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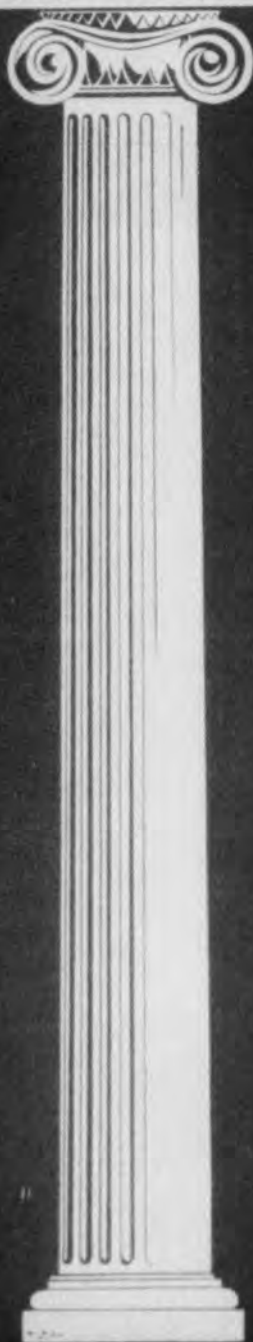
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HELLENES IN THE NEWS

South Carolina State Representative Theodore Honored



Left to right: Nick Kanos, Past President of Textile Chapter; Nick A. Theodore, Greenville County Representative; Mrs. Theodore and Governor Donald S. Russel of South Carolina.

GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA—The Greenville Textile City Chapter, No. 212 sponsored a Testimonial Dinner on Dec. 15 honoring Nick A. Theodore of Greenville, S.C.

Mr. Theodore is the first person of Greek descent to be elected to the South Carolina General Assembly.

Many friends, city and state officials were on hand to pay tribute to the young Hellenes for his many contributions in community and state service over the years.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Past Lt. Governor Nick Kanos. Among the attending guests were: Rex L. Carter, Speaker pro tem of the South Carolina House; William H. Orders, president of the Greater Greenville Chamber of Commerce; Ramon Schwartz, Jr., past president of South Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce and Greenville County Senator P. Bradley Morrah. Main speaker was Governor of South

Levendis Elected to P.R.O.S.

JAMAICA, I. I.—A prominent AHEPA and Jamaica community leader, Nicholas P. Levendis, was recently elected to the Public Relations Officers Society of New York. It was announced by Gust G. Orphanides of Forest Hills, president of the Jamaica AHEPA Chapter, Long Island, No. 86.

Orphanides said, "Long Island, No. 86 is singularly proud that the profes-

Carolina, the Honorable Donald Russel, who in paying tribute to Nick Theodore, also paid homage to Greece and its lasting contributions to civilization. Said Gov. Russel, "Greece had given civilization an outstanding heritage in art, architecture, philosophy and the concept of democracy that it is right for a people to govern themselves . . . a precious heritage that marked the beginning of western civilization."

Brother Theodore started his political career in the Sons of Pericles, where he worked his way to its highest office of Supreme President. He then became very active in the Jaycees, being awarded "Rookie of the Year" his first year, then became president of the Greenville Chapter, state president and national director and in 1962 he was named the Jaycees "Outstanding Young Man of the Year" — a statewide honor. Brother Theodore was presented a gift of luggage by the Ahepa Chapter through its president George Cheros.

sional ability of Nick Levendis has been recognized by the P.R.O.S.

"Since his service in the Renaissance Chapter, No. 5 of the Sons of Pericles, in 1937, added Orphanides, "the name of Nick Levendis in AHEPA or our community has been synonymous with the 'effective promotion and projection' of worthy projects and activities."

The lodge president added, "AHEPA can credit many of its slogans and activi-

Andros Head Coach University of Idaho

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO—Dee G. Andros, former Oklahoma lineman and assistant coach at several major university staffs, became the University of Idaho's head football coach, succeeding J. Neil (Skip) Stahley, who became full-time athletic director.



Andros left Pete Elliott's staff at Illinois to accept the Idaho job. Andros had been an assistant to Elliott at Nebraska, California and Illinois.

A graduate of the great Oklahoma teams of the late '40s, Andros was the first player to return to Oklahoma as an assistant to Bud Wilkinson. Andros also coached at Texas Tech the season the Red Raiders played in the Sun Bowl.

He is an Ex-Marine with a Bronze Star to this credit.

ties to Levendis — such as, 'Operation Fraternalism,' the unofficial fun group, 'Boydzides,' plus the organization of non-profit charter flight to Greece for members."

A government official, Levendis is an aide to Queens Borough President Mario J. Carillo.

Levendis is a World War II veteran, is married and has a 19 year old son, Peter, in the aviation academy of the Marine Corps.

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Comments from the EDITOR

With this issue we initiate our new format, which as time goes on and as additional funds become available, we will endeavor to improve. We will welcome your comments and suggestions, so that together we may ultimately develop a publication worthy of the glorious history of the Fraternity.

At a meeting of the Publication Board, held in Montreal, Canada on Jan. 12, a preliminary discussion took place concerning the Advertising Potential and Program of the Ahepan. A final report and outline of the Program will be presented and acted upon at the March 15 meeting of the Publication Board.

Plans are progressing very nicely in conjunction with the 1965 Supreme Convention in Athens, Greece. Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides brought back a most enthusiastic report, after their eleven day visit to Athens doing preliminary investigations about the Convention. All Brothers intending to participate in what promises to be an historic convention, are urged to fill in the questionnaire appearing in this issue and send it to Headquarters, so that proper arrangements may be planned to facilitate all persons concerned.

The Hellenic Community throughout the world is awaiting with anxiety and great interest the results of the conference of the special delegations from Greece, Cyprus, Great Britain and Turkey being held in London, for the purpose of finding a solution to the tragic Cyprus situation.

The Order of Ahepa stood by the side of the heroic people of Cyprus, while they were raging their gallant struggle for freedom in the nineteen fifties. It is a well known fact that the efforts exerted by the National Conventions of Ahepa and the influence exercised by some of its leaders, were somehow instrumental in the solution of the Cyprus Question reached in Zurich, Switzerland.

Now, we find that solution inapplicable and a source of friction on the Island. As an open letter to President Johnson, published in the Jan. 19 edition of the New York Times by the "American Friends of Cyprus," puts it "when the existence of the vital development of a state stands in unavoidable conflict with the state's treaty obligations, a change is in order.

We hope this change will be one based on basic democratic principles, principles which the Hellenic people have cherished from time immemorial, and for which they are admired by all freedom-loving people. It is almost beyond human comprehension, and certainly contrary to all principles on which this great country of the United States has based its peaceful and progressive existence, that any supposedly representative form of government can ultimately survive, let alone succeed, when a minority has power to obstruct a majority in critical issues.

May the hand of Almighty God guide the deliberations of the powers entrusted with finding a solution, so that justice will prevail, without sacrifice of principles or interests, and that the heroic Cyprots will not be denied the right of sovereignty in the community of nations.

NEWS

FROM HEADQUARTERS

National Awards Committee Appointed

A National Awards Committee has been appointed by the Supreme Lodge for the purpose of establishing Chapter, District and National Awards on a permanent basis for outstanding accomplishments of Ahepans in fraternal work.

The Committee will be headed by Supreme Treasurer X. K. Microusticos as Chairman, and will report to the March, 1964 meeting of the Supreme Lodge. The other members of the Committee are:

Christopher Ekonomou, Vice-Chairman; Thomas Polley, Secretary; Angelo A. Anastopoulos, Nicholas S. Limperis, Sergei Kampakis, Peter Pavoris, Toby Caragian, George Nick George, Peter Kourmolis, James Brahos, Michael W. Hodges, William T. Valos, John W. Mercury, Stephen E. Pepps, Jim J. Theo, Dr. Pete G. Frangos.

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Headquarters Issues Community Projects and Programming Bulletins to Chapters

Two new Instruction Bulletins have

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JOHN D. PLUMETZ
Supreme President

recently been prepared by Headquarters and mailed to the Chapter Presidents and Secretaries.

A new and revised Instruction Bulletin No. 2, titled "Ahepa Chapter Participation in Community Projects" covers the many facets of community life in which an Ahepa Chapter can participate.

New Instruction Bulletin No. 4, titled "Chapter Program Guide" suggests the many types of activities and programs that an Ahepa Chapter may undertake, in which all members may participate.

Additional copies may be ordered from Headquarters. Chapter officers are urged to put into practice the many recommendations offered in these bulletins.

Headquarters Manuals and Handbooks Offer "Training-Aids" to Chapters

Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters has a varied supply of Ahepa Handbooks, Manuals and Bulletins available to Chapter and District Lodge officers, as "training-aids" to assist in the performance of fraternal duties.

These publications, prepared and written by Executive Secretary George J. Leber during the past five years, should be a permanent part of every Chapter's "library" for the continuing use of Chapter Officers. Publications available are:

1. Chapter President's Manual (56 pages)
2. Ahepa Public Relations Manual (27 pages)
3. A Plan for Increasing Membership (8 pages)
4. Working Manual for Chapter Secretaries (14 pages)
5. Bulletin No. 1 — "Indoctrination of New Members"
6. Bulletin No. 2 — "Ahepa Chapter Participation in Community Projects"
7. Bulletin No. 3 — "How to Make Chapter Meetings Interesting"
8. Bulletin No. 4 — "Chapter Program Guide"
9. Brochure — "The Order of Ahepa: 40 Years of Service and Accomplishment"

Chapter Officers are reminded that these, as well as other supplies and brochures, are available from Headquarters.

Congressional Banquet Membership Drive January 1 - March 16, 1964

"Growth is the only evidence of life!"

A growing association is certainly evidence of life within that association. We either grow, or we stand still. If we stand still, we mark time, and then inevitably diminish in size and importance, until we eventually disappear from the national scene.

The Supreme Lodge is determined that the year's end, next June 30th, will find the Order of Ahepa growing and prospering in all phases of its program of activity.

A special two-and-one-half month membership drive has been called for all chapters and members, beginning January 1st, and ending March 16, 1964.

Large Ahepa wall plaques are being offered as prizes to those two Ahepa Chapters which (1) Initiate and Reinstated the most members during this period, on a numerical basis, and (2) Initiate and Reinstated the most members on a proportionate basis, based on the chapter's membership as of June 30, 1963.

Chapters will have until April 1, 1964, to send in the required fees and application forms for those members initiated and reinstated during the drive.

No group can afford to stand still in this competitive world, and this is particularly true of an association like the Order of Ahepa. We need a steady and substantial growth. We must have a steady influx of new members and new leadership to carry on Ahepa's program not only for the coming year, but in the future years to come.

The responsibility for increasing our membership does not rest alone with the Chapter, District and Supreme Lodge officers, but with all AHEPANS.

It is only when you, as an Ahepan, become a crusader for Ahepa's cause, that the fraternity realizes substantial benefits. Only when YOU, in cooperation with your fellow-members, become a part of a vast working force dedicated toward INCREASING OUR MEMBERSHIP, can the fraternity truly benefit.

Let's all grab a handful of Membership Application blanks, and bring in some welcome NEW MEMBERS! New faces and "new blood" will be a welcome sight in your Chapter, and you'll have a finer group and better Chapter.

AHEPA Supreme President Plumides Represents American Hellenes At Immigration Conference With President Johnson

Washington, D.C.—Ahepa Supreme President John G. Plumides attended a special White House conference on immigration on Monday, January 13, at 10:30 a.m., at the invitation of President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Mr. Plumides was invited as the only representative of all Americans of Hellenic descent to the conference which heard President Johnson express his strong views on the inequities of our present laws on immigration.

"President Johnson is very much concerned about this country's present immigration laws, and is strongly in favor of their immediate revision. Pres. Plumides stated, "At the White House meeting, which was attended by about 40 national leaders of labor, ethnic and social groups, he spoke at length with reference to the present Greek quota."

The Ahepa Supreme President explained that President Johnson stated that the Greek immigration quota is oversubscribed by some 100,000 at the present time, and that the President also compared the Greek and Italian quotas with German and British quotas. "President Johnson made it very clear that he will insist to Congress that the Greek immigration quota be increased, through revision of the law, and that there should no longer be any disparagement in such quotas between such countries as Greece, Italy, Germany and England. The conference with the President lasted for about 35 minutes, and everyone present was greatly impressed with the President's strong feelings and sincerity on the immigration question," President Plumides concluded.

Co-sponsors of the new Senate Bill on immigration, as well as members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, were also present. The Ahepa Supreme President reported that Senators Philip Hart (Michigan) and Kenneth B. Keating (New York) addressed the conference, speaking favorably on the Bill. During the course of the meeting, President Johnson reminded his audience that former President Truman had also previously pointed out the present inequities in immigration laws as applying to Greece and Italy, in comparison with the quotas for England and Germany.

In a short personal conversation with Pres. Plumides before the opening of the meeting, President Johnson said that he was very familiar with the Order of Ahepa, and with its work in this coun-

try, as well as in Greece, and Canada. President Plumides also spoke with Senator Edward M. Kennedy (Mass.), brother of the late President Kennedy, and Senator Kennedy expressed his personal hope that the new immigration bill would be passed during the present session of Congress. The Ahepa Supreme President expressed his pleasure in being invited by President Johnson to attend as the representative of Americans of Hellenic descent, and affirmed that the Order of Ahepa would continue to support and spearhead all efforts aimed at the revision of present immigration laws.

President Lyndon B. Johnson Addresses Immigration Leaders

President Johnson gave a rousing send-off to the Senate Hearings on Immigration Legislation on January 15th at the White House. Several members of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees were present, including Senator James O. Eastland (D., Miss.), Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee; Senator Philip A. Hart (D., Mich.); Senator Kenneth B. Keating (R., N.Y.) and Congressman Michael A. Feighan (D., Ohio), Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Immigration and Nationality, on whom the President called for remarks. Also present were the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Mr. Raymond F. Farrell and Mr. Abba P. Schwartz, Administrator of the Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, as well as a number of officials of the State and Justice Departments.

Some fifty leaders of national religious, labor, civic and nationality organizations attended the meeting.

President Johnson addressed the conference as follows:

"We have met for the purpose of pointing up the fact that we have very serious problems in trying to get a fair immigration law. There is now before the Congress a bill that, I hope, can be supported by a majority of the members of the Congress. This bill applies new tests and new standards which we believe are reasonable and fair and right.

"I refer specifically to: What is the training and qualification of the immigrant who seeks admission? What kind of a citizen would he make if he were admitted? What is his relationship to persons in the United States? And what is the time of his application? These are rules that are full of common sense, common decency, which operate for the common good.

"That is why in my State of the Union Message last Wednesday I said

that I hoped, that in establishing preferences, a nation that was really built by immigrants, immigrants from all lands, that we could ask those who seek to immigrate now: What can you do for our country? But we ought to never ask 'In what country were you born?'

"President Roosevelt and President Truman and President Eisenhower and President Kennedy have all asked for a revision in the present statute. The present statute has overtones of discrimination. President Truman said that the idea behind discrimination was, to put it boldly, that English or Irish names were better and better citizens than Americans with Italian or Greek or Polish names. And such a concept is utterly unworthy of our tradition and our ideals.

"Now each of us and all of us are descended from immigrants. I hope we would ask ourselves this question: How would we feel, if we were put in the other fellow's place? Maybe by doing that and engaging in a little introspection for a time we would find it a good feeling to apply the Golden Rule and do unto others as we would have them do unto us.

"Great Britain has a quota of 65,000. It uses less than half of that quota. Germany has a quota of 25,000, which it never fills. Italy has a quota of 5,645 but it has a current backlog of almost 300,000. Greece has a quota of only 398 but it has a current backlog of over 100,000. So I think that the immigration statutes require very special examination.

"I would hope that we would do nothing hasty and makeshift, but I hope that we would apply the tests that I have outlined and the standards that I have suggested. These objective stands, I believe, would serve the national interest and I would hope that the Congress at this session would find that a majority of its members could follow this path.

"I want to thank each of you for coming here this morning. I want to ask you to dedicate such time and effort and your talents as it may be possible to helping us reason together and achieve the standards that history will record as being fair and just and that we, ourselves, can be proud that we played a part in helping to achieve. I particularly thank the members of the Congress who have come here this morning and who hear many conflicting viewpoints, but who I believe all were elected on a platform of doing what they believed to be right and who, I am confident, when the chips are down will see that fair and just legislation is written, that if they use it to apply to themselves they would feel they had had at least a fair shake."

1964 Toronto Supreme Convention Offers Delegates and Members Top Attractions

August 16-22, 1964

Delegates and members of the Ahepa Family who attend the 1964 Toronto Supreme Convention during the week of August 16-22, 1964 will be offered a full and complete program of business sessions and social activities.

Working closely together, the Toronto Chapter Supreme Convention Committee and the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees have completed their plans for our 42nd annual Supreme Convention. The headquarters for the convention will be the Royal York Hotel, a 1,600 room hotel, one of the largest in the world. Additional accommodations will be available at other nearby hotels in Toronto, as well as at motels.

All business sessions of the Ahepa Family will be held in the Royal York Hotel, which has more adequate facilities for these meetings.

Following meetings with the Toronto Supreme Convention Committee in September, 1963, and January, 1964, the following program of activities has been prepared:

SUPREME CONVENTION PROGRAM

SATURDAY, August 15th - Get-together party of early arrivals, in the evening.

SUNDAY, August 16th - Church services at the Greek Orthodox Church, followed by luncheon at the Church Hall.

2:00 p.m.: Registration opens (through Wednesday)

4:00 p.m.: Official public opening of the convention; presentation of State and Province flags.

5:30 p.m.: Initiations

8:00 p.m.: Welcome Party (Plans to be announced).

MONDAY, August 17th

9:30 a.m.: Opening of business sessions (daily through Saturday) in Royal York Hotel; elections of convention officers.

6:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.: GREEK NIGHT — featuring top band and outstanding entertainment.

TUESDAY, August 18th:

8:00 a.m.: Convention Golf Tournament

Noon: Ahepa Daughters Sons Maids District Lodge Luncheon.

4:00 p.m.: Daughters visit to Athenian Gallery (by invitation).

9:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.: Ahepa Family Debutantes Ball (ages 16-21).

WEDNESDAY, August 19th:

12:00 - 5:00 p.m.: Olympiad (for young men of Hellenic descent).

Noon: Lawyers Luncheon.

11:30 - 4:00 p.m.: Daughters of Penelope Fashion Show and Luncheon.

6:30 - 2:00 a.m.: Grand Banquet and Ball.

9:00 p.m.: Teen-Age Dance.

THURSDAY, August 20th:

Noon: Businessmen's Luncheon.

9:00 - 2:00 a.m.: Ahepa-Daughters Grand Ball.

FRIDAY, August 21st:

Noon: Sons of Pericles and former Sons Luncheon.

9:00 - 2:00 a.m.: Sons of Pericles and Maids of Athena Grand Ball.

SATURDAY, August 22nd

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight: Farewell Dance and Drawing.

During the week various sightseeing opportunities will be offered, as well as a bus trip to Niagara Falls, which is only a two hour ride. Plans are also underway for a possible boat ride on Lake Ontario during the early part of the convention, and these trips are also open any day during the week on an individual basis.

The business sessions will continue daily for the delegates of the Ahepa Family, with elections of new Grand Lodge officers on Friday evening for the Daughters, Sons and Maids, and the Ahepa elections set for Saturday noon or afternoon.

Each issue of The Ahepan magazine will carry additional information on the convention. The next issue will give complete details on hotel reservations, with reservation forms included, to be sent to the Housing Committee. As soon as this information is published, members are requested to immediately make their needs known to the Committee.

Complete information on the various events, such as the Olympiad, Golf Tournament, Debutantes Ball, etc., will be carried in future issues.

Ahepans Please Note

If the activities of your chapter are not reported in the magazine it will not be the fault of the Editorial Department. We can only print what news we receive.

WE ARE KEENLY INTERESTED IN YOUR LOCAL ACTIVITIES.

Please send all news direct to the attention of the Editor of the Ahepan, 204 Cherry Hill Drive, Newington, Conn.

2nd AHEPA National Golf Tournament March 26, 27, 28, 29, 1964 Tucson, Ariz.

The Second Ahepa National Golf Tournament will be held in Tucson, Arizona during the days of March 26, 27, 28, and 29, 1964, at the El Rio Country Club.

All members of the Ahepa Family are cordially invited to enter this tourney, which features not only golf competition, but also a full four-day social program.

Chairman of the tournament is Brother John Paulos of the Tucson, Ariz., Ahepa Chapter No. 275. The chapter is host for the event. **FOR ENTRY FORMS AND INFORMATION WRITE TO:** Mr. John Paulos, Chairman, 2nd Ahepa National Golf Tournament, 4915 East Speedway Blvd., Tucson, Ariz.

The agenda for the Tournament will be:

Dates: March 26, 27, 28, 29, 1964.

Place: El Rio Country Club, Tucson, Arizona.

Tournament Fees: \$30.00 per participant.

Accommodations: Tideland Motor Hotel — \$6.50 per day, per person.

The Tournament fees will include: 3 days of greens fees, purchasing of trophies, golf caps for each entrant, round trip bus fare to Old Mexico and dinner at the famous Cavern Cafe, and a Victory Banquet.

During the four days of the tournament, there will be a welcome buffet at Paulos Steak House—a private home "glendi" by local residents, inviting guests to their homes—in addition to the trip to Old Mexico and the Victory Banquet. Chairman Paulos requests early entries from those who intend to participate.

1964 AHEPA Excursion to Greece Sails on April 10, On Board Olympia; Excursion Commanders Announced

Washington, D.C.—The Commanders of the 1964 Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece were announced today by Ahepa Supreme President John G. Plumides. They are: Panayes G. Dikeou, Denver, Colo., Commander; Stephen Berdalis, San Francisco, Calif., Vice-Commander; and Mrs. Mary Kapsos, New Orleans, La., Commander of the Daughters of Penelope contingent.

Panayes G. Dikeou, a Supreme Trustee of the Ahepa, recently completed two terms as Ahepa Supreme Treasurer. Stephen Berdalis is a Past Supreme Treasurer of the fraternity, and Mrs. Mary Kapsos is the current Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope, senior women's auxiliary of the Ahepa.

The 1964 Excursion will sail from New York City on April 10, 1964, on board the OLYMPIA of the Greek Line. The Olympia has deluxe new staterooms, and 85% of its rooms have private bath. It is fully air-conditioned, and has an all-weather stabilizer for smoother sailing.

Upon arrival in Greece, the Ahepa Excursionists will be greeted by city and governmental officials, and will participate in a series of receptions in their honor.

Persons with plans to participate in the Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece are asked to immediately contact their nearest travel agency for the best available accommodations.

Harry N. Coroneos, Past Supreme Treasurer

Past Supreme Treasurer Harry N. Coroneos of Philadelphia, Penna., member of Chapter No. 26 of that city, died on December 5, 1963.

Brother Coroneos was the first elected Supreme Treasurer of the fraternity, and served in this capacity during the years of 1923-24 and 1924-25, for two years. During a period when the fraternity faced a severe financial situation in its formative years, Brother Coroneos was able to solve the Ahepa's crisis through his personal efforts and assistance.

He was initiated into the Ahepa by Hercules-Spartan Chapter, No. 26 of Philadelphia in 1923.

Trustee Panayes Dikeou Will Head 1964 Excursion as Commander



Supreme Trustee and Past Supreme Treasurer Panayes G. Dikeou of Denver, Colo., is the Commander of the 1964 Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece.

The Excursion will depart from New York City on April 10, 1964, on board the T.S.S. Olympia of the Greek Line. Past Supreme Treasurer Stephen L. Berdalis, San Francisco, Calif., will serve as Vice-Commander, and Mrs. Mary Kapsos, Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope, will be the Commander of the Daughters contingent.

The various governmental and tourist offices of the Greek government are preparing an outstanding program of receptions and visits for the visiting excursionists, who will be honored upon their arrival, and for the first few days thereafter.

Members of the Ahepa Family and their friends who intend to participate in the 1964 Easter Excursion to Greece are urged to make immediate reservations for best accommodations through either The Greek Line, 10 Bridge Street, New York City, or their local travel agency.

Within a few days following the arrival of the excursionists, the Excursion Committee will sponsor an Ahepa reception in Athens, in honor of various Greek, American and Canadian government officials at one of the leading hotels.

Those interested in going on the Excursion are urgently requested to make immediate reservations through the Greek Line in New York City, or their local travel agency.

National, District Awards Offered for Chapter Programs of Activity

Three National prizes and one prize in each District are offered annually for those Ahepa Chapters with the outstanding program of fraternal activities, in the annual competition known as the National Activities Honors Awards.

Deadline for the submission of reporting forms is March 15, 1964, and forms have been mailed to all Ahepa Chapter Secretaries by the Headquarters.

All Ahepa Chapters have been asked to submit a final report of their activities for the calendar year of 1963 (January 1st to December 31, 1963) to the Headquarters, and also to their District Lodges. The forms provided cover every phase of Chapter activity including business procedures, social events, educational and sports programs.

Each District Lodge will select their top Chapter in the District, and present the District Activities Honors Award at the 1964 District Convention.

The Headquarters will select the three top chapters throughout the Ahepa Domain, and present First, Second and Third Place National Awards at the 1964 Ahepa Supreme Convention in Toronto.

Chapter officers are reminded again of the deadline date of March 15, 1964, for submission of their entry forms—original to the Headquarters and an identical copy to the District Lodge.

1964 Chapter Dues

Your 1964 Chapter Dues became due and payable on January 1, 1964. Please remit to your Chapter Secretary within the next few days.

Better yet, sit down right now—make out a check and mail it to him. He'll appreciate your thoughtfulness. Your Chapter Secretary has a tremendous job, and paying your Chapter Dues right now, will ease his load a great deal.

So, start the New Year right—pay your Chapter Dues NOW!

May we also remind you that payment of your Chapter Dues NOW, will protect your Emergency Fund benefit. Any person who is more than 6 months behind in payment of Chapter Dues is in danger of losing those benefits. Dues are payable IN ADVANCE. If Chapter Dues for the First Half of 1964 are not paid by July 1, 1964, a member falls six months behind in such payment.

PAY NOW—protect your membership and its benefits.

You are cordially
invited
to attend

**The 16th AHEPA National Banquet Honoring
the Congress of the United States
Hotel Statler-Hilton Washington, D.C.
Monday, March 16, 1964**

All members of the Ahepa and their families are cordially invited to attend the 16th Ahepa National Banquet, which will be held on Monday, March 16, 1964, at the Hotel Statler-Hilton, Washington, D.C.

This biennial dinner, one of the capital city's outstanding social events, is held in honor of the Congress of the United States, and the invited U.S. Senators and Representatives attend as Honor Guests of their respective Ahepa Chapters. Every Ahepa Chapter is asked to sponsor the member of Congress from their respective District, either a Senator or Representative.

Many reservations have already been received from Ahepa Chapters, and invitations extended to their Honor Guests. Even at this early date, several acceptances have already been received.

Reservation forms have been mailed

to all Ahepa Chapters and the Supreme Lodge has requested that the Chapters respond as soon as possible. A Chapter's cost for sponsoring an Honor Guest and his wife is \$30.00 for the couple.

At the dinner, members of the Ahepa and Ahepa Family (and their families) will be seated with their respective Members of Congress, from their state and District. The dinner will be preceded by a cocktail reception for all those present at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. The speaking program will be a short one.

During the course of the evening, the fraternity will present its "Socratic Award" to Mr. Henry R. Luce, publisher of Life and Time Magazine, for his contributions towards the dissemination and cultivation of Hellenic Culture. LIFE Magazine published a series of articles on ancient Greece titled "The Miracle

of Greece" in 1963, which covered the life and times and accomplishments of ancient Hellas in all fields of human endeavor. Mr. Luce will be present at the dinner to accept the award.

All Ahepans who plan to attend the banquet are urged to send in early reservations. Tickets are \$15.00 per person, or \$30.00 a couple. Please mail your reservations to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005, and enclose check in full payment. With your reservations, please list the names of all persons occupying seats.

(Chapter Officers: If you have not already mailed your Chapter's reservations for your Honor Guest, please do so at once. Every invited guest must be given as much advance notice as possible. Please enclose remittance with your reservations.)

\$3,000 Grant to Aid Study of Greece at Arizona University

(Reported from the Arizona Daily Star-Tucson, Arizona, Nov. 27, 1963.)

A Greek immigrant who found health and wealth in Tucson, yesterday gave the University of Arizona \$3,000 for scholarships—to be used for the study of Greek civilization.

Real estate developer Nicholas W. Genematas and his wife, Marie, implied that there would be more.

The check went to the university from the Genematas Foundation through the Order of Ahepa. It is to provide six \$500 scholarships.

It was presented to University of Arizona President Richard A. Harvill at a luncheon at the Cliff Manor Motor Motel, one of the properties Genematas built. The check, the donor said, is the first from the Genematas Foundation and he hopes that it will be continued every year.

To be eligible for the scholarship, Dr. Harvill explained, a student must have a minimum of two semester hours of

Hellenic classical studies, Hellenic language, ancient or modern history, or engage in other study of Greek civilization.

Genematas came to the United States in steerage when he was 14, first working as a \$10 a month bus boy in St. Louis. Three years later he opened his first restaurant. Stricken with bronchial asthma, he came to Tucson in 1940 and found health in the Catalina Foothills, an area where he now owns considerable property.

—Arizona Daily Star-Tucson, Ariz.

The \$3,000 grant from Brother Genematas this year has been awarded in six scholarships of \$500 each to the following University of Arizona students: Arlo T. Janssen, Bisbee, Ariz.; Charles S. Irons, Nogales, Ariz.; Terrence P. Woods, Phoenix, Ariz.; Douglas H. Harvill, Phoenix, Ariz.; Samuel J. Sutton, Jr., Wheaton, Ill.; and William H. Tatum, Houston, Texas.

The recipients of the scholarships were selected by the office of Dr. Willis R. Brewer, Chairman of the University of Arizona Committee on Scholarships and Awards.

New York Fair to Feature Nationality Groups

Senator Philip A. Hart (D-Mich) was advised today by Secretary of Commerce Luther Hodges that the story of the various nationality groups in our population will be told at the New York World's Fair.

The Senator, in a letter to Secretary Hodges, had strongly urged that the role of these nationality groups have a prominent part in the American Pavilion theme. He asked that every consideration be given to carrying the theme out through displays and performances in the pavilion.

"I think this is an excellent suggestion," Secretary Hodges said. He added that the contributions of people of all national origins to this country and its progress will be a part of the exhibit.

The Secretary and Senator Hart's suggestions for using the nationality theme will be brought to the attention of the U.S. Commissioner for the exhibit.

SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION

*"Men of perverse opinion do not know
The excellence of what is in their hands
Till some one dash it from them."*

—SOPHOCLES



A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

It's often quite true, as Sophocles wrote, that men may fail to appreciate the worth and value of what they possess or hold in their hands, and this is oftentimes true not only of perverse individuals, but even of men who are fair and impartial.

A person quite often fails to appreciate the worth and value of his freedom, of his living standards, of his associates and neighbors, and of his fraternal association, until these possessions are suddenly taken from him. He then discovers his tragic loss, but too late.

The members of the Order of Ahepa should know and realize the "excellence of what is in their hands"—their membership in the Order of Ahepa. You, as an Ahepan of either short or long-term membership, hold in your hands a prized membership in an association which has an enviable record of more than 41 years of service and accomplishments.

Ahepa's fraternal record in international, national, and civic life during the past 41 years has been accomplished through the combined efforts of many thousands of members; not through the efforts of just a few. It may be true that a few hundred members were the spearhead that led the fraternity's working program, but without the active support of the thousands of members at the Chapter level, those few hundred members could have accomplished nothing.

It is each individual member's responsibility to safeguard his fraternity and his membership by actively supporting Ahepa's working program at the Chapter, District and National level.

Only through a member's ACTIVE SUPPORT can our fraternity reach its goals. Only through ACTIVE PARTICIPATION on the part of each Ahepan in all of our working programs can the Ahepa achieve steady growth and progress.

And, only through such support and participation in all fraternal programs can any Ahepan fully realize the worth and value of his fraternity.

The Order of Ahepa needs your continued support and working efforts, at all times.

I firmly believe and trust that all Ahepans know "the excellence of what is in their hands" for their membership in the Order of Ahepa brings greater rewards with each passing year in personal self-satisfaction achieved through serving our communities, our nation and our fellow-man.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

JOHN G. PLYMIDES

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PROFILE OF AN AHEPAN

Greek Immigrant Thankful for America's Help

By Winifred Shields

(A member of The Star's Staff)

It has a sentimental, almost dusty flavor today—one part Edward Bok and two parts Ellis Island—the story of the immigrant boy arriving in the New World in the great tide from Europe in the years before World War I.

Time and the recent migrations of political refugees have almost obscured the peculiar character of that earlier movement when the U.S. welcomed all comers, turning away only out-and-out paupers and those without the minimum mental and physical faculties to survive.

Louis Kartsonis was barely 17 years old when he arrived alone from Greece with \$30 and the intention of meeting an uncle in Sheboygan, Wis.

After Ellis Island, they put him on a train, "just like a bundle," he recalls. At the Sheboygan railroad station there was no uncle and, in fact, the uncle failed to materialize until a month later.

Frightened, and unable to speak a word of English, Kartsonis by chance heard two men conversing in Greek in the train station. They took him home, let him live in their house, and helped him find a job.

More than 50 years later, Kartsonis still is repaying their simple kindness by serving as president of the Naturalization Council of Kansas City, which provides aid and education for foreign newcomers to town.

Tomorrow, at noon at the Woman's City Club, Kartsonis will receive the Americanism medal of the Elizabeth Benton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, given to an adult naturalized citizen for outstanding service, leadership and patriotism.

A patriarch of 70 now, with platinum hair and an imposing white mustache, Kartsonis conducts his activities from an office at the Superior Laundry & Dry Cleaning Company, 3046 Holmes Street; a business he turned over to his four sons after World War II.

"One of those two Greek brothers who befriended me worked in a furniture factory across the street from the toy factory. He took me by the employees' entrance and told me I should say 'job,'" Kartsonis recalled, about the entry into the U.S. labor force.

"That night, in bed, I kept saying 'job, job, job, job, job' over and over again, so I wouldn't forget it.

"The next day I went to the employees' entrance. There were about 15 or 20 people waiting. Pretty soon a man came out of the office and picked out five or six men and told the rest of us to go home. Of course, I didn't understand him. I just stood there, saying job, job.

"He asked me what my name was and I said 'job.' He asked me where I was from and I said 'job.' He asked me whether I would rather have \$1,000 or a job and I said 'job.' So he broke out laughing, and told me to come along, and I got a job."

After 10 months in the Sheboygan toy factory, during which he learned mostly German from other workers, Kartsonis decided to accompany a friend to Kansas City where, he was assured, he could get a job in a shoeshine parlor for the fabulous sum of \$10 a month.

The parlor was on the northeast corner of Twelfth and Walnut Streets, behind a United Cigar Store. Between shines, Kartsonis studied English by looking up in a dictionary words he found in Kansas City newspapers.

At the end of 3½ years, Kartsonis and his friend had saved enough to buy out the owner of the shoeshine parlor and they kept it for almost four years. About that time, another friend enticed Kartsonis to sell out and enter the confectionery business with him.

After this venture he bought into the Two Johns Candy Kitchen, at Twelfth and Central Streets, and about this time met his future wife, the former Anna Ziberk, a chocolate dipper for the old Loose-Wiles Company.

A profile of Brother Louis Kartsonis, President of the Heart of America Chapter of Ahepa, reprinted from "The Kansas City Star."

"That was hard work and long hours," Kartsonis said about the candy business. "Sundays and holidays, when every one else was resting, that's when I had to work the hardest."

"I finally quit the trade and bought a press shop at Twelfth and Tracy, the Virginia Cleaners. I didn't know the first thing about that either, not even how to press a pair of pants.

Never dismayed by lack of knowledge, Kartsonis soon after entered the hand laundry business, similarly unprepared, and built a company that at peak times has employed as many as 100 persons.

Kartsonis is proud of the fact that he can operate all of the laundry machines and during World War II, when labor was short, he often did.

In some ways, the immigrant has an easier go now, he believes. Self-service stores, with everything in full view, permit those with language handicaps to find what they want without asking for it.

Early citizenship, and an early mastery of English, are things Kartsonis believes in firmly and these are goals the Naturalization Council works all year long to achieve with the foreign newcomers.

In addition to being president of the Council, and, incidentally, the first naturalized citizen ever to have that post, Kartsonis:

Was president of the Greek Orthodox Church here for eight consecutive terms, was a charter member and currently is president of the Heart of America Chapter of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA); was founder, president and national treasurer of the Pan-Arcadian Federation of America, a fraternal organization; has been in United Fund and Red Cross work, been a Mason for 30 years, and in World War II was active in the American War Dads.



Visitations of the SUPREME LODGE

From the Cradle . . . to the Bastion of Ahepa

*Visiting with the Supreme President
in New England*

Over 40 years ago, shortly after the Order of AHEPA was founded in Atlanta, Georgia, one of the first immigrants to espouse the cause of Ahepanism was George Ploumidis, then part-owner of the Sanitary Lunch Room of Charlotte, N.C. Together with his three business partners and some other far-seeing Greek Americans in the area, formed Marathon Chapter, No. 2 of the Order of Ahepa in Charlotte, thus adding the second link to the great crusade of expanding Hellenic Idealism that was to swarm the country under the banner of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association in the nineteen twenties.

Many great leaders have governed the good ship of Ahepa throughout its 42 long stormy years. One of these leaders was a young man from Boston, who, substituting what he lacked in years with enthusiasm and vigor took the gospel of Ahepa from its birthplace in the South, and in true New England way, filled it with tradition and mellowness, nurtured it, enriched it and helped spread it from one end of the country to the other with his inspiring and vigorous leadership. In his continuous search for new leaders to help promote and carry out the programs of Ahepa, Harris Booras, the young Bay Stater who took the helm of Ahepa at the very tender age of 26, took numerous trips throughout the country, preaching, promoting, searching . . . One of the young men that impressed Harris in one of his trips South to the birthplace of Ahepa, was the eldest son of George Ploumidis of the Sanitary Lunch Room of Charlotte. From the very beginning of their meeting, Harris saw a future in this young, aggressive "rebel," who was born and bred in the gospel of Ahepa. Living in a Community where to be an Ahepan has been synonymous to being a Greek American citizen, this young man went on to become a leader in Ahepa in his own right, in a manner reminiscent of his worthy discoverer from Boston, as if guided by his inspiration and image.

As Supreme President of Ahepa, John Plumides, eldest son of George Ploumidis of Charlotte, N.C., made it a point as one of his first official visitations would be a return visit to the home of



Left to right — Chester Parasco, Legal Counsel to Gov. Peabody; Miss Kia Macrogianis, Secretary to Federal Coordinator Sherwood Tarlow; Christopher Pilavis, Mass. Appellate Tax Board; A. Dan Bullion, Supreme Trustee; Nick Chronis, Supreme Trustee; William Tsaffaras, Past Supreme Governor; Governor of Massachusetts Endicott Peabody; Supreme President John Plumides; Peter Despotopoulos, District No. 8 Governor; James Tzellas, District No. 8 Marshal; Dr. Nicholas Despotopoulos, Sons National Advisor; Emmanuel Gratsias, Supreme President Sons of Pericles; Ann Trent, Governor Peabody's personal secretary, and Peter Agris, Chairman Board of Publications.



Left to right — Nicholas Zannetos, Ahepan Editor; A. Dan Bullion, Supreme Trustee; Emmanuel Gratsias, Supreme President Sons; Very Rev. Rodopoulos, Dean of Holy Cross Theological Seminary; Supreme President Plumides, Mrs. Plumides and Past Supreme Governor William Tsaffaras.



Left to right — Manny Lydates, Cambridge; Peter Despotopoulos, District 8 Governor; Supreme President Plumides; Hercules Pappas, Webster; Harry Gazulis, Boston.

SUPREME LODGE (Cont'd)

his "discovery" to pay tribute in his loving memory, among his followers and friends.

The scene was the Ahepa Home on Commonwealth Avenue in Boston, Mass., the place where Harris Booras lived and preached for so many years. The Hall was overflowing with anxious Ahepans and friends, who had come to hear the message of the coming "rabel" from the South, who as so was the second young-est President of the Fraternity. They were all there, the young and the old, the allies and the political foes. Mike Vassos, Peter Bell, Nick Chronos, Dr. Nick Despotopoulos, Bill Tsaffaras, Arthur Egeodinos, Demos Kakodis, Harry Garalis and many more, a real "who's who" in Bay State Ahepanism, when the unforgettable Harris Booras expounded his thoughts and ideas about the Fraternity. As John Plumides spoke, reminding some of the great moments in the life of Harris, many eyes could be spotted around the room in true tribute to the memory of their leader, who was no longer there, but also as an encouragement to their new leader from the South, who had come hundreds of miles to rekindle and resurrect the spirit of Ahepa that was once the byword in the Abolition of America. As the Supreme President, handed the young people in the audience to revive and relive the glorious days of old, his message reached home, and he felt assured that the banner of Ahepanism would again take its rightful place in the Ahepa Domain.

The visitation of the Supreme President to New England began Thursday, November 13, when the plane bringing John and his lovely wife Marie, landed at Bradley Field at 1 P.M. to be met by a delegation of Yankee District Ahepans: Dan Teras, S. Goussardis, P.S.T. James Starr, Ahepa Editor N. Zanosos, C. Chakalis, Arthur Mike, Nick Goussardis and others. They were rushed to the State Hotel in Hartford, where a brief meeting took place with Dist. Gov. Leon Tomlin, P.S.P. Vassos, P.S.P. Marzulis, P.S.G. Vassos, Wm. Antonis, T. Chakalis, Fern Nichols, E. Hildebrand, G. Yarmann, National President, C. Koulouidakis and others.

After a dinner with the Past District Governors and the District Lodge, Mike and Mrs. Plumides attended a committee meeting at the Church Hall, with over 150 people in attendance, including the presidents of the Ahepa Family of Hartford, C. Koulouidakis of Ahepa, Ky Zanosos of the Daughters and N. Pa-

diris of the Sons. The message of the Supreme President was an inspiring one. Starting with a few nostalgic points about the founding of the Organization, he expounded on the challenges and benefits awaiting its members today in the era of the challenging '60's," and invited all Hellenes to join hands in helping the organization promote its purpose and programs.

After a stay-over at the Sealer, the Supreme President and the First Lady of Ahepa left for Boston accompanied by Supreme Trustee Don Bullion. A Dinner was given in his honor at Jimmy's Harborside Restaurant in Boston with over 75 in attendance, after which the meeting at the Ahepa Home took place.

The following morning, the Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides, accompanied by Wm. Tsaffaras, Don Bullion and N. Zanosos, visited the Holy Cross Theological Seminary, where they were graciously received by the Dean of the Seminary, the Very Rev. Rodopoulos. At the Seminary to receive the Supreme President was also Emmanuel Gratsias, Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles, who is now a student of Theology at the Seminary. A tour of the grounds and facilities of the Seminary was conducted by the Very Rev. Rodopoulos.

The visitation continued later on in the afternoon, with President and Mrs. Plumides, accompanied by Wm. Tsaffaras, Peter Agnis, Don Bullion and Nick Zanosos, motoring to Manchester, N.H. A meeting with the leaders of District No. 9 was held early in the evening, with a Banquet and Dance in honor of the Supreme President following. The Banquet was attended by over 200 guests from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. Among the guests attending were: Supreme Trustee and Mrs. George Pappalomas, District No. 9 Governor John Hallios, District No. 9 Governor of D.O.P. Mrs. Hestia Pipilas, Michael Skates, President Manchester Chapter, Mrs. Eirena Voulgouris, Manchester Chapter President of D.O.P., P.D.G. Angelo Chouzaramis and many more.

Again the Supreme President gave an inspiring speech, embarking on some of the future programs of Ahepa of interest to all young and old, and inviting the youth to join and help carry out these programs.

After a stay-over in Boston, the Supreme President, accompanied by Tsaffaras, Chronos, Agnis and Don Bullion, motored to Haverhill, where he met with leaders of the Chapter and surrounding area.

Later on in the evening, he attended a memorial dinner in honor of Peter

Despotopoulos, District No. 8 Governor, in Clinton, Mass. The affair was very well attended by members of the entire Bay State District.

The next morning, Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides boarded a plane for Charlotte, N.C. for a brief rest, before starting on another tiring but fruitful trip to the Northwestern part of the Ahepa Domain.

HERE AND THERE WITH THE VEEP

*Nicholas J. Chirekos,
Supreme Vice-President*

JANUARY 4, 1964. First trip of the New Year. Arrived at Tampa Airport Saturday afternoon. Was met by Past Supreme Governor Mike Costas, National Athletic Director Pete Pasvanter, Lieutenant Governor Jim Schofield. Went to the Gondolier Motel overlooking the famous Tarpon Springs Bayou. Then other prominent Ahepans started arriving—Bill Poulos, Mike Constant, John Fatolites and Steve Lelakis. Later we all went to the airport to welcome Past Supreme President Peter Bell. Then to Pete Trakos famous Sea Spire Restaurant, built like a ship and overlooking Clearwater Bay. While there, we were joined by Grand President Mary Kapsos and husband Ted, Grand Secretary Betty Athanasakos, Gus and Frances Katsikas of Fort Lauderdale, and Mildred Plaines of Miami.

JANUARY 5, 1964. Up bright and early for Church services at the famous St. Nicholas Church of Tarpon. After church we took the Cook's Tour of the Ahepa Property conducted by that unofficial Ahepa Florida Property Overseer Mike Costas. Were given our official Guest Badges by Past District Governor Nick Stamathes. Attended a District Lodge meeting with the following present: District Governor Harry Carrett, Lieutenant Governor Jim Schofield, District Treasurer George Stelogeans, District Advisor Mike Constant, Past District Governor Jerry Dragonas, and Bill Poulos.

In the evening we attended the Annual Ahepa Epiphany Banquet. Mike Kavouklis made an excellent toastmaster. Speeches were short, good, and to the point. Yours Truly spoke for the Supreme Lodge. After the banquet the usual coffee, followed by the even more usual Ahepa pow-wow. Saw Nick Patrikelis of Jacksonville, Chris Economou and lovely wife Kay, Paul James, Louis and George Smizes, and Mike Scaroulis.

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JANUARY 6, 1964. Epiphany Church Services conducted by Right Reverend Bishop Aimilianos, assisted by the very capable Father Constantine Raptis, pastor of the church, Reverend Constantine Statheron of St Petersburg, and Reverend Constantine Chokanis of Tampa. Florida Governor Farris Bryant, the good Bishop, and I led the parade for the Services at the Bayou and the Blessing of the Waters. Weather was beautiful, parade colorful with boys and girls in traditional costumes of all sections of Greece and the Islands. Cameras all over the place, including NBC-TV. Over 30,000 spectators, mostly non-Greek, from all over the United States. Then to Louis Pappas' nationally famous restaurant. Attended Glendi held at Sponge Exchange and the dance in the evening. Spent some pleasant moments at Mike Costas' "Fort" with gracious Mrs. Costas as our hostess serving "Vasilopsomo." Visited with ever-colorful George Frantzis, a Tarpon Springs and Florida Institution.

JANUARY 7, 1964. Awakened by Mike Costas, who took us to Clearwater. Rented a Hertz car and both Bell and I unanimously nominated and elected National Athletic Director Peter Pasvantes as Captain of the good ship and set the course for Florida's capital, Tallahassee. Arrived there after a very pleasant trip. Made the usual telephone calls to all the Officers and then in the evening we met in Brother Nick Gavalos' home where we were royally entertained. Good-of-the-Order discussion followed with Emanuel Jeannas, the Patriarch of the Tallahassee Community, leading the discussion. Others present were Professor Peter Doukas, Reverend Makarios Hajiparaskeva, Mike and Jim Joanas, Nick Kavoukles, and Assistant Attorney General (Florida) Mike Kavouklis and Jim Koikos. Ahepa Chapter activity at this time is concentrated on establishing a Greek Orthodox Church and School in Tallahassee and prospects look good. This will be, according to Bell, the 80th Church established through the efforts of an Ahepa Chapter.

JANUARY 8, 1964. Left Tallahassee in early morning for Panama City where we went directly to the famous Seven Seas Restaurant owned by Brothers Jimmy and Johnny Patronis; greeted by Brother A. I. Christo, Gregory Christo and John Christo, owners of a chain of five-and-ten stores and diverse other enterprises, including the leading Bank of Panama City. We then went to the Holiday Lodge operated by Brother George Gouras, former President of the Tallahassee Chapter. Greeks are moving



Supreme Vice-President Nicholas Chirekas, His Grace Bishop Aimilianos, Grand President of Daughters Mary Kappos and Grand Secretary of Daughters Betty Athanasakos shown after the Cross was retrieved at the Epiphany Ceremonies.

into and in this Fast-growing area and the Ahepa Chapter should grow and is now doing well.

From Panama City we travelled along the Gulf Coast Road in torrential rain to Pensacola. Were met by Brother Bill Stamatoles and Frank Foster. On short notice the Brothers of this Chapter got together at the Community Center, where we were greeted by President Pat Blancos, Vice-President Steve Adams, Secretary Bill Manning, Nick Menas, Nick Adams, Victor Bolcas, George Antenapoulos, Mike Bouth, Christ Manakas and Charter Member Jim Costopoulos, all holding either elective or appointive offices. This Church, School and Community Center in Pensacola are outstanding and paid for. In the front of the Community Hall and School Building there is a bronze plaque with this inscription: "This Property Purchased and Donated to the Greek Orthodox Church by Daphne Chapter, No. 296, of the Order of Ahepa."

Were taken to Martine's, owned by Jimmy Marks, leading Greek of this area and President of the Florida Restaurant Association. Many intelligent questions asked. Did our best to answer them and re-inspire.

Still raining hard in Sunny(?) Florida. With Captain Pasvantes at the wheel, we left Pensacola, Florida, for Mobile, Alabama. Roads both flooded and under repair. Water and Alabama red clay everywhere, but we arrived at Mobile at 10:00 p.m. as scheduled. Met by Chris Zarakostas, President and former New Jerseyite. Went to Brother Nick Gulas' famous restaurant where we had a constructive meeting with Father James Mamalis participating.

It was a long day. We were tired but

happy, for though the Florida Sun was mostly behind the clouds, the Ahepa Sun was shining brightly wherever we went.

JANUARY 9, 1964. Left Mobile via Eastern Air Lines. Arrived and was met at Atlanta by Mother Lodge Member James Campbell, Chapter President George Alexander, and Charlie Alexander. After checking in at the Riviera, proceeded to lunch at the Camelia House Restaurant. Mother Lodge Members Nick Chotas, James Campbell, and Angelo Nekas, My Koumbaro, John Lividitis, Charlie and George Alexander were present. After a three-hour lunch, we were the guest of James Alexander at his home, where we met several Ahepas and Daughters of Penelope. Mrs. James Alexander, a most gracious hostess, served cocktails and appetizers.

Ahepa meeting held at the Hellenic Center—initiation and installation of officers. After the meeting, a combined dinner with the Daughters, remarks by the Chapter President, yours truly, Supreme Athletic Director Pasvantes, and Past Supreme President Bell. Ended the evening at Charlie Alexander's home, where coffee and dessert were served.

JANUARY 10, 1964. Had breakfast with Past Supreme President Pete Bell and John Lividitis, then boarded the plane for my journey home with a great feeling that we had had a very gratifying trip and fresh realization of the privilege it really is to be fortunate enough to represent the Order of Ahepa.

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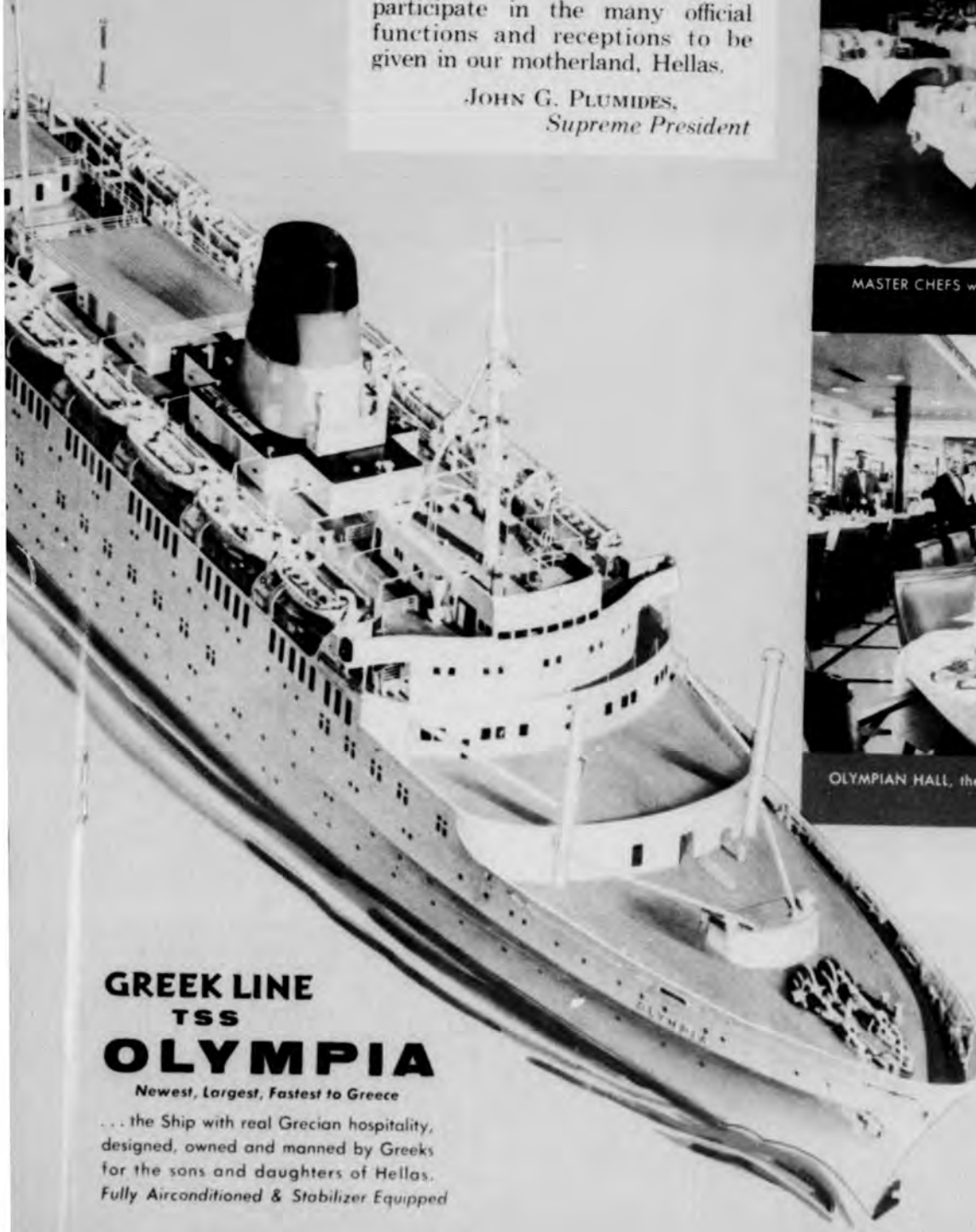
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WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT AHEPA

AHEPA Promotes Loyalty to United States

Editor's Note: The following is reprinted from the July 22 issue of "The Missoulian."

The objective of the 41-year-old Order of Ahepa is to encourage and assist immigrants from Greece and their descendants in becoming staunch citizens of their adopted country.

Ahepa's founding and history are discussed today by Danny Lambros of Missoula. Last month he was elected Governor of Ahepa's District 18, which consists of the states of Montana and Wyoming. He is the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter D. Lambros of this city, who migrated to the United States from Greece.

Although he was one of the world's earliest navigators, educators, colonizers, and adventurers, the Greek immigrant never felt so much like a stranger in a strange land as when he first came to America at the turn of this century. Without knowledge of the language, without a trade, profession, money or friends, the Greek immigrant found himself in a vast and strange land of rapid traffic and keen competition.

With nothing more than his inborn determination to survive and to excel, he applied himself to the task of molding his future in this wondrous country.

Realizing the urgent need for the Greek immigrant to become a good American who should contribute the best of his Hellenic attributes to America, seven farsighted men met in Atlanta, Ga., in 1922 and founded the Order of Ahepa.

Nothing expresses more clearly and concisely the nature, scope and basic objectives of the organization than the preamble of the constitution, which reads, "The objects of the order shall be:

"(A) To promote and encourage loyalty to the United States of America, allegiance to its Constitution and traditions, and obedience to the laws of the land.

"(B) To instruct its members in the tenets and principles of democracy, and in the methods and operation of political life in the United States.

"(C) To instill in every one of its members a sincere love for the United States, its history and traditions, a due appreciation of the privilege of citizenship, and the sacred duties attendant therewith.

"(D) To encourage its members to always be profoundly interested and actively participate in the political, civil, social, and commercial life of the United States and to always strive for its betterment."

Today the Order of Ahepa extends to 49 states, Canada, and Australia, with 430 local chapters grouped in 24 districts. It is a fraternal organization which is nonpolitical and nonsectarian. The word Ahepa is an acrostic, and is derived from the first letters of the following: American, Hellenic, Educational, Progressive, Association. First requirement for membership is that a member shall be an American citizen, or has signified his intentions of becoming a citizen. English is the required language at all meetings. While active membership in the Order of Ahepa is predominantly among American citizens of Greek ancestry, many prominent Americans, including several presidents of the United States, have become acquainted with the principles and achievements of Ahepa and given it their seal of approval by becoming members.

As far as I know, it is the only organization of its kind in the United States founded by an immigrated people, which has as its principal objectives the assimilation of the ideas of their adopted foster nation.

For 41 years, Ahepa has gone quietly but firmly ahead on its task of building men of character and high principles. The Order's philanthropic and educational accomplishments are truly remarkable and too numerous to mention here.

Talk to any American citizen of Greek descent and you will soon realize how very much he appreciates the great value of his American citizenship, and the importance of exercising properly the rights and duties attached to it.

Thanks in a large part to the Order of Ahepa, today the Greek is no longer a bewildered immigrant groping his way in a maze of strange surroundings. He has arrived to the proud status of a respected American citizen. He has come here not merely to make a living, but in quest of a new way of life. He has found an environment where he can enjoy the blessings of freedom and true happiness, for which he shall be ever thankful.

P.S.P. George E. Phillios On the Future of AHEPA

Past Supreme President George E. Phillios in a letter to Supreme President Plamides, had these thoughts on the future of the organization.

... the new course charted for the Ahepa concerns its survival. Implicitly Ahepa's mission, inherent with the social, economic and political needs, aims and purposes, of us, the immigrants, has been accomplished gloriously. So it has.

The Greek immigrant, with his unrivalled ancestral heritages as an impetus and his innate ingenuity and demonstrating publicly his own qualities through the Ahepa, attained the highest pinnacle of prestigious citizenry in the U.S.A. The genealogical name 'Greek' is honored and revered in the land of our adoption. A well done job, worthy of laurels to us, the immigrants.

"But you, Johnny, my children and grandchildren are indigenous Americans. You well observed that more is needed to interest your generation and to justify the usefulness and perpetuation of the Organization. Contemporary Ahepa is in need of modernization, you said. But how?"

"You hit the target on that score, too, I believe, when you indicated, in effect, that Ahepa's identity, integrity and traditions as an Hellenic unit — together with Orthodoxy — are vital and unexpendable for Hellenism but, in the furtherance and preservation of these characteristics, expansion into the wide open field of all-inclusive American life is indispensable. I agree with that view.

"Ahepa cannot live hidden away as an ethnic group. It will live and prosper only as it integrates and becomes a vibrant factor in the accepted all-American life.

"Alas! Without intense participation of every Chapter and member in civic activities — social, educational, cultural and philanthropic — Ahepa cannot grow and prosper. Decisive only count in public opinion. Without Ahepa as a unifying force, that Hellenic identity, which you mentioned, and the traditions will disappear in a generation or two in the miasma of the American fusion. Orthodoxy then will be a feeble fabric among religious faiths."

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SOCRATES V. SEKLES, Chairman

Brother Socrates V. Sekles, Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees, is not a newcomer to the Ahepa National Scene. For almost forty years, Brother Sekles has been identified with the progress and growth of the fraternity, serving with distinction in many capacities, and as Supreme Governor and as Supreme Treasurer, serving under the administrations of Past Supreme Presidents Thevos, Bell, Scipias and Lamberson.

Brother Sekles was born in Katafion, Agrafon Karditsa, Thessalia, Greece. He immigrated to the United States in 1912 and settled in Pontiac, Mich., where he secured employment with General Motors, working his way up to foreman. Later he operated the cafeterias at the Pontiac Plant.

In the early twenties he organized the Hellenic Community of that city and joined Ahepa Chapter No. 40, in Detroit, Mich., and subsequently helped in the formation of the Flint, Saginaw and Ann Arbor Chapters.

He served with distinction as Chairman of the Greek War Relief for his area and as President of the Hellenic Community of Pontiac and the Ahepa Chapter. He served his District, Automotive No. 10, as Lt. Governor and then for two years as Governor. During his administration, he organized several chapters of the Daughters of Penelope and was primarily responsible for the creation of the two new Ahepa chapters in Detroit. He was Vice-Commander of the Ahepa Excursion in 1951.

Long a leader of the Democratic party in the State of Michigan, Brother Sekles enjoys the bi-partisan support of many of the civic and political leaders in his state and community. He has always endeavored to promote our youth and played a major role in the election of Supreme Justice of the Supreme Court, Bro. Theodore Sauris and more recently in the appointment of Brother Philip Pratt as a Circuit Judge of Oakland County.

Brother Sekles has long advocated and successfully spearheaded our Order holding its Supreme Convention in Athens in 1963 and presented a very favorable report to the San Diego Convention as Chairman of a fact-finding committee.

Aside from the foregoing, Brother Sekles rendered great services as Co-Chairman of the Ahepa Truman Memorial Committee, and made outstanding contributions in bringing about peace, unity and harmony in the Order

of Ahepa. His efforts along with Brother Thevos and many other leaders and their co-workers have brought peace, stability and tranquility within the Ahepa ranks.

The Ahepa salutes Sekles and echoes the sentiments and hopes of the entire membership that under his dynamic leadership the properties and many projects under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Board of Trustees will be developed on a sound, practical business basis.

JAMES MAZARAKOS, Vice-Chairman

The veteran Massachusetts Ahepa was born in Stennitsa, Arcadia, Greece. He came to the United States in 1916 and settled in Springfield, Mass., where he has lived ever since. Bro. Mazarakos has had an exceptionally active Ahepa career. He has served his chapter in every capacity, including the Secretaryship and Presidency. He has held the post of Governor of Yankee District No. 7 and served on the Board of Trustees of the Ahepa Sanatorium, and many other Committees on the National and District level.

He previously served as Supreme Governor on the Supreme Lodge. He was Excursion Commander in 1962.

CHRIS E. ATHAS, Vice-Chairman

Born in Arcadia, Greece. He has been active in Ahepa since 1928, having served as Chapter President, District Governor, National Supreme Governor for 3 years, Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees for 5 years, and is presently serving as Vice-Chairman of the Board.

He is a graduate of the Illinois College of Pharmacy. He has been a successful pharmacist in Utah since 1917 and today he is owner of the Success Pharmacy and the Brigham Street Pharmacy in Salt Lake City.

Brother Athas has served as a member of the Board of Directors, Treasurer, Vice-President and President of the Utah Pharmaceutical Association. He is a member of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Director of the Bonneville Knife & Fork Club and a sponsor of Utah Symphony Orchestra.

WILLIAM G. CHIRGOTIS, Secretary

A native of Piraeus, Greece, Bro. Chirgotis is a registered architect in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. and is engaged in the general practice of architecture in Springfield, N.J.

He is a graduate of Pratt Institute School of Architecture and the publisher of "Architect



Design Homes" magazine.

He was initiated in Eureka Chapter, No. 52, Newark, N.J., in 1929 and served as Secretary of the chapter for fifteen years and was then elevated to the Presidency of the chapter. Then he served District No. 5 as Secretary for two terms and for two years was editor of the Fifth District publication, "The Ahepa Voice."

He was elected to the Board of Trustees in 1961 and reelected in 1963.

Bro. Chirgotis resides in Summit, N.J., with his wife Jean and three daughters, Wilma, Annetta and Christine.

NICHOLAS CHRONIS

Has been member of the Order of Ahepa for forty years. Served as President of the Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter, No. 38, Cambridge and Brookline, Massachusetts for five years.

He is now member of the Harris J. Booras Chapter, No. 406, Watertown, Massachusetts, which he was instrumental in organizing. He attended every Supreme Convention and Conference since 1950.

Brother Chronis is active in civic and community affairs, having served on the Board of Trustees of the Greek Cathedral of Boston, Massachusetts.

PETER SIDERIS

Born in the village of Faraklo, Laconia, Greece, he came to the United States at the age of nineteen in July, 1922. He has been a restaurateur and is at present operating restaurants and motels in Woodbridge, East Orange and Maple Shade, New Jersey under the trade name Howard Johnson's Restaurants and Motor Lodges.

Brother Sideris is active in the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church of Perth Amboy, New Jersey. He has been President of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Building Committee.

His Ahepa activities started back in 1929, when he was initiated into the Queensboro Chapter, Long Island. He has been very active in the Baurton Chapter, No. 228, Perth Amboy, N.J., since his transfer in 1940, serving in various capacities.

Brother Sideris is married to the former Stella Karavitis of Bayonne, New Jersey. They have a children, Carol, Helene, George and Petros, and reside at 55 Devon Road, Colonia, New Jersey.

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Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides attend White House Luncheon for Queen Frederica

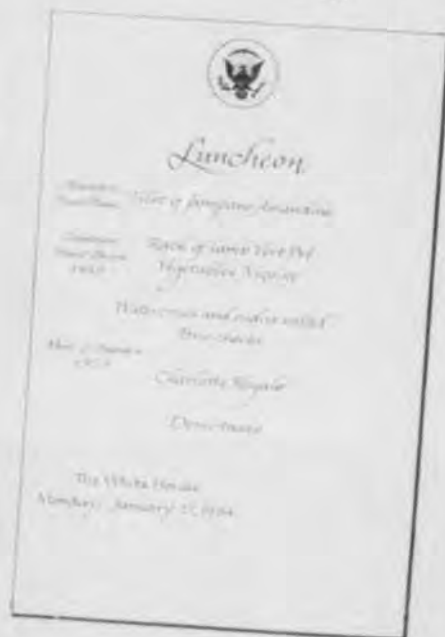
Supreme President and Mrs. John G. Plumides attended the White House Luncheon given by President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson for Her Majesty Queen Frederica on Monday, January 27, at 1:00 p.m.

The Queen has been in the United States on a private visit since January 21st, and was honored with an honorary degree from Barnard College, New York City on Wednesday, January 22. That same evening, Columbia University gave a banquet in Her Majesty's honor.

On Friday evening, January 24, Supreme President Plumides attended a special reception for the Queen at the residence of Greek Consul-General Vitsaxis in New York. United Nations Secretary General U Thant tendered a lunch in her honor on Saturday, January 25, and that evening the Royal Hellenic Foundation gave a banquet at the Plaza Hotel.



During his recent visit to California, Supreme President Plumides visited the office of Governor Edmund Brown of California. He is pictured above with his wife, Mary, chatting with the Governor in his study.



Supreme President Visits Greece

Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides flew to Athens, Greece last December for a first-hand inspection of the facilities available for the 1965 Supreme Convention in Greece.

During the eleven day stay in Athens, president Plumides conferred with Government officials on details of accommodations, transportation and other facilities in connection with the Convention. After personal inspection of all the available facilities, he reports that Ahepans journeying to Greece for the Convention are in for a most pleasant surprise. The hotel accommodations in Athens are plentiful and fabulous, geared to fit all pocketbooks and to satisfy all tastes, from the luxurious Athens-Hilton to the "cute" little bungalows fully equipped for family comfort, all within 10-15 minutes from the center of Athens.



The Supreme President with Government Officials and members of the Athens, Greece Chapter of Ahepa on a tour of Evangelismos Hospital in Athens.



Mrs. Plumides with the officers from the "Kariatides" Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope in Athens.

The Supreme President visited the Ahepa Wing of "Evangelismos" Hospital in Athens. He is shown here with Dr. Doxiades, Director of the Hospital, inspecting the Plaques of Ahepans who made donations to the Ahepa Hospital Drive.

Government officials are anxiously awaiting the opportunity to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to AHEPA, by opening the heart of all of Greece to her children across the sea and help make Ahepa's first Convention in Hellas a most enjoyable and memorable occasion.



President Plumides with Dr. Doxiades inspect the Ahepa Wing at Evangelismos.



Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides with the officers of the Athens Chapter of Ahepa.



The Supreme President with Architect Pericles Sakellarios visiting the new wing, under construction, of Evangelismos Hospital in Athens.



Supreme President Plumides with Government Officials and Athens Ahepans at the Truman Statue in Athens.



Supreme President Plumides addressing the Officers and members of Athens Chapter of Ahepa in Greece.

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DISTRICT NEWS

District 13 Ahepa Helps Greek Boy

CHICAGO, ILL.—Six year old Demetrios Proslidakos, afflicted with a serious heart ailment, from Lefki, Messinias, Greece, arrived in Chicago, December 19th, TWA Airlines, to undergo heart surgery in Chicago.

The District Lodge after many consultations have made the arrangements and preparations for this act of mercy, and the required needs for this heart project. Arrangements were made with the Home Lines, which is bringing Demetrios from Greece, free of charge, on the "Olympia." The child's mother, Mrs. Constantine Proslidakos, will accompany her little boy. Half of the round-trip fare for Mrs. Proslidakos is to be paid by the Tri-City, No. 120, Moline, Illinois.

The plane fare from New York to Chicago is to be paid by the Maids of Athena, Delphi, No. 78.

The renowned heart specialist, Dr. Thomas G. Baffes, has offered his services and is scheduled to perform the heart surgery on Demetrios. Dr. Baffes and his associates have agreed to take care of whatever surgical or medical problems the little boy may need.

The Swedish Covenant Hospital has offered to cut much of the hospital bill and to keep it as moderate as is possible.

Because of the complexity of this medical case, there are many other medical needs that will come up, and it is these financial responsibilities that the District will have to meet, in addition to the hospital bill.

This is the second Heart Project that the District has undertaken. Last year, 13 year old Stephannia Frangoyianni successfully underwent heart surgery, and has since returned to her native Greece, a happy and cured child.

CHICAGO, ILL.—The Supreme Lodge of Ahepa, headed by Supreme President John Plumides, paid their official visitation to the 13th District on Nov. 29 and 30 before a capacity crowd.

Met at O'Hare Airport by District Governor Sam Stavrakas, District Secretary Ted Mavrick and District Treasurer Steve Betzelos, the Supreme President, accompanied by his lovely wife, Mary, were escorted to the Pick-Congress Hotel where a score of Chapter Presidents, Past District Governors and members welcomed the Supreme President.



Left to right: Brother Chris Petaris, member of Tri-City Chapter, No. 120 (Moline, Ill.); Mrs. George Petaris (Maquoketa, Iowa); Mrs. Castoula Proslidakos, Demetrios (Mimi) Proslidakos, and Eugene Karnezis, President, Delphi Chapter, No. 78, Maids of Athena. Standing, back row, left to right: Peter Boznos, 13th District Lieut. Governor; Sam Stavrakas, District Governor; Ted Mavrick, District Secretary; A. Steve Betzelos, District Treasurer, and John Castanes, Past District Governor of 13th District. Chris Petaris is Uncle to Mimi, Mrs. Petaris is his (Mimi's) Aunt by marriage.



Left to right: Sam Stavrakas, 13th District Governor; Supreme President Plumides, Supreme Secretary Nick Smyrnis. Back row, left to right: George Skantos, Executive Vice Chairman, Peter D. Gianukos Scholarship Fund; Ted Mavrick, District Secretary; Peter Boznos, District Lt. Governor and A. Steve Betzelos, District Treasurer.

Prior to the meeting, Supreme Vice-President Nicholas Chirekos was the guest of P.D.G. John Castanes and Sons Advisor Nicholas J. Limperts at Plato's Place, where they were joined by Lt. Gov. Peter Boznos, Steve Gaveras, Chris Boulas, Brother Kantos, Aris and Peter Mantzoros and Peter Chimoures.

Completing the Supreme Lodge visitation were Supreme Secretary Nick Smyrnis and Chairman of Board of Trustees Socrates Sekles. Supreme President Plumides spoke of the various projects

being undertaken pursuant to the mandates of the San Diego Convention. He then made a preliminary report on the plans of the 1965 Ahepa Convention in Athens, Greece, enlightening the Brothers of some of the wonderful surprises awaiting the Ahepans who are contemplating to participate.

A Luncheon was held the next day affording the opportunity to the Chapter representatives to meet the Supreme President. Following the Luncheon, a meeting of the Supreme Lodge and the District Lodge took place.



CHAPTER NEWS



The Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides cut the cake at the 28th Birthday Party of Alkandre Chapter, No. 43.



The Officers and members of Palmetto Chapter, No. 284, Columbia, S.C. with Supreme President John Plumides on the occasion of his visit to the Chapter. The meeting was preceded by Supper in honor of the Supreme President.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO—Harry Meshel, administrative aide to Mayor-elect Anthony B. Flask, has won the first annual "Man of the Year" award of the Eastern Orthodox Men's Society of Greater Youngstown.

The award was made to Meshel for contributing the most as a layman to Orthodoxy in Mahoning Valley. The Eastern Orthodox Men's Society is composed of members of the 11 Orthodox Churches in the Mahoning Valley.

Meshel is past president and currently board chairman of the group. He served as the group's first president and was a co-founder.

Meshel is an instructor in the School of Business Administration at Youngstown University and is former manager

of the investment office of Waddell & Reed, Inc. He is past president and currently board chairman of Order of AHEPA Lincoln Chapter and Marshal of District 11 of AHEPA, composed of Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky.

He is a past vice commander of VFW Post 9930, member of Youngstown Interracial Committee, past vice president of Jefferson School PTA, and is a member of the alumni associations of Columbia University and Youngstown University. He is active in Muscular Dystrophy work here and in Curbstone Coaches. He is a trustee at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

Meshel is married to the former Judy Lazich, and is father of two children, Barry, 12 and Melanie, 10. He and his family reside at 786 Fairgreen Ave.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—Alkandre Chapter, No. 43, of Los Angeles, California celebrated their 28th Birthday on October 18th with the presence of Supreme President John G. Plumides and other notables.

Many members of the Order of Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope of the 20th District met with the Supreme President and enjoyed his message.

Among the notables present were, left to right: George J. Brotsis, Past Supreme Governor; Olympia Thames, District Governor 20th District; Kay Brotsis, Past Grand President; John Plumides, Supreme President and Mrs. Plumides; George E. Loucas, Past Supreme President; George Marantos, District Governor 20th District; Harry Boosalis, Supreme Governor; Mrs. Mary McDemas, President Alkandre Chapter, No. 43. The Supreme President and his lovely bride honored us by cutting the cake.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO—William G. Glaros of 1501 Canfield Road was elected President of Lincoln Chapter, No. 89, Order of AHEPA at the Tod Hotel Tuesday night.

Glaros succeeds Mike Balalis of 73 Clyde St., Poland.

Other officers include: Atty. John Vaporis, Vice-President; Atty. Angelo Mavrigan, Secretary; Angelo Mamonis, Treasurer, and Harry Meshel, Chairman of the Board of Governors.

Governors include George Carvelas, Chris Chengelis, George N. Harris and John Janopoulos.

Meshel, District Marshal, installed the new officers. The members held a minute of prayer for President Kennedy. A committee was appointed to arrange a flight to Athens, Greece for the 1965 convention. The committee includes Atty. George Tzagournis, Greg Demetri and Pete Chakos. Plans were discussed to honor Meshel and past president Balalis at a dinner.

Glaros is President of Glaros Printing Co., a Vice-President of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, is a 32nd degree Mason, a member of Curbstone Coaches, Icarian Society and Eastern Orthodox Men's Society. He has served as Past Lieutenant Governor of District 11 of AHEPA. He is married to the former Jane Massato and is the father of six children.

CHAPTER NEWS



Front Row, left to right — Leo Lamberson, Past Supreme President; Nick Smyrnis, Supreme Secretary; John Plumides, Supreme President; Gus Gavrilos, District Governor District No. 12; Leo Gavrilos, District Governor Sons of Pericles. Back Row, left to right — Nick Bobis, Supreme Treasurer Sons of Pericles; William Damaskos, Chairman Holiday Ball; George Pyre, recipient of Progressive Award; Sam Karakostas, P.D.G. District No. 13; Ted Mavrick, District No. 13 Secretary; Spiro Cappony, Toastmaster; John Thanos, President Gary Chapter.



Left to right — Costas Coveris — Hellenic, Mrs. Frankie Helman — American, Mrs. Mark Noufirios accepted for son Tom Giolas — Education, George Pyre — Progressive, Stella Daravanis — Association, Mrs. Kelso of Valparaiso University accepts Greek Classics, Chris Trakas — Association.

Gary Chapter 4th Annual Achievement Award Holiday Ball

GARY, INDIANA—The Ahepa Chapter, No. 78, of Gary, Indiana in cooperation with the Daughters of Penelope Mentor Chapter, No. 81, presented their Fourth Annual Achievement Awards at a Banquet and Ball in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Gary on Dec. 1, 1963.

The Awards are presented to outstanding individuals who distinguish themselves in the five categories symbolic of Ahepa, that is: American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association.

The Award winners were as follows; American — Mrs. Frankie Helman for special recognition as an outstanding American for her welfare work and her many years of devoted service to the Lake County Chapter for Infantile Paralysis. Hellenic — Bro. Costas Coveris for his unselfish service to the Hellenic Community both in Gary and New Britain,

Conn. where he first settled. Educational — Thomas Giolas, Ph.D., formerly of Indiana, now on the University of Alabama faculty as professor of Audiology. Progressive — Bro. George Pyre, who rose from newspaper boy to President of the Dorneyer-Webcor Corporation. Association — Bro. Chris Trakas, for his many years of devoted service as a member and Past President of Ahepa, the Hoosier District and the Gary Hellenic Community.

In addition, the Mentor Chapter of the Daughters presented an Association Award to Sister Stella Daravanis for her Service to the Daughters of Penelope, both locally and in the Hoosier District.

Heading the list of dignitaries who attended the celebration were: Supreme President and Mrs. John Plumides, Supreme Secretary and Mrs. Nick Smyrnis, Grand Governor Zone 2 Daughters of Penelope Mrs. Alice Damaskos (also Co-Chairman of the affair), Chairman of the Achievement Award event William

Damaskos, National Advisor to the Maids of Athena and Governor, District No. 12 Miss Millie Kontos, who served as Chairman of the affair, Grand Vice-President of the Maids Miss Kathy Halkias, District Governor of Sons George Gavrilos, District Governor of the Maids Miss Clara Manta.

Brother Spiro Cappony was toastmaster, while Bro. Wm. Damaskos gave the Welcoming Address. Rev. Manousos Gionikis gave the Invocation. The Honorable Martin Katz, Judge of the City Court and Mayor-elect of Gary, delivered the opening address.

Sister Alice Damaskos presented on behalf of the Daughters Grand Lodge the citation of Honorable Mention as first runner-up in the national competition of "Penelope of the Year" to Sister Stella Daravanis.

Past President's pins were presented to Brother John Bizanis, 25 year pins to Brothers Gust Callas, Dannis Vassos by President John Thanos and to Sister Helen Stavrakis by President Anastasia Christakis. Mrs. Christakis also presented a set of Greek Classics to the Library of Valparaiso University.

The presentation of the Awards was carried in a special Radio Program by Station WWCA of Gary.

William Damaskos

OUR HAT'S OFF TO . . .

— Brother *Thos. J. Fisher*, Secretary of Toledo, Ohio Chapter No. 118, who was the FIRST Chapter Secretary to remit his chapter's 1964 Per Capita Tax to Headquarters, for an appreciable number of members.

Brother Fisher remitted for 81 members for the FULL YEAR of 1964, which is practically 50% of his chapter's membership. The remittance came in during the first part of January. Fees for 5 new members were also included.

Headquarters has fond hopes that ALL of our other chapter secretaries will follow Brother Fisher's shining example.

There are, unfortunately, many chapter secretaries who have not remitted all of the 1963 Tax in full, and we appeal to these chapters for an immediate compliance with our Constitutional regulation which requires that all Per Capita Tax must be remitted to the Headquarters within 30 days following collection of Chapter Dues.

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CHICAGO, ILL.—Garfield Chapter, No. 203, Homer Chapter, No. 98, Daughters of Penelope and Plato Chapter, No. 1162, Sons of Pericles staged one of the most successful Ahepa Family Nights in recent years on Saturday, Nov. 9.

Over 400 Ahepans, their families and friends enjoyed Greek Food and Entertainment at the Plato School Hall located on Chicago's West Side. Cocktails were served from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. with a delicious prime lamb dinner being served at 7:30 P.M. During dinner the guests were treated to music and song from a group of local Greek entertainers currently appearing at one of Chicago's Greek Night Clubs. Following dinner all enjoyed the dancing music of Bill Sepsis and his orchestra.



Garfield Chapter, No. 203 Executive Committee for "A Night In Athens."

Chairman of the evening was one of Garfield's hardest workers, Peter Siavelis. Brother Siavelis was assisted by a committee composed of the entire chapter which proved to be one of the best organized committees ever assembled. Immediately following the dance Brother Siavelis announced that the Chapter would undertake such an affair on an annual basis.

Garfield Chapter, No. 203 held its second initiation of the year on Friday evening, Nov. 8, 1963. Four candidates were brought into the Order by an initiating team composed of: James Carabelas, President; John Kashians, Vice-President; Nicholas Limperis, Warden; James Stemas, Chaplain; John Floros, Captain of the Guard; Peter Siavelis, Inside Sentinel.

Over sixty-five Brothers were present to witness the always impressive ceremony. Among those present were three members of the 13th District Lodge: Governor Sam Stavrakas, Lt. Governor Peter Boznos and Secretary Ted Mavrick.

Those initiated were: Nick G. Pappas, Gus Katsikeas, Lambros Syregelas and Vasilios Bregianos.

Many members of Garfield Chapter, No. 203 were on hand to help one of their best loved Brothers celebrate his 50th wedding anniversary on October 6, 1963. Brother James Stemas and his wife have been active in Ahepa affairs for over 35 years. Mrs. Stemas has been a Daughter of Penelope for 20 years while Brother Stemas has served the Order faithfully for over 34 years.

Several hundred persons attended a surprise party for the Stemas which was hosted by their children: Constantine, Olga and Yandra. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food and wonderful party the Stemas children had arranged for the anniversary of their parents.

Brother Stemas is currently serving as Treasurer of Garfield Chapter, No. 203. In the past he has had the distinct honor of serving as President of two Ahepa chapters. While living in Grand Island, Nebraska, Brother Stemas in 1935 served his chapter as President and after moving to Chicago he served Garfield as President in 1948.

The entire Ahepa Domain extends to Brother Stemas and his wife their best wishes for an extended and happy life together.

CAPITAL DISTRICT No. 5—An Initiation and Installation of Officers was held by Chapter No. 9 of Fayetteville, N.C., on Sunday, Dec. 15, 1963.

Four new candidates were initiated, bringing the total membership of the re-activated Chapter to 25. The Installation of the Officers was attended by over 100 people and was held in the Community Hall. Cleo Katsoudis was installed as the new President. Both the Initiation and the Installation was presided over by Michael G. Plumides, District Secretary. After the Installation, refreshments were served by the local Ahepa Chapter.

Plans for the future include the purchase of an Ahepa Home to offer more and varied activities for the membership. In addition the local Chapter plans to launch a membership drive and is determined to double its membership before the next Supreme Convention.

The Greek Classics

Due to an increase in price by the publisher, The Ahepa Greek Classics now cost the Chapters \$35.00 for the 7 volume set, postage prepaid.

This program of Ahepa Hellenic Culture has met with an enthusiastic response throughout the country. Chapter Officers please note: in ordering, kindly allow three weeks for delivery, and kindly send remittance of \$35.00 to the Headquarters with your order.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Brother D. N. Karalis, Past District Governor No. 14, succeeds Brother James P. Demos (also Past District Governor) as President of Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, Order of Ahepa, Minneapolis, Minnesota, as a result of the 1964 elections held on Monday, December 2, 1963. Other officers elected are: Brothers C. M. Rallis, Vice-President; George A. Casper, Secretary; John Mercury, Treasurer.

Board of Governors include: Chairman James P. Demos, C. H. Kavalaris, Theodore Speliopoulos, George Xanthes, John Nash.



Seated left to right: District Governor No. 14 Sister Marie Ziaskas, President Demosthenes Chapter 66, Bro. James Demos, Past Grand President Tula Zataley, President-elect Antigone Chapter 35 Celia Boosalis. Standing left to right: Past Supreme Governor John Mercury, Supreme Governor Harry Boosalis, President-elect Demosthenes 66 D. N. Karalis.

The Annual AHEPA family CHRISTMAS PARTY was held Sunday, December 8, 7:30 P.M., at their beautiful club rooms, 15 South 9th Street. Honored guests were the Daughters of Penelope, Senior Ladies Auxiliary.

In spite of a heavy snow storm that day, there was an excellent attendance of Ahepans and their ladies. Good old-fashioned Ahepa spirit prevailed throughout the evening recalling many fond memories of past Ahepa festivities.

A sumptuous Chicken Delight dinner with all the trimmings was served. A delightful program ensued with short inspiring messages from President Demos, President-elect Karalis, District Governor Sister Marie Ziaskas, President No. 35 Sister Jennie Pappas, climaxed with a surprise but most welcome guest speaker, Supreme Governor Harry Boosalis of Long Beach, California.

Christmas music permeated the gaily decorated Ahepa lodge rooms during the dinner hour, and dancing followed the program until the wee hours. There was

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no question about it—the Minneapolis GLENDI proved a tremendous success.

Other dignitaries attending were Past District Governors Leo J. Zotaley, George Xanthes, and Sister Rose Mercury, President-elect No. 35 Sister Celia Boosalis, Past Supreme Governor John Mercury, and Past Grand President Tula Zotaley.

EUREKA, CALIF.—The Eureka Chapter of Ahepa held a special meeting on September 14, 1963 at the Eureka Inn. This is an annual event that helps the Eureka Chapter to keep in touch with the projects in other parts of the state.

Many District No. 21 members from throughout the Bay area were present at the meeting with various subjects being discussed concerning the District emphasis on service work, particularly scholar-



Left to right — Jerome Kolivas, Chairman of the event; John G. Kaplanis, Supreme Governor and Louis Frangos, District Governor of Golden Gate District No. 21.

ships. The guests included among others, Alex Sardonis of San Francisco, District Marshal; John Kaplanis of San Francisco, Supreme Governor and Louis Frangos, District Governor of Golden Gate District No. 21.

AHEPA Buys Lot, Offers It to Church

The Order of AHEPA, an organization composed of Greek-Canadians, has purchased a 75-foot property in the 900 block on 5th St. and is donating it immediately to the Hellenic Orthodox Community of Saskatoon.

J. P. Chrones, president of the AHEPA Chapter in Saskatoon, said the purchase price was \$6,000 and the property will be used for a Greek Orthodox Church here. Most of the AHEPA members in Saskatoon belong to the Greek Orthodox Church but have had no church of their own here.

The AHEPA Chapter here last year won recognition for making the greatest progress numerically of any AHEPA branch on this continent and at the same time Mr. Chrones received an award for his work.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE FOR 1965 ATHENS SUPREME CONVENTION

The Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees are preparing plans for the 43rd Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa and its Auxiliaries which will be held in Athens, Greece, in August, 1965.

AHEPA CHARTER FLIGHTS from several points throughout the United States and Canada to Athens, Greece, will be scheduled as soon as possible. CHARTER FLIGHT prices (round-trip) will be about ONE-HALF of the regular Economy Round Trip Air Passage to Athens. The exact CHARTER FLIGHT prices will be published just as soon as definite Points of Departure are decided, and as soon as the results of this survey are completed.

To enable us to decide just where these origination points for such flights should be allocated, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING and mail immediately to our Supreme Lodge Headquarters:

MAIL TO: Order of Ahepa, Supreme Lodge Headquarters
1422 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

(Please answer ALL questions or blanks) — (Please Print or Type write)

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MEMBER OF CHAPTER NO., Order of Ahepa ; Daughters of Penelope ; Sons of Pericles ; Maids of Athens ; located at

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(Please answer only ONE of these questions)

4. Including myself, there will be _____ members of my family going.

5. I, (We) must return to our home no later than _____ (month) _____ (day), 1965.

6. Remarks:

PLEASE MAIL TODAY — DO NOT DELAY



PENELOPIAN

Day by Day with the Daughters of Penelope

Their dedication to the Order was exemplified during the last week-end of September when seven of the eight Grand Lodge Officers met in Washington, D.C. for a Grand Lodge meeting with the Supreme Lodge of the Order of Ahepa. Those in attendance were: Grand Vice-President, Josie Chase; Grand Secretary, Elizabeth Athanasakos; Grand Treasurer, Mary Vomvoras; Grand Governor Zone I, Nellie Coutsonikas; Grand Governor Zone II, Alice Damaskos; Grand Governor Zone III, Vivian Poulos, and National Advisor to the Maids of Athens, Millie Kontos and the Grand Lodge of the Junior Auxiliary.

Along with the regular business of the Grand Lodge an Area meeting was held in Washington with representatives of District 3 and 5 in attendance. Plans and programs were discussed followed by a question and answers period. Seal Drive Chairman, Helen Peterson reported on the plans for the 1963 Seal Drive. A coffee hour was held during which again mutual topics were discussed informally. We were honored to have with us at this meeting the First Lady of the Order of Ahepa, Mrs. John Plumides.

The Grand Lodge en total attended the Charity Ball held by the Washington Ahepa Chapters with all proceeds from this affair earmarked for the Children's Hospital in the nation's Capital. On Sunday evening we were privileged to attend an Ahepa Family dinner with the members of the Supreme Lodge.

All possible intervening time was spent working on details at Headquarters with all of the Grand Lodge Officers participating and familiarizing themselves with the over-all function. On Wednesday Grand President Mary Kapsos, accompanied by Sisters Chase and Athanasakos visited St. Basil's Academy. This was an unannounced visit, and we were particularly impressed with the AHEPA SCHOOL building.

On the college level there are 44 girls studying at the present time for the teaching profession. Our guide, Miss Christine Antonopoulos, a senior in the college is an outstanding example of the high calibre of the students in the school.

The grammar school children number over 80 from ages 6 to 15. It was a thrill to walk across the campus and

hear the voices of the 7 and 8 year groups singing the national anthems from their classrooms. We were given a complete tour of the grounds including the playground, chapel, young girls dorm, Ahepa Hall and School, the administration buildings and all other facilities. The children greeted us in a very friendly manner, and the staff were most gracious and hospitable. It was evident that they were all aware of the important role which the Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope have, and are playing in behalf of the Academy, and due recognition has been given the Daughters in the inscription of the plaques in the foyers of the Ahepa School and Hall, and the playground area.

We felt a deep sense of pride in viewing these living testimonials of the efforts of the Ahepa Family, and humble in the thought that we had been granted the opportunity to serve humanity through our efforts in behalf of the Academy.

In the course of your travels through the coming years be sure to make a trip to St. Basil's, you will find it a heart-warming, and soul satisfying experience.

Grand President Kapsos, accompanied by Grand Vice-President Chase made a one day trip to Toronto and met with Chapter President, Helena Marmon, Vice-President Frances Nanos, and members of the 1964 Supreme Convention Committee to discuss plans and details for the Convention. The hotel accommodations at the Royal York, the largest hotel in the British Commonwealth is spacious and modern in all details, but retains the gracious atmosphere of an Old World elegance. The enthusiasm displayed by the Toronto Sisters guarantees the Ahepa Family an outstanding Convention.

Returning to Headquarters on Friday, Sisters Kapsos and Chase worked on Seal Drive details, and other routine matters. The Seal Drive Committee Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Sisters Helen Peterson and Pota Saratsis with volunteers from the surrounding areas began the immense task of stuffing 50,000 envelopes for the 1963 Seal Drive. They began on October 5th and will continue until the last envelope is in the mail. Your generous contribution upon your receipt of the Seals will be greatly appreciated.

On Tuesday, October 8, Grand President Kapsos met with His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, and Sisters Peterson and Saratsis to discuss details of the Seal Drive and the proposed PENELOPIAN HALL which is the dormitory to be built at St. Basil's Academy.

Mary Kapsos
Grand President

SOUTH BEND, IND.—The Gaia Chapter, No. 60, Daughters of Penelope, held their annual Christmas Party at the Rose and Gold Rooms of the Oliver Hotel in South Bend, Ind. Chairman for the affair was Mrs. George Georgalos assisted by Mrs. Angeline Panos, Mrs. Chris Batalis and Mrs. Kallimani.

Mrs. Angeline Panos and Mrs. Emmanuel Scopelitis were honored with twenty-five year pins and Mrs. Leo J. Lamberson was given a special Award as outstanding Daughter of the year.



Left to right — Mrs. Alexandra Ninios, Mrs. Spiros Colyvas, Mrs. Leo J. Lamberson accepting award as outstanding Daughter of Year and Mrs. Angeline Panos.

At the mid-winter Conference held recently, Gaia Chapter, No. 60 won First Place in ritualistic competition with other Chapters from the District.

The new officers for 1964 of Chapter No. 60 are: Mrs. Spiros Colyvas, President; Mrs. Gust Ninios, Vice-President; Mrs. Charles Hoke, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Dolores Kallimani, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Georgia Riakatakis, Treasurer; Mrs. Louis Batalis, Priestess; Mrs. Christ Batalis, Warden; Miss Athena Pagealos, Marshal; Mrs. Louis Poulos, Chairman Board of Governors; Mrs. Sam Batalis, Mrs. George Krekelas, Mrs. Toulia Sarantos and Mrs. Robert Yustwan, Governors.

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Sons 12th National Basketball Tourney in Chicago, February 28, 29 and March 1

The 12th annual Sons of Pericles National Basketball Tournament will be held in Chicago, Ill., during the days of February 28, 29 and March 1, 1964.

The LaSalle Hotel in Chicago will be the headquarters for the annual tourney. Sons Supreme President Emmanuel J. Gratsias reported that the committee under the chairmanship of Van C. Siavelis

of Chicago has planned for the tournament Grand Ball to be held on Saturday, February 29, at the LaSalle Hotel. He also announced that a hospitality room will be open throughout the tourney in addition to sightseeing trips and other events.

The Junior Order expects that the 1964 tourney will break all past records of participation, even surpassing the 18 teams and 376 Sons and Maids of Athena who attended the 1963 tournament in Washington, D.C.

Renaissance Chapter, No. 5 of the Sons

of Pericles, of New York City, will be defending its championship title against possible strong contenders from Gary, Detroit, Warren, Cambridge and Chicago. A Supreme Lodge meeting of the Sons of Pericles and the National Conference of Sons District Governors will be held in conjunction with the tournament.

Entry blanks have already been mailed to Sons Chapters from the Sons Supreme Lodge Headquarters, and the deadline for returning entry blanks is February 18th. Only Sons members paid up for the year of 1964 will be eligible to participate.



MAIDS OF ATHENA

The past season of mistletoe and holly found the Maids of Athena actively engaged in yuletide activities and the preparations for annual elections and initiations.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA—The Cytheria Chapter, No. 64 held its annual elections in November. The new officers are: President, Worthy Maid Billie Christ; Vice-President, Loyal Maid Bea Pappas; Recording Secretary, Kari Latsis; Corresponding Secretary, Charlotte Rico; Treasurer, Tina Stringos; Delphis, Connie Adams; Phylax, Kathy Floor; Messenger, Terri Rico.

The Chapter proudly announces the initiation of 6 new members. The ceremonies were held on Dec. 2 at the home of Sister Kathy Floor. The new members are: Mary Brotsis, Margie Englezos, Jeannie Kiapos, Christine Plakos, Gail Thanos, Vicky Turlis. A business meeting was held after the initiations, at which time future plans were discussed — a dance is tentatively planned for early February.

DISTRICT No. 5 — The third district meeting of District No. 5 was held on Dec. 1 in Trenton, New Jersey. District Governor Notarides presented Sister Pappas with a charm bracelet on behalf of the Maids, for a job well done. Sister Phyllis Carlos was installed into the position of Lt. Governor.

Good Greek-American music, a flower for each lady, a door prize all went into

the making of an enjoyable evening at the Cross Keys Hotel in Rahway, New Jersey. The event was the annual dance of the District No. 5 Maids of Athena and Sons of Pericles, held on Dec. 27. The affair featured special entertainment by members of the District No. 5 Maids and Sons — hidden talent emerged!

On Saturday, Jan. 11, 1964, the District No. 5 Maids of Athena visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art on 5th Avenue in New York City. Sister Irene Manos and the Newark Chapter sponsored the event.

TRENTON, NEW JERSEY — The Erechtheion Chapter of the Maids of Athena was honored at the National Convention in San Diego as the second most active chapter in the U.S. and Canada.

Altes Chapter, No. 163 of the Daughters of Penelope (Trenton, New Jersey) honored their Maids at a dinner on Dec. 5. The affair was held at the Glendale Tavern in Trenton. Each Maid was presented with a beautiful corsage. Mrs. Mary Dertouzos presented Grand President Faith Prassas with her corsage.

Gifts, games, refreshments, the singing of Christmas carols were the makings of an enjoyable evening for the Trenton Chapter of the Maids of Athena. The occasion was a Christmas party, held on Dec. 19 at the home of Senior Sister Demity.

The Trenton Maids and Sons received

communion, as a group, at St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Trenton, on Dec. 23. They plan to do this again, early in the new year and again at Easter.

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY — On Dec. 17 the Paterson Chapter of the Maids of Athena held its annual elections. The new officers are: President, Worthy Maid Helen Cotsakos; Vice-President, Loyal Maid Thalia Economidis; Recording Secretary, Niki Patrellis; Corresponding Secretary, Stella Cotsakos; Treasurer, Maria Michael; Phelox, Elaine Diamond; Sentinel, Joanne Cotsakos; Messenger, Kathie Hios; Delphis, Clair Mandas. After the elections, the Chapter presented Worthy Maid Helen Cotsakos with a gold charm in recognition of her efforts during the past year.

Sophia Havas of Teaneck, New Jersey was initiated on Sunday, Nov. 24. The ceremony was held at the home of Sister Thalia Economidis. A period of socializing followed.

The annual Christmas party of the Paterson Chapters of the Maids of Athena and Daughters of Penelope was held on Dec. 12 at the Casino De Charles. The younger generation was put to shame by several members of the Daughters — you should have seen them limbo! A delicious dinner, games in which everyone participated, and gifts for all made for a delightful evening.

Sophia Diamond

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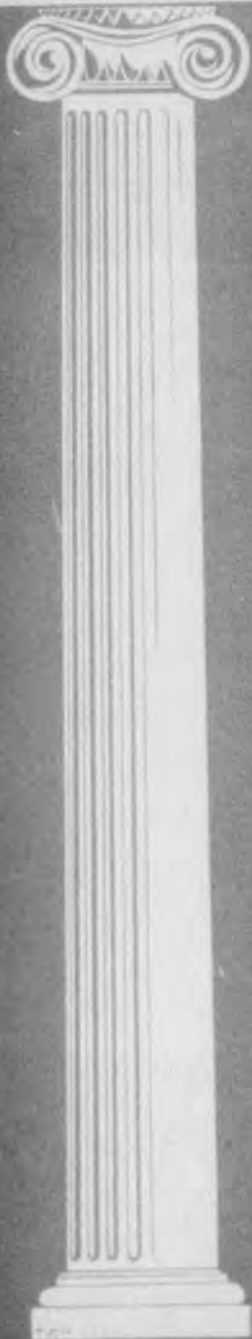
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THE CYPRUS QUESTION

"It would be tragic if the ultimate policy of the Free World in respect to Cyprus should cost the West the NATO ally, Greece, first singled out and preserved by the Truman Doctrine."



The Order of Ahepa has long been interested in the problems facing the populace of the Island of Cyprus, and particularly the problems confronting the majority who are composed of the Greek Cypriots of that island. It has been the intent of the Order of Ahepa since 1954 to call the attention of the entire world to the problems of the population of Cyprus. It would be tragic if the ultimate policy of the Free World in respect to Cyprus should cost the West the NATO ally, Greece, first singled out and preserved by the Truman Doctrine. It was hoped that these many problems confronting the populace of Cyprus would by now have been resolved.

The Order of Ahepa is aware of the present difficulties on the Island of Cyprus. The Order of Ahepa is aware of certain demands of the minority on the island, which, in my opinion, are unrealistic. The Order, however, does not and will not participate in any action or activity which will prove detrimental to the best interests and policy of these United States, so long as I am Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa.

The Ahepa has always championed the right of self-determination for all nations and peoples. The principle of self-determination is Wilsonian. This principle and tradition has always been followed in the United States of America, throughout its history whenever the rights of the people were challenged. It is our fervent and earnest hope that this principle will prevail in the final analysis of the problem confronting the people of Cyprus today.

The good offices of this Order are always open and available to all Americans of Hellenic extraction in order for them to bring to the attention of this American Nation, or any other nation, the just cause of the predominant populace on the Island of Cyprus. I do not, however, condone nor am I proud of the actions of certain students in Athens and elsewhere who publicly ridiculed the United States because, as these students claimed "the United States had taken the side of Turkey." I do not believe the United States had indicated anywhere, publicly or otherwise, that it favored the Turkish side in the "battle" over Cyprus. I have every reason to believe that the United States through proper channels is doing everything within its power to assist in arriving at a just solution for all concerned on the island of Cyprus, and I have offered the services of the Order of Ahepa to our State Department to aid in any way that the Order of Ahepa can to bring about a fair and just solution to this immense problem.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

JOHN G. PLUMIDES

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

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Comments from the EDITOR

Early in February, a letter was sent out to newspapers signed by Brother George P. Manos of Akron, Ohio, in which he expressed his views on the Cyprus situation. His remarks were very critical of the actions of President Makarios, and were not representative of what might be termed as the feelings of the average Hellenic. This infuriated some of the Greek newspapers and articles appeared in them bitterly opposing these views and in some cases containing derogatory remarks toward the Order of Ahepa. Although Brother Manos is entitled to his own opinion on the subject, we believe he acted in a hasty, erratic way, misrepresenting the official views of even his own chapter. He further damaged the reputation of Ahepa by signing the letters as the "Public Relations Director of Ahepa."

It was a very irresponsible action on his part, tending to endanger the good reputation that Ahepa has so diligently strived for in its 42 years of existence. The contributions of Ahepa to Mother Hellas, and the efforts exerted for the gallant struggle of the people of Cyprus, are a matter of public record. The Order of Ahepa is entitled to an apology from Brother Manos as well as from the newspapers that were so hasty in drawing erroneous conclusions. The position of the organization, concerning the Cyprus question, has been stated repeatedly since the problem arose in the fifties. It is re-stated and re-affirmed again in this issue.

As Convention time draws near, all Brothers are urged to make their plans early for visiting beautiful Toronto, by mailing the hotel reservation form that appears in this issue.

OUR COVER

Our Cover depicts the raising of the Revolution standards by Archbishop of Old Patras Germanos at Aghia Lavra, signifying the beginning of the Greek War of Independence on March 25, 1821. The pictures of Presidents James Monroe and John Quincy Adams, Representatives Daniel Webster and Henry Clay, and Lord Byron, all of whom contributed greatly to the success of the War of Independence, appear beneath the raising of the flag.



As we go to press, news flashed around the world of the death of Paul I, heroic king of Mother Hellas, whose courage and leadership helped inflict communism its first battlefield defeat and beat back its bid to seize Greece after World War II.

May Almighty God rest his soul, and guide the steps of his son and successor, King Constantine, toward a happy and successful reign.

Chapter Elections of District and Supreme Convention Delegates

All Chapters will elect their District and Supreme Convention delegates and alternates during the months of either April, May or June. Deadline for such elections is June 30, 1964.

Reports of Supreme Convention delegates and alternates elected must be mailed to the Supreme Lodge headquarters on or before July 15, 1964, on the official forms provided to the chapters. These forms will be mailed from Headquarters during the latter part of March. Please note that such forms are to be mailed IMMEDIATELY following Chapter Elections of Supreme Convention delegates.

In reference to the District Convention delegates and alternates, please submit those names directly to your District Secretary. DO NOT submit to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters. The Supreme Lodge Headquarters is to receive only the Supreme Convention delegates and alternates list.

Chapter Representation at the Toronto Supreme Convention

The Chapter Voting Strength at the 1964 Toronto Supreme Convention is based on the total number of members for whom the Chapter has paid 1964 Per Capita Tax to Headquarters on or before July 1, 1964. Postmark date.

Although the 1962 Chicago Supreme Convention changed the figure structure for such voting strength, the 1963 San Diego Convention again amended the Constitution, and reverted back to the prior figures as follows, which are now in effect:

No. of Members for Whom 1964 Per Capita Tax Paid	Chapter Voting Strength
15-50 members	1 Vote
51-125 members	2 Votes
126-225 members	3 Votes
226-325 members	4 Votes
326-425 members	5 Votes
(and one additional vote for each 100 members)	

CHAPTER SECRETARIES: Please remit 1964 Per Capita Tax payments to

Headquarters promptly and regularly, as soon as Chapter Dues are collected. Avoid the last-minute rush. Your Headquarters staff will also be grateful for early remittances, which make our work that much easier.

Attention: Chapter Officers

THE AHEPA MEDAL FOR SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE: All Chapters must present these Ahepa Medals to the outstanding students in their local Greek Schools, for excellence in the study of the Greek language. Presentations are to be made during the annual graduation ceremonies of your local Greek Schools, usually held in either May or June. Medals are to be purchased from the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, and the cost is \$5.00 per medal. Encourage and assist the study of the Greek language by rewarding the top students of your local Greek School classes. Send in your Chapter order TODAY.

NATIONAL ACTIVITIES HONOR AWARDS: All Chapters are required to submit forms to the Headquarters for the annual competition in the National Activities Honor Awards. A copy is also to be sent to your District Lodge. The forms were mailed to all Chapter Secretaries in December. RUSH your entry form to Headquarters, and to your District Lodge.

CHAPTER AHEPAN OF THE YEAR AWARDS: Upon the selection of your Chapter AHEPAN OF THE YEAR for 1963 (the Chapter member who has done the most work for his Chapter, and contributed the most in active effort to his Chapter in 1963) please order the award certificate and plaque from Headquarters. Cost for the award certificate, mounted on a plaque, is \$7.00. Send name of award winner and remittance to the Headquarters. Delivery takes about 15-20 days. Also, submit the award winner's name to your District Lodge, with a complete record of his achievements during the past year, so that your District Lodge will be able to judge entries, and select a DISTRICT Ahepan of the Year for 1963.

Membership Pins

All new members *must* receive an Ahepa Lapel Pin—as a gift of the

Chapter. The cost is \$1.00 per pin—order from the Headquarters and keep a ready supply on hand. This pin should be presented to each member immediately after his initiation.

It is strongly recommended that all Chapter Presidents be presented with an Ahepa Past President Lapel Pin, immediately after they have completed their term of office. The cost of these pins is \$5.00 each, in 10K Gold, and available only from the Headquarters.

Past District Governor Lapel Pins, at \$5.00 each, in 10K Gold, are also available only from the Headquarters.

Please send check or money order with all requests for Ahepa jewelry, thus simplifying our bookkeeping.

Change of Address

Whenever you change your address you are urged to notify The AHEPAN CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT at Headquarters, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington 5, D.C. Please do not delay.

Post Office regulations prevent forwarding magazines to another address.

Chapter Public Relations Chairmen—Please Note

In submitting Chapter News for the Ahepan kindly follow these rules:

1. Typewrite all submitted material
2. Double-space the typewritten material
3. Spell all names correctly
4. Use only one side of a sheet of paper
5. Submit only black and white photos—and only clear and distinct photos. Photo captions must properly identify all persons with correct name and titles. Photos will not be returned.

CLAY MODEL OF THE AHEPA
SOCRATIC AWARD

Shown with the clay model of the Ahepa Socratic Award are (left to right): Sculptor Felix W. de Weldon and John G. Plumides, Charlotte, N.C., Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa. The Ahepa Socratic Award will be presented to Henry R. Luce, Editor-in-Chief of LIFE Magazine on March 16 at the Ahepa National Banquet in Washington, D.C., for the series of articles entitled "The Miracle of Greece" which appeared in LIFE. The award will be a three-quarter life size bust of Socrates, in bronze.

One of Life's Greatest Pleasures

For relaxation and recreation, as well as enjoyment, a sea voyage is the most appropriate means of travel. Ship travel is undoubtedly one of the greatest pleasures of life. For obtaining the fullest enjoyment from such a trip, three factors are an absolute necessity:

- (a) A good ship, with all modern facilities.
- (b) Experienced and cordial personnel.
- (c) Good weather.

Happily, the TSS "OLYMPIA" has all the features which meets these three requirements.

First, the "OLYMPIA" is a GOOD SHIP; one of the most modern of the luxury liners. It is big and spacious, with 8 large decks, two of which have swimming pools. There are showers and toilets in most of its luxurious cabins. It also has twenty-two (22) public rooms. These include libraries, a theatre, bars, a "taverna," as well as recreation, dance, and entertainment space, etc. The "OLYMPIA" is serviced by three elevators for fast and easy access to all the decks, restaurants and entertainment rooms. Finally, there is a complete air conditioning system with individual controls in each cabin, making it easy for every passenger to regulate the temperature of his cabin according to personal preference.

With regard to personnel and the service rendered, the "OLYMPIA" is famous. Its personnel is experienced, courteous, efficient, insuring prompt, gracious service to all passengers regardless of where the passenger happens to be, i.e., in his cabin, in the restaurant, on the deck, etc. The kindness and geniality of the OLYMPIA staff is well-known and the fame of an old maritime tradition is personified in the "OLYMPIA." Equally famous is the excellent food and good cooking of the ship. Last, but not least, the entertainment provides a great variety of receptions, music, dances and plays.

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Supreme Secretary honored at Testimonial



At a Testimonial Dinner rendered in his honor, Supreme Secretary Nick Smyrnis is shown surrounded, from left to right, by Nicholas Chizekoi, Supreme Vice-President; Nick Smyrnis; John Plumides, Supreme President and Nick Jannatides, President of the James Whitcomb Riley Chapter, No. 232, Indianapolis, sponsors of the Testimonial

TORONTO CALLING....



TORONTO CONVENTION
HOTEL HEADQUARTERS

The 1600-room Royal York Hotel in downtown Toronto will be the Ahepa Supreme Convention hotel headquarters.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1964 CONVENTION AUGUST 16 - 22, 1964

Metropolitan Toronto, with a population of more than 1½ million people, is the site of our 1964 Annual Supreme Convention. This growing, bustling Canadian city is located on the north-west shore of Lake Ontario and it boasts of a Greek-Canadian population of more than 30,000 persons.

The Chapters of the Ahepa and its Auxiliaries in Toronto are well underway in their plans and preparations to welcome the visiting delegates and members who will attend the 1964 meeting this coming August 16 - 22nd.

It's Your Move!

It's YOUR move, now! The first item on the agenda is *your hotel reservation*. Please fill-in the Hotel Reservation Form immediately and mail to the Supreme Convention Housing Committee in Toronto. The deadline for such reservations is July 15, 1964, but we strongly suggest that you take care of this important matter NOW. Assure yourself and your family of the accommodations

you want by making an EARLY RESERVATION.

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

In the planning of the following attractions and events, your RESERVATION is required. Please study these bits of information on these events, and send in your name and address TODAY, and ask for entry reservation forms:

DEBUTANTES' GRAND BALL: This is a new attraction for our Supreme Convention visitors and their families. The Debutantes' Grand Ball will be held on Tuesday night, August 18. At this brilliant affair, the debutantes of our Ahepa Family will be introduced to those assembled, and formally make their debut before the Supreme President of the Ahepa and the Grand President of the Daughters of Penelope. The debutantes must fulfill the following requirements: (1) unmarried and from 16 to 21 years of age, (2) the daughter of a member of the Ahepa or Daughters of Penelope, or a member of the Maids of Athens or

Daughters of Penelope; (3) be escorted by her father, guardian or closest living male relative; (4) be attired in a white full length gown with bouquet.

For entry forms and further details please write directly to: Mr. Louis Yankou, Chairman, Toronto Ahepa Supreme Convention Committee, P.O. Box No. 974, Toronto Adelaide St., Toronto 1, Ontario, Canada.

CONVENTION GOLF TOURNAMENT

The convention annual golf tournament offers a stern test this year on a championship golf course in Toronto. The tournament will be held on Tuesday evening, August 18. For entry blank information write directly to: Dr. Demetrios Nanos, Chairman, Ahepa Convention Golf Tournament, 170 University Avenue, Suite 903, Toronto 1, Ontario, Canada. Trophies and prizes offered.

AHEPA OLYMPIAD: This annual competition and test of track and field will be held on Wednesday, August 19, at 1:00 p.m. Participation is by any amateur athlete of Hellenic descent.

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A Full Week's Program

From the opening of the convention on Sunday until the closing at midnight on the following Saturday, all delegates and visitors will find available a full week's program of business and social events.

Besides the Debutantes' Grand Ball, the Olympiad, and the Golf Tournament, the program offers a Welcome Night event, a bigger and better Greek Night Glendi, the Grand Banquet and Dance, the Grand Ball, the Sons and Maids Grand Ball, a special Teen-Age Dance, a sightseeing trip to Niagara Falls, boat rides on Lake Ontario, a special visit to the Athenian Gallery for Daughters delegates, the always spectacular Daughters of Penelope Fashion Show Luncheon with a top coutourier, and other events.

Make your plans now. Set aside the week of August 16 - 22nd for the Ahepa Supreme Convention in Toronto. The Royal York Hotel is our Headquarters hotel, and it has outstanding accommodations for a convention such as ours.

REMINDER: Mail your hotel reservations NOW. Use the reservation form in this magazine. And if you have an interest in either the Debutantes' Grand Ball, the Olympiad, or the Golf Tournament, write in for full information and entry forms.

42nd Supreme Convention Hotel Reservation Request

ORDER OF AHEPA — DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE
SONS OF PERICLES — MAIDS OF ATHENA

MAIL TO: Mr. George Corolis, Chairman
Ahepa Supreme Convention Housing Committee
The Royal York Hotel
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

MAIL TODAY

..... (Name) (Address) (City, State)

Delegate Alternate Member Chapter No. at

of AHEPA DAUGHTERS SONS MAIDS

Please reserve: Single; Double; Twin; Studio; Suite; for per son(s) at the rate of \$..... per day.

Room(s) will be occupied by: (give full names)

HOTEL CHOICE: 1st Choice 2nd Choice

3rd Choice If motel preferred, check here

Arrival date: Time Departure date Time

I will travel by: Plane; Train; Auto; Bus

Specify if Air-Conditioned Room desired: Yes No

(NOTE: Reservations deadline is July 15, 1964)

HOTELS AND HOTEL ROOM RATES

	Singles	Doubles	Twins	Parlour Bedrooms	Studio Suites	Suites
Royal York Hotel (Headquarters Hotel)	\$9.50 - \$12.50	\$13.50 - \$16.50	\$13.50 - \$16.50	\$13.00 - \$15.50 (1) 17.00 - 20.50 (2)	\$25 - \$30	\$30 - \$85
Lord Simcoe Hotel	\$10.50	\$14.50	\$14.50		\$15 - \$19 (Studio)	\$22.50 - \$45
King Edward Sheraton	8.50	12.50	14.50		\$20 (Studio)	\$25 and \$40

NOTE: The Lord Simcoe Hotel is two blocks north of the Royal York Hotel, and the King Edward Sheraton is four blocks northeast of the Royal York Hotel.

In making hotel reservations, please indicate if air-conditioned rooms are requested.

STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE

In commemoration of Greek Independence Day



On March 25th, Greeks throughout the world will celebrate the 143rd Anniversary of the Greek War of Independence, known as "Greek Independence Day."

The thoughts of freedom-loving people everywhere will once again go back 143 years ago in history, when Germanos, Archbishop of Old Patras, acting for the Hellenic nation, openly raised the standards of independence at the Monastery of Aghia Lavra. After almost 400 long years of misery, enslavement and suffering under the yoke of one of the most brutal conquerors the world has ever known, a handful of oppressed yet courageous people took up arms to wage war for seven long years against the fifty million Mohammedans of the mighty Turkish Empire. Inspired by the spirit that brought victory to the Hellenic standards at Marathon and Salamis, the brave patriots of 1821 proceeded to show the world that courage was indeed a word of Greek invention, and that they lived their motto of "Victory or Death" to the fullest.

Names like Kolokotronis, Androutsos, Feroos, Ipsilanti, Diakos, Papaflessas, Miaoulis and the other immortals in the struggle of Greek Independence, have long been synonymous with heroism and gallantry. Their exploits, their long and at times, seemingly hopeless, struggle against unsurmountable odds, their exceptional heroism and self sacrifice shall remain in the annals of history as a shining example of all times.

This gallant struggle stirred the imagination of people the world over. It could not go unnoticed by the United States of America, which less than fifty years before fought its own War of Independence, based on the same basic principles and ideas. They were first to take official cognizance and express their sympathy for the struggle. President JAMES MONROE, in his annual message to Congress, delivered on Dec. 3, 1822, spoke eloquently and from the heart concerning Greece and the Greek cause: "The mention of Greece fills the mind with the most exalted sentiments, and arouses in our bosoms the best feel-

ings of which our nature is susceptible. That such a country should have been overwhelmed, and so long hidden as it were, from the world, under a gloomy despotism, has been a cause of unceasing and deep regret to generous minds for ages past. A strong hope is entertained that these people will recover their independence, and resume their equal station among the nations of the earth."

His successor, President JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, sent this message to Congress on Dec. 4, 1827 and poignantly referred to the Hellenic blood being so profusely spilled for the Tree of Freedom and Independence. "The sympathies which the people and Government of the United States have so warmly indulged with the cause of Greece have been acknowledged by their government in a letter of thanks. . . We hope that they will obtain relief from the most unequal of conflicts which they have so long and so gallantly sustained; that they will enjoy the blessings of self-government, which by their sufferings in the cause of Liberty they have richly earned, and that their independence will be secured by those liberal institutions of which their country furnished the earliest examples in the history of mankind, and which have consecrated to immortal remembrance the very soil for which they are now again profusely pouring forth their blood."

The Greeks shall never forget the eloquence of Daniel Webster, Henry Clay and Edward Everett, who so gallantly championed the cause of Greek Freedom in the halls of Congress and at the bar of public opinion.

DANIEL WEBSTER, then a member of the House of Representatives, made excellent use of his rhetoric prowess by urging "that provision be made by law for defraying the expense incident to the appointment of an agent or commissioner to Greece, whenever the President shall deem it expedient to make such an appointment." In an impassioned speech, he asked that the government consider the plight of the Greeks in revolution against the Turkish masters and officially support their cause.



JAMES MONROE



JOHN QUINCY ADAMS



DANIEL WEBSTER



Another orator, HENRY CLAY, then also a member of the House of Representatives, castigated his fellow-Americans for their indifference and apathy to the holy struggle for independence and pointedly asked: "Are we so humbled, so low, so despicable that we dare not express our sympathy for suffering Greece, less per-adventure, we might offend some one or more of their imperial and royal majesties? Are we so low that we may not express our horror, articulate our detestation, of the most brutal and atrocious war that ever stained earth, or shocked high Heaven, with the ferocious deeds of a brutal soldiery set on by the followers of a fanatical and inimical religion, and rioting in excesses of blood and butchery, at the mere details of which the breast sickens?"

And not only did America contribute her sympathy. Samuel Gridley Howe, Jonathan Miller, Colonel George Jarvis, John R. Stuyvesant and many others offered their very lives for the freedom of Hellas.

No narrative of the Greek War of Independence is complete without a reference, however brief, to the noble heart of a great son of England, LORD BYRON. On December 24, 1823, Byron arrived in Messolonghi, where he was



LORD BYRON

welcomed by the Hellenes. He entered immediately into the spirit and fervor of the revolution and shared equally the flame of revolt with the Patriots. He delighted in wearing the "Foustanella" and with his own private funds, he fully furnished and armed 500 Souliotes soldiers, giving greatly of his wealth in Hellas' cause. Illness struck him on April 8, 1824 and he died at 37 years of age with these words on his lips: "Greece, I gave you everything that any one man can give. I gave you my wealth — and my every hour — my health, and now — my very life. My sacrifice is for your salvation alone." Monuments to his memory now stand in Messolonghi and Athens. His memory will live forever in the history of Greece.

A. Cyprus

There is no dispute over the facts pertaining to the Island of Cyprus. It is conceded even by Great Britain, the Colonial power, that the Island population is more than 80% Greek in sentiment, speech, religion and race (actually 81½% Greek; 17½% Turkish; and 1½% all others), and that the overwhelming will of the people of Cyprus is for self-determination. Great Britain always conceded that Greece was an interested party regarding Cyprus (i.e., offer of the Island to Greece in exchange for military support during World War I; declarations of British authorities during World War II that Cypriots fighting under the British flag were helping their own mother country (Greece) as well). The introduction of the counterfeit Turkish minority question constitutes an afterthought of the British colonial office in its ill-concealed aim of prolonging British occupation of the Island.

It is a well-settled principle of international law that the maximum rights that a minority group may claim are equal protection of the law and non-discrimination. Any effort to go beyond this principle constitutes denial of the democratic ideal.

The Freedom Struggle of Cyprus

The Order of Ahepa, mindful of its obligation of upholding the democratic principles as advocated by the Constitution of the United States, embraced the heroic struggle of the people of Cyprus, from its very inception in the fifties. Resolutions within the framework of the basic objects of the Constitution as stated in Article II, Paragraph E: "To arouse mankind to the realization that tyranny, wherever it may exercise its baneful power, is a menace to the life, property, honor, and integrity of every nation; and that the preservation of our liberties can be assured, only as this country becomes the Champion of Liberty and the Defender and Protector of all oppressed and downtrodden peoples," were passed and properly disseminated at the Supreme Conventions, of New York, St. Louis and Boston, urging for the application of the principle of self-determination for the Island of Cyprus. A committee, headed by the then Supreme President C. P. Verinis did extensive work in behalf of the Cyprus cause and the following is a report they published in the March Issue of the Ahepan, after a conference with Under Secretary of State Christian A. Herter.

The people of Cyprus — Greeks, Turks and other minorities — always lived in peace. Division and discord, the double-edged sword of the occupying power, is bound to disappear as soon as British occupation ends.

Partition is not a solution — in Cyprus. In fact, it is manifestly inappropriate there because in no city, town or small village are the Turks in the majority.

B. Experimentation in Partition

If the world must experiment with partition as a possible solution affecting mixed populations, Constantinople appears to be the ideal city.

The facts about the city of Constantinople are too well known to require repetition — its history, Greek cultural tradition and substantial Greek minority. In addition, since the city lies astride two continents, were a partition to be effected into European and Asiatic sides — the European side to be placed under the Greek community and the Asiatic to remain under the Turkish sovereignty — greater freedom of navigation in the Straits and general promotion of international co-operation

might result.

C. Freedom and Self-Determination For All Promotes American Unity

The Order of Ahepa feels that American championship of the cause of self-determination for the people and Island of Cyprus promotes both the cause of peace and the long-range Western interest. To insure that any agreement between London and Athens regarding Cyprus — with or without participation of the Turkish government — will be truly responsive to the aspirations of the Cypriots, it must be submitted to a referendum of the people. Neither Government — British or Greek — has a right to *dictate* to the people of Cyprus. Any dictation on the part of either Government — British or Greek — would negate the inherent right of the people of Cyprus for self-determination.

We may be pardoned if we stress the view that national interest demands that U.S. policy should always champion not only self-determination, but also freedom of speech, religion and assembly; universal suffrage; and respect of minority rights everywhere. No aid, either diplomatic, military or economic, should be extended to any nation — on either side of the Curtain — that denies to its citizens those fundamental rights. The free world cannot remain strong by being for freedom in Hungary but taking an opposite stand in Cyprus, Ankara, Athens or elsewhere. It is our conviction that our own well-being and security are best served by remaining true to American tradition as the Champion of the cause of freedom — anytime, anywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE COMMITTEE

C. P. VERINIS, *Supreme President*

January 9, 1959

We hope that these efforts in behalf of the Cyprus cause were somehow instrumental in the action that followed and the declaration of the free Republic of Cyprus in 1960.

Today, as the Cyprus question is once again the center of international attention, the Order of Ahepa, still mindful of its obligation to abide by its constitutional principles, reaffirms its adherence to the Boston Convention Resolution, which said: "Resolved, that the Order of Ahepa reverds itself fervently

for and in favor of the principle of self-determination for the Island of Cyprus."

It is our fervent hope that the expressions of sympathy and encouragement so magnificently exerted by Presidents James Monroe and John Quincy Adams, by statesmen Daniel Webster and Henry Clay and by Philhellenes Lord Byron, Samuel Gridley Howe, Jonathan Miller and Col. George Jarvis in connection with the Greek Independence cause of 1821, have not been thrust aside by the modern methods of expediency of "cold

war" diplomacy.

We pray to Almighty God that the solution to the Cyprus question will be one based on the basic principles of EQUAL RIGHTS and SELF-DETERMINATION, principles that have been the cornerstone of American Foreign Policy since the days of Woodrow Wilson; that the words "with Liberty and Justice for All" in our Pledge of Allegiance, guide the actions of our State Department once again, as it did back in 1821. The heroic people of Cyprus deserve no less.

Ahepa Officials visit Grave of John F. Kennedy



Supreme President Flouides and Supreme Vice-President Chrysoke paid a visit to the Grave of the late President John F. Kennedy in Arlington National Cemetery, during their recent visit to Washington. Pictured above are: Mr. Flouides, President Flouides; Mr. Nicholas, Mr. Mavroukas, Vice-President Chrysoke and Mr. Tzoukatzis.

OUR NOBLE HERITAGE



"Justice is never anything in itself, but in the dealings of men with one another in any place whatever and at any time. It is a kind of compact not to harm or be harmed."

—EPICURUS

"Dignity consists not in possessing honors but in the consciousness that we deserve them."

—ARISTOTLE

"Waste of time is the most extravagant and costly of all expenses."

—THEOPHRASTUS

"All the time is the right time for saying what is just."

—SOPHOCLES

"As east corrupts east, so envy corrupts men."

—ANISTHENESES

"Fire burns only when we are near it, but a beautiful face burns and inflames, though at a distance."

—XENOPHON

"Far to cast away a virtuous friend, I call it bad as to cast away one's own life, which one loves best."

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The Supreme Board of Trustees *(Continued from last issue)*

GUS NICHOLAS, Treasurer

Gus Nicholas, Brooklyn, N.Y., President of Rehe's and Carlton Ice Cream Companies, senior stockholder in Crown-Peters Travel Service, and partner in the Nicholas and Vamvakitis Realty Company.



Brother Nicholas became an Ahepan in 1924 as a charter member of Brooklyn Chapter, No. 41, and has served his Chapter and District Lodge in all capacities, including two terms as Chapter President and one term as District Governor, District No. 6.

Over the years, he has attended 25 Supreme Conventions and 26 District Conventions of the fraternity, and he is also known as the founder of the Bay Ridge and St. James Ahepa Chapters. During World War II he was Treasurer of the War Bond Committee and received Citations from the U.S. Treasury Department for his work.

His wife, Adelaide, has been very active in Daughters of Penelope work as well as other community projects. Brother Nicholas was born in Sparta, Greece, and emigrated to the United States in 1916. He is now President of the Bay Ridge Board of Trustees, who are building a church for that community; a 32nd Degree Mason, member of the Shrine, and a member of the Lacedaemonian Society.

PANAYES G. DIKEOU

Brother Dikeou was born in Paleohorion, Arcadia, Greece. After graduation from the Business College of Piraeus he served as an officer in the Greek Army during World War I, emigrating to the United States in 1921. He settled in Denver, Colorado, where he entered the wholesale tobacco and candy business.



He has served on the Mixed Council of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese for 5 consecutive terms and is also a member of the Board of the Theological Seminary of Brookline. In recognition of his many services to the Hellenic cause in America, he was made a Knight of St. Andrews by His Holiness Patriarch Athenagoras.

Brother Dikeou has many business enterprises in Denver, including a wholesale candy distributing company, hotels, motels and other real estate holdings.

Prior to his election to the Board of Trustees, he served two terms as Supreme Treasurer.

SAM NAKOS

Brother Sam Nakos of Birmingham, Alabama, is one of the most devoted Ahepans in the history of the organization. His generosity and willingness to assist his beloved Ahepa, can be demonstrated by his action last September, when payment on the final installment of the Tri-



man Memorial Project was overdue, and the funds were not available. Bro. Nakos personally guaranteed a loan of \$25,000, so that Ahepa would not be embarrassed for her financial difficulties.

As a member of the Board of Trustees since the inception of that body, time and again he came to the financial assistance of many worthwhile projects.

He is a long time resident of Birmingham, Alabama, where he is a very successful businessman and a highly respected member of the community.

ANTHONY E. PAPAGEORGIOU

Born in Melissona, Eubolia, Greece, coming to the United States in 1914. He has been an active member of Ahepa for the past 36 years. Both he and his lovely wife Julia have devoted their lives in serving Ahepa. His wife is presently the District Governor of Citrus District No. 2.



Prior to his moving to Florida, Brother Papageorgiou was a very successful business man in the Chicago area, where he established one of the largest Dry Cleaning establishments in greater Chicago.

In 1957, he served as Vice-Commander of the Annual Excursion to Greece. For his exceptional services to Greece, he has been decorated with the Distinguished Medal by the King of Greece.

This is his second term on the Board of Trustees.

GEORGE J. PAPPADEMAS

Brother George Pappademas, born in Nashua, N.H., has served his Chapter and District No. 9 faithfully for many years, since his initiation into Ahepa in 1950. He served as Chapter President for 2 terms, being awarded the President of the Year Award by the District in 1954, after being instrumental in his Chapter purchasing their own Ahepa Home. He also served on the District Lodge for four years.



He served on many Committees on the National level, and he was elected as Supreme Governor in 1959 and in 1960 was elected to a full term as Supreme Trustee.

He owns and operates his own business, the Cash and Carry Cleaners and Laundry with many stores in the Nashua area.

ANTHONY DON BULLION

A hard working and outstanding member of Yankee District No. 7, Brother Don Bullion started his Ahepa career in 1954 and immediately took an active part in the affairs of his Chapter and his District. After serving in all Chapter offices, he was elevated to the District, where he contributed tremendously to the successful opera-



tion of the District Publication as District Secretary, Lt. Governor and District Governor, while serving as business and advertising manager of the Yankee News.

He was appointed to his present position on the Board of Trustees in 1962.

For years he was a very successful businessman in Bridgeport, New York and New Jersey. He is now retired in Trumbull, Conn., devoting his time exclusively to serving the Order of Ahepa.

GUST J. HEROUVIS

Born on the Island of Icaria, Greece he came to the United States in 1920. He has been a member of Ahepa since 1925 and has served his Chapter and District in every capacity. He has attended 28 Supreme Conventions, where he served on many Committees including Hospitals for Greece, Justice for Cyprus, Ahepa Sanatorium, Ahepa War Bond Drives, Truman Memorial and others. Brother Herouvis served as National Advisor to the Sons of Pericles, Supreme Treasurer of Ahepa and Co-Commander for the 1963 Ahepa Excursion to Greece. He helped organize the Panhellenic Brotherhood in which he served as Supreme President for 7 years.



He is very active in the Republican Party, where he is a member of the Executive Committee of the Cosmopolitan Republican Organization of Summit County, Ohio. He is a retired businessman in Ohio, where he lives happily with his wife, four children and eight grandchildren.

SPEROS ZEPATOS

Born in Cephalonia, Greece. He came to the United States in 1912 and served in World War I. Has been a member of the Organization since its inception, being a charter member of Memphis Chapter, No. 7. He has held every office in the Chapter and District, including that of District Governor. Prior to his appointment to the Board of Trustees, he served as Supreme Governor in 1952.



He has been a member of Memphis Licensing Commission since 1959. President of Tennessee Restaurant Association for 2 terms. Member of 400 Club of National Restaurant Association, having been elected Restaurateur of Year 1958 in Tennessee. He is a Trustee of Holy Cross Theological School, and a member of the Mixed Council of Archdiocesan District No. 8.

Brother Zepatos has faithfully served his Memphis Community in every capacity, including President, and has been Building Committee Chairman since 1949.

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DISTRICT NEWS

Ahepa to Play Major Role in 1964 Greek Independence Parade

The 1964 celebration of Greek Independence will be spectacularly highlighted by the great Greek Independence Parade up New York's famous Fifth Avenue on Sunday afternoon, May 17, 1964.

The Parade is under the auspices of His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos and all Hellenic-American organizations and religious communities, together with their schools and auxiliaries, have been invited to participate in what promises to be the greatest and best organized parade so far.

The fundamental theme of this year's parade is World Freedom and how important it is for all of us to do our part in safeguarding the great and noble ideals and principles of our democratic way of life.

Ahepa this year will play a major role in the Parade and the support and cooperation of all Ahepans is cordially invited to insure the composition of an Ahepa section in the Parade that will be a credit to the fraternity and a spectacle of impressive proportions to the public. In line with this objective, District Governor James Rappas of the Empire State District No. 6 has honored me with the

appointment of Chairman of the Ahepa section of the Parade with full powers to marshal the forces of Ahepanism into action and demonstrate on May 17 in a dynamic and colorful fashion the power, glory and prestige of Ahepa.

In order to do this, again it is stressed most urgently, that every Ahepan in Greater New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland and other nearby states cooperate to the fullest extent by organizing regional contingents to attend the Parade in full regalia. Past Presidents and Past District officials should wear their jewels and Chapter officers should wear the jewels or emblems of their respective offices. The flags and banners of all participating chapters should be brought along and it goes without saying that all participating Ahepans should wear their fezzes.

Ahepa has a unique opportunity on this notable occasion to demonstrate in a concrete manner its strength as the greatest American Hellenic organization in the United States. Every chapter within 200 miles of New York City will be approached to send a delegation to participate in the Parade. It should be the responsibility of each chapter president

in the area so outlined to make it a project to attend the Parade with a representation from his chapter with jewels and fezzes.

Supreme President John G. Plumides will head the Ahepa section of the Parade and directly behind him will be the members of the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees, followed by the Empire State District Lodge and the District Lodges from the adjoining districts.

The Daughters of Penelope are expected to participate in full force along with our two Junior Auxiliaries, the Sons of Pericles and the Maids of Athens. Miss Jean Parnassa, winner of the 1963 Miss Ahepa Contest, will also take part in the Parade. An appropriate float of outstanding artistic design will be constructed to depict the theme of this year's Parade and several bands will be engaged to lend rhythm and vitality to the Ahepa section. It will be a vibrant and living demonstration of Ahepa traditions, achievements and accomplishments and a clarion call for future constructive action on a broad, united front of Ahepanism.

Manolis P. Sapunakis,
CHAIRMAN.

BUCKEYE DISTRICT No. 11. Pictured as they greeted guests at the Governor's Ball given in his honor are Brother Peter Laras, Governor of Buckeye District No. 11 and his family. Standing, left to right, Miss Eleni Laras, Mrs. Peter (Cleo) Laras, the Governor, Miss Zoetsa Laras and Miss Tula Laras. The Ball held on February 2nd in Middletown, Ohio was sponsored by the Middletown-Hamilton Chapter, No. 209, and attended by many fraternal and civic dignitaries including Supreme Secretary and Mrs. Nick Smyrnus, Mrs. Josie Chase, Grand Vice-President, Daughters of Penelope, Mrs. Gus DeMarrin, Governor, Buckeye District No. 11, Daughters of Penelope, Lt. Governor Nick Pitaiis, District Secretary Christie Anderson, District Treasurer Steve Tsagaris, George T. Poolitsan, District Advisor, Mrs. Mary Houpis, District Treasurer, Daughters of Penelope, Past Supreme Secretary George N. George, Past District Governors Tom Chase, C. H. Houpis, George Cavalaris, Harry Lake, Chairman District Scholar-



ship Foundation, Mrs. George Cavalaris, President, Chrysa Chapter, No. 11, Daughters of Penelope, Mrs. Wm. Donham, Chairman of City Commission, Mr. Fred Cramer, Judge of the Common Pleas Court, Mr. Robert Corday of Station WPTB, Dr. Solomonides, President of the Columbus, Ohio Community and many others.

The Ball was under the Chairmanship of Gus J. Lazares and the artistic decorations contributed by the Chrysa Chapter, Daughters of Penelope of Middletown.

Preceding the Ball a Cocktail Party was given by Brother Laras' daughters in honor of their father.

POWER DISTRICT No. 4

On June 27, 28, 29, and 30, 1964, the 32nd Annual District Convention will be held in the City of Allentown. The host chapter will be the Lehigh Chapter, No. 60. The last convention held here was 24 years ago and it was a memorable one. The convention this year promises to be quite unique. The Lehigh Chapter has pledged itself to plan and conduct a convention quite different from all previous conventions, to use new innovations and ideas throughout. For example, the entire convention will be based on a central theme. The theme of which will be A PRELUDE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION IN GREECE. All the social affairs will have this international setting.

A sneak preview of some of the affairs are as follows: 1. In the field of sports, in addition to holding a golf tournament and a bowling tournament, there will be a PING PONG TOURNAMENT with appropriate prizes for the Ahepans

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CHAPTER NEWS



Left to right: Peter Papadopolis, Past Chapter President; Peter Anderson, Chapter President; Peter Demas, Chapter Governor; William D. Anagnos, Warden; Rev. Peter Raptelis, Church Pastor; Peter Karambelas, Past Chapter President and Past District 4 Treasurer.



Chapter Officers and members of District No. 8 Lodge of Joint Installation of Boston Athens Chapter and Watertown Harris J. Booras Chapter. Installation was held in Boston and presided by District 8 Governor Peter Despotopoulos.

BOSTON, MASS.—A Year of Action, dedicated to the high ideals of Ahepa is the Forward slogan for the 1964 Administration of Athens Chapter, No. 24, Boston. The previous year was studied with exiting and depressing events. We were honored and gladdened by a visitation of our Supreme President one week during November—and the following week—shocked out of our socks by the sudden assassination of our Nation's President. A native son of this historic City and a proven and valued friend of Athens Chapter, No. 24; we had much to reflect on the death of Jack Kennedy—and little to add to our blessings. The lesson, we feel, we earned by the sudden death of our beloved President was: That the symbol of this august Office can never die. In that spirit—mindful to be prepared to expect the eventuality of the unexpected—we move

forward advancing the high ideals of our Nation and our Brotherhood, ever in pursuit of a singular and common Aim—Universal Brotherhood—under the Fatherhood of God.

ELECTIONS: All candidates for 1964 were elected by acclamation. Serving his third term but elected to a second consecutive term as President is prominent Radio Commentator, Demos Kakridas.

Personable, 28 year old, roving Chapter Ambassador, Damon S. Bakas, enters his third consecutive term as Vice President—or as one Officer so aptly coined the expression: A-Hep-Veeep. Reluctantly accepting a second term as Treasurer: Sossos Delis, prominent Bay State Restaurateur, accepted with the proviso that no one consider him a permanent fixture. The Checks and Balances of our Board of Governors is well balanced by a tal-

WILKES-BARRE, PA.—The Black Diamond Chapter, No. 55, District 4, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, for the second consecutive year voluntarily assisted the city's Salvation Army during its annual Christmas Kettle campaign. The funds realized from the campaign are used to purchase food-baskets which are distributed to the needy persons in the community during the Christmas holidays. A special booth was provided the chapter and the chapter began its campaign by donating a check in the amount of \$25.00.

The chapter and its volunteer workers will be honored for their campaign efforts at a dinner given by the Salvation Army in the near future.

ented group from varied professional fields. Heading the roster as its new Chairman is noted Executive Investment Officer and Counselor to the firm of Goddard & Goddard: George G. Mirageas. Brother Mirageas also served as President of our Church Community and is a newly elected member to our Board of Trustees. He brings Vim, Vigor and invaluable experience to the star studded board. Other Governors elected were: George S. Bakas, a consultant Engineer for the Boston Edison Corporation and past Chairman of greater Boston United Greek Schools. Joining Mirageas and Bakas are three other prominent business men: Arthur C. Pappas, Socrates Mosis, Constantine Vambatsikos.

Installation ticked off in clock-like precision under the capable stewardship of Past Supreme President George Demeter. Our principal guest, Supreme Counselor Theodore Alexander Bardy, delivered an inspiring and eloquent message. Bay State District Governor Peter Despotopoulos conducted the rituals, ably assisted by his speedy, efficient and amiable Officers.

A Draft Resolution submitted jointly by President Demos Kakridas and the Chapter Secretary, regarding the Cyprus crisis and calling for an **EDITORIAL OF PROTEST** by all local Chapters, raised curious eyebrows in this Eastern part of our Free Society. The resolution, awaiting final approval by the Supreme Headquarters and already approved by our Chapter, was read by direction of the President over **RADIO GREECE SPEAKS**, Boston, by Peter Caparell.

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CHAPTER NEWS

AKRON, OHIO—The Buckeye District Bowling and Basketball Tournament will be held in Akron, Ohio and sponsored by the Akron Ahepa Chapter on Saturday, May 9th.

The tournament is open to all members of the Ahepa and also any person of Hellenic descent. Approximately 30 Ahepa and church affiliated bowling teams are expected to participate.

Mario Kondis, a member of the Akron Sons of Pericles, and son of Akron, Ohio Ahepan Nick Kondis, was recently responsible for saving the life of a fellow soldier at Hunter Liggett Military Reservation at Jalon, California.



On September 14, 1963, Specialist Kondis came on the scene of an automobile accident and before proper medical personnel arrived on the scene, Kondis performed prompt first aid on Sgt. F. Colonius who had been injured severely in the accident.

Soldier Kondis also traveled with the injured Sgt. Colonius to the Hospital and tended the wounded man for over a 30 hour period.

Dr. James Nash, who attended the wounded Sergeant, later stated that the first aid and attention given by Kondis was responsible for saving the man's life.



Members of Palmitta Chapter, No. 284, of Columbus, S.C. delivering Christmas Food Baskets to needy families in our City. Brother John Pulus was Chairman of the Project.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—At the last Chapter meeting, we were honored by the unexpected visit of an internationally famous surgeon. Dr. Basil Lourias of Athens, Greece was introduced to the Brothers by Past Supreme Treasurer George Bezaites. Dr. Lourias is an internationally known personality and is at present Managing Director of the Red Cross Clinic in Greece. On October 31, 1963, he was honored in San Francisco by the International Fellowship of the American College of Surgeons, for his outstanding and distinguished work as a surgeon, and in recognition for his invaluable services to the Medical Profession through the many articles in medical publications.

Twenty-five members of the Oakland Chapter attended the Annual Sports Night in San Francisco, where everyone was greatly impressed.

Brother Louie Colombotos is now serving as General Entertainment Chairman. He and his hard-working committee have been trying to execute the various functions of the Chapter in a spirit of true fellowship. A word of thanks to Bros. Ladeas, Cosmos, Kiteas, Morris, Boudouris and Sisters Calogeris, Sardell, Costalupes, Ladeas, Zarafonites, Koplos and Rozales for their invaluable help in planning all events. A Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner was prepared and served to all Ahepans and Daughters at the last meeting. On December 15th, a Champagne Party was held at the new Pipers Restaurant, for all Ahepans and Daughters. The Annual Children's Christmas Party, under the Chairmanship of Brother Cuelis and Sister Effie Costalupes, was held on Dec. 16, with entertainment, fun, food and presents for everyone. A committee composed of Bros. Ted Cuelis, John Koplos and Sisters Margaret Bezaites and Effie Costalupes hosted a party for over 100 underprivileged children at the Oakland Child Center, with Bro Nick Alevizos playing his usual role of Santa Claus.

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and Daughters (to be held on Saturday).
2. **THE CONVENTION BANQUET** WILL BE DEDICATED TO ALL THE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS OF POWER DISTRICT No. 4, who will receive a token of recognition at that time.
3. An **INTERNATIONAL FASHION SHOW** showing native costumes of countries throughout the world. **MOVIES** on GREECE will also be shown.

The Lehigh Chapter hopes that it will establish a new standard for District conventions and for the convention to be an inspiration to potential members of the AHEPA and Daughters, and to the format of future conventions.

NASSAU, BAHAMAS—The Public Installation of the Officers of the Isle of June Chapter, GBJ No. 1, of Nassau, Bahamas was held in the Greek Orthodox Church Hall on Sunday, Jan. 12.

The ceremony was attended by many members of the Greek community in Nassau, and was conducted by District Governor Harry G. Garratt of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, assisted by District Secretary Constantine Lantz of Coral Gables.

The Officers installed were: Joseph Moses, President; K. M. Thompson, Vice-President; Emmanuel Mosko, Secretary; Nicholas Klonaris, Treasurer; Dr. A. G. Esfakis, John Tiliacos, Nomikos Klonaris and Nicholas P. Maillis, Board of Governors. Appointed Officers installed were: Jerry Lornados, Athletic Director; Ted Louis, Captain of the Guards; Andrew Halkitis, Warden; Stephen Antonas, Outside Sentinel; Jimmy Klonaris, Inside Sentinel and Harry Louis, Chaplain.

District Governor Garratt congratulated the Nassau Chapter on the magnificent District Convention held there last June. District Secretary Lantz outlined various civic projects that would be incorporated in the Bahamas program and congratulated the Chapter on the selection of their officers. Bro. Thompson presented a past president's pin to Bro. John Tiliacos, for his outstanding leadership as president for two terms. Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

BALTIMORE, MD.—At a Club House luncheon given by the Maryland Jockey Club at Pimlico Race Track the Worthington Chapter, No. 30, was honored in presenting Samuel Boulmetis with a plaque for athletic achievements in the field of horse racing.



Brother Nick Anderson is shown presenting Jockey Samuel Boulmetis with the award. Also in picture from left to right are Brothers George Ringas, James Klonaris, Harry Andriyan, Charles Paula and Chris George.

CHAPTER NEWS

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Golden Gate Chapter, No. 150, Order of Ahepa, had its second Annual Sports Testimonial Dinner on Saturday evening, Nov. 16, 1963 at the Village, 901 Columbus Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

The purpose of the affair was to honor High School Seniors of Greek extraction who participated in sports in the Bay area. The seventeen boys who were honored all received trophies for their athletic abilities. There were three major awards given this year for outstanding achievement for scholastic and athletic abilities. The winners of these three awards were judged by three Sports writers, under the direction of Mr. Jack McDonald, Sports Editor of The News Call Bulletin.

(1) John and Daisy Jerome Foundation Award of \$500.00, donated by Mrs. Daisy Jerome. Her daughter, Miss Maria Jerome, presented the award to Peter Staniotes, South San Francisco High School, for outstanding scholastic and athletic achievement.

(2) Chris Pelekoudas Award, first award donated from last year's affair, was won by John Demakas, St. Ignatius High School, for outstanding scholastic achievement, presented by Chris Pelekoudas, Baseball Umpire for National League.

(3) Golden Gate Chapter No. 150 Award of \$300.00 was won by Nick T. Souvas, Pioneer High School, for outstanding athletic achievement, presented by President John Johns. The \$300.00 was donated by the generous sponsors of our Golden Page in our Ad Album.

The following boys were presented Trophies by Chris Pelekoudas, Gus Triandos and Andy Marefos. (Don Burdusis — Tennis: St. Ignatius); (Paul Carras — Football: El Cerrito High); (Nick Clainos — Football: Lowell High); (John Demakas — Football: St. Ignatius High); (John Georgedes — Basketball: Cupertino High); (John Laffey — Football: Oakland High); (John Lagios — Football: Sacred Heart High); (George Nickas — Baseball: Mission High); (Jim Pappas — Swimming: Mission High); (Nick Peros — Football: Lowell High); (Denny Plato — Golf: Cupertino High); (Chris Rores — Football: Oakland High); (Nick T. Souvas — Football: Pioneer High); (Pete Staniotes — Basketball: South San Francisco High); (Alfred Tsacle — Soccer: Washington High); (Peter Tyrovolas — Football: Oakland High); (Tom Wagner — Football: Oakland High).



Sports Night Award Winners with the Committee.

Honored guests who were present for this affair were Reverend Steven A. Katsaris, Pastor Greek Orthodox Church of San Mateo County; Louis Prangos, District Governor, Order of Ahepa; Mrs. Anna Mountanos, District Governor, Daughters of Penelope; Miss Maria Jerome, Mr. Jack McDonald, Mr. Andrew Marefos, Mr. Chris Pelekoudas, Mr. Gus Triandos.

The combined efforts of the committee was responsible for the success of the affair. Gus M. Lekas, Chairman; Peter M. Tryforos, Co-Chairman, who worked diligently for the affair; John P. Preovolos, Toastmaster; Peter Pappageorge, who is responsible for most of sponsors on the golden page of the Ad Album; Harry Stamatis, Chairman of the Ad Album; Angelo Mountanos, Paul Eliopoulos, Jim Cois, John Vlahos, Elias Phillippis, Salvatore N. Stella, Bill Korinthias, Alex Sardounis, John Johns and Ron Curtis.



Miss Maria Jerome, Daughter of Daisy Jerome, donor of Daisy Jerome Foundation Award, presents award to Peter Staniotes.

ATLANTA, GA—On January 9, 1964, the Atlanta Chapter, No. 1 was honored by the visit of Past Supreme President Peter L. Bell, Supreme Vice-President Nicholas Chirekos and Supreme Athletic Director Pete G. Pasvantis.

A special meeting of the chapter was held during which the distinguished visitors participated in initiating new members into the Order and installing the newly-elected officers of the Chapter for 1964. Following the meeting, a dinner was given in honor of Brothers Bell, Chirekos and Pasvantis. Joining the Ahepans in welcoming the Supreme Lodge dignitaries were officers and members of the local Daughters of Penelope Chapter who were present at the dinner.

The officers of Atlanta Chapter, No. 1 for the year 1964 are as follows: George T. Alexander, President; George S. Pamfilis, Vice-President; Steve G. Chanos, Secretary; Charles J. Vlass, Treasurer; Andrew A. Tsironoulos, Warden; John E. Livaditis, Captain of the Guard; Mike G. Chanos, Chaplain; George E. Alexander, Sentinel; James S. Pappas, Sentinel; George J. Vlass, Athletic Director.

SAN MATEO, CALIF.—San Mateo County Chapter 392 hosted about 50 patients of the San Mateo County Ward, Agnew State Hospital, in conjunction with the San Mateo County Mental Health Association, at the hospital's annual Christmas Party on Dec. 18th.

Mrs. Lee Eurotas, wife of Chapter President Lee Eurotas, and a volunteer worker at the hospital, made the arrangements. Refreshments were served and gifts, which were donated by the Chapter, were distributed to each patient. Entertainment was provided by volunteer workers of the Community.

Chapter members attending were Brothers Lee Eurotas, James Sepsis, Nick Janakos, and James Tassos.

The affair was such a success that the Chapter intends to make the Christmas Party an annual community project.

James Sepsis

CHAPTER NEWS

Reprinted from "The Cleveland Press"

By THEODORE ANDRICA

Few immigrant groups in this country have shown more progress in the past 80 years than the Greeks. When they arrived here the majority of the Hellenes had nothing more than a fierce determination to succeed in their new land.

The results of this determination can be observed in all cities where Greeks live in any appreciable numbers, including Cleveland. Many Greeks have become prominent in commerce and industry and they support nearly 400 Greek Orthodox churches in the United States.

In Cleveland, for instance, there are now three Greek churches, to accommodate the Greeks living in all parts of the city.

Besides the churches the strongest and best known Hellenic organization in America is the Order of Ahepa, organized in 1922.

Practically every worthy national and international cause is supported by the Ahepa. Starting with scholarships for students of Greek ancestry to building hospitals in Greece, Ahepa's activities range widely here and abroad.

There are Ahepa hospitals in Athens and Saloniki, Ahepa health centers in seven Greek cities. The Ahepa was one of the leading groups collecting money for Greek War Relief, for victims of earthquakes in Greece and Turkey. During the war, Ahepa sold \$500,000,000 in war bonds.

The Cleveland Chapter of Ahepa will install officers at 4 p. m. Sunday in Ahepa Hall, 4723 Lorain Ave. Installing official will be John G. Plumides of Charlotte, N.C., Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, with headquarters in Washington.

The new officers of the Cleveland Ahepa Chapter are:

C. G. Gatsos, President; John G. Manos, Vice-President; John Dallas, Treasurer; Ted Constantine, Secretary; Peter Catavolos, George Bates, John Matthews, Louis Catavolos and George Janas, Trustees.

Officers of the Daughters of Penelope, Women's Auxiliary of the Ahepa, will also be installed Sunday. They are:

Miss Penny Constantelos, President; Mrs. Katherine Serbos, Vice-President; Mrs. Helen Maropis and Thalia Somers, Secretaries; Miss Mary Asimes, Treasurer. Trustees are Mesdames Ann Kantralis, Coralia Pallam, Catherine Malames, Chry-

soula Linkas, Helen Tartara, Helen Asimes, Mary Cashy and Miss Mary Linkas.

The following is reprinted from the Atlantic City Press.

MILLVILLE—When the Millville Public Library received the basic works of Aristotle, the dialogues of Plato and the works of Greek historians and dramatists from the Order of AHEPA, it brought to the limelight the name of a group previously unknown to most of the community's 19,000 residents.

Serving as president of the South Jersey Chapter 162 of the Order of AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association) is Nicholas Pappas of 1111 East Pine St.

Founded in 1922 in Atlanta, Ga., the national organization has approximately 400 chapters in the United States, with a membership of 25,000. The organization is dedicated to "promoting and encouraging loyalty to the United States of America, obedience to its laws and reverence for its history and traditions; to instruct its members by precept and example in the tenets and fundamental principles of government; to instill in every member an appreciation of the privilege and duties of citizenship, and to encourage its members to be interested and active in the political, civic, social and commercial fields of human endeavor and always to strive for the betterment of society," explained Pappas.

Although the members all speak Greek, all meetings of AHEPA are conducted in English. The organization has some principles in common with Kiwanis and Rotary, such as community service, but other characteristics of lodges is that secret rituals are observed.

As president of AHEPA, Pappas has a tremendous interest in helping those of Greek origin become American citizens. He has aided more than half a dozen during the past year to prepare for citizenship.

Championing education and cultural activities is important to AHEPA. Pappas said the local group will soon contribute volumes of Greek classics to the Vineland library. One of the national objects is to promote the teaching of ancient or modern Greek in every university. Another aim is to work to increase the quota of Greek aliens allowed to enter the United States.

Among the projects of the organization of which Pappas is very proud is the raising of funds for the Truman Memorial in Athens, dedicated in commemoration of the Truman Doctrine, an Ameri-

can aid program of economic and military assistance to the people of Greece.

Prizing his Greek heritage, Pappas and his family have carried on many Greek traditions in their home. Pappas is president of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Atlantic City to which 150 families belong.

Following his graduation from high school, Pappas worked for the Greek Newspaper Company in Newark. He joined the Prudential Insurance Company in 1930, serving as Greek interpreter in the home office along with other duties. Now the manager of the debit accounting division of Prudential's Tri-City Office, Pappas has been with the company for 33 years.

Pappas first became active in AHEPA in 1960. One of his first assignments was chairman of the district convention in Atlantic City which drew members from the 16 chapters in the state. He became president of the South Jersey Chapter in 1962. Pappas has served as district president of the National Office Management Association.

The father of two daughters and the grandfather of two boys, Pappas has tried to keep Greek traditions in his home. Both daughters can speak and understand Greek. Although he did not attend college, Pappas has studied the Greek classics both in Greek and English.

Plans are being made now to have speakers on education and political endeavors speak this season to the local chapter. As president, Pappas is busily seeking new members and trying to help those of Greek origin become good American citizens.

In recognition of Brother Nicholas Pappas' service to the Order of Ahepa, Supreme President John Plumides awarded him in behalf of the Supreme Lodge a "CERTIFICATE OF MERIT."

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.—The Pikes Peak Chapter, No. 160, held its Installation of Officers on Jan. 26 at Carpenters Hall in Colorado Springs with many brothers and their families from the area in attendance.

Bro. Dr. Peter Frangos was the Installing Officer assisted by Supreme Trustee Panayes Dikeou of Denver. The installed officers are: George Morris, President; Peter Fountas, Vice-President; Gus Sarlis, Secretary; Nick Ellis, Treasurer; Peter Demas, Chaplain; George Argos, Warden; Chris Zanickas, Captain of Guards; Alex Ellis, George Theodorou, Sam Droskos, George Kersey and Nick Ellis, Governors.

Gus Sarlis

CHAPTER NEWS

WATERLOO, IOWA — The newly elected officers of the Hawkeye Chapter, No. 222, were formally installed by Frank A. Karigan, District Governor of Grainfield District No. 14. The installation ceremony was open to the public and took place in the church parlors of the St. Demetrios Orthodox Church in Waterloo, Iowa.

Newly installed officers were: President, Perry Myrsiades; Vice-President, Peter M. Kontos; Secretary, Tony G. Chardoulas, P.D.G.; Treasurer, Dino Myrsiades.

Appointive Officers were: Captain of the Guard, James P. Zarifis, Chaplain, Norman Glazebrook; Warden, Peter J. Zarifis; Inside Sentinel, Elias Myrsiades.



First Row, left to right: Peter M. Kontos, Vice-President; District Governor Frank A. Karigan; Perry Myrsiades, President.

Second Row, left to right: George Messeris (member of the Board of Governors); Elias Myrsiades, Inside Sentinel; Norman Glazebrook, Chaplain; Peter J. Zarifis, Warden; Dino Myrsiades, Treasurer; Tony G. Chardoulas, Secretary; and James P. Zarifis, Captain of the Guard.

Brother Karigan made a special trip from his hometown of Dubuque, Iowa to preside at the afternoon installation, and warmly commended the local chapter for their outstanding and impressive ritualistic work.

Refreshments were served by the Daughters Marathon Chapter, No. 91, after the ceremonies under the chairmanship of Sisters Bessie G. George and Evangeline Glazebrook.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLA. — One of the projects undertaken by the Fort Lauderdale Chapter, No. 394, was to assist in the collection and distribution of Christmas Bags with food for the needy of the Community, conducted by the Salvation Army.

In a letter from the Broward County Headquarters of the Salvation Army, Brigadier Hughey Chancey had this to say, "Kindly accept our sincere and warm appreciation for the fine volunteer help you gave us in assisting with the packing

of our Christmas Bags with food for the needy of the community."



Volunteers assisting the Salvation Army in the Distribution of Christmas Bags are District No. 2 Governor Harry Carratt, Ted Neckles, President and Toby Bacas, Chairman of Governors of Chapter No. 394.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. — After a most successful 1963 year, Hesperia Chapter, No. 152, of Los Angeles, elected their officers for 1964, looking forward, with anticipation for another banner year. The new Officers are: Edward G. Calvin, President; Stephen J. Peterson, Vice-President; Sam Chournas, Secretary; Nick Angelos, Treasurer; George Brosis, Chairman, Governors; George Natsikas, Ted Alavizos, N. Paulakos, Governors. Appointed officers are: A. Zamourakis, Outside Sentinel; A. Cominos, Inside Sentinel; Alex Karelis, Captain of Guards; Captain Malley, Chaplain; Nick Pappas, Warden.

C. B. Costopoulos



At a combined installation ceremony of the Hartford and New Britain Chapters pictured above are, first row, left to right: James Ioannides, Vice-President, New Britain; Leon Combis, District 7 Governor; Costas Koufoudakis, President, Hartford; Charles Chekas, District 7 Lt. Governor; Arthur Makris, Vice-President, Hartford; Second row: Steve Giropoulos, District 7 Treasurer; Maria Clodas, Warden, Hartford; James Malley, Captain of Guards, Hartford; George Nichols, Sons Secretary, Hartford; Costas Chakalos, Treasurer, Hartford; Basil row: William Stais, Secretary, New Britain; George Athanasiou, Corresponding Secretary, Hartford; Carl Dubel, Recording Secretary, Hartford; and William Senas, Governor, Hartford.



Washington Rock Chapter, No. 114, of Plainfield, N. J. Secretary Dino Dazos presents Plaque to Mr. and Mrs. George Menoutis for their inspiring leadership during the years. Mr. Menoutis is currently President of the Chapter and Mrs. Menoutis is President of the Hellenic Women's Club.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y. — The Leonidas Chapter, No. 77, of Ahepa, the Athens Chapter, No. 39, of the Daughters and Chapter No. 288 of Ahepa, Endicott, N. Y., held a Joint Installation of Officers on January 12 at the Holy Trinity Church in Binghamton.

Installing Officers were District No. 6 Governor James Rappas and District Advisor John Simonis. Other dignitaries in attendance included Dennis Livadas and George Youlios.

New Officers, Daughters of Penelope, Athens Chapter, No. 39: President, Mrs. Constantine Sarris; Vice-President, Mrs. Chris Floros; Recording Secretary, Miss Eugenia Floros; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Angelo Lewis; Treasurer, Mrs. James Markatos; Marshal, Mrs. Soterios Lytras; Warden, Miss Mary Koudounis and Priestess, Mrs. Louis Costas.

New Officers, Order of Ahepa, Leonidas Chapter, No. 77: President, Mr. Constantine Sarris; Vice-President, Mr. Nick Papadakis; Secretary, Rev. Soterios Lytras; Treasurer, Mr. Andrew Vassos; Warden, Mr. Chris Floros; Chaplain, Mr. Charles Leounis and Captain of the Guard, Mr. Peter Spyros.

New Officers, Order of Ahepa, Endicott Chapter, No. 288: President, Mr. Peter Romas; Vice-President, Mr. Peter Elenois; Secretary, Mr. George Thompson and Treasurer, Mr. James Capetaneas.

It is interesting to note that this is the first time in the history of the Community that a team of husband and wife were elected to serve as presidents at the same time.

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The weather is not man-made yet; but man can make himself comfortable regardless of weather conditions. Smooth sailing is assured on the "OLYMPIA" by the flume system stabilizers, which maintains the vessel on an even keel so that the passengers remain always in good spirits, enabling them to enjoy the entertainment, the food and all the many pleasures of shipboard life which the "OLYMPIA" offers.

The 1965 Athens Supreme Convention



In each issue of The Ahepan we have been publishing a Survey Questionnaire form, for members interested in attending the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention. If you have not already submitted this form, and hope to attend the 1965 convention in Athens, please fill in the form today and mail to our Headquarters.

CHARTER FLIGHT REGULATIONS

The governmental and airline regulations for participation in Charter Flights are definite, and all requirements will be strictly followed in our planning for such

flights to Athens in 1965. They include the following:

(1) Only good standing members of the Ahepa Family (Ahepa, Daughters, Sons and Maids) and their immediate family residing in the same household are eligible for such Charter Flights.

(2) Such members *must* have been members **AT LEAST SIX MONTHS** prior to the departure of the Charter Flight. For example—on a Charter Flight that departs for Greece on July 1, 1965, only those who were members on January 1, 1965, could participate. Also, prior to departure the full 1965 Chapter Dues must have been paid to

the Chapter, and **ALSO** the full 1965 Per Capita Tax must have been paid by the Chapter to the Headquarters. No exceptions whatsoever are allowed.

With each issue of The Ahepan magazine, you will be receiving additional information on such Charter Flights, including price schedules and dates of departure as well as points of origination. Meanwhile, we strongly suggest that you submit your Survey Questionnaire form to the Headquarters, thus enabling us to prepare and complete planning for the Charter Flights as well as the convention program.

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE FOR 1965 ATHENS SUPREME CONVENTION

The Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees are preparing plans for the 43rd Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa and its Auxiliaries which will be held in Athens, Greece, in August, 1965.

AHEPA CHARTER FLIGHTS from several points throughout the United States and Canada to Athens, Greece, will be scheduled as soon as possible. CHARTER FLIGHT prices (round-trip) will be about **ONE-HALF** of the regular Economy Round Trip Air Passage to Athens. The exact CHARTER FLIGHT prices will be published just as soon as definite Points of Departure are decided, and as soon as the results of this survey are completed.

To enable us to decide just where these origination points for such flights should be allocated, **PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING** and mail immediately to our Supreme Lodge Headquarters:

MAIL TO: *Order of Ahepa, Supreme Lodge Headquarters*
1422 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

(Please answer ALL questions or blanks) — (Please Print or Type-write)

NAME:

ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE:

MEMBER OF CHAPTER NO. _____, Order of Ahepa ; Daughters of Penelope ; Sons of Pericles ; Maids of Athens ; located at

I am interested in attending the Athens Supreme Convention in August, 1965, and going by Ahepa Convention AIR Charter Flight: YES NO

I am interested in attending the Athens Supreme Convention in August, 1965, and going by steamship: YES NO

I can only remain in Greece (or Greece and Europe) for a period of: 2 Weeks: ; Three Weeks: ; Four Weeks: ; Six Weeks: ; Eight Weeks: ; Three months: ; Longer (Specify length of stay) _____

(Please answer only ONE of these questions.)

4. Including myself, there will be _____ members of my family going.

5. I. (We) must return to our home no later than _____ (month) _____ (day), 1965.

6. Remarks:

PLEASE MAIL TODAY — DO NOT DELAY



Grand Lodge Officers



MARY KAPSOS

MARY KAPSOS
Grand President

Grand President Kapsos was initiated into the Daughters of Penelope, Nester Chapter, No. 55, New Orleans, La. in 1955 and served her Chapter in the office of Vice-President, President and Secretary in that order.

In 1956 Sister Kapsos was elected District Governor of Delta District No. 16, and was re-elected the following year. She also served for a period of two years as Executive Secretary of the Order of Ahepa in the 16th District.

At the Miami Supreme Convention 1961, Sister Kapsos was elected Grand Secretary and served in this capacity for two years.

She is an active member of the Hellenic Orthodox Cathedral of New Orleans, La., a member of the Women's League of Voters, Garden Club and other civic organizations in her home city of New Iberia, in southwest Louisiana. Has the distinction of being the first woman to register for, and to serve on jury duty in Iberia.

Sister Kapsos is the wife of the late Brother Theodore Kapsos, Past District Governor of District No. 16. She is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Helis from Arcadia, Greece, and is the niece of the late Past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, William G. Helis.

Grand President Kapsos is the mother of one son and three daughters, and the grandmother of six potential Maids of Athena and Sons of Pericles.

JOSIE A. CHASE
Grand Vice-President

Born in Columbus, Ohio, she is a charter member of Telemos Chapter, No. 208, and is now a member of Columbus, Ohio Chapter, No. 15.

Sister Chase served her chapter in most offices, and her District as Marshal, Advisor, I. Governor and Governor. In 1960 she was first elected to the Grand Lodge as Grand Governor of Zone II, and in 1961 was elected Grand Treasurer, serving for two years before her elevation to Grand Vice-President.

She has attended 10 Supreme Conventions, where she has served as Vice-Chairman and Chairman.

She is a graduate of Baldwin-Wallace College and taught school for ten years. She is married to Thomas L. Chase, Past District Governor of District 11.

Sister Chase is a member of the Eastern Star, Ladies' Oriental Shrine of N. & S. America, A.A.U.W., International Relations Group, Vice-President of Columbus Women's Club, Secretary of the Metropolitan Board of the Y.W.C.A., Treasurer of the Philoptothos, Columbus Symphony Orchestra, United Church Women.

ELIZABETH ATHANASAKOS
Grand Secretary

Grand Secretary Elizabeth Athanasakos was elected by the San Diego Supreme Convention. She is a charter member and first President of the Fort Lauderdale Chapter, and has served

her District as Treasurer and Secretary. She was elected to two terms as Grand Governor.

Sister Athanasakos also served as Convention Chairman of the Montreal and Miami Beach Supreme Conventions. She is an attorney, with offices in Fort Lauderdale, and has been admitted to practice in both New York and Florida. She is a graduate of St. John's University School of Law, LL.B., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Grand Secretary Athanasakos is a member of state and local bar associations, Past Matron of the Eastern Star, Vice-President of Broward County Women's Breakfast Club, First Vice-President of the Easter Seal Clinic, and is also active in local Republican groups, presently serving as First Vice-Chairman of the Broward County Republican Executive Committee.

MARY VAMVORAS
Grand Treasurer

A charter member and one of the organizers of the Daughters Of Hecabe Chapter, No. 185, of San Antonio, Mary served as first President and re-elected for a second term and chairman of the Board of Governors. In 1956 she was again elected President.

On the District level, Mary has held the offices of Treasurer, Lieut. Governor, Governor and Advisor in that order.

Prior to her present office, Mary served the Grand Lodge as Governor of Zone 3 for two terms.

An active delegate, Mary has attended fourteen National and fifteen District conventions as well as many district conferences.

In the business world, Mrs. Vamvoras has been associated with Frost Bros. for thirteen years. Her present position is supervisor.

NELLIE COULTONIKAS
Governor Zone I

Joined the Ahepa family some 25 years ago and then graduated from the Maids of Athens to the Senior Auxiliary. Was re-elected Grand Governor of Zone I by the 1963 Supreme Convention in San Diego, California.

Was first President of the Thisbe Chapter, No. 108, of Nashua, N. H., served more than eight years on District Lodge, two of which as District Governor. Was a Regional Advisor to the Maids of Athens and Co-Chairman of National Membership Committee.

Active in Greek Orthodox Church of Annunciation in Nashua, currently serving on the Board of Trustees of the Elpis Society; has helped in many church activities. Served as Secretary of the YWCA Board of Directors, President of Ayuda Club (business girls), is on second two-year term as President of the Samaritan Society (a patriotic society in New England); is on the Republican City Committee. Has assisted in many community drives and civic affairs.

ALICE DAMASKOS
Governor Zone II

Sister Damaskos is a native of Gary, Indiana and has been a member of the Daughters of Penelope for over ten years. She has served



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her Chapter in various capacities including that of President, and District 12 as Marshal and Governor for 2 terms.

Sister Damaskos is married and has four children. She belongs to a very strong Ahepa Family. Her father, Steve Karas, has been an Ahepa for about 30 years. Her mother, Dora, is a charter member of the Daughters. Her husband, William, joined Ahepa at the age of 18, and is presently serving as District Secretary. Her daughter, Shirley, is a member of the Maids of Athena and her son, John, is the newly elected President of the local Sons of Pericles Chapter.

GLADYS M. KARAS

Governor Zone IV

Born in Kansas of non-Greek family, came to Washington State at an early age. She is a graduate beautician. She is a charter member of Icaria Chapter, No. 175, of Tacoma, Washington, where she served in all offices including that of President. She also served on the District Lodge of District No. 22 as Secretary, Lt. Governor and District Governor for 2 terms. She attended many District Conventions, where she served as Convention Secretary 3 years and Chairman for 2 years.

Member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, Tacoma, Wash. and member of the St. Helen Ladies Club in Tacoma.

In 1940 Sister Karas married Ahepan Savas M. Karas.

MILLIE KONTOS

Advisor to the Maids

Sister Kontos was initiated in the Cotillion Chapter, Maids of Athena, Gary, Ind., in 1947 and served in all her chapter's offices including the Presidency. Later she transferred to Mentor Chapter, No. 81, Daughters of Penelope and continued to serve in various chapter offices. She is currently serving as President. She has been the originator of Mentor's annual style show and social party, now in its eleventh year.

She has attended four national conventions and was elected chairman of the Maids of Athens Committee in both the National and Miami Beach Supreme Conventions.

A native of Gary, Sister Kontos is a secretary and insurance underwriter for Guthrie, McLerron & Bunt Agency. She is also a member of the Gary Association of Insurance Women, having served as Vice-President, President and currently a member of its Board of Directors.

Her brother, Nick Chest, is a member of the Gary Ahepa Chapter and her mother a member of Mentor Chapter, Daughters of Penelope.

The Daughters of Penelope extend deepest sympathy to Grand President Mary Kapsos on the death of her beloved husband Ted. A fine Ahepan — a highly respected citizen — a good friend of us all; we will miss him.

Remembering his great pride in the splendid work and leadership of his dear wife Mary will we pray, give her strength, courage and faith in her hour of great sorrow.

GARY, INDIANA—The Daughters of Penelope, Mentor Chapter, No. 81, Gary, Indiana, installed their new officers for the current year, at a Candlelight Ceremony in the Colonial Room of the Y.W.C.A., on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1964.

Mrs. Alice Damaskos, Grand Governor of Zone 2, served as installing officer. She was assisted by Miss Millie Kontos, National Advisor to the Maids of Athena and Governor of the 12th District.

Mrs. Damaskos installed Mrs. Ann Christakis as President, and presented Mrs. Christakis, who is serving her second term in this office, with a beautifully engraved charm and bracelet, a gift from the members of Mentor Chapter.

Other officers installed by Mrs. Damaskos were: Mrs. Betty Jean Christakis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Irene Kotakes, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Irene Dollas, Treasurer; Mrs. Stella Daravanis, Chairman of the Board of Governors; Mrs. Helen Tomaras; Mrs. Mary Bizanis; Mary Halkias were installed as Governors.

Miss Millie Kontos installed Miss Anthe Koukos as Warden; Mrs. Bessie Magraimes, Priestess; Mrs. Penny Kouvakas and Miss Elizabeth Callas as Sentinels; Mrs. Helen Mallas, Flag Guard.

Serving as Maidens in the Candlelight Ceremony were Miss Despo Melegos, Mrs. Jowe Melegos, Mrs. Proscilla Vlahos and Mrs. Pauline Manalopoulos. Miss Kathy Papaosmos was Lampbearer and Miss Kathy Halkias served as installing Marshal.

Refreshments were served by Miss Kathy Halkias, Miss Elizabeth Callas, Miss Kathy Papaosmos and Mrs. Pauline Manalopoulos.

Mrs. Irene Kolozenki, Vice-President; Mrs. Tula Sivamis, Marshal; Mrs. Anna George, Flag Guard; Mrs. Katherine Lionakis, Pianist; and Mrs. Angie Estakis, Parliamentarian could not be present for the formal installation ceremonies but will be administered the oath of office at the next regular meeting.

The following committees were announced: Suk Committee—Mrs. Sophie Thomas; By-Laws—Mrs. Daravanis and Mrs. Estakis; Publicity—Mrs. Kolozenki; Program—Miss Halkias and Miss Callas; District Convention—Mrs. Damaskos and Mrs. Betty Jean Christakis. Advisors to the Maids of Athena will be Mrs. Mary Ellen Metroyanis, Mrs. Daravanis; Mrs. Angeline Mussicwith, Mrs. Halkias; Mrs. Dollas and Mrs. Angeline Saliaris serving as alternates.

Plans for the forthcoming Cotillion were announced. The 1964 graduates of Hellens descent from the area High

Schools will be presented on May 10, 1964 at the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Gary. At this time an annual scholarship of \$250.00 will be awarded to the Senior with the highest scholastic rating. Mrs. Dollas will serve as chairman of the Cotillion with Mrs. Kotakes as Co-Chairman.

WATERLOO, IOWA

At an open joint installation of Ahepan and Daughters officers held recently in Waterloo, Iowa, Mrs. Kopie George assumed the Presidency of Marathon Chapter, No. 91.

Appearing as Installing Officer for the local Daughters was Past District Governor Elsie Foufas of Waterloo.

Other officers installed were Sophie Bostinelos, Vice-President; Mrs. Effie Rombakis, Secretary; Ann Foufas, Treasurer; Bessie George, Warden; Irene Myrsiades, Priestess; Marshal, Evangeline Glazebrook; Inside Sentinel, Mary Paras; Guards, Mary Petrides and Connie Psaros.

On behalf of the Auxiliary Chapter, a Past President's Pin was presented Mrs. James P. Zarifs, retiring President, by Miss Foufas, and a corsage was presented to the new President.

Mrs. George had previously served the Chapter as Secretary for 6 consecutive years.

The impressive candlelight ceremony was the highlight of the event and participants were accorded a resounding appreciation by the audience.

Chairmen for decorations and refreshments were Mrs. Evangeline Glazebrook and Miss Bessie George.



First Row, sitting, left to right: Mrs. Sophie Bostinelos, Vice-President; Mrs. Sophie George, President; Miss Elsie Foufas, Past District Governor No. 14.

Second Row, standing, left to right: Mrs. Irene Myrsiades, Priestess; Mrs. Helen Charidouvas, pianist; Mrs. Evangeline Glazebrook, Marshal; Mrs. Mary Petrides, Guard; Mrs. Jean Zarifs, retiring President; Miss Bessie George, Warden.

Third Row, standing, left to right: Mrs. Harriet Zarifs, Presvytera; Mrs. Mary Soteropoulos; Miss Mary Paras, Inside Sentinel; Mrs. Frossa Lamb; and Miss Ann Foufas, Treasurer. Missing was Mrs. Effie Rombakis, Secretary.

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P.G.P. Poppy Mitchell Candidate for Congress

Past Grand President of the Daughters Poppy X. Mitchell announced her candidacy for Representative from the 15th District of Illinois.

Sister Mitchell, a native of Chicago, Ill., had her early education in that city, graduating with a B.S. degree from Northwestern University. She later received her Master of Science Degree in Journalism from Columbia University.

From her early days Sister Mitchell has been very active in Organizations and Community life, having served as Executive Secretary of the Pan-Hellenic Federation of America, Director of Public Relations of Greek War Relief Association, Grand President of D.O.P. for two



terms, Co-Commander of the Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece and a score of other positions in various organizations.

She has also been active in her Community politically, having served as a member of the Mayor's Committee of

the Federal Housing Authority.

Sister Mitchell is married to Xenophon Mitchell of Chicago since 1945, and with their daughter, Daphne-Ellen, they reside at 305 East Prospect Ave., Ottawa, Illinois.



At the installation of the new officers of Theta Chapter of Hartford, the retiring President Mrs. Kay Zannetos, is shown giving the gavel to the new President, Mrs. Ann Siconolfi, while Helen Papadimitriou, Treasurer, looks on.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—George L. Strike, President, American Laundry Machinery Industries, today announced the appointment of N. L. Strike, Salt Lake City, Utah, as Vice-President of the American Laundry Machinery Industries.



Mr. George L. Strike, industry president, stated that this appointment recognizes the responsibilities it carries at the Ajax Division and the major contribution the division makes to the American Laundry and Machinery Industries.

As Vice-President, Nick Strike will participate in the over-all planning of the American Laundry and Machinery Industries in addition to his divisional responsibilities.

Brother Nick Strike is a past Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles (1939-1942) and also a Past President of Salt Lake City, Utah Chapter, No. 146, of Ahepa.

CAPARELL GREETES WAGNER: Theodore Caparell of New Rochelle, director of International Sales for the H. R. Weissberg Hotel Corporation of New York, greets Mayor Robert F. Wagner of New York, at a reception Caparell gave at the Ponce De Leon Hotel, San Juan, Puerto Rico, the newest hotel in the H. R. Weissberg chain. Caparell is former vice-president of Hermes-Ahepa Chapter. Mayor Wagner is also a member of Ahepa.



Left to right — Supreme President Flumides, John Kaplan's, Searing Governor, Mrs. Flumides, Louis Frangos, District Governor, Golden Circle District No. 21.

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Official American Delegation to King Paul Funeral

President Lyndon B. Johnson's opening statement to his news conference of Saturday, March 7 was as follows: "Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. President Truman and Mrs. Johnson will go as my personal representatives to the funeral of King Paul. In addition, other members of the delegation will include Archbishop Iakovos, Mr. John G. Plunides, Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, Judge John Pappas of Boston; Congressman John Brademas of Indiana, Mr. Mike Manatos, my special assistant, and Mr. George C. Vournas of Washington."

Headed by President Truman and Mrs. Johnson, this official American delegation, with the exception of Brother Vournas, who was unable to go, departed by Air Force Jet from Andrews Air Force Base on Tuesday, March 12. After actively participating in the funeral procession, they returned to the United States on March 13.

With the exception of Mrs. Johnson, all members of this official delegation are members of the Order of Ahepa. Former President Truman is a member of the Kansas City, Mo. Chapter; Archbishop Iakovos is a member of the Boston Chapter; Judge Pappas is also a member of the Boston Chapter; Congressman Brademas is a member of the South Bend, Ind. Chapter; Mike Manatos is a member of the Rock Springs, Wyo. Chapter; and Past Supreme President Vournas is from the Washington, D.C. Chapter.



The presidential delegation upon arrival in Athens.



Part of the Delegation before procession started.



The Delegation during the Funeral procession, with Ambassador Labouisse (left) and White House Chief of Protocol Angier Biddle Duke (third from left).

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MARCH 25, 1964

Dear Mr. Flanigan:

As I will admit myself to your past activities for the benefit of the President of AHEPA, and continue to do so, and let me also express appreciation for the athletic qualities of Mr. DeGard's participation in activities.

Most of all, I want to congratulate you on the successful effort in the history of AHEPA as shown at the Jubilee.

Very sincerely yours,
Mr. Flanigan and his family should be very happy.

Sincerely yours,

Lyndon B. Johnson
LYNDON B. JOHNSON

Mr. John G. Flanigan,
Supreme President, Blue Order of Ahepa,
Charlotte, North Carolina

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The Toronto Supreme Convention

This year's Supreme Convention in Toronto, Canada (August 16-22) promises to be one of the most successful gatherings of American Hellenes. All Delegates and members of the Ahepa Family planning to attend, are urged to make their hotel reservations NOW, by sending in the Reservation Form appearing in this issue. Don't delay! Do it NOW!

The Cyprus Question

The tremendous interest shown at the March Washington meetings in regards to the Cyprus Question, is a proof once again of the role that the Order of Ahepa plays in all matters concerning the Hellenes in America and throughout the world. The decisions of those meetings appear in this issue, and will undoubtedly spearhead a drive of public relations and information to offset the slanted news releases reflecting a favorable Turkish viewpoint.

The Athens Convention

The returns of the questionnaire for the 1965 Athens Convention have been overwhelming. Over 1500 inquiries have been made so far, which is an indication of the great interest Hellenes throughout the country have for this great adventure of Ahepa.

A word of praise is due for this great interest shown in the project, to the man who spearheaded the drive, and whose untiring efforts on behalf of the movement, will bring glory, recognition and financial benefits to the Fraternity. Our hats off to the energetic Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Brother Socrates Sekles, who at this very moment is in Greece as Athens Convention Chairman, together with Trustee James Mazarakos, meeting with government officials, Tourist Bureau representatives and Hotel managers to formulate program plans for the 1965 meeting in Athens.

In addition to his many other duties as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Brother Sekles has shown inspirational leadership in important projects concerning Hellenism. On the question of Cyprus, the National Herald had this to say in its March 29 issue about Brother Sekles: "Prominent among the Greek-Americans active in the Cyprus question is Mr. Socrates Sekles. In his contacts with people everywhere, Mr. Sekles speaks on the subject with courage and persuasion. . . . Mr. Sekles suggested that present U.S. policy in regard to Cyprus be revised so that American Democracy won't be misconstrued as to signify tolerance of what the Turks, who were never friends of this country, are doing at the expense of the Cypriot people's rights. . . . We gladly join the others in congratulating Mr. Sekles and call on the other leaders of our great organizations asking them to follow his example."

Thus spoke one of the leading Greek-American newspapers about the dynamic Ahepan who is heading the Board of Trustees and who is helping formulate the plans of what is expected to be the largest exodus of Hellenes to Greece in 1965.

NEWS

FROM HEADQUARTERS

Bulletin Board

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS: Election of Chapter Delegates and Alternates in the months of either April, May, or June.

TORONTO SUPREME CONVENTION: Election of Chapter Delegates and Alternates in the months of April, May, or June.

PER CAPITA TAX: *Deadline* — July 1, 1964. Postmark.

REPORT OF SUPREME CONVENTION DELEGATES: Reporting Forms mailed to all Chapter Secretaries from Headquarters. Must be mailed immediately after elections. *Deadline* — July 15, 1964. Postmark.

NATIONAL ACTIVITIES HONORS AWARD: Chapters must immediately send completed forms to Headquarters and to District Lodge for national and District competition.

AHEPA MEDAL: Order the Ahepa Medal for Scholastic Excellence from Headquarters (Cost — \$3.00 each) for presentation to your local Greek school classes at May or June graduation exercises.

All AHEPA CYPRUS CAMPAIGN: Chapters requested to contribute \$100 for this important project.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Forward all Membership Applications, fees and Per Capita Tax for new members to Headquarters immediately. Judging will be based on those members initiated between the dates of January 1 through March 16, 1964, for Chapter Prizes.

TORONTO HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Use the Housing Reservation Form printed in this issue — send at once to the Toronto Housing Committee.

1965 ATHENS SUPREME CONVENTION: If you plan to attend the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention, and have not already sent in a Survey Questionnaire Form, do so at once. One is included in this issue.

CHAPTER AHEPAN OF THE YEAR: Has your Chapter made this award?

25 YEAR PINS: Have the 25 Year Pins been presented to members who earned this honor during the year?

PAST PRESIDENT PINS: Has the Chapter awarded a Chapter Past President Pin to the retiring 1963 Chapter President?

CHAPTER DUES: Members who have not paid any of their 1963 Chapter Dues have been automatically suspended. Those who still owe for the Second Half of 1963 are delinquent and will be suspended on July 1, 1964. Those who

have not paid their First Half 1964 Dues by July 1, 1964 will automatically become delinquent (lose their vote and voice in proceedings). Protect your membership and Emergency Fund benefit — pay in full through the year 1964.

EMERGENCY FUND BENEFIT: Members who HAVE NOT paid their Chapter Dues for at least the First Half of 1964 by July 1, 1964, become delinquent in their chapter and ALSO delinquent in the Emergency Fund. Should such a member die on or after July 1, 1964, without having paid his Chapter Dues prior to death, THERE WOULD BE NO BENEFIT PAYABLE. Members are allowed six months within which to pay their Chapter Dues, from the date the Chapter Dues become payable. Dues for the First Half of 1964 BECAME DUE AND PAYABLE ON January 1, 1964. If not paid on or before July 1, 1964, the member becomes delinquent and stands to lose his Emergency Fund Benefit. *Pay your Chapter Dues on time. Send in your Dues Mailing Card IMMEDIATELY* to Headquarters.

NEW MEMBERS: At the time of initiation, EVERY New Member must receive an Ahepa Lapel Pin, with the compliments of the chapter. Keep a supply on hand for future initiations — order from Headquarters. Cost is only \$3.00 per pin.

Anthony E. Papageorgiou
(1886-1964)
Ahepa Supreme Trustee

Anthony E. Papageorgiou of West Palm Beach, Fla. and Chicago, Ill., member of the Supreme Board of Trustees, died on April 15, 1964, after a prolonged illness.

The Order of Ahepa deeply mourns the loss of Brother Papageorgiou, who served the Fraternity unselfishly and devotedly for 39 years. He was known and loved by all. His presence and guidance in the life and activity of the Ahepa will be sorely missed by all members of the Ahepa Family. To Sister Julia, wife of our beloved Brother, a Past Grand Governor of the Daughters and the present District 2 Governor, the Fraternity expresses its deepest sympathy on her tragic loss.

Brademas Candidate for Re-election



Congressman John Brademas of Indiana, announced his candidacy for re-election to a fourth term as U.S. Representative from Indiana. In filing his candidacy, he said, "I am grateful to the Democrats, Republican and independent voters who granted me the privilege of serving in Congress for three consecutive

terms. I believe the experience and seniority I have gained during these six years in Congress have enabled me to be increasingly effective in representing the interests of the citizens of our district and in serving our nation as a whole.

Congressman Brademas, a member of the Order of Ahepa, has been very close to all Ahepa activities. He has, in the past, addressed several of our National Banquets and other important Ahepa functions. Last March, together with Supreme President Plumides, he was a member of the official U.S. delegation to the funeral of King Paul.

I am certain that I am expressing the feelings of all Ahepans, in wishing Brother Brademas success in the coming elections.

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EXTENSION OF REMARKS OF HON. JOHN BRADEMAs

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, April 8, 1964

Mr. BRADEMAs. Mr. Speaker, every 2 years, the Order of Ahepa, the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, the leading organization in this country of Americans of Greek descent, sponsors a banquet honoring the Congress of the United States.

This year the Ahepa banquet honoring Members of the House of Representatives and Senate of the 88th Congress was held in Washington, D.C. on March 16.

Among the speakers addressing the 16th National Ahepa Banquet were Ahepa Supreme President John G. Plumides; Mrs. Josie Chase, grand vice president, Daughters of Penelope; Pierre Calogeras, Chargés d'Affaires, Royal Embassy of Greece; His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos, Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America; Congressman John Brademas, of Indiana; Senator Kenneth Keating, of New York; and Mr. Henry R. Luce, editor and publisher of Life magazine.

Mr. Luce received on this occasion the Order of Ahepa 1964 Socratic Award for his contributions and services, through a series of articles in Life magazine, to the dissemination of Hellenic culture, and Hellenic ideals to the peoples of the world.

Mr. Speaker, under unanimous consent, I insert in the Record the addresses delivered at the 16th National Ahepa Banquet:

THE 16TH NATIONAL BANQUET OF THE ORDER OF AHEPA HONORING THE 88TH CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1964, WASHINGTON, D.C.

(By Ahepa Supreme President John G. Plumides)

We are cognizant, my good friends of the Congress, of the times and conditions that we must face as a nation; and we have full confidence, trust, and faith in your actions to safeguard this democracy for this and future generations of Americans.

This is America, and I am grateful to this, the greatest democracy, and to you, the Members of Congress, who represent our people in this hour of peril throughout the world.

REMARKS OF CONGRESSMAN JOHN BRADEMAs OF INDIANA

I spoke of change for I believe there must ultimately be some change in the London-Zurich Agreements of 1960 which are part of the Constitution of Cyprus.

We know now that much of this treaty has proved to be unworkable and indeed has helped cause some of the present conflict between Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

Just as our own U.S. Constitution recognizes the necessity for change—peaceful change—so too I believe we must recognize that change in the Constitution of Cyprus has become essential if that constitution is to be workable.

May I say in closing that no organization in American life has a greater responsibility for the maintenance of this relationship than has ours—The Order of Ahepa.

I am confident that both as Ahepans and as Americans we will meet that responsibility.

REMARKS OF HIS EMINENCE, ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS, GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

The Order of Ahepa is responding to an imperative demand of the Greek-American conscience in this country to register and record both our understanding and respect for your noble and determined efforts to establish justice, peace, and freedom throughout the world.

We, the descendants of those who instituted democracy as a way of life, and fought for the dignity of man, and his rights, and his relations with the state and the rest of the world, know full well the nature, the expensive nature, and the agony of your unacclaimed struggle for the justice, order, and well-being of your constituency and of our Nation.

PRESENTATION OF THE AHEPA SOCRATIC AWARD TO MR. HENRY R. LUCE, EDITOR IN CHIEF, LIFE AND TIME MAGAZINES

The serial accompanying the Socratic Award reads as follows:

The Order of Ahepa 1964 Socratic Award, presented to Henry R. Luce, editor in chief, Life magazine, for contributions and services

in the dissemination of Hellenic culture and Hellenic ideals to the peoples of the world through the pages of Life magazine. The series of articles entitled "The Miracle of Greece" which appeared in Life magazine in 1963, notably recounted in words and pictures the achievement of a handful of people called Greeks who aroused the human race to a new ambition and sense of purpose. The contributions of ancient Greece to all of us, to our world of today, is an achievement so great that it touches almost every phase of our lives. Hellenic culture and ideals have not only encompassed practically all facets of life in today's modern world, but brought forth one great thought, so novel and profound that a whole new age dawned in its light. As stated in "The Miracle of Greece" this great thought was that man's nature, even in its mortality, is the glory of creation and that man has a noble purpose to live at the highest possible pitch of human performance, physically, morally, and intellectually. One of the major objects and purposes of the Order of Ahepa is the dissemination of Hellenic culture and ideals through education and practice. It is with grateful appreciation, therefore, that the fraternity does herewith present to Mr. Henry R. Luce the Ahepa Socratic Award for 1964, represented by this scroll and the award itself, a bronze bust of the ancient Greek philosopher Socrates.

Done in the city of Washington, D.C., this 16th day of March 1964.

"JOHN G. PLUMIDES,
Supreme President"

REMARKS OF MRS. HENRY R. LUCE

It has been a wonderful experience for me to be here this evening, not simply because I am the very happy recipient of a great award (the Ahepa Socratic Award)—no award has ever made me happier—but simply to have this experience of being with the Greeks. There is a saying that we are all Greeks. All those who have been touched a little bit by the process of civilization are all Greeks.

I can quite simply say that I have never received any honor which has appealed as much not only to my vanity and pride, but to my heart. This series on Greece, "The Miracle of Greece," was, in fact, a work of love.



AHEPA AND THE CYPRUS QUESTION

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

The question of Cyprus and particularly as it relates to the Greek Cypriot is causing great alarm to the Order of Ahepa, its Supreme President, and its membership. There have been and there continue to be slanted news releases permeating the American nation which reflect a favorable Turkish viewpoint. I cannot understand the attitude of certain news media which seem to enjoy slanting their news releases which tend to leave a "bad taste" with some areas of the American public in its relations with the Greek-American. There have been many questions put to the Greek-Americans asking them about the Greeks on Cyprus and what they have read about them. Ahepa must now stand up and tell the world and particularly our American friends about the just cause of the Greek Cypriot. Ahepa must tell the American public the true story concerning the struggle for freedom that the Greek Cypriot is now engaged in. Cyprus is Greek! It is not Turkish and never has been. The Greeks have never been and are not now barbarians as some news media have tried to depict them as being. Greece and the Greek people have too long been a Christian nation unlike their Turkish opponent whose history is laden with barbaric episodes. Only too recently atrocities were permitted by the Turkish Government against the Greek Orthodox Patriarchate at Constantinople.

The Greek-American Community and particularly the Ahepa and its membership have long enjoyed the respect and admiration of the American Community. We must now call on these friends for their support and encouragement in this hour of need. Our influence must be brought to bear on the makers of our foreign policy so that a new approach can be had in viewing the Cyprus situation. The claim of the Greek Cypriot is righteous. He asks and he deserves self-determination. This doctrine is American. Our nation should not be a part of a policy that would deprive any nation or peoples of their right to determine for themselves by majority rule the type of future they desire. We, as Ahepans, therefore, call on our government, the world's greatest democracy, to come to the aid of a democratic people, those Greek Cypriots who are about to be deprived of Freedom.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

JOHN G. PLUMIDES

AHEPA AND CYPRUS

At the March 14-16 meetings in Washington, many hours of discussions were devoted to the Cyprus Question. The great interest of the members attending the meetings and the sincere and enlightening views expressed by the various leaders present, prompted the Supreme Lodge to take some action on the matter. It voted unanimously for an immediate campaign to inform the citizens of the world of the just cause of the predominant population of Cyprus, which is Greek.

To accomplish this purpose, an emergency appropriation of \$5,000.00 to start this campaign was voted by the Supreme Lodge, to be supplemented by another \$20,000.00 to be raised through solicitations of the Chapters.

In addition, on Monday, March 16, the Supreme President called a special meeting in Washington, to which officials of the fraternity as well as national presidents of leading Greek American organizations were invited. It was the consensus and unanimous opinion of those present at this meeting, that the Ahepa should spearhead this drive, with the help and support of the other organizations.

During the meetings a statement of Ahepa Policy in reference to Cyprus was drafted. This was later issued and dispatched to all the Chapters by the Supreme President.

Ahepa Statement of Policy on Cyprus

There has been a Turkish minority in Western Thrace since 1912. This minority has all the rights of the majority and some additional protections and privileges not accorded to the Greek majority. No programs have ever been perpetrated against this minority. No genocide has been practiced on this Turkish minority. They have, on the contrary, been accorded all the privileges and prerogatives of free citizens in a free, enlightened and civilized country governed under a democratic constitution and form of government.

There has been a Jewish minority in Greece since time immemorial. There has never been any programs or suppression against this minority. In fact, the Jewish citizens of Greece have all the rights of the majority and some additional privileges not accorded to the Greek majority.

There has been a great deal of unfair, one-sided, prejudiced and even false information disseminated by some news

media in the United States concerning Cyprus, its government and its people concerning their just aspirations.

The form of government instituted in the United States by our Founding Fathers and practiced by us since that time has been based on the ancient Greek ideal of democracy for all its citizens with due recognition for the dignity of the individual.

The United States became a free nation and a democracy by overthrowing the yoke of tyranny and oppression. Since that time the American government has steadfastly stood for freedom for all peoples and for self-determination for all nations.

The people of Cyprus are, at this time, asking for freedom and self-determination based upon and in accordance with the ideas and ideals originally set out in our Declaration of Independence and practiced by our government and the people of America, for themselves and steadfastly supported by them for all enslaved and downtrodden peoples ever since.

The right, presently claimed by some nations, to intervene in the internal affairs of Cyprus, is contrary to the ideas and ideals promulgated in our Declaration of Independence. It is contrary to the Charter of the United Nations. The right of intervention, which has been condemned by us when practiced in the Communist World, cannot be justified because it is or may be practiced by the Western Democracies. Only they are virtuous, who not only proclaim but who actually practice virtue.

The members of the Order of Ahepa believe in, subscribe to, and fully support the policy of self-determination for the people of Cyprus.

The Order of Ahepa regrets and condemns the publication in various news media of false, unfair, one-sided and prejudiced information in the United States concerning the struggle of the people of Cyprus to obtain self-determination and freedom from foreign threat and domination.

The Order of Ahepa pledges, by all legitimate means, to bring to the attention of our government and our fellow Americans, the truth concerning the struggle of the people of Cyprus to rid themselves of foreign domination, to obtain self-determination and to adopt a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected, respected and guaranteed, for too long have we, in America,

tended to cling in desperation to the short-range defenses of pacts and treaties, of military bases and security arrangements. They have been allowed to overshadow our most valuable weapons — weapons embodied in the ringing words of democracy, freedom, justice, law and self-determination for all people.

John G. Plumides
Supreme President

Ahepa National Committee on Cyprus

Supreme President Plumides announced the formation of a National Ahepa Committee on Cyprus. The main purpose of this Committee is to carry out the intensive public relations campaign to inform the general public and government officials of the true and existing conditions and events on the island of Cyprus, as well as to make recommendations for a just solution to the Cyprus Question.

The members of the national committee are:

John G. Theos, Paterson, N. J.,
Chairman
William D. Belroy, Chicago, Ill.
George E. Phillips, Buffalo, N. Y.
Louis G. Manesiotis, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Peter I. Bell, Worcester, Mass.
George C. Voumas, Washington, D.C.
Kunon A. Doukas, New York, N. Y.
Peter T. Konrides, New York, N. Y.
George N. George, Akron, Ohio.
George E. Johnson, Sacramento, Calif.
Nicholas S. Lampiris, Chicago, Ill.
Eugene T. Rossides, New York, N. Y.

The Committee is already at work on the informational campaign, as decided at the March 16 meeting. The value and impact of this campaign is strictly an element of time. All Chapters are urged to assist by mailing their \$100.00 contributions IMMEDIATELY — if we delay because of lack of funds, and financial support from our Chapters, our efforts can easily become ineffective.

For the time of your life . . .

PLAN TO ATTEND THE
TORONTO CONVENTION

Royal York Hotel

AUGUST 16 - 22, 1964



Howard Guest Henry Luce



Supreme President and Toastmaster John Plumides



Senator Keating of N.Y.



Brademas, Luce, Plumides, Sekles

OUR BIENNIAL NATIONAL BANQUET

Washington, D. C. — March 16, 1964

The enthusiasm and thunderous applause that greeted Senator Kenneth B. Keating's address to the Ahepans and their guests attending the 16th Biennial Banquet, can prove beyond any doubt the great concern and understandable interest the Cyprus question holds in the hearts of Hellenes throughout the land.

The open declaration of "majority rule and constitutional revision" in connection with the problems confronting the tiny Island of Cyprus, urged by Senator Keating and Congressman John Brademas, reached the pinnacle of emotional satisfaction for the many hundreds of Ahepans from every corner of the country, who had come to Washington to find the answers to the many questions puzzling their minds.

The audience was very well sprinkled with the country's top law makers, who were invited for the 16th time to be the guests of a grateful organization in an expression of appreciation for the many efforts exerted by them in behalf of the progress and welfare of the United States. The list of 204 members of Congress who accepted the invitation to our Banquet (largest ever), reads like "who is who" on Capitol Hill. Among them: Senators Humphrey, Jackson, Fulbright, Douglas, Hart, Boggs, Javits, Keating, Ervin, Newberger, Moss, Yarborough, Aiken, Simpson, McGee, McCloskey and Representatives Pepper, Brademas, Ellsworth, Watts, Donohue, Moss, McFall, Burton, Bates, Taft, Ayres, Johnson, Giamo, Thompson, Joelson, McCloskey and many more.

After the Invocation by Archbishop Iakovos, Chairman John J. Charuhas presented Supreme President Plumides, who, acting as toastmaster for the evening, introduced the speakers: Mrs. Josie Chase, Grand Vice-President of the Daughters, filling in for the bereaved Grand Presi-

dent Mary Kapsos, His Excellency Pierre Kalogeras of the Greek Embassy; His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos; the Hon. Sam Ervin, Jr., Senator from North Carolina, the Hon. John Brademas, Representative from Indiana, and the Hon. Kenneth B. Keating, Senator from New York.

Other distinguished guests at the head table, introduced by President Plumides were: Mrs. Pierre Kalogeras, Mrs. Sam Ervin, Jr., Mr. Mike Manatos, Administrative Assistant to the President; Mrs. Mike Manatos, Mrs. John Plumides, Mr. Socrates V. Sekles, Chairman Supreme Board of Trustees; Mrs. Socrates V. Sekles, Mr. Thomas P. Chase, Mr. Emanuel Gratsias, Supreme President of Sons of Pericles; Miss Faith Prassas, Grand President of Maids of Athena; Mr. John J. Charuhas, Chairman of the Banquet, and Mrs. John J. Charuhas.

Congressman John Brademas, a member of the Order of Ahepa, in his remarks to the assembly dealt directly with the Cyprus question. He said that "just as the United States made a commitment to the support of freedom against Communist challenge, so we must reiterate that commitment today in the crisis over Cyprus."

"In a democracy, the majority, again respecting the situation of the minority, must ultimately be able to work its will, or democracy will become meaningless. Just as our own United States Constitution recognizes the necessity for change — peaceful change — so too I believe we must recognize that change in the Constitution of Cyprus has become essential if that Constitution is to be workable. As a member of Congress and as an American of Greek origin, I am deeply gratified to see Greece develop as a modern, democratic nation fully capable of handling its own affairs. It is in



Sen. Keating congratulated by Plumides on his remarks on Cyprus.



Plumides, Luce, Sekles. Back row: Mazarakos, Clivekos, Athas.



Archbishop Iakovos with Presidents of Sons of Pericles Emmanuel Gratsias and Maids of Athens Faith Prassas.



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Archbishop Iakovos



Congressman Brademas



Senator Ervin of N.C.



Grand Vice President Josie Chase



Charge D'Affaires Kalogeris

the interest of both the United States and of Greece that we maintain a constant vigilance over this special relationship within the Alliance. No organization in American life has a greater responsibility for the maintenance of this relationship than has ours — the Order of Ahepa. I am confident that both as Ahepans and as Americans we will meet the responsibility." Congressman Brademas concluded.

In his remarks, Senator Keating briefly recounted the support that the Greeks had given the Free World during World War II, and further stated: *"I do question the right of any minority (in Cyprus) to prevent the majority from taking action, to block the majority from policy decisions that are necessary for the progress of the nation. With a minority veto, effective government is impossible."*

His eminence, Archbishop Iakovos addressing the many congressmen seated among their friends from their native states, had this to say, "The Order of Ahepa is responding to an imperative demand of the Greek American conscience in this country to register and record both our understanding and respect for your noble and determined efforts to establish justice, peace and freedom throughout the world." He then went on, "Democracy will be the future form of Government for all the people if we succeed in maintaining it unaltered, true and genuine, as it was given to us."

Highlight of the evening was the presentation by President Plumides of the Ahepa Socratic Award to Mr. Luce, Editorial Chairman of Life and Time Magazines. In accepting the Socratic Award, Mr. Luce said that he felt deeply honored in being selected as the recipient of the Award, and that he valued it above all other honors given to him in the past. The Award was presented to him in appreciation of the series of articles published in LIFE Magazine in 1963 entitled "The Miracle of Greece" which depicted the many contributions of ancient Greece to modern civilization and the Western World.

In making the presentation of the Socratic Award to Mr. Luce, Plumides acknowledged the appreciation of Hellenes everywhere "for his contributions and services in the dissemination of Hellenic culture and Hellenic ideals to the peoples of the world through the pages of Life Magazine. The series of articles entitled "the Miracle of Greece" notably recounted in words and pictures the achievement of a handful of people called Greeks, who aroused the human race to a new ambition and sense of purpose."

Mr. Luce, in accepting the award, thanked Plumides "for the great privilege of this personal experience" expressing that "The greatest thrill for an editor is to be seized with a great and noble theme, and to be able to develop this theme in such a manner that millions of people will be able to enjoy it and learn from it." He then went on to say "Pursue excellence rather than mediocrity — that is what the Greek community is saying to us today. We are all Greeks, because we are all touched with civilization. Let us all, as Americans in this 20th century, emulate the Greeks and build the first modern, technological, prosperous, humane and reverent civilization."

The Ahepa Socratic Award is a bust of the ancient Greek philosopher Socrates, done in bronze by Felix W. de Weldon, a well-known sculptor among whose works are: the Marine Corps Two Jima Memorial and the Ahepa Truman Statue in Athens.

The Committee in charge of the Banquet was: John J. Charuhas, Chairman; Tom Heos, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Nitsa Politis, Vice Chairman; George J. Leber, Executive Secretary; Peter C. Charuhas, Peter N. Chumbris, Alexander Dematatis, J. William Holmes, Anthony E. Manuel, Dean Mantzuraris, John Nevros, Sam G. Orfanos, John T. Pappas, Dr. Chris Photakis, John A. Vlachos and Gus C. Wallace.



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Keating Urges Majority Rule Guarantees in Cyprus

Excerpts from the remarks of Senator Kenneth B. Keating's address to the 16th Biennial Banquet.

"Today, the world is witnessing on the Island of Cyprus a needless tragedy. Two staunch American allies — Greece and Turkey — are drifting toward war on the Island of Cyprus. Greek and Turkish communities are at one another's throats in what could become a bitter, bloody civil war. This communal strife does not help the Cypriots. It does not help Greece. It does not help Turkey. And it does not help the Free World. Only the Communists can gain through the tragic breakdown of communications, not only between the Greeks and Turks, but also between the government of the United States and those most intimately involved in the conflict.

"Indeed, Khrushchev has moved to exploit the situation in the Security Council of the United Nations and in letters to the various governments involved including our own government.

"Why is our government so reluctant to give open support to the principle which it endorses everywhere else in the world — the principle of majority rule? I will yield to no one in my support and defense for the basic individual and civil rights of a minority.

"But at the same time, I cannot recognize, and I believe the government of the United States must not recognize that a permanent solution to any vital political problem can be found by giving a minority of 17% a final veto over critical government activities including taxes, foreign affairs, defense and security. One did not have to be a prophet or a soothsayer to predict that a government so constituted could not survive the give and take of political life.

"The Senate of the United States is today engaged in a conscientious effort to prove that in the United States a minority of 18% or so of the Senate cannot exercise a negative veto by filibuster over the pressing issue of human rights.

I do not protest the right of individual Senators to express themselves and make their views known, but I do question the right of any minority to prevent the majority from taking action, to block the majority from policy decisions that are necessary for the progress of the nation.

"So I can understand very well what the issues are in Cyprus. It is not a question of Turkish minority rights which are and must be fully protected under the Constitution. The issue is the extraordinary veto rights of a 17% minority over critical areas of national policy. The people of Cyprus deserve an effective government. And with a minority veto, effective government is impossible, whether it be in the Senate of the United States or on the Island of Cyprus.

That the government of the United States has so far hesitated to take a stand on this point, that the government of the United States has refused to support the basic issue of majority rule, that the United States has failed even to suggest a final solution on the merits for Cyprus, has unfortunately, in my judgment, contributed to the present crisis. Over the months our government's offer to send troops or to pay for other nation's troops, has left the heart of the problem untouched, and the core of discontent unremoved. The events of these months, and particularly last week, demonstrate that we must act on long-term solutions now to prevent a civil war on Cyprus and war between Greece and Turkey.

"On Monday, March 9, and Thursday, March 12, 1964, I spoke on the Senate floor regarding an admittedly drastic solution to Cyprus — the transfer with identification and international assistance of the Turks currently living on Cyprus to the mainland of Turkey. In my judgment, this proposal can no longer be postponed as a long-term possibility, but must be considered and evaluated now. It may be the best answer in the short run as well as in the long run. I was interested to learn that last week the noted columnist Walter Lippman endorsed this proposal.

"Whatever the solution — if we are to help the people of Cyprus move toward freedom and peace, if we are to free them from the eroding influence of Communist subversion, we must not sacrifice principle to expediency. We must act now, and we must accept our duty as the leader of the Free World to support the legitimate rights of the majority for effective government.

"It is not too late for our government to recall that for the Greek people, as their history demonstrates, freedom is not negotiable."



The Supreme Lodge with Mr. Luce.



Chirekas with Sen. Simpson of Wyoming and Cong. McCloskey and McClary of Illinois.



Manto, Doukas, Strike, the Leber Family, Athas with Cong. Ellsworth of Kansas and Burton of Utah.



Cardiges, Mannivats, Manto with Cong. Saylor and Pennsylvania delegation.



Vournas and Johnson with Sen. Jackson of Washington and Cong. McFall and Moss of California.



Marios, Gatsos, George Plumides with Cong. Ayres and Taft of Ohio.



Bell, Chronis, Litsas with Cong. Bates and Donohue of Massachusetts



Microutsicos, Grammas and New Jersey delegation

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

On the occasion of the Sixteenth Ahepa National Banquet, honoring the 88th Congress of the United States, I am pleased to extend greetings to all members of this fine American organization.

In its national and international endeavors, your association of American citizens of Hellenic descent has constantly propounded and followed the ideals and principles of our American heritage.

The Order of Ahepa blends the cultural heritage of both America and Greece, which has served to help maintain the close bonds between these two countries.

Sincerely,
Lyndon B. Johnson



Congressmen Moss and Johnson with G. E. Johnson



Congressmen Taft and Ayres with Herovuis and Manta



Loucas with Congressman Taft



Therrell with Cong. Johnson and New Jersey delegation



Geiger with Cong. Wadsworth and Ryan of Michigan



Loren, Rowland, Col. Davis, Sam Noyes with Cong. Huddleston of Alabama



Kaplan with Cong. Johnson, Tolson, Rogers and Hoover of California



Mr. and Mrs. Sekles with Lutz, Sen. Horn and Plumides



Drozda, Chonukis, Prosser, Plumides, Chase with Lutz



Don Bullen, Rolfs with Cong. Addabbo and Becker of New York



Julija Moris and Ohio delegation

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EDITORS' NOTE

The Thrill of Being
'Seized with Themes'

"The general thrill for an entire world with a great theme" speaking in Washington last week to a gathering of a thousand Americans of Greek descent. Edward Earl Morse, U.S. Senator from Vermont in 1963, was the speaker. The theme of the evening, "The Thrill of Being Seized with Themes" was presented by the first speaker, Edward Earl Morse, U.S. Senator from Vermont in 1963, who was the first to address the English language and the American way of life. The thousands of Greeks who accompanied to the U.S. after World War I and the Greek invasion of 1922, became president of the committee. Like G. Petherides, made the presentation for a standing ovation. Of the most of those and members of the committee, the Department of Psychology, the State of Florida and the State of Arizona.

"In the 20th Century," I have noted his "speech" speech. "We have a 20th century of the thrill of what it must have been like in the time of Pericles. The challenge is to create an American civilization based on the idea of Greece—the expression of knowledge, music, culture, education. For 200 years the American people have been striving for the ultimate purpose, namely, in the establishment of a form of government. That purpose has not been fulfilled, and we are at present faced by a broader challenge, namely, the shaping of a modern society. We will meet this challenge, which brings us to the world, technological progress, human and scientific achievement—3,500 years after Pericles. Please evaluate rather than speculate, and let what the Greek community spring to us today."



GEORGE P. HUNT

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Managing Editor



Mazarakos, Tsaffaras with Cong. Ullman of Oregon, Cong. Morse and Massachusetts delegation.



Margolis, Verinis, Zannetos with Cong. Giama and Connecticut delegation.

Kondes and Bardy with
New York Delegation.Cleo Kathas, Pete Stathis with Sen. Miller, Cong. Schwengel and Gross of Iowa
and Cong. Flood of Pennsylvania.

Petherides with Sen. Yarbrough and Cong. Thompson of Texas.

It's
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think...



The rumors you've heard are correct; the Toronto Convention will be the biggest, the best, the finest and the most enjoyable ever presented!

At the Royal York Hotel, convention delegates and visitors have some of the finest accommodations ever made available to an Ahepa Supreme Convention. The Royal York offers 1600 sleeping rooms, and its convention facilities for business sessions and social functions are ideally suited for an Ahepa convention.

At least 2,500 rooms are set aside for our convention, at the major Toronto hotels, HOWEVER these are being held on the basis of a JULY 15, 1964 DEADLINE for hotel reservations. All Delegates will be given preferential housing at the Royal York Hotel, provided that they make their reservations by the deadline date of July 15th. Please forward your request for housing without delay — use the Housing Reservation Form accompanying this article. MAIL AT ONCE!

Our Ahepa Supreme Conventions are an annual 'meeting-ground' where Ahepans and their families from the United States and Canada spend a full week in an enjoyable Hellenic atmosphere which combines fraternal business and social functions. In August of this year, we again return to Canada, to enjoy the same hospitality and welcome accorded us at Montreal in 1960.

The Toronto Chapters of the Ahepa, Daughters, Sons and Maids are organized into a compact working unit, and are working in close cooperation with the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees to assure the fraternity an outstanding convention.

On these pages we have included Reply Forms, to assist the Toronto Com-

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mittee in making preparations for special events. Kindly bring these to the attention of your sons and daughters, since we are sure they will be interested. We refer to the DEBUTANTES GRAND BALL and the AHEPA OLYMPIAD. The GOLF TOURNAMENT is another event in which you, yourself, will have an interest.

The Week's Program

The social and entertainment functions for the week include: (Business Sessions will be held daily)

SUNDAY: Services at the Greek Orthodox Church, followed by a luncheon at the Church Hall; Official Opening of the convention at the Royal York Hotel at 4:00 p.m.; Special Initiations at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday night Welcome and Get-Acquainted Party in the evening at the hotel.

MONDAY: Elections of Convention Officers during the day; a fun-filled Greek Night in the evening, featuring top Hellenic stars from the entertainment world.

TUESDAY: Lawyers Luncheon, Golf Tournament, Debutantes Grand Ball in the evening — a new feature where unmarried girls of 16 to 21 years in age will be presented to the Ahepa Family; Visit Athenian Gallery.

WEDNESDAY: Ahepa Olympiad; Daughters Fashion Show and Luncheon; Business and Professional Men's Luncheon; The Grand Banquet and Dance; The Teen-Age Dance.

THURSDAY: The District Governors Luncheon (for all District Lodge Officers of the Ahepa Family); Special Trip to Niagara Falls; The Grand Ball.

FRIDAY: Sons of Pericles Luncheon (for Sons and former Sons); Sons and Maids Grand Ball.

SATURDAY: Farewell Dance in the evening; Planned sightseeing during the day.

Teen-Age Events

During the convention week, a special Teen-Age Room has been set aside for daily use of all teen-agers, where young people can meet, dance, have refreshments, and get acquainted.

Also, as a part of the convention program, two special social functions have been scheduled. These are the Teen-Age Dance on Wednesday evening, and the Sons and Maids Grand Ball on Friday evening.

Other special activities for teen-agers will be announced at a later date.

DEBUTANTES GRAND BALL PRESENTATION

Please forward necessary information on this event. I am _____ years of age, unmarried, a member of the Maids of Athens OR my father, mother is a member of the Ahepa, Daughters.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____

MAIL TO:

Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005

AHEPA OLYMPIAD

Please forward necessary information on this event.
I am years of age, an amateur in athletic status,
and of Hellenic descent (from either parent)

Name:
Address:
City, State:

MAIL TO: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N. W.,
Washington, D.C. 20005

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Please forward necessary information on this event.

Name:
Address:
City, State:

MAIL TO: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N. W.,
Washington, D.C. 20005

42nd Supreme Convention Hotel Reservation Request

ORDER OF AHEPA — DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE
SONS OF PERICLES — MAIDS OF ATHENA

MAIL TO: Mr. George Corolis, Chairman
Ahepa Supreme Convention Housing Committee
The Royal York Hotel
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

MAIL TODAY

..... (Name) (Address) (City, State)

Delegate Alternate Member Chapter No. at
of AHEPA DAUGHTERS SONS MAIDS

Please reserve: Single; Double; Twin; Studio; Suite, for per-
son(s) at the rate of \$..... per day.

Room(s) will be occupied by: (give full names)

HOTEL CHOICE: 1st Choice 2nd Choice

3rd Choice If motel preferred, check here

Arrival date: Time Departure date Time

I will travel by: Plane Train Auto Bus

Specify if Air-Conditioned Room desired: Yes No

(NOTE: Reservations deadline is July 15, 1964)

IMPORTANT: Convention DELEGATES will be given preference for Housing at the Royal York Hotel.

HOTELS AND HOTEL ROOM RATES

	Singles	Doubles	Twins	Parlour Bedrooms	Studio Suites	Suites
Royal York Hotel						
Headquarters Hotel	\$9.00 - \$12.50	\$12.50 - \$16.50	\$13.50 - \$16.50	\$13.00 - \$15.50 (1) 17.00 - 20.50 (2)	\$25 - \$30	\$30 - \$95
Lord Simcoe Hotel	\$10.50	\$14.50	\$14.50		\$15 - \$19	\$22.50 - \$45
King Edward Sheraton	8.50	12.50	14.50		\$20	\$25 and \$40
Westbury Hotel	\$10.50 - 13.50		\$14.50 - 17.50		\$17.50 (1) 21.50 (2)	\$25 - \$60

NOTE: The Lord Simcoe Hotel is two blocks north of the Royal York Hotel, and the King Edward Sheraton is four blocks northeast of the Royal York Hotel.

In making hotel reservations, please indicate if air-conditioned rooms are requested.

ATHENS CONVENTION

University Travel Company, Cambridge, Mass., Appointed Official Ahepa Travel Agent for 1965 Athens Supreme Convention



Following some 16 months of close investigation, conferences and discussions, your Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees have unanimously voted to appoint the University Travel Company of Cambridge, Mass., as the sole and official agent to represent the Ahepa Family in all travel and hotel arrangements for our 1965 Athens Supreme Convention.

Preliminary discussions on the selection of an official Ahepa travel agency for our Athens Convention began some eight months prior to the San Diego Convention, and invitations were extended to all known reputable firms to appear at our September, 1963 meeting of the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees. About 25 travel agencies responded, and appeared before our joint meeting, or submitted written proposals. The proposals were in com-

plete form outlining the experience of the respective firms, their staff personnel, and their recommendations for handling the travel and housing aspects of our 1965 convention.

For the next six months following our September, 1963 meeting, we continued conferences and discussions with the various agencies. In December, 1963, the special Committee appointed to study the proposals called 7 of the original 25 agencies to a meeting in New York, after having rejected the other proposals. At this New York meeting, each of the 7 final agencies was given full opportunity to present their proposal, and to reply to questions put forth by the Ahepa Committee.

A full report was finally presented to the Ahepa Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees at the Washington, D.C., March, 1964 combined meeting of these two bodies, and it was the unanimous decision of these 26 Ahepa national officers that the University Travel Company of Cambridge, Mass., be named as the sole and official agent for the 1965 Ahepa Supreme Convention in Athens.

Besides the necessary trips to Washington, D.C., and other cities, the work involved in investigating these various proposals and meeting with these firms at their offices required 14 separate trips to New York City alone, for myself and the other committee members. Your Committee had a strenuous task to complete over this past 16 months, and we feel well-rewarded for our efforts due to the fact that your Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees reached

a unanimous decision after studying our reports of the proposals offered to the Order of Ahepa by the various travel agencies.

I would also like to point out that this Committee consulted with many outstanding Ahepas throughout the country during our research and investigations during these many months, and their opinions were seriously considered by the Committee, the Supreme Lodge and the Trustees.

We have every confidence in the experience, ability and performance of the University Travel Company who, as the Ahepa's official travel agency for our convention, will work closely with the Supreme Lodge and Trustees to insure the fraternity a most successful meeting in Athens in August, 1965.

Trustee James Mazarakos and I made plans to depart for Athens on May 4 for an 18-day stay in Athens, to continue work on the program and plans for our convention.

We hope that the June-July issue of The Ahepan will carry additional information on the various 1965 Charter Flights to Athens that will be offered to our members planning to attend the Athens Convention. Meanwhile, please mail in the Survey Questionnaire Form which is printed in this issue, and which has been carried in the past four issues of the magazine.

SOCRATES V. SEKLES
General Chairman
1965 Athens Supreme
Convention and
Chairman, Supreme Board
of Trustees

Athens Convention Chairman Sekles Departs for Greece to Plan Convention Program

Socrates V. Sekles, General Chairman of the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention, departed from New York on Monday, May 4, for Greece. He was accompanied by Ahepa Trustee James Mazarakos, a member of the Athens Convention Committee.

During their three-week stay in Athens, they will meet with Greek government

officials, the National Tourist Bureau, and with American Embassy officials to formulate program plans for the Ahepa's 1965 meeting in Athens. Meetings are also scheduled with the officials of the leading hotels in Athens.

Charter Flight Regulations

(1) Only good standing members of the Ahepa Family (Ahepa, Daughters, Sons and Maids) and their immediate family residing in the same household are eligible for such Charter Flights.

(2) Such members *must* have been members AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to the departure of the Charter Flights. For example — on a Charter Flight that departs for Greece on July 1, 1965, only those who were members on January 1, 1965, could participate. Also, prior to departure the full 1965 Chapter Dues must have been paid to the Chapter, and ALSO the full 1965 Per Capita Tax must have been paid by the Chapter to the Headquarters. No exceptions whatsoever are allowed.

**DO
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DON'T BE LEFT OUT!

- *Be a good standing member of the Ahepa family*
- *Make plans to take the family along*
- *Pay your dues regularly, so you can qualify*
- *Fill in and return the questionnaire below immediately*



SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE FOR 1965 ATHENS SUPREME CONVENTION

The Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees are preparing plans for the 43rd Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa and its Auxiliaries which will be held in Athens, Greece, in August, 1965.

AHEPA CHARTER FLIGHTS from several points throughout the United States and Canada to Athens, Greece, will be scheduled as soon as possible. CHARTER FLIGHT prices (round trip) will be about ONE-HALF of the regular Economy Round Trip Air Passage to Athens. The exact CHARTER FLIGHT prices will be published just as soon as definite Points of Departure are decided, and as soon as the results of this survey are completed.

To enable us to decide just where these origination points for such flights should be allocated, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING and mail immediately to our Supreme Lodge Headquarters:

MAIL TO: Order of Ahepa, Supreme Lodge Headquarters
1422 K Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

(Please answer ALL questions or blanks) — (Please Print or Typewrite)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE: _____

MEMBER OF CHAPTER NO. _____, Order of Ahepa , Daughters of Penelope , Sons of Pericles , Maids of Athens , located at _____

I am interested in attending the Athens Supreme Convention in August, 1965, and going by Ahepa Convention AIR Charter Flight: YES NO

I am interested in attending the Athens Supreme Convention in August, 1965, and going by steamship: YES NO

I can only remain in Greece (or Greece and Europe) for a period of: 2 Weeks: ; Three Weeks: ; Four Weeks: ; Six Weeks: ; Eight Weeks: ; Three months: ; Longer (Specify length of stay) _____

(Please answer only ONE of these questions)

4. Including myself, there will be _____ members of my family going.

5. I, (We) want to leave for Athens on _____, 1965 from _____ (city) _____ (month) _____ (day)

6. I, (We) must return to our home no later than _____, 1965 _____ (month) _____ (day)

7. Remarks: _____

PLEASE MAIL TODAY — DO NOT DELAY

BOOK REVIEW

THE GREEKS IN THE UNITED STATES:

By Theodore Saloutos, Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Mass., \$9.95, Publication date April 24, 1964.

Professor and Chairman of the Department of History at the University of California at Los Angeles, Dr. Theodore Saloutos has written a book that presents the history of the Americans of Hellenic descent from 1906 to the present day. As indicated by the publishers, Harvard University Press, it is the "most comprehensive account of the Greeks in America ever written."

As an historian, the author probed into the intimate life of the American of Hellenic descent from the time of the first great migration from Greece which began in earnest during the decade of 1901 to 1910, when 167,519 entered the United States. Approximately 500,000 had reached this country prior to the Second World War, according to Dr. Saloutos.

Both of the author's parents emigrated to the United States from Peloponnesian villages, and settled in Milwaukee, where the author was born and raised within the Greek community. He was a Fulbright scholar in Greece during 1952-53, and has been teaching at UCLA since 1945, where he is now Professor and Chairman of the Department of History. The result of his studies in Greece in 1952-53 was his book "They Remember America" which portrayed the status of former immigrants to the United States, who had returned to Greece to live prior to World War II.

"The Greeks in the United States" covers practically all aspects of the daily life of the Greek immigrant, from his early arrival to the present. Chapters are devoted to: Early Years — Social and Community Life — The Greek Orthodox Church — Old-World Politics in the New: Venizelists versus Royalists — The First World War — The Erosion of Hellenic Sentiment — Greeks in Business — The Civil War Within the Greek Church — The Second Generation — The Second World War — The Era of Respectability.

Dr. Saloutos describes the early problems that faced the Greek immigrant, and his final adaptation to American life. The book is heavily documented with source material, and represents months and years of research and personal interviews on the part of the author.

Of great interest to members of the fraternity are the later chapters which

devote a great deal of space to the Order of Ahepa.

Some of the author's comments on the Ahepa including the following:

"Perhaps no agencies better represented the conflicting views on Americanization during the greater part of the 1920's than the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA) founded in 1922, and the Greek American Progressive Association (GAPA) founded in 1923. The due to the orientation of each organization is found in the first word of its official name. The first (AHEPA) came into existence as a reaction to the anti-foreign outbursts of the postwar era, and it espoused a doctrine of Americanization, assimilation and adaptation."

"In part AHEPA responded to a need that could no longer be ignored. Many Greek-Americans, who once believed that the war and its hardships would erase prejudices toward people of different races, religions, and national backgrounds, discovered that they were mistaken."

The book describes the various types of opposition that arose against the fraternity, when misguided opponents hurled false charges that the Ahepa was "anti-Church" and "anti-Greek." The storm of abuse gradually died away, as the Ahepa continued to prosper and progress, while its opponents and detractors found themselves fighting a losing and senseless battle.

Again, in speaking of the AHEPA, this statement is found in the book: "AHEPA remained the most influential of the lay organizations. . . . More than anything else, through the years it accomplished more in identifying Greek-Americans with the greater American community, than did all the other organizations combined."

In pointing out the strong points and weaknesses of the various Greek-American lay organizations (which include the AHEPA), Dr. Saloutos observes that "Their survival, however, was contingent upon promoting worthwhile social and educational programs that would merit support."

The closing paragraph of this well-documented and excellent history of the Greek-Americans states: "This study of the Greek people in the United States suggests some striking parallels between their problems of adjustment and those of the older and even pioneer groups — they never lost interest in the country they left behind, any more than did the English, the French or the Germans. They became embroiled in the political and religious upheavals of the mother

country and on various occasions fought them out with a passion that equaled and even exceeded that of their compatriots abroad. They also brought with them the institutions they had known at home. The main difference is that the problems of the Greeks were compounded by the fact that they came to America later, spoke a strikingly different language, and worshipped in a church oriented toward the East. If the Greeks seemed less adaptable, it was because too much was expected of them. Their detractors never realized that these same criticisms had been hurled at earlier immigrants who were now accepted as respectable members of American society. The Greeks' late immigration was a temporary handicap, but it was no deterrent to a people who took pride in their individualism and national background. They overcame the initial obstacles, put down firm economic roots, and became a well-integrated part of the American community."

The reading of this 386-page history will be novel and interesting for the third generation Greek-American — a profound and illuminating experience for the second generation Greek-American — and for the first generation Greek-American who selected America as his new home, a vivid recollection of events and history that were all personal experiences.

The book is objectively written, from a scholarly and historical viewpoint. All material is documented. There is a wealth of references for any student of history who may wish to go to the original sources for his own personal study, or for research. The reviewer personally recommends "The Greeks in the United States" for every home library. Theodore Saloutos has filled a great need with his book by documenting into one volume the history of a people who are an integral part of America today. And it will be of especial interest to members of the Ahepa Family.

NOTICE About Material Sent to the AHEPAN

In order to facilitate the Editorial Staff, and thus enable us to publish as much news as possible, in submitting material you are requested to follow these rules:

- All material MUST be typewritten.
- All photos submitted MUST be glossy photos of at least 5 x 7" dimensions.
- All material MUST be submitted by the 15th of the month prior to publication.
- NO material or Photos are returnable.

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CHAPTER NEWS



BABYLON CHAPTER INSTALLATION—The Chapter No. 416 officers with the installing officers are: Seated, left to right, Sam Foundas, Secretary, Lt. Gov. Angelo Petromalis, Thomas Anastasiou, President, P.S.G. Gus Cherevas, James Christ, Treasurer. Standing, left to right: James Spathas, Governor, John Kouvisis, Vice-President, James Kanavos, Warden; Gus Corbett, Governor; John Triculis and Mike Sigouras, Governors.



ST. PETERSBURG, FLA—Citrus District Lodge Officers and newly installed officers of Sunshine Chapter, No. 15, of Ahepa, St. Petersburg, Fla., are: Seated, left to right, Peter Samaras, Governor; Nick Demas, Treasurer; Thomas Kalos, Vice-President; Michael Ross, President; James Garfield, Diamond Constant, Governors. Standing, Roger Pappas, Governor; James S. Scalfid, District Lt. Governor; Harry G. Carratt, District Governor; Emanuel Sferios, Captain of the Guard; Mike Costas, Past Supreme Governor.

JERSEY CITY, N. J.—The Installation of the Officers of Hudson Chapter of Jersey City were held at the Colony Room. Present at the Installation were: District Governor Frank Grammas, Lt. Governor Dean Papanou, District Secretary Dino Callas, District Treasurer Mike Melissas, District Marshal Charles Dekis, District Advisor Tom Taros, District Athletic Director Lee Millas, P.S.G. Peter Caravoulas and George Stathakis.

The installed officers were: Steven Karas, President; Mike Vassilakis, Vice-President; Anthony Coutros, Secretary; Solon Vardakis, Treasurer, and George Poulos, Corresponding Secretary.

TOLEDO, OHIO—The Ypsilanti Chapter held an Initiation Ceremony on Jan. 12 for the initiation of Dr. Stergios Petas, Gus Petros, Kosta S. Pappas, Achilles Makras, Vasiliou Kaskaras and Sophocles Diacou. The Degree Team consisting of Gus County, Jr., President; Mitcho Pappas, Vice-President; Yakumithis, Chaplain and Biernacki, Warden did a magnificent job giving all the charges by memory. Alex Tokles was Captain of Guards, assisted by Tom Karvouris, P. Mihis, G. Spanos, C. Karoulis, Bill Koulouris and John Voudouris.

Later on in the evening, a public installation of Officers was held, with Gus County, Jr. acting as Installing Officer, replacing P.S.P. Leo Lamberson who was prevented from attending because of the snow storm. The same team that conducted the initiation assisted in the installation also. The new officers are: Emm. Yakumithis, President; Peter Skoulis, Vice-President; T. N. Fisher, Secretary; Steve Brass, Treasurer; M. Pappas, Chairman Governors; Gus County, Jr., A. Tokles, Geo. Paps and P. Nicholas, Governors; Pete Bekos, Captain of Guards; J. Paterakis, Warden; L. Panousis, Chaplain; Strathopoulos, Sentinel; G. Spanos, Athletic Director.

Guest speaker was Haralambos Tokalides, ex-congressman from Greece. Chairman T. N. Fisher presented plaques to G. Maludy, Nick Graham, Steve Frank and George Manton. The Award as Ahepan of the Year for the Chapter was received by A. Tokles.

DUBUQUE, IOWA—Key City Chapter, No. 261, of Dubuque, Iowa held an open installation of its officers on Jan. 26, 1964. Brother Pete Slikas, the new President, was installed by District Governor Frank Karigan of the 14th District.

"The Ahepan of the Year" Chapter Award was presented to Brother Spiro Bogas. The open installation ceremonies were attended by over 150 people, among them many community and civic leaders.

Prior to the ceremonies, the members of the Chapter attended the morning Church services as a group.

From left to right: Frank Karigan, District 14 Governor; Spiro Bogas, Chapter Ahepan of the Year; Pete Slikas, President Key Chapter, No. 261.

CHESTER, PA—Chester Chapter, No. 79, Order of Ahepa and Laodice Chapter, No. 246, Daughters of Penelope held a combined open installation. The installing officers for the Order of Ahepa were: George Gialas, of Philadelphia, District Governor and Mike Pelekanos, of Allentown, Lieutenant Governor.

Installed were: President, George Mallas; Vice-President, Charles Adams; Treasurer, Edward Crusade; Secretary, Frank Beldecos; Ass't Secretary, Peter Eleutheriou; Chaplain, John Dottis; Warden, Gus Skidas; Inside Sentinel, Steve Pahides; Captain of the Guards, James Baziotis; Athletic Director, John Maneos.



First Row, left to right — Charles Adams, Vice President; George Mallas, President; Frank Beldecos, Secretary. Back Row, left to right — George Gialas, District 4, Governor; Edward Crusade, Treasurer; Peter Eleutheriou, Ass't Secretary; Mike Pelekanos, Lieut. Governor District 4.

Installing officer for the Daughters of Penelope was Mrs. Charles Adams, of Holmes, District Marshal.

Installed were: President, Mrs. John Kefalas; Vice-President, Mrs. John Beldecos; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Angelo Contoris; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jerry Sitaras; Treasurer, Mrs. James Veras.

Also attending were officers of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Order of Ahepa.



SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Brother Gus Lekas was honored by Golden Gate Chapter recently, by being elected as Golden Gate Chapter's Ahepa Man of the Year for 1965. Currently he is serving as the president of the chapter, but received the award for the outstanding work he performed for the chapter during his term as vice-president last year.



SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—Peter Papageorge (left), 1962 Ahepa Man of the Year for Golden Gate Chapter, is shown presenting the 1965 award to Brother Gus Lekas (r.).

Brother Lekas was chairman of the Second Annual Sports Testimonial Dinner-Dance held at the Village last November, which was so successful in honoring the Bay Area High School Athletes of Greek descent, who had achieved excellence in their chosen sport and for their scholastic ability. He had served as co-chairman of the First Annual Sports Testimonial Dinner.

Brother Lekas has been a member of Golden Gate Chapter for over twelve years, has also served on the Board of Governors, and has attended many of the District Conventions as a delegate. Recently he was chairman and toastmaster of the Bay Area banquet held for Supreme President John Plumides, when he visited the West Coast.

But Brother Lekas comes from a family of Ahepans. His father, Brother Michael Lekas, has been a member of Golden Gate Chapter for over twenty-eight years.

The award was presented at the recent joint Golden Gate and Pacific Chapters Past Presidents Dinner.

75th DIVISION VETERANS ASSOCIATION
1125 South 47th Terrace, Kansas City, Kansas 66106

Dues for \$4.00

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N.E., Washington, D.C. 20017
for convention information

75th DIVISION ANNUAL REUNION
July 16-19, 1964
Hotel Shoreham, Washington, D.C.

Birmingham Chapter Initiates Gov. Wallace



Governor George C. Wallace of Alabama is shown in his office surrounded by Ahepans, following his Initiation in the Birmingham Chapter. Pictured with the Governor are, from left to right: Pete Grammas, Gus Constantine, Gregory

Despinakis, the Governor, Supreme Athletic Director Pete Pasvantis, James O. Busby, Supreme Trustee Sam Nakos, Mike Miaoulis, Chris Mitchell, Sergei Kampakis and Edward Xides.



Pictured above is the Altar as prepared for memorial services of Polikos Aster, Chapter, No. 8 C.L. of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

GREENVILLE, S.C.—Textile City Chapter, No. 242, of Greenville, S.C., has been constantly progressive since its re-activation in 1960. Under the leadership of Bros. Cheros, James Drakos and the present President Gus S. Phillis, the chapter is diligently pursuing its programs. In 1960 the chapter hosted the District Basketball Tournament, in 1962 the District Mid-Winter Conference, in 1965 the District Convention.



On Dec. 15, 1963 the Chapter gave a Testimonial in honor of Brother Nick Theodore, a member of the State House of Representatives, the proceeds of which were turned over to Mr. Charles Aiken, Founder of the Greenville Boys Home of America.

Our present President, Bro. Gus S. Phillis, was awarded third place in the National Membership Drive in 1962 and first place in the District Membership Drive the same year.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Plumides Visits Jamaica Chapter

Supreme President Plumides addressed the officers and delegations from 18 Chapters from New York and surrounding area, on April 17 at a special session of the Long Island Chapter, No. 86.

The event was held in the Masonic Temple, and was presided by Chapter President Nicholas P. Levendis. During the evening, the Supreme President presented 25 year service Awards to Emmanuel Daskalakis, Nicholas Scatsas, Gust Orphanides, Angelo Nicholas and George S. Poulos.

The Long Island Chapter, No. 86 is off to another banner year under the imaginative leadership of Bro. Nick Levendis. His "no-nonsense-let's-get-down-to-constructive-planning" approach of operating the Chapter's program, has been instrumental in bringing the Chapter to the top in activities and programming.

Working closely with his predecessors, Dan Margaris and Col. Gust Orphanides, Levendis has been presiding over S.R.O. meetings since he took over. Since he originated "Operational Fraternalism" a few years ago, he has followed this with many other "thought-provoking" ideas that bring about interest and enthusiasm to the members like the highly-successful Ahepa Charter Flights to Greece. This year he organized the "Tri-County AHEPA Rally" in February, as well as the J.F.K. Class Initiations of March, with 19 members inducted into the Chapter including former Ambassador L. Gary Clemente.

Plumides Visits Omaha, Nebraska

Supreme President Plumides was the guest of honor at a Testimonial Dinner given last February at the Castle Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska. The Dinner was hosted by the Cornhusker Chapter, No. 147 of Omaha and the Daughters.

President Plumides spoke on the Cyprus Issue and the official stand of Ahepa on the question. Representing the Grand Lodge of Daughters were Mrs. William Damaskos, Grand Governor of Zone 2 and Vivian Poulos, Grand Governor of Zone 3, who hails from Omaha. Miss Poulos was honored during the Dinner for her 10 years of service to the Daughters and the Maids of Athens.

Presidents of the local Chapters are Bro. Frank Meares of Ahepa and Mrs. John Poulos of the Daughters.



LEHIGH CHAPTER—Pictured are: Sitting (left to right) — Stephen Panaretos, Stephen Viattas, George Gabriel, Clifford Wolf, Gregory Canas, John Jones. Standing are: Aris Harris, Peter Harris, Nicholas Tatalios, Stephen Sampson, Evan Scouris, Emmanuel Pelekanos, Thomas Argevan, Louis Spanos, Stephen Gattas, Spiros Phillips, and John Lakis.

Berdalis Feted At Bon Voyage Dinner

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.—A Bon Voyage Dinner was given for Escursion Vice Commander Stephen Berdalis at Fisherman's Wharf by Pacific Chapter prior to his departure for Greece. A large crowd of friends was at hand to honor Brother Berdalis for his many years of untiring efforts and devoted service on behalf of Ahepa. Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Supreme Governor John Kaplanis. Present were among others: George Bezaites, Peter Tamaras, Gov. Louis Frangos, Peter Boudoures, Nick Dallas, Steven Argytes. Chairman was George Choppelas, assisted by William Korinthias and Alex Sardoanis.

Plumides Testimonial Set for May 24

The Testimonial Dinner for Supreme President John G. Plumides, sponsored by Charlotte, N.C. Chapter, No. 2; Brother Plumides Chapter, will be held on Sunday, May 24, 1964.

The dinner will be held at the Queen Charlotte Hotel, in Charlotte, N.C., with a cocktail reception at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Yankee District to Help Alaska Quake Victims

District Governor Leon Combis of District No. 7, announces the formation of a special committee, under the chairmanship of P.S.P. C. P. Verinos, to solicit contributions from the District Chapters for the purpose of lending a helping hand to the unfortunate people of the State of Alaska. The Committee, known as Ahepa Yankee District Alaskan Emergency Quake Fund, will disperse the collected contributions through the Anchorage, Alaska Ahepa Chapter.

Greek Chemist Selected for Nuclear Research

GETTYSBURG, MD.—Brother Steven Svarnas of Gettysburg, a member of Blue Ridge Chapter, No. 193, is justly proud of the accomplishments of his son, George Svarnas.



George Svarnas is an organic chemist associated with the Physical Sciences Division of the Department of the Army Biological Laboratories, where he has been principal investigator for the past 12 years.

He has recently returned from Oak Ridge, Tenn., where as a member of a highly selected group of 35 scientists from the country, he underwent a month of intensive special training in the use of radioisotopes in research at the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies.

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CHAPTER NEWS

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—The harmonious cooperation of our church and the local Chapter No. 214 of the Order of Ahepa, was reflected in the successful cooperative Vasilopita and dinner party given in the basement of our church on Sunday, February 23, 1964.

Under the leadership of Mr. Nick Gregory, president of our chapter and of our church, and thanks to the untiring efforts of Tom Mantas, general chairman and Mr. Alex Gregory, publicity chairman, the dinner proved a great success.

Our Boards of Trustees have decided to hold a combined picnic this summer to help improve our treasures.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA—Congressman Glenn Cunningham of Nebraska announces the appointment of Albert Sleder, Jr. as the principal candidate to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.



The 17-year-old Central High School senior is to report to a nearby military establishment March 4-7 to take college entrance tests and physical examinations.

Albert's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sleder, Sr. His father is a member of Omaha, Nebraska Chapter, 147.

ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA—The City of Aberdeen is very proud of one of its residents, for the role he played recently in an event of international interest. The Greek Community of Aberdeen is also proud, because this resident is of Greek parents. Aberdeen Chapter, No. 249, of Ahepa is doubly proud, because this resident's father is a member of the Aberdeen Chapter.

Dr. James Berbos, son of Brother Nick N. Berbos, was the young doctor who delivered last September 14 in Aberdeen the famous Fischer Quintuplets.

Portland, Maine Installation

PORTLAND, MAINE—H. W. Longfellow Chapter of Ahepa and Meander Chapter of Daughters of Penelope of Portland, Maine, held an Open Installation of Officers at the Hellenic Community Center. The officers of the George C. Chase Chapter of Lewiston were installed at the same time.

Installed as presidents were A. T. Snyder, Portland Ahepa; Mrs. Loucas D. Goulatis, Portland Daughters, and Dr. George Bournakel, Lewiston.

Installing officers were Lt. Governor John Scantsas, District Secretary George Diamond, District Marshal John Pappas, District Governor Hionia Pipilas and members of the Daughters District Lodge.

Several activities are planned for the year for the Portland Chapter, among which are: Bowling matches, Golf matches, a Past Presidents' Supper and many more.



PORTLAND AND LEWISTON, MAINE INSTALLATIONS—Presidents Dr. George Bournakel of Lewiston, Mrs. Loucas Goulatis and A. T. Snyder of Portland, with the installing officers: Lt. Gov. John Scantsas, left, and Gov. Hionia Pipilas, right.



WILMINGTON, N.C.—Pictured after the reactivation are, left to right: James Batylias, Ted Vavilites, Mayor of Wilmington, O. D. Allsbrook, Plumides, Nicholas Madinos and Rev. Andreas Lazarides.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—The new officers of Hesperia Chapter, No. 152, are: Edward Calvin, President; Stephen Peterson, Vice-President; Sam Chournos, Secretary and Nick Angelos, Treasurer.

Under the leadership of President Calvin with his officers and under the guidance of our Chapter "Mr. Ahepan," George Brotsis, the Hesperia Chapter is being revitalized and looking to the future with hopes and aspirations.

At a recent initiation meeting, a most dignified ceremony was conducted by Bro. Brotsis, with six new members joining our ranks.

Cape Fear Chapter, No. 408 Reactivated

WILMINGTON, N.C.—Last February a reactivation Dinner-Meeting was held at the Boucan Room, in honor of the visitation of Supreme President Plumides. After the reactivation was realized, an election of officers followed. Elected were: N. H. Modinos, President; Ted Vavilites, Vice-President; Leon Mavrolas, Secretary; John Compos, Treasurer; George Fokakis, Nick Fokakis, John Pistolis and Kostas Tchouras, Governors.



MANCHESTER, N.H. INSTALLATION—The newly installed president of Manchester Chapter with, from left to right, Lt. Governor John Scantsas, Advisor Al Trenn, District 9 Governor John Hallas, retiring President Michael Skurlas, new President William Vorkas, District Secretary George Diamond and District Treasurer John T. Pappas.

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WARREN, OHIO—The Order of AHEPA Zeus, No. 88, held its installation of officers at an impressive ceremony on Tuesday, March 17, 1964, at the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church Hall.

James Economos was installed as President. Other officers installed included Ted Maris, Vice-President; George Casudakis, Secretary; James Zervas, Treasurer; Christ Zervas, Mike Foundoulis, Nick Kalogeras, John Tsagaris, Gust Jickess, Board of Governors; Harry Benetis, Chaplain; Mike Boyazis, Warden; Jack Foundoulis and George T. Pantefas, Captain of the Guard; Albert Karasavas and Emanuel Skopos, Sentinels, and Nick Pitini, Athletic Director.

G. C. Economos, Past Supreme Vice-President and a prominent Youngstown attorney, served as the installing officer. Refreshments were served following the installation.

The Chapter is now in the midst of a remodeling program on their AHEPA home. The renovation of the present site began in late 1963 under the direction of Mike Manios, Steve Tsagaris, and Nick Pitini. Since that time, these three brothers with the aid of Mike Boyazis, Ted Maris, and Mike Skopos have undertaken the remodeling of the home. The plans call for a complete new front, extensive interior remodeling to include a new lounge, new kitchen, new bathroom, modern baseboard heat, and a new upstairs meeting room. The estimated cost of the job is about \$10,000 — to include all new fixtures and furniture. The Warren AHEPA family has been most gracious in their support and help.

It is hoped that the home will be completed by early April. The Dedication date will be May 30, 1964. In conjunction with the dedication of the home, Zeus '88' is planning a gala three (3) day weekend (May 29-30-31) in Warren. Tentative plans call for a grand ball, golf tourney, dedication ceremonies, cocktail party, and Greek night featuring the world renowned Kosta Kaplanis.

OAKLAND, CALIF.—The installation of the new officers of the Ahepa Oakland Chapter and the Echo Chapter of the Daughters was held at the Madison Street Temple. Installed as presidents were John T. Koplos for Ahepa and Effie Costalupes for the Daughters. Installing officers were District Governor Louis Frangos assisted by Lt. Governor Angelos Mountanos, District Marshal Alex Sardounis, District Secretary Peter Roosakis and Ex. Secretary Salvatore Stella. For the Daughters, District Gov-

ernor Ann Mountanos was the Installing Officer.

Past Supreme Treasurer George Bezaites was Master of Ceremonies. Also present was Supreme Governor John Kaplanis.

At the Annual 'Man of the Year' Dinner, the Award was presented to Anthony Papadakis for his active participation in all Chapter Programs as well as several civic projects. Brother Peter M. Tripp acted as Master of Ceremonies

for the function, which was arranged by Bros. X. Cardiasmenos and N. Alevizos.

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CHICAGO No. 46 INSTALLATION—Seated left to right: Caramanos, Gov. Stavrakas, President Skontos, V. Pres. Gabrielides, Sec. Karaczes. Standing: Vlahos, Bazzos, Elias, Dickett, Bell and Karas.



SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Seated, left to right: Katopes, Renzos, Harris, Mavrides and Copanias. Standing, left to right: McClure, Kouides, Vlassis, Moshanas and Copanias.



OAKLAND, 'MAN OF YEAR'—Oakland Chapter 'Ahepa of the Year' Tony Papadakis, second from left, receives plaque from Nick Alevizos as Peter Tripp, left, and John Koplos, second from right, look on.

AHEPA IN CANADA

Montreal Mount Royal Chapter Honors Metropolitan Athenagoras

The Mount Royal Chapter, C.J. 7, of Montreal, Canada, gave a Testimonial Dinner in honor of His Eminence Athenagoras of Thyateira, Metropolitan of England, at the Berkeley Hotel on the eve of his departure for London, England.

Toastmaster for the evening was Past Supreme President of Canada and presently District C.J. 24 Secretary George Adamakos. Speakers, in addition to the honored guest, were: Steven T. Theophilos, George Mavrostomos, President of the Chapter; Nick Lagios, Bro. Paul Melsur, President of the Ottawa Community; His Grace Bishop Timotheos of Rodostolou, Father Irene Beaubien, representing His Eminence Cardinal Leger.

Chapter President Nick Lagios presented an Ahepa Plaque to his Eminence on behalf of the Chapter, in recognition of his many services to our Greek Orthodox Church in Canada.



Brother George Adamakos making the presentation of the plaque (inset) to Metropolitan Athenagoras (to his left).



OTTAWA, CANADA INSTALLATION — District Governor Nicholas Cassak, Installing Officer, with Mr. Lloyd Francis, Member of Parliament and George Prithalos, Past Supreme Vice-President of Canada.



LONDON, CANADA INSTALLATION — District Governor Nicholas Liaskos and other Installing Officers Lt. Governor Chris Zakos and District Treasurer Harry Vocai with President James Agathos (front row, second from left) and other officers and members of London, Ontario, Chapter.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—District Officers of the Empire State District No. 6, Mrs. George N. Verven, District Governor; and Mrs. Nick T. Matheos, District Secretary took part in a parade in Poughkeepsie, New York celebrating the 175th anniversary of the ratification of the Constitution of the United States. Daughters of the local chapter, Corinth, No. 248, who also participated were Mrs. George Justas, Mrs. Harry Dourdis, Mrs. Zinas Mavadoles, Mrs. Gus Antonakos and Mrs. Stephen Pechewlys.

Corinth Chapter, No. 248, of Poughkeepsie, New York also held a reception recently at the Hellenic Center, Park Avenue, honoring visiting members of the Grand Lodge and the District Secretary. Hostess for the evening was Mrs. Milton Contides.



SILVER SPRING, MD.—Arión Chapter, No. 298 of Silver Spring, Maryland took a big share of honors at the District No. 3 Convention held in Norfolk, Virginia. Miss Mary Triantis, District Secretary (left), presents the Silver Bowl for "Outstanding Chapter of Capitol District No. 3" to the President of the Chapter, Mrs. Ili Bakalis and Mrs. Anna Hagan, Secretary. Miss Triantis also served as convention chairman, and Mrs. Hagan as convention secretary.



ST. PETERSBURG INSTALLATION—Newly installed 1964 officers of Aeneas Chapter No. 210, of the Daughters of Penelope, St. Petersburg, Fla., are: Seated, left to right: Stella Pavizas, Asst. Sec'y; Eleanor Kaptain, Vice-President; Helen Ross, President; Jessie Scofield, Rec. Sec'y; Judy Kontos, Treas.; Georgia Brister, Chairman of Board of Governors. Standing: Knut Simonson, Inside Sentinel; Fay Distas, Warden; Ann Janadis, Priestess; Kiriakos Katsirinas, Evelyn Kakeses, Jane Demas, Governors; Helen Hadjian, Marshal; Pauline Pappas, Governor.

during the evening. Many prominent civic and community leaders were in attendance including the Mayor of the city, the Mayor of one of the villages, the District Attorney, the County Sheriff, and the Chairman of the Board of Education.

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA—The Annual Membership Tea and Installation of new Officers of Gaia Chapter, No. 40 was held on Jan. 26 at the Hotel Oliver, with Mrs. Leo J. Lamberson and Mrs. Louis Poulos as Co-Chairmen for the affair.

The Officers installed are: Mrs. Spiro Colyvas, President; Mrs. Alexandra Ninios, Vice-President; Mrs. Charles Hoke, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. John Kallimani, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Georgia Riakotakis, Treasurer; Mrs. Angeline Panos, Chairman; Governors, Mrs. George Sarantos, Mrs. George Krekelas, Mrs. Sam Batalis, Mrs. Robert Yustwan; Priestess, Mrs. Louis Batalis, Warden, Miss Athena Pagedas, Marshal.

Official guests present were Mrs. William Damaskos, Grand Governor and Miss Millie Kontos, District Governor, both of Gary, Indiana.

Assisting the co-chairmen on the Committee were: Miss Kay Morfettas, Mrs. Milton Kouroubetis, Mrs. Louis Thomas, Miss Georgia Riakotakis, Mrs. Edward Molenda, Mrs. Fred Michalos, Mrs. Chris Michalos and Mrs. Julius Psalides.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Alkippe Chapter, No. 46 of Syracuse, realized such a tremendous success from their Card Party Fashion Show, that it was decided to make this an annual affair. Grecian columns along the run-way and original paintings decorating the walls projected added splendor and atmosphere to the occasion.

Mrs. James Argeros and Mrs. George Allis were chairmen of the Fashion Show. Mrs. Peter Lillys, Carl Parry, Miss Barbara Fitch, Publicity, Mrs. Theodore Patros, Decorations and Mrs. Charles Katopes, Refreshments.

Onondaga Community College was presented with a set of Ahepa Greek Classics on behalf of Syracuse Alkippe Chapter, No. 46, by Mrs. Stephen Copanas and Mrs. Robert Harris.

In the name of the Syracuse chapter also, Mrs. Ernest Maerides presented \$75.00 to the McCarthy Home and Recreation Center for Retarded Children.

In keeping with their church building fund pledge, a bake sale was held in the church hall with Mrs. Spyro Panagotakos as Chairman.

Miss Margaret Kambas and her committee held the Daughters annual Pay-your-Dues cocktail party at the home of Mrs. Peter Copanas.

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POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Left to right, Grand Vice-President Mrs. Jessie Chalko, Grand President Mrs. Mary Kanas, President of Corinth Chapter Mrs. Zinas Mavadoles, Grand Secretary Mrs. Elizabeth Athanasiakos and District Secretary Mrs. Nick T. Matheos.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—The Daughters of Penelope, Athens Chapter, No. 59, Binghamton, New York, held its 18th Annual Holiday Ball at the Arlington Hotel here on Dec. 28, 1963. George Mirros and his orchestra provided the music. Chairman, Mrs. Peter Spyros, and Co-Chairman, Mrs. Chris Floros, and the Committee consisting of: Mrs. Paul Hedges, Mrs. George Houpis, Miss Eugenia Floros and Mrs. Louis Costas, did an excellent job in making this a great success.

The committee continued last year's effort to make this an elegant holiday ball by having all of the members wear formal, floor length gowns with many Ahepa husbands wearing dinner jackets to compliment their wives. President, Mrs. Peter Mitsakos, welcomed everyone

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DISTRICT 19 OFFICERS—Left to right: Mrs. Lillian Benikos, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. Haritho Speropoulos, 11; Gov. Mrs. Bessie Musket, Dist. Gov.; Miss Tilly Kiriak, District Gov. Zone 4 and Miss Peggy Melias, Dist. Sec.

CAMDEN, N. J.—The new administration of the Nike Chapter, No. 230, under the able leadership of Mrs. Lola Gotzis, got off to a flying start in January with the initiation of four new members. Miss Zoe Pappas, Mrs. Mary Skordas, Mrs. Sylvia Pandos and Mrs. Dorothy Kasros together with Mrs. Gertrude Kergides, who had been initiated in December, swelled the membership to a record seventy-seven members. Mrs. Martina Chigounis was congratulated for the fine Christmas Party she presented to the delight of all Daughters present.

The month of February was ushered in with a gala night at the theater when thirty-three hard to get tickets were obtained for the hit show "Funny Girl" by the capable chairman, Mrs. Katherine Frangos. All who attended enjoyed themselves immensely. The "Greek Classics" will be presented by our Chapter to the Moorestown Senior High School later this month by President Lola Gotzis and Vice-President Helen Shussias with full coverage by the local press which is only proper to such an enlightening gift of the culture of ancient Greece that still lives on today.

March 1st was the night of our good old fashioned Greek Glens at the

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"As in walking it is your great care not to run your foot upon a nail, or to tread awry, and strain your leg, so let it be in all the affairs of human life, not to hurt your mind or offend your judgment. And this rule, if observed carefully in all your department, will be a mighty security to you in your undertakings."

—EPICETUS

"Friendship is composed of a single soul inhabiting two bodies."

—ARISTOTLE

American Hellenic Orthodox Center sponsored by our Chapter. Nothing was spared by Chairman Tina Burlotos and her committee to make this night one to be remembered. Also that evening Tina Harris, our President for the year 1963, was presented by President Lola Gotzis the Past President Pin for her hard work and able leadership during her term. March will also see the reactivation of the Maids of Athena Chapter in Camden after many years of inactivity.

Congratulations to Daughter Eleanor Pantelis on her recent marriage to Bill Hamilothoris, and Mrs. Evelyn Kouvatias who gave birth to a fine son.

PATERSON, NEW JERSEY — The Ahepan Family of Paterson, New Jersey (Alexander Hamilton Chapter, No. 54, Order of Ahepa; Cadmus Chapter, No. 165, Daughters of Penelope; Pan Chapter, No. 143, Maids of Athens) held its annual joint-installation ceremonies on Sunday, January 12, 1964. The affair was held in the St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church (Southard Street, Paterson, New Jersey.)

Members of Cadmus Chapter, No. 165 of the Daughters of Penelope were installed by their District Governor Frances Yach, of Rahway, accompanied by District Secretary Julia Chugotis. Elected officers: Lillian Cotsakos, President; Taula Langas, Vice-President; Harriet Provata, Recording Secretary; Sonja Benikos, Corresponding Secretary; Jane Colas, Treasurer; appointed officers: Sandra Tashik, Warden; Alice Kambas, Priestess; Antoinette Pandel, Marshal; Isabelle Zubrad, Sentinel; Mary Fotinis, Parliamentarian; Board of Governors: Helen Souras, Kathryn Mandas, Jane Colas, Sue Kanaves, Kay Retalis.

Refreshments and a period of socializing followed the ceremonies.

On February 8, 1964 the Kronos Chapter (Passaic, New Jersey) and the Cadmus Chapter (Paterson, New Jersey) of the Daughters of Penelope held their combined benefit dance at the Suburban Restaurant (Paramus, New Jersey). Entertainment was provided by the sensa-

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"We will never bring disgrace to this our City, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice; nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the City, both alone and with many; we will revere and obey the City's laws and do our best to incite a like respect and reverence in those above us who are prone to annul or to set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty. Thus in all these ways we will transmit this City not only not less but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

tional Trio Bel Canto, and George Stratis' orchestra. Both Chapters were pleased with the marvelous turn-out.

The State of New Jersey is celebrating its Tercentenary this year. Cadmus Chapter, No. 164 has scheduled Public Service to show slides of New Jersey, on March 11 at the Paterson YMCA. The Paterson Chapter of the Maids of Athens, and the Passaic Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope have been invited to attend the meeting.

GARY, IND.—Mentor Chapter, No. 81, Gary, Indiana, installed their new officers for the current year, at a Candlelight Ceremony in the Colonial Room of the Y.W.C.A. on January 23, 1964.

Mrs. Alice Damaskos, Grand Governor of Zone 2, served as installing officer, assisted by Miss Millic Kontos, National Advisor to the Maids of Athena and Governor of the 12th District.

The new officers included: Mrs. Ann Christakis, President; Mrs. Irene Kilozeniski, Vice-President; Mrs. Betty Jean Christakis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Irene Kotakes, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Irene Dollas, Treasurer; Mrs. Stella Daravenis, Chairman of the Board of Governors. Installed as Governors were Mrs. Helen Tomaras, Mrs. Mary Bizanes, Mrs. Angelina Demetrakis and Mrs. Mary Halkias.

The following committees were also announced: Sick Committee, Mrs. Sophie Thanos; By-Laws, Mrs. Daravanis and Mrs. Esfakis; Publicity, Mrs. Kolozeniski; Program, Miss Halkias and Miss Callas; District Convention, Mrs. Damaskos and Mrs. Betty Jean Christakis.

Plans for the forthcoming Cotillion were announced. The 1964 graduates of Hellenic descent from the area High Schools will be presented in May, 1964 at the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Gary. At this time an annual Scholarship of \$250.00 will be awarded to the Senior with the highest scholastic rating. Mrs. Dollas will serve as chairman of the Cotillion with Mrs. Kotakes as Co-chairman.

"Let a prince be guarded with soldiers, attended by councillors, and shut up in forts; yet if his thoughts disturb him, he is miserable."

—PLUTARCH

"Some men are so covetous, as if they were to live forever, and others so profuse, as if they were to die the next moment!"

—ARISTOTLE

"True friends visit in prosperity only when invited, but in adversity they come without invitation."

—THEOPHRASTUS

PERICLEAN



National Sons of Pericles Basketball Tournament



First Place Team — Renaissance Chapter, No. 5, of New York.



Tom Billis receiving "Most Valuable Player" award from Nick Limperis.

CHICAGO, ILL. — The Renaissance Chapter, No. 5, of New York, won the National Sons of Pericles Basketball Tournament for the second time in a row, as 250 Sons and Maids visited Chicago on Feb. 28, 29 and March 1, for what proved to be the most successful Sons Basketball Tournament in history.

In the Championship game, it was New York, with a well balanced attack, defeating the rugged Phaethon Chapter of Chicago. The Milwaukee Chapter beat Gary for third place, and Detroit won the Consolation bracket.

It was New York getting all the honors, as Tom Billis of New York was voted the most valuable player and receiving a desk clock. Art Christopher, also of New York, was selected most spirited player and received a basketball jacket.

Special mention should be given to a fine Phaethon team of Chicago. It was the first time Phaethon entered the National Tournament and they made a good showing.

The Tournament was a fine success due to the excellent help and guidance of Mr. Nick Limperis and Mr. Gus Spirakes, the Ahepan Advisers to the Sons of Pericles in Chicago. Sons District Governor, Dean Stavrakas and Van Siavelis, Chairman of the Tournament, also deserve praise for their fine work.

The Tournament Dance was held Saturday Night in the Illinois Room of the LaSalle Hotel. Under the chairmanship

of Kathy Darlas, the dance was overflowing with close to 500 Sons, Maids, Daughters, and Ahepans. All enjoyed the Greek and American music!

Fourteen teams entered the Tournament. The teams from out of town were: New York, Detroit, Milwaukee, Hammond, Gary, and East Chicago, Indiana, Moline, Illinois, and from Chicago, Plato "A" and "B", Phaethon "A" and "B", Lord Byron "A" and "B", and Ypsilanti.



George C. Demos, a member of the Insurance Chapter of the Sons in Hartford, Conn., has recently been awarded a full 4 year Grant-in-aid Scholarship at the University of Georgia.

George has been an outstanding football player at Conard High, where he was team Captain. He was also named as All City Fullback, as well as a member of the All-Central Connecticut Scholastic League Team.

He is the son of Brother Charles Demos and Sister Themis Demos.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—Louis Strike, Supreme Governor of the Sons, has been very active in the Basketball circles in his home town. As a member of East High School's team of Salt Lake City, known as "East Leopards," he contributed greatly towards his team's success in the southern division bracket of Class A Basketball. In a crucial game with Murray High School, the East team trailing 40-47 with only 5:56 remaining on the clock, Louis' value to the team was apparent, as they came from behind to defeat Murray 54-51 "with forward 'Lucky' Louis Strike splitting the cords to cinch the win" as the school paper put it.

Louis Strike's proud father is Nicholas Strike, a Past Supreme President of the Sons and a member of the Sons National Advisory Board.

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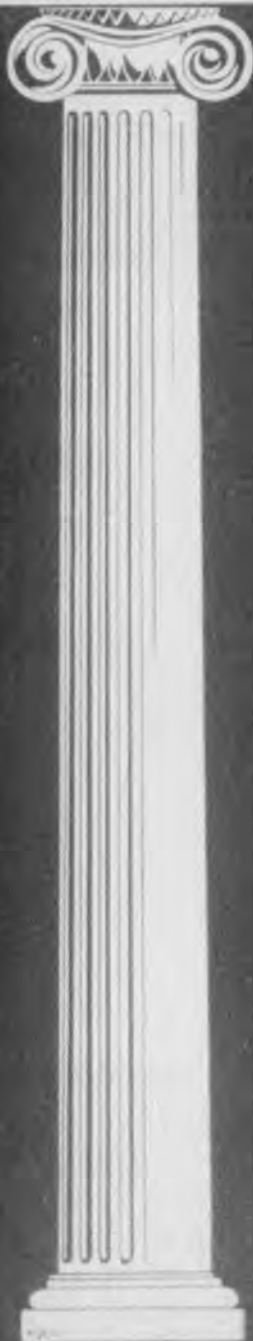
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MESSAGE
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THE TORONTO SUPREME CONVENTION

I am sure that all members of the Ahepa Family are eagerly looking forward to our 42nd Supreme Convention in Toronto during the week of August 16-22. Your Supreme Lodge, Supreme Board of Trustees and the Toronto Supreme Convention Committee have worked harmoniously together these past several months in preparing an outstanding convention program of business and social events. Our hotel facilities in Toronto rank with the finest ever made available to an Ahepa Supreme Convention, and the Royal York Hotel, our convention hotel headquarters, offers superb accommodations for all of our functions and events. The Convention Program, which is given in detail in this issue of *The Ahepa*, assures both you and all members of your family a full week of excitement and enjoyable pleasure during the week of August 16-22. We have spared no effort to make your stay in Toronto an experience that you and your family will long remember.

There are many business matters to be discussed and decided at our convention, and all Delegates of the Ahepa Family should come prepared to offer the views of their Chapters to the Convention, and to work with each other in formulating the future of the fraternity. Our business sessions will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m., Monday morning.

For the early arrivals, an "Early Birds Party" is scheduled for Saturday evening at 9:00 p.m., in the hotel, where we can meet to renew acquaintances, and also meet our Toronto members of the Ahepa Family.

Sunday, August 16 is the first official day of the convention, starting with Church Services, followed by a luncheon at the Church Auditorium, and the Official Opening at 4:00 p.m. in the Royal York Hotel. All functions during the week will be held in the Royal York Hotel, for the convenience of all visitors.

I would also like to make mention of a new addition to our Convention Program this year — The Ahepa Debutantes Presentation and Grand Ball which will be held on Tuesday evening, August 18. Your daughters are cordially invited to participate, provided that they are unmarried, between the ages of 16 and 21, and either a member of the Maids or Daughters, OR the daughter of an Ahepa or Daughter of Penelope. Complete information on this event is also contained in this issue. We know that this will be one of the social highlights of the convention, and an event that will be long-remembered. We're truly proud of our young girls and this is the Ahepa Family's proud opportunity to pay them our proper homage and recognition, as they are formally presented to the entire Ahepa Family gathered in Toronto.

The entire week's program also includes Ahepa's Greek Night, the Grand Banquet and Dance, the Grand Ball, Sons and Maids Grand Ball, the Olympiad, Daughters Fashion Show and Luncheon, Golf Tournament, Trips to Niagara Falls, Night Boat Ride on Lake Ontario, Teen-Age Activities Room for the entire week, Ladies' Hospitality Room, and other features and events.

The Ahepa Family had an outstanding convention in 1960 in Montreal, and we again have the opportunity this year in Toronto of enjoying Canadian hospitality. I look forward to seeing you and greeting you once again in Toronto.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

JOHN G. PLUMIDES,
Supreme President.

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Toronto, the second largest city in Canada, is set and raring to go for the 42nd Ahepa Convention beginning August 16.

The name of the city is derived from the Huron Indian tongue and means "the meeting place." Toronto will be just that from August 16 to August 23, when thousands of Hellenes from all parts of the United States and Canada (and a few from far away Greece) will meet to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends.

To make the visit of those who will attend, a most pleasant and memorable one, plans have been completed to have the best entertainment available for all the functions of the Convention. These plans took everyone in consideration from teenagers to senior citizens to families with children.

When you attend an Ahepa Convention, you can look forward to a rewarding and inspiring and exciting experience. When this Convention happens to be in Toronto, the "meeting place," this experience is a unique one. Plan to attend. Arrive early. See the town. Relax. Then participate in the important deliberations of the world's largest Hellenic organization.

The shores of the great democracy of the modern world, the United States of America, were graced late in June by the visit of the Prime Minister of the Mother of Democracy, George Papandreu of Greece. Having come here at the invitation of President Johnson for discussions on the Cyprus Issue, he thrilled the great throngs of Hellenes that welcomed him at a Dinner in his honor at the Waldorf Astoria. Appearing at a Rally at Manhattan Center, sponsored by the Cyprints of New York, he electrified the 6,000 participants with his eloquence by declaring that "Greece has always tried for the promotion of peace. A people that has suffered as much as ours from the violence of war and the reverses of history can only long for peace, but no peace can be durable without justice, and no settlement of a problem can be right and just if it is not based on democracy and freedom." Speaking about the dangers involved in dealing with a solution for the Cyprus problem he said, "If time comes when we must make a stand, the glorious pages of the history of Greece have already given the answer as to that stand. Our adherence to the ideals of the free world and the United Nations principle, *nika par cause just*, and we are prepared to die for those ideals rather than give in to expediency."

The Order of Ahepa salutes the courageous leader of motherland Greece, and pledges that, as in the past, now more than ever will stand by the side of justice and freedom in seeking a solution for the Cyprus problem, based on the fundamental principle of self-determination, and with a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected, respected and guaranteed.

Ahepa Ceremony at The Tomb of the Unknowns on Memorial Day



AHEPA MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT ARLINGTON — Shown at the official Ahepa Ceremony on Memorial Day at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery, with the Tomb Honor Guard, are: (Front) District Governor William Holmes and Lt. Governor Anthony Manual; (Rear) Executive Secretary George J. Leber and George Valanos.

At the annual Ahepa Memorial Day Service at Arlington National Cemetery on May 30, District Governor William Holmes of Capital District No. 3, represented the fraternity in an impressive presentation of the Ahepa Wreath.

The Ahepa wreath-laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns was made immediately following the changing of the Tomb Honor Guard at 3 p.m., before a large crowd of visitors.

Also taking part in the Ahepa ceremony were District Lieutenant Governor Anthony Manual, Executive Secretary

George J. Leber, and George Valanos.

The fraternity, following its annual custom, also decorated the graves of many of the Greek-American veterans buried in the national cemetery, and Ahepa wreaths were laid at the gravesites. Among the graves decorated were those of George Dilbois, Past Supreme President; V. J. Chelithes, Past Supreme Secretary; Andrew Nickas, Past Supreme Counsellor; Soterios Nicholson. The Committee also laid wreaths at the graves of the late President John G. Kennedy and Gen. George C. Marshall.

Mike Costas elected on Board of Trustees

Past Supreme Governor Mike Costas of Tarpon Springs, Fla., has been elected as a member of the Supreme Board of Trustees, to fill the unexpired term of our late Brother Papageorgiou.

Brother Costas was first elected to the Ahepa Supreme Lodge at the 1961 Miami Beach Convention, when he became a Supreme Governor. He was re-elected to this same office at the 1962 Chicago Supreme Convention.



A member of the fraternity since 1928, when he was initiated into the Wheeling, W. Va. Ahepa Chapter, Brother Costas moved to Florida in 1952, and transferred his membership to the Tarpon Springs, Fla. Chapter. He is active in civic matters in Tarpon Springs, and formed the Hellenic Tourist Club of Tarpon Springs, which has a membership of 200 retired northern citizens. He is a member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church of that city.

Regulations for Conduct for Ahepa Family Convention

A special Code of Ethics was approved by the Ahepa Supreme Lodge, to be in effect for all Ahepa District and Supreme Conventions. The Code provides the following:

1. All functions of the Sons and Maids must be chaperoned by an adult or advisor.

2. No liquor or alcoholic beverages are to be served to any minors.

3. Any conduct or behavior unbecoming of any members of the Ahepa Family (Ahepa, Daughters, Sons or Maids) shall be reported to a Grievance Committee, and an inquiry shall be made into each such instance. The same shall apply in the case of unbecoming behavior or conduct for any "visitor" or "participant" in an Ahepa convention. Where necessary, such offenders may be asked to leave the convention or precluded from any right to participate in the convention social and business functions.

4. All Sons and Maids functions must terminate by 2 a.m.

5. All minors must observe the curfew time of 3 a.m.

6. No minors are to be allowed to stay at a convention hotel without proper chaperones.

7. All room parties should be quiet and orderly, there should be no private parties of Sons and Maids, or minors.

8. All Sons and Maids affairs are to be chaperoned by at least two members designated by the Grand Lodge, and two from the Supreme Lodge, and one each by the Sons of Pericles and Maids of Athena.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

(Reprinted from the Aug.-Sept.-Oct., 1963 Issue of The Ahepa Magazine)

At the September 28 - 30, 1963 meeting of the Supreme Lodge, held in Washington, D.C., the following was unanimously passed:

"That all Charter or Group Movements of the Ahepa Family, by air or sea, of any unit of the Ahepa or Ahepa Family, that uses the name of Ahepa or the name of any unit of the Ahepa Family, are hereby prohibited unless prior written consent of the Supreme President is obtained, this to take effect immediately, and to be subject to such conditions as may be set by the Supreme Lodge."

This means that any units of the Ahepa or Ahepa Family contemplating Air or Sea Charters or Movements to Greece or Europe, or elsewhere, must first obtain a written consent from the Supreme President before proceeding with their plans.

Further, the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees at their September 28 - 30, 1963 meeting in Washington, unanimously approved the following:

"That in the year of the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention that no unit of the Ahepa Family or Ahepa, shall sponsor or conduct any sea or Charters or Group Movements to Greece, or Europe, as individual units. All such Charters and Group Movements to Greece or Europe in the year 1965 shall be under the direct supervision and control of the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees, and shall be announced and established only by the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees."

Supreme Veep of Canada takes a Bride



Supreme Vice-President for Canada George Prahales Panos was married last May to the former Miss Helen Adele Bazos of Toronto. She is the daughter of Frank Bazos of Toronto, one of the founders of the Toronto Lord Byron Chapter CJI. The lovely Mrs. Panos is a graduate of Toronto University.

GEORGE J. WILLIAS

Past Supreme Treasurer

1925-26; 26-27; 27-28

Initiated November 23, 1924

Member of Chapter No. 55,
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Died Wednesday evening,
May 13, 1964

Brother Willias has been a resident of Washington, D.C. for many years; he suffered a stroke a few years ago. A member of the Ahepa for almost 40 years.

ERY KEHAYA

Ery Kehaya, a long standing member of Delphi Chapter, died on May 24 in New York. He recently retired as Chairman of the Board of the Standard Commercial Tobacco Company.

Bro. Kehaya was a founder in 1925 of Athens College in Greece. He was connected with the Tobacco Industry since he migrated from Asia Minor in 1910. He had been President of the National Herald.

Ahepans Urged to Support Passage of Pending Legislation on Immigration

A circular letter sent to all Ahepa Chapters by Supreme President Plumides and Gregory G. Lagakos, Chairman of the Ahepa Immigration Legislation Committee, requested the support of all Chapters and members of the Ahepa for the passage of immigration legislation now pending before the U. S. Congress.

Pending legislation, now before the Senate and House Judiciary Committees, would revise the present immigration laws, increasing the quotas for various countries, including Greece. The present Greek quota is only 308 per year; if passed, the new law would increase this quota to approximately 3,000 per year.

Chapters and members of the Ahepa are urged to do the following:

1. Appoint an Immigration Legislation Committee of not less than 3 and not more than 5 members in each Chapter, with a Chairman and Secretary.

2. This Committee should make a personal appointment with their respective Congressman or Senator at his home office in the chapter city, and ask his support on the pending immigration legislation. Also ask to be advised of progress made by the bill.

3. All members of the Ahepa and Daughters should write their Congressman or Senator a personal letter, urging revision of the present immigration law and requesting support of the Kennedy-Johnson proposals now before Congress. These must be individual letters. Secure information from your Chapter Secretary.

This matter requires the attention of every member of the Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope. *Please take immediate action.*

In connection with the pending Legislation on Immigration, the Order of Ahepa will present testimony before Committee Hearings of the Senate and House of Representatives. The testimony will be presented by Gergory G. Lagakos, sometime during July and it will be in support of pending legislation to revise this country's Immigration laws and to change the National Origins Quota theory now in effect. This support of the Legislation Committee is in accordance of the Resolution passed by the 1963 San Diego Convention for the revision of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

Prime Minister Papandreou in U.S. for talks on Cyprus

Prime Minister George Papandreou of Greece came to the United States at the invitation of President Johnson for a series of talks on the Cyprus Question.

During the Prime Minister's stay in Washington, he was the guest of honor at a White House Luncheon given in his honor by President Johnson. Among the guests attending the luncheon were 17 members of the Ahepa, headed by President Plumides, who was seated at the Presidential table with President Johnson and the Prime Minister. Also seated at the same table were his Eminence Archbishop Iakovos and Judge John Pappas, both members of the Ahepa.

Accompanying the Prime Minister at the Luncheon were the Minister of Foreign Affairs Stavros Costopoulos, Minister of Economic Coordination Andreas Papandreou, Ambassador Matsas and other Government officials.

Among the American delegation at the Luncheon were Chief Justice Earl Warren, U.N. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson, Senators Fulbright, Hickenlooper and Sparkman, Congressman John Brademas, Ambassador to Greece Henry Labouisse, Undersecretary of State George Ball, Adm. Assistant to the President Mike Manatos, USIA Director Carl Rowen, Gen. Maxwell Taylor, Ambassador to Vietnam, CIA Director John McCone and others.

Other Ahepans among the invited guests were P.S.P. George Vournas, P.S.V.P. George E. Johnson, Gregory Lagakos, Spyros Skouras, Justice Theodore Souris of Michigan, Peter Agris, Chairman of Publications Board, Ahepa Executive Secretary George Leber and others.

On the previous evening the Prime Minister and other dignitaries attended a dinner party given by Ambassador Matsas.

President Johnson and other government officials were the guests of honor at a reception given by the Prime Minister at the Blair House, which was also attended by President Plumides and other Ahepans.

On Friday, the Prime Minister arrived in New York City, where the Greek Community in co-sponsorship with

Ahepa, gave him a testimonial dinner at the Waldorf Astoria. President Plumides was one of the four speakers at the Dinner, assuring the Prime Minister of the wholehearted cooperation and all-out effort of the Ahepa in the just struggle of the people of Cyprus. The Supreme President told the Prime Minister and other dignitaries, including Cyprus Foreign Minister Spyros Kyprianou and Ambassador Zenon Rossides, and the more than 600 guests attending the Dinner, that Ahepa will exercise all the means within its power to see that the Cyprus issue is solved with justice and in the spirit of the basic democratic principles of self-determination and complete freedom.

In the afternoon, the Prime Minister attended a Rally sponsored by the Hellenic-American Committee for Cyprus, where over 5,000 members of the Greek Community gave him a most enthusiastic reception.

Keating confers with Orthodox Metropolitan Expelled from Turkey



Metropolitan Emilianos (left), Iakovos with Senator Keating.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Senator Kenneth Keating met with Metropolitan Emilianos of Selefkis and Iakovos of Philadelphia, members of the ruling synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, upon their arrival in the United States after they were expelled by the Turkish Government without explanation.

This attempt of the Turkish Government to apply political pressure on the Cyprus issue through attacks on the spiritual center has evoked widespread protest from the U.S. Government, from the World Council of Churches and from religious leaders throughout the world.

Ambassador Matsas on TV with Senator Keating



Last May His Excellency Ambassador Matsas was interviewed on Television by Senator Kenneth Keating of New York. During the interview many points were discussed concerning the Cyprus situation and the relations between the governments of Greece and Turkey. Ambassador Matsas stated that in reply to the Turkish threats of landing troops in Cyprus to protect the minority, "Greece would have to land troops in order to protect our majority." In a question as to the influence of Communism as a serious factor in the Cyprus dispute, the Ambassador answered that the Cyprus question was started a few years ago by the ardent wish of the Greek Cypriots to join and be united with Greece and Greece is, after all, the only country in Europe which repelled the Communist onslaught successfully. In reference to the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Constantinople, the Ambassador remarked that Greece is very much disturbed over the great prosecutions aimed against the Seat of Orthodoxy by the closing of the Printing Shop of the Patriarchate, the forcible expulsion of prominent bishops, and the closing down of the Patriarchate Orphanage in flagrant violation of the Treaty of Lausanne.

Senator Keating agreed to pursue the question further with officials of the American Government as a flagrant violation of the century-old, non-political character of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

Has your Chapter made its contribution to the AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE?

Profile of an Ahepan

Efstratios Polites of Delphi Chapter, No. 25

While ambition begins to ebb in other older men, it seems to increase in Efstratios "Ed" Polites.



E. D. Polites

The second oldest associate in terms of service with the firm Francis I. duPont & Co., an investments company of New York City, Ed shows more vim and vitality than any young man half his age. When he reached his 70th Birthday late last year, he declared in a manner reminiscent of an undergraduate striving for his first job, "My goal is to contribute, in a big way, to the growth of the company."

Since joining the firm in the early thirties, he has been known to go about his job without flourish or fanfare, believing that a calm approach reflects the nature of the investment business.

But, one of the main interests of Ed's life is his membership in the Order of Ahepa with Delphi Chapter, where his devotion and dedication to the principles of the organization are exemplary. In addition to serving his chapter in every capacity, he has been very active in assisting the Auxiliaries, acting as one of the principal advisors of the Renaissance Chapter of the Sons, and being instrumental in establishing the Castalia Chapter of the Maids.

About his membership in Ahepa, Ed had this to say, "My membership allows me to work actively toward bettering my community. By so doing, I feel I have a purpose in life, which helps me retain my present energy."

Our hat's off to a diligent, young-at-heart septuagenarian member of Ahepa. May he live to be a hundred!

ATTENTION

Requirements for Naturalized Citizens and Aliens Entering and Leaving Canada

Members of the Order of Ahepa who are Naturalized Citizens or Aliens and planning to attend our Toronto Supreme Convention during the week of August

AHEPA Day at St. Basil's Academy

Several Ahepans braved the elements of a cold wintry day last February 14, to join Supreme President Plumides, Chairman of the Board of Trustees Sekles and many other dignitaries in visiting St. Basil's Academy at Garrison, N. Y.

This was the first of what promises to be an annual event, AHEPA Day at St. Basil's. The personnel of the School, under the personal direction of Rev. Frangos, Director of the Academy, conducted an extensive tour of the facilities of the Academy. Highlight of the tour was, of course, a visit to the two Ahepa edifices at the Academy, the Ahepa Hall for Boys and the Ahepa School. With pride and a sense of satisfaction the Ahepans and Daughters who contributed for this most needed project, inspected the buildings and facilities. As they walked through the other over-crowded and out-moded structures that comprise the dormitories and classrooms of the School, they could not help but feel that a lot is left to be desired for the complete and efficient operation of the School. The dire need for additional dormitories for girls was very apparent as the Ahepans "squeezed" through corridors crowded with beds.

Later on in the afternoon, a concert of Greek Songs was presented by the girls of the Academy to the complete enjoyment of everyone. Following an inspiring address by Supreme President Plumides and a very enlightening report by Rev. Frangos, Director of the Academy, delicious Greek refreshments were served to all participants.

A good beginning to what we hope will be an annual AHEPA DAY AT ST. BASIL'S.

16-22, 1964, are notified of the following immigration and customs requirements:

Naturalized Citizens: Take your Naturalization Papers with you, and present them at Customs, to facilitate entry into and departure from Canada.

Aliens: Take your Alien Registration Card with you to present to Customs and Immigration.

American citizens born in the United States need only have proper identification, such as a Driver's License Card, or other such identification.



Sekles, Doukas, Johnson, Plumides and Rappas at the entrance of the Ahepa School.



Plumides and Rev. Frangos with the boys from the Academy at the Ahepa Hall for Boys.



Sekles, Rev. Frangos, Evelyn Mickles, Plumides with other Ahepans in front of Ahepa Hall for Boys.



Dignitaries attending AHEPA DAY at St. Basil's. From left to right (front row) Doukas, Sekles, Plumides, Dimas, Nicholas, with several other leaders.



President Plumides visits Project 73 in Ypsilanti, Michigan

In front of Ypsilanti Statue, from left to right: Dr. Wm T. Edmunds, "Project 73" President, Supreme Governor Nick T. Georges, George Condos, Stephen Spilos, President Detroit World's Fair for '73, Mrs. J. H. Owens, President Ypsilanti Greek Theatre, Mrs. Susan H. Sayre, Mayor Pro Tempore, President Plumides, Nick A. Nicholson, James Brown, Editor Ypsilanti Press and James Aristas.

President Plumides, continuing his journey through the Chapters of Ahepa, visited the site of "Project 73" in Ypsilanti, Michigan last May. He met with the officials connected with this ambitious project undertaken by the City of Ypsilanti to perpetuate Greek Culture in the United States. Accompanied by Supreme Governor Nick T. Georges of Detroit and other Ypsilanti officials he visited the majestic statue of General Ypsilanti, whose name the City bears, and which was donated to the City by Ahepa.

The first phase of "Project 73," the Greek Theatre, was launched on its way last May 9 with a kick-off Dinner at the Armory with over 330 guests in attendance. Present were Consul General John Tsaoussi of Chicago, the world's leading Greek drama actress Judith Dame Anderson and Tom Patterson, founder and con-

sultant to the Shakespeare Festival at Stratford, Ontario.

To complete his trip to Michigan, President Plumides then journeyed to Detroit, accompanied by Supreme Governor Nick T. Georges, where he was honored with a Luncheon at the Statler Hilton Hotel.



View of Kick off Dinner for "Project 73."



Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Sherida and Steve Spilos, charter members of the Greek Theatre.



From left to right: Consul General John Tsaoussi, Mrs. J. H. Owens, Mrs. N. Stamos, Prof. Owens and N. Stamos.



Mrs. Owens, Plumides, Mrs. S. H. Sayre, Georges and Spilos.



Left to right: Mrs. Alexander Kourmadas, whose husband was President of Ahepa Chapter when Project was endorsed just before his death and Sup. Gov., and Mrs. Nick T. Georges.

Illinois Governor Kerner becomes an Ahepan as Woodlawn Chapter Honors Sam Stavrakas



Plumides, Gov. Kerner, Stavrakas.

Governor Otto Kerner of Illinois became an honorary member of the fraternal Order of Ahepa on Sunday, March 22, 1964 as the Woodlawn Chapter of the Order picked up the pace in its life-long march of progress. The installation took place prior to a testimonial banquet honoring Sam Stavrakas, Governor of the 13th District at the LaSalle Hotel in downtown Chicago.

The ceremonies were directed by the capable John T. Harris of Woodlawn, leader of scores of degree teams in his colorful Ahepa life. The "John G. Plumides Class," official name of the installation, also included Seymour Simon, President of the Cook County Board; Raymond Kahoun, State Representative and other dignitaries.

After the installations, the show was all Woodlawn. A delightful cocktail hour was followed by a well prepared and well handled banquet dinner.

The hilite of the evening was the banquet program. Pleasantly informative and entertaining and remarkably brief, the audience of over 500 Ahepans and friends responded warmly to the remarks by Governor Kerner, Mr. Simon and Mr. Kahoun.

Ahepa dignitaries were all on hand to express their views and offer their praises for the excellent efforts rendered by the honored recipient of the evening, Mr. Stavrakas.

While our civic dignitaries marvelled and praised the work of the Ahepa and

the Greek-American community, the speaking gem was by the Ahepa Supreme President, Mr. Plumides, who expressed his gratitude for the American way of life.

Good words and plaudits for Mr. Stavrakas were numerous in the remarks rendered by Nicholas J. Chirekos, Supreme Vice-President; Peter W. Boznos, Lt. Governor of the 13th District, and Louis P. Paris, President of Woodlawn, No. 93.

Presentations by Mr. Boznos and Mr. Paris and an acceptance speech by the honored Ahepa Governor concluded the festivities while the guests enthusiastically applauded the success of the evening's events.

The program and introductions were efficiently executed by James M. Spiro, Director of Professional Activities of the American Bar Association, who performed the duties of toastmaster. However, the bulk of the "orchids" are due to Nicholas J. Ernsert and George H. Anast, chairman and vice-chairman of the Testimonial. An excellent presentation of a worthy tribute.

The committee consisted of Nicholas E. Nicholson, Frank P. Paris, Louis P. Paris, Gus S. Sprakes and Louis Zelenes.

Maniatis GOP Nationalities Director



Louis P. Maniatis of Bethesda, Md., a prominent Greek-American attorney, has been named executive director of the nationalities division of the Republican National Committee, it has been announced by William E. Miller, Chairman.

A leading Ahepan, Brother Maniatis served as Supreme Secretary and administrative assistant to Supreme President C. P. Verinis.

Brother Maniatis has been organizer of proven quality in the GOP circles for many years, having served as Executive Secretary of the Greek Division of Republican Nationalities Division.

Col. Kyrios Aide to Gov. Peabody



Brother Colonel Lewis Kyrios of Southbridge, Mass., was appointed recently as Military Aide to Governor Endicott Peabody of Massachusetts. Brother Lewis is an ardent Ahepan, very active in all Chapter activities. He was named Man of the Year for 1960 by his Chapter and at present is chairman of the Chapter Scholarship Committee.



Excursion Commander Dikeou lays the Ahepa Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Athens.



The 1964 Ahepa Excursion Committee on board ship.



Vice-Commander Berdalis lays the Ahepa Wreath at the Memorial to the Philhellenes in Athens.

The 1964 Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece

by PANAYIS G. DIKEOU, *Commander*

The 1964 Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece departed from New York City on board the TSS OLYMPIA of the Greek Line on Friday, April 10, with an enthusiastic group of Ahepans all looking forward to an enjoyable trip and pleasant stay in Greece.

The Ahepa Excursion Executive Committee consisted of the following: Panayis G. Dikeou (Denver, Colo.), Commander; Steve Berdalis (San Francisco, Calif.), Vice-Commander; Mrs. Helen Peterson (Greensboro, N. C.), Daughters Commander; Peter C. Charuhas (Washington, D.C.), Secretary; William Gregory (Pontiac, Mich.), Treasurer; George E. Loucas (Weirton, W. Va.); George T. Poolitsan (Middletown, Ohio); and Miss Faith Prassas (Trenton, N. J.). The following also served on the Excursion Committee: Anthony Lagiss (Lafayette, Calif.); James Petrolis (Pittsburgh, Penna.); James Stamos (New York City); John Lamprakos (Rochester, N. Y.); and Alex Nakos (Birmingham, Ala.).

During the first days of the voyage, your Committee met and held meetings with the other passengers. The Excursion program was studied and tickets for the Ahepa Reception to be held in Athens were distributed among the passengers.

Tuesday, April 21: We arrived at Piraeus and the Welcoming Committee came on board, which included several government officials. Andrew Pappandreu, the son of the Prime Minister, headed this group, which also included Ahepans and Daughters of Penelope. In the afternoon, we visited the American Embassy to pay our respects.

Wednesday, April 22: At 10 a.m. Te Deum Services were held at the Athens Cathedral, from where we proceeded in a colorful procession to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Constitution Square, and laid an Ahepa Wreath. We then proceeded to the Memorial of the Philhellenes where another Ahepa wreath was laid by Vice-Commander Berdalis. We were then received at his offices by His Excellency George Papandreu, the Prime Minister of Greece.

At noon, the Greek-American Cultural Institute were our guests at a reception.

In the evening, at 7 p.m., Minister and Mrs. Andrew Papandreu held a reception in our honor at the King George Hotel. This was an elegant and sumptuous affair, with many present. Films were taken at this event which were later shown as newsteels in Athens theatres.

Thursday, April 23: At 11 a.m. we left the hotel for Tatoi Palace, where a wreath was laid at the grave of the late King Paul. We then proceeded to Pyrgos Vassilissis (Royal National Foundation) where we toured the grounds and buildings, and were the guests at a reception. A donation was presented from the Ahepa to the Foundation.

In the evening at 7 p.m., we were the guests of Mayor Angelos Tsoukalas of Athens at the Municipality for a wonderful reception. After the reception, we were the guests of the Greek-American Association at a night club in the Plaka of Athens.

Friday, April 24: We met with Canadian Ambassador Antonio Barrette



Mrs. Helen Peterson, Daughters Excursion Commander, presents a check from the Grand Lodge to Mrs. Helen Conellopoulos, for the Penelapian Shelter Home, with Commander Dikeou, and Daughters Chapter President K. Babakou looking on.



Ahepa Excursionist with officials in front of Athens Cathedral after Special Daughters Service.

at the Canadian Embassy at 10:30 a.m., and then immediately thereafter we had an audience with His Majesty King Constantine of Greece. He was very receptive, most courteous, and asked many questions about our Greek-Americans.

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At noon, we went to Asteria, one of the most famous resorts of Greece, in Glyfada, where we were the guests of the Bank of Greece and the National Bank. Director Tsoutrelis of the Bank of Greece, and Director Tsangaris of the National Bank, acted as our hosts for this event. We toured the resort and then had lunch, and everyone had an enjoyable time.

Saturday, April 25: On this day we made an official visit to the Daughters of Penelope Penelopian Shelter Home in Athens. Mrs. Helen Peterson presented a check from the Daughters Grand Lodge for \$3,272.81 to the Karyatides Daughters Chapter for the Penelopian Home. Additional contributions were made from others present. We toured the building, which has been completed, except for furnishings, and then had lunch. We were informed that it would be ready for occupancy in the fall of this year.

Sunday, April 26: We visited the Evangelismos Hospital, where Ahepa funds helped establish the new wing. Dr. Thomas Doxiadis, Chairman of the Hospital, conducted us personally on a tour of the new wing.

In the evening, we were the guests of the Ahepa Chapter in Athens, at 7 p.m., at the Greek American Cultural Institute, for a meeting and reception which followed.

Monday, April 27: During the day, we were the guests of the Hellenic-American Union, where a film on Greece was shown, and a tour taken through the new building, built with American government aid.

That evening, at 7 p.m., we came to the climax of the Excursion Official Program, when we acted as hosts for the Ahepa Reception at the Athens Hilton Hotel.

This official reception was given in honor of the officials of the Greek government, and was highlighted with the attendance of Prime Minister Papandrou, and his son, Andrew Papandrou. The Prime Minister gave us an address of welcome, and I responded as Commander of the Excursion. Both of these addresses were broadcast by radio throughout Greece.

The Ahepa Excursion Committee is very grateful to all of those persons, whether from the government, business or community life of Athens and Greece, who were so cordial and responsive dur-

ing our visit. It is impossible for us to adequately express our heartfelt appreciation and thanks for the many courtesies extended to us during our stay in Athens.



Marthakis appointed Deputy County Attorney



Peter S. Marthakis II, son of the former Utah State Senator P. S. and Marguerite Marthakis, was recently appointed by the Salt Lake County Commissioners as a Deputy County Attorney.

After graduating from High School, Mr. Marthakis attended Columbia University on a four year scholarship, graduating with high honors. He also graduated from the Law School of the University of California. He is a member of the California and Utah Bars.

Senator Marthakis, Peter's father, served the Order of Ahepa as Supreme Governor and Supreme Vice-President.



FORT DIX, N.J.—Lieutenant (Chaplain) Milne Murja of Past Chapel 1, Fort Dix, stands before icons used for Eastern Orthodox services. Father Murja is one of two Eastern Orthodox Chaplains in the entire Army.

Greek Actress shines in "Trojan Women"



Dimitra Steris, daughter of Elyria-Lorain Chapter, No. 141, Past President Peter Steris, has the distinction of being the only Greek-American in the cast of "The Trojan Women," Euripides' classic, which has been a hit on the New York stage since last December.

The Play is directed by Greece's own Michael Cacoyannis, who has been acclaimed for his masterful direction.

In "Trojan Women," Miss Steris is a member of the Greek Chorus which sets the mood of the brooding Greek drama.

After studying at the Goodman Theatre, Miss Steris obtained roles in several off-Broadway shows winning raves in roles as Clytemnestra in "Electra." She also appeared in TV shows "The Nurses," "The Defenders" and "Naked City."

Bro Steris has been one of the most active members of Ahepa in the Buckeye District, having won several commendations for increasing the membership in the Lorain Chapter. He must be justly proud of the accomplishments of his talented daughter.



Toronto Skyline

Chairman Sekles and Trustee Mazarakos Visit Athens to Arrange Convention Program



Chairman Sekles and Trustee Vice-Chairman Mazarakos in the office of Greek Prime Minister Papandreu. Left to right: Prime Minister Papandreu, Brothers Mazarakos and Sekles, and Demetrios Sinadinos, legal advisor to the Ministry of the Prime Minister.

Athens Supreme Convention Chairman Socrates V. Sekles and Trustee Vice-Chairman James Mazarakos arrived in Athens on May 6 for a 17-day visit on the 1965 Supreme Convention program and arrangements.

During their stay, they met with Greek Premier Papandreu, American Ambassador Labouisse and other high government officials, as well as with hotel and tourism officials.

On their return, Brothers Sekles and Mazarakos reported that enthusiasm for our 1965 meeting in Athens is high among governmental and business circles in Athens, and that all interested groups have pledged their full cooperation and assistance to insure an outstanding convention for the Ahepa Family next year.

Future issues of The Ahepan magazine

will carry additional details on the program and arrangements for the Athens Convention on transportation, hotel and tour arrangements.

The University Travel Company of Cambridge, Mass., has been appointed by the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees as the only authorized and official travel agency for the Ahepa Family on all matters pertaining to travel, hotel and tours for our Supreme Convention in Athens in 1965. All members and units of the Ahepa Family are herewith notified that inquiries on our Athens Supreme Convention, or arrangements to be made for the convention, must be made through the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, and the University Travel Company. All travel, hotel, and tour arrangements MUST be coordinated through our Headquarters.



American Ambassador Henry R. Labouisse (left) with Chairman Sekles, on the occasion of their meeting in Athens in May, to discuss the 1965 Supreme Convention.



Brothers Sekles and Mazarakos with Mr. Milonis, Undersecretary to the Prime Minister (seated). At right is the Ministry legal advisor, D. Sinadinos.

Bulletin

As we were preparing to go to press, word was received that Brother Socrates V. Sekles, Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees, underwent major surgery on Monday, June 22.

He is now convalescing following his operation at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Mich. We wish Brother Sekles a speedy recovery, on behalf of the thousands of members of the Ahepa Family throughout the United States and Canada who have come to know him through his many years of service to the fraternity.

DEBUTANTES GRAND BALL PRESENTATION

Please forward necessary information on this event. I am _____ years of age, unmarried, a member of the Maids of Athens OR my father, mother is a member of the Ahepa Daughters.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____

MAIL TO:

Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005



PROGRAM AND EVENTS

THE TORONTO 42nd SUPREME CONVENTION

August 16 - 22, 1964



TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

Our 42nd Supreme Convention officially opens on Sunday, August 16, at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto, Canada, and delegates, members and their families are expected from all parts of the United States and Canada.

The Headquarters hotel, The Royal York, has some of the finest convention facilities available anywhere, assuring the fraternity of the finest convention accommodations for our many business and social functions.

Housing for our delegates and members, and their families, will be more than amply taken care of, since 2,500

first-class rooms have been reserved in the city's finest hotels. The Royal York Hotel, as convention headquarters, has guaranteed us a minimum of 1,200 rooms out of its total of 1,600 rooms.

The Toronto Convention Committee, the Supreme Lodge, Trustees, and the Administrative Director of Supreme Conventions, have completed a full week's program of functions and events designed to fill the needs and wishes of all those who attend, young and old. The program events are as follows:

TORONTO CONVENTION PROGRAM AND EVENTS

"Early Birds" Party

**Saturday, August 15:
9 p.m. to 12:00 Midnight**

The Ballrooms will be the scene of an "Early Birds" Party on the Saturday night before the opening of the convention.

Early arrivals will have a place to meet and socialize with visiting members of the Ahepa Family, as well as with the Toronto Ahepa Family. If you arrive on Saturday, be sure to drop into the Ballrooms.

Ahepa's Hellenic Festival Welcome Night

**Sunday, August 16:
9:30 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

SOCIAL ATTRACTIONS

Opening the convention social program on Sunday evening, will be Ahepa's Hellenic Festival Welcome Night — a mixed program of musical entertainment and dancing.

You will be entertained during the first two hours by outstanding music and entertainment, then at Midnight, dancing will begin until 2 a.m.



GREEK NIGHT

**Monday, August 17:
6 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

*Food Service: 6 to 9 p.m.
Dancing: 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.*

GREEK NIGHT at the Ahepa Supreme Convention is one of the top events of the week. Top-flight music and entertainment assures the Ahepa Family of a fun-filled evening for young and old.

You can sit and watch in complete enjoyment, or dance to your heart's content. Convivial atmosphere and guaranteed pleasure for all. The hotel's entire Convention Floor will be opened up for this event — three large ballrooms, with plenty of space for everyone.

AHEPA DEBUTANTES PRESENTATION AND GRAND BALL

**Tuesday, August 18:
9 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

Dancing begins at 9 p.m. — Debutantes Presentation at 10 p.m., until 10:30 p.m., with Dancing following until 2 a.m.

The AHEPA DEBUTANTES PRESENTATION AND GRAND BALL is a brand new Ahepa Supreme Convention event.

Debutantes of the Ahepa Family will be formally presented to the entire Ahepa Family on this evening, accompanied by their father or guardian. They will be presented to Ahepa Supreme President John G. Plimides, and Daughters Grand President Mary Kapsis, standing in behalf of the Ahepa Family.

The fraternity is proud of its young ladies and will take special pride on that evening in their "debut" before the Ahepa Family.

An invitation to participate is extended to all unmarried girls between the ages of 16 and 21, who are either members of the Maids of Arbena, or Daughters of Penelope, or whose parents are either members of the Order of Ahepa or Daughters of Penelope.

Those interested must write immediately to the Ahepa Supreme Lodge Headquarters for information.

The Debutantes Presentation is planned as an annual event of all Ahepa Supreme Conventions.

For information, write to: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005. Entries will be accepted until August 1.

Daughters Fashion Show and Luncheon

**Wednesday, August 19:
12 noon until 4 p.m.**

Our Daughters Fashion Show and Luncheon is always an event that the women of our Ahepa Family look forward to attending. This year's edition promises to be even more spectacular than other Fashion Shows.

The Committee in charge has engaged a firm that will present the latest in women's fashions, including furs. Because of limited seating capacity, those attending the convention are asked to make their Fashion Show Reservations immediately upon arrival at the headquarters hotel.

For reservations, write to: Mrs. Irene Condos, 61 Turnbull Cres., Don Mills, Ontario, Canada. Tickets are \$7.50 per person. Enclose check with your reservation.

THE GRAND BANQUET AND DANCE

**Wednesday, August 19:
6:30 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

Program for the Evening:

Cocktail Reception 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Dancing from 11:00 p.m. to 2 a.m.

At the 1963 San Diego Supreme Convention, a precedent was established in two respects at our Convention Grand

Banquet: (1) the cocktail reception was opened to all persons attending the Banquet, and (2) the Banquet program was completed by 11 p.m., and Dancing followed until 2 a.m.

The same program has been planned for the Toronto Convention Grand Banquet and Dance.

The cost of the banquet ticket of \$15.00 per person covers the entire evening — cocktail reception, dinner, and dancing that follows.

Everyone had a full evening of pleasant relaxation and enjoyment at our 1963 convention banquet, and the 1964 edition promises to be an even more enjoyable event. Make your banquet reservations early — upon arrival at the hotel. A capacity crowd is expected, and seating is limited to the banquet hall capacity.

NIGHT BOAT EXCURSION ON LAKE ONTARIO

(For Teen-Agers and Elders)

**Wednesday, August 19:
9 p.m. to 1 a.m.**

Although the Night Boat Excursion on Lake Ontario, which will be held on Wednesday evening, August 19, will be featured as a "Teen-Age" event, attendance is open to "grown-ups" also.

Capacity is limited, since only one boat is available, and everyone is asked to make immediate reservations upon arriving at the convention. Dancing will be featured on the boat ride, with a "live" band.

Remember — although this is an attraction for "Teen-Agers" it is open as well to our "older crowd."

The Night Boat Excursion on Lake Ontario is scheduled for those who will be unable to attend the Grand Banquet due to limited capacity of the banquet hall. We suggest that you make your Banquet reservations immediately upon arrival at the convention.

THE GRAND BALL

**Thursday, August 20:
9 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

The Convention Grand Ball is on Thursday night of the convention week, and again the entire Convention Floor

of the hotel will be opened for this event, with three ballrooms.

You have your choice of either ballroom, with continuous dancing for everyone. The best in music and entertainment will be there for your fill of Greek and European dancing, and entertainment.

If you look forward to meeting friends from all parts of the United States and Canada, and either just talking over old times or dancing to the best in music, the Convention Grand Ball will fill every anticipation.

The Royal York Hotel facilities are ideally-suited for our convention social functions. Come early and stay late, and dance to your heart's content.



CONVENTION CHURCH SERVICES

**Sunday, August 16:
10:30 a.m. to 12:30 noon**

His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos will officiate at the Convention Church Services which will be held at Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 136 Sorauten Ave., in Toronto.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and finish at 12:30 noon.

Immediately following services, the Ladies Philoptochos Society will have ready a delicious lunch for all out-of-town visitors at a nominal cost. The luncheon will be in the Church Auditorium, and will be served immediately following the close of the Church Services. Please make plans to attend this lunch.

OFFICIAL CONVENTION OPENING

**Sunday, August 16:
4:00 to 5:30 p.m.**

The official public opening of the Ahepa Supreme Convention will be at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, August 16, in the Canadian Room of the Royal York Hotel.

THE SONS AND MAIDS GRAND BALL

**Friday, August 21:
9 p.m. until 2 a.m.**

Friday night of the convention week turns the spotlight on our Sons and Maids, with the Sons and Maids Grand Ball.

Although honoring our Sons and Maids, this top social function is open to all, young and old. Again, those attending will dance to the finest music, and be entertained by top stars.

Make plans to attend this event also, whether you're 18 or 80. You'll enjoy yourself, even if half a dozen dances a night are your limit! Five full hours of wonderful entertainment for all members of the family.

THE FAREWELL DANCE

**Saturday, August 22:
9 p.m. until 12:00 Midnight**

The convention finale takes place at the Farewell Dance on Saturday night, at which time a Drawing will be held for Three (3) round-trip air tickets to the Athens Supreme Convention.

Members of the Ahepa Family will bid fond adieus to each other on this evening, until they meet again next year in 1965 in Athens. (Incidentally, have you made plans to attend next year's Athens Supreme Convention? Send in the survey application to be found on another page of this issue, without delay. And watch for full information in the pages of this magazine.)

CONVENTION EVENTS AND SCHEDULE

The program will include a welcome from the City of Toronto, presentation of Colors and of the State Flags, and a musical program. This is the official opening of the convention, and you are asked to make plans to attend.

Ahepa-Daughters Initiations

Formal initiations of new members of the Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope will be held at 5:30 p.m., immediately following the close of the Opening Ceremonies.

Registration

Registration will open Sunday at 2:00 p.m., and continue daily through Wednesday, closing at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, for the Order of Ahepa, Daughters, Sons and Maids registration may continue into the following day.

The Registration Area is on the Convention Floor, in the Foyer between the Ballroom and the Concert Hall.

Ahepa Workshops and Seminars

Special Ahepa Workshops and Seminars will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the District Gov-

ernors and any other District Lodge officers attending the convention of the Order of Ahepa. Notices will be mailed to the proper officers in due time from the Headquarters. District Governors are asked to please come prepared with recommendations and a status report of their respective District.

THE GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Tuesday, August 18:
Tee-Off Time at 8:00 a.m.**

The Toronto Golf Tournament offers an excellent course, and the promise of an outstanding group of entrants.

Entry Fee is \$10.00 per golfer, which includes the Greens Fee, luncheon, and trophy expense.



To enter, write to: Dr. Evan Nanos, Chairman, Ahepa Convention Golf Tournament, 170 University Avenue, Suite 903, Toronto 1, Ontario, Canada.

Bring your clubs and join the group. No matter what your handicap, you'll have an enjoyable outing.

THE AHEPA OLYMPIAD

**Wednesday, August 19:
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

The 21st annual Ahepa Olympiad will be held on Wednesday, starting at 1:00 p.m. This annual convention attraction is open to all amateur athletes of Hellenic descent, and features both track and field events.

To enter, write to: Dan Glikadis, Chairman, Ahepa Olympiad, P.O. Box No. 974, Toronto Adelaide St. P.O., Toronto, Ont., Canada.

Competition will be classed into two age limits: under 18 and over 18 years of age.

Special Luncheons

Starting Tuesday, special Luncheons for various groups within the Convention will be scheduled. These include the District Lodge Luncheon, Sons and Former Sons Luncheon, Lawyers Luncheon, Business and Professional Men's Luncheon, and the Maids and Former Maids Luncheon. The schedule for these is as follows:

TUESDAY: Lawyers Luncheon.

WEDNESDAY: Business and Professional Men's Luncheon.

THURSDAY: District Lodges Luncheon (Ahepa and Daughters).

FRIDAY: Sons and Former Sons Luncheon, Maids and Former Maids Luncheon.

Notices will be posted for the time and place of these luncheons — and ticket booths where tickets can be purchased, will be on the Convention Floor.



THE AHEPAN

Teen-Age Hospitality Room

The Territories Room of the Royal York Hotel will be open daily for all "Teen-Agers" from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m., as the TEEN-AGE HOSPITALITY ROOM. This special room will feature dancing and social events for all "Teen-Agers" starting Sunday and continuing through Saturday of convention week.

Ladies' Hospitality Room

The Algonquin Room of the Royal York Hotel will be open all day and evening as a LADIES' HOSPITALITY ROOM. This room has been set aside for the convenience of all ladies attending the convention, where they may meet friends or spend a restful hour.

Press Room and Office

The Prince Edward Island Room will be the office and press room for the Public Relations Committee and staff.

Visit to Toronto Athenian Gallery

A special visit to the Athenian Gallery in Toronto will be offered to delegates of the Daughters of Penelope. This will be by invitation only, and will take place on Tuesday afternoon.

BUS TRIP TO NIAGARA FALLS

**Thursday, August 20:
9 a.m. until 5 p.m.**

An Ahepa Family Bus Trip to Niagara Falls is planned for Thursday, August 20, leaving in the morning sometime between 9 and 10 a.m., and returning around 5 p.m. to the hotel.

Information on this special trip, as well as on other sightseeing tours available during the week can be secured from



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the special Convention Sightseeing Desk in the hotel. Reservations for this trip must be made in advance, during the week, so that as many busses as needed can be chartered.

Business Sessions

The Business Sessions of the Ahepa and its Auxiliaries will be held daily, starting Monday morning, in the following rooms from 9:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., or later as required.

AHEPA — Concert Hall
DAUGHTERS — Ballroom
SONS — Quebec Room
MAIDS — Alberta Room

Ahepa Committee Meeting Rooms

Starting Tuesday morning, the following rooms have been set aside for meetings of the Ahepa Convention Committees:

Legislative: Saskatchewan Room
Budget-Finance: Nova Scotia Room
Resolutions: New Brunswick Room
Magazine: York Room
National Projects: Newfoundland Room
Scholarship and Education: Room #4
Officers' Reports: Room #5
Insurance-Emergency Room: Room #7
Convention City: Room #6
Auxiliaries: Room #8
Ritual: Room #9
Excursion: Room #10
Grievance: Room #11
Sons of Pericles: One-third Manitoba Room
Good of the Order: Room #3
Athletics: One-third Manitoba Room
Membership: One-third Manitoba Room
Canadian Affairs: Library
Ahepa Workshops and Seminars: Room #3



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AHEPA OLYMPIAD

Please forward necessary information on this event.
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and of Hellenic descent (from either parent).

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Washington, D.C. 20005

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Please forward necessary information on this event.

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Address:
City, State:

MAIL TO: Order of Ahepa, 1422 K Street, N. W.,
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42nd Supreme Convention Hotel Reservation Request

ORDER OF AHEPA — DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE
SONS OF PERICLES — MAIDS OF ATHENA

MAIL TO: Mr. George Corolis, Chairman
Ahepa Supreme Convention Housing Committee
The Royal York Hotel
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

MAIL TODAY

..... (Name) (Address) (City, State)

Delegate Alternate Member Chapter No. at
of AHEPA DAUGHTERS SONS MAIDS

Please reserve: Single; Double; Twin; Studio; Suite; for per-
son(s) at the rate of \$..... per day.

Room(s) will be occupied by: (give full names)

HOTEL CHOICE: 1st Choice 2nd Choice

3rd Choice If motel preferred, check here

Arrival date: Time Departure date Time

I will travel by: Plane; Train; Auto; Bus

Specify if Air-Conditioned Room desired: Yes No

(NOTE: Reservations deadline is July 15, 1964)

IMPORTANT: Convention DELEGATES will be given preference for Housing at the Royal York Hotel.

HOTELS AND HOTEL ROOM RATES

	Singles	Doubles	Twins	Parlour Bedrooms	Studio Suites	Suites
Royal York Hotel (Headquarters Hotel)	\$9.50 - \$12.50	\$13.50 - \$16.50	\$13.50 - \$16.50	\$13.00 - \$18.50 (1) 17.00 - 20.50 (2)	\$25 - \$30	\$50 - \$85
Lord Simcoe Hotel	\$10.50	\$14.50	\$14.50		\$15 - \$19 (Studio) - \$45	\$22.50 - \$45
King Edward Sheraton	8.50	12.50	14.50		\$20 (Studio) - \$40	\$25 and \$40
Westbury Hotel	\$10.50 - 13.50		\$14.50 - 17.50		\$17.50 (1) 21.50 (2)	\$25 - \$60

NOTE: The Lord Simcoe Hotel is two blocks north of the Royal York Hotel, and the King Edward Sheraton is four blocks northeast of the Royal York Hotel.

In making hotel reservations, please indicate if air-conditioned rooms are requested.



CHAPTER NEWS

Middletown, Ohio Chapter May Festival



Miss Lois Anton of Dayton was crowned queen of the 18th May Festival sponsored by the Middletown-Hamilton Chapter, No. 209, Order of Ahepa at the Manchester Motor Inn Ballroom.

The pretty dark-haired queen was escorted by Leo Harosyan who automatically became king.

Gowned in a long white peau de soie gown, styled with a scooped neckline accented by seed pearls, Miss Anton was chosen on points that included facial beauty, personality, physical attributes, appearance and poise.

Miss Anton was awarded the grand prize, a mink stole. Miss Eugenia Soter of Springfield, runner-up for the title, was awarded \$100. A prize of \$50 was given to the third runner-up, Miss Peggy Zannis of Cincinnati.

Other contestants were Diane Kraddall of Dayton, Maria Kolitsos of Youngstown, Eula Collis of Lexington, Ky., Sandra Jean Morgan of Columbus, Esther Sue Sarris of Middletown, Olga Pappas of Indianapolis, Mary Rokakis of Cleveland and Vicky Cotopolis of Mansfield.

Coronation ceremonies were performed in full costume with trumpeters, pages, a jester and ringbearer. The robed court Chamberlain was Andrew Skalkos of Hamilton.

Judges for the queen contest were William Utter, Program Director of WMUB-TV, Miami University; Mrs. Gerry Hart, WFPB Radio Station, Middletown; and Joe Cella of Joe Cella Associates, Cincinnati.

Honored guests included Nick Smyrnis, Supreme Secretary of the Order of Ahepa; Mrs. Tom Chase, Grand Vice-President of the Daughters of Penelope; Peter Laras, Governor District 11, Order of Ahepa; Mr. William Comminos, District Lt. Governor of Sons of Pericles.

Executive committee of this year's May Festival were Costa Mathews, chairman, V. P. Karras and Mike Revelos, co-chairman.

Proceeds from this year's function will be used for a new floor in the social hall of the Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church.

Jacksonville Chapter Presents Second Set of Classics



JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Citrus District No. 2 Governor Harry Carratt shown presenting the "Greek Classics" to Caleb J. King, Jr.

After presenting the "Greek Classics" to the Jacksonville University last year, Socrates Chapter, No. 6, presented a second set to Caleb J. King, Jr., Editor of the Editorial Page of the Florida Times Union of Jacksonville.

The presentation was made at a *Bouzouke Dance* at the Mid-Year Conference of Citrus District No. 2. Mr. King was wholeheartedly praised for his wonderful articles about Greece and his ideas that culminated therefrom which regularly appear on the Editorial Page.

Boston Chapter Actively Supports Cyprus Cause

Athens Chapter, No. 24, of Boston has taken a very active part in the Cyprus Question, through the fine efforts of President Demos Kakridas and Secretary Peter Caparell. A Resolution passed by the Chapter was read over "Radio Greece Speaks" by Secretary Caparell with very favorable reception.

At the request of the Supreme President, the following Immigration Legislation Committee was duly appointed: Peter Caparell, Chairman, P.S.P. George Demeter, John E. Powers, Sossos Delis and Francis X. Bellotti.

The estate of the late Brother Costas Hountasis, has bequeathed \$1,000 to the Ahepa Charitable and Educational Corporation of the Chapter.

A special meeting of the Hellenic Society for Justice for Cyprus was held recently at the Ahepa Home to formulate their plans. Under the leadership of Professor Zenon Zannetos of M.I.T., with other prominent Bostonians lending a hand (business executive Charles Maliotis offered to finance the printing cost), the society laid the groundwork for the campaign, with Television network WHDH-TV covering the proceedings.

Boston has been voted to be the site for the 1965 Bay District Convention, with Bro. George Mirageas designated as Convention Chairman.

Delegates to the Supreme Convention will be: George Mirageas, Theodore S. Bakas, Demos Kakridas, George Bakas, Peter Caparell and Michael Vrotsos.



CHICAGO, ILL.—The Executive Committee of the 32nd Convention of 13th District. Standing, left to right: John Kachians, Vice Chairman, Louise Hatzis, Sam Karakostas, Chairman, Clara Kanton, Chairman Daughters of Penelope, Nicholas Lumperis, Treasurer, Leon Tsoulon. Seated, left to right: Socrates Shukas, Secretary, Peter Sivvelis.

Supreme Governor Dimas Honored



LOWER DAIS—Left to right: Rev. Charles P. Sarelis, Mrs. Stephen S. Scopas, Dinner Chairman, George Mirros, Supreme Governor Dimas, Past Supreme President Stephen S. Scopas, Toastmaster, Supreme President Plumides, Main Speaker, Past Supreme President Nick Coffinas, Mrs. George Dimas and Thomas J. Lukas, President of Upper Manhattan Chapter, No. 42.



UPPER DAIS—Left to right: Angelo Petromelis, District No. 6, Lieut. Governor, Supreme Counsellor Theodore Bardy, Supreme Trustee Gus Nicholas, Past Supreme Vice-President Peter Kourides, Past Supreme Governor Gus Cherevas and Past Supreme Vice-President Kimon Doukas.

13th Dist. Ahepa Award Scholarships

George J. Skontos, Executive Vice Chairman of the 13th District Order of Ahepa Peter D. Gianukos Scholarship Fund, recently announced the names of recipients of scholarship awards for the year 1964. The winners were:

Albert L. A. Demos, of 7619 S. Paxton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, a divinity student at the Holy Cross Greek Theological School, who received a \$500.00 scholarship award.

Katherine Porikos, of 1359 Thorndale, Chicago, Illinois, a student at Carleton College, received a \$400.00 scholarship award.

Katherine Ann Zabit, of 1135 Carlisle, Racine, Wisconsin, a recent graduate of the William Horlick High School, who was awarded a \$400.00 scholarship.

Minnas Savvas, of 2933 N. 74th Avenue, Elmwood Park, Illinois, a graduate student at the University of Illinois, who received a \$400.00 scholarship award.

Andrew Grekas, of 11335 Forest, Chicago, Illinois, a recent graduate of the

Mendel High School, who was awarded a \$400.00 scholarship.

The Board of Directors also awarded \$1,100.00 to the American Farm School of Salonika, Greece, for the purpose of establishing grants to be given two deserving students.

Honorable Mention Awards were also awarded in the amount of a \$25.00 U.S. Savings Bond to each of the following:

Aphrodite Matsakis, of St. Louis, Mo.; Arthur C. Perivolidis, of Oak Park, Illinois; Thomas L. Greanias, of Evergreen Park, Illinois and Clio Passialis, of Springfield, Illinois.

Enthusiastic response to the scholarship program was received from every city in which an Ahepan chapter of the 13th district is located. The selection committee, composed of Drs. James S. Councils, Kostis Angoe and Byron Massialas presented the recipients' names to the Board of Directors of the Fund for their approval. The task of selection was difficult inasmuch as many applications were received from deserving students.

Microutsicos visits Minneapolis

An extraordinary AHEPA glendi was held by Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, of Minneapolis, Minnesota in their beautiful Ahepa Hall, Sunday, the 4th of April, 1964, in honor of Brother Xenophon Microutsicos of Trenton, New Jersey.



MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Left to right: D. N. Karalis, Leo J. Zotaley, John Mercury, Xenophon Microutsicos, James Demos.

Brethren from nearby chapters of St. Paul, Rochester, and suburbs flocked to Minneapolis in spite of a blistering, stormy, snowy weather. The efforts of all were amply rewarded, for Brother Microutsicos proved to be a very able speaker, both informative as well as interesting.

A cocktail hour preceded the sumptuous banquet, which presented the opportunity to Brothers and Sisters in Theta Pi to visit with our distinguished guest.

The host, President D. N. Karalis (past District Governor), extended a hearty welcome to all and introduced the many distinguished past and present officers attending, notably: President Makris of the Rochester Chapter, President Ronnie Makredes of the St. Paul Chapter, Past Grand President Tula Zotaley, Past Supreme Governor John Mercury, District Governor Marie Ziaskas, President Celia Boosalis of Antigone Chapter, No. 35, of Minneapolis, District Secretary Georgia Ehrich of St. Paul, Past District Governors No. 14 William D. Kleason, John Ormas, John Lambros of St. Paul; Leo J. Zotaley, James Demos, and Sister Rose Mercury, and Past Grand Vice-President Myrtle Phillips.

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CHAPTER NEWS

Seattle Chapter Progress Report

The Juan de Fuca Chapter, No. 177, of Seattle, Washington, has been having a highly successful year. Immediately following the successful installation of Officers — Gus Zarkades, President; Dino Martin, Vice-President; Tom Tolias, Secretary and Louis Balodimas, Treasurer — the program for the year was put into effect. An Initiation early in the year swelled the ranks of our Chapter to a total of 206 members.

The Father-Son Banquet held in March was a great success. Judge William G. Long, Senior Superior Court Justice of the Juvenile Court, was the Guest Speaker, and left a lasting impression with us by emphasizing how important close family relations are in the upbringing of youth. Judge Long was presented with a fishing rod by President Zarkades in appreciation of the services rendered to the community.

In April, the Chapter sponsored an Ahepa Excursion on Puget Sound, with well over 100 Ahepans and friends participating and enjoying themselves to the fullest, cruising in a truly Greek atmosphere, even down to the Greek flag flying from the stern.

We are looking forward to our 37th Annual Picnic at Vasa Park on Lake Sammamish for another successful affair.

We are very proud of our chapter and its activities. We will continue to grow, until we establish the finest Chapter in America.



ENCINO, CALIF. — On February 1, 1964, San Fernando Valley Chapter, No. 412, of the Order of Ahepa and Victoria Chapter, No. 303, of the Daughters of Penelope, had their joint annual dance. The event attracted an overflow crowd to the Encino Community Center at 4935 Balboa Boulevard in Encino. The officers of the two Chapters were publicly installed in an impressive ceremony. The officers of Chapter No. 303 of the Daughters of Penelope were dressed in flowing Grecian gowns that added color and dignity to the ceremony. The dance was a great success with live Greek and American music provided by the orchestra of Tom Palis.

Oakland News

OAKLAND, CALIF.—On Monday, Jan. 20, the Oakland Chapter of the Order of Ahepa and the Women's Auxiliary, the Daughters of Penelope, Echo Chapter, No. 4 held a joint installation at the Madison Street Temple in Oakland. John T. Koplos was installed as President of the Order and Mrs. Effie Costalupes was installed as President of the Daughters of Penelope. Installing officers were District Governor Louis Frangos for the Ahepans and District Governor Ann Mountanos for the Women's Auxiliary. Supreme Governor John Kaplanis honored us with a few kind remarks, and Past Supreme Treasurer George Bezaits served as Master of Ceremonies. Other District Lodge members present were Angelo Mountanos, Lieut. Governor; Alex Sardounis, District Marshal; Salvatore Stella, Executive Secretary, and Peter Roosakis, District Secretary.

President Koplos has served his Masonic Square Club as president in the past and is currently serving on the City of Oakland "Housing Advisory and Appeals Board." The Daughters, once again, did a magnificent job of serving refreshments to all present after the ceremonies.

On March 6 Oakland will have their Past Presidents' and Ahepan "Man of the Year Award Dinner. A large attendance is always present to hear the remarks of our past leaders. Master of Ceremonies this year will be our 1948 Past President, Peter M. Tripp. Bro. Tripp is serving the City of Oakland as the Commissioner of the Port of Oakland — President for two years of this commission. He is also serving on the Board of Directors for the new "First National Bank of Oakland." Our "Fire-Ball" Zenny Cardeasmenos is making all the arrangements for a super affair at James Pippert's new restaurant "The Piper's."



Hartford Chapter hosts Cyprus Ambassador Rossides



Ambassador of Cyprus to the United States and U.N. Zenon Rossides was the guest of the Hartford Chapter at a Lecture-Dinner held in his honor at the Hotel Bond. He spoke very eloquently about the Cyprus question and gave a very informative account of the heroic struggle that the Government of Cyprus is carrying out in their efforts to find a just solution to the problem.

Pictured above are Nicholas Zannetos, Deputy Mayor of Hartford George Kinsella, George Athanson, Co-Chairman of the Dinner, Ambassador Rossides, President Pro Tem of Connecticut State Senate Fred Doocey and Tony Sereslis, Co-Chairman.



HEART FUND DONATION — New York, N. Y., June 10 — New York City's Mayor Robert F. Wagner, on behalf of AHEPA presents a \$1,000 check to Mrs. George F. Baker, Jr., Vice Chairman of New York Heart Association's Women's Division, while Ted Caparelli, chairman of AHEPA'S benefit committee, looks on. The check presented at New York City Hall, will go directly into the New York Heart Association's three-pronged battle against heart and blood vessel diseases through research, education and community service.

CHAPTER NEWS

Plumides visits District #16

A District Meeting was held during the afternoon of March 7 in Dallas, Texas, with Supreme President John Plumides attending.

Supreme Governor James Petheriotes welcomed Brother Plumides to Delta District No. 16.



DALLAS, TEXAS—Left to right: Dr. Peter Athens, District Lieut. Governor; George Papis, P.D.G.; Supreme President Plumides; Michael Colias, Past Trustee; John Aaimos, P.D.G.

Back row, left to right: Nick Nichols, President Dallas Chapter; Chris Semas, Governor Dallas Chapter; Alex Booras, 16th District Governor; Supreme Governor James Petheriotes and Stephen Harris.

The Supreme President spoke on the various projects of the Order, the Cyprus question and the coming National Convention in Toronto. He also gave us a preliminary report on the plans of the 1965 Ahepa Convention in Athens, Greece, enlightening the Brothers of some of the wonderful surprises awaiting the Ahepans who are contemplating to participate.

District Governor Alex Booras also welcomed Brother Plumides and spoke of the coming District Convention to be held in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on June 11 through 14.

Supreme President John Plumides, our principal guest, delivered an inspiring and eloquent address that evening to the large group of members of the Ahepa family and friends who attended the Dallas Chapter's Second Annual Banquet.

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**Scofield Helps Paper
Win Award**

ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.—The St. Petersburg Times has won the 1964 Pulitzer Prize for Meritorious Public Service.

Among those who helped in winning this award is James S. Scofield, Past Supreme President of the Sons and currently Lt. Governor of Citrus District.

Brother Scofield graduated with honors in journalism from the University of Illinois, and after working for the Hammond, Ind. Times, he moved to St. Petersburg, where he is presently Chief Librarian of the Times and Independent.

He is a founder of St. Stefanos Greek Orthodox Church and Editor of the Citrus Ahepa Bulletin.

**Idaho Clergyman Does
One Man Campaign on Cyprus**

POCATELLO, IDAHO—Rev. Constantine Palassis of the Greek Orthodox Church in Pocatello, Idaho, published a series of informative and well presented articles on the Cyprus issue in the Idaho State Journal in the column "Buzz of the Burg."

In these nine articles, he explained in a most systematic way the political and religious history of Cyprus, from the time of Homer to the present, proving through iron-clad historical facts the Hellenic nature of the island through the ages.

The extensive research behind the articles is painstaking and the clarity factuality of the presentation is excellent. Father Palassis is to be commended for the magnificent presentation and be praised for taking a stand on this most crucial issue, which is presently uppermost in the hearts of Hellenism throughout the world.

**Varkas Named
Outstanding Biologist**

MANCHESTER, N. H. — William Varkas, President of Manchester Chapter, No. 44, has been named New Hampshire's Outstanding Biology Teacher for 1964.

Brother Varkas is a biology teacher and chairman of the Department of Science at Manchester High School. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. Anselm's College in Manchester and a Master of Arts degree from UNH.



WILMINGTON, DEL.—District No. 3 Convention Committee with visitors. Front row, left to right: Steve N. Fafalios, Edward Laskaris, Ch. Pres. Supreme Treasurer Mironoutsos, Supreme President Plumides, Chairman John Lazaropoulos and Dr. George Mandas.

Standing left to right: President of Molds Ch. Helen Hraous, John Pitas, Mrs. Constantine Kakaroukis, Molds Treasurer Suzanne Haldas, Mrs. Steve N. Fafalios, Nick Kakaroukis, Joseph Arfios, Secretary Theodore Soumakis, Mrs. Anthony D. Frangos, Anthony D. Frangos, Ch. Treasurer Peter Arniogastou, Steve Coustenis, Miss Toy Hraous, Peter Andrianopoulos, Sons Secretary Stanley Pitas, and Molds Secretary Betty Demetriadis.

**Wisconsin Ahepan
in U.S. Foreign Aid Mission**

MILWAUKEE, WISC.—James Megellas, of Fond du Lac, Wis., has been director of the United States foreign aid mission in Yemen for over two years.

Brother Megellas, a member of the Fond du Lac Chapter, has been active in the political arena in Wisconsin for many years. He has been a district organizer for the Democratic Party in Wisconsin and has served as president of the Fond du Lac common council. He also ran for Congress on the Democratic ticket.

During his two years of foreign service in Yemen, Bro. Megellas has become convinced that the most effective aid is that which touches the people directly. Based on this philosophy, he has been promoting the comparatively modest, inexpensive, community self-help type of project in this tiny isolated country on the Red Sea.

After his assignment is over in July, he will return to this country for instruction on counterinsurgency, and then off to another foreign assignment by the end of the year.

Dr. Scafer, Director of the Awards Committee, in making the announcement, indicated that Bro. Varkas will be entered in the New England Judging and a national award winner will be selected from among the regional winners.

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Plumides Receives Key of City of Toledo, Ohio



TOLEDO, OHIO—Pictured above sitting left to right are: From: Wisconsin, President Supreme Pappasour Plumides; Louisville, Gov. Strick Nick Georges.

Standing left to right: Gus County, Jr. Peter C. Sekles, Mayor of Toledo; Steve Briss, Treasurer; Tom N. Fisher, Secretary; and Councilman Newman.

On May 8th Supreme President John Plumides visited Ypsilanti Chapter, No. 118, of Toledo, Ohio. Past President and current Secretary Thos. N. Fisher with Past President and active Ahepan Gus County, Jr. escorted the Supreme President to the Lodge Rooms of the Greek Orthodox Educational Building where 51 Ahepans and 21 Daughters were present to honor our Supreme President. Also present was Supreme Governor Nick Georges and past Alpha Chapter of Detroit President Nick Merrick.

After formal introductions Councilman Dean Newman presented the Glass Key of the City of Toledo in behalf of the Mayor.

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Plumides Honored with Distinguished Service Award

(Reprinted from the Congressional Record)

John Plumides, Supreme President, Order of Ahepa, Receives North Carolina's Distinguished Service Award

EXTENSION OF REMARKS OF HON. JOHN BRADEMÁS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 22, 1964

Mr. BRADEMÁS. Mr. Speaker, Mr. John Plumides of Charlotte, N.C., supreme president of Ahepa, was recently honored by the presentation of North Carolina's Distinguished Service Award.

The award, the highest given by the State of North Carolina, was a tribute to Mr. Plumides' outstanding services on behalf of his city, his State, and his Country. It was presented at a testimonial banquet attended by prominent leaders from the State of North Carolina and from the national Ahepa organization.

Under unanimous consent I include in the Record an account of the testimonial dinner given in honor of Mr. Plumides. I would also like to take this opportunity to add my congratulations to those of John Plumides' many admirers and friends, on his reception of this well deserved recognition of his outstanding leadership.

The text of the account follows:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA HONORS AHEPA SUPREME PRESIDENT PLUMIDES WITH DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—North Carolina's Distinguished Service Award was presented to Ahepa Supreme President John O. Plumides of Charlotte, N.C., at the testimonial banquet given in his honor on Sunday, May 24. Hargrove Bowles, Jr., chairman of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development, represented Gov. Terry Sanford of North Carolina, and made the presentation.

The award, which is the highest that the State can bestow, was made for Mr. Plumides' services to the State above and beyond the call of duty, especially for his work in education and community services. In making the award, Mr. Bowles said: "You represent the very best of people of Greek descent in the United States, and your dedicated service has meant much to all of us in North Carolina."

Ahepa Supreme President Plumides is only the fourth person to receive the North Carolina Distinguished Service Award. Evangelist Billy Graham is one of the recipients of the award.

The testimonial banquet tendered in Ahepa Supreme President Plumides' honor by his chapter, Marathon Chapter No. 2 of Charlotte, N.C., was held at the Queen Charlotte Hotel in Charlotte, with a capacity crowd present. Speakers of city, State, and national prominence praised Mr. Plumides for his outstanding service to his city and State and country.

Charlotte Mayor pro tempore James B. Whittington described Mr. Plumides as a man who gives of his time and efforts to make Charlotte a better place to live. He said: "We believe Charlotte is a better place because John Plumides is one of us." U.S. Representatives Basil L. Whitener, and

Charles R. Jonas, lauded both John Plumides and the Order of Ahepa for their outstanding services to community and national life.

Speaking on behalf of the Order of Ahepa, Socrates V. Sekles, chairman of the supreme board of trustees, and Ahepa Supreme Vice President Nicholas J. Chirekos, congratulated Supreme President Plumides on his many years of service to the fraternity and for his outstanding contributions to the Order of Ahepa. Mrs. Josie Chase, grand vice president of the Daughters of Penelope, was a speaker of the evening also. Other speakers on the program were: The Honorable Nick A. Theodore, member of the South Carolina House of Representatives; the Honorable L. Richardson Preyer, candidate for Governor of North Carolina; Tom D. Keretsis, president of Marathon Chapter No. 2, Order of Ahepa; Nick J. Miller, president of the Charlotte Greek Orthodox Community; and the Right Reverend Emanuel Bouyoucas, pastor of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.

Friends of Supreme President Plumides from many parts of the country attended. Those included: Ahepa Supreme Secretary Nick Smyrnis, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Ahepa Supreme Treasurer X. K. Microutsicos, of Trenton, N.J.; Ahepa Supreme Governor Nick T. Georges, of Detroit, Mich.; Ahepa Supreme Trustee A. Don Bullion, of Bridgeport, Conn.; Executive secretary George J. Leber, of Washington, D.C.; district 13 Gov. Sam Stayrakas, of Chicago, Ill.; district 1 Gov. Steve Moskos, of Columbia, S.C.; John T. Pappas, Washington, D.C.; Louis Dukas, New York City; Tom Hees, Flint, Mich.; Chris Ekonomou, Eau Gallie, Fla.; Lt. Gov. Gregory Despirakis, Birmingham, Ala.; James Kostopoulos, Hammond, Ind.; and many others.



His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos blessing the clothing given by the Ahepa Welfare Fund of Empire District No. 6 to orphans and underprivileged children. 200 children received complete sets of clothing from the money donated by Ahepans and Daughters, Sons and Maids. Left to right: Cleo Mirros, Co-Chairman; Charles J. Drews, Treasurer; James Caparelli, Chairman; Adelaide Nicholas, instrumental in obtaining clothing are shown with His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos.

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CHAPTER NEWS

**Chester Chapter #79
Chester, Pa.**

The Ahepa Chapter No. 79, in cooperation with the Daughters of Penelope Laodice Chapter, No. 246, of Chester, Pa. held its Annual Past President and 25 Year Member Dinner at the Open Hearth Restaurant, Springfield, Pa. Many members and friends of the Order of Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope attended.

Among the notables present were: Xenophon K. Microutsicos, Supreme Treasurer; George Gialas, District Governor, Power District No. 4 and Mrs. Gialas; Mrs. Bessie Adams, District Marshal; Gregory Corialas, President, Chapter No. 26, Philadelphia, Pa.



CHESTER, PA.—Supreme Treasurer Xenophon K. Microutsicos and Power District No. 4 District Governor Geo. Gialas with officers of Chapter, No. 79, Chester, Pa.

George Mallas, President of Chester Chapter, No. 79, recognized all the past presidents and 25 year members.

Mrs. Fifi Kefalas, President of the Laodice Chapter, No. 246, Daughters of Penelope, presented all her past presidents with a lovely charm.

Supreme Treasurer Microutsicos presented Brother Paul Kirifides with his 25 year pin.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Brother John Beldecos and chairman for the arrangements was Brother Charles Adams.

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CANONSBURG, PA.—Initiation ceremonies of the Washington Ahepa Chapter, No. 156 held in Hotel Hilton, Pittsburgh. The affair was held in conjunction with the Aristotle Chapter, No. 24, of Pittsburgh in honor of the Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, John G. Plumides. Shown left to right seated are: Tom Vlachos, Sr., William Piliou, Treasurer, John G. Plumides, Supreme President, Michael J. Kavoulakis, President of Washington Ahepa Chapter, No. 156, Dr. Peter Nikas, Secretary, Nick Kapottas, Power District No. 4 Athletic Director. Standing left to right: Alex Kavoulakis, Member of Board of Governors; Chris Vlachos, District Treasurer; John Pankas, Warden; Louis Sallon, Chairman of Board of Governors; Nick Stomatakis, Member of Board of Governors; Peter Lucas, Captain of the Guard; Manuel Johns, Athletic Director of the Chapter.

CANONSBURG, PA.—Pictured with the Supreme President are the newly initiated and nationally recognized quartet from Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, known as the "FOUR COINS." Standing left to right are: George Mihailis, George Mihailis, Supreme President Plumides, James Gregorakis, and Jack Mihailis.



AT TORONTO INSTALLATION — Pictured during the Installation of Officers of Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope of Toronto, are: Mrs. Anthea Simeonides, P.D.G. and Daughters Installing Officer, Bishop of Rodastolou, Mrs. Frances Ninos, Grand Vice President of Canada, District Governor Nicholas Liaskos, Installing Officer, and Ed Ghkadis.

**Lehigh Chapter Initiates
Five Members**

Lehigh Chapter, No. 60, in Allentown, Pa., held an initiation recently. Seated in the foreground are the new members of the Order: George Phillipou, Gus Kordas, Harry Granimes, Peter Karygianis, and Lee Andrews.

The Chapter Officers and Initiation Team are in background.



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Plumides attended. Secretary of Ahepa. Power District No. 4 and Mrs. Gialas; Mrs. Bessie Adams, District Marshal; Gregory Corialas, President, Chapter No. 26, Philadelphia, Pa.

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TORONTO, CANADA—Photo taken of the 1964 Joint Installation of officers of the Ahepa and Daughters Chapter of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Canadian District CJ Convention

The Beaver District Convention was held in Kingston, Ontario, Canada last May 16-17-18, 1964.

The Banquet was very successful. Guest speaker was Supreme Counsellor Theodore Barty of New York, and Mrs. J. Josie Chase of Columbus, Ohio. Also Mrs. F. Ninos of Toronto, Grand Vice-President for Canada and Mr. F. Hawkey pro-Mayor of the City of Kingston. Toastmaster was George Adamakos, Past Supreme Vice-President of Ahepa in Canada.

New District Lodge elected: Chris Zakos, District Governor; Paul Kanas, Lieut. Governor; Gus Petzoulas, District Secretary; Harry Vaval, District Treasurer; Evangelos Savilakis, District Marshal; N. Markis, District Advisor.

Reno Chapters Donate Church Lot

Reno Chapter 281 of Ahepa and Chapter 89 of the Daughters have donated a lot to the Greek Orthodox Church for a future edifice in Reno, Nevada. At an impressive ceremony, Supreme Governor John Kaplans and District Governor Louis Frangos presented the land deed to the property.

Pictured left to right are: Dan Angelides, Spiritu Anastassatos, Dan Altipis, Chapter President; John Kaplans, Supreme Governor; Louis Frangos, District Governor District 21; Paul Argeres, Angelo Georgeson and John Angelides.

Letter to President Corrects Oversight

JAMAICA, N. Y.—A letter from Gus Keen, chairman of the Ahepa's Political Action Committee, was instrumental in correcting a presidential oversight in connection with the recent meeting in the Holy Land between Pope Paul VI and Patriarch Athenagoras I.



Chairman Gus Keen of the Political Action Committee of District No. 6 shows Lieutenant Governor Angelo Petromelis, left and Governor James A. Rappos, right the correspondence which prompted President Johnson to send an envoy to the Patriarch Athenagoras I.

Mr. Keen wrote to President Lyndon B. Johnson concerning the greeting sent to the Pope with Sargent Shriver, director of the Peace Corps.

In his letter, Mr. Keen commended the President for his action, but he suggested that greetings should have been sent to the Patriarch, also.

"I am sure the slight was unintentional," Mr. Keen said, "but I can assure you that the millions of Americans of the Eastern Orthodox faith, the Eastern Orthodox of our NATO partner, Greece and over 150 million Eastern Orthodox behind the iron curtain, would have been greatly pleased at your acknowledgment of their spiritual leader's visit to the Holy Land."

The letter was written on January 11. A United Press International dispatch from Istanbul dated January 11 told Mr. Shriver's visit with the Patriarch which he delivered a message from the President.

Six days later, Mr. Keen received a wire from the Patriarch saying: "God thanks for your letter of January 7 having brought best results."

Mr. Keen worked in close cooperation with District Lieutenant Governor Angelo Petromelis on behalf of the District Lodge. Their prompt action and the desired results points out the high esteem the Order of Ahepa is held throughout the world.



KINGSTON, ONTARIO, CANADA—Pictured left to right are: C. Zakos, District C23 Governor; J. Barty, Supreme Counsellor; Mrs. J. Chase, Grand Vice-President of Daughters; and G. Adamakos, Toastmaster and Past Supreme Vice-President for Canada.



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PENELOPIAN

District #9 Governor Pipilas feted in Nashua, N. H.



NASHUA, N. H.—Honored guest Hionia Pipilas with some of the dignitaries at the Testimonial in her honor.

The Daughters of Penelope Chapter, No. 148, Nashua, N.H., paid tribute to Hionia Pipilas, Governor of District No. 9, at a testimonial dinner at the Olde Coach Inn.

About 80 women attended, including officers and members of Chapters in this state, Maine and Massachusetts.

Miss Pipilas, a past President of the local Thisbe Chapter, received a gift and corsage, presented to her by Mrs. George Patorgis, Chairman in charge of the testimonial.

Commending the guest-of-honor in her work on behalf of the chapter and district were the following: Nellie Coutsonikas, Grand Governor, Zone 1; Mrs. John Scontsas, President of the local Chapter, who presented her with a Past President's Pin; Stella Stathos of Peabody, Mass., Governor of District 8.

Toastmaster was Mrs. Angelo Chouramanis who also traced Miss Pipilas' activities in the organization.

District 9 officers present were Lieutenant Governor, Mrs. Charles Bertsumas of Nashua; Marshal, Helen Pappas of Portland, Me.; Secretary, Mrs. John Halias of Concord; Advisor, Mrs. Christos Ginaris of Manchester; and from District 8, Marshal Mary Nikropoulos of Peabody.

Mrs. John Christakis, President of the Daughters and Mr. Spiro Cappony, President of the Ahepa Chapter, spoke of the accomplishments of the Daughters for the past 25 years, as did District No. 12 Governor Gus Garvillos, Grand Governor of Zone 2 Mrs. William Damaskos and Grand Advisor Millie Kontos. Past Presidents in attendance were Mrs. Thomas Gountanis, Mrs. Nick Daravanis, Mrs. Damaskos and Miss Kontos.

Antigone Chapter, Minneapolis Activities

Antigone Chapter, No. 35, Daughters of Penelope, of Minneapolis, Minnesota claims the title of "most active chapter in District 14" since the 1st of the New Year 1964. A summary of Daughters' events are listed below:

Progressive Dinner with Chairman Tula Zotaley and Myrtle Phillips.

Installation 1964 Officers.

Minneapolis Gas Cooking School — attended by Daughters and friends.

Mardi Gras (Apokriatiko Glendi) sponsored by chapter in church auditorium featuring family nights proved highly successful. Dinner, prizes for costumes, extraordinary program, and dancing to a Greek band contributed greatly to the Glendi. Chairman included Tula Zotaley, Myrtle Phillips, Rose Mercury, Georgia Mavrelis, Toni Bannis.

Easter Communion Breakfast for all children of Minneapolis community was sponsored by chapter. Chairman, Rose Mercury.

Joint meeting of Twin City Chapters held in St. Paul, Minnesota included both Ahepa and Daughter Chapters.

Ahepa dinner party to welcome and hear message of Supreme Governor Harry Boosalis of California.

Ahepa dinner party to welcome and hear message of Supreme Treasurer Xenophon Microutsicos.

Theater Party at the famous Tyrone Guthrie Theater to see Saint Joan.



Niobe Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope presented Jamaica High School a set of the Greek Classics. President Esther Demetriou of the Chapter is presenting the gift to Mr. Louis Schriker, center, Principal and Mr. Lewis Scher, Chief Librarian.



CHESTER, PA.—Supreme Treasurer Xenophon K. Microutsicos with the officers and members of Laodice Chapter, No. 246, of Chester, Pa.



DENVER, COLO.—Members of the Daughters Chapter of Denver, Joan Papadreas, Mrs. Nick Papageorge, Virginia Jackson and Lorenza Polites present Christmas Holiday Cards to State Home and Training School students on one of their community projects of spreading joy and cheer to the needy.

Gary, Indiana Daughters celebrate 25th Anniversary

The Mentor Chapter, No. 81, of Gary, Ind., recently celebrated their 25th Anniversary with a number of activities to mark the occasion. Church Services were attended by the members with an "Art-klasia" and special prayers for the health and guidance of the members, followed by memorial services for the departed sisters.

Later on a Buffet Supper was held in conjunction with the Ahepans of Chapter 78 with charter members Mrs. L. Stathakis, Mrs. G. Demetrakis, Mrs. S. Karas, Mrs. B. Theorhatis, Mrs. G. Buzuvis, Mrs. J. Galanis and Mrs. M. Plutis in attendance.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

On behalf of all the members of the Supreme Lodge, I wish to express to you our sincere appreciation for the expressed trust and confidence in our election by unanimous vote of acclamation by the delegates to the 1964 Toronto Supreme Convention.

Your Supreme Lodge has pledged itself to promote, advance and fulfill the programs and objectives of the fraternity. I am confident that we can and will achieve our goal, with your help.

As your Supreme President, I am fully aware of the *duties and obligations* that are imposed upon that member whose Ahepa career reaches its culmination with election to the office of Supreme President. These duties and obligations also carry a responsibility to the fraternity that can only be described as being of major magnitude, in relation to other fraternal offices.

The word *duty* is defined as "any action necessary in one's occupation or position." I believe the "key" words in this definition are "any action necessary" — and this applies whether we are referring to the Supreme President, or to any member of the Supreme Lodge. Or, for that matter, when we refer to a member of the Supreme Board of Trustees — or to a District Lodge Officer — or a Chapter Officer.

All, whether Supreme, District or Chapter officer, have the most serious responsibility to take ANY ACTION NECESSARY to fulfill the *duties* of their respective office.

Where Necessary Action is Needed

If our fraternity is to advance, progress and grow . . . and if we are to fulfill the goals which are the Ahepa's programs and objectives . . . then ALL officers, whether at the Supreme, District or Chapter levels, as well as all members, must take ANY

ACTION NECESSARY to advance and complete Ahepa's fraternal programs.

Our programs and objectives have been outlined and stated. They include, as only a *partial* listing:

1. *The Cyprus Campaign* — we need the full financial support of the Chapters. Has your Chapter given its share?
2. *Special Membership Drive* — Oct. 1 through Dec. 31, 1964. Is your local Drive for New and Reinstated Members underway?
3. *1965 Athens Supreme Convention* . . . have you publicized this event among all your members, as well as among all members of the Ahepa Family in your area?

These are the *immediate* programs that demand the *action* of every Chapter, District and Supreme officer, as well as the action and cooperation of every Past Officer, and every member.

In future issues of *The Ahepan*, I shall define and explain our other programs and objectives. But, at this moment, I ask that you act on these: *The Cyprus Question* — *The Special Membership Drive* — *The 1965 Athens Supreme Convention*.

Your Supreme Lodge has pledged its full energy and ability. We ask that you make the same pledge, and begin at once to take whatever NECESSARY ACTION is needed to achieve our goals. Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Nicholas J. Chirekos
NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

Supreme Lodge Visits President Johnson at the White House

President Lyndon B. Johnson received the Ahepa Supreme Lodge at the White House on Tuesday, September 29, 1964.

Headed by Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos and accompanied by Supreme Trustees Chairman Socrates V. Sekles, the Supreme Lodge composed of Vice President Kimon A. Doukas, Secretary, Gus

Cherevas, Counsellor George S. Stratigos, Vice President of Canada Nicholas Liaskos, Governors Peter Cardiges, Gus G. County, Jr., Charles M. Georgeson, J. William Holmes, George T. Poolitsan, William G. Poulos and Athletic Director Andy Panos, called at the White House to pay its respects to the President.

Supreme President Chirekos and Trustees Chairman Sekles who were invited guests of the Greek Government at the wedding of King Constantine in Athens, as the official representatives of Ahepa, thanked President Johnson on behalf of the Order of Ahepa for sending his daughter Lynda Bird to the wedding as his personal representative.

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Comments from the EDITOR

Ahepa, Cyprus and the Convention

The 42nd Supreme Ahepa Convention of Toronto will undoubtedly be remembered as the turning point in Ahepa's "show of strength" and acknowledgment as the leader of the Greek American Community.

The results of the special campaign waged by the Ahepa National Committee on Cyprus during the week of the Convention, under the directorship of Past Supreme President John G. Thevos, to channel the feelings of the American Government Officials regarding the Cyprus issue to a favorable position; were beyond anybody's expectations. The over one hundred messages from U.S. Government Officials expressing themselves openly for Self-Determination for Cyprus, created a complete turnaround in the feelings prevailing prior to Ahepa's concentrated efforts. These highly significant comments coming in this critical hour from representatives of the U.S. Government will certainly influence the thinking of the statesmen of the world, so that a solution in the best and noblest tradition of democracy will emerge.

Ahepa Leaders Briefed at State Department

In connection with the Cyprus issue, the top officers of Ahepa were invited by the State Department for a special briefing session on Monday, September 28, 1964.

The Ahepa delegation, headed by Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos, and including Ahepa Trustees Chairman Socrates V. Sekles, Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Doukas, Chairman of the Ahepa National Committee on Cyprus John G. Thevos, Secretary of the Committee Peter L. Bell, Daughters Grand President Mrs. Josie Chase and Ahepa Director of Public Relations Alfred G. Vonetes, met with the Under Secretary of State George W. Ball, Ambassador John D. Jernegan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Mr. John M. Howisan, Deputy Director, Office of Greek-Turkish and Iranian Affairs and Mr. Gordon D. King, Officer in Charge of Cyprus Affairs.

THE COVER. Chairman of Board of Trustees Socrates V. Sekles and Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos are shown with President Johnson and his Administrative Aide Mike Manatos, a member of Ahepa of the Rock Springs, Wyo. Chapter.

NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

Notice

TO ALL MEMBERS
OF THE AHEPA FAMILY

Convention Mandates
Full Authority to
Supreme Lodge for
Charters outside U.S.A.,
in 1965

The Toronto Supreme Convention mandated that no Chapter, District, or individuals or groups be permitted to sponsor any Excursion, Charter Flight, ship sailing or any similar venture under the name of Ahepa during the year 1965, and that all such events be under the entire authority of the Supreme Lodge.

The mandate reads as follows:

"During the year 1965, no District Lodge, Chapter, or other subdivision or Auxiliary of the Ahepa, nor any individual nor group of individuals shall sponsor any Excursion, Charter Flight, Ship Sailing or any similar venture outside the limits of the United States under the name of the Ahepa or any of its subdivisions. In the event any District Lodge, Chapter or other subdivision of Auxiliary of the Ahepa or any individual or group of individuals does or attempts to do any of the above prohibited acts, the Supreme Lodge is instructed to take immediate and effective action to protect the interest of the Order of Ahepa."

Any and all such Excursions, Charter Flights, or sailings, in the calendar year of 1965, will be under the sponsorship, supervision and control of the Supreme Lodge.

From left to right: William G. Poulos, Nicholas Liaskos, J. William Holmes, George S. Stratigos, Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Duukas, Gus G. County, Jr., Mike Manatos, Administrative Aide to President Johnson, Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos, President Johnson, Peter Cardigos, Trustees Chairman Socrates V. Sekles, Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, Charles M. Georgeson, George T. Poultsan and Andy Pamos. Supreme Treasurer Gust Rakus was not present.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Chapters will elect Delegates, Alternates to Athens Convention
in December, 1964, January and February, 1965

All Chapters Officers and Members are herewith notified that the election of Delegates and Alternates to the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention MUST be held during the months of either DECEMBER, 1964, JANUARY OR FEBRUARY, 1965.

The Toronto Supreme Convention passed this special legislation, which will be in effect ONLY for the Athens Supreme Convention.

Additional notification will be mailed to all Chapters from the Headquarters on this matter.

Meanwhile, Chapter Officers are asked to plan their meeting schedules in December, January and February so as to include the elections of their 1965 Supreme Convention Delegates and Alternates. Reporting Forms will be mailed to all Chapter Secretaries within the next few weeks.

Auxiliaries Visit White House

On September 28, 1964, the Grand Lodge of the Daughters of Penelope with Grand President of the Maids of Athena Miss Kathy Halkias, visited the White House. The Delegation under Grand President Mrs. Thomas L. Chase was composed of Miss Millie Kontos, Grand Secretary, Mrs. John Yack, Grand Governor Zone I, Mrs. William Damaskos, Grand Governor Zone II, Miss Vivian Poulos, Grand Governor Zone III and Miss Halkias.

Purpose of the visitation was a presentation, in behalf of the Daughters, of an

Ancient Greek coin (400 B.C.) to Miss Lynda B. Johnson, as a token of appreciation for attending the wedding of the Royal Couple of Greece as the official representative of the United States. The presentation was made in the Diplomatic Reception Room.

Miss Lynda B. Johnson thanked the Daughters for their wonderful gesture and told them of how much impressed she was on her visit to Greece, the land she heard so much about, and whose Ancient Greek Myths she treasured so much as a child.



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Ahepa Heads Attend Royal Wedding

By Charles J. Drewes



Shown on their departure for Athens to attend the Greek Royal wedding, are Mr. and Mrs. Chirekos (top) and Mr. and Mrs. Sekles.

The Greek Government invited Supreme President and Mrs. Nicholas J. Chirekos and Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Mrs. Socrates V. Sekles to the Royal Wedding of King Constantine of Greece and Princess Anne-Marie of Denmark in Athens, Greece, as representatives of the Order of Ahepa.

The festivities that preceded the Royal Wedding will long be remembered by the Ahepa representatives, beginning with the formal reception by the Greek Government for His Majesty and his Royal Fiancee at the Grande Bretagne Hotel.

The official reception given by His Majesty at the Royal Palace for the Greek People was held in two successive days, because of the tremendous amount of royalty present. Mr. and Mrs. Sekles attended the reception on Saturday Sept. 12, while Mr. and Mrs. Chirekos attended the Sunday reception.

On Monday, Sept. 14, Ambassador Henry R. Lambouisse of the United States invited Mr. and Mrs. Chirekos and Mr. and Mrs. Sekles to a reception given in honor of Miss Lynda Bird Johnson, who represented her father President Johnson at the Royal Wedding.

On Tuesday, Supreme President and Mrs. Chirekos along with Chairman of the Board and Mrs. Sekles attended a reception given at the Athens Hilton in honor of Greek and foreign press and other news media representatives, by Mr. George Mylonas, Under Secretary of State.

The outstanding event among the festivities before the Royal Wedding attended by the Ahepa representatives was the Formal Reception and Grand Ball at the Royal Palace in Athens. This was the night for Royalty, Nobility and Special Envoys to dance and sip champagne in a lavish fete for the young couple. An entire new wing was built onto the Athens Royal Palace to accommodate the overflow of guests. A fortune in priceless gems were worn by the guests, some of them world renown heirlooms. The tall and stately appearance of Supreme President Chirekos attracted the attention of many guests and Mrs. Pauline Chirekos, who bears a remarkable resemblance to Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, also drew favorable glances from the royal guests.

The day of the Wedding of the Century had at last arrived. All of Athens was filled with anticipation of seeing this romantic courtship climaxed by the marriage of King Constantine of Greece and Her Royal Highness Princess Anne-Marie of Denmark. The many thousands that witnessed the procession of Royalty on their way to the Cathedral of Athens, will forever remember its grandeur and majesty. An excellent vantage point for witnessing the ceremony was provided for the Chirekos' and Sekles' by the vir-

tue of the special invitation given to them by the Greek Government.

The wedding ceremony had all the color and splendor imaginable. Archbishop Chrysostomos officiated at the wedding, and Queen Frederica was the sponsor. The ceremony lasted 52 minutes and the two gold crowns studded with rubies and diamonds used in the wedding of King George I and Grand Duchess Olga in 1867, were used in the ceremony. The bride's ring was made by melting ancient coins dating to Alexander the Great.

Among the guests there were eight kings, two ex-kings, sixteen queens, forty-eight princes, fifty princesses, one grand duke and many other stations of royalty, presidents, prime ministers, marshalls and representatives of over ninety countries.

While in Athens, Supreme President Chirekos and Trustees Chairman Sekles visited many officials to make further arrangements for the Supreme Convention of Ahepa to be held in Athens from August 7 to August 14, 1965. Athens and all of Greece is anxiously awaiting the arrival of Ahepans for the Convention, which promises to be the greatest ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Sekles and Mr. and Mrs. Chirekos before they attended the Formal Reception and Grand Ball at the Palace.



AHEPA
IN
ATHENS '65



Sup. Pres. Chirekos addressing the Convention after being sworn in.



Trustees Chairman Sekles addressing the delegates.



Members of the Supreme Lodge shown with Miss Universe are, left to right: Sup. Div. John Kaplanis, Sup. Treas. Xenophon Microutsikos, Sup. Sec. Nick Smyrnis and Sup. Gov. Nick Georges.

The 42nd Supreme Convention

In an atmosphere of excitement, anxiety and anticipation, electrified by the impact of the intensive campaign for the just solution of the Cyprus question, Ahepans, Daughters, Sons, Maids and a rather large number of Hellenes from throughout the States and Canada, assembled in the spacious Royal York Hotel during the week of August 16-22 for the 42nd Supreme Convention of Ahepa.

With the spirit of harmony and unity, first endorsed at the San Diego Convention, still prevailing, the efforts of one and all were channeled into enriching the fraternity's programs and goals. And when the business sessions were over on Saturday, another unanimously elected slate of officers were presented to the Delegates and the organization at large.

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Supreme Treasurer: Gust Rakus, Seattle, Wash.

Supreme Counselor: George S. Stratigos, South Bend, Ind.

Supreme Vice President of Canada: Nicholas Liaskos, Montreal, Canada

Supreme Governors: Peter H. Cardiges, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Gus G. County, Jr., Toledo, Ohio; Charles M. Georgeson, Clinton, Mass.; J. William Holmes, Silver Spring, Md.; George T. Poolitsan, Middletown, Ohio and William G. Poulos, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Athletic Director: Andy Panos, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Mike Costas, Tarpon Springs, Fla.; Peter Sideris, Colonia, N.J.;

Spiros Zepatos, Memphis, Tenn.; Peter Kouchalakos, Coral Gables, Fla.;

John A. Samios, Joliet, Ill.; Supreme President, Nicholas J. Chirekos and Supreme Vice Chairman, Kimon A. Doukas.



A view of the head table at the Banquet. Left to right: Leber, Ambassador Kallergis, Archbishop Iakovos, Sup. Pres. Plimides, Ambassador Rossides and Trustees Chairman Sekles.

The Convention Program

Following Church Services on Sunday morning at the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church at which His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos officiated, a luncheon was held at the Church Hall with all Ahepa Family Officers attending.

After the luncheon, the official opening of the Convention was held at 4:00 P.M., with His Honor Mayor Philip Givens of Toronto welcoming all Ahepans and friends to the city. During the opening ceremonies, a most impressive presentation of Colors and of State Flags took place, under the supervision of Supreme Treasurer Xenophon Mircoutsicos. The presentation of the State Flags was done by the District Governors.

Following the opening, the Ahepans and the Daughters held separate initiation ceremonies, with several candidates joining the ranks of the Ahepa Family.

Sunday evening a Welcome Night Party and Hellenic Festival was held, with special emphasis on Greek Folk Dance exhibitions and rendition of Greek Songs by various artists.

The business sessions of the Ahepa and its Auxiliaries began Monday morning and continued daily through Saturday.

On Monday noon, the City of Toronto invited the Supreme Lodges and the Board of Trustees to a Luncheon, hosted by His Honor Mayor Philip Givens, at which Miss Universe, Corinna Tsoper was the Guest of Honor. Later on in the evening, the Greek Night Glendi took place on the entire Convention Floor, with three spacious Ballrooms in use. Highlight of the evening was the appearance of Miss Universe, whose presence magnetized all the participants. After joining the Ahepa dignitaries and the entire Ahepa Family in a "Lamb and Pilaf" Dinner at the luxurious Canadian Ballroom, she was presented by Supreme President Plumlos for a few words of greetings, after which she participated in a few Greek Folk Dances to the complete enjoyment of everyone. She then spent a few hours visiting and talking to the proud sons of Hellas, who looked upon her as a Goddess of Beauty, a true descendant of Aphrodite.

The Orchestra of George Stratis and the international troubadour of song Nicos Goumaris were featured for the Glendi, with several other orchestras supplying the music for the other ballrooms.

Debutantes Ball

The most impressive function of the

The Supreme Lodge of Ahepa



Seated left to right: Gust Rakus, Supreme Treasurer, Gus Cherevas, Supreme Secretary, Kimon A. Doukas, Supreme Vice President, Nicholas J. Chirekos, Supreme President, Nicholas Liaskos, Sup. Vice President of Canada and George S. Stratigos, Supreme Counsellor.
Standing left to right: Supreme Governors Peter Cardiges, George T. Poolitsan, J. William Holmes, Gus County Jr., Charles M. Georgeson and William G. Poulos, and Supreme Athletic Director Andy Panos.

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Seated left to right: Panayis Dikeou, Treasurer Gus Nicholas, Vice Chairman James Mazaracos, Sup. President Nicholas J. Chirekos, Chairman Socrates Sekles, Sup. Vice Pres. Kimon A. Doukas, Vice Chairman Sam Nakos, Secretary William G. Chirgolis and Speros J. Zepatos.
Standing left to right: Mike Costas, Nicholas G. Chronis, A. Don Bullion, Peter Kouchalakes, Gust J. Herouvis, Peter Sideris and John A. Samios.

entire week was the Debutantes Ball, held on Tuesday evening. In a background of Grecian Columns clustered in an artistic arrangement, the Debutantes of the Ahepa Family, dressed in glamorous white flowing gowns, were presented by their handsome fathers, attired in white dinner jackets, to the Supreme President of Ahepa, John Plumlos, and the Grand President of the Daughters, Mrs. Mary Kapsos. They then proceeded

to dance, first some waltzes and later some Greek Folk Dances while the spotlights were creating a very colorful effect in the darkened ballroom.

The Debutantes presented and their escorts were: Miss Cornelia Allen, of Crestwood, N.Y., by Paniskas Allen, Miss Patti Anas, London, Ont., Canada, by Sam Anas, Miss Jay Balles, Toronto, Canada, by James Balles, Miss Margie Bouras, Ottawa, Canada, by John Bouras,

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Miss Irene Bulucon, Toronto, Canada, by her uncle George Scopis, Miss Dianne Dellios, Toronto, Canada, by Mitchell Dellios, Miss Penny Douros, Toronto, Canada, by Peter Douros, Miss Louann Fallis, Toronto, Canada, by George Fallis, Miss Chrysanthi George, New York, N.Y., by Peter George, Miss Patricia Georges, Detroit, Mich., by Nick Georges, Miss Nikki Ghikades, Toronto, Canada, by Edward Ghikades, Miss Thio Gratas, New York, N.Y., by her uncle Anthony Koutros, Miss Cynthia Karay, Detroit, Mich., by Emmanuel Karay, Miss Maria Karis, Kingston, Ont., Canada, by Frank Karis, Miss Demetra Kastris, Toronto, Canada, by William Kastris, Miss Frances Litsas, Worcester, Mass., by Chris Litsas, Miss Sandra Manos, Toronto, Canada, by William Manos, Miss Daphne Palmer, Toronto, Canada, by Peter Palmer, Miss Joanne Pantages, Pittsburgh, Pa., by Peter Pantages, Miss Viki Pappas, Houston, Texas, by her brother Harris Pappas, Miss Vasiliki Stergiane, Toronto, Canada, by Thomas Stergiane, Miss Aileen Strike, Salt Lake City, Utah, by Nicholas Strike, Miss Yvonne Sutter, Kansas City, Mo., by Elias Sutter, Miss Sandra Vlahakis, Toronto, Canada, by George Vlahakis, Miss Chris Lou Yankou, Toronto, Canada, by Louis Yankou, Miss Peggy Zakos and Miss Elaine Zakos, Kingston, Ont., Canada, by Chris Zakos, Miss Maria Zakos and Miss Margaret Zakos, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, by Thomas Zakos.

Grand Banquet and Dance

A cocktail reception preceded the Banquet, which started at 7:30 P.M. The speaking program was sprinkled with an abundance of speakers with special emphasis placed on the Cyprus issue. In this respect, both Supreme President Plumides and main speaker Ambassador Zenon Rossides spoke extensively on the Cyprus question as presented in the arena of international diplomacy, both expressing confidence that justice and freedom will prevail in the end. Other speakers at the Banquet were George J. McIlraith, President of the Privy Council, Ambassador of Greece to Canada John Kallergis, His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, Mayor Philip Givens, U. S. Consul P. C. Armstrong, Grand President Mary Kapsos, Sons Supreme President Emmanuel Gratsias and Maids Grand President Faith Prassas. William Zacharellis was Toastmaster for the evening.

Other Functions

The Convention Grand Ball was held on Thursday with Gus Valli and Orches-



The Supreme President shown with the Debutantes presented at the Debutantes Ball.



Shown at the Mayor's office, left to right: Chirekos, Miss Universe, Gratsias and Mayor Givens.

tra and Eva Styl supplying the musical entertainment. Friday night's social affair was the Sons and Maids Ball, and on Saturday evening the Farewell Dance completed the week's program.

In addition to these, there were several other side attractions during the week, like the Golf Tournament, the Olympiad, the Daughters Fashion Show, Excursions to Niagara Falls and Lake Ontario and others.

Convention Officers and Committees

The Convention Officers elected unanimously were: Charles J. Panagopoulos, Chairman, Gregory J. Despirakis, Vice

Chairman and Thomas C. Yeotis, Secretary.

Chairmen of the Convention Committees were: *Legislative*: Jack Ritsos, *Resolutions*: Gregory G. Lagakos, *Budget-Finance*: Nicholas Coffinas, *National Projects*: Peter Chingos, *Magazine*: Kimon A. Doukas, *Scholarship and Education*: Paul Koken, *Officers Reports*: Gus Cherevas, *Convention City*: Peter Cardiges, *Insurance-Emergency Fund*: Chris Litsas, *Auxiliaries*: Stephen I. Beraldalis, *Ritual*: Michael Thames, *Excursion to Greece*: Louis Dukas, *Grievance*: George N. George, *Sons of Pericles*: Gus County, *Cyprus*: William Zacharellis, *Athens Convention*: Nicholas S. Limperis.

Constitutional Amendments Approved

Athens Supreme Convention

1. Delegates and Alternates to the Athens Supreme Convention shall be elected by the Chapters during the months of December 1964 and January and February, 1965.

2. The Supreme Convention in Athens, Greece shall commence on Sunday, August 8, 1965 to Saturday, August 14, 1965.

3. This special legislation shall be effective only for the period of Dec. 1, 1964 and expire and become null and void with the termination of the Athens Supreme Convention.

Petitioning Convention for Charter

Article VIII, Section 5 of the Constitution (Petitioners rejected may appeal to Supreme Convention) was DELETED from the Constitution. This Section 5 refers to non-Ahepans petitioning the Convention for a Charter when the Supreme Lodge has previously rejected same.

Chapter Vote at Supreme Convention

A new Section 6 (f) was added to Article XXII of the Constitution — The Supreme Convention — as follows: "In the event the membership of an existing Chapter drops from fifteen (15) to not less than ten (10) members, then and in such event the Chapter shall be entitled to a One-Half (1/2) vote at the Supreme Convention, but only in cities where no other Chapter exists."

Chapter Vote at District Convention

A new Section 4 (a) was added to Article XXXI of the Constitution — Districts and District Conventions — as follows: "In the event that the membership of an existing Chapter drops from fifteen (15) to not less than ten (10) members, then and in such event the Chapter shall be entitled to two (2) Votes at the District Convention, but only in cities where no other Chapter exists."

The Executive Secretary

Article XXIV, Section 7 — The Executive Secretary — the wording "\$10,000.00" was changed to "\$11,000.00" to increase the salary of the Executive Secretary to \$11,000.00 a year.

Supreme Lodge Officers Qualifications

Section 2 of Article XXIII — The Supreme Lodge — was changed by adding the words "or Canada" thereby giving eligibility to election to the Supreme Lodge by either citizens of the United States or Canada.

Maids of Athena

An amendment was passed that the Maids of Athena were now officially to be known as "The Maids of Athena" and the Constitution so changed wherever necessary.

Supreme Convention Elections

Article XXII, Section 10 (d) was corrected to now read as follows: "During the period beginning with the Toronto Supreme Convention to be held in 1964, and continuing thereafter to and including the Supreme Convention to be held in 1969, any 25 Delegates may, by filing a petition with the Executive Secretary by 11 a.m. on the opening day of the Supreme Convention, request a line on the voting machine and/or ballot under any designation for the purpose of balloting for the Convention Officers; likewise, any 25 Delegates may, by filing a petition with the Executive Secretary by 11 a.m. preceding the day of election for Supreme Lodge officers, request a line on the voting machine and/or ballot under any designation for the purpose of said balloting. All delegates may vote for the candidates of their choice, irrespective of the line upon which the candidates' names may appear."

Revision of the Constitution

The Convention approved the revision of the Ahepa Constitution into a Constitution of substantive principles and a set of By-Laws containing administrative procedural provisions.

Eligibility for Membership

Article V, Section 1 of the Constitution — Eligibility for Membership — was restated in its entirety for clarification, and now reads as follows:

"Section 1. Character, Age and Citizenship. Any male person over twenty-one years of age, who is of good moral character, a believer in the existence of God and in the Divinity of Jesus Christ; who believes in and advocates the maintenance and promulgation of the Objects, Principles and Ideals of this Order; who is willing to subscribe by its Constitution and the decrees and mandates of the Supreme Conventions; to obey its authorities and revere its traditions; who is a resident and citizen, or has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and who is able to read, write and speak the English language, shall be eligible for membership in this Order."



The new Supreme President of Ahepa, Nicholas Chirekos, shown with his wife and family.



Mayor Givens addressing the Banquet. At left is Toastmaster William Zacharellis and at right, Ambassador Kallergis.

For information about the

'65 ATHENS CONVENTION

Write: AHEPA TRANSNATIONAL COMMITTEE

P.O. Box 766, Cambridge, Mass.

Convention Committee Reports Adopted

EXCURSION TO GREECE: (1) That future Excursions endeavor to charter entire ships for Excursions, seeking reduced fares for Ahepans and their families (2) That formal Excursion banquets be held in Athens, with limited speaking program (3) That the practice of distributing CARE packages, books, sports kits, etc., during Excursions be resumed (4) That a fixed price for banquet tickets and charitable contributions be set to avoid charity drives on board ship.

MEMBERSHIP: (1) That joint meetings with the Auxiliaries be sponsored by Ahepa chapters (2) That well-trained Degree Teams be sponsored (3) That special meetings be held for civic participation purposes (4) That an intensive membership drive for new and reinstated members be held from the closing of the convention until Dec. 31, 1964.

INSURANCE-EMERGENCY FUND: (1) That Chapters remit Per Capita Tax promptly and regularly to Headquarters so that death claims could be paid on time (2) Approved a Group Insurance Plan for the fraternity on a membership voluntary basis.

ATHLETICS: (1) Discontinued national Ahepa Basketball tournaments, and authorized the Sons of Pericles as full sponsors of national basketball tournaments, with assistance of the Ahepa (2) Recommended inclusion of Bowling in Supreme Convention sports program, and that convention sports programs be enlarged and strengthened (3) Commended the committee sponsoring the Tucson, Ariz. National Golf Tourney for its work, and for the donation of \$250 to the Ahepa Scholarship Fund.

DISTRICT GOVERNORS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: (1) Recommended use of data-processing system for Headquarters records (2) That a full page of The Ahepan be devoted to Canadian news (3) That District Governors be notified well in advance of plans for Ahepa events of national importance in their District (4) That The Ahepan magazine not print Chapter news without the prior approval of the Chapter President or District Governor, in the case of District News.

SCHOLARSHIP AND EDUCATION: The entire report of the Scholarship and Education Committee was referred to the Legislative Committee for action, then Tabled by the convention when presented on the floor by the Legislative Committee.

OFFICERS REPORTS: Commended all officers reports contained in the Yearbook. **Ritual:** (1) That District Lodges impress upon all Chapters their obligation to use only the single legal initiation ritual now in force (2) That District Lodges educate their Chapters in the use of the Ritual (3) That the Supreme Lodge try to procure low-cost versions of the necessary ritual symbols and furniture, and if this fails, that the ritual be slightly revised to eliminate references to their use.

RESOLUTIONS: (1) That future Supreme Conventions install an information booth for the convenience and accommodation of delegates and visitors (2) That the incoming Supreme Lodge express the appreciation and gratitude of the Supreme Convention delegates to the following for their assistance and cooperation in making the convention a success:

Convention General Chairman Louis Yankou
Co-Chairman Edward Ghikas
Mayor Philip Givens of Toronto
The Toronto Daily Star
The Toronto Globe and Mail
The Toronto Telegram
All local Television and Radio Stations
The Greek press in the U. S. and Canada

EXCURSION TO GREECE: The Convention mandated that Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece be held in the year 1965, under the same terms and conditions as in 1964.

CONVENTION CITY: (1) That a special Convention Study Committee be appointed to review our present convention system and prepare a study proposal for the establishment of a special Ahepa Convention Bureau to handle all facets of our annual Supreme Conventions. (2) That one member of each competing city for a Supreme Convention site shall be a member of the Convention City Committee (3) The cities of Washington, D. C. and Dallas, Texas were submitted to the Convention as qualified bidding cities for the 1966 Supreme Convention, after all other bidders had either been withdrawn or disqualified by the Committee. (NOTE: In balloting by the delegates on Friday, August 21, the City of Washington, D. C. was selected as the site of the 1966 Ahepa Supreme Convention.) (4) The following cities were placed in nomination by the Committee as bidding for the 1967 Ahepa Supreme Convention: New York City; Denver, Colo. (Chapter No. 145); Pittsburgh, Pa.; Seattle, Wash.; Cleveland-Akron, Ohio (combined bid); Detroit, Mich.; Atlanta, Ga.; Minneapolis, Minn.; and any defeated city that so desires.

NATIONAL PROJECTS: (1) That the Order of Ahepa assume the sponsorship of the American Hellenic Institute for Medical Research of New York by appointing a national Committee, who will accept appointment to the Board of Directors of the Institute, and that the Ahepa assume the necessary organizational support in order to solicit funds from philanthropic sources in the United States; however that the Ahepa shall not be bound in any way financially with the activities of the Institute, nor be legally responsible for any actions of the Institution, nor shall any funds be requested from the Ahepa by the Institute (2) That the Ahepa grant its full approval to the Ypsilanti Greek Theatre project of the city of Ypsilanti, Mich., and that the Ahepa through its separate Chapters consider a pledge, by Chapter, toward the cost of building said Theatre, such pledge to be made on a voluntary basis; this proposal to be recommended to the Supreme Lodge for further consideration, and any solicitation of funds to be made under the direct control and supervision of the Supreme Lodge. (3) The convention ratified the Daughters of Penelope National projects, namely: The St. Basil's Seal Drive (earmarked for the erection of the Penelopion Hall, girls' dormitory) and the support of the Penelopion Shelter Home in Athens, Greece (4) The resolution received from Atlanta, Ga., Chapter No. 1 in reference to the erection of an Ahepa Shrine in Atlanta, was referred to the incoming Supreme Lodge for its consideration and action (5) The request from the Columbia Cancer Clinic at King Paul General Hospital in Athens for a \$5,000 donation from the Ahepa to purchase a Cobalt Radiation Machine was referred to the Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees to find ways and means of raising the \$5,000 requested (6) The convention approved the financial report of the Ahepa Truman Memorial Fund and commended and expressed its appreciation to Past Supreme President George J. Margolis, the members of his Supreme Lodge, the Truman Memorial Committee and others who participated in the completion of this project.

DISTRICT PUBLICATIONS AWARDS: The District Publications Awards were announced as: Tabloid Category—First, The Ahepa Herald, District No. 15; Honorable Mention to The Ahepa Voice, District No. 5, and The Hoosier Herald, District No. 12. Non-Tabloid Category—First, The Ahepa Mentor, District No. 22; Honorable Mention to The Power Line, District No. 4, and The Ahepa Fez, District No. 14. Special Award of merit to Ahepa Bulletin, District No. 2.

MAGAZINE: (1) Approved appointment of Nicholas Zannetos as Editor for a 3-year term (2) Appointment of George Douris as Administrative Assistant to the Publications Board (3) Recommended the printer and advertising agent for the magazine (4) That The Ahepan be published 10 times a year (5) Commended the work of the Editor, Associate Editor and Publications Board members.

GRIEVANCE: (1) Urged proper recognition and protocol for visiting members of District Lodge and Supreme Lodge to Chapter and District functions (2) Urged prompt replies to grievances from Chapters and Districts to the Supreme Lodge.

SONS OF PERICLES: (1) That future Excursions include the Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles as a Committee member (2) That the Ahepa Athletic Department strictly enforce the entry limits at Ahepa Olympiads (3) That the Sons budget be approved (4) Commended the Sons of Pericles Convention for its support of Self-Determination for Cyprus.

Convention Action on the Ahepa Properties

The Albuquerque Property

The Convention gave authorization to the Supreme Board of Trustees and the Supreme Lodge to sell the Albuquerque Property at the best available price, and the proceeds to be placed in legal investments.

The Ahepa Building, Washington, D. C.

Authorization was also reaffirmed to the Supreme Board of Trustees and the Supreme Lodge for the sale of the Washington, D. C. Property, with the recommendation that the proceeds of the Albuquerque Property sale and Washington, D.C. property sale be combined for the purpose of purchasing or erecting a suitable new Ahepa Building in Washington, which would adequately house the Headquarters, and also be income-providing.

The Florida Property

The Convention endorsed the action of the Supreme Board of Trustees and Supreme Lodge in not developing the Florida Property at this time.

The Cyprus Question at the Convention

The Ahepa National Committee on Cyprus, under the able leadership of its Chairman John G. Thevos, set out through a campaign of personal contact, to influence government officials to support the just and long past due aims and aspirations of the Cypriot people in achieving self-determination. During the week of the Convention, personal contact of various leaders with their government representatives was effectuated, through the efforts of a special subcommittee under Brother Thevos, composed of Al Vonetas, director, James S.

Scofield and Charles Drewes, aided by Peter Rodis, Nicholas Zannetos, Frank Grammas and Gus Cherevas. This Committee successfully alerted the delegates to their proper responsibilities and made the appropriate arrangements for them to secure the assistance of their elected congressional representatives in the Cyprus cause.

As a result of these efforts, over one hundred senators, congressmen and governors endorsed the principle of self-determination for the people of Cyprus.

The sentiments of these officials were then presented in printed broadsides to the delegates, while at the same time being disseminated to all senators, congressmen, and news media throughout the country, directly from the Convention. In addition, two full pages in the New York Times, were purchased, and the sentiments of the government officials were therein published.

In conjunction with these efforts, the Ahepa Convention passed unanimously two Resolutions on the Cyprus Issue.

Cyprus Resolution #1

1. The members of the Order of Ahepa again reaffirm their oft-stated opposition to communism and all other forms of tyranny and subversion.

2. Immediately after World War 1 President Wilson gave hope and inspiration to the enslaved and downtrodden nations and peoples of the world by enunciating the principle and doctrine of self-determination. This doctrine was wholeheartedly supported and became a cornerstone of American foreign policy. As a result of this policy, great segments of the world were liberated and many peoples of the world have established their own democratic nations in Africa and Asia. It is a policy that continues to give hope and inspiration to those nations and peoples still enslaved behind the Iron Curtain. It is a policy that has given deserved credit to the United States. There is a struggle going on in the island of Cyprus. The people of Cyprus are entitled to self-determination for the purpose of establishing a democratic government where all the citizens will have equal suffrage, equal protection of the laws, religious freedom, and equal educational, economic, and social opportunities in accordance with American history and tradition.

The Order of Ahepa, in convention assembled in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, again endorses this basic principle of United States foreign policy, and urges the United States Government to wholeheartedly pursue and fully implement this policy of self-determination for the people of Cyprus.

3. The Christians of Constantinople and other parts of Turkey are being expelled and persecuted. Their properties are being confiscated without compensation. The Order of Ahepa condemns this arbitrary, unjust and uncivilized treatment of these Christians by Turkey, and calls upon all men of good will everywhere

to urge their respective governments to come to the aid of these unfortunate victims.

4. The Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople and its hierarchy are being persecuted and exiled unjustly. The Order of Ahepa condemns such barbaric practices and appeals to all people of every faith to join in this condemnation so that religious freedom may be reaffirmed in Turkey.

Cyprus Resolution #2

WHEREAS, the Order of Ahepa has traditionally raised its voice either through resolutions adopted by the National Conventions or the Supreme Lodge or other constitutional Bodies, on issues affecting the peace, the rendering of justice, the preservation or the attainment of freedom and the general welfare of the peoples of the World; and

WHEREAS, the people of Cyprus are engaged in a death struggle to attain self-determination and free themselves of all remnants of colonialism imposed upon them in the guise of freely negotiated agreements commonly known as the London and Zurich treaties; and

WHEREAS, the people and Government of the United States have been resolutely devoted to peace, the settlement of disputes through peaceful means, the self-determination for all peoples, and to the principle that all powers of Government must be derived from the governed; and

WHEREAS, the peoples of the United States, in pursuit of such objectives, have sacrificed untold labor and treasure and have generously granted economic and military aid through the Marshall Plan, and the armies of many friendly nations have been provided with various armaments and supplies only in serving the cause of peace and in harmony with the principles enunciated by the United Nations charter; and

WHEREAS, Turkey, a recipient of U.S. military and economic aid approximating three billion dollars did, on August 8th, 1964, embark upon acts of aggression against the defenseless people of Cyprus, using U.S.-made planes, rockets, air bombs and military equipment and supplies of all types, in clear violation of Sections 505 and 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended in 1962; and

WHEREAS, such aggression caused the deaths of innocent civilians, women and children, and the destruction of peaceful towns and villages, including churches, and the Government of Turkey has taken no action to redress and mitigate the suffering and repair the damage inflicted by such wrongful acts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

by the 42nd Annual Convention of the Order of Ahepa assembled in the City of Toronto, Canada, that the President of the United States be petitioned to suspend all economic and military aid to Turkey, in strict harmony with existing law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

that the President of the United States be further petitioned to espouse, on behalf of the United States, the establishment of a branch of the International Court under the United Nations similar to the Court at Nuremburg which tried German war criminals, and cite the Government of Turkey and such persons who participated in the Cyprus aggression to said court for proper trial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the President of the United States, the Prime Minister of Canada, the Secretary of State, the President Pro Tem of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

DONE in the City of Toronto this 21st day of August, 1964.

Ahepa Supreme Lodge 1964-1965



Nicholas J. Chirekos,
Supreme President

Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos, of Moline, Ill., was elected unanimously to the highest office of the Fraternity at the Toronto Convention, having served previously as Secretary and Vice President.

Because of his great interest in all matters pertaining to youth, education and in the dissemination of Hellenic Culture, Brother Chirekos undertook a broad survey and study of courses offered by colleges and universities in Hellenic Culture, while serving as Supreme Secretary. This report was presented to the Ahepa Convention in Chicago, and was extremely helpful in reevaluating and reorganizing the Ahepa Scholarship program.

After serving the Tri-Chapter No. 170 of Moline in every capacity, Brother Nick moved to serving the District and in 1950 at the Washington, D.C. Convention he was elected Convention Secretary.

In 1952, while serving as Supreme Secretary, he was Toastmaster at Ahepa's 15th National Banquet.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Army with the Infantry in the European Theatre and took part in the invasion of France on D-Day plus six, having been wounded in the battle of St. Lo. After the War he continued his education and graduated from St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa in 1948 with a BBA degree.

Brother Chirekos has been very active in his community, having served on the Board of St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Moline for over 15 years, including the office of President of the Board. He is married to



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the former Pauline Pappas of Rock Island and they have two children—Angela and Nicholas John.

Supreme President Chirekos is the owner of the Plantation, a nationally-known restaurant in Moline—it was originally the 46-room Villa Velie, home of Willard Velie, the automobile manufacturer, who built it at a cost of \$500,000.

Under Brother Chirekos's leadership, the Order of Ahepa will continue on the program of progress and unity as started by the San Diego Convention and reconfirmed at Toronto.

Kimon A. Doukas,
Supreme Vice President

Since he joined the ranks of Ahepa back in 1927, while still in school, Brother Doukas has continually served the Fraternity in one way or other. Beginning with his chapter, Delphi Chapter No. 25, which he served in every capacity including that of President for two terms, he extended his services to the District, where he was Lieutenant and District Governor of Empire District No. 6. At the same time, he served as Editor of the District Publication, the *Ahepa Messenger*.

In 1944 he was called to Washington by the then Supreme President Vournas to reorganize the *Ahepan Magazine* as resident Editor. He served in that capacity for several years, even after he was elected to the Supreme Lodge.

Brother Kimon was elected to the office of Supreme Secretary at St. Louis in 1957, re-elected in Boston and elevated to Supreme Vice President in Hollywood, serving as Editor of the *Ahepan* also during his three years on the Supreme Lodge.

His activities in the community are many and of varied nature. He served as Chairman of numerous functions, among them as Co-Chairman of the 1956 New York Supreme Convention City Committee, Chairman of the 1964 Empire State District Convention. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the New York Archdiocesan Cathedral and a trustee of the executive committee of the St. Basil's Academy.

He graduated from New York University Law School and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Public Law and Government by Columbia University. He taught law and economics in New York and Indiana and served both War and State Departments during World War II. He is at present a shipping executive in a number of shipping companies engaged in domestic and international trade.



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Gus Cherevas,
Supreme Secretary

Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas of Flushing, N.Y., is a member of Pindus Chapter No. 354, where he served in every capacity, including two terms as President. On the District level, he has served as Marshal, District Secretary for three terms, Lt. Governor and Governor of Empire State District No. 6.

Among projects which he has been associated with in his 17 active years of membership in Ahepa are: A 15-week Ahepa Education Radio Series, a Service to the Community Committee, Chairman of the Archbishop Makarios Banquet, Executive Secretary of the 1956 New York Supreme Convention, Chairman of the Dr. Pappanicolaou Class of 100 members, Co-Chairman of the 1964 Empire State District Convention, and many other projects.

Brother Cherevas served as Administrative Assistant for the two terms of Past Supreme President Nicholas Coffinas. He is married to the former Evelyn Vrouletis, and they reside in Flushing, N.Y.

Gust Rakus,
Supreme Treasurer

Supreme Treasurer Gust Rakus migrated to the United States in 1930 from his native Greece. He served his Chapter, Everett Chapter No. 256, in every capacity, including the office of President. He then served the District Lodge of District No. 22 for 8 years, two of them as Governor. Then, in 1954-55 he served as Supreme Governor. He has attended 16 Supreme Conventions.

Brother Rakus is a graduate of the University of Washington, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree and later on an M.A. in Secondary Education. During the war he served in the U.S. Navy and was attached to the Intelligence Division of the Allied Force Headquarters in Italy and Africa.

He has been teaching Foreign Languages and he is the Head of the Foreign Language Department, teaching Spanish at the same time.

He is married and has 5 children, two boys and a girl. His wife is the present District Governor of District No. 22 of the Daughters.

Nicholas J. Liaskos,
Supreme Vice President of Canada

Brother Liaskos joined the Montreal CJ-7 Chapter in 1952 and served his chapter continually until 1962, including the office of

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Presidency. He served District No. 23 for 3 years, the last one as District Governor. In 1960 he was Executive Vice Chairman of the Montreal Supreme Convention.

After graduating from High School, Brother Nick attended St. George William College. During the War, he served 5 years with the Royal Canadian Air Force as Physical Training and Drill Instructor.

Brother Liaskos has been a member of several organizations, among them the Canadian Legion, the Canadian Power Squadron, the Coffee Brewing Institute of America, Tea & Coffee Association of Canada, the Canadian Restaurant Association. He served his Community as member of the Board of Trustees of his Church for several years.

He is the President and Chairman of the Board of Moka Coffee & Tea Ltd., a complete coffee plant and tea packaging company in Montreal.

**Peter H. Cardiges,
Supreme Governor**

Supreme Governor Cardiges was born in New Castle, Pennsylvania, and reared and schooled in the city of Baltimore, Maryland. In 1946, after having served with the United States Army in the Southwest Pacific for five years, he moved to the city of Pittsburgh to make his home.

He has served the Aristoteles Chapter No. 34, in Pittsburgh, Pa., in every elective office, climaxed by becoming its President during the two most colorful years in the Chapter's history. While preparing for and hosting the Ahepa National Convention in 1954, he served as the Executive Vice-Chairman of the Convention Committee. He has served the offices of Lieutenant Governor in 1955 and District Governor in 1956 of Power District No. 4 in Pennsylvania.

He is a Past-Commander of the Pittsburgh Hellenic Post No. 595 of the American Legion; Treasurer of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Political Alliance of Allegheny County; member of the Masonic Order; and a Past-President of the Board of Directors of the Holy Cross-Greek Orthodox Church in Mount Lebanon, Pa. He is currently serving as a member of the Mixed-Council of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Council of North and South America, and a member of the Mixed-Council of the Sixth Diocesan District headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pa.

He has been active in the Insurance field since 1946 and has also served as a Deputy Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He currently heads his own Insurance Agency in the greater Pittsburgh area. Brother Cardiges is married to the former Liberty Paschales of Pittsburgh and they are the proud parents of a daughter, Joye Maria, age 14.

**Gus G. County, Jr.,
Supreme Governor**

Supreme Governor Gus G. County, Jr., member of the Toledo, Ohio, Ypsilanti Chapter No. 118. Active in the Ahepa upon graduating from the ranks of the Sons of Pericles. Served through the chairs and president in the junior order and followed the same pattern in the Ahepa, also serving on the District Lodge. Has attended many national and district conventions as a delegate and has served in many committees in various capacities.

A member of the board of trustees of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church fifteen years. Has served as its president on two different occasions and has attended several Clergy-Laity conventions as delegate, serving on many committees.

Educated in the public schools and attended the University of Toledo.

President of Gus G. County Jr. Enterprises Inc. which includes office buildings, night clubs and industrial interests. A member of many local civic and fraternal organizations. He has served on the City of Toledo Citizens Capitol Improvement Advisory Committee and The Urban Renewal Advisory Committee.

**George T. Poolitsan,
Supreme Governor**

Supreme Governor Poolitsan was initiated into the Order in 1927, by Liberty Chapter No. 127 of Cincinnati, Ohio. He later founded the Middletown-Hamilton Chapter, which he served four years as President and sixteen years as secretary.

In 1929 he was appointed by the Supreme President as Special Deputy Supreme Governor, and under this capacity he traveled throughout the United States organizing and advising new Chapters. He served Buckeye District No. 11 as Athletic Director, Secretary and three years as Governor. At present he is Director of the District Scholarship Foundation.

During World War II he did an outstanding service as Regional State Director of the Ahepa War Bond Drive, also as Regional State Director of the Greek War Relief. In 1952 he did an excellent job as Director of the Ahepa Displaced Persons Committee. Currently he is National Ahepa Chairman for the Employment of the Handicapped, an official United States agency.

Brother George T. has represented the Middletown-Hamilton Chapter in every Supreme Convention for over thirty years, and has continuously strived to perpetuate the growth and maintain the high standards of Ahepa.

**William G. Poulos,
Supreme Governor**

Supreme Governor Poulos was initiated into the Ahepa Family as a Son in 1932. He was one of the organizers of Shoreline Chapter No. 380 in Chicago, of which he was a President. He later moved to Florida, where he helped organize the Ft. Lauderdale Chapter No. 394, of which he was also President.

He was very active in District No. 13 and later in District No. 2, having served as Chairman of District Conventions in West Palm Beach and Nassau, Bahamas.

Brother Poulos attended Wayne University in Detroit, Michigan. He has been very active in community life and is presently President of the Ft. Lauderdale Greek Orthodox Church Board of Directors. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the United Fund and a Commissioner of Housing Authority. He holds rank of Lt. Col. in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, holds a flying pilot's license and is on the City Planning and Zoning Board.

He has his own General Contracting firm. He is married to wife Esther, and father of five children.

**Charles M. Georgeson,
Supreme Governor**

Supreme Governor Charles Georgeson hails from Clinton, Mass. He joined the Clinton Chapter No. 362 in 1930, and has served in many capacities, including President for two terms.

He entered the District Lodge of District No. 8 in 1957 and held the office of District Marshal, District Secretary, Lt. Governor, and served as District Governor in 1960-1961. For the past two years he has been Editor of the District Publication, "The Bay-Steer."

Brother Georgeson has attended every National Convention since he joined the Order in 1950. He has served on many committees and during the last four conventions was a member of the Credentials Committee, serving as co-chairman the past two years. He has served as chairman of the National Awards Committee and was a Zone Director of Growth and Expansion.

A graduate of Tufts University in Medford, Mass. where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree, Brother Georgeson has been active in his community and is a member of the Exchange Club of Clinton. He has been a member of his Church Board of Directors for the past fifteen years and was its president for four years.

He is married to the former Joanne Nicas of Metuchen, N.J., a past District Governor of the Daughters of Penelope District No. 5 and District No. 8, and they have a son, Mark.

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Miss Universe Captivates Ahepa Convention



Miss Universe shown signing the Registry at Mayor Givens' office.

From the moment she left the plane at Toronto Airport at 5:00 P.M. Sunday August 16, Corinna Tsopel, better known as Miss Universe for 1964-1965, captivated the hearts of the 10 thousand or so Hellenes who attended the 42nd Supreme Ahepa Convention. Thousands of enthusiastic throngs, with a large Laconian delegation at the head, descended on the Airport to welcome the black-haired beauty. It took the protective arms of Mrs. Mekras, her chaperone, to rescue Miss Universe from the crushing crowds, in order to have her driven to the Royal York Hotel in time to wave to the Ahepa Family Delegates who were being greeted by Mayor Givens in the Convention Opening Ceremony.

From that moment until 8:00 A.M. Tuesday, when she departed for New York and from there to Brazil, she was the center of attraction everywhere she went. At the Television Studios of CFTO-TV, where she appeared on the program "Caravan" on Monday morning, the entire crew were so excited and affected by her beauty, that it took them almost two hours to tape a half hour show. Later on at noon, at the Civic Luncheon held in her honor, Mayor Givens of Toronto declared that his favorite, Melina ("Never on Sunday") Mercouri now takes second place in his affections, Miss Universe now being his favorite Greek.

But the enthusiasm, admiration and affection that was shown towards Corinna during her three hour stay at the Greek Night Glendi, is indescribable. Everywhere she went, she was immediately surrounded by people, wishing to get a glimpse of her, trying to have their picture taken with her, or just being proud that Miss Universe is "one of them," a fellow-Greek. When Miss Universe was introduced by Pres. Plumides to do a "kalamatiano," the feelings of the crowd were uncontrollable, with "bravo" and "Yia sou" filling the air. Earlier in the evening, Miss Tsopel was presented to the Officers of the Ahepa Family and the News Media in a Reception hosted by Ahepa with the generous assistance of Joseph E. Seagram & Sons Ltd. The officers were given the opportunity to have their pictures taken with Miss Universe, and the press were granted interviews for their papers and stations.

There are no people in the world who are prouder of the achievements of their fellowmen than the Greeks, and nobody could possibly be prouder than the Ahepans attending the 42nd Supreme Convention, of the dark-eyed beauty from Athens, who captured the imagination of the entire world, when she was declared Miss Universe in Miami on Aug. 2, 1964.



Miss Universe greeting the people at Greek Night with Nicos Giouraris at her side.



Shown at the Mayor's Luncheon given in honor of Miss Universe, are Plumides, Mayor Givens, Miss Universe, and Greek Consul Politis.



Miss Universe flanked by the two leaders of the Fraternity, Sup. Pres. Plumides and Trustees Chairman Sekles.



Miss Universe on her arrival at Toronto Airport, greeted by the Committee. Left to Right: Bakogeorge, Mrs. Yankou, Mrs. Mekras, chaperone of Miss Universe, Miss Universe, Manasiotis, Ghigadis, Mr. and Mrs. Kanas.



Miss Universe with Miss Dominion of Canada shown with Ahepa Family dignitaries at the Mayor's office. Left to right: Zannetos, Mrs. Kapsos, Chirekos, Mrs. Yankou, Ghigadis, L. Yankou, Gratsias, Mayor Givens.



The Sons Supreme Lodge with Miss Universe. Left to right: Chris Petrouleas, Nicholas Bobis, Emmanuel Gratsias, Miss Universe, Nicholas George, Louis Strike and Nick Pedaris.

Gene Rossides Appointed Keating Campaign Manager

Eugene T. Rossides, well-known Ahepan from New York and member of The Ahepa Cyprus Committee has been appointed campaign manager for Senator Kenneth Keating.

Brother Rossides, remembered from his College days, when he had a memorable football career at Columbia, having played four full seasons on the varsity as an elusive, fast moving quarterback, has been a leading figure in Hellenic circles since he graduated from that college. After serving in the office of District Attorney Hogan, he was assistant Attorney General from 1956 to 1958, when he went to Washington as a special assistant to the Under Secretary of the Treasury.

From early life he learned to work hard to achieve his goals, having been orphaned from his father at the age of one month. In his participation of sports, he adopted the philosophy of playing to win, and proved it repeatedly with his outstanding performances as an All-American quarterback.

His versatility in life and his eagerness to undertake a multitude of projects at a time, had their beginning at the guidance he received in the hands of Professor Lawrence H. Chamberlain, who reached back in the philosophy of the Ancient Greeks to instill in Gene the Pericles axiom that a man who does not participate in public affairs is not only unambitious, but useless.

As campaign manager for Senator Keating, he knows his job is not an easy one. But as he declares with determination reminiscent of his quarterbacking days "We may be the underdogs at this point, but I only play to win. I'm confident of the outcome."

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CHAPTER NEWS

Hammond Chapter Scholarship Awards

HAMMOND, Ind.—The first annual scholarship of Hammond Ahepa Chapter No. 125 has been awarded to George J. Brahos, 7213 Hohman Ave., son of Past District Governor and Mrs. James Brahos.

Educators who made the selection were Dr. Carl Elliott, director of the Calumet Campus of Purdue University in Hammond, Dr. Harold Burns, director of the Indiana University Extension Division in East Chicago and Gary, and Michael Guiden, principal of Washington High School in East Chicago.

Young Brahos is enrolled at Loyola University in Chicago for a pre-medical course. He was vice president of the 1964 Senior Class of Hammond High School, ranked 14th among a class of 497 scholastically, completed high school in 3½ years and was winner of the Bausch and Lomb Science Medal to the school's outstanding science student. He is a member of Pygmalion Chapter of the Order of Sons of Pericles in Hammond.

At the 12th district convention held in Gary, he also was one of three scholarship winners among district applicants. Other winners were John Lamberson of South Bend, son of Past Supreme President and Mrs. Leo J. Lamberson, and Sandra Pakes, daughter of Past District Governor and Mrs. Perry E. Pakes of Anderson. Mrs. Pakes had a four year high school scholastic record that included A's in each subject and received only one B throughout her high school career.

Young Lamberson is a student at Indiana University while Miss Pakes is enrolled at Butler University in Indianapolis.

Boston Ahepa Unit Protests Turk Use of U.S.-Built Planes

(Reprinted from *The Boston Herald*)

A telegram urging swift action by the United States government to prevent the use of American-built Turkish planes in Cyprus was dispatched to Adlai Stevenson and Dean Rusk yesterday by the Boston chapter, Order of the Ahepa.

Lexington Chapter Initiations

Lexington Chapter #258 held an Initiation on Sunday, August 9, with Dist. #11 Governor Nicholas Pitani, Dist. Secretary Christie Anderson and Dist. Treasurer Michael Mathews officiating. They were assisted by a Degree Team from Middletown, under the leadership of Mike Revelos, with Gus Christy and John Pantel.

After the Initiation, the Daughters of Penelope Ch. #106, served refreshments.

Californian Honored by City Council

Brother Nick Scandalis, a long standing member of Marysville Chapter #228, was accorded a singular honor by the City Council of Marysville, April 30, was declared "Nick Scandalis Day" and a Testimonial Dinner was arranged by the Chamber of Commerce "to honor this long time Hub Area resident in recognition of his many years of service to the annual Old-Timers East-West Ball Game Benefit. Nick has sold over \$27,000 in game tickets in the past 27 years. . . . Most of Brother Nick's 77 years have been spent in serving others. He enjoys helping people, he likes people, and he is loved and respected by all his friends and acquaintances. Through his unselfish devotion and dedication to serving his fellow man, he has truly earned the title of "a true good will ambassador in the best tradition of the Hellenes."

The cable states: "We vehemently protest with every fiber of our red-blooded American-Greek heritage the action of the Turkish government in introducing American-built and-supplied aircraft in massive strikes against the island of Cyprus.

To divert the use of American equipment against the population of Cyprus violates the purposes and motives in supplying this equipment to Turkey in the first instance.

In the spirit of true democracy and action members of Boston chapter, Order of Ahepa, urge that the government of the United States institute appropriate action, as is necessary, to prevent any further treacherous use of American equipment."



NASHUA, N.H.—The new District No. 9 Officers, elected at York Harbor, Maine, are, front row, left to right: Michael Skarios, Treasurer, John Pappas, Secretary, John Scontsas, Governor and George Diamond, Lt. Governor. Back row: Charles Bertsimas, Advisor and Al Trent, Marshal.



CORAL GABLES, FLA.—Citrus Dist. No. 2 Lt. Governor Constantine Lantzounis is shown after being admitted to practice law in Florida with, from left to right: Professor George Onoprienko, Vice President Ch. No. 402, Harry Skijus, Dist. No. 2 Athletic Director, C. Lantzounis, Nicholas Tsamoutales, Governor Ch. No. 402, John Skijus, Ch. No. 402 Athl. Director, Christopher Arsenis, Governor Ch. No. 402, and Ted Tsouprake, President Ch. No. 402.



HARTFORD, CONN.—Connecticut State Treasurer Gerald Lamb giving the flag of the State to Dist. No. 7 Governor C. Charles Chekas for presentation at the 42nd Supreme Convention in Toronto, with Ass't. Treasurer John A. Iorio at right.

CHAPTER NEWS

Oakland, Calif. Friends Honor Jim Pappas



Jim Pappas shown with his wife and Redmond Staats and Stan McCaffrey at the Dinner.

More than 550 people crowded into the Churchill Room of the Claremont Hotel in Oakland recently to pay homage to Jim Pappas, owner of fashionable Star Grocery of Berkeley, a gourmet's paradise for delicacies from around the world.

In addition, 300 messages were sent joining in the addresses of congratulations of the Berkeley grocer. Among these messages there was one from President Johnson, another one from King of Greece Constantine, and another one from Governor Edmund Brown.

They all had words of praise for the Greek immigrant who arrived penniless from his native Greece and together with his brother Nick—now deceased—survived unsurmountable obstacles through the magic formula of "human understanding." During the difficult depression years, they carried their customers' accounts on the books—the debts reaching up to \$10,000 a year.

In addition to helping his native village in Greece, where he helped build a town square, church, grammar and high school, Jim was one of the major contributors in the new Greek Orthodox Church of the Ascension.

In recognition of his numerous contributions to all charities, and as a tribute to his "humility" in his dealings with people, his friends gave him a mahogany coffee table with the names of more than 500 persons inlaid on it in bronze.

His Brothers of the Oakland Chapter salute "the generous little man with the big heart" and wish him the best in the days ahead.



GREENSBORO, N.C.—Shown left to right are the new District No. 3 Officers, elected at the Convention in Greensboro, N.C.: Michael Plumides, Lt. Governor, Tony Manuel, Governor, George Kolidakis, Treasurer and Chick Peterson, Secretary. Not present for the picture were Peter Stathes, Marshal and Charles Chakales, Advisor.



SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—Dist. No. 19 Governor Tommie Sotiriou (right) is discussing the new Scholarship Program with Frank Dages and Bessie Markos, members of the Scholarship Committee. At least two \$200 scholarships per year will be awarded by the Committee, comprised of Past District Governors. Gov. Sotiriou is Chairman.



WATERBURY, CONN.—Dist. No. 7 Governor C. Charles Chekas (right) handing the gavel to newly installed Chapter No. 48 President Socrates Mihalakos, with retiring President and new Dist. Marshal Chris Rigopoulos looking on.

Rekas Appointed by WEBCOR, Inc.



CHICAGO—Charles Hakimian, Director of Marketing and Sales of Webcor, Inc. announces the appointment of Nicholas G. Rekas to the position of Manager, Advertising, Sales Promotion and Press Relations. Rekas will direct the programs for both the Dormeyer Appliance and the tape recorder and phonograph divisions of the corporation.

Brother Rekas served as member of the Ahepa Publications Board last year.

Student Thanks for Ahepa Medal

Dear Sir,
I received the Ahepa Medal which was presented to me by the Ahepa Chapter of Chicago, Illinois. I am very grateful to you and the other members of the Chapter for the honor and the recognition which you have bestowed upon me. I will treasure this medal as a reminder of the good work which I have done and the help which I have received from you and the other members of the Chapter. I will strive to be a better person and to do more good work in the future. Thank you very much for the honor and the recognition which you have bestowed upon me. I will treasure this medal as a reminder of the good work which I have done and the help which I have received from you and the other members of the Chapter. I will strive to be a better person and to do more good work in the future. Thank you very much for the honor and the recognition which you have bestowed upon me.

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The Daughters Grand Lodge



Seated left to right: Miss Millie Kontos, Grand Secretary, Mrs. Frances Nanos, Vice Pres. of Canada, Mrs. Josie Chase, Grand President, Miss Elizabeth Athanasakos, Grand Vice President and Miss Nellie Coutsonikas, Grand Treasurer.

Standing left to right: Mrs. Gladys Caras, Grand Governor Zone 4, Miss Vivian Poulos, Grand Governor Zone 3, Mrs. Alice Damaskos, Grand Governor Zone 2 and Mrs. Frances Yack, Grand Governor Zone 1.

Past Grand Treasurer Honored



Hecabe Chapter #185 of San Antonio, Texas honored their own Sister Mary Vamvoras, retiring Grand Treasurer, with a testimonial at the El Antonio Country Club.

A Charter member and one of the organizers of the Chapter, Sister Vamvoras served as its first President. She also served the District in all capacities including that of Governor. Prior to her

office as Treasurer she served as Grand Governor Zone 3 for two terms.

Toastmaster for the Testimonial was Brother Steve Pepps. Speakers were, Rev. James Karagas, Mrs. Kathleen Thurman of the firm Frost Bros. where Sister Vamvoras is a supervisor and Mrs. Evelyn Semos, Past Grand President.

Among the presentations made were, a gold locket with a diamond on behalf of Hecabe Chapter, presented by President Miss Olga Kouchoukos, a presentation on behalf of District #16 made by Governor Katherine Pantazis and a presentation by John Pappas, President of Ahepa Chapter #511.

Among the many friends in attendance, were, Supreme Governor Pethenotes, Past Grand Governor Janie Carras and Lt. Governors Dr. and Mrs. Peter Athens of Ahepa and Daughters respectively.

In charge of arrangements were Miss Tina Colias with a committee consisting of Mrs. Tom Green, Mrs. Ted Carson and Mrs. Helen Afentakis.

District #19 Convention

At the 33rd District #19 Convention held in Pocatello, Idaho the following officers were elected: Dist. Governor Mrs. Helen Dageras, Lt. Governor Mrs. Heitho Speropulos, Dist. Secretary Mrs. Lillian Kallas, Dist. Treasurer Miss Peggy Mehas and Dist. Marshal Mrs. Katherine Sakelaris.

The District Scholarship was organized at the Convention in conjunction with Ahepa and the following were elected to serve on the Scholarship Committee: Helen Dageras, Bessie Markos and Tina Katis.



WATERBURY, CONN.—Newly elected officers of the Deucalion Chapter No. 199. Seated, from left to right: Corr. Secretary Stella Condaris, President Joanne Kachulis, Rec. Secretary Martha Chekas. Standing, left to right: Vice President Sophie Lintgenis, Priestess Phylis Zagres and Treasurer Ann Macchia.



OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA—Sister Mary Limber, President of Persephone Chapter No. 17 is holding the Cup awarded her Chapter for the third straight year by District No. 15 as the Chapter that did the most "in Church and Civic work as well as participation and support of all Ahepa Family projects and functions." She is flanked by Christine Kruger (left), Vice President and Christina Giannopoulos, Dist. Governor, who made the presentation.

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A general view of the Daughters Fashion Show at the Supreme Convention.



Kay Boussiou of Athens, Greece shown wearing a 300-year-old Grecian gown at the Supreme Convention Fashion show, lent to the Convention by the Benaki Museum in Athens. Mrs. Boussiou, a member of the Karyatides Chapter of Athens, is in charge of arrangements for the 1965 Athens Convention.



The new Grand President of the Daughters Josie Chase with her husband Thum.

Grand President Places Wreath at Grave of Predecessor



LACONIA, N.H.—Pictured left to right: Helen Lafazanis, Hionia Pipilas, Mrs. George Poulos, Mary Kapsos, Katharine Regas and Mary Dinnel.

The annual pilgrimage to the grave of the late Past Grand President Helen Karagianis was made on the tenth anniversary of her demise in June of this year by members of Daughters of Penelope chapters in the Laconia, New Hampshire area.

Participating in the memorial service were pictured above from left to right: Helen Lafazanis, Thisbe Chapter 149, Nashua, New Hampshire, Hionia Pipilas, District Governor #9, Mrs. George Poulos, mother of the late Sister Karagianis, Grand President, Mary Kapsos, Mrs. Katharine Regas, sister of the late Sister Karagianis and Mary Dinnel, President of Ithos Chapter 51, of Manchester, New Hampshire.

Buckeye District Given Jewels



James Zervas, second from left, is shown presenting jewel collars to the Daughters of Penelope in the name of his late wife. Assisting at the presentation is Mrs. Christ Zervas, his daughter-in-law, and a member of the organization. At the right are Mrs. Ernest Sideropolis, Chapter president and Mrs. Dan Hazapis, the former Jennie Zervas, daughter of the deceased member.

Facility Named for the Late Ted Kapsos



Pictured left to right: Plene Schwing, board of directors member, Mrs. Ted Kapsos, Betty Kapsos Schneider, Ed Broussard, Little League Association President, Philip Schneider, Eleanor Kapsos Badaeux and Allen Badaeux.

In appreciation of his contributions during his lifetime in behalf of the youth of the city of New Iberia, Louisiana, the New Iberia Little League Association recently dedicated a baseball park in his memory and named it the TED KAPSOS MEMORIAL FIELD.

Ted had always been interested in the development of sportsmanship and leadership in young people. He played a very active part in bringing Little League to New Iberia, and had always supported all athletic programs which concerned the welfare of the young boys of his adopted home town, having come to New Iberia with his family in 1936.

At ceremonies held on the Ted Kapsos Field on the evening of May 30, 1964, Memorial Day, formal dedication of the park was conducted and an engraved plaque was presented to Mrs. Kapsos who received it with thanks expressed to all who made this recognition possible for her late husband in behalf of the Kapsos family.

Mrs. Kapsos pledged continuing support of the Little League program by Ted's family for the perpetuation of the work which was so close to the heart of their husband and father.

The late Brother Kapsos was a member of Andrew Jackson Chapter #133 of New Orleans, Louisiana, and Past District Governor of Delta District #16, having served in that capacity during the years 1958-59 and 1960-61.

Cadmus Chapter News

PATERSON, N.J.—On April 22, Cadmus Chapter 165 of the Daughters of Penelope held an Arnold Bakers' demonstration at the St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church hall. The demonstration was open to all. A raffle was held, the proceeds of which went to the church. The women marvelled at the fascinating



GREENSBORO, N.C.—New District No. 3 Officers elected at the District Convention held in Greensboro, N.C. are, seated, left to right: Miss Mary Triantis, Lt. Governor, Mrs. Al Vonetes, District Governor and Mrs. John Plumides, Dist. Treasurer. Standing, left to right: Mrs. John Nevros, Dist. Marshal and Mrs. George Kolidakis, Dist. Treasurer.

things that can be done with a few slices of bread and a "bit" of imagination!

A flower sale was held outside the St. Athanasios Church on May 5. One-hundred dollars of the proceeds was donated to the church for Easter.

Cadmus Chapter participated in a charity festival at Preakness Mall in Wayne, New Jersey on May 12. The Daughters decorated a booth—competing for a booth prize—and sold home-made Greek pastries.

A combined district luncheon for the Daughters of Penelope and the Maids of Athena was held on May 17 in Linden, New Jersey. Members of the Paterson Chapters of the Daughters and Maids were in attendance.

Members of Cadmus Chapter also attended the 33rd Annual Fifth District Convention in Wilmington, Delaware (Tula Langas, Irene Veros, Antonette Pandel, Katherine Retalis). The convention was a success, providing every delegate and visitor with a full schedule of enjoyable social and business activities.

The Chapter is proud of the progress being made on the St. Athanasios Community Blood Bank. The Blood Bank is a community effort which was proposed by the Cadmus Chapter of the Daughters. Sister Sandra Tashik's contributions have been quite helpful in the organization and implementation of the project.

In order for St. Basil's Academy (Garrison, New York) to be recognized as an accredited college, the Academy library must meet certain standards. Cadmus Chapter 165 has begun a drive for used college books, to assist St. Basil's in building a library that will meet all the necessary qualifications.



KINGSTON, ONTARIO, CANADA—Shown being sworn in by Grand Vice President for Canada Sister Frances Nanos are, left to right: Helen Dellios, Dist. Treasurer, Mary Letferis, Dist. Secretary, Rita Scalvanakis, Lt. Governor and Mary Trakas, Dist. Governor at the District No. 23 J.C. Convention.



DETROIT, MICHIGAN—The new Macomb County Community College of Warren, Michigan was the recipient of a set of the 7-volume Greek classics presented by Thamyris Chapter No. 272. Shown above, left to right, are: Georgiana Milonas, Jerome Stocker, Assistant Librarian, Gail Murdock, Student Librarian, Athena Panas, Chapter Treasurer and Pauline Caravity, Rec. Secretary. President of the Chapter is Irene Rousos.

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MAIDS OF ATHENA

MANHATTAN, N.Y.—The officers of Aidos Chapter 132 of Manhattan are: President, Worthy Maid JoAnn Economos; Vice President, Loyal Maid Florence Sapounakis; Corresponding Secretary, Mary Georgelos; Recording Secretary, Madonna Mikroulis; Treasurer, Katherine Moriatis; Delphis, Helen Polihrom; Phylax, Barbara Georgelos; Messenger, Kathryn Michael.

The Maids of Aidos Chapter have been devoting much of their time to two wonderful institutions—the Greek Old Age Home in Yonkers, New York, and St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York. The Maids find great pleasure in visiting these two institutions and bringing a bit of joy into the lives of the older folks and the young children. The girls hope to visit the Greek Old Age Home once a month for their monthly birthday party; they attended the bazaar which the Home held on May 23 and 24, and helped in every way they could to make it a successful affair for the Home.

Nor did the Chapter neglect its charitable duties at Easter. The girls prepared a large Easter basket for one of the less fortunate families in the neighborhood. It looks as though Aidos Chapter 132 has taken the word "service" to heart—the girls seem to have been putting forth a good deal of effort in this area and the results have been gratifying.

On April 11 the Maids of Aidos Chapter held a party at the home of one of the girls; the evening was quite a success. A "Victory" dance was held at St. Spyridon Church on May 8. The victory?—the Maid's brother chapter, Renaissance, won the basketball tournament in Chicago.

District 13 Governor

At the District #13 Convention held at the O'Hare Inn in Des Plaines, Illinois, Pauline Ann Stravrakas was elected Governor. Pauline, now a sophomore at the National College of Education in Evanston, has been a very active member of the Community, while keeping a high scholastic average at the same time. She is a Sunday School Teacher at St. Constantine and Helen Church, a member of the Choir, the G.O.Y.A. Pauline is the daughter of the immediately retiring Ahepa Dist. Governor Sam Stavrakas. Her brother Dean is also a Past District Governor of the Sons.



The Maids Supreme Lodge with Miss Universe and Miss Dominion of Canada. Left to right: Cynthia Jickess, Kathy Halkias, Faith Prassas, Miss Universe, Miss Canada, Stephanie Brotsis, Christine Beskas, Pauline Nevros and Millie Kontos, retiring Maids Advisor.



DAYTON, OHIO—Members of Venus Chapter 129 are, bottom row, left to right: Mary Mitrousis, Diane Krandall, Worthy Maid Margie Kossoudji, Loy Thomas, Loyal Maid Harriet Drakos, Ann Vlachos. Second row: Tina Stamas, Maria Karambeias, Secretary, Lois Anton, Chris Chakiris, Joann Nikides. Top row: Mary Stamas, Gloria Staios and Loy Zonars.

DAYTON, OHIO—Venus Chapter 129 of the Maids of Athena is composed of 30 girls, of whom almost half are college students. For the past two years, the Venus Chapter has been awarded the trophy for the most outstanding chapter in the Buckeye District—the girls are looking forward to winning it for the third year and thereby being honored with the privilege of keeping it.

Dayton, Ohio is the place!—The Maids of Venus Chapter are looking forward to the annual Buckeye District Convention to be held at the Biltmore Hotel on June 19, 20, 21. The Sons and Maids of Dayton have been putting forth a great deal of effort in preparation of Buckeye District's most successful convention!

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PERICLEAN



Supreme President Chirekos at the steps of City Hall, after Mayor Givens lit the Olympiad Torch and a runner is rushing it to the Stadium for the start of the Ahepa Olympiad.



MIAMI, FLA.—Shown above are the members of the reactivated Venizelos Chapter 146 of the Sons. The reactivation was realized through the efforts of Miami Ch. 14 Past President George Heropoulos with the assistance of Christ Prokos, Pete Antion and Walter Gilbert. Shown seated are the officers, left to right: John George, Treasurer, George Kouseleous, Secretary, Timmy Anagnost, President, Bill Constant, Capt. of Guards and George Mekras, Chaplain.

NAMED JAYCEE "ATHLETE OF THE YEAR"

Gary Pappas, son of Bobby C. Pappas, P.D.G. of Monroe, Louisiana, was signed to an athletic grant-in-aid pact with the Northeast State University. While attending Neville High School he excelled in most sports and football in particular, having played as a two-way starter for three years. At the annual Monroe Junior Chamber of Commerce all-Twin City banquet, he was named outstanding athlete of the year. He also took the outstanding track man presentation.

His father, restaurateur Bobby C. Pappas, is a Past District Governor. He also served on the Citizens Advisory Committee on Food and Drug Administration appointed by the late President Kennedy, and served as state chairman of the nationalities division of the Democratic Party in Louisiana.



Wilmington Sons President named "Teenager of the Year"

WILMINGTON, DEL. — Thomas Annos, President of Sons Chapter, No. 106, of Wilmington, was named Wilmington "Teen-ager of the year" at the Lions Club Luncheon last April.

In addition, Tom was awarded the

Benjamin Franklin National Scholarship to the University of Pennsylvania.

Tom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Annos of Wilmington, has excelled throughout his student career, having served as president of his class for four straight years.



Thomas Annos

He has been previously honored with the Harvard Book Award for scholarship, character and leadership; the American Legion Citizenship Award and the Latin Club Award.

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of peoples . . . ”*

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SPECIAL CYPRUS ISSUE



A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

The Declaration of Independence is justly considered by all mankind as one of the greatest documents ever penned by human beings. It is the cornerstone of our heritage. As it inspired the American colonists so it has since inspired all those who believe in freedom, justice and human dignity. It says in part:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness."

In these lofty words and phrases is contained the principle of Self-Determination. This principle has become a cornerstone of American foreign policy.

The members of the Order of Ahepa have written to our Senators, Congressmen, Governors and other high elected officials to reaffirm this principle of Self-Determination for the people of the island of Cyprus. Over One Hundred Seventy-five of them have graciously and favorably responded. Their answers are printed in part in this issue of "The Ahepan."

I want, on behalf of every officer and member of the Order of Ahepa, to thank each and every one of them. I am certain that their answers are in the finest American tradition and mirror the high moral principle and innate sense of justice of the American people and shall serve as a beacon light and a hope and inspiration to those peoples and those nations who are still downtrodden, enslaved and oppressed.

This special issue of "The Ahepan" has been authorized by the Supreme Lodge and the Supreme Board of Trustees at our September meeting in Washington, D.C. This edition of the magazine will be mailed to many thousands of our fellow Americans with the avowed objective to document the true facts and issues which affect the peace of the Eastern Mediterranean and the entire World. Within the pages of this edition the reader will find clear and unequivocal proofs of the justice of the Greek Cypriot cause.

The position of the Order of Ahepa is outlined in the centerfold of this magazine. The significance of Ahepa's contribution to this vital public question must be measured in the light of the fact that we are the largest of all Greek-American organizations with chapters in 49 states of the Union, Canada, Australia and the Bahamas.

From the very beginning the issues involved in the Cyprus problem have been clouded with misinformation, misrepresentations and misconceptions. We seek neither to blame nor to praise. We do believe that the Order of Ahepa has performed a noteworthy public service for the people and government of the United States in shedding a true, bright and unrelenting light upon the issues involved in the controversies of Cyprus and Constantinople.

Nicholas J. Chirekos

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Comments from the EDITOR

The overwhelming response and enthusiastic approval that greeted Ahepa's campaign in behalf of the Cyprus cause, has left a most favorable mark in the long history of the Fraternity.

Expressing the feelings of the rank and file of Ahepa, here are some excerpts from a letter written by Capt. D. Dritsas, a member from New York City, after the Toronto Convention.

"The exercise of Ahepa strength and ability as illustrated by the sponsoring of the Cyprus cause, has left breathless the Hellenic community. It was a master stroke calculated with uncanny timing and excellent political execution that impressed tremendously the frustrated multitude which could do nothing more than wring its hands in desperation at the unjust treatment that Cypriot appeals for self-determination were stirring. The climate changed almost overnight. Hope has replaced desperation, vigor the listlessness of bystanders and courage the bitberto evasiveness of the many. Ahepa has scored heavily because it touched upon an emotional common denominator. We espoused a popular cause the right way at the right time. The response was rousing. But once a smashing victory is scored, we should follow it up with another tactical move to clinch the battle for leadership that is subtly waged by other powers which have no claim or ability to such leadership."

The justice and righteousness of the Cyprus cause, which the Order of Ahepa espoused so vigorously and enthusiastically, cannot be denied by clear-thinking people the world over. It has been declared through the years by some of the world's most outstanding statesmen in a most eloquent way. Prime Minister W. E. Gladstone of Great Britain, had this to say in 1897.

"I subjoin the satisfaction I should feel were it granted me, before the close of my long life, to see the population of that Hellenic island (Cyprus) placed by a friendly arrangement in organic union with their brethren of the Kingdom of Greece."

Sir Winston Churchill, then Colonial Undersecretary, expressed his views on the subject this way in 1907.

"I think it is only natural that the Cypriot people, who are of Greek descent, should regard their incorporation with what may be called their mother country as an ideal to be earnestly, devoutly and fervently cherished. Such a feeling is an example of the patriotic devotion which so nobly characterizes the Greek Nation."

Sir Ronald Storrs, Governor of Cyprus from 1926 to 1932, extolled the virtues of the Cypriots most favorably while declaring,

"The Greekness of Cypriots is, in my opinion, indisputable. Nationalism is more, is other, is greater than pigmentation of cephalic indices. A man is of the race of which he passionately feels himself to be. No sensible person will deny that the Cypriot is Greek-speaking, Greek-thinking, Greek-feeling..."

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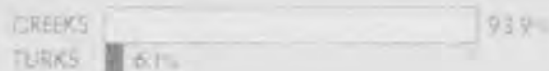


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HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Cyprus, a beautiful island in the Eastern Mediterranean, is historically and ethnologically Greek since pre-Homeric times. As far back as 1500 B.C. Cyprus held a prominent position in the Greek World, contributing generously in the makings of Greek Civilization with its kings, like Evagoras, and its philosophers like Zeno the Stoic.

This close association with Greece continued until the fall of the Byzantine Empire, after which a long array of conquerors occupied the island, including the Turks who took over the island in 1571. The Turkish occupation continued until 1878, when Turkey entered into a formal agreement with Britain, who helped them maintain the integrity of the Turkish dominions in Asia against Russia, in exchange for occupation of Cyprus through a lease of a yearly amount of 92 thousand pounds.

Britain annexed Cyprus in 1914, when Turkey entered the war on Germany's side. In 1923, under the Treaty of Lausanne, Turkey resigned all claims on Cyprus, and in 1925 the island was declared a British Crown Colony. This situation existed until 1960, when the Republic of Cyprus was established in accordance with the Zurich and London agreements of 1959.

POPULATION

The total population of Cyprus is 575,000 of which 440,000 are Greek-Cypriots (80%) and 105,000 are Turkish-Cypriots (18%). The balance is mainly made up of Armenians, Maronites, Britons and others.

THE PRESENT CRISIS

The Republic of Cyprus was established by the Zurich and London agreements of 1959 and achieved the status of a sovereign state in 1960, with full membership in the U.N.

The Zurich and London agreements created an impossible monstrosity and not a recognizable government. Under these so-called treaties 50% of the Assembly, 50% of the civil servants and 40% of the police force had to be Turks. The Vice-President had to be a Turk. The Turks were given the right to veto any tax laws, budgets, foreign policies or treaties and certain other acts of the government and legislation. In other words, the 18% Turkish minority were, in effect, given greater rights than the other 82% of the population. Effective government became an impossibility. Why were these agreements accepted?

Greece accepted this undemocratic and discriminatory arrangement under intense and threatening pressure from Turkey, both in Cyprus and against the Greek Community in Constantinople. Archbishop Makarios, as the only elected Cypriot leader at the time, was also compelled to accept the terms of the agreements in order to avoid graver consequences. No opportunity was afforded him for discussion or amendment. The terms had to be accepted or rejected by him in full. They therefore, cannot be said to have been accepted by the people of Cyprus, as a whole, in the exercise of their right of self-determination, nor has the constitution incorporating them been voted upon by means of a referendum or by the elected members of the House of Representatives.

This constitution eventually proved inoperable, impeding administrative functions and economic development. It is riddled with separatist provisions, while ignoring democratic principles basic in other democratic governments. Its provisions intended to safeguard the minority from potential abuses, were instead used by them to thwart all effective government. Its main effect has been to deprive the Greek Cypriot majority of the right to determine and exercise its own government structure and policies.



Saint Georgios Church in Paphos destroyed by Turkish air raids. Six women and children were killed in the church.



Victims of napalm incendiary bombs visited by Archbishop Makarios.



Targets of low flying aircraft were hospitals and ambulances with the large red cross signs clearly visible.

It enabled, on the other hand, the Turkish Cypriot minority to use its disproportionate legislative powers to demand a virtual partition of the island, blocking all essential legislation—including the collection of taxes—unless their demands were met.

After three years of this untenable situation, the President of Cyprus asked the Turkish Community in Cyprus for consultations and discussions on 13 proposed constitutional amendments. Instead of a reply from the Turkish Cypriots, there came a threat of invasion from the Government of Turkey in conjunction with an armed insurrection on the island by the Turkish Cypriot leaders on December 22, 1963.

Turkish terrorist groups on the island have been continuing since that day their provocative acts of violence leading to clashes, in the expectation of the promised landings from Turkey, and as a part of a partition scheme, while the government of Turkey has been on a continuous threat of invasion.

Turkish invasions have special meaning to anyone who has suffered from them, including the hundreds of thousands of Greeks, Armenians and Kurds. This constant fear of invasion by Turkey caused an understandable panic among the Greek Cypriots, who began frantically building their defenses to enable them to protect themselves against the invaders. The Turks, desperately trying to bring about the landings, turned their efforts then towards preparing a beachhead in North Western Cyprus to facilitate the imminent invasion from the motherland. When the Security Forces of the island tried to eliminate this beachhead, the terror raids of August 9-10 occurred, with Turkish Air Force jets using napalm bombs strafing and bombing women, children and helpless old people, destroying schools, churches and hospitals and spreading complete devastation.

These barbaric acts of violence and aggression against the defenseless people of Cyprus, shocked the civilized world, and compelled people everywhere to raise a strong voice of protest, in the hope that this holocaust will not be repeated and that a just and peaceful solution will be pursued, based on the democratic principles of safeguarding the individual rights of the minority, without depriving the majority of its own inalienable rights.

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George Douris of New York.

We close with the fervent prayer and hope that this magazine will help many Americans to more fully understand the complex issues involved in these unfortunate international crises and that through this understanding the United Nations Organization and all of the interested parties will achieve a permanent peace based on truth and justice.

The National Ahepa Cyprus Committee

U. S. SENATORS ON CYPRUS



KENNETH B. KEATING
U.S. Senator—New York

I firmly believe that in Cyprus, as in the United States and elsewhere in the world, majority rule must be the basis of all representative government. Self-determination is vital for a final peaceful settlement on Cyprus and this right must not be denied to the people of Cyprus. The people of Cyprus deserve an effective government, and with a minority veto, effective government is impossible.

In my judgment, the proposal which is best for the foreign policy interests of the United States, as well as for Great Britain, Greece and Turkey, is full self-determination, which I believe would result in union of Cyprus with Greece. The civilized world is shocked by recent Turkish attacks on Cypriot civilians, including strafing and dropping napalm bombs on men, women, and children. It is intolerable that U.S. military assistance supplied by our government and paid for by the taxpayers of the United States should be used in these barbaric attacks. I have strongly protested to the Secretary of State and urged an immediate cessation of military assistance to Turkey. You can be sure I shall continue to work for a fair and honorable treatment for the people of Cyprus.

DR. NICHOLAS G. PITURAS, PRESIDENT
MR. NICHOLAS ANAGNOSTAKOS, SECRETARY
Bronx Chapter No. 175 Bronx, New York

I firmly believe that in Cyprus, as in the United States and elsewhere in the world, majority rule must be the basis of all representative government. Self-determination is vital for a final peaceful settlement on Cyprus and this right must not be denied to the people of Cyprus.

I yield to no one in my support and defense for the basic individual and civil rights of a minority. But at the same time, I cannot recognize, and I believe the Government of the United States

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must not recognize, that a permanent solution to any vital political problem can be found by giving a minority of 17 percent a final veto over critical government activities.

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In my judgment, the proposal which is best for the foreign policy interests of the United States, as well as for Great Britain, Greece and Turkey, is full self-determination, which I believe would result in union of Cyprus with Greece.

Union with Greece would eliminate the communist toe-hold on Cyprus. The large Russian Embassy would be removed. The communist party would be outlawed and the strength of the communists under any other label would be seriously weakened. It is what the overwhelming majority of Cypriots want. A referendum under United Nations auspices would undoubtedly establish this fact, and the communists would have no basis at all for objection.

Cyprus could then become part of NATO. It is important to note that Cyprus currently is not part of NATO and has been talking a neutralist line. In this way the British base on Cyprus would become a NATO base and would be more secure.

Finally, for both Greece and Turkey this solution would end a serious difference which now threatens to lead to war between these two allies.

Our own government must not be deterred from speaking out in favor of free institutions on Cyprus simply to appease our Turkish ally. United States policy should be based on the rightness of our cause and the rightness of our position. The desire of a majority of the people of Cyprus to join with Greece is a reasonable position. It is in our own best interest and that of our allies, including Turkey.

For that reason I have strongly urged that our government openly state its support for majority rule on Cyprus, including self-determination for the people of Cyprus, and if they choose, union with Greece.

Throughout the centuries, political self-government has been one of the great legacies of the people of Greece to our Western civilization. It is only right and reasonable that the people of Cyprus should also enjoy the precious principles of self-determination and majority rule which we here in the United States have come to cherish so deeply for our own country.



HARRY F. BYRD
U.S. Senator—Virginia

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I believe the people of Cyprus should enjoy the right of self government under a constitution safeguarding the rights of all people.



LISTER HILL
U.S. Senator—Alabama

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I endorse a solution of the Cyprus problem in accordance with United Nations principles of self-determination and hope this can be achieved.

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EVERETT MCKINLEY DIRKSEN
U.S. Senator—Illinois

I assure the many citizens of the United States of Hellenic extraction, many of whom are close personal friends of many years, that I, as the Minority Leader of the United States Senate, will do everything within my power and judgment to see that the Administration will not do anything that will cause Cypriot people to be fearful of their future.

We are gravely concerned over the safety of innocent citizens of Cyprus who are caught in the middle of gun fire from strafing by the Turkey Air Force but such violations to the edicts of the United Nations will not be tolerated.

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

As I have assured others who have written me, I have taken careful account of the developments in Cyprus day by day. As dark as the picture may appear, I am extremely hopeful that upon the latest developments an effective cease fire can be maintained and that negotiations will be reopened and that a desirable solution may be found. This might very well be in the field of enosis or self-determination.



J. CALEB BOGGS
U. S. Senator—Delaware

seems to me a simple matter of principle. This principle, if recognized and applied to the Cyprus problem, I believe would achieve a just and lasting solution. This is the principle of self-determination. It seems to me that this principle which recognizes majority rule with basic and appropriate protection of individual and civil rights of the minority should be the basis upon which permanent solution rests.

It has always been my understanding that our country applies this principle of self-determination in all other situations, and I believe it has equal force and soundness in the Cyprus situation. It is my hope and prayer that when the full facts are known by a great majority of our people that justice with freedom and lasting peace may come to Cyprus.

MR. EDWARD LASKARIS
President
Order of Ahepa,
Wilmington Chapter No. 95
Wilmington, Delaware

Not only members of the Order of Ahepa and Greek Americans, but I think for the most part all of our citizens have been greatly concerned about the Cyprus situation. Much has been said and written about the Cyprus problem, which I think tends in some respects to confuse and complicate what otherwise



WINSTON L. PROUTY
U.S. Senator—Vermont

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The principle of national self-determination by the citizens themselves is one of the oldest safeguards of democratic self-rule.

I believe sincerely in respect for the Cypriots as a people and for their right to handle their own affairs without molestation.



E. L. MECHEM
U.S. Senator—New Mexico

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

In connection with the crisis on Cyprus, I have firm faith that the key to successful settlement lies in the right of people to determine and control their own government. This is a cornerstone to enhancement of human dignity and is a worthy goal throughout the world.



PETER H. DOMINICK
U.S. Senator—Colorado

MR. GEORGE J. FRANCIS
Denver, Colorado

The right of self-determination is a principle for which this Nation has always stood in its dealings with the rest of the world. With firm assurance of the full protection of minority rights, the principle of self-determination should also apply in the present situation.



JUDGE JOHN M. MANOS
MR. GUS HEROUVIS

I am concerned about the serious situation in Cyprus. I believe in self-determination provided minority rights are protected.

STEPHEN M. YOUNG
U.S. Senator—Ohio



THOMAS H. KUCHEL
U.S. Senator—California

The tensions and turmoil plaguing the Island of Cyprus cause deep anguish to all lovers of liberty. The situation presents a grave challenge if we are to preserve respect for the dignity of mankind.

It is saddening when our Nation must watch two of its faithful allies become involved in a disagreement which occasions shooting and bloodshed. The other Western peoples have been grateful for the loyal support of Greece and Turkey in the cause of liberty and democracy. For them to be engaged in hostilities with each other is doubly tragic in the light of the need for solidarity to resist continuing Communist threats to global security and orderliness.

This dispute unfortunately has defied earnest and dedicated efforts to achieve a solution. Still, it is the sort which must be settled as quickly as possible in the interests of the Free World. I regret a settlement has not been achieved within NATO. The well-being of all who cherish the right of self government and adhere to the true principles of liberty calls for the most conscientious spirit in undertaking to find an equitable solution within the United Nations.

MR. GEORGE E. JOHNSON
Sacramento 20, California
MR. MICHAEL T. THANES
District Governor
El Camino Real District No. 20
California
MR. K. KONSTANTINE
President
Chapter No. 269
Eureka, California

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BOURKE B. HICKENLOOPER
U.S. Senator—Iowa

Cyprus must have the friendship and cooperation of both Greece and Turkey, but it would be a tragic mistake if political settlements were forced which would create a greater cleavage rather than a harmonious amalgamation of all elements there. An unfortunate circumstance, of course, is the bitterness which has been generated among the people of Cyprus.

Calmness and a genuine desire to sincerely solve the problems of self-determination with adequate protection for all Cypriots can, I am convinced, result in a much better political climate there unless these efforts are sabotaged by disruptive or selfish interests.

I am certain that the policy of the United States is to give all reasonable aid and assistance toward reaching a desirable and satisfactory result.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman,
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Informed self-determination by the people of the respective nations of the world has always received sympathetic interest and support of the United States. I have never thought that the present Constitution of Cyprus was a wise one in all its details, but the most desirable process for change is an orderly peaceful alteration of their basic law with adequate and fair guarantees of the rights of the minorities as well as majorities.

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ALLEN J. ELLENDER
U.S. Senator—Louisiana

I am hopeful that the United States, through the United Nations, can effect a cease fire by all concerned. It is indeed tragic that the situation in Cyprus has created animosities between two of our allies in the Mediterranean. I feel that Cyprus citizens of Greek extraction have shown considerable forbearance in their long history of residence on that Island. I hope that they will be able to continue their efforts toward a peaceful settlement until such time as the whole problem may be settled satisfactorily to all the people of the Island. As you know, the Security Council has requested a cease-fire and I hope that this will continue in effect. The representatives of our government are doing everything possible to achieve a just and peaceful settlement.

MISS MARY KAPSOS
New Iberia, Louisiana

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FRANK CHURCH
U.S. Senator—Idaho

Aerial bombing and armed violence will never help attain a reasonable settlement between national groups. Negotiations, not warfare, must be the aim of all people who have the welfare of Cyprus at heart.

I know that your group is working to achieve this goal of peaceful negotiation in Cyprus.

NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President
JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman, Cyprus Committee

Americans have firmly held the belief in national self-determination ever since our own Revolution, this idea was given vigorous reaffirmation by President Woodrow Wilson. Support of National self-determination combined with protection of legitimate rights of minority groups should be an essential part of our policy toward Cyprus.

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PHILIP A. HART
U.S. Senator—Michigan

We followed with sympathy and understanding the efforts to work out the serious problems that arose between the two communities in Cyprus.

Since that time the United Nations has worked with growing

MR. SOCRATES SEKLES
Chairman, Board of Trustees
MR. GEORGE TARACHAS
President, Chapter No. 216
Saginaw, Michigan

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to express some of my thoughts on the current Cyprus problem.

You will recall that the United States welcomed the independence of Cyprus in 1960. Our nation has since maintained close and friendly relations with the new republic.

success to maintain law and order and make possible some return toward normalcy.

Certainly we welcome these developments as constructive steps toward the establishment of peace and a long-term solution of the problem. Throughout the many unfortunate events of the crisis on Cyprus, our government has entertained no preconceptions as to the shape or form of such a solution but have encouraged all parties involved to examine all possible solutions which would contribute to the long-range welfare of all Cypriots.

I am assured that we are pursuing this matter with great vigor, particularly since the dispute involves two of our closest allies. Furthermore, we have a major interest in the maintenance of peace in the eastern Mediterranean, an interest which we fortunately share with many other nations.

It is in America's national interest as well as that of the entire world to seek a just and peaceful solution to the Cyprus question within a framework of orderly self determination and respect for the rights of all concerned. Be assured that I shall continue to support fully any effort by our government to accomplish this end.



JENNINGS RANDOLPH
U.S. Senator—West Virginia

I am especially glad to set forth at the request of a fellow West Virginian Past Supreme President George Loucas this conviction and statement of faith.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS
Weirton, West Virginia

Please know that I join with you and the thousands of patriotic members of the Order of Ahepa in the vigorous expression of the fundamental principle of self-determination.

It is in the best tradition of the founding fathers of our republic. There is every reason to strengthen at this particular time of crisis the policy which is inherent in all freedom loving people.



WARREN G. MAGNUSON
U.S. Senator—Washington

land while attempting to secure the same rights and blessings for relatives and friends who live on Cyprus.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman, Cyprus Committee
JOHN GAINES
President, Chapter No. 272
Port Angeles, Washington

Freedom for others must always be of prime importance for those who possess it themselves.

I know how strongly those of Greek descent living in our State of Washington feel on this important issue and I also know how staunchly they have stood for this, their adopted



LEVERETT SALTONSTALL
U.S. Senator—Massachusetts

Certainly we all want to see Cyprus decide its own form of government, one that will reflect the choice of its people and protect the rights of the minority.

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President
DEMOS KAKRIDAS
Athens Chapter No. 24
Boston, Mass.

I hope very sincerely that the presence of a United Nations force on that island may bring to an end the bitter strife between the Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

Greece is the cultural homeland for the entire western world, and it was the Greeks who so valiantly fought back



J. GLENN BEALL
U.S. Senator—Maryland

mend your organization for its efforts in pursuit of this goal.

ZACHARY SAMIOS
Westminster, Maryland

Self-determination with safeguards for the rights of the minority is the principle upon which the United States government is based. As the acknowledged leader of the Free World, it is vital that we take every appropriate action to guarantee self-determination for all the people of the world.

I pray for an early and honorable settlement of the conflict on Cyprus, and I commend your organization for its efforts in pursuit of this goal.



BARRY GOLDWATER
U.S. Senator—Arizona

the threatened breakup of our vital NATO alliance on the other. On the other hand, enosis will block Russian Communist ambitions to intervene in the internal affairs of Cyprus, it will revitalize and strengthen our vital NATO alliance, and, most of all, it will bring peace and tranquility to the people of Cyprus. I am in favor of enosis.

WILLIAM BELROY
AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

The only practical means of bringing peace with justice to Cyprus, in my opinion, is enosis—the union of Cyprus with Greece. By history, by culture, by the world of the majority of people on Cyprus, the union of Cyprus with Greece, is a natural one. The Democratic Administration has drifted without any effective policy until the conflict on Cyprus has grown into an international crisis with the threatened intervention of the Soviet Union on one hand, and



EDWARD V. LONG
U.S. Senator—Missouri

reason, we have offered our assistance and have attempted to work, through NATO members and the U.N. to establish a climate in which a solution can be found.

It would be my hope that a final solution would be found that avoids the mistakes and emotions of history—a solution that would ensure peace, order, justice and freedom for all people of Cyprus.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS,
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

The hostility and violence that have marked recent months in Cyprus are cause for grave concern not only to the people and nations immediately involved but also to all nations of the Western Alliance and in fact to all nations of the world.

President Kennedy made it clear that our nation cannot impose its own solutions on the rest of the world.



HERMAN E. TALMADGE
U.S. Senator—Georgia

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Washington 5, D.C.

Self-determination for the peoples of the world is a principle which I have long upheld. My personal sympathies are with the Greek Cypriots, and it is my earnest and abiding hope that the Cyprus problem will be resolved in their interests.



CLIFFORD P. CASE
U.S. Senator—New Jersey

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS,
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

You may be pleased to know that I have joined with Senator Keating in co-sponsoring a Senate Concurrent resolution which reaffirms United States support for self determination in Cyprus including possible union with Greece.



ABRAHAM RIBICOFF
U.S. Senator—Connecticut

GEORGE A. ATHANSON
Hartford, Conn.

I wholeheartedly endorse the right of self determination for all the people of Cyprus, coupled with a recognition of the absolute necessity to protect the legitimate rights of the minority. I am confident that the efforts of the United Nations and the friends of all the parties will produce a solution to the controversy.



STROM THURMOND
U.S. Senator—South Carolina

MR. STEVE MOSKOS
Columbia, South Carolina

Please be assured that I strongly favor self-determination for the people of Cyprus, for this is an elementary principle upon which human dignity and individual freedom rests. In exercising the right of self-determination, I know that the majority of the people of Cyprus, who have demonstrated such a concern for their own freedom, will respect the rights and liberties of those in their midst who do not concur in the course chosen by the majority. In the final analysis no course can be justified which does not provide to a people the right to govern themselves and to work out their own destiny.

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THOMAS J. DODD

U.S. Senator—Connecticut

Turkish minority. I believe that the administration and the U.N. are doing their utmost by diplomatic means to achieve an equitable settlement of the Cyprus question which respects both the principle of self-determination and the rights of minorities, and which satisfies both sides. We must avoid war because war would be a tragedy for the Greek and Turkish peoples and for the entire free world community. As a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, I shall continue to support a policy based upon three objectives: self-determination, justice for the minority and the rejection of war as a solution.

**GEORGE ATHANSON
Cyprus Committee**

Civilization as a whole will forever be indebted to the Greek people for their incomparable contributions to western culture, to the arts and to the philosophy of government.

All thoughtful people are truly concerned with the grave situation in Cyprus. The ideal solution is one which accords self-determination to the people of Cyprus, with specific guarantees of the rights of the



GEORGE MCGOVERN

U.S. Senator—South Dakota

We have steadfastly backed the United Nations and the attempts of the Secretary General and his personal representative on the island to reach an accord. Because several member states of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization are involved, and because of the ensuing struggle, therefore, threatens world peace, I find it necessary, too, to express the solemn hope that an immediate solution may be found to distill the fears that are inflamed by the incessant acts of terrorism.

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

When proclaimed independent, the guarantors of Cypriote sovereignty envisaged the island's two communities living in harmony; yet, by withholding absolute authority from the legitimate government of Cyprus, they planted the seeds for future dissension. Today, the bloody harvest is being reaped.

The United States Government, always mindful of the rightful aspirations of a sovereign people, has sought to reach a solution of the crisis.



HUGH SCOTT

U.S. Senator—Pennsylvania

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

Congratulations on the work you are doing to alert the free world to the serious situation in Cyprus. I support self-determination of Cyprus with majority rule so long as the rights of minorities are protected. There is no reason why a 17 percent minority should prevent the 82 percent Greek majority from having effective government.



JOHN SPARKMAN

U.S. Senator—Alabama

**PETER PASVANTES
Cyprus Committee**

I support just solution of Cyprus problem in accordance with U. N. principles of self-determination. Hope such solution will be reached.



ROMAN L. HRUSKA

U.S. Senator—Nebraska

N. S. PAYNE

I have long maintained the right of self-determination for all peoples. It is the cornerstone of our own liberty, springing from our beginning as a nation. For many years I have asserted this right, particularly in the case of the captive nations of Europe suffering under the bonds of Communism.



VANCE HARTKE

U.S. Senator—Indiana

CYPRUS COMMITTEE

I share your members' concern for the crisis in Cyprus and pledge to support efforts to secure peace and justice there.

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GALE McGEE

U.S. Senator—Wyoming

that a peaceful solution, protecting the freedom, rights and human dignity of all residents of this island can be worked out.

Certainly all those who love liberty should support any constructive attempt to eliminate strife and discord and restore peace to the Eastern Mediterranean.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman,
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

As you are, I am deeply disturbed at the troubled events in Cyprus and the terrible suffering for all concerned and the potential for further strife and disorder.

It is my hope that the standards of freedom championed by all Americans, since the founding of our Republic, can be applied to Cyprus and



SPESSARD L. HOLLAND

U.S. Senator—Florida

I firmly support independence for Cyprus as I do the right of its people to self-determination. History indicates that the latter may not be easy of accomplishment, but I pray that men of good will and respect for the philosophy, religion and historic traits of people of national origin other than their own will come to the fore and provide the steady leadership so greatly needed to solve the Cyprus problem in a manner that will be acceptable and honorable for both sides.

MR. CHRISTOPHER EKONOMOU
President

Satellite Chapter No. 401

Eau Gallie, Florida

LOUIS P. LOGAN

President

Chapter No. 161

Orlando, Florida

MR. JOHN G. FATOLITIS

President

George Washington Chapter

Tarpon Springs, Florida



PIERRE SALINGER

U.S. Senator—California

GEORGE E. JOHNSON

Cyprus Committee

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS

Supreme President

Please convey to the membership of Ahepa my deep conviction that self-determination is the birthright of all people and that the resolution of the Cyprus question must recognize the legitimate rights of its citizens of Greek origin.



WAYNE MORSE

U.S. Senator—Oregon

There is nothing about the problems of Cyprus that will be solved or improved by the use of force by anyone. Its problems call for a high level of statesmanship and leadership, and a return to basic principles of equality and self-government.

JOHN G. THEVOS

Some form of self-determination that will protect the rights and safety of all ethnic groups that comprise the population of Cyprus is desperately needed. It is to that end that the leaders of the United States, Cyprus, Greece, Turkey, Great Britain, and the United Nations should bend all their efforts and exert all their talents.



EUGENE J. McCARTHY

U.S. Senator—Minnesota

MR. JOHN MERCURY

Cyprus Committee

I am hopeful that during the truce which is now in effect, that the principle of self-determination may be clearly established for Cyprus.



TOM McINTYRE

U.S. Senator—New Hampshire

JOHN G. SCONTASAS

I strongly endorse the right to self-determination for the people of Cyprus. Internal democracy, not foreign military intervention, will provide the best peaceful solution.



HARRISON A. WILLIAMS, JR.
U.S. Senator—New Jersey

The Zurich Agreement was an honest, but futile effort to enable the Greek and the Turkish communities to live in peace together. The failure of that effort is clear. No form of government imposed from the outside can bring the island of Cyprus the peace and prosperity for which it has waited so long.

But the dispute over the future of Cyprus has taken on a larger dimension in the Cold War struggle. The NATO alliance is threatened

HONORABLE JOHN THEVOS
Paterson, New Jersey

Every Greek must sympathize with the determination of the Greek Cypriot to govern his own destiny and to live in peace. The savage conflict which is gripping the island of Cyprus is the bitter legacy of years of oppression of the Greek people by the Turks. After the hard-fought struggle for independence which finally ended in 1960, the Cypriot again finds his life destroyed by civil war and the threat of

by conflict between two of its members. The Russians watch this crisis, always hopeful that in the tangle of events they can capture for themselves the prize of Cyprus. And United States relations with Greece, our faithful ally in the fight against Communism, have seriously deteriorated.

During this period of rising tension and delicate negotiation no one can say what the final outcome will be. I am confident that the Greek and Turkish governments can avoid a war which would destroy NATO and only add to the suffering of Cyprus. I can assure you that I will give my heartfelt support to any and every effort to keep the peace and preserve the legitimate rights of the Greeks of Cyprus.

MR. STEVEN J. KARAS
Chapter President
Hudson Chapter No. 108
Jersey City, New Jersey

I certainly agree with you that all peoples should have the right of self determination, and that no nation should have the right to intervene in the internal problems of an independent nation. You have my wholehearted support of these principles as they apply to the situation in Cyprus.

I appreciate your taking the time to inform me of the views of the Order of Ahepa.



HENRY M. JACKSON
U.S. Senator—Washington

MR. GUS RAKUS
Cyprus Committee
MR. JOHN GAINES
President, Chapter No. 272
Port Angeles, Washington

We are all very concerned over the conflict in Cyprus with its tragic consequences for the people of Cyprus and with its causes deeply rooted in history. There are of course no quick and easy solutions in the face of the long-standing troubles of that small

island. But the governments of both Greece and Turkey—as fellow members of the NATO alliance—should be encouraged and urged to reach a fair settlement, without further resort to force.

Clearly, it is the duty of the American government to help avoid further loss of life among the peoples of Cyprus and cooperate in reaching an early settlement of the critical and divisive issues so that the conflict does not disrupt the NATO alliance—which is a cornerstone of American and free world security.

At the same time, the peoples of Cyprus ought to have a major say in their own future, and it is the duty of our government to help reach a just settlement that takes account of the basic interests of the peoples of Cyprus—who, like other peoples, want to live out their lives in peace and decency.



JACOB K. JAVITS
U.S. Senator—New York

CHARLES J. DREWES
Bronx, New York
MR. SCOTT MINGOS
New York, N. Y.
Dr. NICHOLAS G. PITURAS,
President
Bronx Chapter No. 175
New York, N. Y.

I support the policy of the United States in this critical situation. I believe that the United States has no preconceptions or preference as to the shape or form of final solutions that might be developed for the Cyprus problem, nor that it has dogmatic views

over the kind of arrangements that should be employed in the present situation or the relationship of those arrangements to the United Nations. We are deeply concerned only, I feel, that the immediate and long-term problems be solved in ways that will contribute to the welfare of the entire Cypriot population on the basis of the dearest right of freedom—self-determination—and also on the basis of safeguarding the rights of each individual to equal justice and human rights. We do not wish to impose anything on anybody.

The United States, I believe, does have a major interest in the maintenance of peace in the Eastern Mediterranean—an interest which it fortunately shares with many other nations. It will do all it can, I am confident, to assure that objective.

I join in the hope that the United Nations peace-keeping mission now in Cyprus may be successful in restoring and maintaining peace and will certainly support the UN role there.



JOHN J. WILLIAMS
U.S. Senator—Delaware

rule of the majority prevails must, at the same time and as a con-

MR. EDWARD LASKARIS,
President
MR. THEODORE G. SOUMAKIS,
Secretary
Wilmington Chapter No. 95
Wilmington, Delaware

The principle of self-determination of peoples is a simple corollary to the principles of freedom and liberty and it needs no further defense. It must quickly be added, however, that any form of government in which the

comitant of freedom and justice, provide for the protection of the basic rights of minority groups.

Whatever may be the final solution to this problem—and it most certainly must be solved peacefully if it is not to continue to be a threat to the stability of that part of the world—such a solution must, in justice, combine both the principle of self-determination and majority rule with adequate and clear-cut protection of the basic rights of minority groups.

With these tenets serving as goals which the people of Cyprus must strive to reach, I have every hope that men of good will on both sides of this thorny problem will ultimately reach an accord under which the inhabitants of Cyprus can look forward to living their lives free of the threats of disunity and violence which have for so long plagued them.



GEORGE A. SMATHERS
U.S. Senator—Florida

is a conflict that can only bring comfort to the Communists and other forces of division that would like to see the destruction of

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS,
Washington 5, D.C.
MR. GEORGE SERROS,
Secretary, Chapter No. 161
Orlando, Florida
MR. JOHN J. FATOLITIS,
President, Chapter No. 16
Tarpon Springs, Florida

As have men of good will everywhere, I have long deplored the disastrous conflict in the Island of Cyprus. This

NATO and the diminution of Western influence in the Mediterranean. It has reduced a once peaceful area to near-chaos and has brought personal tragedy and misery to innocent thousands.

It is my strong conviction that the only solution to this problem is for all powers to recognize that the Cypriots themselves must be permitted to decide their own destiny through the exercise of the unalienable right of self-determination. The will of the majority of the people of Cyprus must not be thwarted, just as the rights of the minority must be protected. Only when the principle of self-determination is applied will a just and lasting peace be assured. I wholeheartedly support this concept and sincerely believe that its application will bring about an equitable solution to a problem which is of deep concern to the United States and all of the free world.



PAUL H. DOUGLAS
U.S. Senator—Illinois

self-determination to the situation on Cyprus. I would like to include the full text of this resolution in my letter, since I feel that it fully describes what I feel is a just and proper solution to the differences which have wreaked violence and bloodshed on the inhabitants of Cyprus.

As a lover of Greece both past and present, I have a deep sympathy for the Cypriot Greeks. I deeply hope that the age-old and tragic quarrel over Cyprus will not lead to war and that the difficulties can be solved by peaceful means. And I hope, therefore, that you and the membership of the Order of Ahepa will join with me in working for a peaceful settlement of this crisis.

JOHN G. THEVOS,
Ahepa Cyprus Committee
Washington 5, D.C.

I want to thank you for giving me this opportunity to express my views on the tragic situation on Cyprus to you and the members of the Order of Ahepa throughout the country.

On September 15th, I co-sponsored Senate Concurrent Resolution 98, introduced by Senator Keating, endorsing the application of the principle of



CLAIBORNE PELL
U.S. Senator—Rhode Island

practical and workable Constitution. If the majority wishes to continue the independent status or to adopt a policy of union with Greece, absolute guarantees for the protection of the minority interests should be incorporated in the New Constitution.

Serious consideration should be given to the very real possibility of repatriating the Turkish minority to its homeland—and, as a matter of fairness, extending the same offer to the Greek minority in Turkey—with appropriate compensation for property, travel and resettlement expenses. Most important is the settlement of the problem as rapidly as possible so that continued violence and bloodshed can be avoided.

MR. VIOS J. LEWIS
Maud Howe Elliott Chapter,
No. 245
Newport, Rhode Island

The vexing problem in Cyprus regarding the Greek and Turkish populations demands a prompt and equitable solution.

Insofar as there is an overwhelming Greek majority on the island of 4 to 1, I would think the most reasonable solution would be to have a popular referendum to adopt a more



HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
U.S. Senator—Minnesota

Nations that the grievous problems of Cyprus will be solved.

**MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS and
MR. JOHN G. THEVOS**
Cyprus Committee

Thank you for sending me copies of the resolutions approved by the Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa.

I feel that the Cypriot people should have the right to be self-governed and self-determined democratically, according to the desire of the majority and with full protection of minority rights. I trust that under the auspices of the United

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

Many thanks for your recent letter expressing your concern about recent developments on the Island of Cyprus. I assure you that I will use my efforts to support a peaceful resolution of the current dispute over Cyprus and to support efforts to preserve democratic constitutional government in that Island. I greatly appreciate the expression of your views on this problem.

JOHN MERCURY
Cyprus Committee

The world will be indebted forever, to the legacy of Greece—to the ideals of wisdom, justice, moderation, and the humane values. Today, in the tense situation on the Island of Cyprus, I trust all parties will be guided by these goals. I strongly support the efforts of the United Nations to bring peace to that troubled place, and to solve its problems with equity. Peace is difficult, but highly desirable to the free world. War is easy, but disastrous.



B. EVERETT JORDAN
U. S. Senator—North Carolina

Americans, and I know they share my concern about the serious situation which now exists in Cyprus.

MR. JOHN G. PLUMIDES
Past Supreme President
Order of Ahepa

It certainly seems to me that the proposal for a constitution to be voted upon by all the people of Cyprus is the kind of proposal that we should support since it is in keeping with our basic policy of permitting all people to settle their problems through traditional democratic processes.

As you well know, I have always been deeply interested in the problems of all Greek-



KARL E. MUNDT
U.S. Senator—South Dakota

my concern about the serious situation which now exists in Cyprus. Such a settlement can only be one which is based on democratic principles. It is my hope that whatever the specific terms of a settlement restoring peace between the Greek and Turkish communities on Cyprus, it will be one which makes full provision both for the rule of the majority and the rights of the minority.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Washington 5, D.C.

The tragic conflict on the Island of Cyprus has been a matter of deep concern to people of good will all over the world, and to none more so than the American people because we count among our number so many good citizens of Greek descent.

The problem of Cyprus can only be resolved by the people directly concerned, but it is entirely appropriate for us in the United States to express



MILWARD L. SIMPSON
U. S. Senator—Wyoming

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

I share your concern over the tragic situation in Cyprus. The people of that Island should be allowed to seek and attain their own destiny whether it be complete independence or a reunion with Greece.

I will take your resolutions under consideration — as a United States Senator, as an honorary member of the Order of Ahepa, and as a proud friend of Greece.



OLIN D. JOHNSTON
U.S. Senator—South Carolina

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ON CYPRUS**

I wholeheartedly support the right of the people of Cyprus to self-government and self-determination of their government. I would like to see all foreign armies removed from Cyprus if peace can be maintained by the United Nations forces until an election and the independence of Cyprus can be secured and peace guaranteed.



NORRIS COTTON
U.S. Senator—New Hampshire

MR. WILLIAM A. VARKAS
President
Manchester Chapter No. 44
Manchester, New Hampshire

The Greek people have a proud heritage, for ancient Greece gave to the world its first concept of freedom and democracy. Our Republic shared in that heritage.

It is with dismay, therefore, that we witness the denial of these basic concepts of liberty on the Island of Cyprus. I believe in the validity of the Greek-Cypriot cause. To believe otherwise does violence to the

principles for which we ourselves have fought throughout our Nation's history. It is shameful that Cyprus, populated largely by Greek Nationals and identified historically with the Greek homeland, should be denied the right of self-determination—the elementary privilege of majority rule. Simple justice demands that this problem be resolved in such manner as to return to the Greek Cypriots their rightful mandate. For this, the United States should throw the full weight of its influence.

I cannot end this statement without expressing my appreciation to all Americans of Greek descent, and particularly those in New Hampshire, who have contributed so much leadership in business and in the professions and who, because of their background and their love of liberty, have been so alert to maintain our own free institutions. We, their neighbors, are in complete sympathy with their feelings in this difficult hour and with their determination that justice shall be served.



FRANK E. MOSS
U.S. Senator—Utah

CHRIS E. ATHAS

I agree with position of Ahepa that people are entitled to self determination, that majority rule is the heart of democracy, that basic rights of all people including minorities deserve protection, but control of policy cannot be lodged in minority. I believe the Cyprus situation most difficult so long as veto power rests with minority. I strongly support a solution to permit residents of Cyprus to form true democratic government with majority rule. I am unalterably opposed to violence and to intervention.



JOHN STENNIS
U.S. Senator—Mississippi

MR. JAMES G. CAJOLEAS
Jackson, Mississippi

I am deeply grateful to you for giving me the benefit of your thinking and that of the other members of your fine organization. I certainly agree that the people of Cyprus are entitled to the rights mentioned in your letter and I sincerely hope that steps can be taken to guarantee these rights to them.

I hope that our State Department will take this position, and you can count on my support in any way in which I can help.



SAM J. ERVIN, JR.
U.S. Senator—North Carolina

JOHN G. PLUMIDES
Past Supreme President

As one who accepts Woodrow Wilson's belief that all peoples are entitled to the right of self-determination, I am satisfied that the people of Cyprus should enjoy the right of self-government under a Constitution to be adopted by them, which should contain adequate safeguards for the rights of the Turkish minority, as well as the rights of all other Cypriots.



JOSEPH S. CLARK
U.S. Senator—Pennsylvania

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To all of us interested in the issue of Cyprus these days there is great concern. We see hope, however, that peace can be restored so that all of the peoples of Cyprus may live in harmony. There must be respect for majority rights. There must be respect for minority rights. I am hopeful that the voice of the Order of Ahepa will continue to be heard clearly in the days ahead.

U. S. REPRESENTATIVES ON CYPRUS



DON L. SHORT
U.S. Rep. — North Dakota

As an American citizen, and Member of the United States House of Representatives, I firmly believe in a constitutional form of government, guaranteeing the freedom and rights of all citizens regardless of race, color, or creed, and providing proper safeguards for the rights of all minorities.

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its history, that Cyprus actually has enjoyed relatively few periods of peace. Consequently it has had few periods in which individual freedoms and economic prosperity has had a proper climate in which to develop. It is time Cyprus is given the opportunity to decide for itself what type of government it prefers. It is important, for this reason, that the people are provided legitimate and unbiased information on which to base their choice, as well as a knowledge of the basis of offers or attempts made by outside governments to aid them in settling their many problems. An informed people should be able to choose wisely and the Cypriots deserve a fair opportunity to make their choice.

I am hopeful, along with other American citizens and many of my colleagues in Congress, that Cyprus will choose to establish a truly constitutional form of government. I believe only in this way will they be able to achieve peace, with honor, and attain the freedoms necessary if they are to continue to live in peace, practice their various religions, and rebuild their economy, without interference.



EDWARD P. BOLAND
U.S. Rep. — Massachusetts

In keeping with the American traditional adherence to the principle of self-determination of peoples, it seems only natural to sympathize with the people of Cyprus in their effort to settle the question of their government through this democratic process. The principle that all powers of government must be derived from the governed is fundamental to the American way of life. The American people believe that it is fundamental to the operation of good government everywhere. It thus provides a sound basis for the development of friendly relations among peoples and the adjust-

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ment of conflict without resort to force. The peaceful settlement of disputes is a cardinal principle in the American political creed.

The right to self-determination of peoples has never in history been so much emphasized as in the decades since World War II. Even after World War I, when the theory received such impetus that it is almost identified with that period and Woodrow Wilson's insistence on its application in Europe, there were not so many new states born through the process of self-determination as there have been in Africa and Asia in recent years. If it is right for these new, young nations, how much more appropriate it would seem for Cyprus, one of the very oldest seats of civilization in the world. Cyprus has been known to East and West as a crossroads since before the beginning of history.

Seldom, if ever, in all those millenia has the situation of Cyprus been sadder than it is today. If self-determination can help to solve the problem which has so recently seemed at an impasse, it would indeed be heartening to see progress under it toward the peaceful settlement of this tragic dispute.



CLARK MacGREGOR
U.S. Rep. — Minnesota

MR. D. N. KARALIS

President

MR. GEORGE A. CASPER

Secretary

**Demosthenes Chapter No. 66
Minneapolis, Minnesota**

All peoples of the world deserve to fashion their own government and their own society free of foreign domination. I am concerned that the people of Cyprus find a solution to conditions there which will enable all the island's citizens to live in peace and freedom.



J. EDGAR CHENOWETH
U.S. Representative—Colorado

MR. GUS GATSEOS

MR. GEORGE J. FRANCIS

Denver, Colorado

I feel that the people of Cyprus should have the right to determine the form and type of Government they prefer. The people should be permitted to decide this important question for themselves.



JOHN C. WATTS
U.S. Representative—Kentucky

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

There is no ideal to which the American people and the United States government are more firmly committed than the right of all peoples to self-determination in freedom. This right received eloquent expression in the United States Declaration of Independence. It was reaffirmed by Woodrow Wilson in his famous Fourteen Points, through which he opposed secret machinations among the great European powers to settle the fate of small,

defenseless people without consulting their wishes. It was one of the fundamental principles recognized by Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt in the historic Atlantic Charter of August, 1941. In the years since World War II, the United States has extended sympathy and support to peoples in Asia and Africa who have struggled to secure freedom and unfettered independence.

Thus it is only logical and just that the American people and the United States government support this principle for Cyprus. Any future agreements which fail to take into account the wishes of the great majority of the Cypriote people, cannot prove enduring and workable.

The continuation of the Cyprus dispute can only mean further suffering for the Cypriote people. There is only one solution that meets the requirements of reason and justice. That is to accord the people of Cyprus the right of self-determination.



CHARLES RAPER JONAS
U.S. Rep.—North Carolina

MR. JOHN G. PLUMIDES

I am afraid there will not be any permanent peace on Cyprus so long as a minority of 17 percent can exercise a veto over such critical government policies as taxation, foreign affairs, and defense. A government so organized has little if any chance of permanency. Certainly the rights of a minority in any country must be protected but in providing such protection it is equally

important that the rights of the majority not be sacrificed.

The principle of self-determination is one to which I think most if not all citizens of the United States endorse. I do not see how any country can have an effective government if majority rule is to be abrogated. So I believe that the only practicable and workable solution of the Cyprus problem will depend upon the adoption of a new constitution to be voted on by all of the people of Cyprus, but such a constitution must include definite and permanent guarantees to protect the rights of the minority.

Maintenance of a permanent outside force on Cyprus to preserve peace will be intolerable from many standpoints. This seems to me to leave the principle of self-determination by the people of Cyprus, in a fair election in which the right of all who are eligible to vote shall be guaranteed, offers the only practicable solution of what all recognize as a very serious problem.



JOHN S. MONAGAN
U.S. Rep.—Connecticut

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I believe strongly in the right of self-determination of the people of Cyprus and this has been a basic American policy throughout our life as a nation. Even though the situation on this unfortunate island is an emotional one, the peace of the world requires that restraint be exercised by both parties to the dispute. It would be tragic, indeed, if two strong allies of the United States and bulwarks of the collective



HAROLD D. DONOHUE
U.S. Rep.—Massachusetts

GEORGE S. BOTSIS
President

George Jarvis Chapter No. 80
Worcester, Massachusetts

The right of self-determination for all peoples was first promulgated by our great President, Woodrow Wilson, right after World War I. It has since been one of the cornerstones of American foreign policy. We have supported this policy in the post-World War II period for all the nations in Africa and Asia. The late, martyred and beloved John F. Kennedy, both as President and Senator, was in the forefront of all American efforts to implement and effectuate this policy.

I have consistently supported this policy in the past. I think that the people of Cyprus are entitled to self-determination. I am sure that judging by the past and recent history of the Greek people, that, as the majority, they will respect and protect the rights of the Turkish minority.

security organization against Communism should enter into a conflict which would not only not solve the problem immediately, but whose inevitable result would be the triumph of the Communism to whose restraint both are dedicated.

I, therefore, urge the members of the Order of Ahepa to use their considerable influence to bring about a peace which will recognize the desires of the people of Cyprus with justice to the majority and fairness to the minority.



SAMUEL S. STRATTON
U.S. Representative—New York

of self-determination provides the only real and lasting solution to the troubled situation in Cyprus. Surely the people of Cyprus ought to have the right, which we in America have always espoused, to determine their own destiny, and our policy toward Cyprus should clearly be directed toward achieving that end.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Needless to say, I am in full support of the principle of self-determination for Cyprus, and I am pleased to forward to you, for whatever use you may wish, the following statement in this connection:

The principle of national self-determination has long been a cardinal rule of America's dealings with peoples in other lands. Today it is clear that this same basic principle



RICHARD T. HANNA
U.S. Representative—California

if left to their own devices and without the disrupting political intrusions from other power centers, would resolve their internal conflicts; that they would in a democratic process provide a framework of Government geared to the decisions of the majority, but remain protective of the rights in the life, liberty and property of the minority.

MR. GEORGE E. JOHNSON
Sacramento 20, California

It has been my position, and I hope is a strong theme in the American Foreign Policy, that the self-determination of all peoples wherever located, should be encouraged. Such self-determination we would expect to be in the best interest of all of the people to be encompassed by the Independent Governments so encouraged.

It would be my hope that the people of the Island of Cyprus, if left to their own devices and without the disrupting political intrusions from other power centers, would resolve their internal conflicts; that they would in a democratic process provide a framework of Government geared to the decisions of the majority, but remain protective of the rights in the life, liberty and property of the minority.



DONALD D. CLANCY
U.S. Representative—Ohio
commend the AHEPA for its dedicated efforts in behalf of the Greek Cypriots.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
I appreciate having this opportunity to express my deep and abiding conviction that the people of Cyprus are entitled to the right of self-determination in resolving the problems that beset the Island.

I feel sure that the Greek majority on Cyprus would exercise this right with just regard for the rights of the Turkish minority.

It is my hope that a peaceful government will be established on Cyprus, and I commend the AHEPA for its dedicated efforts in behalf of the Greek Cypriots.



ROBERT N. GIAIMO
U.S. Rep. — Connecticut
tion of such a referendum and for assisting in efforts to avoid a costly, tragic and unnecessary war.

MR. SERAPHIM PAPPAS
New Haven, Connecticut

The right of man to self-determination is a venerable American tradition, and I agree that it should be extended to all men. It would seem to me that a referendum on a new Constitution would help to clarify the desires of the Cypriots and would also be in keeping with the historic principles of freedom.

I further believe that the United Nations offers the perfect vehicle for the administration of such a referendum and for assisting in efforts to avoid a costly, tragic and unnecessary war.



MARK ANDREWS
U.S. Rep. — North Dakota
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MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
I certainly agree that the Cypriot people should be allowed to attain self-determination. The greatest guide lines that this country of ours can offer the world are those of freedom and individual dignity in a society that permits freedom for the individual and the family to determine their own future, so long as they do not impose on the rights of others. There is no better way of



J. ERNEST WHARTON
U.S. Rep. — New York
rich heritage and history of the Mediterranean.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
History has proven the axiom that the strength of democracy lies in the principle of majority rule which provides adequate safeguards for the minority and, hopefully, this will be followed by those charged with resolving the tense international situation on Cyprus. Self-determination can achieve a unified nation at an early date and it alone will allow Cypriots to again enjoy the



RAY J. MADDEN

U.S. Representative—Indiana

who would establish a free and independent government are willing and capable of giving fair and ample protection to all or any minority groups.

MRS. WILLIAM A. DAMASKOS
Grand Governor,
Daughters of Penelope
Gary, Indiana

MRS. MARTHA DAVIS
District Governor
Daughters of Penelope
Whiting, Indiana

The people of Cyprus should be given an opportunity to vote on the kind and type of government which the majority desires for the island.

I am satisfied that the vast majority of Cyprus citizens



HARRY R. SHEPPARD

U.S. Rep.—California

procedure. Were I in a position to create a policy of this character, you may rest assured that the above statement would be the basic philosophy of the policy I would issue.

MR. GEORGE E. JOHNSON
Sacramento, California

Well, of course, I have had an opportunity for a long period of time to observe these international problems, and I can see no reason why self-determination should not be permitted to the people of any nation.

For a major nation to step into a smaller nation and endeavor to predetermine its international, political or economic welfare is, in my opinion, an erroneous procedure.



WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON

U.S. Representative—Wyoming

tain adequate safeguards for the rights of all citizens. A minority should never control a majority. It is my sincere wish and hope that a proper and equitable solution can be found quickly so that peace and justice may be restored.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I believe in the principle of self-determination, a belief which I believe to be endorsed by all citizens of the United States. No country can have an effective government if the majority rule is to be abrogated. The people of Cyprus should be able to enjoy the right of self government under a Constitution to be adopted by them, a Constitution which should by all means contain adequate safeguards for the rights of all citizens.



DANTE B. FASCELL

U.S. Representative—Florida

are in complete conformity with great tradition of the Greek people and their respect for the rights of man.

PETER KOUCHALAKOS

I have supported and will continue to support self determination for the people of Cyprus. This position has also been reflected in United States support for recently gained independence of Cyprus.

Regarding further action on question of union with Greece or other arrangements, the will of the people of Cyprus certainly should prevail. Of course, adequate safeguards will be made for the rights of the minority, such safeguards



GEORGE HUDDLESTON, JR.

U.S. Representative—Alabama

tiement of the serious problems which beset Cyprus and its people.

MR. PETE PASVANTIS

I know that one of the major issues under discussion at the convention will be the critical situation in Cyprus. The United States has an obligation to the Greek Cypriots and to the people of Greece to use every moral and political influence that it has to assure fairness and justice for the Cypriots of Hellenic ancestry. Our position as leader of the free world makes it incumbent on us to bring about a fair and just settlement of the serious problems which beset Cyprus and its people.



CHARLES S. GUBSER

U.S. Rep.—California

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I am wholeheartedly in favor of the principle of self-determination for the people of Cyprus as well as all people of the world. Such a position is the only one which is based upon a proper respect for human dignity.



WILLIAM F. RYAN

U.S. Representative—New York

determination should be coupled with legal guarantees and safeguards to protect the rights of minorities.

I fervently hope that a just solution will be achieved, the crisis resolved, and peace restored to Cyprus.

MR. GEORGE CHOKOS
Secretary
Washington Heights Chap. 367
New York, New York

Self-determination is historic American doctrine. I believe that this principle should be applied to the people of Cyprus. The present Cypriot constitution, which permits an 18 percent Turkish minority to exercise veto power over domestic and foreign legislation, has proved unworkable and should be revised. Self-



BASIL L. WHITENER

U.S. Rep.—North Carolina

are engaged in a historic struggle to determine the form of government under which they and their children are to live. Comprising the majority of the Cypriot population, the Greeks on Cyprus deserve the support of all those who respect the principle of self-determination.

MR. JOHN G. PLUMIDES
I have long been a strong supporter of the principle of self-determination for people everywhere in the world. Our forefathers believed in their right to determine the kind of government under which they were to live. As a result, we enjoy today the greatest measure of freedom of any other nation. American devotion to the principle of self-determination is reflected in our support of the United States.

The Greek people on Cyprus



ABRAHAM J. MULTER

U.S. Representative—New York

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I wholeheartedly concur with your statement that freedom for all peoples and self-determination for all nations have been the cornerstones of American foreign policy. The Order of Ahepa is to be commended for its dedication to self-determination for Cyprus and a democratic constitution for that island which will guarantee that the rights of all of the people of Cyprus will be protected and respected.



ELMER J. HOLLAND

U.S. Rep.—Pennsylvania

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I have been in touch with the State Department, and know that every effort is being made by the Government in working through the UN and its mediators for a satisfactory solution. I am confident our Government will continue its efforts, and trust the problem will eventually be solved to the satisfaction of everyone involved.



JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR.

U.S. Rep.—Massachusetts

A. G. PANOS

I join with you in deploring use of force on Cyprus. I am hopeful of a peaceful solution, consistent with the best interest of the people of Greece and Cyprus.



LOUIS C. WYMAN

U.S. Rep.—New Hampshire

CHARLES BERSTIMAS,
Nashua, New Hampshire

I strongly favor immediate cessation of Turkish aggression in Cyprus with eventual UN conducted plebiscite for its people. Divided Cyprus is contrary to British grant as well as basically unsound. I have protested Turkish aggression to the U.S. Department of State as well as to the White House.



JOSEPH G. MINISH
U.S. Rep.—New Jersey

the principle of representative Government by the consent of the majority in the present crisis. This has been a fundamental policy of our diplomatic efforts on behalf of peace for almost half a century, since its promulgation by President Woodrow Wilson; without it, the search for peace must be futile.

Let us hope and pray that, guided by right principles, a just and permanent accord may be reached in Cyprus and that the most close and cordial relations may exist between our nations.

NICHOLAS SAROS
Cyprus Committee

It is essential, not only to troubled Cyprus, but to the peace of the world that a just and reasonable solution to this dispute be speedily achieved. In all negotiations compromises are usually necessary, but in my opinion there can be no compromise of the basic right of majority self-determination free from outside dictation or coercion. I have stressed this point to our officials and have urged continued adherence to



WALT HORAN
U.S. Rep.—Washington

percent British, Armenian, Lebanese and others, the matter of self-determination here is obvious. And, I believe real progress can be made when the facts of the origin of the population of Cyprus are recognized and action taken on that basis. Thus approached, meaningful adjustments and compromises necessary to resolve the fraction would appear to be possible. I feel that the shame and shams of the politics surrounding this issue should be exposed, and that peace based on the facts should be restored to this island.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

To me, the matter of self-determination for any people on any issue—whether it be government, economics, religion or culture—is one of prime essence. It is, of course, the core of the democratic process.

With regard to Cyprus, I feel the issue is quite clear. Since 80 percent of the people of Cyprus are Greek, 19 percent Turkish, and a mere 1



PAUL G. ROGERS
U.S. Representative—Florida

process, so identified with Greece, that the independence of Cyprus, the unity of NATO, and ultimately the peace of the world can be preserved.

MR. EMANUEL N. KARATINOS
President
West Palm Beach, Florida

The problems of Cyprus are not unlike those facing every new and free state. The questions of balance between majority and minority faced the United States in its early days, and those questions were settled peacefully. As an American I feel that it is the right of free men everywhere to settle their differences by self-determination. It is only through this democratic process,



WILLIAM L. ST. ONGE
U.S. Rep.—Connecticut

the people of Cyprus and containing enforceable, unequivocal guarantees of the rights of the minority, appears a viable alternative

MR. GEORGE A. ATHANSON

Any solution of the Cyprus conflict must be based on an acceptable reconciliation of the right of the majority of Cypriots to self-determination with the rights of the Turkish minority. Only such a solution would be democratic in principle and feasible in practice.

Enabling the minority to veto the policies of the majority has manifestly failed to terminate the current political deadlock. The adoption of a new constitution, ratified by the



BOB SIKES
U.S. Representative—Florida

GEORGE A. STELOGEANNIS

I am very glad to join my Greek-American friends in Ahepa in urging self-determination for the people of Cyprus supported by a cooperative and sympathetic attitude on the part of the people of the United States.



BOB WILSON
U.S. Representative—California

MR. CHRIS STASSIS
President
San Diego Ahepa Chapter

You can put me down as a Member of Congress vitally concerned about the problem in Cyprus and supporter of self-determination for the people of this embattled island.

The Order of Ahepa has taken Definite Stands on the Controversies in Cyprus and Constantinople in Recent Months as the Tragic Events Unfolded

In the four separate statements which appear below, the reader will find that this Fraternity composed primarily of Americans of Greek descent has based its appeal for justice to the Hellenic cause in both areas on the loftiest ideological plane. A summary of these statements discloses these major themes: Opposition to Communism; Self-Determination for Cyprus with Full Protection of the Turkish Minority; Protection of the Greek Minority in Constantinople; The Re-Affirmation of Religious Freedom in Constantinople; The Elimination of Force to Preserve the Peace on Cyprus; Enosis of Cyprus to Greece; A NATO Base for Cyprus to Guard against Communism; A United Nations Mission in Cyprus and Constantinople to Insure the Protection of the Turkish and Greek Minorities and the Ecumenical Patriarchate; and the Adoption by Greece and Turkey of America's "Good Neighbor Policy."

STATEMENT I

* On Wednesday, August 19th, 1964, the joint Supreme Convention session of the Order of Ahepa and its auxiliaries, meeting in Toronto, Canada, adopted by unanimous vote the following statement of policy:

" 1. The members of the Order of Ahepa again reaffirm their oft-stated opposition to Communism and all other forms of tyranny and subversion.

2. Immediately after World War I, President Wilson gave hope and inspiration to the enslaved and down-trodden nations and peoples of the world by enunciating the principle and doctrine of self-determination.

This doctrine was wholeheartedly supported and became a cornerstone of American foreign policy. As a result of this policy, great segments of the world were liberated and many peoples of the world have established their own democratic nations in Africa and Asia. It is a policy that continues to give hope and inspiration to those nations and peoples still enslaved behind the Iron Curtain. It is a policy that has given deserved credit to the United States. There is a struggle going on in the island of Cyprus. The people of Cyprus are entitled to self-determination for the purpose of establishing a democratic government where all the citizens will have equal suffrage, equal protection of the laws, religious freedom, and equal educational, economic and social opportunities in accordance with American history and tradition.

The Order of Ahepa, in convention assembled in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, again endorses this basic principle of United States foreign policy, and urges the United States Government to wholeheartedly pursue and fully implement this policy of self-determination for the people of Cyprus.

3. The Christians of Constantinople and other parts of Turkey are being expelled and persecuted. Their properties are being confiscated without compensation. The Order of Ahepa condemns this arbitrary, unjust and uncivilized treatment of these Christians by Turkey, and calls upon all men of good will everywhere to urge their respective governments to come to the aid of these unfortunate victims.

4. The Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople and its hierarchy are being persecuted and exiled unjustly. The Order of Ahepa condemns such barbaric practices and appeals to all people of every faith to join in this condem-

nation so that religious freedom may be reaffirmed in Turkey."

STATEMENT II

On September 6th, 1964 the Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa and the National Ahepa Cyprus Committee issued the following statement:

"The right of self-determination for all people was first promulgated by our great President, Woodrow Wilson right after World War I. It has since been one of the cornerstones of American foreign policy. Recently, and since World War II, our country has supported self-determination for all the nations in Africa and Asia. Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, and the late, martyred and beloved John F. Kennedy, both as President and Senator, were in the forefront of American efforts to implement and effectuate this policy."

STATEMENT III

On the same day, the Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa stated:

"The members of the Order of Ahepa believe that partition in any form or the establishment of a Turkish military base in Cyprus cannot bring about a permanent, effective and equitable peace to Cyprus. Partition, autonomous Turkish cantons coupled with Turkish military forces on the island will sow the seeds of future strife, create an uneasy, false peace which could only be maintained by the continuation of two armed camps of Greeks and Turks breeding and fanning the fires of suspicion, hatred and bitterness. These devices are unworthy of great and constructive statesmanship. The rights of the Turkish minority must be preserved in the same way that all minorities are protected today in Greece and other enlightened nations in the free world. - Nicholas J. Chircos, Supreme President, Order of Ahepa."

STATEMENT IV

On October 13, 1964, the Chairman and Secretary of the National Ahepa Committee on Cyprus made the following statement and advocated the following policies:

ENOSIS OR UNION OF CYPRUS TO GREECE

"The members of the Order of Ahepa are in favor of Enosis or union of Cyprus with Greece. To us the words self-determination and Enosis are synonymous. We are confident that a plebiscite of all the people of the island will produce an overwhelming vote for Enosis. With Enosis will come peace and a full protection of the rights of the Turkish minority. The Turkish Cypriots will receive the same fair and honorable treatment by Greece as the 100,000 Moslems of Turkish ancestry who live in and are citizens of Greece and who have never been discriminated against and who have lived in peace as a minority for generations."

We are aware that Turkish propaganda has made a great many people in America think otherwise. We are also aware that Russia does not desire the union of Cyprus to Greece. But we submit that Enosis is inevitable and the only logical solution to the problem and that Enosis should be pure, simple, unadulterated and without hidden designs and ulterior motives. We further believe that Enosis will best serve the best interests of the United States, of NATO and of the people of Cyprus.

THE FOUR GREAT KEYS TO THE SOLUTION OF THE CONTROVERSIES IN CYPRUS AND CONSTANTINOPLE



ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATO BASE IN CYPRUS

We are in favor of a NATO base on the island of Cyprus. We believe that the best guarantee for Turkey and Greece and their best interests, as well as those of the United States, will be served by the establishment, contemporaneous with Enosis, of a NATO base in Cyprus, manned by America, with token contingents from the other NATO powers, as advocated by the new British Foreign Secretary a short time ago. This NATO base is necessary and logical so that the territorial integrity and security of Greece and Turkey may be preserved from Communist imperialistic designs and the interests of the United States and the Western World may be protected from the spread of Communism in the Eastern Mediterranean.

PROTECTION OF MINORITIES

The rights of the Turkish minority in Cyprus and the rights of the Greek minority in Constantinople should be upheld and guaranteed by a United Nations Mission which will have the right to inspect and check into all conditions affecting these minorities in both of these troubled areas. The Mission should submit periodical reports of its findings to the United Nations Organization and to the press of the world. We advocate the creation of such a Mission.

PROTECTION OF ECUMENICAL PATRIARCHATE

The See of Constantinople was established by the Apostle St. Andrew. Its Primate is accepted as the symbolic head of all Eastern Orthodox Christian Churches. Even the Ottoman Sultans allowed the Ecumenical Patriarchate to exercise its churchly and religious functions. Today, in the twentieth century, the Hierarchy and Clergy of this Ancient Institution are being persecuted and

exiled without as much as a protest from the Christian Nations of the West. The same United Nations Mission should have the responsibility to constantly review and examine the treatment of the Ecumenical Patriarchate by the Turkish Government so that there will be no persecution or interference by the Turks in the proper and free exercise of the churchly and religious functions of this seat of Eastern Orthodoxy. The United Nations Mission should also be required to make periodical reports on this subject matter to the United Nations and the world news media.

CONCLUSION—THE GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY

It is our firm conviction that these steps will bring about a durable and permanent peace in the Eastern Mediterranean. These steps will assure the realization of another great American doctrine which has been a cornerstone of United States foreign policy in the Western Hemisphere. This is the "good neighbor policy" which has received the unqualified support of both political parties from the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt to that of Lyndon B. Johnson.

Only by a just and equitable settlement based on the loftiest ideological principles can the good neighbor goal be achieved so that the Greek and Turkish peoples may turn their backs on the dark pages of history of the last 511 years with all their bitterness and hatred and look into the bright future of a new era replete with understanding and peace implicit in the words "good neighbor."

Peter L. Bell

PETER L. BELL, Secretary

John G. Thevos

JOHN G. THEVOS, Chairman



FRANK HORTON
U.S. Rep.—New York

tion and this is sacred to our American way of life. Therefore, I have said in Congress that the United States should execute a stronger position and recognize the legitimate demands of the majority on Cyprus. Greece is in accord with the Cypriot government and we should be, too. Our inaction has even led the Cypriots to seek arms and aid from Nasser and Khrushchev. It is shameful that we have not done anything to end this further threat to NATO and help bring peace to the strife-torn island Republic.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

American actions attempting to mediate the dispute between the Greeks and Turks on the Mediterranean island of Cyprus have engendered only bitter accusations against us. This continues to play a leading role in world politics, and involves two of our NATO allies, Greece and Turkey. Still we must not back down from principle. The majority of the Cypriots favor self-determina-



HOWARD W. ROBISON
U.S. Representative—New York

of self-determination for the people of any sovereign nation, and I strongly reaffirm my own support of that principle and urge its application to the Cyprus question.

I should like to add my thanks—in behalf of the people I represent in Congress—to the officers and members of the Order of Ahepa for their endeavors to bring the truth concerning the Cyprus dispute to the attention of the people of the United States and to their government.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

The Cyprus dispute is, by its nature, a very difficult one for the government of the United States and for its people—involving, as it does, sharply contrasting points of view from two nations whose interests are otherwise mutual to ours.

However, I do not think this problem should lead us to consider abandoning our traditional support of the principle



JOHN D. DINGELL
U.S. Rep.—Michigan

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I have always believed in the most important principle of freedom and self-determination for all men and nations, subject only to such controls as are necessary for the protection of legitimate minority rights.

I adhere to and reiterate my belief in this principle in the case of Cyprus as in the case of the other nations of Eastern Europe.



JOHN LESINSKI
U.S. Representative—Michigan

MR. NICHOLAS H. CARDARIS
President, Alpha Chap. No. 40
Detroit 24, Michigan

As you may know, I have always maintained that the people of any country should be permitted to choose the government of their choice in free and open elections, and that there should be no interference by an outside alien power.

You may be assured of my continuing stand in this matter.



CHARLES S. JOELSON
U.S. Rep.—New Jersey

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I want to assure you of my support of the principle of self-determination with regard to Cyprus. I might add that it is my opinion that in the best tradition of democracy, the Greek people of Cyprus will not use this right of self-determination to ride roughshod over the rights of any minority group, but will protect the legitimate interests of such groups.



JAMES HARVEY
U.S. Representative—Michigan

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

As has been pointed out on many occasions, the United States foreign policy should be one accenting freedom and peace. I certainly would and do endorse the means of self-determination for the people of Cyprus to permit them to adopt a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus would be protected, respected and guaranteed.



JAMES ROOSEVELT
U.S. Rep. — California

stand out in my mind: The present constitution is not workable. The Greek Cypriots do comprise approximately 80 percent of the population. Therefore, as in our own country, the majority is entitled to certain specific privileges and powers, but the 20 percent minority, as with us, is entitled to the protection of their individual liberties and civil rights.

These are the matters which must be negotiated, and I believe can be negotiated, when the present highly charged emotional and military atmosphere has been pacified and relaxed.

MR. GEORGE E. JOHNSON
Sacramento, California

As a nation we have always basically believed in self-determination. I am personally for this position as a matter of principle. In this instance I recognize that before this can be accomplished without danger of war, there are certain political questions with the major powers involved, Greece and Turkey, which must be resolved, and it is these upon which the concentration is being placed. Certain facts



RALPH J. RIVERS
U.S. Representative—Alaska

world to achieve a peaceable solution, lest Cyprus be the fuse that explodes the world.

I also pray for the end of hate and bitterness between the two ethnic groups that compose the citizenry of Cyprus so that some measure of goodwill must be engendered between them. This important human value would, of course, be fostered by the adoption of a sound and mutually acceptable constitution if, through strong and just leadership, it were subsequently respected and observed.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I applaud the efforts of the Order of Ahepa to help resolve the present untenable political situation on that unhappy island by advocating "a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected, respected and guaranteed." I am fully behind the efforts of our Government and like efforts of other responsible governments of the free



JAMES J. DELANEY
U.S. Rep. — New York

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Our Nation was founded on the principle of self-determination, and I believe the people of Cyprus must have this right.

History bears out the grim fact that when this right is denied a people, totalitarianism and or communism, flourish.

Only when the people of Cyprus are able to choose their form of government, free from outside intervention, will prosperity and a lasting peace be restored to the island.



SAMUEL N. FRIEDEL
U.S. Representative—Maryland

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

I agree that the people of Cyprus have the right to self-determination without outside interference and this principle is in the best tradition of the United States, as long as the rights of the minority are also protected.

I share your concern regarding the present situation involving the Greek and Cypriot people and am hopeful that these two areas will be able to resolve their problems in a peaceful manner.



CLAUDE PEPPER
U.S. Representative—Florida

JOHN FADOLITIS

Warmest congratulations to your great convention which brings back happy memories of the great Ahepa conventions I have attended. I know your convention will raise its significant voice for continuing the fight for freedom in the world and particularly for self determination for the heroic people of Cyprus.



ROBERT T. McCLOSKEY
U.S. Representative—Illinois

NICHOLAS CHIREKOS

At this hour in the history of the great Ahepa organization, please be assured members of Congress are aware of the critical situation existing and you may be sure I stand ready to assist in every way to assure the right of self determination for all freedom loving people.



SILVIO D. CONTE
U.S. Rep. — Massachusetts

As a dedicated supporter of United States foreign policy, I feel that I know something about the overwhelming inclination for freedom in this part of the world. Given the historic traditions of the Greeks, I can readily understand these desires in the present situation.

Ultimately, I feel that the truth will prevail and I believe that the people of Cyprus will obtain self-determination and will adopt a democratic constitution which will be a model for all freedom loving peoples.

To this necessary and significant goal I pledge myself.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I am greatly pleased to know that the Order of Ahepa is continuing to inform—in a most commendable and forthright manner—the public with reference to the question of Cyprus.

I believe fully and profoundly in the right of self-determination of the people of Cyprus. I deplore any activity which would prevent their self-determination.



JAMES A. BURKE
U.S. Rep. — Massachusetts

could lead to world catastrophe.

To avoid such a disaster it is most earnestly hoped that the peoples involved with the persevering assistance of this Government and the United Nations will soon achieve an equitable solution and understanding based upon the principles of the right of all people for self-determination, the right of minorities to equal protection and the duty of all peoples to avoid nuclear extinction of the world. These are the objectives we all pray will be realized and for which I shall exert every effort to expedite in my capacity as a Member of Congress.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

All the people of the United States and the free world are seriously concerned with the unhappy situation presently existing in Cyprus which threatens to divide communities that have lived together in peace for many years. It is recognized that any extension or prolongation of such a situation could well undermine the security of the whole Eastern Mediterranean, and as such



FRED B. ROONEY
U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I believe that the cause of freedom throughout the world is best served by independent governments operating free of the yoke of oppression.

It is my hope, therefore, that the tragic disturbances which have clouded the prospects for peace on the beautiful island of Cyprus in recent months may be resolved, fairly and equitably, in the best interests of the island's people.



BYRON G. ROGERS
U.S. Representative—Colorado

MR. GEORGE J. FRANCIS
Denver, Colorado

Certainly, the people of any country have a right to determine their future. I agree that the people of Cyprus should have the right of self-determination and I am hopeful this principle can be recognized soon.



CHRIS E. ATHAS

I fondly believe that self-determination is not only the most democratic but the only realistic method of bringing about a stable peace in Cyprus. I pledge my support of this approach.

SHERMAN P. LLOYD
U.S. Representative—Utah



MR. BASIL PETROS
President, Chapter No. 13
Tulsa, Oklahoma

Certainly I endorse wholeheartedly the traditional principle of determination, and share your conviction that free people should have the right to manage their own affairs without outside interference.

ED EDMONDSON
U.S. Representative—Oklahoma



BARRATT O'HARA
U.S. Representative—Illinois

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

For years my heart and deep interest have been with the men and women of Cyprus in their long and righteous fight for the blessings of government of their own determination selected on the only fair rule that what a majority of the people want should be what they are given.

In Cyprus people of Greek blood have transplanted the finest traditions of the Hellenic land that is the cradle of our democracy. I have the utmost confidence that if the government of Cyprus in everything were left for decision by the majority on the one man, one vote principle the Greek majority would show complete fairness to minority groups and that peace and good will would return to the beautiful but now troubled island of Cyprus. It is for that objective that we are reaching and praying.



JACK WESTLAND
U.S. Rep.—Washington

MR. JOHN GAINES
President
Port Angeles Chapter No. 272
Port Angeles, Washington

In times past, another crucial issue was this country's own struggle for American independence—for the right of self-determination; the freedom to determine, alone, the destiny of this country. Thus the plea of the Greek Cypriot community, which now seeks self-determination for Cyprus, is easily understandable.

This plea was recognized by the July 13, 1964, resolution of the National Order of Ahepa, which voiced the hope that the Greek Cypriots might "put into full operation, a genuine democracy, through self-government, and a constitution formed and duly accepted, along with legislative assembly action, without outside interferences and influences." The Order of Ahepa is to be commended for its recognition of this goal.



JOHN M. MURPHY
U.S. Representative—New York

MR. MICHAEL CONSTANT
President
Staten Island Chapter No. 349
Staten Island, New York

The United States has historically been the main symbol of the peoples' right to self-determination. Our American Revolution was a classic example of this, as has been our support of Nations throughout the world in the establishment of the Democratic process. We have been the symbol of hope to all peoples who do not enjoy liberty and freedom as we know it.

I will continue to support the principle of self-determination of people within their own national boundaries through a free and independent election process. I am certain that should all alien powers adhere to this principle, Cyprus and other nations would resolve their national difficulties.



CLEMENT J. ZABLOCKI
U.S. Rep.—Wisconsin

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

It has been a long-standing policy of the United States to support the principle of self-determination for all people. In the pursuance of this principle, I firmly support the right of the people of Cyprus to determine the future course of their nation.

In the exercise of this right to self-determination, I believe the people of Cyprus have an obligation to show proper respect for the rights and the security of national and other minorities. Any choice made by the people of Cyprus ought to contain express provision for safeguarding the rights of such minorities. I am confident that the Greek people whose courageous nation has given the Western World the noble tradition of respect for the rights of man, will fully support this position.



MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

I certainly lend my support to a solution which involves a free means whereby the people of that tragic isle can express a free choice.

SEYMOUR HALPERN
U.S. Representative—New York



MR. CHARLES C. SOUFAS
Columbia, South Carolina

I concur fully that the people of Cyprus have a right to self-determination without interference from other nations.

ALBERT WATSON
U.S. Rep.—South Carolina



PHILIP J. PHILBIN
U.S. Rep.—Massachusetts

Cyprus for sometime now which have culminated in shocking, military action by the Turkish government. This turn of events is of utmost gravity because it could possibly touch off, not only a limited war, but a large-scale war greatly disturbing the peace of the world.

It is incomprehensible that any responsible official or officials could expect constructive results from such a reckless policy and a subsisting arrangement that permits a minority of people to exercise a veto power over governmental action on the Island of Cyprus.

MR. ANDREW H. LAMBROS
MR. DANIEL J. PAUL
Clinton Chapter No. 362
Clinton, Massachusetts

For your information, I was one of the first to urge our government to render every help to the Greek people in establishing a free democratic government for Cyprus. Let me assure you that I greatly deplore the developments that have been taking place in Cy-

You may be sure that I am continuing my efforts to bring peace, law and order to this afflicted island and its inhabitants which include such a large number of Greek people, entitled to have their rights as free men and women recognized, and to be protected against aggression from any and every source.

At the outset of this recent outbreak, I again immediately communicated with the Department of State urging that the Department and our government render every possible help, through the United Nations and otherwise, to stop military aggression and bring about peaceful conditions and orderly free government in Cyprus, and I fervently hope and pray that these great, humane objectives can speedily be realized.

I want you and all your Greek friends to know that I will leave nothing undone to support and sustain our own government in every measure to accomplish these ends, which I have urged upon our government with all my heart.

Let me again join you in pleading for self-determination, peace and fair and impartial, responsible, representative government in Cyprus, and I am both anxious and resolved to render this cause every possible measure of support and assistance. May peace, order and good government soon be realized in Cyprus.



RICHARD FULTON
U.S. Rep.—Tennessee

MR. PHILLIP BELLOS
Order of AHEPA
Nashville, Tennessee

The United States and the United Nations have a major stake in the maintenance of peace in Cyprus. I support the United Nations peacekeeping mission, which is presently in Cyprus, and hope that a solution can be found on the basis of self-determination and the safeguarding of the civil rights of all the inhabitants.

I have no preconceptions as to the kind of solution that

the United States or the United Nations should offer the Cypriot people, provided that it not be arbitrarily imposed. Such a solution—whether union with Greece or a new status for Cyprus—must be acceptable to the parties in the dispute and must bring peace to the Eastern Mediterranean.

At the same time that we are interested in preserving the human rights of all the Cypriot population, we must recognize that effective government is impossible without majority rule. In a democracy, the majority must ultimately be able to work its will if democracy is not to become meaningless.

Finally, I am hopeful, given the magnificent tradition of freedom and democracy of the Greek people, that a peaceful solution can be worked out. In a sense, in the pursuit of democracy and excellence, we are all Greeks, for all of us have been touched by the effects of Greek civilization. In that spirit, let us go forward together and avert a needless tragedy on the troubled island.



NEIL STAEBLER
U.S. Representative—Michigan

applied to Cyprus. I strongly support the principle of self-determination of the Cypriot people.

SOCRATES SEKLES
Pontiac, Michigan

One of the cornerstones of American policy has been the self-determination of people. From the writings of our founding fathers through the 14 points of Woodrow Wilson to the declarations of Presidents Kennedy and Johnson about colonial people, the United States has been on the side of those who would choose their government as free men. There is no reason why this policy should not be



JOE D. WAGGONER, JR.
U.S. Rep.—Louisiana

conviction and my prayer that our two nations will stand inseparably together.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Because I know how instinctively you and your organization feel about the binding ties of democracy which have kept us close together, this letter is easy for me to compose. We share too many common ideals, such as a knowledge of the worth of the man and the value of his freedom, to experience any difficulty in communication. In any hour of trial, it is my hope, my



WILLIAM T. MURPHY
U.S. Representative—Illinois

the fruits of early Greek statesmen, philosophers and heroes, and I have naturally been a close and sympathetic observer of the efforts

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I share with all peace-loving Americans a feeling of deep sorrow and regret for the sad events in Cyprus where so many of our friends of Greek origin have suffered and lost their lives. I deplore the bloodshed and the disorders that have taken place.

I have long had an appreciation of the rich cultural endowments which western civilization has received from

of the Greek Cypriots to establish and maintain their freedom. I feel that the recent events have been due, at least in part, to the fact that the Cypriots have been prevented from living under the basic principles of majority rule and self-determination.

We must remember that over eighty per cent of the population of Cyprus is of Greek origin. President Makarios and General Grivas, whose names have become synonymous with modern Greek heroism and statecraft, earnestly seek "enosis" which is integral union of Cyprus with Greece. Majority rule and self-determination justify their efforts, and when enosis becomes an established fact, I am confident that peace and stability will be established on Cyprus. I feel that our foreign policy efforts should be wholeheartedly directed within this framework to the prevention of further bloodshed and suffering and we should lend every effort to help establish a firm basis for a lasting peace and those conditions under which it can flourish.

P.S. Incidentally, I am a member of AHEPA, Pullman Lodge.



DOMINICK V. DANIELS
U.S. Rep.—New Jersey

would be the only policy consistent with the facts of the situation, as well as being consistent with our principles.

I hope that it will be possible to continue our traditional policy of supporting self-determination, in regard to this issue.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Considering the traditional emphasis in our foreign policy on the principle of self-determination ever since this principle was first postulated in the Declaration of Independence, I would like to urge that this tradition be kept in mind when policies concerning the Cyprus question are formulated.

I have made a study of the Cyprus issue, and have concluded that self-determination



CHARLES M. TEAGUE
U.S. Rep.—California

of peoples, it is my earnest hope that peace will come to the island of Cyprus so that an atmosphere will prevail whereby work can continue on solving the complicated and difficult tasks that lie in Cyprus.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee
I would like to commend the Order of Ahepa for its special issue concerning Cyprus. In a complicated world such as ours, such in-depth studies make a great contribution to our need to keep abreast of the rapid events in international affairs, which so vitally affect all of us.

As one who believes in the principle of self-determination



G. ELLIOTT HAGAN
U.S. Representative—Georgia

strongly in majority rule, I, as a Member of Congress, shall continue to urge that the Greek citizens of Cyprus have an independent voice in the affairs of their government.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
We share the same deep concern over the political dispute which threatens to result in an all-out war between Greece and Turkey. This dispute is most unfortunate, and it is especially unfortunate that our nation is caught in the middle of a serious disagreement between two allies of longstanding. Under our constitution, our President has the power to set the foreign policy of our government, but as one who believes very



THOR C. TOLLEFSON
U.S. Rep.—Washington

loving nation, should have the privilege of determining their own course and the opportunity to adopt a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee
The role of Greece in the origin and advancement of democracy is well-known to readers of history. The interest and concern of the Order of Ahepa with respect to Cyprus is, therefore, well understood by all who share the concern of your organization. May I say that I am one of those who sincerely believe that the people of Cyprus, like the people of every freedom loving nation, should have the privilege of determining their own course and the opportunity to adopt a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected.



DAVE MARTIN

U.S. Representative—Nebraska

Its ties to Greece are, perhaps, much closer than Hawaii's were to

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

The right of self-determination is as old as Greece itself. Greece, the cradle of liberty and mother of democracy, has fought valiantly to preserve its liberty and in two World Wars and Korea, joining the Allies, sent its sons to battle in order to preserve freedom throughout the world.

Cyprus, one of the focal points of strife and unrest, shares in much of the heritage, customs and contributions Greece has made to the world.

the United States prior to its becoming a state. The religion, customs, language, and family ties between Greece and Cyprus have long been recognized. Enosis is as inevitable as the day following the night and no one, especially the United States government, should stand in its way.

It is most inconsistent that our government should support and demand self-determination with money, weapons and, unfortunately, even the lives of our youth in some areas of the world—the Congo and Viet Nam are prime examples—while turning its back on the vast majority of Cypriots who seek Enosis. We need not send troops to Cyprus to insure the right of self-determination for its people. They know their island economy and mutual protection from aggressive forces must be tied to Greece. They have announced their desires; they have made them known to the world. The United States government should recognize these desires and use its influence, as the most powerful nation in the world, to demand self-determination for Cyprus and Enosis with Greece.



PAUL B. DAGUE

U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

Republic of the United States continuing to stand out as the classical example of men of good will, of many nationalities, cooperating in the common quest of peace and security.

It is our hope that this grave issue will be speedily and fairly resolved and that Ahepa may be strengthened in its efforts toward that end.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

Chairman

Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Please accept my warmest congratulations on the outstanding program of the Order of Ahepa as it undertakes to bring relief from internal dissension to the distraught people of strife-torn Cyprus.

No one who enjoys the freedom which is our lot here in America can be insensible to the importance of allowing all peoples everywhere the right of self-determination, with the



J. ARTHUR YOUNGER

U.S. Rep. — California

Government that would administer the government for the Island in an impartial and equitable manner for all the citizens, to the end that those who choose to live on Cyprus would enjoy freedom of action, freedom of worship, and freedom of opportunity regardless of their nationality.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

Chairman

Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I must confess that with all the controversial news stories emanating from Cyprus it is difficult for a layman or one not versed in the political problems of Cyprus to make up his mind as to just what should be done. However, it does seem to me that following the rule of self-determination, a majority of the people of Cyprus should be able to formulate and elect a stable



JOSEPH P. ADDABBO

U.S. Rep. — New York

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

Chairman

Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I firmly believe that all people should have the right and freedom to select their own form of government with proper safeguards for the rights of the minority. The United States was founded on the belief in self-determination. Certainly no people should have to live under the constant fear of riots, strife, and war.



WAYNE N. ASPINALL

U.S. Rep. — Colorado

GUS GATSEOS

GEORGE J. FRANCIS

Denver, Colorado

I wish you to know that I am in agreement with the principle of self-determination in resolving the problems that beset the island of Cyprus.

In a democratic form of government, the rights of the minority must be protected, but it is the will of the majority which must prevail.



JOHN H. DENT
U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

The Cyprus crisis took a new and more critical turn when, on August 7, 8 and 9, the Turkish Air Force carried out attacks against Greek-Cypriot strongholds in northwest Cyprus. According to the Turkish Government, the attacks took place because of the extreme military measures being taken by Greek-Cypriot forces in that area against Turkish-Cypriot villages. After extensive diplomatic efforts by President Johnson,

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

I have been a follower of the Democratic principle of self determination all my life and see no other way for this island to resolve its differences except through the exercise of this inalienable right.

I have just reviewed the incidents from August 1st to September 21st, and the chronology of events follows.

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United Nations Secretary General U Thant, and other world leaders ceasefire was agreed to by both sides on the basis of a United Nations Security Council resolution of August 9.

Since then, there has been no serious fighting on the island, although the situation involving two aspects of the crisis has been extremely tense. One is the problem of supplies for the Turk-Cypriots. The Greek-Cypriots have been maintaining a limited economic blockade for some months, claiming that Turkish supplies are actually intended for Turk-Cypriot fighting forces rather than needy families. Pressure on this front has eased somewhat since Archbishop Makarios recently agreed to the shipment of supplies to the most hard-pressed Turkish villages. The other area of tension concerns the regular rotation of certain members of the small Turkish army contingent stationed, under its treaty rights, on Cyprus. The Government of Turkey agreed not to force the rotation during early September, thus temporarily postponing a crisis over this issue, which continues under negotiation.

Regardless of the outcome, as of this moment I pray the United Nations will continue its efforts, and the rights of the people of Cyprus will be protected.



THOMAS LUDLOW ASHLEY
U.S. Representative—Ohio

The principle of self-determination was the cornerstone upon which our citadel of democracy was built in the United States and it is fundamental to free peoples everywhere. It is a principle which must be honored in seeking a permanent solution to the tense and difficult situation in Cyprus which now commands the attention of the world. I am confident that this will continue to be the position of our government and that it will be a principal guideline of the United Nations in the efforts of that organization to achieve a just and peaceful resolution.

MR. THOMAS N. FISHER
MR. MANUEL YAKUMITHIS
Toledo, Ohio

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W. M. ABBITT
U.S. Representative—Virginia

I commend your efforts to keep our people informed on the issues involved in the Cyprus question and join you in trusting that this problem can soon be resolved.

The Greek people have a great heritage. They have always stood for democracy and their gifts to the world have been both extensive and effective. The Greek people know the ravages of war and the values of peace. They are among our most energetic pursuers of peace. I sincerely hope that, as the people of Cyprus once more re-constitute their sovereignty, a permanent and lasting peace will be proclaimed.

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JOHN W. WYDLER
U.S. Rep. — New York

I certainly endorse the historical principle of national self-determination on which the United States of America was founded. I am sure this can be done while maintaining adequate safeguards for minority groups, as we have found possible in our own nation. I thank you for bringing this to my attention and will remain available if you wish my help in any further way.

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MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

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THOMAS P. O'NEILL, JR.
U.S. Rep. — Massachusetts

Like yourself, I am tremendously concerned over the recent terrible bloodshed on that island, and the continuing crises which affect both the people of the Eastern Mediterranean as well as other people of other nations and the peace of the entire world.

It is my feeling that Cyprus is entitled to self-government; one which would be responsible, fair, and representative of the people of Cyprus. It was good of you to get in touch with me and I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

DEMO VAKERLIS
Somerville, Mass.

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PAUL A. FINO
U.S. Rep. — New York

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Bronx Chapter No. 175
New York, New York

The problem seems to hinge on the question of self determination for the people of Cyprus. In this regard, the United States is following a policy which is contrary to her history and tradition. This nation was formed originally because a free people had the opportunity to choose a form of government that they wished for themselves. Yet in Cyprus, Britain, Greece and Turkey are all maintaining arms on the island and attempting to tell the people of Cyprus how they must govern themselves. This is not only

wrong, but anathema to the sense of all people who believe in freedom of self determination.

I believe that the people of Cyprus ought to have the opportunity to select the type of government that they wish for themselves. Moreover, the present situation in which Turkey, Greece and Britain maintain armies on Cypriot soil should be terminated forthwith. Indirect pressure can be applied to assure that the Turkish minority will be protected. But it is the height of folly to insist that the minority of Cypriots ought to govern the majority. If the Cypriot people are allowed to settle their own affairs and exercise their right to determine for themselves the type of government they ought to have, the situation will resolve itself.

The United States government should make it quite clear that the present involvement of Greece, Turkey and Britain is not only a violation of the principles upon which this government was founded, it is also illegal and immoral. As long as interference in Cypriot internal affairs is condoned, there can be no peace on that island.



DANIEL J. FLOOD
U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

I welcome this opportunity to address my fellow Americans of Ahepa in whose veins flows the proud blood of Greek ancestry from the birthplace of democracy. I endorse the ancient principle of national self-determination which is in the very best tradition of the United States of America and Greece so long as in that same tradition there are adequate safeguards for minority groups.



MARTHA W. GRIFFITHS
U.S. Representative—Michigan

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

In the tense Cyprus situation, reliance on the principle of self-determination will serve to achieve peace and stability. Throughout the years, Americans have supported self-determination for all peoples. Distinguished in majority rule and individual freedom, it is the underlying basis of democratic belief and it certainly should apply to the aims of the Greek people of Cyprus.



MICHAEL A. FEIGHAN
U.S. Representative—Ohio

MR. NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President

I am sure that you and the membership of Ahepa are aware that I have long advocated the universal application of the political principle of self-determination as the means of settling territorial disputes as well as a moral and peaceful means of liberating the many nations now held captive by Russian communist imperialism. That same principle should be applied to the Cyprus crisis. You have my

assurance that I shall continue to oppose power politics settlements which do not accord with the freely expressed wishes of the peoples directly concerned.



LUCIEN N. NEDZI
U.S. Representative—Michigan

NICHOLAS H. CARDARIS
Ahepa Chapter No. 40
Detroit 24, Michigan

In my judgment, the principle of self-determination should be the cornerstone of American foreign policy with regard to Cyprus and all other nations. I believe, with Woodrow Wilson, that all peoples shall have free choice as to their form of government.

Admittedly, the crisis in Cyprus is the direct consequence of the unfortunate British policy of playing one side against the other during the 1950's. The result today is that feelings are so strong that a solution is extremely difficult. I share your hope, however, that an agreement can be reached without resort to war.



STANLEY R. TUPPER
U.S. Representative—Maine

determination and union with Greece that a majority apparently desire.

The crisis in Cyprus has threatened the NATO alliance and continuation of the impasse has benefited only the Communist Party and the Soviet Union. The indecision of the West has resulted in substantial political, psychological, and commercial gains for Communist Bloc countries in Cyprus.

There has been much said concerning the protection of Turkish minority rights on Cyprus. No one can logically dispute the necessity for protecting minority rights of Turks on Cyprus as well as minority rights of Greeks in Turkey.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

There have recently been some encouraging signs that the Cyprus situation may be easing and the danger of war between Greece and Turkey diminished.

When we consider that centuries ago the people of Greece gave the world the concept of democracy and political self-government, it seems incongruous that the people of Cyprus today are denied self-

However, the real issue is whether a minority of 17 percent of the population of Cyprus should have extraordinary veto rights on foreign, domestic, and defense policies despite the wishes of an 82 percent Greek majority. This final veto power goes far beyond the laudable protection of individual rights of a minority, and hamstring the majority in governing.

It would seem clear that the best interests of the United States, Greece, Turkey, and Great Britain would be served by allowing Cypriots to fully determine whether they wished a union with Greece. Most observers agree that a referendum conducted by the United Nations would show that an overwhelming majority of Cypriots desire such union.

Union with Greece would diminish the influence of the Soviet Union on Cyprus and prevent the possibility of creation of a Communist stronghold in the Mediterranean. Cyprus would then become a part of NATO, and the serious controversy between two NATO allies, Greece and Turkey, would end.

Moreover freedom of speech, religion, assembly, equal protection of the laws, and freedom from persecution would be guaranteed to all minorities.

The United States must make it clear that we favor self-determination on Cyprus as in other areas of the world. When we show a reluctance to defend free institutions because of fear of hurting feelings of an ally, we actually do a disservice to our own country and the system of government we cherish.



F. BRADFORD MORSE
U.S. Rep. — Massachusetts

MR. A. G. PANOS
President, Chapter 102
Lowell, Massachusetts

There is no question that the Greek people are not the aggressors in this situation. The House Foreign Affairs Committee, on which I serve, has been fully briefed on this problem. I am hopeful that the new cease fire will permit a solution that will uphold the rightful claims of the Greek people on Cyprus.



BILL AYRES
U.S. Representative—Ohio

GEORGE NICK GEORGE

You are to be commended for the outstanding effort that you are making for the country of your origin. The serious condition in Cyprus is of concern to all of us. I cannot see why the principle of majority rule should not prevail in Cyprus as it has in this and all other truly democratic nations. Self-determination, with guarantees of the rights of minorities, is essential for any free country.



JOSEPH M. McDADE
U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

I heartily endorse principle of national self-determination with adequate protection of minorities. Fervently hope your work may be fruitful and that this may be achieved in Cyprus.



GEORGE M. RHODES
U.S. Rep. — Pennsylvania

AHEPA CYPRUS COMMITTEE

I join with you in supporting majority rule in Cyprus in the true spirit of a democratic society. I trust that the situation in Cyprus can be resolved peacefully in the best interest of all Cypriots.



HARLAN HAGEN

U.S. Representative—California

could be avoided if the people of Cyprus themselves were willing to live in harmony and without oppression of minorities regardless of present religious, political and racial differences and remembrance of past conflicts.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I wholeheartedly subscribe to the principle that people everywhere in the world should have the privilege of establishing freedom and self-government. At the same time, I feel it would be tragic if the dispute over Cyprus resulted in war between two of our most valuable allies in the cause of freedom, to wit, Greece and Turkey. I feel certain, however, that such a possibility



HARRIS B. McDOWELL, JR.

U.S. Rep.—Delaware

between the people of Hellenic origin on the island and those of Turkish origin, I am firmly of the opinion that the majority should dominate in the final decision making steps and that by self-determination the majority should have the right to prevail.

MR. EDWARD LASKARIS
Wilmington, Delaware

It is my hope, and I know the policy of the government, to encourage a settlement of the Cyprus problem through the basic constitutional concepts of our constitutional government and the United Nations Charter that such disputes should be settled by the right of self-determination of the people directly involved. While I fully realize that there are difficulties which are deep-seated and of long duration



BENJAMIN S. ROSENTHAL

U.S. Rep.—New York

PETER MIKEDES

I am concerned, as are we all, about the situation in Cyprus, and most certainly endorse the principle of self-determination for the island with adequate protection for all minorities. I fervently hope there can be a peaceful solution to the current problems and disputes. I can assure you that the Congress will continue to give this matter the consideration and attention it warrants.



MILTON W. GLENN

U.S. Rep.—New Jersey

MR. COSTAS KATSIKIS
Atlantic City Chapter No. 169
Atlantic City, N.J.

All democracies are based on the right of the people to determine the type of their government and the fundamental principle is that the majority rules with superimposed protections for minorities which are written into most constitutions. It is a time-tested formula and all the people of Cyprus should abide by it.



EDWARD J. PATTEN

U.S. Rep.—New Jersey

PETER SIDERIS

I was shocked by the bombing raids conducted by Turkish planes on Cyprus. Turkish abuse of veto power should end and a new constitution should be established for the people of Cyprus. The rights of both the Greek majority and the Turkish minority on Cyprus must be protected and peace restored.



TOM G. ABERNETHY

U.S. Rep.—Mississippi

MR. SPIROS PAVLOU
President
MR. JAMES CAJOLEAS
Secretary
Magnolia Chapter No. 344
Jackson, Mississippi

Like you, I feel that every country should be free to establish and maintain its own government and handle its internal affairs without intervention from other countries.



THOMAS N. DOWNING
U.S. Representative—Virginia

One form of free government in the United States had its birthplace in my Congressional District—often called the "cradle of democracy."

Virginians believe deeply in the principles of justice and freedom for mankind. Virginians believe that the people should govern. Virginians believe that governments should exist with the consent of the people. Virginians believe that all peoples should be allowed to make decisions on their destinies and I am hopeful that the people of Cyprus will soon be given the power of self-determination.

MR. CHRIS CHRISTOPHER
President
Woodrow Wilson Chap. No. 241
Newport News, Virginia

Centuries ago, man invented a power greater than energy itself—the power of self-government. The pages of all recorded history tell us that self-determination and self-government are the only safe paths to freedom. A people cannot be free without placing themselves under a government "of the people, by the people and for the people."



CLIFFORD G. MCINTIRE
U.S. Representative—Maine

It is my sincere and serious hope that the peoples of Cyprus will come together with their minds and spirits, pausing briefly to cast their eyes upon the American system. May this tried and proven system serve as a rallying point for the peoples of Cyprus in these uncertain times—and may they, through persistent understanding and cooperation, make their way forward on the theme of human dignity, showing to the world a nation of truly free men.

May great speed be the companion of the effort toward this objective.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Historians have designated the American system of government as being unique in the respect that it affords an opportunity to reconcile diverse views and concepts toward a theme of consummate understanding and harmony.

A further refined fundamental of this system is characterized through a high regard for the dignity of the individual, this being manifested by an effective balance between majority rule and minority rights.



JEFFERY COHELAN
U.S. Representative—California

The United States is firmly committed to the territorial independence and national sovereignty of Cyprus. But, just as our Constitution recognizes the necessity for peaceful change to meet new conditions and problems, so too we recognize that a change in the Constitution of Cyprus is essential if it is to work effectively.

I fervently hope that all parties will cooperate with the United Nations Peace Force, and that true democracy, with government responsive to the majority, while safeguarding important minority rights, will be established on Cyprus.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman,
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I strongly support independence and self-determination for the people of Cyprus. I am also deeply concerned that the present Cyprus dispute does not cause armed conflict between two important North Atlantic Treaty Organization partners. Such a tragedy, with its appalling loss of life, would be a major triumph for communism.



HENRY S. REUSS
U.S. Rep.—Wisconsin

This principle of self-determination should be applied to Cyprus, in conjunction with the principles that the majority shall rule and that minority rights shall be protected—principles that are equally dear to Americans. Continued or expanded conflict in the Eastern Mediterranean will be injurious to the people of Cyprus, Greece, Turkey and the entire Western World. I look forward to a just and peaceful settlement with due regard for legitimate interests of all parties.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I strongly back the principle of self-determination for every nation. The idea that every person has the right to choose its own government and its own political destiny has been a formal tenet of American foreign policy for nearly half a century and a national belief since the foundation of the Republic.

This principle of self-determination should be applied to



JOHN W. McCORMACK
U.S. Rep.—Massachusetts

We in the United States are greatly concerned with the events which are taking place on this island Republic. We have carefully followed in the past how the Cypriote people fought with legislative and military action to achieve independence, only to have their sovereignty curtailed by the contracting powers which granted independence to the island. Moreover, we have observed the present crisis as the Cypriote Government strives for complete autonomy from these restricting international provisions. Naturally, we deplore the bloodshed and strife which has occurred.

This month will mark the fourth anniversary of an independent Cyprus. Therefore, it is my sincerest hope that as the Cypriote people reconstitute their sovereignty and freedom from colonial status, a lasting peace will be resolved, through the efforts of the United Nations or other mediating offices, to enable this Republic to progress in its development without conflict and disharmony.

TED BAKAS
PETER L. CAPARELL
Athens Chapter No. 24
Boston 15, Massachusetts

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CHARLOTTE T. REID
U.S. Representative—Illinois

I commend AHEPA for its interest in the Cyprus question. In the ancient tradition of Greek democracy, you assert your interest in the freedom of all peoples. Your efforts to bring to the attention of the Congress and the American people the truth regarding the right of the people of Cyprus to self-determination under a truly democratic constitution which guarantees, protects, and respects the rights of ALL of the peoples of Cyprus is a testament to your belief in the principles of our American Constitution.

I, too, stand strongly in favor of a peaceful and just solution to the Cypriot problem which will assure the protection of all of the people in Cyprus. Such a solution certainly cannot be achieved if the Russians are invited in any way or manner to participate in the internal affairs of Cyprus. Rather, I strongly favor the application of the principles of American Democracy as a way to achieve this necessary solution to the Cyprus problem.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
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JAMES C. CLEVELAND
U.S. Rep.—New Hampshire

As one who has long been conscious of the great contribution which Greek culture has made to the progress of Western civilization, I have been distressed to observe the difficulties which have beset the people of Cyprus. It has been my feeling that although a measure of independence has been obtained, in establishing the existing government structure, there have been "built-in" barriers to the achievement of full independence.

We in America learned long ago that the principle of self-determination is a vital part of a truly free and democratic form of government and it has become one of the cornerstones on which our way of life is built.

The people of Cyprus have my sympathy in their hour of travail and my most sincere good wishes in their struggle to obtain self-determination and a truly democratic constitution which will respect and guarantee the rights of all the people of that historic island.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS

I wish to commend the Order of Ahepa for its efforts to "bring to the attention of our government and our fellow Americans, the truth concerning the struggle of the people of Cyprus to obtain self-determination and to adopt a truly democratic constitution under which the rights of all the people of Cyprus will be protected, respected, and guaranteed."



MR. SPIROS PAVLOU
Chapter President
Jackson, Mississippi

Certainly, I believe that the people of any country should have the right of self-determination. Likewise, the people of any Nation should be free from interference in their internal affairs from other Nations.

JOHN BELL WILLIAMS
U.S. Representative—Mississippi



FRANK T. BOW
U.S. Representative — Ohio

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Foreign affairs are not my specialty and I cannot pretend to have all of the facts about Cyprus nor a solution to its present problems. I do believe that the United States must continue to support the historic policy of self-determination for all people, though how this can be achieved during this period of crisis would seem to be a very difficult problem, indeed.



JOHN E. FOGARTY
U.S. Rep.—Rhode Island

American citizens of Greek descent. Under leave to extend my remarks in the Record, I include that statement:

Almost four-fifths of the people of Cyprus are Orthodox Greeks. Today, as in the long centuries of their past history, they are Hellenistic in culture and ethnic character. Though Cyprus has been overrun by many foreign invaders—including the Moslem Arabs, the Franks, the Venetians, the Turks, and the British—her people have remained steadfast in their adherence to their religion and their ancient Greek heritage.

As a result of their determined struggle for freedom, they gained a guarantee of independence from Britain in 1959. Under the inter-

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

In the belief that the principle of self-determination for all nations is in the best tradition of American democracy, I have followed the recent tragic events on the island of Cyprus with grave concern. Recently I was asked for a public statement of my views on this issue by Rhode Island members of the Order of Ahepa, which is a well-known national organization whose members are American citizens of Greek descent.

national agreements made in Zurich and London, however, the autonomy of Cyprus was nonetheless limited when Britain, Greece, and Turkey retained certain privileges of intervention. Consequently Cyprus has not yet attained its true independence.

This situation has been attributed to a desire to protect the interests of the Turkish minority which continues to live on the island as a residue of the colonization policies of the Ottoman Empire, which dominated the area from 1571 until Britain took control in 1878. Actually, the present arrangement, because it denies the will of the majority, has resulted in nothing but increasing hostility and violence.

It is now increasingly evident that no solution short of true self-determination can resolve the Cyprus situation, which remains not only as an unjust compromise that the Cypriot Greeks cannot accept but also as a threat to world peace. It may eventually prove necessary to arrange an exchange of the Turkish minority with Greeks living under Turkish rule. But I believe that this is a last resort which could be avoided if the Greek majority were given true independence with the establishment of constitutional guarantees of the rights of the minority.

The source of the present disorders is the frustration of the just aspirations of the Greek majority for true freedom. Americans, whose nation was born out of a hard fight for self-determination, cannot fail to appreciate the struggle of the Greek Cypriots, who are bound together by a common faith, a common desire for liberty, and a common devotion to the culture of ancient Greece where the ideal of democracy was first born.



ARNOLD OLSEN
U.S. Rep.—Montana

the island thereby giving no particular political advantage to any of its neighbors.

I believe my best contribution to the Cyprus issue is to continue the vigilance for the United States policy that assists all allied nations to preserve democracy and thus, protecting the Cypriot majority's rule. True democracy is best served when those parties directly affected decide their future with little outward interference.

MR. WILLIAM STAMATIS
President, Ahepa Chapter 239
Missoula, Montana

As you know our American System of government is based on the democratic principles of majority rule with great care for (the protection of) the minority's rights. I have subscribed to this great ideal and will continue to fight for Democracy wherever and whenever possible. The principle of self-determination for Cypriots can and should be resolved by those inhabitants of



ALEXANDER PIRNIE
U.S. Representative—New York

form of government under which the rights of all people on the island will be respected and guaranteed. Such a course of action can prevent the inevitable loss of life and destruction of property which attend continuing conflict and can lay the foundation for a government pledged to the cause of freedom.

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I join with countless Americans in the sincere hope that the present crisis in Cyprus may be resolved in a sound and enduring way. There are many factors which make this solution difficult. However, history has demonstrated that the principle of self-determination is the most effective approach. It is my hope that the people of Cyprus will be encouraged to adopt a truly democratic



HAROLD M. RYAN
U.S. Representative—Michigan
growth for a long period of time.

The Greek-Americans of my congressional district have always been friendly to me and I shall do whatever I can for these people in reciprocation of their kindness toward me.



HAROLD C. OSTERTAG
U.S. Rep. — New York

The principle of majority rule, with appropriate protection of minority rights, is a basic ingredient of the American system of government, and we commend and endorse this system to all other people. Certainly the Greek people, who gave democracy to the world, support and embrace these same principles.

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As you know, I have always been interested in the welfare of the Greek people, their issue of self-determination on the Island of Cyprus. I believe that Greece, as a country, is tied in with the heritage of western democracy and will continue to be friendly to the democratic principles of the world and against any type of communist aggression.

It is my hope that Greece continues to grow economically and will continue that

MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

Our nation has consistently supported the principle of self-determination for all peoples and it is to be hoped that an equitable solution to the present Cyprus problems can be achieved on this basis. At the same time, of course, any political settlement should assure honorable recognition and just protection for the rights of minority groups, as well.

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MR. JOHN G. THEVOS
Chairman
Ahepa Cyprus Committee

I have been most concerned by the current developments in Cyprus that have resulted in death, destruction and the ravaging of a people whose forefathers have sired a representative form of government that has been a priceless model for the administration of justice and government for the free world.

We Americans having tried, tested and proved a dignified way of life under a democratic constitution must support the fight for the people of Cyprus for self-determination. Certainly, no believer in the democratic way of life can deny that the voice of the majority must govern.

It is my sincerest hope that the people of Cyprus should achieve this goal and live with dignity they so richly deserve.

IRENE B. BAKER
U.S. Rep. — Tennessee



PORTER HARDY, JR.
U.S. Representative—Virginia

and bloodshed may soon be ended on Cyprus and through the good offices of the United Nations—with United States cooperation—peace and harmony may be restored under a just and stable democratic government.

MR. JOHN P. ANGELSON
Norfolk, Virginia

I am especially grateful for the information you left about Cyprus. This is a very grievous situation and I had hoped the United Nations would have worked out a proper solution long before now.

Self-determination is truly a hall-mark of freedom. Along with self-restraint and equity among individuals it is a prerequisite to successful self-government. I hope that strife

F R E E D O M

Freedom is independence of the compulsory will of another; and in so far as it can co-exist with the freedom of all according to a universal law, it is the one sole, original inborn right belonging to every man in virtue of his humanity. There is, indeed, an innate quality belonging to every man which consists in his right to be independent of being bound by others to anything more than that to which he may reciprocally bind them.

Immanuel Kant

OTHER DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN AND CANADIAN LEADERS



ROBERT F. WAGNER
Mayor, City of New York

"veto rule" which deprived the majority of the democratic right to act, and vested in the minority the power to disrupt the orderly processes of government regardless of its effects on the general populace.

The attacks of the Turkish Air Force upon the unprotected coastal towns and villages of Cyprus without warning have affronted our sense of civilization, recalling some of the worst episodes of a generation ago.

MR. SCOTT MINGOS
Washington Heights Chap. 367
New York, N.Y.

Many Americans have been appalled by the news from Cyprus, of the air attacks upon the civilian population, the suffering unnecessarily caused and the nightmare which for the last six months has been the fate of the people of Cyprus, Greek or Turk.

Much of this havoc was caused by the interference of Turkey — and the so-called



DONALD RUSSELL
Governor of South Carolina

with Greece, feel a very special sympathy in this connection and are concerned that justice be done them promptly. It is natural that all people and especially Greek people with their long tradition of love of nation and liberty, should seek the right of self-government. In these aspirations of the Greek citizens of Cyprus, we have the deepest sympathy and we fervently hope that the statesmen everywhere will offer an encouraging hand to the satisfaction of their entreaties.

STEVE MOSKOS
GUS S. PHILLIS
President
Textile City Chapter No. 242
Greenville, S.C.

I feel strongly that the just rights of the Greek citizens of Cyprus, who constitute the large majority of the inhabitants of that renowned island, demand the urgent attention of the statesmen of the world and must be fairly satisfied.



TERRY SANFORD
Governor of North Carolina

the members of the Order of Ahepa, that the Cyprus question can be brought to a peaceful and equitable solution at an early date.

MR. JOHN G. PLUMIDES

Inasmuch as the conduct of the American foreign policy is the responsibility of the President of the United States, it would not be proper for me to try to determine what the position of the United States should be on this matter. However, I assure you that as a citizen of this nation, I have always believed in majority rule with constitutional guarantees for minority groups.

It is my hope, just as I know it is the hope of you and all



ENDICOTT PEABODY
Governor of Massachusetts

implementation of this policy of self determination for the people of Cyprus.

WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS

The principle of self determination has been a basic foundation of this country. I firmly believe that the doctrine of self determination with adequate protection for the right of the minority, is a proper solution for the people of Cyprus. Only through such a doctrine can the citizens of Cyprus have equal protection of law, religious freedom and equal opportunity. I therefore urge the United States Government to consider the im-



TED JAMSON

I would wholeheartedly support any program that will provide complete self-determination for Cyprus and all other countries, in letting the people of such countries decide their own destiny. This is fundamental to Americans.

FRANK B. MORRISON
Governor, State of Nebraska



PETER KALDES

Ahepa is to be commended for its dedication to the cause of freedom and its concern for the individual and his rights.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON
Governor of Pennsylvania

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Harry Truman made clear the American commitment to Greece, to its peace and security, and to the welfare of its people. Our government's policies on Cyprus should be based on the principles that he initiated and subsequent Presidents followed.

The danger of war is too great for the Cyprus question to continue unresolved. Too many lives have been lost and too much suffering has been endured by innocent families. Only the Communists can benefit from continued conflict between fellow members of the NATO alliance.

The London-Zurich agreements of 1960 which resulted in the present constitution of Cyprus must be amended. The people of Cyprus may decide that their future can best be assured through union with Greece. Such a plan could provide both an effective voice for the majority and protection for minorities.

The United States must encourage every peaceful non-violent means to resolve this dispute. We cannot superimpose our solutions on any nation, but bound by strong fraternal friendship with Greece, we must continue our effort to be helpful.

President Johnson has been making extraordinary efforts to help resolve this problem. The efforts his administration initiated have already brought the problem closer to solution. I believe his efforts will succeed in finding a satisfactory solution that will assure effective government for all the people of Cyprus.

ROBERT F. KENNEDY

BILL LOUCAS, Ken Sakos Ch. C.J. 25, Kitchener, Ont.

For many years I have been associated with people of your country, and can well understand the many fine efforts you have made to our Canada, and other Greek organizations, and as a disabled veteran of the First Great War, I am conscious of the cooperation of our two countries in two great war conflicts, at which time we worked together for peace and good-will among all nations of the world.

Canada has recognized your service by sending our troops to Cyprus, so that we can be of some assistance in restoring peace and helping to uphold the rights of your nation. We have worked together in N.A.T.O. for the good of mankind, and I know the final results at Cyprus will again demonstrate our Christian thoughts to carry out our obligations for the best of all those involved.

MIKE WEICHEL, Member of Can. Parliament

Ken Sakos Ch. C.J. 25, Kitchener, Ont.

We share deeply your concern and sympathy for the people of Cyprus in this troubled corner of the world. We trust that they may achieve the measure of self-determination which they have been seeking for so long.

KIETH R. HYMMEN, Mayor, Kitchener, Ont.

JAMES S. SCOFIELD District Governor No. 2

I am in sympathy for a just and peaceful settlement of the Cyprus crisis, with the Cyprus citizens given their choice of self determination.

**HAYDON BURNS
Mayor of Jacksonville, Florida**

MR. STEVEN J. KARAS, Pres., Hudson Ch. 108, Jersey City, N.J.

America traditionally has been dedicated to the quest of all peoples for peace with freedom and justice. I am sure the responsible authorities in our national government are doing all that they can, in this most difficult situation, to assure that peace with freedom and justice will be the possession of all the people of Cyprus.

**RICHARD J. HUGHES
Governor, New Jersey**

BOBBY PAPPAS

The patriotism and love of country that Americans of Grecian heritage have manifested toward this country elicits the unanimous admiration and encouragement for your brothers seeking justice in their Cyprus endeavors. My best wishes for a successful convention and may justice and right prevail on your side in Cyprus.

**BRUCE BENNETT
Att'y General, State of Arkansas**

MR. MICHAEL CONSTANT, Staten Island Ch. 349, Staten Island, N.Y.

Lincoln said that "Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves and under a just God cannot long retain it." If we deny Cypriots the freedom of self determination we undermine the moral foundation of freedom everywhere.

Most Cypriots desire enosis and indeed, a properly safeguarded annexation by Greece might well bring peace and security to both sorely tried Greek and Turkish factions. We cannot continue imposing an arrangement that deeply offends and is so thoroughly unacceptable to more than eighty percent of that tragic and troubled land.

**JOHN J. MARCHI
New York State Senator**

MRS. THOMAS L. CHASE

Columbus, Ohio

It seems to me that the right of self-determination is as old as the Greek people. Certainly the Cypriots should have the opportunity to select the type of government they wish in the interest of freedom.

**SAMUEL L. DEVINE
U.S. Representative—Ohio**

MR. MICHAEL CONSTANT, Staten Island Ch. 349, Staten Island, N.Y.

Americans have proven to the world, for many, many years, that efficient government can be maintained only when the basic cornerstones of freedom . . . majority rule, and the right of self-determination . . . are available to all citizens.

The people of strife-torn Cyprus most certainly will be able to peaceably agree on their own future when these principles are assured them.

The Greek people, throughout the ages, have always cherished and fought for freedom, for themselves and for all others. And, I am sure, they will always respect the rights and protect the freedoms of all men.

**ALBERT V. MANISCALCO
President, Borough of Richmond
City of New York**

State Department Answers Ahepa on Cyprus Telegrams

In reply to the telegram sent the State Department following the bombing in Cyprus by the Turkish Air Force, Past Supreme President John G. Plumides received the following letter from Assistant Secretary of State Phillips Talbot.

September 24, 1964

Dear Mr. Plumides:

I have been asked to reply to your telegram of August 22 enclosing for Secretary Rusk's consideration two resolutions on the Cyprus situation passed by the 42nd Annual Supreme Convention of the Order of AHEPA.

We have been deeply concerned about the Cyprus crisis for many months. It has resulted in a serious deterioration in Greek-Turkish relations and has endangered the strength of NATO, our principal Free World alliance.

Over the past months we have, as you know, made every effort to assist in finding a permanent settlement. President Johnson has personally devoted long hours in an attempt to achieve a solution that is acceptable to both Greece and Turkey.

The resolutions that you sent raise three points on which specific comments may be helpful. The first concerns the use of American military equipment in the recent Turkish air attacks against Cyprus. We have clearly explained to the Governments of both Turkey and Greece the consequences should either again use American military equipment in connection with the Cyprus situation.

Second, in regard to the deportation of Greek nationals living in Istanbul, we have also made our position plain. As Ambassador Stevenson stated to the United Nations Security Council recently,

"The expulsion of Greek nationals from Istanbul, which the distinguished representative of Greece has brought to the attention of the Council, seems to us a sad sequel to the communal hostility in Cyprus. It is almost an axiom, however, of history that people of one nation resident in the territory of another often become innocent victims of any sudden increase in tension or suspicion between those countries.

"Even while acting entirely within the letter of the international agreements, as we believe the Government of Turkey has done in this case, uprooting and deporting innocent and harmless people from their long term homes is a spectacle that touches the humane instincts and evokes the profound sympathy of all of us.

"Therefore, we too, would urge the Government of Turkey to give every careful consideration not only to the effect of its actions on its neighbor, but also to the human hardships visited on those individuals who are innocent of any hostile intention toward the country in which they have chosen to reside."

Finally, you propose that a branch of the International Court of Justice be established to cite those individuals involved in the recent Turkish air attacks against Cyprus. The Statute of the Court provides that only states may be parties to litigation before the Court. It seems certain, therefore, that a proposal such as yours would not be successful because of a challenge to the Court's jurisdiction.

We fully share AHEPA's deep concern about the Cyprus crisis, and I can assure you that the United States Government will vigorously pursue efforts toward a peaceful settlement.

Sincerely,

PHILLIPS TALBOT
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington

Senate Introduces Resolution Favoring Application of Self-Determination to Cyprus

The following is a Concurrent Resolution submitted in the Senate on September 15, 1964 by Senator Keating and co-sponsored by Senators Case, Cotton, Douglas, Gruening, McIntyre, Prouty, Randolph, Ribicoff and Scott.

89TH CONGRESS
2d Session

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 15, 1964

Mr. KEATING (for himself, Mr. CASE, Mr. COTTON, Mr. DOUGLAS, Mr. GRUENING, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. PROUTY, Mr. RANDOLPH, Mr. RIBICOFF, and Mr. SCOTT) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas the people of the United States respect the principle of self-determination and majority rule for all nations; and

Whereas the people of the United States deplore the violence and civil conflict that has erupted on the island of Cyprus where the right of the people of Cyprus to majority rule has been restricted; and

Whereas this conflict has brought two North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies into a quarrel endangering the long term interests of both nations and of the Western alliance; and

Whereas the principal benefactors of the conflict are Communist nations and neutralist dictators trying to destroy the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and eliminate American defenses and Western influence throughout the eastern Mediterranean; and

Whereas self-determination for the people of Cyprus, including possible union with Greece, would reduce Communist influence in Cyprus, bring Cyprus within the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and eliminate the threat of war between Greece and Turkey; Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives
- 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that the
- 3 historic American principle of self-determination should be
- 4 applied to Cyprus with unconditional and internationally
- 5 assured guarantees for the freedom and security of life,
- 6 religion, and property for all minorities on Cyprus.



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

SPRINGFIELD
September 15, 1964

OTTO KERNER
Governor

Mr. Nicholas J. Chirekos
Supreme President
Order of AHEPA
34 Woodly Road
Rock Island, Illinois

Dear Mr. Chirekos:

I am taking this opportunity to congratulate you on your recent election as Supreme President of American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association. All freedom-loving Americans are in agreement with the views of your organization concerning self-determination for the people of Cyprus.

Best wishes for a successful term as leader of the Order of AHEPA.

Sincerely,

Governor

New York Times Comments about Ahepa's Efforts in behalf of Cyprus in Editorial

Following the efforts of the Order of Ahepa in behalf of the Cyprus cause, which were published in two full page ads in the New York Times, this distinguished newspaper made the following comments in a main editorial in its Saturday, September 12 issue.

The New York Times.

Greek-Americans and Cyprus

Archbishop Makarios' decision to send a mission to Moscow for military aid—over Athens' strong opposition—confronts the influential and ardent community of Americans of Greek descent with a high question.

The question is whether they should continue their largely uncritical support of Cyprus' despot President, who is thwarting the Hellenic world's long aspiration for union of the island with Greece. That union has been fought within reach, for the first time in modern history, by the now-adjourned Geneva mediation talks which President Makarios did his best to torpedo.

All this is ignored in the considerable pro-Cyprus campaign mounted in recent months by the chief Greek-American fraternal order, AHEPA. That campaign, which backs Makarios even in his conflict with Greece itself, has been funded with some 12,000 letters and telegrams. Congress has been made aware that there are two Turkish voters but two million Americans of Greek descent in this country.

No one can challenge the right of Greek-Americans to conduct such a campaign. But is it wise? Is it even productive to support President Makarios' futile drive to force Turkey out of Cyprus without compensation, rather than Ankara's effort to negotiate the amelioration of

Cyprus with compensation?

Ankara, in an extraordinary concession to Athens and Washington, has accepted union as the basis for the Geneva mediation talks. But under cover of the slogan of self-determination, Archbishop Makarios has been driving for the "unfettered independence" of Cyprus. His strategy for blocking union, while paying occasional lip service to it, is to oppose any compensation at all to Turkey. AHEPA's recent advertisements have expressed a similar view, ignoring the Geneva talks and giving Premier Papandreu no support in his efforts to negotiate a settlement based on union.

Turkey has security interests and treaty rights on Cyprus, facts which from its shores, that cannot be nullified by Archbishop Makarios or even by a United Nations vote. Union can only be achieved by a negotiated revision of the 1959-60 treaty. That requires renunciation of the Geneva talks. An essential prerequisite is to ease the tensions created by President Makarios' blockade of Turkish Cypriote villages and his refusal to permit rotation of Turkish troops. Premier Papandreu has made some efforts to restrain Cyprus' President and to press a negotiated settlement on him. The Greek-American community as represented by AHEPA would be serving the interests of Hellenism, union and peace if it encouraged Athens in these policies instead of giving its almost support to the un-tilted Archdiocese.

GREEK PRESS PRAISES AHEPA'S EFFORTS

The National Herald, one of the leading Greek newspapers in the country, had this to say concerning Ahepa's efforts in behalf of Cyprus in a main editorial of its August 24, 1964 issue under the title "WELL DONE, AHEPA."

"Ahepa once again rendered a great service to Hellenism and the Greek-American Community, of which, as Archbishop Iakovos stated, Ahepa is the spokesman and representative in political matters.

What should have been done long ago, was accomplished last Saturday through the New York Times, a distinguished American newspaper, which for no apparent reason has unjustly held an unfavorable position in the Cyprus matter. Ahepa, in a full page ad in the New York Times, projects in a dignified presentation a suggestion for a solution to the Cyprus question, in accordance with justice and human rights and based on the principle of self-determination on which the Charter of the United Nations is founded. This right of choosing one's way of being governed is the one exercised by all democratic nations, including the United States, where "majority rules and minority audits."

This wholehearted support for the just right of self-determination for Cyprus was expressed by the Order of Ahepa in a resolution unanimously approved by the 1,500 delegates of the 42nd Toronto Convention. In addition, the advertisement carried the 50 or more telegrams and messages of distinguished public officials of the United States secured through the efforts of Ahepa at the Convention, in which the Senators, Congressmen, Governors and Mayors are supporting the principle of Self-Determination for Cyprus. The Ahepa resolution also condemned the arbitrary, unjust and uncivilized treatment of the Christians of Constantinople and the persecution of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Constantinople.

This stand by the Order of Ahepa in its efforts to enlighten the American public on the true nature of the just Cyprus cause, brings about honor to the organization, which as is stated in the Times resolution "is reaffirming its oft-stated opposition to Communism and all other forms of tyranny and subversion."

THE DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE DUTY — A MISSION OF MERCY



JOSIE CHASE
Grand President
DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

*"The quality of mercy is not strain'd
It droppeth as the gentle rain from
heaven
Upon the place beneath; it is twice
blest;
It bleiseth him that gives and him that
takes"*

Whenever man's inhumanity to man causes great suffering to fellow human beings, women are expected and are called upon to help heal the wounded, feed the hungry, clothe the ragged, mother the orphaned and extend a helping hand to the old and those left homeless.

When the napalm and other bombs were dropped on innocent civilians in Cyprus by the Turkish Air Force, churches were destroyed, hospitals were left in ruins, young and old were killed, children were maimed and disfigured, mothers were wounded and crippled, old men and women were burned and blinded.

Later, and continuing to this day, thousands of Christians are being exiled from Constantinople and their properties are being confiscated without compensation. Their only crime is that they were born Greek. They are allowed to take nothing with them except the clothes they wear. The Turks show no discrimination here. They exile the young and the old; the sick and the healthy; the rich and the poor; the orphaned; the crippled and the blind.

Ambassador Stevenson recently said that:—

"It is almost an axiom, however, of history that people of one nation resident in the territory of another often become innocent victims of any sudden increase



PATRICIA FARRIS
Chairman
DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE
NATIONAL CYPRUS COMMITTEE

in tension or suspicion between these countries."

An axiom is of little help to the wounded, the sick, the maimed, the exiled and the rest of the innocent victims. The sick and the crippled need medical care now; the orphans need new homes now; the hungry need food now; the homeless need shelter now. These acts of mercy have to be done now. They cannot wait on men while they meet, talk, confer, change treaties and make new agreements.

The Daughters of Penelope is the senior women's auxiliary of the Order of Ahepa. In accordance with the ideals and precepts of our organization we must now show those qualities of mercy, charity and compassion with which God and the Laws of Nature endowed us as women.

With the help of Dr. Comanduras who, with Dr. Dooley, founded MEDICO, we have conferred with the internationally-accepted CARE organization to furnish immediate medical care, food and clothing to the victims of Cyprus and Constantinople. We will help the Turkish as well as the Greek children in Cyprus. The bombs dropped by the Turkish Air Force did not distinguish among them.

The needs of the Cyprus children are being studied by the CARE agency. They are arranging this overseas project for us. We shall benefit in this association with CARE because of their extensive background in this work. They will assume the tremendous task of transporting, storing and distributing our donated packages to these children. Our main assignment as Daughters of Penelope is the active participation in fund-raising for this CARE program.

Your Cyprus Committee urges all Chapters to begin this fund drive immediately. Open your doors to your Community; invite other organizations to join our charity drive and activities. We are endeavoring to nationally promote this CARE program among all our fellow American women and women's organizations.

With the help of every officer and member the Daughters of Penelope Charity Drive for Children with CARE will succeed. Today is ours; tomorrow is theirs and may we always be afforded the opportunity of tending to the needs of all children, keeping them happy and healthy in mind and in body.

Please make all checks payable to Daughters of Penelope CARE Fund and mail to:—

Daughters of Penelope
National Cyprus Committee
1422 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

JOSIE CHASE **PATRICIA FARRIS**
Grand President Chairman



SOCRATES V. SEKLES
Chairman

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Chairman of the Board of Trustees Socrates V. Sekles, in addition to his busy schedule as Chairman of the Board and Chairman of the 1965 Athens Ahepa Convention, has been a champion of the Cyprus cause from its very inception. He has attended all briefings of Greek-American leaders with the State Department on the subject of Cyprus, and has expressed himself always with courage and persuasion. In his capacity as Chairman, he has always been willing to find the necessary funds to assist the Cyprus Committee in carrying out its successful campaign.

LEST WE FORGET . . .

THE EPIC GREEK FIGHT AGAINST THE AXIS

Less than twenty-five years ago, in 1940-1941, Greece, the little David, was fighting the axis, the Goliath of our times. She was fighting, as on so many occasions in her long history, for the preservation of human liberty, human dignity and for humanity's high hopes and ideals, in short, to save and preserve Western Civilization.

O Tempora! O Mores! The memory of men is very short. When we consider some of the things that have been said and written about Greece and the Greeks in the last few months we are reminded of the gentleman who turned against the political patron who had helped him on a great many occasions in the past. The gentleman, when asked by the incredulous politician, answered "But what have you done for me lately?"

We submit these reminders of that epic struggle of 1940-1941.

SENATOR STYLES BRIDGES

"With what did Greece meet these invaders at her borders—these invaders who came in steel-sheeted machines, who dropped death from the skies, who with bomb and bullet spread a holocaust wherever they touched?"

Against these modern terrors what could Greece bring to bear?

Greece threw into the fight the age-old weapons of a people the world had apparently left behind. She threw into the fight the courage which could not be denied. She drew upon the resources of a people free and determined to remain free.

Against the weapons which had conquered Europe she pitted the bodies and blood of her people. "A futile gesture," said the world. Better to accept the terms of the conqueror than to accept the horror and suffering which would be visited upon her people. "Accept the yoke," said the world; you are powerless against these machines and these men." The world spoke from despair, Greece answered from a courage soaring high and stood side by side with England.

"THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION"

The Greeks come bearing a gift. A priceless gift which we need not beware, for it is beyond compare. While we debate in fear and waver in useless longing for peace, the Greeks have shown the world that men still die for freedom, for

a cause, against hopeless odds, knowing that death is inevitable yet preferring it, as Socrates accepted it, before dishonor.

It seems strange in this modern, cynical world of ours to hear of men dying for honor and glory. You have heard of men preferring to live cowards than die heroes—it is symptomatic of our civilization.

These Greeks of a more remote heritage, without material wealth, have proved richer than we thought, for they have kept alive the sacred fire that through the years has burned its beacon to the wayfarer who sought freedom and dignity.

It is hard to die with dignity. But the Greeks have and the Aussies—those big, hulking, laughing, singing, fighting men from down under—and the precise Coldstream Guards and the braw Highlanders have, fighting as only true men can against an overwhelming foe. Beaten back, yes! Slain! But not defeated! There the vast difference."

THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE

"What does it add up to? That was a brave stand by the Greeks. We'll give them a big hand for it. They were fighting for their homes and to save their women from the barbarians. That's what they were doing in their language.

But in our language they were fighting to save American homes and American women. They were fighting, Brother, to save your wife from being turned out at dawn with a whip across her shoulders to labor for a barbarian. Men you never saw, men whose names you could not pronounce if you saw them in the casualty list have stood between you and the concentration camp."

NEW YORK MIRROR

"The Nazis produced a blitzkrieg which is over in 25 days, but only Athens could produce a culture which lasted 25 centuries.

Greece is not dead. Greece never was more alive than at this moment, for it is the historic mission of Greece to prove that wars may be lost, but mankind is not.

Athens, city of monuments, is worthy of her past, and her greatest monument is her resistance to Hitler's future.

Though she lost on the battlefield, she gained her objective. The world knows that Athens understood Hitler and that Hitler, in 30 centuries, could never understand Athens."

NEW YORK TIMES

"One would, if one could, keep silence with bowed and uncovered head before the tragedy and valor of Greece. There are no words worthy of this little people, seven million strong, living in a rough and arid land, who broke the armies of Italy and withstood for a splendid moment the tanks, the airplanes, the artillery and the overwhelming numbers of Nazi Germany.

The barbarians come again, worthless for any trade but war, incompetent in any act but destruction. They are unfit even to tread the dust where Socrates, Plato and Aristotle walked, where Sophocles and Euripides exalted the human soul, where Phidias carved beauty into marble, where Demosthenes cried out freedom, where men listened in wonder to the "surge and thunder of the Odyssey."

Shall we stop to praise Greece, choosing our words carefully, making them beautiful and fitting? There is not time. Let us pay tribute to the Greeks, to all brave soldiers, to all courageous civilians, from the Aegean to the British channel, in decisive acts."

LELAND STOWE IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

"LIBERTY IS LIFE AND DEATH ONLY EPISODE—These words have echoed in my mind ever since. On every sector of the Albanian front, everywhere behind the lines and from Salonika to Thebes and Athens to Patras, I have encountered only one kind of Greek. They are men and women for whom freedom is life and death is only an episode."

NEW YORK TIMES

"In one short month the little Greek nation has broken an evil spell that had long clouded the mind of the democratic world. This was the fatalistic belief, produced by a year of unparalleled disasters and spread by unending propaganda, that more and more setbacks must inevitably befall the cause of human freedom. It had become fashionable among us to expect the worse at all times and to believe that the best could never again occur. The hypnotism of gloom had become as dangerous as the wishful thinking that had preceded it in the pre-war years. We can thank the people and soldiers of Greece for ridding our minds of a foul superstition. It will be the glory of modern Greece in history to have shattered the myth of the invincibility of the Axis and to have given to all free men a new proof of the worth of courage."

**MORRIS RAYMOND IN
BUFFALO COURIER-EXPRESS**

It's many years since mortal men have
made Olympus quake;
Heroic days of long ago have left a dreary
wake.
But what is all the hubbub now upon the
Olympic height?
What makes Apollo turn to Zeus in agi-
tated fright?
"Arise, O Thunderer, and hear the
rumblings down on earth,
The like of which I haven't heard since
Ajax spread his girth.
"Not since Leonidas himself held myriads
at bay
Has Mother Earth put on the show that
Greece puts on today.
"You said that bravery had died with
stout Themistocles.
And that the Glory that was Greece went
out with Pericles.
"But now you'd better watch your step
and look at your acclaim
"See how against unnumbered foes their
courage doth prevail
And now the modern Caesar weeps as all
his hosts turn tail.
"Now may the laurel as of old the victors'
brows adorn
While countless thousands stand amazed
where they had come to scorn."
"You're right," cries Zeus, "I've seen
enough. Let Gods make way for men;
Koritz stands with Marathon and Greece
is born again."

**SPRINGFIELD, MASS.
EVENING UNION
"DEBT TO HELLAS"**

"The whole decent civilized world

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"THE LEGACY OF STRIFE"

By Charles M. Foley

Cyprus from Rebellion to Civil War —

A veteran British journalist, who covered Cyprus for many years, gives a true picture of the situation. The quality of his reporting has been praised as penetrating and well-informed by the London Daily Telegraph.

Background and disputes of situation.
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By George Horton

Published by Bobbs-Merrill Company

An account of Turkish atrocities against Greek population of Asia Minor and especially Smyrna in the 1920-1922 period. Author — was then United States Consul in Smyrna.

Available at National Headquarters for **\$1.75**

owes a debt to Greece it can never repay. As the modern Greeks fight and die for their beloved country, and for democracy, we in America should bear in mind constantly what that debt is.

The very ideal of democracy is derived from the ancient Greeks. Not only in the arts and letters, in drama, philosophy and poetry has Greece given mankind the highest examples. The civilized world still treasures as its most cherished possessions the ruins of the Parthenon, the broken statues of the Venus of Milo, the Victory of Samothrace, the Hermes of Olympia. Not only in the gentler arts of peace have the Greeks set the world an example that no other people have equalled, but in the stern art of war. To this day the strategy of the Trojan horse is quoted and, in a certain sense, imitated. And our blood still stirs at mention of Salamis and Thermopylae.

Today Greece battles, with the old heroic spirit, a would-be conqueror. The Hellas of 1940 is face to face with an enemy that would erase her as a free and independent country, and reduce her people to serfdom. The world watches with amazement, admiration and hope as this gallant people prove worthy of their great tradition.

**FORT WORTH, TEXAS
MORNING STAR-TELEGRAM
"THE GLORY THAT IS GREECE"**

"The small and by no means powerful Greek nation already has won a lasting name in modern history by transforming an Italian invasion of Greece into an inglorious rout of the well-equipped, mechanized Fascist war machine. The message

which heroic Finland and Poland offered to a deaf Europe was received emphatically by the Greeks.

Before Greece dared risk war, nothing but inglorious surrender and appeasement had met the Axis Powers in their march over practically all of Continental Europe. Excepting the Poles, the others gave up without much struggle. Even the French prolonged resistance only because they had a greater space for retreat.

Whatever the final outcome of the conflict in Albania, the Greeks have exploded the myth of Axis invincibility and have exemplified the true worth of courage. That is the glory of modern Greece, which finds a place with the achievements of an immortal past."

**THE COMMONWEALTH
CATHOLIC WEEKLY**

"Yes, hats off to the Greeks! They fight when others seek appeasement. They fight, I like to think, because they are Christians, because they have a sense of human rights and dignity, because they appreciate their providential mission. As their pagan forefathers were the spearhead of Europe against Persian despotism, and as their Christian ancestors were the shield of developing Christendom against the ravages of Islamic tyranny, so the Christian Greeks of today may well be proud of winning their first military successes against the supreme tyranny and despotism, that of neo-pagan totalitarianism. The result again may be a long-drawn-out agony. But the Greek nation, being Christian, believes in resurrection. It will survive.

**MAKARIOS' GIFT
TO KING OF GREECE**

ATHENS, GREECE, Sept. 17.—The President of Cyprus, Archbishop Makarios offered today to King Constantine and future wife Princess Anna Maria, as a wedding gift, a silver platter upon which was inscribed the words "Happy Life to you both and with Greek Cyprus under your sceptre."

Two female facial images decorated the silver platter, representing Greece and Cyprus, under the frieze (band) which carries the Royal Greek buckle.



The right of self-determination for all peoples was first promulgated by our great President, Woodrow Wilson right after World War I. It has since been one of the cornerstones of American foreign policy. Recently, and since World War II our country has supported self-determination for all the nations in Africa and Asia. Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower and the late, martyred and beloved John F. Kennedy, both as President and Senator, were in the forefront of American efforts to implement and effectuate this policy.

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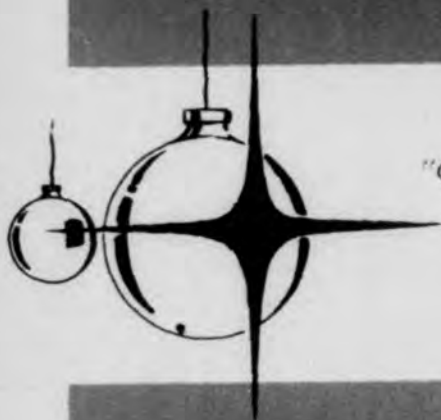


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*"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace,
good will toward men."*



Your Supreme Lodge extends to all officers and members of the Ahepa Family warmest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

At this season, all men should reflect upon their works and deeds of the passing year, as well as upon their hopes and aspirations for the coming year. We can prayerfully count our blessings, and thank the Lord for the bountiful life which He has made for us, and for the good will we hold towards our fellow man.

The saddened man may inwardly reflect that there was much yet undone in the service that he could have given to his fellow man, but which he failed to offer.

The happy man may give blessings for the opportunity given him to render service and help to his fellow man; and may already be thinking of more help and assistance that he can render in the year to come.

The Order of Ahepa and the Ahepa Family is a dedicated association of men and women established to help our fellow man in whatever ways and means are within our ability.

All of us share the same charitable feelings towards not only our members of the Ahepa Family, but also towards all others.

Nicholas J. Chirekos
NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
Supreme President



OUR COVER. In a Holiday atmosphere of Christmas Caroling, the four leaders of the Ahepa Family pause in their busy schedule to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year. From left to right, Ahepa Supreme President Nicholas Chirekos, Daughters of Penelope Grand President Josie Chase, Sons of Pericles Supreme President Nick George and Maids of Athena Grand President Kathy Halkias. The Publication Board and Editorial Staff of the Ahepan join in with the Ahepa Family leaders in extending to everyone the best Holiday Greetings.

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Notes from the EDITOR

The Christmas Holiday season finds AHEPA in the midst of excitement and anticipation, with three projects uppermost in the minds of the entire Ahepa Domain. The Membership Drive, the Cyprus Question and the 1965 Ahepa Convention in Athens.

Membership Drive

The Special Membership Drive that began last October and will last until December 31 of this year, was opened by Supreme President Nicholas Chirekos with his message of "INITIATE AND REINSTATE," calling upon every one and particularly the officers of the Chapters to enlist in this crusade.

For carrying out this program, Supreme President Chirekos designated Supreme Vice President Kimon Doukas to be in charge of the Drive. Brother Doukas has since travelled extensively throughout all of the country, with enthusiastic reports about the dedication of the Brothers and Sisters to the cause of Ahepa. A detailed account of Brother Doukas' visitations appears in this issue.

Cyprus Committee

With the Special Cyprus Issue of the Ahepan last month, the Cyprus Committee under the able leadership of Past Supreme President John G. Thevos, put forth in documentary form the over one hundred and seventy five statements of U. S. Senators, Congressmen and other Government officials, expressing their favorable reaction to the efforts of Ahepa for Self-Determination for the island of Cyprus. It also projected the official stand of the Committee on this issue, with some recommendations as to the ultimate solution of it. The distribution of the Cyprus Issue of the Ahepan was carried beyond the membership to U. S. Senators, Congressmen and other Government officials, U. N. Representatives and Delegates, Government officials and institutes of learning in Greece and Cyprus, Universities and Libraries in the United States and others.

It is our fervent hope that the Ahepan Cyprus Issue will fill a long overdue need in the area of enlightenment and guidance towards understanding the real issues of the Cyprus Question not only among the Greek people, but especially among our fellow Americans, who have been the victims of misinformation and distortion of the truth since the outbreak of the hostilities on the island. It is also our wish and hope that it will make a contribution towards the final and just settlement of the question.

1965 Athens Convention

The Athens Convention Committee, under the Chairmanship of Trustees Chairman Socrates Sekles and Supreme President Chirekos, has just returned from a nine day stay in Athens, where they conferred with Greek Government Officials and Mrs. Kay Boussiou, Vice Chairman of the Convention Executive Committee in Greece.

Preliminary plans and tentative Flight Schedules for the Convention are described by the Committee in this issue. The delay in making this information available was because of the Committee's efforts to iron out all questionable points, to avoid embarrassment and delays to the members.

Meanwhile, the interest and anticipation of the Ahepa Family members throughout the country has been mounting, and indications are that participation in the Convention will surpass all expectations. Make sure you make your plans early to be part of this great "return trip" to mother Hellas.

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ATHENS CONVENTION



Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos leaving for Greece to finalize plans for Supreme Convention to be held in Athens, Greece.



Prime Minister Pappandreu with Supreme President Chirekos.



Mrs. Kay Boussiou of Athens, Greece, Vice-Chairman of the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention Executive Committee.

The 1965 Athens Convention will take place on August 7-13, 1965. Judging by the number who have already made reservations and the inquiries received, this Convention will be a tremendous success.

Since the Convention is being held at the high tourist season, we had great difficulties in securing scheduled air line jet space, but we have succeeded. Every plane is hired by the Ahepa. Each plane seats 162 passengers. In order to get the price per ticket as low as possible, we must fill each and every plane.

If the planes are not filled, the Ahepa would have to absorb the loss for the empty seats. Ahepa can't afford to do that. It is, therefore, up to the officers in each section to see to it that each plane is filled so that we will not have to cancel any flights.

In the schedule below you will see the cities, the dates of departure and return and the prices for 50 chartered flights tentatively scheduled.

Other cities whose names do not appear in the schedule of charter flights will most likely use at least one flight. It is up to the National, District and Chapter officers in cities and areas such as Cleveland, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Miami, Montreal, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Toronto, etc. to find out:

- (1) whether they can fill one or more planes
- (2) whether they can agree on a four, six, eight or more weeks charter

We have come to the point where promises and good intentions are not enough. Those that desire to go must put up a \$50.00 deposit now and pay the rest of the fare at least 90 days before the date of departure.

If, let's say, Denver wants an eight week flight, they must get 162 prospective passengers who will sign an application with the Ahepa Transportation Committee and include a deposit of \$50.00 from each applicant. We will then guarantee Denver such a flight. We will do likewise for any other city which can fill a plane.

Applications or other inquiries should be made directly to the:

Ahepa Transportation Committee
Post Office Box 294
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138



Trustees Chairman Sekies with Prime Minister Pappandreu and Supreme President Chirekos.

Our Committees are working on the program and details of the Convention in Greece. They are also scheduling tours of Greece and the Islands and various affairs in Macedonia, Laconia, Arcadia and the rest of the provinces in Greece. We will publish all this information well in advance.

Remember that every person who wishes to go by Charter at the low prices secured for Ahepa Charter Flights must be an Ahepan, a Daughter, a Son of Pericles or a Maid of Athena.

Ahepans and Daughters may take their wives or husbands or their parents who reside with them and, of course, their minor children. CAB and IATA made this rule and enforce it. We can't change it or deviate from it.

As you have been previously informed, Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids who desire to go on the Charter Flight must have been members at least six months prior to application. If you have any questions on this write directly to the Ahepa Transportation Committee.

You will note that the prices vary according to the time of departure and date of return depending on the high or low season.

In addition to the price of the ticket, each participant of the Supreme Convention will pay the Order of Ahepa a \$15.00 Registration Fee. The affairs and privileges for the \$15.00 Registration Fee will be indicated later. The \$15.00 Registration Fee must be paid at the time of the payment for the ticket.

Program Plans Announced by Supreme President Chirekos and Chairman Sekles

by George J. Leber, Executive Secretary

Following their return from Greece in late November, Supreme President Chirekos and Chairman Sekles announced that the major portion of the program for the 1965 Athens Supreme Convention had been completed. The program of events will be found in this issue of *The Ahepan*.

Headed by Supreme President Chirekos and Chairman Sekles, our group left New York's John F. Kennedy Airport at 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17, on El Al Israel Airline's 707 Jet to Athens. Vice-Chairman James Mazarakos, Administrative Assistant X. K. Microoutsicos, and the writer completed the group of five. Past Supreme President John G. Thevos, Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, Past Supreme President Nicholas Coffinas, Charles Drewes, and others met us at the airport prior to departure, to see us off.

After a pleasant and restful flight, we were met at the Athens airport by the University Travel Company's representatives in Greece, by El Al Airlines manager, and members of the Athens Ahepa Chapter, headed by George Andrew, president.

During the next 14 days, official visits and conferences were held with key members of the Greek government, and banks, for confirmation and completion of the Athens Supreme Convention Program. These included: Prime Minister Pappandreu; Under-Secretary to the Prime Minister Mylonas; Dr. Marcoglou, Special Adviser to the Minister to the Prime Minister; Elias Constat, Director of Conventions; American Ambassador Henry R. Labouisse; Director Diamantopoulos of the Royal National Institute; Minister of Foreign Affairs Costopoulos; Secretary General Papaefstratou of the National Tourist Organization; Chairman Zolotas of the Bank of Greece; Chairman Mavros of the National Bank of Greece; Director General of Press Cavounidis; Director of Hellenism Abroad B. Phokas; Efthymios Pylas, Section Manager of the National Tourist Organization; Paul Hadjithomas of the Conventions Bureau Section; and many others.

Sessions were held with Mrs. Kay Boussiou, Vice-Chairman of the Convention Executive Committee, and her Daughters Committee, throughout the 14 days. Also, we secured the cooperation of the United States Information Service in Athens on convention matters.

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Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos, Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees Socrates Sekles, Past Supreme Treasurer Xenophon Microoutsicos, Vice Chairman of the Supreme Board of Trustees James Mazarakos, Executive Secretary George J. Leber went to Athens, Greece to finalize plans for the Athens Convention. A delegation of Ahepans led by Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, Empire District Governor Angelo Petromelis, Past Supreme President John Thevos, George Rodis of Queensboro Chapter, Andy Soter of Paterson, N. J. District Reporter Charles J. Drewes. Shown, left to right are: Petromelis, Mazarakos, Chirekos, Cherevas, Sekles and Microoutsicos.



Left to right: Executive Secretary George J. Leber; Dr. Emmanuel E. Marcoglou, Special Adviser to the Minister to the Prime Minister; Trustees Vice-Chairman James Mazarakos; Trustees Chairman Socrates V. Sekles; Prime Minister Pappandreu; Supreme President Nicholas J. Chirekos; Administrative Assistant X. K. Microoutsicos; Mr. Hourdakos of the Royal National Institute.



Mrs. Kay Boussiou, Vice-Chairman of the Athens Convention Executive Committee, and her Committee members are shown with Executive Secretary George J. Leber and Administrative Assistant X. K. Microoutsicos at the Thanksgiving Day display in the lobby of the Athens Hilton Hotel. Committee members are: Mrs. Ismene Canellopoulou, Mrs. Helen Canellopoulou, Miss Tina Potamiannou, Mrs. Helen Tranta, Mrs. Kay Babakou, Mrs. Hanna.

Sites, programs, plans and the necessary details for planning a convention of this size were laid out and agreements reached on most of the major items. The officials with whom Supreme President Chirekos, Chairman Sekles and the rest of our group met showed us every consideration, courtesy and cooperation.

After the major meetings and sessions had been completed, Supreme President Chirekos, Chairman Sekles and Vice-Chairman Mazarakos left for the United States on November 25. Brother Microusticos and I stayed on to work out other details. Mrs. Boussiou was with us almost constantly, neglecting her own personal affairs to offer service to the Ahepa. The Ahepa Family is deeply indebted to her for the extraordinary amount of work and effort Sister Boussiou has already put into this convention.

Since this was my first visit to Greece, as an American of Greek descent from parents born in Greece, I was continually asked "What do you think of Athens?"

From my first view of the city from the air, until departure 14 days later, I was continuously amazed at the spirit, emotional warmth and splendor of this ancient and modern city.

Wherever we went and whoever we met, our reception was not only gracious and warm, but even extraordinary in the extent to which we were received. This occurred in government offices, banks, hotels, restaurants, and private offices.

While downtown Athens is a continuous modern-day bustle of humanity and automobiles, the majestic and ancient splendor of the Acropolis, the Pnyx, the Areopagus, Mt. Lycabettus, and the mountains surrounding Athens, makes the entire scene almost unreal.

Every second generation American of Greek descent has read about Athens and Greece. This was true in my own case, and I felt that there was little I didn't know about the city through my reading and through discussions with those who had visited Athens. But, the experience of working in Athens for 14 days was more than even I had bargained for.

The setting of the city, between sea and mountain, is a scene that you can't forget. The millions of words that have been written about Athens can't begin to describe the spell and effect that the city casts on your first view, and which stays with you throughout your visit.

Our convention headquarters, The Athens Hilton, is one of the most beautiful hotels in the world. The city has scores of fine hotels, in every price range. The same holds true for restaurants, and the visitor can find a place to eat in almost any price range, to fit his pocket-book. Bus service is excellent. Taxi fares are inexpensive, according to American

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

THE 43rd SUPREME CONVENTION — — ATHENS, GREECE

Order of Ahepa, Daughters of Penelope
Sons of Pericles, Maids of Athena

AUGUST 7-13, 1965

Convention Headquarters: The Athens Hilton Hotel

(Brief Schedule of Events — Detailed information in later issues)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6:	WELCOME PARTY — 6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 7:	<i>First Business Sessions</i> , Athens Hilton Hotel Starting at 9 a.m. (Business Sessions of the Ahepa and Auxiliaries will start daily at 9 a.m. and conclude around 2 p.m., or as the schedule of business demands — Sessions will be held daily from Saturday through Friday, except on Sunday) OFFICIAL OPENING —at The Pnyx—near the Acropolis—under the stars—gates open at 6:30 p.m.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 8:	Morning Church Services at the Cathedral After Services, Ahepa Procession to Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Monument to American Philhellenes 8:00 p.m. — Ahepa Festival at Stadium
MONDAY, AUGUST 9:	8:00 p.m. — Ahepa Glendi
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10:	8:00 p.m. — Social Function
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11:	1:00 p.m. — Daughters Fashion Show and Luncheon
THURSDAY, AUGUST 12:	8:50 p.m. — Grand Banquet 10:00 p.m. — The Grand Ball and Debutantes Presentation
FRIDAY, AUGUST 13:	10:00 p.m. — Farewell Dance and Installation of Supreme and Grand Lodge Officers

NOTE: Announcements will be made later of other functions and events to be held during the Convention Week — with detailed information of the program for each event, as to place, site, and the actual program. The program will include Sightseeing, Luncheons, Receptions, a 15-day Youth Program following the closing of the convention, Tours, etc. Watch for this information in later issues of *The Ahepan*.

standards. Prices in hotels and restaurants run from inexpensive and bargain rates, up to luxury class. Hotel schedules and prices will be outlined in detail in the next issue of *The Ahepan*.

The city of Athens and the country of Greece look forward to our 1965 Supreme Convention, to welcome back those members of the Ahepa Family who were born in Greece, and to extend an even warmer welcome to those of us who are American or Canadian-born, and who have never seen the land of our fathers, or grandfathers. There's little doubt but that our convention in Athens in 1965 will be Ahepa's finest Supreme Convention. Your Supreme Lodge and Supreme Board of Trustees and the government of Greece have made extensive plans to make this possible. If you plan to attend, send in your reservations at once.

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AHEPA CONVENTION IN ATHENS

August 7-13, 1965

TENTATIVE FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Zones 1, 2 and 3 announce the tentative list of dates and prices for the proposed charter flights to the AHEPA Convention in 1965.

No. of Days	Date of Departure	Date of Return	Rate Per Person	No. of Days	Date of Departure	Date of Return	Rate Per Person					
From: CHICAGO (Zone 2 — Members Only)				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
*184	Sunday	MAR. 28	Monday	SEP. 27	\$290.	*184	Tuesday	MAR. 30	Wednesday	SEP. 29	\$260.	
113	Friday	JUNE 4	Friday	SEP. 24	\$329.	*(FLIGHT INCLUDES EASTER AND CONVENTION)						
86	Friday	JUNE 18	Saturday	SEP. 11	\$369.	113	Friday	JUNE 4	Friday	SEP. 24	\$289.	
57	Friday	JULY 2	Friday	AUG. 27	\$439.	84	Saturday	JUNE 5	Friday	AUG. 27	\$355.	
43	Sunday	JULY 18	Sunday	AUG. 29	\$399.	104	Friday	JUNE 11	Wednesday	SEP. 22	\$289.	
29	Tuesday	JULY 27	Tuesday	AUG. 24	\$399.	91	Friday	JUNE 11	Thursday	SEP. 9	\$355.	
29	Friday	JULY 30	Friday	AUG. 27	\$399.	111	Saturday	JUNE 12	Thursday	SEP. 30	\$289.	
22	Friday	JULY 30	Friday	AUG. 20	\$399.	83	Thursday	JUNE 17	Thursday	SEP. 7	\$389.	
43	Sunday	AUG. 1	Sunday	SEP. 12	\$329.	83	Friday	JUNE 18	Wednesday	SEP. 8	\$389.	
From: BOSTON (Zone 1 — Members Only)				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
85	Friday	JUNE 25	Friday	SEP. 17	\$319.	85	Saturday	JUNE 19	Saturday	SEP. 11	\$319.	
57	Saturday	JULY 17	Saturday	SEP. 11	\$289.	86	Thursday	JUNE 24	Friday	SEP. 17	\$319.	
29	Wednesday	JULY 28	Wednesday	AUG. 25	\$355.	57	Friday	JUNE 25	Friday	AUG. 20	\$389.	
From: ATLANTA (Zone 1 — Members Only)				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
57	Saturday	JULY 17	Saturday	SEP. 11	\$329.	43	Monday	JULY 19	Monday	AUG. 30	\$355.	
43	Thursday	JULY 22	Thursday	SEP. 2	\$399.	56	Wednesday	JULY 21	Tuesday	SEP. 14	\$289.	
30	Thursday	JULY 29	Friday	AUG. 27	\$399.	42	Saturday	JULY 24	Monday	SEP. 3	\$355.	
From: LOS ANGELES (Zone 3 — Members Only)				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
64	Friday	JULY 2	Friday	SEP. 3	\$575.	43	Sunday	JULY 25	Sunday	SEP. 5	\$355.	
57	Friday	JULY 23	Friday	SEP. 17	\$425.	21	Saturday	JULY 31	Friday	AUG. 20	\$355.	
29	Monday	JULY 26	Monday	AUG. 23	\$525.	21	Monday	AUG. 2	Sunday	AUG. 22	\$355.	
27	Saturday	JULY 31	Thursday	AUG. 26	\$525.	15	Tuesday	AUG. 3	Tuesday	AUG. 17	\$355.	
From: MONTREAL (Zone 1 — Members Only)				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
43	Friday	JULY 23	Friday	SEP. 3	\$359.	43	Wednesday	AUG. 4	Wednesday	SEP. 15	\$289.	
				From: NEW YORK (Zone 1 — Members Only)								
				26				Friday	AUG. 6	Tuesday	AUG. 31	\$355.
				13				Friday	AUG. 6	Wednesday	AUG. 18	\$355.
				27				Saturday	AUG. 7	Thursday	SEP. 2	\$355.
								(Very early departure)				
				14				Saturday	AUG. 7	Friday	AUG. 20	\$355.
								(Very early departure)				

POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL DEPARTURES

From: CHICAGO (Zone 2 — Members Only)				From: DETROIT (Zone 2 — Members Only)			
14	AUG. 3	AUG. 17	\$399.	29	JULY 27	AUG. 24	\$389.
58	JULY 20	SEP. 16	\$329.	58	JULY 20	SEP. 16	\$315.
From: PITTSBURGH (Zone 1 — Members Only)							
29	JULY 30	AUG. 27	\$375.				
56	JULY 21	SEP. 14	\$307.				

Further information will be mailed to all members shortly. Meanwhile, plan your summer with your family attending the AHEPA Convention and visiting Greece.



Andy Panos,
Supreme Athletic
Director

Born in Gary, Indiana, Andy Panos is a graduate of Froebel High School. After joining the Arrowhead Chapter in San Bernardino, California, he later moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he served the Bonnevillie Chapter as Secretary and became the first President of the merged chapters. Served the 19th district as Lt. Governor, and as District Governor.

Graduated from the United Merchandising Institute of Kansas City, Mo., Jack Lacey's Sales Clinic. Member of the National Food Brokers Association, and Salt Lake Food Brokers Association. He is currently co-owner of a Salt Lake food brokerage firm covering the states of Utah, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming

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SONS OF PERICLES NATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD

Supreme President Chirekos announces the following appointments to the Sons of Pericles Advisory Board:

William Darnaskov, of Gary, Ind., Chairman; X. K. Macrousticos, Trenton, N. J.; Frank Manta, Chicago, Illinois; Nicholas L. Strike, Salt Lake City, Utah; James S. Scalfield, St. Petersburg, Fla.; and George J. Brotsis, Burbank, Calif.

and Oregon, with offices in Salt Lake City, Utah, Boise, Idaho and Provo, Idaho.

He resides with his wife Margaret in Salt Lake City, Utah, where he is active in church, community and civic affairs.



Past District Governor Charles J. Panagopoulos being presented plaque from the Supreme Lodge by Past Supreme President Nicholas Coffinas, in recognition of his service as Chairman of the Toronto Supreme Convention. From left: Supreme Governor Charles M. Georgeson, Past Supreme President Peter L. Bell, Panagopoulos, and Coffinas.

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PROGRESS REPORT FROM THE SUPREME PRESIDENT

Upon returning from Athens, Greece, where he attended the Greek Royal Wedding at the invitation of the Greek Government together with Mrs. Chirekos and Mr. and Mrs. Socrates Sekles, Supreme President Chirekos began his visitations with attending a District-wide meeting of Dist. #5 in New Brunswick, N. J., where with Bro. John G. Thevos, Chairman of the Ahepa National Committee on Cyprus, he spoke of the Cyprus Campaign and Ahepa's efforts in behalf of Self-Determination for the embattled island. The 1965 Athens Supreme Convention and the balance of the Ahepa Program for the year were also discussed.

On Sept. 26, 27 and 28, the Supreme President presided over the Supreme Lodge meetings, where an Agenda covering some 25 subjects was discussed. The Supreme Board of Trustees also met during this period, alone and in joint session. Among the subjects discussed were the Cyprus Question, the 1965 Athens Convention, Group Insurance, Ahepa Properties and others.

Members of the Supreme Lodge were assigned the following projects and programs for this year, for action and survey:

- Sup. Vice-Pres. Doukas —
Membership and Visitations
- Sup. Sec. Cherevas —
Educational Program and Scholarships
- Sup. Treas. Rakus —
Finances

- Sup. Counsellor Stratigos —
Legal Matters and Opinions
- Sup. Vice-Pres. of Canada Liaskos —
Canadian Jurisdiction
- Sup. Gov. Georgeson —
Survey of Chapter Awards
- Sup. Gov. Cardiges —
Survey of Ahepa Homes and Temples
- Sup. Gov. Poolitsan —
Survey of Chapter Fraternal Activities
- Sup. Gov. County —
History of the Ahepa
- Sup. Gov. Poulos —
Survey of Ahepa Membership
- Sup. Gov. Holmes —
Survey of Chapter Civic Projects and Programs
- Sup. Ath. Director Panos —
Athletic Program

Following the Supreme Lodge Meetings, because of Ahepa's leading role in the Cyprus Question, a special briefing session was held by the Under Secretary of State, George W. Ball, on Monday Sept. 29. Attending were: Supreme President Chirekos, Trustees Chairman Sekles, Sup. V. Pres. Doukas, P.S.P. John G. Thevos, Chairman National Ahepa Committee on Cyprus, P.S.P. Peter L. Bell, Secretary of the Committee, Grand President of Daughters Josie L. Chase, Public Relations Director Alfred G. Vonetes.

On Sept. 29, the entire Supreme Lodge with Trustees Chairman Sekles were received by President Johnson at the White House. At the same time the Grand

Lodge of the Daughters of Penelope, headed by Grand President Chase, visited Lynda Bird Johnson, the President's daughter at the White House, where they presented her with an ancient Greek coin in appreciation of her attendance of the Royal Wedding in Athens, representing the President.

On the afternoon of Monday 28, the Supreme President attended an open meeting of the Ahepa Family of New York City with more than 300 persons in attendance. The program of Ahepa for the year was presented to the gathering and was received enthusiastically, especially the 1965 Ahepa Convention in Athens.

As per decisions arrived at in the meetings of Washington, a Special Cyprus Issue of the Ahepan Magazine was prepared in November, which was mailed to many thousands of our fellow Americans with the avowed objective to document the true facts and issues which affect the peace of the Eastern Mediterranean and the entire world.

On November 24, Supreme President Chirekos with Trustees Chairman Socrates Sekles, Trustees Vice Chairman Mazarakos, Administrative Assistant Xenophon Mircoutsios and Executive Secretary George J. Leber, departed for Athens, Greece to finalize plans for the 1965 Ahepa Convention in Athens. The final details of these plans will be announced in the next issue of the Ahepan.

AHEPA NATIONAL ATHLETIC BOARD

Following the Supreme Lodge meetings of Sept. 26-27, Supreme President Chirekos announced the appointment of the following to the Ahepa National Athletic Board.

Thomas C. Yeotis of Flint, Mich., has been appointed as Chairman of the Athletic Board, which is under the supervision of the Supreme Athletic Director, Andy Panos of Salt Lake City, Utah. Other members of the Board are: Andrew Fassers, Chicago, Ill.; Daniel J. Paul, Clinton, Mass.; Nicholas T. Laskaris, Lansing, Mich.; John Paulos, Tucson, Ariz.; Alex Boyras, Shreveport, La. Tommie Sotirou of Salt Lake City, Utah is the Administrative Assistant to Supreme Athletic Director Andy Panos.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CYPRUS COMMITTEE

"The Blight of Asia" by George Horton.

This is an eyewitness account of the Turkish destruction and massacre of Smyrna in 1922, written by the then American Consul in that city, George Horton.

Although some 4,000 copies of this book are being distributed to public officials and news media throughout the country, we ask that your Chapter give further assistance in the distribution of this book by ordering and purchasing

copies to be handed out to prominent citizens of your own community.

Your Chapter may purchase these books through our Supreme Lodge Headquarters. The cost is \$2.00 each. We have a supply on hand to fill your orders. Please send check or money order with your request for needed copies.

We strongly feel that a wide distribution of this book will aid greatly in strengthening the position and situation of the Greeks in Cyprus. Your assistance in this matter will be gratefully appreciated.

SEND IN YOUR CHAPTER'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE
CYPRUS COMMITTEE

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SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE REPORT

by Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Doukas



On September 15, Supreme President Chirekos advised all our chapters and districts that a Special Membership Drive was to commence October 1st to continue until December 31, 1964. During these three months, he directed that all our efforts be concentrated on initiations and reinstatements to effect the largest membership drive in the history of our beloved Order. He asked me to take charge of these activities and to try to visit as many chapters and districts as was possible under the circumstances. Accordingly, I embarked upon a series of visitations lasting from September 24 to October 10 the first time, and from November 4 to 18, the second time. What follows is my Progress Report on these two series of visitations with some comments thereon for your further action and guidance.

SEPTEMBER 24 to OCTOBER 10, 1964

1. New Brunswick, N. J. September 24, 1964

A district-wide assembly of the entire Ahepa family was held under the auspices of District Lodge #5, headed by Governor Papanou, Supreme President Chirekos, Supreme Secretary Cherevas, Past Supreme President Thevos and the writer addressed the assembly on various phases of the Order. This was the first concrete indication that a large number of members intended to attend our forthcoming Athens Convention August 7-14, 1965.

2. Washington, D. C. September 25-28, 1964

The members of the Supreme Lodge under Supreme President Chirekos, and the members of the Supreme Board of Trustees under Chairman Sekles, along with the Auxiliaries, assembled in Washington for their Fall meeting. A full agenda was considered and plans were

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Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Doukas, who enthusiastically accepted to head the Special Membership Drive, deserves my personal thanks and those of the entire fraternity for the exemplary way he has proceeded to cover as many chapters and districts as possible throughout the entire domain attending and assisting in mass initiations and promoting the Growth and Expansion Program of Ahepa.

NICHOLAS J. CHIREKOS
SUPREME PRESIDENT

approved for the current year 1964-1965. There were in attendance a large number of past Supreme Lodge officers and other brothers, including past Supreme Presidents Voumas, Thevos, Bell, Verinis, Loucas, Coffinas, Margoles and Plumides.

We were briefed by the State Department, called on the President of the United States and were received by the Greek Ambassador.

3. Pittsburgh, Penna. September 29, 1964

In company with Supreme Governor Cardiges, I proceeded to Pittsburgh, where the officers and members of Aristoteles Chapter No. 34 held an informal dinner followed by a regular meeting, attended by past Supreme President Loucas and members of Washington Chapter No. 156. The arrangements were made by past Supreme Secretary Louis Manesiotis and past President Giannopoulos.

4. Columbus, Ohio September 30, 1964

My next stop was in the city of Daughters Grand President Chase. Tom Chase had arranged an informal dinner and an initiation of ten new members performed by a special degree team headed by Supreme Governor Poolitsan. The entire District Lodge headed by Governor Pitanis of Lexington, Ky. attended.

5. Indianapolis, Indiana October 1, 1964

Both District Lodge headed by Governor Sofios and Chapter officers headed by President Hart performed an initiation of nine new members. Past Supreme Secretary Smyrnis made all the arrangements and also hosted both at the hotel and in his home your Supreme Vice-President and the members of the District Lodge.

6. Kansas City, Kansas October 2-4, 1964

The officers and members of Oil District No. 15 held their annual Governor's Ball. All arrangements were made by a special committee from Chapter No. 372 headed by past Supreme Governor William Karnaze. There were conferences by both Ahepans and their Auxiliaries, church services and a banquet attended by



INDIANAPOLIS, IND. — Pictured above during Supreme Vice President Doukas visit to Indianapolis are, seated left to right: Dist. 12 Governor Peter T. Sofios, Sup. Vice President Kimon A. Doukas and Lt. Gov. William Damaskos. Standing left to right: Nick Jannetides, Dist. Secretary, newly initiated Steve Stevens and John Thanos, Dist. Treasurer.

the Mayor and followed by a Ball in honor of District Governor Jamson. A special drive for scholarship funds and new members was announced.

7. St. Louis, Missouri October 5, 1964

A special initiation of ten new members was held by Chapter No. 53. The degree team was headed by past president William Dillas, who also made the arrangements. It included past Supreme Governor Sam Nakis.



INDIANAPOLIS, IND. — Newly initiated Brother Steve Stevens responds to the enthusiastic remarks on Cyprus by Brother Doukas, with a generous contribution to the Cyprus Committee.

8. Chicago, Illinois

October 6, 1964

The District Lodge of District #13, headed by Governor Peter Boznos, had arranged a mass initiation city-wide, of 42 new members. They will eventually form a new chapter to be organized in Chicago as Central Chapter No. 423, as soon as the total membership reaches 75 or more.

9. Detroit, Michigan

October 7, 1964

There was a special meeting held by Alpha Chapter #40 at which all aspects of current Ahepa activity were discussed. It was attended by delegations from Flint, Dearborn, Pontiac, and members of Detroit #371 and Ypsilanti #118 of Toledo, the latter headed by Supreme Governor County, Jr. The arrangements were made by District Governor Yeotis and past Supreme Governor George.

10. Cleveland, Ohio

October 8, 1964

Likewise, there was a special meeting held at the Ahepa Home. Six inactive members were duly reinstated. President Gatsos was in charge of the arrangements. There were in attendance Supreme Governors Cardiges and County, Jr., and past Supreme Secretary Manesiotis and Counsellor Manos.

NOVEMBER 4 to 18, 1964

1. Chicago, Illinois

November 4, 1964

Again the District Lodge under the energetic direction of Governor Peter Boznos made arrangements for a second initiation of new members into the new chapter to be organized. The Special degree team of Hammond Ind. was invited to perform the ceremony. It was admirably done. Eight new members were initiated. Supreme President Chirekos made his first official appearance and outlined the program of his administration, which was very well received by a large attendance.

2. Milwaukee, Wisconsin

November 5, 1964

In company with the entire District Lodge headed by Governor Boznos of District #13, we went to Milwaukee where a combined meeting of both Ahepans and Daughters was held at the Ahepa Temple. President Helios was in charge. I was struck by the fact that there were no young people in attendance or serving as officers of the chapter. After the meeting we were richly entertained by past President Kondos at his palatial home.

3. Denver, Colorado

November 6, 1964

There was a large informal dinner attended by both Ahepans and Daughters, followed by a combined meeting at the Ahepa Temple, owned and operated by

Denver Chapter #145, whose young President Lee Rallis leaves nothing undone for the success of his chapter. This is a well appointed club where gatherings and meetings of all sorts take place. There were in attendance the District Lodge headed by Governor Sam Ellis, Trustee P. Dikeou, past Supreme Governors Gatsos and J. Dikeou; also delegations from Cheyenne #211, Casper #159, Denver #360 and #385, Rock Springs #181 and Sheridan #274.

4. Salt Lake City, Utah

November 7-8, 1964

This was a most delightful week-end spent in the company of loyal and dedicated Ahepans and their families. All arrangements were made by Supreme Athletic Director Panos and Chapter President Nicolatus. We visited the press, and called upon Mayor J. Braken Lee and County Chairman C. W. "Buck" Brady. Past Supreme Lodge officer and trustee Chris Athas arranged a reception at his home. The combined meeting was attended by past Supreme Vice-President Marthakis, whose young son has already made his mark with the Salt Lake City Bar. He is now moving higher as assistant of the Attorney General whose election was successfully managed by past district governor Tom Sotiriou. A special organizational meeting of the Maids of Athena was held at the home of Nick Strike, past Supreme President of the Sons, attended by Supreme Governor Louis Strike of the Sons. After church services a special luncheon was held attended by both Ahepans and Daughters.

5. Oakland, California

November 9, 1964

There was a special banquet held under the auspices of Oakland Chapter #171 attended by a very large number of past officers from the surrounding area. All arrangements were made by past Supreme Treasurer Bezaitis. Past District Governor Cardiasmenos acted as toastmaster. Both surpassed themselves. District Governor Mountanos attended with members of his district Lodge. All who could afford the time went afterwards to the home of Brother Bezaitis where more entertainment followed.

6. Sacramento, California

November 10, 1964

Another banquet was organized by our Sacramento #153 Ahepans and Daughters at the tremendous El Prado Restaurant owned and operated by past Supreme Vice-President George E. Johnson. Chapter President Rotas acted as toastmaster. Again this was followed by a reception at Brother Johnson's beautiful home. Large delegations from Oakland, San Francisco and surrounding areas headed by Governor Mountanos and past Supreme Lodge officers Bezaitis, Berdalis and Kaplanis attended both events.

7. San Francisco, California

November 11, 1964

A combined initiation was held for new members proposed by the two San Francisco chapters #150 and #255. The degree team headed by past president Chris Capon performed faultlessly. It was followed by an open meeting with the Daughters of Penelope, headed by past Grand President Tamaras and District Governor Olympia Thames. There were also in attendance Governor Mountanos, past Supreme Lodge officers Bezaitis, Berdalis and Kaplanis and City Supervisor Peter Tamaras. Former Mayor Christopher was out of town.

8. Seattle, Washington

November 12, 1964

There was a special dinner attended by a very large gathering, including 11 prospective members as guests of the chapter. This is a unique practice by the Seattle chapter as a gesture of goodwill toward those who contemplate joining our ranks. The arrangements were made by Vice-President Dino Martin, in charge of membership. Supreme Treasurer Rakus acted as official host, with past Supreme Governor Lentgis and District Governor Kostakos with his district lodge and many past district governors in attendance.

9. Vancouver, Canada

November 13, 1964

In company with Supreme Treasurer Rakus and Lt. Governor Cotiom, we motored to this beautiful city where past Supreme Governor Kogos has changed the whole side of a mountain facing the sea into a unique open sky museum with a replica of the Parthenon and many statues of antiquity. Following an informal dinner we held a combined open meeting at the church hall, which serves as Ahepa meeting place. Chapter President Bonnis was in charge.

10. Portland, Oregon

November 14, 1964

An informal dinner was held with the leaders of the chapter, most of them past district governors: Dr. Sigris, Dr. Chikos, John Danus, John Raptor, and four-term president young George Flesas. Aside from other matters discussed, the burning question of the unwillingness of the younger generation to join and share chapter responsibilities was very much on the mind of everyone present. The dinner was followed by a visit to the community hall, which is part of a magnificent complex of church buildings. President Dr. Angelos made the arrangements but was unable to participate in the meeting.

11. Minneapolis, Minnesota

November 15, 1964

A large combined meeting was held

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CHAPTER NEWS

FLINT, MICHIGAN DINNER FOR CYPRUS

A Justice for Cyprus dinner was promoted by Chapter #141 of District #10, on October 19, at the Empire Lounge, with great success.

The proprietor Brother Lucas Yiannatzi and his wife Sister Irene were presented with an Ahepa Plaque for the fine contribution of donating all the food for the



FLINT, MICH.—Reading Left to Right: Peter Panos, President of Chapter No. 141 of Flint, Michigan. Thomas C. Yeotis, District Governor of District No. 10. Brother Loucas Yiannatzi, member of Chapter No. 141 of Flint, Michigan. Tom Heos, Chairman of the Justice for Cyprus Dinner. Gus County, Jr., Supreme Governor of the Order of Ahepa.



FLINT, MICH.—Left to Right, Peter Panos, President of Chapter No. 141 of Flint, Michigan. Tom Mercy, Editorial Editor of The Flint Journal. Tom Heos, Chairman of the Justice for Cyprus Dinner held in Flint, Michigan on October 19, 1964.

dinner in their place of business.

Principal speaker for the evening was Mr. Tom Mercy, editor of the Flint Journal, who was also presented with an Ahepa Plaque for a fine editorial written in his paper on behalf of the Cyprus Issue published on August 2. Other speakers were Supreme Governor Gus County, District Governor Tom Yeotis and Father Ernest Bloggouras of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of Flint. Toastmaster for the evening was Brother Nicholas Chardoul. The proceeds made from this affair totaled \$800.00, plus \$200.00 donated from the chapter for a total of \$1000.00 sent to Ahepa Headquarters for the Justice for Cyprus project.



COLUMBIA, S. C. — Miss Jennie Karnazes, above, daughter of Bro. and Mrs. A. P. Karnazes of Columbia, S.C. was chosen at the recent District I AHEPA mid-year conference in Augusta, Ga. She will reign over the AHEPA district during 1964. Miss Karnazes, age 17, was graduated from A. C. Flora High School on June 3, and she plans to attend the University of South Carolina in the Fall.

December, 1964



NEW YORK, N. Y. — Sgt. Vincent A. Tabano Jr., President of the New York City Police Department's Honor Legion, administers Membership Oath to Hon. John C. Chiotis, Mayor of Gramercy Park. Chiotis, Director of the World Wide Detective Bureau, was awarded the 1963 American Association of Criminology Award for outstanding achievement in the field of Criminal Investigation. Chiotis, now a member of the Hermes Chapter, was the Past President of the Upper Manhattan Chapter in 1961.



COLUMBIA, S. C. — Brother Daniel S. Kavadas, Chairman of Ahepa Medal Awards is shown with Miss Frederiki Prekeze, Greek School teacher with winners of Ahepa Medals for Scholastic Achievement presented to them by Palmetto Chapter No. 284, Columbia, South Carolina. From left to right are Joyce Constantine, Eleni Leventis, Pamela Tsalapapas, Debbie Kavadas, Chris Soufas.

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HERMES CHAPTER HONORS NOTED PUBLISHER

by Charles J. Drewes

"The grandest of all initiations" is the way Hermes Chapter No. 186 advertised "The Bobby Marketos Class" which was initiated into the fraternity last week. The affair more than lived up to its name, a capacity gathering of Ahepans watched the solemn and impressive ceremonies.

Many dignitaries were present and the degree team under presiding officer Past District Governor Alex Kuches carried out their duties with efficiency and dignity. Past Supreme President Stephen Scopas, Past Supreme Counsellor Louis Dukas, Vice President of Upper Manhattan Chapter John Travers constituted the degree team. Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas administered the oath to the candidates in English. Mr. Alex Kuches gave the oath in Greek.

District Governor Angelo Petromelis announced that there is a possibility that the new Ahepa Home will be ready for occupancy some time in December. He extolled William Jacobs, president of Hermes Chapter, Thomas Lukas, president of Upper Manhattan Chapter, and Stephen Parnassa, Vice-President of Delphi Chapter for donating their time and legal assistance which made the contract negotiations possible.

Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas brought greeting from Supreme President Nicholas Chirekos to the newly initiated members and all those present. Mr. Cherevas gave a brief outline of plans for the Athens Convention. He also told of Ahepa's part in the Cyprus situation, how the whole world was put on notice that America cares what happens to the people of Cyprus. This was brought about by the ads put in the New York Times here and abroad and in the Greek newspapers here in the United States, by the Order of Ahepa. Mr. Cherevas concluded his interesting and informative talk with an outline of what is to be accomplished with the Scholarship Program for the Ahepa and its auxiliaries.

Supreme Vice President Dr. Kimon A. Doukas in his inimitable and pleasant manner told of plans for the membership drive of which he is chairman. Dr. Doukas has just returned from visitations to chapters from New York to Kansas City. He completely enthralled the gathering with his tribute to the guest of honor Bobis Marketos, Editor and Publisher of the internationally widely read National Herald. Mr. Doukas' statement:

We have honored Bobis Marketos, the Publisher of The National Herald, by naming a class of newly initiated Ahepans in his honor.

Who is Bobis Marketos?



Left to right, front row: Peter Chingos, Past President of Hermes Chapter, District Athletic Advisor Diamond Vassalos, District Secretary Steve C. Arniotes, District Advisor George Laskaros, Chairman of the Initiation, Past District Governor Alex Kuches. Rear row: Alex Zachery, Chapter Secretary, District Governor Angelo Petromelis, Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, guest of honor Mr. Bobby Marketos, Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Doukas, Chapter President William Jacobs, Chapter Treasurer James Constantino.



The newly initiated "Bobby Marketos Class." Dignitaries standing in rear row include: Hermes President William Jacobs, Supreme Vice President Kimon A. Doukas, Mr. Bobby Marketos, Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, District Governor Angelo Petromelis, Chapter Treasurer Alex Zachery.

What has he done to merit the distinction?

— He is a man of letters. Rich in the knowledge and practice of our Hellenic literature and culture, he has distinguished himself as a publicist by raising the standards of his paper and thus lifting the sights of his colleagues, of his friends, of his readers.

— He is a man of convictions. He resolves in his own mind the righteousness of a cause, and thus makes him devastating in argument and militant in inspiration.

— He is forthright and analytical with noble ideals and varied ideas. He is intent and resolute when serving the interests of

our people in this country. He is grateful and understanding when promoting the holy image of Hellas abroad. He is always at home with his people.

— He mercilessly exposes fallacies and animosities, nurturing deep in his heart a fanatical hatred against tyranny in any form. He battles against oppression and injustice. He abhors violence and strife.

— He considers it a moral duty to defend our faith. He believes it to be a moral obligation to uphold the dignity of the human spirit. He will gamble his life to defend the character of a fellowman.

— He aspires to higher plateaus for the human mind. He guides to loftier ideals the human heart by rededicating

himself to a true faith in God, to a deep sense of loyalty for our country, to an everlasting belief in our heritage, which is given us both as a challenge and a horizon for the future.

— He looks with admiration to the Spirit of 1776. He recalls with gratitude the sacrifices of 1821. He anticipates with joy a fuller and more abundant life for our people in the days to come.

Such is the man we have honored today — **BOBIS MARKETOS!**

On behalf of Hermes Chapter, Dr. Doukas presented Mr. Marketos the Hermes Achievement Award plaque.

District Governor Angelo Petromelis presented Mr. Marketos his 25 year pin.

Mr. Bobis J. Marketos in an eloquent and moving speech expressed his gratitude for the honors bestowed upon him that night. He has high hopes for the future of Ahepa because of its ideals and programs which benefit all. Mr. Marketos told of the many happy memories he associates with his membership in the Fraternity. He told of his early days as a member of the Ahepa in the Golden Gate Chapter in San Francisco, California. One of the many wonderful anecdotes he related had to do with the efforts of his chapter to help the Greek War Relief. He was instrumental in leading the movement to have practically all of the money in the chapter's treasury donated to that worthy cause, then went out and raised an additional \$3,000 for the Greek War Relief.

Mr. Marketos told the newly initiated members of the many advantages of becoming a member of the Ahepa. He also praised the late James Karabatos, a past president of Hermes and Editor of the English section of the National Herald, who was a devoted Ahepan and an inspiration to all who had the honor of knowing him.

Among the dignitaries who attended the meeting in addition to those mentioned above were: District Lieutenant Governor Stephen J. Pechewlys from Poughkeepsie; District Secretary Steve C. Arniotes of Brooklyn; District Advisor George Laskaros of Cambria Heights; District Athletic Director Diamond Vassolas of Flushing; Past District Governor John S. Linakis of Jamaica; Presidents Thomas Lukas, Upper Manhattan, Steve Sofronas, Estia, Dr. Nicholas Pituras, Bronx, William Chumaris, Poughkeepsie, Emanuel Kontokosta, Coney Island, Stephen Patrassa, Vice President of Delphi, Manny Karabatos, Karabatos Chapter.

Congratulations are in order to Chapter President William Jacobs, Chairman of the affair Alex Kuches, Peter Chingos who performed admirably as the Captain of the Guard who made this night a memorable one.

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UPSTATE CONFERENCE HELD IN SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

District Governor Angelo Petromelis called an Upstate Conference of District No. 6. The affair was held in the Hellenic Center, Schenectady, New York. The affair was well attended and many issues vital to the district were discussed.



SCHENECTADY, N. Y. — District No. 6 Lodge visits Schenectady, N. Y. Left to right, District Treasurer John Samonas, District Governor Angelo Petromelis, Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas, District Athletic Advisor Diamond Vassolas, Past District Governor James A. Rappas, District Marshal John Counavelis.

Supreme Secretary Gus Cherevas was the main speaker and he discussed Ahepa's role in the Cyprus situation, Athens Convention and the Scholarship program. The talks by Mr. Petromelis and Mr. Cherevas were well received. Recently they have made many visitations throughout New York State and their interesting and enlightening comments have made their visits memorable. If their schedule permits, they have been asked to visit many areas again.

Upon the conclusion of the business meetings in Schenectady, a dance was given in their honor. District Marshal John Counavelis was the perfect host that evening for the visiting guests.

For Additional Information
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to the AHEPA Convention
in Athens, contact:

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EAU GALLIE, FLA. — Satellite Chapter No. 401 Officers for 1964 honored by members. Seated left to right: Nicholas G. Pavlakos, Vice-President; Athan Santres, Warden; Christopher Ekonomou, President; Cosmas Yallourakis, Chaplain; Demetrios Mitromaras, Treasurer.

Standing left to right: Sophocles Katehakis, Secretary; Peter J. Poulos, Sentinel; Louis G. Pavlakos, Chmn. of the Board of Governors; James Viamis, Captain of the Guard; Andy Ekonomou, District Governor, Order of Sons of Pericles, Citrus District No. 2.

DORMEYER'S PYRE HONORED BY HOSPITAL

George J. Pyre, president of Dormeyer Corp., and an Ahepan of long standing, has been honored by the National Jewish Hospital at Denver, receiving its award for Distinguished Philanthropic Service for work in supporting the NJH program of treatment, research, education and rehabilitation.



CHICAGO, ILL. — Brother Pyre is shown receiving the Award for distinguished Philanthropic Service from Leon W. Levy, director of NJH Midwest regional office in behalf of the National Jewish Hospital at Denver.

Bro. Pyre was born in Gary, Indiana, in 1910. His business career began when he was a newsboy at the age of 10. Since then, he's worked at such varied occupations as tool and die engineer, sales, personnel management, labor relations, production organization and quality control. He joined Dormeyer in 1945 as assistant to the president.

Bro. Pyre has been president of Dormeyer Corp. and Webcor Sales Corp. since 1963.

Bro. Pyre was honored by the National Jewish Hospital at Denver for his work as chairman of the hospital's Interfaith Appeal for the household appliance industry and allied trades, a post to which he has been reelected for the coming year. He is active in the Boy Scouts, the Chicago Boys Clubs, the American Boys Camp for Chicago, and the Organization for Rehabilitation through Training (ORT). He is Executive Vice President of North Shore Chapter #94 of Ahepa and a trustee of St. Demetrios Church at 2727 West Wmuna, Chicago.

The Pyre family lives in Skokie, Ill.





PALMETTO CHAPTER'S "Mr. DO IT"—Brother Charlie Medes of Palmetto Ch. No. 284, bears that title because of his devotion to Ahepa and his willingness to carry out all projects he undertakes. His Chapter is very proud of his Ahepa record of over 30 years.

WILKES-BARRE INITIATIONS

The Black Diamond Chapter #55, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., held a meeting and Initiation recently in the auditorium of the Greek Orthodox Church.

Presiding during the Initiation was Chapter President John Koukoltisios assisted by John J. Pappas, Andrew Economopoulos, Peter Rigas, Peter J. Banos and Peter Karumbelas.

Initiated into the Chapter were Emmanuel Katsias of Wilkes-Barre, an executive with the Radio Corporation of America, and Dr. Peter L. Saras of Hazleton, a practicing physician who gained prominence in last year's mine disaster at Sheppton, Pa., by administering medical treatment to rescued miners Throne and Fellin. The event received national and worldwide news coverage.



OAKLAND, CAL.—Newly elected District Treasurer John Koplos of Oakland is shown congratulating Sister Effie Costalupes on her elevation to District Governor.

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SCOFIELD HONORED BY HIS CHAPTER

The Sunshine Chapter of St. Petersburg, Fla., honored Brother James Scofield, Dist. Governor of District No. 2, with a testimonial dinner on Dec. 19, 1964.

Brother Scofield's many years of service, beginning with the Sons of Pericles, where he served in every capacity including that of Supreme President, to his membership in the Hammond, Indiana Chapter, to his present Chapter of St. Petersburg, have represented a young man dedicated to the propagation and expansion of Greek ideals and principles.

Prior to his elevation to the District Governorship, he served the District as Marshal, Secretary and Lt. Governor. During last year's District No. 2 Convention, primarily through his efforts in publicity and public relations, the District had the finest Convention held in that part of the country and the image of the Greek-Americans received a tremendous boost through newspaper, radio and television coverage arranged by Brother Scofield.

His efforts in behalf of the Cyprus cause, helped the American community understand the true story of the happenings on the embattled island. As a member of the National Ahepa Cyprus Committee, he helped formulate that committee's highly successful campaign that changed the course of thinking of the American officials as far as the Cyprus problem is concerned.

In recognition of his efforts for the growth and expansion of the Sons of Pericles, he was recently named to the



Sons of Pericles National Advisory Board. For his untiring service as editor of the Ahepa Bulletin of the Citrus District, he was recognized with a special award.

Brother Jim is also very active in community life, having been one of the organizers and charter trustees of the Greek Orthodox Church in St. Petersburg, and presently serving as Chairman of the Board of Auditors.

He is also Vice Chairman of the Florida Greek Section of the All American Council of the Democratic National Committee and has been a national leader in the movement to repeal discriminatory laws against Greek immigration to the United States.

His many Chapter friends are proud to honor a young man who, through his dedication to serving Hellenism, has brought honor to his Chapter and to the Greek-American Community of St. Petersburg.

CHESTER NEWS

Chester Chapter #79 was honored at the Power District #4 Convention with the election of Brother Charles Adams as District Secretary. Brother Adams has been very active not only with the Order of Ahepa, but has been a devoted church member serving in many capacities including the Board of Trustees of St. George's Church, Chester, Pa.

Additional honor was brought to Brother Adams with the election of his lovely wife Sister Bessie Adams as District Secretary of the Daughters of Penelope. Our hearty congratulations to Brother Adams and his lovely wife Bessie. Our congratulations also to Sister Helen J. Beldecas, of Chester, who was elected to the office of District Treasurer for the Daughters of Penelope.

STATE SENATOR HONORED



Nicholas P. Levendis of Jamaica, President of Long Island Chapter No. 86, presents Chapter's "Distinguished Public Service Award" to N. Y. State Senator Thomas J. Mackell of Rego Park (left), a 10 year member of that Lodge. The event took place during Chapter's recent induction of new members, held at the Masonic Temple, Jamaica.

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STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER REPORT

Staten Island Chapter 349 proudly reports a successful year of operation.

MEMBERSHIP: Increase through new members and reinstatements by over 300%, second highest in domain.

SCHOLARSHIP: A scholarship program in memory of deceased Brothers was established. Three high school graduates and three students of the local Greek School were honored with awards.

CYPRUS COMMITTEE: In addition to covering the Cyprus cause in the local newspapers, where a widespread coverage was given, we complied with instructions from Supreme Lodge and communicated with the President of the United States, Secretary of State and other government officials in behalf of the Cyprus issue. We also contributed a total of \$150.00 to the Cyprus Campaign.

DISTRICT AWARD: Our Chapter was voted "Best Chapter of Year—Downstate" by District #6.

CIVIC AFFAIRS: A perpetual blood-bank is being established for the use of all Brothers and their families. Chapter participated in the opening of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, the world's longest span bridge.

DAUGHTERS: After seven years of "hibernation," the Calliolone Chapter of the Daughters has been reactivated with 52 active members.

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS: Various functions were held successfully during the year, like a "Taverna" night, a "Box-lunch" Picnic, a Daughters Halloween Masquerade Party and others.

CONVENTIONS: Our Chapter was represented at District Convention by over fifty Brothers. At the Supreme Convention our President Michael Constant with his lovely wife Catherine were representing the chapter.



Photo by Staten Island Advance

STATEN ISLAND STUDENTS HONORED: Congressman John M. Murphy, left, presents a scholastic achievement award to Jack Anagnostis and State Sen. John J. Marchi, right, presents one to Chris Zazakos while Michael Constant, center, President of Staten Island Chapter, sponsors of awards, looks on.



ZEPATOS HONORED:—Supreme Trustee Spero Zepatos, was presented the miniature replica of the Ahepa Truman Statue by his Chapter of Memphis, Tenn. Shown above are, from left to right: P.P. John Zepatos, Secretary Harry T. Karris, P.P. Harry S. Zepatos, Trustee Zepatos, President Tom C. Stergios and Dist. Treasurer George N. Nickas.



EAU GALLIE, FLA. — Bro. Christopher Ekonomou (left), President of Satellite Chapter No. 401 is shown congratulating Bro. Louis G. Pavlakos, newly elected Councilman of Satellite Beach, Florida.



SANTURCE, PUERTO RICO:—Lt. JG John G. Demas, USN, has been appointed Aide to Admiral Gralla, Commander of the South Atlantic Fleet, with headquarters in Trinidad. John, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, is the son of Brother George N. Demas, a long standing member of Liberty Chapter of Cincinnati, Ohio, who is now residing in Puerto Rico.

Winner of Convention Golf Tournament from District No. 6

by Charles J. Drewes

James J. Canavaras, Past President of Upper Manhattan Chapter No. 42, became the first member of the Empire District No. 6 to win the Annual Golf Tournament. Mr. Canavaras has participated in many national Ahepa tournaments but despite the rugged course over which the tournament took place, his score minus the handicap gave him a net low of 71 and first place.



JAMES J. CANAVARAS, Past President of Upper Manhattan Chapter, winner of the Annual Ahepa Convention Tournament.

Jim's brother is a Hollywood and TV star who performs under the name of Nick Dennis, he is presently seen on the Ben Casey TV show.

1965 AHEPA ATHENS CONVENTION



Ahepa in Canada

Beaver District 23 Convention

The Beaver District Convention was held at the La Salle Hotel in Kingston, Ontario, with Chapter C.J. 19 acting as hosts.

Highlight of the Convention was the Banquet and Grand Ball. Toastmaster for the evening was Past Supreme Vice President of Canada George Adamakos, who did an admirable job introducing as speakers for the evening, Mrs. Josie Chase, now Grand President of the Daughters, Mrs. Frances Nanos, Vice President for Canada, Past Supreme Vice President for Canada Ed Ghikadis, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Hawkey representing the Mayor of Kingston, Past Supreme counselor Theodore Alexander Bardy, representing the Supreme President and Convention Chairman Chris Zakos. The District Scholarship of \$300 was presented at the Banquet to Miss Anastasia Conts of Montreal.

The Greek Night was held at Liberal Hall with over 500 in attendance. The newly elected District Officers are: Governor Chris Zakos, Lt. Gov. Paul C. Kanas, Secretary Gus Pezoulas, Treasurer Harry Vacal, Marshal Angelo (Dr. Brown) Savidakis and Advisor Nick Markis. The Convention Committee consisted of Chris Zakos, Chairman, Spiro Sakell, Lefkos Menikefs, Keith Brantin, Phil Menikefs, Maurcen Sakell and Diane Karis.



Supreme Vice President of Canada Nicholas Liaskos addressing the Convention following his election.



DISTRICT NO. 23 OFFICERS—Left to right: Gus Pezoulas, Dist. Secretary; Paul C. Kanas, Dist. Lt. Governor; Chris J. Zakos, Dist. Governor; Harry Vacal, Dist. Treasurer; Angelo Savidakis, Dist. Marshal.



HAMILTON, ONTARIO—District Lodge Officers and members of the Maple Leaf and the Ken Sakos Chapters shown at a combined installation of the Officers. Seated at the table, left to right, are: Ange Lettery, Sherty Tipoulow, new Supreme Vice President for Canada Nick Liaskos, District Governor Chris Zakos, Kostas Skypas, Angelo Savidakis and Bill Loucas, surrounded by other installed officers.

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NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE OCT. 1 - DEC. 31, 1964

Reports received at the Headquarters from Chapter Officers indicate that there has been a huge response in cities throughout the United States and Canada to local drives for New and Reinstated Members in the Special Membership Drive which opened on October 1st. The Special Drive ends on December 31, 1964.

The Headquarters has been swamped with requests for additional supplies of Membership and Reinstatement Applications from Chapter Secretaries, despite the fact that such applications were mailed to all Chapter Secretaries in September.

The Supreme Lodge has announced that special awards will be given to Chapters that enroll the most New and Reinstated Members during the three-month drive.

ALL CHAPTER SECRETARIES ARE URGED TO IMMEDIATELY MAIL IN THE REQUIRED APPLICATIONS, FEES AND PER CAPITA TAX FOLLOWING SUCH INITIATIONS OR REINSTATEMENTS.

1. Initiation Fees

Chapter Officers and Membership Committees are reminded that the minimum *Initiation Fee payable to the Chapter is \$20.00 for New Members, plus Chapter Dues for the Second Half of 1964.* Chapters are also requested to collect the Chapter Dues for the Full Year of 1965 from these New Members, since the 1965 Chapter Dues become payable on January 1, 1965, as required in the Constitution.

For all members initiated during the period of July 1, 1964 to December 31, 1964, the following Fees must accompany the Membership Application when sent to Headquarters:

Amounts Due Headquarters for New Members

- \$15.00 - Initiation Fee
- 3.50 - Second Half 1964 Per Capita Tax
- \$18.50 - Total

In addition, for all such New Members, the Per Capita Tax for the FULL YEAR OF 1965, must also be sent to Headquarters within 30 days following Jan. 1, 1965. Thus, the total due Headquarters for all New Members initiated

during the Special Drive would be as follows:

- \$15.00 - Initiation Fee
- 3.50 - Second Half 1964 Per Capita Tax
- 7.00 - Full Year 1965 Per Capita Tax
- \$25.00 - Total Due Headquarters

There is a special Initiation Fee for full-time College Students, and for former members of the Sons of Pericles, who have graduated from the Sons of Pericles within six months of their initiation into the Ahepa. This Special Initiation Fee due Headquarters is \$5.00. The Per-Capita Tax (and Chapter Dues) for such students and former Sons is the same as for all other Ahepans.

2. Reinstatements

Chapter Officers are reminded that in the case of Reinstatements, that a FULL YEAR'S CHAPTER DUES FOR 1964 must be collected from such Reinstated Members. In addition, the Chapter must collect Emergency Fund payments for each year that such members were delinquent (up to a total of 5 years.) The Emergency Fund payments for the delinquent years are as follows: 1963 - \$3.00; 1962 - \$3.00; 1961 - \$2.50; 1960 - \$2.50; 1959 - \$2.50. Thus, a member who had been delinquent for 5 or more years prior to 1964, would pay the Chapter \$13.50 for his Emergency Fund obligations, plus a Full Year's 1964 Chapter Dues. If the Chapter Dues were \$13.00 a year, then the Reinstated Member would pay the Chapter the sum of \$28.50, plus a \$1.00 Reinstatement Fee, or a total of \$29.50.

In sending the Reinstatement Application, properly certified, to Headquarters, the Chapter would remit the sum of \$29.50, and retain \$9.00 for its Chapter Treasury. (\$20.50 broken down as follows - \$7.00 Per Capita Tax for 1964 and \$13.50 Emergency Fund obligation).

Amounts Due Headquarters

The amounts due Headquarters for members who were delinquent for LESS than 5 years are as follows: (For members LESS than 60 years of age at time of Reinstatement)

- 4 Years - \$18.00 for Reinstatement
- 3 Years - \$13.50 for Reinstatement
- 2 Years - \$13.00 for Reinstatement
- 1 Year - \$10.00 for Reinstatement

IMPORTANT: Members who have already reached the age of 60 years at the

time of their Reinstatement, and who follow the regular process of Reinstatement, are NOT eligible for the Emergency Fund benefits upon reinstatement, unless they make payment IN FULL for all back Chapter Dues. Thus, a member who is now 60 or more years of age, who Reinstates, (and who does NOT pay all back Chapter Dues IN FULL) will only be required to pay the Chapter Dues for the Full Year of 1964, plus \$1.00 Reinstatement Fee. He must be informed that by this process, he does NOT participate in the Emergency Fund since he is 60 or more years of age. For members 60 or more years of age, who are Reinstated, the Chapter will remit to Headquarters only the Per Capita Tax of \$7.00 for the Full Year of 1964, with the Reinstatement Application.

The above applies to all those Reinstating in the year 1964, placing them in good standing to Dec. 31, 1964.

Following Reinstatement, the Chapter must then collect the 1965 Chapter Dues, and then send to Headquarters the Full Per Capita Tax for the year 1965, of \$7.00 for each such reinstated member.

IMPORTANT: BEFORE your Chapter takes any action in Reinstating or Transferring a member, please inquire of Headquarters as to that member's (or members') Per Capita Tax standing with Headquarters. Headquarters will immediately furnish the needed information. This will allow your Chapter to collect the proper fees for Reinstatements, and avoid any errors in this respect.

CHAPTER PROGRAM CALENDAR

Chapter Officers: Schedule the following, with notification to all members.

1. ELECTION OF 1965 ATHENS SUPREME CONVENTION DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES: - *must* be held in the months of either December, 1964, or January or February, 1965, (preferably in December, 1964).
2. ELECTION OF 1965 CHAPTER OFFICERS: - *must* be held during the month of December, 1964.
3. INSTALLATION OF 1965 CHAPTER OFFICERS: - *must* be held as soon as possible after

elections, and no later than January, 1965.

4. COLLECTION OF 1965 CHAPTER DUES: — Chapter Membership Dues for 1965 are due and payable on and after January 1, 1965. (Chapter members are herewith urged to mail their full 1965 Chapter Dues to their Chapter Secretary at the earliest possible time. Give your Chapter Secretary a helping hand by MAILING your 1965 Dues on or before January 10th. You'll take a big load off his shoulders.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

(Continued from page 10)

in the Ahepa Home and a lively discussion followed on all matters affecting our Order and the Minneapolis community. The arrangements were made by Chapter President Karalis, ably assisted by past Supreme Governor Mercury, Leo and Tula Zotaley (past Grand President) and the officers of both chapters. A light supper was served, followed by a reception in the home of President and Mrs. Karalis. A regular bingo game played twice a week keeps the chapter finances in very good order.

12. Des Moines, Iowa November 16, 1964

A combined meeting of both Ahepans and Daughters was held in the church hall. President Dr. Polydoros was in charge. Fr. Makredes acted as the chaplain. A reception followed in the home of the president. Past Supreme Governor Tom Rallis acted as the official host.

13. Washington, D. C. November 17, 1964

A combined initiation of 41 new members was held by Chapters #31 and 236 of Washington, #383 of Silver Spring, Md., and #370 of Alexandria, Va. It was a magnificent affair, reminding the many old timers who attended of the magnificent initiations held in the past in our nation's Capitol. All arrangements were made by District Governor Tony Manuel, who presided, along with his colleagues, Secretary Peterson and Marshall Stathes, and Supreme Governor William Holmes. It was followed by a light supper.

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The foregoing chronology shows the extent of the visitations and activities by your Supreme Vice-President. However, it does not portray vividly the affection and interest of all Ahepans toward their superior officers who venture to visit with them and discuss with them everyday problems faced by our organization. It cannot express the emotions inherent in

GEORGESON HONORED AT BANQUET

Supreme Governor Charles M. Georgeson was honored at a testimonial dinner by 300 Ahepans and friends at D'Olimpios Pine Ridge Restaurant recently.

The dinner which was in observance of the 15th anniversary of the Clinton Chapter, was attended by many local, state and national figures of the Order.

Seated at the head table were: Past Supreme Presidents, Nicholas Coffinas of Brooklyn and Peter L. Bell of Worcester; Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, James Mazarakos of Springfield.

Congressman Philip J. Philbin; Miss Nellie Coutsonikas, Grand Treasurer of the Daughters of Penelope of Nashua, N. H.; William P. Constantino, presiding justice Clinton District Court; Chairman Board of Selectmen and Mrs. Raymond Naughton.

Representative and Mrs. Thomas Fallon; District Governor Bay State District No. 8, Arthur J. Pappas of Webster; District No. 8 Governess of Daughters of Penelope, Bessie Lagedinos of Worcester; President of Clinton Chapter and Mrs. Andrew H. Lambros.

President of Phaea Chapter Daughters of Penelope, Miss Sophie Mountzuris; Vice President Clinton High School Athletic Council, Andrew Vetras; Lt. Governor, Bay State District No. 8, Harold Harper of Springfield.

such meetings of old friends throughout the expanse of our country and of Canada where groups of oldtimers have dedicated their lives and their fortunes to preserving Hellenic culture and Orthodox faith in behalf of those who will surely follow in their footsteps.

For 42 long and memorable years we have toiled and worked as a team to carry out the noble attributes of American and Canadian citizenship—to exemplify the proud and lofty ideals of our Hellenic heritage. We Ahepans and our Auxiliaries have been pillars of philanthropy and good citizenship. We never turned a deaf ear to an appeal for help and aid. We readily offered our generous heart and eagerly grasped the hand of friendship whenever our people called on us. Our tried and true leadership has sustained our communities and has given direction to our dreams and accomplishments.

We are now at the threshold of greater and nobler achievements. We must generate interest among our people and give counsel to the rising generations



Supreme Governor Georgeson congratulated by Dr. Nicholas Despotopoulos, Toastmaster for the Banquet. Other dignitaries present are Past Supreme President Peter L. Bell (left) and Past Supreme President Nicholas Coffinas, who represented Supreme President Chirekos as the main speaker.

Dr. and Mrs. Nicholas H. Despotopoulos; Pastor St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and Mrs. Emmanuel Sakellarides, and Supreme Governor and Mrs. Charles M. Georgeson.

Seated at the sub-head table were:

Mr. Michael K. Georgeson, Misses Georgia and Sophie Georgeson, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas M. Georgeson and Mr. and Mrs. Nicas of Metuchen, N. J.

The committee in charge of the banquet included: Chairman Nicholas H. Despotopoulos, secretary Daniel J. Paul, Harry C. Despotopoulos, Thomas D. Kartalos, C. Clifford Stone, John R. Vaughan, Nicholas W. Zangles and Andrew H. Lambros.

and those who will come after us—native Americans of Hellenic origin—as to everything encompassed by Hellenic culture, by Greek language, by Orthodox faith. We have a proud heritage, we are fortunate to live in the most enlightened environment. We must not fail those of our fathers and ancestors who labored as poor but honest immigrants in a strange land. They conquered adversity and obstacle. We must prove to be their worthy descendants.

It is in this spirit that I have undertaken my series of visitations described above and to be continued in the days to come. It is in this spirit that I thank profoundly my colleagues and brothers who have received me so wonderfully in the past and whom I look forward to meeting with in the days to come.

With the kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Yours fraternally and faithfully,

KIMON A. DOUKAS
Supreme Vice-President

New York, November 25, 1964



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CONVENTION REPORT:

At the 14th Post War Convention of the Order of Sons of Pericles, 47 voting delegates, and 87 brothers representing over 50 chapters in the Sons domain gathered for the largest convention ever held by the Junior Order. The tremendous spirit and vigor present in all those who were in attendance contributed to one of the most productive conventions in recent years.

The convention began with the blessings of His Grace Archbishop Iakovos, who appeared before the Convention body to lead us in an opening prayer, and then proceeded to give a very inspiring message.

Under the guidance of the 1963-64 Supreme Lodge Officers and the convention officers, Ted Leakas, Chairman, Mike Detrouzas, Vice Chairman, and Connie Harvalis, Secretary, the Convention proceeded to legislate many important and constructive measures, in areas ranging from budget to athletic, and from scholarship to the good of the Order.

Some of the most important resolutions passed included, the raising of per-capita tax to \$3.00 with the 50¢ increase being distributed to the scholarship fund and the district treasuries, and a change in Article VIII Section 3 of the Constitution regarding chapter representation at Supreme Conventions. A system of proportional voting was passed which would

give each chapter voting strength based on the membership of that chapter:

8 to 15 members	1 vote
16 members	1½ votes
31 members	2 votes
46 members	2½ votes
66 members	3 votes
86 members	3½ votes
110 members	4 votes

No delegate shall cast more than 1 vote.

A Program of Life Membership was also adopted by the Convention body, by which former Sons who are now Ahepas may be declared Life Members of the Junior Order, by paying \$10.00, and thereby receive the benefits of such membership and the proceeds go into the Stergios B. Milonas Scholarship Fund.

A revision of the Sons Ritual was also passed by the Convention body, as well as a motion to award the Scholarship Award in June of each year.

The national program of a continuing program of the past two Supreme Presidents was also adopted: "Growth and Expansion" and "Cultivation and Development."

Certainly the progressive legislation enacted by the delegates at the Sons Convention in Toronto, along with the enthused and spirited brotherhood, will lead the Junior Order to "New Dimensions."

with an increase of 150% and a total of 56 members, for the year, the largest chapter in the Sons domain.

Next year's drive is now underway and will end on June 1st. All those who plan on attending the Athens Convention must have their dues paid for by December 30, of this year.

Outstanding Chapter

The Perdicaris Chapter No. 167 of Trenton, N. J. was selected as the Outstanding Chapter in the nation for 1963-64. Congratulations to its Pres. Nick Vrettos and his Trenton brothers for a job well done. A close second was Ypsilanti Chapter No. 22 of Chicago, followed by Phoenix Chapter No. 44 of Albany, New York.

Scholarship Winner

This year's \$250.00 Scholarship Award goes to Brother Emmanuel Leonikas of Chapter 53 of Gary, Indiana. Congratula-



CHICAGO, ILL. — Members of Ypsilanti Chapter No. 22 of Chicago with President Bill Vranas in center, flanked by Supreme Vice President Nick Bobis (left) and Supreme Secretary-Treasurer Dean Stavarakas.



Photo by Hartford Times

SUP. PRES. GEORGES VISITS HARTFORD — Welcoming Sons Supreme President Nick Georges (right) to Hartford are, left to right: George Nichols, Sons Chapter President, Dist. Advisor Anthony Sereslis, Ahepa President Costas Koufoudakis and Chapter Sons Advisor Nicholas Zannetos.

tions Emmanuel and best of luck in your college career.

Cyprus Situation

Since the Ahepa has assumed the leadership in the cause of Cyprus and has requested our assistance and support the Sons chapters are urged to contact their sponsoring Ahepa chapters and offer complete cooperation and assistance.

Cyprus Committee Appointed

Brothers Kollias, Sereslis and Microtsovicos, were appointed to head this committee, to educate the chapters on the situation in Cyprus and the help that individual chapters may perform.

National Basketball Tournament

The National Basketball Tournament will be held in New York City and will be hosted by the Renaissance Chapter No. 51. News will be forthcoming!

NATIONAL NEWS

Supreme Lodge Travels

The newly elected Supreme Lodge has been moving at a record pace on the highways in visiting chapters and areas where chapters can be started or reactivated. Supreme Pres. Nick George has visited chapters in Warren, Ohio, Washington, D. C., Wilmington, Del., Philadelphia, Pa., New York City, Trenton, N. J., Providence, R. I., Cambridge, Mass., and Pittsburgh, Pa. Also Salt Lake City, Utah, Pocatello, Idaho, Newark, N. J., and Springfield, Ohio.

The other Supreme Lodge officers have also been traveling with all but two of the officers present for the Supreme Lodge Officers meeting in Washington, D. C.

National Membership Drive

This year's winner (1963-64) was Ypsilanti Chapter No. 22 of Chicago, Ill.,

December, 1964

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MAIDS OF ATHENA

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—The Maids of Cytheria Chapter 64 number twenty-five ambitious girls. In addition to active participation in the Maids of Athena and other organizations, most of the girls are college students, others are high school students, and many of the girls hold full- or part-time jobs. A perfect example of these busy Maids is their vice president, Loyal Maid Bea Pappas. Bea is a full-time student at Long Beach State College, where she carries a heavy

schedule of studies. She also works part-time and is a member of G.O.Y.A. at her church. In the midst of studying for finals, catching up on all that homework and working overtime, however, the girls manage to keep Cytheria Chapter 64 active and enjoyable for all.

The girls often enjoy doing things together, on an informal basis. A few months ago they had dinner together at Ollie Hammond's Steak House, after

which they visited Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood and saw a local movie—it was a most enjoyable evening, and the girls plan to do it again in the fall.

On May 13, Cytheria Chapter 64 held a dance at the Polish Auditorium in Los Angeles. The Maids were quite pleased with the large turnout—many Maids and Sons from the Long Beach and Pasadena areas supported the affair.



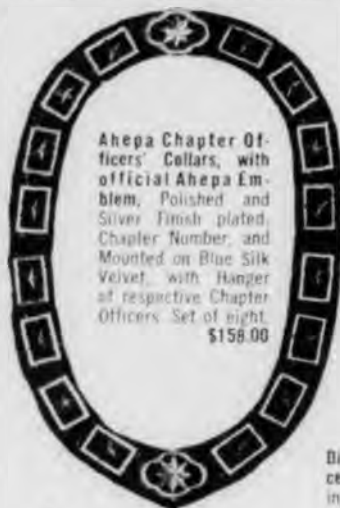
Members of the Cynthia Chapter No. 85 of Maids and Chapter No. 108 of Sons, of Gary, Indiana, hosts of last summer's Dist. Convention. Shown above, front row, left to right: Dean Raptakis, Pete Anthony, Angelo Thanos, George Chakos, Johnny Rikos, Jimmy Logan, Mike Kappas and George Buzovis. Second row: Advisor Stella Daravanis, Maria Daravanis, Maria Orphan, Alf Papakosmas, Barbara Bizadellis, Mary Papakosmas, Advisor Mary Ellen Metroyanis, Doris Metroyanis, Marianne Terzes, Sonia Metroyanis, Vickie Mussie, Christine Coveris and Advisor Angie Mussis.

Stephanie Kay Brotsis of Burbank, California was chosen MISS ATHENA by vote of the Ahepa Family at the Toronto Supreme Convention. She was crowned at the Sons and Maids Farewell Ball on Friday evening. Stephanie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Brotsis and is an active Maid of Athena of the Los Angeles Chapter. She is now serving a second term as Grand Governor.



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**Jo Ann Damos U.S. Attorney
For Arizona**

Jo Ann Damos of Tucson was sworn as Interim U. S. Attorney for Arizona recently, appointed to fill in the position vacated by her boss, Carl A. Muecke, new U. S. District Judge.



Miss Damos, a slender, effervescent brunette, is a restless, straight-forward woman with a sort of spontaneous sense of humor. A native Arizonan, she is the daughter of the late David G. Damos, who progressed from selling apples on a New York street corner to ownership of a chain of movie houses, prior to his death in 1946.

A graduate of the University of Arizona law school, Miss Damos practiced law first alone then in the firm of Goldbaum, Goetz and Damos, during which time she took on every sort of case she could, seeking to build a broad law experience. Eventually she was appointed the nation's second woman commissioner on uniform state laws. In 1961 she was named by Carl A. Muecke as one of his assistants, until her appointment as U. S. Attorney.



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**Monnessen Man Named
Deputy U.S. Attorney**

UNIONTOWN, PA. — Nick S. Fists of Monnessen, Pa., son of Brother Stamatios Fists a member of Uniontown Chapter #116, was appointed recently as assistant U.S. Attorney in the Pittsburgh office.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, he served previously as law clerk for Judge Wallace S. Gourley of the Western district of Pennsylvania.

IN UNITY THERE IS STRENGTH

BY SALVATOR N. STELLA

Everyone, and especially members of various organizations like ours, understands the miraculous meaning of the title of our editorial. Like our beverage, like the fresh air we inhale every second, for times immemorial, we know and we do realize their salutary effects, for many times we wish to taste the clear water of a fountain, or the pure and fresh air of a green mountain. Likewise, without any extra effort, we could easily cultivate "UNITY" and acquire strength, not for ourself alone, but for the entity for which we labor to promote. Although we talk about unity and we discuss every day all methods to attain it, we merely continue to be indifferent in our attitude, and, not only we forget about our unity and cooperation to achieve it, but we create other obstacles which destroy our purpose and is supplanted by the adage: "divide and conquer."

In our present century, continents start to realize how many religions have been promoted, how many political systems have been invented by individuals, to achieve, in their own limited knowledge, a purpose which was to protect only their religious or political group alone.

We did come to this land to prove ourselves worthy of its democratic principles, to fulfill our tasks diligently and honestly, and through our Christian Hellenic heritage to show our fellowmen that we live among them without prejudice, without sense of superiority, and, with sincere aspirations, we conform ourselves that our daily deeds, our inner thoughts resemble exactly and have the same value as the fresh water of a fountain, or the fresh and pure air of a green mountain, available to everyone, if he wants to prove himself deserving and worthy of this "UNITY" which creates STRENGTH and HARMONY.

Let's start to fulfill our long and interminable methods of "unity," let's leave aside, for the ignorant, our "EGO" and, before it's too late, show our fellowmen, here in this land of prodigality, that we are all Hellenes and American citizens "UNITED" in one organization, aspiring to democratic ways of life, in order to demand with "strength" the undeniable rights for ALL our fellowmen here and abroad. "UNITY" is democracy consensus everyone equal, and, its benefits apply to every citizen, when this citizen is dedicated to its SALUTARY PRINCIPLES.

(From the "AHEPA" Traveler)

Letters to the Editor

TO THE EDITOR:

I take the liberty, as an Ahepan, to address to you my sentiments pertaining to recent events that have glorified the Hellenic race, by the endeavors of the Order of Ahepa.

The dramatic response of the Order of Ahepa to the defense of Cyprus, fills the hearts of every American with pride and joy, and generates a new era for Ahepa; a reborn Ahepa with the American-Hellenic Youth at the helm, inspired by the series of articles that appeared in LIFE by the illustrious and noble American Mr. Henry Luce. These articles triggered the spark that rekindled the "glory and splendor," that remained smoldering in the hearts of the Hellenic youth, and inflamed them with the challenge to create an American-Hellenic Society, commensurate, in splendor, to their glorious Hellenic traditions.

A reborn Ahepa! With the ultimate objectives—Pride, Dignity, Respect, Admiration, Recognition, Social and Political Prestige—attributes of Hellenic ideals. Only as Americans of Hellenic descent we will succeed and gain the respect and admiration of the Hellenized world, today.

Summation: It is a privilege to be of Hellenic descent. No other race can speak in the same vein.

MICHAEL CICIZIOS

Member St. Louis Ch. No. 53

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TO THE EDITOR:

The writer has made certain original studies of Greek philosophy, notably that of Aristotle, of benefit to the Greek Community—and to the advance learning generally. . . .

Would like to contact persons familiar with Aristotle's precepts and teachings to discuss this matter and to disseminate anew the original and legitimate classical theory and practice of rational thinking, the need for which today is greater than ever.

J. D. LAWRENCE

P.O. Box 1832

Trenton, N.J.

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TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for sending me a copy of the Ahepan. I have read it and found it to be very interesting and informative.

Incidentally, I am a member of the Order of Ahepa, Staten Island Chapter No. 349.

JOHN M. MURPHY

Member of U.S. Congress

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TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you for the March-April 1964 issue of the Ahepan. I will save this copy for its beautiful cover and non-social articles.

I feel Ahepa has taken a big step forward in this issue by including "Educational Progressive Association" in its official magazine.

H. PITROW

Omaha, Nebraska

TO THE EDITOR:

Much has been written and said about the Cyprus Crisis. There must be more than what appears on the surface of the whole situation. No doubt our news writers have fallen the victim of vicious Turkish propaganda. The truth of the matter is that Turkey wants to annex Cyprus.

How many of the readers of this letter know that a single person, the Vice Chairman, representing the minority of the Turkish element can veto any of the progressive legislation that the Cyprian legislature passes? In fact he has done it for over thirty times. No wonder Bishop Makarios wants to remove this obstacle. It is consistent with common sense for a small state such as Utah to have a veto power in all the laws the United States Congress passes? Yet that is exactly the situation in Cyprus. A single person has such power. The reason is that the Vice Chairman wants to annex Cyprus to his native country Turkey. Then what will happen? The expatriation of the Greek Cypriots from Cyprus. Only a few decades ago the Turkish government expatriated a million and one-half Greeks from Asia Minor at a time when Greece was in a desperate economic condition. Failing in their attempt to regain Cyprus they want now to partition Cyprus! Why are they not willing to partition Constantinople where the percentage of Greek citizens is far more greater than that of the Turkish per cent in Cyprus? Let us turn back the pages of history and see which of the two countries, Greece or Turkey deserve sympathetic consideration by our television orators, radio commentators and correspondents of foreign affairs.

Let us ask the following questions:

(1) Who fought on the side of the Allies and U.S. in World War I?

(2) Who delayed Hitler's timetable in World War II by defeating Mussolini and having Hitler send his Army to help him?

(3) Who entered World War II on the side of the Allies?

(4) Who sent Soldiers on the side of the United States to fight in the Korean War?

(5) Who defended Christianity and western civilization in the Battles of Marathon and Salamis?

The undenyng answers to the above questions is that Greece stood steadfast to its traditions of upholding democracy at all cost. Turkey on the other hand was classified as our enemy nation during the First World War and a neutral nation in the World War II and having profitable dealings with Hitler during that War!

Byzantine, a Greek Scholar with the literature of Greece moved into Western Europe in the 15th Century, and they were responsible for the Renaissance, the transition between the Medieval and modern world.

Greece has proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that although a small nation, she is a fortress and a bastion defending Christianity, democracy and civilization.

Presently there are Turkish minorities in Macedonia, Thrace and in Greece proper who receive wholesome treatment and respect from the Greek Government. There are also several thousands of Jewish faith people in Greece who are also highly respected by the Greek citizen. No one hears now complaints of mistreatments of any minority group now living in Greece.

P. S. MARTHAKIS

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