

**Hannah, Woodruff Chapter** (Southington, Connecticut).—Washington's birthday was celebrated by the chapter at the home of Mrs. Theodore McKenzie. The handsome house was tastefully decorated with many flags and flowers.

The program for the day was as follows, and included among other things: A paper by the regent, Mrs. Nellie Woodruff, on the "Life of Washington;" reading by Mrs. Pultz, on the "Old Bell at Portsmouth, and St. John's Church;" reading by Mrs. Samuel McKenzie, on "Martha Washington, the days before she met Washington, her brief courtship, and her marriage to the Colonel;" reading by Mrs. Pollard, "Story of Colonial life," by Will Carleton.

This was followed by a social hour. Quite a number of the ladies wore antique costumes.—ELLEN D. ANDREWS, *Historian*.

**Melicent Porter Chapter** (Waterbury, Connecticut).—Dr. Luigi Roversi, of the staff of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, delivered an interesting lecture on American early history in the Italian language under the auspices of the chapter, which was a free gift from that chapter to the Italian residents of Waterbury. M. Bertoli, the Italian vice-consul here, attorney C. W. Bauby and other well-known citizens escorted the lecturer to the hall, and he was introduced by the vice-consul in a brief speech. The lecture was attended by nearly 700 Italian citizens and also by about 70 children, members of the girl's club.

**Norwalk Chapter** (Norwalk, Connecticut).—The spacious homestead, the home of Mrs. Benjamin M. Andrews, was filled with an audience of Norwalk's intelligent and refined people in recognition of Washington's birthday. Within the house small silk flags and fan-shaped decorations were in evidence on the walls and fine copies of the Gilbert portraits of George and Martha Washington filled a prominent place.

Guests were received by the officers of the chapter and Mrs. Andrews. The regent, Mrs. Christian Swartz, opened the exercises and said in part:

A magnificent building is now being constructed in Washington as a memorial to the heroes of the American Revolution. The building, which faces the White House lot, standing between the Corcoran Art Gallery and the new Columbian University, is Colonial in style and is constructed of pure white Vermont marble. Its cost when completed will be about \$500,000, which is now being raised by the Daughters of the American Revolution. To-day, all over the land chapters of this order are giving entertainments at the suggestion of our president general, Mrs. Donald McLean, the proceeds of which will be added to the fund for building Continental Hall. The Daughters of the American Revolution number upwards of 50,000 women, descended from the fathers of this great republic. It is not strange, therefore, that among them are women gifted with all the graces representative of all that is best in American womanhood.

Miss Florence Francis, of Stamford, who was accompanied at the piano by Miss Fancher, then dramatically and musically interpreted the songs and dialect of the negro.

Miss Florence Francis has a most attractive stage presence which wins her audience's sympathy at once. Several of the selections were original.

**Thomas Johnson Chapter** (Baltimore, Maryland).—The following are the officers who are to represent this young and vigorous chapter during the coming year: Mrs. Henry W. Rogers, regent; Mrs. James D. Iglehart, vice-regent; Mrs. Gates Stirling, recording secretary; Mrs. William C. Page, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Parks Fisher, registrar; Mrs. B. F. Smith, treasurer; Mrs. James Mercer Garnett, historian; Mrs. William Paret, Mrs. Henry Stockbridge, Jr., Mrs. Frank P. Clark, Mrs. Watson Beale Randall, Mrs. A. Robinson White, Miss Isabel Mordecai, Miss Carrie Lee Whitehead, Mrs. George W. S. Hall, members of the board.

Mrs. Rogers, the regent, will represent the chapter at congress in April, with Mrs. James D. Iglehart and Mrs. Benjamin F. Smith as alternates.

At a recent card party the chapter cleared \$100, which was sent as the first gift to Memorial Hall by this young chapter.—  
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