The Third International Congress on Vexillology was held in Boston, Mass., on Sept. 5 through 7, 1969. Vexillologists from six different nations were in attendance. A total of 60 registrants, including supporting registrants not able to be there in person, listed their home addresses as Finland, United Kingdom, Belgium, the Netherlands, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Morocco, Canada, Sweden, and the United States.

Opening ceremonies included raising of the flag of the International Federation of Vexillological Associations and the flag of the Third International Congress on Marsh Plaza of Boston University.

Organizations represented at the Congress included the Flag Research Center, the Flag Plaza Foundation, the Heraldry Society (Great Britain), the Heraldry Society of Canada, the Association Francaise d'Etudes Internationales Vexillologiques, the Nederlandse Vereeniging voor Vlaggenkunde, the Societe Suisse de Vexillologie, the Stichting voor Banisteriek en Heraldiek (Netherlands), the United States Flag Foundation, and the North American Vexillological Association.

Work Sessions were held in three places: the State House, Boston, the Castle of Boston University, and the Sherman Union of Boston University.

Lectures, exhibits and papers were presented on various aspects of national, naval, municipal and historical flags. A chartered bus took participants on a guided tour of sites of vexillological interest in Harvard, Worcester, Lexington and Bedford.

The business meeting of the Federation was conducted in the Castle. The provisional statutes (as appearing in Vol. VIII, No. 2, of THE FLAG BULLETIN) with changes, were adopted as the official statutes of the Federation. The report of the Terminology Committee was studied, and approval was given to accept the offer of the Accademia di San Marciano to sponsor the Fourth International Congress on Vexillology in Turin, Italy, in 1971.

M. Louis Muhlemann (Switzerland), was elected President of the Federation, Hr. Klaas Sierksma (Netherlands), Secretary-General for International Congresses, and Dr. Whitney Smith (U.S.A.), Secretary-General for Federation Affairs. Councillors appointed for various countries included Wm. C. Spangler for the U.S., and Harold A. Diceman for Canada.

Dinner at the famous Union Oyster House, followed by awards, presentations and speeches, highlighted the Congress. All-in-all, it was a most delightful and memorable three-day meeting.

For a complete account of the Third International Congress on Vexillology see the current issue of THE FLAG BULLETIN, now being distributed.
NAVA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The third Annual Membership Meeting of the North American Vexillological Association was held during the Third International Congress on Vexillology in the Terrace Lounge of the Sherman Union of Boston University on Saturday, September 6, 1969 at 8:15 p.m., with Dr. Whitney Smith presiding.

Members present were:

George Beley
Newton Blakeslee
George Cahill
William C. Dwiggins
Robert Gauron
Gerhard Grahl

Ken Huff
David Martucci
Richard Moran
Charles Oakley
Ashley Talbot
Dr. Whitney Smith

James Croft
William Spangler
John Purcell
Helen Sadtler
Dr. Donald Rickter

Guests present were:

Mrs. George Beley
Capt. D. G. Dean
Mrs. Charles Oakley
Bruce Tiffney

Holly Hopkins
E. Taylor Duncan
Roger Lachenal
Dr. Peter Mänder

Mrs. William Spangler
Capt. E.M.C. Barraclough
Harold Diceman

The guests were heartily welcomed by the NAVA membership.

Minutes of the October 12th and 13th, 1968 Annual Membership Meeting were read and approved by general consent.

The following reports were tendered to the Association and enclosed in the record:

The President and Executive Board: Dr. Whitney Smith.
The Treasurer: Mr. Gerhard Grahl for Mr. Thomas Hill, Treasurer.
The Corresponding Secretary: Mr. Robert S. Gauron.
The International Congress Committee: Dr. Whitney Smith (oral).
The Nominating Committee: Mr. William C. Dwiggins.

Presentation of the "Betsy Award" was made by Mr. William C. Dwiggins of Annin & Co. to Dr. Whitney Smith.

Business transacted at the meeting included a total of 11 items. Among these were the following:

Amendment of Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, as required by the Internal Revenue Service and the State of Illinois.

Review of By-Laws by the By-Laws Committee and preparation of a report with recommendations for possible amendments in time for the 1970 NAVA Annual Membership Meeting.

Authorization for publication of a series of reprint flag booklets now out of print.

Appropriation of the sum of $57.20 for the manufacture of the official NAVA seal.

Recommendation that the Membership Committee undertake consideration of a drive for new members.

Instruction for a complete list of NAVA members to be printed in the next NAVA News.

Selection of the 1970 convention site at the Flag Plaza in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Election of the following persons as Officers of the North American Vexillological Association for 1969-70:

- President: Dr. Whitney Smith
- Vice President: Ashley Talbot
- Corresponding Secretary: Robert Gauron
- Recording Secretary: Ken Huff
- Treasurer: Gerhard Grahl

The full text of the minutes of the third annual meeting will be read at the 1970 NAVA meeting.

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FLAGS IN BRIEF

The shortest flag in the world must be the United States flag that was flown on the S.S. Manhattan during its recent round trip thru the Northwest Passage. The National Observer recently carried a photograph of the flag. Only a few inches of it remained next to the staff, after it had been torn and tattered by arctic gales.

NAVA member Charles Oakley and his collection of historic flag reproductions was featured in an article appearing in the Summer, 1969, issue of Petroleum Today.

NAVA members are receiving copies of a special NAVA reprint of the study by Howard Millar Chapin on "The New England Flag," first published forty years ago. Mr. Chapin wrote a number of books and articles, most of them on Rhode Island vexillology. NAVA will be reprinting other out-of-print items of value from time to time.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

According to the Saturday Review, we can never bring back that U. S. Flag our astronauts planted on the moon. It would have to be disinfected, and it would certainly be against the flag code to defile Old Glory by subjecting it to that kind of treatment!

DUES DUE

That time is here again! Members are reminded that their annual NAVA dues for 1970 are now payable. Individual dues are $6.00 per year for active members and $3.00 per year for associate members. Organizational memberships are $25.00 per year. Please send your check, made out to the NORTH AMERICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, to our new Treasurer, Mr. Gary Grahl, 1452 Leland Avenue, Bronx, N. Y. 10460, before Dec. 31st if possible.

FLAGS IN PROTEST

In Montgomery, Alabama, six movies that were being shown in drive-in theaters were seized by the police, under authority of a state statute of 1907 that prohibits the display of nudity anywhere except in art galleries. The mayor of Mobile, where showings were also prohibited, ordered flags on all city buildings to be flown at half-staff as a gesture of protest.

LIST OF MEMBERS

A complete list of NAVA members, Active, Associate, and Organizational, as of December, 1969, appears on the following pages.
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(As of Dec. 1, 1969)

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SWEDISH FLAG DAY

Last June 8th the Swedish flag was flying from Chicago's city hall for a day, as that country's annual Flag Day celebration took place. The Consul General presented two national flags to Swedish-American organizations dedicated to the preservation of their national heritage. The flags were a present from the King of Sweden.

FLAGS AND FILMS

Speaking of Swedish flags, two Swedish films, I Am Curious (Yellow), and I Am Curious (Blue), have been banned in several states. One of our eagle-eyed NAVA members notes that yellow and blue are the two colors of the Swedish national flag. Isn't that curious?

RELIGIOUS FLAGS

The Christian Science Monitor reports that Astronaut Alan L. Bean took a small banner embroidered with religious symbols showing the history of Christianity with him to the moon and back. The flag was made by a member of the Methodist church were Astronaut Bean once taught Sunday School.
The many and varied interests of NAVA members are of importance to the growth and functioning of the Association, as well as to all of the other members. President Whitney Smith requests that each member fill out the form below and mail it to him at the address given. As many of these interests as possible will be published in future issues of NAVA News.

The form is being printed on the last page of the issue in order that the issue will not be spoiled by tearing the form off.

THE NORTH AMERICAN VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Membership Questionnaire

Name:
Address:
Type of membership: Active ( ), Associate ( ).

Other vexillological or heraldic associations you belong to:

Please indicate by number the areas of your interest in flags:

1) flags in general
2) flag-collecting as a hobby
3) heraldry and heraldic flags
4) United States flag (usage, etiquette
5) American flags (history)
6) Canadian flags
7) municipal flags
8) sphyragistics, sigillography (seals)
9) flag specifications
10) flag manufacture
11) other (please specify)

Please indicate by number in order of preference the committees you would be willing to serve on actively:


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