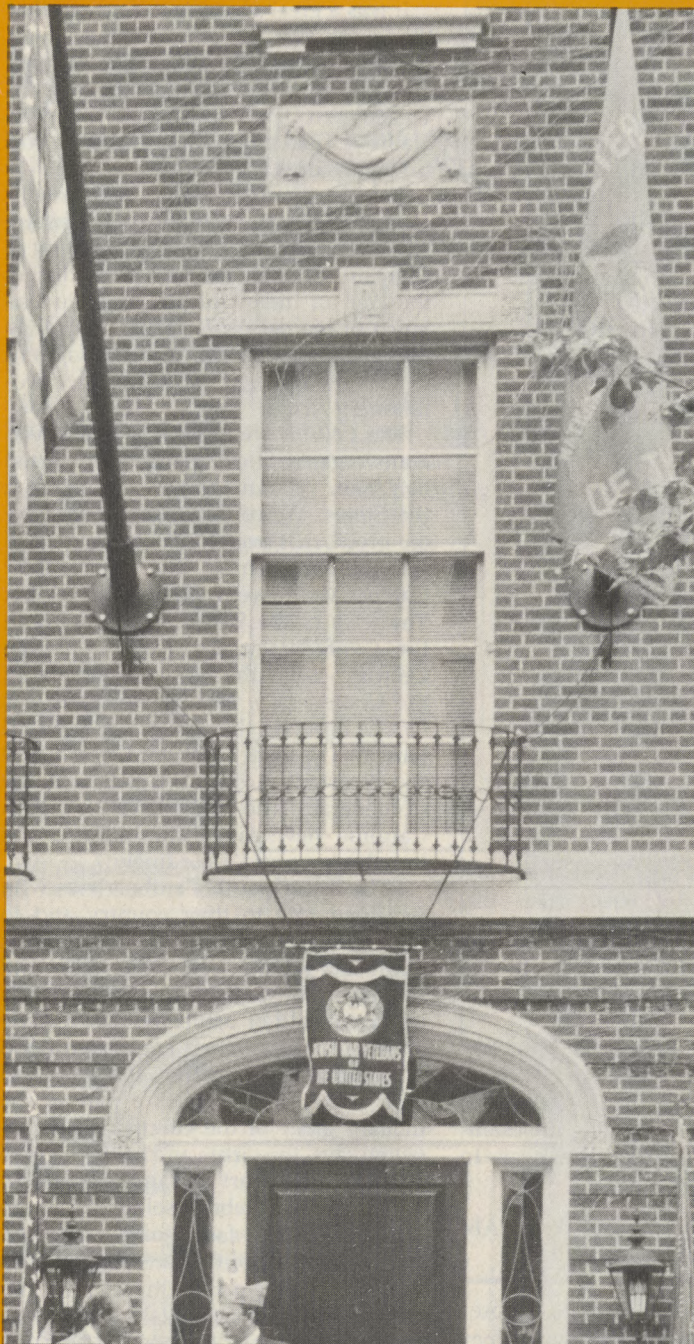


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VETERANS DAY MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

On this Veterans Day, in this year of 1984, when our nation is at peace, we honor the gallant men and women of our military forces, past and present, who have purchased that peace with their unselfish service and sacrifices.

Americans are proud of their Veterans. We have entrusted to them the preservation of our nation's heritage and freedom, and our Veterans have never betrayed that trust.

Our Veterans have borne the burdens of freedom, and they have helped maintain our nation's preeminence as a world leader. They have provided the strength and commitment necessary to deter war on our nation and our allies.

On behalf of the Department of Defense, I express sincere appreciation to all our Veterans who have given this great nation and their fellow countrymen a valuable legacy, a legacy of peace with freedom.

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Dear Commander Zoldan:

It was a great pleasure to find out that the Jewish War Veterans of U.S.A. dedicated on August 29 their new National Headquarters and Memorial here in Washington City. We also note your 89th National Convention and welcome you to the Nation's Capital.

The history of America is replete with examples of extraordinary patriotism by American Jews. One has only to think of Chayim Solomon in New York during the War for Independence who gave so much of his personal wealth, with little thought of repayment, to the Continental Congress to feed and outfit the Revolutionary Army.

The JWV is the Nation's oldest veterans organization, having been started by Union veterans of the War between the States. We of Confederate ancestry are proud that over 1,200 Jews served in the Southern armies, and among their number were twenty-four staff officers. The Jews of the South served nobly in the Confederacy. Dr. David Camden Leon served as the Surgeon General of the Confederacy, and his assistant was Dr. I. Baruch, the father of Bernard Baruch. The Quartermaster General and the Assistant Adjutant General of the Confederacy also were Jews. A South Carolina newspaper summarized the Jewish war record accordingly:

"The list of South Carolina Jews who remained true to their country and to their country's cause in the darkest hours and who proved their fidelity and patriotism by laying down their lives upon the field of battle could be greatly extended. Their names are graven upon a monument throughout the land and their prowess in arms is a part of the military glory of the country. As Montaigne says, the virtue and valor of a man consist in the heart and in the will, and by this rule the Hebrew soldiers of South Carolina may be fairly judged. . . when the history of South Carolina's part in the great struggle is written. . . the Hebrew soldiers of this State, who wore grey will have their full need of praise."

Finally we are proud to mention that Jefferson Davis was the first American President (he was the first and only President of the Confederate States of America) to appoint a Jew to the Cabinet. That person was Judah P. Benjamin who at various times was the Confederate Attorney General, Secretary of War, and Secretary of State. You can see that Southern Jews served an honorable role in the Confederacy. (see story on page 13)

We again want to say on behalf of the Jefferson Davis Camp No. 305 of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Washington City, Welcome to town! We hope that you will keep us informed of your activities.

David A. Williams,
Adjutant
Sons of Confederate Veterans