

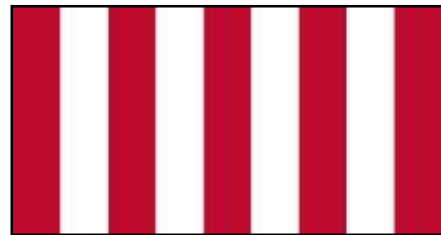
Sons of Liberty

The “original” Sons of Liberty was a secret organization formed in 1765 by “The Loyal Nine”; a band of Bostonians agitated over the Stamp act. With a query on your Web browser, the entry of “sons of liberty” will reveal that organizations under that title continue to the present; indeed, some chapters exist in several of the states.

What began as nine men soon grew to several thousand; and by the end of the year (1765), members had been formed in every colony. At the same time, some (colonist) falsely applied the title to less-than-honorable acts of their own – which gave way to some clarification and correction under the title “true-sons”...

According to my sources, the acts (or rebellion or protests) were more in the form of print – rather than acts (of rebellion or treason). Many of the members, being printers and publishers, were able to spread the word conveniently by using their independent means as well as public newspapers in their resident colony.

Several variations of flags were created – but the original form appears to the right. Vertical red & white strips must have had something to do with the number of colonies...and the counter-movement to the conventional horizontal strips for such flags as the “East Indies Company” among others. A later version returned the strips horizontal with thirteen juxtaposed red & white – again representing the colonies.



Much more could be included (from the sources) on the “going’s-on” of the (or these) organizations, but instead of *going-on* with my commentary, I close by suggesting that you do your own homework...