

## II. General Meeting of the Society

The meeting was called to order by President-General DeForest on Saturday, October 12, at 3:10 P.M. at the Hilton Inn. About fifty members and guests were present.

Chaplain-General Harold Bend Sedgwick gave the prayer of the Society. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Morton Fultz.

Mr. Fultz read the minutes of the 67th Annual Congress, and they were approved as read.

Historian-General Doris Coley called the roll of the Signers, and their descendants arose to be recognized :

<u>Signer</u>	<u>General Meeting</u>	<u>Banquet</u>
William Ellery	1	1
Oliver Wolcott	4	4
William Floyd	3	3
Francis Lewis	2	2
Francis Hopkinson	1	1
John Hart	2	2
John Morton	2	1
Samuel Chase	1	1
Charles Carroll of Carrollton	1	1
Thomas Jefferson	1	2
Benjamin Harrison	4	4
Carter Braxton	2	3
John Penn	4	
Thomas Heyward, Jr.	8	7
Arthur Middleton	1	1
	<u>37</u>	<u>33</u>

The President-General introduced Mrs. Brown, Governor for North Carolina and expressed the thanks of all present for her hard work in making all arrangements for the three day meeting.

Mrs. DeForest announced that Philip Nelson Light, a descendant of Thomas Nelson, had won the annual scholarship award of \$900.00 in competition with four other deserving candidates. She urged that applicants for next year's award submit their names to the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee along with the required supporting material as outlined in the scholarship letter.

Mrs. DeForest asked for volunteers to assist the new editor of the Signers' Bulletin, Miss Florence Mary Maupin, of Washington, D.C.

The President-General said she has been trying to get the Postal Service to issue a stamp commemorating the 56 Signers and urged all members to write to their congressmen for support of this effort.

Reporting for the New York State Society, Treasurer John Middleton said 40 people, some in colonial costume, participated in a tour of the William Floyd house. The New York Society is producing a film about the New York Signers and their houses.

Speaking for the Virginia State Society, Mrs. Brown read a letter from President McNamara announcing the November 2nd meeting at the home of Benjamin Harrison, the first of seven meetings scheduled to be held in homes of the Virginia Signers.

Mrs. Brown said there were 15 members living in North Carolina but she hoped there would be many applications resulting from the newspaper and T.V. coverage of the Winston-Salem meeting.

Hasell Heyward, Governor for South Carolina, introduced his delegation of 8 members and three guests.

Treasurer-General Hopkinson stated that the total of all funds was \$ 29,765.00, up \$2200.00 from May 1, 1974. He said an additional \$1100.00 would be needed to complete the Bicentennial Plaque, but he was confident it would be obtained by 1976.

Registrar-General Kalbfleisch said that the Board had elected 10 new Seniors, of which 4 were former Juniors, one reinstatement and four Juniors. There were four deaths reported and the members arose for a prayer in memoriam.

Vice President-General Pyne called attention to the schedule of meetings which was printed on the back of the Fall Meeting announcement:

February 15 & 16, 1975	Morristown, N.J.
May 24 & 25, 1975	Philadelphia, Pa.
October 10, 11 & 12, 1975	Lexington-Concord, Mass.
March 19, 20 & 21, 1976	Washington, D.C.

Vice President-General Brinker said that plans for the next Fall Meeting, in Lexington-Concord were shaping up. Twenty-five rooms have been reserved, and tours were being considered, including a canoe ride on the Concord River.

Historian-General Doris Coley distributed copies of the D.S.D.I. informational pamphlet which she had recently revised and had reprinted. She also said she was cooperating with the Annapolis Bicentennial Committee in making plans for their celebration.


Bicentennial Committee Chairman Goodsell revealed plans for the Washington meeting to be held March 19, 20 & 21, 1976 in connection with the presentation of the Plaque. The Board of Governors will meet in the Hay-Adams House, the President of the United States is expected to speak, and the presentation ceremony will be covered on television. At this time wreaths will be presented by other societies including the Sons of the Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, Society of the Cincinnati and Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mr. Goodsell also announced that the D.S.D.I. had ~~donated~~ <sup>Pledge</sup> \$200.00 to the Patriots' Ball Committee in support of that event which will be held in New York on April 19, 1975.

Speaking for William Ward, Chairman of the committee on activity in Philadelphia for 1976, Mr. Fultz announced that a one week exhibit of artifacts and possessions of the Signers will be staged in Independence Hall at the end of June, 1976. D.S.D.I. members will man the exhibit in colonial costume. He said it was important that all members send Mr. Ward a list of items they will loan to the exhibit as soon as possible. Items will be exhibited under glass and full insurance coverage will be provided.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
John Morton Fultz, Jr.  
Secretary Pro-tem.

ADDENDUM

At the request of the Board, Mr. Goodsell later submitted the following list of Signers who have no descendants:

ABRAHAM CLARK (descent never proven satisfactorily)  
BUTTON GWINETT  
LYMAN HALL  
JOHN HANCOCK  
JOSEPH HEWES  
SAMUEL HUNTINGTON  
FRANCIS LIGHTFOOT LEE  
THOMAS LYNCH, JR.  
CAESAR RODNEY  
JAMES SMITH  
GEORGE WALTON (had descendants, but line extinct)  
WILLIAM WHIPPLE  
JAMES WILSON  
GEORGE WYTHE

It is suggested that this information be included in the next reprint of the Yearbook.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures for the Period 5/1/74 to 10/8/74REVENUES:

Dues and Fees		\$3,618.00
Interest - Scholarship Fund		350.00
Contributions - Scholarship Fund	\$180.00	
Bi-Centennial Fund	<u>747.00</u>	<u>927.00</u>
Total Revenues		<u>\$4,895.00</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Meeting - Philadelphia 1974 - Expense	\$1,057.30	
Income	<u>996.00</u>	\$ 61.30
Printing		981.81
Postage		142.60
Certificates		56.00
Scholarship		800.00
Contribution		25.00
Bulletin		228.00
Yearbook		<u>400.48</u>
Total Expenditures		<u>\$2,695.19</u>

EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES\$2,199.81Fund Balances as of October 8, 1974

	General	Yearbook	Scholarship	Bi-Gen.	Total
Balance as of 4/30/74	\$8,642.74	\$ 190.54	\$16,703.80	\$2,028.00	\$27,565.08
Increase or (Decrease)	<u>2,123.29</u>	<u>(400.48)</u>	<u>(270.00)</u>	<u>747.00</u>	<u>2,199.81</u>
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ND ASSETS:

Checking Account	\$7,835.58	\$(1,823.52)	\$ 805.00	\$(1,138.50)	\$ 5,678.56
Savings Accounts	2,930.45	1,613.58	5,628.80	109.21	10,282.04
Bank Certificate	-	-	-	3,804.29	3,804.29
Utility Bond	-	-	10,000.00	-	10,000.00
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1503	Mrs. Donald Douglas Case	1413 Joshua Clayton Road, Dover, Del.
1510	Mr. Donald G. Cassels, Jr.	315 Calhoun Street, Johnston, S. C.
1014	Mr. James Brown Craighill	914 American Building, Charlotte, N. C.
1340	Mr. Lewis Jeremy Crews, Jr.	2403 Raymond Avenue, Richmond, Va.
1189	Mr. Thomas Graham, Jr.	
1520	Miss Eleanor B. A. Knipp,	Gibson Island, Md.
1291	Mr. Alfred W. G. Layton	Chester Road, Boxboro R.D., West Acton, Mass.
1205	Mr. Robert Rulledge Livingston	417 Woodlyne Avenue, Laurel Park, Hendersonville, N. E.
1348	Mr. Peter Bowdoin Middendorf	
1480	Mr. James Conard Search	2473 Dale Road, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.
1456	Mrs. L. Pierre Teillon	137 Elfreth's Alley, Philadelphia, Pa.
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Senior Members

1606 (Jr. 417)	Sallie Morton Stromberg Wallace (Mrs. Theodore Robert Wallace, Sr.) 1200 Marshall Lane, Waldorf, Maryland, 20601	John Morton
1607 (. 377)	Sharon Bell Cassels (Miss) 201 Calhoun Street, Johnston, South Carolina, 29832	Francis Hopkinson
1608 (Jr. 418)	Deborah Jane Stromberg (Miss) "Happy Landing"-Box 460, St. Michaels, Md., 21663	John Morton
1609	Wyndham Bolling Blanton, Jr. One Roslyn Road, Richmond, Virginia, 23226	Benjamin Harrison
1610	Natalie Churchill Smith (Miss) 406 Montview Street, Abingdon, Virginia, 24210	Benjamin Harrison
1611	Francis Henney Smith, Jr. 406 Montview Street, Abingdon, Virginia, 24210	Benjamin Harrison
1612	Lawrence Carlton Caldwell, Jr. 7700 Hampshire Road, Richmond, Virginia, 23229	Benjamin Harrison
1613 (Jr. 579)	Marianne Morrison Brinker (Miss) 25 Poplar Road, Wellesley, Mass., 02181	Oliver Wolcott
1614	Harry Richard McClain (The Reverend) 29 South 11th Street, Columbia, Penna., 17512	John Morton
1615	Jane Breese Baker Richards Farr (Mrs. Henry Joseph Farr, Jr.) HHD, 552d USA Artillery Group, APO New York, 09069	George Ross

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722	Nancy Ellen Cain 3752 Forest Run Road, Birmingham, Alabama, 35223 Sr. #1107 8th Desc.	John Hart b. 12-25-58
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724	Daniel Baugh Brewster, Jr. Chattolane Road, Owings Mills, Maryland, 21117 Sr. #618 9th Desc.	Benjamin Franklin b. 9-14-55
725	Gerry Leiper Brewster Chattolane Road, Owings Mills, Maryland Sr. #618 9th Desc.	Benjamin Franklin b. 9-6-57

