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TWENTY-FIRST BIENNIAL GATHERING, Riverton, Connecticut - 1976

Board Meeting, August 6

Nine members, under the leadership of Marlin Perdue, President, met in the Terrace Room at Old Riverton Inn, on Friday afternoon. Reports were given, old and new business was acted upon, and recommendations to be brought before the members were approved. Business action on the revised constitution was tabled for further study. The meeting was closed at 5:30 p.m. to reconvene before the annual business session on Saturday morning.

Board members joined with 21 other Cousins for a Dutch-treat dinner in the gracious dining room of the Inn.

Registration and Informal Reception First Church of Winsted 7:30-10:00 p.m.

Mabel Wescott, assisted by Frank and Velma Wescott Reed and guest Lydia Wadhams, are in charge of registration and the informal program of the evening. Group singing was enjoyed with Miss Wadhams at the piano. Frank and Velma Reed entertained with folksongs while playing the auto-harp and guitar. Colored slides of former meetings were shown by Mabel Wescott assisted by Paul Lewis. The guest book was signed by 35, with a few arriving later neglecting to sign the book.

Board Meeting Continued Saturday Morning 9:30 a.m.

The revised constitution as presented to the Board on Friday by Miss. Dorothea Cogswell was carefully examined before the Saturday meeting. Harold Wescott, Vermont, and F. Howard Westcott, M.D., California, were also appointed by Marlin Perdue, President, to work with Miss. Cogswell. Some changes were suggested by the other two Committee members. Dr. Westcott was unable to come to Connecticut, but was in touch with the Board by long distance telephone on Friday. His suggestions were honored by the Board, with minor exceptions. The Board voted to recommend that the revised constitution be accepted as corrected by Board members with article VII, Sec. 1 and Sec. 2, "Application Fee" and "Dues" to be considered apart from the constitution for discussion and vote by the members of the Society at the business meeting to follow.

Society Business Meeting First Church of Winsted Sanctuary Saturday, August 7, 1976 10:30 a.m.

Marlin Perdue, President, opened the meeting with greetings to those present. Miss. Louise Harris was at the piano for group singing of favorite hymns, led by udrey Williams, Nebraska.

Miss. Harris, Chaplain, led the Memorial Service. Bible references: Psalms 90 R.S.V., John 15; vs. 1-17. All those present stood for the reading of the names of

deceased members and other descendants known to the Society. This was followed by a minute of silence.

Business Session: The following motions were made and carried;

- 1. The amount advanced to the Host Chapter for expenses, to be raised from \$100.00 to \$150.00 begining 1978.
- 2. The Editor of the Bulletin to be a Board member.
- 3. The President to appoint 2 persons to audit the Treasurers books in the area of the next meeting.
- 4. That an application fee of \$2.00 accompany all applications, not refundable. Also that current dues be raised to \$2.00 for individual membership and raised to \$4.00 for family. The first years dues to accompany application, to be refunded if applicant is not eligible to join. This ruling to be printed in the revised constitution under Article VII, Sec. 1 and Sec 2.
- 5. The invitation from Richard Wescoat for the 1978 meeting to be held at Atlantic City, New Jersey, was accepted with the reservation that a Charter be granted for a New Jersey Chapter to host the event, before said date.
- 6. The revised constitution as recommended by the board was approved by members present.
- 7. The name of the Westcott Bulletin to be changed back to "The Westcott Quarterly" with an effort by the new Editor to put it out four times a year.
- 8. The slate of officers presented by the nominating committee to be accepted. Harold Wescott, Vermont, read the slate as follows:

President Marlin Perdue, Iowa
Vice-President Mabel Wescott, Vermont
Recording Sec'y. Pauline Clark, New York
Corresp. Sec'y. Wilma Wescott Avery, New Jersey
Treasurer Dorothea Cogswell, Massachusetts
Editor Robert A. Westcott, North Carolina

Registrar Edna J. Lewis, Connecticut
Historian Marge Westcott, North Carolina
Chaplain Louise Harris, Rhode Island

This completed the motions made and passed by the members.

Many messages were received from members who were unable to be present. Comments were made by Wilma Avery, Secy. All messages were made available to Cousins at the meeting.

Summer Bulletin 1976 was passed out to all those present with a listing for mailing to those absent.

A report from Vermont Chapter #5 verfied that 4 families were reinstated to full membership and 19 new applications had been approved since the 1974 meeting in Iowa. The members tied in with the Vermont Chapter reside in several different states.

The Business Meeting adjourned at 12;30 p.m. after announcement asking Cousins to reconvene at 2 p.m. for the scheduled tours.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON TOURS:

- 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. a choice was offered:
 - 1. Hitchcock Museum, Riverton
 - 2. Hitchcock Show Rooms, Riverton
 - 3. Solomon Rockwell House, Winsted
 - 4. Or other places; such as Antique Shops.

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3 p.m. St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Winsted.

This is of Gothic Cathedral type, able to seat 1,000 worshippers. The Wetscott Cousins were fortunate to have Father Reginald Baliman O.F.M., as our guide, for a tour of this beautiful edifice. Approximately 60 members were present and all experienced a rich blessing of a once-in-a-lifetime quality.

Other Churches Visited Were:

Colebrook Center Congregational Church in the Village Green were Reverend Brockway gave us an interesting account of the historical background of Colebrook and the role of this church in the founding of the town.

First Methodist Church of Winsted was visited by some Cousins who heard a talk from Mr. & Mrs. Manchester on the begiming of the Methodist Church. This couple joined us latter as guests at the Westcott Banquet.

The Church in the Wildwood on Route 183, North Colebrook.

Mr. & Mrs. Poucher welcomed us (in from the rain) to this little church organized 1794, present building erected 1846. Westcott Cousins were taken back to the early days of the founding of the North Colebrook Baptist Church by the elderly Raymond Poucher who has worshipped here for his entire life. The straight-backed pews seat less than 100 people. Everyone who enters feels the presence of the Holy Spirit with a deep urge to return again. Mr. & Mrs. Poucher were our guests at the Westcott Banquet.

Biennial Banquet at First Church, Winsted.

Toastmaster: Marlin Perdue, President S.S.W.D.A.

Song Leader: Wilma Wescott Avery - "Fun Between Courses"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Richard T. Michaelsen, Pastor, First Church of Winsted

Rev. Michaelsen was the Pastor at First Baptist Church, West Warwick, Rhode Island, for eight years (1961-1969) previous to coming to First Church of Winsted, Dec. 1969. In preparation for an informal talk to the Westcott Cousins, he studied Mr. Whitman's Westcott Genealogy books, drawing from them the material used in a most enjoyable presentation.

Banquet was served to a total of 67 Cousins and guests by members of the Opportunity Club of First Church of Winsted. The very appropriate Tussie Mussies, the lovely herb bouquets which the Colonial Ladies carried to revive them when they felt weak, carried out the Bicentenial theme of the 1976 Biennial Reunion so beautifully, were also carried by many Westcott Ladies Saturday afternoon. Some of these lovely bouquets that were also placed on the Banquet tables, were made by Janet Michaelsen, wife of the guest speaker.

Many of the Westcott Cousins were dressed in very lovely and some quite dashing Colonial attire Saturday afternoon and evening.

Sunday Morning Service

More than fifty Westcott Cousins attended Sunday Services at First Church of Winsted. Special music was rendered by Frank and Velma Westcott Reed. Junior members, Bonnie Westcott and Wendy Brown, also contributed music to the service. Pastor Michaelsen invited Marlin Perdue to the pulpit. Mr. perdue graciously thanked First Church of Winsed people for the hospitality extended to the Westcott Society during this memorable weekend.

Sunday Afternoon, August 8th.

By special arrangement the Hitchcock Museum, Riverton, housed in the former Episcopal Union Church built by local labor with hand cut granite and chestnut and

oak from the nearby hills (1829-30), was open at noon for those unable to visit here on Saturday.

Due to the threat of Hurricane Belle on the East Coast, several members left earlier than anticipated. The chicken barbeque was forced to the inside because of the rain. There were 47 who remained for the bountiful meal prepared by the ladies of the Riverton Congregational Church (built 1843). Rev. and Mrs. Michaelsen were our guests Sunday afternoon.

This was the closing event of the 21st Biennial Gathering. At least twenty Cousins remained through until Monday, allowing for additional visiting at the home of Paul and Edna Lewis.

Myself, my wife Marge, SSWD National Historian, and our daughter Bonnie, who is 10 years old, would again like to say how much we enjoyed the 1976 Biennial Gathering and are looking forward to returning for another Biennial Reunion in Connecticut sometime in the future. We would again like to thank our very lovely and gracious Hosts, for the 1976 Biennial Reunion, Paul and Edna Lewis for a very marvelous week end.

We want to thank Dorothea Cogswell and extend our appreciation for the many years she devoted to being EDITOR of the BULLETIN (QUARTERLY). The research and news she passed on to the cousins through the BULLETIN (QUARTERLY) was greatly appreciated and enjoyed by all. We were all very sorry when in early Julyy 1976 Cousin Dorothea found it necessary because of poor health and other conflicting interests to resign as our Editor. Again we and all the cousins extend heart felt thanks and appreciation to Cousin Dorothea, for a job well done.

Even though I have gotten off to a slow start I will try to do as excellent a job as Cousin Dorothea and also get the Bulletin back to a Quarterly. However, we will need your help cousins, we can only get the news to pass on if you send it to us. Also we have a very GREAT PROBLEM that neither the Historian or myself have a set of the Westcott Geneologies and in order to better serve you we need one set of the Geneologies. If you know of any available please get in touch with us.

Please let me appologize for not getting the Bulletin out before this. I did sincerely intend to get the Bulletin back on a Quarterly basis this year, however, for the last year starting shortly after we got home from the Biennial Reunion in Connecticut there has been two upsets in our immediate family, a death, major illness, and Marge, who I depend on heavily, has had trouble with her eyes making it difficult for her to help me get the Bulletin ready and typed. Also just taking over as Editor and being a great distance from the other officers there was information to be collected and I am affraid that all this took time. The way things look right now we will turn over a new leaf the 1st of the year and have the Bulletin back on a Quarterly basis.

TREASURER'S REPORT AUGUST 1974 - AUGUST 1976

The checking account serves as clearing house for all receipts and expenditures. At our 1974 Biennial Meeting in Iowa, the checking account balance was \$464.45. In the two years since then, we have received deposits totaling \$3,458.24, and have paid checks totaling \$3,415.01, leaving a checking account balance of \$507.68, or \$43.23 more than at our 1974 meeting.WE have really accomplished far more than that. In 1974 the Stukely Westcott Memorial Scholarship Loan Fund had a balance of \$1,812.45. Since then the fund has loaned \$1,000 to each of two recipients. Margene (Perdue) Pierce,

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our Presidents daughter, has been repaying the loan made to her. Her first principal payment was made during the Iowa Meeting. She has now (1976) repaid \$500.00 principal of her loan, plus 1975 interest of \$117.50. We have also received gifts from other sources for the Loan Fund totaling \$172.50, mostly in \$5 and \$10 amounts. The Fund's Savings Bank Book now shows a balance of \$756.35. Recently received checks which there was no time to deposit total \$65, raising the Fund total to \$821.35. The August interest will soon be added. Before long we should again be able to loan from this fund, keeping it truly a revolving fund.

The Society has two other Savings accounts: a Daily Interest Account, on which the interest is accumulated daily during the deposit period, and a Regular Savings Account at 5½%, with an annual effective yield, as of 1974, of 5.47% when left to accumulate for the whole year. The balance in this Regular Savings Account now about \$90 was lowered in January, 1974 by \$100 in helping to pay for the Society's special typewriter, which can use either carbon ribbon or nylon ribbon, thus reducing the Bulletin cost by having it photo ready for the printer.

Total dues received since the 1974 meeting came to \$619; miscellaneous gifts (mostly small) to the Society and not to the Scholarship Loan Fund, total \$136.74.

Expenditures, 1974-1976:

Office Supplies	\$183.97	
Bulletin Printing	\$108.70	
Typing Address Slips	\$ 18,00	
Xeroxing	\$ 1.49	
Wreath (1975) Stukely Westcott Memor.	\$ 12.00	
Reinbursement to Riverton	\$ 53.87	(meeting expenses)
Gift Toward Cost of Conn. Meeting	\$100.00	
Typing for Editor	\$138.98	
Total	\$617.01	

A few bills have not yet come in. Dues have been coming in well since the last Bulletin.

All in all, we have come out guite well.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorothea B. Cogswell, Treasurer

Due to a limited amount of space and the request that a copy of the revised constitution be sent out with this Quarterly, it will be necessary to hold some of the regular items over till the January Quarterly. This will also give you a chance to get news in to me. Any information you wish to have in this next Quarterly please have in by January 31, 1978.

CHAPTER NEWS

The only chapter news I have is from Vermont. How about the rest of you I know you have been doing something? This is one item I will hold over so lets have it real full for the January Quarterly. By the way I hear there is a New Hampshire Chapter forming, lets hear more about it?

NEW MEMBERS

#609 Mr. & Mrs. Lawerence Westcott Johnson, 25829 Springhill Dr., Los Altos Hills Ca. 94022

#610 Mr. & Mrs. Richard O. Wescoat, 127 Kilade Trail, Medford Lakes, N.J. 08055 #611 Mr. & Mrs. Phineas Munsell Randall 3, RFD#1 Quonochontaug, Bradford, R..I.. 02808

#612 MR. Sidney Benedict Westcott, Box 23, DeRyter, N.Y. 13050

#613 Mr. & Mrs. John A. Westcott, 45 Gold St., Norwich, N.Y. 13815

#614 Floyd E. Wescott, 4621 Lamont St. #3A, SanDiego, Ca. 92109

#615 Mr. & Mrs. Geirge H. Randall, 1316 Tabitha Drive, Hixson, Tenn. 37343

#616 William Fraser Sears, 62 Merino St., Providence, R.I. 02909

#617 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Westcott Bridges, 741 S. Vernal Ave., Vernal, Utah 84078

#618 Mrs. Edna Marie Wilbur, 1316 North Louise St., Santa Ana, Ca. 92706

#619 Mr. & Mrs. John Arthur Williams, 74 E. Quaker St., Granville, N.Y. 12832

#620 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Wayne Lewis, 43 S. Park Dr., Arlington, Va. 22204

#621 Mrs. Raymond H. Wescott, Box 64, Rumney, New Hampshire 03266

A-60 Mr. & Mrs. Dean C. Gray, Box 64, Rumney, New Hampshire 03266

#623 Mr. Calvin L. Hackeman, 10169 Irongate Way, Manassas, Va. 22110

#624 Mrs. Dorothy Daniels Bayliss, RFD#3 Box 522, Plymouth, N.H. 03264

#625 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Cooper, Box 104, Grafton, N..H. 03240

We are very glad to welcome so many new Cousins to our National Society. The underlinings show that Mr. or Mrs. is the Wetscott descendant; Miss. is a descendant.

GOLDEN HONOR ROLL

#278 Ellen Hoffman Witzel

Manlius, N.Y.

99--May 24, 1977

#563 Edmund L. Westcott

Waukesha, Wis.

98--April 2, 1977

#556 Elva Lillian Rumsey Crum (Mrs. Louis)

Torrance, Ca.

93--Nov. 13, 1977

#330 Elva Lillian Rumsey Crum (Mrs. Louis) Torr

We are very proud to have so many Golden Honor Roll members.

MARRI AGES

Miss. Daryl Lee Satterfield, daughter of our members #482, Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Satterfield of Park Ridge, Ill., was married November 6, 1976, in the Park Ridge Community Church, to Thomas George Hedlin. After a two week honeymoon in Hawaii, they have settled in Park Ridge, Ill..

Mark Laurence Melville, son of our members, Capt. & Mrs. Noel Melville, and grandson of our member and former National Society President, Dr. F. Howard Westcott, now of San Diego, Ca., was married July 2, 1977 to Katherine Kiessling in La Jolla (near San Diego). They will live in Los Angeles. He graduated in June from college.

BIRTHS

Veronica Lynn Younger, born May 39, 1977, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B. Younger, and grandaughter of your Editor and Historian, Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Westcott.. Veronica's daddy is a Sgt. in the Marine Corp. stationed at Andrews Airforce Base, Washington, D..C..

DEATHS

Mrs. Adah Dexter (Westcott) Austin, our member #149, died October 20, 1976, age 93, at the Bethany Home of Rhode Island. She was born October 4, 1883, in Providence, R.I., daughter of Oren and Caroline Porter (Hapgood) Westcott. She married September 24, 1910, the late Dr. Richard Sisson Austin, born April 18, 1885, who died april 21, 1948. He was professor of pathology at the University of Cincinnati's School of Medicine. She lived in Cincinati from 1921 to 1956. She was a member of our National Society since 1935. She was a member of Grace Church, was active with the Woman of Grace Church and with the Girls' friendly Society of the Cathedral of St. John, and served on the Board of the Home for Aged Women. Her mind remained clear and keen

even in her 90s. She had no children, but adopted her brothers son the late Dr. Richard Nutter Westcott. His wife, Mrs. Patricia R. Westcott of East Dennis, Mass., writes; It was a privilege and our children's to know her love and wisdom and abiding joy in life. She is greatly missed. She is also survived by two neices, Mrs. Elizabeth F. TenHaagen of Long Island, Mrs. Margaret F. Brown of Darien, Conn., and a nephew, Ralph L. Foster of Darien. Funeral Services were held at Grace Church, burial was in Swan Point Cemetery.

Harold Leslie Westcott, our member #340, died October 23, 1976, age 71, in Oswego, N.Y.. He was born November 20, 1904, in South Butler, N.Y., son of the late Howard Leslie and Minnievieve (Jakway) Westcott. On May 30, 1927, he married Carrie Lavona Halstead, born June 1904, died October 20, 1940. He later married Helen Frost, who survives him. He was a 30 year member of Oswego City Lodge #127, F&AM. He was also a member of the Ancient Order of the Scottish Rite and the Loyal Order of Moose. Masonic Services were held October 25, 1976. Funeral services were held in Grace Lutheran Church, October 26, 1976, burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Oswego, N.Y.. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Paul W. Westcott, a daughter, Mrs. Donna M. Ottaviani, a sister, Mrs. Arthur Geary, six grandchildren, and two greatgrandchildren. He will be sorely missed.

Sidney B. Westcott, our member #612, Father of your Editor, died December 25, 1976, age 88. He was born September 20, 1888, in Plymouth, N.Y., son of Orville and Edith (Belle Brown Isbell) Westcott. He married Florence Louise Henry, October 25, 1916, she died May 16, 1921. On February 29, 1924 he married Florence Stewart Demaray who died February 2, 1933. He was well known in and around the town of DeRyter, N.Y. where he had lived for many years. Services were held in the Calvary Baptist Church, DeRyter, N.Y., burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Syracuse, N.Y.. He is survived by nine children, three of whom are SSWD members, Lewis O. Westcott, Frank E. (Westcott) Henry, Stewart E. Westcott, Grace E. Drennan, our member #613 John A. Westcott, Paul A. Westcott, our member #542 Robert A. Westcott, David A. (Westcott) Seyfarth, our member #541 S. Byron Westcott, twenty six grandchildren and sixteen great grandchildren.

Susan Westcott Handy, our member #62, died July 29,1977. I felt the cousins would want to know this right away, however, it came in to late for me to do the necessary research so I will give complete details in the January Quarterly.

JUNIOR NEWS

This item will also be held over to the January Quarterly and we want to hear all about what our young people are doing.

ILLNESSES

Fanny Reed of Poultney, Vermont has been ill and would enjoy hearing from the cousins. Address her mail to, Rutland Hospital or Rest Home, Rutland, Vermont 05701.

Rachel Wilkens Cottrell has been ill and would enjoy herring from the cousins.. Rachel enjoyed seeing the eight cousins that visited her the Monday after the Biennial Reunion in Conn. and I know we enjoyed seeing her as we have missed her very much at the Biennial Reunions. Her address is, Cambridge, N.Y. 12816, c/o Mrs. Spear.

Robert A. Westcott, your Editor, had his Gall Bladder removed last May after being sick since before his Father died. I am fine now though and can not beleive I was ever that sick.

LETTERS RESEARCH

ITEMS OF INTEREST

These three items will be held over till the January Quarterly.

CB AND CAMPING COUSINS (new item)

Breaker CB cousins, how about a listing of names, addresses, handles, skip handles, and call letters. What better way to GET TO KNOW YOUR KINDRED BETTER across the country or meet on the highway for a cup of 40 weight (coffee). We are looking into decals to put in the car window so it will be easier to spot a cousin SSWDer.

How about you camping cousins, do you have information of interest to pass on to fellow cousins. Other cousins would like to know about places of interest, camp grounds and maybe somewhere along our travels we could meet other cousins. On that thought how about getting together for a few days before or after the next Biennial Reunion to swap tales and information.

DID YOU KNOW

This item will be for anything relating to the Society that is for sale. Lets get the old information up to date and the new information in so we can have it for the January Quarterly.

REMINDERS

- January 31, 1978 will be the last day for news to get in the January Quarterly.
- 2 Send address changes promptly, with new <u>zip code</u>. Third Class mail is destroyed if addressee has moved out of town. Postoffices now throw out all forwarding addresses after one year.
- If you know of a set of Geneology's available please notify your Editor immediately.
- 4 Please send dues promptly, the envelopes will be in this Quarterly.

SOCIETY OF STUKELY WESTCOTT DESCENDANTS OF AMERICA REVISED CONSTITUTION 1976

ARTICLE 1

NAME

This organization shall be known as the SOCIETY OF STUKELY WESTCOTT DESCENDANTS OF AMERICA. (Organized: January 13, 1934 at the Lexington Hotel in New York City)

ARTICLE II

FAMILY MOTTO

Renovato Nomine: "The Name Having Been Renewed"

ARTICLE III

SOCIETY MOTTO

"Know Your Kindred Better"

ARTICLE IV

COAT OF ARMS

Stukely Westcott was a descendant of Guido Westcote, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Littleton) Westcote, who was granted an ancient Coat of Arms registered in England in the year 1450 A.D.. This is our Coat of Arms.

ARTICLE V

OBJECT

- SECTION 1 To commemorate fittingly outstanding anniversaries and events in our Family's History.
- SECTION 2 To memorialize our early family by suitable tablets.
- SECTION 3 To promote genealogical study of our family.
- SECTION 4 To create and develope interest and pride in family achievement.
- SECTION 5 To provide when possible care of ancestors' graves, including official markers for graves of family's wartime soldiers, sailors, etc..
- SECTION 6 To support and advocate steadfastly the defense and protection of this Country which our ancestors helped create, and the conservation of the United States Constitution and the American people's Liberty.
- SECTION 7 To meet, know, and enjoy our kindred.
- SECTION 8 To promote this society's objectives further by forming local chapters.

ARTICLE VI

ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1

Regular Members

- 1 All Stukely Westcott descendants at least 18 years of age and their spouses.
- 2 Probable (not 100% proved) Stukely Westcott descendants at least 18 years of age, and spouses; and probable (research incomplete) Stukely Wetscott descendants at least 18 years of age and spouses.
- Descendants of Stukely's sister, Rebecca (Westcott) Cooke (wife of Thomas Cooke) and Stukely's brother Daniel and spouses.

SECTION 2

Associate Members (lack only power to vote and hold pffice)

- Adopted children and stepchildren of Regular Members (over 18 years) and spouses.
- Westcott descendants over 18 years probably not descended from Stukely Westcott branch, and spouses.
- 3 Descendants of Stukely's brothers, Richard and William, and spouses.

SECTION 3 Honorary Life Members

At the descretion of the Board of Directors, a member may be voted Honorary Life Membership as a result of his or her outstanding contribution to the society, and shall no longer be obligated to pay dues to the society.

SECTION 4 Life Members

At the descretion of the Board of Directors, a member may be voted Life Membership, and shall no longer be obligated to pay dues to the society. Such life membership shall be granted automatically to spouses of deceased former Presidents..

ARTICLE VII

FEES

SECTION 1 Application Fee

\$2.00 per application, not including first year's dues. Fee will not be refunded if application is not accepted.

SECTION 2 Dues

\$2.00 for individual membership (single individual, at least 18 years old);

\$4.00 for family membership (married couple, including children under 18 years, or single parent with at least one child under 18 years). As children reach 18, they may apply for membership under their own names. Dues are computed by calendar years. Dues for the first year of membership shall be submitted along with the filled-in application forms and application fee. If the application should not be accepted, the first years dues shall be returned. Dues for latter years shall become payable in January of each year. However, members admitted to the society between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31 shall not be billed for dues for the next succeeding year:

SECTION 3 Arrears

A member in arrears for one year's dues on each Dec. 31, shall, after being notified by the Secretary, become un-affiliated with the society if said dues are still in arrears on the following January 31.

SECTION 4 Reinstatement

A member who has resigned or has been dropped for nonpayment of dues shall be reinstated upon payment of dues for the calendar year of reinstatement. However, if reinstated between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31 of any calendar year (after a lapse of membership of at least one year), said reinstated member shall not be billed for dues for the following calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII

GOVERNING BODY

One person may hold more than one office, if approved by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 1 Officers:

1 President 6 Registrar
2 Vice President 7 Historian

3 Recording Secretary 8 Editor of Quarterly

4 Corresponding Secretary 9 Chaplin

5 Treasurer

SECTION 2 Board of Directors

There shall be a board of not less than 15 Directors, consisting of the 9 elected officers as ex officio members, the living past Presidents of the society, and any additional Directors appointed by the President for a 2 year term to bring the board membership for that period up to a total of 15 active Directors. At the age of 90, each Director shall be promoted to Honorary Director, to remove the burden of having to express opinions when the board is polled. However, Honorary Directors' views will always be welcome, and will receive full consideration.

ARTICLE IX MEETINGS

- SECTION 1 Society Meetings or Reunions shall be held every second year, with place and date to be determined by a majority of the Board of Directors, who may be polled by mail. (During a national crisis, such as Worl War II, the Board may vote to postpone the meeting for one or more years.)
- SECTION 2 Majority of members present and voting shall constitute a quorum, provided that 5 Board Members are present..
- SECTION 3 Directors' Meetings shall be held on the Friday aftermoon preceding the Friday evening reception which opens each Biennial Reunion.
- SECTION 4 Directors may be polled by mail between meetings by the President or by any Officer or other Director if an urgent question arises which makes such a poll seem advisable.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENTS

- SECTION 1 Amendments to this constitution shall be proposed at meetings of the Board of Directors or at Business Meetings of the society during Biennial Reunions..
- Adoption of constitutional amendments shall be by a two-thirds vote in the affirmative of the members present (if there is a quorum), for both Board Meetings and Society Business Meetings.

ARTICLE XI

CHAPTER CHARTERS

Charters to form Local, County, State, or Regional Chapters shall be issued upon application of 5 or more members of the society, who are also members of the proposed chapter. Such chapters shall remain valid as long as 5 or more memberships are maintained in both the chapter and the National Society.

Holiday & Greetings