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## THIRTEEN TAPS FOR FREEDOM



*The Bell's First Note by J. L. Ferris*

The Society here in California staged its most successful participation yet in the 4th of July Let Freedom Ring National Bell Ringing Ceremony sponsored by the Pennsylvania Society. In its 33rd year, the Ceremony coordinates the ringing of bells around the nation in conjunction with an observance occurring at Independence Hall at 2:00 p.m. on July 4, in accordance with Concurrent Congressional Resolution 25. The Resolution, adopted on June 26, 1963, calls for the annual "ringing of bells throughout the United States" at the designated hour to commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. This year, two young descendants of signers of the Declaration of Independence tapped thirteen times the famous Liberty Bell at Philadelphia's Independence National Historic Park. Lindsay Page King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman King of Mechanicsville, VA, represented signer Thomas Nelson, Jr. of Virginia, and Leidy Cook, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David F. Cook of Oxford, MD, represented signer Edward Rutledge of South Carolina. In 1995, more than 5,000 organizations rang bells at the appointed hour. While participation figures for 1996 are still being compiled nationally, 65 members of the California Society along with 47 co-sponsors and 5,238 guests participated up and down the state in nearly 500 separate ceremonies on July 4. Our Registrar Mark J. Denger is commended for his extra efforts as Chairman of the Society's Special Events Committee.



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Stephen R. Eakin, 1989-90  
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John R. Justice, 1987

## SOME ACQUISITIONS AT OUR LIBRARY SINCE OUR LAST EDITION

- Abell, The Hon. Richard Bender, and Wilmer Lane Smith. Peter Smith of Westmoreland County, Virginia (Died 1741) and Some Descendants. Privately published by the authors in 1996. Printed via BookCrafters in Chelsea, MA. Donated by **The Hon. Richard Bender Abell**, former President of The Aztec Club of 1847.
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- Barnard, E. B. A. Some Notes on the Evesham Branch of the Washbourne Family. Evesham, England: W. & H. Smith Ltd., The Journal Press, 1914.
- Bartlett, John Russel. History of the Wanton Family of Newport Rhode Island. Providence: Sidney S. Rider, 1878.
- Bauer, K. Jack. Surfboats and Horse Marines, U. S. Naval Operations in the Mexican War, 1846-48. Annapolis: U. S. Naval Institute, 1969.
- Blair, Clay. The Forgotten War, America in Korea 1950-1953. New York: Times Books, 1987. Donated by **James C. McHargue**.
- Brooke-Little, J. P. Boutell's Heraldry. London: Frederick Warne & Co., Ltd., 1970.
- Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, National Society of. Lineage Books of the National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America. 14 volume set. Vols. 25 through 38 (covering the years 1937 to 1990). Plus the first two index volumes as published in 1975 and 1985. Donated by the **Order of First Families of Maryland** via **Mrs. Emmet D. Hurley** (President Emeritus, OFFM) in memory of her daughter, Stephanie Maxfield White-Funk.
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- Fausold, Martin L. The Presidency of Herbert C. Hoover. Lawrence, Kansas: Univ. Press of Kansas, 1985. Note: The subject of this history, The Hon. Herbert C. Hoover, was a member of our Society here in California.
- Johnson, J. Edward. History of the Supreme Court Justices of California, 1850-1900. Vol. 1. San Francisco: Bender-Moss Company, 1963.
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- Lough, Glenn D. Now and Long Ago, A History of the Marion County Area. Parson, West Virginia: McClain Printing Co., 1994. Donated by **Robert J. Tinnell**. Note: This work focuses on the Marion County area within West Virginia.

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**"Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity swear by the blood of the Revolution never to violate in the least particular the laws of the country, and never to tolerate their violation by others...."**

**- Abraham Lincoln**

## Collection of Linguistic Follies Seldom Fail to Bring a Laugh

Many of our members routinely travel to other parts of the world and tell of badly translated but humorous signs or instructions. Similar linguistic follies were published in the International Educator not too long ago. Here are some amusing but true examples:

- ◆ Sign on the door of a Hong Kong curio shop: Teeth extracted by latest Methodists.
- ◆ Paris hotel elevator: Please leave your values at the front desk. If you loose them in your room, we are not responsible.
- ◆ Athens hotel: Visitors are expected to complain at the office between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. daily.
- ◆ Hong Kong tailor shop: Ladies may have a fit upstairs.
- ◆ Copenhagen airline: We take your bags and send them in all directions.
- ◆ Norwegian lounge: Ladies are requested not to have children in the bar.
- ◆ Tokyo car rental firm: When passenger with heavy foot is in sight, tootle the horn. Trumpet him melodiously at first, but if he still obstacles your passage, then tootle him with vigor.
- ◆ Leipzig, Germany, elevator: Do not enter the lift backwards, and only when lit up.
- ◆ Swiss mountain inn: Special today - no ice cream.
- ◆ Rome laundry: Ladies, please leave your clothes here and spend the afternoon having a good time.
- ◆ Yugoslavian hotel: The flattening of underwear with pleasure is the job of the chambermaid.
- ◆ Acapulco hotel: We are pleased to announce that the manager has personally passed all the water served here.

## 1996 CALENDAR

**October 5, 1996**

Saratoga/Yorktown/Constitution Luncheon

**January 11, 1997**

Annual Membership Luncheon

Unless noted, luncheon gatherings are held at Macy's (formerly Bullock's) Department Store Restaurant, 401 South Lake Street, Pasadena, California. Friends and family are cordially invited too.

### Board Meetings

September 21, 1996

January 4, 1997

Board Meetings convene at 10:00 a.m. in the Directors Room on the second floor at our State Society's headquarters, at:

**Sons of the Revolution Library**  
600 South Central Avenue  
Glendale, California 91204

## New Members Elected

<u>Admitted</u>	<u>State No.</u>	<u>Name</u>
08 Jun 1996	3267-A	Captain Alfred L. Cope, USN (Ret.)
26 Jul 1996	3268-A	James Robert Elliott, II
15 Aug 1996	3269-A	Paul L. Brent, Ed.D.
15 Aug 1996	3270-A	James Robert Elliott, III
15 Aug 1996	3271-A	John Newman Elliott
15 Aug 1996	3272-A	William Carlyle Elliott
15 Aug 1996	3273-L	Merrick Browne

## OLYMPIC GOLD

With the success of the recently held Olympic games in Atlanta still fresh in our minds, it is worth noting that a few of our members have been active with previously held ones. William M. Garland (Calif. S/R #277) served as a Member of the International Olympic Committee from 1922 to 1948. He also served as President of the Olympic Organizing Committee for the highly successful 1932 Los Angeles Olympics. The Hon. Alexander R. Early, III (Calif. S/R #3167) served as Manager, International Federation Relations at the Boxing venue during the 1984 Olympics as held in Los Angeles. And, Max K. Hurlbut (Calif. S/R #2710), a President Emeritus of our society, led the official Los Angeles Police Department motorcycle escort for the Olympic Torchbearer for the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. Max is a Lieutenant, L.A.P.D. (Ret.); Lt. Col., USAR (Ret.), and a former Chief of Police of Kodiak, Alaska.

## Members in the News

Congratulations are extended to society Marshal and Board Member, **Warner W. LeMenager**, who was recently elected to membership in the Society of the Cincinnati, founded in 1783. Another well-known figure within our society is **Robert ("Bob") Moody Smith**. Bob served with the famed "Flying Tigers" from June 26, 1941 until the distinguished flying unit was retired from the Chinese air force in 1942. He had subsequent service as an officer in the U. S. Army Air Corps in China to 1946. At the time the "Flying Tigers" was disbanded, there were 254 members. Today, there are 79 survivors. Bob serves as the Treasurer and as a Member of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors of the Flying Tigers Assoc. **Mark J. Denger**, society Registrar and Board Member, was recently elected to the Military Order of the Carabao. As the Los Angeles rep for the United States Submarine Veterans, he recently accepted a Congressional Award "In recognition of outstanding service to the community" by Congressman Moorhead. Mark's son, **Steven M. Denger**, a junior member of our society, carries on the military tradition of his family. Steve begins his second year in Air Force Junior ROTC. Compliments go to two prominent personalities within our society, **The Hon. William W. Huss, Jr.**, and **The Hon. Raymond L. Drake**. Both have been appointed to the Executive Committee of The Aztec Club of 1847. Hearty congratulations go to fellow S/R member **J. Robert Elliott, II**, who is the Deputy Governor General - Elect (Western Dist.) for the General Society of Colonial Wars. Bob is a former Governor of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California. His three sons, also recently admitted as new S/R members, are all very well known within the lineage society and patriotic community. **James Robert Elliott, III**, just wrapped up a very successful term in 1995 as Commander of the California Commandery of the Military Order of Foreign Wars. **William C. Elliott** presently serves as the Registrar for the California Commandery of the Military Order of Foreign Wars, and **John N. Elliott** serves as Director of Administrative Services for the International Korean Veterans Memorial. This past June, John received an Appreciation Award from the Korean Consulate in Los Angeles and the Korean American Intercultural Foundation.

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- Mosley, Leonard. Marshall, Hero for Our Times. New York: Hearst Books, 1982. Donated by **James C. McHargue**.
- Nolan, Alan T. Lee Considered, General Robert E. Lee and Civil War History. Chapel Hill: The Univ. of No. Carolina Press., 1991. Donated by **The Hon. Alexander R. Early, III**.
- Patton, Robert H. The Pattons, A Personal History of an American Family. New York: Crown Publishers, Inc., 1994. Note: George Smith Patton, father of the famed World War Two general, as mentioned within this work, was a member of our Society here in California.
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- Stillwell, John E. Historical and Genealogical Miscellany, Data Relating to the Settlement and Settlers of New York and New Jersey. 5 vols. Salem, MA: Higginson Book Co., recent reprint of a 1903 work.
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### NED ASH PROUDLY SERVES

Pictured above is the 1994 graduation photo of Cadet Edward Preston Ash from the United States Military Academy at West Point. While at the Point, Ned affiliated with our society here in California and was elected to membership on April 2, 1994. Upon graduation he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. Since then, Ned has been promoted to First Lieutenant. Having earlier won his "jump wings", Ned is airborne qualified and presently serves within the armor branch and is stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado. His qualifying ancestor for the Sons is his fifth great grandfather, Daniel Davis, who served as a Captain within the Massachusetts militia during the Revolutionary War. Ned's grandmother, Mrs. Lyle "Roberta" Harper, Jr., of Pacific Palisades, California, was instrumental in helping him ready his lineage papers for the Sons. Roberta is a former Regent of the Temescal Chapter of the DAR. She has also served as District Nine Director for West Los Angeles and as State Historian for the DAR. Ned and his grandmother, Roberta, both exemplify genuine service to our community, state and nation.



### General and Flag Rank Officers who were or are Members of our Society

- Brigadier General Edward Bouton, USA  
(Calif. S/R #81)
- Commodore James Henry Bull, USN, Ret.  
(Calif. S/R #474)
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(Calif. S/R #1393)
- Brigadier General Seth E. P. Howard, CANG  
(Calif. S/R 1563)
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- Major General Henry Kirksey Kellogg, USAR, Ret.  
(Calif. S/R #2536)
- Vice Admiral Howard Fithian Kingman, USN, Ret.  
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- Major General Harrison Gray Otis, USV  
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(Calif. S/R #1571)
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Navy Cross recipient  
(Calif. S/R #2741)
- Brigadier General James M. Stewart, USAFR, Ret.  
Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient  
(Calif. S/R #3215)
- Major General Walter Perry Story, CANG, Ret.  
(Calif. S/R #1103)
- Lt. General Charles H. Terhune, Jr., USAF, Ret.  
Distinguished Service Medal recipient  
(Calif. S/R #3233)
- Brigadier General Charles H. Whipple, USA, Ret.  
(Calif. S/R #510)
- Lt. General John MacNair Wright, Jr., USA, Ret.  
Silver Star recipient  
(Calif. S/R #3135)



### IN MEMORIAM

### ROBERT CHARLES HESS

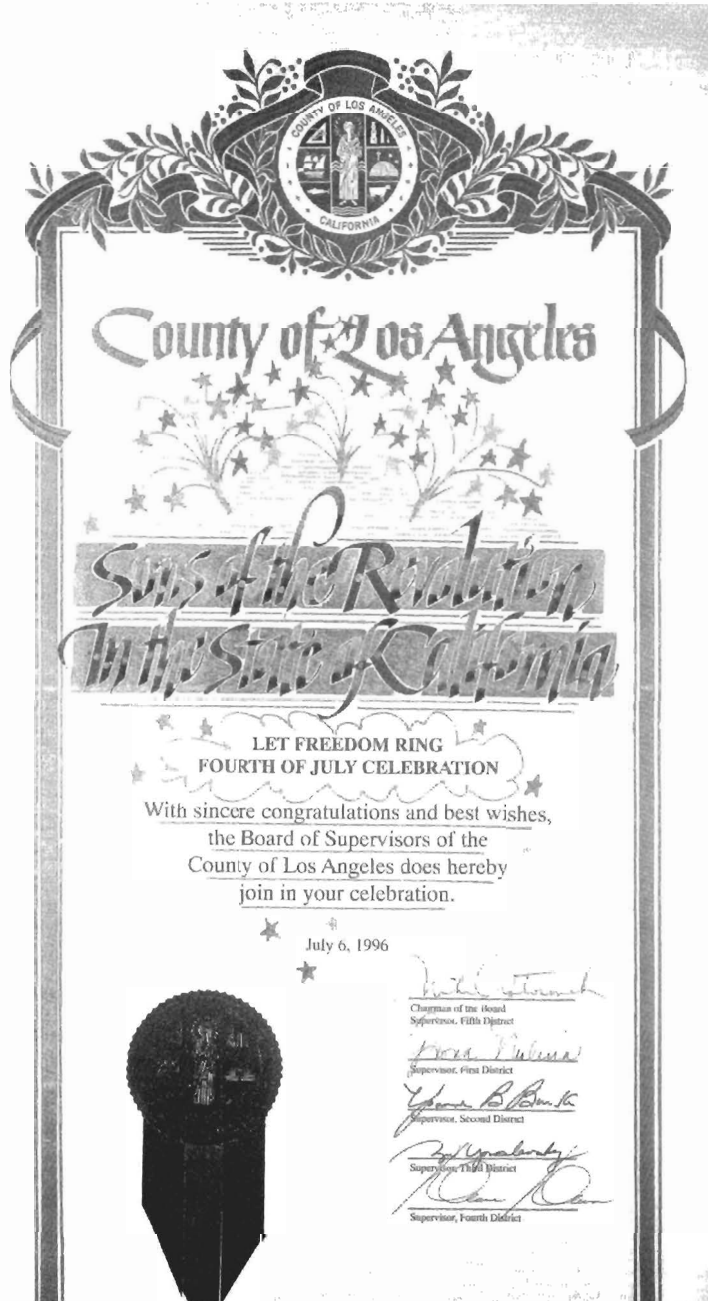
Born: November 1, 1918

Died: August 26, 1996

(Calif. S/R #2271)



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Entering its second century, the Sons of the Revolution in the State of California recently published its Centennial Register containing a listing of all members admitted during its first 100 years. This 1,300-page, hardbound work also includes the detailed Revolutionary War service records for each of the 4,000+ qualifying ancestors and supplementals submitted to the Society. To order, send your check in the amount of \$53.01 (includes sales tax and shipping) to: Centennial Register, P. O. Box 8454, Universal City, CA 91618-8454.

## NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

The Society is always interested in learning of qualified gentlemen interested in being considered for membership. Members are encouraged to submit the names of their sons, nephews, uncles, fathers, grandsons, and friends to the Society. Membership queries should be directed to: Membership Committee, Sons of the Revolution Building, 600 South Central Avenue, Glendale, CA 91204.

