

pleting, and equipping the 8 battalions resolved by this convention to be raised for the Continental service, agreeable to the resolves of this convention.”

RESOLVES OF CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, 27 JUNE, 1776.

“Resolved, That six companies of riflemen, in addition to the three companies now at New York, be raised, and the whole regimented; and that a commission be granted to captain Stevenson, to be colonel of the said regiment of riflemen, which is to be enlisted for three years, unless sooner discharged by Congress; the men to be allowed a bounty of ten dollars; and that Moses Rawlins be lieutenant-colonel, and Otho Holland Williams, major of the said regiment: That four companies of riflemen, for the said regiment, be raised in Virginia, and two in Maryland.”

(Rawlings became colonel about 1 January, 1777.)

RESOLVES OF CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, 9 OCTOBER, 1778.

“Resolved, That if any of the states in which col. Moses Rawlins shall recruit for his regiment shall give to persons enlisting in the same, for three years, or during the war, the bounty allowed by the state, in addition to the continental bounty, the men so furnished, not being inhabitants of any other of the United States, shall be credited to the quota of the State in which they shall be enlisted.”

RESOLVES OF CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, 23 JANUARY, 1779.

“Resolved, That col. Rawlings and such of the officers of his corps as shall be appointed by the commander-in-chief, forthwith recruit three companies of that corps to the full complement: That the volunteers be enlisted for the war, and ordered to repair to Fort Pitt.”

Colonel Moses Rawlings' Rifle Regiment was originally raised in Maryland and Virginia as Stephenson's Maryland and Virginia Rifle Regiment, and reorganized in 1777 as one of the 16 additional Regiments.