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.....A New Pattern of Action.

CHAPTER REGENTS REPORTS

72nd State Conference

Pack Horse Ford Chapter
Shepherdstown, W. Va.

State Conference Report

October, 1977

Within the past year Pack Horse Ford Chapter gained 7 new members, making 36 members. One transferred and 3 are new junior members. Having met all obligations, the chapter received the Gold Honor Roll Award.

Interesting programs were given. The Conservation program was given by a leader of a youth corps who worked at the National Historical Park at Cape Hatteras. In December, a film "Why the Bells Tolloed" and "Christmas in Sacred Music" was very inspiring. The Shepherdstown Fire Chief gave an interesting talk on the work of the Fire Department and Traffic Safety. A book review "The Compleat American Housewife in 1776" was enjoyed by the members in May. On July 4, a picnic and old fashioned costume contest was held by the chapter at Morgan's Grove Park, as part of Shepherdstown's celebration. Prizes were given to the contestants. Mrs. C. William Moore; a junior member, Mrs. Gary Gess; and a new member of the chapter, Miss Margaret Dodge, were the judges.

The chapter received the Blue Ribbon Award on the Yearbook and the green and gold award on the program. We also received the 2nd award on the Blanche L. Reyman Scholarship Fund. The state regent, Mrs. Corbitt, presented the regent with a bicentennial certificate to be given to the town of Shepherdstown for their outstanding bicentennial work "Making History Live".

A member of the chapter won the Pearl Buck Doll when her number was drawn in Washington, It was presented to her by Mrs. Gary Gess, at the meeting in May.

A DAR Good Citizen medal was given to an outstanding senior girl in the Jefferson High School. A silver and a bronze DAR History Essay medal were given to the first and second prize winners in the essay contest at the Shepherdstown Elementary School. The students and their mothers attended the meeting in March, and the essays were read. 90 Flag Codes and 90 Flag leaflets were given to the class participating in the contest.

\$55.00 was given to each of our DAR Schools: Kate Duncan Smith and Tammassee. Contributions were made to Crossnore School; Blanche L. Reyman Scholarship Fund; Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Fund; Adam Stephen Home; W. Va. Room in the Museum; Junior Bazaar; Helen Pouch Memorial Fund; C. A. R. and to all required projects.

Constitution Week was observed with 2 decorated windows in business establishments and display in the Public Library. Spot announcements were given over the radio, prayers for the Constitution were given in churches, the Proclamation was signed by the Mayor, and Flag Codes and leaflets were given to libraries in all the Jefferson County Public Schools and to the Shepherd College Library. Mrs. Homer P. Martin, state regent, gave a talk on the Constitution at our September dinner meeting.

The book "Washington Landmark" was given to the Good Citizen girl and to 6 new members.

Regent Mrs. James S. Phillips

Augusta M. Phillips

William Henshaw Chapter
N. S. D. A. R.

Martinsburg, West Virginia 25401

William Henshaw Chapter was awarded honorable mention on the honor roll and a blue ribbon for the yearbook.

At the present there are 70 members and 8 of them are juniors. Mrs. R.D.(Ruth) DeHaven transferred to our Chapter from Virginia, and Mrs. Ruby Goldsborough is a new member. Papers are being prepared for two new members.

Constitution Week chairman Mrs. Herbert Avey, and her co-chairman Mrs. C. Vincent Townsend of the Shenandoah Valley Chapter, contacted the Mayor who proclaimed Constitution Week; contacted local ministers who spoke and included prayers on Sunday, Sept. 18; contacted local schools which participated; contacted local newspapers; contacted local radio stations which gave spot announcements; asked residents to fly the Flag of the United States; asked service clubs to observe this Week; attended Naturalization Court proceedings; had Constitution Week luncheon and programs.

Three Good Citizenship Pins were awarded to three area high schools. A ROTC medal was awarded to Susie Carter of the Martinsburg High School.

Material was sent to schools in connection with American History Month. Twenty essays were received; four medals were awarded, and the other entrants were presented Certificates of Merit.

Contributions were made to three D AR schools; also, to DAR Museum.

Toilet articles, books, magazines, and socks were given to patients at the V A Center at Martinsburg.

William Hensham Chapter
N. S. D. A. R.

Martinsburg, West Virginia 25401

Advance notices were given for each meeting, and a report was published in the Martinsburg Journal after the meeting each month.

Our chapter was represented at the State Conference and the National Congress. In fact three sisters, including our vice-regent Mrs. Clarence Pharr, served as Pages at the National Congress. Mrs. Pharr's sisters names are Mrs. Stephen Hawley, and Mrs. James Taylor, Jr.

Four ladies Mrs. Terrence Boggess, Mrs. Harry Eubank, Mrs. Paul Lingamfelter, and Mrs. Robert Roth observed their fiftieth year as members of the chapter. Only two ladies attended the event when certificates were presented to them and a picture was taken with the anniversary cake. The picture and an accompanying article appeared in the May issue of the National DAR Magazine, and also, in the September issue of the W. Va. DAR News.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary

Mrs. Robert H. Barrat,

Regent

CAPTAIN JAMES ALLEN CHAPTER, NSDAR
Beckley, West Virginia

Captain James Allen Chapter National Society Daughters of American Revolution received the gold honor roll award for the fourth consecutive year. We have sixty-six members, six new, one junior and one associate member. Three of our members expired this year.

We were represented at conferences in Parkersburg, Continental Congress, Jackson's Mill, and the Southern District Meeting at Oak Hill; in which our past regent, Mrs. Charles A. Barrett, was elected to serve as Southern District Chairman.

Members of our chapter hosted the District Christmas Party at the Veterans Administration Hospital; candy canes were placed on the patients trays and poinsettias were placed throughout the hospital. At Easter, twenty-five dollars was donated for canteen books and stamps for the veterans. During the spring and summer, our members planted twenty-seven dozen petunias and several dozen tulip bulbs along the walk ways at the hospital. A total of five hundred seventeen hours of service was contributed by the Daughters. Mrs. A. P. Stevenson, member, is serving as State Chairman of Veterans-Patients.

Another tremendous community project was completed by our chapter during the Easter Season, we prepared eighteen-thousand Easter Seal Envelopes for the Crippled Children Association. This project involved three weeks of work with a total of four-thousand and fifty hours.

We placed six books in the Raleigh County Library in memory of our deceased members and their families. Miss Helen Couch, Chaplain conducted memorial services at our meetings for each deceased member.

Mrs. E. V. Bowman, Chairman of Good Citizen Committee, presented medals and certificates to seven senior high school students, who were chosen to represent their school. These students, parents, principals, and teachers were honored at our meeting.

Mrs. Irma Huettner, American History Chairman conducted the history contest in eleven area schools. The winners of the awards read their essays at our meeting and nineteen certificates of awards, four medals and four five dollar bills were presented as prizes. Ninety-five essays were submitted, two-hundred sixty-five spot announcements were broadcast on radio during American History Month.

Constitution Week Chairman, Mrs. Alex Thompson, spearheaded our observance by Mrs. Charles Merritt giving program at our September Meeting "Women Behind The Constitution". Mayor McCulloch signed the Proclamation, banks, motels placed Constitution Week on the marquees. Spot announcements were made on

radio. Posters were distributed to local merchants. Church bulletins reminded their members of the observance.

Mrs. John E. McKenzie, American Heritage Music Chairman, was in charge of the West Virginia Division of the Federated Music Clubs at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Contributions have been made to all National and State Projects. Donations to Pearl Buck Doll to raise funds for the Helen Pouch Junior Scholarship and to Blanche L. Reyman Memorial Scholarship.

Another highlight of our year was November 28, 1976, the day that Raleigh County Bicentennial Commission entombed the time capsule. Mrs. Irma Huettner, Chapter Historian and Bicentennial Chairman, serving on the Commission; participated in the dedication ceremonies. Mrs. Huettner was instrumental in procuring the items for the capsule. The following items were collected: chapter yearbook, Bicentennial Issue Dar Magazine, Letters containing messages for posterity from a cross-section of citizens of the community, maps, deeds, aerial photographs of city of Beckley, City Directory, samples of fabric used for sewing in 1976 and a description of how our chapter celebrated our country's birthday. Also, a copy of a letter written by the founder of our city, John Beckley, to Thomas Jefferson, dated February 22, 1801.

Mrs. Homer P. Martin installed our new officers and reported on Continental Congress at our June Meeting. Chapter Junior, Mrs. Presley Merritt Waggoner served as page at Continental Congress.

We are looking forward with enthusiasm to "New Patterns of Action" in our chapter during the coming months.

Mrs. Alan K. Truman, Sr., Regent
Captain James Allen Chapter, NSDAR
Beckley, W. Va. 25801

COLONEL CHARLES LEWIS CHAPTER
Point Pleasant, W.Va.

The Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter has 113 members of which 9 are juniors. One member was lost by death, two by transfer and 6 prospective ones have papers in Washington.

All financial obligations, state and national were met. The Chapter had representatives at Continental Congress, State Conference, Western District meeting, and at the Jackson's Mill Luncheon.

All historic anniversaries were observed. The President General's message was read and National Defense Report given at each meeting. The programs at all ten regular meetings were based on the DAR objectives; historical, educational and patriotic, including an entire program on National Defense and the Resolutions which completed our coverage of the work of the National Society. For this we were placed on the Gold Honor Roll. Guests at our February meeting were the American History Essay Contest winners and their parents. One contestant was third place winner of the State.

Constitution week was observed with an excellent program, displays were set up through-out the county, signed proclamation by the mayors of the three surrounding communities, announcements read in the churches, high schools, radio and television stations, and distribution of literature. Flying the flag was urged.

Our Chapter gave a number of awards among which were:

- 12 Good Citizenship awards
- 3 DAR Good Citizens pins
- 6 American History awards
- 6 American History Essay Contest medals, 3 silver and 3 bronze

DAR magazine subscription was given to the county library as was the book "Washington Landmark". The book was also placed in the local high school. Ten Dollars (\$10.00) was sent to the Veterans hospital as was numerous other presents for their personal use.

Two memorial services were held and two grave markers dedicated.

On Memorial Day, sixty-three flags were used to mark graves.

The Chapter presented a large flag to the new Community Building and Firehouse at Apple Grove, W. V.

Our 76th Anniversary Spring Luncheon was held in April at which time we were presented a Certificate, with the State Seal from the Senate of West Virginia, "officially recognizing the military leadership and ultimate sacrifice of Colonel Charles Lewis and commending the Board of Supervisors of Bath County, Virginia, on the observance of Colonel Charles Lewis Day." In June we were guests at the restored home of Virgil A. Lewis (famed historian of West Virginia) where Senator Orton Jones presented the Chapter with a framed authentic letter written by Daniel Boone now hanging at the Mansion House.

A reception was held at the Mansion House in the Tu-Endie-Wei Park for the James Wood Chapter following their dedication of a grave marker for Revolutionary war soldier John Greer.

August 26th, our Chapter held a reception in honor of William Rardin III, national first vice-president of the Children of the American Revolution and a silver tea for the Fort Randolph Society of CAR.

During the past year our chapter has had 1,228 total inches of publicity. As of Sept. 1st some 31,673 visitors have toured our historic Chapter House in Tu-Endie-Wei Park.

Arnolda Smith Carpenter (Mrs. James W.)
Regent



Lt. Daniel Shumate Chapter, NSDAR

Mrs. Wirt C. Belcher, Regent

Mullens, W. Va. 25882

Sept. 27, 1977

Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent
1 Berwood Road
Morgantown, West Virginia, 26505

Dear Mrs. Martin:

Activities of the Lt. Daniel Shumate Chapter, NSDAR, Mullens, West Virginia, from September 1976 through September 1977, are as follows:

- (1) Received Silver Award for meeting National Honor
- (2) Roll Requirements.
- (3) Contributed to DAR supported schools.
- (4) Held flag sales in county schools during school year.
Sold 9 desk flag sets.
- (5) Received Blue Ribbon for Year Book.
- (6) Conducted American History Essay Contest in county schools. Awarded three medals with display domes.
- (7) For the Veterans at the Beckley Veteran Hospital, we gave 25 comfort items, gift wrapped, at Christmas.
- (8) Donated one poinsetta plant and contributed \$7.50 for Canteen Books.
- (9) Selected three senior girls from Mullens, Glen Rogers, and Herndon High Schools as Good Citizens; presented pins and certificates. They, along with their parents, were present for the April meeting of our Chapter.
- (10) Regent, Vice Regent and Treasurer attended District Conference.
- (11) Members planted trees and shrubs and put out bird feed.



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- (11) Received Certificate of Acknowledgement for donation to the Symes Micro-Film Center.
- (12) Paid \$10.00 for ad in DAR State Magazine.
- (13) Participated in 4th July Celebration in Pineville; decorated car and sold flags.
- (14) Chapter Regent was Grand Marshall for the Labor Day Celebration in Pineville. She was dressed in a "Flag Dress." Entered a float in the parade and sold flags.
- (15) Presented Flag to the Wyoming County Museum at Twin Falls State Park. The Flag was a handmade Betsy Ross Flag.

Sincerely,

Mae S. Belcher
Mae S. Belcher
Regent

Blackwater Chapter is located in beautiful Tucker County where the winters are severe but delightful. We are located in the Monongahela National Forrest, therefore we are very actively engaged in conservation -- planting trees, feeding birds, etc.

Our meetings are held, weather permitting, at the Country Club in Parsons, West Virginia, which is being managed by Mrs. Lolita Hillard, secretary of our Chapter, who has been very active in D.A.R. over the years.

This August one of our charter members, Mrs. Marie Hahn Lipscomb (my aunt) passed away. Our cousin from Wyoming who is a D.A.R. member has had 100 trees planted as a memorial in her memory on the burned over mountain areas in Wyoming.

The Parsons Family History was given to the State Society and then in turn given to the National Society, accepted and placed in the library at Constitution Hall. This was reprinted by Mrs. Marie Hahn Lipscomb whose grandmother was a real granddaughter of the American Revolution.

Blackwater is a small Chapter with 37 members but only one Charter member still living. Our members are located over the county and distant states. We try to be very active and have interesting meetings and programs based on the objectives of the Society

Hasaleah M. Lanham
Regent

PHOEBE CUNNINGHAM D.A.R. CHAPTER

REPORT TO THE STATE REGENT

The Phoebe Cunningham Chapter D.A.R. was confirmed by the National Board of Management on April 16, 1977.

We have 14 active members; 4 with papers pending and 5 researching for proof of lineage. On our next meeting, October 1, we have four names to present and six to be voted on as prospective members.

At our next meeting we will have our first luncheon with a genealogy workshop in the afternoon. Our guest speaker will be Miss Marion Tapp, genealogist of Morgantown. We have invited the Calhoun County Historical Society to attend and participate in the workshop. Among other guests invited are John Ludwig of West Augusta Historical Society and Winefried Scott of Ann Royal D.A.R. Chapter in Harrisville.

On September 19 to 23rd we observed Constitution Week. Our Vice-Regent, Mrs. Lelia Rose, was most proficient at organizing the observance and the county should now be aware that there is a D. A. R. Chapter in the community.

In the Library, Post Office, Bank, Florist shop, Insurance office and all stores in town we place copies of "Freedom Pledge," "American Creed" and "Know Your Rights Under the Constitution."

The Superintendent of Schools cooperated by sending a reminder to each principal to observe Constitution Week.

Lelia Rose wrote the message and included a quiz on the Constitution.

An excellent display was observed and appreciated by many, according to Parsons Jewlery who was kind enough to permit the use of their window. Some items used were the Constitution with ink pot and quill pen, Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech, Thomas Paine's "Common Sense," The Declaration of Independence, a 13 star flag, books on Jefferson and Franklin, "The Formation of the Union" and a copy of a newspaper dated 1776.

An announcement had been made the week before asking citizens to observe Constitution week and the Mayor to issue a proclamation. The issue of the paper after Constitution week contained a "Thank You" to all participants and especially to the merchants for flying their flags in between rain storms.

Our chapter is not very old, however with our organizational meetings we had a program on optional defense and next year feel that we can fulfill the requirements for Honor Roll.

We will have at least three members at State Conference and hope to be represented at Continental Conference in April, 1976. At that time Florida County and Chapter O.A.R. will be one year old, healthy and growing.

Miss Kounick (Martha H.) / Hall, Newport
Rt 1 - Box 20
Sand Ridge, W. Va.
1976

Chapter Regent's Annual Report - October 1, 1977

Matthew French Chapter - NSDAR

Matthew French Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, has enjoyed a very fulfilling year's work.

We have a total of eighty-five members. Sixty-five are active and twenty-two are non-resident. Six are junior members. We added one new member this year.

We again gave the Ruth Hugheson Scholarship Award of One hundred Dollars to a graduating senior from Princeton High School. Good Citizen Awards were made to an outstanding senior from Princeton, Spanishburg, Oakvale, Athens and Matoaka High Schools.

We participated with our Betsy Ross Float in the Princeton Bicentennial Parade on October 12, 1976. This had been postponed from May 31 when a cloudburst came just at parade time.

The status of the Mitchell Clay Family, first settlers of Harcer County, was commissioned in 1976 but is not completed as of this date. We contributed \$500.00 toward this project.

We also presented awards for outstanding students in American History in our local schools. We again placed a small American Flag in the hand of each first grader in Princeton.

We had many good programs covering all of the categories required. Our annual Martha Washington Luncheon in February featured a 'Show and Tell' program. Members brought a special article from their family to share with all. Many unique and interesting objects were displayed. In August we featured a program on hand-made quilts both new and old. An excellent talk on the role of quilts in our history was given by a member, Mrs. J. R. Toothman.

Regent's Report - 1977 - Matthew French Chapter NSDAR

We placed three copies of the DAR Magazine in our High School, Junior High School and the Princeton Library.

We also gave three American Flags to the Princeton Chamber of Commerce to be used on each holiday when the Flags are flown throughout the downtown streets.

We remembered the Veteran patients at the Veteran's Hospital in Beckley with a cash donation of \$10.00. Our DAR Schools were also remembered with donations of \$40.00.

Constitution Week observance was climaxed with a luncheon at Concord College Blue Room. Material on the Constitution was distributed to schools. Spot announcements were made on the radio and flags were flown by many members.

Princeton High School was chosen this year to receive The National Ballamy Flag Award for the State of West Virginia. This honor is to be held for this state for a fifty year period in the distinguished group of outstanding and representative secondary schools throughout the nation. We would like to think that in some small way Matthew French Chapter has helped in this achievement through our many awards all through the years for American History, Good Citizen, Scholarships, Constitution Week Programs and the distribution of a small American Flag to each first grader in our town.

Respectfully submitted by



Mrs. James E. Hatcher, Regent
Matthew French Chapter NSDAR
Princeton, West Virginia

West Virginia Conference Report 1977
Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter, DAR

The Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter, DAR had eight meetings last year, one having been cancelled due to bad weather. We have 34 members having lost one member by death and one by resignation.

We recieved a state blue ribbon for our yearbook and green and gold for program and Honorable Mention for the Honor Roll. We were represented at State and District meetings. All meetings were opened with the Ritual, President General's message, Pledge to the Flag, and the American's Creed. We had five minutes of National Defense at each meeting and one full program on National Defense.

We contributed to all Honor Roll requirements also to Kate Duncan Smith School and Tamasee. We also contributed \$10 to the Veteran's Christmas Party at Beckley and to the Seimes Microfilm Fund..

We gave Good Citizens Awards to senior girls and boys in the five county high schools.

We gave certificates for the best grades in American History in all five county high schools.

We observed Constitution Week by having Mayor Swope sign a proclamation. We had spot announcements read in the high schools and over two radio stations in Welch.

We worked with the Welch Bicentennial Committee and our Chapter gave a tea at the McDowell Public Library on Nov. 7, 1976 to unveil a painting which was commissioned by the Bicentennial Committee as a permanent remembrance

of the Bicentennial. The artist was Ward Nichols a former Welch resident, who has gained national attention for his paintings. The subject was the McDowell County Courthouse, the railway station and old Lincoln School which is now the Memorial Building at the turn of the century 1903.

Judge Jerome Katz of Bluefield was the speaker for our annual Christmas Dinner. He used a patriotic theme for his excellent talk.

We gave subscriptions to the DAR Magazine to the McDowell Public Library and the Welch High School Library.

All programs were on Historic, Educational, and Patriotic subjects.

Respectfully submitted
Barbara Allara, Regent
(Mrs. Bobby D.)

Barbara Allara

Col. Andrew Donnally Chapter
Welch, WV 24801

ELK RIVER CHAPTER, NSDAR - Mansaway, WV - Mrs. Dale Kostner, Regent

Our Chapter had a good year despite the winter weather which cancelled two meetings. It was difficult to follow the Bicentennial Year with all its celebrations but the State Regent's theme "New Patterns of Action" is very appropriate.

Emphasis this year was on Conservation and American Heritage. A delightful slide program on West Virginia Wildflowers in the spring inspired planting of flower beds. At least 10 members kept bird feeders full through the bad winter using hundreds of pounds of bird seed - some ungerminated. One member has a wild life preserve on her farm. At least four members made quilts and other heritage crafts and entered the annual arts and crafts show, as did our award winning poet, Mrs. Annie Dulaney. We are also continuing the income producing project making and selling apple butter.

This year the Chapter qualified again for the Gold Honor Roll, won ribbons for our pressbook and yearbook and a Certificate for 100% Participation in the President General's project. We sponsored a student to Girls' State Camp and awarded a Good Citizens Pin and Certificate to another student.

Constitution Week was a great success with much radio, TV and newspaper coverage, flags flying, and Mayors in three towns signed the Proclamation.

In an effort to gain new members as well as an interesting program, the lineage research chairman, Mrs. Paul Carr, presented an historical sketch of her Revolutionary Ancestor, Andrew Skidmore. It was also published in the newspaper and as an article in the Braxton Historical Journal. We have had inquiries from prospective applicants who have the same ancestor. We plan to continue the program each year.

In June we have our annual Family Night covered dish dinner. This year we were honored that Miss Lucille Stutler, Honorary State Regent, accepted an invitation to join us and speak on "An Evening with the First Ladies."

This year we plan to give special emphasis on Education and National

Defense as we must all do our share in reversing the trends to undermine both in this country, if we are truly going to preserve our traditions of liberty, freedom and justice.

October 1, 1977 Report

WESTMORELAND CHAPTER

The Westmoreland Chapter had 18 charter members and has had one addition by transfer but one moved away, hence, our membership remains 18, however we have some applications being processed.

All financial obligations, state and national, were met. The Chapter had representatives at State Conference, Western District Meeting and at Jackson's Mill.

Each regular meeting includes Devotions, Patriotic Exercises, Messages from the President General and a National Defense Report.

Constitution Week was observed by having spot announcements on the radio, all high schools were asked to participate by having English Themes, posters and assembly programs dealing with the Constitution, ministers were asked to cooperate, and mayors urged to issue proclamations, and all were urged to fly the flag.

Our monthly programs were classed as Historical, Educational and Patriotic dealing with the Bicentennial, the Constitution, American Heritage, Colonial Life, DAR Projects, Conservation, the Flag and National Defense.

The winner of the Historical Essay Contest and his parents were guests of honor at our February meeting.

Good Citizen Pins and Certificates were presented to a deserving senior in each high school in our county.

A local newspaper prints the announcement of each of our meetings then publishes a detailed account of our program following the meeting. The local radio station gives spot announcements on such events as Constitution Week or on DAR sponsored contests. All this gives good Public Relations.

We contributed articles for sale at the Junior Bazaar.

We earned money for our chapter treasury by having an auction of articles contributed by our members. Each member was asked to bring a guest to that meeting.

We won a blue ribbon for our yearbook in national judging.

Our framed charter now hangs on the wall of the Community Room in a local bank where our monthly meetings are held.

Copies of the DAR Magazine have been presented to local public libraries.

Hedge Lester Matthews (Mrs. Claude L.),
Regent

MAJOR WILLIAM HAYMOND CHAPTER

Fairmont, W.Va.

Major William Haymond Chapter, organized in 1908, has 81 members with five papers pending. In the past year four have died, one of them our second vice regent; 2 have been transferred; 2 dropped; and one reinstated.

We have had 10 meetings with 35 to 40 in attendance. Included in every program has been the ritual, the Pledge of Allegiance, the President General's message, and a National Defense report.

All programs were based on the National Theme in accordance with NSDAR Historical, Educational and Patriotic requirements. All required donations to nationally sponsored projects have been met.

We have had representatives at State Conference, District meetings and Jackson's Mill.

We have given four Good Citizen medals to high schools in our community and have had the Good Citizens on our program in March.

30% of our members take the magazine and 25% are subscribers to the West Virginia DAR News. Our American History contest has been introduced into all high schools in our district.

We have contributed to community projects such as Student Loan Fund, Fairmont State College; we are a Life Member of Prickett's Fort Foundation; we support Rhododendron Girls' State Camp. We have purchased Landmark books for gifts in the community.

In our on-going program of searching and marking missing graves of

Revolutionary soldiers, we have found 8 this year.

Major William Haymond received the Silver Honor Roll award; a State Blue Ribbon with Green-Gold for excellence in programs in our Supplement Yearbook; and in April a Certificate from National for 100% participation in "A Bicentennial Tribute to the United States of America."

Our outstanding programs were Constitution Day luncheons which we celebrated with our sister Chapters in the county, West Augusta Chapter and Col. Morgan Morgan. In 1976 were honored to have Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent-Elect as our speaker. In 1977 Mr. Kennedy Watkins, Washing, D.C. lawyer and former secretary-treasurer of the National Art Gallery, spoke to us about the "Washington Picture."

In November we heard Mrs. George Weaver, Morgantown, speak about the "History of the Old Stone House" which is listed as a national monument. In Feb. Dr. Patricia Ryan, Fairmont State College, spoke to us on National Defense with emphasis on the Near East. We were honored to have Miss Marion Tapp, a leading genealogist, come to us in May to talk about "Big Name Hunt."

The Regent wishes to thank Officers, Committee Chairmen and members who have worked together to achieve a successful year

Quida Stonestreet(Mrs.R.T.) McDonald

Regent

ELIZABETH CUMMINS JACKSON CHAPTER

GRAFTON, W. V.

SEPTEMBER 1977 - SEPTEMBER 1978

The Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter of Grafton, West Virginia meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month, with a dinner meeting at 6:15 P. M. Our meetings open with the usual order of business.

Our chapter is small, with 32 members, many of whom are elderly and in variable stages of inactivity. Six of our members reside outside the city. During the past year we have lost two through death and have gained two, one of whom is a junior member. Our recently elected vice regent has left the city, and so her office has been filled by our former chaplain, Mrs Kermit Poling of Yates Avenue, Grafton and the office of the chaplain will be filled by Mrs H. K. Debendarfer, Route 2, Grafton.

During the year some of our varied, interesting programs have been on: National Defense, with Col. Ted Underwood, of Salem, United States Army Reserves; The President General's theme "Remove not the ancient landmark" presented by a local minister, the Rev. Kermit Poling, a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, and the husband of one of our new junior members; Dr. Earl Core, of Morgantown, author of the Monongahelia Story, gave us a delightful program on the history of Taylor County; On June 14, Flag Day, we were honored by the presence of our State Regent, Mrs Homer Martin, of Morgantown, for the dedication of a plaque, which now hangs in the Taylor County Court House, dedicated to the memory of Taylor County men who served in the American Revolution. Mrs Martin was later our dinner speaker and her subject was "Continental Congress and the new theme of the President General and what we can expect from her administration. She later installed the new officers of the chapter for the year 77-78.

Our winter was so severe, that several of our meetings were cancelled. Therefore, our chapter voted to continue to hold meetings during the summer months.

In addition to the outside speakers, we have utilized some of our committee chairman for our programs. The conservation chairman, was responsible for one of our summer programs and her topic was taken from the magazine "Wonderful West Virginia". The article was titled "The Earth is the Lord's" by Dr. Stacy Croscup. An informative program on the DAR Schools was presented by the chairman of that committee.

ELIZABETH CURMINS JACKSON CHAPTER

The chapter started out "Constitution Week" by attending church on Sept. 18, at the First Baptist Church. The book "Your Rugged Constitution" was presented to the Taylor County Library and the Editor of our local paper "The Mountain Statesman" wrote an editorial on the Constitution. At our last meeting, the National Defense Chairman presented a well prepared program - touching on the Equal Rights Amendment and excerpts from the address given during the Eighty-sixth Continental Congress, by Major General George Morgan, Jr., entitled "What's Wrong with U. S. Intelligence?" As part of our program we also recited the Preamble of the Constitution.

In May we were hostess to the Morgan Morgan Chapter, of Fairmont, for a tour of the Mother's Day Shrine, here in Grafton. We hope to accept their invitation to visit Prickett's Fort scheduled for October 15.

Six members of our chapter attended the summer conference at Jackson's Mill.

A recently attempted lineage research workshop created no interest - perhaps because it was scheduled for the same night as the local high school football game. It's possible that we may try it again in the spring.

We are currently collecting "White Cross Needs" for Bacone College and St. Mary's School for Indian Girls. Members are also saving S & H Green Stamps for the approval schools.

Our Student Loan and Scholarship Chairman has also made available information on this committee to the local high school.

In closing, I would like to report the local newspaper has cooperated beautifully, during the past year, and I believe our public image is changing for the better. This, and better programs is what is needed in order to attract new members.

Mary Jane Korth

Mary Jane Korth (Mrs Wm. R. Korth Sr.)

Agent, Elisabeth Curmins Jackson Chapter

WEST AUGUSTA CHAPTER
MANNINGTON, W. VA.

September, 1976-September, 1977

Nine meetings were held emphasizing Educational, Historical and Patriotic programs.

Special programs included:

1. Co-hostess with the two Fairmont chapters for a Constitution Day luncheon at the Fairmont Field Club. Mrs. Homer Martin, state regent, was the speaker.
2. Review of book :1776-Year of Illusions:.
3. Jack Anderson, Marion county teacher, spoke on Indian history of the upper Monongahela valley.
4. Members who have visited Greece gave an interesting program using color slides to illustrate the life, history and influence of the country on the present.
5. A conservation program :Ecology Quotient in the U.S.:
6. Old instruments were played by members at the Flag Day luncheon—a hand organ, a treholipee, and a hammered dulcimer.

Three members attended Jacksons Mills meeting in June.

We presented two Highest Honor awards, one Good Citizen, one Good Citizenship and two American History awards.

We lost two members by death and gained three new members.

We got a first place award on our yearbook and honorable mention on Honor Roll.

We contributed money to the high school to be used for food baskets for Christmas for needy families.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma Lou Demory
Emma Lou Demory, Regent,
West Augusta Chapter

Harrisville, WV 26362
Sept. 23, 1977

Mrs. Homer P. Martin
State Regent NSDAR
"Berwood", 1138 Berwood Dr.
Morgantown, WV 26505

Ann Royal Chapter met the requirements to receive the Silver Honor Roll.

Our programs have been Patriotic, historical and educational. We have contributed to all projects, school and advertising. Books and records were sent to the Veterans Hospital at Clarksburg.

Each meeting included the Ritual, President's Message, Pledge to the Flag, American Creed and a National Defense Report. We subscribed to the DAR Magazine for the Ritchie County Library.

We contributed to the fund, sponsored by the Ritchie County Historical Society for the purchase of the Stone House at Pennsboro., which will be restored and preserved as a Museum. The Stone House built in 1810 served for many years as the only Inn and Stage Coach stop between Clarksburg and Parkersburg. Our Chapter plans to restore one room in the house.

To kick off Constitution Week Activities, Ann Royal members participated in the Hughes River Holiday Parade with a unit, using posters to promote interest in September 17 - 23.

Constitution Week was observed with an excellent program, with displays in the county schools, Ritchie County Library, churches and many places of business through out the county. All citizens were urged to display their flags during the week.

Ann Royal Chapter presented the Ritchie County Historical Society with a 3 x 5 American Flag which had flown over the United States Capitol on Sept. 19, 1974. The flag had originally been given to the Chapter by Congressman John M. Slack

We distributed 1,590 pieces of Constitution literature, flags and pins.

Patty W. Cox
Mrs. Patty W. Cox
Regent, Ann Royal, NSDAR

WEST VIRGINIA COUNTY
Daughters of the
American Revolution

Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter
Morgantown, West Virginia

1976-1977 Report

The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter has 134 members-28 of these are non-residents. We have five prospective members. We lost two members by death and one by transfer out of the Chapter.

Our Chapter not only contributed to Kate Duncan Smith, Tamassee, St Mary's School, and Bacone College but also to Investment Trust Fund, Seimes Micro-film Center, Cataloging Museum and Period Room, Occupational Therapy and Medical Scholarship, and Air Conditioning

A National Defense report and the President General's message were given at each meeting.

Constitutional Week and American History Month were observed.

Our Chapter gave several awards: nine Good Citizenship awards, two Good Citizen pins, one ROTC Gold Medal and Campaign Bar to a senior Cadet at WVU, and three Conservation awards.

The following donations were given: Veterans Hospital at Clarksburg ^{\$20,} ~~\$20,~~ West Virginia Lung Association \$5, Monongalia County Red Cross \$5. United Way \$10, and Morgantown City Library \$10.

DAR Magazine subscriptions were given to four local high schools.

One highlight of the past year was our sixth Genealogical Workshop, which was most successful. No charges were made for the eight sessions, but \$176 was donated to the Chapter by those attending. This amount was given to the Morgantown City Library for the purpose of purchasing books on genealogy in honor of Miss Marion Tapp, who was director of the Workshop.

The members of the Workshop made a trip to the Uniontown Historical Library at Uniontown Public Library. The group later visited two historical spots: Nemaquin Castle at Brownsville, Pennsylvania, and Campus Martius at Marietta, Ohio.

We were represented at the following meetings: Continental Congress, State Conference at Parkersburg, State Meeting at Jackson Mill's and the Central District Meeting. At the meeting at Jackson Mill's we had the largest number of members attending.

Lorraine King Swisher, Regent

Lorraine King Swisher, Regent
(Mrs. L. Bush)

REPORT OF CHAPTER REGENT

JOHN HART CHAPTER
Elkins, W. Va.

The John Hart Chapter of Elkins, West Virginia received the gold award for outstanding accomplishments for attaining the Honor Roll of the National Society 1976 - 1977.

Membership now totals one hundred and three (103) with seven (7) new members. Have one (1) paper pending and lost four (4) by death.

All programs were based on the National theme as required by NSDAR Historical, Educational and Patriotic, with eleven meetings held on the third Wednesday of each month. Had thirty to thirty five members in attendance.

A 1812 marker was erected at the grave of a Revolutionary Soldier, William Clark, at Lorentz Mathothis Church Cemetery in Lewis County. Two grave markers were presented to families of deceased members.

An American Flag was given to the Historical Beverly Cemetery and citizens were encouraged to display their flags on all patriotic holidays.

The John Hart Chapter participated in the VFW Memorial Day Service held at the Federal Building, by giving a wreath to honor the deceased veterans.

Citizenship manuals, flags and literature were distributed at the Naturalization Ceremonies and the New Citizens were greeted by members of the chapter.

Forty Nine students participated in the American History essay contest. Five Good Citizenship Awards were presented to the outstanding students of the high schools of Randolph County.

In observance of Constitution Week the Proclamation was signed by the mayor of Elkins, urging all citizens to rededicate our priceless heritage of freedom. Churches, schools, radio, news media and other civic organizations presented spot announcements and window posters were displayed.

The courtsey chairman extends cards and flowers to ill members and to families of deceased members.

Members are continuing their interest and work in our DAR Room in the Museum.

We were represented at the State Conference, District Meeting and Jacksons Mill.

Contributions were made to the Kate Duncan Smith and Tamanna Schools.

The annual August picnic was enjoyed and plans were completed for another active and rewarding year.

I ask all members for their continued interest, consideration and support in accomplishing our goals.

Mrs. Robert B. Scott (Marguerite)
Regent

ANNUAL REPORT

1976-1977

POTOMAC VALLEY CHAPTER NSDAR

Keyser, West Virginia, 26726

Potomac Valley Chapter NSDAR has 28 members and 2 associate. We lost one by death and added 2 new members during the year.

Constitution week was observed by a proclamation by Mayor and fillers in local paper and spot announcements on the local radio station in addition to a program for the regular chapter meeting. All program requirements were met and a very interesting discussion meeting was held on National Defense.

We fulfilled a long range objective of maintaining and sharing a pre-revolutionary fort at Fort Ashby, West Virginia. We shared expenses of insurance, utilities, labor for roofing etc. with the Fort Ashby Chapter; $\frac{1}{2}$ owners of the fort and grounds. Materials were sent for including this property in a national publication planned by the national headquarters of NSDAR.

We received a certificate for 100% participation in Bicentennial Tribute and a blue ribbon certificate for year book supplement.

American History month was observed with a block "Our Heritage" paragraphs in the local paper. We had two students place in the essay contest for the state. Certificates were given to all participants and a medal given to the county 8th grade winner and books relating to history to the 1st. & 2nd. placements in each school. These awards were made by the regent at the awards assemblies in each school. A Good Citizen award was presented at the Class Night exercise at the local high school.

We annually donate \$5 each to the Kate Duncan Smith, Tamassee, and St Marys school. We contributed the \$10 to the national magazine.

We were represented by two at the district and by one at the training conference at Jackson's Hill.

Members of Potomac Valley Chapter have contributed food and assisted with party at the Newton D. Baker Hospital. They have assisted Mineral County Historical Society with establishing the Alkire Mansion Museum and the Bicentennial dedication of the sculptured portrait of Nancy Hanks, mother of Abraham Lincoln. Nancy Hanks was born in Mineral County near Antioch.

Mrs. Bonnie W. Hanning

Regent

King's Wood Chapter NSDAR

King's Wood Chapter continues to meet on an irregular schedule. Our membership remains constant, but many do not live in the immediate area and are unable to attend meetings too often.

We are proud to announce that we were instrumental in aiding a German girl - mother of 6 children - in securing her American citizenship and July, 1977, she took the oath of ^{allegiance} ~~citizenship~~. We are continuing to work with another German girl and mother toward the same goal.

Members of the Society have helped compile historical material for local libraries and worked on the Bicentennial publication in Nov., 1976. Several books and pictures were given by them for use in school and local libraries.

One member has been active in helping to entertain and care for exchange foreign students to our country.

We helped with observance of Constitution Week in the schools and provided radio with spot announcements.

Our chapter continues to do the best we can, even though it may be small.

Mary Elizabeth McCrum

Mary Elizabeth McCrum, Regent

The James Barbour Chapter, NSDAR was organized March 19, 1926. Three charter members are still living and two of those are heading up committees. We have 37 members.

Ten meetings are held each year. Programs are planned to meet honor roll requirements. Outstanding ones last year were one in which each member gave a report on his Revolutionary Ancestor and one on conservation presented by a local conservation officer. He showed slides of edible WV wild plants and told how they were used long ago.

We made contributions in response to all requests from state and national. We got an award for 100% participation in the Bicentennial Tribute to the United States. We sent stamps and Christmas gifts to the Veterans Hospital, awarded a Citizenship pin and 2 Good Citizens metals. We sponsored the essay contest and our 7th grade entry won first place in the state. We made and presented a book on Churches of Barbour County to the Historical Library. We, along with the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW, presented a Memorial Day Service at the Fraternal Cemetery. We donated about 200 pages of court records (wills) to lineage research.

We had a decorated car in the Belington Street Fair parade and won 2nd place. We also had a display booth at ~~xxx~~ the Barbour County Fair. We gave the people informative materials about the flag and the Constitution, copies of past issues of the DAR magazine and any information on lineage research that we were able to. The booth was well received and appeared to 'improve the image of DAR' here. We were represented at the District meeting, Jackson's Mill and the state meeting.

Mrs. Mary Stemple Coffman, Regent



Daughters of the American Revolution
Wilson Cary Nicholas Chapter
Summersville, West Virginia 26651
416 Oak Street

We have 27 members—three are juniors

Our Chapter was awarded Gold for the Honor Roll and a State Blue Ribbon for our Yearbook Insert.

We received Second Place State Award for Constitution Week activities
Two high school girls were presented Good Citizens pins and Certificates
Six Good Citizenship Medals and Pins were given to 6th grade students
in the Summersville Elementary School.

Installed a DAR marker on the grave of a revolutionary patriot.

DAR Magazine subscriptions were given to two school libraries and two
town libraries.

U.S. flags presented to one school and one classroom.

Three cases of antiques are on display in a window on Main Street

100 % contribution to the President General's National project

Our ten monthly meetings emphasize the three objectives of the Society
Educational, Patriotic and Historical.

Eugenia Jones
(Mrs Ralph)
Regent.

JOHN YOUNG CHAPTER REPORT FOR STATE CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER, 1977

The John Young Chapter NSDAR has 109 members at present. Two members transferred to other chapters during the year. Four members resigned, but we gained 3 new members.

We contributed to all the required causes, including \$10.00 each, to Kate Duncan Smith, Tamassee, Bacone, and Crosnore schools. At Christmas time we collected about \$85.00 with which we bought gifts for the veterans in Riverside Nursing Home, besides sending books, stationery, and pens to the Beckdey Veterans' Hospital and sending them a subscription to the West Virginia Magazine.

We had some most interesting programs. For Constitution Week we had a talk by Dr. Elizabeth Cometti on "The Constitution--Early Opposition." In October Mrs. E. M. Sterrett talked on the "History and Restoration of Point Pleasant." In November Mrs. J. Ross Hunter dicussed Recycling. Mrs. Phares Reeder told a Christmas story at our December meeting. Our January meeting had to be cancelled because of a snow storm. So the talk on Indians by Mrs. John Hill-- a full blooded Indian from New York State was rescheduled for February. In March, Mrs. W. Goodrich Sale spoke on "Women of the Revolution."

We had most informative talks on National Defense at each

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meeting by Mrs. F. Guy Ash, but the whole April meeting program was devoted to that subject with General J. Kemp McLaughlin as the speaker.

Seven of our members attended the Western District Meeting in May, including Mrs. Emmett Stiney the new State Treasurer. We were also represented at the State Conference, by our Regent, Mrs. John H. Kisner.

In June we had our annual Flag Day Luncheon at the Edgewood Country Club. The program was "The History of the United States Flag" presented by the Air National Guard stationed at the Kanawha County Airport. It was a most stirring program.

Of course we had the President General's letter read at every meeting. A Good Citizen's Pin and Good Citizenship Medal were given and presented in their respective schools.

Altogether, it was a most successful and enjoyable year with Mrs. John H. Kisner as Regent.

Carolyn C. Kellum
Regent for 1977-78

DANIEL DAVISSON CHAPTER SEPTEMBER 1977

The chapter has had regular meetings monthly at which times the programs have covered such topics as a slide program on historical sites in the United States, Women of the Revolutionary period, the constitution of the United States, the American Indians, the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, Conservation, Historical markers placed and dedicated by members of the chapter, and a Show and Tell program at which members displayed and explained some of their own heirlooms. The speakers for our programs have included a professor of Political Science at Salem College and a professor of History from West Virginia Wesleyan College. We have added thirteen new members by certification of the National organization and still have four sets of papers pending certification. We have added three new members by transfer, lost one member by death, and four by resignation. Our present membership is eighty-nine. We have two members who regularly do volunteer work at the Veterans Hospital in Clarksburg with well over 2500 hours of service to date. The chapter also made a cash donation to the Hospital Library fund and has supplied the hospital with three laprobes during the past year. We were one of seven chapters in the state that contributed \$ 10.00 to the microfilm library in Washington and we have also given to all the other programs of the National organization. We sent two boxes of clothing to the Kate Duncan Smith School ^{and} \$ 10.00 to Tazassee. We awarded seven Good Citizen pins and certificates to outstanding students in the county high schools. We had four members, including the regent, who attended the State Conference in Parkersburg last October, and four members, including the regent, who attended the Jackson's Mill conference in June of this year. We received the silver ribbon for the Honor Roll, the blue ribbon for our yearbook supplement, and a certificate from National for our one hundred percent participation in the Bicentennial program. We presented an American flag to a rural

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church, the Green Hill Methodist Church, in Barbour County near the Harrison County line.

Anna Virginia Murphy

REGENT

(Mrs. Cecil R.)

IF IT IS POSSIBLE, PLEASE ADD THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THE REPORT OF DANIEL DAVISSON CHAPTER

The chapter served as co-hostess with the Elizabeth Cummins Jackson chapter, of Grafton, for the Central District meeting in Clarksburg, May 7, 1977.

Anna Virginia Murphy, Regent

Vandalia Chapter
Nitro, W. Va.

Vandalia is a small chapter with a membership of twenty-six including one Junior member. We had five meetings and one planning meeting. Two of our regularly scheduled meetings had to be cancelled.

The chapter received the Silver Award for the Honor Roll.

We collected used paperback books for the Veterans Hospital in Huntington, and sent cards to two veteran patients at Spencer State Hospital.

Good Citizens Awards were presented to a senior girl from Nitro and Foca High schools and they and their parents were guests of honor at our October meeting.

The winners of the American History Essay Contest and their parents were guests of honor at our February meeting.

Three books were placed in the Nitro Public Library in honor of our guest speakers.

Our chapter had a representative at the State Conference, four members attended the district meeting and three members attended the Jackson's Mill Meeting.

The Bicentennial of our Flag was publicized in local papers with the chapter receiving a total of sixteen inches of publicity.

Our Constitution Week observance included a proclamation by the Mayor of Nitro, 500 bookmarks were placed in local libraries and schools for distribution, letters were sent to five local churches asking for notices to be placed in bulletins, spot announcements were sent to local schools, and a display was set up in the window of a local store. Members were urged to display the flag in a September window.

The chapter had a total of 19 1/2 inches of publicity on Constitution Week.

Conservation projects included the planting of 500 walnut tree sprouts, and a member planted pin oak acorns from which the trees will be at the disposal of the chapter for future tree planting projects.

The chapter had as their guest speaker, the State Vice Regent, Mrs. Walter L. Spearman at their September meeting. A reception for prospective members followed the meeting with about thirteen prospective members attending.

Mrs. Charles S. Tyson
Regent

The Tygart Valley Chapter NSDAR has twenty eight (28) members. There are four (4) prospective members who are processing their papers at this time. The chapter lost one member by death August 31, 1977. The DAR ritualistic services were exemplified at the grave by the members. The DAR marker was presented to the family of the deceased member.

All financial obligations of the state and national have been paid. The President General's message has been read and the National Defense report was given at each meeting. Also all programs were presented that have been specified as Honor Roll Requirements.

The regent and two (2) alternates attended the Eighty-Sixth Continental Congress. The regent, also, attended the state Conference, District Meeting and the DAR annual luncheon meeting at Jackson's Mill. A full report of these meetings was given to the members.

Constitution Week and American History Week were stressed in the local churches, schools, radio etc.. Also a proclamation was issued by the Mayor.

The chapter encourages the displaying of the flag of the United States on all national holidays, also the courtesy that should be shown the flag at all times.

The chapter sent thirty (30) lbs. of new and used clothing to the NSDAR Tamassee School and the Kate Duncan Smith School. Also sent \$10.00 to the Tamassee School as a Christmas donation.

A contribution was made to the Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Russell Curtis, the chapters chairman of the Scholarship Committee, participated with the John Hart Chapter in presenting the 1977 scholarship to Helen Vance of Elkins, a student of Davis and Elkins College in Elkins.

A copy of "Landmark" was presented to the library of the Tygart Valley High School of Randolph County.

At Christmas time, the chapter remembered nineteen veterans, who were patients at a local nursing home, by giving each one a gayly wrapped package of homemade cookies and candy and fruit. They were all very appreciative of the gifts. We also, had a birthday party for one of the veterans, who had no family.

The chapter held a memorial services, during our May meeting to honor our deceased members.

We have had very interesting programs and are looking forward to increasing our membership during the coming year.

Hazel M. Dunham (Mrs. Carl W.)
Regent

COLONEL JOHN EVANS CHAPTER DAR

Annual Report October 1, 1976 to October 1, 1977

Total membership ----- 83

Resignations ----- 0

Transfers ----- 1

Lost by death ----- 1

1 member attended the 86th Continental Congress

8 members attended the June meeting at Jackson's Mill. From our chapter,

Mrs Harold Fetty was named director and Miss Margaret Jones, secretary.

2 members attended the ^{7/21} state ~~state~~ conference at Parkersburg. From our chapter, Mrs. Hubert Marshall was named Corresponding Secretary and Mrs Charles I. Rhodes, State Junior Membership Chairman

7 members attended the district meeting.

Annual National Defense report was given at each meeting, as well as the President General's message.

Constitution Week was observed.

American History Month was observed in February.

Programs:

September -----on our constitution

October ----- observance of our American Heritage

November ----- discussed, Indian Schools and took a collection for them.

December ---- remembered our DAR Schools with a special collection

Programs Continued:

February ---- ~~Conservation~~ program American History Month

March -----Conservation program

April ----- Our National Defense Chairman presented the gold ROTC medal to the outstanding cadet at WVU, with remarks from him.

May -----remembrance program and election of officers

June -----Flag Day was observed at a joint luncheon with the other two local chapters.

An outstanding event occurred at our March meeting when we presented the Americanism Award to " an outstanding American of foreign birth" to Dr. Sammy Elias. This is an award that we feel should not be given lightly and Dr. Elias surely deserved the recognition for his contribution to the advancement of transportation.

Our chapter received the silver Honor Roll award; a blue ribbon ~~for~~ tin green-gold for our year book supplement; and a certificate for " Use of the National Theme in Programs".

Sarah Phillips
Sarah T. Phillips, Regent

BLANNERHASSETT CHAPTER

Blennerhassett Chapter had a busy and rewarding year. The programs were all based on DAR objectives for the Society.

The Chapter had representation at Continental Congress, State Conference, Northern District, and Jackson Mills.

The December and February meetings were observed with American Heritage programs both with guest speakers. One member received a National Certificate for honorable and second runner up in the American Heritage poem contest.

An entire program was given on the American Indians with guest speaker.

A full program on National Defense was presented, with news coverage for three consecutive days.

Our most outstanding program for the year was the combined Americanism and Flag programs with Judge Guske as guest speaker and a salad luncheon honoring new citizens. Three large flags and two flag pins were presented to the new citizens.

The Chapter contributed 149 pages of Wood County Deeds and \$5.00 was given to the binding fund for National Geneological records committee.

A contribution was made to CAR. We had one National and one State promoter.

Members bought and fed 2,112 lbs. of bird feed and 475 trees and shrubs were planted. We had one entire program on conservation.

Our Chapter presented 2 Good Citizen Awards, 2 Washington Landmark books, 1 silver and 2 bronze History medals, 4 Good citizenship medals \$5.00 to National Defense, 14 manuals to applicants for American citizenship, 7 manuals to schools, \$70.00 gift wrapped Christmas articles and \$65.00 paper back books to Veterans. \$30.00 and 23 lbs of clothing valued at \$75.00 to Tamassee, \$10.00 and 27lbs clothing and green stamps valued a \$31.00 to Kate Duncan Smith, \$5.00 Helen Pouch Fund, \$5.00 Seimes Microfilm. Three supplemental of Patroit Index and bound volume of Wood County deeds to Wood Co. Library.

The Chapter had 642 inches of publicity. The Chapter completed all requirements to receive the Gold Honor Roll Certificate, with increased membership. We completed the years work with report from Continental Congress and memorial service for 2 deceased members.

Constitution Week was observed at the historic home of our Vice Regent Miss Nell Robinson, State Chairmen, our guest, read a letter from WV Gov. commending DAR for their work and the Proclamation issued by the Gov. declaring Sept. 17-23 as Constitution Week. Constitution and related material was put on display in 2 colleges, 2 public libraries, 2 high schools, 2 plants, 1 senior citizen room, 21 churches, 4 banks, 20 stores, 19 elementary schools by our Constitution Committee. TV and radio coverage was secured, members were used to fly the U.S. Flag. There were 606 pieces of related material distributed.

*Ruth Schaefer, Regent
(Mrs Charles)*

September 25, 1977

Ye Towne of Bath Chapter of HSDAR
Berkeley Springs, West Virginia

Ye Towne of Bath Chapter has forty-one members.

The required meetings were held with the opening ritual. At every meeting the President General's message was read and five to ten minutes was devoted to National Defense.

Constitution Week and Flag Day were observed. Flags are always displayed all over town on all holidays.

Contributions were made to the following DAR schools: Kate Duncan Smith, Tamassee and St. Mary's.

Grave markers were put on three American Revolutionary soldiers graves and dedication services were held in May, with Mrs. Walter King, State Historian, attending.

The annual summer dinner was held at Cacapon Lodge and the annual Candle Light Christmas dinner was held at Warm Springs Restaurant.

Berniece M. Wills
Berniece M. Wills (Mrs. William E., Jr.)
Regent

The Elizabeth Zane Chapter, NSDAR presents the following report:

Total membership--58, which includes 23 non-resident members.

Two members attended the State Conference in Parkersburg in October, 1976 and two members attended the State Luncheon at Jackson's Mill in June, 1977.

We sponsored Cynthia Talbott, Buckhannon-Upshur High School senior, to Rhododendron Girl's State at Jackson's Mill this past summer. She gave a splendid report at our September meeting.

A blue ribbon was received for our supplement to the year book.

American History Month was observed in February. Spot announcements were on the radio.

Contributions were sent to DAR approved schools.

Many members are active in the Crippled Children's Clinic sponsored by the Rotary Club as well as volunteering services to St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary.

Most members fly the flag daily (weather permitting).

The Mayor of Buckhannon proclaimed September 17-23 as Constitution Week and asked all Upshur Countanians to observe this. Announcements appeared on the radio. Book marks with the American's Creed printed on them were given to the high school and the middle school. A bulletin board was decorated with the constitution theme at the new high school. Letters were sent to the local ministers asking them to mention Constitution Week in their September 18th. sermon.

Twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars was donated to the Charles Gibson Library to purchase the history of Upshur County's Cutright family.

Patricia S. Powell
Patricia S. Powell (Mrs. Richard)
Elizabeth Zane Chapter NSDAR

September 28, 1977
Barboursville, W. Va. 25504

Barboursville Chapter of D. A. R.

The Barboursville Chapter enjoyed a most successful year. Due to the "Winter of 76," eight meetings were held. The Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the National Anthem, and the American Creed were observed by all members at each meeting. The President's message and National Defense were included.

Barboursville Chapter has 35 members, having lost one, Miss Blanche Tline, 299173, November 22, 1977. We received 2 Jr. Members this year.

May 21, 1977, the chapter hosted the Western District meeting at the Guyan Golf and Country Club. Many compliments were received for the successful, beautiful meeting which was enjoyed in such lovely, gorgeous surroundings.

Our chapter was represented at Continental Congress, State Conference, and Jackson's Mill.

A donation was given to W.Va. advertising in the D.A.R. magazine, as well as to Microfilm, and the American Indians.

Extensive plumbing was necessary in order to maintain our Toll House in a good state of repair. Fruit cakes were sold to help defray this expense.

Constitution Week was observed with a proclamation by the Mayor, and programs in the chapter and for the Woman's Club of Barboursville. Flag Day was observed at the Toll House.

Awards for 100% participation in Bi-Centennial contribution and Honorable Mention for Honor Points were received.

Marjorie D. Brownfield
Marjorie D. Brownfield,
Regent
(Mrs. W. H.)

Report of Shenandoah Valley Chapter NSDAR

In the past year the members of Shenandoah Valley Chapter NSDAR have participated in many activities and events and accomplished great things in receiving the silver honor roll award.

At the present time the membership in our chapter stands at 66.

In October 1976 the chapter celebrated its 55th anniversary and honored its only living charter member and a past regent, Mrs. Howard E. Brown.

In November, the state chairman of American Indians, Mrs. Aaron Pancake, visited our chapter and presented an eye-opening program on the Indian schools which the DAR supports.

The members outdid themselves in sending clothing and other wearable items to Tamassee. The DAR School chairman, Miss Mary Gaff, sent 120 pounds of clothing valued at \$400.00 to Tamassee.

The chapter has always sponsored the American History Month Essay Contest in the local schools and this year we were proud to have the first place winner in the 5th grade division of the state, Miss Mary Grace Moler, North Middle School. She read her prize winning essay at the Eastern District meeting in June.

Mrs. C.V. Townsend was the senior adviser for the local CAR chapter, John Augustine Washington Society, NSCAR, and was assisted at the state meeting of the CAR in Martinsburg in March by the members of the chapter.

A junior member, Mrs. Gary Gess, was selected to serve as the National Junior Doll Chairman from West Virginia, who was sponsoring the doll at Continental Congress. At the conclusion of an exciting week in Washington, the chairman reported a total of \$600.00 raised from the sale of "voices" for the Pearl Luck doll. This money went to the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund.

The members made an name for themselves when they elected 4 junior members to serve as officers for the next three years. Elected were the regent, chaplain, recording secretary, and historian.

Citizenship medals were presented to a boy and girl in each of the three local high schools.

In June the regent and chairman of Americanism presented American flags to 16 new naturalized citizens at the naturalization ceremony at the court house. Manuals of citizenship had been presented to these people studying for their citizenship.

Reelected to serve a second term as district director and district secretary were Miss Ruth Seibert and Mrs. Gary Gess.

Each Saturday in August members were hostesses at the Adam Stephen House.

THE SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY CHAPTER N.S.D.A.R.
REPORT FROM OCTOBER, 1976 - OCTOBER, 1977

The South Branch Valley Chapter covers an area composed of four Counties along the South Branch, with 49 members, and this year we have added two Junior members. The papers for three additional members are in Washington.

The past year we have been represented at Continental Congress, the State Convention in Parkersburg, and at Jackson's Mill. One of the highlights for us was hostessing the Eastern District meeting in June.

We have participated in Constitution Week, American History Month, Flag Day, and had programs on these subjects.

Eight Good Citizenship Certificates and pins were awarded in as many schools in our four Counties, including the State Schools for the Deaf and Blind in Romney. Awards were also given for participation in the American History Contest.

Contributions have been made to the Newton D. Baker Veterans' Hospital, Kate Duncan Smith, Tamasee, St. Mary's and Crossnore Schools; the DAR Magazine advertising project, and a book was given to the DAR Library.

New officers were installed at the May meeting, and we are trying to follow the Honor Points required, hoping to again be placed on the Gold Honor Roll at the Continental Congress in 1978.


Mrs. W. A. Rump, Regent

William Morris Chapter
Charleston, W. Va.

The William Morris Chapter held ten meetings, the programs following the recommendations of the National Society.

Four American History Medals to high school juniors, three Good Citizenship Medals to senior high school girls and two Good Citizenship Medals to junior high school students were presented.

Subscriptions to D.A.R. Magazine were given to a high school and a junior high school.

Honorable Mention Honor Roll requirements were met, and we received the Blue Ribbon Award for our Year Book, also a Blue Ribbon for Americanism and D.A.R. Manual for Citizenship.

A scholarship of \$500.00 was given to a West Virginia University student. A scholarship of \$250.00 was given to a Stetson University student. A D.A.R. marker was placed on the grave of a deceased member.

A total of 10 boxes of clothing valued at \$350.00 was sent to St. Mary's School for Indian Girls, Bacone College, Kate Duncan Smith and Tamassee Schools.

One member is serving as State Chairman of American Indians Committee.

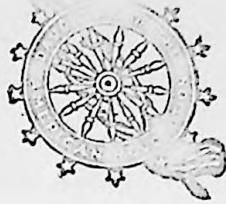
We celebrated Constitution Week, American History Month, and Flag Day with chapter programs, announcements and Flag displays.

Our chapter was represented at State Conference, National Congress, and Jackson's Mill.

Christmas gifts were sent to Veterans Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia.

We were 100% in our contributions to our President General's National Project.

Miss Alice Boyd Walker
Regent



OHIO VALLEY CHAPTER D. A. R.
Daughters of the American Revolution
ST. MARYS, W. VA. 26170

September 29, 1977

The Ohio Valley Chapter has thirty-five members. Three new members were enrolled this year, two of them were Junior members. We held ten meetings during the year. We received the Gold Honor Roll award and a Blue Ribbon for our yearbook supplement.

The Mayor signed a proclamation designating Constitution Week in the City of St. Marys. The placing of a Historical display in a store window; displaying of flags; announcements in Schools and Churches and articles in the County papers constituted our observance to Constitution Week.

A certificate for 100% participation in the President General's National Project was received and a contribution was made to the Pleasants County Bicentennial Commission for an Amphitheater Seat.

A senior boy was awarded a Good Citizenship pin and Certificate.

Three winners in the DAR American History Month Essay Contest were our guests at the March meeting and read their essays. They were presented certificates of merit and medals. The seventh grade winner's essay placed second in the state.

The Chapter presented an American Flag to the Library Board to be placed in the Pleasants County Library. Dedication ceremonies were held at a public meeting on Veterans' Day in the social room at the Library.

We were represented at the Northern District meeting, Jackson's Mill, State Conference and the Eighty Sixth Continental Congress.

A subscription to the DAR Magazine is sent to the St. Marys High School Library and the Pleasants County Library.

Mary K. Strickling
Regent.

GENERAL ANDREW LEWIS CHAPTER

Mrs. Jack Richardson, Regent

The new officers of General Andrew Lewis Chapter NSDAR were installed at our regular May 19, 1977, meeting and at the same meeting two new members were welcomed into the Chapter. We lost one member through default in payment of dues and one by death, giving us a membership at this time of 37.

Timothy Chase of Greenbrier East High School, sponsored by this Chapter, won the Good Citizen award in West Virginia. This is the first time this Award has been offered to a senior boy and we are very proud of this young man.

The Chapter was presented a red ribbon for Constitution Week; received Continental Congress Award for "Use of the National Theme in Program Titles;" received blue ribbon on Year Book and green and gold for programs; and Honorable Mention for Honor Roll.

All State and National dues and assessments were transmitted before December 1, and second half of President General's Project paid, as well as contribution to Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund from sale of Bright of America products at Christmas. Two large boxes of clothing and linens were sent to Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith Schools; stamps, comfort items and contribution sent to Veterans Hospital at Beckley; and in April a United States Flag was presented to a local school's class-room.

The State Conference and District meeting were attended by the Regent and reports given at Chapter meetings and a report from Continental Congress was our program for the June luncheon meeting.

The Chapter Regent and Treasurer attended the State Conference at Jackson's Hill on June 29 and a report was given to the Chapter at the September meeting.

The Mayor of Lewisburg, Greenbrier County Seat, and also the Mayor of Alderson signed and published proclamations declaring September 17 to 23 as Constitution Week. There were window displays, news paper articles, and radio reports prepared for this special observance. A local Attorney was the guest speaker for the Chapter's September program. His subject was, "The Constitution--Strength for Democracy."

Regent
General Andrew Lewis Chapter NSDAR

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

FORT ASHBY CHAPTER

Regent's Report

October 1, 1976- October 1, 1977

The Fort Ashby Chapter has eighteen members , including two Juniors.

We have collected and sold 11,400 pounds of glass for recycling.

In addition to the usual DAR contributions we bought \$20.00 worth of gifts and wrapped them for the children at Hopemont. We gave \$20.00, food and good used clothes to the Wolf family that had a fire they have 6 children. We also gave \$20.00 to Mrs Wagoner that had a fire.

We sold Jr. Jewelry and sent the proceeds to the Helen Pouch Fund.

The essay contest was held at our local Middle School. we gave pins and certificates to the winners. We also had a second place winner in state. We gave our three judges a gift.

We clean the Old Fort, Do minor repairs, mow the lawn, made a table ~~cloth~~ cloth and take visitore, school children and scouts ect. through the Fort.

We sent 20 Doz. cookies to Newton D. Baker Veterans Hospital also used magazines.

Constitution Week was observed by placing Posters in business places, flying our Flags and urging our neighbors to do so.

Carolina M. See, Regent
Fort Ashby Chapter

Mondongachate Chapter NSDAR report for the year 1976-1977.

All financial obligations, both state and national have been met, and contributions made to DAR projects.

Good Citizen medals were presented to the best citizen of each of the two high schools, one girl, one boy. They received special recognition at Awards Day ceremonies and through the newspapers.

The DAR History medal was presented to the outstanding American History student at each high school.

Constitution Week was proclaimed by the Mayor, with newspaper publicity and spot announcements on radio. Material on the Constitution was given to schools.

A program on the Constitution was given at the September meeting.

Boxes of clothing were sent Bacone College and to Crossnore School. Gifts were sent to Veteran Patients at the Beckley Veterans Hospital.

Mrs. Aaron J. Pancake, State Chairman of American Indians presented an exhibit of Indian jewelry and articles made in the Indian schools and made an outstanding talk on her visits to the schools.

Programs were given on the American Flag, National Defense and Lineage Research. American History Month was observed.

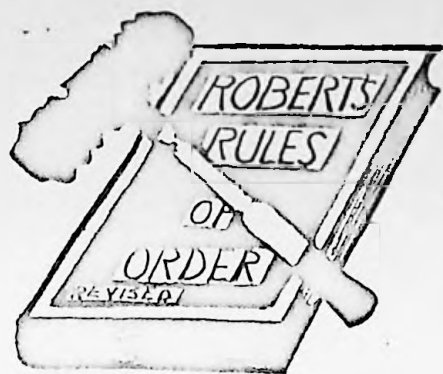
National and State awards were received for yearbook.

Mondongachate Chapter has twenty-six members, one new member, three members lost by death.

Ruth K. Liddon

Ruth K. Liddon (Mrs. Harold E.)

Regent.



National Parliamentarian

Mrs. Harry E. Dixon
Registered Parliamentarian

The Regent should be at the meeting a few minutes before the time set for the meeting. She should always stand when calling the meeting to order, when addressing the assembly, when putting a question, when giving the reasons for her decision upon a point of order, and when speaking upon an appeal. At other times, she would be seated.

The Regent raps the gavel one time and says, "The meeting will please come to order. The Chapter members will rise and remain standing until the singing of our National Anthem.

"The Scripture and Prayer will be given by the Chaplain,

"The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America will be led by _____ Chairman of The Flag of the United States of America Committee. The American's Creed will be led by _____

"The National Anthem will be led by _____ (Members will be seated after the National Anthem.)

"The President General's message will be read by _____ (Delegate this in advance of meeting to a member with good voice and who reads with expression) (At this point check to be sure a quorum is present.)

THE REGENT: "The Secretary will read the minutes of the last regular meeting." The recording secretary rises, and, *without addressing the Chair*, reads the minutes.

THE REGENT: "Are there any corrections to the minutes? (Pause) There being none, the minutes stand approved as read." If there are corrections, the Regent directs the secretary to make the correction and says, "Are there any further corrections? If none, the minutes stand approved as corrected."

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is the reports of the officers." Officers report in the order in which the office appears in the bylaws. Check before the meeting to determine if officers or committee chairmen have a report. It is neither necessary nor desirable to call on every officer and committee chairman if they have nothing to report.

THE REGENT: "The Corresponding Secretary will please read correspondence not requiring action." If there is none, omit the report of the Corresponding Secretary.

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is the report of the Treasurer. The treasurer rises and *without addressing the Chair*, reads the report.

THE REGENT: "Are there any questions regarding the treasurer's report? If none, the report will be filed with the Auditing Committee." The report of the Auditor is adopted at the annual meeting, and this carries approval of the treasurer's records. The report of the treasurer is NEVER adopted.

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is reports of Standing Committees. Are there reports from any of the standing committees, other than the National Defense Committee? The National Defense Committee will now report." (A **must** at every meeting is the National Defense report.)

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is the report of Special Committees." (The Chair calls for the reports she knows are ready to be made. These are usually made by the chairman of the special committee, but may be made by any member of the committee.)

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is Unfinished Business." (NOT "Old Business") (Check with secretary prior to meeting for any unfinished business.)

THE REGENT: "The next business in order is new business." Correspondence requiring action may be read and acted upon at this time.

THE REGENT: "The program will be presented by _____ chairman of the Program Committee." (The regent never turns the meeting over to anyone, but if the Program chairman is to present the program, the regent presents the chairman as shown above, and the chairman presents the speaker, musician, etc. When the program is concluded, the chairman says, "Madam Regent this concludes the program." The Regent thanks the chairman and those who participated.)

THE REGENT: "Is there any further business? (Pauses) Are there any announcements?" (Pauses) "If there is no further business, and no objections, the meeting is adjourned." OR a member, rising: "Madam Regent (Awaits recognition). I move that we adjourn." Another member, without rising, seconds the motion.

THE REGENT: "It has been moved and seconded that we adjourn. All those in favor, say 'Aye—those opposed say 'No.' The Ayes have it, and the meeting is adjourned." The Regent may give one tap with the gavel. (The meeting is not adjourned until the Regent declares adjournment.)

Order of Business

1. Call to order
2. Opening ceremonies
3. Reading and approval of the minutes
4. Reports of officers in the order in which they are listed in the Bylaws
5. Reports of Standing Committees
6. Reports of Special Committees (if any)
7. Unfinished business
8. New business
9. Adjournment

At Every Meeting

1. Have Scripture and Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, American's Creed and/or National Anthem, President General's Message from the DAR Magazine, and at least FIVE minutes to some phase of DAR National Defense material, this to come from the National Defense Committee Office in Washington.
2. Have a previously prepared Agenda for that meeting written so it can be easily followed.
3. Have Chapter Bylaws, NSDAR Bylaws and State Bylaws, your Chapter Year Book, (which should include the Chapter roll) and DAR Handbook on hand.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE ORGANIZATION, NSDAR

Mrs. Claude L. Matthews, Chairman
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The Theme for the JAC Contest this year is "The American Way."

Some possible facets of The American Way are: To be of service in the home and school, to be patriotic, to keep the land clean and the air without pollution. The lives of the founders of this country are full of examples of The American Way.

Contest Categories:

1. Posters with eye-catching captions, readable from 10 feet. Maximum size 14" x 18".
2. Essays - limited to 250 words.
3. Plays.
4. Programs.
5. Poems.
6. Songs - words without music acceptable, but original melody preferred.
7. Scrapbooks - limited in size 9" x 12".
8. Special Projects.
9. Special Education.

Essays, poems, etc. written on one side of page, with pages stapled together if more than one page. If typed by other than student himself, student's original work must accompany typed copy.

Affix Contest Entry Slips to Reverse side, lower left hand corner, of each entry. These slips may be obtained from the State JAC Chairman or office of the Corresponding Secretary General, Washington, D.C. Submit to the State Chairman by deadline date.