



PROCEEDINGS *of the* FIFTY-THIRD  
ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE

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Daughters of the  
American Revolution  
*in West Virginia*

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FREDERICK HOTEL : HUNTINGTON

OCTOBER 16, 17, 18; 1958

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HOSTESS CHAPTERS:

Buford, Huntington : Ravenswood, Ravenswood  
Barboursville, Barboursville  
Colonel Charles Lewis, Point Pleasant



MRS. V. EUGENE HOLCOMBE  
*State Regent*



MRS. FREDERIC A. GROVES  
*President General*



MRS. WILLIAM W. McCLAUGHERTY  
*Vice President General*



MRS. PLUMER EARLE HILL  
*State Vice Regent*



### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with Liberty and Justice for all.

### THE AMERICAN'S CREED

"I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people, whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed, a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states, a perfect Union, one and inseparable, established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which the American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortune.

"I therefore, believe it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its Flag; and to defend it against all enemies."—*William Tyler Page.*

### STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming;  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous flight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming;  
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.  
Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Oh! thus be it ever when free men shall stand  
Between their loved home and the war's desolation.  
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land  
Praise the Pow'r that hath made and preserved us a Nation.  
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,  
And this be our motto, "In God is our trust."  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

—Francis Scott Key

### STAND!

With ungloved hand over the heart,—  
When pledging allegiance to the Flag;  
When the Flag is passing by;  
When the Flag is leading the Processional;  
When the Flag is being retired.

# NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

## NATIONAL OFFICERS

President General.....	Mrs. Frederic A. Groves
First Vice President General.....	Mrs. Robert M. Beak
Chaplain General.....	Mrs. Bruce L. Canaga
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	Miss Virginia B. Johnson
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	Miss Mary Katharine Barnes, C.A.R.;
	Mrs. Carl Gailbraith, Credentials; Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, D.A.R.
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	Motion Picture

## STATE OFFICERS

Regent.....	Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe
Vice Regent.....	Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill
Chaplain.....	Mrs. Russell J. Bergen
Recording Secretary.....	Miss Virginia B. Johnson
Corresponding Secretary.....	Mrs. W. Carroll Boggs
Treasurer.....	Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen
Registrar.....	Mrs. H. O. Wagner
Historian.....	Mrs. T. B. Leith
Librarian.....	Mrs. J. Carney Boggess
Parliamentarian.....	Mrs. Daniel W. Snyder

## HONORARY STATE REGENTS

Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway	Mrs. Millard T. Sisler
Mrs. Paul O. Reymann	Mrs. Harry J. Smith
Mrs. David E. French	Mrs. A. Keith McClung
Mrs. W. H. S. White	Mrs. William W. McClaugherty
Mrs. Edward S. Phillips, Ex-State Regent	

## NATIONAL OFFICERS CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Mrs. Charles P. Walker.....	Senior Corresponding Secretary
	National Society Children of the American Revolution
Miss Virginia B. Johnson.....	Senior State President
	National Society Children of the American Revolution

## STATE CHAIRMEN 1958-59

Advancement of American Music.....	Mrs. Chester A. Roush
American Indians.....	Mrs. Spencer Kiger
Americanism.....	Mrs. Robert M. Gamble
Approved Schools.....	Mrs. Claude R. Hill, Sr.
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Credentials.....	Mrs. M. Eugene Marsh, Jr.
D.A.R. Good Citizens.....	Mrs. H. E. Danford
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D.A.R. Magazine Advertising.....	Mrs. George J. Ferguson
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Jackson's Mill Co-Chairman.....	Mrs. E. A. Livesay
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Transportation.....	Miss Marion E. Tapp
West Virginia D.A.R. News.....	Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald
Parliamentarian.....	Mrs. D. W. Snyder

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Cedar Lakes.....	Mrs. T. B. Leith, Chairman Mrs. A. Keith McClung, Mrs. H. E. Summers, Mrs. S. L. Miller
Year Book Contest.....	Mrs. Isaac P. Long and Mrs. Vernon Rankin

### DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Southern District, Mrs. Henry Clay Hays  
 Eastern District, Miss May Harmison  
 Western District, Mrs. H. E. Danford  
 Central District, Mrs. James L. Tritchler  
 Northern District, Mrs. Walter Doak



## CHAPTERS LISTED CHRONOLOGICALLY

### WITH CHAPTER REGENTS 1958-59

Chapter Name	Date of Organization	Chapter Regent 1958-59
William Henshaw (Hedgesville or Martinsburg)	Apr. 5, 1899	Mrs. J. W. Lloyd
Colonel Charles Lewis (Pt. Pleasant)	Mar. 12, 1901	Mrs. W. R. Proffit
Elizabeth Zane (Buckhannon)	July 21, 1902	Miss Flossie Snodgrass
James Wood (Parkersburg)	Jan. 21, 1903	Mrs. Roy Lowther
Elizabeth L. Hagans (Morgantown)	May 19, 1904	Mrs. W. Clement Percival
West Augusta (Mannington)	Feb. 22, 1907	Mrs. Clinton Phillips
John Hart (Elkins)	Mar. 27, 1907	Mrs. Harry W. Reppert
John Chapman (Bluefield)	Apr. 11, 1907	Mrs. B. S. Kerfoot
Daniel Davison (Clarksburg)	Oct. 21, 1908	Mrs. H. W. Kennedy
Major Wm. Haymond (Fairmont)	Nov. 12, 1908	Mrs. Arthur W. Ward
Colonel John Evans (Morgantown)	Oct. 6, 1909	Mrs. Kenneth H. Maderia
Buford (Huntington)	June 1, 1910	Mrs. John E. Graham
Kanawha Valley (Charleston)	Sept. 14, 1914	Mrs. H. Braden Powers
Pack Horse Ford (Shepherdstown)	Feb. 22, 1916	Mrs. W. R. Thacker
Wheeling (Wheeling)	May 14, 1916	Mrs. Henry S. Bell
King's Wood (Kingwood)	Jan. 13, 1917	Mrs. Carter B. Withers
James Barbour (Belington)	Mar. 19, 1920	Mrs. James Rosenberger
Shenandoah Valley (Martinsburg)	Apr. 28, 1921	Mrs. Hoover L. Lloyd
Elizabeth Cummins Jackson (Grafton)	July 18, 1921	Miss Leota Griffith
Potomac Valley (Keyser)	July 21, 1921	Mrs. Martin L. Watson
Trans-Alleghany (Weston)	Dec. 9, 1921	Mrs. Isaac Maxwell
William Morris (Pratt)	Feb. 27, 1922	Mrs. Gaither W. Miller
Matthew French (Princeton)	Mar. 7, 1922	Mrs. L. W. Doggett
Bee Line (Charles Town)	Mar. 21, 1922	Mrs. C. Wm. Moore
Colonel Morgan Morgan (Fairmont)	July 25, 1922	Mrs. W. T. Lawson
Ravenswood (Ravenswood)	July 25, 1922	Mrs. S. L. Miller

South Branch Valley (Moorefield)	Feb. 2, 1923	Mrs. Mortimer W. Gamble
Colonel Andrew Donally (Welch)	April 3, 1926	Mrs. O. J. Hunter
Borderland (Harvey)	Oct. 31, 1928	Mrs. John W. Francesa
Princess Aracoma (Logan)	June 5, 1929	Mrs. Alexander Defobio
Captain James Allen (Beckley)	Nov. 14, 1929	Mrs. M. W. Arnold
John Young (Charleston)	May 21, 1930	Mrs. Charles F. McNutt
Modongachate (Hinton)	Mar. 28, 1931	Mrs. A. P. Meador
Ye Towne of Bath (Berkeley Springs)	July 15, 1932	Miss Mary D. Hunter
Blackwater (Davis & Parsons)	Oct. 26, 1933	Mrs. Pauline Harris
Spencer-Roane (Spencer)	Apr. 2, 1934	Mrs. Brook Sinnett
Mound (Moundsville)	Apr. 14, 1934	Mrs. O. C. Baumberger
Barboursville (Barboursville)	Dec. 19, 1936	Mrs. Alden Bryan
Ann Royal (Harrisville & Pennsboro)	Sept. 27, 1941	Mrs. G. A. Fowler
Daniel Taylor (Burlington)	Nov. 21, 1942	Mrs. Robert M. Gamble
John Minear (Phillippi)	Oct. 27, 1945	Mrs. Walter Kindergan
Blennerhassett (Parkersburg)	Oct. 12, 1949	Mrs. H. Paul Hite
Jennie Willey (Kermit)	Nov. 26, 1949	Mrs. Virgil Hoke
Ohio Valley (St. Marys)	Jan. 31, 1953	Mrs. F. E. Rabel
Nathan Davis (West Union)	May 26, 1954	Mrs. C. S. Pease
General Andrew Lewis (Lewisburg)	Oct. 13, 1954	Mrs. Bright Wilson
Anne Bailey (Charleston)	Feb. 23, 1957	Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr.



### STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

The State Board of Management of the West Virginia State Organization of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met at 2:15 P.M., April 15, 1958, in the Carlton Room of the Sheraton Carlton Hotel, Washington, D. C. Mrs. Edward S. Phillips, State Regent, presided.

Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, State Treasurer, led the Board in prayer in the absence of the state chaplain.

Mrs. Phillips explained the change to a tea instead of a luncheon. Mrs. Phillips announced that the Jackson's Mill will be July 5, with Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter, Mrs. Charles Seibert, Regent, as hostesses. It was impossible to change the date away from the holiday weekend.

Mrs. Phillips has requested the organization of a new chapter in the Charleston area which will be the fourth chapter as William Morris Chapter is located at Pratt, W. Va.

The state has pledged \$2500 for the ampitheater stage at Cedar Lakes. \$1629.05 has been paid with almost \$300 outstanding in pledges. Approximately \$640.06 is still needed. \$1323.02 is in the Contingent Fund plus \$175 due from the sale of postcards, making a total of \$1498.02.

The postcards of the West Virginia Room sell for 5¢ each with the profits going to the West Virginia Room.

Mrs. Phillips suggested that the balance of \$640.06 due on Cedar Lakes be taken from the Contingent Fund. Miss Virginia B. Johnson moved that the balance for the ampitheatre stage be taken from the Contingent Fund and the Contingent Fund be reimbursed by the unpaid pledges to the extent of those pledges. Seconded by Mrs. S. J. Stagg. Carried by vote.

Mrs. T. B. Leith moved that the Board recommend to the Conference that a marker be placed on the ampitheatre stage in honor of Mrs. Edward S. Phillips, State Regent. Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., was asked by the State Regent to take the chair in the absence of the State Vice Regent. The motion was seconded by Miss Virginia B. Johnson. Carried by vote. Mrs. Phillips thanked the Board.

Mrs. Phillips announced that \$1568.37 has been paid on the West Virginia Room in the Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith. Balance due is \$3431.63. She also announced that last November she invited Mrs. Ashmead White of Maine, to be the State Conference speaker. The Conference dates are October 16, 17, 17, at the Frederick Hotel in Huntington. Mrs. John Graham, Regent of Buford Chapter, is General Chairman.

Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, State Membership Chairman, has been asked to secure the state membership plaque voted by the State Conference. 3564 was the total membership on February 1, the highest ever and a net gain of 28.

Mrs. Phillips announced her resignation as State Regent, expressing appreciation and gratitude for the honor and the memories. Mrs. Phillips read the state by-laws concerning the succession of the State Vice Regent. The resignation becomes effective at the close of the Congress.

Mrs. Phillips recommended that Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer of Morgantown, be appointed as State Vice Regent by the Board until October. Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., moved that Mrs. Stoyer be appointed by the Board. Seconded by Mrs. T. B. Leith. Carried by vote.

Mrs. Leith moved that the Board accept with deep regret the State Regent's resignation. Seconded by Miss Johnson. Carried by vote.

A letter from Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Vice Regent, who was hospitalized because of an accident, was read.

The minutes were read and approved as read.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the West Virginia State Organization, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, met at 10:15 A.M., July 5, 1958, at Jackson's Mill with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding.

Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian, read the prayer sent by Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain.

Mrs. Holcombe expressed her regret at Mrs. Phillips' resignation. Mrs. Holcombe asked the officers if they had reports. Mrs. Boggess reported having sent a letter to chapters regarding the new booklet. She has also been trying to locate wanted books.

The secretary read a message from Mrs. H. K. Owens, the permanent chairman for the Mill.

Mrs. Holcombe announced two new chairmen this year, Mrs. Dwight P. Cruikshank of James Wood Chapter has been appointed chairman of Insignia. Mrs. Isaac P. Long of Kanawha Valley Chapter will be special chairman of the Year Book Contest at the Conference. Mrs. E. L. Robertson of Mathew French Chapter is the new Chairman of Resolutions replacing Miss Anne Lloyd Baylor who resigned because of health.

Mrs. Holcombe announced receipt of a letter from the West Virginia Conference on Handicapped Children inviting West Virginia D.A.R. to a meeting September 24, 25 in Charleston.

Mrs. Holcombe displayed a model of the proposed amphitheater at Cedar Lakes prepared by Martens Architects. Mrs. Leith moved that we have a ground breaking or presentation of check ceremony, preferably in Charleston, within the next ten days. Mrs. Boggess seconded the motion. Carried by vote.

Miss Virginia B. Johnson moved that Mrs. Allen, State Treasurer, be asked to write each chapter sending a contribution for the approved schools not designated for the West Virginia Room in the Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith D.A.R. School asking if the money could be so redesignated. Mrs. Boggess seconded. Carried by vote.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that Mrs. John E. Graham and the Huntington Chapter are making extensive Conference plans. Mrs. Groves, Mrs. Newland, Mrs. White and Mrs. Nash have been invited.

Mrs. Holcombe mentioned the recommendation of the State Board of Management that the Cedar Lakes stage be marked in honor of Mrs. Phillips.

Mrs. Holcombe announced Mrs. Stoyer's resignation at State Vice Regent and expressed her regret.

Mrs. Leith stated that she is the new Regent of her Chapter. Mrs. Holcombe read the state by-laws, Article V, Section 5.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that she had attended the June meeting of the National Board of Management. The Registrar General had verified 700 applications since April 19. Sixty-four were reinstated. Of these only eleven were West Virginians.

The minutes were read and approved as read. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

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## STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

AUGUST 18, 1958

The State Board of Management of the West Virginia Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met at the call of the State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, August 18, 1958. at 1 P.M., in the Wilmar Restaurant, Parkersburg, West Virginia, with Mrs. Holcombe presiding.

Mrs. A. Keith McClung, Honorary State Regent, asked the blessing at the luncheon. After the luncheon, Mrs. Holcombe read the prayer sent by Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain.

"Our Heavenly Father, we assemble in the interest of work constructive to the welfare of our society, Daughters of the American Revolution. First, we pay homage to Thee, Thy wisdom and merciful goodness to us.

"We seek Thy divine guidance in all that we do. Give us a unity of purpose and an understanding mind as we go forward this day and every day of our lives. May our decisions be tempered with fairness and wisdom. Be Thou, very near our State Regent, that she may feel Thy presence as she carries on the duties of her office

"These petitions we ask in His name who taught us to pray, saying:  
The Lord's Prayer.

Amen."

Mrs. Holcombe stated the purpose of the meeting was the filling of the vacancy of the State Vice Regency.

The State Recording Secretary called the roll of the Board with the following eleven members present constituting a quorum: Mrs. Holcombe; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. H. Paul Hite, Regent, Blennerhassett Chapter; Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent, Buford Chapter; Mrs. W. R. Proffitt, Regent Colonel Lewis Chapter; Mrs. Roy Lowther, Regent James Wood Chapter; Mrs. Charles F. McNutt, Regent John Young Chapter; Mrs. H. Braden Powers, Regent Kanawha Valley Chapter; Mrs. Arthur R. Ward, Regent Major William Haymond Chapter; Mrs. Harry F. Toothman, Vice Regent Matthew French Chapter representing the Regent; Mrs. Gaither W. Miller, Regent William Morris Chapter. Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian, was present.

Mrs. Snyder instructed the Board reading the National By-laws, Article 14, section 7, regarding the succession of a confirmed State Vice Regent to the State Regency in case of resignation of the State Regent. She read a letter from Mrs. Roscoe C. O'Byrne, National Parliamentarian, regarding the confirmation of the State Vice Regent which cannot take place till the December meeting of the National Board of Management. The Vice Regent will have no vote at the Conference as a state officer until her confirmation, although she may be elected a delegate from her chapter. She also instructed the Board that immediately following her election a motion may be made that the State Vice Regent may take the chair when necessary during the Conference. Mrs. Snyder read the State By-laws regarding a quorum of the State Board of Management being ten members. Mrs. Snyder read Article 5, Section 4, regarding eligibility to the office.

Mrs. Arthur R. Ward nominated Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill. Seconded by Mrs. John E. Graham. The State Regent appointed Mrs. Snyder and

Miss Johnson to phone Mrs. Hill. Mrs. Hill graciously consented to serve as State Vice Regent if elected.

Miss Johnson moved that the vote be by ballot.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that Hancock Pioneers Chapter has disbanded to clarify why there are 56 members of the State Board of Management.

Mrs. Holcombe asked Mrs. Snyder the voting strength.

10 members constitute a quorum.

11 members constitute the voting strength.

6 votes are required to elect.

Mrs. Lowther seconded the motion that we vote by ballot. Motion carried.

Mrs. Holcombe appointed Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Powers, and Mrs. Hite as tellers.

The tellers distributed ballots, collected them and retired to count. Mrs. Hite reported that 11 ballots were cast and Mrs. Plumer Hill received 11 votes.

Mrs. Holcombe announced the unanimous election of Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill as State Vice Regent and asked permission to wire Mrs. Hill. Mrs. Lowther so moved. Seconded by Mrs. Graham. Carried by vote.

Mrs. Ward moved that the ballots be destroyed. Seconded by Mrs. Graham. Carried by vote.

The minutes were read and on motion of Mrs. McNutt, seconded by Mrs. Hite, were approved as read. Mrs. Toothman moved adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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**DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
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**HEADQUARTERS FOR STATE CONFERENCE**  
**The Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia**  
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1958

9:30 A.M.	Registration of Delegates.....	Hotel Lobby
10:00 A.M.	Meeting of the Resolutions Committee.....	Hotel Lobby
11:00 A.M.	Meeting of the Executive Committee.....	Mezzanine
12:00 Noon	W. Va. D.A.R. State Board of Management Meeting and Luncheon.....	Crystal Room
1:00 P.M.	Kate Duncan Smith Corsage Stand .....	Mezzanine
2:30 P.M.	Memorial Service, First Presbyterian Church	
8:00 P.M.	Junior Committee Bazaar.....	Mezzanine
4:00 P.M.	Finance Committee Meeting.....	- Mezzanine
4:00 P.M.	D. A. R. Magazine Round Table.....	Rose Room
4:00 P.M.	C. A. R. Round Table.....	Garden Room
4:00 P.M.	Approved School Round Table .....	Mezzanine
4:00 P.M.	Pages Instructions .....	Mezzanine
6:00 P.M.	State Officers Club Dinner.....	Crystal Room
8:00 P.M.	Opening Session of the State Conference	Hotel Ball Room

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## MEMORIAL SERVICE

The State Holds in Loving Remembrance

This Service For Members

Who Have Entered Life Eternal

Between

October 1957 and September 1958

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*"They shall hunger no more, Neither thirst anymore, neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat—and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."* Revelations VII: 16-17

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First Presbyterian Church, Huntington, W. Va.

2:30 P. M.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1958

Arranged by the State Chaplain

Mrs. Russell James Bergen

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Prelude—The Cathedral Prelude .....	Mrs. Lureata Martin, Organist
Johannes Flag .....	
Scripture .....	Psalm 147:3, Romans 8:35, 37, 38, 39, Deut. 33:25,27
Prayer .....	The State Chaplain
Duet—"I Waited For the Lord" .....	Mrs. John E. Graham, Soprano
Mendelssohn .....	Mrs. Walker Long, Mezzo Soprano
Call to Remembrance .....	The State Chaplain
Roll Call by Chapters .....	The State Chaplain
Tribute to Mrs. D. D. Geiger .....	Mrs. C. L. Nisbet
Tribute to Mrs. Baldwin D. Spilman .....	Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway
Tribute to Deceased Members .....	Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe
Duet—"Whispering Hope" .....	Mrs. John E. Graham, Soprano
Alice Hawthorn .....	Mrs. Walker Long, Mezzo Soprano
Benediction .....	Dr. John J. Hayes, Minister Church
Taps .....	James I. Rathburn

The Memorial wreath is to be placed at the Monument on the Cabell Court House lawn, dedicated to the memory of Revolutionary soldier buried in Cabell County, by Buford Chapter.



## NECROLOGY 1957-1958

### In Loving Remembrance

- BARBOURSVILLE: Nancy Ellen Bowen (Miss).  
BEE LINE: Ester Hendricks Engle (Mrs. J. A.)  
BUFORD: Minnie Walker Geiger (Mrs. D. D.); Sarah Jessie Stewart Tracy (Mrs. William); Lyda Burtis McCarthy (Mrs. F.).  
COLONEL ANDREW DONNALLY: Frances Bowman (Mrs. Charles).  
COLONEL CHARLES LEWIS: Mrs. C. E. McCulloch, Sr.  
COLONEL JOHN EVANS: Rachel J. H. Dille (Miss); Beulah Jamison Walker (Mrs. Arthur E.).  
COLONEL MORGAN MORGAN: Ora Knight Gilmore (Mrs.).  
DANIEL DAVISSON: Mrs. Mabel C. Cunningham; Mrs. Myrtle S. Haught; Mrs. Nelle B. Mitchell; Mrs. Bopeep S. Roberts.  
ELIZABETH LUNDINGTON HAGANS: Gail Davis Hall (Mrs. H. R.); Mary Haught Hall (Mrs. S. J.); Louise Finnell Gibbons (Mrs. Page A.); Elizabeth Courtney Sedgwick (Mrs. Joseph); Margaretta Gapen (Miss); Florence H. McKeever (Mrs.).  
ELIZABETH CUMMINS JACKSON: Carrie S. Sellers (Mrs.).  
JAMES WOOD: Anne Camden Spilman (Mrs. Baldwin D.); Katherine M. Buehler (Mrs. William).  
JENNIE WILEY: V. Mae Shewey (Mrs. T. A., Sr.).  
JOHN CHAPMAN: Zelda Abernethy Hefner (Mrs. O. V.); Olive Johnston (Miss); Minnie Alexander Pollock (Mrs. W. C.).  
JOHN HART: Mart Thorn McCauley (Mrs. W. F.); Virgie Harris (Miss).  
JOHN YOUNG: Miriam Welsh Newcomer (Mrs. Guy H.).  
KANAWHA VALLEY: Eleanor O. McMillen (Mrs. William A.); Goldie Hill Boothe (Mrs. R. C.).  
MAJOR WILLIAM HAYMOND: Faye Lyons Rex (Mrs. Ray L.); Kathryn Peddicord McDonald (Mrs. C. R.); Edith Fray Amos (Mrs. Merle); Gertrude Manley (Mrs. Samuel W.).  
MOUND: Mrs. Mary Hayes Carpenter.  
OHIO VALLEY: Miss E. Marie Hamrick.  
PACH HORSE FORD: Mrs. Laura C. Longline.  
POTOMAC VALLEP: Mrs. Nell P. Barger.  
PRINCESS ARACOMA: Mrs. Estelle W. Hinman.  
RAVENSWOOD: Mrs. Blanche McKay Darst; Mrs. Sarah Adams Maddox; Mrs. Charlene June Calsee; Mrs. Anna Stairs McKinley; Miss Lena Charter.  
SHENANDOAH VALLEY: Susan Welshams Speck (Mrs. Calvin M.); Louise Page Whitmore (Mrs. J. A.); Ella Rebecca Boltz (Miss).  
TRANS ALLEGHENY: Angie Cunningham Charlton (Mrs. John C.); Mrs. Jeanette M. Hamilton.  
WHEELING: Elizabeth Kersey Slaker Nance (Mrs. Lawrence F.); Lucy Baggs Hunter (Mrs. James K.); Florence May Carter Mayfield (Mrs. J. Grant); Mary Causack Anderson (Mrs. Simon).  
WILLIAM HENSHAW: Maty Coe McKown Bitner (Mrs. E. H.); Mabel Rebecca Throckmorton Egans (Mrs. H. O.)  
Clara Isabelle Henshaw Keefer (Mrs. J. R.).  
WILLIAM MORRIS: Emma Thompson Taylor (Mrs. D. W.).

ANNA CAMDEN SPILMAN (MRS. BALDWIN D.)

Tribute by Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway

*"To live in the hearts of those we leave behind is not to die".  
There is no death; what seems so is transition;  
This life of mortal breath  
Is but a suburb of the life Elysian,  
Whose portal we call death.  
Thus do we walk with her and keep unbroken  
The bond our interest gives,  
Thinking that our remembrances, the unspoken  
May reach her where she lives.*

Today we pay tribute to the memory of one of the Founders of our State Society Daughters of the American Revolution—Mrs. Baldwin Day Spilman, born Anna Gaither Camden, who passed away at her old home "Elway Hall", Warrenton, Virginia, last April, at the age of 96 years.

Mrs. Spilman organized the James Wood Chapter of Parkersburg, January 23, 1903, she became Regent of her Chapter. Later in 1906 she became the first State Regent of West Virginia. The crowning glory of her administration was the forming of the first State Conference held in Parkersburg, 1907, over which she presided. She resigned as Regent at this Conference to become the first Vice President General from West Virginia.

While State Regent she organized the West Augusta Chapter at Mannington and the John Hart Chapter at Elkins.

Our State Society owes a great debt of gratitude to these early Founders. They were women of the finest heritage, gracious and sincerely devoted to the traditions of their patriotic background. In their vision and courage they set a precedent for all to follow, their loyalty should be an inspiration for all who claim membership in our Society.

In her loss our sorrow finds comfort in the rich heritage she left for us. She was one who loved her country and served it well. Her work is finished but we must strive the more to carry on.

*If one could only find a way  
Back to the land of yesterday;  
I wonder if we went there now  
How everything would seem and how,  
Back to the land of yesterday.  
The good, the work they tried to do  
Should stand as if 'twere done,  
But always will there be  
Those noble souls to finish the work  
By noble souls begun.*

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MINNIE WALKER GEIGER (MRS. D. D.)

Tribute by Mrs. C. L. Nisbet

*"Lives of great ones all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And departing leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time."*

—Longfellow

The "footprints" that our beloved Organizing Regent, Mrs. Minnie Walker Geiger left will never be forgotten by the members of Buford Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Her mind and heart was continuously involved in upholding and furthering her Patriotic zeal. In many avenues her "footprints" were left. In all these other organizations and in her Church, as well as in the D.A.R., her beautiful Christian character has been poured out unselfishly. Her serenity, her sense of the fitness of things, her good judgment and her untiring effort to "perpetuate the memory and the spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence" has been exemplary.

We will honor her for her good works. She was our Organizing Regent and served as Chapter Regent for two years. The year following she was our Vice-Regent and then for thirteen years Mrs. Geiger acted as Chaplain of Buford Chapter. The next two years she served as State Chaplain and then was the State Librarian for three years.

When one has accomplished so many good things in life it is hard to keep from eulogizing them. Mrs. Geiger did not want us to do so, for she left a poem with a dear friend, sealed in an envelope, to be opened and read after her demise, which reads:

*"Withhold all eulogies when I am dead,  
All noisy sorrow.  
Give me the tender word to-day  
Instead of tears to-morrow.  
Speak not my name, when I am passed from earth,  
In tones of sadness.  
At thought of me, repress no note of mirth,  
No burst of gladness.  
Regard me not as altered when removed  
To the Hereafter,  
Think of me as loving and as loved,  
With joy and laughter".*

"Footprints" on the sands of time? Yes and more. She has given us the impetus to be "up and doing with a heart for anything".

We will follow on in our Organizing Regent's "footprints" with thankfulness that we were privileged to have her as our Standard Bearer for so many years.

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## FOR DECEASED MEMBERS

Tribute by Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent

Today we pay tribute to our beloved dead—some 59 of our members have slipped away. It is well to have this quiet period during our 53rd State Conference to pay tribute to those *members* who have been called to their eternal post since last we met.

Our meditation prayer for our West Virginia Daughters who but yesterday—were here with us—is a simple but sweet one!

*“Fold them, O Father, in Thine arms,  
And let them hence forth be  
Messengers of love, between  
Our human hearts, and Thee!”*

Well, did they serve their chapter, State and National Society. Well did they live their allotted span of life, their deeds and the friendships they created live after them. Through their actions they upheld the ideals and principles of our great Society. We, who are privileged to serve so great a Society should emulate their virtues and strive to make our lives productive with a renewed faith and inspiration by remembering them. I wish to leave the spirit conveyed in the following poem with you.

*“Life is indeed darkness, save when there is urge,  
And urge is blind save when there is knowledge,  
And all knowledge is vain save when there is work . . .  
And all work is empty save when there is love;  
And when you work with love you bind yourself  
To yourself, and to one another, and to God.”*

From “*The Prophet*” by Kahil Gibran.

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# PROGRAM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1958

8:00 P. M.

## Frederick Hotel Ball Room

- Assembly Call.....Bugler, James I. Rathburn
- Entrance March.....Mrs. Lureata Martin  
Entrance of the State Regent, National and State Officers and  
Honored Guests escorted by the Pages bearing the Flags
- Fifty-third State Conference called  
to order by the State Regent.....Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe
- Invocation.....The Reverend John W. Hollister  
Minister, Beverly Hills Methodist Church
- The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....Mrs. Hary J. Smith, Leader  
Honorary State Regent
- The American's Creed.....Mrs. W. H. S. White, Leader  
Honorary State Regent
- The National Anthem.....Mrs. Chester A. Roush, Leader  
State Chairman, American Music Committee
- Message from the Governor of the State of West Virginia  
The Honorable Cecil H. Underwood  
Read by The Honorable Helen Holt, Secretary of State of West Va.
- Welcome to the City of Huntington.....The Hon. Harold L. Frankel  
Mayor of Huntington
- Welcome to the Fifty-third State Conference.....Mrs. H. E. Danford  
Director, Western District
- Response for Delegates.....Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill  
State Vice Regent
- Message from the President General.....Mrs. Frederic Alquin Groves  
Read by Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland, Curator General  
National Society Daughters of The American Revolution
- Presenting—  
Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Honorary State Regent
- Greetings from the Honorary State Regents.....Mrs. A. Keith McClung  
Honorary State Regent, Past National Clairman, Program Committee
- Greetings:—  
Mr. Kenneth C. Mastin, State President of the Sons of the American  
Revolution  
Colonel W. C. Petty, President of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter  
Sons of the American Revolution in West Virginia  
Mrs. Charles P. Walker, Senior National Corresponding Secretary,  
National Society Children of the American Revolution  
Miss Virginia B. Johnson, Senior State President of the Children of  
the American Revolution in West Virginia

Miss Susan Addington, State President of the Children of American Revolution in West Virginia

Presentation of Distinguished Guests—

Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland, Curator General, National Chairman of Museum Committee and National Chairman Friends of the Museum Committee, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary, State Regent, Alabama National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Ashmead White, National Program Chairman, Continental Congress and past Vice President General National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. George C. Estill, National Chairman Radio and Television Committee, State Vice Regent of Florida, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Herbert G. Nash, National Chairman Motion Picture Committee National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Thomas Burchett, National Chairman Press Relation Committee National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Miss Virginia B. Johnson, National Chairman Junior Membership Committee, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Richard L. Roberts, National Historian Daughters of the American Colonists and Corresponding Secretary General National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century

Miss Marjorie Templeton, Registrar, National Society Daughters of the American Colonists

Miss Mary Katharine Barnes, National Vice Chairman C. A. R. Committee, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Carl C. Gailbraith, National Vice Chairman Credentials Committee National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, National Vice Chairman, D. A. R. Magazine, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Mrs. S. L. Miller, National Vice Chairman Membership

Mrs. Samuel Solins, National Vice Chairman Motion Pictures, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Miss Sue Criss, Good Citizenship Award Winner for 1958

Music—Violin Duet.....Mrs. Wilbur Pursley, Miss Patricia Green  
Accompanist.....Mr. Wilbur Pursley

Address: "Golden Thoughts  
of a Fifty Year Member".....Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway  
Honorary State Regent—Past Vice President General  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Introduction of State Officers

Introduction of District Directors	
Report of the National Defense Committee.....	Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith State Chairman of National Defense
Address: "Our Responsibility for Better Citizenship"	
National Program Chairman, Continental Congress, Past Vice President General National Society Daughters of the American Revolution	Mrs. Ashmead White
Presentation of the General Chairman of the State Conference— Mrs. John E. Graham, Mrs. D. B. Kraybill, Co-Chairmen Hostess Regents—Mrs. Alden Bryan, Mrs. Roy Proffit, Mrs. S. L. Miller and Mrs. John E. Graham	
The Retiring of Colors.....	Pages
Music.....	Mrs. Lureata Martin

**RECEPTION**

**10:30 P. M.**

**MEZZANINE, FREDERICK HOTEL**

Hostess Chapter .....	Buford
	Mrs. James D. Francis, Chairman

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1958**

**7:30 A. M.**

The "\$3,000.00 Question" Breakfast.....	Crystal Room, Frederick Hotel
Meeting called to order.....	Mrs. Claude R. Hill, Sr. State Chairman of Approved Schools
Invocation.....	The State Chaplain
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....	Mrs. James G. Wright Past State Historian
Message: "Kate Duncan Smith School Needs You"	
	Mrs. Thomas Burchett
Presenting.....	Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary State Regent, Alabama
Hostess Chapter .....	Ravenswood
	Mrs. O. C. Hutchinson, Chairman

**FRIDAY, 9:00 A. M.**

**Ball Room, Frederick Hotel**

Presentation of Colors.....	Pages
Conference called to order.....	The State Regent
Scripture and Prayer.....	The State Chaplain

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....Mrs. D. W. Snyder  
State Parliamentarian

The National Anthem.....Mrs. Chester A. Roush, Leader

Report of the Credentials Committee.....Mrs. M. Eugene Marsh  
State Chairman of Credentials

Report of the Conference Program Committee.....Mrs. W. Franklin Myers

Reading of the Standing Rules.....Mrs. Millard T. Sisler  
Honorary State Regent

Roll Call—

Reading of the Minutes.....Miss Virginia B. Johnson  
State Recording Secretary

Election To Fill The Vacancy of the Office of State Vice Regent for the  
unexpired term

Report of the Resolutions Committee..... Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman

Report of Nominating Committee.....Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald  
Chairman

Reports of State Officers—

Address: "College Students May Compete"..... Mrs. George C. Estill  
National Chairman, Radio and Television Committee, National  
Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Introduced by Mrs. Harper G. Grimm, State Chairman

Announcements.....Mrs. John E. Graham

Recess—

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

12:30 P. M.

Georgian Terrace—Frederick Hotel

Conference Luncheon—In Honor of the State Chairmen

Invocation.....Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer  
Past State Treasurer

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag..... Mrs. Samuel G. Biggs  
Honorary Regent, Buford Chapter

Presiding.....The State Regent

Address: "Our D.A.R. Motion Picture Committee", Mrs. Herbert G. Nash  
National Chairman, Motion Picture Committee  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Introduced by Mrs. Samuel Solins, National Vice Chairman,  
Motion Picture Committee, National Society Daughters of the  
American Revolution

Special Awards

Reports of State Chairmen

Hostess Chapter.....Barboursville  
Mrs. Alden Bryan, Chairman

— Recess 3:00 P. M. —



**TOUR OF THE HUNTINGTON GALLERIES**

**3:30 P. M.**

**TEA AT BUFORD CHAPTER D. A. R. CABIN**

The members of the State Conference are invited to our the Huntington Galleries and the D. A. R. cabin between the hours of three-thirty and five o'clock. Buses for the Tour furnished through courtesy of the Huntington Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Evan M. Cyrus, Chairman, assisted by Junior Membership Committee

Miss Lillian Wolfe, Chairman of Tour

Mrs. Harry Holswade, Chairman of Transportation

**FRIDAY EVENING**

**ANNUAL BANQUET IN HONOR OF THE CHAPTER REGENTS AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

**7:00 P. M.**

**Georgian Terrace—Frederick Hotel**

Presiding.....The State Regent

Invocation.....The State Chaplain

Music.....Marshall College Symphonic Choir  
Director, John W. Creighton

Address: "I Pledge Allegiance".....Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland  
Curator General, National Chairman Museum Committee and National  
Chairman Friends of the Museum Committee,  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Introduced by Mrs. Millard T. Sisler,  
Honorary State Regent, Past Reporter General to the  
Smithsonian Institution N. S. D. A. R.

Chapter Regents (Reports arranged according to the date organized into the Society)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1958**

**7:30 A. M.**

**Crystal Room—Frederick Hotel**

West Virginia Regents' Club, Breakfast.....Mrs. Charles P. Walker  
State Vice President

Invocation.....Mrs. Will H. Daniel

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....Mrs. H. M. Cogan

Business Meeting—

Buford Chapter Hostess: Mrs. J. M.. Cain, Chairman  
Mrs. H. E. Summers, Co-Chairman

**VOTING.....POLLS open 8:00 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.**

9:00 A.M.

**BUSINESS SESSION**

**Ball Room, Frederick Hotel**

Presentation of Colors.....	Pages
Conference called to Order.....	The State Regent
Devotionals.....	The State Chaplain
The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....	Mrs. H. Braden Powers
Reading of the Minutes.....	The State Recording Secretary
Final Report of Credentials Committee.....	State Chairman
Final Report of Resolutions Committee.....	State Chairman
Report of the Finance Committee.....	Miss Emily Miller, Chairman
Report of the Tellers.....	Miss Louise T. Bullock, Chairman
Presentation of Officers Elect—	
Unfinished Business—	
New Business—	
Appointment of Committees.....	State Regent
Invitation for the 1959 State Conference—	
Announcements.....	Mrs. John E. Graham
Music: "The West Virginia Hills"	
"Blest Be The Tie That Binds".....	The Assemblage
Retiring of Colors.....	Pages
Adjournment.....	Fifty-third State Conference

**SATURDAY, 12:00 NOON**

**Meeting of the Board of Management**

**SATURDAY, 1:00 P. M.**

**Junior Membership Committee — Luncheon**

Mrs. Richard J. Donovan.....	State Chairman, Presiding
Invocation.....	Mrs. Eugene B. Reams
Star Spangled Banner.....	Mrs. John E. Graham, Leader
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.....	Miss Berridge Long
Presentation of State Regent and Distinguished Guests—	
Address.....	Miss Virginia B. Johnson
National Chairman, Junior Membership Committee	
Address.....	Miss Lynn Brussock
National Vice Chairman, Junior Membership Committee	
Hostess.....	Junior Membership Committee Buford Chapter
Mrs. James Aldridge, Chairman	
Mrs. Phillips Emmons, Hostess Chairman	

## STATE COMMITTEES

- Credentials..... Mrs. M. E. Marsh, Chairman  
Mrs. L. E. Squire, Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, Mrs. Ira P. Baer
- Resolutions..... Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman  
Mrs. Millard T. Sisler, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Rhea Fisher
- Nominating Committee..... Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, Chairman  
Mrs. Walter Doak, Mrs. Ira Mason Smith, Miss Emily R. Miller,  
Mrs. A. Keith McClung
- Memorial..... Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, Chairman  
Mrs. C. L. Nisbet and Mrs. Lureata Martin
- Finance..... Miss Emily R. Miller, Chairman  
Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, Miss Katharine Evans, Mrs. Rudolph S.  
Stoyer, Mrs. Ross P. Daniel, Sr.
- Tellers..... Miss Louise T. Bullock, Chairman  
Miss Marjorie Templeton, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Raleigh Lee Stubbs,  
Mrs. T. W. Dulaney, Mrs. B. H. Adams, Mrs. Charles Anderson, Miss  
Hallie Martin, Mrs. W. Guy Tetrick
- Timekeepers..... Mrs. Charles P. Walker, Chairman  
Mrs. E. A. Livesay, Mrs. Charles McNutt, Mrs. James C. Wright,  
Mrs. Samuel Solins, Mrs. John Higinbotham

## CONFERENCE CHAIRMEN AND COMMITTEES

- General Chairman—Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent Buford Chapter
- Co-Chairman—Mrs. D. B. Kraybill
- Hostess Chapters and Regents—Barboursville Chapter, Mrs. Alden Bryan;  
Buford Chapter, Mrs. John E. Graham; Colonel Charles Lewis  
Chapter, Mrs. W. R. Proffit; Ravenswood Chapter, Mrs. S. L. Miller
- Officer's Club Dinner—The Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, Hostesses  
Mrs. J. G. F. Johnson, Chairman
- Program—Mrs. John E. Graham, Mrs. D. B. Kraybill, Mrs. W. Franklin  
Myers and State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe
- Processional and Platform Committee—Mrs. Daniel W. Snyder, Chair-  
man; Mrs. Howard E. Summers
- Hospitality—Mrs. Walker Long, Chairman; Mrs. Alden Bryan, Mrs. W.  
Roy Proffit, Mrs. J. G. F. Johnson, Mrs. S. L. Miller
- Music—Mrs. Lureata Martin, Chairman; Mrs. Walker Long, and Mrs.  
Chester A. Roush, State Chairman
- Radio and Television—Mrs. John Edwin Jenkins
- Decoration and Flowers—Mrs. B. H. Pollock, Chairman; Miss Lillian  
Wolfe, Mrs. J. N. Nuchols and Mrs. R. M. Sullivan
- Reception—Mrs. James D. Francis, Chairman; Mrs. E. M. Starr, Co-  
Chairman; Mrs. John E. Jenkins, Mrs. M. B. Moore, Mrs. O. J. Vin-  
son, Mrs. Francis D. Calley, Mrs. James E. Moore, Mrs. Guy P. Gibbs
- Junior Bazaar—Mrs. Richard J. Donovan, State Chairman and Mrs.  
James N. Aldridge, Local Chairman

Banquet—Mrs. H. H. Carnahan, Chairman; Mrs. Paul Dunkle, Mrs. A. O. Kraehenbuehl

Tea.....Mrs. Evan M. Cyrus, Chairman  
Mrs. A. H. Christian, Co-Chairman  
Assisted by Junior Membership

Tour of Huntington Galleries.....Miss Lillian Wolfe

Transportation.....Mrs. Harry Holswade

Press Relations.....Mrs. A. B. Woodward, Chairman  
Mrs. James N. Aldridge

Tickets—Mrs. Gordon Wooton, Chairman; Mrs. Henry Diehl, Mrs. John L. Henry, Mrs. Herman Leap, Mrs. L. W. Ross, Mrs. J. S. Weaver, Mrs. Chauncey Baer

### PAGES

Miss Ruth Seibert, Chairman

Miss Mary Lee Grimmett, Regent's Personal Page

Miss Sidney Vinson, Regent's Personal Page

Mrs. H. Courtney Jones

Sally Anne Shutts

Mrs. Dwight P. Cruickshank

Claire Atkinson

Mrs. Phillips C. Emmons

Harriet McCole

Mrs. Frank H. Pearman

Patty Simons

Miss Jennie Windsor

Jan Jenkins

Miss Sally O. Cyrus

Crissy Smith

Miss Mary Kate Harris

Linda Glazier

Mrs. Karl P. Moreland

Barbara Wallace

Mrs. Lyal C. Clay

Lucille Anderson

Mrs. Page Pitt

Alice Cowen Patton

Ruth Coffman

### STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The State Executive Committee of the West Virginia State Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met in the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, at 11:15 A.M., Thursday, October 16, 1958, with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding.

Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain, led the committee in prayer. The State Recording Secretary, Miss Virginia B. Johnson, called the roll with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, Miss Johnson, Mrs. H. O. Wagner, Mrs. J. Carney Boggess present. The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting at Jackson's Mill, July 5, were read. The Secretary read Article X of the State By-Laws dealing with the State Executive Committee, at the request of the State Regent.

Mrs. Holcombe pointed out that the marking of the amphitheatre stage at Cedar Lakes in honor of Mrs. Edward S. Phillips was mentioned in the minutes of the July 5 Executive Committee meeting.

Mrs. Holcombe welcomed Mrs. Plumer E. Hill to the Executive Committee. Mrs. Hill pledged her cooperation.

Mrs. Boggess stated that she is still looking for three books. Barboursville Chapter sent \$10 which was used to purchase two wanted books.

Mrs. Wagner expressed her pleasure at being present.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mr. S. D. McMillan, State Director of Vocational Education of the State Department of Education and President of F.F.A.-F.H.A. Inc. Mr. McMillan showed a picture of the location of the amphitheater stage and the architects model. He discussed the building stone to be used. Ground breaking ceremonies will be in early November. Mr. McMillan expressed appreciation for the stage and answered questions. Mrs. Holcombe thanked him for coming.

Mrs. Holcombe mentioned mistakes in the printed program and her regret.

Mrs. Wagner read a telegram of greeting from Mrs. Frederic A. Groves, President General, N.S.D.A.R.

The minutes were read and approved as written.

The meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

### STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

The State Board of Management of the West Virginia State Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met in the Crystal Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, at 12:15 P. M., October 16, 1958, with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding.

Mrs. Holcombe asked Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian, if a quorum was present. Mrs. Snyder answered affirmatively.

Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain, led the Board in Prayer.

"Most Merciful Father—who hath spared us through this year—we give Thee thanks for Thy divine love and abiding Grace.

We thank Thee for this opportunity to serve the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, and for the fellowship we share. May we be honest and true in our work, and gentle and mindful of the faults of others, remembering of how much mercy and gentleness we stand in need ourselves.

Give us a unity of purpose in our devotion to God and country.

We especially pray Thy blessings upon our President General, upon our State Regent, and upon each and every member wherever she may be.

Minister unto each according to their individual needs. Forgive us our sins.

These petitions we ask in His name who taught us when we pray to say:

The Lord's Prayer.

Amen."

Mrs. Holcombe counted six State Officers and 12 Chapter Regents and Mrs. Snyder, Parliamentarian, present.

Mrs. John E. Graham, General Chairman of the Conference, was presented by the State Regent. Mrs. Bergen passed the sheet of Necrology around for additions or corrections. She payed tribute to Mrs. C. L. Nisbet of Buford Chapter for her helpfulness.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. H. Braden Powers, Regent of Kanawha Valley Chapter. The State Recording Secretary read the minutes

of the August 18, 1958, called meeting of the State Board of Management. Mrs. Graham moved that Mrs. Stoyer be written expressing regret and sorrow that she felt she had to resign as State Vice Regent. Seconded by Mrs. Defobio. Carried by vote.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, the new State Vice Regent, who spoke briefly.

Mrs. Bergen asked the Board to stand in tribute to Mrs. Spilman, Organizing State Regent and Past Vice President General, who died April 19, 1958.

"In the divine providence of God, He called to Eternal Life, our beloved Mrs. Annie Camden Spilman, Organizer, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General, on April 19, 1958.

"Mrs. Spilman's life pattern was woven together with kind thoughts and good deeds. She was a devoted wife and mother, a loyal church member, an ardent worker and a kind friend. Dut to the infirmities of her ninety-five years, she was unable to participate actively in D.A.R. work in recent years. However, her ideals, her ambitions, and her achievements, inspire us to carry on that torch which she held high.

"Let us pray. DEAR FATHER, As we pay our deserved tribute to Mrs. Spilman, may we the surviving dedicate ourselves anew to a faithful stewardship of the blessings of high ideals, using her spirit of endeavor as a stimulating inspiration for greater effort on the part of those who survive her. This we ask in Jesus name.

Amen."

Mrs. Henry S. Bell spoke on behalf of Mrs. W. Carroll Boggs, State Corresponding Secretary, who was absent. Mrs. Bell moved that the Board authorize the State Treasurer to re-order membership cards for distribution through the State Corresponding Secretary. Seconded by Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr. Carried by vote.

Mrs. H. O. Wagner, State Registrar, expressed her pleasure at being present.

Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, State Treasurer, reported the balance in the bank September 15, 1958, is \$3,687. Membership is 3,502. Mrs. J. Carney Boggess, State Librarian, stated that if we have 100% of Chapters reporting we will be on the Librarian General's Honor Roll.

Announcements were made by Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Graham. Mrs. Holcombe asked Chapter Regents to stand and express any recommendations they might have. The following were present and expressed pleasure: Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., Regent Anne Bailey Chapter; Mrs. H. Braden Powers, Regent Kanawha Valley Chapter; Mrs. Henry S. Bell, Regent Wheeling Chapter; Mrs. Albert Early, Vice Regent John Chapman Chapter; Mrs. Alden Bryan, Regent Barboursville Chapter; Mrs. H. L. Robertson representing Matthew French Chapter; Mrs. J. M. Francessa, Regent Borderland Chapter; Mrs. Cecil a delegate from Mound Chapter; Mrs. O. C. Baumberger, Regent Mound Chapter; Mrs. John Graham, Regent Buford Chapter; Miss Leota Griffith, Regent Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter. Mrs. Bergen and Mrs. Allen brought greetings from their respective Chapter Regents.

The introductions continued with Mrs. A. P. Meador, Regent Mondongachate Chapter; Mrs. Alexander Defobio, Regent Princess Aracoma Chapter; Miss Flossie Snodgrass, Regent Elizabeth Zane Chapter; Mrs. H. Paul Hite, Regent Blennerhassett Chapter. Mrs. Roy Lowther,

James Wood Chapter, asked for questionnaires from State Chairman for their reports. Mrs. W. R. Proffitt, Regent Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, one of the hostess chapters, greeted the Board.

Mrs. Bryan recommended that instead of Good Citizen and Good Citizenship medals the National Defense Committee medal be called the "National Defense Medal for Good Citizenship". Mrs. Holcombe asked that the recommendation be submitted to Resolutions Committee.

Mrs. Holcombe suggested that we should have a Memorial Book in the custody of the State Chaplain.

The Radio and Television Committee is sponsoring a college level contest. Mrs. Holcombe suggested we give a \$25 bond to each of the State winners. This year the Constitution of the United States of America is the subject. Mrs. Holcombe stated that she will personally give one of the awards this year. Mrs. Hall moved that the Board recommend to the Conference that the State Organization give two awards for this contest. Mrs. Lowther seconded. Carried by vote.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that Mrs. Dwight P. Cruickshank is the new State Chairman of Insignia. Mrs. Isaac P. Long is Chairman of the Year Book Contest.

Mrs. Holcombe announced from the Membership Chairman's report that 17 Chapters gained membership; 14 lost; 17 were stationary. June 1, total membership was 3,574.

Hancock Pioneers Chapter has disbanded. A new Chapter was authorized in Charleston on October 15. Junior American Citizens in West Virginia received a prize at the last Continental Congress for the largest percentage of increase in J.A.C. Clubs, largely through the efforts of Mrs. Creed Wilson of Princess Aracoma Chapter. John Chapman Chapter has also done an exceptional job.

The Jackson's Mill Luncheon will be July 11, 1959, with John Young Chapter as hostess. Continental Congress is April 20-24. West Virginia Tea will be at Army and Navy Town Club, Farragut Square and I Sts., Tuesday, April 21.

*Proceedings* of the Continental Congress are available at \$3.50 from the D.A.R. Business Office. *State Proceedings* are \$1 each from the State Recording Secretary. Girl homemaker work is to be reported to the Americanism Chairman. The Honor Roll Committee had 11 Gold Honor Roll, 6 Silver, 7 Honorable Mention last year. The Press Relations Scrapbook won Honorable Mention at the last Continental Congress. Only 5 C.A.R. members are ready to go into D.A.R. due to age limitation. The Membership award will be given Friday night. The money corsages and junior bazaar profits will go to Kate Duncan Smith Mechanical Arts Building, the West Virginia Room.

Mrs. Bell moved that the minutes be read. Seconded by Mrs. Francaasa.

The minutes were read by the State Recording Secretary. Mrs. Alden Bryan moved the minutes be approved as read. Mrs. Baumberger seconded the motion. The State Regent declared the minutes approved as read.

Mrs. Holcombe recessed the Board at 1:25 P.M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

## STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT LUNCHEON

Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presided at the State Board of Management Luncheon immediately following the Board meeting. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplan, returned thanks. Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The State Regent announced this was an adjourned Board Meeting.

The State Regent presented the guests: Mrs. Ashmead White, Chairman Continental Congress Program Committee and past Vice President General; Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary, State Regent of Alabama; Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General.

Mrs. McClaugherty brought news from the National Board of Management meeting. The *D.A.R. Magazine* will be made larger. It has been the same size and price since its beginning in 1892. Because of the present size of the *Magazine* paper has to be cut at a wasteful cost. The *Magazine* will be the same size as *U. S. News and World Report*—8¼ x 11¼. Mrs. McClaugherty encouraged the West Virginia Daughters to increase subscriptions.

Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian, who was not present for the earlier Board Meeting, was introduced.

Mrs. Conaway said she has had the *Magazine* since 1940 and considered the last issue one of the best. Mrs. Baumbarger pointed to their reference value.

Mrs. Wagner moved the minutes be approved as corrected. Motion seconded. Mrs. Holcombe adjourned the meeting at 2:10 P.M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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## OPENING SESSION

The fifty-third annual State Conference of the West Virginia State Organization of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was formally called to order by the State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, at 8:15 P.M. in the Ball Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, W. Va. After the Assembly Call by James I. Rathburn, bugler, the color bearers with the Flag of the United States of America, the D. A.R. banner, the West Virginia state banner, preceded the processional. Mrs. Lureata Martin played as pages escorted the National and State Officers and honor guests to their places.

After declaring the fifty-third annual State Conference in session Mrs. Holcombe presented the Reverend Dr. John W. Hollister, Minister Beverley Hills Methodist Church, who asked the invocation. Miss Louise Bullock led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America; Mrs. W. H. S. White, Honorary State Regent, led the American's Creed; Mrs. Chester A. Roush, State Chairman, The Advancement of American Music, led the National Anthem.

A Violin Duet was presented by Mrs. Wilbur Pursley and Miss Patricia Green, accompanied by Mrs. Lureata Martin.

The Honorable Helen Holt, Secretary of State of West Virginia, read a message from the Honorable Cecil H. Underwood, Governor of West Virginia, who was unable to be present because of State business. Mrs. Holcombe thanked Mrs. Holt and asked that she carry our regrets of the Governor's absence.

### TO THE 1958 STATE CONFERENCE OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION:

I am honored for the opportunity to send this message to you. I regret that I cannot personally attend your Conference; however, I am proud to be represented by the Secretary of State, Mrs. Helen Holt.

All West Virginians are aware of the traditional efforts of your organization to promote a better understanding of our proud American heritage. I am sure that they join with me in wishing you as much success in this meeting and your future work as you have had in your illustrious past.

CECIL H. UNDERWOOD

Governor

The Honorable Harold L. Frankel, Mayor of Huntington, extended a hearty welcome to the City of Huntington.

Mrs. H. E. Danford, Western District Director, extended a welcome to the Conference members from the hostess chapters.

Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, State Vice Regent, responded on behalf of the delegates and guests and expressed appreciation for the hospitality.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland, Curator General, National Chairman of Museum Committee and National Chairman of Friends of the Museum Committees, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, who brought greetings from Mrs. Frederic A. Groves, President General, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. Holcombe expressed regret that Mrs. Groves could not be with us and asked Mrs. Newland to express our thanks and appreciation of her leadership.

Mrs. William W. McLaugherty, Vice President General, Honorary State Regent N.S.D.A.R., brought greetings.

Mrs. A. Keith McClung, Honorary State Regent and past National Chairman Program Committee, brought greetings from the Honorary State Regents and presented the other Honorary State Regents present: Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway, Mrs. W. H. S. White, Mrs. Millard T. Sisler, Mrs. William W. McLaugherty.

Mrs. Holcombe expressed appreciation of messages from Mrs. Paul O. Reyman, Mrs. David E. French, and Mrs. Harry J. Smith, Honorary State Regents, who could not be present.

Mr. Kenneth C. Mastin, State President Sons of the American Revolution, brought greetings and stressed Patriotic Education Week beginning October 19.

Colonel W. C. Petty, President of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, brought greetings from the local chapter.

Mrs. Charles P. Walker, Senior National Corresponding Secretary, National Society Children of the American Revolution, brought greetings from Mrs. John W. Finger, National President, N.S.C.A.R. and from the National Society. She introduced Miss Virginia B. Johnson, Senior State President, who introduced Mr. H. Juhling McClung, Honorary State President of W. Va. C.A.R. and National Chairman American Literature Committee. Mr. McClung represented Miss Susan Addington, State President. He brought greetings and outlined the responsibility of West Virginia D.A.R. to their C.A.R. Organization.

Mrs. Holcombe presented the following Distinguished Guests: Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary, State Regent of Alabama D.A.R.; Mrs. Ashmead White, National Continental Congress Program Chairman and past Vice President General N.S.D.A.R.; Mrs. George C. Estill, National Chairman Radio and Television; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, National Chairman Press Relations and State Recording Secretary of Kentucky; Mrs. Richard L. Roberts, National Historian Daughters of the American Colonists and Corresponding Secretary General, National Society Colonial Daughters of the Seventeenth Century; Miss Mary Katharine Barnes, National Vice Chairman of the Children of the American Revolution Committee, Daughters of the American Revolution, and President Federated Women's Clubs of West Virginia; Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith, National Vice Chairman Credentials Committee; Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, National Vice Chairman D.A.R. Magazine; Mrs. Samuel Solins, National Vice Chairman Motion Pictures Committee; Miss Lynn Brussock, National Vice Chairman, Junior Membership; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, National Chairman Junior Membership Committee.

Mrs. Holcombe presented her own family: her sister, Mrs. Merwin Lee Bohan of Dallas, Texas; her husband, Dr. V. Eugene Holcombe, National Trustee, National Society Sons of the American Revolution. Dr. Holcombe greeted the Conference.

Mrs. Holcombe also introduced Mrs. J. D. Francis, representing Mrs. Early, State President of the Colonial Dames of America resident in West Virginia; Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, National Vice President of Colonial Dames of the Seventeenth Century, in the absence of Mrs. Berkeley Shaffer, State President; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, President of the West Virginia Branch Huguenot Society Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia; Mrs. Guy Gibbs, Vice President of Founders and Patriots of

America in West Virginia who stated that Mrs. Holcombe is the State President, Mrs. Therne Smith, State President United States Daughters of 1812 in West Virginia.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. Waitman H. Conoway, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General, who addressed the Conference on "Golden Thoughts of a Fifty Year Member". Mrs. Conoway joined the D.A.R. in 1908. She traced her interesting D.A.R. career from chapter offices, State Recording Secretary, State Vice Regent, State Regent, and Vice President General. The *State Proceedings* was started in 1923 by vote of her first State Conference. She served under Mrs. Brosseau when ground was broken for Constitution Hall and was a member of the committee to select the monument to the Founders. Mrs. Conoway was present at the dedication of the Old Trails Marker outside Wheeling, Mrs. Anthony Cook, President General. Colonel Andrew Donally Chapter was organized during her regency. Mrs. Conoway reminded us of the principles of those who went before and charged us to hold fast to these principles.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced her official family: Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, State Vice Regent; Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, State Treasurer; Mrs. H. O. Wagner, State Registrar; Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian; Mrs. J. Carney Boggess, State Librarian. Mrs. P. Carroll Boggs, State Corresponding Secretary, was absent because of illness. Mrs. Daniel W. Snyder was introduced as State Parliamentarian.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced the District Directors. Mrs. Henry Clay Hayes, Southern District, and Miss Mae Harmison, Eastern District, were absent. Mrs. H. E. Danford, Western District; Mrs. James L. Tritchler, Central District; Mrs. Walter Doak, Northern District, stood.

Personal Pages to the State Regent, Miss Mary Lee Grimmitt and Miss Sydney Vinson, were introduced.

Mrs. Carl C. Galbrith presented her report as State Chairman of National Defense and introduced Mrs. Ashmead White, National Chairman Continental Congress Program Committee and past Vice President General, N.S.D.A.R.

Mrs. White addressed the Conference on "Our Responsibility for Better Citizenship". Mrs. White stressed that the need for the establishment of an educational system adequate to prepare citizens for the dawning space age is the foremost challenge facing the country. She reminded us that a Republic such as ours cannot be defeated in this struggle—it can only lose by default—it can only lose if we deny through indifference and neglect our personal responsibilities for its security.

Mrs. White stated that to be preoccupied with the danger of possible atomic destruction and to forget the deadly dangers facing us from within would be folly indeed. This nation's strength will depend on the quality of citizenship—on the national character of our people. Our country was founded on a belief in God. Religion and home life are supplementary. Each strengthens the other.

Patriotism is not born in children, Mrs. White stated. It must be carefully instilled in them and constantly cultivated through their growing years. Factual American History should be required from the grades through college. Mrs. White pointed carefully to the D.A.R. program for encouraging interest in factual American History and tradition and instilling in our young people the ideals of citizenship, reminding us of our individual responsibilities.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. George C. Estill of Miami, Florida, National Chairman of Radio and Television and State Vice Regent, who had just arrived.

Mrs. Holcombe stated that Miss Louise Bullock would like to have the tellers present at the Friday morning session.

Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. John E. Graham, General Chairman of the State Conference and Regent of Buford Chapter. Mrs. Graham invited the Conference to a Reception on the Mezzanine following this session. Mrs. Graham introduced Mrs. D. B. Kraybill, Co-chairman of the Conference and Mrs. J. D. Francis, Chairman of the Reception.

Miss Ruth Seibert, Chairman of Pages, was introduced and presented her pages: Mesdames Dwight P. Cruikshank, H. Courtney Jones, Loyal C. Clay, Karl P. Moreland, and Miss Jennie Windsor. The State Regent's Personal Pages had already been introduced.

The colors were retired and the Conference recessed at 10:30 P.M. till 9 A.M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The first business session of the fifty-third annual State Conference of the West Virginia State Organization of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution convened at 9:10 A.M. in the Ball Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, with the State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, presiding.

Pages carried the Flag of the United States of America, the D.A.R. banner, and the West Virginia state banner to their standards. Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America; Mrs. Chester A. Roush, State Chairman Advancement of American Music Committee, led the National Anthem. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain, read Psalm 67 and led the Conference in Prayer.

Mrs. M. Eugene Marsh, State Chairman Credentials Committee, gave the preliminary report of her committee and moved the adoption of this preliminary report. Seconded by Mrs. Samuel Sollns. Adopted by vote.

National Officers .....	1
National Chairmen .....	3
National Vice Chairmen .....	4
Past National Officers .....	1
Honorary State Regents .....	5
State Officers .....	8
State Chairmen .....	22
Chapter Regents .....	17
Delegates .....	91
Alternates .....	29
Members .....	23
Pages .....	9
Guests .....	5
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Total Registration .....	177
Voting Strength .....	104

Mrs. W. Franklin Myers, Chairman of the Conference Program Committee, moved the adoption of the printed program with such changes as may be found necessary. Motion was seconded and carried by vote.

Mrs. Milliard T. Sisler, Honorary State Regent and past Reporter General to the Smithsonian Institution, read the Standing Rules of Order. Mrs. Roy Lowther moved their adoption. Seconded by Mrs. Chester A. Roush. Carried by vote.

#### STANDING RULES OF ORDER

1. All sessions will begin promptly at the hour announced.
2. Delegates are expected to be in their seats before the opening of each session.
3. Doors will be closed during speeches, musical numbers and reports.
4. No delegate shall be entitled to the floor until she rises, gives her name and the name of her chapter, and is recognized by the chair.
5. No member shall speak more than once during the day to the same question, nor longer than three minutes at one time without the leave of the assembly.
6. The reports of Chapter Regents and Chairmen of State Committees shall be limited to two minutes each. Reports of absent members shall be filed.
7. A typewritten copy of each report must be handed to the Recording Secretary after it is read.
8. All main motions must be presented in writing and signed by the maker.
9. All Resolutions must be presented through the Resolutions Committee.
10. *Robert's Rules of Order* (Revised) shall be the accepted authority on Parliamentary Law.

The State Regent read the names of the Resolutions, Tellers, and Timekeepers Committees.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman  
Mrs. Millard T. Sisler, Co-Chairman  
Mrs. Rhea Fisher

#### SUB COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:

Mrs. Louis Meisel  
Mrs. Will Daniels  
Mrs. James M. Cain  
Mrs. H. Braden Powers  
Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr.  
Mrs. C. W. Moore  
Mrs. Gaither W. Miller  
Mrs. Carl Galbraith

#### TELLERS:

Miss Louise T. Bullock, Chairman  
Miss Marjorie Templeton, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. Raleigh Lee Stubbs  
Mrs. T. W. Dulaney  
Miss Hallie Martin  
Mrs. Katheryn Evans  
Mrs. Charles Anderson  
Mrs. B. H. Adams  
Mrs. Guy Tetrick

**TIMEKEEPERS:**

Mrs. Charles P. Walker, Chairman  
Mrs. E. A. Livesay, Co-Chairman  
Mrs. Samuel Solins  
Mrs. James G. Wright  
Mrs. John Higinbotham

The State Recording Secretary read the minutes of the Opening Session.

Mrs. C. R. Hill moved that the Governor's Message be spread upon the minutes. Seconded by Mr. A. Keith McClung. Carried by vote.

Mrs. H. O. Wagner moved the minutes be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. A. Keith McClung. Approved by vote.

The State Recording Secretary called the Roll with eight State Officers, four Honorary State Regents, sixteen Chapter Regents present.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that Mrs. Tritchler, District Director, wants to meet with Central District Chapters in the rear of the room following the morning session. Northern District is also to meet at this time.

The State Recording Secretary read the State By-laws, Article V, Sections 1 and 7. Mrs. Howard E. Summers nominated Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill for State Vice Regent for the unexpired term till April, 1959. Nomination seconded. There were no further nominations. Miss Holcombe asked Miss Bullock and the tellers to pass the ballots and collect them.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced the Distinguished Guests: Mrs. Newland, Mrs. Estill, Mrs. Burchett, Mrs. White, Mrs. McCrary, Mrs. Roberts.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that two prizes will be given for the best Yearbook—one for the best commercial one and one for the best hand made one. Mrs. Estill, Mrs. McCrary, and Mrs. White are judges. Two prizes will be given for the best Scrapbooks.

Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman of Resolutions, read the proposed Resolutions for the first time.

Mrs. Holcombe announced that Mrs. Galbraith has national defense material available at the door of the room regarding these matters. Money corsages are still available.

Miss Louise Bullock, Chairman of Tellers, reported 82 votes cast, 82 votes for Mrs. Hill, 43 required to elect. Mrs. Holcombe declared the unanimous election of Mrs. Plumer E. Hill as State Vice Regent for the unexpired term and presented Mrs. Hill. The tellers serving with Miss Bullock were: Miss Marjorie Templeton, Co-chairman; Miss Kate Evans, Mrs. Roleigh Lee Stubbs, and Miss Hallie Martin. Mrs. Summers moved that the ballots be destroyed. Seconded and carried by vote.

Miss Emily Miller moved that Mrs. Plumer E. Hill may take the chair when occasion demands during this Conference. Seconded. Carried by vote. Mrs. Holcombe explained that the December 4 meeting of the National Board will confirm this election.

Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, Chairman, read the report of the Nominating Committee.

## STATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The State Nominating Committee met in Parkersburg July 19. Present were: Mrs. A. Keith McClung, Western District; Mrs. Walter Doak, Northern District; Miss Emily R. Miller, Eastern District, Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, Central District; Mrs. Ira Mason Smith, Southern District, was unable to attend because of family commitments.

After due consideration, the committee has the honor and privilege to present the following candidates for offices in the West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution:

*Regent:* Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, Kanawha Valley Chapter, Western District. *Vice Regent* Miss Virginia B. Johnson, John Young Chapter, Western District. *Chaplain:* Mrs. Chester A. Roush, Col. Charles Lewis Chapter, Western District. *Registrar:* Mrs. Henry M. Seibert, Shenandoah Valley, Eastern District. *Recording Secretary:* Mrs. Dwight P. Cruikshank, James Wood Chapter, Northern District. *Corresponding Secretary:* Mrs. Henry M. Cogan, Kanawha Valley, Western District. *Treasurer:* Mrs. J. L. Tritchler, Col. John Evans, Central District. *Historian:* Mrs. C. R. Hill, Borderland Chapter, Southern District. *Librarian:* Mrs. D. B. Kraybill, Buford Chapter, Western District.

In clarification of the fact that there are five candidates from the same district, the Committee would like to state that in compiling the list of candidates, Chapter endorsements were honored first. In the one office for which there were no endorsements, the Committee sought a candidate. In the office for which there were two endorsements, the Committee chose the earlier.

No endorsements were received from one District; two Districts sent one each; and another sent two endorsements. After careful consideration the State Nominating Committee concluded that in the same period of time each Chapter had equal opportunity to present a candidate for consideration. There is nothing in the State By-Laws which says candidates may not come from the same District or even from the same city, but only that they may not come from the same Chapter.

In conclusion the State Nominating Committee 1958 would like to recommend that in the future if Chapters wish to be represented in the list of State Officers, they should consider their members and present them under proper endorsement at an early date.

MRS. ROMEO T. McDONALD, Chairman  
MRS. A. KEITH McCLUNG  
MRS. WALTER DOAK  
MISS EMILY R. MILLER  
MRS. IRA MASON SMITH

Mrs. Holcombe asked for further nominations. Hearing none she asked the State Recording Secretary to read again the names of those nominated. Mrs. Holcombe announced the polls will be open from 8 to 10:30 A.M. on Saturday. Mrs. Holcombe called for reports of State Officers limited to two minutes, asking permission for her report to be unlimited. Mrs. Charles P. Walker, Chairman, and Mrs. E. A. Livesay were timekeepers.

Mrs. Holcombe asked Mrs. Plumer Hill, State Vice Regent, to take the chair while the State Regent read her report and congratulated Mrs. Hill on her election.

Mrs. Hill asked a standing vote of appreciation for the State Regent's fine report.

Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill, State Vice Regent, gave her report. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, State Recording Secretary, reported. Mrs. W. Carroll Boggs, State Corresponding Secretary, was absent because of illness.

Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen asked the Pages to distribute mimeographed copies of her report and asked permission to read only the summary. Mrs. Allen read the Auditor's report and moved its adoption. Seconded by Mrs. Summers. Adopted by vote.

Mrs. Allen moved that through the bank a non-interest bearing \$1,100 bond be cashed and reinvested in an interest bearing bond. Seconded. Carried by vote. Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer moved that the Officers' the State Treasurer to take care of this matter. Mrs. Snyder complimented Mrs. Allen for her wonderful reports the last three years.

Miss Ruth Seibert, Chairman of Pages, explained the error in placing the Flag of the United States of America today. The Flag placement was corrected.

Mrs. H. O. Wagner, State Registrar; Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian; Mrs. J. Carney Boggess, State Librarian, reported.

Mrs. Boggess moved that \$100 of the \$348 in the Library fund be sent the Treasurer General for the Library fund. Mrs. Conaway seconded. Carried by vote. Mrs. Rudolph Stoyer moved that the Officers' reports be accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced Mrs. George C. Estill, State Vice Regent of Florida and National Chairman Radio and Television Committee, who spoke on "College Students May Compete". Mrs. Estill stated that Radio and Television is not a policy making committee but a policy broadcasting committee. Mrs. Estill reminded us that the listening public can have a great influence on the character and quality of programs by writing the channels. A new contest is being launched this year at the college level on the Constitution of the United States of America. The contest will be introduced into accredited colleges and universities. Each state will conduct a state contest within the state and a panel of three judges will select separate winners for Radio and for Television. The two national winners will be asked to come to Washington, D. C. as the guests of the National Society, to present their scripts to the Continental Congress.

Mrs. Holcombe read announcements regarding the Conference arrangements. Mrs. John Graham made further announcements about the afternoon.

Mrs. C. R. Hill asked that we take time to reproduce the skit given at the Approved Schools Breakfast. She served as moderator and Mrs. Roy Lowther as the contestant on "The \$3,000 Question."

The Conference recessed at 11:45 A.M. till the 12:30 luncheon.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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## FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Conference Luncheon in honor of the State Chairmen was held at 12:30 P.M., Friday, October 17, 1958, in the Georgian Terrace Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding. Barboursville Chapter, Mrs. Alden Bryan, Regent, was hostess for the luncheon. The invocation was asked by Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer, past State Treasurer; the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Henry Clay Hayes, Southern District Director.

Mrs. Holcombe greeted those who had not been with us earlier and mentioned congratulatory letters from Mrs. Paul O. Reymann, and Mrs. Harry J. Smith, Honorary State Regents, and Mrs. Edward S. Phillips, past State Regent.

Mrs. Holcombe read telegrams from Mrs. Frederic A. Groves, President General, N. S. D. A. R.:

"My deepest interest and affectionate greetings to members of the West Virginia State Society. I remember interesting and happy experience when I visited your state. Your record of work has been splendid. Know you will continue to maintain and increase your goals. May the year ahead be one of great achievement."

A telegram from Mrs. David E. French, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General:

"Love and best wishes for a happy and successful meeting. Am sorry I cannot be with you."

A telegram from Miss Susan Addington, State President, West Virginia Children of the American Revolution:

"Greetings and best wishes from C. A. R. So sorry I am unable to be with you. May this year be an outstanding success for your State Society."

Mrs. Holcombe presented the out-of-state visitors: Mrs. Ralph W. Newland, Curator General, N. S. D. A. R.; Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary, State Regent of Alabama; Mrs. Ashmead White, Congress Program Chairman and past Vice President General; Mrs. George C. Estill, National Chairman Radio and Television. Mrs. Estill complimented Mrs. Harper G. Grimm, State Chairman, for her outstanding work with the committee. Mrs. Thomas Burchett, National Press Relations Chairman was introduced. Mrs. William W. McClaugherty and Miss Virginia B. Johnson were asked to stand together.

Mrs. Jackson A. Hammond, State Chairman Press Relations, presented the awards for Yearbooks and Scrapbooks. Mrs. Holcombe provided personally money corsages as awards. The judges for both contests were: Mrs. Newland, Mrs. White, Mrs. McCrary, Mrs. Estill, and Miss Brussock. The best commercial yearbook award went to *Buford Chapter*, Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent. The best hand made yearbook award went to *Potomac Valley Chapter*, Mrs. Martin L. Watson, Regent. Twenty-eight yearbooks were submitted.

Mrs. Hammond presented the National Chairman's award for the best scrapbook to *Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter*, Mrs. W. R. Proffit, Regent. Second place (corsage) to *Anne Bailey Chapter*, Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., Regent. Third place (corsage) to *Borderland Chapter*, Mrs. J. M. Franceasa, Regent.

The following State Chairmen read their reports: Mrs. Chester A. Roush, Advancement of American Music; Mrs. Spencer Kiger, American Indians; Mrs. Claude R. Hill, Sr., Approved Schools; Mrs. James E. Moore, C. A. R. Committee; Mrs. H. E. Danford, D. A. R. Good Citizens; Mrs. James L. Tritchler, *D. A. R. Magazine*. Mrs. Tritchler presented a check for \$5 to *Anne Bailey Chapter* for greatest increase in subscriptions, Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., Regent. *John Hart Chapter* received a check \$2 for second greatest increase in subscriptions, Mrs. Harry W. Reppert, Regent.

Chairmen's reports continued with Mrs. George J. Ferguson, *D. A. R. Magazine* Advertising; Mrs. William W. McLaugherty, D. A. R. Museum; Mrs. W. C. Bishop, Student Loan Fund; Mrs. Hersel A. Henderson, Genealogical Records.

Mrs. Holcombe gave the Honor Roll report. Mrs. Dwight P. Cruickshank, Chairman of Insignia, reported. Mrs. E. A. Liveasy, Co-chairman of Jackson's Mill, brought greetings from Mrs. H. K. Owens, the permanent Chairman.

Mrs. E. F. Jones, Junior American Citizens Chairman, read her report. Mrs. Holcombe commended Mrs. Creed Wilson, Chapter Chairman for Princess Aracoma Chapter, for her fine work in this area. Mrs. Richard J. Dononvan, Junior Membership Chairman, reported.

Mrs. Samuel Solins, National Vice Chairman, Motion Pictures Committee, spoke in the absence of Mrs. L. E. Johnson, State Chairman.

Mrs. Moore stated that the West Virginia C. A. R. won an award for Radio and Television.

Reports concluded with Mrs. Harper G. Grimm, Radio and Television; Mrs. Romeo T. McDonald, *W. Va. D. A. R. News*, reporting.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Chairman, to report on the Cedar Lakes project. Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian, was presented. Mrs. Holcombe announced the Jackson's Mill Luncheon for July 11 and introduced Mrs. Charles F. McNutt, Regent of John Young Chapter, the hostess chapter.

Mrs. McClung introduced her guest, Mrs. Erving Carr of Pomeroy, Ohio, Ohio State Chairman of Motion Pictures. Mrs. Frank Flagg introduced her sister, Mrs. McFarland, from California. Mrs. Holcombe presented Mrs. Richard L. Roberts from Kentucky and Mrs. Merwin Lee Bohan of Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Holcombe instructed the Conference regarding reports. Mrs. McLaugherty announced she had sold \$8 worth of W. Va. Room post-cards and Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter took 200 cards to sell at the Mansion House. Mrs. F. E. Jones introduced Mrs. Willard B. Possom of Washington, D. C., a member of John Hart Chapter.

Mrs. Henry Holswade, Conference Chairman of Transportation, announced arrangements for going to the tea and galleries.

Mrs. Holcombe asked members of Kanawha Valley Chapter to stand. This is the State Regent's Chapter.

The session recessed at 2:30 P. M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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## FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The Conference guests and Chapter Regents of West Virginia were guests of honor at the banquet held at 7 P. M., Friday, October 11, 1958, in the Georgian Terrace Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, W. Va., with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding. Buford Chapter, Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent, was hostess.

The invocation was asked by Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain.

Mrs. Holcombe asked Mrs. John E. Graham to present the choir director. Mrs. Graham introduced Mr. John W. Creighton, director, and the Marshall College Symphonic Choir. They sang five numbers. Mrs. Holcombe thanked Mr. Creighton and the Choir.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced Mrs. Millard T. Sisler. Mrs. Sisler presented Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland, Curator General, N. S. D. A. R., who addressed the Conference on "I Pledge Allegiance." Man has always needed a symbol to rally around, Mrs. Newland reminded us. She discussed the various flags that preceded our stars and stripes. She described as a symbol of allegiance one of the valuable thirteen star flags in the D. A. R. Museum made of the materials at hand. Mrs. Newland stated that she felt all that the Daughters are doing is a pledge of faith and allegiance.

Mrs. Holcombe introduced Mrs. W. S. Johnson, mother of the State Recording Secretary and Organizing Regent of John Young Chapter.

The State Recording Secretary called the roll of the Chapters with the following Chapter Regents reporting: Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, Mrs. W. R. Proffit, Regent; Elizabeth Zane Chapter, Miss Flossie Snodgrass, Regent; James Wood Chapter, Mrs. Roy Lowther, Regent; Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter, Mrs. W. Clement Percival, Regent; West Augusta Chapter, Mrs. Clinton Phillips, Regent; John Hart Chapter, Mrs. Harry W. Reppert, Regent; Major William Haymond Chapter, read by Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway in the absence of the Regent in order to extend an invitation to the 50th anniversary dinner of the Chapter on November 12, 1958; Buford Chapter, Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent; Kanawha Valley Chapter, Mrs. H. Braden Powers, Regent; Wheeling Chapter, Mrs. Henry S. Bell, Regent; Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter, Miss Leota Griffith, Regent; Potomac Valley Chapter, Mrs. Martin L. Watson, Regent; Matthew French Chapter, Mrs. E. L. Robertson, representing the Regent; Colonel Andrew Donnelly Chapter by Mrs. Samuel Solins representing the Regent; Borderland Chapter, Mrs. John W. Franceasa, Regent; Princess Aracoma Chapter, Mrs. Alexander Defobio, Regent; Captain James Allen Chapter, Mrs. M. W. Arnold, Regent; John Young Chapter, Mrs. Charles F. McNutt, Regent; Mound Chapter, Mrs. O. C. Baumberger, Regent; Barboursville Chapter, Mrs. Alden Bryan, Regent; Ann Royall Chapter, Mrs. G. A. Fowler, Regent; Blennerhassett Chapter, Mrs. H. Paul Hite, Regent; Nathan Davis Chapter, read by Mrs. Walter Doak representing the Regent; General Andrew Lewis Chapter, Mrs. Bright Wilson, Regent; Anne Bailey Chapter, Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr., Regent; John Chapman Chapter, Mrs. Albert Early, Vice Regent; Shenandoah Valley Chapter by Mrs. Russell J. Bergen representing the Regent.

Mrs. Holcombe expressed appreciation for the reports and reminded the Regents to file their reports.

Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, State Vice Regent, read a letter from Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, State Membership Chairman and presented the State

Membership Plaque to Nathan Davis Chapter. Mrs. Walter Doak, in the absence of the Regent, accepted the plaque and certificate of award from the National Chairman Membership Committee.

Mrs. Hill presented the National Chairman's certificate of award for the largest number of kinswomen belonging to one Chapter in the State to Ravenswood Chapter.

Miss Louise Bullock asked to have the Tellers in the Rose Room by 7:45 Saturday morning. Mrs. Holcombe announced the Chapter Regents Club breakfast at 7:30 A. M. Saturday.

Mrs. Holcombe thanked the hostess committee for the evening. The Conference was recessed at 10:05 P. M. till 9 A. M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The closing session of the fifty-third annual State Conference of the West Virginia State Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was called to order at 9:25 A. M., Saturday, October 18, 1958, in the Georgian Terrace Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, by the State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe.

Pages placed the Flag of the United States of America, the D. A. R. banner, and the West Virginia state banner in their standards. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain, read Psalm one and led the Conference in prayer. Mrs. H. Braden Powers, Regent Kanawha Valley Chapter, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The State Recording Secretary read the minutes of the Friday morning and Friday afternoon sessions which were approved as read. The minutes of the Friday evening session were approved with one correction and one addition.

Mrs. Holcombe read her report as State Chairman of Community Service, a committee which was abolished by the last Continental Congress. Mrs. Holcombe announced that the remaining money corsages could be obtained for \$1. each as a souvenir. Mrs. Holcombe thanked all the Conference hostesses who have done such wonderful work for us.

Mrs. Holcombe stated that the State Officers are not confined to two minutes for their reports but the State Chairmen and Chapter Regents are limited to two minutes.

Miss Virginia B. Johnson moved that the Chapter Regent or Chapter Vice Regent or the Regent's representative be permitted to read the chapter report provided the name of the Regent's representative be sent in before the reading of the report. Seconded by Mrs. H. O. Wagner.

Mrs. Ben Williams amended the motion to read that the representative make it known at the time of registration that she is to read the report. Seconded. Amendment carried. Motion as amended lost.

Mrs. Samuel Solins moved that any Chapter representative be allowed to read the report of the Chapter and the representative give her name to the Recording Secretary before the report is read. Seconded by Mrs. Ben Williams. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ira Baer read the final report of the Credentials Committee and moved its adoption. Seconded by Mrs. Bell. Adopted by vote.

### CREDENTIAL REPORT

#### Final Report

National Officers .....	1	Delegates .....	114
National Chairmen .....	3	Alternates .....	37
National Vice Chairmen .....	2	Members .....	41
Past National Officers .....	1	Pages .....	9
Honorary State Regents .....	5	Guests .....	4
State Officers .....	8		
State Chairmen .....	23	Total Registration .....	251
Chapter Regents .....	22	Voting Strength .....	127

VIVIAN B. MARSH (MRS. M. E. JR.) Chairman  
MRS. IRA P. BAER

Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, read the proposed Resolutions for the second time. She moved the adoption of the first Resolution. Seconded by Miss Anne Lloyd Baylor. Carried by Vote.

Mrs. Robertson moved the adoption of the second resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Howard Summers. Adopted by vote.

Mrs. Robertson moved that we reaffirm the National Resolutions. Seconded by Mrs. J. A. Hammond. Adopted by a rising unanimous vote.

Mrs. Robertson read the Courtesy Resolutions and moved their adoption. Mrs. McClung asked a rising vote of appreciation to the National Officers, distinguished guests and State Regent.

### RESOLUTIONS

1. Whereas there is confusion regarding the National Defense award and Good Citizen pin,  
*Resolved:* The West Virginia State Organization N. S. D. A. R. recommend the change of title to National Defense Award.
2. Whereas, the Alleghany Air Lines are now displaying the United Nations Flag on some of their planes,  
*Resolved* the West Virginia D. A. R. Conference now in session voice its disapproval of such display.

### COURTESY RESOLUTIONS

To our General Chairman, Mrs. John E. Graham; co-chairman, Mrs. D. B. Kraybill; District Director; Pages; Hotel management; press and all who helped in this Conference . . .

To the State Regent, Mrs. Holcombe, the National Officers and the Distinguished Guests for their gracious presence and inspiring messages . . .

The West Virginia State Conference expresses its appreciation.

Miss Emily R. Miller, Chairman, read the report of the Finance Committee.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

In view of the steadily rising cost of printing, postage, etc. your Finance Committee recommends the following per capita assessments:

State Dues .....	\$ .40
Contingent Fund .....	.10
Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Fund .....	.08
C. A. R. ....	.05
Library .....	.02
W. Va. Room—Museum .....	.02
W. Va. D. A. R. News .....	.13
Total .....	\$ .80

This small advance of 8¢ in total per capita assessment should enable us to operate on a sound financial basis for the forthcoming year. We recommend this increase.

It is necessary for us to purchase a plaque marking the Amphitheatre which the West Virginia Society has given to Cedar Lakes. We recommend that permission be given to our State Regent to purchase this plaque, cost to be not more than \$200., said sum to be taken from the Contingent Fund.

We recommend the award of two \$25.00 Bonds, one each to Radio and Television Contests, these contests to be on a college level. This will involve an expenditure of \$37.50 per year, however this first year our State Regent wishes to present one of the bonds.

We would also like to recommend that no projects of any type be undertaken until we are entirely free from debt in connection with the Cedar Lakes and Kate Duncan Smith projects. Our State Treasurer's Report covers both projects in detail.

MABEL GRIFFITH STOYER (MRS. RUDOLPH S.)  
 BERTHA WEBB ALLEN (MRS. L. ST. CLAIR)  
 EDITH B. DANIEL (MRS. ROSS P.)  
 KATHRYN LEE EVANS (MISS)  
 EMILY R. MILLER (MISS), Chairman

Miss Miller moved the adoption of the proposed dues and assessments. Seconded by Mrs. Ira Baer. Adopted by vote.\*

Miss Miller moved the adoption of the finance committee recommendation regarding the Cedar Lakes marker. Seconded by Mrs. Leith. Adopted by vote.

Miss Miller moved the adoption of the finance committee recommendation to purchase prizes for the Radio and Television Contests. Seconded by Mrs. Bell. Carried by vote.

Miss Miller moved the adoption of the recommendation regarding no new projects till the present ones are completed. Seconded by Mrs. Bergen. Adopted by vote.

Mrs. C. R. Hill, State Chairman Approved Schools, asked for pledges to Kate Duncan Smith, and thanked the Junior Membership Committee of John Young Chapter for making the money corsages.

\* The increased dues will not go into effect for 1959 due to a provision in the By-Laws; per capita dues plus assessments will total 75c.

Mrs. Holcombe announced she has glossy pictures of Kate Duncan Smith for use by Chapters in the newspapers.

Mrs. Waltman H. Conaway presented the name of Mrs. Edward S. Phillips for Honorary State Regent. Motion seconded by Mrs. A. Keith McClung and Mrs. Henry S. Bell. Adopted by standing vote.

Mrs. Leith asked the State Regent to read the proposed inscription on the marker at Cedar Lakes. Mrs. Holcombe told of the presentation ceremonies when Mrs. Leith presented the \$2,500 check to Mr. McMillan for the stage. Mrs. Holcombe read two possible inscriptions.

Mrs. Leith told about the Historian's essay contest on Theodore Roosevelt. Essays must be in by February 1. Mrs. Hill asked about a prize for the state winner and Mrs. Leith explained that there was no provision.

Mrs. Roy Lowther asked that State Chairmen send specific questionnaires to all chapter chairmen for reports.

Mrs. Holcombe announced the bazaar close-out sale.

Mrs. Ashmead White expressed her pleasure in the Conference and thanked the West Virginia Daughters for their hospitality.

Mrs. McClung showed the Museum folders, asked Pages to pass them, and asked Mrs. Ralph Newland, Curator General, to speak about the booklets. Mrs. Newland explained the booklet cover picture and expressed her pleasure at being with the West Virginia Daughters.

Mrs. Bergen said that Shenandoah Valley Chapter presented the third flag carrying holder for Pages in honor of Miss Ruth Seibert, Chairman of Pages for the last nine years.

Mrs. Holcombe asked for the 1958 Conference invitation. Mrs. James L. Tritchler, Central District Director, invited the Conference to Morgantown for October 8, 9, 10, with the headquarters at Hotel Morgan. The invitation was accepted by standing vote.

Mrs. Graham asked the State Regent to call attention to the Junior Membership Luncheon at 1 P. M. in the Crystal Room. Mrs. Holcombe introduced Miss Lynn Brussock of Wisconsin, National Vice Chairman Junior Membership Committee.

The State Board of Management meeting is immediately following the Conference adjournment.

Mrs. McClaugherty suggested that we think about scheduling the Conference in September. Mrs. Will Daniel suggested it be in Resolution form next year.

Miss Louise Bullock read the report of the Tellers Committee.

As Chairman of the Tellers Committee I have the honor to report the following vote.

Total number of votes cast: 102.

	Votes Cast	Needed To Elect
<b>REGENT:</b>		
Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe .....	93	(47)
Mrs. Rudolph Stoyer .....	2	
Miss Virginia Johnson .....	2	
<b>VICE REGENT:</b>		
Miss Virginia Johnson .....	93	(47)
Mrs. M. L. O'Neal .....	1	
Mrs. Rudolph Stoyer .....	1	
<b>CHAPLAIN:</b>		
Mrs. Chester A. Roush .....	101	(52)
<b>REGISTRAR:</b>		
Mrs. Henry J. Seibert .....	100	(51)
<b>RECORDING SECRETARY:</b>		
Mrs. Dwight Cruickshank .....	102	(52)
<b>CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:</b>		
Mrs. Henry M. Cogan .....	100	(51)
<b>TREASURER:</b>		
Mrs. J. L. Tritchler .....	101	(52)
<b>HISTORIAN:</b>		
Mrs. C. R. Hill .....	97	(49)
<b>LIBRARIAN:</b>		
Mrs. D. B. Krayhill .....	98	(50)

LOUISE T. BULLOCK, Chairman  
 MARJORIE TEMPLETON, Co. Chairman  
 VIVIAN B. MARSH, Credential Chairman  
 HALLIE M. MARTIN  
 KATHRYN L. EVANS  
 MARY EDITH STUBBS

Mrs. Holcombe declared the election of Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe as State Regent; Miss Virginia B. Johnson as State Vice Regent; Mrs. Chester A. Roush as State Chaplain; Mrs. Dwight P. Cruickshank as State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Henry M. Cogan as State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. James L. Tritchler as State Treasurer; Mrs. Henry J. Seibert as State Registrar; Mrs. C. R. Hill as State Historian; Mrs. D. B. Kraybill as State Librarian.

The Tellers were dismissed. Mrs. McClaugherty moved that the ballots be destroyed. Motion seconded and carried by vote.

Mrs. McClung suggested in the unusual circumstances that the gavel be considered handed over.

Mrs. Holcombe asked that Mrs. Snyder read the minutes from last year regarding the Membership Plaque. Mrs. Holcombe asked that Mrs. H. Paul Hite speak to the question in the absence of Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, State Membership Chairman. Mrs. Howard Summers moved that the action taken last night in the awarding of the Membership Plaque be reconsidered and the Plaque be awarded according to the 1957 minutes on a net increase basis from October 1 to October 1. Motion seconded. Motion carried.



The State Recording Secretary read the minutes which were approved with one correction.

Mrs. Holcombe presented the newly elected officers for 1959-1962. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen led the Conference in prayer for these officers. Mrs. Holcombe announced that the new officers will be installed in the West Virginia Room in Washington, D. C., on April 24, after the confirmation of the State Regent and State Vice Regent.

Mrs. Russell J. Bergen suggested that the officers be installed at the Conference with it clear in the installation that their duties do not begin till the State Regent and State Vice Regent are confirmed.

The Conference sang the "West Virginia Hills" and "Blest Be The Tie That Binds." The State Chaplain asked the Benediction.

The colors were retired and the Conference adjourned at 12:20 P. M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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#### STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

The State Board of Management of the West Virginia State Organization National Society Daughters of the American Revolution met immediately following adjournment of the fifty-third annual State Conference in the Georgian Terrace Room of the Frederick Hotel, Huntington, West Virginia, with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, presiding. Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain, led the Board in prayer.

Mrs. Holcombe stated that there are fifty-six members of the State Board of Management—the State Officers and Chapter Regents. Mrs. Holcombe announced Continental Congress dates—April 20-24, Jackson's Mill Luncheon on July 11. Mrs. Holcombe urged members to get in their February 1 reports on time and that they be concisely written. She announced the Cedar Lakes project would be completed and members kept informed. Mrs. Holcombe outlined the possible location of the marker.

Mrs. Graham spoke about Conference arrangements and the difficulties encountered by a Conference Chairman. Mrs. Holcombe mentioned the possibility of a State Board of Management meeting at Jackson's Mill.

The minutes were read and approved as read. Mrs. Charles F. McNutt moved adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 P. M.

VIRGINIA B. JOHNSON (MISS), State Recording Secretary

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#### STATE OFFICERS' CLUB

The annual dinner of the State Officers' Club of the West Virginia Organization was held on October 16, 1958, at Hotel Frederick, Huntington.

Presiding at the dinner was Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, President.

The dinner was opened with the invocation asked by Mrs. Russell

J. Bergen, State Chaplain. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter of Point Pleasant was the hostess Chapter for this dinner. The tables were beautifully decorated and we were served a fine turkey dinner.

Mrs. McLaugherty called attention to the fact that we had lost two members by death since our meeting last year: Mrs. B. D. Spilman and Mrs. D. D. Geiger.

We were honored by having a number of special guests. They were presented to the club by Mrs. McLaugherty. Among them were Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, who brought greetings and expressed pride in West Virginia's representative on the National Board—Mrs. W. W. McLaugherty; Mrs. Ralph W. Newland, Curator General; Mrs. Ashmead White, National Program Chairman for Continental Congress and a past President General; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, National Chairman Press Relations; Mrs. L. C. McCrary, State Regent of Alabama; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, National Chairman Junior Membership; Mrs. W. H. Conaway, past Vice President General; Miss Mary Katharine Barnes, National Vice Chairman C. A. R.; the Honorable Helen Holt, Secretary of State of West Virginia; Dr. V. Eugene Holcombe, National Trustee N. S. S. A. R.

Due to the lateness of the hour reading of the 1957 minutes was dispensed with and the minutes were ordered filed.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Miss Hallie Martin, Chairman: President, Mrs. James G. Wright; First Vice President, Miss Emily R. Miller; Second Vice President, Mrs. S. L. Miller; Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Neale. It was moved that the nominations be closed and these officers were elected.

EMILY R. MILLER (MISS), Acting Secretary

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#### WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTERS REGENTS' CLUB

The annual meeting of the West Virginia Regent's Club was held Saturday, October 18, in the Crystal Room of the Hotel Frederick with Mrs. Charles P. Walker presiding. Invocation was given by Mrs. Will H. Daniel and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mrs. H. M. Cogan.

Following the breakfast at which the Buford Chapter was hostess, Mrs. Walker called the meeting to order and introduced distinguished guests: Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent; Mrs. Ralph Newland, Curator General; Mrs. Ashmead White, National Congress Program Chairman; Mrs. George C. Estill, National Chairman Radio and Television Committee; and Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway, Honorary State Regent.

A brief discussion concerning the history of the Regents' Club disclosed that it was organized by the present State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe in 1949 and that she had compiled a roster of regents in the state organization from 1899 to 1953. Mrs. C. J. Goff was appointed first State Regent in 1893 and served until 1895. The second State Regent was Mrs. C. T. Faulkner, 1895-1896. Mrs. F. C. Berry, who was appointed State Regent in 1899, was the first to take a report to Washington. Several chapters were organized in the state during her

administration. Mrs. B. D. Spilman, the fourth State Regent, was the first conference chairman.

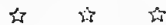
Mrs. Walker presented to Mrs. Waitman H. Conaway, Honorary State Regent, a silver D. A. R. spoon in recognition of her many years of distinguished service to the state society.

The following members were elected to serve on the nominating committee: Mrs. M. L. O'Neale, Mrs. Claude R. Hill, Sr., Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith, Miss Anne Lloyd Baylor, and Mrs. H. N. Ward. This committee will report at the next annual meeting.

The following officers were elected for 1958-1959: President, Mrs. Charles P. Walker; Vice President, Mrs. Henry Reppert; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roleigh Lee Stubbs; and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. L. Miller.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

VIRGINIA W. WALKER (MRS. CHARLES P.), Vice President



### JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE LUNCHEON

The Junior Membership Committee luncheon was held Saturday, October 18, 1958, in the Crystal Room of the Hotel Frederick, with 62 Daughters present.

Presiding at the luncheon was Mrs. Richard J. Donovan, State Chairman Junior Membership. The following distinguished guests were presented: Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, gave greetings and congratulated the Juniors; Mrs. Ralph W. Newland, Curator General of the National Society; Mrs. Ashmead White, Past Vice President General and National Chairman of Congress Program; Mrs. George C. Estill, National Chairman of Radio and Television; Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill, State Vice Regent; Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian; Mrs. Henry M. Cogan, State Corresponding Secretary-elect; Mrs. Claude R. Hill, State Chairman Approved Schools and Historian elect; Mrs. James E. Moore, State Chairman D. A. R.-C. A. R. Committee; Mrs. Dwight P. Cruikshank, State Chairman Insignia and Recording Secretary elect; and Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith, State Chairman National Defense.

Mrs. Donovan expressed her appreciation for the wonderful cooperation of the members of the Junior Membership Committee of Buford Chapter. Mrs. James N. Aldridge, Chairman Junior Membership, Buford Chapter, reported that proceeds from the Junior Bazaar were approximately \$250.00, all of which would be contributed to the West Virginia room in the Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith School.

Mrs. Donovan introduced Miss Lynn Brussock of Philadelphia, National Vice Chairman Junior Membership in Charge of Notepaper Sales. Miss Brussock gave a very refreshing and informative talk on notepaper sales.

The main speaker for the luncheon was Miss Virginia B. Johnson, National Chairman Junior Membership. Miss Johnson's subject was "Building Junior Membership" and her appeal for more intense interest in the recruitment and training of Junior-age D. A. R. members was an inspiration to everyone. The thought and effort that went into Miss Johnson's talk were doubly appreciated in view of all the other responsibilities she is carrying for the D. A. R.

MARGARET C. DONOVAN (MRS. RICHARD J.), State Chairman

## REPORTS OF STATE OFFICERS

### STATE REGENT

#### STATE REGENT

April 1958—October 1958

#### STATE VICE-REGENT

October 1957—April 1958

#### *State Vice-Regent*

After the October conference in Parkersburg in 1957, your State Vice-Regent flew to Huntsville, Alabama, with Mrs. Claude R. Hill, State Approved Schools Chairman, to attend the dedication service at Kate Duncan Smith School, Grant, Alabama, at which time Mrs. Hill pledged \$5,000.00 for the Mechanical Arts Building designating a room to be paid for by the West Virginia Daughters and to be called the "West Virginia" room.

In the capacity of State Vice-Regent, all five district meetings were attended in the Spring of 1957. Also, the Jackson's Mill Luncheon was attended in July.

State meetings of the S. A. R. and C. A. R. were attended.

The 1957 Continental Congress was attended.

Chapters attended during this period were: William Morris, John Young, Anne Bailey, Kanawha Valley, Major William Haymond, Colonel Charles Lewis, Buford, and Matthew French.

#### *State Regent*

After April, 1958, your State Regent's report follows:

Your State Regent's report is necessarily short, she having taken office only last April. If my work has been a success, the triumph is not mine alone, because without you I could not have accomplished my tasks. May I thank the West Virginia Daughters for the faith they have had in me. It is with humility that I serve you to the very best of my ability.

It is with pride that your State Regent wishes to recognize Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General N. S. D. A. R., and Miss Virginia B. Johnson, Junior Membership Chairman of the N. S. D. A. R.; and the several daughters who are serving on a National level as Vice-Chairmen and members of the various Continental Congress Committees; also, Mrs. Charles P. Walker on the C. A. R. Board who is serving as Senior Corresponding Secretary of the N. S. C. A. R.

To all West Virginia Daughters whether officer, chairman, chapter regent, district director, or member, your State Regent acknowledges with appreciation your personal efforts in carrying on for the past year the work of our great West Virginia organization—N. S. D. A. R.

The usual Bazaar operated by the State Juniors is expected to exceed all other years in monetary results. There will be an Approved School Money Corsage Booth. The John Young Juniors are making the corsages. The Juniors are working hard to help K. D. S. Project—at Grant, Alabama.

The several duties of my office have been dispatched with as great speed as possible. All letters have been answered and requests of various sorts met.

The State Regent has attended and spoken at the chapter meetings of Borderland, Captain James Allen, James Wood, Major William Haymond, Colonel Charles Lewis, Kanawha Valley, and John Young chapters. She also spoke at the Western District Meeting at Cedar Lakes Camp. It is with regret that she has not been able to accept several chapter invitations, but hopes to visit all chapters in the state if at all possible, during her administration. She wishes to thank all the chapters who have invited her to be their guest.

A special luncheon in Charleston was arranged for Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Chairman for Cedar Lakes Project, at which she presented the D. A. R. check to Mr. S. D. McMillen, State Director of Vocational Education and Director of Cedar Lakes—State FFA-FHA Camp.

A called meeting was arranged and attended at Parkersburg to fill the office of State Vice Regent, made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. R. S. Stoyer, of the Col. John Evans Chapter, which resignation we regretted. It was filled by the Board of Management August 18th. with the appointment of Mrs. Plumer Earle Hill, member of the Daniel Davisson Chapter. This appointment is to be ratified at the 53rd State Conference, term of office to expire April 1959. Mrs. Hill is a beloved West Virginia Daughter and we welcome her into our official family.

The State Regent attended the C. A. R. State Conference at Pt. Pleasant and the Jackson's Mill Luncheon at the 4-H Camp, addressing both groups.

The State Regent attended the June meeting of the National Board of Management in Washington, D. C. Due to State Conference responsibilities she had to forego attending the National October Board of Management Meeting which was a great personal disappointment.

The State Regent felt that her first line of duty was to look after her state work. Mrs. Groves, President-General, was most understanding and excused the State Regent most graciously.

Mrs. Groves had hoped to be present with us this year at our conference. Mrs. Ralph W. Newland, Curator General of the National Society, will be Mrs. Groves personal representative and will deliver the President General's message to the 53rd Conference on opening night.

A galaxy of N. S. D. A. R. Stars is to be present at the State Conference along with the Honorable Helen Holt, Secretary of State, who will bring a message from the Honorable Cecil H. Underwood, Governor of the State of West Virginia.

In addition to our own State dignitaries, there will be present both candidates running for President General of the N. S. D. A. R., Mrs. Ralph Williams Newland of Michigan and Mrs. Ashmead White of Maine. Mrs. Leonard C. McCrary, State Regent of Alabama; Mrs. Thomas Burchett of Kentucky, Mrs. George C. Estill of Florida, and others who will appear on our program. Mr. S. D. McMillen, State Director of Vocational Education and Director of Cedar Lakes, State FFA-FHA Camp, will appear before the Executive Committee and review the progress made on the building of our Cedar Lakes outdoor stage.

Greetings from many gracious persons in Huntington and greet-

ings from many of the sister and brother patriotic organizations will be heard.

Five or six of our honorary State Regents will be present and will participate actively in the conference program. It will be a source of joy and satisfaction to the State Regent to have present her sister, Mrs. Merwin Lee Bohan of Dallas, Texas, and a member of the Texas D. A. R. Society.

The Hancock Pioneers Chapter has requested disbandment since 1956. The State Regent, with regret, has authorized the chapter to place this request before the N. S. D. A. R. Board of Management in October, for action.

A request previously made to organize a chapter in Charleston was denied due to lack of fulfillment of all rules of contract. Mrs. Holcombe has granted permission for the chapter to be organized in Charleston and has presented the request to the organizing secretary general. This request is to be acted upon October 15th, 1958, at the National Board of Management Meeting.

Many letters of interest to the West Virginia Society have been received—one from Mr. Charles Hodel, Chairman of the West Virginia Centennial Commission; one from the Kanawha County Board of Education, enclosing pamphlet, "Educational Climate and Conduct," by Mr. L. K. Lovenstein, Superintendent; one from Mr. Robert G. Turney, promoting an enlargement of the museum department of the state; one from the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, calling our attention to the fact that August 31, 1958, was the 35th annual "West Virginia State Day" and the following is quoted: "this service commemorating the faith and patriotism of the citizens of West Virginia." This last communication invited D. A. R. members to become patrons of the Valley Forge Chapel organization.

An invitation to the first Conference for Handicapped Children was received. An urgent invitation to attend the National and District meeting of the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service was also received.

Your State Regent presented a 4' x 6' flag of the United States of America to the Kanawha Valley Chapter with a request that it be, in turn, presented to the Committee advancing the project of making the Kanawha Boulevard, Charleston, a "Boulevard of Flags."

Your State Regent has made the following talks in other patriotic societies, in the state:

"Benjamin Franklin and the Flag" to the Daughters of Colonial Wars. "George Washington—the Naturalist" to the Burning Springs Chapter D. A. C. "James Monroe" to the Colonial Dames of the 17th Century. "Early History of the Huguenot Movement" to the Huguenot Society. "Sunset over Appomattox" to the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

It is with regret that the resignations of Miss Anne Lloyd Baylor, Resolutions Chairman, and Miss Nellie Wood, Chairman of Student Loan, were received. Mrs. E. L. Robertson accepted the Resolutions Chairmanship and Mrs. W. C. Bishop the Chairmanship of Student Loan. The Chairmanship of Insignia and a Year Book Chairman were added to the list of State chairmen this year. Mrs. Dwight Cruikshank accepted the Chairmanship of Insignia and Mrs. Isaac P. Long, that of the Year Book.

Three recommendations have come to the State Regent for consideration at the Conference. (1) to purchase a plaque to mark Cedar Lakes; (2) to request that the *D. A. R. News* devote a part of an issue to the different contests both state and national; (3) to award a radio and a television prize bond of \$25.00 in each category. This contest is to be on the college level and to follow the national plan in this field.

The membership reported on June 1 is 3,574. Let us look forward to building our wonderful organization; working together let us set our goal for many new members.

Let us strive to organize a D. A. R. chapter in every county.

The "Fruits of Freedom" subject suggested by our President General Mrs. Frederic A. Groves for our state and chapter meetings has been adopted. The development of the various aspects of this subject will be reflected in the reports of all chairmen and chapter regents.

The planning of the 53rd State Conference, Huntington, West Virginia, has constituted a major part of the State Regent's duties. It has been a privilege to work with Mrs. John E. Graham, Chairman of the Conference; Mrs. B. D. Kraybill, Co-Chairman; and all the Conference Chairmen and their committees, all of whom have been gracious, earnest, cooperative and efficient in expediting their several duties. Mrs. D. W. Snyder, State Parliamentarian, gave generously of her time, edited our copy for the Conference Program, and by so doing reduced the printing bill materially. To the Hostess Chapters of the 53rd Conference goes a very special thank you; namely to Mrs. Alden Bryan, Regent, Barboursville Chapter; Mrs. Roy Proffit, Regent, Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter; Mrs. S. L. Miller, Regent, Ravenswood Chapter; and Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent, Buford Chapter, who also served as General Chairman of the Conference; and Mrs. H. E. Danford, Director of the Western District.

The 53rd State Conference program will carry the names of our National and State guests. See official program in front of the Proceedings for the names of our honored guests with the topics on which they will speak. To the participants in the state program, the State Regent wishes to express in advance her sincere thanks for all the inspirational and informative addresses. It has been a happy six months of service. The cooperation of officers, chairmen, and chapter regents has been most gratifying. With few exceptions, all reports have been received before the opening of the Conference as requested. Next year let's be 100% "on time" with reports.

Your State Regent wishes to present an urgent appeal to all Daughters to join hands and give generously to the Mechanical Arts - West Virginia Room Project" and resolve to complete the \$3,000.00 indebtedness by April 1, 1959. Remember, the Kate Duncan Smith School project needs you—your interest and your dollars—if we are to pay off this obligation.

In closing, may I quote a few lines written by my mother and entitled, "The Heart of a Friend" which clearly and simply expresses my feeling for all of my West Virginia Daughters.

I have known the heart of a friend,  
With its impulse sweet;  
Felt the tender touch of the hand,  
Felt the kiss on my cheek.

I have known its sympathies,  
Its loyalties untold.  
Oh! the loving, trusting heart of a friend  
Is dearer to me than gold."

May our work progress, may our loyalty and devotion to our God, to our Country, to our beloved Society, and to one another be ever uppermost in our hearts and minds. May we ever strive to be tolerant of the shortcomings of others; and may we remember to praise often the work of those with whom we work. Let us be guided by this sentiment expressed in still another way:

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now; let me not defer, or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

HELEN DAVIS HOLCOMBE (MRS. V. EUGENE), State Regent

#### SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

On Saturday, October 18, the West Virginia Daughters elected the present State Regent to a full term as Regent (3 years). Confirmation is to take place in Washington, D. C., at the Continental Congress on April 24, 1959. It is with a sense of deep appreciation that I, Helen Davis Holcombe, acknowledge this great honor which the West Virginia Daughters have conferred upon me.

I shall do my best to carry out the duties of the office to which you have elected me with credit to the State and National Society.

At the very earliest moment, I shall write for the *National D. A. R. Magazine* a resume of our 53rd. State Conference held in Huntington, West Va. October 16, 17, 18, 1958. Look for this item in the magazine under "State Activities" in a forthcoming issue.

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#### STATE VICE REGENT

My organization, the Daniel Davisson Chapter, have been very sweet and generous, to accord me the privilege and honor of helping the State Regent in a state of vacancy caused by the Vice Regent necessarily moving up to State Regent of the National Society Daughters of American Revolution of West Virginia. I was appointed by State Board of Management as Vice Regent August 18, 1958, meeting in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

I am privileged and honored therefore, to accept and serve until April 1959. Also I am privileged and honored to respond to the address of welcome on October 16th, the opening night of State Conference in Huntington, West Virginia.

CORA H. HILL (MRS. PLUMER E.), State Vice Regent

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#### STATE CHAPLAIN

The duties of the office of State Chaplain have been handled with dispatch and to the best of my ability.

It is with a deep sense of loss we record the death of Annie Camden Spilman (Mrs. Baldwin Day Spilman), national number 15980, aged ninety-six years, who died April 19th 1958. Mrs. Spilman organized the James Wood Chapter in 1902 and served as Regent 1902-1904. Mrs. Spilman was a Founder of the West Virginia Society and served as State



Regent, in Parkersburg, in 1906. She went on to serve the National Society as Vice President General in 1907. Due to the infirmities of age, Mrs. Spilman has been unable to be active in recent years. However the firm foundation on which she built and the inspiration she engendered has sustained us through the years. As she has crossed the threshold into a greater, fuller experience, we pay homage to our beloved Honorary State Regent.

A faithful and beloved member, Minnie Walker Geiger, (Mrs. D. D.), national number 71408, died December 18th, 1957. Mrs. Geiger organized Buford Chapter in 1910 and served in many capacities including that of State Chaplain, State Historian and State Librarian. Her work will long be an inspiration to us. With other deceased members, this makes a total of 59 who were honored at the Memorial Service held in the First Presbyterian Church yesterday, Oct. 16th. The Memorial Wreath was placed on the Monument on the Cabell County Court House lawn, dedicated to the memory of Revolutionary Soldiers buried in Cabell County by Buford Chapter.

In April I attended Continental Congress and sat with the State Chaplains on the platform while our Chaplain General, Mrs. Bruce Livingston Canaga, conducted an impressive Memorial Service for 3515 deceased members. This service was preceded by the Chaplain's Breakfast at the Mayflower Hotel. The Chaplains then accompanied Mrs. Canaga to the Tomb of The Unknown Soldier where a wreath was placed, and then we proceeded to Mount Vernon where wreaths were placed on the tombs of George and Martha Washington. On Tuesday of that week I attended the West Virginia Tea. I attended two State Board Meetings and sent a prayer for three other meetings which I was unable to attend.

It was my pleasure to attend, and pronounce the Invocation, at the Eastern District Meeting, held in Martinsburg on May 24th, with the Shenandoah Valley Chapter hostess.

A paper, "The Flag of the United States of America" was given by me before the District of Columbia Society Dames of The Court of Honor on June 14th.

Ye Towne of Bath Chapter reports having erected two D. A. R. markers on the graves of two deceased members, namely, Mrs. Tenna B. Fearnow and Mrs. Addie H. Buzzerd.

Buford and Princess Aracoma Chapters report sending a memorial gift to Kate Duncan Smith School, and an appropriate message of condolence to the bereaved family, on the death of a member.

All chapters report meetings opened with Scripture and prayer or use of the D. A. R. Ritual, and letters sent to bereaved and indisposed members.

I am deeply grateful for having had this opportunity to serve you as Chaplain. I thank all chapter and state officers, and each of you for your friendly cooperation.

I close this, my final report, with the words of our first President, "It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of the Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits and humbly to implore His protection and favor."

CHRISTINE BERGEN (MRS. RUSSELL JAMES) State Chaplain

## STATE RECORDING SECRETARY

I have performed all the duties required of a State Recording Secretary and have prepared for the printer all reports received before the Conference. The 1957 *State Proceedings* was in the mail before Christmas.

I have enjoyed the many gracious invitations of the various chapters and am grateful for their interesting yearbooks.

It was a pleasure to attend the Continental Congress and take the minutes of the State Board of Management meeting at that time. I was also present and recorded the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting at Jackson's Mill and the State Board of Management meeting held in Parkersburg in August.

I have thoroughly enjoyed serving the West Virginia Daughters. I hope the job has been done to your satisfaction.

VIRGINIA BONDURANT JOHNSON (MISS),  
State Recording Secretary

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## STATE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

As your State Corresponding Secretary, I have performed the duties required of me to the best of my ability.

Hundreds of D. A. R. Membership Cards have been mailed to the Chapters in West Virginia, this past year. We are grateful that all of the Chapters are preparing to use them. At the present, we are unable to fill all requests, as more Cards will have to be purchased from National Headquarters. I extend my sincere thanks to the Daughters for their interest shown in this matter.

Notices regarding the State Executive and the State Board Meetings, were mailed during this past year. The Call to Conference, and the Credential Cards, were sent out in time for the September meetings.

All material compiled by our State Regent, was sent to our Chapter Regents, State Officers, State Chairmen, and Honorary State Regents. It was a pleasure hearing from so many of our West Virginia Daughters, and nice to be invited to their various social gatherings.

Each Honorary State Regent, who was unable to attend our Conference last year wrote to me and expressed their sincere appreciation of the letter mailed to them, telling them of our various programs, asking them to come next year, and how pleased they were to be remembered.

Thank you, West Virginia Daughters, for the privilege of serving you, as your State Corresponding Secretary.

LOUISE CHIPLEY BOGGS (MRS. W. CARROLL),  
State Corresponding Secretary

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## STATE TREASURER

I herewith submit the following report from September 15, 1957, to September 15, 1958:

Balance in Peoples Trust Co., Martinsburg, Sept. 15, 1957.....\$3801.83

### RECEIPTS

State Dues .....	\$1225.70	
Conference Dues .....	464.00	
State Contingent Fund.....	350.20	
C. A. R. ....	185.10	
Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Fund.....	280.16	
West Virginia Room and Museum.....	80.04	
Library .....	85.04	
Approved Schools .....	327.50	
Kate Duncan Smith Special.....	1532.17	
Tamassee Watering Pond.....	238.73	
American Indians .....	72.00	
St. Mary's School.....	77.00	
Bacone .....	6.00	
National Museum Fund.....	40.00	
National Library Fund.....	19.00	
National Defense Fund.....	50.00	
Helen Pouch Memorial Fund.....	82.00	
Occupational Therapy .....	46.00	
West Virginia D. A. R. News.....	354.20	
Allene Wilson Groves Cottage.....	10.00	
Americanism .....	10.00	
Archives .....	5.00	
Genealogical Records .....	5.00	
Investment Trust Fund.....	243.25	
Membership Cards .....	19.80	\$5807.89

### MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Sale of Proceedings 1958.....	4.00	
Sale of Postal Cards—West Virginia Room .....	55.70	
G. E. Bond.....	75.00	
Past Regents Club Charleston for Kate Duncan Smith Special.....	10.00	
Refund West Virginia University.....	250.00	
Refund Miss Bullock on State Conference.....	85.42	
Books Federation Wildlife sent to Kate Duncan Smith and Tamassee.....	12.50	490.62

Special Project Cedar Lake From Chapters 1957-58.....	1253.93	
Balance 1956-57.....	613.01	
Interest Saving Account.....	9.11	\$1876.05

### DISBURSEMENTS

STATE DUES	
Genealogical Record Expense—Mrs. Henderson.....	\$ 5.00
Cut for D. A. R. Magazine Report.....	6.00
Hood Publishing Company, Proceedings .....	496.00
Postage—Mailing Proceedings .....	12.00

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Annual State Conference

Chapter Receipts From September 15, 1957, to September 15, 1958—Bertha W. Allen, Treasurer

CHAPTERS	Number Members	Total	State Dues	Conf. Dues	State Cont. Fund	C. A. R.	W. Va. Room and Museum	E. H. Smith Scholarship Fund	Library	W. Va. D. A. R. News	Approved Schools	Kate Duncan Smith Special Project	American Indians	Bacone	St. Mary's School	Helen Pouch Memor.	Investment Trust Fund	Membership Cards
Anne Bailey	42	181.19	14.70	6.00	4.20	2.10	.84	3.36	.84	8.20		50.00						
Ann Royal	53	85.16	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06	4.24	1.06	5.30		5.00		1			1.00	1.30
Barboursville	44	79.68	15.40	6.00	4.40	2.20	.88	3.52	10.88	4.40		25.00						
Bee Line	53	52.91	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06	4.24	1.06	5.30							7.00	
Blackwater	29	58.38	10.15	6.00	2.90	1.45	.58	2.32	.58	2.90	5.00	10.00					2.75	
Blennerhassett	40	51.80	14.00	6.00	4.00	2.00	.80	3.20	.80	4.00		10.00				5	5.00	
Borderland	44	66.68	15.40	6.00	4.44	2.20	.88	3.52	.88	4.40		10.00				2	4.00	
Buford	206	569.37	72.10	18.00	20.60	10.30	4.12	16.48	4.12	20.60	60.00	170.00	5				9.00	
Capt. James Allen	41	172.32	14.35	6.00	4.10	2.05	.82	3.28	.82	4.10	50.00	75.00			50	25	15.00	
Col. And. Donally	38	43.36	13.30	6.00	3.80	1.90	.76	3.04	.76	3.80		10.00		2			7.50	1.30
Col. Charles Lewis	108	212.76	37.80	12.00	10.80	5.40	2.16	8.64	2.16	10.80		50.00					6.00	
Col. John Evans	118	184.41	41.30	12.00	11.80	5.90	2.36	9.44	2.36	11.80		22.45					5.00	
Col. Morgan Morgan	94	122.93	32.90	12.00	9.40	4.70	1.88	7.52	1.88	9.40		30.00					5.00	
Daniel Davisson	98	117.56	34.30	12.00	9.80	4.90	1.96	7.84	1.96	9.80	25.00	10.00					8.00	
Daniel Taylor	19	21.68	6.65	6.00	1.90	.95	.38	1.52	.38	1.90		1.00						
Eliz. C. Jackson	36	58.22	12.60	6.00	3.60	1.80	.72	2.88	.72	3.60		5.00			5			
Eliz. Lud. Hagans	203	310.16	71.05	18.00	20.30	10.15	4.06	16.24	9.06	20.30		35.00						1.30
Elizabeth Zane	65	197.15	22.75	12.00	6.50	3.25	1.30	5.20	1.30	6.50	10.00	55.00	5					
Genl. And. Lewis	28	33.16	9.80	Pd.	2.80	1.40	.56	2.24	.56	2.80		10.00					4.00	
Hancock Pioneers	14	16.08	4.90	6.00	1.40	.70	.28	1.12	.28	1.40							3.00	
James Barbour	35	80.20	12.25	6.00	3.50	1.75	.70	2.80	.70	3.50		43.00						
James Wood	195	835.68	68.25	12.00	19.50	9.75	3.90	15.60	3.90	19.50	75.00	200.00	20				5.00	
Jennie Wiley	16	19.52	5.60	6.00	1.60	.80	.32	1.28	.32	1.60		2.00					35.00	2.30
John Chapman	173	356.41	60.55	12.00	17.30	8.65	5.46	13.84	3.46	17.30		50.00	15					
John Hart	95	122.40	33.25	12.00	9.50	4.75	1.90	7.60	1.90	9.50		25.00					4.50	
John Minear	26	31.72	9.10	6.00	2.60	1.30	.52	2.08	.52	2.60							15.00	2.00
John Young	157	397.34	54.95	12.00	15.70	7.85	3.14	12.56	3.14	15.70		220.00						
Kanawha Valley	168	503.29	58.80	12.00	16.80	8.40	11.36	13.44	3.36	16.80		37.00			20		21.00	1.30
King's Wood	23	48.56	8.05	6.00	2.30	1.15	.46	1.84	.46	2.30		26.00					15.00	4.05
Maj. Wm. Haymond	138	149.86	48.30	12.00	13.80	6.90	2.76	11.04	2.76	13.80		25.00						
Matthew French	94	212.38	32.90	12.00	9.40	4.70	1.88	7.52	1.88	9.40		50.00	5			50	12.50	
Mondongachate	23	28.65	8.05	6.00	2.30	1.15	.46	1.84	.46	2.30		2.00						
Mcund	88	115.36	30.80	12.00	8.80	4.40	1.76	7.04	1.76	8.80		40.00						
Nathan Davis	19	50.18	6.65	6.00	1.90	.95	.38	1.52	.38	1.90	10.00	10.00						
Ohio Valley	16	18.82	5.60	6.00	1.60	.80	.32	1.28	.32	1.60							10.50	
Pack Horse Ford	37	44.64	12.95	6.00	3.70	1.85	.74	2.96	.74	3.70		2.00						1.30
Potomac Valley	62	97.64	21.70	12.00	6.20	3.10	1.24	4.96	1.24	6.20		10.00						
Princess Aracoma	84	229.48	29.40	12.00	8.40	4.20	1.68	6.72	1.68	8.40	50.00	55.00						
Ravenswood	49	81.28	17.15	6.00	4.90	2.45	.98	3.92	.98	4.90	2.50	2.50						
Shenandoah Valley	100	191.15	35.00	12.00	10.00	5.00	2.00	8.00	2.00	10.00		35.00	15				7.00	
South Br. Valley	52	66.44	18.20	12.00	5.20	2.60	1.04	4.16	1.04	5.20					2		5.00	1.40
Spencer Roane	35	78.20	12.25	6.00	3.50	1.75	.70	2.80	.70	3.50	10.00	5.00					5.00	
Trans Allegheny	51	55.27	17.85	12.00	5.10	2.55	1.02	4.08	1.02	5.10		5.00						
West Augusta	53	77.30	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06	4.24	1.06	5.30	10.00	5.00	5					1.55
Wheeling	167	215.96	58.45	12.00	16.70	8.35	3.34	13.36	3.24	16.70		54.22					6.00	
William Henshaw	73	124.11	25.55	12.00	7.30	3.65	1.46	5.84	1.46	7.30		15.00					12.50	
William Morris	64	172.08	22.40	24.00	6.40	3.20	1.28	5.12	1.28	6.40	20.00	20.00					2.00	2.00
Ye Town of Bath	36	34.92	12.60	6.00	3.60	1.80	.72	2.88	.72	3.60				5			3.00	
TOTAL	3502	7070.48	1225.70	462.00	350.20	185.10	80.04	280.16	85.04	354.20	327.50	1541.17	72	6	77	82	243.25	19.80

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Ann Royal	53	85.16	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06
Barboursville	44	79.68	15.40	6.00	4.40	2.20	.88
Bee Line	53	52.91	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06
Blackwater	29	58.38	10.15	6.00	2.90	1.45	.58
Blennerhassett	40	51.80	14.00	6.00	4.00	2.00	.80
Borderland	44	66.68	15.40	6.00	4.44	2.20	.88
Buford	206	569.37	72.10	18.00	20.60	10.30	4.12
Capt. James Allen	41	172.32	14.35	6.00	4.10	2.05	.82
Col. And. Donally	38	43.36	13.30	6.00	3.80	1.90	.76
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Col. John Evans	118	184.41	41.30	12.00	11.80	5.90	2.36
Col. Morgan Morgan	94	122.93	32.90	12.00	9.40	4.70	1.88
Daniel Davisson	98	117.56	34.30	12.00	9.80	4.90	1.96
Daniel Taylor	19	21.68	6.65	6.00	1.90	.95	.38
Eliz. C. Jackson	36	58.22	12.60	6.00	3.60	1.80	.72
Eliz. Lud. Hagans	203	310.16	71.05	18.00	20.30	10.15	4.06
Elizabeth Zane	65	197.15	22.75	12.00	6.50	3.25	1.30
Genl. And. Lewis	28	33.16	9.80	Pd.	2.80	1.40	.56
Hancock Pioneers	14	16.08	4.90	6.00	1.40	.70	.28
James Barbours	35	80.20	12.25	6.00	3.50	1.75	.70
James Wood	195	835.68	68.25	12.00	19.50	9.75	3.90
Jennie Wiley	16	19.52	5.60	6.00	1.60	.80	.32
John Chapman	173	356.41	60.55	12.00	17.30	8.65	3.46
John Hart	95	122.40	33.25	12.00	9.50	4.75	1.90
John Mincar	26	31.72	9.10	6.00	2.60	1.30	.52
John Young	157	397.34	54.95	12.00	15.70	7.85	3.14
Kanawha Valley	168	503.29	58.80	12.00	16.80	8.40	3.36
King's Wood	23	48.56	8.05	6.00	2.30	1.15	.46
Maj. Wm. Haymond	138	149.86	48.30	12.00	13.80	6.90	2.76
Matthew French	94	212.38	32.90	12.00	9.40	4.70	1.88
Mondongachate	23	28.65	8.05	6.00	2.30	1.15	.46
Mcund	88	115.36	30.80	12.00	8.80	4.40	1.76
Nathan Davis	19	50.18	6.65	6.00	1.90	.95	.38
Ohio Valley	16	18.82	5.60	6.00	1.60	.80	.32
Pack Horse Ford	37	44.64	12.95	6.00	3.70	1.85	.74
Potomac Valley	62	97.64	21.70	12.00	6.20	3.10	1.24
Princess Aracoma	84	229.48	29.40	12.00	8.40	4.20	1.68
Ravenswood	49	81.28	17.15	6.00	4.90	2.45	.98
Shenandoah Valley	100	191.15	35.00	12.00	10.00	5.00	2.00
South Br. Valley	52	66.44	18.20	12.00	5.20	2.60	1.04
Spencer Roane	35	78.20	12.25	6.00	3.50	1.75	.70
Trans Allegheny	51	55.27	17.85	12.00	5.10	2.55	1.02
West Augusta	52	77.30	18.55	12.00	5.30	2.65	1.06
Wheeling	167	215.96	58.45	12.00	16.70	8.35	3.34
William Henshaw	73	124.11	25.55	12.00	7.30	3.65	1.46
William Morris	64	172.08	22.40	24.00	6.40	3.20	1.28
Ye Town of Bath	36	34.92	12.60	6.00	3.60	1.80	.72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3502</b>	<b>7070.48</b>	<b>1225.70</b>	<b>462.00</b>	<b>350.20</b>	<b>185.10</b>	<b>80.04</b>



Hood Publishing Company—Cut for Proceedings.....	9.02	
Postage and Expense—Miss Martin.....	5.00	
Mimeographing Treasurer's Report.....	34.03	
Logan Banner Cards for Registrar.....	10.61	
Mrs. Edward Phillips—½ of 1/3 State Dues.....	204.05	
Mrs. Edward Phillips, Plaque, Jackson's Mill.....	22.00	
Mrs. E. V. Holcombe—½ of 1/3 State Dues.....	204.05	
Flowers sent Mrs. Spilman.....	16.40	
Rose City, Stationery.....	20.70	
Gresham Printing Company.....	6.12	
Stationery for Mrs. Holcombe—Miss Johnson.....	3.50	
Press Book, Mrs. J. A. Hammond.....	19.17	
J. E. Caldwell Company—Plaque.....	45.00	
Postage—Cor. Secretary.....	16.43	
Postage—Treasurer.....	15.00	\$1152.28

#### CONFERENCE DUES

Delegates—Pages, Badges, Ribbons.....	6.23	
Conference Expense.....	400.00	
Refund—Princess Aracoma.....	2.00	
Flowers, State Regent Congress.....	10.20	
Mimeographing the Call.....	20.00	
Credential Cards, Rose City Printing Company.....	8.16	
H. J. Wohlforth—Badges.....	28.56	475.15

#### CONTINGENT FUND

Post Cards—West Virginia Room.....	175.00	
G. E. Bond.....	75.00	
Dollars for Defense,		
Appreciation of Mrs. Erb.....	25.00	
Balance due Cedar Lake Project.....	623.95	
Balance due—Printing		
West Virginia D. A. R. News.....	1.38	900.38

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship.....	500.00
C. A. R. ....	185.60
West Virginia Room and Museum.....	95.00
Library.....	47.20
Approved Schools.....	327.50
Kate Duncan Smith Special.....	1542.17
Tamassee Watering Pond and Marker.....	181.10
American Indians.....	72.00
St. Mary's School.....	77.00
Bacone.....	6.00
National Museum.....	40.00
National Library.....	19.00
National Defense.....	50.00
Occupational Therapy.....	46.00
West Virginia D. A. R. News.....	418.77
Allene Wilson Groves Cottage.....	10.00
Americanism.....	10.00
Archives.....	5.00
Genealogical Records.....	5.00
Helen Pouch Memorial Fund.....	82.00

Investment Trust Fund.....	243.25	
National Wildlife Federation, books sent to Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith.....	12.50	\$3973.71
Special Project—Cedar Lake.....	1876.05	1876.05
Total .....		8377.52
Balance in Peoples Trust Co., Martinsburg, September 15, 1958.....		3600.87

**BALANCE IN FUNDS:**

State Dues .....	1082.20	
Conference Dues .....	482.02	
Contingent Fund .....	855.44	
West Virginia Room and Museum.....	190.02	
Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Fund.....	140.31	
Library .....	348.27	
Student Loan .....	266.92	
Tamassee Watering Pond.....	57.63	
Organ Fund—Jackson's Mill.....	153.06	
West Virginia History Fund.....	25.00	3600.87

We also have a Bond, Student Loan Fund with a maturity value of \$1100.00, as of November 1, 1956.

BERTHA WEBB ALLEN (MRS. L. ST. CLAIR), State Treasurer

"I have compared the record of receipts and disbursements with the records of the bank account at the Peoples Trust Company and find them in complete agreement.

"The balance as shown on the ledger of the Peoples Trust Company on September 15, 1958, is:

"Five checks outstanding:

No. 294 in amount of.....	\$250.00	
No. 297 in amount of.....	185.60	
No. 299 in amount of.....	28.56	
No. 300 in amount of.....	74.50	
No. 301 in amount of.....	7.50	446.16

Agrees with balance shown above at..... \$3600.87

S Dudley Harley  
Auditor

September 22, 1958"

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**STATE REGISTRAR**

It has been a privilege to serve as your State Registrar for another year.

In February of 1957 the Anne Bailey Chapter was organized in Charleston. They have a membership of 52. We are very proud of our new chapter.

We have an increase of 32 members this year.

The state files are up to date. They contain the names, addresses, and national numbers of all state members, date of admission to the National Society, date of transfers, re-instatements or resignations, and date of death of all members. The file also contains the names of their ancestors with their rank.



	New Members	Resigned	Transferred	Dropped	Deceased	Reinstated	Total Membership
Anne Bailey .....							52
Ann Royall .....	3	1		1		1	53
Barboursville .....	2			1			45
Bee Line .....	1	2			1		53
Blackwater .....				1			29
Blennerhassett .....	2						41
Borderland .....	2	3					45
Buford .....	26		3		3		218
Capt. James Allen .....	2						42
Col. Andrew Donnally .....	3	2				1	40
Col. Charles Lewis .....	6		1		1		110
Col. John Evans .....	5	2		3	1		118
Col. Morgan Morgan .....	5				3		98
Daniel Davisson .....	6	1		4	4		100
Daniel Taylor .....							18
Elizabeth Cummins Jackson .....	1						36
Elizabeth Ludington Hogans .....		3		2	1		198
Elizabeth Zane .....	5						69
Gen. Andrew Lewis .....	1						29
Hancock Pioneers .....				1			13
James Barbour .....							35
James Wood .....	8	1			2	1	195
Jennie Wiley .....							16
John Chapman .....	16		2		3		170
John Hart .....	5	2	1		2		95
John Minear .....	1						27
John Young .....	1	2		3	1		154
Kanawha Valley .....	5	2			1		170
King's Wood .....						1	23
Maj. William Haymond .....	4	4			1	1	135
Matthew French .....	2			1		1	97
Mondongachate .....							23
Mound .....	1	4		4	1		90
Nathan Davis .....	3						21
Ohio Valley .....							16
Pack Horse Ford .....	1				1		36
Potomac Valley .....	2	1		1	1		63
Princess Aracoma .....	2	1		1			82
Ravenswood .....	1				1		49
Shenandoah Valley .....	2	1			3	1	102
South Branch Valley .....	2	1					52
Spencer Roane .....							32
Trans-Alleghaney .....	1	1					51
West Augusta .....	2	2			1		55
Wheeling .....	13	1	2		4	1	172
William Henshaw .....	1	1			1		71
William Morris .....	3				1	1	66
Ye Towne of Bath .....	1						36
<b>Total</b> .....							<b>3548</b>
<b>Increase of</b> .....							<b>32</b>
<b>Members At Large</b> .....							<b>26</b>

CONSTANCE OAKLEY WAGNER (MRS. H. O.), State Registrar

## STATE HISTORIAN

"If the proper study of mankind is man, then the proper study of a Nation is its own history, and all true patriots should encourage in every way the associations which record the great deeds, and the successes and failures alike, of the forefathers of their people."

These words of Theodore Roosevelt are as true on this day as when he uttered them in 1893. This being Theodore Roosevelt's Centennial year, we will cooperate with the National Society in commemorating this great man. We are promoting an essay contest for grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 on the subject of Theodore Roosevelt.

Last year we promoted an essay contest for High School pupils on James Monroe. I was pleased with the essays submitted and our State winner was sent in by the Borderland Chapter Historian. Though Miss Betty Prather's essay did not win in the National Contest, we are very proud of her.

I have contacted each Chapter in January and September and the reports are given here.

*Anne Bailey*—Celebrated all Historical anniversaries with appropriate programs. Promoted essay contest and entertained winners and their Mothers.

*Ann Royal*—Presented 3 Historical medals.

*Barboursville*—Gave 4 history awards and 4 certificates. Celebrated American History Month.

*Blennerhassett*—Gave 6 American History medals, 6 certificates, and Historian wrote and presented a paper on the white women of the Genessee valley.

*Bee Line*—Presented 2 history medals.

*Borderland*—Gave essay material on James Monroe to 10 High Schools. Presented 30 history medals. Gave the essay winner five dollars.

*Buford*—Presented citizenship awards in Junior and Senior High Schools. Filled out 197 ancestral cards and mailed to State Historian.

*Blackwater*—Gave 4 history medals and 4 certificates.

*Col. Andrew Donally*—Is promoting the publication of a History of McDowell County.

*Col. Morgan Morgan*—Entertained 26 students who had been given American History Medals.

*Col. John Evans*—Presented 17 history medals and celebrated all historical anniversaries.

*Col. Charles Lewis*—Gave 10 history medals and observed 5 anniversaries.

*Col. James Allen*—Presented 8 history medals.

*Elizabeth Ludington Hagens*—Observed 3 anniversaries and marked 3 graves.

*Elizabeth Zane*—Gave cash awards for high grades in American History and observed 4 anniversaries.

*Elizabeth Cummins Jackson*—Presented 3 history medals, 3 certificates, marked 6 graves, and observed 4 anniversaries.

*Gen. Andrew Lewis*—Had 4 historical programs, marked 1 grave, and observed 2 anniversaries.

*Daniel Davisson*—Kept historical scrapbook.

*Daniel Taylor*—Members made a pilgrimage to Jamestown.

*John Young*—Presented a silver cup to the winner of the James Monroe Essay contest, presented 1 history medal, entertained State Historian and presented her with a silver DAR spoon.

*James Wood*—Presented 16 history medals, gave one American flag to school, distributed 1500 flag pamphlets, gave \$15.00 to essay winners and marked 5 graves. They also celebrated 3 holidays and gave 2 historical broadcasts.

*John Hart*—Presented 8 history medals and 8 certificates. Had 4 historical programs, marked graves of 5 deceased members, and observed 2 anniversaries.

*John Chapman*—Presented 3 history medals, had 2 historical programs, and members are buying an old home for museum.

*John Minear*—Gave 2 history certificates, had 4 historical programs, and marked 1 grave.

*Jennie Wiley*—Gave 4 history medals, 4 certificates, and marked one historic spot.

*Pack Horse Ford*—Placed flags on 28 revolutionary soldiers' graves and had 4 historical programs.

*Matthew French*—Gave 3 Good Citizenship pins in Jr. and Senior High School, 5 programs on historical subjects, awarded 33 High School students a 3 day trip to Jamestown for making high grades in American History.

*Potomac Valley*—Gave 3 American History Awards.

*Spencer Roane*—Gave 3 history medals and had a program on the history of the first President General and observed all anniversaries.

*Shenandoah Valley*—Gave 64 history certificates, presented 21 papers to archives and observed 3 anniversaries.

*Trans-Allegheny*—Gave 3 history medals.

*Wheeling*—Observed all historical anniversaries and gave 10 historical programs.

*West Augusta*—Presented 3 history medals and all programs were historical.

*Ye Towne of Bath*—Marked 2 graves.

HENRIETTA LEITH (MRS. T. B.), State Historian

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## STATE LIBRARIAN

I have performed the duties of State Librarian as best I could. The interest in Library work and our National Library in Washington seems a little greater.

Thirty three chapters have reported the names of their Librarians as requested.

Two of the books on our Requested Book List for 1958-59 have been purchased by Barboursville Chapter in memory of one of their deceased members. The books were "Justices of the Peace of Colonial Virginia 1757-1775" and "Early Marriages, Wills and Some Revolutionary War Records of Botetourt Co., Virginia."

Other books sent to our National Library are: "Descendants of Sumner Danforth Davis and Laura Ellen Wilson" by John Minear Chapter. "The Story of Mercer County, W. Va." by Matthew French Chapter, and "Cemetery Readings in West Virginia, Fairmont and Grant Magisterial Districts, Marion County" by Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter.

From our state funds, the two following books were sent: "Descendants of Edward Greenlee of West Virginia" and "William Ballard, A Genealogical Record of His Descendants in Monroe County, W. Va."

Miss Nellie Woods presented a copy of "Memoirs of Colonel Fred M. Woods" to the Library.

Kanawha Valley Chapter has given six West Virginia History magazines.

Elizabeth Zane Chapter reported giving a subscription for "Young Readers of America" to the Charles Gibson Library. They also gave books and magazines to rural schools and to The Merchant Marine Library. They are the only chapters reporting the sale of ten Library Booklets.

I wish to thank all the chapter Librarians who have sent reports of their work.

I am grateful to have had the opportunity of serving West Virginia Daughters and to work with the other state officers.

LILLIAN M. BOGESS (MRS. J. CARNEY), State Librarian

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## REPORTS OF STATE CHAIRMAN

### ADVANCEMENT OF AMERICAN MUSIC

#### "The Place Of Music In Our Daily Lives"

As State Chairman of the American Music Committee, I submit the following reports from Chapters reporting to me:

Barboursville—had one entire program on American Music; sing the National Anthem each meeting; gave prize in schools for study of early American composers; observed all red letter days with appropriate music.

- Borderland—sing "The Star Spangled Banner" each meeting; typed words of "The West Virginia Hills" were given to teachers in grade schools; gave a program of music at Veteran's Hospital in Beckley. Words of 26 songs were mimeographed and given to veterans so they could all sing. The program lasted over an hour, and, since the patients took part, was very enthusiastically received; Borderland Chapter Guest Day had an outstanding program of vocal music which was presented by a member of the Chapter, Miss Nan Snyder, a recent graduate of New England Conservatory of Music. A hundred and sixty people were present for the program.
- Col. Charles Lewis—National Anthem used in opening Ritual and meetings often closed with singing of "America" or "The West Virginia Hills;" a program entitled "America Slings As History Is Made" was written and presented at the February meeting by Music Chairman, assisted by Music Instructor and Girl's Sextette of Point Pleasant High School; the High School Boy's Quartette sang at a dinner meeting in March; four Chapter members are active workers in the Community Concert Association; Chairman sang with Church Choir on television Chapel of the Air.
- Col. Morgan Morgan—had special music at each meeting in keeping with educational, historical and patriotic themes; had one complete program on music and sang the National Anthem at each meeting.
- James Wood—sings "The Star Spangled Banner" at each meeting; one Chapter member is Director of Church Choir, another working with Junior Choir; Four members assisting C. A. R. in preparing American Music program for D. A. R. Chapter meeting. Protest registered to sponsors of Shrine Circus over using "canned" music and soloist for National Anthem in crowd of ten thousand people. Shrine promised to have group singing of National Anthem in future.
- John Chapman—Music Teacher and Choral Director of High School presented program of vocal and instrumental numbers, giving interesting facts about the history of music in America; all public meetings opened with the National Anthem and the Chapter has had a number of outstanding meetings where American music is stressed; music by American composers used on several programs, including two solo numbers at Constitution Week luncheon.
- John Hart—has used the National Anthem at each meeting; an evening program on American Music was presented by voice students of Davis-Elkins College under the direction of Mrs. Claude King Davis of the College faculty.
- Mondongachate—planning for more music on the 1958-59 programs.
- Pack Horse Ford—sing the National Anthem at the meetings where a piano is available.
- Potomac Valley—sing "The Star Spangled Banner" at each meeting; had one program devoted to American composers; stressed history and development of American music; observed National Music Week; Chairman is assistant Church Organist.
- Princess Aracoma—A short talk was made by the Music Chairman on some phase of American music at each meeting; the National Anthem was used often.

Shenandoah Valley—sing the National Anthem and has special vocal or instrumental music at each meeting; one meeting a year is given to music; have groups go to Veteran's Hospital and entertain the patients with music; each month a different Church in community is responsible for Radio Broadcasts; participated in National Music Week observance.

West Augusta—"The Star Spangled Banner" or "America The Beautiful" is sung at each meeting; a member played a number of American Indian songs and gave their history at October meeting; dressed in colonial costume the grand-daughter of Chapter Regent sang several selections at November meeting; vocal or instrumental music was used effectively on many programs.

William Henshaw—Plans are made for a discussion on Modern American Music by Dr. Guy Frank, Chairman of Music Department of Shepherd College in near future.

Letters were mailed to all Chapter Chairmen asking for reports and passing on information from the National Chairman of the American Music Committee.

I attended the 52nd State Conference in Parkersburg and led the National Anthem at all the sessions and group singing of American songs on Friday evening. I attended the Western District meeting at Cedar Lakes, giving report of Music Committee, and was a guest of Borderland Chapter for musical program in June. I led the National Anthem at the C. A. R. State Conference dinner meeting and have been appointed Senior State Chairman of American Music.

GOLD COMSTOCK ROUSH (MRS. CHESTER A.), State Chairman



### AMERICAN INDIANS

West Virginia as yet has no Department of Archeology and no official research on Indian life has been done.

One Chapter chose "The American Indian" for its theme for this year. Materials utilized consisted of numerous publications of the U. S. Government, including the Office of Indian Affairs, the St. Mary's Bugle, letters from St. Mary's School and Bacone College, Mission Study books of the Methodist Church and a film on Bacone College.

Contributions were sent to both Bacone College and St. Mary's School for their work and some sent contributions earmarked "Indian Work." Beads and used clothing were sent to the Schools and various articles of Indian Craft from St. Mary's were placed on display.

Book review on *Indians of the United States* written by Clark Wisler was given. This book describes the Indian's mode of life and account of Indian personalities of the time. It understandingly describes the way the Indians now live, their contributions to our culture and their role in our future. The book *The Black Dog Trail* written by Tillie Karns Newman and the authentic history of Jennie Wylie were also reviewed.

Slides were shown of the St. Mary's School and some had movies shown by people who had visited the Indian Reservations, with displays of pottery and blankets.

One Chapter sent a contribution to the St. Mary's School with money raised through a doll project.

West Virginia is one of the States in which few Indians remain. The last census gave the Indian population of our State at 160.

MILDRED B. KIGER (MRS. SPENCER C.), State Chairman

## AMERICANISM

Twenty-one chapters sent reports during the year 1957-1958. Much thought and energy has gone into these reports and the Chairman wishes to express her appreciation.

Many chapters report working with the Naturalization Courts and night schools for aliens. A number of chapters reported teas, receptions, or coffees, in honor of the new citizens. Manuals and flags were presented. Flag codes, and pamphlets "Know Your Rights Under the Constitution" were distributed during Constitution Week. Clippings from *Herald Dispatch* and picture showing new citizens who took the oath in Federal Court, April 26, were appreciated.

Contributions for an Occupational Therapy Scholarship were reported.

John Chapman Chapter has presented the name of Mr. Paul N. Chrysikos as a candidate for a D. A. R. Americanism Medal. Mr. Chrysikos is now teaching English and French at Concord College. From the information presented we feel sure Mr. Chrysikos will be deemed a candidate worthy of receiving the D. A. R. Americanism Medal, which will be presented at February meeting.

EDNA TAYLOR GAMBLE (MRS. ROBERT M.), State Chairman

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## APPROVED SCHOOLS

31 Chapters returned report blanks.

		Valued At:
<b>KATE DUNCAN SMITH SCHOOL</b>		
45 Chapters gave to W. Va. Room .....	\$1,544.67	
1 Chapter gave Memorials .....	21.00	
11 Chapters gave 19 boxes of clothing .....		\$ 950.00
11 Chapters paid for freight .....		49.00
3 Chapters gave Christmas gifts .....		72.00
1 Chapter gave Christmas cash .....	4.00	
1 Chapter gave occupational therapy .....	1.00	
Total Cash .....	\$1,570.67	\$1,071.00
<b>TAMASSEE</b>		
13 Chapters gave to Tamassee		
4 Chapters sent 6 boxes of clothing .....		240.00
2 Chapters sent Christmas boxes .....		60.00
2 Chapters sent Christmas cash .....	20.00	
4 Chapters sent Cash .....	130.00	
7 Chapters sent Helen Pouch Fund .....	14.00	
4 Chapters sent Allene Wilson Groves Cottage ..	32.00	
Total Cash .....	\$ 196.00	\$ 300.00
<b>CROSSNORE</b>		
7 Chapters gave to Crossnore		
7 Chapters sent 21 boxes plus freight .....		\$ 419.00
<b>APPROVED SCHOOLS:</b>		
<b>Kate Duncan Smith</b>		
Cash .....	\$1,570.67	Estimated Values .....\$1,071.00
Tamassee Cash .....	196.00	Estimated Values ..... 300.00
Crossnore Cash .....		Estimated Values ..... 419.00
Total Cash .....	\$1,666.67	Total Est. Values .....\$1,790.00

1957 Total to W. Va. Room K.D.S.....	\$ 991.68
1958 Total to W. Va. Room K.D.S.....	1,544.67
Total through State Treasurer.....	\$2,535.35

Junior membership aided greatly in raising money for the W. Va. Room at K.D.S.

The Chairman thanks the Chapters for cooperating so sincerely in the work of the Approved Schools.

MILDRED HILL (MRS. C. R.), State Chairman



### CHILDREN OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

The Chairman attended the State Conference in Parkersburg in 1957 and held a Round Table discussion on Thursday afternoon with 14 in attendance. She went to Washington for the C. A. R. Board Meeting and attended the D. A. R.-S. A. R.-C. A. R. dinner in honor of Mrs. Frederic A. Groves, President General, D. A. R. in the Gold Room of the Mayflower Hotel.

In April she served as Patroness for the C. A. R. Dinner Dance and was on the hospitality committee for C. A. R. Stunt Night. In June she attended the C. A. R. State Conference in Point Pleasant.

On August first questionnaires were sent to all Regents concerning the work of the C. A. R. with the following results: 27 Regents answered; 11 Chairmen; 10 have members to attend the Round Table; 5 with C. A. R. on the program; 2 sponsored tours; 1 C. A. R. received Good Citizenship Medal—Miss Nancy Shutts from Buford Chapter; 12 taking overage C. A. R. into their membership; 9 saved coupons for Tamasee; 5 providing ads for March C. A. R. Magazine.

Most outstanding services by Chapters for C. A. R. were financial help to carry on the activities of the Society, refreshments served at meetings, proceeds of a Bake Sale provided expenses for the President to attend State Conference, assistance in establishing lineage and preparing papers, and one Chapter provided the *C. A. R. Magazine* to all C. A. R. members for one year. There were eight chapters which provided State or National Promoters. There were 10 State Promoters and 4 National Promoters. Housing and breakfast was provided for C. A. R. at State Conference in Point Pleasant. Awards: W. Va. won Motion Picture Award. Lydia Boggs Society of Bluefield won National Gold Merit Award. There are 14 Societies sponsored by 19 Chapters.

SYBIL MOSSMAN MOORE (MRS. JAMES E.), State Chairman



### COMMUNITY SERVICE

April 1958—The N.S.D.A.R. dissolved the Community Service Committee as such. The Clearing House Committee recommends that the Occupational Therapy contributions be reported to the Committee on Americanism. The money is to be sent to the Treasurer General as usual, for the Occupational Therapy Scholarship Award. The work of the Red Cross will be reported under the Americanism Committee; the girl homemakers work will be reported within the states only.

The filing of Community Service Hours will not be reported henceforth, for D. A. R. credit as the N. S. D. A. R. feels that an accurate report is almost impossible to achieve.



Many of the West Virginia Daughters through their chapters have reported interest in one or more of the above named services, and a few have sent in reports for this year. Therefore, I submit the following record of their services. Barboursville, 65 hours; Bee Line, no hours given; Borderland, 573 hours; Captain James Allen, 2 homemaker awards; Daniel Davisson, \$5. to Occupational Therapy; Jennie Wiley, 500 hours; John Hart, \$5. Occupational Therapy; Mondongachate, small contribution to Occupational Therapy; William Henshaw, 889 hours, contribution to Occupational Therapy.

In the summer of 1957 serving as Chairman of the Community Service of West Virginia, I compiled a booklet of facts and figures in an effort to help the Community Service Project in West Virginia. The cost of which was \$75.00. This booklet was distributed to Chapter Regents and Chapter Chairmen. From October 26, 1957 to February 14, 1958 the Chairman served on the Common Pleas Court Jury, Kanawha County.

The Community Service Committee Chairman wishes to express her sincere thanks to all who participated in this fine program during its activity, and now asks that the chapters follow the new directions sent out by the N. S. D. A. R.

HELEN DAVIS HOLCOMBE (MRS. V. EUGENE),  
State Chairman and State Regent

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#### CONSERVATION

Reports from many of our chapter chairmen indicate deep interest and actual constructive achievements. We believe that definite progress has been made in bringing the job of Conservation to our youth.

We have stressed the use of scientifically sound materials from both the federal and state organizations, collecting and remailing valuable informative materials to chapter chairmen.

At present there seems to be real need to stress control of: water pollution; sanitary disposal of all wastes; conservation of soil, forests, wildlife and minerals.

LUCY M. COPLIN (MISS), State Chairman

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#### D. A. R. GOOD CITIZENS

Anita Sue Criss, 307 East Park Ave., Fairmont, sponsored by the Major William Haymond Chapter was selected as the West Virginia State Good Citizen. Thirty-three chapters participated and presented 122 Good Citizens.

EMMA BELLE DANFORD (MRS. H. E.), State Chairman

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#### D.A.R. MAGAZINE

This past year has been a rewarding one to me, as D. A. R. Magazine Chairman. I have sensed a change of attitude toward the Magazine; I believe members are becoming more aware of its importance as a source of information that leads to effective D. A. R. work. Comments have indicated a greater appreciation of our Magazine—the dignity and beauty of its arrangement—the varied content, with something to meet the needs of each member.

Although the gain in subscriptions in most chapters reporting has not been spectacular, there has been a steady growth. The changes that have been made in the National Magazine Office will mean earlier delivery of the Magazine, and reminders of expiration date which are planned will help retain many subscribers.

A few statistics compiled from Chapter Reports may prove of interest:

Thirty two chapter chairmen sent reports—twenty three of the thirty two had twenty per cent or above of their members subscribing. The following chapters were outstanding in this respect: Nathan Davis, 84%, Anne Bailey, 52%, Major William Haymond, 45%, Matthew French, 45%, South Branch Valley, 42%, Barboursville and Elizabeth Zane, 36%, Jennie Wiley, 31%.

The greatest gain in subscriptions was made by Anne Bailey, twenty three, second greatest, John Hart, eight. James Wood and Colonel John Evans, with respective gains of seven and six subscriptions were very close to second place.

The Magazine Round Table Discussion at last year's State Conference was well attended and many excellent ideas were exchanged by the Chapter Chairmen participating.

I should like to express my appreciation for the fine cooperation I have received in the past three years from Chapter Chairmen and their Regents. I feel, in the final analysis, it is chiefly through their efforts that a wider knowledge and use of the D. A. R. Magazine has been achieved.

CHARLOTTE TRITCHLER (MRS. JAMES L.), State Chairman

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#### D.A.R. MAGAZINE ADVERTISING

West Virginia furnished \$487.50 of advertising for the *D. A. R. Magazine* during the year, March 1, 1957-March 1, 1958. Twenty-one Chapters were accredited with obtaining this amount. One of our Chapters—Kanawha Valley Chapter at Charleston—sent a total of \$265.00 of advertising to the Magazine Office.

This year, letters of directions and suggestions have again been sent to each Chapter and the W. Va. Daughters are again ready to launch a campaign of advertising in order to support their Magazine, and at the same time to qualify for Point #8 of the Honor Roll. All advertising from this State will appear in the April issue of the *D. A. R. Magazine*, and therefore must be in the Magazine Office by February 1, 1959.

FERN W. FERGUSON (MRS. GEORGE), State Chairman

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#### MUSEUM

As we come to the close of another year, we proudly report the additions to our West Virginia Room in Continental Hall in Washington.

A small plaque, in a beautiful shade of pink, showing the raising of the American flag in 1812, was presented by the Southern District in honor of the State Chairman.

Your State Museum fund was used to purchase a small ornate coffee pot in early Sheffield silver. This is used on the round table with two cups making a more homelike atmosphere in the room. Also from this fund was bought a lovely figurine, a man in Colonial costume with rich coloring of purple which harmonizes with the other colors in the room. This is Majolica ware and a real collector's item. For the silver coffee pot, and the Majolican figurine, the State paid \$60.00 which I have been told by three people who have dealt in antiques was an extremely low price.

John Chapman Chapter, honored the State Chairman, who is also a member of that Chapter by purchasing a large chop plate in early Cottage ware. It has a scene in subdued grey shades and will be used on the wall with the Staffordshire pink one now on the wall.

Your Chairman presented a small pink jug, or pitcher—Worcester ware which was made for the American market in 1820 in England. It is decorated in gold and takes its place in the shell cabinet with other items of interest.

At the State Board meeting last October, it was decided to have post card pictures made of our West Virginia Room. During this year, the cards have been made, and are indeed beautiful. In order to sell them at 5 cents each we had to have 5000 made. To date we have sold 1400 leaving on hand 3600. \$175.00 was taken from the State Treasury to pay for the cards, with the understanding that this amount would be replaced. The amount of \$75.00 has been sent to our State Treasurer, and with your help we will pay the balance of \$100.00 before the National Congress in April.

Many Chapters have shown much growing interest in the Museum and the W. Va. Room. For one dollar per year, you can be a "Friend of the Museum." Anne Bailey Chapter has the record for having last year the largest number of "Friends of the Museum" with 18 of their members being enrolled. James Wood Chapter contributed \$12.00 to the Museum Fund, which was the largest amount reported as a gift from the Chapter to be used in Museum work.

Let us keep up the good work in keeping for posterity the priceless objects which have had a part in the culture of America.

MARY ANNE McCLAUGHERTY (MRS. WILLIAM W.),  
State Chairman

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#### D. A. R. STUDENT LOAN FUND

The report of the Student Loan Fund Chairman has been the same for several years; no request for loans and very few contributions to it. The latter is logical since there are so many places chapters may place their money and see results.

Some chapters have their own scholarship fund with which they assist worthy students in their communities.

The State Treasurer reports a balance in the fund of \$266.92 in cash and \$1100.00 in bonds. Former chairmen have recommended that this become a Scholarship Fund instead of a Loan Fund and be used to help students at our Approved Schools, with this your present chairman heartily agrees.

ELEANOR H. BISHOP (MRS. W. C.), State Chairman

## ELEANOR H. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Your state chairman of the Eleanor Smith Scholarship Fund is happy to announce two recipients of this award for 1958—Martha Jane Cook of Beckley, a student in Woodrow Wilson High School, and Gloria Mangus of Man High School. This was made possible by the fact that last year's winner—Patricia Greenlee of Charleston, changed her major at West Virginia University from home economics to elementary education and returned her check for \$250.00.

There was an increased interest in the award this year. Ten young women representing that many high schools submitted applications for the award. The winners were chosen by the five District Directors.

It may be of interest to you to know that our 1952 scholarship winner—Miss Carole Allen of Huntington, has completed her undergraduate work at Marshall College in Home Economics and is now taking work toward a Master's Degree in Home Economics.

Since her graduation in May 1955, Carole has taught homemaking in Logan senior high for two years where she sponsored two clubs. The 1957-58 school year she taught at Barboursville High School and returned for the 1958-59 season, and is advisor to the Future Homemakers Club.

The two young women named above are the 15th and 16th winners of this award.

HALLIE M. MARTIN (MISS), State Chairman



### GENEALOGICAL RECORDS

	No. Pages
Col Charles Lewis Chapter—Chairman, Mrs. Wm. Steenbergen	
Thomas Lewis' Diary—Sept. 10, 1746-Feb. 24, 1747	
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Shenandoah Valley Chapter—Chairman, Mrs. Russell J. Bergen	
Methodist Church Yard Cemetery Records	
Homer T. and Alice Catrow Horner Bible Records	
John and Catherine Swope Seibert Bible Records	
David and Susanna Grantham Stuckey Bible Records	
John Evans, Jr.—Will	
Lodowich Fry—Will	
Abraham Van Metre, Sr.—Will	
Jacob Van Metre, Sr.—Will.....	21
Index, Title Page and Table of Contents for volume of Barboursville, Blennerhassett and Shenandoah Valley Records .....	9
Total number of pages of material from 5 chapters.....	317

**Kanawha Valley Chapter—Chairman, Mrs. H. Braden Powers  
7 Photostats on Joseph Fields Line**

My sincere thanks to the Chapter Chairmen for making the above report possible. Four volumes of material and the seven photostats were sent to our National Chairman which represented many, many hours of hard work, many miles of travel, quite a little expense and the missing of quite a lot of pleasure, I expect, but I believe you will agree that it is a report of which we can be justly proud.

Thirty-four chapters replied to a questionnaire sent out in January as follows: thirty chapters had active chairmen for this committee, three regents had not yet appointed a chairman and one chairman had resigned.

A letter was sent to each of the 48 chapters in August, outlining our work and aims for the coming year. Since then eighteen chairmen have either sent a report or their name and address to me. In all, I have heard as of this date, from thirty-six chapters in the state. Every chapter must have a chairman and so help West Virginia be 100 per cent in that phase of the work. To date, one chapter, Col. Charles Lewis, has reported \$29.00 contributed to the Genealogical Records Bibliographical Index Project. This contribution came from the Chapter and individual members. Shenandoah Valley Chapter has reported several hundred pages of material completed on their project. Many other chapters have reported progress on their projects. West Virginia is well aware of the great importance of the work of the Genealogical Records Committee for the records we collect and file are the basis for the work of many other committees and without them we would in time have no more members and no more Society.

I had the honor of representing the regent of my chapter at Continental Congress in April. While there it was my privilege to attend a most informative meeting of the Genealogical Records Committee, presided over by Dr. Jean Stephenson, our National Chairman. It was a privilege, indeed, to represent West Virginia as State Chairman, at a beautiful luncheon given by Dr. Stephenson at the Washington Club in honor of all visiting State Genealogical Records Committee Chairmen.

MABLE EADS HENDERSON (MRS. HERSEL A.), State Chairman

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### HONOR ROLL

**GOLD HONOR ROLL:** Anne Bailey, Blennerhassett, Borderland, Buford, Captain James Allen, Colonel Charles Lewis, Elizabeth Zane, James Wood, John Chapman, Nathan Davis, Wheeling.

**SILVER HONOR ROLL:** Barboursville, General Andrew Lewis, Major William Haymond, Matthew French, Shenandoah Valley, West Augusta.

**HONORABLE MENTION:** Bee Line, Colonel Morgan Morgan, Elizabeth Cummins Jackson, James Barbour, John Hart, Kanawha Valley, William Morris.

We are proud to report that Anne Bailey Chapter was the only chapter organized in 1957 which made the Gold Honor Roll.

ETHEL R. MILLER (MRS. GAITHER W.), Regent

## INSIGNIA

Since the purpose of this Committee is to promote the correct use and recognition of our D. A. R. insignia we shall have a display of the various kinds and types of insignia at the State Conference in Huntington. Also, price lists and order blanks for all insignia will be available.

Each Chapter Chairman will receive information concerning the proper display of D. A. R. emblems and badges as soon as the material is available from the official jewelers.

It is the aim and purpose of the Committee on Insignia that every West Virginia Daughter will proudly wear the insignia to which she is entitled.

LOUISE T. CRUIKSHANK (MRS. DWIGHT P.), State Chairman



## JACKSON'S MILL

The twenty-fourth annual luncheon of the Daughters of the American Revolution in West Virginia met at Jackson's Mill on July fifth, 1958. The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter was the hostess for the day with the Regent, Mrs. W. Clement Percival, presiding. The oldest members present were Mrs. Edward P. Chewning of Morgantown and Mrs. Sam R. Nuzum of Fairmont. There were eighteen chapters represented.

Our hostess for next year will be the John Young Chapter, Mrs. Charles F. McNutt, Regent.

GERTRUDE H. OWENS (MRS. H. K.), State Chairman  
HELEN HUNGATE LIVESAY (MRS. E. A.), Co-Chairman

## JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS



The J. A. C. Clubs in West Virginia are founded on a knowledge of good junior citizenship in terms of practical service to home, school, and community regardless of race or creed.

For the most part principals and teachers in the schools serve as sponsors and advisors. The Club programs in most instances are carried on during the class period in the school. The programs help to inculcate into the youth of our Country the ideas and ways of good citizenship.

Several special pins were awarded during the year, known as the Thatcher Award Pins for outstanding service in citizenship.

However, the most coveted honor during the year came to your State Chairman of Junior American Citizens for the winning of the FIRST PRIZE NATIONALLY FOR WEST VIRGINIA having the greatest increase in membership percentage wise in the National Society.

Logan County, with special tribute to the Princess Aracoma Chapter, is to be commended for their sustained interest and efforts in J. A. C. work as they lead in the number of Clubs and members.

I have carried on correspondence relative to the work of the J. A. C. Clubs and sent pins, handbooks and study guides when requested. Occasionally I am asked to speak to groups about the program of the Junior American Citizens Committee.

It is a real pleasure and privilege as Chairman of this Committee to work with and to be able to see the earnest efforts expended by individuals throughout the State who are genuinely interested in assisting youth toward a fuller realization of responsible citizenship.

RUTH MARY THOMPSON JONES (MRS. E. FOREST),  
State Chairman

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### JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Since May, 1958, I have written to all Chapters twice, and to 27 of them a third time, asking for reports of Junior Membership activities. Thirty-four Chapters have responded to my requests for reports.

Based on replies from 34 Chapters, we have 220 junior members. This is far short of the goal of 15% of the total membership set by our President General. To meet this goal we should have 535 junior members.

Of the junior members reported, 41 were new since last year; 14 are serving as Chapter officers; 25 are serving as chairmen of Chapter committees; 5 helped with Junior American Citizens Clubs; 9 helped with C. A. R.; 5 helped with Good Citizens; 6 with American Red Cross. Ten junior members subscribe to the D. A. R. Magazine; 6 Junior Chairmen have D. A. R. Handbooks.

Three Junior Membership Committees reported contributions to the Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund, 4 to Kate Duncan Smith, 1 to Tamasee and one chapter contributed to the Girl Scouts.

Outstanding activities reported by Junior Membership Committees were: distribution of flags to first graders, along with patriotic program; presentation of Good Citizenship pins to civics students in 9th grade; program for Girl Scouts on the Constitution and on George Washington at Valley Forge; Flag Day Program. Money-making ventures included a benefit bridge, white elephant sale, and Colonial Silver Tea at the Governor's Mansion.

The Junior Membership Committee of West Virginia conducted its annual bazaar during the State Conference in Parkersburg in October, 1958. With sixteen chapters contributing either saleable items or cash, plus two personal donations, the bazaar netted \$238.73. This amount, added to the proceeds of the previous year's bazaar, paid for the watering pond for the West Virginia beef herd at Tamasee in the amount of \$243.00. From the balance, \$50.00 was used to purchase a marker to identify the beef herd and the watering pond. Any money left in the Junior Membership fund will be added to this year's project.

MARGARET C. DONOVAN (MRS. RICHARD J.), State Chairman

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### MEMBERSHIP

October 1, 1957 there were 48 Chapters of the National Society, D. A. R. in West Virginia.

October 1, 1958 there were 47 Chapters of the National Society, D. A. R. in West Virginia, one, Hancock Pioneers, having dissolved.

I am informed unofficially, however, that the members are being received into other chapters of the N. S. D. A. R.

Nov. 1, 1957 there were 3516 members, with 24 at large, total 3540, June 1, 1958 there were 3548 members, with 26 at large, total 3574. An increase of 32 members, with 2 at large increase. We are not receding—but I can't say we are proceeding at a very fast gait.

During that period I received reports of the deaths of 55 members (which I sent to Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain).

Those Records are from the Treasurer-General's Office.

In July I note there were only 25 at large members (we lost one at large member somewhere along the way).

During this fiscal year of Oct. 1, 1957 to Oct. 1, 1958 I have received many fine reports from a large number of the Chapters—very complete—and showing a marked increase in interest and membership over those of '56-'57.

17 Chapters made gains—14 Chapters lost—17 stood still.

Ravenswood Chapter has 5 groups of 2 sisters only—2 groups of Mother and 1 daughter—7 members of the Charles Parsons line—6 members of the McKay line—6 members of the George Warth line.

I have had no other records from any of the chapters in regards to this type of reports.

It is my sincere wish that our State NEWS (D. A. R.) will devote a part of an issue SOON to the different contests—both State and National, together with a complete statement of the rules concerning same. Three years ago I had a short blank for reports published in the NEWS and it brought gratifying results. The expense of sending special blanks to each chapter Membership Chairman is too excessive for your State Chairman to bear.

NANCY STOUT BECKWITH (MRS. HARWOOD A.),  
State Chairman



#### MEMBERSHIP PLAQUE

For the period February 1st, 1957 to February 1st, 1958, as to the PLAQUE to be awarded by the West Virginia State Society, N. S. D. A. R., to the Chapter having the greatest per cent net increase in membership from February 1st, 1957 to February 1st, 1958, to be awarded at the Annual State Conference:

The following is the list of what your Chairman should know in figuring the net per cent increase:

"Deceased, resignations, dropped, transferred from chapter—Loss. Received by application, received by reinstatement, transferred to chapter—Gain. Chapter membership, members at large, total membership."

March, 1958, I made a record of each chapter and the reports I had received from them. I found that sixteen (16) chapters showed a gain, fourteen showed a loss, and seventeen were even. Those who had not sent a report I put down as neither gain or loss, and the others had both gains and loss until the final percentage was the same.

I then took the reports of the sixteen chapters whose reports



showed a gain and figured the net per cent increase; but to be certain I sent the records to Mrs. Starling L. Miller, National Vice Chairman of Membership, and she figured it. Our reports agreed, so I feel they are correct.

Later I found that the Anne Bailey Chapter was not organized until February 23rd 1957, so had to leave it off the list as a contestant for the period of February 1, 1957 to February 1, 1958. However, I wish to say that Anne Bailey has made a wonderful increase in membership and in the coming year will be among those at the top.

Another chapter that I should mention as having a fine increase in membership is the Buford. They should be very proud of their reports. If all their increase in membership had been as of February 1, 1958, they would have been in top line. Others to do fine were the John Chapman, James Wood, Col. Charles Lewis, Wheeling, Blennerhassett, and others, and their reports after February 1st, 1958, are fine and will make the next contest for the Plaque a very interesting one. Now, may I read the names of those who made net per cent gains during the period of Feb. 1, 1957 to Feb. 1, 1958?

Barboursville, Blackwater, Blennerhassett, Borderland, Buford, Col. Charles Lewis, Gen. Andrew Lewis, James Wood, John Chapman, John Minear, Maj. Wm. Haymond, Nathan Davis, South Branch Valley, Wheeling, Ye Towne of Bath.

This is the record of the Winner of the Plaque:

February 1, 1957, number of members.....	16
February 1, 1958, number of members.....	20
No deaths, no transfers, no resignations, just clear GAIN.	

NATHAN DAVIS CHAPTER May I present to you this Plaque on behalf of the West Virginia State Society, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, for the Greatest Per Cent Net Increase in Membership Annually compiled from February 1st, to February 1st. NANCY STOUT BECKWITH (MRS. HARWOOD A.), State Chairman

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### MOTION PICTURES

There is a need for good motion pictures in schools and in chapter meetings to present visual American History, thereby making a lasting picture on the minds of children and to revive in the minds of adults historical events which will create a feeling of patriotism and love of country. One means of accomplishing this end is the showing of patriotic films wherever and whenever possible.

Ann Bailey Chapter sent monthly copies of "Motion Picture Review" to two leading newspapers, asking the editors to use the information when possible. Civic Clubs, Business firms and churches were given lists of available films which could be used when planning programs. At chapter meetings rating of films was reported. The chairman plans to duplicate a summary of the picture reviewed and distribute the summary to members to be used as a reference sheet concerning movies coming to local theatres.

James Wood Chapter, with the cooperation of the U. S. Marine Corps and the American Legion, presented 45 minutes of 16 m m sound films on "The Constitution" and "The Bill of Rights" to 400 high school students. The films were shown during Constitution Week. Spot slides

of the American Flag were also shown in local theatres during the same week. The high school will select a list of 5 patriotic films, one of which will be purchased by the chapter, to be shown at a school assembly this spring.

Buford Chapter requested information on a film about Williamsburg. This request was forwarded to Mrs. Herbert Nash, National Chairman, who sent the material direct to the Chairman. The chapter also showed a film on Jamestown, Virginia at a meeting. Wheeling Chapter took a vote on the best films of the year. Those chosen were "Ole Yeller," "The Ten Commandments" and "Around The World in 80 Days." Though not historical, John Hart Chapter showed a film on "Temperance and Drug Addiction" in schools and churches throughout the county.

Major William Haymond Chapter reported the purchase of a film-strip on Conservation from the Conservation Foundation of New York which will be shown in elementary and junior high schools in the county. The film was selected by the superintendent of schools, at the request of the chapter. This film will become a part of the permanent film library of the county schools. Col. Morgan Morgan Chapter showed a film on National Defense at a chapter meeting. This film was secured through the National Committee.

The awards at the 67th Congress for the best children's film and best patriotic films were given to "Escapade in Japan" for children and "Johnny Tremain" for patriotic films.

Again it is urged that all chapter chairmen subscribe to "Motion Picture Review."

MARY JO JOHNSON (MRS. L. E.), State Chairman



#### NATIONAL DEFENSE

Forty-three of the forty-six active chapters in West Virginia responded to my request for names and addresses of their national defense chairmen, and thirty-nine sent annual reports. Thirty-six reported they devote from five to twenty minutes to national defense. Three chairmen said their chapters omit national defense at some meetings. \$43.76 was forwarded to the National Society to aid in wider distribution of defense material.

Resumes of Continental Congress resolutions were presented in twenty-two chapters. Nine reported watching subsequent legislation related to them. Forty letters were sent to Congressmen to influence legislation, and fifteen chapters noted sponsorship and voting record of their representatives. Eight chairmen noted subversive trends in civic, political, social and religious groups, but ten reported observing none. Some community activities participated in by chapters were civil defense, Girl State activities, patriotic window displays, restoration of an old cemetery, and establishment of a ground observer group. Most chairmen encouraged members to fly their American Flag on all holidays and throughout Constitution Week, and some influenced business houses, churches and residents to do likewise.

In cooperation with the Daughters of the American Revolution, Governor Underwood and Mayors of twelve towns issued proclamations setting September seventeenth to twenty-third as "Constitution Week," in West Virginia. Chapters contacted school authorities and secured the cooperation of many schools in studying the Constitution, memo-

riking parts thereof, writing essays, giving patriotic assemblies, setting up patriotic displays, and preparing programs for radio, television, and D. A. R. chapters. To further stimulate the youth, chapters presented 140 good citizenship awards, History awards and gifts for contests. One class translated the preamble into Latin. Many teachers interested students in flying the American Flag at their homes. Speakers were sent by one chapter to seven schools to present the history of the Flag in replica and story. Five chapters presented patriotic books to school and public libraries. Twenty-six hundred pieces of patriotic literature were distributed to students. One large flag was presented to a Jr. High School for Auditorium display, and twenty-two students were taken on a patriotic tour of Washington, D. C.

Hundreds of spot, radio and television announcements, speakers, forums, plays and interviews on both, made the listening public "Constitution Conscious." One Mayor, speaking on television, asked the public to support efforts to preserve our Constitution, the safeguard of our freedom. Newspapers, through editorials, patriotic articles, reports of chapter activities, pictures and ads helped to alert the public to our patriotic endeavors.

Your State Chairman asks your continued cooperation and renewed effort to stimulate the youth to patriotic endeavors, to create an enlightened public opinion, and to help fight communism and world government, to assure the preservation of our democratic form of government. Show your interest by voting and urging others to do likewise.

ETHEL W. GALBRAITH (MRS. CARL C.), State Chairman

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#### PRESS RELATIONS

The State Press Relations Scrap Book sent to the Continental Congress in April again won Honorable Mention. It was the only book of its kind to win an award in the Eastern Division. The book was judged by nine newspaper men and women of Washington. One of the reasons we did not win one of the major awards was because we did not have all the Chapters in the State reporting. There are forty-eight Chapters and only thirty-five of those sent newspaper publicity of their Chapters.

All clippings sent to me cannot be used in the State Press Relations Scrap Book but I want them sent to me every three months in order to secure the lineal inches of publicity the Daughters of the American Revolution receive in our State. We had an increase of over 2,000 inches this year, three chapters, James Wood, Buford and John Young having over 1,000 inches with Borderland, John Chapman and Anne Bailey almost a thousand.

The Press Books prepared by the Chapters in the State will be judged at the Fall Conference by National Officers attending the Conference. Awards will be made at the Chairmen's Luncheon on Friday.

Our State Press Relations Scrap Book will be entered in the National Contest at the D. A. R. Continental Congress in April 1959 and it is earnestly hoped that every Chapter in the State will be represented in this book.

Please remember that I have to have the date of each article and the name of the newspaper in which it was published, also that there cannot be any writing of any kind or scotch tape used on these articles.

Thanking you for your co-operation in making this, the third Press Relations Scrap Book of the three years I have been Press Relations Chairman the best one.

JANET BAILEY HAMMOND (MRS. JACKSON A.), State Chairman

## PROGRAM

I attended the State Conference in Parkersburg in October, 1957. All of my reports have been filed on time and I have distributed the Chapter Program Suggestions to all Chapters in the state.

KATHRYN RANKIN (MRS. V. E.), State Chairman

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## RADIO AND TELEVISION

This year, in addition to our regular activities, we have been working on setting up the Radio and Television Contest which is being sponsored by the National Society. As all accredited colleges are entitled to compete, we have written personal letters to the President of each such school in West Virginia, and have also sent the material and rules to each. The response has been good and several schools have indicated they plan to enter. However, the results will not be known until January. The State Society plans to make an award to the winner in each category. The National prize is to be a trip for each finalist to Washington, D. C., during our next Congress.

We have nineteen (19) Chapter Chairmen in West Virginia. I have received reports from these: Buford, John Chapman, John Hart, James Wood, and John Young. Eight Radio and Television stations in Charleston, Huntington, Elkins, Parkersburg, and Bluefield gave time for fifteen (15) different programs which amounted to 260 minutes at a cost of \$2,871.50. The programs honored the following dates: Flag Day, Armistice Day, American History Month, and Constitution Week. There were more than twenty (20) D. A. R. members taking part.

Also, the Past Regents Club of Charleston, was on the air for 25 minutes when nine (9) members were interviewed concerning our work. Our State Regent was on this program.

There were over 200 spot announcements during Constitution Week.

The Listening Post reports were not complete so it is impossible to tell how much of that program is going on.

NELLIE S. GRIMM (MRS. HARPER G.), State Chairman

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## THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Our theme for 1958-'59 is—*DISPLAY YOUR FLAG. LET'S MAKE AMERICA FLAG CONSCIOUS!* Many Chapters gave Flag Codes to insure proper display plus a Flag Code Quiz Program. In addition Chapters distributed Flag leaflets, cards and posters, to Civic Groups and Clubs, Libraries, Churches, Schools, New Citizens and Merchants.

As a money making project one Chapter sold Flags to business houses and residents. Other Chapters presented Flags to Schools, Girl Scouts and New Citizens. A number of corrections were made in incorrect display of the Flag.

Chapters reporting gave the Pledge of Allegiance at meetings with ungloved hand over the heart. There is an increase in the number of Chapters singing the National Anthem at meetings.

Newspaper items, pictures, radio broadcasts and television programs were reported. Flag talks by competent speakers were given at

Chapter meetings, schools and organizations. Several Chapters participated in Flag Raising Ceremonies at schools.

More Flags were displayed on Flag Day and other National Holidays. This is most gratifying. **LET'S MAKE AMERICA FLAG CONSCIOUS!**

Through the generosity of the Regent, Mrs. Hoover Lloyd, Shenandoah Valley Chapter is presenting a Flag holder to the West Virginia Society, D. A. R., in honor of Miss Ruth Seibert, a page for many years.

It has been a real joy serving as Chairman of this wonderful Committee and I wish to express my sincere thanks to each Chapter Chairman for effective accomplishments and splendid cooperation during our three years of Committee work.

KATHERINE L. SEIBERT (MRS. HENRY J.), State Chairman

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#### TRANSPORTATION

Most small chapters have no transportation committee and rely upon the Regent to attend to this matter. All chapters plan transportation to chapter meetings, state conference and National Congress. A few chapters report trips to historic shrines in their neighborhoods.

MARION E. TAPP (MISS), State Chairman

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#### WEST VIRGINIA D.A.R. NEWS

West Virginia D. A. R. News has published its customary four issues this past year although not on the customary date. We have been late because of labor difficulties both on the editorial staff, and the composing staff. We believe those difficulties have been resolved, and trust that they will not re-occur. The Spring issue came out purposely one month late because of a suggestion that perhaps the March 1 issue should be moved closer to the Continental Congress date. However, we found this position untenable, because April 1 brought it too close to the national meeting. We are not sorry we tried the experiment; we feel that we have learned.

We tried one other experiment. We did not write to any Chapter asking for news. Personally we think this is an important source of information. Whether a Chapter is 200 or 20 there can be a sharing of ideas. However, it is your paper and your decision.

A heart warming thing occurred in September when John Chapman Chapter sent us a check for \$36.80 which covered a year's subscription for each and every member, 180 strong. We could remember when that same Chapter bought 40 copies when the paper cost twenty cents each. In almost the same mail we received a note from a national committee woman praising us on the judicious and dignified handling of news in our paper.

We have had editorials quoted in daily papers; and once nominated by one of them for a Freedom award; we have taken our place in West Virginia literature at the State University. We hope that you feel that West Virginia D. A. R. News is a worthy voice of West Virginia Daughters.

QUIDA STONESTREET McDONALD (MRS. ROMEO T.), Editor

## CEDAR LAKES F.F.A. - F.H.A. PROJECT

I am glad to report the project adopted at the State Meeting in Martinsburg three years ago is completed. We pledged ourselves to raise \$2,500 for the building of a stage for the amphitheater at the Cedar Lakes Camp.

In July of this year, we presented Mr. McMillan, the Director, a check for the whole amount. \$1,559.94 was contributed by the chapters in the State, and at the Board meeting in Washington in April, it was voted to take the remaining \$941.06 from the contingent fund, and thus finishing the project while Mrs. Phillips was still in office. The amounts contributed by Chapters are as follows:

Anne Bailey, \$50.; Ann Royall, \$25.; Buford, \$10.; Mrs. Snyder of Buford honoring Mrs. Phillips, \$25; Colonel Charles Lewis, \$50; Elizabeth Ludington Hagens, \$100; James Wood, \$225; John Chapman, \$100; Kanawha Valley, \$281.70; Princess Aracoma, \$25; William Henshaw, \$5; Wheeling, \$150; Pack Horse Ford, \$5; Shenandoah Valley, \$25; Western District (collected at meeting), \$30; Trans-Alleghany, \$10; John Hart, \$25; Colonel John Evans, \$140; Prize money, \$5; General Andrew Lewis, \$10; Blennerhassett.

HENRIETTA LEITH (MRS. T. B.), State Chairman

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## CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN

Buford Chapter Regent issued the invitation for the fifty-third State Conference to meet in Huntington in 1958 with the following Chapters serving as hostesses: Colonel Charles Lewis, Barboursville, Ravenswood, and Buford. The invitation was accepted by the fifty-second State Conference and the State Regent, Mrs. Edward S. Phillips, appointed the Buford Chapter Regent the Chairman for the Conference.

The date for the Conference had to be changed due to the Hotel facilities. Dates announced for the Conference, with the State Regent's approval, were October 16, 17, 18, 1958.

The printed program may be found elsewhere in the Proceedings.

With many thanks to the hostess Chapters and chairmen for the loyal support and sincere hospitality in carrying out their assigned tasks, the Conference moved smoothly and swiftly to its close. We hope the Delegates and visitors enjoyed the events of the Conference as much as we found pleasure in having them.

OPAL GRAHAM (MRS. JOHN E.), Chairman Fifty-third Conference

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## YEARBOOK CONTEST

I received twenty or more yearbooks from the following Chapters for display at State Conference: Colonel Andrew Donally, Borderland, John Chapman, Bee Line, Pack Horse Ford, Shenandoah Valley, William Henshaw, Elizabeth Zane, Trans-Allegheny, Potomac Valley, Anne Bailey, William Morris, Buford, Mound, Wheeling, Colonel John Evans, Colonel Morgan Morgan, John Hart. Late ones not listed.

The State Regent is giving two prizes for yearbooks—one to the best hand made and one to the best commercially made.

FLOSSIE T. LONG (MRS. ISAAC P.), State Chairman

## REPORTS OF CHAPTER REGENTS

### ANNE BAILEY CHAPTER, Charleston

Organized February 23, 1957, by Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr. Membership 52. (15 Junior Members.) Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Grant P. Hall, Jr.; Vice Regent, Mrs. Robert Hawkins; Chaplain, Mrs. Walter L. Thurman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. Samuel Moore; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Richard M. Beer; Treasurer, Mrs. R. H. Thomasson; Historian, Mrs. C. E. Rowland; Librarian, Mrs. James Bartlett.

Ten meetings were held during the year with interesting programs on The Constitution of the United States, American Indian, Our State D. A. R. Society, American Music, Conservation, American History, Approved Schools, American Red Cross, Our outstanding meeting was the Flag Day luncheon when we were honored to have as our speaker Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General N.S.D.A.R. Five to ten minutes were devoted to a National Defense speaker at each meeting.

All meetings were opened with the D. A. R. Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, The American's Creed, and the President General's Message.

We observed United States Day with a Silver Tea at the Governor's Mansion. To this affair all members of the West Virginia D. A. R. Society were invited, and members of the Western District were honored guests. Over three hundred people attended this event.

On February 22, 1958, a tea was held at the Regent's home celebrating our First Anniversary, Washington's Birthday, and honoring our three history award winners and their mothers.

We placed an exhibit in the Children's Museum for the month of January depicting the three major objectives of the D. A. R. The display featured Colonial America including 18th century pewter, china, spinning wheel, authentic colonial glassware, D. A. R. material, historic documents and flags. In addition to craft work from Berea College, Kate Duncan Smith School and St. Mary's School for Indian Girls interesting details of the life of Anne Bailey added color. Several thousand children as well as adults visited the exhibit and officials of the museum considered it one of the most interesting displays in the history of the museum.

Contributions were made to National Defense, Kate Duncan Smith School, Cedar Lakes, National Investment Fund, Friends of the Museum, American Indian, Occupational Therapy, Preservation of Americana, West Virginia Room, and boxes of Christmas Gifts for Tamassee School.

We presented three Good Citizenship awards and honored our winners at a luncheon meeting in May.

We were well represented at Continental Congress, the State Conference, and the Western District Meeting and our programs included reports from each.

Sixty per cent of our members take the *D. A. R. Magazine*. Our members aided the Six Laymen in giving luncheons and receptions for each class of new citizens. Each new citizen was sent a Christmas card by the chapter. We had 406 inches of publicity and twenty pictures covering 308 square inches for the year.

During Constitution Week we had an interesting window display in a downtown store which included historic documents, flags, and books.

NINA SOMERVILLE HALL (MRS. GRANT P., JR.), Regent

### ANN ROYALL CHAPTER, Harrisville

Organized September 27, 1941, by the late Mrs. Sherman Robinson. Membership 50. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. G. A. Fowler; Vice Regent, Mrs. Lou Creighton; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Alam Dreg; Chaplain, Mrs. June Elliott; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Goldie Ross; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lena King; Treasurer, Mrs. Mildred Pepper; Registrar, Mrs. Sarah Barnes; Historian, Miss Jessie Tresham; Librarian, Miss Pearl Wilson; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Bess Ross.

The membership of Ann Royall is made up of members from Cairo, Ellenboro, Harrisville and Pennsboro, W. Va. Ritchie County. Our attendance is fairly good.

Our programs have been very interesting the past year, some of them have been on The Constitution, United Nations, "Mr. Lincoln's Wife," Government of Iran, Things We Believe As Americans, Early Settlers of West Virginia, and Ritchie County.

We sponsored Sixth Grade History Contest, presented each winner with pins. Good Citizenship awards to one member in our three high schools. Gave Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) to James Monroe Memorial Fund. Mailed box to Kate Duncan Smith School.

We have gained three members the past year. We have a very lovely group of ladies and always enjoy our social hour after each meeting.

VIRGINIA FOWLER (MRS. G. A.), Regent



### BARBOURSVILLE CHAPTER, Barboursville

Organized December 19, 1936, by Mrs. W. H. Daniel. Membership 43. Silver Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Alden Bryan; Vice Regent, Mrs. Lyal C. Clay; Chaplain, Mrs. A. A. Miller; Secretary, Mrs. Ruth L. Pierson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Lee Taylor; Treasurer, Mrs. Ira P. Baer; Registrar, Mrs. P. A. Vallandingham; Historian, Mrs. Karl P. Moreland; Librarian, Mrs. C. L. Harshbarger; Parliamentarian, Mrs. W. H. Daniel.

Nine meetings. Carried out theme, "Our Goodly Heritage." Sponsored Manzanita Chapter, Susanville, California. Lois Bryan Doty, Organizing Regent, was an organizing member of our Chapter. Presented Chapter with Regent's pin.

Program by Junior American Citizens. Special programs included: "Constitution" by Russell C. Dunbar; "Flag Day" by Judge William Roberts; "National Defense" by Mrs. Sam McConkey; "American Music;" Approved School Tea for Kate Duncan Smith Industrial Arts Building; Memorial Service for Past Regent, Miss Nancy E. Bowden; presented book to Public Library and one to D. A. R. Library in memoriam.

Sponsored special window displays for Constitution Week and American History Month.

Contributions included: \$25 to Kate Duncan Smith; one box clothing value \$30; West Virginia special project, Investment Trust Fund; ad to *D. A. R. Magazine*; American Flag to J. A. C. at elementary school.

Presented: Thatcher award to outstanding Junior Citizen; 4 Good Citizenship Medals; 2 Good Citizen Awards; 6 American History Awards; 6 American History Certificates. Increased subscriptions to *D. A. R. Magazine*. Made improvements on Toll House.

We were represented at 52nd State Conference and District Meeting at Cedar Lakes.

CARRIE C. BRYAN (MRS. ALDEN), Regent



## BEE LINE CHAPTER, Charles Town

Organized March 21, 1922 by Mrs. H. C. Getzendanner. Membership 54. Gold Honor Roll for second consecutive year. Dropped back to Honorable Mention in February. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. C. William Moore; Vice Regent, Mrs. Newton M. Gibson; Chaplain, Mrs. D. K. Koonce; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Marvin Edwards; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. William H. Wagner; Treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Langdon; Registrar, Miss Ann Lloyd Baylor; Historian, Mrs. William League; Librarian, Mrs. C. C. Henshaw.

The most outstanding work done by Bee Line during the past year was putting together a scrapbook of materials dating back to the beginning of the Chapter. A book of old minutes was re-typed and put in order.

Approved Schools Chairman and National Defense Chairman reported at each meeting. A box of good used clothing and supplies was sent to Crossnore.

Programs were planned around the theme, "Our Goodly Heritage." A most interesting program was presented by five of the local high school history students.

The Chapter lost by death one member and one associate member. By resignation, one member. One new member added.

Graves of Revolutionary Soldiers were marked on July 4. At the same time a lay member marker was placed at the grave of Mrs. J. A. Engle.

Several awards and medals are presented each year in the High School.

A joint covered dish supper was held at Piedmont, home of Miss Louise Briscoe, with Pack Horse Ford Chapter.

February 22 was observed with a luncheon. Constitution Week was proclaimed by the Mayor through the town paper. Flags are displayed on proper occasions.

*D. A. R. Magazine* has been placed in high school library. All meetings written up in town paper.

Many members give generously of their time to community services.

FLORENCE H. MOORE (MRS. C. WILLIAM), Regent

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## BLACKWATER CHAPTER, Davis

Organized October 26, 1933 by Mrs. L. H. Mott. Membership 29. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Pauline Harris; Vice-Regent, Mrs. Levi Flanagan; Chaplain, Mrs. Jean Burns; Secretary, Mrs. Lolita Hillard; Treasurer, Miss Edith Morton; Registrar, Mrs. Kathryn Cleaver; Historian, Mrs. Georgie Carr; Librarian, Mrs. Lalah Fankhouser; Board of Management: Mrs. Pearl Mott, Mrs. Ruth Ward, Miss Edith Morton.

Eight business meetings were held. Each meeting was opened with the D. A. R. Ritual and salute to the Flag. The President's Message was read at all meetings. The National Defense Chairman gave a five minute talk on current topics at each meeting. Our programs have been

both patriotic and educational. Good Citizenship Medals were given to students in each of the two high schools in the county.

Mrs. Hubert Ward and Miss Martha Bomberger attended the State D. A. R. Conference at Parkersburg. The Regent, Miss Edith Morton, and Mrs. H. N. Ward attended the District Meeting in Elkins and the D. A. R. Luncheon at Jackson's Mill.

Contributions: Kate Duncan Smith Mechanical Arts Building, \$10.00; Investment Fund, \$5.00; Helen Pouch Memorial, \$5.00; D. A. R. Project, Youth Center, \$5.00; 4-H Project, \$5.00; Ulysses Elza (blind, studying for the ministry), \$15.00. Sent to Tamassee two boxes of clothing and to Kate Duncan Smith two boxes of clothing.

Press notices go to the county paper, and reports of meetings go to several regional papers.

PAULINE R. HARRIS (MRS.) Regent

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#### BLANNERHASSETT CHAPTER, Parkersburg

Organized October 12, 1949, by Mrs. W. Herbert Snodgrass, Sr. Membership 12. Gold Honor Roll four years. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. H. Paul Hite; Vice Regent, Mrs. H. B. Phares; Chaplain, Mrs. Homer Griffin; Secretary, Mrs. M. B. McGuinness; Treasurer, Mrs. David T. Gorrell; Historian, Mrs. Harwood A. Beckwith; Librarian, Mrs. Roy R. Archer.

Blennerhassett Chapter assisted the Chapters of the Northern District entertain the Fifty-Second Annual State Conference at the Chancellor Hotel, Parkersburg, W. Va., October 11, 12, 1957. Blennerhassett Chapter was hostess for the State Conference Luncheon in honor of the State Chairman, over one hundred attending. At this time Blennerhassett Chapter presented a Plaque in honor of Nancy Stout Beckwith (Mrs. Harwood A.), State Membership Chairman, to the Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter, for having the greater net increase in membership including a Junior member from February 1956 to February 1957. In November at the invitation of Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter we attended their meeting and presented the Plaque to their members. The regent served as second vice chairman of the State Conference.

The National Defense Chairman devotes twenty to thirty minutes on National Defense at each meeting followed by a discussion period. Much time and thought is given in presenting current publications on communism.

Constitution Week October 17-23, 1958, the Chapter had a window display of patriotic documents in the business district. Six members who are teachers had their students learn the American's Creed.

The Americanism Chairman had a program on "Exchange Students." The United States District Court for Naturalization of Citizens was attended and The American's Creed and The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag cards were given to eleven new citizens.

Contributions to Approved Schools were Tamassee and Mechanical Arts Building. Other contributions: Investment Fund, Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund, National Defense, Museum, the Cedar Lakes Project pledge paid in full.

The Flag Day program was on Philadelphia Square. The Flag was

displayed on patriotic days. History Month was a dinner meeting. The Historian held a Question and Answer period on historical places and sayings of famous men. Six History Medals were awarded and one Thatcher Pin. One school is active in Junior American Citizens Club. Two rummage sales were held. One Christmas box was sent to Tamassee. Five members attended the Northern District Meeting.

Letters were sent to United States Senators and Congressmen to oppose change in Capitol Front. The meetings were held in the home of the regent. The members voted to have the officers serve a term of three years.

ALBERTA SCHULTZ HITE (MRS. H. PAUL), Regent

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#### BORDERLAND CHAPTER, Harvey

Organized October 31, 1928, by the late Mrs. Gory Hogg. Membership 44 with 14 residing outside the state. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. J. M. Francesa; Vice Regent, Mrs. R. L. Hughes; Chaplain, Mrs. O. F. McCoy; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Guffey; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Doris Fransesa; Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Thompson; Registrar, Mrs. Frank Graff; Historian, Mrs. W. C. Bishop; Librarian, Mrs. Ted Anderson.

All meetings were opened with the reading of the Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, The American's Creed, and the National Anthem. The President General's message and at least ten minutes on some subject of National Defense are given at each meeting.

Our outstanding project was the awarding of thirty History Medals in the 5th and 8th grades, and to juniors in high school. Seven Good Citizenship Medals were awarded, as well as ten Good Citizen Medals and Pins. \$5.00 was given to the girl chosen as County Good Citizen. The Essay Contest on James Monroe was promoted, and a Collins High School girl won the State Award.

Constitution Week was observed by a Radio Program by the Regent. The merchants and business places were asked to display the flag. All of the teachers in Fayetteville, Oak Hill, Mt. Hope, and Scarbro were contacted and asked to observe Constitution Week by programs, assemblies, etc. Ministers were also asked to preach from their pulpits, and include it in their prayers on Sunday, September 14th, and again on the 21st. Theatre managers were contacted and asked to flash on the screen a copy of the Constitution or the Preamble, as well as a documentary short regarding same. The Regent had an article printed in the local paper on the Constitution and another article, by Mrs. W. C. Bishop, was in the *Fayette Tribune*, concerning the observance of Constitution Week.

The *D. A. R. Magazine* is sent to three High School Libraries. The Chapter contributed the following: Special Projects K.D.S., \$10; American Indians, \$5; Betty Henry Society, C.A.R., \$26; Red Cross Emergency Fund, \$5; Magazine Advertising, \$5; Investment Trust Fund, \$9; Mrs. W. W. McClagherty's picture, \$13.25; V. A. Hospital for Christmas, \$5.25.

In Community Service, a total of five hundred and seventy-three hours were counted, and members found to be helping with all worthwhile projects in their various communities. The Chairman of this Committee, with the assistance of the American Music Chairman, spon-

sored a party for patients at the Veteran's Hospital in Beckley. The men spent an hour singing old songs, and then refreshments were served. At Christmas a Ward Party was given. Gaily wrapped gifts were distributed from a decorated basket to all who were confined to Ward "B." Many were not able to be out of bed, so gifts were carried to them to select the package they desired.

The eighth grade of one of the schools presented a program on Great Americans at the local Television Station during American History Month, and a Chapter member had a fifteen-minute radio program.

Articles totaling \$15.50 were sent to the Junior Bazaar during Continental Congress in April. Our Chapter was placed fourth in the state on inches of newspaper publicity last year. We bought a Marker for John Reger, Sr., Revolutionary Soldier, at a cost of \$19.50. We have a very active C. A. R., with a most efficient Senior President, Mrs. J. C. Gwinn.

One money-making project was the selling of American Flags by Flag Chairman, Mrs. C. R. Hill, amounting to \$32.00, and this represented a patriotic gesture as well. All programs given by members of the D. A. R. and the C. A. R., and all awards, with few exceptions, were given by the Regent or the Historian.

NONA STEVENSON FRANCESCA (MRS. J. M.), Regent

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#### BUFORD CHAPTER, Huntington

Organized June 1, 1910, by the late Mrs. D. D. Geiger. Membership 218. Gold Honor Roll fifth consecutive year. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. John E. Graham; First Vice Regent, Mrs. P. S. Vaughan; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Walker Long; Chaplain, Mrs. C. L. Nisbet; Recording Secretary, Miss Lillian Wolfe; Treasurer, Mrs. Gordon D. Wooton; Registrar, Mrs. D. W. Snyder; Historian, Mrs. W. C. Petty; Librarian, Mrs. Harry Holswade; Custodian, Miss Marjorie Templeton; Member Board of Management, Mrs. D. B. Kraybill; Directors: Mrs. Don J. Carnohan, Mrs. H. C. Deardorff, Mrs. H. E. Danford, Mrs. A. B. Woodward.

Buford Chapter has concentrated on the Junior Membership Committee and the Approved Schools program this year. The total membership in the Junior Membership is 42, with meetings scheduled once each month from September through June. Their contribution to the Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund was \$25.00.

The Approved Schools Committee collected and sent 200 pounds of useful clothing in good condition, valued at \$300.00, to Kate Duncan Smith. The distribution of money is, as follows: \$50. sent to St. Mary's School for Indian Girls; \$50. sent to Tamasse; \$150. sent to Kate Duncan Smith for special projects; \$5. value of books, "A True to Life Series" donated to library at Kate Duncan Smith.

The National Defense Committee gave the program for a Chapter meeting and is allowed ten minutes to report at each meeting. Ten dollars was sent to National for Defense Literature and ten dollars to Defense Dollars. Eleven "Good Citizenship" Medals were awarded to girls at the junior high schools by this Committee.

Other donations by the Chapter were: \$50.00 contribution to Cedar Lakes; \$20.00 for *D. A. R. Magazine* for advertisement; \$15.00 sent for Investment Fund; \$5.00 donated by a member for occupational therapy.

Good Citizenship Pins and Certificates were presented to senior girls in the three local public high schools.

Buford Chapter has 218 members. Transferred into Chapter—1. Loss by death—3. Transferred out—1. The Organizing Regent, Mrs. D. D. Geiger, passed away on December 18, 1957.

The Children of the American Revolution have completed the required number of meetings and projects. Three dollars sent to each of the following: Gadsby Tavern, Unknown Soldier, Kate Duncan Smith, and Mountain Schools. Gave a patriotic play at the February meeting of Buford Chapter. Have 14 new members and 9 papers pending.

A member of the C. A. R., Thomas Carnohan, was sent to Oglebay Park to attend the Junior Nature Camp for the week of June 8th by the Chapter through the cooperation of the Conservation Committee.

An outdoor flag was presented to Cabell County's newest grade school, Central School, donated by a member.

The most outstanding meeting of the year was the Christmas Luncheon, at which we were privileged to have Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General, as the guest speaker. Her subject was, "Christmas Cards in This Atomic Age."

OPAL POE GRAHAM (MRS. JOHN E.), Regent

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#### CAPTAIN JAMES ALLEN CHAPTER, Beckley

Organized November 14, 1929, by Mrs. A. G. Meade. Membership 42. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. M. Wade Arnold, Sr.; Vice Regent, Mrs. A. Robert Koch; Chaplain, Mrs. A. U. Edwards; Recording Secretary, Mrs. H. E. Phipps; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. E. Bibb, Sr.; Treasurer, Mrs. George W. Johnson; Registrar, Mrs. Peyton Graves; Historian, Mrs. A. G. Meade; Librarian, Mrs. C. C. Sanders.

Our meetings are held every first Tuesday beginning in September and continue through June. We open all meetings with reading of the Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and singing of the National Anthem. There is also a ten minute talk on National Defense. For two of our programs we had a travelogue and colored slides on subjects of "Inside Germany," and "A Tour of Europe." Students from our local high school presented a patriotic program for our February meeting. The selection for the June meeting program was a Flag Day theme.

All chapters represent the Southern District D. A. R. on the Veterans Hospital Board. Seventy-five 50¢ canteen books were used as favors for the patients on the Christmas dinner table and two cartons of cigarettes were also given. Our chapter decorated the tables and dining room at the hospital Christmas dinner. Five dollars was given to the Hobby Shop.

Two books, *Master of Defeat*, published by J. Edgar Hoover, were placed in the local high and junior high schools.

Contributions included: \$50. Tamassee Endowment Fund; \$75 to Kate Duncan Smith to be applied to the West Virginia Room in the Mechanical Arts Building—five boxes of good clothing valued at \$75 to K. D. S.; \$7.50 to Investment Fund; \$10 to Pinecrest Committee; \$2 American Indians; \$1. Occupational Therapy; \$5 each to: D. A. R. Magazine for advertising National Defense, Toy Fund, Red Cross, Girl Scouts, Polio, Boy Scouts.

We observed Constitution Week, the Mayor proclaiming September 17 thru 23 as Constitution Week. Editorials appeared in both the *Raleigh Register* and the *Beckley Post Herald*. Spot announcements were made on radio stations WWNR and WJLS. One of our officers, representing the chapter, was interviewed over the above stations. Flags were also flown throughout the week.

Eight history awards @ \$5.00 each were given to our local junior and high schools. Three Homemakers awards and two \$5.00 checks, one Good Citizenship Award and \$5.00 check. One of our high school girls won the Eleanor Smith Scholarship Award and will attend West Virginia University. Twelve members subscribe to the *D. A. R. Magazine*. Our chapter sent one delegate to the Continental Congress.

ELLEN G. ARNOLD (MRS. M. WADE, SR.), Regent

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### COLONEL ANDREW DONNALLY CHAPTER, Welch

Organized April 3, 1926 by Mrs. Charles C. Morfit. Membership 40. Officers: Regent, Mrs. O. J. Hunter; Vice-Regent, Mrs. J. F. Strother; Chaplain, Mrs. T. W. Edwards; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Edward D. Gibson; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Strother Tabor; Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel Solins; Registrar, Mrs. Paul W. Jones; Librarian, Mrs. J. W. Blakely; Parliamentarian, Mrs. A. N. Harris.

The Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter held nine meetings. Eight opened with ritual and historic response roll call. The ninth was a dinner meeting, social, and only The Pledge of Allegiance was used along with a devotional service. OUR GOODLY HERITAGE was used as the program theme. The September program was on Educational Institutions in West Virginia; October was devoted to Historic Buildings, and the chapter made the trip by motor to see Old Rehobeth Church near Union in Monroe County, the oldest Protestant Church west of the Allegheny mountains, then on to Lewisburg for a tour of Historic places. Members of the General Andrew Lewis Chapter acted as guides and were hostesses for a beautiful tea. The November meeting was on Native Industries. The annual dinner for husbands and guests was held in December. Our Public Library was the topic for January. In February we heard a most educational talk on Alexander Hamilton and the Founding of the Nation. In March a member reviewed J. Edgar Hoover's "The F. B. I. Story," and in April the subject was Benjamin Franklin, the First Mr. American.

The Chapter cooperated with the McDowell Centennial Committee in helping to arrange the celebration of McDowell County's 100th birthday in April. They also adopted as a project the publication of a history of McDowell County. A member, the late Miss Ann Stratton had written much of it, the other material being compiled from Centennial manuscripts and the local *Welch Daily News*.

The chapter gave scholarships to two children on a chartered bus to Williamsburg, the chairman in charge of the trip was a member. Nine National Defense Good Citizen medals, nine Citizenship pins and nine History awards were presented in the nine high schools of McDowell County.

A contribution was sent to the Kate Duncan Smith West Virginia Room. All dues and assessments were paid.

LILLIAN FARLEY HUNTER (MRS. O. J.), Regent

## COLONEL CHARLES LEWIS CHAPTER, Point Pleasant

Organized March 12, 1901, by the late Mrs. George Poffenbarger. Membership 110. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. W. R. Proffitt; Vice Regent, Mrs. Edward Biddle; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Eunice B. Beller; Chaplain, Mrs. S. C. Wilhelm; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Eldridge Sauer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. N. Connors; Treasurer, Mrs. Louis Bateson; Registrar, Mrs. Carl Gardner; Historian, Mrs. William H. Rardin, Sr.; Librarian, Mrs. James E. McComb; Curator, Mrs. John H. Collins; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Cary Howard Rayburn. Directors: Mrs. William Steenbergen, Mrs. Benjamin Franklin, Mrs. Milton Miller, Mrs. Chester Roush, Mrs. M. Holly Simmons, Mrs. J. G. F. Johnson, and Mrs. A. Keith McClung.

Seven new members have been received into the Chapter, and one has been reinstated. One member transferred to another chapter, and one was claimed by death.

The chapter was represented at the Continental Congress, the State Conference, and the Western District Meeting.

We are proud to have two members serving as State Chairmen: Advancement of American Music and Genealogical Records.

Members have contributed many volunteer hours in community service. Two members have received citations for their services to the Mental Health Society.

Awards presented during the year to outstanding students in our county schools were: eleven in history, eleven for citizenship, and two Girl Homemaker medals. One girl was sent to Girl's State.

Members participated in two radio broadcasts, and sponsored five radio presentations during Constitution Week. Through the efforts of our National Defense Chairman, Constitution Week was observed by all schools in the county, many churches, and reminder book markers were placed in all books taken out of the public library.

The chapter sponsors 22 J. A. C. Clubs in the county.

We assisted the Fort Randolph Society Children of the American Revolution in entertaining the State C. A. R. Convention in June.

Programs outlined by the National Chairman are closely followed. One program was presented by C. A. R. members, one was given by the State Music Chairman, and one was devoted entirely to National Defense.

Three distinguished guests were speakers during the year. Mrs. Lowell E. Burnelle, Historian General, was guest speaker at our Anniversary Dinner in February. Mrs. Thomas Burchett, Chairman National Press Relations spoke at our Charter Tea and installed our officers. Nearby Ohio Chapters were invited to this meeting. We were honored to have our State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, as guest at our September meeting.

Contributions were made to various D. A. R. projects, and boxes of clothing were sent to Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith schools.

The Chapter places the *D. A. R. Magazine* in all school libraries in the county.

D. A. R. members are hostesses at the Mansion House for any groups visiting in the city. This spring we entertained visiting Rural Mail Carriers at their State Conventon.

### **COLONEL JOHN EVANS CHAPTER, Morgantown**

Organized October 5, 1909 by the late Mrs. Parks Fisher. Membership 118. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Kenneth H. Madeira; First Vice-Regent, Mrs. Edgar Williams; Second Vice-Regent, Mrs. T. B. Leith; Chaplain, Mrs. William Kidd; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles M. Evans; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Forest D. Fleming; Treasurer, Miss Myrtle Phares; Asst. Treas., Mrs. Hal A. Thorniley; Registrar, Mrs. B. T. Chalmers; Historian, Mrs. A. A. Hall, Jr.; Reporter, Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer; Librarian, Mrs. Clarence E. Moore; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer and Mrs. Vere O. Havener.

We still have at this date, the honor in our Chapter of the State Historian, a District Director and Secretary, the State Magazine Chairman and the State Chairman of our State Stage Project for the Cedar Lakes FFA and FHA Camp, near Ripley. We have sent representatives to the National Congress at Washington, to the State Conference, to the Jackson's Mill Meeting, and during the summer, some of our members made a trip to the Albert Gallatin Home outside of Uniontown, Pa., at the invitation of a Uniontown, Pa., Chapter.

Contributions have been made to the United Fund, Girls' State, Senior Triad (the three graduating Morgantown High Schools Graduating party); good citizenship, 14 History Awards, Approved Schools and Kate Duncan Smith, Investment Trust Fund and additional contribution to Cedar Lakes Camp project; also offered prize for best essay on Monroe Doctrine by a High School Student in County.

We meet September through June and our programs were—October: Speaker, State Geologist Dr. Paul H. Price, the "Radio Astronomy Observatory at Green Bank, Pocohontas County, W. Va. November: Dr. O. D. Lambert, Historical Records Specialist, W. Va. University Library, "Rare Historical Sources of W. Va. History." December: Christmas readings, music and carol singing. January: Conservation R. C. Butler, Prof. and Head of Agr. Edu. W. Va. University, "Cedar Lakes FFA and FHA Camp, Ripley, W. Va. February: Dinner meeting. Dr. John A. Caruso, author and member of History Dept., W. Va. Univ., "The Role of Women in the American Revolution." March: Own Member Speaker, Mrs. Kenneth H. Madeira, "Jamestown" with slides and talk on historic places. April: Reports of Delegates attending the 67th DAR Continental Congress. May: Book Review "Hidden Persuaders" by own member speaker. June: Luncheon. Flag Day celebration at Arthurdale Inn at Arthurdale. "Honoring our Flag," a talk by Chapter Member. Also music. September: Luncheon. Constitution Day celebration at Mount Chateau Lodge on Cheat Lake. Mrs. Ruby Wardoon "The Constitution and the People," merging into her World's Tour as Good Will Representative of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Our average attendance at meetings was 33 members and we entertained 31 guests during the year. Also, we sent in 21 magazine subscriptions.

LUCILLE MADEIRA (MRS. KENNETH H.), Regent

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### **COLONEL MORGAN MORGAN CHAPTER, Fairmont**

Organized July 25, 1922, by Mrs. Elonzo T. Morgan. Membership 98. Honorable Mention Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. W. T. Lawson; Vice Regent, Mrs. Olene Crouser; Chaplain, Mrs. Dennis McIntyre; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Wm. G. Meyer; Corresponding Sec-



retary, Mrs. D. F. Reaser; Treasurer, Mrs. Mildred Jones; Registrar, Miss Fairy Vangilder; Historian, Miss Irene Prickett; Librarian, Mrs. Earl Goodwin; Parliamentarian, Mrs. W. D. Evans; Directors, Mrs. Curt Amos and Mrs. Donald Smith.

The Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter has had interesting programs following the requirements of our National Society. The Chapter was represented at Continental Congress, State Conference, Jackson's Mill and the District Meeting.

Three Good Citizenship Awards and nineteen American History Medals were presented.

Genealogical Records—Sent to National Library, Cemetery Survey Volume II. Marion County—243 pages.

Contributions were: Kate Duncan Smith, \$30.00 for Mechanical Arts Building; 150 pounds of clothing valued \$200.75; \$3.25 to Tamassee on pond for watering herd. Christmas gifts for Tamassee valued at \$25.00; D. A. R. Museum, \$2.00; sponsored a girl at Rhododendron Girls State, \$30.00; Investment Trust Fund, \$8.00 and Greater Fairmont Development Association, \$10.00.

MAMIE H. LAWSON (MRS. W. T.), Regent

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#### DANIEL DAVISSON CHAPTER, Clarksburg

Organized 1908 by the late Mrs. Ira C. Post. Membership 100. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. H. W. Kennedy; Vice Regent, Mrs. H. H. Esker; Chaplain, Mrs. C. H. Higginbotham; Recording Secretary, Mrs. T. N. Umberger; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. L. Patterson; Treasurer, Mrs. James W. Martin; Registrar, Mrs. W. Guy Tetrick; Historian, Mrs. J. K. Thalimer; Librarian, Mrs. Wayne Allen.

The Chapter has ten meetings. The program arranged by the program chairman and committee. The programs have been of a historic and patriotic nature both interesting and instructive.

Constitution Day was observed with address given by Dr. Paul Frances, Presbyterian Minister, on "The Constitution of the United States." Music appropriate for occasion was included on the program. Bundle Day for Kate Duncan Smith School was observed, under the capable supervision of Mrs. Clyde Hoffman. As Chairman of Approved schools she attended the approved school breakfast in Parkersburg, W. Va., 1958.

We have contributed as follows: Approved School Project, \$35.00; Box of good used clothing for Kate Duncan Smith School, \$200.00; express on box, \$6.25, making a total of \$241.25. Other contributions include annual subscriptions of *D. A. R. Magazine* to Clarksburg Library, three senior high schools in Clarksburg, also high school in Shinnston. \$5.00 was given to D. A. R. Occupational Therapy Scholarship.

February meeting with a Historical Program given by one of the Daughters of our Chapter on "Local History of the Indians and Pioneers." The Annual Silver Tea was held in March. Invitations were extended to local Chapters.

The book "Bending of the Twig" sponsored by D. A. R. was received and is now in the hands of special committee for sale to the public.

We have new member applications pending and several in process of completion.

LILLIAN KENNEDY (MRS. H. W.), Regent

### DANIEL TAYLOR CHAPTER, Burlington

Organized November 21, 1942 by Mrs. M. Dasher. Membership 20. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Robert M. Gamble; Vice Regent, Mrs. Albert Thrush; Chaplain, Mrs. Harold Armstrong; Secretary, Mrs. Harry Hendrickson; Treasurer, Miss Helen Leatherman; Registrar, Miss Anna Taylor; Historian, Mrs. D. W. Taylor; Librarian, Miss Helen Leatherman.

All meetings opened with the Ritual and Pledge of Allegiance. The President General's Message was read. Meetings have stressed National Defense, Good Citizenship, Americanism, and Approved Schools. Subscriptions to the *D. A. R. Magazine* increased. A box of clothing was sent to Kate Duncan Smith School. Christmas box to a needy family—cards to shut-in members.

A charter member, Mrs. Flora Taylor Bailey, of Salina, Kansas, passed away during the year.

EDNA TAYLOR GAMBLE (MRS. ROBERT M.), Regent

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### ELIZABETH CUMMINS JACKSON CHAPTER, Grafton

Organized July 19, 1921 by the late Miss Prudence Hinkle. Membership 36. OFFICERS: Regent, Miss Leota Griffith; Vice Regent, Miss Barbara Cather; Chaplain, Mrs. O. J. Fleming; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rhea Fisher; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Cather; Treasurer, Miss Bertha Hodges; Registrar, Mrs. Reba McDermott; Historian, Mrs. Rosalyn Heironimus.

Sept. 24, 1957, meetings opened with Constitution Day Dinner served in the Episcopal Parish House. Program was a guest speaker on the Constitution.

October meeting was a Cavalcade of America. November meeting History of religious Music. December meeting Christmas Party and Gift Exchange. January meeting discussion of National and State Resolutions. February meeting cancelled due to weather conditions. March meeting Civil Defense program. April meeting "Stained Glass Windows of the Washington Cathedral." May meeting American Indians. June meeting Flag Day observance and covered dish dinner. September meeting Constitution Day dinner.

LEOTA GRIFFITH (MISS), Regent

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### ELIZABETH LUDINGTON HAGANS CHAPTER, Morgantown

Organized May 19, 1904 by the late Mrs. R. H. Edmondson. Membership 193. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. W. Clement Percival; Vice Regent, Miss Blanche E. Price; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Delmas Miller; Chaplain, Mrs. Fred L. Geiler; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. Patricia Engle; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Georgina Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. Frances J. Quinn; Historian, Mrs. Ray L. Wardle; Registrar, Miss Marion E. Tapp; Librarian, Mrs. Alvin M. Miller; Genealogist, Mrs. Glen Hiner. Advisory Board: Mrs. Charles B. Seibert, Mrs. Fred R. Glisan, Mrs. Alex Hoffman.

Ten meetings were held during the year. The September program stressed Constitution Day. Two of our members participated giving us up-to-date reports on Independence Hall today and a description of the Framed Constitution at Jackson's Mill. Our Girls' State representa-

tive gave an enjoyable report of her week at Jackson's Mill. Music was stressed at four meetings, especially at the December gathering when colorful slides taken in West Virginia by Dr. and Mrs. Gideon Dodds were shown and group singing followed. Mrs. W. S. Downs, our own member, gave us a word picture of her summer in Europe. In November we stressed the American Indian of Yesterday and Today. Three of our own members presented an historical summary of their past achievements, crafts and pageants performed today. January's meeting brought us slides of our approved schools and highlights from the *D. A. R. Magazine*. March program acquainted us with some information about Home Economics, by an Educational Skit featuring a group of West Virginia University students. We were delighted at the February 22nd luncheon by the novel performance of school pupils who presented American music appropriate to the historical scenes in the life of George Washington enacted in costumes by shadow pictures. Two programs in the spring were educational: Place of Woman and Radio, Television and Movies.

Six delegates attended the State Conference in Parkersburg. We had two pages and four delegates present at the Continental Congress. Our chapter was hostess to others at the Jackson's Mill Luncheon. Fifteen members were there to greet guests.

Contributions included: Cedar Lakes, \$100; United Fund, \$50; National Library Fund, \$5, Approved Schools, \$35; Crippled Children's Fund, \$5; Girl's State, \$30; and Friends of Museum, \$6; T. B. Fund, \$5. Also a Good Citizenship Award was made and a pin presented.

A coffee on Flag Day and installation of new officers closed the spring program.

E. PHYLLIS PENNINGTON PERCIVAL (MRS. W. CLEMENT), Regent



#### ELIZABETH ZANE CHAPTER, Buckhannon

Organized July 21, 1902 by Mrs. John R. Ritzenger. Membership 72. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Miss Flossie Snodgrass; Vice Regent, Mrs. C. C. Burnett; Chaplain, Miss Minnie Arnett; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Hallam; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Russell Phillips; Treasurer, Mrs. T. W. Dulaney; Registrar, Mrs. Jas. L. Hupp; Historian, Miss Laura Brake; Librarian, Mrs. O. S. Talbott.

Each regular meeting was opened with reading of the Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance, the President General's Message and a report on National Defense. Special days and events and also topics of current importance and interest were observed with able speakers. An exhibit of antiques was displayed in a window of a local bank.

Payments were completed in advance of the three years' pledge to Cedar Lakes. One dollar per member was given to the Kate Duncan Manual Arts Building. A cash gift from a Christmas collection was divided among some other approved schools. A large consignment of used clothing went to Crossnore.

We received six new members by application and three by transfer. One other application and one transfer not yet completed.

A year's subscription to the *D. A. R. Magazine* was given to Wesleyan College Library and one to the local public Library. Also presented to the public Library were *Young Readers of America* and *Masters of Deceit* by J. Edgar Hoover. Books and magazines were sent to the Merchants Marine Library. Cash awards were made to the student in each High School who was outstanding in American History. An advertise-

ment was sent to the *D. A. R. Magazine*. Cash contributions were made to the Hungarian Relief, to the Polio, to the Heart, to the Cancer Funds as well as to the local Christmas Basket Fund.

Press notices appeared in the local newspapers and announcements of meetings were broadcast over the radio. Reports of the meetings also appeared in the local papers and in the Sunday issue of the *Clarksburg Exponent-Telegram*. A large number of representatives attended the annual Jackson's Mill dinner and the State District Meeting in Elkins. The chapter was represented by delegates to the State Conference and National Congress.

FLOSSIE SNODGRASS (MISS), Regent

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#### GENERAL ANDREW LEWIS CHAPTER, Lewisburg

Organized October 13, 1954 by Mrs. Wilson Phelps. Membership 29. (5 Junior members). Silver Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. N. Bright Wilson; Vice Regent, Mrs. Richard Ford; Secretary, Mrs. Jack Horton, Jr.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John Dawkins; Treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Wood; Registrar, Mrs. P. E. Prillaman; Historian, Miss Florence Tressell; Librarian, Mrs. Asby Lee.

The General Andrew Lewis Chapter held 9 monthly meetings following the outline of the National Program Committee. The President General's Message was read and 10 minutes were devoted to National Defense.

Cash donations have been made to Kate Duncan Smith Special Building Project, to Cedar Lakes, and to Camp Galahad. Two boxes of good used clothing were sent to Kate Duncan Smith and Tamassee valued at \$225. Gift wrapped packages were also sent to Tamassee for Christmas as were cigarettes sent to the Veterans Hospital in Beckley.

Constitution Week was presented to our community by writing letters to the ministers requesting special prayer during their services September 14th and September 23rd, by writing letters to the principals of the schools requesting emphasis be placed on Constitution Week, and by displaying the Flag by the members of the chapter.

Five books have been placed in the Greenbrier County Library. A subscription to the *D. A. R. Magazine* was sent to the library. The Corresponding Secretary of the library visited our chapter and presented a program. Flags are being sold to the business houses and private homes hoping to make people more flag conscious. We have purchased a D. A. R. Marker for a deceased member.

Letters were written to Senators and Congresswoman on pending legislation concerning Nationality and the Immigration Act as requested. History medals were presented at the High School Commencements. A report from Continental Congress was presented the chapter.

We were hostess for the Southern District Meeting in May. We had delegates at the State Conference in October 1957.

NANCY B. WILSON (MRS. N. BRIGHT), Regent

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### **JAMES BARBOUR CHAPTER, Belington**

Organized March 19, 1920, by Mrs. J. E. Keyser. Membership 34. Honorable Mention Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. James Rosenberger; Vice Regent, Mrs. C. S. Rowe; Chaplain, Mrs. W. H. Curry; Recording Secretary, Miss Sevva R. Wilmoth; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Bernard Dennis; Treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Bolton; Registrar, Mrs. J. E. Keyser; Historian, Mrs. Wilbur C. Carnes; Librarian, Miss Wilma George.

Twelve of our thirty-four members are non-resident. We lost one member, Mrs. Lucinda Hillyaid, by death, one by transfer, and gained one Junior member. James Barbour has ten regular meetings opened according to D. A. R. Ritual with the President General's Message and at least ten minutes for National Defense.

We were represented by a delegate at Continental Congress and honored by having Miss Christine Hester appointed to serve as flower page. We have met all financial obligations.

James Barbour Chapter contributed in excess of one dollar per member to Kate Duncan Smith School building fund; sent a box of used clothing to that school; sent a box of used clothing to Crossnore and a cash donation to CARE.

LILLIAN ROSENBERGER (MRS. JAMES), Regent

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### **JAMES WOOD CHAPTER, Parkersburg**

Organized December 23, 1902 by the late Mrs. Baldwin D. Spilman. Membership 195. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Roy Lowther, Vice Regent, Mrs. H. Courtney Jones; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Dwight P. Cruikshank; Chaplain, Mrs. J. R. Munchmeyer; Recording Secretary, Miss Mabelle Clinton; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Charles F. Whitaker; Treasurer, Miss Nevada Clawson; Registrar, Miss Virginia Laughlin; Historian, Miss Geraldine Marshall; Librarian, Miss Mabel Stoetzer. APPOINTEES: Curator, Mrs. John B. Sammel; Auditor, Miss Kathryn Evans; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Harry J. Smith. NATIONAL OFFICER: Past Vice President General, Mrs. Harry J. Smith. NATIONAL VICE CHAIRMAN of Credentials, Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith. STATE CHAIRMAN of National Defense, Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith; STATE CHAIRMAN of Insignia, Mrs. Dwight P. Cruikshank.

Highlights of James Wood Chapter's activities during the fifty-fifth year of its service to the National Society: Five members attended Continental Congress in 1958. Constitution Week was observed and stressed as a major project. \$50.00 was contributed to Tamasee as a scholarship; \$35.00 to the Investment Fund; \$200.00 to Kate Duncan Smith Mechanical Arts Building; \$200.00 to the Amphitheatre Stage at Cedar Lakes FHA-FFA Camp.

C. A. R. activities were a tea; Holiday Dance; regular monthly meetings; Coke party for new president, Christmas box to Tamasee, and attendance at the State C. A. R. conference.

Good citizenship awards and pins were presented to two High School girls, who were guests at a chapter meeting. A Historical Essay Contest was conducted in two Junior High Schools in February, and sixteen history medals were awarded. Two girls won Prize Essay awards and were guests at a chapter meeting.

The Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, and the National Anthem were presented at all meetings. A display of the Flag and the Constitution was placed in a downtown window. Tape recordings on the Constitution were secured for the Schools, Radio and Television, and motion pictures on patriotic subjects. Display placed in high school corridor of National documents and patriotic posters. A large Flag was presented to a junior high school. \$25.00 was contributed to the National Genealogical Records Committee. One chapter member had 15,000 White Pine and Norway Spruce trees planted on land in Pleasants County.

The Approved Schools Committee contributed \$25.00 to Cedar Lakes Amphitheatre; \$25.00 to Tamasee, and sent a Christmas box to Tamasee. A minimum of five minutes at each meeting is devoted to National Defense, and a full program on National Defense presented in January. 1495 inches of publicity and 20 newspaper pictures.

MILDRED R. LOWTHER (MRS. ROY), Regent

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#### JENNIE WILEY CHAPTER, Kermit

Organized November 26, 1949 by Miss Jessie Clair Baker. Membership 14. OFFICERS: Honorary Regent and Co-founder, Mrs. Lindsey Baker; Regent, Mrs. V. H. Hoke; Vice Regent, Mrs. P. L. DePue; Chaplain, Mrs. T. A. Shewey, Sr.; Secretary, Mrs. P. L. DePue; Treasurer, Mrs. T. A. Shewey, Jr.; Registrar, Mrs. Lee Roy Brewer; Historian, Miss Jessie Clair Baker; Librarian, Mrs. F. G. Staker, Sr.

All meetings have been opened with The Pledge of Allegiance, The American's Creed, and The National Anthem. The President General's Message has been read at each meeting and ten minutes have been devoted to National Defense.

Constitution Week was observed in the Kermit and Lenore schools with appropriate programs sponsored by the members. There was a program on Saturday at the Kermit City Hall with the public invited. The program was under the direction of the Regent and Kermit Troop 31, Boy Scouts of America. In a daily ritual the Boy Scouts keep "Old Glory" flying at the City Hall. The flag was given by the Jennie Wiley Chapter on Flag Day, June 14th.

November, "Thanks for America," a Veterans Day program was given. The December meeting was a social one and the Christmas theme was used for the programs. February was stressed in schools as American History Month. In March a luncheon was served to members at the home of Mrs. T. A. Shewey, Sr., at which time a patriotic address and patriotic songs comprised the program.

April, Easter programs were observed in the schools and churches by members. May, "America Our Heritage," a patriotic program for closing of school was given under the direction of D. A. R. members, stressing home, parents, church, school, community, friends, state, citizens, nation, world, universe, all people and God, the Giver of all Freedom. June, Flag Day observance at the City Hall. July, Independence Day celebration with Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts participating, under the direction of the Regent. September, Welcome Alaska—Our 49th State, under the direction of one of the members.

The members of the chapter have given 500 hours to community service this year. Our contributions have been to the Heart Fund, Cancer Drive, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Polio Drive, Boy Scouts, and

Christmas Seal Drive. Six Good Citizenship awards and pins were presented to outstanding high school students.

One member is chairman of Literature and Poetry Division of the Woman's Club, who is helping to perpetuate for future generations the beauty, fine traditions and the wonderful living qualities of our beautiful West Virginia in a collection of folklore. One member has been appointed by Governor Cecil Underwood on the Advisory Board of the West Virginia Centennial Committee.

One member was transferred and another was claimed by death.

The highlight of the year was the establishment of a Ground Observer Post in Kermit under the supervision of Jennie Wiley Chapter with the Regent in charge of the Post. To date two of the members have earned their wings which were presented in an appropriate ceremony by M Sgt. John D. Lighthill of the Charleston Detachment.

ZONA MEADE HOKE (MRS. V. H.), Regent

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#### JOHN CHAPMAN CHAPTER, Bluefield

Organized April 11, 1907, by the late Mrs. W. G. Baldwin. Membership 181. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Ralph S. Kerfoot; Vice Regent, Mrs. A. S. Early; Chaplain, Mrs. Gertrude Sampson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Harold J. Altizer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. James H. Martin; Treasurer, Mrs. O. B. French; Registrar, Mrs. E. T. Gills; Historian, Mrs. Wade H. Frazier; Librarian, Mrs. R. A. Yarbrough.

We are honored to have as members of our Chapter Mrs. D. E. French, Past Vice President General, Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General, Mrs. J. A. Hammond, State Press Chairman, and the only Congresswoman from the State of West Virginia, The Honorable Elizabeth Kee.

Chapter meetings were opened with the Ritual and salute to the Flag of the United States of America; followed with the President General's Message and a message by our National Defense Chairman. We had splendid programs throughout the year based on the theme "Our Goodly Heritage." Constitution Week was observed with an outstanding program; also radio and television programs.

We have thirty-three J. A. C. Clubs, an efficient Junior Committee, and the Lydia Boggs Society, C. A. R., is outstanding. The Chapter gave three History medals, four Good Citizenship medals, one Good Citizenship award and pin, and four Thatcher pins. Contributions were made to the Investment Trust Fund, American Indians, National Defense, Occupational Therapy Scholarship, D. A. R. Museum, Cedar Lakes and Kate Duncan Smith School projects, and to the V. A. Hospital Christmas party. Clothing was sent to three approved schools and we had 46 subscriptions to the *D. A. R. Magazine*.

Two series of classes were taught by the Americanism Committee for the foreign born seeking citizenship in the United States, and a coffee was given June 13 for the New Citizens of the year. We continued to cooperate with the Police Department in maintaining a room at the city jail for delinquent children.

Special projects for the year were: The review of the book *Bending the Twig* given by the Dean of Bluefield College, the proceeds going to Kate Duncan Smith School Fund; a benefit bridge party was given in

order to subscribe to the West Virginia *D. A. R. News* 100% for our membership (184 subscriptions) for the year 1958-59; purchased an English Chop Plate for the D. A. R. Museum; sold 360 pounds of candy; and a lovely tea was given June 26 honoring the new members of the year.

The Chapter was well represented at the District meeting, State Conference and Congress, and we won the State award and prize for the best Press Book for 1957-58.

MURRIEL BOYD KERFOOT (MRS. R. C.), Regent

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### JOHN HART CHAPTER, Elkins

Organized March 27, 1907, by the late Mrs. Blaine W. Taylor. Membership 95. Honorable Mention Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Harry W. Reppert; Vice Regent, Mrs. S. M. Kendall; Chaplain, Mrs. G. H. Neale; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. Baker Fowler; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Russel D. Isner, Jr.; Treasurer, Mrs. Cyrus S. Kump; Registrar, Miss Irene Eib; Historian, Miss Sadavioe Goddin; Librarian, Mrs. Guy C. Findley.

We held eleven meetings during the year, using the program plans outlined by the State Program Chairman based upon "Our Goodly Heritage." One program was devoted to American Music; two were Historical; one was on "Mental Health" with Dr. Riday, Guest Speaker; and four were National Defense Programs. We had a speaker from the F. B. I., a movie and a display of our Nation's Flags at the June meeting, and on this Constitution Day, we had a speech by Lieut. Col. Sanders, Commander of A.F.R.O.T.C. on "Our Constitution and Our Defense, The Strategic Air Command."

We were host to the District Meeting at which Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice-Pres. General, was the speaker.

We have an active C. A. R. with 19 members.

In addition to our four National Defense Programs, we had a 5 minute report at each meeting, had Spot Announcements on the Radio on Flag Day and Constitution Day, and our Constitution Day Speech was broadcast over the radio. We presented a Good Citizenship Medal and 8 History Awards. We were represented at the State Conference, also at Continental Congress and devoted a program to each.

Our contributions were: \$15.00 to Investment Fund, \$25.00 to Kate Duncan Smith Special Project, \$50.00 worth of gifts to Tamasee, Occupational Therapy Scholarship, a \$5.00 advertisement to our National Magazine, \$17.50 to our local Library, and \$133.33 to our local project at Davis & Elkins College. We have loans out to 3 students. Over 20% of our members subscribe to the *D. A. R. Magazine*.

We have several members actively engaged in Community Service—4-H, Red Cross, Crippled Children, Y.M.C.A., W.C.T.U. and our Vice Regent is Chairman of the Tuberculosis Seal Campaign. We have shown several temperance and narcotic films to school and church youth groups.

During the year, we have received 5 new members—2 by transfer, and 2 Junior Members. We have lost 5—2 by death, 1 by resignation, and 2 by transfer. We have 4 papers in preparation.

HELEN LOMERSON REPERT (MRS. HARRY W.), Regent



## JOHN MINEAR CHAPTER, Philippi

Organized October 27, 1945, by Miss Mary Katharine Barnes. Membership 27. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Walter H. Kindergan; Vice regent, Mrs. A. Kyle Bush; Chaplain, Mrs. M. M. Strader; Secretary, Mrs. Carl Harvey; Treasurer, Mrs. L. Dow Phillips; Registrar, Miss Doris Smith; Historian, Mrs. Hazel McCoy; Librarian, Miss Mabel Holsberry.

Regular meetings are held in the homes of members on the third Friday of each month at 8 p.m. We follow the Ritual, and President General's Message read, and have had excellent programs.

All State, National and Conference dues have been paid, and our Chapter was represented at Continental Congress and at Jackson's Mill. The regent and one member attended the State Conference in Parkersburg.

October 18th was the date of our TWELFTH Anniversary turkey dinner, held in Baptist Church, to which members brought their families, or a guest. Program was a travelogue given by Mrs. Anna Murphy.

November 15th meeting held in the home of Mrs. J. Stanley Corder, co-hostess Mrs. Doyle Haney. Miss Alma V. Pitts, Regent, gave a report on the 52nd State Conference she attended in Parkersburg Oct. 10, 11 and 12th. Mrs. Paul Dickenson also attended as our delegate. Program was a book review by Mrs. Walter Kindergan on "*Little Known History of West Virginia's Folk Lore.*"

December 14th meeting was held in home of Mrs. Lillian Boggess, co-hostess Mrs. Hazel McCoy. The Christmas spirit was evidenced by the decorations in the home, and the program by Mrs. Rella Butcher, who demonstrated new ideas in Christmas decorations.

January 17th meeting in the home of Mrs. M. M. Strader, Miss Mabel Holsberry, co-hostess. We elected Mrs. Anna Lee Bowie of Arlington, Va., as our delegate to Continental Congress, and named Mrs. Nancy H. Bailey of Washington, as alternate. Mrs. Karl J. Myers gave a talk on her recent trip to Florida. We voted money for the Kate Duncan Smith School's special project, and money to purchase a book in memory of Mrs. B. E. Snyder and Mrs. K. G. Lodge to be placed in the National Library.

March 21st. Hostesses Mrs. Carl Harvey and Mrs. Anna Murphy—place Philippi Baptist Church. We held our annual covered-dish dinner to which members brought their families and guests. Dr. Frank Murphy showed colored movies of his recent trip to California, summer of 1957.

April 18th—meeting in home of Mrs. Virgil Hotsinpiller, co-hostess Mrs. A. Kyle Bush. We elected a Nominating Committee to report at the May meeting. Our officers only serve a two-year term. Mrs. Bush read an excellent paper on "The First Ladies of the United States."

May 16th. Meeting held in the home of Mrs. C. O. Phillips, with Mrs. Wray Springer, co-hostess. Mrs. Lillian Boggess gave a report on the District Conference she attended in Elkins in April.

June 20th. Meeting held in home of Mrs. Karl J. Myers, with Miss Alma V. Pitts, co-hostess. Newly elected officers were installed. Miss Mabel Holsberry, Flag Chairman, presented Mrs. Anna Murphy who showed movies pertaining to the history of The Flag of the United States of America.

Sept. 19, 1958. The meeting was held in the home of Mrs. L. Dow Phillips, co-hostess, Mrs. Walter Kindergan, regent, was absent on account of a death. Miss Alma V. Pitts, immediate-past regent, conducted the meeting. Program was a most interesting paper read by Mrs. A. Kyle Bush, entitled "Colonial Gardens."

We gave Good Citizenship and American History Awards.

ALLENE KINDERGAN (MRS. WALTER H.), Regent

## JOHN YOUNG CHAPTER, Charleston

Organized May 21, 1930 by Mrs. W. S. Johnson. Membership 155. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Charlie F. McNutt; First Vice Regent, Miss Virginia B. Johnson; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. John Lynn Goshorn, Jr.; Chaplain, Mrs. G. H. Overholt; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Thomas H. Acker; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ralph E. Grimmett; Treasurer, Mrs. C. L. Bower; Registrar, Mrs. John M. Lowe; Historian, Mrs. J. Haymond Duffy; Librarian, Mrs. Encil H. Shinn; Directors: Mrs. M. C. Andrews, Mrs. George McAlpin, Mrs. M. L. O'Neal. HONORED MEMBERS: Miss Virginia Johnson, National Chairman Junior Membership Committee, State Recording Secretary, Senior State President, C. A. R.; Mrs. Charles P. Walker, National Corresponding Secretary C. A. R.; Secretary Western District D. A. R. ; Mrs. Harper G. Grimm, State Chairman, Radio and Television.

The Chapter launched Constitution Week with a dinner meeting to which members of other chapters of D. A. R., S. A. R. and local patriotic societies were invited. Mrs. Ray L. Erb, National Chairman, National Defense, was the speaker. Her subject was "Ramparts of Freedom." Miss Virginia Johnson introduced the speaker. Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, our State Regent, was the honored guest. Miss Judy Humphries and Miss Cathy Powers were Pages.

The Junior Membership annual Colonial Silver Tea was held at the Governor's Mansion. One Hundred and Thirty Dollars (\$130.00) was sent thru the Chapter Treasurer, to the West Virginia Room in the New Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith D. A. R. School from the tea. An additional \$90 was contributed.

The Business and Professional Committee enthusiastically co-operated on the work of the American Indians and contributed twenty dollars (\$20.00) to them.

Nine dollars (\$9.00) was sent to the National Defense Fund from chapter members.

The chapter was hostess for the Western District meeting at Cedar Lakes; issued the invitation to the Jackson's Mill Luncheon; hostess to three recipients of the D. A. R. Good Citizenship Awards at a Coffee given at Chairman of Conservation's Home. She exhibited material she had collected on the subject of her talk. A house guest from England was introduced.

The Chapter chairman for Radio and TV reported a play "Atomic Era" with Charleston High Students as participants, an Essay Winner interviewed, announcements concerning History Month totalled \$7.75 air time.

A replica of George Washington's camp cup was presented for the winning essay during American History month. The recipient read his paper at a chapter meeting.

Twenty dollars (\$20.00) worth of advertising space was bought in the *D. A. R. Magazine*. 777 $\frac{5}{8}$  inches of publicity including 31 pictures was reported by our Press Relations Chairman.

Other speakers who spoke at our meetings were Mrs. James T. Spencer, Chapter Chairman American Music; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, National Chairman Press Relations; Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent; Mrs. Claude R. Hill, State Chairman Approved Schools; Mr. H. Juhling McClung, State President C. A. R., Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian.

Members attended Naturalization of Aliens at Court and luncheon. Flag Day was observed. Regent and delegates attended Continental Congress, State Conference Western District, Jackson's Mill, and chapter meetings.

MARY FORD McNUTT (MRS. CHARLIE F.), Regent

## KANAWHA VALLEY CHAPTER, Charleston

Organized September 15, 1914. Membership 172. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. H. Braden Powers; First Vice Regent, Mrs. Samuel G. Watson; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. James S. Conley; Chaplain, Mrs. Alvin E. McDougall; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Isaac P. Long; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. Callie Porter; Treasurer, Mrs. Paul E. Schneider; Registrar, Mrs. Charles M. Malcolm; Historian, Mrs. John A. Tierney; Librarian, Mrs. Benjamin K. Given; Parliamentarian, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe; President Board of Directors, Mrs. B. H. Adams.

The Flag was displayed at all meetings, the flag salute given, and messages from state and national officers read. National defense talks were given at each meeting and the National Anthem sung frequently.

The 1957 State Conference at Parkersburg was attended by eight members, the Continental Congress in Washington by five members, and the District Meeting at Cedar Lakes by six members.

Kanawha Valley Chapter was honored by giving the State Society the first State Regent from Charleston, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, who became State Regent in April upon the resignation of Mrs. E. S. Phillips.

A silver tea, given at the Governor's Mansion for the benefit of Cedar Lakes, showed a net profit of \$256.93, which with a chapter contribution of \$15, made a total of \$271.93 contributed to the Cedar Lakes project.

Four members attended the naturalization ceremonies in November and three members were in attendance at the ceremonies in April. Booklets on phases of D. A. R., Flag Codes, and Constitution leaflets were distributed to all members and to the new citizens.

American History Certificates were presented to four high school students and four received certificates and Good Citizenship medals. The chapter's community project was the placing of boxwood around the monument at the triangle honoring World War II soldiers.

The state treasurer's report will reflect the amounts given to the various state and national projects.

During the summer months, the Regent entertained at a series of "Family" Teas for her official family and committee chairmen. At these events D. A. R. policies, history and projects were discussed. Plans also were made for the coming two year program of the chapter, based on the theme "The Fruits of Freedom." It was chosen from the address of the President General, Mrs. Frederick A. Groves, to the 67th Continental Congress of NSDAR. History, education and patriotism were the basic objectives in planning the chapter meetings.

Our September meeting was in observance of the chapter's birthday and will, we hope, become a yearly custom. In October, we had a 'family' party in honor of our distinguished chapter member and State Regent, Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe. Throughout the year we have programs which we feel are in line with the National program of positive education in American principles, patriotism, history and traditions.

MARGO G. POWERS (MRS. H. BRADEN), Regent

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## KINGWOOD CHAPTER, Kingwood

Organized January 13, 1917, by Mrs. D. W. Parsons. Membership 23. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Carter B. Withers; Vice Regent, Mrs. B. D. Ward; Chaplain, Mrs. J. E. Gwynn; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Francis Ed Bowman; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John W. Brown; Treasurer, Mrs. Summers D. McCrum; Historian, Miss Helen Wolfe Bowman; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Thomas Lewis.

During the year 1957-'58 our Kings-Wood Chapter has carried on its program with some degree of difficulty. Our membership has diminished through the death of older members and the departure from the community of others.

Nevertheless we have accomplished the following:

1. Eleven regular meetings were held during the year with appropriate program at each meeting. 2. The national anthem was sung at each meeting. 3. At least ten minutes was devoted to National Defense at each meeting. 4. Two window displays were used, one presenting the Mayflower Compact and allied subjects, the other commemorative of February, American History Month.

5. Sent \$10.00 to KATE DUNCAN SMITH SCHOOL raised through the "Penny a Pound" Jingle Fund campaign. 6. Friends of chapter and several members sent \$16.00 to KATE DUNCAN SMITH SCHOOL as contribution to room in Mechanical Arts Building in memory of the late Mrs. Otta Copeman, mother of Mrs. W. K. Hawkins of the Kings-Wood Chapter. 7. Five dollars was sent by the Chapter to KATE DUNCAN SMITH in memory of the late Mrs. Anna McKinley, of the Ravenswood Chapter, mother of Mrs. Robert Harman of the Kingswood Chapter. 8. Chapter sent box of clothing and linens to TAMASSEE SCHOOL.

9. Awarded eight GOOD CITIZEN medals to senior girls from eight Preston County high schools. 10. Awarded two AMERICAN HISTORY medals to the two eighth grade girls in Kingswood who tied for first place in American History. One, Sandra Gibson, is the daughter of former Kings-Wood Chapter regent, Mrs. Hugh (Eleanor) Gibson. 11. Urged display of the American Flag on all patriotic occasions. 12. Every member of chapter, health permitting, engaged in community activities.

13. CONSTITUTION WEEK was observed in our local schools. Our three chapter members who are on the faculty at Kingswood High School promoted this observance. 14. Chapter observed FLAG DAY with dinner meeting at the home of Mrs. Thomas Lewis at which husbands and Good Citizens were guests. Program was on PATRIOTIC AMERICAN MUSIC with B. D. Ward, D. A. R. husband and county music director, in charge.

15. Chapter Regent, Mrs. Carter (Ruth Wolverton) Withers, and Vice-Regent, Mrs. B. D. (Ruby Hartman) Ward, attended the N. S. D. A. R. Continental Congress in Washington, D. C. last April as Delegate and Alternate from Kings-Wood Chapter. 16. Group has acquired an old millstone which will be properly marked and placed in public spot such as the lawn of Preston Memorial Hospital or the Preston County Courthouse lawn. 17. Chapter has intensively studied N. S. D. A. R. RESOLUTIONS and goes on record as favoring revision of said resolutions.

We should write our senators and congressmen about reforms in the *quality* and *training* in personnel of the diplomatic service.

We should help forward constructive education and urge the teaching of languages in our public schools.

RUTH WOLVERTON WITHERS (MRS. CARTER B.), Regent

## MAJOR WILLIAM HAYMOND CHAPTER, Fairmont

Organized November 11, 1908 by Mrs. George DeBolt. Membership 135. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Arthur R. Ward; First Vice Regent, Mrs. Louis D. Meiesl; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Carl A. Schimmel; Chaplain, Mrs. Alfred A. Heenan; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Withers; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. V. F. Phillips; Treasurer, Mrs. Harold W. White; Registrar, Mrs. Glenn A. Keister; Historian, Miss Thelma Hinebaugh; Librarian, Mrs. W. H. Conaway.

The chapter had ten regular meetings during the year. National policies and the Honor Roll program were followed meticulously. The chapter was awarded the Silver Honor Roll Certificate for the second straight year. For the second straight year the members felt they had been unfairly treated concerning one item, membership. At the September Board meeting, the Board voted to work for the three original objectives of the society only.

Swamp Fox Chapter, C. A. R., again provided the program for the George Washington Tea. With funds obtained from a bake sale, a delegate was sent to the State C. A. R. Conference.

The Approved Schools Committee sent \$25 for the Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith.

The Conservation Committee bought the first of a series of film strip to be used to teach Conservation through the Marion County Schools.

The Americanism Committee gave 19 History Medals. These, and the Good Citizenship Pins, were presented at the June Flag Day Tea, to which the parents of the award winners were invited also. This meeting proved to be the highlight of the year.

The Chapter was proud to have sponsored the girl who won the State Good Citizenship Award, Anita Sue Criss. Four Good Citizenship pins were awarded at the June meeting.

\$25 was made by placing an historical exhibit in the window of a local bank.

Four chapter members took part in the cemetery services on Memorial Day.

Four members took part in the Armed Services Day parade.

The chapter made an historical pilgrimage to Templemoor, the birthplace of Daniel Davisson. The home had been restored by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ritchie, Mr. Ritchie being the son of one of the chapter members.

Mary Elizabeth Conaway, granddaughter of the chapter's beloved Mrs. W. H. Conaway, was the representative to Rhododendren Girls State. She was elected to Rhododendren State Supreme Court. She gave a most interesting talk about her experience at the September meeting.

28 subscriptions were sent to the *D. A. R. Magazine*.

\$6.25 was realized from the gifts sent by the chapter to the Junior Membership Committee's Bazaar at the State Conference.

One Junior member was added to the chapter roll.

The Regent and two delegates attended State Conference. The Regent and four members attended the District meeting. Two delegates attended Continental Congress.

The Major William Haymond Chapter will celebrate its Golden Anniversary November 11. A dinner November 12 will commemorate the occasion. A very cordial invitation is hereby extended to all to come and join in the fun.

CONSEULO C. WARD (MRS. A. R.), Regent

## MATTHEW FRENCH CHAPTER, Princeton

Organized March 7, 1922 by Mrs. J. R. Rich. Membership 97. Silver Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. L. W. Doggett; Vice-regent, Mrs. H. F. Toothman; Chaplain, Mrs. Fred Gore; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fred Mole; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Beatrice Hamilton; Treasurer, Mrs. Harold Stafford; Historian, Mrs. Robert Woods; Registrar, Mrs. Owens Hutcheson; Librarian, Mrs. John Fredeking.

Twelve meetings were held during the year—one being a luncheon with Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, and Mrs. W. W. McClaugherty, Vice-President General, guest speakers. Five programs on historic subjects were presented. Two programs of American Music—"Songs of the Revolution" and "Patriotic Songs" were given during the year. One program, "Reading Matter in the Colonies" was presented by a member of the Margaret McKenzie Society, C. A. R.

History awards were given to 44 high school students who made A grades in American History. This award was a three-day bus trip through historic Virginia and Jamestown Festival.

The Chapter gave a \$100.00 scholarship to a Princeton High School girl in honor of Miss Ruth Hughson. Three good citizenship pins were given to junior and senior high school students. Forty ribbons were presented to junior high school students who made A in history. The chapter Librarian purchased and sent to the National Library one book—*Story of Mercer County* by West Virginia State Librarian, Mr. Kyle McCormick. *D. A. R. Magazines* were placed in the local library.

Twenty members attended the district meeting at Lewisburg in May. Three members attended Continental Congress. Margaret McKenzie Society, C. A. R., joined with Lydia Boggs Society on a tour of New York. Two members of C. A. R. won American History Awards.

The Junior Committee distributed flags to all first grade pupils in Princeton schools during Constitution Week. The Junior Committee also sponsored Junior American Citizens Clubs in the grade schools and contributed to Helen Pouch Scholarship and Junior Bazaar. National Defense reports have been given at each meeting and all patriotic dates have been reported. Constitution Week was observed by proclamation in local newspaper and on radio and in pulpits. Citizens were asked to display flags during the week. Members of chapter are using "Red Sox" savings plan for National Defense Fund. Contributions have been made by the Chapter to Investment Trust Fund, Kate Duncan Smith School, Tamasee School, National Defense, Helen Pouch Scholarship Fund, *West Virginia D. A. R. News*, *D. A. R. Magazine* Advertising Fund. Several large boxes of clothing and household articles were sent to Cross-nore.

Thirty-seven members receive *West Virginia D. A. R. News*. Twenty members subscribe to the *D. A. R. Magazine*.

ANNE DOGGETT (MRS. L. W.), Regent

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## MONONGACHATE CHAPTER, Hinton

Organized March 28, 1931, by Mrs. Walter T. Fredeking. Membership 22. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. A. P. Meador; Vice Regent, Mrs. J. W. Carmen; Chaplain, Mrs. W. L. Davis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John Faulconer; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Eleanor Early; Treas-

urer, Mrs. T. L. Read; Historian, Mrs. J. L. Perry; Librarian, Mrs. C. D. Bolton.

All chapter meetings were opened with D. A. R. Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and American's Creed and five minute talk on National Defense. Interesting and informative programs have been presented.

Mrs. Claude R. Hill, State Chairman of Approved Schools, was the guest speaker at the annual birthday dinner in March.

The opening meeting for the year 1958 was a covered dish dinner with Mrs. J. A. Hammond, State Chairman—Press and Publicity—as guest speaker.

We have given History Medals to a student in each of our four county high schools, a Citizenship Medal to a student in Hinton High School and a Homemaker Medal to a 4-H club girl. Small flags were presented to the fourth grade children in the city schools with appropriate programs.

Two members attended the Continental Congress in Washington.

Placed *D. A. R. Magazine* in the public library. Five members subscribe to *D. A. R. Magazine*.

Small contributions have been made to the following: Kate Duncan Smith School, Junior Bazaar, Kate Duncan Smith Special, Occupational Therapy Scholarship, National Defense, box of clothing to Kate Duncan Smith, Christmas package of cigarettes to Beckley Veterans Hospital to be distributed to patients, Christmas check to Kate Duncan Smith.

Constitution Week was observed by Proclamation of the Mayor, a display of flags by business places and chapter members, use of stickers by members and a program at our September meeting on "Our Constitution and its Scriptural Background."

All dues and assessments have been paid.

LEELA P. MEADOR (MRS. A. P.), Regent

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#### MOUND CHAPTER, Moundsville

Organized April 14, 1934, by Mrs. H. M. Carpenter. Membership 91. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. O. C. Baumberger; Vice Regent, Mrs. Ralph Buckley; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. Charles Peters; Chaplain, Mrs. Harry Ritz; Recording Secretary, Miss Nelle Meek; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Margaret Corcoran; Treasurer, Mrs. Evelyn Bonar; Registrar, Mrs. William Boyd; Historian, Mrs. E. L. White; Librarian, Mrs. Jessie Gribben.

Our chapter has enjoyed a very successful year. Our programs were very informative and pleasing. All meetings open with the Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, American's Creed and National Anthem. A National Defense item is given and the President General's letter is read at every meeting.

A very thorough report was given by Miss Nellie Woods of the Continental Congress, especially of the Resolutions passed by the D. A. R.

We observed Constitution Week in our first program, having the County Superintendent of Schools, Mr. McNinch, giving a very in-

formative history of the origin and framing of our Constitution. Each meeting was slanted to the historical occasions of the month and time of the year. Our guest speakers were both local and out of town folk.

We gave a medal to a high school girl whose essay on "Our Constitution" was superb. This year we plan to give cash prizes to the various high schools in the county. A committee has been appointed to purchase the Genealogical Books for our library from the heirs of the late Mrs. Carpenter who was a devoted member and organizer of our chapter. The Annual Jackson's Mills Luncheon was attended.

Our last meeting in June was a dinner at the Christian Church and program given was entirely on our Flag. Our chapter has given to the approved schools and all the local charities for improvement.

INEZ BAUMBERGER (MRS. O. C.), Regent



#### NATHAN DAVIS CHAPTER, West Union

Organized May 26, 1954 by Mrs. W. H. Snodgrass. Membership 21. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. C. S. Pease; Vice Regent, Miss Pearl Jett; Chaplain, Miss Gwnedolyn Leggett; Secretary, Mrs. Walter Doak; Treasurer, Mrs. Olin Wetzels; Registrar, Mrs. J. D. Foley; Historian, Miss Kathleen Summers.

Ten meetings of the Chapter were held during the year. Interesting and informative programs were presented. Each meeting was opened with the D. A. R. Ritual and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The President General's message is discussed and time is given at each meeting for a report of the Chairman of the National Defense Committee. Our February meeting was in observance of American History month. Our guest speaker was our County Superintendent of Schools whose topic was, "The Role of Women in American History." Our June meeting was devoted to National Defense with our Vice Regent speaking on the subject, "What is National Security?" Our September meeting was devoted to Constitution Week. Our guest speaker was the President of our local Ministerial Association and the topic of his address was, "Fruits of Freedom." The remainder of our meetings were devoted to reports on the lives of the First Ladies of our Nation. Our Program Chairman gave a report on the Highlights of the Continental Congress at our annual meeting in May.

Our Chapter was hostess to the Northern District Meeting in April. Three of our members attended the State Conference in Parkersburg, and five of our members attended the State Meeting in Jackson's Mill. We have had a membership gain of three members, including one junior member during the past year.

Projects initiated and carried out are as follows: Sponsored a "Good Citizenship Contest" for local High School Senior girls. Presented the winner with a medal; sponsored a "Conservation Essay Contest," with the winner receiving an all-expense paid trip to the State Conservation Camp; presented medals to two eighth grade students for outstanding achievement in American History classes; contributed financially toward sending a girl to Girls' State Camp; contributed financially to Kate Duncan Smith and Tamasee D. A. R. Schools; also contributed to the Investment Trust Fund and had an advertisement in the National *D. A. R. Magazine*. Sponsored a poster and flag display in a local store window during Constitution Week; stressed the proper use of the American Flag on historic and patriotic holidays.



All of our members own a D. A. R. Handbook and Ritual, and ninety percent of the total membership subscribe to the *National D. A. R. Magazine*. Our greatest achievement for the past year was meeting all the requirements for the Gold Honor Roll award.

GRACE PEASE (MRS. C. S.), Regent

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#### OHIO VALLEY CHAPTER, St. Marys

Organized January 31, 1953, by Mrs. Forest E. Rabel. Membership 16. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. F. E. Rabel; Chaplain, Mrs. Roy Baker; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Leslie Eddy; Registrar, Mrs. Walter Carpenter.

The Ohio Valley Chapter of the D. A. R. has no report to make as we are an inactive chapter.

On September 26, 1958, E. Marie Hamrick of Charleston, West Virginia, passed away. She was a member of our Chapter and a neice.

KATHARINE AMBLER RABEL (MRS. FOREST E.), Regent

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#### PACK HORSE FORD CHAPTER, Shepherdstown

Organized February 22, 1916, by the late Mrs. James S. Phillips. Membership 35. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. William Thacher; Vice Regent, Mrs. John Link; Chaplain, Mrs. E. St. Clair Clayton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. W. Buckles; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Herbert Miller; Treasurer, Mrs. Ernest Stutzman; Registrar, Mrs. A. D. Kenamond; Historian, Miss Susan Gregg Gibson; Auditor, Mrs. Paul Miller; Board of Management: Mrs. K. W. Eutsler; Mrs. W. H. S. White; Mrs. A. S. Lucas; Mrs. J. C. Fleming.

This is Your Life U. S. A." was the theme of nine interesting and instructive chapter programs. Subjects given special emphasis were American Traditions, American Books and Authors, The American Family and The U. S. and the U. N. For the final meeting of the year the members met with the Bee Line Chapter of Charles Town for a very enjoyable covered dish supper.

The annual custom of filling a Christmas hamper for the boys and girls of Children's Haven has been continued, as well as the annual custom of placing Flags on the graves of all known soldiers of the American Revolution buried in Shepherdstown. The Chapter has continued the project of caring for the old Episcopal cemetery where nine Revolutionary Soldiers are buried.

A donation of five dollars was made to the local fire company. The pledge of fifteen dollars to the youth project at Ripley was paid in full. Clothing valued at one hundred dollars was sent to Crossnore. A small cash donation was made to Tamasee. A subscription to the *D. A. R. Magazine* was placed in the town library. A pin for good citizenship and a certificate of merit were awarded to an outstanding senior girl, Miss Helen Knighten, in the local high school.

Constitution Week received special recognition by the placing of posters concerning it in the schools and business places. Members of the chapter who are teachers gave special emphasis to the subject in their classes during the week. Five minute talks have been given on National Defense at each meeting. Chapter members display their flags on special days and encourage others to do so.

The chapter was represented by two delegates at the State Conference and five of its members attended the District Meeting. The chapter has received excellent publicity in the local papers.

We have lost two members by death and three by transfer leaving 35. We have gained one junior member, and have two papers pending.

RUTH POWER THACKER (MRS. WILLIAM R.), Regent

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#### POTOMAC VALLEY CHAPTER, Keyser

Organized July 15, 1921, by Mrs. William MacDonald. Membership 63. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Martin L. Watson; Vice Regent, Miss Frances Davis; Chaplain, Mrs. Eltin Gourley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Vernon Twigg; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. John Heslen; Treasurer, Mrs. Dana Lough; Registrar, Mrs. Alyce Perry; Historian, Mrs. James Wright.

The highlights of our years program were: Address on National Defense; two book reviews, one on Love of Washington and A French Historical Novel, So Brief A Spirit; given by members of Potomac State Faculty, and a program on Early American Music.

At each meeting approximately 10 minutes were devoted to pertinent facts on National Defense.

In addition to meeting all of our regular financial obligations we donated to the Youth Camp at Ripley, Kate Duncan Smith, The Investment Fund, to the *D. A. R. Magazine* through an advertisement and sent Christmas gifts to the ladies in a local nursing home.

Our patriotic projects were the giving of awards to 3 students making the highest grades in American History in 3 of Mineral County 8th grade classes, and observance of Constitution Week by having the Mayor issue a Proclamation in the local newspaper and over the radio.

We were happy to welcome two new members to our chapter, one of whom is a Junior member but we regret the loss of one of our older members.

Our chapter was represented at following State and National meetings: State Conference at Parkersburg by Regent and five members, Continental Congress by two members, District Meeting in Martinsburg by Regent and several members.

TABITHA T. WATSON (MRS. MARTIN L.), Regent

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#### PRINCESS ARACOMA CHAPTER, Logan

Organized June 5, 1925, by Mrs. W. L. Burdette. Membership 81. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Alexander DeFobio; First Vice Regent, Mrs. W. E. Gardner; Second Vice Regent, Mrs. John Milne; Chaplain, Mrs. Robert L. McCormick; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Coy E. Marshall; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Thomas; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Carson Browning; Registrar, Miss Lila Hinchman; Historian, Mrs. R. A. Barker, Jr.; Librarian, Mrs. Litz McGuire.

The Chapter participated in 3 Naturalization Courts, presenting cards and flags to new citizens.

Six Good Citizen awards of \$5.00 and a pin were presented to seniors of the six High Schools of the county.

We sponsored a girl to Girl's State at Jackson's Mill.

The Junior American Citizen Committee has done the usual ex-

cellent work. There are 238 clubs in the county schools and there are 5950 members.

The Eleanor Smith Scholarship was won by Gloria Mangus of Man. State Conference attended by Regent. District meeting attended by Vice Regent.

There has been one death, 5 transfers, 1 member dropped for non-payment of dues and 2 new members this year.

The Chapter made the following contributions: six citizenship awards, \$30; Girls' State Delegate, \$30; Red Cross and Community Chest, \$20; Crippled Children, \$5; Veterans Hospital Christmas Party, \$5; F. F. A. Camp at Ripley, Amphitheatre Fund, \$50; Kate Duncan Smith School (Mech. Bldg.), \$50; 140 pounds of clothing to Kate Duncan Smith School; Memorial to Kate Duncan Smith, Mechanical Bldg. Fund of \$5. each for 2 deceased members; Tamassee School, \$50.

GRACE M. DeFOBIO (MRS. ALEXANDER), Regent

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#### RAVENSWOOD CHAPTER, Ravenswood

Organized July 25 1922 by the late Mrs. Eugene K. Perkins. Regular meeting date is the third Wednesday of each month except August.

Annual election of officers at the May meeting. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. S. L. Miller; Vice Regent, Mrs. Vernon McCoy; Chaplain and Historian, Mrs. M. E. Polsene; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Miss Elsie Green; Treasurer, Miss Bess A. Huey; Registrar, Mrs. D. E. Cole.

The Chapter had five minutes devoted to National Defense and the President General's message was read at each meeting. All State and National assessments were paid in full.

A subscription to the *Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine* was presented to the library at each of the county senior high schools.

Twenty dollars was contributed to the Ampitheater at the Cedar Lakes Camp, Ripley, W. Va.; \$2.00 to St. Mary's High School for Indian girls; \$2.00 to the Eichelberger Fund; \$5.00 to the Special W. Va. Project for Approved Schools; \$2.00 to National Defense; \$10.00 to the local schools for Aptitude tests, \$7.00 to the Investment Fund; one \$5.00 ad in the *D. A. R. Magazine* and \$10.00 toward refinishing Community building in which the organization meets.

The chapter was represented at the State Conference and the National Congress. It received the Kinswomen Award from Mrs. Robert Humphrey, National Chairman of Membership. The Award was presented at the State Conference by Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, State Vice Regent, in the absence of Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, Chairman of Membership.

One new member was accepted, two were lost by death, and one by resignation. The total membership Sept. 15, 1958 is 46.

SUE PROCTOR MILLER (MRS. S. L.), Regent

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#### SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHAPTER, Martinsburg

Organized April 28, 1921, by Mrs. Stuart W. Walker. Membership 102. Silver Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Hoover L. Lloyd; Vice Regent, Mrs. Paul Hammann; Chaplain, Mrs. Paul H. Martin; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Tevis Klabansky; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. Lee Hammersla; Treasurer, Mrs. Warner L. Hollida; Registrar, Mrs.

Russell J. Bergen; Historian, Mrs. David E. Mudge; Librarian, Mrs. R. B. Talbott; Parliamentarian, Miss Ruth Willey.

All Chapter meetings were opened with the D. A. R. Ritual, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and the National Anthem. The President General's Message was read and a ten minute talk on National Defense was given at each meeting.

The members enjoyed ten interesting and constructive programs. "A Look into America's Future" was the theme. Constitution Week received special recognition by a window display of documents associated with the Constitution. An editorial in *The Journal*, Mayor's Proclamation, and our guest speaker, Miss Pritte, Berkeley County's Attorney. Pamphlets on *The Preamble* and *What the Constitution Means to You* were distributed to all members.

Shenandoah Valley Chapter sent two boxes of clothing valued at \$200.00 also a donation of \$12.50 to Crossnore School; \$35. to West Virginia's Special Project; \$10. to the American Indians; \$10. to the Museum; \$10. to C. A. R.; \$15. to Conservation; \$25. to our State Project; \$5. to Investment Fund; \$1. Occupational Therapy Scholarship; \$2. binding books for the National Library.

Seventy certificates for excellence in American History were presented to the county schools and ten American History Medals in the high schools.

May 25th Shenandoah Valley Chapter was hostess for the Eastern District held at the Shenandoah Hotel. All seven Chapters were represented and reported. The program included a report and pictures on the Holy Land by Attorney Lee Bushong.

The Committee has attended two Naturalization Courts, distributing Manuals, pamphlets and Welcome Cards to the new citizens.

Fifty-six pages of Genealogical Records have been submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. Russell J. Bergen.

The Chapter observed Flag Day at the June meeting and American History Month in February.

The Regent and six members attended the Continental Congress. Miss Ruth Seibert is serving as State Chairman of Pages for the ninth year. The Chapter gave a much needed Flag holder to the State honoring Miss Seibert, in appreciation of her long service in D. A. R. work. Five members served on various State Committees. Two members attended the West Virginia Luncheon at Jackson's Mill.

One of our projects is copying Berkeley County's Will Book Number One, and to date we have completed two hundred seventy-five of the four hundred ninety-six pages.

EDNA R. LLOYD (MRS. HOOVER), Regent

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**SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY CHAPTER, Romney, Moorefield,  
Petersburg, Franklin**

Organized February 2, 1923, by the late Miss Agnes O. Endler. Membership 52. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Mortimer W. Gamble; Vice Regent, Mrs. George Moomau; Chaplain, Mrs. J. D. Blue; Secretary, Mrs. D. E. Cuppett, Jr.; Treasurer, Mrs. W. C. Levings; Registrar, Mrs. Charles R. Herriott, Jr.; Historian, Mrs. R. S. Kuykendall; Librarian, Mrs. J. R. Kirk.

We added six new members this past year, four Junior and two Senior members. We have contributed to all prescribed funds and have added books on Revolutionary History to the libraries of our four towns.

We were represented at Continental Congress and at our District meeting in Martinsburg last fall. We have followed closely the programs as outlined by National for the year and presented Good Citizenship medals to four seniors last June. The application papers of five additional Junior members are now being processed. We feel that securing Junior members in our chapter is one of our most important projects.

VIRGIE IRELAND GAMBLE (MRS. MORTIMER W.), Regent

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#### SPENCER-ROANE CHAPTER, Spencer

Organized April 5, 1934, by the late Mrs. F. F. McIntosh, Sr. Membership 37. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Brooks Sinnett; Vice Regent, Mrs. Nina Goad; Chaplain, Mrs. Guy Sinnett; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Leon Rishel; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Beulah Cox; Treasurer, Mrs. John Kee; Registrar, Mrs. Earl M. Daniel; Historian, Mrs. E. J. Sarver.

Regular monthly meetings were held, presided over by the Regent, Mrs. Brooks Sinnett. Each meeting was opened in ritualistic form and articles read on National Defense by the chairman, Mrs. C. W. Dye, and the President General's message was reported.

The Chapter made a cash contribution to the American Red Cross, and reported many hours of service by its members. Contributions were made to Kate Duncan Smith and Tamassee Schools, Scholarship Fund and to a local young representative of Spencer for the attendance of Girls' State at Jackson's Mill. Good Citizenship and American History medals were presented by members at three schools in Roane County. Each member contributed \$1.00 to the Amphitheater project at Cedar Lakes Camp in Jackson County.

Two members were lost by death, and two members were lost through transfer to the Anne Bailey Chapter in Charleston. We have received applications of four new members.

Two members, Mrs. Brooks Sinnett, Regent, and Mrs. C. W. Dye attended Continental Congress in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Sinnett and Mrs. William L. Simmons attended the Western District Conference at Cedar Lakes in May.

At the Annual Walnut Festival in Spencer, W. Va. our chapter entered a float in keeping with the theme of Holidays. We, of course, chose the Fourth of July and chose to represent "The Liberty Boys." Costumes of Revolutionary Uniforms were rented from New York City for the Fife player and the Drummer Boy, and the older man who played the drums. Characters were portrayed by members of the chapter.

LULA SINNTTT (MRS. H. BROOKS), Regent

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#### TRANS-ALLEGHENY CHAPTER, Weston

Organized December 9, 1921, by Mrs. M. Earl Jackson. Membership 49. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Isaac H. Maxwell; Vice Regent, Mrs. Thomas Covey; Chaplain, Mrs. Eldon Pertz; Secretary, Mrs. Cecil Andrews; Treasurer, Mrs. Jay Weese; Registrar, Miss Edythe M. Rohrbough; Historian, Mrs. S. L. Smith.

One member died during the year. We gained one new member; two transferred and one resigned.

During the year Trans-Allegheny Chapter held nine meetings, all well attended with interesting programs. The American flag was dis-

played, and after the Ritual, the Salute and American's Creed and the group singing America at each meeting. The President General's Message was read each time.

We sent a box of clothing to Tamassee and paid our pledge to the Mechanical Arts Building at Kate Duncan Smith.

Constitution Week was observed with spot announcements on the local radio station. The flags of members were flown on national and state days.

A Good Citizenship Certificate and pin was presented to a Senior girl in each of three Lewis County high schools. The American History Award of \$5.00 was given the girl making the highest grades in that subject in each of the three high schools.

We were represented at Continental Congress.

ELLA LOUISE MAXWELL (MRS. I. H.), Regent

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#### WEST AUGUSTA CHAPTER, Mannington

Organized February 22, 1907, by the late Mrs. James Furbee. Membership 56. Silver Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Clinton B. Phillips; Vice Regent, Mrs. A. F. Arnold; Chaplain, Miss Opal Rymer; Recording Secretary, Miss Rosemary Hess; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Beryle Mockler; Treasurer, Mrs. Spencer Kiger; Registrar, Miss Charlotte Koen; Historian, Miss Betty Blake; Librarian, Mrs. Orval Baker; Genealogist, Mrs. Leland Rymer.

West Augusta Chapter held ten regular meetings. National Defense was stressed at every meeting. We met all assessments and dues. Gave contributions to Approved Schools, Investment Fund, Indian Fund, United Fund and donated articles for the Junior Bazaar. Presented three American History medals, Good Citizenship medals, Good Citizen medal, and Valedictorian medal to students at Mannington High School. Constitution Week was observed in the churches in the city; the Mayor issued a proclamation to observe the week of September 17th as "Constitution Week;" the American History classes had a special project, all at the request of our chapter. We had a delegate at Continental Congress and delegates to the State Conference.

We sponsored one girl to Rhododendron Girls' State at Jackson's Mill. We sponsor three Girl Scout Troops. Three outstanding programs this year were one on conservation in which our speaker stressed soil erosion as well as preserving and transplanting the rhododendron, a talk "Washington Lives Again at Valley Forge" illustrated by color slides, and "The Flags That Have Flown Over the United States" illustrated by pictures of the flags.

We are indeed honored to have the State Chairman of American Indians, Mrs. Spencer Kiger, a member of our Chapter.

THELMA HUEY PHILLIPS (MRS. CLINTON), Regent

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#### WHEELING CHAPTER, Wheeling

Organized May 14, 1916 by Mrs. Charles Patterson. Membership 172. Gold Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Mrs. Henry S. Bell, Regent; Vice-Regent, Mrs. George J. Ferguson; Chaplain, Mrs. Jack R. Adams; Recording Secretary, Mrs. George B. Vieweg, Sr.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Charles H. Bonnesen; Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. E. Cooley; Registrar, Mrs. Nancy B. Ebeling; Historian, Mrs. Wade H. Kepner; Librarian, Mrs. Eugene Scott.

Wheeling Chapter has put great emphasis on patriotic programs and projects. Eight flags were presented to Girl Scout Troops and Brownie Troops in the Wheeling Council.

Four patriotic programs were presented in junior high schools during American History Month. The material for this program was requested and sent to Barnesville, Ohio, on the occasion of their 150th Anniversary Celebration. Three hundred copies of the Flag Code were distributed at a Community Fourth of July celebration. Five History Medals and four Good Citizenship pins were presented to High School Students. Thirty-eight cards of welcome were sent to New Americans in the Wheeling District. One radio program was given on Constitution Day. Churches, schools, business firms and citizens were contacted to observe Constitution Day and Constitution Week.

National Defense programs of at least ten minutes were presented at each meeting, and programs on the Resolutions adopted at the Continental Congress are planned for the coming year.

The site of the historic graves of Lawrence Washington, brother of George Washington, his Mother's and his sister's, located at Washington Farms in Wheeling, was renovated and made more attractive. Members of Wheeling Chapter served as hostesses for one week in July at the Historic Mansion and Carriage House at Oglebay Park, and also provided refreshments and served as Hostesses at the Open House of the new Ohio County Tuberculosis Center.

We have had a net gain of nine members, two of these are Junior Members. The Juniors are taking a keen interest, and I feel sure will soon be able to function as a group with fine results. The first two meetings were more for orientation, but they are eager to get to work once they are informed of the wonderful challenges the D. A. R. holds for them.

Mrs. M. E. Marsh, Jr., Genealogical Chairman, has submitted 205 PAGES OF GENEALOGICAL RECORDS. Wheeling Chapter is so proud of this outstanding achievement. \$54.22 has been sent to Kate Duncan Smith this past year for their special project, the Mechanical Arts Building, along with four large cartons of clothing.

We were represented at the Continental Congress and the State Conference.

Much credit is due Mrs. Nancy B. Ebeling, Registrar of Wheeling Chapter, for her tireless efforts and her interest in helping prospective members complete their application papers. Thirteen new members were added last year with a net gain of nine. Her devotion to her work far exceeds the call of duty.

We have tried to impress our members with the urgency of regarding their membership in the D. A. R. as a distinct challenge to promote patriotism and to help preserve the American way of life, so that they in their day may help to preserve and nurture THE FRUITS OF FREEDOM.

KATHLEEN FLANAGAN BELL (MRS. HENRY S.), Regent

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#### WILLIAM HENSHAW CHAPTER, Martinsburg

Organized April 5, 1899 by the late Mrs. Francis C. Berry. Membership 71. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. J. W. Lloyd, Sr.; Vice Regent, Mrs. Harley Griffith; Chaplain, Mrs. N. A. Snyder; Recording Secretary, Miss Myra Gosnell; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Virginia Gold; Treasurer, Mrs. Elsie MacTavish; Registrar, Mrs. Edwin Miller; Historian, Mrs. F. P. Spillman; Librarian, Mrs. Floyd Walker.

The William Henshaw Chapter had ten meetings, each opening with the ritual, pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and reading of the President General's Message. The National Defense Chairman had ten minutes or more at each meeting. Our programs were varied and interesting; National Park Service, Harpers Ferry, flower arrangements, Christmas Candellight dinner was beautifully decorated, program included carol singing and lesson on painting, colored slides on our State, two of our members showed slides taken on their travels to Guam and the Far East and Alaska, two book reviews and an educational talk on the Constitution by a State Representative.

We had 108 inches of Publicity, 880 hours of Community Service. Used clothing valued at \$378.45 (a very conservative figure) was sent to Crossnore. Cash contributions were sent to Investment Trust Fund, National Museum, Youth Camp and Conference Center at Cedar Lakes, Occupational Therapy, and, as requested, all school money to Special Project at Kate Duncan Smith. One girl in each of our three county high schools received a Good Citizenship pin.

Registrar reports 1 resignation, 3 deaths, 1 new member, making a total of 71.

STELLA W. LLOYD (MRS. J. W., SR.), Regent

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#### WILLIAM MORRIS CHAPTER, Pratt

Organized February 27, 1922 by the late Mrs. William S. Brown. Membership 64. Honorable Mention Honor Roll. OFFICERS: Regent, Mrs. Gaither W. Miller; Vice Regent, Mrs. R. L. Bryan; Chaplain, Mrs. Forest Elmo Lewis; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rudolph DiTrapano; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Nellie Bly Walker; Treasurer, Miss Pansy Millard; Registrar, Mrs. C. R. Lewis; Historian, Mrs. Charles H. Gilmour.

All national and state assessments have been paid. During the year the chapter lost one member by death and one member by transfer; we gained three new members, one a Junior member.

Achievements for the year: Donations were given to Cedar Lakes Project, The Investment Trust Fund, Kate Duncan Smith, Occupational Therapy, and Bacone Indian College. Gave \$200 scholarship to a student at Morris Harvey College. Completed payment on a Memorial Scre at Tamasee. Gave four Good Citizenship Medals at Pratt and McKinley Jr. High Schools. Gave four History Medals at the following high schools: South Charleston, Nitro, St. Albans, and Tech.

At each chapter meeting a short talk or discussion on National Defense has been made. The programs have followed the pattern set by the National Organization with variations to suit the occasion and season.

We were represented at the State and District Conferences. Since no one from our chapter was able to attend the Continental Congress we had a program devoted to it instead.

ETHEL R. MILLER (MRS. GAITHER W.), Regent

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#### YE TOWN OF BATH CHAPTER, Berkeley Springs

Organized July 15, 1932 by Miss Martha May Harmison. Membership 36. OFFICERS: Regent, Miss Mary Dyche Hunter; Vice Regent, Mrs. H. D. Beeler; Chaplain, Mrs. Henry N. Gorrell; Secretary, Miss May Harmison; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. Glenn Kidwell;



Treasurer, Mrs. H. Ford Shipley; Registrar, Mrs. C. L. McHenry; Historian, Miss Mary Largent; Librarian, Mrs. Alice Blake.

President General's Message read and ten minutes talk on National Defense at each meeting. Two Good Citizens Medals and Pins awarded two high school seniors. One delegate to Continental Congress.

Box of clothing sent to Kate Duncan Smith School—value \$50. Cash donation of \$10 made to special project of Approved School. Had twelve meetings with appropriate and instructive programs which carried out historical, educational and patriotic objectives of the National and State policies.

One new member. Attended Eastern District Meeting. District officers serving from this Chapter. Press notices go out to the county paper and reports of the meetings go to three papers.

MARY DYCHE HUNTER (MISS), Regent

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## REPORTS OF DISTRICTS

### NORTHERN DISTRICT

The annual meeting of the Northern District was held on April 26, 1958, in West Union with Nathan Davis Chapter as hostess. Mrs. James D. Foley and Miss Pearl Jett were in charge of registration. The luncheon invocation was asked by Miss Gwendolyn Leggett, Nathan Davis Chaplain. Mrs. Walter Doak, District Director, presided. Mrs. Harold Helmick advanced the colors; Miss Irene Fowler led the Pledge of Allegiance; Mrs. Chris Connley accompanied the National Anthem.

The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Homer Drake, Nathan Davis Chapter. Mrs. H. H. Griffin, James Wood Chapter, responded.

The Director introduced the following: Mrs. H. J. Smith, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General; Mrs. H. A. Beckwith, State Membership Chairman; Miss Lucy Coplin, State Conservation Chairman; Mrs. A. Hayes Elliott, Regent, Ann Royall Chapter; Mrs. Roy Lowther, Regent James Wood Chapter; Mrs. H. Paul Hite, Regent, Blennerhassett Chapter; Miss Louise Bullock, Chairman District Nominating Committee. Four chapters of the Northern District were represented; total registration 35.

The Nominating Committee consisted of: Miss Louise Bullock, Chairman; Mrs. H. Paul Hite, Blennerhassett Chapter; Mrs. A. Hayes Elliott, Ann Royall Chapter. The Committee on Resolutions: Mrs. A. Hayes Elliott, Chairman; Mrs. Roy Lowther, James Wood Chapter; Mrs. H. Paul Hite.

The secretary read telegrams and letters of greetings from the following: Mrs. Henry Bell, Regent Wheeling Chapter; Miss Virginia B. Johnson, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Russell J. Bergen, State Chaplain; Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, State Treasurer; Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian; Mrs. C. R. Hill, State Chairman Approved Schools.

Miss Lucy Coplin, State Conservation Chairman and past Regent of Ann Royall Chapter gave a most interesting address on "Suggested Revisions of the State Constitution of West Virginia."

Chapter reports were given by the following Regents: Ann Royall, Mrs. A. Hayes Elliott; Blennerhassett, Mrs. H. Paul Hite; James Wood, Mrs. Roy Lowther; Nathan Davis, Miss Pearl Jett, Vice-Regent.

Mrs. H. A. Beckwith reported. A report from Mrs. C. R. Hill was read.

Miss Louise Bullock, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported that no chapter represented had extended an invitation for the 1959 Northern District Meeting, therefore no nominations had been made. The normal procedure is to have the offices filled from the hostess chapter. It was recommended by the Nominating Committee that the Secretary notify the State Regent of this and request her to appoint these officers at the annual Jackson's Mill Luncheon in July. Courtesy resolutions were adopted.

PEARL M. JETT (MISS), District Secretary

Northern District met Friday, October 17, and elected: Mrs. O. C. Baumberger, Mound Chapter, District Director; Miss Nelle Meek, District Secretary. District meeting to be in Moundsville in early April.

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### CENTRAL DISTRICT

The eleventh annual meeting of the Central District was held May 3, 1958 in the First Methodist Church of Elkins, W. Va., with the John Hart Chapter as hostess. Miss Hallie Martin was chairman of arrangements.

Following the coffee hour and registration, the business session was called to order by Mrs. Rudolph S. Stoyer, District Director. The invocation was given by Rev. J. C. Fisher, pastor of the First Methodist church. Miss Leota Griffith and Mrs. James Rosenberger led the delegates in the opening rituals.

Mrs. Stoyer introduced the following guests: Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Vice President General and Honorary State Regent; Mrs. Waltman H. Conaway, Honorary State Regent; Mrs. J. Carney Bogess, State Librarian; Mrs. George H. Coffman, retiring State President of the Daughters of 1812; Mrs. Sam Morgan, past State Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Hallie Martin of the Huguenot Society. A telegram was read from Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, expressing her regret at being unable to attend, and Mrs. T. B. Leith, State Historian, also, sent regrets.

The roll call was taken by the secretary, Mrs. James L. Tritchler. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. The following State Chairmen gave brief reports—Mrs. Spencer Kiger, American Indians; Mrs. James L. Tritchler, D. A. R. Magazine; and Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, D. A. R. Museum. Mrs. George H. Coffman, chairman of the credentials committee, gave the following report—total registered 56, C. A. R. 2; State Officers 2 and National Officers 1.

Mrs. R. S. Stoyer, District Director, gave an inspiring address on James Monroe, our fifth President—saying that the theme of his life was "America for Americans." A memorial for deceased members for the past year was conducted.

After the luncheon, planned by Mrs. Harry W. Reppert and her committee, Mrs. Stoyer introduced the distinguished guests. Mrs. McClaugherty gave an address "No Man Can Serve Two Masters." She also reported the high lights of the Continental Congress, and asked that the group study the resolutions passed by the Congress.

The following new officers were elected for the unexpired term of one year: Mrs. James L. Tritchler, District Director, and Mrs. Edgar Williams, Secretary.

The invitation for next year's Central District meeting was extended by Mrs. Aquilla Ward to meet in Weston, W. Va., on May 2, 1959.

with the Trans-Allegheny Chapter as hostess. The invitation was accepted and the meeting was adjourned.

CHARLOTTE TRITCHLER (MRS. JAMES L.), District Secretary



### SOUTHERN DISTRICT

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Southern District met in the Chapel of the Old Stone Church in Lewisburg, May 10, 1958, with the General Andrew Lewis Chapter Hostess. Sixty-three members were present.

Reistration began at 9:30 o'clock with a Coffee Hour. The morning session opened at 10:45 o'clock with the District Director, Mrs. Ira M. Smith presiding. Rev. Stacy Groscup gave the Invocation. The address of Welcome was extended by Mrs. P. E. Prillaman, General Chairman, with Mrs. A. P. Meador, Monongachate Chapter, giving the response.

Mrs. C. R. Hill, State Chairman of Approved Schools, spoke to the group concerning the schools. She stressed chapters concentrate on Kate Duncan Smith School until pledge is paid. Mrs. Samuel Solins, National Vice Chairman Radio and T.V., was introduced and spoke briefly. Mrs. J. A. Hammond, State Press Chairman was introduced and urged all chapters to send clippings to her with dates.

A motion was made and carried that the Southern District pay for a plaque for W. Va. Room at Continental Hall, a cost of \$35. A motion was made and carried that \$25. be sent to Kate Duncan Smith Special Project. Motion carried. A motion was made that the plaque be placed honoring Mrs. W. W. McClaugherty. Motion carried. A motion was made that the \$25. be sent Kate Duncan Smith honoring Mrs. C. R. Hill. Motion carried. Mrs. Snidow, Matthew French Chapter, announced her chapter had endorsed Mrs. E. L. Robertson as nominee for State Historian. Southern District endorsed her motion.

Mrs. W. W. McClaugherty, Vice President General, was presented and presided over the Regent's Panel.

Miss Mildred Jones Keefe, Instructress at Greenbrier College, presented dramatically several poems from her latest publication "White Beauty."

Lunch was served in Fellowship Hall at 1:00 o'clock. The afternoon session was called to order. Miss Emojean Lowance, a student at Greenbrier College, accompanied by Mrs. Charles E. Huffman, delightfully entertained the group with vocal selection.

Secretary was instructed to send messages to Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent, Mrs. D. E. French, Mrs. C. W. Bishop, District Treasurer, who were ill and could not attend.

The Nominating Committee, Mrs. E. L. Robertson, Chairman, presented the nominees for officers of the Southern District. Mrs. H. C. Hayes, Director; Mrs. Frank Crawford, Secretary; Mrs. Lera Cox Miller, Treasurer. A motion was made that the slate be accepted by unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Mrs. Smith thanked the people for taking part on the program and a rising vote of thanks was given the ladies of the Old Stone Church for such a delicious lunch.

An invitation for the Fourteenth Annual Meeting was extended by Matthew French Chapter for 1959.

Mrs. W. W. McClaugherty spoke on Continental Congress, giving a resume of resolutions passed at the Sixty-seventh Congress. She

sressed that the Daughters become more informed as to conditions and happenings in our country today.

Mrs. Rush D. Holt, Secretary of State, gave a most interesting and informative speech on the "Duties of the Secretary" and being the "Keeper of the Seal." She gave the history of painting of the seal and its many uses.

Coke Hour followed the Roll Call.

ELIZABETH M. PHELPS (MRS. WILSON), District Secretary

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#### WESTERN DISTRICT

The Western District held their eleventh annual meeting at Cedar Lakes May 17, 1958, with John Young Chapter as hostess. Mrs. D. B. Kraybill, Buford Chapter, presided as Director in the absence, on account of illness, of Mrs. H. M. Cogan.

Seventy-one members and one visitor attended the meeting. Mrs. M. L. O'Neale, of John Young Chapter, was general chairman. National and state officers attending were: Miss Virginia Johnson, State Recording Secretary and National Chairman of Junior Membership; Mrs. Charles P. Walker, National Secretary of the C. A. R.; Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe, State Regent; Mrs. H. J. Smith and Mrs. A. Keith McClung, Honorary State Regents.

Mr. John M. Lowe, Managing Director of W. Va. FFA-FHA Foundation was guest speaker. His subject was "Western Waters," giving a historical talk of the settling of the Ohio Valley by the English, and of the development of Cedar Lakes.

Mrs. Holcombe reported that the remainder owed on the \$2500 pledged to Cedar Lake would be paid out of the contingent fund, that action having been voted by the state board.

Lunch was served in the Cedar Lakes dining hall with Mrs. M. L. O'Neale, General Chairman, presiding. Mrs. Charles P. Walker gave the invocation.

The afternoon session convened at 2:00 P. M., and reports from each of the seven chapters of the Western District were given. Mrs. V. Eugene Holcombe was the afternoon speaker giving an illuminating sketch of the life and patriotism of President Benjamin Harrison and his wife, Caroline Scott Harrison, the First President General of the D. A. R. Mrs. Holcombe asked the chapters to consider seriously giving all their donations this year to Kate Duncan Smith School for completion of the mechanical arts building.

The following nominating committee for 1959 was elected: Mrs. George McAlpin, Chairman, Mrs. Chester Roush and Mrs. Alden Bryan.

Mrs. John E. Graham, Regent of Buford Chapter, cordially invited all to attend the State Conference in Huntington October 16, 17, 18, 1958.

Mrs. C. Lyle Clay reported for the nominating committee: For Director, Mrs. H. E. Danford, Buford Chapter; For Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Charles P. Walker, John Young Chapter—they were unanimously elected by voice vote.

An invitation for the Western District meeting in 1959 to be held in Barboursville, with Barboursville Chapter hostess, was extended by Mrs. Ira P. Baer.

The Resolutions Committee read their report and the meeting adjourned.

ROSE LYTTON GIBSON (MRS. W. K.), District Secretary Pro Tem

## EASTERN DISTRICT

The 12th annual meeting of the Eastern District was held at Martinsburg, May 24, 1958, with Shenandoah Valley Chapter as hostess.

52 members registered, after which the meeting opened with the invocation by Mrs. Paul H. Martin, Chaplain of the Shenandoah Valley Chapter. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Hoover Lloyd, Regent of Shenandoah Valley Chapter, and the response was made by Mrs. K. W. Eutzler, retiring Director.

Miss May Harmison, of Ye Towne of Bath Chapter, Berkeley Springs, the new Director, took charge of the meeting, and the minutes of the 1957 meeting were read and approved. The following State Officers were recognized: Mrs. W. H. S. White, Past State Regent, Mrs. Russell Bergen, State Chaplain, Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen, State Treasurer, Miss Emily Miller, State Finance Chairman, Mrs. J. Henry Seibert, State Flag Chairman.

Reports of the Chapters were given as follows: Potomac Valley—Mrs. Tabitha Watson; William Henshaw—Mrs. J. W. Lloyd; South Branch Valley—Mrs. M. W. Gamble; Shenandoah Valley—Mrs. J. Hoover Lloyd; Pack Horse Ford—Mrs. W. R. Thatcher; Daniel Taylor—no report; Bee Line—Mrs. Wagner; Ye Towne of Bath—Miss Mary D. Hunter.

A letter was read from Mrs. Claude R. Hill, Sr., State Chairman of Approved Schools, with the information that we are expected to take care of our obligations amounting to \$3,000.00 to the Kate Duncan Smith project before donating to any other cause whatsoever, except boxes of clothing.

An invitation was given by Mrs. Moore of Bee Line Chapter, Charles Town to have the next meeting there. This was unanimously accepted.

A nominating committee was named to select a Director and Secretary for 1960-1961. They were: Mrs. William Caldwell, Potomac Valley Chapter, Mrs. Leroy Rockwell, Ye Towne of Bath, Mrs. F. L. Bushong, Bee Line, Miss Amelia McKown, William Henshaw, Mrs. W. H. S. White, Pack Horse Ford.

A motion was made endorsing Mrs. Henry J. Seibert of Shenandoah Valley Chapter for State Registrar, seconded and unanimously passed.

The meeting adjourned for luncheon. Grace was given by Mrs. Paul H. Martin, and Mrs. L. St. Clair Allen dismissed the meeting with prayer.

At the afternoon session Mrs. Bruce Eagle Eyler, a member of the hostess Chapter, sang two solos: "Serenade," by Brahms, and "One Fine Day" from Madame Butterfly, accompanied on the piano by Mr. Herbert Wildeboor, of the Shepherd College Faculty. This was followed with an address of Mr. Lee Bushong of Charles Town, on a tour of the Holy Land.

EMILY H. McHENRY (MRS. C. L.), District Secretary

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## BY-LAWS

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### THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE ORGANIZATION OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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#### ARTICLE I

##### NAME

The name of this body shall be the West Virginia State Organization of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### ARTICLE II

##### OBJECTS

The object of this Organization shall be to bring into closer relationship the Chapters of West Virginia and to promote the three objects of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution:

(1) To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence, by the acquisition and protection of historical spots, and the erection of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the Revolution and the publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots, and by the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries.

(2) To carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of the American citizens.

(3) To cherish, maintain, and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

#### ARTICLE III

##### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. All Chapters in the State in good and regular standing in the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, shall be eligible to membership in this Organization.

Section 2. Any Chapter after confirmation by the National Society may become a member by sending to the State Registrar and the State Recording Secretary the name of the Chapter, the names of its officers, the names of its members and by sending the State assessments to the State Treasurer.

Section 3. A member-at-large of the State shall not be eligible as a delegate or an alternate to the meetings of the National Society or State Organization, or hold a National or State Office or serve on a National or State Committee.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### OFFICERS

The Officers of this Organization shall be a State Regent, a State Vice Regent, a State Chaplain, a State Recording Secretary, a State

Corresponding Secretary, a State Treasurer, a State Registrar, a State Historian and a State Librarian. No two State Officers shall be members of the same Chapter except the State Regent and State Corresponding Secretary.

## ARTICLE V ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The Officers of this Organization shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the State Conference, every third year. A majority vote shall constitute an election.

Section 2. A Nominating Committee shall be elected at the State Conference preceding the Conference at which the State Officers are to be elected. This Committee shall consist of one member from each of the five districts. The report of the Nominating Committee shall be sent out with the call to Conference. Additional nominations may be made from the floor provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained.

Section 3. The Officers of this Organization shall hold office for three years or until their successors are elected. All State Officers shall assume office when the Continental Congress confirms the election of the State Regent and State Vice Regent.

Section 4. To be eligible to the office of State Regent or State Vice Regent a member shall have held membership in the West Virginia State Organization at least five years prior to her election. To be eligible for any other state office a member shall have held membership in the West Virginia State Organization two years prior to her election. No member shall be eligible to the same State Office for two consecutive terms and no member who has served one term in any State Office shall be eligible to any other State Office, except that of State Vice Regent or State Regent until the expiration of at least one year.

Section 5. No member shall hold at the same time two offices carrying a vote at the State Conference.

Section 6. No member shall be eligible to the State Regency who has not served previously as a State Officer. No Chapter shall be eligible to representation on the Board for more than three consecutive terms, exclusive of Chapter Regents.

Section 7. Should the office of the State Regent become vacant the State Vice Regent shall accede to that office for the remainder of that term. Other vacancies occurring in office shall be filled by the State Board of Management until the next annual meeting of the State Conference. Any member having served in a vacancy for more than one-half term in any office, except the office of State Regent and State Vice Regent, shall be deemed to have served a term.

Section 8. In recognition of valuable service to the State Organization, the title of Honorary State Regent may be conferred for life by a majority vote at any State Conference upon a member who has held the office of State Regent.

Section 9. Nominations for a candidate for the office of Vice President General from West Virginia shall be made by the Nominating Committee at the annual meeting of the State Conference. There may be nominations from the floor. The vote shall be by ballot; a majority vote shall be necessary for endorsement.

## ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. The State Regent shall preside at all meetings of the State Organization, of the Board of Management and of the Executive

Committee, appoint all committees except the Nominating Committee, authorized by the State Conference, call all special meetings and perform any other duty required of the State Regent by the National Society. She shall be ex-officio a member of all Committees except the Nominating Committee. The State Regent shall be vested with the State Regent's pin during her term of office.

Section 2. The State Vice Regent, in the absence of the State Regent shall perform the duties of the State Regent.

Section 3. The State Chaplain shall open all State Meetings with the reading of Scripture and prayer and shall conduct such religious services as occasion may require. She shall conduct the Memorial Service at each State Conference and prepare the necrology for the State.

Section 4. The State Recording Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the State Organization, the State Board of Management and of the State Executive Committee. She shall keep a roster of the State Officers, State Chairmen and Chapters of the State Organization and shall notify all Officers, Chairmen and Chapter Regents of all decisions, orders and proceedings affecting or pertaining to them.

Section 5. The State Corresponding Secretary shall attend to the correspondence of her office and such other correspondence as the State Regent, State Organization, the State Board of Management and the State Executive Committee may direct. She shall send out the notices of all meetings and shall distribute all literature.

Section 6. The State Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities of the State Organization which she shall deposit in a bank approved by the State Board of Management. She shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and disbursements and pay by check all bills duly authorized by the State Conference or the State Board of Management or on warrant drawn by the State Regent. All bills shall be countersigned by the Chairman of the Finance Committee prior to their payment. The Treasurer shall render an audited report in chart form to the annual meeting of the State Conference. She shall submit a statement of the finances of the State at any other meeting of the State Conference, State Board of Management or Executive Committee. The books shall close on the fifteenth day of September each year. An Audit of her account shall be made before each State Conference by a Certified Public Accountant or by an Auditor approved by the Board of Management. She shall within thirty days of her retirement turn over to her successor all monies, accounts and books of the State Treasury with the Auditor's report to be placed in the State files. In case of the inability of the State Treasurer to serve, the Chairman of the Finance Committee is empowered to sign all checks for payments of bills duly authorized.

Section 7. The State Registrar shall assist applicants in proving eligibility claims in towns where there are no chapters and shall give assistance to Chapter Registrars in verifying lineage records and shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the Registrar General, by the State Organization and by the State Board of Management. The State Registrar shall keep a card file containing the name, address, name and rank of Ancestor, National Number, date admitted to the National Society, date of transfer, re-instatement, resignation, marriage and death. She shall keep a roster of State Officers, State Chairmen and Chapter Regents. She shall be custodian of application papers of members of Chapters that disband.

Section 8. The State Historian shall direct and encourage the Historical work in West Virginia through Chapter Historians and shall incorporate in her annual report such outstanding report from Chapter Historians as may be of future value to the State. She shall perform



such other duties as may be designated by the Historian General by the State Organization and by the State Board of Management. She shall prepare for the Reporter General to the Smithsonian Institution the State Reports of grave locations, dates and service records of Revolutionary soldiers, sailors and patriots. She shall have custody of all historical or biographical manuscripts of which the State Organization may become possessed, and shall arrange and preserve the same.

Section 9. The State Librarian shall have charge of all books and magazines of which the State Organization may become possessed, with the exception of those provided for elsewhere. She shall have charge of soliciting gifts, negotiating exchanges and purchasing new volumes for the Library of the National Society. She shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the Librarian General and the State Organization.

Section 10. All Officers shall submit, in duplicate, a brief narrative report of their work to the Annual Conference.

## ARTICLE VII

### MEETING OF THE STATE ORGANIZATION

Section 1. The Annual Conference of the West Virginia State Organization shall be held in October during the week including the day of October the tenth, unless otherwise ordered by the State Conference or the State Board of Management; the exact date shall be left to the discretion of the State Regent. The place of meeting shall be determined by the State Board of Management unless previously named by the State Conference. This meeting shall be for the receiving of reports of officers, State Board of Management, the chairmen of committees, the election of officers and for any other business that may arise.

Section 2. The report of the Program Committee when adopted shall become the order of Business for the annual Conference. A vote of a majority of all registered delegates is necessary to make a change in the program.

Section 3. Each Chapter shall be entitled to be represented at any meeting of the State Conference by three times as many delegates and alternates as at the previous Continental Congress, one of whom shall be the Regent, Vice Regent or Regent's representative.

Section 4. The voting members of the State Conference or at any special meeting of the State Organization shall be its Officers, the Officers and Honorary Officers of the National Society whose membership is within the State, the Honorary State Regents of West Virginia, the Chapter Regents, or in their absence, the First Vice Regents, or alternates, and the delegates or their alternates from the Chapters of the State that are entitled to representation at the Continental Congress or special meeting of the National Society.

Section 5. One credential blank must be sent to the Chairman of Credentials Committee and the other to the State Regent not later than ten days before the annual meeting of the State Conference.

Section 6. Twenty (20) voting members present at any meeting of the State Conference shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE VIII

### FEEES AND DUES

Section 1. The fiscal year of the State Organization shall be September 15th to September 15th.

Section 2. To defray the expenses of the State work, each Chapter belonging to the State Organization shall pay annually to the State Treasurer on or before the first day of January, thirty-five cents (35c)

per capita for each member on the Chapter roll the first day of January, and any additional assessments based upon membership of Chapters as of January 1 presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the Conference, said dues and assessments shall be remitted in one payment.

Section 3. The Chapters shall send to the State Treasurer, the State dues and assessments for the current year for all members accepted to membership by the National Society between January 1, and October 1 of each year. Such members shall pay the required dues and assessments again the following year.

Section 4. The dues and assessments of all members accepted by the National Society after October 1 of each year shall be applied to the next succeeding calendar year.

Section 5. One-third of the State dues shall be paid to the State Regent to defray her expenses to the National and State Meetings and for expenses pertaining to her office to the amount of the above sum.

Section 6. The remaining State dues may be used for printing, stationery for State Officers and State Chairmen and necessary expenses incurred by other State Officers and State Chairmen. All bills which the State is liable shall be itemized and presented to the Chairman of the Finance Committee not later than September 1 of each year in which the debt is incurred.

\*Section 7. Each Chapter in the State Organization shall pay to the State Treasurer, not later than September 15, the sum of two dollars for each representative to which the Chapter is entitled at the meeting of the State Conference, this amount to be used in defraying all expenses in connection with the holding of the State Conference. No Chapter whose State or Conference dues are not paid shall be entitled to representation at meetings of the State Conference.

## ARTICLE IX

### STATE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Section 1. The Officers of the State Organization and the Chapter Regents shall constitute the Board of Management.

Section 2. The State Board of Management shall meet at the call of the State Regent. One meeting shall precede the State Conference and one meeting shall follow the State Conference. Special meetings may be called by the State Regent upon written request of five members of the Board. At least five days notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given all members of the Board.

Section 3. The State Board of Management shall have all power and authority over the affairs of the State Organization during the interim between its meetings, except that of modifying any action taken by the State Conference. The Board of Management shall make an annual report to the State Conference.

Section 4. Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the State Board of Management.

## ARTICLE X

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. The Officers of the State Organization shall compose the Executive Committee. The State Board of Management may authorize this Committee to perform such duties of the Board between its meetings as it may from time to time deem expedient. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the State Regent or upon the written request of five members of the Committee. This Committee shall

act as adviser to the State Regent and it shall make a complete report at each meeting of the State Board of Management.

Section 2. A recommendation for a project to be considered by the State Conference must be submitted to the Executive Committee on or before September 1. If the proposal meets with the approval of the Executive Committee and the State Board of Management it shall be submitted to the Finance Committee presented to the State Conference for adoption.

Section 3. Three members shall constitute a quorum of the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE XI

### COMMITTEES

Section 1. At the close of the State Conference the State Regent shall appoint the following committees: Finance, Resolutions and Credentials.

Section 2. The Finance Committee consisting of the Treasurer and four members to be appointed by the Regent shall consider requests for funds, plan a budget and recommend to the State Conference such expenditures as the committee deems expedient.

Section 3. The Resolutions Committee shall consist of three members appointed by the State Regent. All resolutions to be presented at the State Conference must be sent to the chairman at least two weeks before the meeting. The name and address of the chairman shall be included in the call for the State Conference. The committee shall consider all resolutions sent to the chairman and shall recommend suitable action thereon when presenting the resolutions to the meeting.

Section 4. The Credentials Committee shall consist of four members, the chairman, to be appointed by the State Regent, the State Treasurer and two members to be appointed from the Hostess Chapters.

## ARTICLE XII

### CHAPTERS

Section 1. Chapters forming the State Organization shall elect Officers at the time of, or previous to, the May Meeting of said Chapters.

Section 2. The retiring Regent of a Chapter shall notify promptly the State Regent, the State Recording Secretary and the State Treasurer of the election of Officers.

Section 3. The Regent of each Chapter in the State Organization shall send to the State Regent annually on or before March 1 a type-written report of the work of her Chapter for the year\*.

Section 4. The Regent of each Chapter shall prepare a report of the work of her Chapter from October 1 to October 1. This report must be typewritten in triplicate and shall be limited to five hundred words, one copy to be handed to the State Recording Secretary at the State Conference, one copy to the State Regent and one copy to be kept in the Chapter files.

## ARTICLE XIII

### DISTRICTS

Section 1. The State organization may be divided into the following districts: Northern, Central, Eastern, Southern and Western, each district having a Director and a Secretary and other necessary officers.

\* February 1st is date requested by this administration for Chapter Regents, Officers and State Chairmen to send State Regent their reports—to be used in her State Report at Continental Congress.

Section 2. Each district shall elect its own Director and Secretary and other necessary officers, the election taking place at the District Meeting. The term of office shall be one year. No member who holds a State Office or the office of Chapter Regent shall be eligible for the office of District Director.

## ARTICLE XIV

### PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Revised, shall govern this State Organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the By-Laws of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

## ARTICLE XV

### AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular annual State Conference by a two-thirds vote, provided that a copy of the amendments has been sent with the call to the annual meeting. Amendments shall become effective upon adjournment of the meeting at which they are adopted.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed by the State Conference, by the State Board of Management, or by a committee authorized by the State Conference, or by a Chapter.

Section 3. Any amendment adopted by the National Society affecting the work of the State Organization shall become a law of the Organization without notice of the amendment.

#### \* RESOLUTION No. 4 ADOPTED AT THE 48th ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE IN CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

*Whereas*, The State Regents of the West Virginia State Organization of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution are finding it difficult each year to secure a place in which to hold the Annual State Conference due to the lack of hotel accommodations in certain sections of the State, and

*Whereas*, The traditional custom of holding the Annual State Conference in the Sections of the State which can accommodate the delegation is becoming a financial burden on many of the Chapters, be it

*Resolved*, That the State Regent and her Executive Committee shall have the authority to select the place in which to hold the Annual Meeting, unless otherwise ordered by the State Conference, and that the Regent, aided by the General Chairman and Chapter Regents in the respective cities shall plan the program without elaborateness for the Conference, be it

*Resolved*, That the Annual Conference Dues be increased to two dollars (2.00) per delegate, to be used in defraying all of the expenses in connection with the holding of our State Conference, be it

*Resolved*, That the Conference expenses shall not exceed the Conference Dues, that no additional fees be added to the cost of the meals as served by the hotel and that all bills for Conference expenses be approved and countersigned by the Finance Committee.

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