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# Proceedings Seventy-Fourth State Conference

# Morgantown, West Virginia 1979



# Seventy-Fourth State Conference West Virginia State Organization of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution "A Tapestry of Service' November 1, 2, 3, 1979

Lakeview Inn Morgantown, West Virginia

Chairman Mrs. H. Sheldon Areford

**Hostess Chapters** 

Blackwater • Col. John Evans • Col. Morgan Morgan Col. Zackquill Morgan • Daniel Davisson Elizabeth Cummins Jackson • Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Elizabeth Zane • James Barbour • John Hart King's Wood • Maj. William Haymond • Phoebe Cunningham Tygart Valley • Trans-Alleghany • West Augusta

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## The Pledge Of Allegiance To The Flag Of The United States Of America

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 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 thro' the perilous fight, O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming. And the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof thro' 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 homes and the war's desolation; Blest with vic'try 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

#### 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 American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

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

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Tickets	

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Mound	
Nathan Davis	
Ohio Valley	
Pack Horse Ford	
Phoebe Tucker Cunningham	
Potomac Valley	
Princess Aracoma	,
Ravenswood	
Shenandoah Valley	
South Branch Valley	2
Trans-Allegheny	
Tygart Valley	
Vandalia	
West Augusta	
Westmoreland	
Wheeling	
William Henshaw	-
William Morris	Miss Alice Boyd Walker
Wilson Cary Nicholas	
Ye Towne of Bath	

#### Annual Summer Meeting - Jackson's Mill July 6-7, 1979

#### **Executive Board Meeting**

The Executive Board, West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, met Friday, July 6, 1979, at 7:00 p.m. in Jackson Lodge, Jackson's Mill, West Virginia with Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent, presiding.

The Invocation was given by Mrs. Russell Calvert, Chaplain pro tem.

The following officers were recorded present: Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent; Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent; Mrs. H.W. Chaddock, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Hubert T. Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary; Miss Margaret Ann Scott, State Organizing Secretary; Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar; Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian; Mrs. Samuel M. Davis, Parliamentarian. A quorum was declared present.

The minutes of the Executive Board Meeting, October 19, 1978 were read and approved.

Mrs. Martin asked the officers for reports.

Mrs. Marshall distributed the Directory for 1979-1980.

Miss Scott reported that by October 1979 we will have a new chapter at Peterstown, West Virginia.

The regent announced that the Anna Jarvis house has been placed on the National Register.

Mrs. Spearman, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported a balance in the checking account of \$19,125.16 and savings accounts totaling \$11,789,73 as of June 1979.

The following recommendations were made by the Board:

1. Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar, moved that the Finance Committee accept a bedspread donated by Mrs. Carl Galbraith on which "voices" are to be sold for the Anna Jarvis Home. Seconded by Mrs. Walter King, State Historian, The recommendation carried.

2. Mrs. Hubert Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary, moved that the West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution recognize with an Award of Merit, John Denver for his outstanding work in American Heritage. Seconded by Miss Margaret Ann Scott, State Organizing Secretary. The recommendation carried.

3. Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar, moved that the Society match the \$3600.00 available grant for the Anna Jarvis Home. Seconded by Mrs. Walter King, State Historian. The recommendation carried.

4. Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian, moved that the Society purchase a bronze marker to be placed at the Anna Jarvis Home, marking it as a State DAR Project. Seconded by Miss Margaret Ann Scott, State Organizing Secretary. The recommendation carried.

5. Mrs. Walter King, State Historian, moved that a marker be purchased and placed on the grave of Anna Jarvis. Seconded by Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent. The recommendation carried.

6. Mrs. Hubert Marshall moved that the board approve Mrs. Samuel M. Davis as a candidate for interim State Treasurer, Mrs. Clifton Smith, State Treasurer has resigned. Seconded by Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar. The recommendation carried.

The meeting was adjourned so that all could attend a reception in the Jackson's Mill Lounge, with Mrs. Homer P. Martin and her daughter, Mrs. Albert Kave, Jr. as hostesses.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Board of Management Meeting**

The Board of Management West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution met at Jackson Lodge, Jackson's Mill, July 7, 1979 at 10:00 a.m. with Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent, presiding.

Due to the illness of the State Chaplain, Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, the invocation was given by Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by the State Flag Chairman, Mrs. Warren Campbell.

The roll was called by the secretary with 30 Chapter Regents, 9 State Officers and 3 District Directors present.

The minutes of the October 19, 1978 Board of Management meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Martin asked the State Officers for brief reports. She announced that the First Vice President General, Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby, would attend State Conference. Dates for Continental Congress are April 19-21, 1980 with hotel headquarters at the Capitol Hilton.

Mrs. Hubert Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary, announced the State Directory with the packet would be distributed at the close of the meeting.

Miss Margaret Ann Scott, State Organizing Secretary, reported that on June 7, 1979 an Organizing Regent had been appointed for a new chapter at Peterstown, West Virginia. She also reminded the chapter regents to send names and addresses of changes in officers to the Organizing Secretary General by May 1, not May 15 as the date has been changed.

Mrs. Martin asked the recording secretary protem to present the recommendations from the Executive Committee to the Board.

1. That the Finance Committee accept a bedspread donated by Mrs. Carl Galbraith on which "voices" are to be sold for the Anna Jarvis Home. Adopted by the Board of Management.

2. That the West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution recognize with an Award of Merit, John Denver, for his outstanding work in American Heritage. Adopted by the Board of Management.

3. That the Society match the \$3600.00 available grant for the Anna Jarvis Home, marking it as a State DAR Project. Adopted by the Board of Management.

4. That the Society purchase a bronze marker to be placed at the Anna Jarvis Home, marking it as a State DAR Project. Adopted by the Board of Management.

5. That a marker be purchased and placed on the grave of Anna Jarvis. Adopted by the Board of Management.

6. That Mrs. Samuel M. Davis be a candidate for the interim State Treasurer. Adopted by the Board of Management. Mrs. Clifton Smith, State Treasurer has resigned due to ill health.

At this time the State Chairmen joined the meeting.

The State Regent read a letter from the President General on the financial condition of Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith DAR Schools requesting that each chapter send any money allocated for the schools immediately.

In order to get 100% reporting the State Regent said a new concept in reporting to State Chairmen would be introduced. A Regents' Questionnaire will be given to each chapter regent. It will contain questions from all state chairmen. After completion, the chapter regent is to send the entire questionnaire to the State Corresponding Secretary who will separate each one and send them to the State Chairmen.

Letters from the State Chairmen to the Chapters will now appear in the West Virginia DAR News with a limit of 100 words and the name of the committee at the top. The deadline to get the letter to the editor of the paper is August 1.

Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, chairman Finance Committee, gave the Treasurer's report. Balance as of June 1979 is \$19,125.16.

Mrs. Richard Powell of Elizabeth Zane Chapter made a motion to change the format for the Chapter Regents' reports at State Conference. Seconded by Mrs. Robert Hagan, Barboursville Chapter. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Robert Hagan, Barboursville Chapter, that the chapter regents send their report to the Recording Secretary and one copy to the District Director, who will make a report of the chapters at the State Conference. Deadline for turning in reports is October 1. Seconded by Mrs. Richard Powell, Elizabeth Zane Chapter. The motion carried.

Reports from the State Chairmen were given.

Mrs. Martin stated that a chapter could not bring a project to the State Conference to sell. Only State Projects can be promoted at State Conference.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:15.

Virginia Marshall (Mrs. H.T.) Recording Secretary pro tem

#### Jackson's Mill Luncheon

The 45th annual Jackson's Mill Luncheon of the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution was held July 7, 1979 with Mrs. Robert Scott, Regent of the John Hart Chapter of Elkins, presiding.

Mrs. Warren Campbell, State Flag chairman, lead the group in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, following which the group recited the American's Creed led by Mrs. Walter Spearman, State Vice-Regent.

Mrs. LaRue Robb led the group in singing "God Bless America," "The West Virginia Hills" and "America the Beautiful," She was accompanied by Miss Ruth Seibert.

The invocation was given by Mrs. H.T. Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Scott extended greetings to members and guests. Guests were introduced by Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent. Mrs. Martin also gave an "Up-Date" report. She informed the group of what has and is being done to restore the home of Anna Jarvis and that we are receiving national recognition for our project. Mrs. Martin recognized Miss Ruth Seibert and Mrs. Ella Brown. She also expressed her appreciation for those in attendance and for the two pages. Mrs. Martin also announced that the state meeting will be held in Morgantown, November 1, 2, 3, 1979.

The beautiful bedspread donated by Mrs. Carl Galbraith was on display and tickets were available for each chapter. The money from the sale of tickets will be donated to the Anna Jarvis fund.

Kathy Gess announced that Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby is a candidate for President General in April 1980.

The program, The Two Anna's - Anna Marie Reeves Jarvis and her daughter, Anna Jarvis, was given by Mrs. Charles E. Brown, Northern District Director. She presented slides and gave an interesting and informative talk and traced their moving from Culpepper, Virginia to Philippi, Webster, and Grafton, West Virginia. Miss Jarvis was responsible for the memorial to all Mothers on the second Sunday in May which Congress made official in 1914.

An invitation was extended by Mrs. Ouida McDonald of the Major William Haymond Chapter of Fairmont to be hostess for the 46th Annual Jackson's Mill Luncheon.

The minutes of the 44th DAR State Meeting held June 25, 1978 were read and approved. The roll call for 1979 revealed that 36 chapters were represented and that a total of 145 were in attendance including guests.

The meeting closed with everyone joining hands and singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," following which the benediction was given by Mrs. Walter King, State Historian.

> Margaret M. Jones Secretary

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## Seventy-Fourth Annual State Conference Proceedings

### **Executive Board Meeting**

The Executive Board, West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, met in Suite 601, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia, November 1, 1979 at 9:00 a.m. with Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent, presiding.

The Invocation was given by Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain.

The following officers were recorded present: Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent; Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent; Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain; Mrs. H.W. Chaddock, State Recording Secretary; Mrs. Hubert T. Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Samuel M. Davis, State Treasurer; Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar; Mrs. Walter G. King, State Historian; Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian. A quorum was declared present.

The minutes of July 6, 1979 Executive Board meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Martin asked the officers for their reports. The reports were given and will be printed in the State Proceedings.

Mrs. Martin announced that Mrs. Jack Adams would serve as Parliamentarian.

The following recommendations were made by the Board:

1. Mrs Hubert Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary, moved that money be approved to purchase and install a new wood gate at the West Virginia Room NSDAR Museum at a cost of \$385.00 and that the old door hinges be removed at a cost of \$85.00. Seconded by Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar. The recommendation carried.

2. Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain, Moved that a recommendation be made to the ByLaws Revision Committee that the three year State Proceedings by combined and a committee be appointed to complete and print same. Seconded by Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent. The recommendation carried.

A copy of the new Regents' Questionnaire which will be distributed during the Conference was on display for all the officers to see.

Mrs. Martin mentioned that the regent of the Tygart Valley Chapter had called her and said their chapter wanted to disband. Mrs. Martin asked the officers to encourage the chapter not to disband.

Mrs. Martin presented each of her officers with a gift of a gold butterfly pin, thanking them for their support the past three years.

The meeting was adjourned.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### Board Of Management Luncheon

The Board of Management Luncheon, West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, met at 12:00 noon in the Nichlaus Room, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia, with Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent, presiding.

The Invocation was given by Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was given in unison by the assembly.

The minutes of the July 7, 1979 Board of Management meeting were read and approved.

The roll was called by the State Recording Secretary with 35 Chapter Regents, 10 State Officers and 3 District Directors present.

The State Recording read the recommendations from the Executive Board:

1. That money be approved to purchase and install a new wood gate at the West Virginia Room NSDAR Museum at a cost of \$385.00 and that the old door hinges be removed at a cost of \$85.00. Adopted by the Board of Management.

2. That a recommendation be made to the ByLaws Revision Committee that the three year State Proceedings be combined and a committee be appointed to compile and print same. Adopted by the Board of Management.

Mrs. Martin announced the Memorial Service would be held in Conference Room B. A tea honoring West Virginia's Honorary State Regents will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Palmer Room #1.

Hostess chapters were Daniel Davisson and King's Wood.

The meeting was adjourned.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Memorial Service**

The Memorial Service for 78 deceased members of the West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution was held in Conference Room B, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 1, 1979.

Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain, presided.

Soloists for the service were Mrs. Gary H. Gess and Mrs. Clarence Pharr, accompanied by Miss Ruth Seibert.

Following the Memorial Service a wreath was placed at Ice's Ferry Memorial Markers on the bank of Cheat Lake as a tribute to the Revolutionary War dead.

# In Memoriam October 1978 - October 1979

ANNE BAILEY
589155 Margaret Wilson Lillicrapp (Mrs. G.P.)
BARBOURSVILLE 545870 Bessie McAllister Hill (Mrs. Clarence)October 7, 1978 301508 Irene Rosalie BarrettOctober 10, 1978 575364 Marjorie Dunn Brownfield (Mrs. W.H.)*June 21, 1979
BEE LINE 203483 Alice Kessler Bushong (Mrs. Frank L.)* November 23, 1978 529002 Marian Merchant Myers (Mrs. George) February 3, 1979 551379 Pauline McAtee Smith (Mrs. Charles) September 10, 1979
BLENNERHASSETT 396880 Blanch Eaton Matheny (Mrs. Charles)* March 11, 1979
BUFORD536455 Marian Power Lawless (Mrs. Howard)486460 Margaret Bishop Clonch (Mrs. Harold)341576 Jessie Sprague Martin (Mrs. Harry)February 12, 1979
CAPTAIN JAMES ALLEN 469240 Helen Moore Smiley (Mrs. R.R.) November 9, 1978 381673 Edith Agee Locke (Mrs. Kermit February 10, 1979 486775 Eula Graham Milliron (Mrs. Roy) February 10, 1979
COLONEL CHARLES LEWIS 311935 Gertrude Harper Smith (Mrs. Donald)January 28, 1979 590036 Marian Gast Eshenaur (Mrs. Roy)May 25, 1979
COLONEL JOHN EVANS 404771 Mary Johnson GaskinsOctober 6, 1978 341582 Sylvia Lynch Fetty (Mrs. Harold)*December 6, 1978 323373 Marie JosephJanuary 25, 1979 293778 Nellie Chalfont Moore (Mrs. Clarence)June 24, 1979 630002 Rilla L. GidleySeptember 12, 1979
COLONEL MORGAN MORGAN 520641 Martha Gibbs Malone (Mrs. William) October 9, 1978 417600 Lucy Fleming Wright (Mrs. Hugh)* May 19, 1979 553351 Melissa Crowl Hall (Mrs. Golden) June 11, 1979 537464 Lola Musgrave Jones May 23, 1979 476792 Edna Hamilton Donehew (Mrs. Ollie) November 30, 1978
COLONEL WILLIAM LOWTHER 542073 Dorothy Griffith Nicholson (Mrs. Harold) March 3, 1979
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MATTHEW FRENCH 128114 Sally Holroyd Hayes (Mrs. H.C.)July 15, 1979	9
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MOUND
114078 Merle Mayfield Bloyd (Mrs. Wm.) December 2, 1978
285257 Ella Lindsey Schwob (Mrs. Charles) December 18, 1978
257718 Sarah Shoup Hinerman (Mrs. Chancy)* February 9, 1979
562836 Irene Hubbs Brannon (Mrs. Seldon) September 10, 1979
SOUTH BRANCH VALLEY
197788 Lula Taylor Williams (Mrs. Marvin) March 23, 1979
WEST AUGUSTA
330356 Opal Rymer* November 27, 1978
272586 Mabel Baker Hueston (Mrs. Robert)
272500 Madel Bakel Hueston (Mis. Robert)
WESTMORELAND
596704 Lucy Peters Taylor (Mrs. Ralph) February 13, 1979
WHEELING
458935 Marjorie Bruster Hinkle (Mrs. Harry)May 19, 1979
174578 Frances Brown Jordan (Mrs. F.P.) June 24, 1979
440150 Eva Clyde Jones (Mrs. Victor)August 19, 1979
WILLIAM HENSHAW
249988 Elsie Thormburg MacTavish (Mrs. Duncan) November 22, 1978
199636 Gertrude Brant Roth (Mrs. Robert) June 16, 1979
WILLIAM MORRIS
388258 Eugenia Hereford Loy (Mrs. Preston) March 1, 1979
566863 Mary Lily Cole (Mrs. J.A.) April 14, 1979
325863 Ruth Post Holstein (Mrs. Elmer) August 18, 1979
YE TOWNE OF BATH
454901 Lottie Lovermale Miller (Mrs. Charles) June 24, 1979
* Denotes a former Regent or Charter Member

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### Tea Honoring West Virginia Honorary State Regents

The Honorary State Regents of the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution were honored at tea on Thursday afternoon, November 1, 1979 at 3:30 p.m. in Palmer Room #1 of the Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia. Hostess chapters were John Hart and Tygart Valley.

#### State Officers Club Dinner

The annual dinner of the State Officers Club of the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution was held Thursday, November 1, 1979 at 5:30 p.m. in the Buddy Lawrence Room of Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia with the president, Miss Louise Hickman, presiding. Hostess chapters were Elizabeth Zane and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson.

#### **Junior Membership Dinner**

The third annual Junior Membership Dinner was held Thursday, November 1, 1979 at 5:00 p.m. in Nichlaus Room One of Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia with Mrs. Charles I. Rhodes, State Chairman, Junior Membership presiding. Mrs. Ben M. McKenzie, National Chairman, Junior Membership, was the speaker. Hostess chapters were Colonel John Evans and Elizabeth Ludington Hagans.

#### **Opening Session**

The Seventy-fourth Annual West Virginia State Conference, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was called to order by Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent at 8:00 p.m., Thursday, November 1, 1979 in the Palmer Room, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia.

The processional of the State Regent, State and National Officers, Honored guests, Hostess Chapter Regents, pages and aides were escorted by Mr. Richard Hartnett playing the bagpipe and the National Society Pershing Rifle Color Guard of West Virginia University.

The Invocation was given by Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Warren Campbell, State Flag Chairman. The American's Creed was led by Mrs. Albert Kave, Jr. State Chairman Honor Roll. The singing of the National Anthem was led by Mrs. Gary H. Gess, Regent of Shenandoah Valley Chapter.

Mr. Richard Hartnett entertained the Daughters with a bagpipe solo.

The welcome to the State Conference was given by Mrs. Sheldon Areford, General Chairman of the Conference. She also introduced the regents of the hostess chapters.

Mrs. Martin read a message from Mrs. George Upham Baylies, President General and from Governor John D. Rockfeller IV. Mrs. Martin then introduced Mr. Marvin Wotring, the very colorful West Virginia Mountaineer.

The assemblage was welcomed by the Honorable James Meredith Mayor or Morgantown. The response was given by Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent.

Dr. Robert R. Weiler, National Trustee and Past State President brought greetings from the SAR. Mrs. Voris M. Morton, Senior State President C.A.R. thanked the Daughters for their help and support given the C.A.R. Miss Carolyn McCullock, State President C.A.R. brought greetings from the C.A.R.

Mrs. Homer P. Martin presented the following distinguished guests: Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby, First Vice President General; Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, Vice President General, Indiana; Mrs. Arthur Beineke, State Regent, Indiana; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, State Regent, Kentucky; Mrs. Harold E. Kitzmiller, State Regent Ohio; and Mrs. Ben McKenzie, National Chairman, Junior Membership.

Miss Virginia Johnson, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General, brought greetings from the Honorary State Regents.

Mrs. Martin introduced the State Officers and recognized the State Chairmen and the 50 year members.

The Daughters were entertained by two delightful solos by Miss Eva Ann Wilkes, accompanied by Mr. Jerry Shannon.

Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Honorary Vice President General, introduced Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby, First Vice President General, who gave an inspiring and informative talk on "America the Beautiful."

Mrs. Martin presented an Award of Merit to singer, composer John Denver for his work in American Heritage. Mrs. C. William Moore, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General, accepted the award in the absence of Mr. Denver.

Mrs. Charles I. Rhodes, State Chairman Junior Membership, announced and presented the Outstanding Junior Member for 1980, Mrs. Clarence Pharr, Jr.

Miss Kathleen Morton, State Page Chairman, introduced the pages and aides.

The colors were retired by the pages and the meeting adjourned.

Immediately following the opening session a reception was held in the Palmer Room honoring the State Regent, State and National Officers, Conference Guests and West Virginia's Outstanding Junior. Hostess chapters were James Barbour and Phoebe Cunningham.

> Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

### **Chapter Regents' Club Breakfast**

The Chapter Regents' Club Breakfast was held in the Buddy Lawrence Room of the Lakeview Inn and Country Club at 7:15 a.m. Friday, November 2, 1979 with Mrs. Evan M. Cyrus, president, presiding. The guest speaker was Mrs. Walter Guy King, State Historian. Hostess chapter was Blackwater.

#### **Morning Session**

The morning session of the West Virginia Society, Daughters of the American Revolution was held in Conference Rooms A and B, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia, Friday, November 2, 1979 at 9:15 a.m. with Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent, presiding.

The processional of State Regent, National Officers and Conference Guests was escorted by the pages with the official flags.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Martin, State Regent. Scripture and prayer were given by Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar. Miss Margaret Ann Scott, State Organizing Secretary, led the assembly in singing "America." Miss Ruth Scibert, State Chairman, Credentials Committee, gave the first report of the committee: total registered, 197; voting strength, 124.

Mrs. Hubert Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary, presented the following changes in the Conference Program. The order should be first, Credential report, second, presentation of the Conference Program; third, standing Rules of Order and fourth, the reading of the minutes. With these changes, Mrs. Marshall moved that the program be adopted. Seconded by Miss Sarah Ann Ryder, Wheeling Chapter. The motion carried.

The Standing Rules of Order were read by Mrs. Jack Adams, State Parliamentarian, who moved they be accepted. Seconded by Mrs. Robert Hagan, Barboursville Chapter. The motion carried.

The minutes of the Opening Session were read by the recording secretary and were approved as corrected. Roll was called by the secretary with 35 chapter regents present.

Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Honorary Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, gave her usual brief but special greeting.

Mrs. Martin presented the distinguished guests of the Conference. She recognized and introduced the National Vice Chairmen from West Virginia. The State Officers gave their reports.

Mrs. Samuel M. Davis, State Treasurer, submitted the treasurer's report which was passed out to the members by the pages.

Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, Finance Chairman, gave the auditor's report. It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted. The motion carried.

In the absence of the Resolutions Chairman, Mrs. Charles Brown presented the Resolutions from the Committee. These will be voted on after the second reading at the business session on Saturday morning.

#### **Resolution - National Defense**

- Whereas The United States of America is no longer militarily in advance of, or on a par with, the Soviet Union: and
- Whereas The widening gap between Soviet military expenditures and those of this country is bound to have cumulative effects with the Soviet Union acquiring a more formidable and broader military foundation; and
- Whereas The shadow of a superior Soviet force enlarges opportunities for subversion by the Communists in all parts of the world, as has been evident in Cuba, Afganistan, Ethiopia and Zanzibar and presents possibilities of like nature taking place in Panama, Iran, and Taiwan; and
- Whereas With the decrease in power of United States forces, the case for intervention becomes less feasible in those nations vulnerable to Communist-backed aggression such as Pakistan, Yugoslavia, after the death of Tito or Saudi Arabia where the Soviets could turn off our oil supply; and

- Whereas Any SALT II agreement good, bad, or indifferent will not halt the present adverse trends, as proven by the SALT I Treaty, after which the Soviets continued their arms buildup unabated, while the United States of America frittered away our margin of safety;
- Resolved That the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution, as individuals, concerned about survival and freedom, call on our elected representatives in Washington urging a greater increase in our military budget and demanding that the gross negligence of the past be rectified by a rapid upgrading of the strategic forces of the United States of America.

### **Resolution - Sound Economics**

- Whereas It is the responsibility of government to provide the economic environment in which private interprise can prosper and provide employment for our expanding population; and
- Whereas Only the government can print money and inflation is a result of too much money in relation to the quanity of available goods; and
- Whereas The government deficit necessitates that excess dollars be printed to monetize its debt; and
- Whereas The suggested cure for the present inflation is for voluntary wage and price controls with mandatory controls, which have never worked in fact nor in principal, a real threat; and
- Whereas History has proven that military power and economic security are not incompatible with lower taxes, minimal tariffs and the reduction of other barriers to human enterprise; and
- Whereas History has also shown that empires fall when governments incur insurmountable national debts and level excessive taxes on its most productive citizens;
- Resolved That the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution, as with particular emphasis on the reduction of income-transfer payments - a socialistic scheme which takes from those who have the energy to produce real wealth and gives to those who produce little or nothing.

#### **Resolution - State Archives**

- Whereas The West Virginia State Archives in Charleston is of immense value to all people of West Virginia, as well as school children and people who come to our state for research; and
- Whereas The Genealogical Records Department is to be eliminated in compliance with the Sunset Act; and
- Whereas It would be a tremendous loss for all of these records, books to be disposed of and made unavailable.

Resolved That the West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution call on our elected State Representatives and the Sunset Commission with an urgent request that this closing be stopped and the Genealogical Library Department be retained in Charleston Archives.

Miss Margaret Ann Scott, Chairman, presenting the following report of the Nominating Committee:

Mrs. Homer Paul MartinCandidate for the Office of V	
Mrs. Walter L. Spearman	State Regent
Mrs. Samuel M. Davis	State Vice Regent
Mrs. William S. Winfrey	State Chaplain
Mrs. Gary H. Gess	State Recording Secretary
Miss Virginia Lee Bradley	State Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Charles E. Brown	State Organizing Secretary
Miss Jean A. Elliott	
Mrs. Joseph R. Groves	State Registrar
Mrs. F.D. Bolton	
Miss Louise Hickman	
Mrs. R.T. McDonald	Central District Director
Mrs. Robert H. Barrat	
Mrs. Jack Adams	Northern District Director
Mrs. Wirt C. Belcher	Southern District Director
Mrs. James L. Lockhart	Western District Director

Mrs. Martin asked Mrs. Spearman, State Vice Regent, to take the chair. Mrs. Spearman asked for nominations from the floor for Vice President General. Mrs. Carl Galbraith nominated Mrs. Homer P. Martin. She was also endorsed by Mrs. William W. McClaugherty.

Mrs. Martin asked for nominations from the floor for each state office. Hearing none, she declared the nominations closed and a ballot to be printed. The name of Mrs. Samuel M. Davis will also appear on the ballot as a nominee for the interim term of State Treasurer.

A recommendation from the Board of Management in the form of a resolution was read by the recording secretary.

- Whereas The Virginia Society. Sons of the American Revolution supports the efforts of the SAR in West Virginia to have a fitting memorial displayed at the Charleston Cultural Arts Buildings honoring Virginians who fought and some died in the opening engagement of the American Revolution at Point Pleasant;
- Resolved That the West Virginia State Organization NSDAR support the Sons of the American Revolution in their efforts to establish a memorial honoring Virginians who were engaged in the Battle of Point Pleasant.

The resolution was amended as follows: first paragraph,...honoring Virginians and Western Virginians...; second paragraph,...establish a memorial honoring Virginians and Western Virginians...

The motion was adopted as amended.

The following recommendations of the Board of Management were presented to the assembly:

1. That the Curator General purchase a new wooden gate for the West Virginia Room at a cost of \$385.00 and that the old door hinges be removed at a cost of \$85.00. The recommendation was adopted.

2. That the State Proceedings be printed at the end of each administration instead of annually to conserve printing costs. The recommendation was adopted.

The reports of the State Chairmen were given.

Meeting recessed for the Conference luncheon.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Conference Luncheon**

The Conference Luncheon was held in the Nichlaus-Palmer Rooms, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia at 12:20 p.m., Friday, November 2, 1979.

Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent, presided.

Invocation was given by Mrs. Arthur P. Stevenson, State Chairman of DAR Service for Veteran-Patients. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of American was led by Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian.

The Daughters were entertained by Mr. Clary Hogue who sang "America, It's Time to Pray." He was accompanied by Mrs. Eleanor Allen.

Mrs. Carl C. Galbraith, Honorary State Regent and Past Vice President General, introduce Mr. Russell Bonasso, Assistant to the Chief of Staff, Veteran's Administration Hospital, Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Mr. Bonasso spoke about national defense, signing of the SALT II treaty and welfare ills. He urged the Daughters as citizens to communicate with their legislators.

The State Regent thanked the hostess chapters, Colonel Morgan Morgan, Major William Haymond and West Augusta.

She announced that the polls would be open from 4:00-5:30 p.m. for voting.

The meeting was recessed until the afternoon session.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### Afternoon Session

The afternoon session reconvened in Conference Rooms A and B Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia, Friday, November 2, 1979.

The state chairmen continued their reports.

Copies of the State ByLaws are to be picked up by the chapter regents from the State Corresponding Secretary.

The State Regent announced that Mrs. O.J. White, chairman, Mrs. Robert Hagan, Mrs. Helen Shinkle, Miss Sarah Ann Ryder and Mrs. Warren Campbell would serve as tellers for the election.

The polls will be open from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was recessed.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Banquet Honoring Chapter Regents and District Directors**

The Banquet honoring chapter regents and district directors was held in the Nichlaus-Palmer Rooms, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia at 6:30 p.m., Friday, November 2, 1979.

The State Regent, National Officers, Honorary State Regents, District Directors, Distinguished Guests were escorted by the Pages with flags and banners.

The Invocation was given by Mrs. L. Bush Swisher, Regent, Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Hugh Phillips, Regent, Colonel John Evans Chapter. Mrs. Clarence Pharr, Jr., Vice Regent, William Henshaw Chapter, led the singing of the "West Virginia Hills."

Mrs. Martin presented the officers and guests.

A new format was used by the District Directors giving the reports of the chapters in their district in a capsule form. Mrs. R.T. McDonald reported for Central District; Miss Ruth Seibert for Eastern District; Mrs. Charles Brown for Northern District; Mrs. Charles A. Barrett for Southern District; and Mrs. Eugene Sterrett for Western District.

Mrs. Martin was presented with a beautiful silver tray as a gift from the state officers, state chairmen, chapter regents and vice-regents and district directors.

A musical review "What We Wore: Feminine Fashion 1860-1979" was presented for the enjoyment of the Daughters. It was written and directed by Mr. John Mcllwee, Whiteside's Department Store, Morgantown.

The Benediction was given by Mrs. James Harbert, Regent, Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter.

Hostess chapters were Colonel John Evans, Colonel Zackquill Morgan and Elizabeth Ludington Hagans.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Morning Session**

The closing session of the Seventy-fourth annual State Conference West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolution was held in Conference Rooms A and B, Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, West Virginia, Saturday, November 3, 1979 at 9:00 a.m. with Mrs. Homer Paul Martin, State Regent, presiding.

Scripture and prayer were given by Mrs. C.W. Hamilton, State Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Samuel M. Davis, State Treasurer. Mrs. Clarence Pharr, West Virginia Outstanding Junior for 1980 led the assembly in the singing of "America the Beautiful."

Due to the time element, the recording secretary moved that a committee be appointed by the State Regent to approve the minutes of the Friday and Saturday sessions.

Mrs. Charles Brown gave the final reading of the resolutions on National Defense, Sound Economics and State Archives which were passed by the assembly.

Miss Ruth Seibert, chairman, Credentials Committee, gave the final credentials report:

National Officers	3
Past National Officers	3
National Chairmen	I
National Vice Chairmen	2
State Officers	10
Honorary State Regents	4
District Directors	5
State Chairmen	23
Chapter Regents	39
Delegates	93
Alternates	42
Members	28
Pages	9
Guests	4
Total Registration	266
Voting Strength	151

State Chairmen continued their reports.

Anna Jarvis finance chairmen, Mrs. Charles Brown, announced that a crystal Fostoria bell would be sold to help finance this state project. The first 500 bells will be sold in W.Va. and each chapter should sell 12. The cost of each bell is \$18.95 plus \$1.00 for postage and handling. She also announced that \$191.00 had been collected on "voices" on the bedspread donated by Mrs. Galbraith.

The report of the tellers for the election of State Officers and District Directors was made by Mrs. Robert Hagan. 121 votes were cast.

#### Candidate for the Office of Vice President

General in April 1090 Mrs. Homer P. Martin	107
General in April 1980 Mrs. Homer P. Martin	
State Regent Mrs. Walter L. Spearman	116
Mrs. Grant P. Hall	2
Mrs. C. William Moore	1
State Vice Regent Mrs. Samuel M. Davis	115
Mrs. Jack Adams	1
State Chaplain Mrs. William S. Winfrey	116
State Recording Secretary Mrs. Gary H. Gess	119
State Corresponding Secretary Miss Virginia Bradley	117
State Organizing Secretary Mrs. Charles Brown	117
Louise Cruikshank	1
State Treasurer Miss Jean A. Elliott	118
State Registrar Mrs. Joseph R. Groves	118
State Historian	120
State Librarian Miss Louise Hickman	116
Louise Smith	I
Central District Director Mrs. R.T. McDonald	113
Eastern District Director Mrs. Robert Barrat	114
Northern District Director Mrs. Jack Adams	112
Southern District Director Mrs. Wirt C. Belcher	114
Western District Director	116
State Treasurer until April 1980 Mrs. Samuel M. Davis	120
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Tellers: Mrs. O.J. White, chairman; Mrs. Robert Hagan; Mrs. Helen Shinkle; Miss Sarah Ann Ryder; Mrs. Warren Campbell.

The State Recording Secretary was instructed without objection to hold the ballots for 30 days and then to destroy the ballots.

Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Honorary Vice President General and Honorary State Regent, moved that Mrs. Homer Paul Martin be elected Honorary State Regent. Seconded by MIss Virginia Johnson, Honorary State Regent and past Vice President General. The motion carried.

Mrs. Walter G. King, State Historian, presented Mrs. Martin with an Ambassador of Good Will award from the W.Va. Secretary of State.

Mrs. Martin presented an award to the Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter for suggesting the state project of restoring the Anna Jarvis house.

Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, chairman Finance Committee, brought the following recommendations from the committee:

I. That the Blanche L. Reymann Memorial Scholarship Fund be increased from \$150.00 to \$200.00. Adopted by the assembly.

2. That one-half of all State Dues at the end of each administration be transferred to the Anna Jarvis project. Adopted by the assembly.

3. That the State Dues remain \$2.00 per member per year. Adopted by the assembly.

The report of the Courtesy Resolutions committee was read by Mrs. Charles Brown.

## **Courtesy Resolutions**

- Resolved: That the West Virginia State Organization, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, at the seventy-fourth State Conference, held at the Lakeview Inn and Country Club, Morgantown, November 1st through 3rd, 1979 express appreciation to the State Regent, Mrs. Homer P. Martin, for her capable and gracious leadership in the affairs of the State Organization and for the carefully planned and executed details of the seventy-fourth State Conference.
- Resolved: That the West Virginia State Organization express appreciation to the distinguished guests who honored the State Conference with presence: Mrs. Richard Denny Shelby, First Vice President General from Mississippi; Mrs. Richard O. Creedon, Vice President General from Indiana; Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, Honorary Vice President General from West Virginia; Mrs. Arthur Beineke, State Regent of Indiana; Mrs. Thomas Burchett, State Regent of Kentucky; Mrs. Harold E. Kitzmiller, State Regent of Ohio and Mrs. Ben McKenzie, National Chairman of Junior Membership from Texas.
- Resolved: That the West Virginia State Organization express sincere appreciation to Mrs. Sheldon Arford, State Conference Chairman, Miss Leatha Ice and Mrs. Vivian Michaels, Co-Chair-men and their Conference Committees and to the members of the Central District chapters for all their talents, efforts and good will which have made possible the success and pleasure of the seventy-fourth State Conference.
- Resolved: That the West Virginia State Organization gratefully acknowledge and express sincere appreciation for the courtesies extended by the management and staff of the Lakeview Inn and Country Club.

Mrs. Martin thanked the Conference Chairman, Mrs. Sheldon Areford and her vice chairmen, Miss Leatha Ice and Mrs. Vivian Michaels and the Conference committees for a State Conference that was well planned and carried out. Much credit is due to the Central District and the Daughters.

Miss Sarah Ann Ryder extended and invitation to the 75th State Conference at Oglebay Park, Wheeling, W.Va. October 23, 24, 25, 1980.

Mrs. Eugene Sterrett, Western District Director, extended an invitation for the 1982 Conference to be held in Charleston, W.Va. October 26, 27, 28, 1982. Seconded by Miss Louise Hickman, Barboursville Chapter.

The State Regent, Mrs. Martin, presented the newly elected officers and gave each one a copy of the State By Laws.

All members joined hands and sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The colors were retired by the pages and the 74th Annual State Conference West Virginia Society Daughters of the American Revolutin was adjourned.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **State Officers Reports**

#### **Report of the State Regent**

West Virginia Daughters it is a privilege for your State Regent to greet you and extend to you and to our honored guests a warm welcome to this business meeting of our 74th State Conference.

As we enter the final phase of our administration, it is very difficult to realize how quickly time has passed and how much you have accomplished in this short span. We are privileged to bring you the highlights of this happy, exciting and sometimes exhausting period.

You have brought many honors to West Virginia through your work as you pursue the objectives of the National Society, and many people are responsible for the success of this administration.

To the Honorary State Regents, sincere appreciation for gracious and generous assistance, supporting the State Regent in her endeavors and giving her the benefit of their many years of experience and knowledge.

The State Regent personally appreciates each state officer and has found it an interesting partnership. Each state chairman has made a special endeavor to make the accomplishments of her committee especially outstanding, making available special awards for outstanding work to the chapters.

As you listen to each state chairman's report you will know that without the state chairmen and their encouragement the work of the state society could not have been accomplished. But it is to the individual members that the work of the society is really performed.

A very special thank you from your State Regent to the 57 chapter regents and the 3900 loyal members in the West Virginia Society for your wonderful cooperation and participation in all phases of DAR work.

The office of State Regent is one of great responsibility and challenge and is a serious obligation, which was accepted by this officer with humility. Shortly after assuming this office, I visited each of the 5 districts and at that time requested that each of you assess your chapters in light of membership growth, enthusiasm for DAR work and above all development of Junior Membership. And at that time I extended my hand to you and asked that you take it, and know that the mountain did not exist that we could not scale together. But Daughters, believe me, I never dreamed the size of the mountain you would elect to climb. I have found myself running to keep up with you and have loved every moment.

How proud I was to be a part of the moment you selected your outstanding state project, the restoration of the Anna Jarvis Birthplace, and I look forward to working with you in the days ahead to bring this project to completion.

I am thrilled with the many chapters who are developing their Junior leadership program. Many are placing their Juniors in responsible positions and electing them to chapter offices. If this trend continues, and I hope it will, West Virginia Daughters need not worry about future growth and longevity. This State Regent has represented you in many places and in many ways and has been proud to do so. She has attended all Continental Congresses, along with most National Board Meetings, all State Conferences, all District meetings, and to date has visited 54 of the 57 chapters in our state. All of this adds up to an incredible 47,680 miles in this administration to date.

Numerous dedications and anniversaries have also been attended. Of special interest were the rededication of the Madonna of the Trail in Wheeling, West Virginia, her participation in the memorial service at the grave of Valley Virginia Henshaw Berry, the organizing regent of the first chapter in West Virginia 80 years ago and the dedication of the new Veterans Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, in September where the State Regent represented the President General.

With grateful appreciation to all West Virginia Daughters for making our State Conferences grow each year, and our summer meetings at Jackson's Mill also increasing in attendance and scope.

We regret that time did not permit the acceptance of all invitations extended.

Looking back on these years there is a feeling of pleasure and accomplishment unequaled by any other form of service. To have had the privilege and honor of serving as Regent of the West Virginia Society will be lifelong source of joy and a cherished memory.

Yes, you and I have "walked the rainbow trail together, we have walked on the wing of song, and all about us has been beautiful!"

Velmagene Morgan Martin (Mrs. Homer Paul) State Regent

#### Report of the State Vice Regent

This year as your State Vice Regent has been a most delightful and exciting one. We have been royally entertained by the West Virginia Daughters throughout the state. Thanks to each of the Daughters for their kindness and hospitality.

Our great State Project "The House at Webster" is off the ground and thanks to all concerned.

It was a pleasure and honor for me to give the Response and preside at the Conference Luncheon in Harpers Ferry, as well as all Executive Board, Board of Management, District meetings and the annual Jackson's Mill meeting and luncheon. We were in Washington in April for the Continental Congress and West Virginia Luncheon. All chapter invitations and speaking engagements were acknowledged.

Madam Regent, it has been a most inspiring three years to have served as a member of your Executive Board from which we have all gained in trust, love and devotion to this great organization, through your capable leadership.

My most humble thanks to each of you.

Maxine P. Spearman (Mrs. Walter L.) State Vice Regent

#### **Report of the State Chaplain**

A letter of instruction and form for reporting deceased members, plus the Chapter Chaplain's annual report form were given each chapter.

At the State Conference, opening prayers for meetings, benedictions and grace were given when requested.

A Memorial Service for 72 deceased Daughters was held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Harpers Ferry. This was well attended by our Daughters.

Cards, letters or phone calls were the contacts with the 57 chapters. The points stressed were:

- 1. Reporting deaths immediately
- 2. Reporting in October and February even if there were no deaths
- 3. Extra annual report blank to be picked up at State Conference

Your State Chaplain gave the Invocation at the William Henshaw Chapter Memorial Service for their founder of the first NSDAR chapter in West Virginia, Mrs. Valley Virginia Henshaw Berry, at Mt. Zion Episcopal churchyard in Hedgesville.

The Eastern District meeting at Berkeley Springs was opened with prayer by the State Chaplain.

The prayers and cards received from all over the state were a real inspiration and help toward the recovery of your State Chaplain during her recent illness. Thank you,

> Leone B. Hamilton (Mrs. C.W.) State Chaplain

### **Report of the State Recording Secretary**

These past three years have been very rewarding to me, as I have had the privilege of working with a group of very wonderful and dedicated ladies.

It is important that the State Officers, State Chairmen and Chapter Regents get their reports in before Conference. I wish to thank all those who cooperated.

Kathryn Chaddock (Mrs. H.W.) State Recording Secretary

#### **Report of the State Corresponding Secretary**

During the past three years your State Corresponding Secretary has endeavored to fulfill all the duties of the office.

It was my privilege and pleasure to motor to Charleston, West Virginia, with our State Historian, Elizabeth King, on Tuesday, November 14, 1978, to attend the 20th Anniversary Celebration Luncheon for the Fort Lee Chapter. Mrs. A.G. Capinpin, Chapter Regent and her committee, are to be commended for a delightful and well organized affair.

Due to a severe spring cold, which lasted for approximately five weeks, I attended only one of the five District meetings. Regretfully I found it necessary to turn down many other invitations.

The 1979-80 State Directory was completed and distributed at the Jackson's Mill meeting. Fifty-two chapters submitted a current list of officers.

Because the Daughters voted at our last State Conference to try a new format for reporting activities, the packet distributed at Jackson's Mill did not contain instructions from all the State Chairmen. Instructions appeared in the September 1979 issue of the DAR News. A six-page Chapter Regents Questionnaire has been typed, duplicated and will be distributed at this Conference. This is my first, and last time for creating this monster for you..but never fear, there will be someone to take my place. When you consider the alternative of each committee mailing a separate sheet and having to return each one, it starts to look better. By the way, do your successor a favor, keep a file copy.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the State Officers, State Chairmen, and all other West Virginia Daughters who have cooperated with me during my tour of duty. It has been a most rewarding experience as I have met so many wonderful people at the various meetings and made lasting friendships. Above all it has been a real joy to travel to so many areas of "Almost Heaven, West Virginia."

> Virginia Marshall (Mrs. Hubert T.) State Corresponding Secretary

#### **Report of the State Organizing Secretary**

As I begin the final months of my term in office, I want to express again my appreciation for the trust which you have placed in me as your State Organizing Secretary. I especially want to thank the chapter regents for their cooperation in getting their yearly reports of officers in on time to the Organizing Secretary General and to our State Corresponding Secretary. Whether or not your chapter changes officers during the year, you should complete and mail these forms by May 1. It is most important that all changes in the officers and their addresses be reported promptly to the Organizing Secretary General, because all other national officers depend upon her records for current information.

During the year, I have continued to promote the growth of the Society by working to establish a new chapter and to conserve two chapters. Mrs. James White has been named Organizing Regent for what we hope will be Peters Mountain Chapter at Peterstown. With the help of Mrs. W.N. McClaugherty of Matthew French Chapter and Mrs. Samuel Solins of Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter, we have hopes of getting the chapter approved before Continental Congress. I have been in touch with the officers of Colonel William Lowther Chapter and Borderland Chapter. Like many other chapters, these chapters are small and have a number of inactive members. I urge all chapters, but particularly chapters with less than thirty members, to seek new members, especially Junior members. To keep your chapter alive and active, increase membership, present interesting programs, publicize DAR activities, and promote chapter and state projects. Write the office of the Organizing Secretary General for a free copy of the pamphlet "Promoting and Conserving Our Chapters."

I need to remind you that 25, 50 and 75 year pins and/or certificates must be presented on or after the anniversary date. 50 and 75 year certificates are issued from the office of the Organizing Secretary General at a cost of \$2.00 each. 25 year certificates are \$1.00. When making a request, please include given name, address and national number of the recipient along with a check made payable to the Treasurer General NSDAR.

Serving as State Organizing Secretary has been a rich and rewarding experience for me. Thank you for giving me this experience. It has been a pleasure to serve with Mrs. Homer Martin, our State Regent, and the other State Officers. I have enjoyed working with all of you and look forward to our final months of this administration as we continue to promote the goals of our Society.

> (Miss) Margaret Ann Scott State Organizing Secretary

#### **Report of the State Treasurer**

The State Treasurer's report covers the cash transactions, chapter receipts and contributions of the West Virginia State Organization NSDAR which are on the separate sheet inserts distributed during this State Conference.

Jeanette S. Davis (Mrs. Samuel M.) State Treasurer

#### **Report of the State Registrar**

No approval has been received from National on our new chapter in Peterstown, so I continue to report 57 chapters in West Virginia, with a total membership of 3395, a loss of ten members in the past year. This loss is due to a decrease in new members by application and an increase in deaths. A great number of applications are pending approval by National and this loss will be more than offset when these pending applications are approved.

This has been a busy year for your Registrar. She attended the 73rd State Conference in Harpers Ferry, Continental Congress, Jackson's Mill meeting, 5 District meetings, one chapter Anniversary Luncheon, guest at 3 chapter meetings and her own chapter meetings when not on official duties.

Assistance has been given to all who have requested it. Names of all new Junior members are being sent to Sylvia Rhodes, State Junior Membership Chairman, so that she may get them involved in State work. We need their vitality and young ideas.

May I say how very much I have enjoyed my association the past three years with our lovely and capable State Regent, Velmagene, the State Officers and all of you. It has been a wonderful time of sharing and caring and I thank you for it.

> Ellen Calvert (Mrs. Russell) State Registrar

#### **Report of the State Historian**

Henry Adams wrote that his education in History at Harvard had been a failure. He had spent 4 years digging Rabbit Holes all over the map of Europe. I too feel that my three years as State Historian have been something of a failure. I have not been able to complete the files of graves of West Virginia Revolutionary War Soldiers. I have, however, collected to pass on to my successor some 800 plus grave sites and the names of approximately 2,000 men and some few women who served as soldiers of the Revolutionary War. This means there are about 1200 soldiers of the Revolutionary War who are out there buried in Rabbit Holes in West Virginia unless you people come forth with other grave locations for the files. It is my hope also that these cards can be maintained until such a time as the grave site locations can be published. Out Historian General writes that "Work is progressing on...a book containing the located graves of the Nation's Revolutionary War Soldiers...about 50,000 of them," so it is possible that our work will not be a complete failure.

Mrs. Fleck also sent me a copy of their Historical Marker Files to be updated. It seems to me that West Virginia has many more Historical Markers than those few which she reported to me. She wrote that she knew that I would update my Marker files. What this means is that I will have to make a Marker file from hers and update and correct it if I can learn of other markers not reported to National. Any of you here who know of any Historical Markers in the state please check with me and let's get them in good order for the next administration.

About the grave markers of Real Daughters - Jane Fugate's grave is not now locatable. General Charles Lewis Chapter, to which she belonged is still checking and no doubt will come up with the complete data, as they always do.

These past three years have been a pleasure and in Charles Kuralt's words "the things I will remember are those...geniuses (in the DAR) who love tackling vexing problems and get joy out of setting things right."

Elizabeth R. King (Mrs. Walter Guy) State Historian

#### **Report of the State Librarian**

Your State Librarian wishes to thank each member for their outstanding work and cooperation given for the past three years.

This report is given from what was sent in last March, 1979 and also added are the names of chapters donating books to the National Library since the State Report last October.

Out of 57 chapters in the State, 54 chapters have librarians.

Eleven chapters had programs on the NSDAR Genealogical Library.

This year I am pleased to report the State contributed a donation to the National Library of \$100.00 for the Rebinding Fund.

There were six chapters contributing funds to the NSDAR Genealogical Library for expansion of space. Eighteen chapters contributed to the General Fund.

The Following books have been contributed to the National Library since the 1978 report:

1. The Lemons Family in America. A record of the descendants of John and Mary (Kerr) Lemons from 1780 to present compiled by Lawrence A. Lemons. Donated by Blennerhassett Chapter.

 Grave Register, Pendelton County, West Virginia by Pendleton County Historical Society privately published 1977. Through South Branch Valley Chapter presented by Mrs. John Harmon and daughters.

3. Kanawha County Virginia (West Virginia) Tax List (1840) by Kanawha Valley Genealogical Society, Inc. Privately published 1979. Presented through Vandalia Chapter.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure working with the West Virginia Daughters and I thank you all.

Geraldine Sommerville (Mrs. J. Frank) State Librarian

### **Committee Reports**

#### **National Committees**

### Americanism and DAR Manual For Citizenship Committee

Of the 28 chapters reporting, the following is representative of the work they are doing: 28 repeat the American's Creed and had a program on Americanism; 21 placed patriotic literature in the schools; 12 chapters distributed a total of 254 manuals for citizenship to applicants for citizenship and 4 placed a total of 122 manuals in schools. The members of 5 chapters attended naturalization ceremonies and gave approximately 150 Welcome cards and gifts to the new citizens.

251 American Flags and one Braille Flag were placed or given by 13 chapters. Three chapters arranged for young people to attend naturalizatin ceremonies this year. Members of 23 chapters gave approximately 7,400 hours of volunteer service to their comunities. Blennerhassett Chapter presented a DAR Americanism Medal this year.

Outstanding chapters this year are: Blennerhassett Chapter and John Chapman Chapter tied for first place and Kanawha Valley Chapter, 2nd place.

Janet Lockhart (Mrs. James L.) Chairman

#### Children of the American Revolution Committee

This committee chairman was very proud of the way the DARs responded to the need for money that was required to give the C.A.R. National President, William H. Rardin III, a party at the end of his term of office. This was greatly helped along the way by the Col. Charles Lewis Chapter of Point Pleasant. However, as I had only 7 chapters send their reports to me, I am not sure what chapters actually gave. Remember, each chapter has a C.A.R.-DAR chairman, whether or not they sponsor a C.A.R.

This year the stress is on membership. If we keep decreasing in membership at the same rate as the last few years, within 5 years there will no longer be any C.A.R.s in West Virginia. The nation as a whole has had an increase in C.A.R.s. We need good senior leadership. This is given by a DAR, S.A.R., or S.R. Where there is good senior leadership there you will find a strong C.A.R. society. The C.A.R. societies already in existence need a boost in membership. Other societies need to be organized. There are plenty of children; we need only to find them.

Another need is to increase our number of state promoters. There have been several chapters that have become state promoters and thus get the national C.A.R. Magazine. That all chapters subscribe to the magazine was a request of President General Baylies. The annual fee for state promoters is \$5.00. This fee is sent to the C.A.R. Senior State President and not to the State DAR Treasurer. The Senior State President fills out the proper form and sends it along with the fee to Washington. Of the \$5.00, \$1.00 stays in the state treasury, \$2.00 goes toward the national C.A.R. Magazine subscription and \$2.00 goes toward expenses of the national society.

For the first time I would like to give some awards to chapters who are working hard for C.A.R. and took the time to report it. To the DAR chapter that sponsors a C.A.R. society and contributed the most money to the state society, a blue ribbon goes to the Col. Charles Lewis Chapter and sponsor of the Fort Randolph Society. To the DAR chapter that does not sponsor a C.A.R. society and contributed the most money, a blue ribbon goes to the Charleston Chapter. To the DAR chapter having the most state promoters, a blue ribbon to the Col. Andrew Lewis Chapter. There is a tie for second place: Charleston Chapter and Col. Zackquill Morgan. Second place to a sponsoring chapter of C.A.R. who gave the most money, James Wood Chapter.

Betty Morton (Mrs. Voris) Chairman

# **Conservation Committee**

During the past year we have stressed tree planting. At the Western District meeting the marker placed at the oak tree planted in honor of our State Regent, Mrs. Homer Paul Martin and President General, Mrs. George Upham Baylies was dedicated. Mrs. Walter L. Spearman was in charge of the dedication. A picture of the marker was taken by Mrs. Martin to Washington to be given to Mrs. Baylies.

I am proud of the responses made by our chapters to our plea for conservation. 54 chapters sent reports showing that 15 chapters had planned Conservation Week activities and 10 assisted in community Conservation projects.

The Elizabeth Zane Chapter gave donation to the Handicapped Clients of Buckhannon-Upshur Work Adjustment Center to buy "mums" to be planted on the West Virginia Wesleyan Campus. Potomac Valley Chapter observed Earth Week and gave out brochures. James Barbour Chapter gave out 100 cherry tomato plants to be planted in local gardens.

28 chapters planted a total of 3,805 trees and shrubs. 47 chapters fed the birds a total of 24,980 pounds of seed at a cost of approximately \$7,491.00.

14 chapters contacted legislators on conservation projects and 7 wrote letters and 2 gave Conservation scholarships.

Awards to chapters are as follows: Blue - Elizabeth Ludington Hagans; Blackwater; Borderland, Col. Zackquill Morgan, Potomac Valley; Elizabeth Zane; James Barbour; Matthew French, Blennerhassett; Kanawha Valley; Ohio Valley; Col. Charles Lewis; Shenandoah Valley. Red - Buford; Elk River; Bee Line; James Wood; William Henshaw; Westmoreland. White - Mound; Pack Horse Ford; Lt. Daniel Shumate; Charleston; Barboursville; General Andrew Lewis; VAndalia; Col. Morgan Morgan; John Hart; Daniel Davisson; Col. William Lowther.

It is gratifying to see more chapters taking an active part in conservation.

(Miss) Mary Hubbs State Chairman

# Dar Good Citizens Committee

The work of the DAR Good Citizens Committee is progressing nicely. Out of nearly 200 highschools, we had responses from 136. Out of our 57 chapters we still have a few that are not active in this committee.

Our state winner was Gregory A. Stodola of Wahama High School in Mason, W.Va. He received his state pin and a \$100.00 bond at our Jackson's Mill meeting. He was sponsored by Col. Charles Lewis Chapter, Point Pleasant, W.Va.

Neva Weeks (Mrs. Harry S) Chairman

### Dar Magazine Advertising Committee

This chairman is happy to report 100% participation by the 57 chapters in West Virginia. Additional ads placed by chapters brought our total for the year to \$1,075.00.

(Miss) Mary Lou Taylor Chairman

# Dar Museum Committee

To brighten the 1978 report, 22 chapters out of 57 reported as follows: Friends of the Museum or General Fund - \$33.50; Funds for Cataloging Project of 50,000 Items in Museum - \$31.00; State Period Room - \$11.00; Funds for Art Books for DAR Museum Reference Library - \$10.00.

Let us have 100% for our State Regent this year with the correct answers in the amounts of money you have given. Thank you for cooperating.

Frances Corbitt (Mrs. John E.) Chairman

## **Dar School Committee**

Of the 26 chapters reporting each one had a program on the DAR Schools. The total money/gifts sent to the DAR Schools was \$710.62.

Tamasse \$254.41 Kate Duncan Smith \$380.21 Berry School \$1.00 Crossnore \$38.00 Hillside \$1.00 Hindman \$36.00

Chapters reported sending 43 packages of clothing weighing 558 pounds to the thrift shops of the schools.

Chapters receiving awards are : Blue - John Chapman; Red - William Henshaw; White - Pack Horse Ford.

Lorena Brown (Mrs. Haron L.) Chairman

# Dar Service For Veteran-Patients Committee

With 37 chapters reporting, the following activities were carried out by 100 volunteers giving 1,816 hours in the hospitals:

Letter writing, escort service, comfort items such as boots, hot water bottle covers, hand painted book marks, laundry bags; total value of gifts to patients - \$455.63. \$90.00 in magazine subscriptions; 360 books donated; 12 puzzles 7 poinsettias.

One representative attended the DAR Service for Veteran Patients breakfast in Washington, April 18, 1979.

Your chairman is grateful to the representatives and deputies and all members who have contributed in any way.

Mary B. Stevenson (Mrs. Arthur) Chairman

#### **Genealogical Records Committee**

Special thanks to the long hours of hard work which has brought the record to its present standing for our State, and deep appreciation for the records which have been made. Won't it be like a Christmas surprise when our State Regent sends to each chairman in the state a copy of a report from each of the 57 chapters. We must be excited about this surprise package that has been so well planned for us.

Because two chapters toiled so diligently with such big projects this year, we are recognizing the two chapters with a tie for the blue ribbon.

1. Bee Line Chapter has completed reading and typing the listing on tombstone markings for every cemetery in Jefferson County. What a task, well done!

2. Wheeling Chapter has a Mrs. Wayne who travels with her husband and carries her own work with her. As a past time, she indexed "Ohio County, WV Marriage Records" which is already on file in Washington. 779 pages is the credit Wheeling received from National.

Blennerhassett Chapter received credit from National in April of this year for 336 pages. "The 1860 Census of Wood Co., West Va." had been typed and indexed by two young ladies. To Blennerhassett Chapter goes the Red Ribbon for the year's work to date.

Anne Bailey Chapter has a lady who works each year copying or typing "Marriages of Kanawha County." Just five pages, arrive each year. For her diligent work, we are giving the white ribbon to Anne Bailey.

During these busy days, we know how very difficult it is to get the many needed records typed and ready for our own areas. As we continue to face the future, let each chapter try just a bit harder to help preserve the records of our county for researchers and posterity.

Laura Hedrick (Mrs. Ralph) Chairman

## Honor Roll Committee

West Virginia was one of 26 states commended for 100% reporting this year.

A new Blue Honor Roll ribbon has been given to those chapters who have been Gold Honor Roll Chapters for 18-24 years. 25 chapters in the nation were listed with Anne Bailey Chapter of W\_Va, Gold Honor Roll for 21 years, listed.

16 chapters received Gold Honor Roll: Anne Bailey (21 years), Anne Royall, Bee Line (6 years), Blennerhassett (3 years), Captain James Allen, Col. Charles Lewis (3 years), Col. Zackquill Morgan (3 years), Daniel Davisson, Gen. Andrew Lewis, Kanawha Valley (6 years), Major William Haymond, Vandalia, Westmoreland, Wheeling, William Henshaw, Pack Horse Ford.

12 chapters received Silver Honor Roll: Charleston, Col. John Evans, Elizabeth Ludington Hagans, Elk River, James Wood, Jennie Wiley, Matthew French, Mound, Ohio Valley, Shenandoah Valley, South Branch Valley, Wilson Cary Nicholas.

9 chapters received Honorable Mention Honor Roll: Blackwater, Buford, Col. Morgan Morgan, Fort Lee, James Barbour, John Chapman, John Hart, West Augusta, William Morris.

Karen Kave (Mrs. Albert, Jr.) Chairman

#### **Junior Membership Committee**

As this term of office draws to a close, the State Junior Membership Committee can say proudly the 2 goals set forth at the outset have for the most part been accomplished, those being (1) to educate the members as to what Junior Membership in DAR is all about and (2) to carry out the work of the National Junior Membership Committee.

In accomplishing the first part, Act III was held at Jackson's Mill and the third annual Membership Dinner sponsored by the State Junior Membership Committee as held at State Conference with the National Junior Membership Chairman, Mrs. Ben McKenzie as the speaker. Also all invitations were accepted to speak at chapter meetings.

An Outstanding Junior Member was selected again this year and will go on to compete in East Central Division.

As part of accomplishing our second goal, various merchandise was sold at chapter meetings, Jackson's Mill, district meetings and State Conference with all profits going to the Helen Pouch Memorial Fund. West Virginia won the Lincoln House Contest for selling the most merchandise of any state in category C with an award of \$50.00. This money was donated to the Helen Pouch Fund.

For the second consecutive year, two junior members, Mrs. Gary Gess and Mrs. Edward Dockeney, Jr., did the National Junior Exhibit.

Hopefully the members will take this knowledge of DAR generally and Junior Membership specifically and encourage active participation in DAR, thereby developing leadership of younger members and helping to insure the future of this organization in West Virginia.

We wish to express our appreciation to Honorary State Regent, Mrs. C. William Moore, for all her advice and support throughout the term for us young ones and to our fine State Regent, it has been a pleasure to serve with you.

Sylvia J. Rhodes (Mrs. Charles I.) Chairman

## **Public Relations Committee**

As we are about to finish this our last year of this administration under the superb leadership of Mrs. Martin, it is my hope that we can make it the best year ever.

39 chapters reported 236 newspaper articles for a total of 2,975¼ inches of publicity; 174 pictures for a total of 1,523¼ inches. The total of 3,598½ inches of publicity includes DAR Magazine, journals, West Virginia DAR News, deaths, marriages.

Radio coverage, which included American History Month and Constitution Week spot announcements, was 20 hours, 60 minutes, 55 seconds. There were 7 radio broadcasts.

Television publicity, which included American History Month and Constitution Week spot announcements, was 2 hours, 30 minutes and covered 10 broadcasts.

Five chapters used the film "Home and Country" for a chapter program and 3 chapters participated in the Feature Story contest.

Seven Press Books were on display at State Conference and were judged as follows: Blue - Blennerhasset; Red - Bee Line; White - Capt. James Allen.

It has been an honor to work with all of you. Let us all keep on weaving a Tapestry of Service and Striving for New Patterns of Action.

> (Miss) Louise Hickman Chairman

#### Seimes Microfilm Center Committee

Forty-two chapters reported contributing \$160.00 which includes a life membership of \$100.00. This is a fine way to honor state officers and chapter regents.

This center is very important for use in genealogical research. West Virginia has a quota of 32 rolls of the 1900 census. To date, we have purchased 12 rolls.

The first Index to the Center was a sellout; a second printing is now available at \$3.95, which can be ordered from the Office of the Corresponding Secretary General.

The Center contains many valuable rolls of film - application and supplemental paper, Federal census records, wills, deeds and other important records, All are listed in the Index. Please help complete and bring up-to-date this very valuable asset.

> Mildred Hancock (Mrs. Elmer) Chairman

## DAR Membership Commission Committee

Packets with membership aids and materials were distributed at the Spring District meetings. Chapters report to me that they are making use of these materials and having membership programs in their chapters. I spoke on Membership for one chapter program.

Our Name Bank is still functioning quite well and we have referred six potential members' names to other states.

We have responded to nine requests for assistance on papers from other states.

One chapter is urging all its members to purchase and wear Recognition Pins to arouse interest of non-members.

Another chapter is furnishing volunteer assistance at their local library to assist nonmembers complete their applications.

Share Your Activities and Ideas and report all of them to me. I deeply appreciate all you are doing.

Ellen Calvert (Mrs. Russell) Chairman

## Insignia Committee

If your Insignia chairman had a perfect report for today we could say every Daughter in the state of W.Va. now **Owns Her Own** - her personal Insignia with her own name and National number. Our official emblem is indeed beautiful and is a source of pride to all who wear it. The reports I've received from over the state indicate that our Daughters have their own Insignia plus many pins representing years of accomplishment in various offices plus ancestral bars which prove the completion of much genealogical research. I don't have to tell you how much it means to earn the right to add and to keep adding to your ribbon. It's the best way I know to record your activities and interest in the outstanding organization that is DAR. Those of you who were present last year at Harper's Ferry remember our suggestion that we display our ribbons in a shadow-box type picture frame when not being worn. We can enjoy our ribbon and what it means at all times and the ribbon is ready to wear and handy to get to, is straight and ready to go when needed. Today I have brought an example of the way a frame should or could look. Since all frames have to be custom made, you might want to select your own background material. The fabric should be six inches wide and five inches longer than your ribbon. We will have an item in the West Virginia DAR News giving the address and instructions for ordering a frame.

This frame was made especially for the Star of Our State, our Number one Daughter who has served us so well these last three years and who has put West Virginia on the DAR map at the National level. Our State Regent has earned enough pins to fill a thirteen inch ribbon. This gift is a token of our affection and appreciationg for Velmagene Martin.

> Margaret B. Cyrus (Mrs. Evan) Chairman

#### **DAR Fifty Year Club**

The new 50 Year Club, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, organized in 1978, lists 760 members including 600 charter members, indicating their continued interest and devotion to the ideals of this prestigious organization. Of these 760 members, 14 are from West Virginia.

The active membership list started April 16, 1979. All active and charter members will function together as a group. Registration of new members (name, married and maiden, address, National DAR Number, date accepted and \$2.00 dues) go to the Treasurer, DAR 50 Year Club.

All eligible fifty year members of the National Society are invited to join.

(Miss) Ness Robinson Chairman

# Special Committees With National Recognition

#### **American History Month Committee**

1979 winners of the American History Month Essay Contest:

Fifth Grade: First place, Ruth Anderson (South Branch Valley); 2nd place, Lisa Bower, (Phoebe Cunningham); 3rd place, Rhonda Carol McCoy (Col. Charles Lewis).

Sixth Grade: First place, Elizabeth Ann Parker (Fort Lee); 2nd place, Emile Headings (Pack Horse Ford); 3rd place, Sarah Thompson (Pack Horse Ford).

Seventh Grade: First place, Ginger Riggleman (South Branch Valley); 2nd place, Susan Klostermeyer (Anne Bailey); 3rd place Michelle Williams, (William Henshaw).

Eighth Grade: First place, Mario Fallo (Borderland); 2nd place, Jana Donaldson (James Barbour); 3rd place, Tammey L. Hupp (Blennerhassett).

Mary Alice Heddleston (Mrs. Roy R.) Chairman

# **Constitution Week Committee**

The 37 reporting chapters did the West Virginia State Society proud. Coverage of communities with information on and about the Constitution of the United States of America was wide-spread and response was satisfying to the Daughters who sponsored the observance.

40 mayors proclaimed Constitution Week. 34 chapters urged the display of the Flag of the United States of America.

Publicity: 620 inches, 125 articles, 38 pictures. Radio: 331 minutes, 800 spot announcements. Television: 4,350 minutes, 6,338 spot announcements. Displays: Banks - 14; Billboards - 1; County fairs - 8; Libraries - 48; Post offices - 6; Schools - 46; Stores - 51; Miscellaneous - 20.

Awards are given as follows:

First: Blennerhassett - the most outstanding chapter report. Its observance was unique in quality and quantity. Second: John Chapman Third: Anne Royall

> (Miss) Nell Robinson Chairman

# Special Committees With State Recognition

## Blanche L. Reymann Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Blanche L. Reymann Memorial Scholarship Fund is awarded annually to a needy senior, West Virginia girl attending a denominational college in West Virginia.

The 1979-1980 scholarship will be awarded to a senior attending West Virginia Wesleyan College. The Elizabeth Zane Chapter will be in charge of the award.

Miss Shelia Duncan of Ripley, West Virginia, a senior at Morris Harvey College received the 1978-1979 award. Mrs. P.T. Bricker, scholarship chairman of the Kanawha Valley Chapter presented the award.

Since the Blanche L. Reymann Memorial Scholarship is not included in the state DAR budget, may I suggest that each chapter include the scholarship fund in its budget. The money is to be sent to the State Treasurer and a report of same to me.

Awards are as follows: Blue - Wheeling; Red - Pack Horse Ford; White - Major William Haymond, Buford, Captain James Allen.

Kathryn M. Kraybill (Mrs. David B.) Chairman

# **Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Fund**

Miss Cynthia Sue Mason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mason of Shepherdstown, won the Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship for 1979-1980. The certificate was presented to her in May, 1979 at the Eastern District meeting at Berkeley Springs. A graduate of Jefferson High School, she is attending West Virginia University where she is majoring in Home Economics, Dietetics. She was sponsored by the Bee Line Chapter.

The Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship, honoring Mrs. Harry J. Smith, past State Regent, is awarded each year to an outstanding senior girl who is graduating from a North Central Accredited Senior High School in West Virginia. The applicant must be above average in scholarship and a good citizen, interested in her fellow students and in the state. She must desire to enter a West Virginia College to become a Home Economics teacher or Home Demonstration Agent.

An application form has been sent to each regent in the state. Each regent or chairman please contact the principals of the high schools in your community early in the year, and present the instructions to them for the award to be made to an outstanding girl in 1980. Present only one contestant from your school. Give the girl's name, address, college of her choice, a transcript of her grades and results of any tests (such as Otis-Self-Administering test). Submit a small, recent picture of the applicant, submit two paragraphs in her own handwriting, one paragraph stating "What this fund would mean to me" and the second paragraph stating "Why I have chosen a particular West Virginia College."

Send the requested information to me by March 1, 1980. The awards will be made in May 1980. The girl and her principal will be notified immediately; also the sponsoring chapter. The amount of \$250.00 will be deposited with the treasurer of the college she plans to attend and may be drawn by her for school expenses as needed.

Please get busy. I hope we will have another lucky winner in 1980.

Augusta Phillips (Mrs. James S.) Chairman

## **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee of the State Organization of the Daughters of the American Revolution is very happy to report at this time to you that all financial matters are in excellent order. All savings accounts and Certificates of Deposit are stable. The assessments for 1979-80 to remain at \$2.00, to be divided as follows:

State Dues\$1.25
Contingent Fund 12
C.A.R
Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship 03
West Virginia Library 01
West Virginia DAR News 50
West Virginia Tea/Luncheon 03
Award Winners
\$2.00

Much is rewarded to the help and guidance of our beloved State Regent for her help and advice to this committee.

Maxine P. Spearman (Mrs. Walter L.) Chairman

#### West Virginia DAR News

West Virginia DAR News has had a successful year with 4 issues being published. In two issues we apologized for being late, but our publisher saved the day and met the deadline on time.

In 1978 we said there had been a 37% increase in subscriptions since the first issue of this administration, Sept. 1, 1977. This year, 1979, the 37% has increased to 60%. We are presently mailing for 2.7 cents per copy the West Virginia DAR News to 650 subscribers.

The paper goes not only to West Virginia but also to the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, New York, Massachusetts, Ohio, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, Florida, Wisconsin, Illinois, Texas, California and Hawaii.

1979 also marks the fulfillment of an obligation to subscribers. Prior to 1977 subscribers had paid for but had not received the paper in full issue. The istuation came about through unusual circumstances of serious illness and even the death of one editor. Because of this situation, we have not gone after deliquent accounts, a few of which go back to 1976. From June 1, 1976 only one paper was published until Sept. 1, 1977.

All chapters have been contacted advising them of any deliquency. Beginning with the December issue those subscribers who do not wish to renew will be dropped. If the paper is not received, a card to me will usually resolve the situation.

West Virginia DAR News exists to serve West Virginia Daughters in providing information. We hope the dissemination of news has been effective. We can continue to exist only if chapters send news and Daughters subscribe.

I wish to thank all State Officers, State Chairmen and chapters for their cooperation and news stories, pictures and the like that they have sent us. Thank you also for the kindnesses

extended to us when we have visited your chapter and District meetings. Only with your help can we serve effectively.

Ouida S. McDonald (Mrs. R.T.) Chairman

# Reports of District Directors Central District

I am substituting for Mrs. Cecil Murphy, Central District Director, who was too ill to do the report.

Central District, the largest in the state, is comprised of 16 chapters. Our combined membership totals one-fourth of all the Daughters in West Virginia. We have some of the oldest chapters; the youngest; some of the largest and some of the smallest. Four are Gold Honor Roll and one is Silver Honor Roll.

Differences lie in the programs and personalities of each chapter.

Blackwater Chapter says they have had outstanding work in Conservation - planting trees and a bird feeding program.

Colonel John Evans Chapter took a trip last summer to Dawson, Pa. to tour Linden Hall, a national historical home. This is a Silver Honor Roll Chapter.

Colonel Morgan Morgan's Chapter regent took her chapter on a "School Tour." Fare for the trip was deposited in little cardboard schoolhouses and a "Tour Guide" took them around and explained what they "saw." Afterwards the money was sent to the DAR Schools. The regent also had each member prepare a brief autobiography which she plans to put into a booklet for each person.

Colonel Zackquill Morgan Chapter is a Gold Honor Roll chapter and is the home chapter of the State Regent, Mrs. Homer Paul Martin. The regent reports an outstanding program on Anna Jarvis and during American History Month her students made radio spot announcements on a local station.

Daniel Davisson Chapter is one of the largest and oldest founded in 1908. This is a Gold Honor Roll Chapter. Anna Jarvis, founder of Mother's Day, belonged to this chapter.

Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter is one of the smaller chapters. It was the regent who urged the state to restore the home of Anna Jarvis.

Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter is the largest with 123 members and the oldest. It celebrated its 75th birthday, May, 1979. The chapter is known for its genealogical workshop under the direction on Miss Marion Tapp.

Elizabeth Zane Chapter reports a great Constitution Week that involved everybody in town, including schools, churches and businesses. The members are currently engaged in a campaign to have everyone fly the flag every day, weather permitting.

James Barbour Chapter was the hostess chapter for the Central District meeting last May. During the Barbour County Fair, the members had a display booth depicting the life of Anna Jarvis. A handmade quilt was donated, the money to go to the Anna Jarvis Home Restoration State Project.

John Hart Chapter with 103 members is involved with community activities. American Heritage is also a big part of its program. They will not only tell you how the colonists lived, but show you how they did it.

King's Wood Chapter is one of the smaller chapters having membership problems. They colaborated with the historical society to write *Preston County History* to be published in December.

Major William Haymond Chapter is a Gold Honor Roll Chapter. They combined with the other two chapters in Marion County to have a super Treasure-Knick Knack sale from which \$1,000.00 was realized for the Anna Jarvis Restoration. The check was presented to the State Regent at the Constitution Day luncheon with all three chapters present.

Phoebe T. Cunningham Chapter is the youngest chapter in the state. They had an article published in the DAR Magazine last April, "Phoebe Cunningham" by Virginia Swiger Williams.

**Tygart Valley** Chapter participated in the nationally know Mountain State Forest Festival. Last Easter members took trays of fruit to veterans in local nursing homes. A member, Mrs. Lunsford, wrote and published a book on *The Schoonover Family*, which was presented to the NSDAR Library.

**Trans-Allegheny** Chapter celebrated Constitution Day with community involvement. They also took gifts to patients in the hospital.

West Augusta Chapter had a program on quilts with the members giving the history involved with each quilt. They also put on a skit "Granny Meech and Her Four Kin of the Revolution."

Such are the chapters of Central District.

Ouida S. McDonald (Mrs. R.T.)

## Eastern District

The Eastern District, composed of 8 chapters, was proud to host the 73rd State Conference, October 1978, at Cliffside, Harpers Ferry, W.Va.

Each chapter has been represented at Continental Congress, State Conference, District meetings and Jackson's Mill.

The Gold Honor Roll was achieved by BeeLine and William Henshaw Chapters and the Silver Honor Roll by Pack Horse Ford and Shenandoah Valley Chapters.

The Tri-Color Ribbon from National and the Blue Ribbon from the state for yearbooks was awarded to Bee Line, Pack Horse Ford, Shenandoah Valley and William Henshaw chapters.

Other awards of committees went to the following: American Indians to Bee Line, Pack Horse Ford, Shenandoah Valley, William Henshaw; Conservation to Bee Line, Pack Horse Ford; Genealogical Records to Bee Line; and Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship, Membership and National Defense to Pack Horse Ford. William Henshaw sold the most merchandise from Lincoln House and several JAC members were winners.

Contributions of money, books, clothing, soup labels and other articles were donated to Tamassee and KDS DAR Schools, C.A.R., Bacone College, St. Mary's School for Indian Girls, Blanche L. Reymann and Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Funds, Anna Jarvis Home, VA Center and the President General's Project. Books have been placed in various libraries and American Flags have been given and placed on graves.

The American History essay contest was well participated in by many schools in the areas surrounding the chapters in the district. Eastern District is proud they had more winners in first, second and third place than any other district.

Constitution Week was observed and the Naturalization ceremony was attended with DAR Manuals of Citizenship and American flags given to each naturalized citizen.

Good Citizenship medals, pins and certificates and ROTC medals have been given at the local high schools by each chapter.

Bee Line Chapter has concentrated on the upkeep of St. Georges's Chapel grounds and the winner of the Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship, Cynthia Sue Mason, was sponsored by the chapter.

Fort Ashby Chapter owns jointly with the Potomac Valley Chapter the Fort at Fort Ashby where they have their meetings and keep up the expenses of the Fort.

Pack Horse Ford Chapter was hostess to the West Virginia Luncheon at the Mayflower during the week of Continental Congress. The table decorations of an egg tree was sold for \$100.00 and the money given to the Anna Jarvis Restoration.

Shenandoah Valley Chapter had one of its Junior members, Alice Cogle, named as West Virginia's Outstanding Junior Member. The regent and her sister, Junior members, created the new National Junior Exhibit about the work of the Junior Membership Committee for display at Continental Congress. Another member Ruth Seibert, played the organ in Constitution Hall for 2 sessions of the Congress.

South Branch Valley Chapter had as a National Defense program a trip to Sugar Grove in Pendleton County and toured the U.S. Navy's Radio/Radar Station.

William Henshaw Chapter celebrated its 80th anniversary as the oldest chapter in the state with a memorial service honoring the founder of the chapter, Mrs. Valley Virginia Henshaw Berry. A reception followed.

Ye Towne of Bath Chapter was the hostess for the Eastern District meeting in May.

The Eastern District is great and I am proud of all their accomplishments which are too numerous to mention here.

(Miss) Ruth E. Seibert District Director

## Western District

Western District is composed of 13 chapters with a total membership of 927. Five chapters have over 100 members each; the other 8 chapters have between 20 and 45 members.

These chapters have done outstanding work. All of their programs were based on DAR objectives and most chapters reported having had the President General's message read and a National Defense report given at each chapter meeting. All national holidays were observed.

Constitution Week observances were an outstanding project of all chapters. This was done by proclamations by mayors, displays in shop windows, bulletin boards and posters in libraries and other public buildings, distribution of patriotic tracts, spot announcements by radio and TV stations and chapter programs. A number of newspapers ran notices for one week urging the observance of Constitution Week. The members of several chapters contacted the churches in their area asking them to mention Constitution Week in their church bulletins.

Much time, money and effort was expended for veterans. Most chapters reported sending personal gifts and toilet articles, books, magazines, lap robes and playing cards to the veteran's hospitals in Huntington and Beckley. Numerous visits were made also. One chapter sent gifts to two patients at Spencer State Hospital.

There are several C.A.R. Chapters in the district sponsored by DAR Chapters. A new C.A.R. chapter is now being organized in Charleston.

American History Month was celebrated by many chapters in February. One chapter had as its program the essays of the winners of the American History Month essay contest. This chapter had as their guests the parents of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners. The Junior Committee Members of another chapter entertained the winners of the contest, their parents and their teachers at a coffee in February to celebrate Washington's Birthday and the 22nd birthday of the chapter.

Western District chapters contributed generously to the DAR Schools, sending money, clothing and Christmas presents. One chapter reported sending 7 boxes of clothing and others costume jewelry to be sold in the schools' thrift shops.

Several chapters reported sponsoring Junior American Citizens Clubs. One chapter sponsors 30 clubs and last May held party for 170 JAC members.

Conservation was urged by the chapters. One chapter planted 57 trees and used 240 pounds of seed to feed birds and other wild animals. Another chapter fed 1,000 pounds of seed and other foods to wild life.

Two chapters reported placing markers at the graves of their deceased members. One chapter placed flags on the graves of Revolutionary Soldiers in their community.

Awards given by the chapters included: 26 Good Citizenship medals; 4 DAR Good Citizen medals; 16 American History medals; 10 American History Essay medals; 2 American History Essay certificates.

This year's state winner of the DAR Good Citizen was from the Western District.

One chapter presented four 25-year membership certificates and two 50-year membership certificates.

An outstanding project of many chapters this last year has been the collecting of slides of old West Virginia churches.

Another outstanding project is the state organization's project of restoring the Anna Jarvis Home. To this end, many dollars have been given.

Books have been given to local libraries and one book was sent to the NSDAR Library.

Contributions have been made to the Helen Pouch Fund, Seimes Microfilm Center, Blanche L. Reymann and Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship Funds, KDS and Tamassee.

Because of all these activities, Western District chapters have received many honors: 4 Gold Honor Rollcertificates, 2 Silver Honor Roll certificates; 6 National Tri-Color Ribbons for outstanding yearbooks and programs; 6 State Blue Ribbons for yearbooks; 1 State Red ribbon for American Indian work; 1 Blue ribbon for press book; 1 Seimes Microfilm Center Award for contribution to the Center; 1 certificate for largest percentage of gain in membership in the state; 1 special letter from the National Chairman of Protocol complimenting the chapter for its outstanding and unique program on Protocol; 1 Honorable Mention award for contribution to Blanche L. Reymann Memorial Scholarship Fund; 1 Kate Duncan Smith Triangle pin for a large contribution to the school.

Truly, the members of Western District have done yeoman service to DAR.

Helen Sterrett (Mrs. Eugene) District Director

# **Reports of Chapter Regents**

# **Comments From the Editor**

The references to programs following the three DAR objectives has been edited from reports as each chapter does endeavor to plan programs in this manner. Also removed was the reference to the use of the President General's message, The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States, The American's Creed and a National Defense report as this is part of a chapter's order of business.

## Anne Royall Chapter

Anne Royall Chapter met all requirements for the Gold Honor Roll.

We have contributed to all projects, schools and advertising. Many items were sent to the Veteran's Hospital in Clarksburg, W.Va. Several boxes of clothing were sent to the different DAR Schools during the year. A subscription to the DAR Magazine was given to the Ritchie County Library.

To open Constitution Week we had a covered dish dinner and the Mayor of Harrisville signed the proclamation making the week of September 17 through September 22, Constitution Week for the city of Harrisville.

A play was given by the students of Harrisville High School on the Constitution. Costumes were made by the girls and the boys participated in the play. A parade, planned for the week, had to be cancelled because of weather conditions.

> Patty W. Cox, Regent (Mrs. Billie C.)

### **Barboursville Chapter**

Barboursville Chapter has 34 members, 3 being Junior members.

The regent sends monthly newsletters to all chapter members, the State Regent, the Western District Director and prospective members of the chapter.

"In Loving Memory" cards are used for the family of deceased members and "Come Sing His Praises" is being used in Chapter meetings and for other occasions.

Constitution Week was observed with a proclamation from the mayors of Barboursville, Milton and Hamlin and with displays in the libraries of these villages.

Slides of an old church in Hamlin and an accompanying transcript were sent to the State Chairman, American Heritage for her project.

The chapter has participated in the work of the following committees by awarding 7 Good Citizenship medals; contributions to DAR Schools, National Defense, ROTC, NSDAR Library binding fund, Helen Pouch Memorial Fund; planted 57 trees on farms, in parks, along highways; fed 240 pounds seed to birds; awarded 2 medals and certificates to DAR Good Citizens; volunteered time in DAR Service to Veteran-Patients; gave \$12.00 for an 1880 Census roll for Seimes Microfilm Center and contributed to C.A.R.

A Junior member, Jane Hager Meade, was a page at the 1978 State Conference.

The chapter regent is a Life Promoter of C.A.R.

Erma J. Hagan, Regent (Mrs. Robert W.)

#### **Bee Line Chapter**

Bee Line Chapter has concentrated on the upkeep of St. George's Chapel grounds. A fashion show, our second in 2 years, was a success, raising money to complete the purchase of another C.D. from which interest assures the normal expenses of mowing during the summer. The project of black-topping the entrance has been begun in order to make access on Rt. 51 and to the Chapel more safe.

State Conference at Cliffside was an exciting time involving all of our members in one way or another. Because of the appeal at State Conference for C.A.R. funds, in our next meeting, we sent a \$42.00 special gift to the C.A.R. in the state.

Our George Washington's Birthday luncheon was a happy occasion marking also the 61 years of Miss Edith Gardner's service to Bee Line.

The chapter was well represented at the Continental Congress. Members brought back glowing reports of the many activities during the week with special emphasis on the West Virginia luncheon and that of the National Defense.

Hill Top Hotel, with its breathtaking view, was the scene of our annual member-guest dinner in May.

The 3rd and 4th of July found us placing flags on the graves of Revolutionary Soldiers, Real Daughters and Daughters. We then made a study of needs for preservation of stones and markers and prepared new maps for location of graves.

Special gifts of \$25.00 each were sent to Tamassee and Kate Duncan Smith in response to the pleas of our President General.

Cemetary records were complete on Elmwood, Bolivar, Mission, Edge Hill, Murrill Hill, Chestnut Grove, Silver Grove, three private ones and St. Peter's Catholic Church. *The Story* of the Blackford Family was published by Mrs. Emory Kable.

Honors for the year included Gold Honor Roll, Tri-Color Ribbon and Blue Ribbon for the yearbook, Red ribbon for conservation and Genealogical Records and White ribbon for American Indians.

We are proud to report that Cynthia Sue Mason, sponsored by Bee Line, received the Eleanor H. Smith Scholarship award. Mrs. James H. Lemen was nominated Junior Outstanding Member of West Virginia from our chapter.

Ann C. Groves, Regent (Mrs. Joseph R.)

#### **Blackwater Chapter**

Blackwater Chapter is located in beautiful Tucker County. It is still very actively engaged in conservation - planting trees, feeding birds, etc.

We try to have interesting meetings and programs based on the objectives of the Society.

(Miss) Hasaleah M. Lanham, Regent

#### **Blennerhassett Chapter**

Blennerhassett Chapter with 113 members met all requirements for Gold Honor Roll.

The Chapter was represented at State Conference, District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

With permission granted from National the chapter presented the ROTC medal to an outstanding high school student. The Good Citizen award was presented to an outstanding senior boy and girl at a luncheon.

Donations were made to the Helen Pouch Fund, Tamassee and KDS Schools, Bacone and St. Mary's with clothing, jewelry and stamps being sent to St. Mary's.

Two subscriptions to the DAR Magazine were given to a high school and library.

The speaker for the National Defense luncheon was the Honorable A. James Manchin, W.Va. Secretary of State, who spoke about Love and Devotion for our country, our state, our heritage and our family. Three students were presented with certificates and the National Defense Good Citizens medals.

Mrs. Homer P. Martin, State Regent, paid us an official visit and showed the film "Home and Country." She also explained about the restoration and preservation of the Anna Jarvis Home. The chapter presented her with a donation for the home.

Three new citizens were honored at a luncheon and given American flags. The chapter prepared a luncheon for the West Virginia Dept. of Archives and History when they were making a study of the historic buildings in Parkersburg on August 23, 1979.

The chapter participated in the following committees by sending colored slides of church windows to the American Heritage chairman; Planting trees, shrubs and flowers and feeding birds and wild life; contributing gifts to the veteran-patients and doing volunteer work in hospitals. The Genealogical Records chairman typed the 1860 Census of Wood County, a total of 336 pages. The book, *The Lemon Tree*, was given to the library.

American History Month was observed by a slide and tape program on Colonial Williamsburg. Three students were honored at the luncheon and presented certificates for their American History Essay.

The patriotic effort by our Constitution Week committee was outstanding. They observed Constitution Week by having a tea, reading the Constitution, poster contests, proclamations by area mayors, displays in business windows and the Wood County 4-H Fair, collected colonial recipes from Mrs. Rockefeller and Williamsburg, Va. and wrote to area ministers had radio and TV announcements, newspaper articles, gave literature to Wood County schools, gave a Braille Flag of a blind citizen, gave two flags to scout troops, had flags lining the streets of Vienna, W.Va.; a speaker, band concert, antique display and gave patriotic literature and colonial recipes at the Parkersburg City Park.

Honors received are second place at National for Constitution Week, first place in state for Constitution Week, American Indians, National Defense, Genealogical Records, Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship; second place for Press Book.

The chapter is proud to have the following members serving as state officers and chairman: Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian; Mrs. Ralph Hedrick, Chairman Genealogical Records; Mrs. Warren Campbell, Flag of the United States of America; Mrs. Charles Brown, Northern District Director; Mrs. Jonelle Aiken, Secretary, Northern District.

> Mary Campbell, Regent (Mrs. Warren)

# Captain James Allen Chapter

Captain James Allen Chapter received the Gold Honor Roll award this year. We have 65 members including two new Junior members.

## **Charleston Chapter**

Charleston Chapter with 36 members reports a very active year. We received the Silver Honor Roll.

The chapter has been represented at Continental Congress, State Conference, District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

The chapter has supported and participated in the work of these committees: selling items from Lincoln House for Juniors; sent money, books, and jewelry to St. Mary's and Bacone College; given personal and comfort items to the VA Hospitals in Huntington and Beckley; sent 7 boxes of clothing to Tamassee and \$10.00 to KDS.

We were represented at Continental Congress, District meeting, Jackson's Mill and State Conference. A Junior member, Mrs. Joel Wagoner, served as a page for the 5th consecutive year at Continental Congress. The chapter treasurer, Mrs. Charles Barrett, serves as Southern District Director.

The chapter placed 10 memorial books at the Raleigh County Public Library. Grave markers were purchased for deceased members.

The flag chairman presented a braille flag to a young blind man in our community and the regent presented a large American flag to the Seneca District Boy Scouts of America.

Seven Good Citizens medals and certificates were presented to high school students.

Constitution Week was observed with spot announcements on the radio, displays placed in a local shopping mall and reminders in church bulletins and newsletters.

12 area elementary schools participated in the American History essay contest with the winers invited to read their essays at our regular meeting where they were presented with medals and \$5.00.

Mrs. A.P. Stevenson is serving as State Chairman of the DAR Service for Veteran-Patients Committee. Our members have supported this committee by hosting the District Christmas Party at the VA Hospital. A total of 771 volunteers hours was contributed as candy canes were placed on the patients' trays and poinsettas placed in the wards. 24 laundry bags were also made for the patients.

The chapter donated \$80.00 to the Anna Jarvis project. Mrs. Mary Stevenson donated an American flag to be flown at the Anna Jarvis home. Funds collected at the chapter's annual bake sale will be donated to this State Project.

Our chapter will weave a "Tapestry of Service" this year by microfilming 200 pounds of genealogical records of 300 pioneers' families in Raleigh and surrounding counties. Some of these records date back to 1600. When completed, they will be sent to the Librarian General.

We were honored to have the State Regent at our June meeting. In October we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of our chapter.

Peggy Truman, Regent (Mrs. Alan K., Sr.) Our chapter collected 26 slides of old West Virginia churches for the American Heritage project. Our Vice Regent is doing the commentary to go with the slides.

We contributed 100% to the President General's project and had a special fund-raising bargain day sale to raise money for the Anna Jarvis Restoration. We earned \$200.00 for this project and I would like to have our chapter recognized at State Conference by presenting the check to our State Regent.

Janet Lockhart, Regent (Mrs. James L.)

## **Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter**

Colonel Andrew Donnally Chapter with 33 members met all financial requirements for Honor Roll and also contributed \$10.00 to the Veterans' Christmas Party at Beckley.

Good Citizens awards were given to senior high girls and boys in all four county high schools.

We observed Constitution Week by having Mayor Swope sign a proclamation and had spot announcements read in the high schools over the radio station in Welch. Mrs. William W. McClaugherty, National Honorary Vice President General, was the guest speaker at our luncheon.

Subscriptions to the DAR Magazine were given to the McDowell Public Library and Mt. View High School.

We received the Tri-Color award from National for our yearbook and the blue ribbon from the state for same and a red ribbon for our National Defense work.

Barbara Allara, Regent (Mrs. Bobby D.)

# **Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter**

The Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter with 110 members met all state and national financial obligations. \$107.00 was presented to the fund for the Anna Jarvis house.

The guests at our February meeting were the American History Essay Contest Winners and their mothers.

Constitution Week was observed by an excellent program. There were displays in each of the high schools and junior high schools. The mayors of two adjoining communities signed proclamations. Flying the flag was urged.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Western District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

Our chapter sponsors the Fort Randolph C.A.R. Society whose president served as a page to Mrs. Stanley Swann at the Kentucky State Conference.

Our chapter also sponsors 30 J.A.C. Clubs and in May we gave a party at the Mansion House for 170 JAC members.

Two memorial services were held and two grave markers were dedicated. Graves of Revolutionary Soldiers were decorated on Memorial Day.

Colonel Charles Lewis Chapter gave a number of awards among which were: 12 Good Citizenship medals, 2 DAR Good Citizen awards, 7 American History awards, 4 American History essay medals (2 silver, 2 bronze).

During the present year, 19,943 visitors have toured our Chapter House in Tu-Endie Wei Park.

(Miss) Katherine Wilson, Regent

#### Colonel John Evans Chapter

We have had a successful year in 1978-79. The programs have been interesting, informative and stimulating and as a result, the attendance has been exceptionally good. The historical trip this year was to Linden Hall at Dawson, Penna.

Statistics do not express the accomplishments of a chapter but a brief summary follows: 83 members; Awards given - 1 ROTC medal, 2 Good Citizens pins, 1 50-year pin; donations to DAR Schools and Indian schools, President General's project; floral arrangement for the West Virginia Room in the NSDAR Museum.

We received Silver Honor Roll and a Tri-Color and blue ribbon for our yearbook.

We are proud to have two of our members serving the State Society: Mrs. Hubert Marshall as State Corresponding Secretary and Miss Margaret Jones as Secretary for the Jackson's Mill meeting

> Sarah T. Phillips, Regent (Mrs. W. Hugh)

# **Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter**

I am happy to report that Colonel Morgan Morgan Chapter has 84 members and received the Honorable Mention Honor Roll this year.

We have contributed 100% to the President General's project, to the DAR Schools, Morgan Morgan Cabin Fund, Rhododendron State, Prickett's Fort and Cemetery.

We awarded a Good Citizen's pin to a high school student at Barrackville, W.Va.

We purchased DAR markers that we will use instead of flowers for our deceased members and purchased a copy of *Washington Landmark* for one of our deceased members and placed it in our county library. After a program on the importance of marking graves of Revolutionary Soldiers, we purchased a beautiful marker and held services at the Viewpoint Cemetery at Rachel, W.Va.

An American Flag was presented to the Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter hoping it may be used in the future at the Anna Jarvis Home.

Outstanding programs included an imaginary trip to KDS and Tamassee; the art of weaving; the electric plant being planned at Davis, W.Va.; a Flag Day tea with a musical program of original compositions; a combined Constitution Week luncheon with Major Wm. Haymond and West Augusta chapters.

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

l am looking forward to an exciting year as we strive to get new members and complete our goals using the guidelines from National and State.

> Grace B. Vincent, Regent (Mrs. Arnold J.)

## **Colonel William Lowther Chapter**

The Colonel William Lowther Chapter has 20 members and 3 Junior members awaiting their papers to be processed.

We were represented at the Northern District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

The Good Citizenship award was given to a senior girl at our local high school.

Constitution Week was observed with the spot announcements given at the local schools, churches and a proclamation was signed by the mayor.

We have continued our support with Fort New Salem by working with them during Heritage Arts Festival and the Fall Celebration.

Fern Nutter, Regent (Mrs. C. Blair)

## **Daniel Davisson Chapter**

Daniel Davisson Chapter now has a membership of 107. Four 50-year members were honored with a 50-year certificate. Organized in 1908, our chapter is 71 years old this year.

At the request of the President General we gave an extra donation to our DAR Schools and a donation to the Anna Jarvis restoration project.

Our new members, DAR Good Citizen students and their mothers were honored at a tea in May.

Our chapter received the Gold Honor Roll this year.

We have been represented at the State Conference, the Central District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

(Miss) Louise Dennison Regent

# **Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter**

The Elizabeth Cummins Jackson Chapter currently has 32 members, eight of whom are non-resident, including 2 new Junior members who attend college.

Our chapter has continued to tell the DAR story through the press with monthly coverage, special releases during American History Month and Constitution Week. This year our local editor of the Mountain Statesman made note of Constitution Week through an editorial.

As part of Constitution Week the flags were flown along Main Street and citizens were urged to display home flags.

Contributions were made to St. Mary's School for Indian Girls; the President General's project; the Veterans of Foreign Wars Main Street Flag Fund; \$180.00 was contributed toward the Anna Jarvis Birthplace Restoration through chapter member contributions and Memorial City Post 3081 VFW.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Central District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

A subscription to the DAR Magazine was given to the Grafton High School Library.

Our chapter recently voted to increase chapter dues to \$20 per year and it is hoped by each member giving fairly that we may do more at the state and national level.

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

# **Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter**

The Elizabeth Ludington Hagans Chapter with a total of 123 members celebrated its 75th anniversary on May 16, 1979. Miss Marion Tapp, now past 90 years of age, and a very active member of our chapter, participated in the program.

At a special meeting in July, a Memorial Fund was established. Gifts in memory of a loved one may be given to this fund, which will be used to buy DAR grave markers for future deceased members.

Special emphasis was placed on Constitution Week and American History Month. Six essays, written by junior high school students, were submitted for the American History essay contest. Each of the 6 contestants received a certificate and a new dollar bill.

Four high schools receive a subscription to the DAR Magazine.

American Flags were given to school children.

We presented 9 Good Citizenship medals to junior high school students and the DAR Good Citizen pin to two senior high school girls. An ROTC medal with Campaign Bar was awarded to a West Virginia University senior cadet.

A 50-year pin was presented to a member who died later in the year. Her sister was presented her 50-year pin at the Flag Day luncheon, June 9, 1979 by our State Regent.

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

### Elizabeth Zane Chapter

The Elizabeth Zane Chapter has a total membership of 53 which includes 20 nonresident members.

Several members volunteer at local hospital auxiliary as well as the Crippled Children's Center which is sponsored by the local Rotary.

During the past year our State Regent was a guest of the chapter.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Central District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

Constitution Week was stressed in the local high school and junior high by displays on the bulletin boards. The two local libraries had displays as well as both weekly newspapers giving excellent coverage. 3 local churches mentioned the observance in their Sunday bulletin and many spot announcements appeared on the local radio station.

All Daughters are urged to fly the Flag of the United States daily, weather permitting.

Patricia S. Powell, Regent (Mrs. Richard L.)

## Fort Lee Chapter

During the year the chapter focused on supporting the DAR Schools by gifts of money, clothing and Christmas presents. A second focus of the chapter was on the patriotic programs of the DAR.

A workshop on the grandparent form was held in October. Instructions were given as to the correct procedure for filling out these forms. A number of grandparent forms was completed and sent to National.

In November the chapter celebrated its 20th anniversary with a luncheon. Mr. A. James Manchin, Secretary of State, was the guest speaker. Guests for the occasion included: Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent; Mrs. H.T. Marshall, State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar; Mrs. Walter King, State Historian; Mrs. Eugene Sterrett, Western District Director; Mrs. Virginia Cracraft, State Program Chairman; Miss Louise Hickman, State Public Relations Chairman. A white elephant sale and donations by chapter members in honor of their mothers netted \$205 for the Anna Jarvis Restoration Project.

Mary E. Little, Regent (Mrs. James D.)

# **General Andrew Lewis Chapter**

General Andrew Lewis Chapter's 41 members have had every successful year with exceptionally interesting and educational programs which motivated regular attendance. We received the Gold Honor Roll and a Blue ribbon for our yearbook.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Continental Congress and Southern District meeting.

Special clothing contributions were made to the DAR Schools and the Indian schools amounting to approximately \$800.00

American History contest winner, Sheryl Porterfield, was recognized with a \$25 bond from our chapter at our December meeting. In August, we gave a deserving youth a \$40 scholarship to the Greenbrier Youth Citizenship Camp.

Mrs. Homer Martin, State Regent, was our honored guest and speaker for the chapter's Constitution Week luncheon and program. 7 members from the Mondongachate Chapter were guests.

It was our privilege to have Louise McNeil Pease, West Virginia Poet Laureate, as our guest speaker in March. She read poems from her latest book, *Elderberry Flood*, which is to be used in West Virginia History classes in the public schools.

Plans are being made for the celebration of the chapter's 25th birthday with a Silver Tea at the North House, the home of our County Historical Society.

Vivian Richardson, Regent (Mrs. Jack)

# James Barbour Chapter

The 35 members of James Barbour Chapter have been very busy the past year sending stamps and gifts to 2 Veterans' Hospitals; hosting the Central District meeting in May; joining with the V.F.W. and the V.F.W. auxiliary in presenting a Memorial Day Service at the Belington Fraternal Cemetery; and making slides of churches for the American Heritage project.

There were 22 entries in the American History Essay Contest, one of whom was a second place winner in the state. Both she and her parents were our guests at the Central District meeting.

The chapter had a display booth at the Barbour County Fair where pictures of the Anna Jarvis home, which is to be restored, displayed. Also on display was a beautiful quilt, hand quilted, and pieced by one of our members and donated for the purpose of raising money for the Anna Jarvis Restoration Project.

Hazel N. Wolfe, Regent (Mrs. Lindsey A.)

#### James Wood Chapter

James Wood Chapter with 135 is now in its 77th year.

American History Month was observed by awarding 3 Good Citizenship medals and \$100 bonds each to a student in Parkersburg High School Parkersburg Catholic High School and Williamstown High School. An American History award and \$50 bond was awarded to an American History student in Jefferson Elementary School. These presentations were made possible from the estate of Miss Besse O. Stewart, former member of the chapter.

20 American classroom flags, one 3'x5' Flag of the United States of America and one 3'x5' West Virginia State Flag were presented to the Jefferson Elementary School. 19 American classroom flags, one 3'x5' West Virginia State Flag were presented and dedicated to Criss Elementary School and one 4'x6' West Virginia State Outdoor Flag was presented to Park School. The gift of these flags was made possible by the Besse O. Stewart Memorial Fund.

The chapter members sent a generous accumulation of good books and Christmas gifts to the Veterans' Hospital in Clarksburg; sent DAR Magazine subscriptions to 3 area high schools and 2 to the Parkersburg-Wood County Library; sponsored a bakeless bake sale and raised money for the Restoration of the Anna Jarvis Birthplace; held a dedication for a marker and DAR emblem placed on a Revolutionary Soldier's grave; and was represented at Continental Congress, Northern District meeting, Jackson's Mill and State Conference.

Constitution Week was opened with a dues tea which was attended by our State Regent. The mayors of Parkersburg, Vienna and Williamstown signed proclamations.

> Mary J. Riggs, Regent (Mrs. Paul L.)

#### John Chapman Chapter

John Chapman Chapter received the Honorable Mention Honor Roll; a monetary award for 100% participation in DAR Magazine advertising; blue ribbon for the most articles contributed to the West Virginia DAR News; second place in Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship and American Indians; a certificate of commendation for 100% participation in the President General's project.

The following awards were made in the local schools: 6 American History medals; 2 Good Citizenship medals and 4 Good Citizenship pins.

Each year the chapter contributes \$25 to the local C.A.R. Society, Lydia Boggs.

We placed the DAR Magazine in our local library, high school and Bluefield College. Two books were presented to the DAR shelf in Craft Memorial Library. Six boxes were sent to the Indian schools and a poinsetta was given to the Veterans' Hospital in Beckley for the VA Christmas party. The chapter sponsored two outstanding naturalization programs and receptions for our new citizens. A letter of commendation for our participation was read to the chapter from Judge John Copenhaver of the U.S. District Federal Court.

Outstanding programs included an interesting and vivid discussion of the early aborigines of the area; the open door policy of China and its meaning for the U.S.; Revolutionary Soldiers in Virginia and W.Va.; luncheons honoring our State Regent, observing Constitution Week and George Washington.

Louise K. McLaughlin, Regent (Mrs. R.T., Jr.)

#### John Hart Chapter

John Hart Chapter had a most successful year. The 103 members received Gold Honor Roll, first place for American Heritage, 2nd place for American Indians, and honorable mention for Americanism and DAR Manual for Citizenship and the Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship Fund.

Two 50-year pins and certificates were presented to members and 3 25-year certificates.

Constitution Week was observed as a cooperative venture with the Tygart Valley Chapter. Good Citizenship pins and certificates were presented to 3 seniors from Elkins, Coalton and Harman high schools.

American History month was observed in 4 schools. Winning essays from 5th and 6th grades were read at our May meeting and pins were presented.

DAR Manual for Citizenship, flags and welcome cards were distributed to new citizens during 2 naturalization ceremonies. The American Flag was given to the Glenmore Homemakers Club and we sponsored a girl for Rhododendron Girls State. A large donation of clothing was prepared and sent to St. Marys School for Indian Girls.

The chapter is proud to have our own past regent, Mrs. Edythe Bolton, serving as State Chairman American Heritage and happy to have her name on the slate of officers for 1980-1983 as State Historian.

It has been my pleasure and a privilege to serve as regent the past two years. The cooperation and dedication of the members to the work of DAR made it possible to be successful in all aims and accomplishments. I urge all to feel they are a vital part of our Society and please attend the meetings and participate actively.

Marguriette K. Scott, Regent (Mrs. Robert B.)

## John Young Chapter

For the past year John Young Chapter has been meeting at Asbury United Methodist Church which is of benefit to both the church and our chapter in several respects. We have participated in various committees by giving gifts to the veterans at Christmas; presenting Good Citizenship pins and medals, work of the Junior Membership, the DAR Schools and Indian schools.

Interesting programs were given on lineage research and its many problems, book review, slide program on historical background material and National Defense.

We are concerned that we are not attracting younger women to our organization who will carry on the work. It is a challenge to see that this situation changes.

> (Miss) E. Virginia Williams Regent

#### Kanawha Valley Chapter

The Kanawha Valley Chapter with a total membership of 145 received the Gold Honor Roll award this year.

The hard work of the members is reflected in the following: clothing valued at \$300 was sent to KDS; hundreds of paperbacks, small gift items and magazines taken to the VA facility at Huntington; provided over 1,000 pounds of seed and food for birds and small animals; attended Naturalization ceremony; presenting awards to a 5th and 6th grader at Central Elementary School, St. Albans, W.Va. for their American History Month essays.

Three 25-year certificates were given to members and two 50-year certificates.

The following Family Bible records were presented to the State Chairman Genealogical Research: William Payne, Jr. Bible dated 1819 Fluvanna County, Va.; Lemuel Rodgers Bible dated 1876 Fayette County, W.Va.; William Roades Bible dated 1826 Fayette County, Va. (WV).

One of our members is organizing a new C.A.R. Society.

Our State Regent, Mrs. Homer Martin, visited us in September and presented an informative and interesting program on the Constitution. Several other State Officers were also present: Mrs. Walter L. Spearman, State Vice Regent; Mrs. Russell Calvert, State Registrar and Mrs. J. Frank Sommerville, State Librarian.

Congratulations to our beloved State Regent, Velmagene Martin who has brought many new things into being; first, the Anna Jarvis Home Restoration and second, the pleasure that all Daughters derive from the program at Jackson's Mill.

> Elizabeth P. Lupardus (Mrs. O.W.) Regent

#### King's Wood Chapter

King's Wood Chapter continues to meet on an irregular basis. We are still unable to attract younger members.

More cemetery listings have been completed for use of county residents in collective effort of county historical society and our members. Many of our members have been very active in the work of compiling and preparing a new Preston County History that is due for publication in December.

We help with Constitution Week, American History Month projects, make scholarship information available to school counselors, work with our new citizens.

The members of the King's Wood Chapter will continue to do what we can with our limited membership.

Mary Elizabeth McCrum Regent

#### Major William Haymond Chapter

Major William Haymond, a Gold Honor Roll chapter, organized in 1908 has 76 members.

We have given DAR Good Citizen medals to 4 high school seniors in our community and introduced the American History Essay Contest into county schools.

We gave a copy of the 2-volume book, *A New Age Dawns*, to the Marion County Library and also a subscription to the DAR Magazine. The chapter presented a flag to the new North Marion High School and we purchased copies of *Washington Landmark* for gifts in the community.

One of our outstanding programs is the joint Constitution Day Celebration with our Marion County sister chapters, Col. Morgan Morgan and West Augusta. Jay Strider Mohler of the National Park Service showed and discussed the film which he showed, The Signing of the Constitution.

At the same meeting we were able to present the State Regent with a check for \$1,000 from the 3 chapters for the State Project of restoring the Anna Jarvis Home. The money was made from a Treasure and Knick-Knack sale.

We were privileged to have a guest speakers during the year, Mrs. Aaron Pancake, who spoke about the Indian schools and displayed artifacts; Mrs. Robinson, the famous dollmaker from Charleston; State Historian, Mrs. Walter King, who told us about marking graves and a talk about our historic little church in Fairmont.

> Ouida S. McDonald, Regent (Mrs. R.T.)

#### Mound Chapter

Our year has been both successful and sad in that we lost 5 members by death.

One of our best programs was on the Birth of West Virginia, by Mrs. Flutey of Wheeling, a member of the Committee on Restoration of West Virginia's Birthplace.

Magazines were sent to 4 high schools, 3 junior high schools, 4 county libraries and one to Reynolds Memorial Hospital.

Boxes of clothing and money were sent to KDS, Tamassee and St. Mary's School. A box was sent to the VA Hospital in Clarksburg with a gift of money at Christmas.

Four American History medals were presented to the essay winners and 100 certificates to those who participated in the contest.

Four Good Citizens pins were given to 4 high school seniors and 9 Good Citizenship medals to 7th, 9th and 11th graders.

Thelma Nesbitt, Regent (Mrs. Charles)

# Nathan Davis Chapter

The chapter was represented at the Northern District meeting and at Jackson's Mill.

The chapter promoted and reported to the State Chairman the observance of Constitution Week and encouraged and promoted flag days.

Contributions were made to the DAR Schools and the Co-op page in the DAR Magazine.

Zelma Connelly, Regent (Mrs. Chris)

### **Ohio Valley Chapter**

The 36 members of Ohio Valley Chapter received the Silver Honor Roll and a blue ribbon for their yearbook supplement.

The chapter had a shower for the Veteran-Patients at one of its meetings and presented medals and certificates to the winners of the American History essay contest at another.

In September, the State Regent was a guest of the chapter and showed the film "Home and Country" and made an outstanding talk on the Constitution of the United States.

The chapter was represented at State Conference, Continental Congress, Northern District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

Programs on protocol, the Flag of the United States of America, conservation, National Defense, our American Heritage and "The Healing Herb" made for a successful and rewarding year.

Mary E. Strickling, Regent (Mrs. Crandall)

# Pack Horse Ford Chapter

Pack Horse Ford Chapter has 38 members, 6 being Juniors.

Two of the winners in the American History essay contest won State awards. They were presented awards at the Eastern District meeting by the State Regent. A DAR Good Citizenship pin and certificates were given to an outstanding senior girl at Jefferson High School.

The chapter presented a book, *Historic and Memorial Buildings of the DAR*, to the Shepherdstown Public Library.

The chapter was the hostess for the reception on opening night of the State Conference in Harpers Ferry. The chapter was also the hostess for the W.Va. Luncheon at the Mayflower Hotel. A decorated egg was given to each guest and a decorated egg tree was placed on the speaker's table. It was later sold and the money given to the Anna Jarvis home.

On July 4th, American flags were placed in the old graveyards of the town to honor the Revolutionary Soldiers.

Constitution Week was observed with business window displays, in church bulletins a proclamation by the mayor, displays in libraries and DAR literature was placed in all Jefferson County schools.

Eight awards were received by the chapter: Silver Honor Roll; State blue ribbon and National Tri-color for yearbook; first place in Conservation; 2nd place in American Indians, Blanche L. Reymann Scholarship, Membership and 3rd place in National Defense.

Permission has been given the chapter by the Shepherdstown Historical Commission to use a room in the old Entler Hotel after it is finished.

> Augusta Phillips, Regent (Mrs. James S.)

## **Potomac Valley Chapter**

Potomac Valley Chapter opens the year and closes the year with meetings at the Fort at Fort Ashby, owned jointly with the Fort Ashby Chapter. This year we were privileged to have our State Regent and our District Director present for our closing session.

Due to the expenses of the Fort we have not been able to meet all goals but we have tried to present NSDAR to our community in all ways possible.

We received 55 essays and gave a medal and 11 books with certificates at three middle schools during their Honor assemblies.

We gave 3 Good Citizen medals at 3 area high schools during graduation exercises and gave a junior ROTC medal to the outstanding cadet at Keyser High School.

The local mayor and Mineral Daily News cooperate and give us good coverage during all activities.

Our active members are faithful and interested in Potomac Valley Chapter's image at the local level and hope to improve it on the state and national.

Bonnie N. Harvey, Regent (Mrs. Wilson)

#### **Princess Aracoma Chapter**

Princess Aracoma Chapter with 58 members presented two of them with 50-year certificates.

DAR Good Citizens certificates and pins were given to 4 girls in high schools.

The chapter participated in activities of these committees: Constitution Week, Veteran-Patients by sending gifts to the VA Hospital in Huntington, American History Month.

> Thelma E. Borth, Regent (Mrs. Theodore)

## Shenandoah Valley Chapter

The 65 members of Shenandoah Valley Chapter have had a busy and successful year since last October and our State Conference in Harpers Ferry.

We were honored to have one of our Junior members, Alice Cogle, named as West Virginia's Outstanding Junior Member.

Honors received by the chapter for their work include: Silver Honor Roll, Tri-Color and blue ribbon for yearbook, Award for use of the President General's theme in our programs for the year, second place for our work with American Indians.

Chapter members collected and packed 258 pounds of clothing, books and other items for the thrift shops at KDS and Tamassee; collected Campbell soup labels for St. Mary's School for Indian Girls; remembered the patients at the VA Hospital with an assortment of necessary and luxury items.

51 students from 6 schools participated in the American History Month essay contest. Each one received a certificate and the first and second place winners were guests at our April meeting at which time they read their essays and received bronze and silver medals.

The chapter entertained the State Regent on her official visit in May with a dinner at which time she showed the film "Home and Country."

Members participated in the naturalization ceremonies and gave each new citizen an American flag.

Members served as hostesses at the Adam Stephen House on Saturdays in August.

Kathy M. Gess, Regent (Mrs. Gary H.);

# South Branch Valley Chapter

South Branch Valley Chapter contributed 100% to the President General's project, Building for Our Future.

The chapter presented 8 Good Citizenship pins and certificates: gave a copy of the DAR Patriot Index as a memorial to the public libraries of Hampshire and Pendleton Counties; had two first place winners in the state in the American History Month essay contest.

For a National Defense program, we took a trip to Sugar Grove in Pendleton County where we had lunch and then a tour through the U.S. Naval Radio-Radar Station there.

One meeting was held at Hebron Church on Capon River where we had a talk by one of its members on the history of the Church and surrounding cemetery, which went back to the time of the Revolution. It was discovered that one or more Revolutionary Soldiers are buried there.

Mary Elizabeth Kump, Regent (Mrs. G. Kerr)

## **Tygart Valley Chapter**

Tygart Valley Chapter, with 28 members, has stressed Constitution Week and American History Month by placing posters in local banks, stores, etc. and a proclamation by the mayor. Copies of the Flag Code, Preamble of the Constitution of the United States and the American's Creed were given to students of the elementary school in Beverly.

12 American Flags were presented to the school at Pickens, W.Va. to be placed in the classrooms. A DAR Good Citizen pin and certificate were given to a boy and girl student in Tygart Valley High School and Pickens High School in Randolph County.

3 boxes of new and used clothing have been sent during the past year to Tamassee and KDS and Christmas checks were sent to each of the schools including Bacone.

A copy of the book, *The History of the Schoonover Family*, written by a member Mrs. Ollie Lunsford, was given to the NSDAR Library.

The chapter participated in the American Heritage project by taking slides of some of the older churches in W.Va. and writing a short sketch of each church. Veterans in an Elkins nursing home received a tray of fruit during Easter.

During the Mountain State Forest Festival and Beverly Community Week, the chapter had a display depicting Our Pioneer Days which included several antiques.

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

## Vandalia Chapter

Vandalia Chapter is a small chapter with a membership of 25 who received the Gold Honor Roll and the Tri-Color ribbon and a state blue ribbon for our yearbook for the second consecutive year.

The chapter presented a Good Citizen award to a senior girl from Nitro High School and Poca High School; presented a book to the NSDAR Library and 4 books to a local library in honor of our guest speakers; and presented a flag to be used outside to the Nitro Public Library.

We conducted the American History essay contest in 4 Nitro elementary schools; mailed Campbell labels to St. Mary's School; remembered veteran patients at Spencer State Hospital with cards and gifts during the year and sent books and playing cards to the Veterans Hospital in Huntington.

Constitution Week was observed in Nitro with 200 pieces of patriotic literature being distributed through the local libraries and the local high school.

Betty Tyson, Regent (Mrs. Charles S.)

#### West Augusta Chapter

The 45 members of West Augusta have been busy this past year as they presented 5 50year certificates to members; sponsored 2 girls to Girls State; attended State Conference and Jackson's Mill: presented the public library with a copy of *Washington Landmark* and presented one Good Citizen, one Good Citizenship and 2 American History awards to students at the local high school.

Outstanding programs included a display of quilts and the history of quilting; slide program on the homes of the Washington family; book review *Echoes from the W.Va. Hills*; a Moravian Christmas; and our joint Constitution Day Luncheon with Col. Morgan Morgan Chapter and Major William Haymond Chapter.

Emma Lou Demory, Regent (Mrs. Rodger D.)

## Westmoreland Chapter

Westmoreland Chapter has a current membership of 22.

We received several honors this year: Gold Honor Roll; 1st place for our Press Book; blue ribbon for our yearbook; a Seimes Microfilm Center certificate; certificate for percentage of net gain in membership; letter of commendation for 100% participation in President General's project; and a special letter from the National Chairman of Protocal complimenting the chapter on its unique and outstanding program on protocol.

Our programs included The Constitution, conservation, C.A.R., American Indians, transportation, protocol, a Landmark church, American citizenship and the United States Flag.

Local newspapers are very cooperative in printing announcements of our meetings and a detailed account of our programs following the meeting.

Members attended State Conference, The Western District meeting and Jackson's Mill.

Jewel Shingleton, Regent (Mrs. Paul)

# Wheeling Chapter

Wheeling Chapter received the Gold Honor Roll for its work during the past year and the Tri-color award for its yearbook supplement.

We contributed 100% to the President General's project; presented checks and awards to two students for their excellent American History essays; contributed to the Anna Jarvis Restoration and were represented at all meetings of state and national.

Naturalization ceremonies were attended in the U.S. District Court, Wheeling, with Judge Charles H. Haden, Jr., presiding.

Wheeling is one of the sites for the Madonna of the Trail Monument. On Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1979, Wheeling Chapter planned and held the re-dedication of the Monument at Wheeling Park. Our State Regent, Mrs. Martin, was our speaker as was Mr. Joe Bisonnette, representing the Wheeling Parks Commission. A wreath was placed at the base of the statue by Mrs. Martin and Robert J. Reed IV. Robbie is the great grandson for Mrs. Robert J. Reed, Sr. who was on the committee for arrangements at the dedication and unveiling of the statue on June 7, 1928.

We are looking forward to being hostesses for the West Virginia State Conference at Oglebay Park in 1980.

(Miss) Sarah Ann Ryder Regent

### William Henshaw Chapter

William Henshaw Chapter celebrated its 80th anniversary this year with a memorial service honoring the founder of the chapter, Mrs. Valley Virginia Henshaw Berry, followed by a reception on October 14.

At the present time there are 69 members six of whom became charter members of the newly formed National 50-Year Club.

The following awards were received by the chapter: Gold Honor Roll, blue ribbon for yearbook, 2nd place for work with American Indians, \$150 for selling most merchandise from Lincoln House for Junior Membership, and 2 first place winners and two 3rd place winners in the National JAC contests.

20 essays were presented to the chapter from the students in county schools for the American History Month essay contest. One essay placed third in the state and 14 received bronze medals. All participants received certificates.

Work of committees was done in many ways: attending naturalization ceremony; presenting a U.S. Flag to JAC club to be used at their meetings; planting trees and feeding 555 pounds of birdseed; observing Constitution Week with displays and announcements in churches, newspapers, schools and clubs; presenting 3 Good Citizenship certificates to seniors in area high schools; awarding an ROTC award to the outstanding member of the ROTC program at Martinsburg High School.

DAR Magazine subscriptions are given to City Hospital, VA Center, Norborne Nursing Home and the Martinsburg-Berkeley County Public Library.

Most interesting experiences have been finding someone to clean the marker at the grave of the founder of the chapter and having the Adam Stephen Monument repaired.

Mary D. Barrat, Regent (Mrs. Robert)

#### William Morris Chapter

The 42 members of William Morris Chapter have been busy carrying out the work of the committees by giving a \$250 scholarship to a student attending St. Mary's School of Nursing in Huntington; placing DAR markers on the graves of 2 deceased members; giving gifts of fruit and candy to the veterans at the Riverside Nursing Home; giving a subscription to DAR Magazine to a junior high school; awarding 5 American History medals to 3 students at Stonewall Jackson 1 student at Dunbar and 1 student at St. Albans High Schools; presenting 3 Good Citizen pins to students at St. Albans High School and one to a student at South Charleston High School.

We received the Honorable Mention Honor Roll, blue ribbon and Tri-color award for our yearbook.

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

To date we have donated \$170 to the Anna Jarvis project.

We are honored to have Mrs. Russell Calvert serving as State Registrar and Mrs. Aaron Pancake as State Chairman of American Indians.

(Miss) Alice Boyd Walker Regent

# Wilson Cary Nicholas Chapter

Wilson Cary Nicholas has a current membership of 24, with 2 being Junior members.

For 12 years we have presented Good Citizenship medals to six 6th graders in the Summersville Elementary School. A Good Citizenship pin is presented to a top senior in each of our 2 county high schools.

We received a blue ribbon for our yearbook.

Each year we celebrate Constitution Week and American History Month with daily announcements on cablevision, a proclamation by the mayor and with window displays and chapter programs.

Boxes of wrapped gifts were sent to the Beckley Veterans Hospital.

Eugenia Jones, Regent (Mrs. Ralph)

## Ye Towne of Bath Chapter

Ye Towne of Bath Chapter has 44 members some of whom are canvassing all cemeteries and working on a record off deceased people in Morgan County which will be recorded in the Morgan County Library. They are also searching for Revolutionary Soldiers graves.

The annual Christmas Candlelight Dinner was held at the Warm Springs Restaurant and the annual summer dinner in Cacapon Lodge when our State Regent, past State Regent, Mrs. C. William Moore and the District Director were present.

Constitution Week and Flag Day were observed with flags displayed all over town.

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

