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DAUGHTERS OF THE
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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to all the loyal daughters who have worked unselfishly to accomplish the goals of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and to ensure the unending support of God, Home, and Country.

INTRODUCTION

Many years have passed since Alice Hinman compiled a history of Vermont State Daughters of the American Revolution. So many years, making the task of compiling a history a long and laborious one. However hard, it was a task that had to be done. And now, with the help of many dedicated daughters, we will answer Alice Hinman's invitation and step through that door, through which our history flows.

The history of the Vermont Daughters of the American Revolution is a history of people, the loyal daughters of the past and of the present. We of the present continue to lay the ground work for those who will follow, as those before us have done. Just as Vermont Daughters of the American Revolution is a product of its members, so is this book. If it were not for the work of many, it could not have been done. Vermont daughters own words and reports were used whenever possible. Perhaps making it as a patchwork quilt, but making it ever more their own history.

To all the daughters who wrote reports for this book, thank you. Your help was much appreciated. A special thank you to Elizabeth Miller and Joan Payne for proofreading and to Vivien Krantz for her help typing. My fondest thank you to Erminie Pollard whose constant guidance and insight were the means of making it possible.

The number of years that had to be covered and the cost of printing put a limit to the size of the book and material to be covered. However, even in its condensed form, I believe it to be as accurate and complete as possible. The work done by me on this book was done gladly and with much satisfaction. During the time it has taken to put this book together, the only thing to cause me concern was the drop in the number of members, and the sad loss of some of our Chapters. Perhaps, in the future, we might work harder to keep our number and our strength.

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MRS. ARTHUR W. NORTON *State Regent 1929-1932*

In April 1929 Mrs. Arthur W. Norton became Regent of the Vermont State Society. Her picture and biography are in the State DAR History which was compiled by Miss Alice Hinman while Mrs. Norton was Regent.

In her closing report as Regent, Mrs. Norton stated that patriotic education had been her keynote and with it in mind she began and ended her term of service.

While Mrs. Norton was Regent, money was raised for the Vermont state bell in the carillon of bells in the Washington Memorial Church in Valley Forge. The bell was dedicated in April 1939.

MRS. CHARLES K. JOHNSON *State Regent 1932-1935*

Mrs. Grace Middlebrook Johnson, daughter of Daniel and Frances (Halcomb) Cady, was born in Middlefield, Otsego County, New York. She graduated from Burlington High School and was an art student in Rochester, New York. She married Charles Kimball Johnson, M. D. on June 7, 1904. They had two sons, Arthur Kimball Johnson and James Oliver Johnson. Mrs. Johnson's National number was 180337 and her Revolutionary ancestor William Temple.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the New York Historical Society and a member of the Green Mountain DAR Chapter of Burlington. She served that chapter in many capacities and as Regent from 1926-1929. On the State Board, she served as Publicity Chairman, Chairman of National Defense, a member of the National Officers Club, and National Vice Chairman, Northern Division, of Conservation and Thrift.

Mrs. Johnson was elected Regent of the Vermont State Society which she served from April 1932 to April 1935, attending all of the National Board Meetings in Washington. At the close of her term of office as State Regent, she was elected Vice President General in 1935 and served one year.

It was the dream of Mrs. Johnson, while serving on the National Committee of Conservation, to have a forest for the Vermont Society, and her dream was realized while she was State Regent in the Florence Gray Etsy Memorial Forest. With the purchase of the forest land another purchase of land was made across the highway on which stood an old mansion which was made into a Vermont DAR Mansion. Mrs. Johnson stated the development of both of these projects, an account of which appears in another part of this history. She also established a Get-together meeting of State Chairmen, Chapter Regents, and Officers to forward the work of the State Society.

MRS. C. LESLIE WITHERELL
State Regent 1935-1938

Estelle Dana Lane Witherell, daughter of Charles Henry and Sarah Eliza Sanford Lane, was born in Cornwall, Vermont and was married on December 18, 1901 to Charles Leslie Witherell of Cornwall, The Witherell's were the parents of two sons, Stuart T. and Sanford S., and resided in Shoreham, Vermont.

Mrs. Witherell joined Hands Cove Chapter in Shoreham in 1902, but upon the organization of Mary Baker Allen Chapter in Cornwall by her mother, Sarah Lane, in January 1909, Mrs. Witherell transferred to that chapter, becoming a charter member. She served the chapter as Registrar, Vice Regent and Regent from 1927 to 1932. Her national number was 46939, and her Revolutionary ancestors are Ebenezer Terrill, Amariah Dana, Joseph Sanford, Jacob Peck and Zadock Gibbs. She was also a member of the Vermont Society of Colonial Dames, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, and United States Daughters of 1812.

Mrs. Witherell served the Vermont State Society as Regent from April 1935 to April 1938. She attended every Congress and every October Board Meeting in Washington during her term of office. She served on the Credentials Committee for Congress for two years and one year as Teller. In 1937 she presented the Vermont State Flag at a public observance on Navy Day to the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Mrs. Witherell organized the Vermont Officers Club in 1936 and served as its president for two years. She presided at the first "Get-together" held at the DAR Mansion and during her term of office the Vermont DAR bookplate was accepted by the National Board.

At the close of her term as State Regent, Mrs. Witherell served for three years as Vice Chairman for the National Committee on the Correct Use of the Flag, General Vice Chairman on the same committee for one year, and as Clerk for the Incorporated Society of the Vermont Chapters.

MRS. CLARENCE R. ARKINSON
State Regent 1938-1941

Helen Virginia Graves Arkinson, daughter of Charles Frank and Etta Trammell Graves, was born on September 20, 1899 in East Barnard, Vermont, but has been a resident of St. Albans since 1905. She married Clarence Raymond Arkinson and they were the parents of two children, a daughter and a son.

Mrs. Arkinson is a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, where she served as organist for 54 years, from 1926 to 1980. Her Revolutionary War ancestor is Elnathan Allen, a volunteer. Other ancestral lines are Leonard Graves Winchell and the Swift families. She became a member of Bellevue Chapter of St. Albans on October 18, 1921, where she served as Treasurer, Secretary and Regent. Her membership was transferred to Green Mountain Chapter in 1968.

Mrs. Arkinson served as a Floor Page at Continental Congress in 1924, State Press Relations Chairman 1932-1938, State Recording Secretary 1935-1938, State Regent during the Golden Jubilee years 1938-1941, Honorary State Regent, member of the National Board of Management 1938-1941, member of the National Officer's Club, charter member of the Fifty-year Member Club and of the Vermont Regents and Officers Club. Highlights of her administration as State Regent were the visitation of President General Mrs. Henry Martin Robert, Jr. at the September 1938 State Conference in Bellows Falls when the State

Society was incorporated and at the 1940 State Conference in Burlington when the President General laid a memorial wreath on the grave of Mrs. Theodore S. Peck, Organizing Regent and the first Vermont State Regent in 1890.

In April 1939 the Vermont State Bell was presented to the Valley Forge Washington Memorial Chapel by Honorary State Regent, Mrs. Arthur W. Norton, who raised the funds for the smallest bell in the carillon. All 33 chapters participated in Golden Jubilee Memorial projects of gifts of money and materials for Ellis Island.

Other highlights included the presentation of Good Citizenship awards to 228 senior high school girls by 32 chapters; Good Citizen Clubs sponsored by several chapters; outstanding genealogical research work done by Mrs. Eda Whitney Stafford, member of the Green Mountain Chapter, press relations reports and pictures appeared in four state newspapers.

Loyal support was given by 33 chapters, 28 state chairman and the 1928-1941 state officers for the patriotic, historical and educational activities of the National Society during its Golden Jubilee years.

MRS. BARNEY C. BATCHELLER
State Regent 1941-1944

Louise Childs Perkins, daughter of Clarence Oakley and Mary Cornelia Childs Perkins, was born in Wallingford in 1882. She attended Rutland High School and graduated from Smith College in 1902. She was married to Barney C. Batcheller in 1925 and made her home in Wallingford. She joined the Ann Story Chapter in Rutland in 1910 and transferred to Palestrello Chapter after her marriage. Her Revolutionary ancestors were Thomas Dutton, Capt. Jonathan Giddings, Isaac Bradley, Charles Child, Capt. Elisha Child, Capt. Eliakin Hall, Capt. Isaac Hall, Lieut. Israel Munson, and Caleb May.

Mrs. Batchellor was elected Vice Regent of the State Society in 1939 and was elected State Regent in 1940. As the guest of the Regent of the Old South DAR Chapter in Boston, she was sitting in historic Old South Church when she heard the Boston Mayor announce that the United States Congress had declared war on Japan. From that day, the work of the State Society was carried forward with the purpose of aiding the war effort in every way.

At the invitation of Governor Wills, Mrs. Batcheller was present at the meeting in the House of Representatives in the State House in Montpelier and sewed the Vermont star on the flag which was being sent by the Chicago Art Institute throughout the forty-eight states.

Mrs. Batcheller attended the three National Congresses that were held outside Washington, in Chicago, Cincinnati and New York, because of war conditions. At the New York Congress, Mrs. Batcheller was elected Vice President General.

MRS. ERWIN S. CLARK
State Regent 1944-1947

Geraldine Maude Lyon Clark, daughter of Arthur Dean and Maude Stranahan Lyon, was born on December 3, 1903 at Waterbury Center. Educated in the public schools at Waterbury and the University of Vermont, she taught at Vergennes where she met Frank Stickle Clark, also of Revolutionary ancestry. They married on June 28th 1927. To them were born two sons and a daughter.

Mrs. Clark was admitted into membership of the Rhoda Farrand Chapter DAR in 1928, national number 246737. Her Revolutionary ancestors include Stephen Fay, keeper of Catamount Tavern; Jonas Fay, surgeon under Ethan Allen, author of Vermont's Declaration of Independence and Secretary of the Council of Safety; Rev. Jedediah Dewey, first pastor of the Old First Church in Bennington; Weight Hopkins, major in Ethan Allen's regiment, and John Fassett, in whose home the first town meeting in Bennington was held.

Having served the chapter as Secretary, Treasurer, Vice Regent and Regent, Mrs. Clark continued to serve the members as a Trustee of the Incorporated Society to care for the John Strong Mansion. In 1943 she was elected State Regent, and during the war years of curtailed travel, attended to the needs of the Mansion as well as carrying on the other duties of the office. She promoted the development of the area as a public park and was granted permission by the Incorporated Society to deed the area to the State of Vermont for this purpose, together with the lease to the state of the northern portion of the lake shore.

In 1950 Mrs. Clark was elected to represent Addison in the Legislature where she successfully sought funds for the Department of Forests & Parks to develop this area. She was re-elected to the House in 1952 and elected to the Senate in 1954, 1956, and 1958 to serve as one of two senators from Addison County.

The park, called the DAR Park, has been developed without expense to the State Society. While Mrs. Clark was State Regent, grading was done around the Mansion, a bathroom installed, lilac hedge and maple trees planted and foundation plantings of evergreen shrubs was completed. The details of the work accentuated the need for an assistant, and the policy was begun of placing the care of the Mansion property in the hands of the State Vice Regent. The increasing duties have made it advisable to have a Museum Curator as well, thus leaving the State Regent with less responsibility for the affairs of the Incorporated Society and more time and energy to devote to the office of State Regent.

MRS. EDWIN S. MORSE
State Regent 1947-1950

Maude Dudley Morse, daughter of William B. Dudley and Katherine Cameron Dudley, was born in Fishkill Landing, now Beason City, New York, on June 1, 1882. She attended school in Middleboro, Massachusetts and Randolph, Vermont, and married Edwin Morse, of Mayflower ancestry, on June 18, 1900 at Randolph. They were the parents of two daughters, Margery Morse Luce and Helen Morse Edwards.

Mrs. Morse's Revolutionary ancestor was Timothy Dudley, who died in the battle of Monmouth, New Jersey. She also traced her ancestry to Thomas Dudley, second governor of Massachusetts, who founded Newtown, Massachusetts, now Cambridge.

Mrs. Morse joined Colonel Israel Converse Chapter on March 31, 1920, and served the Chapter as Secretary, Treasurer, and Regent. Her national number was 154150.

During her term as State Regent, Mrs. Morse attended all regular meetings of the National Board of Management, several State Conferences, and visited every chapter in the state. Other accomplishments included the revision of the State By-Laws, the installation of a bathroom at the John Strong Mansion and landscaping of the grounds there, and the deeding of land and lake shore to the state for a state park.

Mrs. Morse was appointed National Chairman of Insignia from 1950-1953. During this term J. E. Caldwell & Co. designed pins for National Pages, a service pin for National Vice Chairmen and an official pin for Organizing State Secretaries when they are regularly elected state officers. She also served six years as State Chairman of the Vermont Room in Washington, D.C., during which the room was redecorated and new draperies were hung at the window.

MRS. RICHARD SOUTHGATE
State Regent 1950-1953

Vera Johnson Southgate, daughter of Irving and Emma Barnes Johnson, was born in White River Junction, Vermont. She married Richard C. Southgate and had one son, Bruce R.

Mrs. Southgate became a member of Thomas Chittenden Chapter in April 1941, national number 232230. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Capt. Hezekiah Johnson, one of the first settlers of Norwich, Vermont, who gave several grants of land to Dartmouth College.

Mrs. Southgate served in various Chapter offices. On the state level, she served as Historian, Vice Regent and as State Regent from 1950-1953. In the National Society, she served as Curator General from 1953-1956 and as Vice Chairman of the National Museum from 1956-1959.

Mrs. Southgate was also a member of the Daughters of 1812 and a charter member of Green Mountain Colony of New England Women.

Highlights of her term as State Regent were the establishment of a membership per capita tax for the John Strong Mansion as a means of funding proper upkeep of the Mansion.

While she was Curator General, Mrs. Southgate was happy to receive over \$10,000.00 for the Museum and she was very proud of being able to place the first Grandma Moses picture in the museum.

MRS. DONALD S. ARNOLD
State Regent 1953-1956

Margie Barker Arnold was born in Virginia and came to Vermont in 1919 following her marriage to Donald S. Arnold of Bethel, where she then made her home. The Arnolds had three children, two daughters and one son. Mrs. Arnold graduated from Stratford College in Virginia and attended Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore.

In 1928 she became a member of Colonel Israel Converse Chapter in Randolph and served as Historian, Vice Regent and Regent. She served the State Society as Page, Chairman of Girl Home Makers, on the Press Relations and Membership Committees, as State Vice Regent, and Regent. At the close of her term, she was elected Honorary State Regent.

During her term as State Regent, Mrs. Arnold attended every National Board Meeting. Membership increased, and in her second year, Vermont won a prize for the greatest percentage increase in the entire Northern Division. The next year, Vermont had the chapter procuring the largest amount of advertising in the DAR magazine of any chapter in the National Society. The Vermont Room in Washington was redecorated, By-Laws of the Incorporated Society were revised, and the office of State Curator was created.

At the close of her administration, Mrs. Arnold was elected to the office of Vice President General, the seventh Vermont Daughter to serve in this capacity. She is a member of civic, patriotic and educational organizations and has been active both on community and state levels.

MRS. HERMAN E. WESTON
State Regent 1956-1959

Frances Parkhurst Morrison Weston was born November 3, 1907 at Berkley, California. As a baby, she came to live with her parents and grandparents at Uxbridge, Massachusetts. Her father practiced law in Worcester and Whitinsville, Massachusetts from 1909 until his death in 1951.

She was educated in a private day school until the sixth grade and then attended school in Whitinsville until her junior year in high school. Her junior and senior years were spent at Moses Brown, a Friends School in Providence, Rhode Island, from which she graduated in 1924. She received her B.A. degree from Wellesley in 1928, and taught science and mathematics at Buffalo Seminary in Buffalo, New York for two years.

In 1931, she received her M.S. degree in Retail Economics from Simmons College, and worked at R.H. White & Co. from 1931 to 1933. Because she felt that the retail world did not offer a chance to give service, she entered the field of social work, becoming a family case worker for the State of Vermont. She joined the staff of the Vermont Children's Aid Society in 1934, acting as their District Agent. She spent three months in 1934 at the University of Chicago studying welfare work.

In June 1939 she married Herman E. Weston. They bought a farm and for twelve years engaged in raising purebred Brown Swiss cattle. During this time, she served as secretary of the New England Brown Swiss Breeder's Association. The Westons had three children, William, Joseph, and Sarah.

Mrs. Weston served a term as President of the Bellows Falls Garden Club, a term as president of the Saxton River Mothers Club, Lecturer and Pomona of Pomona Grange and Lecturer, Pomona, and pianist of the local grange. She served as Regent of William French Chapter 1949-1951. She was State Chairman of Radio and Television, State Chairman of the Mansion Benefit Auction in 1960, State Vice Regent 1953-1956, and State Regent 1956-1959. She also served as National Chairman of Radio and Television, Trustee of the Mansion 1960-1963 and was elected Honorary State Regent. She was co-founder of the National State Vice Regents Club.

Mrs. Weston was a member of three other ancestral and patriotic societies: the Huguenot Society of New York, the Daughters of American Colonist of Maine, and the National Society of New England Women. She served on the National Board of the latter as Director General in 1957-1960 and as National Chairman of Finance 1960-1963. She has also served as Director, Vice President and President of the Green Mountain Colony, NEW. In June of 1949 she joined the staff of the Kurn Hattin Homes where she acted as Financial Representative.

MISS ANY PERKINS
State Regent 1959-1962

Miss Amy Louise Perkins, daughter of Arthur Warden Perkins and Louise Fuller Perkins, was born in Rutland, Vermont on October 11, 1888. She was a graduate of Rutland High School and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Massachusetts. For many years she worked for the Red Cross in Rutland.

Miss Perkins joined Ann Story Chapter on December 2, 1927. Her national number was 238177 and her Revolutionary ancestor was William Craigue. She served as Chapter Regent from 1941 to 1943 and State Curator from 1956 to 1959, at which time she was vitally interested in the John Strong Mansion. This was a time when much groundwork was needed and she organized a catalog system at the Mansion. She worked very hard on many of the DAR auctions and emphasized the need for an adequate Mansion Endowment Fund.

From 1959 to 1962 Miss Perkins served as State Regent. She continued to put much time and effort into work at the Mansion and sent out much informational material to all State Officers, State Chairmen and Chapter Regents. She suggested the theme "Know our DAR and Use the Tools of Your Trade". She purchased a file cabinet and set it up for succeeding State Regents to use. During her term as State Regent she went on a DAR school bus tour to learn more about the work being done in the schools. She also made up a set of 125 colored slides of Vermont for the National Program Committee. She worked very hard on the revision of the State DAR By-Laws and was a great leader in the faithful performance of the duties of her office.

Miss Perkins died in Rutland on October 18, 1976.

MRS. BERNARD DOOLEY
State Regent 1962-1965

Helen Dooley, daughter of Ralph Hubbard and Emeline Chaney Rockwood, was born in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada. When she was a year old, her family moved back to New England. She graduated from Robinson Female Seminary in Exeter, N.H. and the University of New Hampshire in Durham. Helen taught school in Cabot, VT, and then for many years in Poultney. In 1945 she married Bernard Downs Dooley in Poultney where they have resided ever since. They have one daughter, Margaret Lee Dooley.

The Revolutionary ancestor that Helen joined on was Ralph Cheney of Maine, although she claims numerous others. In 1944 she joined Heber Allen Chapter and her national number is 344898. She has worked on numerous State Committees and was State Recording Secretary, then State Vice Regent before

becoming State Regent in 1962. Mrs. Dooley held this office until 1965, when she was made Honorary State Regent.

During her term as State Regent she was particularly interested in urging all chapters to see the need for the Mansion Endowment Fund which was our big State Project.

With the assistance of Miss Amy Perkins, she did two radio broadcasts over Station WHWB in Rutland, "A Look at the DAR" and another, "Mrs. Dooley Goes to Washington".

In October 1963 she went on a Post National Board Meeting Bus trip to Williamsburg and Yorktown, Virginia at which time our beloved President General, Mrs. Robert V.H. Duncan spoke at the Yorktown Celebration.

During Congress week in 1964 she attended a beautiful tea at the White House given for members of the National Board and National Chairmen, at which time we all had an opportunity to meet the First Lady, Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson. The same year Helen went on the Post Congress Bus Tour to the World's Fair in New York. Nearly 1,000 Daughters attended and the President General presented the large ceremonial flag from the National Society.

In the years 1962-1965 we had twenty-nine chapters and we tried to stress the objectives of the National Society – Historical Education and Patriotism.

Mrs. Dooley is a member of the New England Women, Colonial Dames of the 17th Century and the Vermont Society of Colonial Dames.

ERMINIE L. POLLARD
State Regent 1962-1965

Miss Erminie L. Pollard was born in Proctorsville on July 7, 1902 to Fred Don and Lois Bryant Pollard. Her father, Fred, was born in Plymouth in the house in which President Coolidge took his oath of office and was a first cousin of the President.

She attended Proctorsville High School for two years and graduated from Black River Academy in Ludlow which her parents and four brothers and one sister had also attended.

After graduation from the University of Vermont, she taught Latin and English in Proctor, Vermont and in Bulkeley High School and Hartford Public High School, both in Hartford, Connecticut. The latter is the second oldest Public High School in the United States, having started in 1638.

She joined Cavendish Chapter on December 9, 1947 and has the DAR number 373040. She served her Chapter in many offices before becoming Chapter Regent. She was elected State Regent in 1962, having served as State Vice Regent during the administration of Mrs. Herman Weston, 1956-1959 and with Mrs. Bernard Dooley, 1962-1965. She served as State Regent during the Diamond Jubilee Administration under Mrs. William Henry Sullivan.

A Membership Commission was started to attempt to stop the loss of members. Members contributed the sum of \$2 over a period of two years for the improvements in Constitutional Hall. A Directory of Junior Members was compiled. Chapters contributed \$250 for a gate at the Vermont Room enabling visitors to see the contents.

The National Board attended a concert of the National Symphony at the newly renovated Constitutional Hall with Van Cliburn as soloist. This was followed by a reception for Dr. Howard, Conductor of the orchestra, at the State Department where we met President and Mrs. Johnson. Outstanding as that evening was, it was out-dazzled by the many activities of the Vermont Chapters celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

MRS. WALTER BIGGAR
State Regent 1968-1969

My days are full of the many interests and duties that are required of your State Regent. The happiest parts are my visits to the chapters and learning to know more of you. I visited ten chapters and installed the officers in one of these chapters. Everywhere I go I am appreciative of the cordiality and hospitality that is shown to me. As I visit from chapter to chapter my special message stresses membership, for without new life we cannot grow. It grieved me to have Bellevue Chapter obliged to disband. This was ordered by National because they could see no way by which they could increase their number to the required twelve, even if they were given a year in which to try. Don't let this happen to your chapter.

In June my first summer meeting was held at Kurn Hattin School with William French Chapter hosting. In July, through the tireless efforts of Mrs. G. Murray Campbell, three seminars on Membership were held at strategic parts of the state. Mrs. Albert Peters of Illinois volunteered to put these seminars into operation, assisted by Mrs. Joseph Wilson, Mrs. Alton Swan, Mrs. Hawes and Miss Ruth Cummings. Seventy-nine interested people attended and we hope to feel results in the months to come. The traditional pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion in August was well attended.

I regret that Mrs. Vivian Meneeley was obliged to resign as State Honor Roll Chairman. Her chair has been accepted by Mrs. Mary Linton, a member of the Thomas Chittenden Chapter. Mrs. Benjamin Butterfield, a member of Brattleboro Chapter, is now Chairman of Junior American Citizens. A new committee has been formed by National, "DAR Service to Veterans". Mrs. Merrill Henderson, Regent of Thomas Chittenden Chapter, is the new state chairman.

I trust that all my chapters will have a busy, expanding and profitable season. I hope to visit more of you after I return from the 78th Congress in Washington this April. Bear in mind through the year the saying by Daniel Webster that Mrs. Seimes has given us: "One Country-One Constitution-One Destiny". Rally round to help make her administration outstanding. Our state is small but we can contribute in our small way. As the Scotchman said, "*many a mickle makes a muckle*".

MRS. G. MURRAY CAMPBELL
State Regent 1969-1971

This year had been a most rewarding experience for your State Regent. You have given her such fine cooperation and encouragement that she feels we have accomplished great things together. I know that you will give the same support to my successor as she takes office next April, 1971. This winter, the newly elected State Regent will be asking some of you to serve through her term on one of our National Committees. Consider it an honor to be asked and say, "Yes." You will learn more about DAR as you participate in it.

This summer has been a busy one. Since May 1, I have visited 21 of the 27 chapters. Indeed it has been a pleasure to meet you all. The sharing of your problems, seeing you and getting to know you has given me a feeling of being with you as in a family. This society is unique among all women's organizations. There is a place for every woman's talents and interests on one of our committees.

Our June summer meeting at Shoreham on June 23, with Hand's Cove Chapter, was a delightful opening occasion. Honoring our youth, we had members of our C.A.R. Society, Good Citizens and American History Month Essay Award winners, as guests. Mrs. Janet Smith of St. Albans gave a fine program on the History of Bells. The food prepared by the Hand's Cove Chapter ladies was lavish and delicious. The day could not have been more beautiful.

Again at our August meeting at our beloved DAR Mansion, we had a beautiful day. Our speaker, Mrs. Donald Spicer, Historian General, gave us some very informative highlights on the work of the Historian General's office. Following this meeting, about twenty of us went to Burlington at Lakeview Cemetery, where we dedicated a marker at the grave of our first State Regent, Mrs. Agnes Louise Leslie Peck, who founded both Green Mountain Chapter and the Vermont State Society in 1892.

The two most exciting events of the administration were the re-organization of C.A.R. with Catamount Society forming on January 11, 1970 and having the Vermont DAR Good Citizen win the National Good Citizen Award. It will be of interest to you, I know, that Peggy Dooley, the recipient, has her papers in Washington now to become a member of the Heber Allen Chapter in Poultney.

At Continental Congress, also, Vermont received a sampler to hang in our Vermont Room, worked on by the grandmother of the donor in 1826. It was formally presented by Mrs. Robert Wilson of Arlington, VA, in memory of her mother, Mrs. Neil Foster who for many years cared for our Vermont Room. Present at the presentation were Mrs. Carl Kietzman, Curator General, Mrs. Erwin Frees Seimes, President General and Mrs. Donald Spicer, Historian General.

Last autumn we held four Regents' Round Tables in four different areas of Vermont. This year, if it can be arranged, I would like to hold two Genealogical Seminars to stimulate more members. Each year now, we are working harder to get enough members to offset the losses of death, transfer out and any dropped for non-payment of dues. This year fourteen chapters have obtained at least one new member. Four chapters have obtained a Junior member each. Last September, in my first State Regent's letter, I offered a prize of \$10.00 to the chapter which gained the most new members from September 1, 1969 to September 1, 1970 including at least, one Junior member. Bennington Chapter won this Award with 5 new members, one of whom is a Junior. I also offered ten dollars to the chapter obtaining the most Junior members. Since the four chapters above-mentioned tied with one Junior member each, I am dividing that \$10.00 and giving \$2.50 to each of the following: These are Ascutney, Bennington, Cavendish, and Ormsby. We have gained 23 new members since last October, but we have lost by death, transfers out, resignation and dropped for non-payment of dues, 44 members, so that makes us having lost 21 members. The day Vermont shows a gain, we should celebrate. However, the bright note in all this is that we really have gained more members than we had last year.

I must not close this report without calling attention to the fine response of chapters to our Magazine Advertising. We had \$695 worth of advertising but the largest amount of work was done by only three or four chapters. We appreciated your \$10.00 for the Regent's pictures, but this year we shall be asked again to get commercial advertising for the February magazine. The magazine needs this money to keep the subscription cost down so each state must participate. However, there are many businesses in Rutland, Burlington and Bennington, to name but a few places, which I am certain would gladly advertise if approached. The deadline for the February magazine is December 5.

In closing, may I say that I hope that what we have been able to do together will build Vermont for the future, and with it build the Vermont Society for future State Regents. May the fruits of our labors blossom like the rose.

MRS. HAROLD DURGIN
State Regent 1971-1974

I wish to say thank you to State Officers, Chapter Regents, Chairmen and all the Daughters for their cooperation and friendliness during my term of office. My three years have been rewarding and very busy. As your State Regent I have visited practically all of the chapters, some of them twice. It has been a pleasure to meet you all and share in your problems.

The National dues were raised from \$3.00 per year to \$7.00, which has made it very difficult for the smaller chapters. The raise seemed very necessary to defray expenses during this inflationary period.

The auction at the Mansion on July 19, 1972 was very successful. Mrs. Herman Weston and Miss Amy Perkins were Co-Chairmen again. They have worked on thirteen auctions to date and received a standing ovation. Most of the proceeds are used to maintain the Mansion, which is very important. Our pilgrimage was held at the Mansion on a lovely warm day, August 16th. A delicious buffet was served by Mrs. Wilbur Pratt, a member of the Rhoda Farrand Chapter. Mr. Frank Hensel, Director of the Vermont Council on the Arts and a member of the Vermont Bicentennial Commission was guest speaker. A total of forty-eight Daughters attended.

A Membership Commission was formed, with Mrs. Graham Oakes as Chairman. The first Membership Tea was held at the Mansion with forty-five attending. We hope to plan more of these teas and meetings in various parts of the state. I sincerely hope that the Vermont Society shows an increase in membership.

In closing may I remind you of Mrs. Spicer's project, "A Gift to the Nation". Let's have one-hundred percent participation by all chapters in order to receive a certificate at Continental Congress in April.

MRS. HAROLD STILLWELL
State Regent 1974-1977

The 1974 June Get-Together was held at Randolph Center where Miss Dorothy Goldsmith was elected Recording Secretary to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mrs. Wilbur Pratt.

Olive Morey Colton Oliver bequeathed \$1000 to the Mansion Endowment Fund.

The State Regent's Bicentennial Project is to give a "new look" to the Vermont State Room in Washington D.C. Mrs. Herman Weston so moved, and expressed the hope that half the auction proceeds in July be used for this purpose. Furnishings in the room must be pre-1810. Miss Dorothy Goldsmith of Ottauquechee gave the Program "A Gift to the Nation". The auction netted \$1870.

Mrs. Earl Helmbreck, Curator General, was the guest speaker at the Pilgrimage meeting. She suggested changes in the Vermont Room, painting, new window hangings, replacement of the chandelier, and items beyond the 1810 date removed. Items to be taken to Washington should be made in Vermont, or have a long history in a Vermont family.

On July 11, 1974 the State Regent signed the deed selling 30 acres of land from the John Strong Mansion to the Vermont State Park Dept. for \$50,000. The deed was signed in the Mansion dining room with Frances Weston and Doris Durgin as witnesses. Previously 100 acres had been given to the State Park Dept., so it was named the DAR Park.

The State Conference was held in Bradford with Mrs. Henry Stewart Jones, President General, as our guest, as well as Mrs. C. Edwin Carlson, Connecticut State Regent. Other guests were Miss Ellen Carpenter, State President of the C. A. R., Mrs. Orren Griffis Senior State President of the C.A.R., and David Doliber, State President of the SAR.

This was the Diamond Jubilee of the Vermont State Society, so there was an anniversary cake. Mrs. Carlson spoke on the subject, "What Do the Daughters Do?" after the banquet. A lively skit in costume was put on by "Newbury's Friendly Indians" written and directed by Mrs. Robert Kjellerup using Bradford youngsters. The evening closed with musical selections on the violin and piano.

It was voted to raise the State Regent's honorarium from \$350 to \$500 from the General Fund, and the same from the Mansion Fund.

After luncheon on the second day, the President General spoke on the subject "American is Great Because She is Good".

31 deceased members plus Eleanor Robinson Spicer, were memorialized at the Hour of Remembrance. White carnations were placed in the large replica of the DAR seal (made by Harold Stillwell) as each name was read.

15 Historic Revolutionary War flags were paraded by youngsters as a script was read written by Harold Haskins, Bradford Historian.

A tea was served at the Oxbow Chapter House. Much credit is due Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, Hostess Regent, and St. John de Crevecoeur, Richard Wallace, and the Cavendish Chapters for the success of the Conference.

The State Regent participated in the DAR School Tour after the Fall Board Meeting.

1974-1975

The June Get-Together was held outdoors at the Kurn Hattin Home. It was voted to take part in the National Bicentennial Project for murals in the U.S. Capital Building, and to mark the site of the John Strong Cabin, and the birth of John Jr., the 1st white child born in the Addison area.

There were 62 Good Citizens this year. Carl Foote is the State C.A.R. President, and Mrs. William Tice, Sr. State President. Mrs. Ray Mettetal, from Tenn., Nation Chairman of DAR Schools, told of their activities.

At the Pilgrimage, the Regent reported the Vermont Room in Washington, D.C. has had two coats of cream colored paint, and rose on white draperies, "France's Salute to America". The Queen Anne lighting fixture for candles will be pewterized. The Regent and Mrs. Herman Weston, and her son William, will carry antique furniture to Washington in October for the Vermont Room, including a Queen Anne desk c. 1750, a gift from Mrs. Walter Barnard, the pair of Townsend portraits, the Hepplewhite card table, the Steinke Duncan Phylfe couch, and a Lucy Robbins sampler of 1817. This is probably the first time a State Regent went to the Board Meeting riding in a truck.

Mrs. Vera Johnson received a National DAR certificate for 100% participation in Veteran Patient Service. The Genealogical Records Chairman, Mrs. Alton Swan, reported Vol. 44 is being processed.

The members toured the Mansion to admire the Ethel and Edith Blodgett antiques willed to the State Society. Norma Oakes, Vice Regent, gave a history of each room. Much credit is due Mrs. Herman Weston and Mrs. Donald Arnold for this bequest, and Mrs. Ruth O'Connor for arranging them so nicely.

22 Vermont Daughters were memorialized, as well as the former President General, Mrs. Henry Stewart Jones. During this term flowers were placed on John Strong's grave in a nearby cemetery, and 2 new flags were added to the ballroom, a gift of Mrs. Charles Canning.

The Vermont Room Renovation Fund has a gift of \$500 from Bellevue Chapter, \$944 from the auction, plus gifts begged by the State Regent, making a total of \$2733. (The money saved for a wing chair amounting to \$2000, thanks to a good interest, was turned in toward the Mansion Restoration Fund.)

The 76th State Conference was held in Rutland. Tea was served at the Grace Congregational Church. The Bell Ringers of Woodstock, with a harp accompaniment, entertained after the banquet. Mrs. Herman Weston spoke of her 3 week tour of Alaska.

Mrs. Howard Rhodes put on 6 Genealogy workshops this year.

1975-1976

Miss Erminie Pollard spoke on "Women in the Revolution" at the June Get-Together in Waterbury. Gertrude Barnard of Chester willed us an inlaid cherry chest for the Mansion.

Certificates for 100% participation were presented to Christine Lancaster for magazine advertising, to Harriet Rhodes for Lineage Research, to Mrs. G. Murray Campbell for Bicentennial Reports, and to the Vermont Society for "Most Drastic Change in a Period Room". Mrs. Campbell awarded Mary Baker Allen a Bicentennial Flag for outstanding achievement in observing the Bicentennial.

Mrs. Benjamin Musick, State Regent from Oklahoma, gave the history of Bacone College, and exhibited lovely pieces of silver and bead work done by the Indian students.

The Estey Service not only included Mrs. Estey, but Vivian Meneeley, Cornelia Wagstaff, and Charlotte Leach. Eight 50-year members were guests of the State Regent at the Pilgrimage.

After lunch, and the Memorial Service, the group adjourned to the John Strong Cabin site in the DAR Park, beside Lake Champlain to dedicate the Captain John Strong Marker.

Mrs. Ruth O'Connor, State Curator, gave the History of the French settlement, the building of the cabin, by Captain John Strong, and the birth of his 7 children there, before he started to build the brick mansion in 1783. Several Strong descendants were present.

The twins, Linda and Lori Breur unveiled the marker. The State Regent spoke words of dedication at the monument, a boulder from the Park, bearing a bronze plaque reading:

“Site of Captain John Strong Cabin
Built 1765 on Site of One of French
Houses of Hacquort. John Jr. 1st English
Child born in Addison County 1766.”
*Erected by Vermont State Society
Daughters of the American Revolution, 1976*

It was accepted for the State of Vermont and for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation by Mr. James E. Wilkinson, Jr., Commissioner.

The 77th State Conference met in Brattleboro with Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Butterfield Co-Hostesses with Bennington, Ormsby, and Lake St. Catherine assisting.

Vermont participated 100% in the National Mural project. At the banquet Mrs. R. Taylor Drake, State Vice-Regent of Illinois, gave a program, “The Romance of our Mississippi”.

Mrs. Stilwell was made an Honorary State Regent, and endorsed unanimously to run for Vice President General. 36 deceased members were honored at the Hour of Remembrance. The John Strong cup place sales were started in this term.

Mrs. Raymond Fleck, Massachusetts State Regent, and candidate for the office of Historian General, told the history of drums and drummer boys, and using a modern drum and a replica of a 200 year-old drum, demonstrated various rolls, and played some drum solos of the Revolution.

MRS. HUNTER KRANTZ
State Regent 1976-1979

The three years of office of this Regent were full of challenges and were most rewarding.

Each of the years we had a Vermont Bus for the Continental Congress – the first time for this. The first year we had three tables at the Friday Night Banquet.

Full page ads were submitted each December – the first one a page honoring our ancestor with every member participating. The second year two full pages – one with the picture of the State Officers and the other pictures of the Chapter Regents. Ads were also submitted by several Chapters.

This Regent wished to have the Ballroom at the Mansion redone in honor of Mrs. Frances Weston who passed away right after the first State Conference. We ran into difficulty as it was found that the roof was in bad repair. Pictures of the decay were submitted by the architect, so the repairs were then started. After an attempted robbery, it was decided to install an alarm system.

Almost every chapter was in receipt of Honor Roll Awards in the Gold, Silver and Honorable Mention category. Several also received the Outstanding Ribbon Award for Program Book while others received the Blue Ribbon Award.

The support of all the chapters was outstanding and much appreciated.

At the third State Conference, this Regent was honored by being endorsed by the State for the office of Vice President General at Continental Congress.

It was her pleasure to attend and speak at 25 of the then 26 Chapters in the State. 22 to 23 Chapters received awards during the three years (for each year).

MRS. ARCHIBALD TODD
State Regent 1980-1983

Alida Beryl Burr Todd (Mrs. Archibald J.) became the 30th State Regent of Vermont at the impressive installation ceremony held in Constitution Hall at the 89th Continental Congress, April 21, 1980. She felt so honored and it was her fervent prayer that she would be able to adequately fulfill the trust that the Vermont Daughters had placed in her.

1980 was the year that the John Strong DAR Mansion was chosen to be placed on the National Register of Historic Sites. It was known to the Daughters that the building was in need of repairs – the question was, where to start? Miss Dorothy Goldsmith was State Curator and under her supervision the Preservation Partnership was hired to make a thorough inspection. Their report was alarming. Needed repairs were urgent and extensive. First priority was to remove the years of plantings that allowed water seepage into the cellar. The beams and purlins in the attic had to be repaired or replaced plus so much more that needed prompt attention. The estimated cost for all the most needed repairs set in motion many fund raising projects that continued throughout this Regent's term of office and into the next. It was most gratifying to know that with the support of all Vermont Daughters, our DAR Mansion was made safe for occupancy and the work of restoration could then continue over many years.

The same summer the Board of Trustees unanimously chose Mr. Joseph Semanchik as Caretaker of the Mansion. It was a wise decision as the relationship between Mr. Semanchik and the Vermont Daughters has continued to be both pleasant and productive.

Mrs. Todd, during her term of office, attended each Continental Congress, the National Board meetings in Washington, as well as the Bus Tours to the DAR Schools and the Yorktown Bicentennial Celebration. She was able to visit all of the Vermont Chapters resulting in many happy memories. She was grateful for the support of all the Honorary State Regents and especially for the help of Mrs. Hunter Krantz who guided her so willingly during the first year of her administration. The success of all of her State meetings was credited to the efficiency and cooperation of her committees. It was indeed a rare privilege to have had Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby, President General, as her honored guest at her first conference. "So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greater of these is love."

MRS. EVERETT C. LAMSON, JR.
State Regent 1983-1986

During the 1983-86 administration, our members have worked very faithfully and diligently to achieve a goal which may have seemed unattainable three years ago at the beginning of this State Regent's term of office. The goal set was to repay our Endowment Fund the full amount borrowed from it to pay for the urgent and major restoration work which had been done in 1982. Through the dedication and generosity of our nine hundred members the goal has almost been reached and is attainable. Two plaques have been placed at the Mansion listing names of Chapter and individual donors of \$500 or more to the Restoration Fund and special recognition will be given for donations of \$1,000 or more. Further repairs to the building are being made and the work will continue in the next administration.

On May 15, 1980 our John Strong DAR Mansion was officially listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A bronze plaque is being placed on the building to indicate to the public that it has been so designated.

At the Pilgrimage to the Mansion on August 14, 1984 the beautiful Palladium window, a custom bade copy of the original, was lovingly dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Frances Weston, a very special and devoted Honorary State Regent.

Donations of books to our National Genealogical Library in Washington increased greatly following a request from the Librarian General for more histories and records of Vermont towns. Several of these were authored by Vermont DAR members. There was also an increase in requests for Lineage Research assistance. In 1984 Vermont won the award for the largest increase in membership in the Northeast Division. All other states in this district had losses.

Vermont has faithfully supported the National projects including the Liberty Love Day donations to the restoration of the Statue of Liberty which will be completed in 1986 for her 100th birthday.

The State Regent, Mrs. Everett C. Lamson, Jr., Karleene to her friends and members, attended all regular meetings of the National Board of Management, visited the DAR Schools in 1984 with other members of the National Board, and participated in the Yorktown Celebration where the President General was the main speaker. She worked as a volunteer in the Genealogy Department at National Headquarters for almost two weeks verifying supplemental applications. Before her term ends she will have visited all Chapters in Vermont and also attended many DAR functions and Conferences in other states. She is devoted to the principles and ideals for which DAR stands and to the American's Creed.

This administration is especially proud of our State Historian, Mrs. Ershel Patterson, who at her own request, undertook the prodigious task of creating a Fifty Year History of Vermont DAR and has succeeded in bringing it to completion in less than three years. We are all deeply and sincerely grateful to her for this outstanding accomplishment.

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LAKE DUNMORE.....	Brandon
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**Disbanded*

ANN STORY CHAPTER
Rutland, Vermont
 Organized January 9, 1894

Ann Story Chapter of Rutland, Vermont, now ninety members strong, is one of the largest chapters in the state. History tells us that in response to an invitation from Mrs. Wallace C. Clement in the Rutland Daily Herald of May 10, 1893, 16 women met at her home for the purpose of organizing a Rutland Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. At a subsequent meeting on the twentieth of May, Mrs. O. O. Wooster proposed the name of Ann Story for the new Chapter and on May twenty-seventh of the name was officially voted by the Chapter. The newly founded Chapter received its charter on January 9, 1894.

Ann Story was the wife of Amos Story, a native of Norwich, Connecticut, who came to Vermont in September, 1774 and took possession of one hundred acres of land in Salisbury. One fourteen year old son accompanied his father. While clearing land for his garden, Amos was killed by a falling tree. Ann Story left her farm in Connecticut and took her family of three sons and two daughters with her to Salisbury, where she met the challenges of the wilderness with courage and ingenuity. She hopefully made a home for her family, and thus developed the character which proved a source of strength in her country's peril and connected her name in deeds of heroism with the names of the Green Mountain Boys and their intrepid leader, Ethan Allen.

With patience and ingenuity in 1905, in regency of Mrs. H. H. Dyer, the Chapter spent 15 long years accumulating money for a statue to honor the Green Mountain Boys in Rutland's Main Street Park. This was dedicated 19 November, 1915. The sculpture, "The Green Mountain Boy" by Raymond Aferril Porter of Watertown, Massachusetts, is nine feet tall and weighs several tons. It stands on a base of stone which came from the original Dyer farm.

Eight locations drawing the attention to the Crown Point Road and historic buildings in the vicinity of Rutland have been identified by granite markers by Ann Story Chapter. For the Crown Point Road, markers are in North Clarendon Village on the east side of Rte. 103, at the junction of Pierce's Corners, at a watering trough moved from the south to the north side of the juncture of US 4 and Rte. 3, at the triangle in West Proctor near the store to indicate the direction of the Crown Point Road, at Gorham Bridge in Proctor, also as markers for building sites at the north side of West Street in the grounds of the State Armory indicating the site of Fort Rutland, on the West Proctor Road not far from the junction with Rte 4 to mark the side of Mead Tavern, and just east of Castleton at the junction of US 4 and the Hubbardton Monument Road to mark Fort Warren.

In 1921 Ann Story Chapter DAR presented the city of Rutland with the World War I boulder bearing a bronze plaque also sculpted by Mr. Porter.

Each year the chapter places 100 flags in county cemeteries on graves of Revolutionary soldiers.

Women from Ann Story Chapter have held state offices. The following have been State Regents: Miss Amy Perkins, Mrs. Harold Durgin, and Mrs. Archibald Todd. Mrs. Todd was elected Vice President General in 1983. We also must name our Genealogist: Mrs. Alton Swan, who is State Chairman of Genealogical Records.

No history would be complete without a tribute to the dedicated women who have led the chapter as Regent during the past 91 years.

ANN STORY CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. T. N. Hack.....	1929-1931
Mrs. C. R. Boyden.....	1931-1933
Mrs. C. H. Maurice.....	1933-1935
Mrs. J. D. Billings, Sr.	1935-1937
Mrs. R. N. Davis.....	1937-1939
Mrs. C. E. Fish.....	1939-1941
Miss Amy Perkins.....	1941-1943
Mrs. Frank H. Everett.....	1943-1945
Mrs. Bernard Flanders.....	1945-1946
Miss Berneice Tuttle.....	1946-1948
Mrs. Howard H. Clarke.....	1948-1950
Mrs. Frederick W. Fletcher.....	1950-1952
Mrs. Jesse D. Billings, Jr.....	1952-1954
Mrs. William S. Cady.....	1954-1956
Mrs. Richard Clark.....	1956-1959
Mrs. Allan T. Danver.....	1959-1962
Mrs. Richard Chevalier.....	1962-1965
Mrs. Harold Durgin.....	1965-1968
Mrs. Jerome Lamoria.....	1968-1971
Mrs. Marin Douglas.....	1971-1974
Mrs. Archie Todd.....	1974-1977
Mrs. Irene Lamoria.....	1979-1980
Mrs. Ruth French.....	1980-1983
Miss Barbara Earle.....	1983-

ASCUTNEY CHAPTER

St. Albans, Vermont

Organized January 23, 1897

Ascutney Chapter is the proud owner of a copy of the original flag made by Betsy Ross in 1777. This copy was made by Rachel Albright, aged 92 years and 8 months, the granddaughter of Betsy Ross.

The membership was very active during the years of World War II, knitting sweaters, sewing, and rolling surgical dressings. Some members took courses in First Aid and Nutrition and both bought and sold war bonds.

For many years the chapter maintained a room with a collection of antiques and memorabilia in the Old Constitution House. With transfer of the house to the Vermont Historic Sites Commission, the chapter voted to turn the room over to them for maintenance. Ascutney Chapter will have use of the room for as long as it exists.

Programs have dealt with early history of the northern part of the state, with early geographical names in the country, the Old Crown Point Road, old buildings of Windsor, and Weathersfield folklore. A pilgrimage was made to Shard Villa in Salisbury.

Presentations were made of "History of Weathersfield" to the DAR Library in Washington, Bicentennial and United States flags to the Weathersfield Historical Society, and four Vietnam Certificates of Honor. Sixteen afghans were donated to the Veterans Hospital and members have helped cook and fill baskets for shut-ins at Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter. Sixty-five Revolutionary soldiers' graves were marked with flags on Memorial Day.

ASCUTNEY CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. S. K. McKewen.....	1935
Mary Patch.....	1936-1938
Lois W. Robinson.....	1939-1941
Mrs. John Kimball.....	1942-1946
Mrs. Herbert Foster.....	1947-1949
Mrs. O. E. Flint.....	1957-1959
Mrs. George Brown.....	1960
Mrs. Oras E. Flint.....	1961-1967
Mrs. Oscar Johnson.....	1969-1978
Mrs. Edward Abbott.....	1979-1981

BELLEVUE CHAPTER *St. Albans, Vermont* Organized February 1, 1896

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the American's Creed, President General's Message and five minutes of National Defense.

1933-1937 – Mrs. C. R. Arkinson – Membership 55

Bellevue Chapter sponsored a ten minute broadcast over the local radio station, Mrs. Arkinson giving a brief history of the national society and chapter work. The chapter was requested by the Civilian Conservation Corps. to participate on Columbus Day in the planting of an individual memorial grove. The grove would commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the United States Forest Service.

1938-1940 – Mrs. Stephen Dunbar – Membership 48

Bellevue Chapter was so proud to host the state conference last September. Mrs. Arkinson, a member of the Bellevue Chapter, was elected State Regent. The Golden Jubilee project was the gift of a silk flag given to the Bellow Free Academy in St. Albans.

1941-1943 – Mrs. Augustus Berdan – Membership 41

Members of Bellevue Chapter have been working very hard in assisting the Red Cross and Bundles for Britain. One member serves as a Gray Lady and has 490 hours to her credit.

1944 – Mrs. C. R. Arkinson – Membership 41

Two Junior American Citizens Clubs have been organized. Outstanding war efforts were made by Mrs. A. Berdan, who has official credit for 951 hours of service.

1945-1946 – Miss Ruth Arkinson – Membership 42

The chapter contributed to the Vermont War Chest and the Red Cross. One member was presented the DAR War Service pin for one thousand hours. An old map of the town of Roxbury was presented by a member of the Elijah Paine Chapter.

1947-1949 – Mrs. Stephen Dunbar – Membership 36

Birth records from old city records, as requested for the DAR Magazine, completed. Also the completion of Genealogical Records from the old city records.

1957-1958 – Mrs. C. R. Arkinson – Membership 26

Bellevue Chapter has not been able to hold any chapter meetings since June 1956, due to lack of the necessary quorum of members. However, the Chapter presents with pleasure the following report:

Nine Good Citizenship Medals and Five Good Citizen Pins were awarded. Contributions were made to St. Mary's Scholarship Fund and to the State Librarian Fund. Four members serve as Gray Ladies and work for the Red Cross.

1959-1965 – Mrs. David Neville – Membership 23

Three children's historical books presented to the St. Albans Library as a memorial to a deceased member. Membership was down to nineteen by 1960. The Chapter suffered a great loss in the death of one of its most beloved members, Mrs. Bertha Blake, a member since 1903.

1962-1965 – The Chapter has held no meetings during the past year. Through the eighteen-year service of our faithful Treasurer, Mrs. William Driscoll, the official work has been maintained.

1966-1968 – Mrs. C. R. Arkinson – Membership 12

Forced to disband, lack of new members. Don't let this happen to your chapter.

BENNINGTON CHAPTER
Burlington, Vermont
Organized August 16, 1893

Chapter Regents

1931-1935.....	Mrs. Henry P. Jones
1936-1938.....	Mrs. P. W. Eldred
1939-1940.....	Lena M. Sylvester
1941-1943.....	Miss Isabel L. Cole
1944-1946.....	Miss Hilda R. Rockwood
1947-1950.....	Mrs. Joseph A. Wilson
1951.....	Mrs. Hilda Orr
1952-1954.....	Mrs. Harry Moses
1955-1956.....	Mrs. William Daily
1956-1958.....	Mrs. Gilbert M. Vaughn
1959-1961.....	Mrs. William E. Daily
1962-1964.....	Mrs. Joseph A, Wilson, Sr.
1965-1967.....	Mrs. Osburn Gains
1968-1969.....	Mrs. Joseph A. Wilson, Sr.
1970.....	Mrs. William E. Daily
1971-1976.....	Mrs. Anna Vaughn
1977-1982.....	Mrs. Harry Hayden
1983-1986.....	Mrs. Dana Woods

On August 16, 1893, Bennington DAR Chapter was formed. It was organized by Jesse Burdett of Arlington, the first State Regent. Bennington was named to commemorate those who fought in the Battle of Bennington and the many historical events surrounding this locality. It is one of the earliest in the country and one of the first ten in the state. Our National Charter number is 66 and was issued February 17, 1894.

Throughout the years, since inception, we have made many contributions both financially and physically. We hold at least six meetings a year. Our meetings have been held in our members' homes, various historical places, and now at St. Peter's Church. As our members grow older, an easily accessible meeting place was needed. We now have interesting speakers come to us. Our block and gavel which opens all of our meetings was presented in 1907. These are made from a piece of wood from a bridge that stood between Fort Ticonderoga and Mt. Independence.

Our Chapter, though not a large one, 61 members, manages to remain very active both locally and statewide. We have many members both past and present who have served at the State level. One of our most active projects is the work at the local Veterans Home. One of our members also heads this State Committee. We are interested in supporting the John Strong Mansion.

Each meeting is opened with the required ritual. Our speakers are interesting and informative. We present History Medals, Good Citizenship Medals, and a Good Citizen Medal each year. We cover both Mount Anthony Memorial High School and Arlington Memorial High School. We no longer support writing contests because the schools are no longer interested, nor do we support Girls State for lack of interest. We still do many kinds of volunteer work and make money donations.

Throughout the years we have undertaken to do many projects. The following are some of our most noteworthy projects since 1930.

- 1930: A box of clothing was sent to Ellis Island. This donation carried on for many years. The clothes and money were sent for the use of the immigrants. A Vermont State bell was placed in the Carillon at Valley Forge.
- 1931: A book was published by the state, "Vermont Folk Songs and Ballads". Out of the 120 songs, Bennington Chapter contributed 11. Trees were planted in memory of George Washington's Birthday at a cost of 50¢ per member.
- 1932: The state sponsored a quilt; each chapter could purchase a square. The chapter's name was printed on each square in memory of Miss Hubell.
- 1933: Miss Huling donated a piece of Bennington pottery to the Continental Hall. The State Convention was held in Bennington at the Congregational Church.
- 1934: We sold gingerbread by the box to make a donation to Kenmore, the birthplace of George Washington. This year the national history of ancestors was printed.
- 1935: The amount of \$200.00 was donated to the Old First Church restoration fund. This paid for a pew dedicated to the memory of Ethan Allen.
- 1936: The purchase and restoration of the Strong Mansion was discussed. We donated account books of the Whipple Blacksmith Shop to the Vermont Historical Society.
- 1937: We donated the money for the wallpaper to be used in the kitchen at the Strong Mansion. It was voted to support the bill making the thrush the State Bird and the maple tree the State Tree.
- 1939: The Old Bennington Centre Cemetery was mapped by two of our local ladies. A Bennington Flag was placed in exhibit at the Bennington Museum, a loan from the DAR.
- 1940: A book was donated to the Bennington Museum. It was compiled by a member, Hazel Wilson, "Genealogical Records of Vermont Society DAR Vol.1". This was the year we started sponsoring the Good Citizenship Medal Project we are still undertaking.
- 1942: We collected used stamps to help support hospitals in Britain.
- 1943: We donated a refrigerator for the state blood plasma bank. We received a certificate for 90% participation in buying war bonds.
- 1944: We donated a registry book of Revolutionary soldiers buried in Bennington Centre Cemetery, compiled by Hazel Wilson. We donated boxes of homemade goodies to men serving in the Navy. We also donated 12 books on citizenship, placed in many different localities in town.

- 1945: The DAR deeded the State 115 acres of land next to Lake Champlain to be used as a State Park, in return for landscaping to be done at the John Strong Mansion, the land abutted the mansion. The Continental Hall in Washington was used by the Red Cross for their National War Center. The Smithsonian Museum suggested after the war that the Continental Hall be used as a museum, showing the history of our country. Each state would donate treasures pertaining to that state. A tuberculosis bond was purchased for \$5.00.
- 1946: \$10.00 was donated to the United Nations Organization Relief Fund. A letter of disapproval was sent from our chapter to the NSDAR for the policy of not letting "Colonials" use Constitution Hall. We endorsed anti-pollution by supporting clean streams. The State Convention was held in Bennington.
- 1947: We donated a flag to the Bennington Museum that had flown on the flagship Bennington.
- 1948: The "Kimball Genealogy" was purchased for the Bennington Museum.
- 1949: Three flags were donated, one to the Bennington Monument, one to the Bennington Museum and one to a Girl Scout troop.
- 1950: We sponsored 4 girls' attendance at Girls State.
- 1951: The Veterans Hospital was supported with homemade gifts and cash.
- 1952: The annual Christmas box of clothing was sent to Kate Duncan Smith.
- 1953: We raised \$142.00 for the National DAR Building Fund. We also donated a pair of gold earrings to the National Museum.
- 1954: Our members started working as volunteer guides at the Bennington Museum. A donation of \$10.00 was made to the Old North Church Restoration Fund.
- 1955: We won the state award for the largest per capita donated to the Indian Schools.
- 1956: We contributed money to help redecorate the Vermont Room in Washington. 46 pages of Genealogy records were copied. Miss Erminie Pollard was guest speaker on the John Strong Mansion.
- 1957: A book was donated to the NSDAR Library, "General Petitions 1778-1787 State Papers of Vermont, Vol. 8" by Ed Hoyt.
- 1958: Mrs. Wilson donated seven books to the CAR Library in Washington. Red roses were presented to our member, Rutha Mattesson on her 100th birthday. We donated \$15.50 to help plant maple trees at the John Strong Mansion. One hundred pages were copied for genealogy. Over 500 patriotic bookmarks were distributed throughout the schools. We also contributed over \$50.00 worth of articles to be auctioned off at the Mansion.
- 1959: Records of the Northrupp and Tucker families of Rhode Island were sent to the NSDAR Library. The State Convention was held in Bennington.
- 1961: A collection of beads was made and sent to St. Mary's Indian School.
- 1963: We donated a book to the NSDAR Library, "Data of the George Snyder Family".
- 1966: Green stamps were donated to the Mansion to help finance the repair of the roof. The State Chaplain was also presented a book of the pictures and histories of Old Churches in Vermont.

- 1967: Money was donated to the gate fund to guard our Vermont Room in Washington. At the State House in Montpelier, two local sons, past governors' portraits had no nameplates on them. We donated the nameplates for these portraits of Governor Wills and Governor Robinson. The first wreath was placed in Bennington Centre Cemetery commemorating the Battle of Bennington. Before this time the August meeting had been held at the Bennington Battlefield with the New York Chapter joining us.
- 1969: We started our own CAR Chapter which later disbanded due to lack of interest. We joined the Vermont Old Cemetery Association to work towards the preservation of old cemeteries in the state.
- 1970: We started taking up a yearly collection for the Vermont Veterans Home. An 1826 sampler done by Mrs. Neil Foster was presented to the Vermont Room in Washington.
- 1971: To help raise funds for the Chapter, a 25¢ collection for a door prize was initiated.
- 1973: We presented a Heritage Book to the Bennington Museum. This was the 20th year we sponsored Girls State.
- 1974: We raised the money to present a set of 12 pewter medals by the Franklin Mint to the Bennington Museum. These medals depicted Women of the Revolution.
- 1975: We celebrated our 35th year of sponsoring a Good Citizenship student. A needlepoint pillow was donated to the New England Breakfast Raffle in Washington.
- 1976: A marker was dedicated on August 16th to mark the mass grave of Unknown Soldiers from the Revolution. We were asked to participate and lay a wreath.
- 1977: We received a certificate for 100% participation to the murals in Washington.
- 1978: July 22 was declared to be DAR Day at the John Strong Mansion.
- 1979: Nellie Hayden was appointed State Chaplain.
- 1980: We donated money to help repair the Ballroom at Hildene Mansion, home of Robert Lincoln, son of Abraham Lincoln. The State Conference was held in Bennington.
- 1981: The roof and foundation were repaired at the mansion; donations were sent from Bennington. We started a yearly contribution to send a Bennington child to a Conservation Camp. We had a junior member represent Bennington Chapter at Continental Congress. Joan Wood served as a Page.
- 1982: Mrs. Priscilla Ochocki, a member, donated a painting, which was raffled off to make money for the Mansion. We also held a tag sale and were able to donate \$528.00 to the Mansion. This was the most of any Chapter in the State. Joan Woods was named the Outstanding Junior for the State of Vermont.
- 1983: We were awarded a Blue Ribbon for our yearbook. We saved soup labels for our DAR Schools. We presented the Soldiers Home with hand knitted bed socks, saddlebags for wheelchairs and lap robes. August 16th celebrated our 90th anniversary. We had a luncheon and birthday cake. Among our guests were our State Regent, Beryl Todd; Vice President General, Mr. Todd; and Mrs. Ershel Patterson, State Historian.
- 1984: We won a tri-colored ribbon for our yearbook. We donated to help restore the Statue of Liberty and held a meeting at the Walloomsac Inn, a local historical Inn.

1985: We donated a book to the NSDAR Library and placed markers on four of our deceased members' graves. We are honored to have one of our members, Mrs. Helen Beardon, listed as a veteran. We donated soup labels to the DAR Schools and we received honorable mention for honor roll requirements.

BRATTLEBORO CHAPTER
Brattleboro, Vermont
 Organized October 4, 1893

Brattleboro Chapter was named after our own town, which was named for William Brattle. It was organized as chapter 75 by Mrs. Annie Gray Cobb #2751, with 15 charter members on October 4, 1893 and this is our 90th Anniversary.

Miss Ethel Eddy.....	1931-1933
Mrs. Mary C. Crosier.....	1933-1935
Mrs. Anna S. Jones.....	1935-1937
Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas.....	1971-1939
Mrs. Grace B. Dunklee.....	1939-1941
Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas.....	1941-1943
Mrs. Florence H. Thompson.....	1943-1946
Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas.....	1946-1950
Mrs. Mary C. Crosier.....	1950-1952
Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas.....	1952-1953
Miss Pauline Adams.....	1953-1957
Mrs. Marion E. Bond.....	1957-1959
Miss Pauline Adams.....	1959-1962
Mrs. Ethel May.....	1962-1965
Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas.....	1965-1967
Miss Pauline Adams.....	1967-1970
Mrs. Rachel Butterfield.....	1970-1973
Mrs. Rosetta Pyle.....	1973-Jan. 1974
Mrs. Florence Lawson.....	1974-Jan. 1977
Mrs. Gertrude Miller.....	Jan.- June 1977
Mrs. Ethel R. May.....	Jan.- June 1977
Mrs. Barbara Sprague.....	1977-1983
Mrs. Phyllis Pettit.....	1983-

The 40th Anniversary of Brattleboro Chapter was celebrated in 1933, and Mrs. Mary Crosier was installed as Regent, her second term.

Dr. Joseph Gray Chapter CAR was organized in memory of Mrs. Florence Gray Estey, with Mrs. Charles Squires to have charge. Mrs. Estey was a Charter Member of Brattleboro Chapter, National No. 2750, and was a past Chapter Regent, State Regent, and Honorary Vice-President for Life, NSDAR. She died January 28, 1933. On August 24, 1934, dedication was held by the Vermont State Society DAR, in memory of Mrs. Florence Carpenter Gray Estey, on her birth date, at the historic General Strong Home, near the Champlain Bridge in Addison, Vermont, built in 1782, and the 100 adjoining acres of Forest Reserve. A framed photograph of the old "Kane Pine" near the Brattleboro Retreat was sent to the Strong Mansion.

The National Badge of the late Dr. Laura Plantz of Putney, a charter member and an honorary member of Brattleboro Chapter was presented to the National Museum at Washington. It was voted to place metal markers on the graves of deceased members.

Mrs. Anna S. Jones was installed as Regent in 1935, Mrs. Edythe Thomas in 1937 and Mrs. Grace D. Dunklee in 1939. Meetings were held in members' homes, churches and in neighboring towns; many of them luncheon meetings. Contributions were made to local, state and national programs, pins and medals were given to Good Citizens, girls and boys, and American History prizes were awarded to high school

students. A variety of programs were presented, one of them being when Lt. Governor George Aiken spoke to us about wildflowers.

The first DAR marker used by our chapter was placed on the grave of Mary Ellen Smith #28295, who died June 22, 1937 and is buried in the Guilford Christ Church Cemetery.

CAR in Washington gave a silver spoon to the first baby to join CAR, and the Brattleboro CAR presented it to Alfred Lawrence Dunklee, son of Mr. And Mrs. David Dunklee, and grandson of Mrs. Grace Dunklee.

Revolutionary Soldiers' graves received markers and a record of the graves marked was placed in the DAR room in the old Brooks Library.

A bronze tablet in memory of Philip Franklin, ancestor of Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, was attached to a large boulder on the Old Albany Post Road, part of Cumberland County, New York, before Vermont became a state. It was dedicated July 20, 1939, and is located at Packer's Corners, Guilford, Vermont, near the Dr. Sweet property.

In 1941, Mrs. Edythe M. Thomas was installed as Regent for a second term, Mrs. Florence H. Thompson in 1943, and Mrs. Thomas for a third term as Regent in 1946.

Flags were placed in school rooms and the children from Kurn Hattin Home presented a program each year, some were musical and some were pageants. They still present a variety program at our spring meeting, and guests were invited. It was World War II time, and Defense Bonds were purchased. Contributions were made to the Red Cross, Ellis Island, the Blood Plasma Bank, and to a Nursery Shelter in England. Membership dues were raised.

In 1943, the 50th Anniversary of Brattleboro Chapter was celebrated. It was voted to pay our share towards the Valley Forge Memorial Tower in Pennsylvania. We had contributed previously towards the Vermont Bell for the Chimes. Members attended the dedication of two new bells.

Our last charter member, Miss Della M. Sherman #3661, died on March 22, 1946.

The Florence Gray Estey (of our chapter) Forest Reserve in Addison, Vermont was given to the State of Vermont Forestland, reserving the DAR Strong Mansion and suitable ground around the marker dedicated to Mrs. Estey. DAR had set out thousands of white pine seedlings there.

CAR was reported inactive.

Mrs. Mary C. Crosier was installed as Regent in 1950 for her third term. Mrs. Edythe Thomas for her fourth term in 1952 and, in 1953 Miss Pauline Adams became Regent.

Community Ambassadors presented very interesting programs, showing picture and slides and telling us about their summer spent in a foreign country. One other very interesting program was given by the Honorable Robert T. Gannett who is a descendant of General William Brattle of Cambridge and Boston, Massachusetts, and for whom Brattleboro was named.

Delegates to Continental Congress visited at the White House and there was a special train from Washington to the Dedication of the Valley Forge Bell Tower, April 18, 1953.

Brattleboro Chapter celebrated their 60th Anniversary in October 1953 with a cake which had 60 candles.

In Guilford, the bronze plaque in memory of Philip Franklin, maternal ancestor of President Calvin Coolidge was found pried off the boulder, probably by vandals. It was later found out that the marker was knocked off by a snowplow. It was also voted to restore the Fort Dummer Marker, on Vermont Road, which needed repair.

Mrs. Marion Bond was elected Regent in 1957, and in 1959, Miss Pauline Adams was Regent for her second term. Then Mrs. Ethel May was installed as Regent in 1962 and in 1965, Mrs Edythe Thomas became Regent for her fifth term.

In 1958, the Bigelow House in West Brattleboro, which was the Old Hayes Tavern, was offered for sale to us, but after much discussion it was voted not to buy it. It was also voted to write our Congressmen to not let our National Anthem be changed.

Renovations were made and a new bookcase was obtained for the DAR room in the old Brooks Library. There was a lot of research done on Grandparents papers. The Regent presented DAR cards to 45 persons at the Naturalization Ceremony at the Federal Court in Brattleboro.

Mrs. Thomas' granddaughter, Patricia Thomas, also a member of our Chapter, was a Page at Continental Congress. Many of our older members had died and twelve markers were placed on their graves in 1963.

In 1967, Miss Pauline Adams began her third term as Regent and Mrs. Rachel Butterfield was installed as Regent in 1970. Rachel is continuing to be a very active member of our Chapter. The Brattleboro Chapter's 75th Anniversary was celebrated in 1968.

A new library was built, the Brooks Memorial Library, and in February, 1968, the DAR Library was moved from the old Brooks Library to a room in the new building. This room had metal wire-like partitions, and so received the name, "The Cage". There continued to be a lot of work done on DAR and Genealogical Records, repairing books and purchasing new books. The new library has a meeting room with a small kitchen, so many of the DAR meetings, including luncheon meetings, have been held there.

Mrs. Rosetta Pyle became Regent in 1973 and the 80th Anniversary of our chapter was celebrated with guests from the State and neighboring chapters. Mrs. Pyle died on January 12, 1974 and Mrs. Rachel Butterfield became Regent again.

In 1974, Mrs. Florence Lawson was installed as Regent. Good Citizens from three different schools were presented Good Citizen Pins and History Prizes were awarded. Kevin Stone, one of the winners, was a winner of the DAR Education Grant.

On June 13, 1976, our Chapter assisted in the re-dedication of the Fort Bridgeman Plaque and Monument, and the Vernon Bicentennial Committee placed a marker near the road in Vernon. The land owner is to maintain a path to the monument. This is near the Cersosimo Lumber Mill.

Mrs. Lawson, our Regent, died suddenly on January 28, 1977. Our First Vice-Regent, Mrs. Gertrude Miller was in Florida, so our second Vice-Regent, Mrs. Ethel May, who had recently celebrated her 90th birthday, conducted our meetings until Mrs. Miller returned from Florida. A 50-Year certificate was presented to Mrs. Betty Foley Whiting #231953 at our annual luncheon meeting that year.

The "Arch Street" Bronze Plaque, which was rescued from the Barrows Block, which burned in January 1977, was placed in safe-keeping until arrangements could be made to re-locate and dedicate it.

Mrs. Barbara Sprague was installed as Regent in June, 1977. On July 16, 1977, a Revolutionary Soldier's marker was dedicated at the grave of Royal Tyler in Prospect Hill Cemetery with some of his descendants attending the ceremony. Royal Tyler was an American writer and former Chief Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court.

Two 50-Year members, Mrs. Marion Miller #239885 and Miss Florence Wellman #248572 were honored at our annual luncheon meeting in 1978. On November 5, 1978, a rededication of the "Arch Street" Plaque was held on Main Street in Brattleboro. It is now mounted on the Old Van Doorn Building (also known as the Culver Building). Arch Street was the main road leading to The Wharf where the riverboats from Hartford, Connecticut unloaded their cargo, including "The Barnet", the first riverboat in 1827.

A nameplate from a replaced chair in the DAR Constitution Hall, presented in 1926 by Brattleboro Chapter in memory of Laura M. Plantz, M.D. #228, a charter member of DAR and Honorary member of our chapter, was given to her grandchild who was very grateful to receive it. In 1980 we assisted at the State Conference.

In 1982, the DAR Room and the Local History Room at Brooks Memorial Library were combined into one big section. The framed Chapter Charter is displayed on the wall near the entrance of the DAR section door.

Mrs. Phyllis Pettit was installed as Regent in June, 1983, and we have three active Past-Regents: Mrs. Rachel Butterfield, Mrs. Gertrude Miller and Mrs. Barbara Sprague. Brattleboro Chapter is celebrating its ninetieth year since it was organized. Barbara is at the present time, State Membership Chairman.

CAPTAIN JEDEDIAH HYDE CHAPTER

Hyde Park, Vermont

Organized February 23, 1914

1931-1934.....	Mary Moody
1935-1937.....	Minerva Tinkham
1938-1940.....	Isaora Miner
1941-1943.....	Ruth Pike
1944-1947.....	Ellen Noyes
1948-1950.....	Mary LePalme
1951-1953.....	Elizabeth Robins
1954-1956.....	Effie Smalley
1957-1959.....	Clara Ross
1960-1961.....	Frances Holcomb
1962-1964.....	Florence Kneeland
1965-1967.....	Jane Corse
1968-1971.....	Harriet Rhodes
1972-1975.....	Laura Madison
1976-1978.....	Louise Jacobs
1979-1984.....	Marjorie Napoli

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the American's Creed, President General's Message and at least five minutes of National Defense.

1937 – Membership: 51. Mrs. Witherell, State Regent, made an appeal, at the June meeting in Montpelier, for each chapter to raise \$1.20 per capita to help pay off the mortgage on the John Strong Mansion. \$43.90 has been collected for the purpose from card parties and donations from non-residents. We hope to complete our quota of \$61.20 very soon.

1948 – Membership: 39. Members have donated many hours working for the war effort. Coupons and wrappers were collected for the DAR Schools; War Bonds were sold at all meetings.

1954 – Membership: 36. Dues were raised to \$4.50 per year. The Captain Jedediah Hyde Chapter sponsored 112 girls for Good Citizenship, more than any other chapter in the state.

1962 – Membership: 28. A program was given on the Civil War Centennial, using slides of our National Battlefields. Captain Jedediah Hyde and a local S.A.R. Chapter celebrated the Battle of Hubbardton. The American Heritage Committee went into effect in 1965. This will absorb American Music and Motion Picture Committees.

1970 – Membership: 19. A special meeting and workshop was held at the Governor Smith Inn, St. Albans. In the morning a Genealogy workshop was held. At noon a banquet-style table, with a lovely luncheon, found thirty ladies present. Chapter Officers and members were introduced to the new applicants.

1974 – Membership: 17. Our precious membership suffered, due to an increase in dues. Our annual Good Citizens Meeting, held this year at the Lamoille Union High School, was a huge success. We were happy to present our five Good citizens with pins and a copy of “What the Daughters Do”. They in turn provided our program with a panel discussion on current news topics. Tea, beautifully served afterward, was a project of the Home Economics Class.

1978 – Membership: 30. A program was given on the life and family of Captain Jedediah Hyde. A portrait of his youngest daughter, Diadama, was loaned to us by the Hyde Park Library for the program.

1983 – Membership: 36. Senator Henry Manchester was our speaker in October at a Pot Luck Supper. We are so proud to have two of our members holding positions as State Chairmen. Good Citizens from six schools were awarded pins. Membership is moving upward and we, the members of the Captain Jedediah Hyde Chapter, hope for big things in the future.

CAVENDISH CHAPTER
Cavendish, Vermont
Organized May 6, 1911

Cavendish Chapter was organized on May 6, 1911 and was named after the town in which the Organizing Regent lived. Two of her children, Elizabeth Eaton and Nellie Johnson, were Chapter Regents as well as a granddaughter, Nettie Harris.

The Chapter report in the Vermont DAR History stated that Lois Pollard was Regent, therefore her name will start the following list:

Grace Amsden
Jane Butler
Addie Parker
Elizabeth Eaton Belknap
Grace Amsden Dix
Marion Flanders

Twelve meetings were held each year until 1979 when the January meeting was “snowed out”.

The hostesses served light refreshments at first, but soon the “pot luck” lunch was established.

Requests from National were few, they being Ellis Island, War Cases for the DAR Museum, contributions for Real Daughters, and Kate Duncan Smith School. Other contributions were made to State and Local causes. Money was budgeted for Vermont Children’s Aid, Kurn Hattin Homes, Tuberculosis Association, Bryant Health Camp, Student Loan, John Strong Mansion, and Green Mountain Boys’ State.

Chapter activities included a colonial Party on Washington’s Birthday, a trip with Lucy Fletcher Chapter to Springfield to walk on the Crown Point Road to the Town of Amsden, a Dedication Ceremony for a Marker listing all Revolutionary Soldiers buried in Cavendish, the money for which was left in the will of Florence Haven Green.

Members attended Memorial Day Exercises in a group. Membership grew from twelve Charter Members to twenty-nine. All state meetings and Continental Congress were well attended.

The next group of Regents was responsible for the Chapter activities during their period of office:

Mary Flanders Smith
Vivian Spaulding
Nettie Johnson Harris
Erminie L. Pollard
Thelma Woodell

Under their leadership, the Chapter sponsored two Good Citizens each year from Chester High School and Black River High School. At that time only girls were eligible. Good Citizenship Awards were made to students in the elementary schools of Proctorsville and Duttonsville.

Interesting programs focused on the 350th celebration of Lake Champlain, local Golden Jubilee projects, a map was presented to Proctorsville School, and a Vermont State Flag to the Duttonsville School. Additional programs included, "Life of Aunt Lizzie Aiken, a Civil War Nurse of Cavendish", "James Monroe's Trip to Vermont in 1818", and "War Songs and Their Origin" written by Elsie Palmer. This particular program was sent to Washington to be included in the Program Files for use of other Chapters.

The members gave 30¢ each toward the Portrait of Caroline Scott Harrison to be placed in the William Henry Harrison Museum as requested by National.

The Captive Johnson Chapter, Children of the American Revolution, was formed with fourteen members. History prizes were given to members of the seventh and eighth grades in the local schools.

A very successful Guest Day was organized by Vivian Spaulding, Regent. It was held in the Methodist Church of Proctorsville with Ethel Derby as guest speaker, who spoke about her father, President Theodore Roosevelt. Mary Churchill provided proof for a gravestone for one Revolutionary Patriot and Markers for eight other Revolutionary Soldiers.

During the war years, contributions were made to the Blood Bank, U.S.O., Vermont War Chest and members sold War Bonds and Stamps. Bandage folding and much knitting used any spare time. Letters were sent to all soldiers from the town on a regular basis, as well as kits and Christmas packages.

Membership increased to 43 and the chapter received Honor Roll citations. A Guest Day held at the American Legion Hall in Proctorsville attracted members from five chapters and four State Officers. Iris Hobson, a member of the State Legislature from Wells, was Guest Speaker.

A penny collection was taken for sending cards to members on special occasions. A "Mystery" package at 10¢ was started to enable the purchase of pins for all who had served as Regents. Well chosen topics for a "Roll Call" gave members a chance to take part in the meeting, and occasionally, a chance to "show and tell" some prized possession. The next group of Regents and their accomplishments brings Cavendish Chapter History up to present day activities.

Nettie Harris
Priscilla Lockwood
Erminie Pollard
Ruth Nisbet
Erminie Pollard
Irma Rowe

The 50th Anniversary of Cavendish Chapter was held in the Universalist Church of Cavendish with a tea held in the General Davis home.

Plans for the Diamond Jubilee of DAR to be held in Washington were delayed. Telegrams were sent to all National Board Members asking them to vote on whether or not to hold Continental Congress due to rioting and unrest in the city. An overwhelming vote of approval was given. The DAR received much favorable comment for their courage to proceed with "Business as Usual".

Membership increased to 57 with 17 DAR Magazine subscriptions. Contributions were made to Veteran-Patients in money, knitted articles and puzzles. A member of the chapter was in the Army Nurse Corp in the Pacific. Donations were made to the Vermont Genealogical Building, Cavendish Academy Fund, Amy Perkins Memorial, and the President General's Project.

The chapter earned the gold Honor Roll award for 15 consecutive years. Cavendish Chapter Children of the American Revolution was organized with 9 members and Nettie Harris served as Senior President.

Members attended Guest Day in Ormsby Chapter and William French Chapter. The chapter entertained at the Fletcher Memorial Library with an excellent slide program, "Vermont – Past and Present" given by Mrs. Percy Fellows and a winner in the American Month History Contest read her essay.

Cavendish Chapter hosted the June State Meeting at the Methodist Church with lunch in the school across the road.

Members serving as State Officers include Erminie Pollard, now Honorary State Regent; Priscilla Lockwood, Chaplain; Nettie Harris, Librarian; Ruth Nisbet, Historian; Elizabeth Patterson, producer of this History and Trustee to John Strong Mansion; and Sue Degener, Senior President of C.A.R.

There are 2 members serving in the armed forces – Imogene Baxendale and Norma Westcott Griffen and Representative the State Legislature, Erminie L. Pollard.

Officers in 1984 are:

- Irma Rowe, Regent
- Elisabeth Patterson, Vice Regent
- Jaska Hinkley, Champlain
- Margaret Lauzon, Recording Secretary
- Vivian Spaulding, Corresponding Secretary
- Patricia Hartshorne, Treasurer
- Barbara Dufresne, Registrar
- Mildred Ward, Librarian-Historian

Membership is now 55, with 7 Junior Members. Dues are \$18.00. Eleven meetings are held with the May one with William French Chapter. Two plaques for at least a contribution of \$500 for the Restoration Fund can be seen at the John Strong Mansion -Ruth Nisbet, as an individual, and the Chapter one. To date, Cavendish Chapter has contributed \$1,834.51. Cavendish Chapter will continue to meet State and National requirements and be represented at State meetings and Continental Congress. They will continue to cooperate wholeheartedly in making the aims of DAR known in Vermont.

COLONEL ISRAEL CONVERSE CHAPTER
Randolph, Vermont
Organized November 16, 1910

On October 25, 1910, five women met in Randolph Center to discuss the organization of a D.A.R. Chapter. The required number to organize not being present; they met again on November 16, 1910 and organized the chapter.

Eighteen members were Charter Members. The first Regent was Mrs. Lucy Allen Parish. Her husband, Luke Parish, was made counselor for the chapter. His great-great grandfather, Colonel Israel Converse served in the Revolutionary War and in honor of Mr. Parish, the name of his ancestor was chosen for the chapter.

Mrs. E. A. Morse.....	1932-1933
Mrs. F. Wilson Day.....	1934-1935
Mrs. Beatrice Perkins.....	1936-1937
Mrs. Clifford Dustin.....	1938-1939
Mrs. D. S. Arnold.....	1940-1944
Mrs. E. A. Morse.....	1944-1947
Mrs. Dwight Palmer.....	1947-1949

Mrs. Clifford Dustin.....	1950-1953
Mrs. William Clark.....	1953-1958
Mrs. Harry Tilson.....	1959-1962
Mrs. Roy LoCicero.....	1962-1968
Mrs. Chauncey Allen.....	1968-1971
Mrs. Seward Osha.....	1971-1977
Mrs. Queenie Bird.....	1977-1978
Mrs. Anna Rice.....	1978-1982
Mrs. M. W. McLaughlin.....	1982-

1933 – Membership: 37. Dedication and unveiling of the marker on the grave of Colonel Israel Converse.

1935 – Membership: 30. The chapter gave \$2.50 and a box to the Ellis Island Fund. Window drapes fro the Bethany Parish House have been donated.

1940 – Membership: 24. As our Golden Jubilee project we presented the American Legion Post with an American flag for their memorial park. We also planted three maple trees in Bethel.

1945 – Membership: 25. \$5.00 was given to the Mobile X-ray on Wheels for the Navy. We also gave \$5.00 for a wired distribution radio system for the May General Army Hospital in Gailsburg, Illinois.

1950 – Membership: 25. Mrs. Morse attended Continental Congress and the pilgrimage t the John Strong Mansion. We have two state officers and two state chairmen.

1957 – Membership: 33. Christmas presents were sent to Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith schools. Donations to American Indian Schools, National Investment Fund, Vermont Room, and the Vermont Fund for the side porch of the new Allene W. Grove girls dormitory at Tamassee.

1960 – Membership: 37. Colonel Israel Converse was hostess chapter for the summer meeting held in the Bethany Parish House in Randolph with one-hundred-twenty members attending.

1965 – Membership: 31. We donated \$1.00 per member to complete the pledge of \$1,000.00 as Vermont State Society’s contribution to the President General’s project. Colonel Israel Converse had a picture and write-up in the January, 1965 issue of the DAR Magazine.

1970 – Membership: 34. The main objective every year is to place a DAR marker on at least one grave of a Revolutionary soldier. We are so pleased to have two state officers in our chapter – Mrs. Roy LaCicero, State Librarian and Miss Zilpah Ranney, State Historian.

1975 – Membership: 38. The chapter was proud and pleased to present fifty-year certificates to three members. 100% participation for the President General’s project. The blue ribbon was received for the program. Members have been gathering the histories of local churches to be published in a series for the Randolph newspaper.

1980 – Membership: 37. Our July meeting was held in historic Plymouth, with a tour of the Coolidge birthplace and homestead. To honor the 250th birthday of George Washington, a flowering shrub was planted in Fairview Cemetery.

ELIJAH PAINE CHAPTER
Northfield, Vermont
 Organized January 6, 1915

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the President General’s Message, five minutes of National Defense, the American’s Creed and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1933-1934 – Clara Holton. Membership: 55.

Senator William Bartlett helped our November meeting greatly by giving a talk and delightfully played several violin selections.

1935-1936 – Mrs. William Kidd. Membership: 51.

In July, a picnic was held at the summer home of our Regent. A most enjoyable program was given by five DAR members.

1937 – Mrs. E. Cornelia Porter. Membership: 45.

Mrs. Charles Plumbley represented our chapter at Continental Congress. Dorothy Emerson, a Northfield High School student, was chosen as an alternated in the state contest for the Good Citizenship pilgrimage to Washington, D.C.

1938-1939 – Ethal Middlebrook. Membership: 44

The annual Ellis Island Christmas party, with members of the C.A.R. as entertainers, was a huge success. In February the chapter gave a patriotic radio broadcast.

1940-1941 – Mrs. Walter Emerson. Membership: 43

A flag, which constitutes the chapter's Golden Jubilee project, was presented to the Roxbury Flat School. Genealogical records of the West Hill Cemetery in Williamstown and other cemeteries in the vicinity of Northfield have been made and sent to the state chairman.

1942 – Mrs. E. Cornelia Porter. Membership: 39.

1,780 cancelled stamps were collected and sent to British Headquarters for the benefit of Queen's Hospital in London. Contributions were made through the local community fund for Northfield boys at Fort Blanding.

1943-1945 – Mrs. Arthur Peach. Membership: 40

Contributions have been made to the Red Cross and the fund for a new refrigerator for blood plasma storage. Members have sewed, knitted and made surgical dressings to support the war effort.

1946-1947 – Mrs. Mildred Walker. Membership: 42

The Elijah Paine Chapter sponsored a radio broadcast by Rev. M.J. Genter of Waterbury. The broadcast was an account of "The Spirit of 76".

1948-1950 – Mrs. E.A. Birchard. Membership: 42.

We have two Junior American Citizen Clubs. The chapter is proud to have two of our members holding state offices as State Chairman.

1955-1957 – Mrs. Ernest Harmon. Membership: 43.

Copies of the "Flag Code" were presented to each member of the graduating class of Norwich University. Our "Guest Meeting" was well represented, with seven chapters attending.

1958-1960 – Mrs. James Lee Wells. Membership: 45.

Twenty-five genealogical papers have been copied and sent out to the state chairmen. Contributions were sent to the Mansion Fund for the water works and for a new tree for the grounds.

1961-1962 – Mrs. George Newbrough. Membership: 41

The Elijah Paine Chapter subscribed for membership to The Old Cemeteries Association. The DAR Motion Picture Review, based on content and moral nature, was donated to the Brown Public Library.

1961 – Mrs. Harold Fuller. Membership: 36

Contributions were made to the mansion fund and the Vermont Room in Washington, D.C. Boxes of used clothing were sent to Crossnore School.

1964-1966 – Mrs. George Lane. Membership: 31

The Elijah Paine Chapter sponsored a program over radio station WDEV. Mrs. George NewBrough spoke on "Aims of the DAR". The chapter published the names of fifteen ancestors in the Vermont issue of the DAR Magazine, as well as securing two advertisements.

1967-1970 – Mrs. Edward Sargent. Membership: 24

We contributed to the Kurn Hattin Home, Tamasee, Kate Duncan Smith, St. Mary's Indian School and the American History Scholarship.

1971-1973 – Mrs. Charles Runearson. Membership: 25

The pilgrimage to Williamstown Cemetery marked the restoration and re-dedication of the monument of Elijah Paine. The article appeared in the May 1972 DAR Magazine. We received the Gold Honor Roll and Blue Ribbon for our program.

1974-1975 – Mrs. H. Leon Sheppard. Membership: 25

Contributed 100% to "The Gift of the Nation" project. Twenty-one essays received for the American History Month essay contest.

1976-1978 – Mrs. Richard Pollard. Membership: 25

We have had six meetings a year, two of which were luncheon meetings with Marquis de Lafayette and Rebeckah Hastings Chapters. Elijah Paine Chapter presented a special medal to an outstanding Norwich cadet and the Good Citizen Award to a Northfield senior.

1981-1983 – Mrs. Richard Halsted. Membership: 22

We held a "Sight Unseen Auction" to help raise money for the John Strong Mansion. Mrs. Elizabeth Miller gave two interesting reports this past year. At our May meeting, Mrs. Miller told us of the Continental Congress that was held in April in Washington. Our December meeting was highlighted by Mrs. Miller's report on our State Conference.

ETHAN ALLEN CHAPTER
Middlebury, Vermont
Organized December 16, 1896

PAST REGENTS OF THE ETHAN ALLEN CHAPTER

Mrs. John H. Stewart.....	1932-1934
Mrs. Lewis J. Hathaway.....	1934-1936
Mrs. John J. Burke.....	1936-1938
Mrs. Horace N. Dow.....	1938-1942
Mrs. Allen M. Cline.....	1942-1946
Mrs. George H. Charlton.....	1946-1948
Mrs. Benjamin Wales.....	1948-1950
Mrs. Paul Nefflen.....	1950-1954
Mrs. Bernice Twitchell.....	1954-1956
Mrs. Wilbur Minkler.....	1956-1958
Mrs. Raymond Goss.....	1958-1962
Mrs. Ralph Merritt.....	1962-1964
Mrs. George Bristol.....	1964-1965
Mrs. Raymond Goss.....	1965-1968
Mrs. William W. Theis.....	1968-1971
Mrs. Robert Fenn.....	1971-1974
Mrs. Willard W. Reger.....	1974-1980
Mrs. Robert Fenn.....	1980-1986

The Ethan Allen Chapter, DAR, Middlebury, Vermont, was organized on Wednesday afternoon, December 16, 1896, Boston Tea Party Day. The meeting was held at the home of Miss Ada B. Callendar, on Weybridge Street with 16 members present. The officers were elected for one year. The first delegate to

Continental Congress in Washington, from the newly formed chapter was the Regent, Miss Katherine Wright, in 1897.

The chapter always planned their meetings on days of Historical Celebration – Hubbardton Day, Bennington Battle Day, Yorktown Day, Ethan Allen’s Birthday, Washington’s Birthday, Lexington Day, and Patriot’s Day, from the organizing of the chapter until 1983.

Contributions were made toward the Vermont Bell in the Cathedral Chimes in the Memorial for George Washington at Valley Forge in 1903

The chapter, in 1941, added in the purchase of the Emma Willard Memorial erected in the triangle southeast of the Congregational Church, also to take care of the grounds and landscaping around the monument. This they continue to do. The monument was dedicated in October 1941. Mrs. John Burke and Mrs. C.A. Adams served on the Program Committee.

Ethan Allen Chapter has always participated in the maintenance and preservation of the John Strong Mansion. Members have served on the various boards, presented many gifts of furnishings, including a flag, and hours of labor to make it the delightful historical building it is today.

The six or eight regular meetings were and still are held in homes of members as well as in the Community House and places of historical interest.

The Chapter By-Laws were revised in 1930 to conform with State and National, also in 1955 to have the officers serve three years to coincide with State and National elections.

Miss Katherine Wright’s DAR pin was given to the chapter by her sister to be loaned to each Regent to wear during her term of office.

The head of our chapter gavel was made from a piece of wood too green to burn when the Indians burned the barn of the first pioneer settler in Middlebury. The handle was given by Henry Sheldon and came from the John Alden Home in Duxbury, Massachusetts.

Several Middlebury School children have been winners in Historic Essay Contests, of whom we are very proud.

Since 1938, a Good Citizen medal, certificate, or pin has been presented to a local high school girl, also to Craftsbury Academy and Enosburg Falls High School.

Memorial books are given to Isley Library for each deceased member. The Chapter Librarian and her committee chose one appropriate to the interests of the member.

Mrs. Ruth Larrow arranged two old book exhibits place in Isley Library and the High School library to emphasize the importance of seeking and preserving anything that could help present generations to understand and appreciate the contributions of the past. Included were a very old Gazeteer, history books, a pewter candlestick and a warming pan, all arranged on a hand-woven table cloth.

Every year during American History Month the Chapter Historian collects items from the members for a display at Isley Library. Included are early children’s toys, items used on a desk in the 17 and 18th century, hand-painted china, all types of fans, and Indian artifacts to name a few.

The Ethan Allen Lineage Books, resource materials and other valuable books formerly kept at Isley are now at the Sheldon Museum Research Center where they are much in use.

It was voted to purchase a chair for the Vermont Room in memory of Mrs. Lucie Sutton Stewart at a Lincoln’s Birthday dinner meeting held at the Middlebury Inn. Mrs. Stewart, a past State Regent, established the Vermont Room during her term of office.

“The Vermont History of DAR was published during the term of Miss Alice Hinman, State Librarian and a member of Mary Baker Allen Chapter of Cornwall. She was ably assisted by Mrs. John Stewart of Ethan Allen Chapter of Middlebury. The book was first placed on sale at the Vermont State Conference at Basin Harbor, September 1931. The first volume was sold to Ethan Allen Chapter and placed in the Public Library in Middlebury in honor of Mrs. Stewart.” (*May H. Russell, Chapter Historian*).

Ethan Allen Chapter was honored to host the State Conference in 1936, 1955, 1962, 1971, and 1978 and proud to entertain National and State Officers.

Graves of Revolutionary War Soldiers have been identified and marked in the West Cemetery, Seeley District, Hammond, Old Town, Case Street, and Foote Street Cemeteries.

This chapter has always supported the DAR-approved schools and has been represented at Continental Congress by one or more members almost every year.

Green Mountain Boys Society C.A.R. was organized in January 1972, sponsored by Ethan Allen Chapter. The first Senior President was former Regent, Mrs. William W. Theis. There were 28 members at one time – 13 being grandchildren of Mrs. Eva Goss, a past regent.

Using a famous quotation by John Adams as its theme, the chapter, assisted by the Green Mountain Boys Society C.A.R., arranged a display in Lazarus Department Store on Main Street to celebrate the Bicentennial. “Statesmen may plan and speculate for Liberty, but it is Religion and Morality alone upon which Freedom can securely stand.”

The Chapter was honored to have as a member for 81 years, Mrs. Jessica Stewart Swift, who became a member in 1900. She died January 2, 1982. Mrs. Swift came from a line of illustrious persons from whom she inherited patriotic and community spirit. Few individuals have exemplified the NSDAR objectives, high ideals and Christian outlook that made her truly the First Lady of Middlebury.

GENERAL LEWIS MORRIS CHAPTER

Springfield, Vermont
Organized June 11, 1908

1933-1935 – Mrs. C.A. Jackson. Membership: 77

A Colonial Tea was served on Washington’s Birthday. The program was an exhibition of one hundred fifty dolls of all kinds, dating from 1785 thru 1933. In June the Chapter celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary and sixty members attended. Eighty packages, containing toys, games and clothing were sent to the children of the Kurn Hattin Home for Christmas.

1936-1937 – Mrs. J.W. Bennett. Membership: 69

Three American flags were presented to our public schools. A member of our chapter served as a Page at Continental Congress.

1938-1940 – Bertha M. Walker. Membership: 65

The chapter sponsored the planting of eight red maple trees. A letter was sent to state officials expressing our opposition to billboards. Seventy-two flags were put on Revolutionary soldiers’ graves.

1941-1943 – Maude B. Hronek. Membership: 63

A large American flag was presented to our local hospital. A large quantity of knitting and sewing has been done for the Red Cross. Each member as sent a twenty-five cent War Stamp to the John Strong Mansion.

1944-1946 – Mrs. W.C. Staples. Membership: 55

Our chapter is very active in the Red Cross as the following report will show. The chapter has completed in the last year: three scarves, two pairs of socks, fifteen sweaters, ten pairs of gloves, sixteen helmets, fifteen face cloths, fourteen mufflers, eighteen stump socks, four pairs of wristlets and six pairs of knee bands.

1947-1949 – Mrs. M.B. Brown. Membership: 52

January 1 to June 1, 1947, members performed 1,595 hours of work for the American Red Cross. The fortieth anniversary of the organization of the chapter was celebrated. The luncheon was held in the same room where the chapter was formed.

1957-1959 – Mrs. Kimball Slack. Membership: 59

Our chapter received Silver Honor Roll. Three members attended Continental Congress. Eighty flags were placed on soldiers’ graves. A maple tree was contributed to the John Strong Mansion. Five hundred dollars was contributed toward the refurbishing of the Eureka Schoolhouse.

1961-1961 – Mrs. J.C. Ingram. Membership: 62

The chapter has had a “General Lewis Morris Room” at the Miller Art Center this past year. The rare pieces of furniture shown were owned by General Lewis Morris and loaned by the present owners.

1962-1964 – Mrs. Edwin R. Fellows II. Membership: 55

All members wrote letters to the editor of the local paper requesting that the only remaining covered bridge in town be saved from the replacement of the modern one. The result was the bridge was saved.

1965-1966 – Mrs. Leonard Drake. Membership: 41

Due to a lack of local members to take on the work of the General Lewis Chapter, we have voted to disband.

GREEN MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
Burlington, Vermont
Organized April 28, 1892

Since the first history of Vermont Daughters was published, recording the achievements of each chapter during the period 1892-1930, members of Green Mountain Chapter have continued to demonstrate their awareness of national and international events and to show their concern for attaining the Society’s goals of patriotism, historic preservation, and support for education. It is a fascinating and worthy project to recall the contributions of members to the changing needs of American society as these can be met by an organization such as ours. Whether during depression, war, cold war, or times of great social change, concern for preserving and sharing our heritage with others continues to be a goal for Green Mountain Chapter, as indeed it is for all Vermont Daughters.

CHAPTER REGENTS

1931-1933.....	Mrs. G. S. Hicks
1933-1935.....	Mrs. Paul K. French
1935-1938.....	Mrs. A.A. Starbird
1938-1941.....	Mrs. L.S. Walker
1941-1944.....	Mrs. L.W. Stafford
1944-1947.....	Mrs. G.D. Samson
1947-1950.....	Mrs. C. Durrell Simonds, Jr.
1950-1952.....	Mrs. A. Truman Way
1952-1956.....	Mrs. D.M. Jarvis
1956-1959.....	Mrs. Hugh R. Mattison
1959-1962.....	Mrs. C. Durrell Simonds, Jr.
1962-1965.....	Mrs. Walter T. Biggar
1965-1967.....	Mrs. Lolita Jarvis Thomas
1967-1971.....	Mrs. Charles N. Perkins
1971-1974.....	Mrs. Hugh R. Mattison
1974-1977.....	Mrs. Roderick C. Rice
1977-1980.....	Mrs. James W. Brown
1980-1983.....	Mrs. Laurence Pitts
1983-1986.....	Mrs. Benjamin D. Follett III

MRS. ETHEL SAMPLE HICKS
1931-1933

During her two years as Regent, the Green Mountain Chapter was active in community affairs. Seeds were donated to the children in area schools and prizes were awarded to those who attained the best results at an exhibit by the children.

Letters were sent to the Better Films Council in an effort to improve the quality of films being shown in the area. The secretary was authorized to write to the Federal Radio Communications Commission to protest the airing of Red Propaganda. Also, the chapter protested further disarmament by the military.

Trees were planted on the High School ground to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birthday of George Washington. Every year Mary E. Pease, high school history teacher, sent a letter of thanks for the award given to the most outstanding American History student. (Plus 6 tickets to graduation exercises!)

Each year representatives were sent to the Continental Congress in Washington. The chapter contributed to the Ellis Island fund and also to the Valley Forge Bell, and opposed doing away with military training in schools and colleges.

The chapter was entertained by the C.A.R. which was very active at that time. UVM's President Bailey invited the chapter to view the Battalion Parade. A copy of the History of DAR was presented to the Fletcher Library by the chapter. Programs of interest were: "Personality of George Washington", "Japanese Woman in Her Home", by Col. Charles Burnett, and "Sinister Shadows", dealing with the spread of Communism among our people. Money was raised by giving card parties under the leadership of Mrs. C.D. Simonds.

MRS. HELEN C. FRENCH
1933-1935

During the two years while Mrs. French was Regent, the following community work was carried out. A representative was sent to the Better Films Council. The chapter became interested in the Girl Scout movement. Members helped with the NRA Parade. Good Citizenship Medals were given to one girl and one boy in the Junior High age group in Burlington and surrounding areas. The following year medals were given to ten girls and ten boys. \$10.00 was contributed toward the purchase of the film, "Alexander Hamilton" to be shown to children at the Fleming Museum. \$5.00 was given to an outstanding American History student at Burlington High. Markers were erected at the graves of Samuel Allen, Mrs. Theodora Peck, and Mrs. W.A. Woodbury.

Donations were sent to the Kurn Hattin Home and to help in the repairs of the newly acquired John Strong property. The chapter went on record as favoring that teachers be required to take the Freeman's oath before being issued a certificate to teach. The chapter voted to join the Kenmore Association. On the National scene, \$50.00 was sent to help retire the debt on Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C. A letter was sent to the President of the United States urging that the Pensions of Veterans' Widows be returned to the former amount of \$30.00 a month which was the amount before the 50% cut. Ellis Island donations were contributed. Green Mountain Chapter was the first to ask for the preservation of the priceless records in Washington. They were informed that photostat copies were being made. National asked every member to pay 1¢ a day to help retire the debt on Constitution Hall. Mrs. Coolidge took part in the dedication ceremony of Constitution Hall.

MRS. ETHEL DOOD STARBIRD
1935-1938

During the 3 years of Mrs. Starbird's Regency, the chapter underwent several changes. A committee was appointed to study the chapter by-laws and bring them up to date with those of the state and national. \$1.00 was sent to Washington for the Magna Memorial. \$2.00 was sent to Tamassee School. A letter was

received from Miss Pease thanking the chapter for the American History Prize of \$5.00. It was voted to send \$2.00 to help pay a boy to help Miss Finney at the John Strong Mansion and \$5.00 to Miss Finney and \$1.00 to each real daughter for Christmas. \$1.00 was spent on flag codes for area schools and \$3.00 was sent to Ellis Island. The State Regent urged the chapters to try to increase their membership. State Society membership had decreased from 2049 to 1672. The chapter marked several graves of members. Posters showing the correct use of the flag were purchased and placed in area schools. The chapter voted to take action to see that the graves of Revolutionary War soldiers were taken care of in the Fairfield Cemetery in St. Albans. Several card parties were held to earn money to carry out these activities. Troop 6, Girl Scouts, was presented a flag. \$12.00 was sent to Kenmore from the sale of gingerbread mix.

DAR members were asked not to recognize the Communist group as a political party, but as a destructive force. Borden's milk, Octagon soap, Kirkman's soap products, Rumford baking powder and Knox gelatin coupons were sent to Tamassee School.

A telegram was sent to the National Defense Chairman in Washington seeking an answer to the question many people were asking, "What is the DAR doing about the Nazi movement in this country?"

A meeting was held at Fort Ethan Allen and one or two at the Mansion. Leon Dean presented "Robert Roger the Ranger". Other programs were, "Grandma's Patchwork Quilt" and "The Nationalism of James Russell Lowell". UVM Dean of Women, Mary Jean Simpson, gave a talk on conservation and the work of the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) – not the best thing for conserving natural resources, but giving many people jobs, thereby aiding in human values. A Red Cross program was presented. Magazines were sent to the CCC camp in Waterbury and to the Mary Fletcher Hospital. The chapter went on record as favoring a Community Chest. Chapters were urged to plan special events to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the National Society.

MRS. LILLIAN BATES WALKER
1938-1941

The chapter was hostess to the Vermont State Conference in October 1940. Programs were given by the State Regent, Mrs. Helen Arkinson, and State Chairmen were invited to speak on the National projects. The chapter was urged to have programs during the year on these projects. Other programs were: the first Governor of Vermont, Thomas Chittenden; Lafayette; Archeology in Vermont; musical programs on American composers; Long Trail in Vermont; Pioneer Women; and a play, "Her Grandmother's Quilt" was presented by members, and many quilts, old and new were displayed.

For the Golden Jubilee, the members furnished the chapter room in the John Strong Mansion. Good Citizenship medal and Pilgrim medals were given. Mrs. Pollard was made Chairman of War Relief. Money and materials were sent to Ellis Island. Magazines were sent to the CCC camps and Fort Ethan Allen. Citizenship manuals were placed in the Immigration offices at Newport, Swanton, and Highgate Springs. Donations were made to the National Archives room. 1000 seedlings for the DAR State Forest in Addison were purchased.

MRS. EDA WHITNEY SAFFORD
1941-1944

During Mrs. Safford's term, the members contributed to the World War II war effort by knitting, buying Defense Bonds, and sending money to: blood plasma fund, Christmas fund for soldiers, aid to Chinese children, and air raid shelters for English children. Cancelled stamps were collected for the benefit of crippled English children in London. Other contributions were to: Kurn Hattin Homes, Ellis Island, Red Cross, Crossmore, Children's Aid Association, Student Loan Fund, and it was voted to purchase a TB bond and historical books.

A tree was planted in the Unitarian Church yard in honor of Miss Adella Hutchins, Green Mountain Chapter's oldest member. The chapter voted to sponsor a C.A.R. chapter in Burlington. Five grave markers were placed. A large American flag was given to new citizens, immigration offices and schools.

Some of the programs presented were: collecting old glass, History of Greensboro, Old Hazen Road, Civilian Defense, Indians, and the 50th Anniversary of Green Mountain Chapter by Miss Theodora Peck.

As all the DAR buildings in Washington were begun used for war work, Continental Congress was held in Chicago in 1942, Cincinnati in 1943, and New York in 1944.

Mrs. Safford gave unselfishly of her time and strength, and set a high standard of devotion to the interests of the Chapter during her term of office.

MRS. MABEL PRESCOTT SAMSON
1944-1947

The chapter received a \$5.00 award for the most new members during the year from the State Membership Chairman. The chapter continued to distribute Citizenship Manuals and to award Good Citizenship medals. Members have continued in Red Cross, salvage and conservation work.

Genealogy books from Mrs. Oscar Rixford were given to the library, as well as a book of annual reports of state meetings. Genealogy books on the John Lee Family 1634-1897, the Starbird Family, and the Hammond Family were also placed in the library.

A presentation on the Vermont Historical Society was given. It was founded in 1837 by a special act of the Legislature to preserve documents. Some of the other programs were: "The Madonna of the Trail", "Heroes Day and Our Flag" with original poems read by Miss Theodora Peck, book reviews, American music, Vermont Indians, "Commodore Edward McDonough" by Professor Leon Dean, and "Suppression of the Spread of Communism".

Contributions were made to Tamassee, National Museum Fund, Kurn Hattin Homes, St. Mary's School for Indian Girls, Ellis Island, Valley Forge Chapel Stained Glass Window, Red Cross, National War Projects Fund, and Crossnore.

The penny collection was started in 1945 to be sent to Ellis Island. State and National conferences were cancelled because of the gas shortage and the war.

The chapter continued to give pleasure and profit to all who participated in the activities while they were accomplishing their small part in the greater work of the National Society.

MRS. CHARLOTTE BEAN WAY
1950-1952

During Mrs. Way's regency, the members of Green Mountain Chapter participated in supporting the Korean War effort by bond-buying and supporting Red Cross projects. The Chapter collected magazines to be sent to Europe to show a true picture of life in a free society. The concern of that period, with the feared spread of Communism inside America, was reflected in a program by Commissioner Bauman of the State Police on screening applicants to that organization for possible Communists. During this regency, a hundred pages of the Richmond Family papers were copied, a gift set of twelve George Washington plates was loaned to the John Strong Mansion, and a sofa, covered at chapter expense, was given to the mansion. The chapter also supported development of the DAR State Park in Addison. Donations of money and gifts were made to DAR projects, including Ellis Island, Tamassee, Kurn Hattin, Kate Duncan Smith, St. Mary's School, and the National Museum. The chapter also sponsored radio programs, collected books and magazines for local hospitals, and continued the eighth grade and high school Good Citizen Programs.

MRS. LOLITA BROWN JARVIS THOMAS
1952-1956 and 1965-1967

During her first term as Regent, the chapter was particularly concerned with Citizenship and Americanization programs. Aside from donations to DAR projects – packages to Crossmore, Tamasseee, and C.A.R.E., the chapter donated a number of copies of the DAR Citizenship Manual in several languages to the Immigration Office and to the Overseas Wives Club. The chapter sponsored the Good Citizenship Program in local schools, supported Mary Fletcher Hospital and the Blood Bank, and made yearly “Awards of Merit” to Mr. Milton Hard, Warren R. Austin and Adrien Holmes. Contributions to both the John Strong Mansion and to the Vermont Room in Continental Hall were continued.

During her second administration, participation in DAR projects continued, with the records showing that St. Mary’s School and the History Essay contest had been added to the achievements of her earlier term. Programs on “Conservation”, “Christmas in Colonial Times” and a display/discussion of family heirlooms and antiques were highlights of the program series.

MRS. THEODORA WAKEFIELD MATTISON
1956-1959 and 1971-1974

During her first year of regency, a \$5.00 prize was given to the senior at Burlington High School having the highest average in American History and 17 Good Citizenship Medals were presented. In addition, that year an award of merit was given to Mr. Adrien Holmes for his outstanding work in the music department of Burlington High School and the state of Vermont. The DAR Magazine was placed in the public library. Usual donations to DAR approved Schools and DAR projects were given each year plus our annual gifts to Kurn Hattin and the Old Cemetery project. In 1958 Helen Puffer became our Secretary and she continued to serve faithfully for the next 25 years.

The Regent presented a gold medal to a Senior Cadet at the ROTC Military Review at the University of Vermont in 1972 and in 1974. One was also awarded to an Air Force Cadet at St. Michael’s College. In 1973 we held our first luncheon meeting in February and had a picnic in June. During her Regency, a copy of “Heritage Registry” was placed in the UVM Library. Our chapter members responded well to the “Gift to the Nation” fund. In 1973 we received a Gold Honor Roll Award.

MRS. DOROTHY ADAMS PAYNE BIGGAR
1962-1965

During Mrs. Biggar’s term of office, ongoing support for the John Strong Mansion was demonstrated by members’ participation in the annual Pilgrimage to the site and by contribution to the financial support of the property. Boxes of goods, money contributions, and gifts were sent to Kurn Hattin and Crossmore. Sponsorship of the Good Citizenship Program in local schools continued, as did the giving of prizes for the American History Essay Contest. Society goals were typified in programs presented to chapter members. Representative topics included a talk by Col. John Williams on “National Defense”; by Mrs. Charles Townsend on “Communism”; “The Early History of the DAR”; “American Indians”; “The Flag”; “The Vermont National Guard”; and “DAR Insignia”.

MRS. FLORENCE MORGAN PERKINS
1967-1971

During the regency of Florence Perkins, there was a steady increase in membership. We continued to give the American History Award at the Burlington High School and awarded the Good Citizenship medals each year. In addition, 41 certificates of appreciation were given to students who wrote essays for American History Month in 1967. Very interesting educational and historical programs and illustrated talks were given at our meetings.

We supplemented our treasury with several successful food sales, along with the sale of notepaper, candles and pens. With this we were able to contribute to the John Strong Mansion Endowment Fund and to the

Vermont Room at National Headquarters. Constitution Week was observed each year with spot announcements on the radio and a write-up in the paper. In 1969 a fifteen minute interview was held on television, along with a display at the Fletcher Free Library. Usual contributions were made to the DAR Projects and Approved Schools. In 1970 Certificates of Honor were presented to seven families in the area in memory of sons lost in the Vietnam War.

MRS. EMILY FLANAGAN RICE

1974-1977

Our membership continued to increase under the regency of Emily Rice with a number of prospective members continuing to work on their papers. Each meeting was opened with the ritual followed by the required readings of letters and articles. The chapter continued to contribute to all the DAR approved schools and DAR projects. We also continued the American History Award at Burlington High School, raising the award to \$10.00. Gold medal awards to the ROTC programs at the University of Vermont and St. Michael's College were given. At our March meetings we honored the local high school seniors who received the Good Citizen Award.

Each year afghans have been made by members and taken to the Veteran's Hospital in White River Junction. As part of our Bicentennial Project, four red, white and blue lap robes were given. We also distributed 500 DAR Flag Codes to schools and Scout Troops in the area. A number of members assisted at the Auction held at the John Strong Mansion.

In 1975 and 1976 we entered the parade in celebration of July 4 in downtown Burlington. Our float in 1976 was based on the theme, "Green Mountain Chapter DAR remembers the past and strengthens the future".

Some very interesting programs of educational and historical value were given during these three years. One was an historic tour of some of the beautiful homes in Burlington that are now a part of Champlain College. Another was the meeting held at the John Strong Mansion where we heard a most informative talk by Mrs. Ruth O'Connor, Curator.

MRS. MARGARET GARRETT BROWN

1977-1980

The eight meetings that were held each year were opened with the formal DAR ritual followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the American's Creed. The required readings were given to meet Honor Roll requirements. The chapter received the Silver Honor Roll Award each year. Annual support was given to all DAR projects, approved schools, Old Cemetery Association, DAR Mansion Endowment Fund and Kurn Hattin. We also continued our knitting project for the Veteran's Hospital and gave the medals to the outstanding Cadet under the two ROTC programs in the area.

Each year our Regent organized the Vermont DAR bus trip to Washington, making it possible for a number of members across the state to attend Continental Congress. In September, 1977 our chapter hosted the State Conference.

Our Regent served as General Chairman, while many members took an active part by serving on various committees. After helping with the Flea Market at the DAR State Park in July 1978 to raise money for the John Strong Mansion, our chapter was successful in selling more at a local flea market. We found this a good way to raise money for our treasury.

During her regency two graves of Revolutionary soldiers were marked at the request of members from Colorado.

Our programs were interesting and varied, from a movie called, "Vermont – the 14th Star" to a "Show and Tell" program. A play entitled "The Kindling of the Flame" was presented at our February 1979 luncheon meeting. At State Conference that year our members presented the play again for all to enjoy.

MRS. EDITH K. PITTS
1980-1983

During her three years as Regent, the chapter voted to increase the amounts of money contributed to the DAR schools. Two senior ROTC medals were presented – one to UVM and one to St. Michael's College. In 1983 two junior ROTC medals were presented – one to Essex Junction High School and one to Burlington High. Good Citizenship medals and pins were presented every year. Area students were urged to enter the American history essay contest. The C.A.R. was very active under the leadership of Mrs. Ben Follett – holding flea markets, bake sales and fruit sales. The chapter dedicated the grave of Levi Comstock, Revolutionary War Patriot, who was buried in the Webb Cemetery in Shelburne, for a member of a chapter in Wisconsin. Contributions were made to help restore Fort Ticonderoga and the Ethan Allen Tower. \$4.00 per member was contributed to help restore the exterior of the DAR buildings in Washington. Many articles were contributed to the Veterans in White River, such as bed socks, lap robes, afghans, etc.

Mrs. C.D. Simonds was presented a 50-year pin by her daughter, Mrs. Ben Follett. State Regent, Mrs. Todd and Mr. Todd, were guests at one of the meetings. Mrs. Todd told of the much needed repairs to the John Strong Mansion and the need for money. A Chinese auction was held – proceeds to go to help restore the Mansion. Norma Oakes and Margaret Brown represented the chapter at a state flea market in Rutland, to raise money for the Mansion. At the June meeting a pound auction is held each year – proceeds to help restore the Mansion.

In April 1982 the chapter celebrated its 90th birthday. The officers dressed in costumes of the late 1800's. They presented a history of the chapter including dates, events, people and programs. This was written up and printed in the DAR Magazine along with a picture of the officers. Other programs were, "General John Burgoyne and the Gatling Gun", Victory at Yorktown, Vermont Life slides, slides on Iceland, and more National Defense programs. Vermont Patriots, Gem Stones and their Lore, Origins of Old Music Boxes and a program on the 250th Anniversary of George Washington's Birthday were also enjoyed.

Two members were co-chairmen of the state flea market held at the Mansion – money was used for Mansion repairs. It was voted to give each new member a one year subscription to DAR magazine.

MRS. ELSIE SIMONDS FOLLETT
1983-1986

The Green Mountain Chapter was hostess to the State Conference held in Burlington in September, 1983.

The membership continues to stay about 60. The chapter sponsors and supports the Rock Dunder Society C.A.R., and also sends books, lap robes, and toiletry articles to the Veterans Hospital in White River Junction. Mittens, hats, and scarfs are knitted by the members for Kurn Hattin Homes at Christmas.

Pledges have been made to the Restoration Fund for John Strong Mansion, and the chapter plans a pound auction yearly for the benefit of the Mansion. Other contributions are made to all National and State programs and projects as required by the Honor Roll.

The chapter enjoys very interesting programs, such as: Foster Grandparents in Vermont, Background and Intrigues Leading up to the Treaty of Paris, music from Broadway's musicals and Christmas carols, National Defense, lacing, and Richmond's Old Round Church. The State Regent, Mrs. Lamson, was a guest and spoke on DAR in Vermont.

12 Good Citizenship medals and 12 Good Citizen pins are presented each year to students in area schools. Senior ROTC medals are presented at the University of Vermont and St. Michael's College, and junior ROTC medals are presented – one to a Burlington High School student and one to an Essex Junction High School student.

GENERAL MOSES HAZEN CHAPTER
Richford, Vermont
Organized August 29, 1929

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the American's Creed, President General's message and five minutes of National Defense.

1935-1936 – Mrs. S. Carl Carpenter. Membership: 16

The all absorbing object for which we have worked this year has been to erect a lasting memorial to the soldiers of the American Revolution who are buried in the town of Richford. The memorial will take the form of a bronze tablet, mounted on a boulder and erected in a suitable place.

1937-1939 – Mrs. W.H. Mitchell. Membership: 16

The first meeting of this year was very interesting, with State Regent Mrs. Witherell, newly elected State Regent Mrs. Arkinson, and Mrs. Warner, State Chairmen of Ellis Island, as our guests.

1940-1941 – Edith M. Gates. Membership: 13

Our chapter is very small. Out of the membership of thirteen, there are only eight active members. It has become a real effort to carry on. This year we have lost two active members, one by change of residence and one by death. With the death of Miss Alan Ladd, we have suffered a great loss. Having been a charter member, she has always held an office. Miss Ladd was one of our most beloved members. We will miss her.

1942 – Disband

HANDS COVE CHAPTER
Shoreham, Vermont
Organized June 17, 1901

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the American's Creed, President General's message and five minutes of National Defense.

1933-1934: Mabel C. Leon. Membership: 73

Erected six granite markers to mark the routes of two military roads leading from Mt. Independence across the town of Orwell. The chapter has been working hard for years to raise the \$380.00 for the markers.

1935-1936: Mrs. J.A. Gregory. Membership: 66

Our chapter was well represented at the annual pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion. One member has set out 10,000 trees.

1937-1939: Miss Charlotte Hull. Membership: 58

A beautiful blue spruce tree has been planted on the library lawn in Shoreham in memory of Mrs. Mabel Leonard, past regent.

1940-1941: Sylvia P. Foote. Membership: 48

The chapter sponsored a lecture and exhibit of antique and period dolls, given by Miss Ariel Cutler of Concord, N.H. Mrs. Maude Witherell displayed her collection of twenty-two hundred buttons.

1942-1943: Mrs. I.P. Sharon. Membership: 41

War Bonds and War Stamps purchased for the year totaled \$10,630.00. Several members have acted as plane spotters. Many contributed to the Blood Plasma Bank.

1944-1947: Mrs. Glenn S. Bishop. Membership: 35

Members have contributed many hours to the Red Cross and have purchased more than \$40,000.00 in War Bonds. Bronze markers are being placed on deceased members' graves.

1948-1950: Mrs. A.B. Delano. Membership: 37

The chapter is proud to have one State Officer and two State Chairmen. Fifty DAR manuals were placed in the eighth grades of Orwell, Benson and Shoreham.

1957-1958: Mrs. Jessie B. Sweet. Membership: 34

We had the pleasure of entertaining our State Regent, Mrs. Weston, and State Historian, Mrs. H. Dow. There has been chapter representation at all state meetings.

1959-1961: Mrs. C.V. Orvis. Membership: 32

Three members were hostesses at the John Strong Mansion in observance of the Chaplain Festival. We celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of our chapter at the Waybury Inn in West Middlebury on June 17. A charter member took part in the program.

1962-1964: Mrs. Daniel W. McMeekin. Membership: 30

Work on genealogical records completed. We are proud to have two of our members serving as State Officers. State Regent Mrs. Bernard Dooley gave an interesting talk on her trip to Continental Congress and the White House Tour, given every year for DAR members.

1965-1967: Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson. Membership: 28

Chapter received Honorable Mention for Honor Roll. Four members attended the 74th Continental Congress in Washington. Prizes were given to five elementary pupils for history essays.

1968-1970: Mrs. C.E. Hornbeck. Membership: 27

The State Summer Meeting was held in Shoreham, with Hands Cove Chapter as hostess. A buffet luncheon was served.

1971-1973: Mrs. Walker James. Membership: 24

February brought us History Month and from our entries we were proud to have three state winners.

1974-1976: Mrs. E.B. Shepardson. Membership: 22

The committee from Hands Cove Chapter in conjunction with the Ethan Allen Chapter helped plan and serve the luncheon of the Mansion auction in July. As our Bicentennial project we are planning to clean and restore the markers placed by the Hands Cove Chapter.

1977-1980: Mrs. W. David Tupper. Membership: 17

Because of our size, we have decided to join our meetings with Mary Baker Allen and Ethan Allen Chapters, still keeping our own identity. Our 1980 annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Thomas Cook with our State Regent, Mrs. Todd, as a guest. The major business was the discussion of the disbanding of the chapter. This has been a very difficult decision, but because of serious financial problems, we are forced to join nearby chapters.

HEBER ALLEN CHAPTER
Poultney, Vermont
Organized December 19, 1896

The Heber Allen Chapter is proud to be named for Heber Allen, who was a Major in the American Revolution. He was a pioneer settler in Poultney, its first Town Clerk and a brother of Ethan Allen. He was with Ethan in the capture of Fort Ticonderoga.

The outstanding work of the chapter has been historical and we maintain a cabinet in the Poultney Historical Society Museum with some of our chapter mementos.

In 1931 we placed a flag holder beside the monument of Major Heber Allen which had been erected many years before.

The following year we observed "Foremother's Day" with a study of the mother of George Washington. That year, as out part in the Bicentennial celebration, the chapter cooperated with the other patriotic societies in the town in presenting a fine program at the Town Hall on February 22, 1932, giving as their number a musical skit by one of the members, and musical selections by a quartet dressed in costumes appropriate to the Revolutionary period. The state decorations were in the charge of the chapter members and consisted of hangings and furniture of the time.

In 1936 a marker was dedicated on the site of the home of Major Heber Allen, the patriot for whom our chapter was named. The occasion marked the realization of a dream and the marker is particularly appropriate for this locality. It is a stone of rough green slate and the bronze tablet bears the simple inscription, "Site of the home of Major Heber Allen".

Two years later we cooperated with a town committee in celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Constitution.

Miss Mary Malona Tuttle, one of our members, gave a blue and white wash bowl and pitcher to the Mansion in 1941. She was then over 80 years old and it had been used by her since her childhood.

We observed our 50th anniversary by entertaining out State Regent.

For many years we have given to Vermont Children's Aid Society, Kurn Hattin, Cancer Fund, Red Cross, Ellis Island, etc. As time went on with all the requests from National, we have found it necessary to donate just to DAR projects, both State and National. In the early days Heber Allen Chapter gave presents of money to our Real Daughter, Mrs. Almira Bannister Mason.

In 1953, when William McKinley Chapter of Middletown Springs disbanded, six members transferred to our chapter.

Our 60th anniversary party was a gala occasion with many state officers present in 1956. Mrs. Helen Hosford Kilborn, a 60 year member, spoke on the achievements of Heber Allen Chapter through the years. She had also spoken at our 50th anniversary in 1946.

We had a very appropriate float in the Poultney Bicentennial Parade which was in May 1961. Our members also decorated most of the store windows in town with antiques.

In June 1962, the State Summer Meeting was held in the Historic East Poultney Baptist Church. About 140 members and guests attended.

A 50-star flag which had been flown over the United States Capital in Washington was presented to the chapter by one of its members in 1963.

In October 1965 we had a program celebrating the 75th Jubilee Anniversary of the National Society given by Miss Hazel Bresee portraying the founding on October 10, 1890 by three ladies. They were represented by three of our members dressed in costume.

Heber Allen Chapter presented an American Flag to the new Poultney Elementary School when it was dedicated in 1968.

One of our members, Helen R. Dooley, honored our chapter by being Vermont State Regent from 1962-1965. Previously she had been State Recording Secretary and then State Vice Regent. In 1970, her daughter, Margaret Lee Dooley was chosen as the Good Citizen at Poultney High School, State Good Citizen, then District and finally National DAR Good Citizen. Her parents were honored to sit in the President General's box at Congress when she received her National Award. That year, Margaret became a member of Heber Allen Chapter. She gave the eulogy for Mrs. Estes at the Monument the day of the August Pilgrimage to the Mansion and was also honored by having the State Yearbook dedicated to her that year.

One member has been a National Vice Chairman several times and also served several terms on the Speaker's Staff as well as being a Trustee of the Mansion.

In 1971 Heber Allen Chapter observed the Poultney Founders' Day Celebration with a special program on the "First Twenty Year in the Town of Poultney" and entered a float in the parade.

Through the years, having had three piano teachers as members, we have had many fine musical programs. It has been wonderful to see the performances of their student musicians.

One of our members served in the Armed Forces for two years during World War II. Another member has given volunteer service at Crossnore School for some years during the summer.

Margery Day Hanson has written and had published two genealogy books – one on the story of her father's family, "Day unto Day".

The DAR Magazine is always given to the Poultney Public Library by the chapter. We sponsor the DAR Good Citizen at the High School each year as well as giving a Good Citizenship medal.

For some years now we have held just six meetings a year and we try to work hard to make the Honor Roll. We have given our share to the Mansion Restoration Fund and are happy to have the name of our chapter on the Plaque at the Mansion.

We have had many fine programs at our meetings which have been historical, educational and patriotic.

At present we have twenty-six members but hopefully we will have more soon. We are now planning to celebrate our 90th anniversary in 1896.

'Tis said that Heber Allen
Was as dauntless, great and true
As brothers Ethan, Ira and I really think so too
So Poultney named her chapter
Heber Allen as you see.

HEBER ALLEN CHAPTER REGENTS

Fannie Newman Williams.....	1930-1931
Viola Dyer Rawson.....	1932-1934
Clara DeYoe Barrett.....	1934-1936
Alice Lamb Strong.....	1936-1938
Louise Rogers Clough.....	1938-1940
Jane William Lee.....	1940-1942
Virginia George Wheeler.....	1942-1944
Grace Wells Hughes.....	1944-1947
Virginia George Wheeler.....	1947-1950
Ethel Dewey McCormack.....	1950-1953
Helen Rockwood Dewey.....	1953-1956
Stella Hammond Tyler.....	1956-1959
Olive Cosgrove Mott.....	1959-1960
Grace Woodworth La Francis.....	1960-1962
Stella Hammond Tyler.....	1962-1965
Hazel Elmira Bresee.....	1965-1971
Virginia George Wheeler.....	1971-1974
Hazel Elmira Bresee.....	1974-1980
Helen Rockwood Dooley.....	1980-1986

LAKE CHAMPLAIN CHAPTER
Brandon, Vermont
Organized January 22, 1896

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the President General's Message, five minutes of National Defense, the American's Creed and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1933-1936 – Gertrude Naylor Goodenow. Membership: 32

The chapter's contribution to the Washington Bicentennial was the planting of an elm tree near the entrance to the Pine Hill Cemetery. Fifteen additional Revolutionary soldiers' graves have been located and marked.

1937-1938 – Molly Barnard Monroe. Membership: 29

Our chapter is installing a new furnace and making some needed repairs on our chapter house.

1939-1941 – Marian J. Kingsley. Membership: 28

Two requests for student loans have been sponsored. Lake Dunmore Chapter owns and maintains the birthplace of Stephen A. Douglas. As our Golden Jubilee project we hope to have the house repainted and a little re-decorating done. Members have been active in the Red Cross and Bundles for Britain.

1941-1943 – Miss Virginia W. Ketcham. Membership: 25

Seventy-two flags have been placed on the graves of Revolutionary soldiers throughout the town of Brandon. Lake Dunmore Chapter celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on August 15, 1946.

1947-1949 – Mrs. Leslie E. Mott. Membership: 24

We shared with the Brandon Garden Club, the expense of a new hedge for the old cemetery in the center of town. Manuals for citizenship were placed in the schools in Brandon, Pittsford, and Forest Dale.

1953-1956 – Miss Mary McCollam. Membership: 30

A marker has been placed on the roadside to indicate the path to the Green Mountain Boys' Cave. The actual cave was marked by Lake Dunmore Chapter in 1906.

1967-1958 – Mrs. Cecil L. Goodheart. Membership: 35

The Vermont Historic Sites Commission has placed a roadside marker signifying the birthplace of Stephen A. Douglas. The house is open to the public. Members act as hostesses on Thursdays throughout the summer.

1959-1961 – Miss Marion J. Kingsley. Membership: 33

Brandon was chosen by the Vermont Civil War Centennial Committee and the Vermont Historic Sites Commission to be the first town in a series of celebrations commemorating Stephen A. Douglas and the campaign of 1860.

1961-1963 – Mrs. Olive Baldwin. Membership: 30

Lake Dunmore sponsored two Good Citizen Girls. We made a visitation to the Brandon Training School. Slides were shown of the work and play of the students of the school.

1964-1967 – Mrs. Clifford R. Hack. Membership: 25

Mrs. George Wiess gave a slide show and talk on her recent trip to the "Holy Land". Donations were made to the Vermont Room, Mansion Endowment Fund and 1850 Census Microfilm.

1968-1973 – Miss Madeline S. Buttles. Membership: 22

Lake Dunmore Chapter will celebrate its seventy-fifth anniversary in 1971. The continuing major activity of the Lake Dunmore Chapter is the owning and maintenance of the Stephen A. Douglas birthplace. Although we have a membership of twenty-two, many either live out of town or are unable to come to meetings because of declining health. The responsibility falls on four very dedicated members. This past winter everything that could happen to an old house, did.

1974-1975 – No report

1976-1978 – Mrs. H. Walter Rost. Membership: 19

Mrs. H. Walter Rost was elected September 8th to succeed Mrs. Edgar Foster, who resigned because of being in Florida six months of the year. Two members attended Continental Congress. We received a certificate for 100% participation in the “Bicentennial” and one for “Conservation of Printing Funds for Use on DAR Projects”.

1979-1981 – Mrs. H. Edward Johnson. Membership: 22

We held ten meetings with an average of seven members attending. We also received the Tri-Color Ribbon for our printed program. Two members are State Officers.

LAKE ST. CATHERINE CHAPTER

Wells, Vermont

Organized April 6, 1907

On April 6, 1907, thirteen ladies who were eligible for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, met to organize a chapter. It had been a long time wish of Jennie Lyon Francis that a chapter would be organized in Wells, Vermont. It was through her efforts that the Lake St. Catherine Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, #757 was born.

The name of the chapter was adopted from a most historic landmark, Lake St. Catherine. At the time of the French and Indian War, it was called Lake St. Austin. The French and Indians camped on its shores and their campfires could be seen by their enemy, the English, who were located several miles away on Indian Hill in Pawlet. The English troops had been sent there by General Israel Putnam to rout the enemy from the sea. Under a New York Grant, the town of Wells was named St. Catherine, and located in Albany County, New York. Although the New Hampshire Grants Charter, dated 15 September 1761, named it the town of Wells, the name Lake St. Catherine remained as the name of the lake.

When the charter was received there were 27 charter members from Wells and Pawlet. Later, eligible ladies from Rupert joined the chapter. Mrs. Lucina Goodspeed, who was 93 years old at the time, was made an honorary member. Mrs. Carolyn Pember was the first Regent and in 1915 she was the Vermont State Vice Regent.

Lake St. Catherine Chapter has always been patriotic, education-conscious, and historically orientated. To quote Mrs. Carolyn Pember, mother of the chapter, “The society must be patriotic first, last and always.”

During World War I, flags were sold to raise funds for the needy of Belgium and a cablegram of appreciation was received from Queen Elizabeth of England. A bolt of toweling was purchased and during their meetings they hemmed fifty towels for a hospital in France. They also helped buy Liberty Bonds for the restoration of a village in France, sent scrapbooks to the ship “Paul Jones”, and donated toward a bed for the Memorial Hospital in Rheine, France, in memory of our soldiers who lay buried there.

In 1922, the Lake St. Catherine Chapter DAR sponsored an auxiliary to the chapter, the Verde Monte Chapter of Children of the American Revolution. Mrs. Anna Dennison was the founder, Mrs. Maude Howe was the organizing president and Emory Howe was the first president. There were 49 members. Unfortunately this C.A.R. chapter was disbanded many years ago and little remains to remind us of its existence.

On May 12, 1929, Mrs. Emma Nelson spoke to the chapter about a diamond ring that had been given to an ancestor of hers by George Washington. She donated it to the DAR Museum in Washington, D.C.

The chapter has had a part in the placing of monuments to the soldiers of several wars. In 1917, they contributed to a monument erected in Pawlet Village, to the memory of the Revolutionary soldiers in that town.

In 1923, a bronze plaque and flag were purchased and erected at the boulder in Wells, which marks the site of the first church and settlement. On October 12, 1976, a re-dedication ceremony was held at this site, with the raising of an American flag which had flown over the Capital in Washington, D.C. A newer marker, nearer the road with better visibility to the passers-by, was also unveiled.

In 1925, Mrs. Catherine Pember spoke of her love of the chapter and her desire to have an early trail that leads from Wells to Poultney, marked before it becomes extinct. An "Old Trail Committee" was appointed and work began. After the path of the trail was determined, it was marked with more permanent markers. In 1928 the chapter gave toward a fund to erect a suitable memorial in honor of 12 Revolutionary and 19 Civil War veterans buried in Wells.

Along with the Vermont Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, and the Pawlet Historical Society, the chapter donated toward a bronze marker that was placed on a boulder in the school yard at North Pawlet, September, 3 1977. It was here that General Lincoln and his troops bivouacked and went forth to block the retreat of Burgoyne's army to Canada. Herrick's Rangers had been headquartered in Pawlet that summer and had done everything possible to deter Burgoyne and his army as they moved south toward Saratoga. The Rangers felled trees, moved boulders into paths, knocked out bridges, drained waterways, made swamps where dry land had been and in every conceivable manner, hindered and harassed Burgoyne's troops in their southward march. Burgoyne referred to them as hanging "like a gathering cloud on my left flank". Due to this episode, which resulted in their defeat at Saratoga, the War in the North ended.

The Lake St. Catherine DAR always has and still does, participate in all projects and programs promoted by the State and National organizations. When we know of the need in an area school, that we can provide, we make a provision for that need. Education is one of our top concerns.

We have placed Citizenship manuals and other books in the schools of Wells, Pawlet, West Pawlet, and Rupert. In 1926 we gave new blackboards to these schools. These slate blackboards replaced former blackboards which were literally "black boards". When the Braintree one room school in Pawlet was restored in 1975, its "black boards" were left intact. This little school is now restored, complete with "out-of-doors" plumbing. Colonial School Day is held there each year and it is available to any area school for this purpose.

The chapter started giving a prize to the pupil having the best scholastic standing for the year. This prize was alternated between Wells, Pawlet, West Pawlet, and Rupert. At present we give two prizes to each of these schools for excellence in history. This year the pupils were required to follow the National guidelines and use one of the subjects suggested in these guidelines. These were read by a panel of judges and the winning essay from each school has been entered in the state contest.

In 1975, two of our members took part in the re-enactment of the capture of Fort Ticonderoga by Ethan Allen, May 10, 1775. All those taking part were descendants of the original Green Mountain Boys. Mrs. Frances Altorfer was the oldest person taking part in the celebrations. Joyce and Richard Fifield also took part, with Joyce taking the part of the wife of Captain Delaplace. Later, in costume, Joyce and Dick gave a most interesting program about the re-enactment and showed artifacts of the Revolutionary War period.

On August 14, 1975, Mrs. Edith Mayhew was honored, along with other 50 year members of Vermont chapters, at Pilgrimage Day at the John Strong Mansion in Addison. At that time Mrs. Mayhew had been a member of Lake St. Catherine Chapter for 59 years. She has a wealth of knowledge concerning local history. During a program on the carding and spinning of wool, she told about her parents, grandparents, and "Uncle Ives", on a farm in Tinmouth, Vermont. She told how they made their own candles, soap and sugar. Wool from their sheep was taken to be carded, over 35 miles away over Mount Tabor to Weston, Vermont, by horse and wagon.

Now Mrs. Mayhew has been a member for 68 years. We have three other 50-year members: Lola Roberts, 55 years; Viola Hopson, 54 years; and Helen Nelson, 53 years.

Starting in 1968 the chapter has entered floats in Old Home Day and Bicentennial parades. Many of these floats were planned and organized by Teresa McWithey of Wells. These floats have represented and been a tribute to our forefathers and the early settlers of this area.

With the changes of life styles and travel, our chapter has changed along with the times. From holding meetings every month, which included a luncheon, we now have eight meetings each year, April through November, with dessert served prior to the meeting. It has been hard to please everyone as to the day of the week that we meet, a compromise was made and we hold our meetings alternating between the second Saturday and the second Thursday of each month.

At present we have 33 members and papers are in Washington for prospective members, pending the approval of the National Society. In the early years the membership had attained a height of 70 members. Our present Regent, Mrs. Helen Rippon, has been sending a newsletter to every member not present at the monthly meeting. These have been exceptionally well received. She also has regular board meetings, which makes for a smoother running chapter. During the last two years, the Registrar, Mrs. Dorothy Offensend, has copied all the genealogical material gathered over the years by chapter members. These have been alphabetically filed for easier access to the information.

We are moving forward and the future looks bright for our chapter. We believe in the same principles on which our chapter was founded. "May the love and loyalty, which always distinguished this chapter, continue to the end."

PAST REGENTS

Mrs. E. Park.....	1931
Mrs. H. Adams.....	1933
Mrs. N.F. Lewis.....	1935
Mrs. A.H. Morrow.....	1937
Mrs. G.F. Wood.....	1939
Mrs. O.P. Williams.....	1941
Mrs. J.A. Plumb.....	1943
Mrs. C.V. Roberts.....	1945
Mrs. G. Gilman.....	1947
Mrs. G.L. Kibling.....	1948
Mrs. F. Mason.....	1950
Mrs. F. Cain.....	1954
Mrs. E.K. Broomley.....	1956
Mrs. G. Mayhew.....	1959
Mrs. F.W. Altorfer.....	1962
Miss F. Lamb.....	1965
Mrs. F.W. Altofer.....	1968
Mrs. F.W. Altofer.....	1971
Mrs. C.L. Hopson & Mrs. F.W. Altorfer, Co-regents.....	1974
Mrs. E. Barrow.....	1977
Mrs. W. Oakman.....	1980
Mrs. A Rippon.....	1983

LUCY FLETCHER CHAPTER

Ludlow, Vermont

Organized April 6, 1909

1933-1934 – Mrs. L.W. Barton. Membership: 30

The Lucy Fletcher Chapter held a meeting at the Fletcher Farm in Ludlow. Miss Abbie Graham gave a history of the farm and outlined the plans for the future. Mrs. Mary Fletcher read a letter written August 28, 1881, by Lucy Fletcher, to her brother Stoughton Fletcher. He was born one hundred fifty years ago. The meeting was in celebration of his birthday and held in the room where he was born.

1935 – Mrs. R.S. Parker. Membership: 22

A pilgrimage was taken over a part of the Old Crown Point Military Road. We have contributed \$5.00 to the Kurn Hattin Home and helped with the expense of the community Christmas tree.

1936-1939 – Mrs. A.G. Creaser. Membership: 19

An outstanding meeting was held at the home of Mr. John G. Sargent. Mr. Sargent displayed his collection of over one hundred antique clocks, some dating back to the 1700's.

1940-1942 – Fanny B. Fletcher. Membership: 19

On the one hundred thirty second anniversary of the birth of Lucy Fletcher's tenth son, her fifteenth child, we met in the room where fourteen of these children were born. We visited other buildings of the Fletcher Farm, now devoted to adult education. Membership is down to 14 by 1942.

1943-1946 – Mrs. Merrill F. Proctor. Membership: 13

Five of our members are non-resident most of the year. We are not holding regular meetings for the duration, as there are so few and so many demands. Mrs. Olin D. Gay of Cavendish was our Regent but recently resigned. During the war years our members have given freely of their time to various war agencies. War Bonds and Stamps have been purchased.

1947 – Disband

MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE
Montpelier, Vermont
Organized August 15, 1893

All meetings are opened with the DAR ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the American's Creed, President General's Message and at least five minutes of National Defense.

1931-1933 – Mrs. Frank Hayden. Membership: 150

On October 25, 1931 we dedicated a marker placed on the site of the old Cadwell House, where Lafayette was entertained in 1825 and President Monroe in 1817. Our state regent was with us and gave an excellent talk. Members visited rural and town cemeteries and copied the gravestone inscriptions. Through the winter we established the Revolutionary service and vital family records for each soldier. In May we placed bronze markers on the graves of twenty-five soldiers of the Revolution and three daughters of Revolutionary soldiers.

1933-1935 – Mrs. D.J. Morse. Membership: 150

Like other chapters, the hand of the depression has been felt and has handicapped our work in many ways. Our members are loyal and hopeful, looking steadfast toward the rising sun of "better times". Five members attended Continental Congress. A treasury chest was established on the penny-a-day plan to help reduce debt on Continental Hall.

1935-1937 – Mrs. B.W. Locke. Membership: 133

Through the National Committee for National Defense we obtained sixty copies of Haskin's "The American Government". These were placed as reference books, one to a school, in the towns of Cabot, Calais, East Montpelier, Marshfield, Middlesex, Plainfield, Woodbury, Duxbury, and Moretown. We also purchased and distributed 1,500 copies of the flag code to the same schools.

1937-1939 – Mrs. Emma Foster. Membership: 117

One hundred copies of "The Story of the Constitution" by Sol Bloom and 1,500 copies of the DAR Manual for Citizenship have been given to the pupils in the rural schools. It has been our pleasure to bend our energies toward the restoration of the assembly room in the John Strong Mansion. By the sale of cards and generous voluntary contributions, we have been able to make a very satisfactory beginning on this project.

1939-1941 – Mrs. B.A. Sumner. Membership: 103

We were represented at the forty-eighth Continental Congress in Washington by one delegate and an alternate. One of our members was chosen to be a page. Six members attended the Get-together Meeting in Rutland in June and nine were present at the annual pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion.

1941-1943 – Mrs. H.J. Curtis. Membership: 93

A copy of “Historic Restorations of the Daughters of the American Revolution”, by Lewis Barrington, was given to the Vermont Historical Society. Through the efforts of Mrs. H.M. Farnham, the town of East Montpelier voted an appropriation of \$300.00 for the care and upkeep of the older cemeteries. The Quaker Cemetery and the Peck Cemetery are among them.

1943-1945 – Mrs. P.N. Lippy. Membership: 88

Our chapter has purchased a War Bond. Several members are also buying them and working on surgical dressings. One member gave a quantity of her hair to the Bendix Aviation Corp., to be used in bomb sights. A Historical Essay Contest was sponsored and prizes were given.

1945-1947 – Mrs. Raymond Martin. Membership: 91

Several pages of genealogical records were copied. Volunteers from our chapter are busy copying the Census Records of 1850. This work is continuing at the present time, and should be of great value.

1947-1949 – Mrs. Harry Hodgkins. Membership: 91

137 ½ hours’ work in the Red Cross rooms are credited to four of our members. Considerable material has been received in the line of beads, lace, etc., and was sent to our Indian Schools. Three members attended Continental Congress and we are proud to have two members serving as State Chairmen.

1949-1951 – Miss Grace Martin. Membership: 90

We held a food sale from which we realized \$50.00 for the Heaton Hospital Building Fund. A radio broadcast was given on station WSKI. Manuals, both in English and Italian, have been given to the War Brides Class that is studying citizenship.

1951-1953 – Dr. Zepherine Bartlett. Membership: 84

The chapter has supported all State and National Committees. We have sponsored the Good Citizenship Girls and have given them prizes.

1953-1955 – Miss Ruth Cummings. Membership: 79

Help has always been given to Indian Schools and Vermont’s Kurn Hattin. Marquis de Lafayette is vitally interested in today’s issues and since 1940, national defense topics have been given at all meetings.

1955-1957 – Miss Mildred Benway. Membership: 73

Six members attended the State Conference in Burlington, four members at the June meeting in Randolph and five members made the pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion.

1957-1959 – Mrs. D.K. Richardson. Membership: 65

“Lincoln and Lafayette” were remembered by members in costume depicting Lafayette’s second visit to Montpelier in 1825. The chapter sponsored the Essay Contest, observed Constitution Day and had quite a few radio broadcasts.

1959-1961 – Mrs. Richard Fitzgerald. Membership: 57

Miss Carrie Hollister copied seventy records from our application banks onto the new Genealogical Forms. The DAR Magazine was placed in the local and state libraries. Eight members also subscribe to the magazine. We purchased seven extra copies in April 1960. This issue contained a 550 word article on the chapter’s participation in the Champlain Festival.

1961-1964 – Mrs. Harry Parker. Membership: 53

In response from our State Regent, Miss Amy Perkins, a telegram was sent to our Congressman, Robert Stafford, voicing our disapproval of the Disarmament Bill. Congressman Stafford wired a reply.

Constitution Week was observed with a twenty-five minute radio program on “The Spiritual Basis of Our Declaration of Independence”. Patriotic music was included.

1964-1966 – Mrs. Ethel Barrows. Membership: 48

A silver ribbon was received for Honor Roll. Radio and newspaper coverage was excellent. Fourteen subscriptions to the DAR Magazine were ordered.

1966-1968 – Mrs. J.A. Thorp. Membership: 41

Citations and prizes were given to seventeen entrants in the Junior American Citizens Contest. Good Citizen Pins were awarded to four high school girls. A flag and staff were given to the “Blue Birds” Campfire Girls in Montpelier.

1968-1971 – Mrs. Roland Seavey. Membership: 36

A group of members drove to Georgeville, Quebec and placed a marker on a Revolutionary soldier’s grave. The Marquis de Lafayette Chapter is proud to have a National C.A.R. Officer and one State Chairman. The chapter observed its 75th anniversary at the September 26, 1969 meeting.

1971-1974 – Mrs. Benjamin Varney. Membership: 34

The Vermont Commissioner of Water Resources, Mr. Martin Johnson, spoke on conserving our Vermont waters and the laws enacted to help clean up these waters. One member attended Continental Congress, five attended State Conference, and four went to the August Pilgrimage.

1974-1978 – Mrs. Gerald Roberts. Membership: 31

Memorials to the John Strong Mansion were made in memory of Mrs. Ethel Burke and Mrs. Grace Blodgett Boyd. A Bicentennial Tea was given to a local nursing home. Our members dressed in the fashion of the day and a musical trio of violin, piano and accordion from a nearby town played old songs for the group.

1978-1980 – Mrs. Wendell Cummings. Membership: 32

Marquis De Lafayette Chapter was so proud to receive the Gold Honor Roll Award and a tri-color ribbon for our yearbook. Seven meetings are held each year with an average attendance of fourteen. An afghan was donated to the Veteran’s Hospital in White River Junction.

1980-1983 – Mrs. Kenneth Pearson. Membership: 31

Each member has made a contribution to the President General’s Project, “A Legacy Preserved”, as well as to the John Strong Mansion Restoration Fund. Scholarship forms were sent to three schools and one student. Four Good Citizenship Awards were presented.

MARY BAKER ALLEN CHAPTER

Cornwall, Vermont

Organized January 23, 1909

There follows a statement which serves as a connecting link between the Vermont Conference book published for the year ending 1930. The chapter was named Mary Baker Allen for the mother of Ethan and Ira Allen and organized January 23, 1909, at the home of Mrs. C.F. Benedict in Cornwall, by the State Regent, Mrs. Anna B. North of Shoreham, Vermont.

Sarah Sanford Lane held the office of Regent for nine years, 1909-1918, and never missed a meeting. It was during her regency that the chapter house was built and dedicated on December 18, 1915, the gift of Martha Samson Porter in memory of her great-grandfather, William Samson.

The book, “Vermont State Conference DAR 1892-1930” was written during the regency of Estelle Lane Witherell, 1927-1932, by Alice Hinman, a member of our chapter and State Historian. She sold colonial quilt blocks to help defray indebtedness on the publishing of the state history. Miss Hinman was born in New Haven, Vermont, the daughter of Erastus Sidney Hinman and Amanda A. Samson Hinman. She died June 6, 1939. During Mrs. Witherell’s regency, shrubs were planted on the grounds for deceased members.

An Elm tree was set near the southwest corner of the Chapter House in honor of George Washington. The annual Gentlemen's Night and chicken pie supper was always a big affair with over one hundred people present. Mrs. Witherell was State Chairman for erecting markers on historic highways and one was placed at the entrance to the Country Club on Route 30 between Middlebury and Cornwall, marking the beginning of the Seth Warner Memorial Highway and dedicated May, 24, 1934 and so designated by the Legislature of 1933. Another marker was erected at Manchester, the intervening region having been Seth Warner's stomping grounds. Seth was a Revolutionary leader. Mrs. Witherell became State Regent and was the first President of the Officer's Club of the Vermont Society.

MRS. FRANCES STEVENS
1932-1935

The chapter was listed as a banner chapter by contributing seventy-five dollars to help defray the debt on Continental Hall. A DAR quilt was made by chapter members, exhibited at State Conference and sold to Mrs. Helen Pryibil of New York, one of our members who presented it for the Vermont Room in Continental Hall. The chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary January 23, 1934 and it was during this year that the Memorial Highway markers were dedicated.

MRS. FANNIE WILLIAMSON AUSTIN
1935-1938

Fannie Williamson was born December 12, 1871 in Cornwall, the daughter of Edson P. Williamson and Louise J. Crampton. She was a very meticulous regent, everything in good order at the Chapter House; she was well organized and kept an excellent scrapbook on DAR activities of the chapter and in the State and National Societies. It was during her regency that the first anniversary of the dedication of General John Strong Mansion was celebrated August 24, 1935. Marjorie Merriweather Post, a member of our chapter, gave \$1100.00 to Constitution Hall to our credit. Ten lineage books were purchased and a Good Citizen Girl from Bristol High School was sponsored. A historical pilgrimage to the Hubbardton Battlefield was held July 7, 1936 with twenty-five attending, including members from Ethan Allen Chapter and members of the C.A.R. Mrs. Austin died March 18, 1944.

MRS. NELLIE WOOSTER WRIGHT
1938-1941

Mrs. Wright was born in Whiting, Vermont, the daughter of Frank and Addie Church Wooster. There were nine subscriptions to the DAR Magazine during her first year of regency, and Marjorie Merriweather Post gave us rugs and draperies for a bedroom at John Strong Mansion and draperies for our chapter house. A memorial plaque was placed in the vestibule of Cornwall Congregational Church in memory of our first resident pastor, Jedediah Bushnell, 1769-1846.

MRS. ARABELLA FOOTE BENEDICT
1941-1944

Mrs. Benedict was born in Cornwall, Vermont, daughter of Abram and Kate Nichols Foote, and was the mother of four daughters. A flag was given to the Town of Cornwall and two silk flags to the State Society for the Mansion. A marker was placed at the Mansion in honor of Mrs. C.L. Witherell, past State Regent, and presented by her mother, Mrs. C.H. Lane. Much knitting was done for those in service of our country. A Vermont flag was presented to the chapter by Mrs. James Hinman Kempton in memory of Miss Alice Hinman, past Historian. There was much activity for war relief such as Salvation Army. There were classes for making surgical dressings and the manning of observation posts for spotting airplanes. The chapter compiled a record of war activities of members. As of 1943, of the eight regents since 1909, seven were still with us and the organizing regent, Mrs. Lane, had attended every chapter meeting for 34 years.

MRS. S. MARGUERITE LANE
1944-1947

Miss Lane was born in Cornwall, the daughter of Charles and Sarah Sanford Land. A Vermont maple tree was dedicated as a living tribute to men from Cornwall who served in World War II. Flower and vegetable seeds were given for War Service Gardens. Chapter members participated in salvage drives for paper, tin cans, and fat. One member, Beulah Sanford, gave her services to a junior college in Alabama where needy youth, at a small cost, could obtain an education for greater service. A scrapbook was compiled containing a picture and resume of each Cornwall man who served in World War II. We entertained GI's for a dinner on December 5, 1946, as a welcome home. In 1945 the chapter was invited as guest of Marjorie Merriweather Post at her summer home, Topridge, on Lake St. Regis, in New York State. She chartered a bus and met us by boat to cross the lake to her home. While there, we met such celebrities as General George Marshall and others.

MRS. GERTRUDE LOWELL COOK DIMMOCK
1947-1950

Mrs. Dimmock was born in Cornwall, the daughter of Charles and Emma Currier Lowell. She was the mother of two daughters, both DAR members. A framed scroll of names of men from Cornwall who served in World War II was placed in the Chapter House. Distinguished guests were entertained, such as two National Vice Presidents General, Mrs. John Logan Marshall and Miss Katherine Mathies, also National Vice Chairman of Good Citizenship Pilgrimage, Mrs. R.W. McCuen. The 40th birthday of the chapter was celebrated at the home of Mrs. Lane. We sponsored the Solomon Story Society C.A.R. and their celebration of the 25th anniversary of the society.

MRS. BEATRICE PARKHILL WHITNEY
1950-1953

Born in Cornwall, Vermont, daughter of Arthur and Mary Irene Atwood Parkhill, Mrs. Whitney is the mother of two children. We again went to Topridge, Lake St. Regis, New York, as guests of Mrs. Marjorie Merriweather Post Davies, wife of Joseph Davies, Ambassador to Russia and Belgium. We were privileged to meet General Omar Bradley and other celebrities. Clothing was sent to Crossnore. Newsletters were sent to absent members so that all would be informed of the activities of the chapter. A mother-daughter luncheon was held. We were faithful in remembering Kurn Hattin and veterans patients at White River. The Good Citizenship girl was Rebecca Orvis of Briston High School (now Mrs. Joel Fifield of Cornwall).

MRS. ESTHER RUTH PARKHILL BINGHAM
1953-1956

The daughter of George and Edith Gibson Parkhill, Mrs. Bingham is the mother of two daughters. History prizes were awarded in the four upper grades at the Cornwall Elementary School. The fence surrounding the chapter property was rebuilt and painted. We entertained the State Regent, Mrs. Arnold and the Vice Regent, Mrs. Weston for Guest Night, the C.A.R. at a mother-daughter luncheon, and members from Seth Warner and Hands Cove Chapters. The usual history prizes were awarded. DAR members accompanied school children to town cemeteries and explained to them the meaning of the flag and Memorial Day, telling them about Revolutionary and Civil War ancestors who were buried there. Several bronze markers were placed. New draperies for the Chapter House were given by Mrs. Marjorie Post Davies and the old draperies were given to Crossnore and Tamasssee Schools. A fifty-year membership was presented to Estelle Lane Witherell, Honorary State Regent and Chapter Regent. Clothing was sent to Crossnore and the chapter contributed to sending two C.A.R. members to S.A.R. Congress.

MRS. BEATRICE PARKHILL WHITNEY
1956-1959

This was the second term for Mrs. Whitney to serve as Regent. Members contributed and assisted at the Mansion auction. Four C.A.R. members were accepted for transfer. Fifty-nine Revolutionary markers were

placed under the direction of Miss Beulah Sanford. We again visited Topridge and contributed to Porter Hospital Building Fund. The 50th anniversary of the chapter was observed with former activities recalled and C.A.R. members as guests. As before, chapter members accompanied school children to cemeteries to decorate graves for Memorial Day. The town assisted the chapter in purchasing 80 Revolutionary bronze markers plus one for Rebecca Ives Rockwell who was at the Battle of Bennington with her husband and his father, serving as a nurse. Her record was accepted by the National Society.

MISS JESSIE EMMA FOOTE
1959-1962

Born in Cornwall, Miss Foote was the daughter of Abram and Kate Nichols Foote. Contributions were made to the Vermont Room and DAR Museum in Washington. 50-star flags were given to Cornwall School, one for each classroom and a large outdoor flag. A trip for fifth and sixth graders to Shelburne Museum was sponsored by the chapter. Excellent and unusual programs were presented, such as the showing of slides by a college exchange student to Austria and by a girl who piloted a private plane to Alaska. There were five subscriptions to the DAR Magazine, one being given to the local library. An inventory was taken of the contents of the Chapter House.

MRS. BEATRICE PARKHILL WHITNEY
1962-1968

This was Mrs. Whitney's third term as Regent. A copy of the book "Two Centuries of Cornwall Life", written by Miss Beulah Sanford, member of our chapter, was given to the National DAR Library. A quilt was tied and given to the Mansion auction. Sheets of information on all Revolutionary soldiers buried in Cornwall were compiled giving dates of birth and death, cemetery location and war record. Vermont was first in number of forms submitted to National in 1965. Grandparent forms were typed for each chapter member and presented to the Smithsonian. We again contributed to Cornwall and Bristol schools and to 4-H Clubs and Scouts. As a chapter we toured Fort Ticonderoga. A desk flag was given to the school library. A book entitled "Green Mountain Hero" was given to the Cornwall Library, "Ten Generations of Hamiltons" to DAR archives in Washington and to the Vermont Historical Society, and the Bingham Genealogy to the Chapter.

MRS. HILDA WOODRUFF GOLLNICK
1968-1971

Mrs. Gollnick is the daughter of Eben Phineas and Ann Mary Settle Woodruff, and is the mother of one son. The usual activities were carried out such as cleaning the inside and outside of the Chapter House. Patriotic, educational, and historical programs were prominent, history essays were given, birthday of the chapter was observed, and an impressive memorial service. Beatrice Whitney was presented a silver bowl in recognition of her long and faithful service to the chapter. Two hundred and nine lineage books were catalogued. The fall luncheon at the home of Mrs. Way carried on the tradition, and a hobby show was a success.

MRS. LILLIAN LUCIA BINGHAM
1971-1977

Mrs. Bingham was born in Shoreham, Vermont, the daughter of John B. and Lucy Corey Lucia. She is the mother of two children, one of whom is now the Regent of the chapter. A visiting day was held for members of Ethan Allen and Rhoda Farrand Chapters. Another hobby and antique show was held. State Regent, Doris Durgin and Erminie Pollard were entertained. The chapter visited the Plymouth, Vermont birthplace of Calvin Coolidge. A collection of gifts was made for Kurn Hattin, Kate Duncan Smith, Tamasee and Crossnore. A tour of the older homes in Cornwall was sponsored by the chapter. A luncheon of foods such as the early settlers ate was enjoyed, some members attending in costumes of that period. We were guests of the sixth graders at the Cornwall School at a play they had written on the Capture of Fort Ticonderoga. The Bennington flag was purchased in memory of S. Marguerite Lane. A float depicting the dress and activities of women two hundred years ago was constructed and entered in the Bicentennial

parade on July 3, 1976. The chapter received a certificate and a Bicentennial flag for being best in the state its plans for celebrating the Bicentennial.

MRS. SHEILA CLARK FOOTE
1977-1983

Mrs. Foote is the daughter of Sidney E. and Leona Reynolds Clark and is the mother of three daughters, all members of the chapter. Joint meetings were held with Ethan Allen Chapter for the ritual and program with separate business sessions. Chapter members helped clean the attic and cellar of the Chapter House and found items to contribute to the flea market at the Mansion, such as a yarn winder, light fixtures and metal kerosene lamps. An Italian bowl was donated by a member. Members visited Stratford House in Orwell, where they were shown reproductions of colonial furniture, then went on to the Orwell Library for lunch and a meeting. Whereas girls have usually been chosen as DAR Good Citizens, a boy was chosen this time. A breakfast meeting at Middlebury Inn was well attended and was followed by the viewing of an exhibit of historical items at Johnson Gallery at Middlebury College.

MRS. JOAN BINGHAM PAYNE
1983-

The daughter of Frederic M. and Lillian Lucia Bingham, Mrs. Payne is the mother of five children, and is the present Regent of the chapter, having been installed in May, 1983. The exterior of the Chapter House was well trimmed, the interior cleaned, and a new porch built. Members have attended the summer meeting in Newbury, the pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion, and the State Conference. Plans have been made for the coming year, continuing to meet jointly with Ethan Allen Chapter.

ORMSBY CHAPTER
Manchester, Vermont
Organized January 22, 1896

This writer, in an attempt to portray the continuity of DAR principles upheld by the Ormsby chapter, has selected a variety of activities and contributions over the years and attempted in the chapter history 1930-1985 to show by those selections that our small chapter has been a viable part of the NSDAR and the Vermont Society.

In January 1896 Mrs. Janet Pratt Blackmer was Organizing Regent. The thirteen charter members, the naming of the chapter, a list of regents, and a brief sketch appear in the book "Vermont State Conference 1892-1930". In addition to Manchester, the local membership has covered the townships of Sunderland, Arlington, Dorset and Peru.

By 1931 the membership of 26 included only four charter members. All located Patriot graves in Manchester had been marked.

A program in 1932 celebrated the George Washington Bicentennial. The script was written by Dorothy Canfield Fisher and the proceeds were shared with the Red Cross.

The "Depression" reduced the membership to 21 in 1934, but the quota was met toward the marker at the junction of the Ethan Allen and Seth Warner highways and the foundation was sent in 1935. This marker, located at Manchester Center, was completely financed by this chapter and was dedicated June 1937.

Flood relief in 1939 was added to the list of good works, and 42 German and Austrian refugee children, cared for in this country for two months, were guests at a meeting.

Many cemetery and bible records were copied and more Patriots graves were marked. Medals were awarded to the 8th grade pupils for American History, and awards for the "Good Citizenship Pilgrimage Contest" were given.

One subscription to "National Heritage Magazine" was used as a program guide and placed in the local library. According to the February 1938 issue, Vermont had 33 chapters – in 1984 there are 25, Ormsby responds to roll call. Several times Flag Code posters were distributed to schools, post offices, and libraries and appropriate books were presented.

For the 'Golden Jubilee' of 1940, a contribution was made to the Caroline Harrison Portrait Fund.

While one committee copied church, cemetery and bible records, others in 1941 worked on Bundles for Britain, knitting, sewing layettes and filling Red Cross emergency bags.

The following year members gave War Savings Stamps toward payment of the DAR property mortgage and reading material was sent to hospitals and army camps.

In 1944 eight of the monthly meetings were held at the Red Cross Rooms and chapter members were credited with 2460 hours. Donations included the Student Loan Fund and Indian Nurses.

All members were saving rubber, paper and fats in 1945 while continuing the war effort. A flag was presented to Crossnore, and public flags were repaired as needed.

The 50th anniversary of Ormsby in 1946 included a luncheon with the State Regent as honored guest, and memorial contributions were made to Memorial Square at Valley Forge and the Liberty Association. The chapter sent financial aid to K.D.S. and gave encyclopedias to Crossnore.

Although there had been a sharp decline in membership, a donation was made to the Health Room of the new Central Manchester Elementary School which opened in September 1950. A flag, history medal, and a prize for a history essay were presented in 1951. Another marker was placed and dedicated on a Patriot's grave.

During the next five years the chapter presented flags for the classrooms and gave many books to the new school library. All DAR schools and many other projects received support. Each year the Revolutionary soldiers' graves in Manchester, Arlington, and Sunderland were checked and the American Legion placed the flags for Memorial Day.

For several years the chapter sponsored a Good Citizen at Derby Academy in addition to the local Burr and Burton Seminary. Pilgrimages were made by members to many historic forts, museums, and cemeteries. In 1958 the Regent provided a program with slides from her visit to the sites of the Casablanca Conference, Columbus tomb, and the U.S. Marine Camp at Beirut. In February 1984 our Marines are withdrawing and there is no peace in Beirut. This chapter received an Honorable Mention for Honor Roll and an award for highest percentage in membership gain in 1957.

Louise Koier, author of "The House that John Built", the story of the John Strong Mansion in Addison, was an Ormsby member. The DAR Magazine also published her story of the house and family. Six of our members subscribed to the DAR Magazine.

The Regent visited Crossnore in 1960; a program was given on American Indian Music; the National Copying Project was completed; and donations were made to the Microfilm Project of Barbour Collection and for the auditorium at KDS School.

In June 1961 a picnic meeting was held at East Hill Farm, a camp for boys and girls in Andover, Vermont. The students presented a pageant and later markers and wreaths were placed on the graves of two patriots buried in the Adamsville Cemetery.

The next year a flag was presented to the Camp with five DAR national and state officers from Illinois as guests. Indian Head nickels were collected for Indian Schools; aid to Kurn Hattin Homes continued as it had for many years; a silver medal for Honor Roll was received, and one of eight programs was "Keep Vermont Beautiful".

The state summer meeting was hosted by the chapter in 1964. At that time, the Secretary, Mrs. Edna L. Swift was presented a 50 year pin. Articles were donated for the auction and the quota was met for the Mansion Fund. An autographed book was rebound and given to the National Library.

In 1965, Ormsby member Mrs. G. Murray Campbell was the National Chairman of Americanism and DAR Manual for Good Citizenship. The chapter was represented at Congress and all state meetings, and an Honorable Mention on Honor Roll was received with another to follow in 1966. Sizeable contributions were made to St. Mary's School and Kurn Hattin. Others included American Room and toward an Honorary State Regent's pin. Guest speakers included on from Switzerland. The 75th anniversary of DAR was celebrated.

A memorial service for Edna Batcheller Swift, a member for over 54 years, opened the May 1967 meeting. Having served as the Regent and other offices, she had been the Secretary until after her ninetieth birthday. Through a member of the Dorothy Hancock Chapter, a marker was dedicated on the grave of Dr. John Sargent. Mrs. Albert Reed, the Chapter Registrar and Genealogist, was presented with a bracelet charm for her 50 year membership. A fine "How-To" program was presented by the State Chairman of Genealogical Records.

It must have been 'fine' for there were five new members by September 1968, totaling 27. Another Honorable Mention was cited, with Silver and Gold awards on Honor Roll to follow from then to the present. Mrs. G. Murray Campbell left her Ormsby office as Regent to accept that of Regent of the Vermont State Society. She was appointed to the Tamasee School Board in 1970.

Ormsby Chapter celebrated its 75th anniversary in 1971 and received an award for contributions to DAR Magazine advertising 1968-1971, a "tri-color" for Program and "gold" for Honor Roll.

The chapter members were very busy with preparations for and participation in U.S. Bicentennial activities. A marker was dedicated on the grave of Martin Powell. He, along with Gideon Ormsby, was most influential in the early history of Manchester. With suitable ceremonies, copies of "Atlas of the American Revolution" were presented to four libraries. Mrs. G. Murray Campbell served as State Bicentennial Chairman.

The Helen Hartman Collection of rare genealogical and historical volumes was presented to the Rutland Free Library. The State Regent and former State Registrar assisted the Ormsby Regent and Registrar with the presentation, in 1980.

Memorial Day of the next year, a marker to honor our Organizing Regent, Janet Pratt Blackmer, was dedicated at her grave in the Factory Point Cemetery. The ceremony was well attended by the members and given excellent coverage by the local press.

Fifty years ago, History Medals were of silver and gold, Ellis Island was a high priority, aid was given to Caverly (TB) Preventorium, and a tree was planted on the Manchester School grounds. Caverly later became a police barracks, the "Village" school became a private home, and the 'Center' school a parking lot. But throughout the years more trees have been planted, and with deep roots the Ormsby Chapter is alive and active in current DAR activities. The present membership of 33 included three 50-year members, and six who live outside the area. Monthly meetings are held from May to December.

During 1959 a flag was presented to Mt. Laurel School for retarded children, two markers were dedicated in the Allen Cemetery in Sunderland, and four Historic dates were put on the PTA calendar.

ORMSBY CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. H.M. Swift.....	1929-1930
Mrs. Frank Pearson.....	1931-1932
Mrs. Henry W. Elliot.....	1933-1934

Mrs. Claude M. Campbell.....	1935-1936
Mrs. L.E. Hemenway.....	1937-1938
Mrs. H.M. Swift.....	1939-1942
Mrs. Claude M. Campbell.....	1943-1944
Mrs. Albert M. Reed.....	1944-1946
Mrs. I.N. Bartlett.....	1946-1949
Mrs. H.M. Swift.....	1949-1951
Mrs. Frederick O. Whittemore.....	1951-1953
Mrs. R.H. Stonehouse.....	1953-1954
Mrs. I.N. Bartlett.....	1954-1957
Mrs. R.H. Stonehouse.....	1957-1960
Mrs. William A. Scott.....	1960-1963
Mrs. Walter H. Beebe.....	1963-1964
Mrs. Louis R. Soderberg.....	1964-1967
Mrs. G. Murray Campbell.....	1967-1969
Mrs. Edwin S. Wheeler.....	1969-1975
Mrs. Louis L. Soderberg.....	1975-1976
Mrs. Orrin A. Griffis.....	1976-1978
Mrs. G. Murray Campbell.....	1978-1980
Mrs. Edwin S. Wheeler.....	1980-1981
Mrs. George T. Crawford.....	1981-1983
Mrs. Francis E. Smalley.....	1983-

OTTAUQUECHEE CHAPTER
Woodstock, Vermont
1934-1984

State Conferences have been held in Woodstock in 194, 1951, 1970, as well as the State Luncheon Meeting in June 1979.

1934 – The gift of a red oak tree from the Coolidge Farm was received from Mrs. Calvin Coolidge for our yard.

1938 – A Doll Exhibit which attracted large audiences was held in the Chapter House for two days, with over 200 dolls loaned to it. It culminated with a parade of little girls carrying their dolls around the grounds.

1939 – A 2-day Antique Exhibition was held in the Chapter House with the hostesses in colonial costume.

1940 – Each chapter had a special project to celebrate the DAR Golden Jubilee 50th birthday. Our project was the placing of a bronze marker at the birthplace in Woodstock of the famous sculptor, Hiram Powers.

During the war years, members were doing knitting and Red Cross work, old linen was collected, flower seeds were sent to soldiers on tropical islands, cancelled stamps were collected in order to reclaim the dye and the youngest member joined the WAC.

1943 – The chapter donated to the Dartmouth Museum a valuable herbarium of the flowers of the Town of Woodstock, collected, identified, pressed and mounted by our Chapter House Curator.

1944 – One of the members organized a Junior Citizens Club in the 6th grade; she became the State Chairman, and organized clubs in Pomfret, Barnard, and the rural schools of Woodstock.

In the 1950's the chapter received a number of gifts and bequests, and presented \$250.00 to a nurse in Randolph to finish her training so that she might go to Brazil as a Missionary.

Also a group of local men who were eligible for S.A.R. membership organized to support the Chapter Museum. One room contains an extensive collection of Woodstock memorabilia from one of these men,

and a generous bequest from him enabled the chapter to establish a trust fund which has been invaluable in repairing and maintaining the Chapter House.

Through the years the chapter has microfilmed the 1850 town census, the history of the Chapter House, and the railway survey from White River Junction to Woodstock.

This chapter has placed a bronze marker on the grave of every Revolutionary War soldier buried in the town of Woodstock with appropriate ceremonies; researched and copied military records of each; published a brief history of one Revolutionary soldier each week in the local newspaper; and during the Bicentennial year, a brief historical account of some event connected with the American Revolution was given at every meeting. One of the members was the Chairman of the Woodstock Bicentennial Committee. Flags are placed on the graves annually.

Another member has copied all of the cemetery records of the town for the Genealogical Records Committee; and has also copied the Rev. Moses Kidder's marriage records, covering about 50 years.

In addition to all of the routine contributions to national committees and projects, the chapter has given substantially to the renovation of the Vermont Room at the DAR National Museum; to the John Strong Mansion and other state projects; and for many years, a \$100.00 scholarship to two girls in the senior class of the local high school; and \$50.00 each to Kate Duncan Smith, Tamasee, Bacone College, and St. Mary's School for Indian Girls.

It is a matter of particular pride that a chapter member, Mrs. Harold Stillwell, has served as DAR State Regent of Vermont and also as National Vice President of the N.E. Regional C.A.R.

OTTAUQUECHEE CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. Angela F. Eastman.....	1931-1934
Mrs. Julia W. Slack.....	1934-1937
Mrs. Ella B. Minor.....	1937-1940
Mrs. Ethel P. Moore.....	1940-1944
Mrs. Angela F. Eastman.....	1944-1946
Mrs. Ethel P. Moore.....	1946-1951
Mrs. Grace S. Mounce.....	1951-1953
Mrs. Carolyn Camp.....	1953-1959
Miss Ruth Whitaker.....	1959-1962
Mrs. Leona Trudo.....	1962-1964
Mrs. E.H. Williams III.....	1964-1966
Miss Frances Mills.....	1966-1971
Miss Elizabeth K. Adams.....	1971-1977
Miss Frances Mills.....	1977-1978
Mrs. Richard Lee Ball.....	1978-1983
Miss Jean Williams.....	1983-

OXBOW CHAPTER

Newbury, Vermont

Organized October 22, 1896

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Oxbow Chapter was organized on October 22, 1896 with fourteen charter members. This chapter was the ninth to be organized in the state of Vermont and the second to be formed on the east side of the state being preceded only by Brattleboro which was organized in 1893.

It would have been difficult to single out any one Newbury patriot to honor by naming the chapter after him. Rather, the chapter was given the name Oxbow which is a name closely connected with the early history of the town of Newbury. A tract of meadowland formed by the great bend (oxbow) in the

meandering Connecticut River had been cleared and cultivated by the Indians long before the arrival of the first settlers.

When the chapter was formed, the fourteen charter members were related by blood or by marriage, and it was therefore nicknamed, "Cousin Chapter". During the regency of Carrie Kimball Hale, a committee was appointed to confer with the selectmen of the town in regard to obtaining the Oxbow Schoolhouse for a Chapter House. In 1912 it was leased by the town to Oxbow Chapter for 99 years. It has since been known as the Oxbow Chapter House. The first meeting of the chapter to be held in its new home was on August 5, 1913. A memorial fireplace was built by Mr. Charles Childs in honor of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Ladd Childs.

Meetings have been held regularly in the building during the summer months. Also many special events have taken place in it. Since the organization of the Newbury Historical Society our Chapter House has been opened for one of the society's summer meetings. It is also the repository for many antiques and Revolutionary relics (gifts and/or loans) from members and other interested persons. For several years the house has been open during Cracker Barrel Days so that the antique collection may be viewed. Members have guided school groups through, in connection with school units in early American history.

In 1912 when Newbury celebrated its 150th anniversary, Oxbow Chapter erected a marker of a single stone with a bronze tablet to mark the site of the log meeting house, the first meeting house built in Newbury and the second to be built in the state of Vermont.

MEMBERSHIP:

Chapter membership has had its ups and downs. Seven new members joined in the 1930's, keeping the membership at a constant level of approximately 50 members. The same number of new members was added in the 1940's. A drop to 3 in the 1950's and only one in the 1960's resulted in a much reduced number of members so that in 1967 our membership was at an all-time low – only 22 members and one associate. During the 1970's Oxbow Chapter received 26 new members, 10 of whom joined in one year, 1973. These 26 new members in a ten year period were more than the total number joining in the preceding forty year period. Maybe the interest aroused in Revolutionary times by the national Bicentennial was in part responsible for the large increase. The interest in DAR membership still seems to be very good as we move into the 1980's.

FINANCES:

With a building to maintain in addition to other budgetary requirements, it has seemed necessary to sponsor fund raising events. Bridge parties and silver teas seemed very popular during the 1930's and 1940's.

In 1953 a three day event, "The Cracker Barrel Bazaar" was organized in the village and has become an annual event. It is held on the last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of July. All local organizations were invited to participate in some event which would be of interest to the public and at the same time provide a source of income for the particular organization. For 6 consecutive years Oxbow Chapter sponsored a "Tour of Old Houses". With Newbury's abundance of old houses, a different group was selected each year. This always included the Chapter House with its collection of antiques. Usually tea was served at one of the houses or at the Chapter House. Then in the 1960's, for a change, a flower and art show was conducted for two years and a book sale furnished income for three years, all in conjunction with the Cracker Barrel Bazaar.

In the late 1960's and early 1970's a baked bean supper became an annual event occurring on Bennington Battle Day, August 16. Food sales and specially catered lunches or dinners have been other sources of income to meet our necessary expenses. Since acquiring the lease of the building in 1912, it has been roofed 3 times, painted 6 times as well as some interior improvements made.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Ever since the establishment of the DAR Good Citizen program in 1934, Oxbow Chapter has sponsored a Good Citizen in the senior class of Newbury High School and Wells River High School, as long as these schools existed. With the trend toward larger school systems, both Newbury and Wells River High Schools

closed. Since then the Oxbow Chapter has sponsored the Good Citizen at Blue Mountain Union School. Each year the Good Citizen, with his or her family, has been invited as special guests to the June meeting. The Good Citizen pin is presented and a youth oriented program provided. For many years a monetary prize was given to the student at Newbury High School who achieved the highest standing in American History class. This award was presented at commencement. In 1933 trees were planted at the entrance to the Oxbow Cemetery by the chapter and in the same cemetery the soldiers' graves were decorated at Memorial Day, usually by planting a geranium on each.

As long as Ellis Island was a point of entry for immigrants, contributions of money and/or clothing were made annually. Kurn Hattin Home has been generously remembered each year. During World War II the chapter adopted two navy men to whom gifts and encouraging letters were sent.

MEMBERSHIP PARTICIPATION BEYOND THE LOCAL CHAPTER:

Oxbow Chapter has had a fair representation in State DAR offices and committees. At the State Conference held in September 1931, Florence Farnham Osgood was elected State Chaplain. In 1935 Lois Goodwin Greer was elected State Registrar. Elizabeth Miller was elected State Recording Secretary at the State Conference held in 1953 and Lois Renfrew State Program Chairman. In 1958 Lois Renfrew served as State Librarian and Phoebe Welch was Chairman of Transportation and Highways. The Chairman of the Flag of the United States of America Committee was Lois Renfrew in 1974, and in 1972 she was Chairman of the Bicentennial of the United States Committee. Elizabeth Miller served as J.A.C. Chairman in 1974 and 1975. From 1976 to 1979 Elizabeth Miller was State Historian and Chairman of the American History Month Committee. She served as State Vice Regent from 1979 to 1982. Frances Welch was State Historian and Chairman of the American History Month Committee form 1979 to 1982.

This chapter has been privileged to entertain state meetings. On June 23, 1954, Oxbow hosted the State Spring Meeting and again in June 1982 and 1983. The seventy-fifth State Conference was held with Oxbow Chapter of Newbury, assisted by St. John deCrevecoeur, Richard Wallace and Cavendish Chapters, on September 19 and 20, 1974. Mrs. Henry Stewart Jones, President General NSDAR, was the guest of honor at this conference and Mrs. Harold Stilwell, our State Regent.

Our chapter has been well represented at all state meetings and many years at Continental congress, even the session of Continental Congress held in Chicago, Illinois in May 1942.

A FEW NOTES OF BY-GONE DAYS:

In 1939 ten cents per member was given toward the new archives room in Constitution Hall. Twenty-five cents per capita in defense stamps was collected to help pay the mortgage on the John Strong mansion in 1942. In 1943 the chapter voted not to publish a yearbook due to the shortage of paper. Also, regular meetings were discontinued for the duration due to the rationing of gasoline and no guest day was held that year. This was their motto: "Hold the fort in so far as we can without breaking too many rules that control our lives at this period."

Oxbow Chapter DAR has been, and still is, a strong organization contributing to historical, educational, and patriotic causes in the community. It has given generously to aid education and has assisted in many patriotic observances.

OSBOW CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. Lois Goodwin Greer.....	1928-1931
Mrs. Louise F. Taisey.....	1931-1932
Miss Mary Kimball Hale.....	1932-1935
Mrs. Helen Bailey.....	1935-1936
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Darling.....	1937-1938
Miss Jean W. Darling.....	1939-1942
Mrs. Grace Jones.....	1943-1945
Miss Ruth Randall.....	1945-1946
Mrs. Maria F. Cobb.....	1946-1949
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Miller.....	1949-1952

Mrs. Lois W. Renfrew.....	1952-1955
Miss Rebecca Dodd.....	1955-1958
Mrs. Marguerite K. Fitzpatrick.....	1958-1961
Mrs. Lois W. Renfrew.....	1961-1964
Mrs. Frances L. Welch.....	1964-1967
Mrs. Lois W. Renfrew.....	1967-1972
Mrs. Elizabeth M. Miller.....	1972-1979
Mrs. Ruth N. Webster.....	1979-1982
Mrs. Ellen Rosen.....	1982-

BIOGRAPHIES OF REGENTS

Mrs. Lois Goodwin Greer, daughter of Merrill and Ada Abbott Greer, born in Newbury, November 7, 1886. She married Charles H. Greer June 28, 1901. She was twice Regent of Oxbow Chapter and three years State Chairman of Publicity as well as State Registrar. She was interested in historical research and contributed various magazine articles of general historical interest. Her Revolutionary ancestors were John Goodwin and James and Bancroft Abbott.

Mrs. Louise F. Taisey was Oxbow Chapter's first regent. It was at her home that Oxbow Chapter was organized on October 22, 1898. She held the office of Regent for the first seven years of the chapter's history. She was made honorary Chapter Regent for life. During her years of membership she attended Continental Congress 35 times.

Miss Mary Kimball Hale was the daughter of James B. and Carrie Kimball Hale. She was born in Newbury December 27, 1885 and was a graduate of Smith College. She joined Oxbow Chapter in 1912. She was a successful and well-loved high school teacher of Latin and English. Her Revolutionary ancestors were Josiah Hale and Lieutenant Daniel Putnam.

Mrs. Helen Bailey served as Regent 1935 to 1936. She was the daughter of Daniel Allen and Sarah Cooper Rogers and was born in Newbury. She married Nelson A. Bailey of Wells River. She joined Oxbow Chapter in 1932. She was the descendant of Samuel Rogers who served in Colonel John Stark's regiment in 1775.

Elisabeth Chamberlin Darling was the daughter of Joseph E. and Ida Atwood Chamberlin. Mrs. Darling's father was the founder of the Boston Transcript and was also on the editorial staff of the Youth's Companion for several years. Elisabeth Darling joined Oxbow Chapter in December 1911. She and her husband operated an antique business both in Newbury and in Boston. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Joseph Chamberlin who also served in the French and Indian War under Captain John Catlin.

Miss Jeannie Wallace Darling was born February 21, 1886 in Cambridge, Massachusetts, the daughter of C. Francis and Lucia Doe Darling. She joined Oxbow Chapter in October 1911. She served as Regent 1939 to 1942. Her Revolutionary ancestor was William Doe.

Mrs. Grace Johnson Jones served as Regent one year. She was the daughter of William Henry and Mary Hill Johnson. She was born in Buffalo, New York. She joined Oxbow Chapter in 1927. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Haynes Johnson, a brother of Colonel Thomas Johnson.

Miss Ruth Randall became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1926. She served as Regent 1943 to 1945, completing the unexpired term of Mrs. Grace Jones. For several years she was postmaster of Wells River Post Office until her retirement in 1954. Her Revolutionary ancestor was William Butters, Jr. who was a member of the company of Minute Men which marched to Concord on the alarm of April 19, 1775.

Mrs. Maria F. Cobb was born in Littleton Massachusetts, November 7, 1884, the daughter of Theodore and Francena Sanborn Fletcher. She married Norman Dickinson Cobb of Newbury. Mrs. Cobb became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1917. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Peter Fletcher of Littleton, Massachusetts, who served as Private in Captain Samuel Reed's Co. of Minute Men.

Mrs. Elizabeth Miller joined Oxbow Chapter in 1943. She graduated from Newbury High School in 1926 and from the University of Vermont in 1930. She taught science and mathematics in Vermont high schools for 33 years. In 1953 she was elected State Recording Secretary. She again served as Regent from 1972 to 1979. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Colonel Thomas Johnson.

Mrs. Lois W. Renfrew became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1944. Mrs. Renfrew graduated from the Teacher Training Department of the University of Vermont and taught elementary and junior high for several years in Vermont schools. She served again as Regent 1961 to 1964 and also 1967 to 1972. Brigadier General John M. Scott, her Revolutionary ancestor, served as a member of the Provincial Congress of New York in 1775 and was Secretary of the State of New York 1777 to 1779.

Miss Rebecca Dodd was born in Boston, Massachusetts and joined Old Blake House Chapter in Dorchester in 1920. After retiring from a teaching career she moved to Bradford, Vermont and transferred her membership to Oxbow Chapter in 1947. She later served as Registrar of Oxbow Chapter. William Dodd was her Revolutionary ancestor.

Mrs. Marguerite Kent Fitzpatrick graduated from Middlebury College and taught French in Albany, New York schools. She joined Mohawk Chapter in Albany in 1935. After moving to Bradford, her native town, she transferred her membership to Oxbow. She taught French in Bradford Academy until her retirement in 1968. She has also served as Chapter Registrar for several years. Deacon Jacob Kiblinger, who was her Revolutionary ancestor, served as a Private in the Massachusetts Militia.

The Regent of Oxbow Chapter serving from 1964 to 1967 was Mrs. Frances Learned Welch. Frances attended the University of Vermont and graduated from Michigan State University. She was a Home Economics teacher and later became dietetics inspector in nursing homes and state institutions for the State of Vermont. Later she held the position of Head Dietician at Cottage Hospital in Woodsville, New Hampshire until her retirement. She has been and still is Secretary of her chapter. She became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1953. Abiel Chamberlin was her Revolutionary ancestor. He served in the capacity of Lieutenant, scouting and guarding and other service. He also served in the Old French War in Colonel William Williams' regiment.

Mrs. Ruth Norris Webster became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1978. She graduated from Wells River High School, attended Middlebury College, University of Kentucky and graduated from the University of New Hampshire in 1929. Before her marriage to John Webster she was a teacher of French and Latin in New Hampshire and Vermont schools. She and her husband operated a grocery store in Woodsville, New Hampshire, until their retirement. They then moved to Newbury and were both very active in church and community. She was Regent of Oxbow Chapter 1979 to 1982. Benjamin Norris, Jr., a soldier serving in Captain McConnell's company was her Revolutionary ancestor.

Ellen Brooks Rosen, the daughter of Floyd D. and Verna Rattan Brooks, graduated from Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans. She married Richard Rosen in 1954. She is employed as legal secretary in the law office of John Mirale in Wells River. She became a member of Oxbow Chapter in 1976. Her Revolutionary ancestor was Daniel Ballard of Andover, Massachusetts, another patriot who participated in the alarm of April 19, 1775.

PALESTRELLO CHAPTER
Wallingford, Vermont
Organized 1902

Palestrello Chapter in Wallingford, founded in 1902, grew to 60 members, countless activities and donations from 1940 to 1950, only to disband in 1970. Meetings were held the second Wednesday, at 2:45 p.m. monthly, in members' homes, the Congregational Church parlor, or True Temper Inn. In order to raise funds, the members concentrated their efforts on the annual July bridge benefit. Each donated three dozen cookies and potted plants which netted an average amount of \$90; thus the chapter was able to donate generously. (The secretary's notes never included a treasury total until 1961!) Monetary contributions to DAR projects were always first on the list; but clothing, fabric, and especially dyed silk stockings were

bundled off to Ellis Island (1935-1951); beads were collected for St. Mary's (1943-1947); a case of gingerbread mix was sent to Kenmore (1946); and when materials were available, bandages were made for the Red Cross. During World War II they gave funds for the blood plasma program and the United China Relief. In 1950, SWAN soap wrappers were sent to CARE. On the state level, the chapter supported the John Strong Mansion, the Children's Aid Society, the Crippled Children's Camp Thorpe, Health Bonds for TB, the Blind and Cancer Fund, the Salvation Army, the Elizabeth Lund Home, the Vermont Church Council, and the Vermont Old Cemetery Association. In 1941, 33 pounds of cookies were sent to children at camp, the shipping cost \$1.98! Locally, they donated toward: the Rutland Hospital, Boys and Girls State Delegation, a skating-rink, flags for the Boy and Girl Scouts, a flag pole for the Wallingford Library, flood and fire victims. In 1932 the State Regent commended Palestrello for being the only chapter buying high school books for indigent students (school districts did not supply at that time). Every December meeting concluded with a collection of presents and a donation for Kurn Hattin Home.

Chapter programs included NSDAR requirements and projects, speakers from organizations receiving donations, and topics of travel, theater, music, book reviews, health, history, government, gardening, and conservation. Some of the unusual activities of the chapter: 1932, planted an elm tree to commemorate the Bicentennial of George Washington's birth at the Rotarians' Wallingford meeting house, this was registered with the American Tree Association. A local fire destroyed all chapter applications with ancestor records; duplicates were received from Washington. 1936, Governor-Elect George Aiken spoke on "Wild Flowers under Cultivation". 1938, Secretary Mary Gilbert Smith listed for three years the delicious refreshments of each meeting! 1942, State Conference was held in Wallingford with President General, Mrs. W .H. Pouch attending - over 288 registered for the affair! 1943, the chapter won a \$5 award for the most new members.

During the war, patriotic members personally purchased \$46,975 worth of bonds and remembered soldier #19 Louis J. Roebuck aboard ship with cards and letters. 1947, a Red Cross overseas lecture brought over 54 guests and members on a cold January night! 1948, a radio broadcast given by Mrs. H.J. Smith on "Some Vermont Pioneer Women" for whom some chapters had been named, was highly received by the community. 1949, fifty dollars purchased a mahogany chair for the genealogical room at National Headquarters in Mrs. Batcheller's memory, a former Wallingford Regent and State Regent. 1952, the chapter's 50th anniversary luncheon for \$1.50 at the Wallingford Inn brought everyone dressed in colonial costume. 1959, Mrs. Carlos Bailey told of driving from California to D.C. in 1934 with five children! 1969, Certificates of Honor were sent to families who lost soldiers in Vietnam. Summer luncheons at members' summer homes concluded with tours at Calvin Coolidge Park, Topping Tavern, or perhaps a boat ride. In 1957, Members were guests of Mrs. Merriweather Post at Topridge. By October 1970, the 10 remaining members were holding only 5 meetings per year. They voted to disband and distribute equally the unspecified amount in the treasury to Tamasee, Kate Duncan Smith, and the John Strong Mansion. Some members transferred to Ann Story Chapter.

REGENTS AND YEARS SERVED

Mrs. E.N. Edgerton.....	1932-35; 1941-44; 1952-53
Mrs. C.N. Batcheller.....	1935-1938
Mrs. C.N. Foote.....	1938-1941
Mrs. H.V. Griffith.....	1944-1947
Mrs. F.A. Dean.....	1947-1950
Mrs. T.A. Ketcham.....	1950-1952
Mrs. H.J. Smith.....	1953-56; 1968-70
Mrs. W.H. Baker.....	1956-1959
Mrs. D.E. Mead.....	1959-1962
Mrs. O.A. Priest.....	1962-1965
Mrs. B.A. Wetherby.....	1965-1968

REBECKAH HASTINGS CHAPTER
Barre, VT
Organized December 29, 1923

The Rebeckah Hastings Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, 01-023-Vt., became sixty years old on December 29, 1983! In 1923, the Chapter was formally organized. The chapter yearbooks, Memory Books and Secretary's Minutes present in great detail the times places and programs of the meetings of the past sixty years. The chapter is most fortunate to have had very capable and untiring leadership. The first seven years of the history of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter were published in the first volume of the "Vermont State Conference ~ Daughters of the American Revolution 1892-1930", therefore, no attempt will be made to repeat what has already been printed, but rather, this history will begin with May 1929.

In researching the chapter records, it is evident that the trends and forms of the past still prevail. At each meeting the DAR Ritual, the Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and the National Anthem have always held a most special place at the meetings. Also included, was the President General's Message and the National Defense Report. The programs and the State and National projects, such as the President General's Project, DAR Schools, the various Funds and the Vermont Room, have been continuously and enthusiastically supported by the members. The American and patriotic spirit has prevailed throughout the sixty years of the chapter.

Members of the chapter, from August 24, 1935, have made the annual Pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion. Contributions to the Mansion were the American Flag, six chairs, donations toward tree seedlings and the acquisition of the portrait of Mrs. Caroline Scott Harrison, as well as many contributions toward the furnishings, renovation and restoration of the Mansion. The chapter has also been represented at state summer meetings and the annual State Conference.

At the April 22, 1940 meeting the project of marking the grave of Benjamin Sampson, buried in Roxbury, Vermont was discussed. Benjamin Sampson is reported to be the man who rang the bell to call out the Minute Men at the time of Paul Revere's ride to Lexington in 1776.

Constitution Week, American History Month, Flag Day and Good Citizen recognition have been observed each year, as well as the birthday of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter, December 29th. In addition, the chapter has participated in the celebrations of the Barre Ethnic Heritage Festivals. A gift subscription of the DAR Magazine is given to the Aldrich Public Library each year.

Programs at the meetings were always interesting and greatly enjoyed. Fine musical presentations were given by chapter members or invited musicians. Historical, patriotic, and educational programs were presented at monthly meetings and included topics relating to Vermont historical events and places, many of which, chapter members researched and rendered. The Vermont State Regents have been honored guest speakers, with a report of Continental Congress, during every year.

Enjoyable luncheon meetings have been held jointly and in recent years, annually, with the Marquis de Lafayette and Elijah Paine Chapters in Montpelier, Northfield and Barre. Occasionally, the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter members have joined the Oxbow Chapter at meetings in Newbury.

Four or five DAR Good Citizens, selected from area Senior High Schools, have been recognized each year as honored guests and presented with certificates and pins. American History Medals have been awarded to 6th grade students every year and Girl Homemaker Awards have been presented to a Spaulding Senior High School Home Economics student. The R.O.T.C. Medal is awarded annually to an outstanding Senior Cadet at Norwich University.

In 1942, the Vermont State Officers' Club awarded the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter a prize for the greatest number (26) of new members joining a chapter within one year. Special events and achievements of the chapter include the Golden Jubilee, which was celebrated on October 19, 1940. In 1943, 1944 and 1947 Rebeckah Hastings Chapter was the largest chapter in Vermont and many members were active in the

Vermont State Society and have served as Officers and State Committee Chairmen. With great pride, it can be recorded that Vermont's present State Regent, Mrs. Everett C. Lamson, Jr. is a member of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter. Her Regency began with her installation, in Washington, in April 1983.

In 1982, five members of the Chamberlin family became members of the chapter and an article, with a photograph, was published in the March 1982 issue of the National DAR Magazine, in the "With the Chapters" section.

The First Vice-President General requested permission to use our 1945-1946 Yearbook as a sample for the other chapters and we were commended by the Treasurer General on our 1949-1950 Yearbook. The Rebeckah Hastings Chapter has also received the following National Yearbook Awards: the Blue Ribbon for 1965-1966 and 1967-1968 and the Tricolored Ribbon for the years ending in 1969, 1970, 1973, 1974, 1977 and 1980. The Continental Congressional Award was received for Use of Theme in Program Titles for the 1982- 1983 Yearbook.

In 1969 the chapter received the National DAR Magazine Award for outstanding achievement in advertising. In 1976 the chapter received a certificate from Continental Congress in recognition of contributions and the National Certificate for 100% participation toward the President General's Fund. A Certificate of Award for 100% Dues Payment was received in 1982.

The National Honor Roll Awards that have been received by the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter are: the Gold Award for the years ending in 1972, 1980, 1982 and 1983; the Silver Award for the years ending in 1973, 1975 and 1976; and the Honorable Mention Award for the years ending in 1966, 1968, 1969, 1971 and 1974.

There are seven historical markers, located in Barre City and Barre Town, placed and maintained by the chapter, indicating places or events significant in the early history of Barre. At Elmwood Cemetery, a monument marks the grave of Rebeckah Hastings, the first woman settler in Barre and for whom our chapter was named. On June 7, 1969, at the site of her homestead, a granite memorial was dedicated, with her descendants attending the ceremonies. Each year on Memorial Day, flowers are placed on her grave. This record of chapter activities for the past fifty-three years indicates and verifies the fact that the genuine desire to "Foster true patriotism and love of country" remains intact within the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter.

CHAPTER REGENTS

MRS. ALICE KENDALL CHANDLER
1927-1931

In 1931 Rebeckah Hastings Chapter was the second youngest chapter and fifth in size in the State of Vermont. During Mrs. Chandler's regency the Flower Fund was established and monetary contributions were given toward the Vermont Bell at Valley Forge.

MISS CARRIE M. WHEELOCK
1931-1933

The graves of four Revolutionary War Real Daughters were marked with DAR markers during this period. The Hastings family Coat of Arms was printed on the Chapter Yearbook Covers. On September 25, 1933, Mrs. Sarah Elvira Parker passed away at the age of 102. She was the oldest member of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter, a Real Daughter and a descendant of Seth Warner. A copy of "The DAR History" was presented to the Aldrich Public Library.

MRS. DRUSILLA BAILEY GATES
1933-1935

During Mrs. Gates' regency, the first Chapter Memory Book was compiled. Many musical programs were presented by the children of chapter members and addresses were given by various pastors of Barre. It was requested that DAR members present their awards at school assemblies.

MRS. OLIVE FAIRCHILD PIRIE
1935-1937

On August 24, 1935 the chapter members made their first Pilgrimage to the John Strong Mansion and were urged to support the Mansion. The Wayside Inn Chapter of Wayland, Massachusetts shares the same anniversary date, December 29th with the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter. Greetings were exchanged on our chapter's eleventh birth date and the thirty first anniversary of the Wayside Inn Chapter. A copy of "American Government" was presented to the Vermont State, the Aldrich and the Spaulding High School Libraries.

MRS. EDITH BOYCE DODGE
1937-1939

Programs during chapter meetings included the history of Barre's Spaulding Academy; History of Vermont DAR Chapters; Ellis Island; and an address "Experiences of a Congressman's Wife" by Mrs. E.S: Brigham. The chapter contributed a card table to the Strong Mansion. The chapter also became a member of the Sesquicentennial Tree Planting Organization.

MRS. PEARL MACOMBER JARVIS
1939-1941

During Mrs. Jarvis' regency, the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter presented Spaulding High School with a scroll, listing the Spaulding Good Citizen Girls who were given the DAR Award. The chapter observed the DAR Golden Jubilee with a donation toward the portrait of Mrs. Caroline Scott Harrison, the founder of DAR, and a presentation of the United States Flag to the Mansion. A luncheon meeting, in celebration, was also held.

MRS. EVA G. SMITH WRIGHT
1941-1943

The Rebeckah Hastings Chapter Regent gave six chairs to the John Strong Mansion in the name of the chapter. The State Conference was held in Barre in September, 1942. The State Officers' Club awarded the chapter with a prize for having the greatest number of new members who joined during the year 1942-1943, and Chapter By-Laws were revised during this regency.

MRS. LAURA KIDDER MAXFIELD
1943-1944

During Mrs. Maxfield's regency, the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter had the largest membership in the state. A fund for a State Scholarship for the Tamassee DAR School was started by the chapter. Mrs. Eva G. Wright was elected President of the Vermont State Regent's Association.

MRS. CORA BATCHELDER HAWES
1944-1946

During Mrs. Hawes' regency, new Chapter By-Laws were adopted, the name of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter was engraved in the Bell Tower at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania and members donated many hours of Volunteer War Service in Civil Defense. In March 1945, the first Girl Homemaker Award was presented to a Spaulding High School Home Economics student. Mrs. Marjorie Conzelman (the present Mrs. Deane

C. Davis), a member, was awarded the National Service Award and she also, christened the "S.S. Barre Victory" at its launching in the Bethlehem Shipyard in Baltimore.

MRS. CHARLOTTE CROWE MORRISON
1946-1948

The membership of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter was ninety-nine during Mrs. Morrison's regency. The names of Revolutionary soldiers in local cemeteries were mailed to the State Historian and to the Historian General in Washington. The chapter received national commendation of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter's interest in Valley Forge.

MRS. ETHEL KEITH WALES
1948-1950

In 1948 Rebeckah Hastings Chapter celebrated its own Silver Jubilee and past Chapter Regents presented a program entitled "Reminiscences". Over twenty Manuals for Citizenship in English, French and Italian were presented to local persons seeking United States Citizenship.

MRS. MATTIE H. SNOW
1950-1952

The Vermont State Conference was held in Barre in September 1950. At each chapter meeting the correct use of the United States Flag was stressed. During Mrs. Snow's regency, the correct spelling of the chapter name was put on the Regent's badge, "REBECKAH" and Student Loan Funds were established for the DAR Good Citizen Girls.

MRS. BERNICE A. MITCHELL
1952-1953

During Mrs. Mitchell's regency, fifty dollars was contributed to the NSDAR Building Fund. Included with monthly guest speakers, was Mr. James Young, from the Vermont State Welfare Department and the December birthday program was "Christmas Customs and Legends throughout the World".

MRS. RUBY SNOW FOSS
1953-1956

Newly adopted By-Laws of the chapter were distributed to the members. Gen. Ernest H. Harmon, President of Norwich University, addressed the chapter on World Affairs. The Chapter Birthday was regularly celebrated and the State Regent and three other State Officers were guests of the chapter. Mrs. Glenn Carpenter, Historian, researched and completed a history of the Historical Markers in the Barre area.

MISS AGNES BAILEY
1956-1959

During the regency of Miss Bailey, two historical markers were replaced and dedicated to the Barre City Park on the sites of the First Methodist Church and the Junction of the Old Post and State Roads. A history of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter, 1923-1948, was compiled and presented by Mrs. Eva G. Wright, the Historian. The Award of Merit for service to the community was presented to Dr. D.C. Jarvis by the chapter. The slate monument of Rebeckah Hastings Goldsbury in Elmwood Cemetery was repaired and a DAR Marker for the Goldsbury Memorial was purchased by the chapter.

MRS. ARLENE HUTCHINSON LYON
1959-1961

In September 1959, the chapter members toured the historical sites in the Barre vicinity. Junior American Citizenship Clubs were active with large memberships. Four Rebeckah Hastings Charter Members were honored on the December anniversary. Outstanding program speakers were Senator Aline Ward on

"Highlights of Legislature" and Mr. Weston Care on "Faith of Our Fathers in Public Schools". All chapter membership papers were copied and mailed to Washington. Mrs. Cora Hawes was a hostess in the Vermont Room at Washington.

MRS. BEULAH BATES FARRAR
1961-1963

Some interesting programs during Mrs. Farrar's regency included one about Sarah Hale, Editor of Godey's Lady's Book, who was credited, in 1863, with making the national celebration of Thanksgiving Day possible. An address was given by the Vice-National Chairman of American History. Vermont College musicians entertained the chapter at a meeting and a piano recital was given by private students of Mrs. Alida Pierce.

MISS ELEANOR BAILEY
1963-1965

During Miss Bailey's regency, the only living Charter Member of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter, Mrs. Edna More, was honored for her service in DAR. Four members of her family also held memberships in the Society. Back issues of the DAR Magazine were donated to the John Strong Mansion and the Vermont State Historical Society. Programs of interest were the "Life and Events of the John Strong Family in 1767" given by a chapter member; "Safety" given by Lt. Richard Curtiss of the Vermont State Police Department; "Conservation" by Mr. Robert Simon, of the Vermont Forest and Parks Department; an A.F .S. Exchange Student from Brazil was a guest speaker; and Mrs. Bernard Dooley, State Regent, spoke on the Vermont Room in Washington.

MRS. ESTHER BUZZELL HARRINGTON
1965-1969

The DAR Diamond Jubilee was observed by an address by Miss Erminie Pollard, Vermont's State Regent. During this regency, other guest speakers were: Mrs. Charles Lynde, Vice-President General, and an Associate Member of the Chapter; Lt. Col. Fred E. Steele, 3rd, Archivist and Historian of the Vermont Military Department; Rep. Arthur Gibb, Chairman of the House Natural Resources Commission; Mrs. Richard RuBino, State Director of the Vermont Central Planning Office; and A.F.S. Exchange students from Germany and New Zealand. The chapter again commemorated its founding and another lineage workshop was held.

MRS. ISABEL BLAKEBOROUGH ROWE
1969-1971

During Mrs. Rowe's regency, a Dedication of the Goldsbury Memorial was observed. This is the site of the first frame house (1800), which was built by William Goldsbury. The deed to the property on which the Memorial stands was recorded in the Barre Town Clerk's Office. Copies of a scrapbook about the Dedication Ceremonies were placed in all of the libraries and graded schools in Barre City and Town and an article on the Goldsbury Memorial Dedication was printed in the October 1970 issue of the DAR magazine.

MRS. NELLIE CHASE CANNING
1971-1974

Members of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter voted to assist in the State DAR Project of Mt. Independence. Six American History Awards were presented and on the observance of the 50th Anniversary of the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter, candles were lighted in honor of past Regents. Mrs. Canning wrote several "Letters to the Editor", which covered timely subjects of interest, and were published in the Times-Argus Newspaper. A representative of the National Wildlife Federation, Mr. E. Warner Shedd, Jr., was a guest speaker.

MRS. GRACE ROLLINS LEVADIE
1974-1977

During Mrs. Levadie's regency, the chapter received the National Certificate for 100% participation toward the President General's Fund and a Certificate from Continental Congress in recognition of contributions. The State American History Award was won by a chapter-sponsored fourth grader. Programs at meetings included a Nature Walk at the Green Mountain Nature Center in Huntington, Vermont. Mr. Ethan Hubbard spoke on Prehistoric Life in the Champlain Valley and slides on "Birth of a State" were presented by the National Life Insurance Company. The chapter donated One Hundred Fifty Dollars for the planting of a Honey Locust near the North Main Street homestead site of a charter member, Miss Carrie Wheelock. The chapter participated in another Barre Bicentennial Project with a program on the restoration of the Old Barre Opera House.

MRS. FLORENCE GEORGE THOMPSON
1977-1980

The Librarian of the Aldrich Public Library, Mr. Donald Beavin, was a guest speaker on "Bringing History Alive". The "Roots Cellar" in the Library is the headquarters for the Barre Ethnic Heritage Project. Chapter letters were written to the Secretary of State, protesting the retiring of records in the State Department of Vital Statistics. Mrs. Cora Hawes was presented a fifty year membership certificate and an original poem honoring her for her many contributions to the chapter and expressing the high esteem in which she was held. A Barre sixth grader, sponsored by the chapter, was the Vermont State Winner in the American History Essay Contest. The Librarian of the Genealogical Department of the Church of Latter Day Saints was a speaker on lineage research and an A.F. S. exchange student from New Zealand was a guest speaker.

MRS. GRACE HALL GIBBY
1980-1986

During this regency, to date, the Rebeckah Hastings Chapter hosted the 1981 DAR Vermont State Conference in Montpelier. Five members of the Chamberlin family joined the chapter in 1982 and an article, with a photograph, was printed in the March 1982 issue of the DAR Magazine. Programs included a workshop on Genealogical Research and a Vermont Architectural Historian gave a survey of Historical Sites in Vermont. Mrs. Frederick A. Kerr, a chapter member, presented a talk on the "Treaty of Paris". Mrs. Everett C. Lamson, Jr., also a Rebeckah Hastings Chapter member, was installed in Washington, as the Vermont State DAR Regent in April of 1983.

RHODA FARRAND CHAPTER
Addison, Vermont
Organized June 26, 1909

Mrs. A.S. Crane.....	1930-1932
Mrs. Pliny B. Norton.....	1932-1934
Mrs. Henry Fisher.....	1934-1936
Mrs. Fred H. Hilton.....	1936-1939
Mrs. Clarence H. Hawley.....	1939-1942
Mrs. Erwin S. Clark.....	1942-1944
Mrs. Hayward S. Marshall.....	1944-1947
Mrs. Theron Benedict.....	1947-1950
Miss Helena Palmer.....	1950-1953
Mrs. Gayle Putnam.....	1953-1956
Mrs. Wilbur H. Pratt.....	1956-1959
Mrs. Allen Tucker.....	1959-1962
Mrs. Clarence H. Hawley.....	1962-1965
Mrs. Theron Benedict.....	1965-1971
Mrs. Ruth O'Connor.....	1971-1974
Miss Barbara W. Stowe.....	1974-1977

Mrs. Peter Huizenga.....	1977-1980
Mrs. Wilbur H. Pratt.....	1980-

STORY OF RHODA FARRAND
Written by Margaret S. Hard
Published Sept. 6, 1939' in the Rutland Herald

To the north of Bridport Village is a region known as "Jersey Street". It is so called because members of one of its earliest families migrated to Jersey. They went before the Revolution and returned to Bridport after it. The name of Jersey, the state which they left after the war, soon became attached to that part of the Vermont village where they again settled. But when Rhoda Farrand returned as a widow, bringing her fatherless children back to live near Vermont relatives, it is doubtful that her association with the state of Jersey would have proved of sufficient importance to make the name "Jersey Street" cling to her part of Bridport except for two things. Those two things were the power of her extraordinary personality and the story of what she did during the bitter winter of 1777-1778 while she still lived in Jersey.

Her husband had enrolled with the "Jersey Provincials" and he held a Lieutenant's commission during the Revolution: He was present at the surrender of Yorktown. Thirteen years later he died. During the years following the war, he must have often thought of his wife's service to the Revolutionary army for it was said that she had done as much as the soldiers to win the war. Lieutenant Bethuel Farrand had been stationed at Morristown while she was left on the farm in Parsippany with their children. One winter's day he was able to send her a letter by Marshal Doty. "We are here for the winter in Morristown", he wrote, "and a sorry sight are our men. No socks or shoes, by dropping blood you can trace their tracks".

It was then she called her son Dan, and told him to hitch the steers to the cart. He drove while she sat erect in her chair that had been placed in the open cart. Her hands were busy with wool and needles despite the cold. They set out on the Whippany Road toward Whippany village. They drove to Hanover town and on to the Rockaway River and the Rockaway Valley.

They reached Compton's Forge and Boonton before they turned back. At each farm and settlement Rhoda Farrand had her son stop the steers. She climbed down and knocked at the door of every household where there were women. Telling her story quoting from her husband's letter, she begged them to set to work to knit socks as rapidly as possible. They were to bring, or send them to her by the week's end. She would carry them, all they could make, to General Washington's Headquarters in Morristown.

Needles flew. Parson Condit even agreed it was allowable to knit on the Sabbath for such a cause. By the end of the week, 133 pairs of socks were delivered at Mrs. Farrand's door. Proudly she carried them to Morristown. That was only the beginning of her efforts. Until the end of the war she supplied the soldiers stationed in her region with socks and as much warm clothing, food, and medical aids as she and the women she organized could furnish.

When she returned to Vermont in 1794, she was a woman of 47. She lived to be 92 years old, dying just one hundred years ago in 1839. One can imagine her active life in the small Vermont village there, the town hall, the school, the church, must have benefitted by reason of her judgment, energy, and idealism. Publicly, or in private, she undoubtedly took part in all that concerned Bridport. For one hundred years her dust has lain in the little cemetery that borders on the green. Village life continues. People go in and out of the old church. The town meeting is called each March, and children run past to school Rhoda Farrand Chapter DAR is very proud to carry on the name and to re-tell the story of the Revolution once in a while.

1930-Two markers were set to mark the Crown Point Military Road.

1931-Marker placed on Daniel Champion's grave in Pantton. He was a Revolutionary soldier.

1932-Members voted to mark deceased Daughters' graves with markers.

1933-Worked for the Red Cross. Money sent for reducing debt of Constitution Hall.

1934-Rhoda Farrand Chapter is very proud to have the newly purchased State Memorial Forest located in the town of Addison. Chapter well represented at Dedication August 24. We are also proud of the fact that one of our members is a direct descendent of General John Strong and another member is on the Forestry Committee.

1935-August 24-the first pilgrimage to General John Strong Mansion, seventeen chapters represented. Promotion of Good Citizenship.

1936-Chapter members helped entertain a June Get-Together at Mansion in Addison. Pledged to help buy card table and chair set for the Mansion.

1937-Guest Night held at Raven's Nest, Lake Champlain; 36 members and their gentlemen, guest speaker was a student from Middlebury College.

1938-Chapter paid bill for decoration and repair to the library room at the John Strong Mansion.

1939-Fannie Noonan purchased dishes for the John Strong Mansion to be there for all chapters to use. Chapter members arranged a broadcast over WCAX.

1940-Seedlings planted on DAR property April 27th. Exceptional program speaker Mrs. Arkinson, Hon. Mortimer Proctor and Mrs. John DeWitt.

1941-April 26th planted 2000 trees on DAR Mansion property with our vice-regent Mrs. Erwin Clark representing the chapter. Gentlemen's Night held at Mansion, program on Indian Lore of Vermont.

1942-Purchase a \$100 Bond. Supported Vt. Plasma Bank. Harriet Potter offered to give a spinning wheel to the Mansion.

1943-Members always working to reduce the Mansion debt. Two Windsor chairs presented to Rhoda Farrand Room by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Benson.

1944-Chapter honored this year by having two state officers chosen from it. Mrs. Erwin Clark as State Regent and Mrs. Hayward Marshall as Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Florence Hawley has been chosen as State Chairman of Public Relations.

1945-Reported the town of Addison voted to exempt the State DAR property taxes for five years. Members sent Christmas boxes and letters to soldiers overseas.

1946-Historical programs.

1947-Markers purchased for deceased members' graves. C.A.R. members from Thomas MacDonough Chapter presented a program.

1948-Working on DAR projects, both State and National.

1949-Rhoda Farrand Chapter's 40th Anniversary, five charter members now living.

1950-Dedication service at the Mansion, markers placed on 13 of the chapter's deceased members.

1951-Lieut. Gov. J.B. Johnson speaker. Flag Day program by Boy Scouts.

1952-Assisting at Blood Bank as donors and canteen work. Knitting and sending letters to servicemen. Giving to DAR projects.

1953-Historical Essay Prizes for 7th & 8th grades at Addison Central School.

1954-August 24-Mrs. Consuela Bailey spoke on our rights and heritage as American Citizens.

1955-Flag codes presented to schools. June, special recognition and praise to Mrs. Erwin Clark for her work in Vermont's legislature toward appropriation of money for a State Park west of the Mansion.

1956-Visited Sheldon Museum. Worked at auction at Mansion.

1957-Contributed to purchase of Sheraton sideboard for the Mansion. Presented pin to Good Citizen. Secretary given to Mansion by Harriet Potter.

1958-Replaced marker on grave of Rhoda Farrand.

1959-Rhoda Farrand Chapter celebrated 50th anniversary. Hostess Day at the Mansion with daughters of members in period costumes.

1960-Voted to give History Medals for Excellence in History to 7th & 8th grade students.

1961-Completed two of the records for the National Copying Project. Three money-making projects to support DAR projects.

1962-A member presented the chapter with a fifty-star flag to be used at meetings. Membership: 19.

1963-An antique Barnes Clock (which had been donated by a former Addison resident) given to the Mansion.

1964-Members helped at DAR auction.

1965-Visited Rokeby in Ferrisburg.

1966-Voted to give Excellence in History Medals to highest boy and girl in 8th grade at Vergennes Union High School.

1967-Program by Roger Jackson telling of his experience in Peace Corps in India.

1968-Toured Daniels Museum in Orwell, Vt. Members attended a genealogical workshop.

1969-Playlet-Foster True Patriotism.

1970-State Regent visits and talks about DAR Schools.

1971-Received Honorable Mention certificate for Honor Roll.

1972-Special National Defense program. Plans for Bicentennial.

1973-Received Gold Honor Roll Award.

1974-A member's daughter took us on a trip to England by slides. Booth at Field Days with Indian Display and Genealogical Helps.

1975-Women of the Revolution, topic of study.

1976-Gifts collected for Veterans. "Making Local History Live" is Bicentennial theme. Good Citizen was a member of MacDonald's Band; came for our Guest Night program with his family to present musical program.

1977-Albert Ringey tells about hiking over about 35 miles of the "Ole Military Road" with a group of Boy Scouts.

1978-Mrs. Ruth O'Connor reported about 40 pages of cemetery records have been typed and sent to Washington.

1979-Received Honorable Mention for Honor Roll and a Tricolor ribbon award for program supplement.

1980-Conservation program by wildlife biologist. Two fund raising events to support DAR projects.

1981-Entertained Good Citizen and presented him with pin and Washington Landmark book. Two American History Excellence awards were presented to 8th grade students.

1982-Member presented antique chair to Mansion. Visited Shard Villa in Salisbury, Vt. Monies given for Mansion Restoration.

1983-Always in Season: Folk Art and Traditional Culture in Vermont by a member who had an exhibit on loan. Visited Sheldon Museum. A.F.S. student Silvia Stober from Fellback, Germany guest at one meeting. Treaty of Paris program.

1984-American History Month Essays. Chapter is 75 years old and we will plan a special observance.

RICHARD WALLACE CHAPTER
Thetford, Vermont
 Organized October 18, 1913
 PAST REGENTS

Miss Anna Dodge.....	1929-1932
Mrs. Katherine Goodwin	1932-1935
Mrs. Corrie Whitcomb.....	1935-1938
Mrs. Mary Darling.....	1938-1941
Miss Florence Russell.....	1941-1944
Mrs. Josephine Jenkins.....	1944-1947
Mrs. Katherine Howard.....	1947-1950
Mrs. Ruth Swan.....	1950-1953
Mrs. Grace Woodward.....	1953-1956
Mrs. Edith Holt.....	1956-1959
Mrs. Olive Oliver.....	1959-1962
Miss Anna Dodge.....	1962-1965
Mrs. Edith Holt.....	1965-1966
Mrs. Rose Bonnett.....	1966-1968
Mrs. Rose Bonnett.....	1968-1971
Mrs. Grace Woodward.....	1971-1974
Mrs. Grace Woodward.....	1974-1977
Mrs. Margret Balch.....	1977-1980
Mrs. Margret Balch.....	1980-1983

A brief account of Richard Wallace's life, for whom this chapter was named, is printed in the back, "Vermont State Conference Daughters of the Revolution, 1892-1930". Since then fourteen daughters have served as Regents. Two of these are living-Mrs. Grace Woodward and Mrs. Margret Balch.

Miss Anna Dodge, a good DAR promoter, served two terms as Regent, died in 1973 at 91 years. Mrs. Abbie Wilcox, a charter member, died in 1973. She was over a hundred years of age. Mrs. Katharine Howard passed away in 1980 at 96 years of age. She was a charter member and had belonged to our chapter for sixty-six years at the time of her death.

DAR markers have been placed on many members' graves during these fifty years. Books and magazines have been given to the North Thetford Library. Programs were presented at most business meetings. The programs included music, historical accounts of people and places, and family ancestry.

A bequest of \$1,000.00 was left to the John Strong Mansion by Mrs. Olive Oliver in 1974. Twice Mrs. Ruth McCarty was honored to be Mrs. Stillwell's page at state meetings. For several years, July was "Birthday Month", when every member would donate a dollar. This helped the treasury balance.

For many years we have sponsored a senior student in Thetford Academy and Oxbow High School as a Good Citizen. Each has been presented a certificate and pin during their graduation exercises. This project is continuing today.

Certificates have been given to members whose membership has continued for twenty-five years or more. We have given financial donations during the years to the following: all DAR projects, school, state and national mansions or buildings of historic importance. The chapter has given our quota to all of the President General's projects. There is a need for work to be done at the grave site of Richard Wallace. The improvement of this site will be the project for the future.

SETH WARNER CHAPTER
Vergennes, Vermont
Organized October 6, 1902

This history is being compiled from materials collected by officers of the chapter. An effort is being made to produce a format very similar to the volume published in 1931. This has been made possible by information found in records preserved by three of our past Regents; Ella Warner Fisher 1913-1915 and 1918-1919; her daughter, Helen Fisher Smith, 1940-1942; and Charlotte H. Leach, 1947-1950.

1929-1932 - Regent, Mary Riker Waterman (Mrs. Vance W.) Mrs. Waterman's Regency was exciting. Our own Augusta H. Norton was State Regent, and the State Conference was held at Basin Harbor in 1931. With Rhoda Farrand Chapter, we were hostesses.

The chapter was instrumental in presenting far reaching activities to residents in and around Vergennes; striving to perpetuate the institutions of American freedom. Inspirational speakers such as Dr. Paul Moody, President of Middlebury College, and Dr. C.S. McGowan, President of American International College, highlighted historical research, the preservation of documents and relics, and celebration of patriotic anniversaries.

1933-1935 - Regent, Miss Grace Fisher "On August 27, 1933, a notable event occurred in Vergennes: the marking of the site of the home of our first settler, Daniel Macintosh. An interesting and unique program was arranged by MacDonough Chapter, C.A.R., assisted by Seth Warner Chapter, NSDAR and other patriotic and civic organizations".

Chapter reports for Miss Fisher's Regency reveal a history of usefulness to the community. A student loan enabled a young woman to enroll for the freshman year at Middlebury College. A historical essay contest was conducted for seventh and eighth graders. "Seth Warner Chapter was responsible for the care and improvement of MacDonough Park, which is situated on the bank of Otter Creek at the new municipal dock; and had set out a new barberry hedge next to the curbing". On Arbor Day, 1932, an elm tree was planted and dedicated on the school grounds, with a bronze marker designating it as a memorial to George Washington.

The marking of the newly named Seth Warner Highway, seventy-five miles long, and extending from Middlebury to Manchester Center, was initiated by our Chairman of Preservation of Historic Spots, Ella Warner Fisher. We took an active part in the dedication of the marker for Seth Warner Memorial Highway. Mrs. Fisher wrote and read a poem for the occasion. Seth Warner was a man of iron frame and noble appearance, standing not less than six feet two inches in his stocking feet. He was a leading spirit in the Pre-Revolutionary activities of the Green Mountain Boys. He was with Ethan Allen at Ticonderoga, and commander of the party that captured Crown Point on the same day. "Resolute, firm, and self-possessed, Warner was the leader of a force of determined men who carried no favor and knew no fear. They voluntarily placed themselves under the guidance of this confident, prudent, trusted man."

Letters were sent to Non-Resident Daughters, detailing current activities, and inviting them to participate by sending messages for chapter meetings.

1935-1938 - Regent, Nancy Smith McCuen (Mrs. R.W.) The chapter studied the character and life of Col. Seth Warner. Lady Grenfell was the speaker at one meeting, describing the work she and her husband were doing with the natives of Labrador. They were establishing the Dog Team Tavern in New Haven as an outlet for cottage industry products made in Labrador.

Members were studying the history of Vergennes and surrounding areas. The research was written up for chapter programs, then the papers were preserved at Bixby Library. A legacy of \$1348.55 was received from the estate of Cynthia Perkins Field Foote.

1938-1940 - Regent, Miss Laura Roburds "On February 9, 1938, the calendar was turned back to 1860 at the Seth Warner Chapter D.A.R. meeting. Members and guests were dressed in old fashioned costumes. The colorful dresses and bonnets worn many years ago made a realistic Lincoln theme. On display was the trousseau worn by a grandmother of a member."

In 1939 Seth Warner held three guest evenings at the Bixby Memorial Library, sharing worthwhile historical programs, fine music, and outstanding speakers with the general public and neighboring chapters. The chapter celebrated its thirty-fifth anniversary. A bubble-type drinking fountain was erected in City Hall Park. The D.A.R. Magazine has been given to Bixby Library, the Weeks School and the State Hospital in Waterbury. A radio program was presented over Station WCAX. We entered a float depicting a colonial scene in the sesquicentennial parade. Maintenance or treatment was provided for MacDonough Park, the flag pole at the High School gymnasium, and the Washington elm on the school grounds.

Our Mary G. Warner was a very devoted Stated Chairman for Ellis Island occupational rehabilitation work. Nancy S. McCuen was State Chairman of the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Pilgrimage.

1940-1942 - Regent, Helen Fisher Smith (Mrs. B.F. Quotation from "Introducing in Rhyme the Golden Jubilee Projects", in Vermont Daughters of the American Revolution Yearbook for 1940.

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"A handsome soldier, brave and strong, the ideal of our dreams. So gracious, modest, wise and true to us Seth Warner seems. A chapter fine has honored him, Vergennes that does so well Its Golden Jubilee project Seth Warner now will tell."

This was the Golden Jubilee year for the DAR and also the sesquicentennial for the city of Vergennes. Helen Smith was a dynamic and untiring regent. Twenty-four new members were accepted into the chapter.

MacDonough Park was maintained and a drinking fountain was installed. This neat little park is an attractive approach to Vergennes by water. In cooperation with Rhoda Farrand Chapter, we planted two thousand seedlings in the State Forest on the DAR Mansion property. We donated an antique chair to the Mansion, and made a contribution to the National Archives Room.

Golden Jubilee Day, October 11, was celebrated by marking graves of Revolutionary War soldiers, a total of 16 marked during Helen Smith's regency. Donations were sent to the Vergennes Nursery School, Vermont Children's Aid, to the American Legion for Boys' State, and to British Refugee Children.

Miss Eva Meigs was Chapter Chairman of DAR Schools and gave much time and effort to gathering clothing, books, and other gifts to send to Kurn Hattin, Kate Duncan Smith, Tamassee, and Crossnore Schools.

Members were actively aiding the American Red Cross with money and work. Flags were being placed in classrooms as needed, and our chapter sponsored a girl to the first Green Mountain Girls' State. A Norway maple tree was planted in City Hall Park, opposite the home, and dedicated to the memory of Mary Riker Waterman.

1942 - 1943 - Regent, Annie M. Carpenter (Mrs. George E.) All meetings opened with the ritual. There were 55 members and 5 associate members. The chapter was deprived of a good leader when Mrs. Carpenter moved out of town.

1943-1947 - Regent, Nancy Smith McCuen (Mrs. R.W.) Members kept very busy during World War II, raising money for Red Cross, encouraging the sale of War Bonds, besides keeping up all the regular DAR projects. After the war, members studied the new laws, treaties and policies. Music was a part of every program. Seth Warner has always entertained State Officers, and in turn, has worked faithfully when chairing state committees.

1947-1950 - Regent, Miss Charlotte Leach Seth Warner had sixty-four members and five associate members. This was a time of calming down after the war. Programs concentrated on patriotic, educational, and historical themes. We were very proud that the young lady we had sponsored, Viola Moses of

Vergennes High School, received the Pilgrim Medal for the state Good Citizenship Award, over 72 other contestants. The chapter has always supported the projects of the State and National Society.

1950-1953 - Regent, Daisy B. Williams (Mrs. John S.) The year 1952 was the fiftieth anniversary of the chapter. Meetings were held at Basin Harbor, Bixby Library, Weeks School, Mt. Philo, and in nearby towns as well as Vergennes homes. Several flags were given to classrooms.

1953-1956 - Regent, Cornelia S. Wagstaff (Mrs. Samuel J.) During Mrs. Wagstaff's regency the programs were built around a theme "Perpetuate the Spirit of America" and "Foster True Patriotism". Thirty flags were placed on members' graves. In 1954, the President of the United States signed into law the change in the Pledge of Allegiance, adding the words "Under God".

We purchased two folding chairs for the Mansion. The chapter by-laws were up-dated as the National recommended. A cane was presented to the Mansion. Six markers were placed on graves of Revolutionary War Soldiers.

1956-1959 - Regent, Jessie Abbey (Mrs. F.M.) The chapter was the beneficiary of \$1000.00 from the estate of Marguerite A. Dudley, with her instructions "to use it as the officers see fit". Flags were still being given to classrooms. The Vice President General was a guest of the Chapter. Medals for excellence in history were awarded to students from six area schools. Two Revolutionary War veterans' graves were marked. All state and national projects were supported.

1959-1962 - Regent, Elizabeth Noyes Goodrich Moulton (Mrs. L.W.) This chapter contributed to a fund to purchase new 50 star flags for classrooms in area schools. Genealogical records were sent to the National Chapter. Dues had to be raised to cover the increase in National dues. History medals were awarded to students in three area high schools.

Each meeting opened with the ritual, messages from the President General and State Regent were read. A flower fund collection was taken, and reports from officers and chapter chairmen were heard.

Flag codes were ordered and distributed. 112 genealogical records were completed, and ten pages of Bible records. To safeguard our permanent records, a metal box was to be obtained and they were to be kept in the Chittenden Trust Co. The chapter was able to answer "Yes" to all questions for the Honor Roll. Six new members were accepted.

1962-1965 - Regent, Frances T. Loomis (Mrs. Horace) There were eleven DAR Magazine subscriptions. The President General's message stressed that each member has the responsibility for telling the DAR story, with a broad choice of services to select in Daughters of the American Revolution.

As in the past, Seth Warner enjoyed the neighborliness of Rhoda Farrand Chapter. Programs presented stimulating speakers and interesting papers detailing history of the state and Champlain Valley. The chapter held a meeting at the John Strong and other places in towns near Vergennes. It was the beginning of the observance of our National Society's 75th anniversary.

The DAR was organized on October 11, 1890, in Washington, by a group of four ladies whose main objectives were patriotic education and service, and historical appreciation and preservation. The DAR property in Washington, D.C., is composed of three buildings occupying an entire city block, and is the largest group of buildings owned exclusively by women, in the world.

1965-1968 - Regent, Helen Claflin Smith (Mrs. R.W.) This was the 75th anniversary of Daughters of the American Revolution. Conservation of natural resources was a great concern. Participants in the historical essay contest were treated to a trip to John Strong Mansion. The chapter joined the Addison County Old Cemetery Association. Substantial contributions were made to the Mansion Endowment Fund. Mrs. Della Goodridge gave a set of Memorial Symbols to the chapter to be used in memorial services and to be kept by the Chaplain.

1968-1969 - Regent, Dorothy Folsom Melby (Mrs. E. C.) The chapter was deeply saddened by the death of Mrs. Melby in February of her first year as Regent. During her short term in office, an original booklet of drawings by Rowland Robinson was contributed. This was titled "Little Rawly's Vermont Nature Book;". It had been given to his nephew, Rowland T. Mintern in September, 1854. The book was presented to Rokeby Museum.

1969-1974 - Regent, Helen M. Washburn (Mrs. Walter B.C.) Uppermost in the minds of members were needed repairs at the Mansion. There was intense interest in preparing the honor roll questionnaire. Stimulating meetings were enjoyed. All state and national projects were supported. Members were very active in attending regional meetings. Dues were raised from \$5.00 to \$6.00. Seth Warner was one of two chapters in the state to receive an award for 100% participation in the Bicentennial project. We contributed to the Mt. Independence project in Orwell. Addison County DAR Chapters rented a booth at the Field Days site to distribute information about our organization. Seth Warner inserted "Greetings" in the DAR Magazine

1974-1977 - Regent, Helen Claflin Smith (Mrs. R.W.) A Revolutionary War soldier's grave was marked. Twelve flags were placed in classrooms. The chapter heard interesting speakers, and held meetings in various towns.

1977-1983 - Regent, Alice D. Kimball (Mrs. Theodore) A fifty year pin was awarded to Elizabeth Moulton Gregg, a past regent. Others who have received this honor have been Lorraine Graves Bristol and Vera W. Booth.

We received a certificate for participation in the drive to pay for new murals for the U.S. Capitol Building. We had a perfect record for participation in the special Vermont Bicentennial project. We planted a white spruce tree on the school grounds in Ferrisburg.

Mr. Curtis Nevin of Woodstock brought a display of flags for a program. There were 15 - from a Viking banner to a Vermont state emblem. Mr. Richard Adams of Vergennes fascinated his listeners with an exciting talk about fortifications made by Commodore MacDonoagh. His talk generated activity which culminated in an appropriate plaque being placed at Fort Cassin on Otter Creek.

Dues were raised to \$10. We sent in \$4 per member for the DAR building's repair fund. All our papers have been microfilmed and are in the Bixby Library. 16 pages of records have been sent to Washington.

1983- Regent, Ruth Hanmer Steadman (Mrs. W.L. Sr.) Seth Warner has participated in state and national projects. We sold CAR merchandise and had garage sales. We have sent in one history essay and have nominated a local teacher for Outstanding History Teacher of the year. At Christmas we send greetings to local veterans who are ill.

ST. JOHN de CREVECOEUR CHAPTER
St. Johnsbury, Vermont
Organized June 17, 1897

Saint John de Crevecoeur Chapter, which was organized June 17, 1897, has been an active chapter giving generous support and aid not only to DAR projects but to many worthwhile local and state projects and institutions.

In 1913 at their May meeting, Dr. Edward T. Fairbanks, their guest speaker, gave a synopsis of the history of the town of St. Johnsbury which he had been writing. It was the unanimous decision of the chapter to finance the publishing of this history.

The chapter borrowed the necessary funds, \$1892, to have two thousand copies printed. In 1925 one hundred more copies were bound and at intervals since as the supply became depleted more copies have been published so that the chapter still continues to have copies of "The Town of St. Johnsbury, Vermont" by Edward T. Fairbanks available for would-be purchasers.

For over 50 years the chapter has shown an interest in promoting American History by giving a monetary gift each year to the highest ranking student in American History at St. Johnsbury Academy.

In 1931 the chapter began searching for graves of Revolutionary soldiers in the cemeteries of St. Johnsbury as well as in some neighboring towns. For many years it has been an annual ritual to decorate these graves on Memorial Day.

As long as Ellis Island was a port of entry for immigrants, the chapter generously contributed each year by sending gifts of money, as well as boxes of clothing.

The outstanding achievement in 1933 and 1934 was the placing of markers at the four principal approaches to the town. These markers bore the name of the town and the date of the first settlement. The design of these markers was a replica of the shield on the coat of arms of the Arnold family, a member of which, one Joshua Arnold, was the founder and first settler of the town. Also during the thirties, the chapter gave annually a subscription of the DAR Magazine to the Fairbanks Library of St. Johnsbury. This gift has been continued throughout the years and the public library in Lyndonville has been a recipient of the DAR Magazine given by this chapter and more recently a third library - that in Newport.

As early as the State Society purchased the Strong property in Addison, St. John de Crevecoeur has most generously contributed to Mansion funds. In 1939 fifteen empire-style chairs were given to the mansion and in 1953 two more chairs were given.

Ever since the establishment of the DAR Good Citizen by the National Society in 1934 this chapter has annually sponsored a Good Citizen, first from St. Johnsbury Academy and then from other high schools, even as many as six in the northeastern part of Vermont. This event has usually been celebrated by a luncheon in the month of April entertaining the Good Citizens and their mothers. A corsage was given to each girl as well as the Good Citizen pin.

During the war years, beginning in 1941, several members became very active in Red Cross work, sewing, knitting, and making surgical dressings. In one year, 1942, over 2000 hours of Red Cross work as given by DAR members. The chapter also contributed generously to the financial needs of the Red Cross. More recently members have participated in the Red Cross Bloodmobile and Civil Defense.

For several years, beginning in the forties, DAR Manuals for Citizenship have been distributed to aliens coming into Newport, Vermont from Canada, desiring to become U.S. citizens.

In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the organization of the chapter, a special Revolutionary exhibit was placed on display at the Fairbanks Museum. The chapter also held a Golden Jubilee Tea and Garden Party inviting prospective members. The event proved very helpful in securing several new members. Another special social event was the diamond celebration of the founding of the National Society. At this celebration St. John de Crevecoeur entertained guests from three other chapters from New Hampshire and Vermont.

In 1947 the chapter gave a Vermont flag to the Vermont Room in Washington, D.C. and in 1974 presented a flag of the United States to a local Girl Scout troop. In 1949 St. John de Crevecoeur was the first chapter in Vermont to contribute its quota of paid up names for the Golden Book of Remembrance.

This chapter has a long history of contributing to the DAR schools and other National DAR projects, to the Kurn Hattin Homes in Vermont and the DAR Educational Loan Fund in Vermont. During recent years several members have knit afghans to be sent to the Veterans Hospital at White River Jet.

To keep up with inflation it has been necessary to revise the by-laws as concerns dues. In 1951 dues were increased to \$4. In 1972 two amendments to the by-laws were adopted, one to change the meeting date from the third Wednesday of the month to the fourth Wednesday and the other amendment concerned dues which were increased from \$4 to \$10. Again in 1979 dues had to be raised to \$15.

In the past fifty years this chapter had held eight to ten meetings each year with excellent programs covering the subjects required by National. The members of St. John de Crevecoeur have had a good record of attendance at all State Society meetings, the annual Pilgrimage to John Strong Mansion as well as representation often at Continental Congress. This chapter has hosted the annual spring meeting of the State Society several times and in 1974 assisted in entertaining annual State Fall Meeting which was held with Oxbow Chapter of Newbury. Cavendish Chapter also assisted in hosting this 1974 state meeting.

This chapter has been honored to have some of its members serve as State Chairmen of some committees. Fifty years ago Mrs. Z.S. Waterman was State Chairman of Conservation and Thrift and Mrs. Violet Abbott was appointed Junior Membership Chairman in 1939. From 1942 to 1945 Mrs. Walter Husband served as State Chairman of Americanism, and in 1961 Dr. Eva Somerville was appointed State Chairman of Conservation.

ST. JOHN de CREVECOEUR CHAPTER REGENTS

1929-1931.....	Mrs. Z.S. Waterman (Sarah)
1931-1933.....	Mrs. W .H. Fitch (Charlotte)
1933-1935.....	Mrs. H.W. Randall (May)
1935-1937.....	Mrs. D.S. Conany (Mary Ellen)
1937-1940.....	Mrs. E.N. Brough (Helen)
1940-1943.....	Mrs. T.A. Carr (Grace)
1943-1946.....	Mrs. H.W. Blodgett (Lena)
1946-1948.....	Dr. Eva W.M. Somerville
1948-1950.....	Mrs. C.M. Richmond (Frances)
1950-1952.....	Mrs. E.N. Brough (Helen)
1952-1953.....	Mrs. G.E. Perry (Ann)
1953-1956.....	Mrs. R.D. Skinner (Helen)
1956-1958.....	Mrs. F.C. Beck (Mildred)
1958-1962.....	Mrs. W.A. Bemis (Marguerite)
1962-1964.....	Mrs. W.A. Hamilton (Frances)
1966-1967.....	Mrs. G.E. Perry (Ann)
1967-1970.....	Mrs. R.W. Wood (Marian)
1970-1974.....	Mrs. W.B. Wright (Hazel)
1974-1975.....	Mrs. T.A. Carr (Grace)
1975-1978.....	Mrs. R.W. Wood (Marian)
1978-1981.....	Mrs. N.J. Andrews (Lydia)

THOMAS CHITTENDEN CHAPTER

White River Junction, Vermont

Organized April 1904

CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. Roland E. Stevens.....	1933-1935
Miss Marie H. Hinckley.....	1936-1937
Mrs. Eugene A. Dorney.....	1938-1940
Mrs; Alice Wills.....	1941-1942
Mrs. S.D. Wright.....	1942-1943
Mrs. Norman A. Renehan.....	1944-1945
Mrs. Richard Southgate.....	1946-1947
Mrs. R.A. Chase.....	1947-1949
Mrs. A.J. Rose.....	1950-1953
Mrs. S.B. Manning.....	1954-1957
Mrs. Harold Slack.....	1958-1859
Mrs. Norman Tenney.....	1959-1961

Mrs. George Woodward.....	1962-1965
Mrs. Merrill Henderson.....	1966-1968
Mrs. Robert Dumville.....	1969-1971
Mrs. Daniel Peabody.....	1972-1974
Mrs. Fay Keyler.....	1975-1977
Mrs. Robert Dumville.....	1978-1979
Mrs. Donald Bristol.....	1980-1983

Thomas Chittenden Chapter placed a granite boulder with a bronze marker at White River Junction in 1934 to mark the site of a house built in 1796 by Elias Lyman, a prominent citizen in town. The marker is now on the corner near the Marble Bank.

A C.A.R. Society was organized in 1937 by Mrs. Grover Foster. The Society took the name of Joseph Marsh, the first Lieutenant Governor of Vermont.

During the war years, members worked 2,556 hours for the Red Cross, 1,254 hours at air raid warning centers, were blood donors, sold war bonds and stamps, and served food to soldier troop trains. Two members did British War Relief.

The names of members' sons who lost their lives in World War II were put on the Patriots Tablet in Washington, D.C. The chapter has three living members who are veterans of World War II: Miss Alice Wilson, Evelyn Marsh Putney (Mrs. Norris), and Rebecca Benedict Crosier (Mrs. Robert)

Mrs. Daniel Peabody, Chairman of Genealogical Research and Index, and Mrs. Raymond West, Lineage Chairman, and a committee of members have copied records collected and compiled by Blanche Judd Roberts (1885-1973). These records, typed and indexed by this committee over a two-year period, were loaned to the chapter for publication by Blanche Roberts' granddaughter. The group also copied Strafford cemetery records which were distributed to various Genealogical Societies, records of Norwich Cemetery and Estate Inventory from probate records of Windsor County.

The chapter was responsible for maintaining the grounds at the first meeting place in town, and placed a 50-foot flagpole there where a flag has been flown all summer.

The chapter has awarded American History prizes and made contributions to the Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund, the Mansion Endowment Fund, DAR schools, American Indians and the Veterans Hospital, among others.

WILLIAM FRENCH CHAPTER
Belows Falls, Vermont
 Organized November 13, 1907

WILLIAM FRENCH CHAPTER was organized on November 13, 1907 by Mrs. Susan W. Putnam Swain and named in honor of William French who shed the first blood of the American Revolution in an organized opposition to the courts of King George. This was known as the "Westminster Massacre" and occurred one month prior to the Battle of Lexington.

Those serving as Chapter Regents since 1930 are:

Mrs. L.T. Mosely.....	1931-1932
Miss Ethel Hill.....	1932-1933
Mrs. C.C. Collins.....	1933-1935
Mrs. Frank Adams.....	1935-1938
Mrs. Albert J. Bolles.....	1938-1939
Miss Ethel Hill.....	1939-1942
Mrs. Archie Moore.....	1942-1944
Miss Ethel Hill.....	1944-1950

Mrs. Herman Weston.....	1950-1953
Mrs. Harold Cady.....	1953-1956
Mrs. Elmer Sanborn.....	1956-1962
Mrs. Philip Woodward.....	1962-1968
Mrs. Marcellus Jones.....	1968-1973
Mrs. Hunter Krantz.....	1973-1977
Mrs. Matthew Blunt.....	1977-1980
Mrs. Hunter Krantz.....	1980-1986

1932-1933: The Twenty-fifth Anniversary of William French Chapter was observed in the Women's Club rooms in Bellows Falls. Mr. J.W. Harris of Boston gave an illustrated lecture on the Canadian Rockies. Homemaker's gifts were given to the Girl Scouts during this period. Two Real Daughters, Mrs. Randall and Mrs. Knight-Gregory, were honored.

1933-1935: Old gold was solicited to be used as clasp hinges and trimmings for a memory book in Constitution Hall. The John Strong Mansion was purchased and an article was in the DAR Magazine. On July 3, 1934 the Mansion was opened for the first time. The Forest Park Reserve was dedicated on August 24, 1934 with members of the chapter attending. 1935-1938: A bronze tablet was placed at the Canal in Bellows Falls on August 18, 1936. Donations were made by the chapter toward a wall case for relics in the north wing of Constitution Hall. The chapter supported Children's and Kurn Hartin Homes. A JAC Club was organized at Warner Home (girl's Dept. and boy's Dept. at Kurn Hartin Homes. Money was donated toward re-cutting the Indian Heads along the Connecticut shore that had been washed away during the flood.

1938-1939: The State Conference was held at the United Church in Bellows Falls with William French Chapter as host. A bad hurricane had hit the town the week before. Mrs. C.R. Arkinson, State Regent, and Mrs. Henry Robert, President General, were guests. The Domestic Science class of the High School served the luncheon at the Conference. In 1939 the chapter first sponsored a Good Citizen of the Senior Class of Bellows Falls Union High School.

1939-1942: Seven maple trees were planted to replace those destroyed in the hurricane. During the War years the members were busy knitting afghans. Donations were made to Finnish Relief, British War Orphans, blood plasma, and seeds were sent to the veterans in the various hospitals for gardens. The Williams River Marker was moved to a new location due to a new road having been put in.

1942-1944: William French Chapter celebrated its 35th Anniversary in October, 1943. Continued support was given to Red Cross war work and the Chapter purchased a \$100 War Bond.

1944-1950: The members continued to support National projects with donations to KDS. Tomasee, Crossnore Schools, and St. Mary's. DAR Markers were placed on several Revolutionary Soldiers' graves as well as on those of chapter members.

1950-1953: The Chapter observed Guest Day in May for the first time. This was held at the Kurn Hartin Homes. The meeting in May, 1951 was held in Hewitt Cottage at the Home in honor of Mrs. Richard Southgate, State Regent. There were 80 present from chapters in New Hampshire and Vermont.

1953-1956: Prizes were awarded to upper grade students in Graftron who participated in the Essay Contest. These were won by a girl and a boy. Money was donated to the Cub Scouts to purchase a Flag of the United States of America. The Chapter received Certificate of Honorable Mention for its Honor Roll Report. William French Chapter was one of three in the State to receive this award. A Stanley Brush party was held for the benefit of the DAR. Credit was given for three radio broadcasts during the State Conference. Mrs. Herman Weston served as National Vice Chairman of Radio and TV. A new set of bylaws was prepared to conform with National. A Civil Defense Committee was appointed to work in conjunction with the Evacuation Day Committee of Bellows Falls.

1956-1962: Guest Day was held in May, 1957 in the vestry of the United Church of Bellows Falls. Past Chapter Regents were presented with small gavels. A contribution was made to the Little Girl's Dormitory at the Tamassee School. During Constitution week a special display was placed in Tidd's Department store window located on the Square in Bellows Falls. Pictures were taken of the display and sent to Washington to be published in the DAR Magazine along with a story. The 50th Anniversary of William French Chapter was observed on November 13, 1957 in the United Church of Bellows Falls. History of the chapter was reviewed including the names of charter members, three of whom were still living: Misses Caroline Arms, Genevieve Williams and Blanch Webb. A special Candlelight service was held in memory of deceased Regents. Thirteen Chapters in Vermont were represented. Mrs. Donald Arnold, Honorary State Regent and Miss Erminie Pollard, State Vice Regent, poured. A large birthday cake was made by Mrs. Herman Weston, State Regent and a member of William French Chapter. A summary of the Anniversary celebration was sent to National for insertion in the DAR Magazine. A plaque showing the names of the Good Citizens of Bellows Falls Union High School was installed with the DAR Insignia thereon and \$50.00 was given as the Chapter's share in the cost with the school assuming the difference. Donations were made by members and the balance was taken from the Treasury. Once again it became necessary to have the "Indian Heads" on the rocks along the Connecticut River in Bellows Falls re-cut. This was done in conjunction with the Mineral Club of the town.

Three generations buried in the Burgess Cemetery were ancestors of eight members of William French Chapter. The first generation being Col. Enoch Hale, who built the first bridge across the Connecticut River at Bellows Falls and his wife, Abigail. The second generation was their daughter, Lucy and her husband, Hezekiah Wetherbee. Their son, Moses and wife, Mary (Wheelock) were the third generation. The eight descendants of the Hale and Wetherbee families are: Mrs. Herman Weston, Miss Mary Ann Morrison, the Misses Edith, Laeta and Winifred Wetherbee, Mrs. Norman Schofield, her daughter, Mrs. Robert Judson, and Mrs. Weston's daughter, Mrs. Roger Avery.

Mrs. Weston procured the signature of Ellen Herndon Arthur, wife of the late President Chester A. Arthur and presented it to National for which the Chapter received credit. A marker was placed at the home of the first Minister in Rockingham. Rev. Whiting, and two trees were planted at the spot. Chapter members cooperated with the Harvest Festival Committee of Rockingham by having an Historical display at the Rockingham Library Museum on October 8, 9 and 10 of 1959. Mrs. Sanborn, Chapter Regent, dressed in old style costume and greeted visitors for the three afternoons.

Susanne Thrasher, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Thrasher, was selected as Good Citizen of 1959. She was presented with her Good Citizen's Pin at the annual Guest Day in May. The DAR Magazine was placed in the Rockingham Library for the first time. During this time the advertising rate in the Magazine was \$7.50, and ads were placed in by the chapter.

1963-1973: Sarah Weston served as Platform Page at Continental Congress and Mrs. Woodward's daughter served as Page at the State Conference. In 1963 the Honor Roll requirement was that 25% of the members subscribe to the DAR Magazine. This was met. The National Library Fund (for renovation), another requirement was met by members donating \$1.00 each. Martha Woodward was married to Dr. Robert Judson. She was also selected as "1965 Outstanding Young Woman of America". The Chapter received the "Blue Ribbon" for its program book in 1966. Mrs. Suzanne Thrasher Gardner, Junior Member, was a Page at Continental Congress. \$10.00 was given toward the gate to be used at the doorway of the Vermont Room in Washington. The chapter voted to sponsor a Good Citizen from the Springfield High School, as the local chapter had disbanded. Students in the area schools participated in American History Essay contests, many receiving awards from the Chapter.

1974-1980: The chapter received Silver Award, Gold Award and Outstanding Program Award for its Year book. The Honor Roll Award was given also. Mrs. Carroll Tolin was elected State Treasurer during this period and Mrs. Hunter Krantz became State Regent. Several books were given to National, the Vermont State Historical Society and the Rockingham Library.

During the years card parties were held, gifts given to the Kurn Battin Homes at Christmas; also gifts to the Veteran-Patients project at White River Junction. Delegates attended State and National meetings. Good

Citizens and their mothers were honored at luncheons. All National projects received donations as well as the schools. Twice Flea Markets were held to raise money for the local chapter coffers. Items were ordered and sold from Linwln House to aid the Junior DAR Members. Mrs. Weston and Mrs. Krantz both served as National Vice Chairmen. Many and varied interesting programs were held with outside speakers. Musical programs were held frequently. Constitution Week in September and American History during the month of February were observed in the chapter and displays were placed in Rockingham Library and store windows in the Square of Bellows Falls.

WILLIAM McKINLEY CHAPTER
Middletown Springs, VT
Organized 1902

William McKinley Chapter had a membership of twenty in 1930. Through the activities of the DAR, the town voted \$75.00 for the upkeep of the old cemetery. The following year, a marble corner stone was erected and a cedar hedge set out by the old cemetery to beautify an 'eye-sore'.

The chapter sent boxes to Ellis Island and furnished flags for the soldiers' graves in the town cemeteries for Memorial Day. They also contributed for the first State History, and for Constitution Hall projects.

In 1936 members made a catalog of the graves in Middletown Springs' cemeteries. They awarded a medal for a prize for the best history student in High School and sponsored a Good Citizenship girl until their High School closed and students were sent to nearby towns. They gave a gift to a Real Daughter.

In 1940, the Chapter gave a flag for the school and presented to the DAR Mansion a small framed picture containing the original threads from the Betsy Ross flag. For the Golden Jubilee project the DAR bought a marker to be placed on the site where the first frame house of Middletown Springs stood. This was erected and unveiled in 1941. That same year a member presented a lion paw and fiddle-back chair and warming pan dated 1774 to the Mansion.

During World War II members of William McKinley Chapter did sewing, knitting and worked on surgical dressings for the Red Cross. They gave money for the War Drive and bought bonds. For many years the chapter donated to the local Christmas Tree Fund.

In 1952 the 50th Anniversary of the chapter was held at Mrs. Arthur Crampton's home. Mrs. Donald Arnold, State Regent and Mrs. Bernard Dooley, Regent of Heber Allen Chapter were among the guests. As time went on, there were fewer members who were able to carry on, so the chapter disbanded in 1953. However, six members transferred to Heber Allen Chapter in Poultney.

This chapter, where the waters flow from Middletown Springs so clear
Named for our martyred president, William McKinley, dear
All honor to this chapter, which so proudly bears his name
May William McKinley projects add more glory to his fame.

WILLIAM McKINLEY CHAPTER REGENTS

Mrs. Aurora S. Carpenter.....	1930-31
Mrs. Estelle C. Grey.....	1931-33
Mrs. Blanche H. Frost.....	1933-37
Mrs. Daisy C. Crampton.....	1937-41
Mrs. Rena Matthews.....	1941-44
Mrs. Blanche H. Frost.....	1944-50
Mrs. Daisy C. Crampton.....	1950-53

CHAPTER III HISTORY OF JOHN STRONG MANSION DAR

In this year of 1984, the Vermont State Society, DAR celebrates its 50th year of ownership of the John Strong Mansion DAR, with a proud record of achievement.

Chapters had been diligently planting trees as "an example of Yankee Conservation and Thrift" since 1926, while sentiment grew for a DAR State Forest. The State Conference of 1933 voted to establish such a forest, and authorized a committee of three to act. Several tracts of land were investigated, and the following June they were empowered to obtain an option on the whole property known as the "Raine Place", which consisted of 100 "wild" acres on the East side of State Route 17 and 60 acres on the west side of the highway extending to the border of Lake Champlain, on which was the large brick mansion built, about 1796, by Gen. John Strong; the whole was valued at \$4500.

July 3, 1934, the property was deeded from William E. Larrow to the designated DAR Committee, with \$2000 taken from the Reserve Fund for a down payment, and \$2500 borrowed from the Addison County Trust Co. on a Mortgage Deed. The idea of the Committee was to establish a forest on the "wild" land, to be known as the Florence Gray Estey Memorial Forest DAR, honoring a distinguished Vermont Daughter who had died in January 1933. However, they proposed to reserve a strip of land 150 or 200 feet wide from the forest land to the road for a DAR park, stating "Here all tourists entering or leaving the state would find a DAR welcome". They also desired to make a State DAR Headquarters and Museum of the stately mansion because of its historic past (see prior history), and wrote in the DAR Magazine "The Daughters of Vermont want to preserve all this as a 'Just Memorial to Vermont's integrity, to our ancestors, and to the principles of freedom, justice and humanity for which they fought, bled and died.' "

On the 24th of August, the birthday of Mrs. Estey, the State Forest DAR Reserve was dedicated in a ceremony at the monument, bearing a bronze marker, which had been erected from stones gathered on the property, especially from the cabin site of John Strong's first home. The 4-H Club of Addison County volunteered to plant the trees, and voluntary contributions of one dollar were requested to In September, the State DAR Conference voted approval of the purchase, and the C.A.R. made plans to hold its State Conference in the Mansion.

On October 23 the DAR National Board issued a permit for incorporation, and Articles of Association were filed with the Vermont Secretary of State on the 31st of January 1935. On May 26th the Mansion opened to the public and engaged a caretaker. On June 22nd a Warranty Deed was consummated from the Committee which had negotiated the original purchase to the Vermont State Society DAR Inc.

Over 200 DAR members and guests attended the First Annual Pilgrimage in that August, at which time the Society received the original front door lock (once lost) and a reproduction key from William E. Larrow, a former owner of the Mansion. The Town of Addison eliminated the taxes for a period of five years.

A small portion of the forest was leased to the State for a short time for a Pheasant Reserve, and the whole forest was closed to hunters for at least two years. Although five generations of the Strong family had lived in the Mansion, recent owners had not, and the house, alternately closed or occupied by renters, had run down badly. At the time of its purchase, the portico was missing, but was restored by the nine Vermont C.A.R. Chapters, in accordance with an old photo of the building. The original small-paned windows had been replaced by 4-pane windows, but were restored by the Society.

There was a pump in the back yard, but no water in the house, other than a cistern in the basement for the purpose of catching rainwater from the roof. In 1945 the Society started a fund of 10¢ per capita toward the plumbing. Three years later plumbing was installed, as well as a septic tank, but drew all of its water from the cistern. Drinking water still came from the outside pump at the old Strong family well. In 1957 water was piped into the house from the well, and a pump installed to handle it. However, water problems continued, particularly in the several years of summer drought. Ultimately, piping was laid from the house to the highway, and a connection made to the Tri-State water system.

The first telephone was installed in 1935, and the first bill for electricity was received in 1937. The roof required repairs in each of the following two years, and was finally replaced in 1942. Recurring leaks caused an aluminum cap to be put on the south chimney, which shut off three of the fireplaces. Along with all of the necessary repairs, the Society was determined to restore the Mansion to its original beauty.

Through the hard work of the chapters and the generosity of individual members, rooms were painted and repapered, antiques were donated, and sufficient chairs were purchased to accommodate the meetings which are held in the ballroom.

The grounds received attention also. The apple and plum trees were on the place when purchased, as well as the two shag-bark hickory trees at the NE corner, and a clump of lilacs across the road. From time to time other trees have been planted and succumbed, but two fine maples have thrived. An ancient doghouse that sat under the apple tree (formerly a rubbish dump) was removed, and also some large posts about 10 to 12 feet tall that had probably once carried a large farm gate in the back fence. This was replaced by a path size gate. The old hen house received extensive repairs and is used as a toolhouse. The watering trough remains, though now filled in with stones and dirt. Recently a lovely colonial herb garden was established at the kitchen door.

In 1942 the nation was at war and chapters were paying their contributions in Defense Stamps. A portion of the building is set on solid rock which juts into the basement. Certain of the attic's huge beams were hand-hewn, while others give evidence of having been cut with an up-and-down saw. Most authorities state that the building of the Mansion was completed in 1796. Child's Gazetteer adds "two years later, when some repairs were being made, the date '1798' was placed in the hall where it still remains" (1882). It does not remain today. In 1982, when the south chimney was being rebuilt, two incised bricks were found, one bearing the date 1798, the other the name, Horatio G. Bethron (perhaps the mason).

Eleven thousand four hundred and fifty trees were set out in the Forest Reserve, but the minutes of the 1946 State Conference recorded "great difficulty was experienced in getting a pine growth established, and the Society voted to give most of the land to the State of Vermont for Park purposes". Three years later, the forest land, and a portion of the property west of the highway was deeded to the state with the stipulation that it would revert to the Society if it should ever cease to be used for recreation purposes. In 1955 the State Legislature appropriated funds for the development of the property, to be named the DAR State Park, and it was officially dedicated the 18th of August with impressive ceremonies.

The DAR State Conference of that year amended the bylaws to provide the Mansion with a Curator, who would be a State Officer. The 1958 State Conference voted to free the State of Vermont from "park purposes" on the back 80 acres of wild land (leaving the obligation on the front 30 acres adjacent to the highway). This was to enable the state to swap "wild" land for additional lake-front acres owned by private individuals.

In 1968 the Society leased to the state all of the remaining property except that which is adjacent to the Mansion, within the fencing, and the strip across the road which contains the monument, and giving the state an option to purchase it within five years. The purchase was consummated in 1974.

A boulder with a bronze plaque was erected by the Society at the site of John Strong's cabin near the lake shore August 24, 1976. In 1978 the Society voted to restore the Ballroom as a memorial to Honorary State Regent Frances Weston who had worked so tirelessly to raise the necessary funds to maintain the Mansion. The following summer the consulting firm, The Preservation Partnership, inspected the building. The resulting lengthy and detailed report offered suggestions for the ultimate restoration of the Ballroom, but revealed serious structural problems which required almost immediate repair in order to avert the actual destruction of the building.

In 1980 the Mansion was designated a National Historic Site. The summer of 1980 all shrubbery (which had been aggravating the moisture damage) was removed and the ground graded away from the foundation. However, for the first time, the Society was unable to hold its 1981 Pilgrimage meeting in the ballroom because vital attic beams had become so rotted as to be unsafe. Immediate plans were made to raise funds, and the summer of 1982 saw the completion of the extensive attic repairs, with the installation of proper

insulation and provision for much-needed ventilation. At the same time, all of the windows were replaced, as they were found to be ill-fitting and in an advanced state of deterioration. Although additional restoration will need to be done, the building has now been stabilized.

The members have worked on numerous projects in order to raise the necessary funds, and have been aided by generous grants from the Cecil Howard Charitable Trust, the Eva Gebhard Gourgaud Foundation and the William L. Bryant Foundation.

In this 50th anniversary year, every Vermont Daughter can take pride in the stewardship of our Society, and in the preservation of an historic treasure which the architect described as "a home of most unusual elegance; a remarkable mature example of Federal architecture for what was then a remote location."

PRIOR HISTORY The Area and the Family

There may have been French at the Chimney Point settlement as early as 1631- but the first recorded efforts at colonization were undertaken between 1726 and 1731. Fort St. Frederic, at Crown Point, was completed in 1731, and during the 28 years of its existence the parish register recorded 243 baptisms, 31 marriages, and 198 deaths.

In April 1743, His Majesty Louis XV granted the seigniory of Hocquart to Monsieur Gilles Hocquart (who for 14 years had been the Administrator of New France). The seigniory was comprised of some 15,000 acres of which Addison was a part, and was given as a reward for his efforts at colonization. During the years from 1749 to 1759 the settlers built their houses and cabins along a road extending four miles north from the Point. The French inhabitants followed the troops in the retreat of 1759, leaving their farms forever; before leaving they burned the barns, cabins, everything. When the English arrived, nothing remained of the French villages but the blackened chimneys.

In 1763 Gilles Hocquart sold his seigniory to Sieur Michel Chartier de Lotbiniere for 9000 livres. M. de Lotbiniere made great efforts to establish his claims, based on the "frequent clearances" and "various settlements" on these lands. In 1776 the British government admitted his claims, according him the grant of equivalent lands within the Province of Quebec. In 1859 Samuel Swift found evidence of these villages still existing, including the cellar holes of four houses on the farm of John Strong.

In 1761, Gov. Benning Wentworth (of the Royal Province of New Hampshire) granted a Charter to the Town of Addison. In the fall of 1765 John Strong, of Salisbury, CT accompanied a friend on a deer hunting trip to this area, and decided to build a house, using the foundation and chimney of one of the old French houses near the lake. Upon completing the crude cabin, they returned to Connecticut, and the following February he brought his wife, Agnes and their three children, the eldest 6 years old, the youngest 1 ½, to their new wilderness home. Just four months later, John, Jr. was born.

He was active in the first and second Dorset Conventions in 1776, signing his name to the July 24th Association which pledged "to defend, by arms, the United States, against hostile attempts of the British". August 6 he enlisted in the army, and four months later was commissioned a Captain in Col. Ira Allen's Regiment.

In June 1777, on the day previous to the taking of Crown Point by General Burgoyne, while he was in Rutland to see about procuring beef for the American forces at the forts, the family was forced to flee by the invasion of hostile Indians and barely escaped by bateaux which carried them from Crown Point to Whitehall, NY. There the refugees scattered, and the Strong family made their way to Dorset, VT. Returning from Rutland, John was captured by a band of Indians and taken to the fort, where the Commanding Officer allowed him a parole until November. Finding his home in ashes, he set out to search for his family. After much time and travel, he found them, by chance, in Dorset where they remained until the close of the war.

During that time he served on the Board of War, the Committee of Pay Table and as Assistant Commissary of Purchase, while also representing Dorset in the State Legislature and serving as a Justice of the Peace, as

well as Judge of the County Court for Bennington County. He resigned these posts in order to take his family back to Addison in October 1783. His cabin by the lake, and those of his neighbors had been destroyed. While building his new home, it is unknown precisely where he lived, though the compiler of the Rev. Nathan Perkins' "Narrative of a Tour through Vermont, Apr. 27 to June 12, 1789", remarks that "Just south of the Strong Mansion is the stone house where Strong lived when Perkins visited him." John Strong immediately engaged in civic duties at Addison, representing it in the Legislature, and becoming the first Judge of the County Court, Probate Judge, and Justice of the Peace. When Morning Sun Lodge (Masonic) was chartered in Bridport, he became its first Master, and is said to have organized it in the Mansion ballroom.

MARY BAKER ALLEN CHAPTER HOUSE
"Samson Memorial"
Cornwall, Vermont

The Samson Memorial was given to Mary Baker Allen Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, by Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Samson Porter of New York City in memory of her great-grandfather, Deacon William Samson, one of the early settlers of Cornwall. The building, designed to serve as a home for the chapter and as a public library for the town of Cornwall, was dedicated with appropriate exercises on December 18, 1915.

Located at the junction of Routes 30 and 74, in the center of Cornwall, the building is of Ionic classical design with the exterior of special selected red brick trimmed with Vermont marble. The roof is of low pitch covered with Vermont green slate and around the deck is a railing adding greatly to the appearance of the building. The building faces north, the main entrance is in the center with a large door and side lights with a fanlight of leaded glass. "Samson Memorial" in raised letters is carved on the marble arch over the fanlight. The front porch has large turned columns and recessed steps. The Chapter Room is 25 feet by 32 feet by 14 feet high. Large windows in the south and west provide light and command a beautiful view. On the east side of the room is a large fireplace and a door opening into the kitchen. On the east wall also are large double doors leading into the room used as a town library until March 1985. This room has now been made available to the Cornwall Historical Society for storage, display and meeting space. Many artifacts are housed in the building and a large bronze tablet records the names of all the Revolutionary soldiers buried in Cornwall.

LAKE DUNMORE CHAPTER DAR HOUSE
Birthplace of Stephen A. Douglas
Brandon, Vermont

The Douglas house is of wood, one and one half stories high, with a sloping roof, low walls and a big chimney. It is still in a good state of preservation and stands as an excellent type of houses that succeeded the log cabins of the early settlers.

As you seek an entrance, the quaint double doors which open by means of a large wrought iron thumb latch, swing back on huge strap hinges to receive you. The narrow entry, the divided stairway, the low ceilings, the high mantels and the huge open fireplaces, all remain.

Behind the fire board I feel sure of seeing the ancient crane; or perhaps the andirons with the blazing logs. I look for the old-time "buttery" with its earthen crockery and blue delft and its pewter platters and porridgers, but find modern chinaware.

At the left of the hallway is the DAR meeting room which was used as a living room by the Douglas family. The room is quite large, measuring about ten feet by twenty feet, and has a large fireplace. It was in this room that Stephen Arnold Douglas was born. A room of similar size is on the opposite side of the hallway.

Two chambers with low ceilings are on the second floor. Some slight changes have been made in the house by the Lake Dunmore Chapter DAR, but it remains practically unaltered. This constitutes the home of the Douglas family, purchased in January, 1917.

OTTAUQUECHEE CHAPTER HOUSE
Legislature House
Woodstock, Vermont

The Ottauquechee Chapter House stands next to the Old Jail Building. In 1806, Tillie Parker came to Woodstock from Bethel, where he had carried on the clothing business in the mills, improved the jail house and stables, and opened a tavern here on September 26 of that year. He solicited the patronage of the public, describing his house as a place "where the weary traveler may recline on the bed of down; where the hungry may gratify his appetite either with the common bounties of Providence or the luxuries of life; where the thirsty may allay his thirst with the cooling stream or a little wine for the stomach's sake; and where the low in spirits may find help by applying a little of the juice of the cane." *

Next door, Parker built a large two-story farm house in 1807. This structure was erected to accommodate the members of the Vermont Legislature which met in Woodstock that year. This was the last of the "wandering" sessions before going to Montpelier, the permanent seat of the State Government.

In 1922, the Ottauquechee Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, purchased the building. They maintain it as an historic house museum and as a Chapter House for their meetings. Exterior outside features are the Palladian window above the doorway with its fan window, the "tear drops" above the first floor windows, and the side porch columns. Inside, the Chapter houses its historical collections and has furnished the building with early Americana. The house is within the Woodstock Village Historic District, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

**History of Woodstock* by Henry Swan Dana.

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Vermont is short from north to south,
 She's small from east to west,
But when you come to talk of folks,
 She's got the very best.

Her mountains may be Kelly green,
 Her cities few and small,
But don't you think our PRESIDENT
 Bids fair to beat them all?

Her Daughters of the D.A.R.
 Are loyal, every one,
We've placed on file where all may read,
 The wondrous works they've done.

Memorials, records, scholarships,
 They've answered every call,
They've helped to furnish our new room
 In Continental Hall.

There's never been a single spot
 Within this spunky state
Where Slackers found an easy street,
 To take a shuffling gait.

Some people say, "Your speech is slow,
 You chew too much spruce gum!"
But we believe there's good horse sense
 Sometimes in keeping mum.

When Ethan Allen spoke at Ti,
 He made folks understand,
And ever since in time of need,
 Vermont has been on hand.

You know we raised some Admirals.
 Of which we're mighty proud,
And if you chance to want some more,
 Just mention it out loud.

For we are raising up a crop
 To meet the future's need.
Our Morgans aren't the only thing
 That shows a lasting speed.

And though our market is the world,
 We strive with wide intent,
To save our best for "Uncle Sam"
 To serve as PRESIDENT.

This poem was recited at the Continental Conference NSDAR in Washington April 1924 by our State Regent, Mrs. H.M. Farnham, and was heartily received.