

## II. General Meeting of the Society

The meeting of the membership was called to order by President-General Pyne in the Pulaski Room of the DeSoto Hilton Hotel, Savannah, Georgia at 2:30 p.m., March 5, 1977, followed by a prayer given by the Reverend Cannon Harold Bend Sedgwick.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read by Secretary-General Wood.

President-General Pyne read the Treasurer-General report which was approved adding that the balance remaining in the Plaque fund has been transferred into a Project fund.

Registrar-General Kalbfleisch reported 21 new Senior members, 8 new Junior members and a present total of 770 Senior members and 280 Junior members. In honor of his being Senior member #1776, Registrar-General Kalbfleisch, announced the gift of a Liberty Bell replica to Robert McLain Hawkridge, Jr.

Scholarship Committee Chairman Fultz reported that the Scholarship award of \$1,000 was divided equally between H. Marie Suthers, decended from Francis Lewis and Patience H. Hayes, decended from Arthur Middleton. He further announced the Board approval of an increase in the award to \$1,200.00.

Honorary President-General DeForest requested letters concerning individual activities of Descendants which would be of interest and could be included in the Signers Bulletin.

Chairman, Clare Duane Ellis, presented the report of the Nominating Committee as follows:

President-General	Frederick Wallace Pyne
First Vice President-General	William Floyd Haneman
Second Vice President-General	Mrs. Craig McDonald Coley
Chaplain-General	The Rev. Harold Bend Sedgwick
Registrar-General	Mrs. William G. Kalbfleisch
Assistant Registrar-General	Mrs. Robert McLain Hawkridge
Historian-General	Mrs. Morrison Whittemore Brinker
Treasurer-General	Mrs. Raymond H. Whitney
Assistant Treasurer-General	Mrs. Joseph B. Hauck
Secretary-General	Thomas Gaillard Heyward
Assistant Secretary-General	Edward Magruder Passano, Jr.
Chancellor-General	Edward Ridley Finch, Jr.

Reporting for the New York Society, Mrs. James A. Harper stated that the Yorktown Slide program centering around the life of Thomas Nelson, Jr. has been completed.

Governor for Massachusetts, Barbara Walker reported that she represented the D.S.D.I. in reading the Declaration of Independence from the State House steps as part of Boston's July 4th Bi-Centennial celebration. She further reported the grateful acknowledgement of the Society's contribution to the U.S.S. Constitution Museum Foundation.

Historian-General Brinker exhibited the Book Fifty-Six Forgotten Men. She also requested members to submit clippings for the Society's scrapbook.

President-General Pyne gave a report on the amendments to the Constitution which will be distributed to the membership and voted upon at the Annual Congress.

The Roll Call of the Signers was read by Arthur Middleton Ramsay.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

*Hope Middleton Wood*

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Secretary-General

SENIOR MEMBERS

1769 Ida Katherine Read John Hart  
 (r. 696) 8613 Conover Place, Alexandria, Va., 22308

1770 Dorothy Harris (Mrs. Charles W. Harris, Jr.) John Hart  
 101 Sherron Ave., Salem, New Jersey, 08079

LIFE MEMBER

1771 Virginia Purviance Bonsal White Kline William Paca  
 (Mrs. Robert Warren Kline)  
 3 Warren Lodge Court, Apt. 1-C, Cockeysville, Md., 21030

1772 Annely Blake Middleton Hayes Arthur Middleton  
 (Mrs. Richard Burton Hayes, Jr.)  
 914 Milledge Road, Augusta, Georgia, 30904

1773 Arthur Middleton Ramsey Arthur Middleton  
 2727 Henry Street, Augusta, Georgia, 30904

1774 Mary Caperton Armistead Bear (Miss) Carter Braxton  
 (Jr. 686) P. O. Box 316, Charlottesville, Va., 22902 Robert Morris

1775 Eric Walter Mayhew John Hart  
 6 Alcott Drive, Heritage Park, Wilmington, Del., 19808

1776 Robert McLain Hawkridge Arthur Middleton  
 (Jr. 708) "Pheasant Hill", R. D. #1, West Chester, Pa., 19380

1777 Evelyn Martha Walker (Mrs. William Raymond Walker) John Hart  
 821 North Glassell St., Orange, Calif., 92667

1778 Gertrude Wilson Semple (Mrs. Russell Bowman Semple) Josiah Bartlett  
 Main Street, Box 54, Kingston, N.H., 03848

1779 Ruth Bartlett Semple (Miss) Josiah Bartlett  
 Main Street, Box 54, Kingston, N.H., 03848

1780 Nancy Ellen Cain (Miss) John Hart  
 (Jr. 722) 3752 Forest Run Road, Birmingham, Alabama, 35223

1781 Eugene Allen Mayhew John Hart  
 17 East Fifth St., New Castle, Del., 19720

1782 Eleanor Feaster (Mrs. Albert N. Feaster) John Hart  
 65 Summit Street, Vineland, N.J., 08075

1783 Marietta Page Edmunds (Miss) Benjamin Harrison  
 (Jr. 747) 6014 St. Andrews Lane, Richmond, Va., 23226

LIFE MEMBER

1784 Susan Elaine Stevenson (Miss) John Hart  
 (Jr. 704) 642 Langwood, Houston, Texas, 77079

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1785 Thomas Mitchell Stevenson John Hart  
 (Jr. 705) 642 Langwood, Houston, Texas, 77079

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SENIOR MEMBERS - continued

1786	Charlotte Lee Cannon (Mrs. Henry Pervis Cannon, II) The Dale Farm, Bridgeville, Del., 19933	Richard Henry Lee
1787	Maurice Lee Cannon The Dale Farm, Bridgeville, Del., 19933	Richard Henry Lee
1788	Katharine Dale Cannon (Miss) The Dale Farm, Bridgeville, Del., 19933	Richard Henry Lee
1789 (Jr. 746)	Katherine Braxton Dameron (Miss) 1730 Greenway Drive, Fredericksburg, Va., 22401	Carter Braxton

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21 New Sr. Members

JUNIOR MEMBERS

797	Morrison Ulman 6 Tall Tree Drive, Beverly Mass., 01915 Sr. #725	Philip Livingston b. 12-25-66
798	Katherine VanRensselaer Ulman 6 Tall Tree Drive, Beverly Mass., 01915 Sr. #725	Philip Livingston b. 6-30-70
799	Jane Randolph Schluter 3 North Cherry Lane, Rumson, N.J., 07760 Sr. #1722	Thomas Jefferson b. 3-25-72
800	Charlotte Anne Schluter 3 North Cherry Lane, Rumson, N.J., 07760 Sr. #1722	Thomas Jefferson b. 6-19-73
801	Anne Ambler Schluter 3 North Cherry Lane, Rumson, N.J., 07760 Sr. #1722	Thomas Jefferson b. 8-12-76
802	Jennifer Leigh Snow 6985 West 17 Court, Hialeah, Fla., 33014 Sr. #1669	Samuel Adams b. 3-15-76
803	Seabrook Ann Cassels 205 Calhoun Street, Johnston, S. C. 29832 Sr. #988	Francis Hopkinson b. 12-14-75
804	Stacy Jean Mayhew 17 E. Fifth St., New Castle, Del., 19720 Sr. #1730	John Hart b. 3-31-66

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8 New Jr. Members



Descendents of Signers of the  
Declaration of Independence, Inc.  
Tr. Report as of Feb. 15, 1977  
Checking Account

Southern Bank Checking Account		<u>\$3,053.17</u>
Beginning Balance - April 30, 1976	\$3873.09	
Monies Received:		
Dues	6107.50	
Ribbon Rosettes	7.00	
West Point Meeting Rec. \$876.00		
West Point Meeting Exp. <u>817.76</u>	<u>58.24</u>	
Total Cash Received		\$10,045.83
Less Disbursements:		
Furniture & Fixtures	\$ 350.00	
Scholarship	1000.00	
Newsletter	1416.65	
Refund Dinner	19.00	
Miscellaneous	358.16	
May Meeting deposit	100.00	
Postage	190.42	
Stationery & Printing	<u>3558.43</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>6,992.66</u>
Balance in checking account		<u>\$3,053.17</u>

Respectfully

Descendants of the Signers of the  
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Treasurer's Report  
as of  
February 15, 1977

Assets

Virginia Federal Savings & Loan	\$ 9,015.04
Diamond State Utility Bond	10,000.00
Southwestern Bell Tel. Co., 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ % Bond due 01-15-2015	6,929.65
Southern Bank Checking Account	3,053.17
	<u>\$28,997.86</u>

*Scholarship Fund	\$18,191.66
Interest earned	976.70
Total Scholarship Fund	<u>\$19,168.36</u>

Project Fund	\$ 486.40
Interest earned	10.24
Total Project Fund	<u>\$ 496.64</u>

General Savings	\$ 3,325.75
Interest earned	81.93
Total General Savings Fund	<u>\$ 3,407.68</u>

*Year Book Fund	\$ 1,831.21
Interest earned	40.80
Total Year Book Fund	<u>\$ 1,872.01</u>

\*Note: Scholarship awards totaling \$1,000.00 and the cost of printing the Year Book, \$1,941.28, are being held in Virginia Federal Savings and Loan account for the purpose of earning interest. These funds, totaling \$2,941.28, will be transferred to the checking account before the Annual Congress and the transaction will be reflected in the Treasurer-General's Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,

*Natalie F. Whitney*  
Treasurer-General