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Cogswell

1993 ANNUAL MEETING

Arrived on ship Angel Gabriel (Now Maine) August 14, 1635

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Plans for the 1993 CFA Annual Meeting in Colorado Springs, Colorado, on the weekend of September 24-26 are being finalized. The August newsletter will give a detailed schedule of events along with a form for use in reservations and prepayment for specific events. Anne Trostel, Meeting Chairman, is holding a reception at her home on Friday afternoon and has arranged for our dinner meeting that evening to be held at the Cheyenne Mountain Country Club. After dinner there will be a presentation on the history of the region, as well as our formal meeting and election of new officers for the CFA. On Saturday a conducted tour of the area will be available, while golfing and other sports activities are at hand. On Saturday evening there will be a barbecue with westernstyle entertainment at the Flying W Ranch nearby. Sunday can be a day for more golf or sightseeing, or attendees may wish to head for home or other areas.

Rev. A. Charles Cogswell Cannon Arrangement for individual accommodations will be left up to each attendee. A wide assortment of hotels and motels is available in the immediate vicinity, ranging from the luxurious Broadmoor Hotel to modest and less expensive motels. Many excellent facilities are listed in the AAA booklet, but we will try to distribute promotional literature on the area together with accommodation listings in plenty of time for reservations to be made.

If you wish to attend and have not yet indicated your intention, please drop a note to Ms. Anne Trostel at 25 Marland Road, Broadmoor, Colorado Springs CO 80906. Final commitment will come when forms and payment are returned Rev. A. Charles Cogswell Cannonafter the August newsletter has detailed the events.

### IN MEMORIAM

After a long illness, Cyril Gray Cogswell, first president of the Cogswell Family Association, passed away on March 23 at the age of 89. He was the prime mover in formation of the CFA and devoted considerable time and money to its organization. Although his poor health kept him from attending any of the CFA meetings, many of you knew him from his numerous telephone calls through the years. Cyril had no children and made the CFA his primary interest in life.

### 1994 WESTBURY LEIGH TRIP

Family Society Tours, who are to conduct the tour to England in May 1994 for Cogswell family members, have just visited Westbury in preparation for the trip. Both the Peter Joneses and the Denis Cookes, owners of the Cogswell 1591 homestead and Ivy House, respectively, are enthusiastic about the visit by CFA members and are planning warm receptions. The Vicar of the historic All Saints Church and the ladies of that church are planning some activities, and it looks like the entire town will roll out the red carpet. More specific details will be coming to you later directly from the tour company.

## COGSWELLS AND REVOLUTIONARY PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATIONS

Before his death, Cyril Gray Cogswell furnished information on two patriotic organizations related to the American Revolution and, in one instance, having a Cogswell as a founding father.

In anticipation of the Centennial Exposition and Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of American Independence scheduled to be held in Philadelphia in 1876, President Ulysses S. Grant signed a bill in 1871 preparing for this celebration. In 1875 at a meeting held in San Francisco, the "National Society of Sons of Revolutionary Sires" was formed with the objective of preparing for this celebration. James Lafayette Cogswell(#1660), San Francisco dentist and brother of Henry Daniel Cogswell(1656), founder of Cogswell College in San Francisco, was elected National President of the organization. Interest in the NSSRS led to its formalization on 4 July 1876 under a new president, and chapters were established in several other states. A national convention was held in Fraunces Tavern in New York City on 30 April 1889, and with a name change began the "Sons of the American Revolution." The SAR now operates from its national headquarters in Louisville, Kentucky.

A second organization, the "Sons of the Revolution," was formed at about the same time also in preparation for the celebration in 1876. This organization was begun by members of the Society of the Cincinnati, which had been formed by George Washington at the end of the Revolutionary War for descendants of officers in the Continental Army and Navy. The Sons of the Revolution began formally in New York in 1883 and joined with groups in other states in 1890 to became a general society. Fraunces Tavern was acquired in 1904 by the New York society and has since been the national attendance place of the general society as well as home of the New York group. Cyril Gray Cogswell was a past-president of both the New York and North Carolina Societies of the Sons of the Revolution.

### EARLY COGSWELL GENEALOGY UPDATE EFFORT

Norman A. Cogswell, of Universal City, Texas, has furnished a letter received in 1935 by his father, Basil Cogswell. It was written by Carl C. Cogswell, of Topeka, Kansas, to the "Cogswells in America" and requested genealogical data from each family member for use in updating Jameson's book on the Cogswells. The amount of data received was too much for Carl to handle, and at some unknown date he turned his collection over to Helen Cogswell Trostel, his cousin through their mutual grandfather, Matthew Hawley Cogswell(#1807). Helen included this data with her own research and authored the book "Cogswell-Haldeman," published in 1966. This book is available from Helen's daughter, Anne C. Trostel, 25 Marland Road, Colorado Springs CO 80906.

### SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

DECETATE

As of 1 April 1993 we have 166 members. There are also several invitations to cousins to join the CFA and replies continue to arrive. Please send names of potential members to Julius G. Cogswell, Apt. 17-R, Lincoln Towers, 150 West End Avenue, New York NY 10023 for his submission to them of promotional material.

According to my records, about 40 members have not sent in their dues for 1992, and dues for 1993 are currently payable. Please consider this a gentle reminder. I am sure you plan to continue to be part of our exciting group and will continue to support us both financially and by providing as much genealogical data as you can. Although we have not yet recorded all information received to date in our Roots data base, your Historian would appreciate any additional information you may have——be it stories, history, or genealogy. Your support is vital to our progress, especially in these, our early years.

### FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 1992

RECEIPTS		
Dues payments	\$	2,463.00
Contribution	120	10.00
Interest received		166.40
Total	\$	2,639.40
DISBURSEMENTS		
Massachusetts corporate tax		\$ 472.43
Postage		275.22
Printing		653.15
Stationery, supplies, etc.		345.96
Bonding fee and Assoc. costs		173.45
Total	\$	1,920.21
CHECKING ACCOUNT-12/31/91 \$	5,	291.94
-12/31/92		6,011.13
John H, Cogswell, Secretary/Treasur	er	