Belle Plaine, with seventeen churches participated in this observance. Three colleges and universities rang their institutional bells and the mayors of three cities issued proclamations asking public participation. Newspapers in seven Iowa cities and Radio Station KXIC in Iowa City supported the campaign.

Having adopted the Constitution Anniversary Observance as its main autumn program, the Eastern Iowa Chapter president on whom the responsibility for meeting programs rested, refused to take "no" for an answer and at last secured the consent of Dean Willard Boyd, Professor of Law and Vice President of The University of Iowa, to address a S.A.R. Constitution Anniversity observance meeting on September 24, 1966.

Dean Boyd delivered a most informative and interesting address on the "World Court" or International Court of Justice of the United Nations organization. He gave it as his opinion that the Connally Resolution which declares the right of the United States to reject the decisions of this court if it ensiders this country's sovereighty surrendered, should be repealed. He stated that it was inconsistent for the U.S. to accept the World Court's jurisdiction but reserve the right to reject its decisions. Following Dean Boyd's address, the meeting was recessed so that he and any others committed to attend the Iowa-Oregon State football game could do so.

After the recess, Don Kirkham, vice president of the chapter, gave a most interesting talk on his recently concluded world tour on which he addressed conventions of international soils experts in Tokyo and Israel. He reported that U.S. use of biological warfare in North Viet Nam is meeting with strong opposition from Japanese scientists. Eighteen members and guests were present, as follows: George M. Sheets and wife, Don Kirkham, Richard Tinsley, Robert C. Wead and mother, Stanley S. Gillam, Thomas S. Denham, and wife, Clyde E. Buarge andwife, Robert O. Moninger, E.M. Slaymaker and wife, Colonel Brooks Booker and wife, and Mr. Gordon Kent. Guests were individually introduced.

President Sheets delivered an address on the historical origin of the Constitution of the United States, completed 179 years ago by the convention in Philadelphia of which George Washington was president. The speaker stated that the provisions of the new governmental framework were largely drawn from the constitutions of the 13 original states although showing traces of the preceding Confederacy's set-up and of the New Jersey Plan advanced by the smaller states and of the Virginia Plan as amended, advanced by the larger commonwealths. He also stressed the importance of the 24 amendments and of the Supreme Courts interpretations in retaining the Constitution as the cornerstone of our liberties through nearly two centuries of social, economic and political developments.

Treasurer Tinsley's report showed a healthy balance in the Chapter treasury. Possible meeting places for the annual meeting next spring were discussed. Adjournment followed the benediction given by Compatriot Gillam.

The final activity of the Chapter year was "Voter Appreciation Day", a program to display the United States Flag in each of the 45 election precincts in Johnson county at the November election. The basic idea was to emphasize voting as a patriotic duty. The program was dreamed up by the publicity committee. The public and patriotic organizations were asked to loan large flags and placing these was shared by Compatriots Sheets

and Tinsley, and Don McComas, former Johnson County sheriff, so efficiently that on election day Old Glory was displayed at every voting precinct in the county.

The State of Iowa government was brought into the Eastern Iowa Chapter picture early in its new year of 1967 by the drafting of a bill requiring the display of the United States flag at polling places on primary and general election days. This bill, House File 160, State Government Affairs, was introduced by Representative Minnette Doderer and Earl Yoder of Iowa City on February 15, 1967. It read: "Section 1, Chapter 49, Code 1966, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new section: The flag of the United States of America shall be displayed in or upon the premises of each polling place within the state on primary and election days. The judges of election in each precinct shall cause the flag to be displayed in such manner as to be visible to all voters who enter the polling places. The county board of supervisors may acquire suitable flags by purchase, gift or loan and shall provide the judges of election with flags necessary to carry out the provisions of this act." "EXPLANATION: The display of the United States flag at polling places will serve as an appropriate reminder to each voter of his duty as a citizen of the United States to responsibly exercise his right to vote."

Senator Robert Burns of Iowa City stood by to support the bill in the state Senate. However, the chairman of the sifting committee in the House opposed the bill and refused to allow the measure to be reported out, so it never came to the floor for consideration.

National S.A.R. headquarters was informed about the bill introduced in the Iowa legislature, and wrote President Sheets on April 28, 1967, asking that a resolution be drafted to be submitted to the National Resolutions Committee for passage at its national Congress, recommending that a bill be passed at the next session of the U.S. Congress requiring display of the United States Flag at all polling places within the nation on primary and election days and that supervisors may acquire suitable flags with which to provide election judges. The resolution was prepared by the chapter and mailed to Executive Secretary of the National Society in Washington, D.C. The Iowa Flag Campaign was also endorsed by President Len Young Smith of the Illinois S.A.R.

The next event on the chapter calendar was the annual meeting May 30,1967 held in the Jefferson Hotel, On calling the session to exter, President Sheets announced new members as follows: Earl M. Slaymaker, Clinton; Robert O. Moninger, Iowa City; Thomas Ross Moninger, Stamford, Conn.; David Caldwell Sedgley, Jackson, Alabama; Clark C. Barnes, Iowa City, Raymond E. Barnes, Hills, Iowa. He then reviewed the talk he had given at a recent meeting of the Nathaniel Fellows Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on "The History of the Iowa S.A.R.".

A music program was introduced with pupils of the city public schools appearing under the direction of Compatriot Robert O. Moninger and Mrs. Joan Swenson, music instructor—an entertaining number.

The chairman then introduced three distinguished guests of the chapter: State Senator Robert Burns and State Representatives Minnette Doderer and Earl Yoder, each of whom gave brief talks on "Americanism, Iowa Civil Rights legislation, and 'Fly the Flag' legislation" recently sponsored by the Eastern Iowa Chapter of the S.A.R. Other speakers were Mrs. Louise Drews of the Nathaniel Fellows Chapter, President of the Children of the American Revolution, and Dr. Josephine Chapin of Iowa City, whose subject was "The Early History of the C.A.R." The chairman mentioned that the Iowa State S.A.R. has donated \$50 to the C.A.R. Coming events mentioned by the chairman were the "Fly the Flag Campaign" June 14 and the "Ring the Bells" program on Independence Day, July 4th.

Compatriot Don Kirkham outlined a novel program for the next chapter meeting, with each member telling about his Revolutionary War ancestor, or how a person in his own profession today would have lived and worked in colonial times.

At the business session which followed, the nominating committee brought in a slate as follows: president, George M. Sheets; lst vice president, J.B. Dill; 2nd vice president, Dick Tinsley; 3rd vice president, Paul D. Simpson; secretary, Robert O. Moninger; treasurer, Clyde E. Buerge; chaplain, Harold Rigler; registrar, R.C. Wead; and genealogist, Earl M. Slaymaker. On motion of Tinsley, a unanimous ballot was cast for the slate. Following the benediction, the meeting adjourned.

It was at the next meeting of the Eastern Iowa Area Chapter that the name of the organization, at the suggestion of president Sheets, with a unanimous vote, was officially changed to HERBERT HOOVER CHAPTER, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. The motion to change was made by Kirkham, seconded by Slaymaker. This important meeting, called to observe the 180th anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution, was held in the Carousel reataurant, Coralville, Iowa, September 17, 1967. President Sheets had pointed out that the late former president was not only a native eastern Iowan but also a member of the S.A.R. organization. Copies of Hoover's membership application wereon display in the dining hall where the action was taken.

The principal speaker, Justice Robert L. Larson of the Iowa Supreme Court and a former chief justice, stressed the importance of the system of "checks and balances" provided in the constitution by division of power into the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government. He said "the people must preserve it at all costs". Justice Larson noted that most Americans have great respect, even veneration, for the great document but said also that it was unfortunate that too many give allegiance to it without an understanding of its contents and accomplishments.

Justice Larson noted "great concern today about groups that demand rights and conveniently forget that with each right there is a corresponding duty." He stated there is no such thing as absolute liberty to do as one pleases and asserted that "one's rights are always subject to the implied restriction that the acts do not injure another." The speaker also pointed out that while in a republic like the United States the majority rule, history has proven that majority rule could be used to persecute minorities.

As an example, Justice Larson stated that a majority could vote to take property for public use and not pay the owner's price for it on the ground that it is for the welfare of the majority and one's individual interest should give way. He explained that the constitution makes this rule work harmoniously with the rule that certain personal rights are paramount to those of society by providing that owners of private property taken for public use must receive just compensation from the public. "This is an important aspect in urban renewal cases now reaching the ourts", he said.

Also at this annual meeting, Iowa City Boy Scouts presented the "Parade of the Seven Flags" sponsored by the Elks Lodge.

Another entertaining feature of the program was the travelogue by Professor Don Kirkham of Iowa State University, who described current agricultural conditions in the Near East and in the Prague and Bucharest areas he visited during the past summer. Attendance was 73, largest ever at an Iowa S.A.R. meeting.

At the <u>73rd annual meeting</u> of the <u>Iowa Society</u>, S.A.R. held April 22, 1967 in the Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines, several members of Hoover Chapter were elected to state office, as follows: president, George Sheets; 1st vice president, Don Kirkham;

registrar, R.C. Wead; secy.-treas., R.O. Moninger; chaplain, Stanley S. Gillam. It was stipulated that William D. Crow, who had held the office of Secy.-treas. for 14 years, should continue to serve in that capacity until the records had been moved to Iowa City. The transfer took several weeks to be consummated.

The first official act of the new president was to name an advisory committee consisting of Don Kirkham, Robert Wead, J.B. Dill and Stanley Gillam. The meeting at the Carousel restaurant in Coralville, September 17, 1967, was therefore the first officially held under joint sponsorship of the state association and the chapter. The Iowa City area provided most of the attendance and the University of Iowa Memorial Union was an ideal meeting place with excellent food, service, and adequate parking facilities. Also, the locale helped to influence outstanding public servants and patriotic organization spokesmen to accept the S.A.R. invitations to serve as guest speakers.

Donald E. Johnson of West Branch, a former American Legion national commander, candidate for governor of Iowa on the Republican ticket, was such a personage, and was secured as guest speaker for the 74th annual meeting of Iowa S.A.R. May 5, 1968, held in the beautiful State Room of the Union. The gathering was well publicized and the attendance a sell-out.

Johnson's address was a stirring patriotic appeal for support of the government, law and order, and drew frequent applause. President Sheets thanked the speaker and presented him with a sheaf of nomination papers containing 112 signatures of leading Republican business and professional men, which he had solicited during the preceding week.

At this meeting, preceding the singing of the National Anthem, the traditional memorial service was held for Mrs. Charlotte Meardon and Mrs. Louise B. Sheets, D.A.R. members who had passed away in 1968. Mrs. Sheets was a member of Pilgrim Chapter and Mrs. Meardon of Nathaniel Chapter.

Election of officers resulted in the following: pres. George Sheets, 1st vice pres. Dill, 2nd vice pres. Tinsley, 3rd vice pres. Simpson, secy. pro tem R.O. Moninger, treas. Buerge, chaplain, Rigler, registrar R.C.Wead, genealogist, Earl Slaymaker. A motion to raise the annual dues from \$6 to \$7 was passed and another to donate \$10 to the State C.A.R. was carried.

The largest attended meeting in the history of the Iowa State Society and Herbert Hoover Chapter S.A.R. was held Sunday noon at the SUI Memorial Union, Iowa City, in observance of the <u>181st anniversary</u> of the signing of the United States <u>Constitution</u>. There were 73 reservations. In addition to the S.A.R, Iowa City manicipal, Johnson County, State of Iowa, U.S. government officials together with representatives of local fraternal societies and Iowa City business enterprises and many D.A.R. members attended.

The proclamations of President Lyndon Johnson and Governor Harold Hughes of Iowa were read. Pledges to the U.S. Flag and to the S.A.R. were recited. A moment of silent prayer in memory of J.Boyd Dill, Washington, Iowa, a S.A.R. officer, and Mrs. Aletha Redman, prominent Iowa City D.A.R. member, was observed. It was announced that the Iowa S.A.R. was left a substantial legacy in the will of Compatriot Dill, prominent Washington County landowner.

Mrs. Ray Nagel, Iowa City soprano, sang the national anthem, also an AEF World War I song, "Roses of Picardy." She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Herald Stark of Iowa City.

The presiding officer, president Sheets, spoke on the origin of the Constitution and of its interpretations by Chief Justices of the U.S. Supreme Court--by John Marshall

in the early 1800s and Earl Warren in the last 14 years. In reference to the latter, he quoted from a recently published analysis of "The Warren Court" decisions by Professor G.T. Mitau, chancellor of Minnesota State University, who wrote:

"Broadly speaking, those who gained from the libertarian decisions of the last decade were the poor, the ill-educated, the under-provileged and the under-represented. Their legal victories necessarily entailed losses in power and privileges to many Americans."

A Harris poll cited by Mitau states that in 1966 a majority of Americans approved the court's ruling in three out of six of the most controversial decisions—reapportionment, school desegregation and desegregation of public accommodations. The Harris poll also showed people almost evenly divided on a decision allowing Communists to have passports and critical of the court's decisions barring confessions made by suspects without their lawyers, and outlawing official prayers in schools.

In summation, President Sheets declared "The fact that our country today is a great living space where race, color, creed and sex stand equal before the law is due to the Constitution of the Unaited States just as the achievement of our national independence resulted from the sacrifices of our ancestors who fought and won the War of the Revolution."

Following the speaking program, a business meeting was held at which Robert C. Wead, Washington, Iowa was unanimously elected secretary-treasurer of the Iowa Society, SAR. He was currently President of Herbert Hoover Chapter. Invocation and benediction were given by Chaplain Stanley Gillam.

"The Revolution on the Campus" was the theme of a thoughtful and illuminating address delivered by Loren Hickerson, Mayor of Iowa City and Director of Community Relations for The University of Iowa. The date was May 4, 1969 for the annual meeting of the Iowa State Society, Sons of the American Revolution in the University Memorial Union.

"Many people seem to consider the intransigence of college students as an isolated phenomenon, -- it isn't" the speaker stated. "Campus unrest is simply an especially visible reflection of resistance to traditional patterns of life which are sweeping the country, affecting every segment of American life, involving all generations", Mayor Hickerson continued. "Universities are unlucky enough to be caught in the foment. I think it is a great mistake to assume that campus unrest can be controlled by passing laws to curb it. The only laws which are going to deal effectively with unrest in America, on or off the campus, are laws which work in the direction of eliminating the causes for unrest. The major causes for unrest originate far away from the campus, not on it.

"I think there is a third great mistake in the way many people look at universities today" the speaker went on. "It is to equate campus unrest only with acts of violence. It is to assume that lawlessness is the only kind of campus unrest that deserves attention. I am much more deeply concerned about unrest among law-abiding students than unrest reflected by militant revolutionaries whose avowed purpose is to destroy university establishments. Institutional administrations on the one hand, and civil authorities on the other, both have enough power to deal with lawlessness in any form--if they will use that power. It is the disillusionment of young people who believe in the system and who want to work within it to bring more rapid change and improvement, that concerns me most. No great country can withstand for very long the mounting disillusionment of its rank and file."

Mayor Hickerson then praised highly the present student body at The University of Iowa, stating, "In all my years the student crop at this University has never been finer, more impressive, more promising in its potential than today. They are what Iowa is to become."

Following the speaking program and entertainment by teen-age musicians from the public schools, two girl flutists Patricia Louise Kennedy and Patricia Fry, a business session was held at which the following officers were elected:

Fresident, George M. Sheets; 1st vice president, Don Kirkham; 2nd vice president, Kenneth Chapman, Des Moines; registrar, Robert C. Moninger; genealogist, Earl M. Slaymaker; national trustee, James A. Sturtevant; chaplain, Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis; secretary-treasurer, Robert C. Wead, Washington.

This September 15, 1968 meeting in Iowa City was the 75th annual for the state association, and the 6th for Herbet Hoover Chapter. In a brief summation of the Iowa SAR's record of 77 years of patriotic citizenship service to the state and nation, the presiding officer, Compatriot Sheets stated: "The SAR has never varied in adherance to its patriotic principles. It has supported the government in every war. It has been and still is, an exponent of military preparedness. This year the Society has presented the National SAR Medal to Cadet Gregory Vranicar of the Grinnell College Air Force R.O.T.C. for leadership and scholastic achievement and in 1968 a similar presentation was made on invitation from the U.S. Air Force. But while the SAR has supported military preparedness, it has also advocated establishment of a plan to settle international disputes without resorting to war and without unduly yielding our national sovereignty."

"This year the patriotic progras of Iowa SAR will be the same as in 1968 -- First, observance of National Flag Day on June 14 in cooperation with Elks Lodges, 34 in number, Second, the "Ring the Bells" campaign on Independence Day, July 4, and Third, observance of Constitution Week and Citizenship Day, September 17. All three are National SAR programs, state implemented in Iowa."

"Through these activities the SAR attempts by patriotic example to offset the exhibitions of disloyalty, transcending dissent which have occurred on various college campuses and other public places. But we have confidence in the inherent good sense of the younger generation as a whole and in the ability of institutional and civic authorities to solve these country-wide upsurges without calling in the bluecoats or the National Guard." The story of this meeting was reported in the Iowa City Press Citizen under two-column headlines and was also broadcast by radio station KXIC. Professor Don Kirkham showed colored slides illustrating a travelogue entitled "Behind the Iron Curtain", describing a trip he had made the predeeding summer. At the business session two amendments to the constitution were passed: lst, tha name Iowa Society SAR was changed to "Iowa State Society, SAR"; 2nd, permits the president to be eligible to more than two consecutive terms of one year each.

The next meeting of the Iowa State SAR and one in which Herbert Hoover Chapter joined was held September 21, 1969 in the University of Iowa Memorial Union, the 182nd Anniversary of the signing of the United States Constitution. The president, George Sheets, of the two organizations, introduced the guest speaker as follows:

"We meet in this year 1969 and the 114th of The University of Iowa, to observe the 182nd anniversary of the U.S. Constitution, the charter of our liberties, and to extend a hearty welcome to highly esteemed Willard L. Boyd, the 15th president of the great University of Iowa, in which there are now 20,125 young Americans enrolled, a worthy sample of the generation which will chart the future of our nation.

Fresident Boyd spoke in part as follows: "At this point in time we may be observing the demise of a generation of internationalism and the emergence of a new isolationism. Viet Nam is the triggering force in this shift of attitude which is not peculiar to any one political point of view. Many Americans are concluding that the policy of containment is no longer relevant. Indeed its author, George Kennan, makes it quite clear that he never advocated it as a doctrine to be followed in all places at all times. Still other people are concluding that domestic issues should be given a higher priority than foreign ones and that the fiscal and human resources of the nation must be used internally in order to solve the problems at home. Others of us may want a "return to normalcy."

"Normalcy' for me is the illusion that this country can be effectively separated from foreign problems by two oceans and the Monroe Doctrine. That was the legend of my youth. The truth of my youth, however, was that World War II really commenced when the Japanese invaded Manchuria in 1931 and we deluded ourselves by thinking that the United States could stand aloof. In reality, there never was a period of normalcy and our desire to return to it is simply the hope that problems will disappear if they are ignored.

"Since return to 'normalcy" is an illusion, how do we proceed in foreign affairs?"
The speaker stated that he agreed with such a thinker as Arthur Larson who held that even if the revolution of nationalism has run its course, the unfinished revolution of human rights remains and that this will continue as the real world revolution of today and tomorrow and that the future of the United States—and of any other country—will turn on how well it learns to understand this revolution and to find the right relation to it."

At this meeting, the SAR presented to the audience two honor girl students, Miss Kathleen Ann Pins, Dyersville, and Miss Gloria Richards, Ames, as examples of the high type of fall enrollment at The University of Iowa. This example of the public relations of the SAR was favorably commented on by Attorney Will Hayek of Iowa City, one of the dinner guests. At the request of a Press-Citizen photographer, President Boyd posed with the two young ladies, the picture illustrating the story on the meeting in the next day's edition. (The SAR Magazine ran a picture of President Boyd and Compatriot Sheets and a story on the meeting in its Winter 1970 number).

At this meeting a memorial service was held for William D. Crow, former state secretary-treasurer, the audience rising for a moment of silent prayer as is customary.

Following President's Boyd's address, a recess was called by the chairman and afterwards, John Schmidhauser, former U.S. Congressman and veteran teacher of constitutional law, spoke on "Judicial Appointments and Constitutional Interpretations". Mention was made by the chairman of a new book authored by Professor Schmidhauser, soon to be off the press.

Professor Don Kirkham of I.S.U. and international authority on soils, was then introduced and asked to relate his experiences in Russia, which closed the speaking program. The chairman advised that old SAR records, 27 volumes, had been deposited in the First National Bank, Towncrest safety deposit vaults. They go back to 1893.

The next event of particular importance in Iowa SAR history was the 76th annual meeting, held May 3, 1970 in the Iowa Memorial Union with Dr. Ramon A. Sanchez, Cuban patriot, as the guest speaker. This meeting, as others recently, was sponsored jointly with Herbert Hoover Chapter. Sanchez, a frequent speaker before local groups, told how his family had been stripped of their property and other possessions, both country estates and city property, when Castro seized power in 1959. Dr. Sanchez, a graduate of The University of Iowa College of Dentistry, is practicing his profession in Iowa City. His parents, dispossessed of their wealth, have also established their residence in this country. A good advance story in the Press-Citizen increased attendance.

Sanchez, in response to a question, said the U.S. is on the verge of a revolution, much as Cuba was when Castro took over. If that ever happened, the Communists would strip well-to-do families of all their possessions, property, bank accounts and everything else of value, he stated. He said he fights against Communism at every opportunity. Sanchez stated that he is not a member of Alpha 66, the revolutionary force which infiltrated Cuba the preceeding week and unsuccessfully attempted to stir up a revolt.

A memorial service was held for SAR and DAR members deceased during the past year--Richard Jason Morrow, Sr., Boonton, New Jersey, obituary read by the chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Rankin, Iowa City and Mrs. Emma Kornog, Iowa City, obituaries read by Mrs. Edward Meardon,

regent of Pilgrim Chapter, DAR. Music numbers were introduced by Compatriot Robert O. Moninger: the Misses Patricia Louise Kennedy and Patricia Fry, flute duets, and James Engel, trumpet solo. Mention of the J. Boyd Dill Estate legacy of \$1,165.64 to the Iowa State Society and \$1,165.64 to Herbert Hoover Chapter, was made.

Officers were elected as follows for the ensuing year, 1970 to May 2, 1971:

Iowa State Society President-George Sheets 1st Vice President-Don Kirkham 2nd Vice President-Kenneth Chapman Secretary-treasurer--Bob Wead Registrar-Bob Moninger Chaplain-Stanely Gillam Genealogist-Cy Douglass, Marion, Iowa National Trustee-Kenneth Chapman (Alternate Trustee-Horace Wilkie)

Herbert Hoover Chapter President-George Sheets 1st Vice President-Paul Simpson 2nd Vice President-Earl Slaymaker 3rd Vice President-Clyde Buerge Genealogist -- Charles Shelby. Ames Chaplain-Stanley Gillam

Activity of the Iowa SAR in its Flag Day, Independence Day, and 4-H programs drew the attention of National Society headquarters and is "played up" in the Fall 1970 number of the National Magazine as follows, under the heading IOWA SOCIETY: "President George Sheets reports that more bells were rung on the 4th of July throughout Iowa and that double the number of flags were flown at homes and businesses than ever before. Editors of 50 principal newspapers in Iowa were mailed letters two weeks in advance of Independence Day and also before Flag Day. Many newspapers reprinted these letters.

"In Iowa City, the more than 100-year-old University of Iowa 'Old Capitol' bell, the bells of Protestant and Catholic churches and even farm bells tolled for more than fifteen minutes before noon, to celebrate the birth of America. Compatriots B.H. Guinn, Paul Simpson, a minister, and Robert C. Wead performed prominent roles in the program. The SAR and Elks joined in promoting "The Parade of the Seven Flags" on Flag Day, with officers of the two organizations attending the flags of their societies.

At the Johnson County 4-H Fair, the Iowa Society joined with the DAR in creating and manning a "Patriotic Booth" for the five-day period. Two U.S. flags and an Iowa flag were displayed with dignity on the booth walls together with a large photo of President (and compatriot) Herbert Hoover and his birthplace at West Branch, Iowa. The booth attracted hundreds of visitors, and children were presented with miniature flags. Each day, there was a patriotic musical program (a teen-ager, James Engel, playing 'America' and other numbers on the trumpet as the crowd gathered around).

In discharging its sponsorship of the R.O.T.C., one of its principal annual programs, the Iowa SAR on May 18 presented the National SAR Medal to Cadet William Wright of Des Moines President Sheets making the presentation. Cadet Wright was awarded the medal 'for outstanding leadership and scholastic attainments'. It was a coincidence that both the cadet and the SAR man had seen service in the 5th U.S. Army Corps, Mr. Sheets in the A.E.F. in World War I and the Uof I Cadet's Army R.O.T.C being a unit of the present U.S. Army Corps.

In making the presentation, Compatriot Sheets said: "The 81-year-old National Society SAR, organized in every state in the Union, is mightly proud of you young men and the entire National R.O.T.C. program. Its sponsorship of the R.O.T.C. dates back many yearsover 1,500 of the SAR medals having already been presented to Army, Navy and Air Force cadets in colleges and universities. Another form of this support is in publicising the R.O.T.C. Last year, the SAR national magazine published 26 illustrated stories of R.O.T.C. presentations such as this one. These well-attended events covered the United States from coast to coast and from Puerto Rico to Hawaii. We believe the R.O.T.C. accents patriotism as does no other youth program and will serve the United States well in military preparedness for national defense and also for public service, setting an outstanding example for the younger generation."

The climax of Iowa SAR's 1970 year was the U.S. Constitution's 183rd anniversary observance held Sunday noon, September 20, in Iowa Memorial Union at which Justice Harvey Uhlenhopp of the State of Iowa Supreme Court was the guest speaker. Herbert Hoover Chapter was a joint sponsor.

Introduced by Iowa SAR President Sheets, Justice Uhlenhopp proved to be a liberal advocate of change in the Iowa criminal code, which he said was basically the same as it was in 1851. He strongly advocated change in the treatment of criminals, whom he said should be rehabilitated to conform to society rather than be sentenced to long terms in the penitentiary. Such terms, he stated, bred hard-core criminals. The present retributive approach, the idea of revenge, should be superseded by a humanitarian program, he urged.

"We should be concerned with spending more time and money trying to cure those people who cannot conform to society, rather than sentencing them to 25-year terms. The punishment does not fit the crime in too many cases, it is too severe." And "Three or four out of every ten men convicted of crimes can be salvaged from the stockpiles of condemned criminals accumulating in our penitentiaries today", the judge continued. "All men and women of good will--not just the lawyers and judges--must be concerned with the rehabilitation of criminals and reform of criminal law."

The judge pointed out that the law is not constructed to deal with organized crime, a type of lawbreaking prevalent today. He noted that modern sentiment often appears to be concerned with the basic rights of criminals rather than in apprehension and conviction of the lawbreaker. He stated that "swift, certain justice is the main deterrent of crime. The process of criminal law is too slow in .America."

"To enable our constitution to work in the area of apprehension and conviction, we must both enlarge and better educate our law enforcement departments and re-draft our criminal codes and procedures. Laws which cannot be enforced should be repealed." In relation to drug laws, Justice Uhlehhopp noted that the imprisonment of drug users does not accomplish much and urged that the rehabilitative approach be employed with convicted users.

The Iowa City press, both the Press-Citizen and Daily Iowan, gave his address excellent coverage, also the SAR Magazine, page 7, Winter 1971 issue.

Professor John Schmidhauser, head of the University Political Science department, in a scholarly analysis of the constitution when first adopted and of the executive and legislative positions today, closed the speaking program.

When the curtain of 1971 was rolled up, the Iowa State SAR and fledgeling Herbert Hoover Chapter were revealed in the beautiful State Room of the Iowa Memorial Union, with an overflow attendance of Compatriots and their wives, with Daughters of the American Revolution and a goodly number of distinguished citizens with wives and families, crowding the banquet hall. The meeting was held on a Sunday noon, May 2, 1971.

SAR and DAR officers were ranged along the speakers' table between the United States Flag on the right and the State of Iowa Flag on the left. President George Sheets of the Iowa SAR was the presiding officer. The meeting opened with the audience reciting the Pledge to the Flag, sollowed by the Pledge to the SAR. A memorial service was then held for Compatriot Keith G. Crowther, Waterloo, Iowa., the only member deceased during the year. He was 81 years of age. Mrs. Lee Butherus, Iowa City soprano, then sang the National Anthem, Mrs. Robert Kennedy of Iowa City being her accompanist, with the audience joining in. Following dinner, the entertainment program was announced by Compatriot Robert O. Moninger--a concert by Iowa City, City High musicians, directed by Richard L. Butler, their Band Director. The half-hour concert, in which 14 musicians participated, was generously applauded.

The presiding officer gave a short talk, giving seven-year-old Herbert Hoover Chapter (organized April 25, 1964) credit for revitalizing 77-year-old Iowa Society (born July 6, 1893), the latter having 96 members to date and the Chapter 70 members.

One of the innovations of the Chapter, adopted by the State Society, was to open the door of its meetings to SAR wives, to the DAR and to wives and families of guests. Another innovation was to invite to dinner meetings patriotic fellow citizens and request them and their wives to participate in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag and to the SAR heroes whether their ancestors or not.

The speaker then alluded to the Cuban refugee, Dr. Ramon Sanchez, stating that the U.S. was on the verge of a revolution just as was Cuba before the takeover by Castro and his Communist regime. Compatriot Sheets was emphatic in stating that he did not agree with Dr. Sanchez and felt that "the U.S., which had weathered so many storms and had endured for nearly two centuries, would endure for centuries yet to come and that the overthrow of our present form of government would never take place within the lifetime of any of us here today."

Following the speaking program, a recess was announced, after which a business session was held with the election of officers for the ensuing year, the results as follows:

Iowa State Society, S.A.R.

President-George M. Sheets, Iowa City
1st Vice President-Earl M. Slaymaker, Clinton
2nd Vice President-Don Kirkham, Ames
Secretary-treasurer-David W. Kennedy, Iowa City
Registrar-Robert O. Moninger, Iowa City
Chaplain-Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis
National Trustee-Horace T. Wilkie, Des Moines
Alternate Trustee-Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis

Herbert Hoover Chapter, S.A.R.
President-Paul D. Simpson, Mt. Vernon
1st Vice Pres.-Leroy D. Lillie, Ames
2nd Vice Pres.-Cecil G. Douglass,
Marion
Secy.-treas.-David W. Kennedy,
Iowa City

President Sheets stated that 25 new members had been taken into the Iowa SAR in the past year, the largest number in history, and that the total membership was now 96 in the State Society and 70 in Herbert Hoover Chapter. He asked all the new members during the past year to stand as their names were called and then led the applause.

It seemed as if Flag Day, June 14, came on the heels of the annual meeting, a short interval that always has crowded the SAR year of activities, but the Iowa department had competent staff personnel. President Paul Simpson of Herbert Hoover was appointed to implement the national program in the eastern counties, Compatriot J.K. Runyon to set the flags flying in the western half of the state and President Sheets took over the responsibility in the headquarters area.

The final result exceeded expectations, for the call to action had been mailed out once again to 50 editors of the leading newspapers of the state, reading "Let more United States Flags fly in Iowa on <u>FLAG DAY MONDAY</u>, <u>JUNE 14</u> than on any previous national observance!" And, "In every place where Iowa people live and gather, let 'Old Glory' be flying-home, store, public building, churches, parks, playgrounds, golf courses and on buses and river boats, let the national emblem be assuring every living person that it represents Liberty, Human Rights, Law and Order."

"Newspapers, churches, governmental representatives and patriotic societies such as the Elks Lodges have for years geen alerting the public to the individual opportunities and obligations presented by Flag Day and undoubtedly will be making like announcements prior to June 14, 1971." The letter then quoted an editorial in the Iowa City Press-Citizen in an early June issue in 1970. Also included in the mailings was an address read by Lt.Col. William B. Olney at the Iowa City Elks Flag Day meeting, entitled "Can We Wave the Flag Too Much", written by Sidney L. DeLove.

A check made in the Iowa City area and reports from throughout the state were proof that both in residential districts and in business sections, more flags were flying than in the preceding year. The growing patriotic consciousness was undoubtedly responsible for the increased showing of the national colors, but the campaigning of the SAR and the publicity given by the newspapers and displays in store windows, lodge halls, barber shops, and on the bank and church bulletin boards were cumulative factors.

Again on Independence Day there was a blanketing of leading newspapers and of radio stations with SAR publicity for the "Ring the Bells and Fly the Flag" program with the state-wide mailings of the address by Sidney L. DeLove reproduced in many newspapers, and an effective window and bulletin board display. In the bell-ringing, the over-acentury-old "Old Capitol Bell" of The University of Iowa rang for fifteen minutes preceding noon, with church, institutional, neighborhood-mounted school and farm bells, also youth groups ringing hand bells joining in. The SAR loaned hand bells to youth groups to supplement ownership participation.

Due to the efforts of Mrs. William Ehmcke, DAR and CAR leader of Cleghorn, Iowa, two additional communities, Cleghorn and Cherokee, were added to those participating previously in the SAR Independence Day Program. A special patriotic sermon was also preached and a large billboard covered with patriotic posters stood for a week in the City Square.

Another Iowa SAR program was the installation of a "Patriotic Booth" at the annual county 4-H Fair in cooperation with the Daughters of the American Revolution. A Herbert Hoover display featuring the 30th President as "Iowa's Greatest Son and SAR's Greatest Member" was set up with a large Hoover photograph donated by the Herbert Hoover Memorial Library at West Branch, Iowa, birthplace of Hoover. The booth was visited by hundreds of Iowa folks. Hoover presidential and birthplace booklets were distributed by the SAR and hundreds of miniature U.S. Flags were given away by DAR ladies. President Sheets of Iowa SAR and Regents Mrs. Harry Peterson of Pilgrim Chapter and Mrs. Ida Murphy of Nathaniel Fellows Chapter were in charge of the Patriotic Booth.

A final service of Iowa SAR in 1971 was the presentation of National Medals at a joint ceremony of the U.S. Army and Air Force held May 13 on the University of Iowa football field, Compatriot Sheets making the presentation to Air Force Cadet Brian C. Kleiber, Moline, Illinois, and to Army Cadet Robert F. Shriver, Charles City, Iowa. Two DAR Regents also made preentations, Mrs. Harry Peterson of Pilgrim Chapter pinning the DAR Medal on Cadet Charles N. French, Bettendorf, Iowa, and Mrs. Kathryn Meardon, West Branch, Iowa, presenting the DAR Medal to Cadet Allen C. Bluedorn. Two hundred persons were in attendance. The entire University R.O.T.C. marched in review past the reviewing stand where the SAR and DAR donors sat. Receiving their salutes were Colonel John T. McCabe, Professor of Aero-space Studies, and Colonel Robert S. Kubby, Professor of Military Science.

Following are the newspaper Flag Day Announcement and Editorial --



IOWA STATE SOCIETY

Sons of the American Revolution

GEORGE M. SHEETS

June 7,1971

Patriotic Citizens of Iowa:

"Let more United States Flags fly in Iowa on FLAG DAY MONDAY JUNE 14" than in any previous national observance" urges Iowa Sons of the American Revolution which for 77 years has been a spokesman for active patriotic citizenship.

"In every place where Iowa People live and gather let"Old Glory" be flying-home, store, bublic building, church, parks, playgrounds, golf courses and buses and river boats let the national emblem be assuring every living person that it represents Liberty, Human Rights, Law and Order.

Newspapers, churches, governmental representatives and patriotic societies such as the Elks Lodges have for years been alerting the public to the individual obligations and opportunities presented by FLAG Day and undoubtedly will be making like announcements prior to June 14,1971.

A particularly good example of newspaper leadership in patriotic publicity is shown in the following editorial published by the Iowa City Press Citizen in an early June issue in 1970 follows:

- About Observing Flag Day

To the Editor:

Observance of National Flag Day Sunday June 14, 1970, will be highlighted in our community by the local Elks Ledge staging the spectacular "Parade of the Seven Flags," a patriotic program, which will be observed by each Order of Elks throughout the state of Iowa. The public is invited to attend each such performance and no admission is charged.

The Iowa Sons of the American Revolution praises the Elks spectacle highly, considering it an educational production which will be enjoyed by both adults

and children. Throughout Iowa the Boy Scouts assist the lodge in staging the performance. A narrative by an Elks spokesman provides an historical link from the "Flag of the Crusades" down through the years to the 50-starred United States national emblem of 1970.

The anniversary of the adoption of Old Glory as the national colors on June 14, 1777 has been observed by the Iowa SAR since its organizatin 77 years ago. In 1969 over 30 communities within the state participated in this observance. This year an increase is expected.

Also in 1969 a notable gain was evident in the count of United States flags displayed on June 14. This year another gain is forecast, one reason being that flags are being stocked and advertised by a larger percentage of stores. Then too, neighborhoods in new residence districts are planning to have a flag flown from each home. In other developments an "Avenue of Flags" is being organized as a special tribute to Iowa boys in the Vietnam war.

George M. Sheets President, Iowa SAR

Can We Wave the Flag Too Much?

Is it possible to wave the flag too much? Provided, of course, that you wave it with integrity? Is it possible to study Lincoln or Shakespeare too much? Is it possible to read the Bible too much? * The great, the good, the true, are inexhaustible for inspiration, example and strength. I believe that we are not waving our flag enough, not nearly enough * It seems to me that we are developing a tendency to be timid or even apologetic about waving the stars and stripes. Walk up and down the streets on July 4th and count the flags. It is our nation's birthday, a sacred day in world history, the most important day of America. Why isn't the flag flying on every rooftop and from every home and building? This complacent attitude is strong evidence of cancerous patriotic decay. The flag is a symbol of our national unity. It is the spirit of our undying devotion to our country. It stands for the best that is in us...for loyalty, character, and faith in democracy * Isn't our flag a synonym of the United States of America? Does it not represent man's greatest, noblest, most sublime dream? Is it not the zenith of achievement, the goal to which generations have aspired? * Ladies and gentlemen, I believe it is time for us ...for the mad, rushing Twentieth Century Man...to stop for a moment and think. Let us arrest our near reverential admiration of material success and return to the spiritual and ethical values. Let us imbue and rekindle in ourselves and our children the so-called old-fashioned way of patriotism. a burning devotion to the principles and ideals upon which our country was founded * Should not every home own and proudly display the colors on holidays and other such occasions? Isn't the flag Patrick Henry, Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, Washington, Nathan Hale, Gettsyburg and Valley Forge, Paul Revere, Andrew Jackson and other great men and women who have given us our heritage. When you look at the flag can't you see the Alamo, Corrigedor, Pearl Harbor, The Monitor and The Merrimac, Korea and Gettysburg? Lest we forget, isn't the Ilag Flanders Field, Bataan, Iwo Jima and Normandy Beachhead, Babe Ruth and Davy Crockett? The great events of our past and present are wrapped up in our flag * It is a symbol of this blessed nation, a giant in industry, education and commerce. Millions of fertile square miles, wheatlands, coal mines, steel plants. Our great republic, the chosen infant destined to be man's last and remaining hope for suffering humanity, a shining beacon of light, noble and glorious, is the haven for the oppressed and persecuted and truly God's gift to mankind * That is what the flag means to me. Can we wave it too much? I don't think so.

Reply of Mr. Sidney L. DeLove delivered on the Independence Hall Know Your History Hour, Sunday, December 30, 1056, over-Station wnmr to a listener who wrote as follows: "Your programs are really very good--especially the no commercials-but you are waving the flag too much."

The United States Flag in Every Place Where Iam Perpis Live and Cather

PRESIDENTS OF IOWA STATE SOCIETY S.A.R.

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Hon. Henry Elderkin Jewett Boardman, Marshalltown, 1895
Col. Levi Beardsley Raymond, Hampton, 1896
Col. Albert Winfield Swalm, Oskaloosa, 1897
Hon. William Henry Wheeler. Des Moines. 1898
Hon. George Herbert Richardson, Belmond, 1899
Maj. Francis Hammer Loring, Waterloo, 1900
Hon. Damon Noble Sprague, Wapello, 1901
Hon. William H. Bailey, Des Moines, 1902
Herman Knapp, Esq., Ames, 1903
Col. Warren Scott Duncan, Chariton, 1904
Henry Brown Hawley, Esq., Des Moines, 1905
Hon. Eugene Secor, Forest City, 1906
Gen. James Rush Lincoln, Ames, 1907
Willard Secor, Esq., Forest City, 1908
Dr. Edward Ridgeway Hutchins, Des Moines, 1909
George Calvin Kennedy, Esq., Waterloo, 1910
Hon. David Charles Mott, Marengo, 1911
Hon. Elmer Marston Wentworth, Des Moines, 1912
Rev. Ezra Butler Newcomb, D.D., Keokuk, 1913
Joseph Greeley Gardner, Esq., Des Moines, 1914
Hon. Henry Whittemore Grout, Waterloo, 1915
Hon. Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, 1916
Rev. John Edward Kirbye, D.D., Des Moines, 1917
Hon. Edward David Chassel, Des Moines, 1918
Dr. Edward Elisha Dorr, Des Moines, 1919
Col. Parley Sheldon, Ames, 1920
Dr. Gershom Hyde Hill, Des Moines, 1921
Walter E. Coffin, Des Moines, 1922
F.D. Harsh, Des Moines, 1923
Roger Leavitt, Cedar Falls, 1924
George C. White, Nevada, 1925
Sidney A. Foster, Des Moines, 1926
Ezra C. Potter, Ames, 1927 -- Harold K. Bowen, Ft. Dodge
Rev. Charles E. Snyder, Sioux City, 1928-29
Harlow M. Pratt, Ft. Dodge, 1930-31
Grover M. Pratt, Ames, 1932
Jesse E. Marshall, Sioux City, 1933
Charles D. Reed, Des Moines, 1934
Mark B. Morris, Ames 1935-36
Ross R. Mowry, Newton, 1937-38
John S. Cutter, Shenandoah, 1939-40
Dr. J.A. Goodrich, Des Moines, 1941-42
William R. Felton, Sioux City, 1943-44
Robert A. Caughey, Ames, 1945
Charles A. Darlington, Des Moines, 1946-47
Ward P. Evans, Sioux City, 1948
Milton M. Lowry, Sioux City, 1949-50
George P. Wakefield, Sioux City, 1951-52
Charles E. Zink, Sioux City, 1953-54
Henry Giese, Ames, 1955
J.T. Mulhall, Sioux City, 1956-57
Ray N. Berry (Acting President), 1958
J. Alvin Sturtevant, Sioux City, 1959-60
Dr. James E. Reeder, Sioux City, 1961
George W. Cumming, Sioux City, 1962-63
Ray N. Berry, Sioux City, 1964-65
Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebr., 1966
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George M. Sheets, Iowa City, 1967-68-69-70-71

History of the Iowa Society,

Sons of the American Revolution The 27 Years until 1967

Patriotic Iowa Citizens whose ancestry reaches back through nearly two centuries to Revolutionary War times, have volunteered year after year in adequate numbers and with sufficient enthusiasm and administrative ability, to keep the Iowa State Society functioning and growing since its founding in 1893.

This story of this intervening span of years has been partially written by various historians, among them Edwin P. Tinkham, whose masterly hand covered 41 years, his book being published in 1934. No member of the present Iowa S.A.R. is mentioned by name in this volume although a few surnames are the same. On the other hand, many of the older compatriots today have been active in the forepart of th years since the Tinkham book was published.

The author of this book, therefore will undertake to write the story of these last 27 years. In doing this, it meems like saving time to begin with the well-documented records of William D. Crow, which are at hand, and backtrack through his minute books and annual reports. Following that method, the authentic story of 14 years, Crow's tour of duty, should be revealed.

Crow's last nimutes covered the <u>73rd Annual Meeting</u> of Iowa Society held April 22, 1967 in the Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines. President Kenneth G. Miller described his visit to the National Congress at Groton, Conn., June 18-22, 1966, also a meeting with the NCAR in Washington, D.C. Compatriot Milton Lory told of his trip through South America, also speaking on the D.A.R. Ray N. Berry addressed the meeting on the "Connecticut Charter". Comp. Gates reported he had 12 members for chartering a chapter in Des Moines. Secretary Crow advised that 15 names were required. Comp. J.A. Sturtevant spoke on the National Congress, also on a visit to the Offit Air Base in Omaha, Nebraska.

Chairman George R. Wakefield of the nominating committee reported the Following nominations: President, George M. Sheets, Iowa City; 1st Vice President, Don Kirkham, Ames; 2nd Vice President, Dr. Newell L. Gates, Des Moines; Registrar, Robert C. Wead, Washington, Iowa; National Trustee, Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebraska; Chaplain, Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis; Secretary-Treasurer, Robert O. Moninger, Iowa City. The rules were suspended and the slate elected as nominated.

It was moved by Berry that the retiring secretary, William D. Crow, continue until the books and records can be transferred to Iowa City. Carried. On motion of Lory, Comp. Crow was thanked for his work during the past 14 years, with a rising ovation. In a nicely worded reply, Mr. Crow thanked all at the meeting or absent and asked God's blessing on all S.A.R. and affiliated societies "and may God grant them power and strength to keep up the great work they are doing to assist in the preservation of the American Way of Life." Fifteen members attended the meeting. Report said paid national dues for 219 members, at \$3.50 each. Thirteen new members in year.

The 72nd Annual Meeting of Iowa S.A.R. was held in the Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines. May 14, 1966, with President Ray N. Berry, presiding. The feature of the speaking program was a talk by Lance Ehmcke, Cleghorn, Iowa, president of Iowa State Society, Children of the American Revolution, an organization composed of girls and boys eligible for transfer as members of the D.A.R. and S.A.R. at the age of 21. The youth told of his unit's trip to Washington, D.C., visiting the National Capitol, Halls of Congress and other historic places. (The author, who was present, considered Lance Ehmcke the most interesting youth speaker he had ever listened to.)

Ray Berry related his experiences as assistant County Attorney of Woodbury County, Iowa. Stanley Gillam, National Trustee of the Minnesota S.A.R. and J. Alvin Sturtevant, National Trustee of Iowa S.A.R., gave reports on the National Congress of the S.A.R. at Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1965. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebraska; 1st Vice President, George M. Sheets, Iowa City; 2nd Vice President, Don Kirkham, Ames; Registrar, George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Genealogist, Henry Giese, Ames; National Trustee, J. Alvin Sturtevant, Sioux City; Chaplain, Stanley Gillam, Minneapolis.

It was reported that Executive Secretary Harold L. Putnam of N.S.S.A.R. had approved the name "Boys of '76 Chapter" if a chapter were organized at Mason City, a project suggested by Compatriot Ruby in 1965.

Compatriot Gates brought up the question of naming a chapter he had proposed for Des Moines, "Ben Franklin Chapter" and was advised the Board of Managers had O.K. d the name and activation. Donations to the American Coalition of Patriotic Societies and to the Iowa C.A.R., each \$10, were approved.

It was reported that the Groton Congress had disapproved moving National Meadquarters away from Washington, D.C., had voted to increase the dues to the National Society by \$1 and that Sturtevant had been elected Vice President of the North Mississippi District composed of Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Nebraska. Fifteen members were present at the Iowa meeting. The society owned a \$500 U.S. bond; bank balance \$549.75.

The 71st Annual Meeting of the Iowa S.A.R. was held May 8, 1965 in the Arcadia Restaurant, Sioux City, President Ray N. Berry presiding, nine members and two guests being present. One guest was Mrs. Wm. Ehmcke, prominent D.A.R. and C.A.R. leader. President R.N. Berry gave a talk on his experiences as assistant county attorney. He also called attention to the Society's small bank balance in the treasury and suggested transferring \$150 from the endowment fund to finance expenses during the current year. which was so ordered. Officers were elected as follows: President-Ray N. Berry, Sioux City; 1st Vice President-Kenneth B. Miller, Lyons, Nebraska; 2nd Vice President, George M. Sheets. Iowa City; Registrar- George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Genealogist-Henry Giese, Ames; Trustee- James R. Sturtevant, Sioux City; Chaplain- Benson H. Guinn, Belle Plaine; Secy. Treas .- Wm. D. Crow, Sioux City: Milton Lory and James A. Sturtevant who attended the National Congress at Albuquerque, N.M., gave reports. Said moving National Headquarters to some other city to provide more room was discussed, one location being Valley Forge, Pa. Said present headquarters could be sold for \$275,000; also decided National Congress would be held next three years as follows: 1966-New London, Conn.; 1967- Columbus, O.; and 1968- Williamsburg, Va.

It was decided to increase Iowa annual dues by \$1.50, making dues \$6.00, also to donate \$10 to American Coalition and \$10 to Iowa C.A.R. Mrs. Ehmcke, Senior State Chairman for Iowa C.A.R. discussed the C.A.R. organization, stating 228 members were presently enrolled. Members listed were 113, with 109 being listed as paid-up to National at \$2.50 each. Fourteen applications for Douglas High oratorical contest were listed. Balance in Treas.--\$1,124.87; endowment fund, \$655.03.

President George W. Cummings of Iowa Society, S.A.R. presided when the 70th Annual Meeting opened April 25, 1964 in the Arcadia Restaurant, Sioux City, with 10 members in attendance. The chairman introduced the guest speaker, Stanley S. Gillam, Minneapolis, Vice President General of the North Mississippi District SAR, also Milton M. Lory, Past President General of the National Society: Ronald Prunty, Marcus, Iowa, transferred from the C.A.R. and Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebr., the latter having secured three new members during the year making a net increase of one new member instead of a net loss of one member as experienced in recent years.

Compatriot Cummings also urged on the coming 4th of July, a more general display

of the United States Flag, and stated compatriots should express their opinions to members of Congress on pending legislation.

The secretary presented a charter for a new chapter to be known as the Eastern Iowa Area Chapter S.A.R. to be located in Iowa City. After being referred to the Board of Managers the charter was signed and the secretary requested to forward it to Compatriot George M. Sheets, chairman of the organization committee.

Officers were elected as follows: President-Ray N. Berry, Sioux City; 1st Vice President- Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebr.; 2nd Vice President-Bernard A. Brown, Sioux City; Genealogist-Robert E. Coney, Sioux City; Registrar-George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Trustee-James A. Sturtevant, Sioux City; Chaplain-James E. Reede, Sr., Sioux City; Secy.- Treas.-William D. Crow, Sioux City. \$10 was donated to the Iowa C.A.R., the Secretary strongly endorsing the junior society. A like sum was also donated to the American Coalition. Comp. Gillam spoke on the activities of the Minnesota State Society and the Minneapolis chapter. Credential forms to the 74th National Congress at Detroit, Mich., May 10-13, were furnished Lory and Sturtevant. The Secy. Treas. report showed \$1,137.65 balance in the treasury and \$625.88 in the Endowment fund.

Rollcall for the 69th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society S.A.R. was held April 27, 1963 in Arcadia Cafe, Sioux City, with President George W. Cummings in the chair abd with ten members and two visitors in attendance, the guests being Mrs. William Ehmcke and her son Lance. In addressing the meeting, the President referred to President Eisenhower's articles in Readers' Digest and the Saturday Evening Post in which he said "The danger to America was from within rather than from without."

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President-George W. Cummings, Sioux City; Ist Vice President-Ray N. Berry, Sioux City; 2nd Vice President-Kenneth G. Miller, Lyons, Nebr.; Robert E. Coney, Genealogist, Sioux City; Registrar, George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Chaplain-James E. Reeder, Sr., Sioux City; Secy.Treas.-William D Crow, Sioux City; Trustee-James E. Sturtevant, Sioux City. Sturtevant called attention to the importance of increasing the membership.

Reeder proposed that a copy of the History of the National Society S.A.R. written by John St.Paul, Jr., copyright 1962, be placed in the D.A.R. section of the Main Library at Sioux City, which was ordered.

Mrs. William Ehmcke, Cleghorn, of the Iowa C.A.R., addressed the meeting, after which a donation to the C.A.R., not to exceed \$25 was ordered.

After a discussion, the furnishing of medals to Iowa colleges and universities for the R.O.T.C. was ordered discontinued starting with 1964. The Treasurer's report gave the balance in the treasury as \$1,272.80 and in the Endowment Fund, \$588.23.

James E. Reeder, Sioux City, was the new president when the 68th Annual Meeting of Iowa S.A.R. was convened April 28, 1962 in the Jackson Hotel, Sioux City. The Registrar's report stated that all applications received had been accepted but did not give the number. A graves committee was listed, composed of Clarence Moody, George Wakefield, and Secretary Crow.

A letter from the American Coalition asked members to write their senators and the Senate Judiciary Committee re three bills which are estimated to admit 250,000 additional immigrants. The Coalition stated these bills would destroy the protective national origin quota principle of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Walter-McCarran Act). A letter from Mrs. Ehmcke, Cleghorn, Iowa requested sponsors for the C.A.R. and Compatriots Darzes and Mulhall volunteered to serve as such and to remit the \$3.00 fee to the C.A.R. leader. Officers were re-elected with the exception of trustee, where James T. Mulhall, Sioux City, superseded James A. Sturtevant. The Society voted to furnish R.O.T.C. meda's

to colleges requesting them as in the past - limit. 3.

The treasurer reported that a \$100 U.S. Bond had been cashed and deposited in the Endowment Fund Account, two \$100 bonds remaining which, with cash in bank totalled \$844.39. The Endowment Fund totalled \$454.66. Ten members present.

The 67th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society was held April 15, 1961 in the Biltmore Hotel, Sioux City. As the requisite number of members did not respond to roll call, the rules were suspended and the meeting held. No Flag being available at the day meeting, the Pledge to the Flag was postponed to an evening meeting. Comp. Sturtevant stressed the need for more members. One such had been received as transferred from the C.A.R. to date. Commings referred names of two C.A.R.'s to the Secretary for handling. The question of providing an Assistant Secretary was raised but tabled. The Oratorical Contest was discussed and Comp. Risher requested to look into it.

Officers were elected as follows: President-Dr. James E. Reeder, Sr., Sioux City; lst Vice President-Harry Milligan; 2nd Vice President-John B. Pizey, Sioux City; Secy.-Treas.-William D. Crow, Sioux City; Genealogist-Robert E. Coney, Sioux City; Chaplain-John S. Cutter, Shenandoah, Iowa; National Trustee-James T. Mulhall, Sioux City; Registrar-George W. Cummings, Sioux City. The usual fee of \$10 was ordered paid to the American Coalition.

The members met again with wives and friends at the Biltmore Hotel dining room for 6:30 p.m. dinner followed by an Americanism talk and picture "Project Abolition" by the Rev. Glee E. Lockwood.

At the Board of Managers meeting held January 2, 1961 at the George R. Wakefield home, the motion was carried that the 67th meeting be held in Sioux City April 15, 1961, arrangements being left to the Secretary and President, the business meeting to be held at 2:00 p.m. and the dinner meeting, to which wives and friends should be invited at 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. In re medals for Sioux City High Schools and R.O.T.C., it was decided to follow the same prodecure as in the past. The meeting was followed by refreshments and an organ program by Mrs. Wakefield.

The 66th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society S.A.R' was held April 23, 1960 in the Sheraton-Martin Hotel, Sioux City, President James A. Sturtevant presiding. The President gave a report on the 1959 Congress held at Pittsburgh, also referring to establishing new chapters in the state. Officers were elected as follows: President-James A. Sturtevant; 1st Vice President-James E. Reeder, Sr.: 2nd Vice President-Harry W. Milligan; Registrar-George W. Cummings; Genealogist-Robert E. Coney; National Trustee-James T. Mulhall; Secy.Treas.- William D. Crow, all from Sioux City; Chaplain-John S. Cutter, Shenandoah.

A resolution in memoriam of Ward Randall Evans, Sioux City, a past President of Iowa Society S.A.R. and a past Secretary of George W. Wakefield Chapter, same to be recorded and sent to relatives of the deceased, was adopted.

Compatriot L.R. King, Vice President of the North Mississippi District, spoke on membership, stating that names of prospective members received from the D.A.R. were of great assistance in securing new members.

Compatriot Ray.N.: Berry addressed the meeting protesting the cost to American taxpayers of the Foreign Aid Program and that we are opposed to the large amounts of money spent by the U.S. in support of the United Nations. The motion, as amended by Lory to "re-affirm our previous stand in regard to the United Nations;" was carried. Members met again with wives and friends for banquet at 7:00 p.m., Mayor George Young giving the address of welcome. Chief speaker was Mr. Lee Wallin, secretary to the 8th District Representative Charles B. Hoeven, who discussed the responsibilities and privi-

leges of individuals in Government. Out-of-town guests included L.R. King, Vice President General of the North Mississippi District and Ralph S. Mosely, both of Lincoln, Nebr. Assets were listed at \$1,429.30 --- Endowment Fund \$300.29.

The 65th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society, S.A.R. was held May 2, 1959 in the Jackson Hotel, Sioux City, 1st Vice President, Ray N. Berry, presiding. Officers were elected as follows: President-J.Alvin Sturtevant; 1st Vice President-Robert E. Coney; 2nd Vice President-Dr. U.V. Garred, Whiting, Iowa; Genealogist and Historian-Dan R. Shaver, Sioux City; Registrar-George W. Cummings, Sioux City; Chaplain-John S. Cutter, Shenandoah; Trustee-George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Secy.Treas.-William D. Crow. Milton Lory spoke on the Cuban situation giving the impression that world peace had not been improved by the recent change in government of the island. The possibility of a merger of the Iowa and South Dakota Societies was raised by Mulhall and a motion by Lory was carried, to invite the members of the South Dakota Society to become members of a merged Society to be known as the Iowa-South Dakota Society.

Compatriot Evans spoke about his correspondence with government officials in re American prisoners of the Korean war being held by Chinese Communists, his motion on that subject being adopted. President Sturtevant spoke about the Arizona Society stating dues of members were \$10 per annum compared with the Iowa Society's annual dues of \$4.50. Attending the Arizona meeting was President General Walter A. Wentworth. Increased membership activity was urged by the Iowa Society President.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report for the year ending March 31, 1958 listed annual fees to the national office were \$315. which would indicate a paid-up membership of 90, a reason for the stressing of new member solicitation. Society assets are listed at \$1,752.16 including the face value of the Government Bonds held. The Endowment Fund had fallen to \$254.78.

The 64th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society was held April 12, 1958 in the Sheriton Martin Hotel, Sioux City, with President James T. Mulhall presiding. Officers were elected as follows: President-Gordon Risher, Shenandoah, Ia.; lst Vice President-Ray N. Berry, Sioux City; 2nd Vice President-J. Alvin Sturtevant, Sioux City; Secy.Treas.-William D. Crow, Sioux City; Genealogist-George R. Wakefield, Sioux City; Registrar-George W. Cummins, Sioux City; Chaplain-John S. Cutter, Shenandoah, Ia.; Trustee-James Terry Mulhall, Sioux City.

Chairman of the Graves Committee, William D. Crow, reported the National Society expressed concern that the graves of our Revolutionary War soldiers were not receiving the attention they deserved and furnished us a list of the known soldiers buried in Iowa. He stated that additional names had been secured from the Iowa Historical Society. Members present offered suggestions for securing more information.

Gordon Risher, chairman of the Resolutions Committee, submitted 10 resolutions, the first of which was "Enforcement of Federal Court Decrees". A resolution mourning the passing of Compatriot Berkeley Michael, a longtime member, was passed. Another resolution in regard to American soldiers held in China since the Korean war, was also passed. Civil defense was also discussed, following which the meeting was adjourned.

In the evening members with their wives and friends gathered in the Corn Room at the hotel for a banquet. The principal speaker was Rev. Glee Lockwood, pastor of the Billy Sunday Memorial Chapel in Sioux City.

Secretary's Report on Membership

The National Secretary, Harold L. Putnam, has often mentioned and deplored the annual loss of our membership—and the few members who failed dismally to replace the ones lost. Now, in making an analysis of our records I find that at the close of 1947 we had a membership totaling 220, and according to the report I have just read, we have only 126 paying members or a loss of 94 members, which is 42.73%.

Pursuing the analysis further, I find that the loss has run quite consistently over the ten-year period excepting 1953 when we had a gain of 13 members and in 1954 when we gained 19 members. I wonder what caused this sudden new interest which gave us an increase of 32 members for the two years. The following year, 1955, we had a net loss of 22 members.

The analysis further shows that we have 14 members in the 80 years of age and older class. They are as follows:

80	years	of	age	1		86	years	of	age	3
81	years	of	age	2		87	years	of	age	í
84	years	of	age	2		88	years	of	age	2
85	years	of	age	1	926	89	years	of	age	2

Yes, one of our older members--Adelbert H. Keller, who is 88 years of age, boasts that he holds the oldest membership in the Society, and he does--State #45. His application is dated July 2, 1894. Two years ago he wrote me that he was making a "hop" around the world. Other members in the 80 to 89 years of age class are Nathan Hickenlooper, father of Senator Hickenlooper; Frank B. Miller, Cedar Falls, Iowa; John D. Palmer, Marshalltown, Iowa; Frederick W. Garretson, Hamilton, Ill.; Joseph R. Hubbart, Chicago; Dr. Joseph Goodrich, Price, Utah; Allan E. Hickey, Portland, Oregon; William R. Felton, Sioux City, Iowa; Carl R. Walker, St. Clair, Mich.; George W. Dulaney, Jr., La Jolla, Calif.; Carlton Sias, Waterloo, Iowa; Thomas Merrill, Mediapolis, Iowa, and Louis B. Gray, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

It is a funny thing about these young oldsters--remittance for their annual dues are among the first to be received after sending out the statements in January of each year. I think the president should appoint a committee to prepare a letter of greeting and congratulations to these rugged individualists who regard their membership in the Society with high esteem.

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The balance of the membership is classified as to age as follows:

70 years to 79 years 34 40 years to 49 years 13
60 years to 69 years 31 30 years to 39 years 10
50 years to 59 years 23 20 years to 29 years 6
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You may have noticed that the majority of our members are in the 50, 60 and 70 year old brackets and only 16 in the 20 to 30 age bracket. Only one new member taken into the Society in 1957 was in the 30 year bracket. It is my opinion that the President should appoint a committee to study the cause of decline in our membership and report on the result at our next annual meeting. I think it would be interesting, though I am afraid discouraging if we could look ahead another ten years and see what kind of a report would be waiting for us in 1968.

The Treasurer's report for the year ending March 31, 1957, gives the Society's total assets as \$2,069.58 and the endowment fund as \$233.26.

The 63rd Annual Meeting was held April 12, 1957 in the Hotel Burke, Carroll, Iowa, President James T. Mulhall presiding. There being only ten members present, the rules were suspended and ten was considered a quorum instead of the usual 11. The meeting endorsed the candidacy of George E. Tarbox for the office of President general "with the reservation that our delegate have the privilege of voting for Tarbox or any other candidate he might prefer at the Annual Congress at Salt Lake City, May 26-29." Mulhall gave a talk on the Annual Congress at Lake George in 1956; also a report on the meeting of the Trustees on February 15, 1957, at which meeting it was decided to sell the National Headquarters Building, with reservations, and the matter was deferred to the final action of the Annual Congress at Salt Lake City.

Mulhall stated that Compatriot Zink made the suggestion of the possibility of securing the old Hubbell Home in Des Moines for a home for the Iowa Society and he appointed a committee as follows, to report on the question after making a survey: Robbins Risher, Des Moines, Charles Zink and William D. Crow and Henry Giese of Ames. Compatriot Risher gave an address on "Brain Washing." Officers were elected as follows: President-James T. Mulhall, Sioux City; 1st Vice President-Gordon Risher, Shenandoah; 2nd Vice President-Alvin Sturtevant, Sioux City; Secretary-Treasurer= William D. Crow; Genealogist, Robert E. Coney, Sioux City; Chaplain-Robert S. Cutter, Shenandoah; National Trustee, James T. Mulhall, Sioux City.

The Secretary proposed that another \$100 be transferred to the Endowment Fund with the proviso that it could be returned to the General Fund if required. There is now \$233.26 in the Endowment Fund, he stated, and it seemed to him the money could just as well be earning interest as lying idle in the General Fund. He also asked advice on the depository of the Government Bonds. The meeting decided to let the matter of transferring \$100 from the General Fund to the Endowment Fund lay on the table until the next annual meeting. In regard to the bonds, it was decided to ask the First Federal Savings & Loan Association to place them in their vault or, if required, to place the bonds in a safety deposit box.

Appointment of a Committee on Publicity to be located in Sioux City was suggested by Prunty and approved. Compatriots Stiles, Crow and Evans were appointed "to make every effort to publicize the S.A.R. and get our name before the public."

Secretary Crow's Letter

A general letter to the membership from Secy.-Treas. William D. Crow is, in part, as follows: "Our annual report to the National Office in Washington, D.C., indicates that we now have 146 members which is one less than we reported at the 1956 meeting. According to our report, we have gained 6 new members, but have lost 3 members by death, 3 by resignation and one by transfer to another State Society. This will indicate that instead of really gaining six members, we have actually lost one. If each member would guarantee to secure at least one new member during the period ending March 31st, our membership would double and make a great showing for our next annual report. Let us all make an extra effort to do this for our Society. And remember, for each new member, the National Congress, which will meet in Biloxi, Mississippi next May, will reward the sponsor with a lapel button for that extra suit."

Turning back to Crow's financial report for the year ending March 31, 1956, we find 143 paid-up members listed (the national fee being \$2.50)--\$2,025.70 total assets and only \$64.45 in the Endowment Fund indicating that Crow had not been successful in having more money transferred from the General Fund to the Endowment Fund. Bad news was also given in this report: Lexington Chapter at Keokuk closed, the Secy.-Treas. there, R.G. Sinnotte, turning over \$13.44 in cash to the State Society.

The 62nd Annual Meeting of Iowa Society, S.A.R., was held April 14, 1956, at the Burke Hotel in Carroll, Iowa, President Henry Giese presiding. A motion to transfer \$150 from the General to the Permanent Fund was carried. A motion to approve the Hoover Commission Report was carried and a motion to disapprove a federal appropriation for a mental health hospital in Alaska was also carried. Officers were elected as follows: President-James T. Mulhall, Sioux City; 1st Vice President-John D. Lutton (Dr.); 2nd Vice President-Floyd B. Paddock, Ames; Secy.-Treas.-William D. Crow, Sioux City; Registrar-Ray N. Berry, Sioux City; Genealogist-Robert E. Coney, Sioux City; National Trustee-James T. Mulhall, Sioux City; Chaplain-John S. Cutter, Shenandoah; Executive Committee: Robert A. Wright, Carroll and C. Van Ness Stiles, Sioux City.

New members were listed as follows: Clarence E. Darrow, Dubuque; John D. Waddell, Valhalla, New York; Robert H. Andersen, Muscatine; Thomas N. Robbins, Jr., Everly, Iowa,

and Lawrence D. Prunty, Greene, Iowa. Reinstated member, Amariah L. Allen, Geneva, Illinois. Deaths, Edwin P. Hudson, Denver, Colorado.

At a dinner held at 1:00 p.m., Compatriot Lory gave a talk entitled: "A Review of My Year as President General of the National Society." A report of the Secretary-Treasurer for the year ending April 15, 1955, gave Cash in Bank and Government Bonds at \$2,070.77 and Endowment Fund, \$36.

61st Annual Meeting, Iowa Society--The meeting was held April 23, 1955 in the Student Union Building, Ames, Iowa, with President Charles E. Zink presiding. Addresses were given by Hewitt and Taylor regarding United Nations and Government; Kirkham in regard to Displaying of Flags and Taylor on Flag Poles; Giese on "Independent Thinking" and Justus Dye on "Interest of Youth in S.A.R."; Stiles in regard to criticism of teachers who are accused of teaching about Communism; Denham on Politics and S.A.R. Interests; Hewitt on Continentals. Zink said we should not confuse issue of United Nations and world conditions today. Three bound volumes of Old Continentals were given to the State Historical Society at Des Moines.

The increase in dues by the National Office was discussed but no action taken. Officers were elected as follows: President-Henry Giese; 1st Vice President-Terry Mulhall; 2nd Vice President=Floyd Paddock; Secy.=Treas.-William D. Crow; Registrar-John D. Lutton; Genealogist-Dan Shaver; National Trustee-Terry Mulhall; State Chaplain-Robert Caughey; Executive Committee-Alvin Sturtevant and Robert A. Wright.

Compatriots, wives and friends met in the Cyclone Cellar at 6:00 p.m. for banquet and viewing slides of Austria, Switzerland, Denmark and Holland, which were shown by Professor Jones of Ames and the explanation and description by both Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

60th Annual Meeting, Iowa Society S.A.R. was held April 24, 1954 in the Student Union Building, Ames, Iowa, President Charles E. Zink presiding. The question of increase in annual dues was brought up and discussed but it was decided to take no action for the Constitution provides that the State Dues will be \$2.00 over the National Society dues for each member. The present dues to the National Society are \$1.50 and the State annual dues \$3.50. In the event the National Society decided to increase the dues to \$2.50, the State Society dues would automatically be increased to \$4.50 per year.

Officers were elected as follows: President-Charles E. Zink; lst Vice President-Henry Giese; 2nd Vice President-Terry Mulhall; Secretary-Treas.-William D. Crow; Registrar-John D. Lutton; Genealogist-Dan Shaver; National Trustee-Terry Mulhall; State Chaplain-Robert Caughey; Executive Committee-Alvin Sturtevant and Robert A. Wright.

A resolution was passed reaffirming our faith in the principles of the Bricker Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and urging its passage by the present Congress and that the National Society take appropriate steps to initiate the introduction of this amendment in all state legislatures (the National Congress to be held at Williamsburg, Va., May 23, 1954). A resolution was also passed that the Iowa Society buy a chair for the Trustee's Room in the National Society office. It was also decided to send President Zink to the National Congress and to advance him \$150 for expenses. The meeting adjourned at 4:15 until 6:30 p.m., when the members met in the Pine Room for dinner followed by a showing of slides taken in Africa. Wives of many of the members were present.

The Treasurer's report for year ending April 15, 1954 showed cash assets of \$2,120.58 including cash in bank and U.S. Govt. Bonds (face value) and \$22.72 in the Endowment Fund. Fees to the National Office were \$265.50.

The 59th Annual Meeting of Iowa Society, S.A.R. was held in Iowa State Student Union Building April 26, 1952, President George Wakefield presiding. Earl Hewitt reported on the Ezra Potter papers, recommending that the papers be bound and placed in the State Society files. It was decided to have the binding done if the price was reasonable. Officers were elected as follows: President-George Wakefield; 1st Vice President-Henry Giese; 2nd Vice President-Terry Mulhall; Secretary-Treas.-Charles E. Zink; Registrar-Dr. J.D. Lutton; Chaplain-U.G. Schell; National Trustee-Milton Lory; Genealogist-Dan Shaver; Executive Committee-W.R. Felton and Samuel Dorsey. A resolution was passed commending the American Bar Association and the American Medical Association opposing any delegation of powers from the United States to the United Nations. A resolution was also passed condemning the seizure of the Steel Companies by President Truman. The report of the Treasurer for the year ending April 25, 1952 gave cash assets at \$1,786.32. A motion was made by Earl Hewitt that the executive committee study the advisability of the possible future employment of a part-time secretary-treasurer.

A report by the Treasurer Charles E. Zink for the year ending April 15, 1953 showed cash in the bank and U.S. Bonds totalling \$1,890.27, no Endowment Fund being shown. Another report by the Treasurer for the year ending April 25, 1951 gave the cash assets at \$2,040.53 and no Endowment Fund listed.

William D. Crow's 14 years of most efficient and devoted service to Iowa S.A.R. ended with the 59th Annual Meeting April 26, 1952 when Charles E. Zink, Sioux City, was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Crow's health had not been too good in his late years and going up and down the stairs between his office and living quarters had aggravated a heart condition and minimized his traveling outside Sioux City. He had, for instance, never been able to attend a meeting of Eastern Iowa Area or Herbert Hoover Chapter at its various gatherings although always invited.

Secretary Zink was succeeded by W.M. Baker and J.A. Gadient in the decade that followed and from their records the following scanty notes are gleaned:

57th Annual Meeting was held April 28, 1951 in Ames with 13 members present and President Milton Lory presiding. Six of those attending were from Ames.

56th Annual Meeting was held April 15, 1950 with 14 members present of whom 6 were from Ames and 5 from Sioux City. Name of president not given.

55th Annual Meeting was held in Sioux City with 14 members present. Date of meeting not given. President Ray N. Berry, presiding.

54th Annual Meeting was held in 1948 at Sioux City with 15 members present. No date.

53rd Annual Meeting was held April 26, 1947 in Des Moines with 6 members present, 4 from Des Moines, one from Ames and one from Fort Dodge.

50th Annual Meeting was held February 28, 1944 in Des Moines, 11 members being present, 6 from Des Moines and one from Sioux City. W.R. Felton was president and W.M. Baker, secretary, from Sioux City.

49th Annual Meeting was held in Des Moines March 11, 1943, J.A. Goodrich president, W.M. Baker, Des Moines, secy.-treasurer, 8 members present.

48th Annual Meeting was held at Ames April 18, 1942, 21 members present, 4 from Ames, 6 from Fort Dodge, 3 from Des Moines and one from Sioux City.

47th Annual Meeting was held at Fort Dodge April 12, 1941, 15 members being present, 9 from Fort Dodge, 3 from Ames and 3 from Des Moines.

46th Annual Meeting was held March 14, 1940 in Des Moines. John B. Cutter was president, W.M. Baker, treasurer and J.A. Gadient, secretary. "The D.A.R. State Convention was held at the Hotel Fort Des Moines at the same time and a banquet was held in connection with the S.A.R.", according to the record.

John Marshall Chapter Carries the Torch

While the positive record of the Iowa State Society fades with the 40th Annual Meeting, we do know that the organization continued to exist through references in the notes of Secretary W.T. Kipura of the John Marshall Chapter S.A.R. in Sioux City, who has detailed an able and aggressive implementation of S.A.R. programs by that chapter back through the years 1940, 1939, 1938 and 1937. Members of this chapter met monthly at compatriots' homes, listened to informative talks on public questions such as "Fascism" and "The Canal Zone" and "The World War," organized a program of giving patriotic talks at Sioux City public schools entitled "Side Lights of American History" and joined in the National Observation of the Adoption of the Bill of Rights.

Among the group of dedicated patriots who formed the John Marshall Chapter were Judge A.O. Wakefield, W.R. Felton, Dr. C.R. Madison, W. Stewart Gilman, A.E. Line, Atty. Ward Evans, J.S. Michael, Ray Berry, Carlos Goltz, T.H. Johnson, Dr. M.P. Summers, George W. Cummings, W.T. Kiepura, Everett Waller, George Beach, W.C. Davenport, and Judge H.N. Kenaston.

The John Marshall Chapter was originally called the Woodbury Chapter, organized in 1897. At this writing it is listed as the George W. Wakefield Chapter, and is still functioning. Dues in the John Marshall Chapter were \$1.00 annually. Donations were taken to finance the distribution of medals, given to high ranking students in six different Sioux City schools, for excellence in American history, a leading Chapter S.A.R. program—also a principal State Society program, "established at the suggestion of General J.R. Lincoln in his annual address as president of the Iowa Society in 1907," according to the Potter History. "The dies cost \$75, the medals \$2 and were offered in the fall to the schools for the student doing the best work in history during the year. Medals were first given in 1908, and later as follows: 137 colleges, 154 high schools, total 291 medals to 1917. To 1930, about 800 medals were given. Six colleges have won medals continuously since 1908: Iowa State College, Ames; Iowa State University, Iowa City; Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant; Upper Iowa University, Fayette; Drake University, Des Moines; and Central College, Pella.

"In 1927, the National Good Citizenship Medal was given to the 8th grade in 17 schools. Some 40 or 50 are out."

Detailed data on Iowa S.A.R. activities in the 1940's is supplied by Secretary Kiepura's notes as follows:

September 14, 1940 Meeting held at West Hotel, opened by Vice President Waller. Report on medals; subject of State Meeting discussed by Felton; talk by Compatriot Browning on "My Visit in the East." Eleven members present, two guests--Randolph and McCarden.

November, 1940 Meeting with Compatriot A. Cline, opened by Vice President Waller. Resolution on death of Compatriot Munger read by Compatriot Hunt and approved. Officers elected: President-Everett Waller; Vice President-Ward Evans; Secy.-Treas.-Wm. Kiepura; Convention Committee was appointed, also a program committee. Wm. Kiepura was made chairman of the medal committee, to pick his own assistants. A tribute was paid by

Compatriot Evans on Compatriot Michael Hauh, last G.A.R. in Woodbury County. A talk was given on Endland in the Revolution by Compatriot Felton and Evans, assisted by others. Ten memers were present and two guests, Dr. Gilmore and M. Carden.

December 18, 1940 Meeting, held in the home of Compatriot Summers; opened by Vice Fresident Evans; talk by Compatriot Kiepura on "Naval Situation in the Revolution"; ten members present.

January 18, 1941 Meeting at the West Hotel, five members selected to present medals; a talk given on "K. . . . part in the Revolution"; fourteen members and one guest, McCarder, present.

March 18, 1941 Meeting, President Waller presiding; nine present; Tuberculosis referred to Program Committee; Ward Evans talked on the Stamp Act; Mrs. Felton served a delicious lunch; members enjoyed a pleasant hour inspecting photos in Mr. Felton's collection.

April 26, 1941 Meeting at West Hotel, Waller presiding. (written in pencil and almost undecipherable)... twelve present; Kiepura reported on date of Convention at Fort Dodge; Dr. Davies the main speaker; committee on medals; Judge Kenaston... battles of Lexington and Concord.

Meager data on Iowa S.A.R. activities in the 1930's is gleaned from Secretary Kiepura's notebook as follows: a memo of informal Meeting at Martin Hotel, October 11, 1937 with seven members present, each of whom paid \$1 except Kiepura. The Secretary advised that all old records were lost and was instructed to write Mr. J.P. Vorheis, 54 S. Crenshaw, Los Angeles, to find out if the Tomlinson family could locate same. New members reported by Mr. Felton: J.E. Michael, Ward Evans, Amos Matthews.

November 8, 1937 Meeting (difficult to read) "moved that we hold a meeting November 22 at Martin Hotel at \$1 per plate, inviting ladies of D.A.R.; twelve members present.

November 22, 1937 Meeting at Martin's Hotel, 13 present; speaker Professor E.H. Kleinpell of Morningside College, his subject being "One Hundred Fifty Years of Constitutional History." Members of the D.A.R. were guests. Judge A.O. Wakefield was elected president to succeed W.R. Felton; other officers were chosen as follows: Dr. C.R. Madison, Vice-President; William Kiepura, Secretary; W. Stewart Gilman, Treasurer. Plans for the year's program were discussed, it being decided that members should be selected to give talks on various phases of American Revolutionary War History. Compatriot Ward Evans spoke on the Battle of New Orleans; Compatriot Gurney spoke on "Economic Policies of President Jackson"; Compatriot Evans read portions of the Congressional Record concerning aliens. The Secretary was requested to report the election, and the deaths of Compatriot Kearney and Knowles to the National Society. Compatriot Waller was appointed to speak on the National Defense for the D.A.R. radio program. Sixteen members were present. Compatriot Evans, a lawyer, in the course of his address, was reported as follows in a local newspaper: "A well-organized National Guard and Reserve Officers corps is a good protection against the growing menace of Fascism," which he criticized in his talk.

The next meeting was held in the Mayfair Hotel, President Wakefield presiding, on January 31, 1938. A memorial resolution on Compatriot Davenport was read by Compatriot Evans and approved. Compatriot Muninger was appeinted to prepare a memorial for Compatriot Badgerson. Medals were presented at Eastern Central High. Twenty-six members were present.

Meeting, March 19, 1938 was opened by President Wakefield. A talk was given by Compatriot Hunt on "The Evacuation of Boston." Colonial history was then discussed by

all present. Compatriot Evans read a speech by Senator Borah on Constitutional Liberty. Twelve members were present. A vote of thanks was tendered Compatriot and Mrs. Waller for the invitation to attend the meeting in their home.

Meeting was held April 27, 1938 at the home of President A.O. Wakefield. A discussion of the Battle of Cowpens was given by Compatriot Keipura. The President announced the 1939 State Meeting would be held in Sioux City. The death of Compatriot Gurney was reported. Donations were made for History Medals. Present were Munger, Wakefield, Michaels, Mattison, Evans, Line, Felton, Hunt, Waller, Kiepura, with guest Captain C.T. Munroe. The death of Fred Davis was also reported.

Meeting, May 21, 1938 was held at the home of Mr. Felton, President Wakefield presiding. Mr. Felton was to present medal at Cathedral East. Compatriot Michaels gave talk on Virginia Colonial History; eleven in attendance. Six medals were to be given at East, Central, Trinity, Morningside, Cathedral, Briar Cliff, to: Roland M. Paulson, Ruth Gaynor, Thomas A. Fennell, Jr., Agnes Carlin, Bernice Hackett and Mary Louise Marriott, Howard Sachs, Mary Sherman, Marilyn Mills and Eyleen Lynott. (Apparently each presentation was made by a different S.A.R.).

(As far as is known, John Marshall Chapter S.A.R. in Sioux City was making the largest distribution medals in the state but on exactly what basis the medal was given is not detailed by Kiepura).

Meeting June 16, 1938, at the home of Compatriot Michaels. At this meeting, the members empowered the president to appoint a committee to investigate the possibility of giving talks on "Sidelights of American History" in the schools of Sioux City. The guest speaker was Major B.M. Crenshaw, U.S.A.-DOL. His subject was "The Canal Zone." Eighteen members were present, also two guests, the speaker and L.B. Stamen.

Meeting, September 17, 1938 at Compatriot Line's home, 14 members beside the host present. Compatriot Felton was in charge of the program. Compatriot Ray Berry spoke on "The Constitution".

Meeting, October 19, 1938 at the home of Compatriot Cummings. A committee was appointed to investigate the "Sidelights of American History" program. Compatriot Waller gave a talk on "Yorktown." Seventeen members were present.

Meeting, November 15, 1938 at the home of Carlos Goltz, opened by President Wakefield. "America the Beautiful" sung by Mrs. Henry Gelman accompanied by Mrs. Henry Carlos Lott. Program continued: "A Few Incidents of American History" by Carlos Goltz; the "Origin of the American Constitution" by Mr. A.H. Bolton; "Reply to Previous Arguments" by Ray Berry. Present officers were re-elected; 22 were present.

Meeting, December 10, 1938 at home of Compatriot T.H. Johnson, opened by President Wakefield. Invitation extended to Society to attend Military Ball. Talk on "French in the Revolution by Compatriot Kenneston. Berry, Munger, Hunt appointed as Recruiting Committee; eleven present.

Meeting, January 21, 1939 in home of Judge Kenniston, opened by President Wakefield. Resolution for death of Compatriot Michail by Compatriot Munger; 13 present. Letter from Secretaty A. Goodrich read; Evans, Cumming to present American History medals; talk by Compatriot Evans on "Battles of Trenton and Princeton."

Meeting March 23, 1939 at home of Compatriot Badgerson (?). Meeting opened by President Wakefield; report of committee on arrangements by Compatriot Felton; meeting to be at Martin Hotel, arrangements made for Morningside String Quartet; talk by Compatriot Felton on Lewis & Clark Expedition; 17 members present.

Meeting, May 11, 1939 at home of Compatriot Wakefield, meeting opened by President Wakefield. Speakers selected as follows: Central, Wakefield; East, Evans; Trinity, Waller; Briar Cliff, Kiepura; Cathedral, Felton; arrangements were made for membership appropriation \$1; donation made by members for Convention expense; talk by Compatriot Waller on Battle of Ticonderoga; 17 members present.

Meeting, June 17. 1939 opened by President Wakefield at the home of Compatriot Hutchins. Compatriot Felton requested help in obtaining new members; list of medal awards given; talk by President Wakefield on Battle of Bunker Hill; 17 members present.

Meeting September 23, 1939, home of Compatriot Waller, opened by President Wakefield. Report by Judge Kenaston on speakers in schools--matter taken up with school authorities, will be glad to do this at mid-year. Kenaston talked at East September 21 on "The Constitution"; talk by Compatriot Goltz on the constitution; 19 present.

Meeting, November 22, 1939 at Mayfair Hotel, opened by President Wakefield. Lecture by Compatriot Waller on "Montgomery at Quebec." Hosts: Compatriots Evans, Munger, Beach, Hunt, Kiepura. A sick report was given and motion carried for Secretary to call sick members—also moved that a resolution be prepared on death of Compatriot Davenport; 25 members present.

Meeting December 13, 1939 at home of Compatriot Summers, opened by President Wakefield. Communications read from Nebraska District and Ohio District on Candidates for President; moved to endorse Compatriot S.R. Mutz for president-if not available, for Compatriot Souers. Moved that the World War records of Compatriot Line be loaned to the Library (carried); talk by Clark on "Saratoga." Thirteen members and two guests present-guests Jepson and Clark.

(This is the end of the 1930 entries by Kiepura.)

THE NEW CONSTITUTION OF THE IOWA SOCIETY, SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

ARTICLE I.

NAME

The name of this Society shall be "The Iowa Society of the Sons of the the American Revolution.

ARTICLE II.

NATIONAL SOCIETY

This Society shall be a part of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. It recognizes all State Societies of the Sons of the American Revolution as co-equal and their members as our compatriots entitled to receive such information, assistance and fraternal consideration as may best promote the objects of the Society.

ARTICLE III

OBJECTS

The objects of this Society shall be to perpetuate the memory of the men who, by their services or sacrifices during the War of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants; to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, as well as documents, relics and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution with appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of prominent events of the war; to foster patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and to carry out the purposes expressed in the Preamble of the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his Farewell Address to the American people.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any man shall be eligible to membership in this Society, who, being of the age of eighteen years or over, and a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendent of an ancestor who was at all times unfailing in his loyalty to, and rendered actual service in, the cause of American Independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman or minuteman, in the armed forces of the Continental

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Congress, or any one of the several colonies or states, or as a signer of the Declaration of Independence; or as a member of a Committee of Safety or Correspondence; or as a member of any Continental, provincial or Colonial Congress or Legislature, or as a civil officer, either of one of the several colonies or states or of the national government; or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts of resistance to the authority of Great Britain.

Section 2. Application for membership shall be made to this society in duplicate, upon blank forms prescribed, and shall in each case set forth the name, occupation and residence of the applicant, his line of descent, and the name, residence of his ancestors, or ancestor in the Revolution, from whom he derives eligibility. The applicant whall make oath that the statements of his application are true, to the best of his knowledge and belief. Upon the approval of the application by the Registrar, Secretary, and President of this Society, one copy shall be transmitted to the Executive Secretary of the National Society, who shall examine further the eligibility of the applicant. If satisfied the member is not eligible he shall return the application for correction. No membership shall be ultimately valid unless eligibility be approved by the Registrar of the National Society.

Section 3. Any member may become a life member by payment of seventy-five dollars into the treasury in commutation of annual dues.

Section 4. Any member of another state society may be admitted to this society by approval by the Secretary of this society. The said application shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Secretary of the society issuing the transfer, that the applicant's dues for the current year are paid, and that he is otherwise in good standing. No charge shall be made to the applicant for the deposit of his transferred membership or for dues for the current year.

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

The officers of this society shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Registrar-Historian, and a Chaplain. Said officers shall be elected by ballot, at each annual meeting, by a vote of the majority of the members present in person, and shall hold office until the next annual meeting and until their successors shall be elected. An executive committee of three of whom the President shall be chairman, shall transact such business as may be delegated to it. At the annual meeting, one delegate at large and such other delegates as the National Constitution authorizes, shall be elected to attend the Annual Congress and meetings of the National Society.

ARTICLE VI

POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The powers and duties of officers shall be such as usually pertain to such officers or as modified or prescribed in the By-Laws. The Secretary may,

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with the approval of the Executive Committee, appoint an Assistant Secretary during his own pleasure. The President shall have power to fill vacancies occurring during long absences from the state or during long illnesses, the person so appointed to hold office until the next annual meeting or until his predecessor returns to duty. The President shall have general supervision of the affairs of the society and may authorize local chapters and may delegate any of his powers to the Executive Committee, except that of amending this constitution or making By-Laws.

The Registrar shall receive the applications, examine them and report to the Secretary who shall approve them after examination and then forward to the National Headquarters Executive Secretary, together with the required national admission fee which the applicant shall have paid along with the required state fee and a chapter fee if chapter membership is desired by the applicant.

The Treasurer shall pay all bills against the State Society approved by the President and himself and no purchases shall be made or indebtedness incurred without their previous approval. The Treasurer shall also keep open books of account and give bond for the faithful performance of his duties if required by the Executive Committee.

The society shall provide a book as a family record and the Registrar shall enter therein the name of each member and shall request each member to provide the names of the family line from the ancestor, also the names, date, and place of birth of the member's wife and children, with their places of residence for record reference for future generations.

ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

The annual meeting of this Society for the election of officers and the transaction of business shall be held in such city within this state and at such time in April or May of each year as the President shall decide, and a notice of such meeting shall be mailed to each member at least thirty days before the date of meeting. The President shall select the place for such meeting.

Special meetings of the Society may be called by the President and shall be called by him at the request of the Executive Committee or whenever requested in writing by twelve members. Thirty days' notice of such meeting shall be given as above provided.

ARTICLE VIII

FEES AND DUES

The Initiation Fee shall be twenty-five dollars, payable in advance with application. The annual dues shall be ten dollars, and become due on the first day of February in each year. Any new member shall be considered as having paid his annual dues for the year in which he is admitted in the amount of his entrance fee.

The Treasurer shall pay to the National Society from the treasury the fee required by that society for each active member. The receipts each year constituting the annual resources of the society shall be devoted to the

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payment of annual dues to the National Society, current expenses and publication of circular letters and other documents, also to the payment of such special expenses as may be authorized by the Executive Committee or the President.

A member who shall remain in arrears two years for any dues to the society may be dropped from the rolls by the Secretary-Treasurer. Any suspended member may be readmitted to membership upon his payment of dues for the current year and a reinstatement fee of \$5.00.

Any member who files supplemental papers shall pay \$10.00 each therefor.

ARTICLE IX

QUORUM AND RULES

Thirteen members of the society shall constitute a quorum at any annual or general meeting. Two members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum of said committee. Parliamental rules compiled by Henry M. Robert (Robert's Rules of Order) shall be authority in all meetings.

ARTICLE X

AMEN DMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of this society; or it may be amended by the unanimous vote of the Executive Committee at any of its meetings. Any proposed amendment shall receive thirty days' notice sent to each member. Any amendment made by the Executive Committee shall be subject to the approval of the society at its next meeting.

ARTICLE XI

SEAL

The seal of this society shall be the same as that of the National Society with the exception that it shall bear the legend "Iowa State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Organized September 5, 1893," in place of the legend "National Society".

ARTICLE XII

INSIGNIA

The insignia shall be the same as that of the National Society, namely: a silver cross of four arms and eight points, same size as the Chevalier's cross of the Legion of Honor of France, arms enameled white, in the center a gold medallion bearing the bust of General George Washington in profile, surrounded by ribbon in blue shamel, bearing the legend "Libertas et Patria"; encircling the medallion and midway between it and the points of the cross,

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a laurel wreath in green enamel. Reverse same as the obverse, except that the medallion bears the figure of a Continental soldier and that the blue enameled ribbon bears the title "Sons of the American Revolution". The whole is surrounded by an eagle of gold or silver and is suspended from a blue and white ribbon. A smaller badge the same as the foregoing in every respect except that it is only one-half the diameter of the large one, and a blue and white rosette or button seven-sixteenths of an inch in diameter.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE XIII

DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

The President, in addition to his general duties, shall appoint an Executive Committee of three of whom he shall be chairman. He shall also appoint the following standing committees, viz:

A Membership Committee, a Flag Committee and an Auditing Committee, and such other committees as in his judgment are necessary. The duties of such committees shall be such as are indicated by their titles and such as may be required of them.

ARTICLE XIV

THE PRESIDING OFFICER

In the absence of the President, the First Vice President shall preside at the annual, or other meetings, if present; otherwise the Second Vice President. In the absence of all the officers named, a president pro tem shall be elected by majority vote.

ARTICLE XV

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The following shall be the Order of Business at the annual meeting:

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Invocation
- Roll call
- 4. Minutes of last meeting
- 5. Address by the President
- 6. Reports of Secretary-Treasurer and Registrar
- 7. Reports of Committees
- 8. Communications
- 9. Unfinished Business
- 10. New Business
- 11. Election of officers
- 12. Remarks for the good of the Order
- 13. Adjournment

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ARTICLE XVI

DUTIES OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

In addition to the duties generally incumbent upon the Secretary-Treasurer, he shall receive all moneys of the society and keep complete account of the same, giving a receipt for all cash payments and for all payments by check unless the payee considers his cancelled check preferable. He shall make prompt payment on all bills signed by the President and shall notify the compatriots within one month after the first day of February of each year of the falling due of the annual dues and shall prepare a list of all paid-up members to be circulated at the annual meeting and only those who are paid-up members shall be eligible to vote or to hold an office in the society and the Treasurer shall not pay any bill or claim presented to him unless it is signed by the President. The Treasurer shall pay any money in his hands to his successor in office on the demand of such successor.

ARTICLE XVII

ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

Application for membership shall be in the form furnished by the National Society and shall be filed with the Secretary-Treasurer who shall endorse the same if the required sum of money in the form of cash, check or money order to cover the required state and national dues is enclosed with the application. Applications shall then be sent to the Registrar who shall examine the same and if in due form and sufficient in substance he shall endorse and return to the Secretary-Treasurer who shall endorse and forward to the Executive Secretary at National Headquarters.

ARTICLE XVIII

CERTIFICATE AND BUTTON

Upon the receipt by the Secretary-Treasurer and President from the Registrar General of approval and registration of a new member he shall be entitled to a certificate of membership stamped with the GREAT SEAL of IOWA SOCIETY SONS of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION, a membership card and a lapel button free of charge to be delivered by the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE XIX

FORMATION OF CHAPTERS

Upon the petition of fourteen or more members of the Sons of the American Revolution in good standing, the President of the Society may direct the organization of those members into a Chapter and the President and Secretary-Treasurer of the society shall sign and deliver to the petitioners a charter therefor. Every Chapter shall make report twenty days before the annual meeting to the President of this society of the condition of the Chapter as to members and the work of the Chapter.

The chapters will be governed by this constitution and by-laws as to membership qualifications, objects, holding of meetings, powers and duties of

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officers, rules and quorums and in such other routines as are deemed applicable. They shall fix their own dues which should be sufficient for year operations.

ARTICLE XX

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

The By-Laws may be suspended by the Executive Committee, subject to approval or rejection at the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE XXI

BY-LAWS SUSPENDED, AND HOW

Any of the By-Laws may be suspended at the annual meeting for that meeting by a two-thirds vote of those present.



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THE CENTRAL IOWA CHAPTER

Sons of the American Revolution

The Central Iowa Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, first referred to on Page 4 of this "History of Iowa State Society", was successfully launched in Des Moines December 11, 1971 at an Organizational and Chartering meeting attended by 47 members, wives, representatives of D.A.R. and prospective members.

The first step in the organization of the new group occurred October 9, 1971 when the charter was approved by President George M. Sheets and Secretary David W. Kennedy of the Iowa State Society, S.A.R. From that date on the organizers, headed by J. Karl Runyon, Horace T. Wilkie, Kendall K. Strong, Volney H. Smith were busy recruiting members for the State Society residing in the central Iowa area. The new chapter had the blessing of Executive Secretary Warren S. Woodward of the National Society as well as Royce N. Kent, Vice President General. The latter made the presentation of the charter at the December 11th meeting. He also installed the officers at that gathering. The new president, Volney H. Smith, presided and Chaplain pro-tem Leroy D. Lillie gave the invocation and pronounced the benediction.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Volney H. Smith, Des Moines; Vice President, Horace T. Wilkie, Des Moines; Secretary, John Karl Runyon, Eldora; Treasurer, John M. Essig, Eldora; Registrar, Kendall K. Strong, Indianola; Chaplain Leroy D. Lillie, Ames; Historian, John F. Moller, Des Moines; Chancellor, Clarence Cosson, Des Moines.

(Note-the author of this History greatly regrets that photographs of officers such as President Volney H. Smith were not available for reproduction in this book, also the names of charter members.



A MOST EFFICIENT COMPATRIOT OFFICER

ROBERT O. MONINGER
Registrar

Compatriot Moninger, Registrar of Iowa State Society S.A.R. for several terms, recently has given most efficient and devoted service on short notice in enrolling new applicants despite carrying a heavy load as music teacher in the Iowa Public School system. Had his photograph been received earlier it would have appeared on Page 1 with the officer group.



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