

Descendants of the Signers of the
Declaration of Independence, Inc.
Board Meeting
Old Ivy Inn
Charlottesville, Virginia
20 October, 1956

The meeting was called to order by the President-General Mr. Percy Hamilton Goodsell, Jr., at 11:35 A.M.

Those present were: Mr. Percy Hamilton Goodsell, Jr., Mrs. Percy Hamilton Goodsell, Mrs. Dwight Harvey Day, Mr. Marsden Smith, Mr. Wentworth S. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Walker, Mr. Alexander H. Scott, Mr. William McK. Scott, Mrs. W. C. Carson, Miss Juliana Tilghman Paca, Mrs. W. Fenton McBain, Miss Natalie L. Densmore, Mr. Thomas Graham.

In the absence of the Chaplain-General Mr. Goodsell offered the Society Prayer.

On motion duly made and seconded and in view of the fact that the Minutes of the previous meeting had been mailed to all members of the Board it was voted to dispense with the reading of the Minutes.

The reports of the President-General, the Vice Presidents-General, and the Historian General were deferred to the General Meeting of the membership.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-GENERAL was received and approved. In the absence of Mrs. Patterson the report was read by Mrs. William Fenton McBain of the Virginia State Society.

New Members

- #1146 Stephen Van Rensselaer Strong Ulman
Lloyd Neck, Huntington, L.I., N.Y. SIGNER: Philip Livingston
- #1147 Sarah Izard Smith Lynch
(Mrs. William Fisher Lynch)
Apt. C-4, Wawaset Apts.
7th & Greenhill Aves., Wilmington, Del. SIGNER: Arthur Middleton
- #1148 (Miss) Martha Jefferson Taylor
112 N. Court Street, Frederick, Md. SIGNER: Thomas Jefferson
- #1150 Katherine Van Rensselaer Strong Ulman
Lloyd Neck, Huntington, L.I., N.Y. SIGNER: Philip Livingston
- #1151 (Miss) Sonya Valerie Armstrong
701 Paxton Avenue, Wyncote, Pa. SIGNER: John Morton
- #1152 Donald Henry Stromberg
127 W. Forestview Rd., Parkside, Chester, Pa. SIGNER: John Morton
- #1153 Ellen Jael Walker
704 Nelson Drive, Charlottesville, Va. SIGNER: Thomas Heyward, Jr.
- #1154 Rankin Middleton Dugette
603 N. Pelham Rd., Jacksonville, Fla. SIGNERS: Arthur Middleton
Edward Rutledge
- #1155 John Hager Randolph
3816 Hawthorne Ave., Richmond, Va. SIGNER: Thomas Jefferson

REPORT OF SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

A letter from the Chairman, Miss Mildred Washington Lee, was read in which it was explained that the society had at present two scholars. The application of Miss Cynthia Hawkins Darragh had read so well, that the Committee felt she should be accepted, while it was loathe not to grant a fifth year to the present holder of the scholarship, Mr. Taylor F. Turner. The Pennsylvania State Society had therefore voted one hundred dollars towards a scholarship for Miss Darragh, the balance of the two hundred and fifty having been contributed by three individual members of the society. Miss Lee stated that both Miss Darragh and Mr. Turner were making good progress and letters from them were also read. Mr. Turner is taking a post graduate course at the University of Virginia and Cynthia Hawkins Darragh is in her first year at Mt. Holyoke. Their letters indicate that our assistance has been both an inspiration and help to these fine young people.

REPORT ON BULLETIN

Matters which have been passed on at the Board Meeting and reported in detail in the Minutes of the Board are summarized in the General Meeting. However full information is given in the Bulletin and through that medium the membership is fully advised of the activities of the Society and of any changes in the roll of membership.

OLD BUSINESS

It was moved, seconded and approved that the Treasurer-General would be authorized to sell 15 American Telephone and Telegraph Co. rights held in the Treasury.

It was stated that Catherine Sabina Stevenson of Jacksonville, Ala., is now Mrs. William Powell Parnell, 700 - 89th AAA Bn., Ft. Stewart, Ga.

We have a limited supply of the New Year Books some of which will be placed in certain libraries and clubs. The Balance are given to new Members. It is intended that the next edition will be in 1959.

The coming meeting to be held in New York in February 1957 was discussed and it was agreed that instead of a dinner the entertainment would consist of a cocktail party. Arrangement will be made by the New York State Society and notices will be forwarded to the membership at a later date.

There being no further business to transact, on motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn at 1 P.M. after which the Board enjoyed a very delicious luncheon at the Old Ivy Inn. As usual the Virginia State Society leaves nothing to be desired in their arrangements for the entertainment of our members and guests.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Graham

Secretary-General