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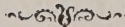


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1888	C. D. Benbow	J. D. McNeill	E. B. Englehard	F. H. Vogler	J. W. Elam	Greensboro
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1892	T. A. Green	E. G. Parmele	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	W. C. Craft	Asheville
1893	T. A. Green	E. G. Parmele	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	W. C. Craft	Wilmington
1894	Jas. D. McNeill	J. E. G. Parmele	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	B. T. Emerson	Winston-Salem
1895	Jas. D. McNeill	E. G. Parmele	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	B. T. Emerson	New Bern
1896	Jas. D. McNeill	J. E. G. Parmele	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	B. T. Emerson	Salisbury
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1898	Jas. D. McNeill	J. J. Stone	J. W. Griffith	J. W. Griffith	L. J. Taylor	Goldsboro
1899	Jas. D. McNeill	H. L. Riggins	R. D. Douglass	T. A. Green	W. P. Monroe	Greensboro
1900	Jas. D. McNeill	H. L. Riggins	W. S. Orr	T. A. Green	L. J. Taylor	Wilmington
1901	Jas. D. McNeill	H. L. Riggins	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	L. J. Taylor	Charlotte
1902	Jas. D. McNeill	W. S. Orr	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	L. J. Taylor	Raleigh
1903	Jas. D. McNeill	W. S. Orr	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	L. J. Taylor	Durham
1904	Jas. D. McNeill	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	L. H. Lumsden	Salisbury
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1918	Jas. D. McNeill	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	M. S. Davis	New Bern
1919	Jas. D. McNeill	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	M. S. Davis	New Bern
1920	J. H. Wood	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	M. S. Davis	New Bern
1921	J. H. Wood	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	M. S. Davis	New Bern
1922	J. H. Wood	A. H. Boyden	W. C. Von Glahn	T. A. Green	M. S. Davis	New Bern
1923	J. F. Foister	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1924	F. W. Bennett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1925	F. W. Bennett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1926	A. B. Horney	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1927	A. L. Duckett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1928	A. L. Duckett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1929	A. L. Duckett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1930	R. C. Whitley	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1931	R. C. Whitley	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1932	Frank D. Shaw	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1933	W. H. Palmer	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1934	W. H. Palmer	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1935	W. S. Long	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1936	W. E. Holland	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1937	J. B. Flora	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
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1939	C. A. Hilderbrand	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1940	D. E. Shuford	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1941	R. A. Joyner	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh
1942	Chas. L. Burkett	J. L. Foister	J. H. Wood	C. Schribben	T. D. Davis	Raleigh

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OPENING SESSION

O. HENRY HOTEL
TUESDAY, August 11th., 1942
TEN O'CLOCK A. M.

R. A. JOYNER, President, presiding.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

Fellow Firemen, by authority vested in me as your president, I now call to order the fifty-fifth annual Firemen's State Association. We open our service by a song by Chief Frank Bennett with Miss Mary Brockwell at the piano.

INVOCATION

By Reverend R. Murphy Williams

Our fathers' God to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

Thou art the great refuge of Thy people; we have Thy promise to this effect. God is our refuge and strength and a

very present help in trouble, and in these tragic days we are living we do rejoice in the privilege of coming to Thee and laying our burden and the protection of our lives and our country and of the allied world in thy great loving care.

We thank Thee for this great body of men, for the altruistic service, for willingness to hazard their own lives in the protection of lives and property. They have come together for conference to consider how they can best serve in these days. We pray Thee to grant unto them Thy divine wisdom, and may everything they do and consider be for the upbuilding of Thy commonwealth, for the strengthening of the forces of the world, for righteousness sake. Lord, hear us in this our prayer, and where in we fail to ask, fail not to grant. We realise our unworthiness and come to Thee making full confession of our unworthiness and ask Thy forgiveness. Watch over these men while in the City and may they conduct themselves to reflect credit on the communities from which they come, and grant that our fellowship together may be for Thy good and for Thy glory, we ask in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Xylophone solo _____ by G. C. Wauchee.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

The next man I present needs no introduction to the firemen of North Carolina, because he is known by all firemen, and being known by you he is loved by you; none other than our friend, Chief Frank Shaw, of the Greensboro Fire Department.

CHIEF SHAW:

Brother Chiefs and Firemen:

Yesterday morning I had the pleasure of welcoming the Chiefs to Greensboro, and I don't see why they didn't bring all these good looking wives and daughters. I'm sorry they were not here yesterday morning.

I have this morning a pleasure that seldom occurs to me. You will see on your program that there is just a mere handfull to welcome you to Greensboro, but I assure you that there are seventy thousand hearts here in this ball room with you welcoming you to Greensboro. It would be impossible to get them all here. As a matter of fact I had an argument about who was to welcome you to the City. Mayor Sullivan was on the program, but we have two mayors, one that is not so handsome and one that is not so good looking. We looked over the audience and

Mayor Sullivan came the conclusion that he wasn't good looking and handsome enough, so he sent Mayor McClammy, who will extend to you a hearty welcome and greetings from seventy thousand hearts of our City.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

By Mayor McClammy

Chief Shaw, Mr. President, Ladies and members of the North Carolina Firemen's Association:

On behalf of Mayor Sullivan, the City Council, and citizens of Greensboro I want to welcome you to our City to hold your convention. We hope that your deliberations at this convention will be both profitable and educational.

Greensboro is proud to have you visit us and we stand today with open arms and welcome you to our city.

I notice that a number have long faces this morning and I'm tempted to tell a little joke.

It seems that an old colored granny was having some trouble in getting license for her fifteen year old girl to get married—called on all the court officials, even the Judge, and he said, "Aunty, I'm sorry, this girl is too young." She said, "Lord have mercy, Judge, that girl is not too young to do what she has already did."

I welcomed you yesterday as best I knew how, but I am back this morning and if I left out anything I will come clean.

It reminds me of an old fellow that was up in court in Mississippi. The Judge said, "Are you the defendant?" He said "No, Judge, I haven't done anything to be called names; I have a lawyer to defend me." He said "Well, who are you?" He said "I'se the gentlemen who stole the chickens."

Greensboro is proud to have the firemen meet here because I am told that the Firemen's Association was first organized in Greensboro, and I know some of the original organizers who are here today. I see in front of me Mr. J. Henry Phipps, and to my left Mr. Joe Stone and Mr. C. F. Thomas.

Again may I say the citizens of Greensboro are anxious for you to have a good time, a good meeting, and we want you to feel welcome. Stay as long as you will, and call on us for whatever you want.

(APPLAUSE).

CHIEF SHAW:

Thank you Mayor. We appreciate your remarks. The Greensboro Fire Department and the citizens know every word you say is true and we all want you to know that you are welcome to our city.

I now present to you our City Manager C. W. Smedberg. I desire to say that there is not a City Manager in North Carolina, or in any other state in the union who is better qualified and who has made more of a success to build up a city than our own City Manager. We love him and know you will before you leave here. He has agreed to take the whole crowd to a barbecue this afternoon. It is with pleasure that I present Mr. Smedberg, City Manager of Greensboro.

MR. C. W. SMEDBERG:

Chief Shaw, Mr. President, Members of the Firemen's Association:

I am very happy indeed to have this privilege to extend to you a word of greeting. I am sure the good fellowship afforded the firemen in a meeting of this character to exchange ideas and experiences will go back home certainly with new ideas that will enable you to better meet the problems and very serious problems that will face you in the days to come. I want to take this opportunity to extend to each and every one of you an invitation to remain in Greensboro the balance of the week. The North Carolina League of Municipalities is holding a conference beginning tomorrow noon, at which time we will have outstanding speakers dealing with civilian defense and war problems, subjects that you are interested in as members of the Fire Department.

I hope your stay will be pleasant and profitable. If we are short in any feature of entertainment if you will mention it to Chief Shaw he will do his level best to provide it for you.

I recall five years ago the good times, good fellowship and splendid programs that were carried out and I am sure that will be true this week. We hope to see you again soon too. I thank you.

(APPLAUSE).

Solo: by Chief Frank Bennett—Miss Mary Brockwell, accompanist.

“LOW BACK CAR”

CHIEF BENNETT:

This number that I sing next is an old number but a good number, which has a meaning, and I wish to dedicate it to the

gentlemen in Greensboro who fifty five years ago made it possible that you and I might meet today in good fellowship that meets on common ground as good Tar Heels and Americans.

“WHEN YOU AND I WERE YOUNG MAGGIE.”

(APPLAUSE).

CHIEF SHAW:

I think we have something in North Carolina that Hollywood hasn't got, and that is Sherwood Brockwell and Chief Bennett.

Right at this time, I hate to say this with all these good looking ladies here, but I heard somebody say “There goes Frank Shaw, thirty years old and looking like he was eighteen.” I looked on the program and saw that this association was organized in 1887. On the day I was born I reached out and got into the largest organization of its kind. I look back to the day I was born, the day this association was organized, and my heart swells with pride to have the privilege of belonging to it.

At this time I desire to introduce the man who hired me first in the Fire Department, Mr. J. Henry Phipps.

(APPLAUSE).

In connection with the gentleman who has just been introduced to you in this great convention there isn't but three surviving members who are charter members of this organization, and I think if I had done my part we could have had the third man here this morning, Charlie Benbow. He is in Little Switzerland, or Florida, but the other two we have with us here. I don't know why they have canes—they don't need them. The canes were presented to them five years ago in the thirtieth Jubilee. I notice Mr. Joe Stone, X-chief of this fire department and a charter member of the organization, Mr. Joe Stone.

MR. JOE STONE:

Frank, Gentlemen, members of the North Carolina Firemen's Association:

It is a great pleasure to see you here today and I think it is a great honor to the City to have you here. A long time ago the greatest hobby that I ever enjoyed was the fire department, and I got more out of it than any hobby that I ever pursued and am just as much interested today as I was fifty five years ago when this institution was organized.

I hope all of you will enjoy your stay in Greensboro—I am sure you will.

By the way—I want to tell you a little story about the last time this association met in Greensboro. We had two prominent hotels here and we thought that one hotel would hardly be capable of taking care of the crowd. As a member of the committee I visited one of the hotel managers. He said ‘no, he didn’t believe he wanted to be bothered with it—that the experience he had with conventions of that kind wasn’t very pleasant’ and so the other hotel took care of them in fine shape, and the manager of that hotel told me afterwards that it was the most orderly, the finest lot of men that he ever entertained since he had been in the hotel business. Gentlemen, I think that was a distinct compliment to North Carolina Firemen. I have always been proud of them, and since that time I have been doubly proud. I do hope you will enjoy your stay in Greensboro.

(APPLAUSE).

CHIEF SHAW:

Thank you Mr. Joe. I think you were Fire Commissioner when I came here. I remember they told me you were the big boss and I just shook with fear—I thought he was a big man, but I have found out he is an honest to God man and we all love him.

I wish to introduce another gentleman that we have here this morning. I used to go to town barefooted and his mother used to always have a piece of pie or something good for me. I think I was selling black-eyed peas and string beans. His mother was so good to me—and I learned that he was one of the gentlemen who helped organize this association, and he also has a good heart in him. I want you all to know Mr. J. R. Donnell.

MR. J. R. DONNELL:

Gentlemen and ladies:

I appreciate very much being here this morning and having the privilege of talking to you and looking into your faces. Fifty five years ago, in the old Bogart Hall, or old opera house, a committee met and organized what was then known as the North Carolina Firemen’s Organization. C. D. Benbow, Dr. J. W. Griffith, Joe Stone, A. B. Horney and myself were able to attend the annual convention here four years ago. They gave us canes to help us along in old age and I’m glad to say that I stored mine until this morning.

I hope you all enjoy yourselves. If you need anything call on Frank Shaw or our City Manager. Have a good time and when you go back home we hope you will be glad that you met with us, and hope you ever live long.

(APPLAUSE).

CHIEF SHAW:

It took me a long time to make up my mind as to who was big enough, handsome and good enough, had all these qualities to welcome you on behalf of the Greensboro Fire Department. I searched my own mind—my mind and heart was big enough to welcome you but I couldn't get it out of my system. I wanted somebody that could warm up and tell you about it. I almost want to say this man was born and raised in the fire department, but he wasn't exactly, but the old fire department was almost in his yard. If there was ever a man the Greensboro Fire Department looked to to steer and advise them, and are still hanging on to him and will as long as he lives, it is our friend Bob Douglas. There is not a paid or volunteer fireman in Greensboro that does not love him. He is a charter member of the Southside Hose Company. He pulled reels and I think he has pulled the reins over the horse. He is a fine lawyer, but regardless of his other duties he has always been intensely interested in the Fire Department, and is to this day.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME ON BEHALF OF THE
GREENSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT BY

R. D. DOUGLAS

My Fellow Firemen:

When I listened to what Frank Shaw said about me I knew how the flap-jack felt when you poured molasses on it.

About two years ago a good old Methodist circuit rider died and went to heaven. Saint Peter was mighty glad to see him, welcomed him there, told him to take the run of the place and make himself at home. About two days later he went back to Saint Peter and said "Saint Peter, there is something I don't understand." He said "What is that?" He said "During my life on earth I preached in practically every town in North Carolina and since I have been here in the heavenly city I have seen people in every town that I have ever preached in except Greensboro." He said "Surely there must be somebody in Greensboro good enough to go to heaven." Saint Peter said "You don't understand." "No" he said "I don't understand." He said "Wait until the line gets

a little thinner that is coming before the desk and I will show you." Saint Peter took him to the outskirts of the heavenly city and there he showed him beautiful parks, flowers and everything, and all around it was a gold picket fence twenty feet high. Saint Peter said "Look through the cracks" and he said "It is full of Greensboro people" and he said "Why don't you let them stay out? Aren't they good enough to associate with the other people?" Saint Peter said "Yes." He said "Why do you keep them shut up?" Saint Peter said "If I didn't keep them shut up the minute my back was turned every darn fool would go back home."

(LAUGHTER)

The point that I am making in telling that story is that after fifty five years of life the North Carolina State Firemen's Association has come home; has come back to the old home where it was born fifty five years ago, and may I add about this old home of yours, that it is the second best town in North Carolina, it has got the second best Mayor in North Carolina, it has got the second best City Manager and has got the second best Chief of the Fire Department in North Carolina, and the second best crowd of boys in the department. You may wonder why a Greensboro man don't say "the best". We Greensboro people believe in letting the majority rule. Chief Bennett will fight to maintain that Durham has got the best; President Joyner says his is the best, Raleigh and so on will say they have got the best, but won't you admit that Greensboro has got the second best?

A few minutes ago President Joyner hurt my feelings but he didn't mean to and I forgive him. I was sitting here and when he called the past presidents of the Association to get up they came up and I raised on the edge of my chair waiting for him to call for the vice presidents to come—the call didn't come and I sat there. One of the greatest honors in my opinion in my life is that on three separate occasions I had the honor of serving in your association as its vice president. I joined in 1896, left college in June and after spending that night on the train got here that afternoon and joined the North Carolina Fire Department. How many people here joined the fire department in 1896?

(Several stood)

Boys, we are still with them and may I add just one word? That whatever it is first best or second best, or whatever it is, we Greensboro people haven't got much money, may not have much sense, I don't know, but we are certainly a very friendly crowd.

In behalf of the Greensboro Fire Department let me say to

one and all, your fifty five year old association is welcome to the old home where it was born.

(APPLAUSE).

CHIEF SHAW:

Thank you Bob. We are about to come to the close of my part of this session, but I want to give you a little tip: When you go back home, it may be that somebody has said that Greensboro is famous for this or that, but you see who steers us. My advice to you is to get a good lawyer and a good preacher as Chaplain of your fire department. Reverend R. Murphy Williams, our chaplain is a good sport and a fine preacher.

I thank you for your attention at this time and I now turn the convention back to your president, Mr. Joyner.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I know all of us feel welcome to Greensboro at this time—in fact I think most of us think we own Greensboro.

I invite all the X-Vice Presidents of the association to come up to the front and face the audience.

(APPLAUSE).

At this time I present another man who needs no introduction as he is known by the people in Greensboro and most everybody in North Carolina who will assure Greensboro that we are glad to be with them, none other than our friend and your friend, Jerome B. Flora.

RESPONSE TO ADDRESS OF WELCOME

JEROME B. FLORA.

Mr. President, Mayor McClammy, City Manager Smedberg, Chief Shaw, Mr. Donnell, Mr. Stone, Mr. Douglas and Mr. Phipps, ladies and gentlemen:

It is indeed a happy privilege, pleasure and proud honor to respond to such gracious and cordial address of welcome that have been extended to us this morning. It is a happy privilege in behalf of North Carolina State Firemen's Association to respond to the warm and sincere welcome.

As Mr. Douglas said "Greensboro is the home of this great association" and as Edgar Guest, the great poet laureate, once expressed—"It takes a heap of livin' in a house to make it a home."

I think we have demonstrated that by the number of times we have met in convention in this great city, but there is another old saying as true as the sun rises in the east, and that is "Home is where the heart is." and when we are in convention here our hearts are here. Fifty five years has gone and passed down the corridor of time since these great boys of those years founded this association, built it on a firm foundation, and from an infant in swaddling clothes, so to speak-has grown to a giant of Herculean strength, and today over four thousand firemen are members of this association. That speaks for the ground work that these wise God-fathers laid for this association. We cover all of North Carolina, from Manteo to Murphy, from Mt. Airy to Hamlet, the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker. Maybe we have some of those that don't measure so high but it takes all sorts of men to make a world, and it is a wonderful organization, built of self-sacrifice and willingness to do our duty.

I had the proud honor last year in Asheville to respond to the address of welcome, and as I look out this morning over this audience I see lots of faces missing, and my thoughts go back to the thought that since that day the war clouds have burst upon us, the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse riding high across the sky. The boys who have answered the call are now scattered to the four corners of the earth on land and sea, and in the sky. I think of them now as giving their all that this may be a free country, that we may live as we see fit. I often think of the story on the second day of the Battle of Gettysburg the lines were wavering; the North Carolina brigade was called to go forward. Colonel Isaac Gabriel gave his all. His body servant went to look for him and found him at the futhermost point, and in his hand found this message scribbled in life's blood "Major, tell my father I died with my face toward the enemy." God forbid that happen to any of our boys, but if it comes to the supreme sacrifice I know they will measure up.

We still have boys here who are serving in the first line of defense at home to protect lives and property for those that have gone to the first line in defense. The home first line of defense boys stand ready to go when the bugle calls or the alarm bell rings. As I think of them around the station houses I think of another story that happened in this great state of ours.

Along the shores of North Carolina's sandy beaches in 1890 a terrible storm was raging. The Coast Guard watchman looked out and saw a rocket glared in the sky and he spotted the ship which was apparently coming down the beach. It was very cold, the snow was biting their faces, and as the cold gray dawn broke

he saw the ship upon the reef. He loaded the line and fired and the line fell short as it was loaded in ice; they tried again and the line fell short. The Captain said "We have got to launch the boat. They got the boat and waited for a lull, and as they prepared to launch it one of the men said "Captain, how are we going to get back?" The old Captain thought a minute and said "Son, the book says go—it says nothing about coming back."

That is the spirit of North Carolina Firemen today in protecting lives and property.

Again I thank you for the warm welcome extended to us, and I will say by paraphrasing "What could be finer than to be in Greensboro when the firemen are meeting there?"

I thank you.

(APPLAUSE).

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I know that we all feel welcome. I am greatly inspired this morning to realize that a fireman never grows old—they are still young until the last call.

If I were to attempt to review the prominence of the next man that I present to you you would wonder if a fireman could grow old. Few of you realize that he could accomplish so much in so few years. He was born almost in the fire service. From early boyhood he had lived, studied and mingled with practically every man in this room in the progress of the fire service of North Carolina. Time does not permit me to dwell upon any specific item of his accomplishments for these rest in the heart and mind of every one of you.

I now present our friend, Honorable Sherwood Brockwell, State Fire Marshal and State Coordinator of Fire Departments in Civilian Defense.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

Officers of the Association, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

In introducing your speaker this morning I will tell you a story you have heard me tell before, but it is so apropos at this time.

A number of years ago, Wake Forest College, considered, at that time, by the great universities of this country as a more or less small college, had reached great prominence because standing

in the middle of China, commanding the missionary activities of China, Burma and India. was that peerless Baptist, Dr. Poteat; in Atlanta there was Dr. Len G. Broughton, with a brand new method of spreading the Gospel, and in Birmingham, Dr. Sam White was fast becoming one of the truly great evangelists. All three of these were graduates of Wake Forest College. About that time, Dr. White, following weeks and weeks of strenuous effort, had returned to his native North Carolina for a much needed rest. He was over in the rural section of Franklin County, near the seat of his Alma Mater. While in Franklin County, a committee consisting of three old patriachs of the colored race and, as they stated, representing the synod of the Baptist Church, Colored, came to call on Dr. White. They were all men Dr. White has known as leaders among their race when he, Dr. White, was a boy. The spokesman of the trio was an old negro who would have, had he deemed it necessary, chastised Dr. White when he was a boy and that would Dr. White when he was a boy and that would have been all right with the boy's parents. This old timer told Dr. White "We are holding a revival meeting about two miles over the hill and we thinks, fact is we knows, that if you will come out there, you needn't do no preaching, just come out and let them see you, it will be of great and glorious benefit to both our race and more 'specially' to the synod. Dr. White went and when afterwards telling about it, said that when he arrived he had no idea of doing anything more than making a ten or probably fifteen minute talk, but when he looked out in the faces of that vast congregation, many of them friends of his childhood, and in those faces a soul hunger and a heart hunger, he became inspired and preached the greatest sermon he ever preached.

As he, Dr. White, told it, at the end of the sermon, the same old negro who acted as spokesman for the original trio took the stand and said,

"Dear Iord, we have been blessed here this morning by a man who has been far and wide and has come to us and delivered a powerful sermon. I want every member of this congregation to stand as a testimony to our thanks for this great man for his coming to us and while we are standing, I further wants you to all pray with me in asking God to give this fine white man the strength to practice HALF OF WHAT HE HAS PREACHED."

I turn that around this morning for it is my happy privilege to present to you a man who can hardly live long enough to preach what he has already practiced to the benefit of the people of North Carolina.

He is a man who has come from Person County to the General Assembly of North Carolina a number of years ago, a man who knows the legislative proceedings of North Carolina, and considered by the people as a man who can point with pride to every bill that he has introduced in the General Assembly, because he has yet to introduce or support one that hasn't already proven of inestimable value to the citizenship of this great state of ours. He is a man that did not seek the office but the office sought, and the people of North Carolina two years ago very wisely selected him as Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina.

I present to you a man who has already delivered the goods, and who, in my humble opinion, is destined to write a great message upon the horizon we see coming up now as the future of the State in its most critical time, Honorable R. L. Harris, Lieutenant Governor of the State of North Carolina.

SPEECH OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR R. L. HARRIS

Mr. President, Mr. Brockwell, Mayor McClammy, City Manager Smedberg, Mr. Phipps, Mr. Stone, former Vice President Douglas, Jerome Flora, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am grateful to my good friend, Sherwood Brockwell, for the kind things he has chosen to say. I introduced a man a few years ago and used all the adjectives and superlatives that I could think of, and when I got through he turned to me and said "I wish I could think of something nice to say about you." It isn't so in this case because I am glad to testify that Sherwood Brockwell as Chief Fire Marshal deserves and has the grateful thanks of the people of this commonwealth.

I am glad again to be present at a meeting of the North Carolina's Fireman's Association. I recall that it was my privilege and pleasure to respond to the address of welcome in Wilmington at Carolina Beach three years ago, and some of you will perhaps remember that Mayor Tom Cooper of Wilmington, who was then running for Governor, was a little late coming to the beach to deliver the address of welcome, and I responded to it before he ever deliver it. It is not so this morning. We have had furnished the sort of evidence of just how welcome you are in the fair City of Greensboro. I am always glad to be on any kind of program with Sherwood Brockwell, Jerome Flora and Chief Bennett. Chief Bennett is sort of assistant of the Roxboro Fire Department. The other night I put in a call for him and told the operator if he was not fighting a fire or singing "shortnin' bread" to call him to the telephone.

I recall the first Firemen's Association I ever attended was in Durham, something like forty years ago, and the thing that impressed me then was the races. I had been helping pull a hand reel, and we were always glad when the fire was down hill so we had to run like fury to keep out of the way of the reel.

Speaking seriously, and in view of the fact that I do happen to be a State Official, it may not be out of place to call to your attention at least two things dealing with State affairs which have been much in the press recently. I refer to the report of the investigation at Morganton, and I refer to the nice surplus balance North Carolina is fortunate enough to have in the State Treasury at this time. Of course the balance in the State Highway fund is not unexpected; they can't spend the money and the revenues are pointing to a decline, and we know we are coming to the end of this period with a lot of extra work to be done. All of you will be very happy to know that the Highway fund is in good shape. The general fund, which has in it today a surplus balance of approximately nineteen million dollars is a striking contrast with the situation ten years ago when we had a deficit of exactly fourteen million dollars. I hope that will never happen again, but it does prove that it may or it could happen again.

It seems to me that the next General Assembly should provide first and foremost, adequate support for all those unfortunate people who are in charitable and correctional institutions of the State. Secondly, should increase the pay of those in the low brackets, and school teachers. Third, should provide a reasonable sum for the extraordinary and unpredictable expenses that may result from this war effort, and finally it should earmark or freeze a substantial portion of the remainder as a hedge against the post-war decline and revenues and resulting difficulties in State finances.

There is not, nor has there been, any finer example of real courage, nor any finer showing of real results than has been attained by your fellow fire-fighters in the Imperial City of London. I have stated before, and I state again, that among the unsung heroes of this war, people who stand pretty near the top of the list are those who kept the capital of the British Empire from being in shambles this morning. I have supreme faith that if such experience does come to the cities of America and to the cities of North Carolina, that you and your men will likewise arise to the occasion and do the same sort of excellent job.

Of course now-a-days, no speaker could talk as long as I have without getting around to the subject which is uppermost in the mind of most people in the world. I do not think for one minute

that I know any more about the war conditions than is known to any of you, but there are a few things in connection with it to which I invite your attention.

First of all, I am seriously concerned about INFLATION. Every housewife in the country knows that inflation has crowded its way into the weekly grocery total. Of the total output of any kind of goods—at least 50 per cent and perhaps more is going into guns and planes and clothing and food for the armed forces. This would leave scarcely half the usual total production to supply the civilian demand. With more people at work than in recent times and at considerable higher wages coupled with the increased income for agriculture, we have a potential demand for goods far in excess of the supply. If this cannot be controlled—it may result in a major disaster. It is highly desirable that as far as they can—the American people should take advantage of this situation to reduce their indebtedness and invest every cent possible in helping to finance the war.

We have a lot of so called military experts to whom we pay perhaps too much attention. I confess I have no first hand information and no opinion about a second front or just what should be done in the South Pacific, or just what should be done off the coast of Alaska. I do not have too much patience with the swivel chair generals or the side walk admirals who seem to be achieving about the same results as do the grandstand quarterbacks and coaches at a foot ball game. I am content to leave this to the military authorities.

In connection with the experts, as late as November 10, 1941, just twenty seven days before Pearl Harbor, one of the best known so called experts in the United States in speaking over the radio used this language:

“Japan is in no shape to fight a war with a group of major opponents. Her army is sadly out of date, having not even one fully armored division and being short of tanks, armored cars, anti-tank and anti-aircraft artillery, modern engineering equipment and modern communication devices. As for Japanese air power, it is almost non-existent. The Japanese Navy is good, but inferior in strength to that of the United States and hopelessly handicapped by lack of air support . . . The American, British and Dutch naval and air forces are fully capable of isolating Japan from the world and bringing to bear the pressure of full blockade—a pressure which Japan could not long endure, but which she lacks the strength to break by force.”

Without the usual "I told you so" it seems reasonable to assume that Japan went into this fight with full expectation of victory. A small nation rarely ever attacks a big one unless they are fairly confident of winning. With this in mind, and in the light of events since the seventh of last December, it is high time that we get right down to cases and forever discard our smugness and our complacency.

For the first time in the history of the United States we are or ought to be bound together in a common cause. When the conflict is all over I wish it might be possible to say that every person of every race, sex, creed, or color has expended his or her full effort in achieving the result towards which every other cause should be subordinated. I am not optimistic enough to believe that this is possible, but we might as well recognize that something approaching this will be necessary. In an address in New York on May 8, 1942, Vice President Henry A. Wallace listed four duties as he saw them. They are as follows:

1. The duty to produce to the limit.
2. The duty to transport as rapidly as possible to the field of battle.
3. The duty to fight with all that is in us.
4. The duty to build a peace—just, charitable, and enduring.

It may seem a little strange to be thinking in terms of peace from this distance, but I verily believe the first three duties enumerated will be leading to the achievement of the kind of peace which he describes. Certainly we made a miserable failure in 1919 which resulted in the present world-wide struggle. For my part it is gratifying to know that honest and sincere and unselfish people are today looking ahead to the time when men and women will gather around the table to draft a document which will or should be the basis of a peace which will last for generations.

In looking at the program from our own restricted but sincerely patriotic point of view it is and should be the individual responsibility and duty to cooperate in every possible way to the first three duties listed by the Vice-President.

This carries with it full and complete observance of all the necessary rationing plans, and as some man has said "If being restricted to one lump of sugar to each pint of gasoline will win the war—we are for it." Of course this is a homely phrase, but it is quite expressive and a real honest to goodness American citizen will not complain because of these minor inconveniences, at least

after he thinks of Corregidor and Bataan and recalls that some of his fellow citizens will be required to give the last full measure of devotion.

Let us always remember and cherish the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. In this great country of ours they are the symbols and the fundamentals of the Democratic way of life. They are the patterns which have been used to try to set up similar governments among free people in other parts of the earth. We know that ours is the only system which cares for the dignity and the happiness of the average man. We know that it enlists the intelligence which the other systems suppress. We know that the dictators and tyranny are not new inventions. We know that its boasted efficiency in everything worthwhile for the average citizens depends on its ability to cover with dirt its horrible mistakes.

But it is not enough to hope that Democracy may survive. In this crisis we are called upon to put all our strength and all our knowledge and all our courage behind the determination that Democracy shall not perish from the earth.

A meeting such as we are having here today could not take place in the dictator countries. Here we are permitted to say what we think and do pretty much as we please. We have not been particularly concerned about just how well we measure up as good Americans. To be sure we have been Americans all our lives, but we have not thought too much about it except on the fourth of July, Memorial Day, and Thanksgiving, and when the band was playing and the flag was waving. Speaking of that flag let us remember that this too is another symbol representing for all practical purposes the thirteen original States in its stripes, and the present forty eight States in its stars. But the flag is more than this.

It stands for the lost colony at Roanoke. It stands for Captain John Smith at Jamestown and the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock. It stands for Washington at Valley Forge, and Jackson at New Orleans. It stands for the Monroe Doctrine. It stands for the war with Mexico. It stands for the men of our own fair South land on their journey home from Appomatox. It stands for Santiago and Manila Bay and Chateau Thierry and the Argonne, and the breakdown of the Hindenburg line. It stands for the housewife, and the mothers and wives and sweethearts of the four million men now in service. It stands for the farmer and the laborer, and every last one of us who are pleased to call this our homeland.

The ancestors of ours are not dead. They are living in us and with us during this terrible and tragic period. It is our duty to

measure up as best we can in keeping with the sacrifices which they have made and the efforts which they expended to make our nation what it is today.

We admire and respect our leaders, but I doubt if any of us could ever think of trying to match in character or fortitude Washington or Jefferson or Robert E. Lee. To tell the truth we have had it pretty easy, and while I think it would be optimistic to suggest that anyone of us present will ever be President of the United States—it is my opinion that the condition in which this country finds itself at the end of this war is not going to depend so much on any President as on how the little fellows like you and me stand up and face this situation.

“Our fathers’ God to Thee, Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing: Long may our land be bright
With freedom’s holy light: Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.”

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

We thank you Governor Harris for those splendid thoughts. The firemen of North Carolina appreciate you coming to be with us—you have certainly brought us food for thought—we will carry it home and it will go with us the balance of our days.

Fellow Firemen, I want to pause for a moment to assure you that this is your convention. There is a program which we will follow on schedule time. We will meet and adjourn promptly—so I hope you will avail yourself of the opportunity of meeting in the hall and staying until the close of the session in order that we may do the business as you want it done in your convention. We are working with you and for you.

I now present your State Vice-president, Charlie Burkett.

CHARLIE BURKETT:

Mr. President, Members of the North Carolina State Firemen’s Association.

I am certainly happy to be here and certainly am inspired by the large attendance. I was afraid we would have a small attendance due to the shortage of gasoline and rubber but I noticed we had one of the largest schools we ever had and it seems that the firemen are inspired to carry on the work at this critical time. I am glad to be here and see so many.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I next present your secretary, Honorable John L. Miller.

SECRETARY MILLER:

Mr. President, this has been a happy occasion for me. I am delighted and agreeably surprised to see so many faces in the audience. It seems to me that you are here for a particular purpose in that you may find out what might be going on so that you might better equip yourself for your duties at home.

With that in view I want to take the privilege now of introducing a young lady, a North Carolinian, a fine stenographer, a stenographer who has reported our conventions for several years, Miss Kate Wade.

Tomorrow morning memorial services will be held in this room. The secretary may not have the names of all deceased members and if your department has any deceased members I will appreciate it if you will contact me and furnish me with the information to complete the list.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

We have five or six past presidents of the association with us. Immediate past president Don Shuford, of Hickory, Jerome Flora, of Elizabeth City, Frank Bennett of Durham, Chief Palmer of Charlotte, Chief Frank Shaw of Greensboro.

(APPLAUSE).

DR. LONG:

I have been coming here every since these fellows that came with the canes. I notice that some of you are older—I'm glad to see you have been in the army. You have been standing up for the protection of homes and property of North Carolina and made North Carolina grow by your wonderful help.

The old Book says "Greater love has no man than that he lay down his life for his friend." Eddie Cantor says a fireman is greater than that—he lays down his life for his enemy.

Some folks say to me "Ain't you ever going to get old?" I say "Not as long as I associate with a bunch of fine active men and good looking ladies, I'm never going to get old."

I am mighty glad to see so many of us here and sorry some others could not come, some have passed on.

Boys I love you all and am always glad to see you and all of you look good to me.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I wish to present to you a lady in this hall who is the mother of two boys in the armed forces of America, I refer to Mrs. (R. A.) Joyner, who is sitting in the back of the hall with her nine year old son.

(APPLAUSE).

All chiefs attending the convention were asked to rise; all delegates attending the convention for the first time, and then all who had served forty, thirty, twenty and ten years, respectively, to rise.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

I am serving notice that there will be presented a motion that the Association have prepared and deliver to each and every man who has served in the North Carolina Firemen's Association for a period of ten, twenty, thirty, forty and fifty years, an emblem showing their years of service in the Association.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

The next order of business is the appointment of convention committees.

At this time I appoint on the Credential Committee: F. B. Freeze, Mooresville, Chairman; W. H. Gray, Robersonville, E. Stamy Davis, Morehead City, S. E. Hearn, Morganton, I. M. Warren, Plymouth.

On the Courtesy Committee I appoint Sherwood Brockwell, Raleigh, J. H. Bailey, Asheville, J. R. Sorsby, Rocky Mount.

CHIEF SHAW:

I wish to apologize to you. In the beginning your executive committee did not know whether to hold the convention this year or not. We debated it for quite a while on account of the conditions of today. I thought perhaps all of us at home who are not on the firing line would like to get together and forget our troubles for a few minutes at least. It was hard at that time to even give any consideration to how many people would attend—we did not know whether it would be twelve, fifty or a hundred, but thank God, this hall is full. After I told them we would accept the convention here they asked us during the hours of the war not to spend anything—if we had anything to spend to spend it for Government bonds, but the Greensboro Fire Department found they were buying bonds one hundred per cent per man. I know we are far short from what we were in 1937 in the way of entertainment, but what little we do in our feeble way during this convention we are doing ourselves, and by the help of the association. We did not

ask the public for one dime and are not going to. I brought that out in case you are not taken care of there is nobody to blame but the Greensboro Fire Department, and we will think just as much of you and love you just as well.

We would like the ladies to meet in the lobby at one-thirty. At five this afternoon we will have a barbecue and brunswick stew at the Police Club. Transportation will be arranged for you.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I now declare this session adjourned until two-thirty this afternoon.

BUSINESS SESSION

Tuesday Afternoon, August 11th, 1942

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

The meeting will please come to order.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Roll was called and absentees noted by the Credential Committee. Motion that the report be accepted; motion seconded, and carried.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

At this time I will ask Charlie Burkett to take the Chair while I render my report as the next order of business.

PRESIDENTS ADDRESS

By R. A. JOYNER

Mr. President; Fellow Firemen:

Time marches on: It seems only a very short time since we met in Asheville and your humble servant was elected President of what I believe to be The Greatest Organization of its Kind in America, yet when we review the many changes that have taken place during this year, we are mindful of the fact that only God in his infinite wisdom knows what is in store for us in the future.

I am indeed grateful and appreciative of the high honor which you have bestowed upon me this year, and wish now to extend to each and every Fireman of North Carolina my sincere appreciation for their splendid cooperation in making this a very successful year

for your association. This could not have been accomplished by your Officers alone, but only by the coordination and efforts of you men whom they serve.

It was my pleasure, through a gift from my local Town and Fire Department, to attend the International Association of Fire Chiefs in Boston immediately following our meeting in Asheville last summer, and there I had a real opportunity to appreciate the North Carolina State Firemen's Association in the way it was recognized at this International Chiefs' meeting. One of our own firemen and a past president of your Association, and now President of the Fire Chiefs' Association, was President and presided with great dignity. It was none other than your friend and my friend, W. H. Palmer, Chief of the Charlotte Fire Department. Again at this meeting, your Association was distinctly honored. After hearing addresses made by the Mayor of Boston, the Mayor of New York City, the Governor of Massachusetts, and many others, the outstanding address during the week was made by none other than another North Carolina Fireman in the person of our mutual friend, Sherwood Brockwell.

It has been my pleasure to attend four meetings of the Roanoke Firemen's Association, all of the meetings of the Eastern Carolina Firemen's Association, a mass meeting of the firemen in Raleigh December 10, a meeting of the firemen east of and including Greensboro in Farmville, on January 13, and of the western part of the State in Charlotte on March 16. I have visited about one-fourth of the Fire Departments of the State during the year, and have answered every call or invitation with the exception of two, it being impossible for me to meet with them due to circumstances beyond my control. My outstanding regrets of the year are that it has been impossible for me to visit every Fire Department in our Association and to personally see all of you firemen on your own home grounds.

It has been my privilege to visit your Secretary on several occasions and I had two visits with your Treasurer. Two meetings of your Executive Board have been held, one in Farmville and one in High Point.

According to instructions by you men in Asheville, I appointed a joint committee for the revision of your constitution and by-laws, their report to be submitted to the Association assembled for their consideration, and to make a study and recommendations for a pension fund for the Firemen of our State. This committee was composed of W. H. Palmer of Charlotte and T. N. Owens of Lexington as Co-Chairmans, with G. D. Moore of Burlington, J. C. Fitz-

gerald of Asheville, and D. E. Shuford of Hickory as members. Each Fire Department of the State was notified of the appointment of the Committee in order that they might render any assistance possible or submit to them any suggestions that they wished considered by them. This committee has worked and given much thought and time to the subjects assigned them and upon their request, I met with them in Charlotte and Concord. I am sure that they will have an interesting report to submit at the proper time and I'm indeed grateful to this committee for their splendid efforts in this connection.

The Financial status of your Association is in excellent condition, each fund having shown some increase. I shall not dwell on this subject as a detail report will be submitted by our Secretary-Treasurer. I do wish to note, however, that your assets have increased in the amount of \$7,666.74 during the year and that you now have a total cash and investments of \$126,047.25. This entire amount is the property of you firemen of this Association and every dollar of it is safely preserved in sound investments or cash for your protection and benefit. May it ever remain as such.

My heart has been saddened on several occasions during this year due to the death of some of our firemen throughout the State and especially would I pay tribute to the stalwart character and valuable service which has been rendered our Association by two of our oldest firemen who have answered the last alarm and gone to their just reward; namely Uncle "Press" Harper, and our Treasurer, Mr. A. B. Horney.

I am happy to note that our Firemen of this Grand Old State were not wholly unprepared when the great catastrophe of Pearl Harbor was thrust upon us on December 7, for long before any bombs were dropped on American soil a foundation had been well laid through the able leadership of our State Marshal and other outstanding firemen of your Association and the facilities of your Fire College and Drill School, upon which to build our Home defense. During October, 1941, two of our Firemen were called to Edgewood Arsenal by the War Department to be instructed in the best known methods of combating incendiary fires and sabotage, these men being Sherwood Brockwell of Raleigh and Captain Munding of Charlotte. They not only attended this school but on returning home, proceeded at once to impart their knowledge to you men. On November 16, they returned to the State from this school of training and on November 18 we found Sherwood with the Roanoke Association in Halifax; on November 25th in Farmville with the Rotary Club, City Officials, Fire Department and Mass

Meeting; on November 28, in Tarboro with Fire Departments and Officials of Tarboro and Rocky Mount and the Hart Mills; on December 4 in Greensboro with the Kiwanis Club; and, on December 5th with the Johnson County's Woman's Club. Mind you, all of this was before the day of Pearl Harbor, and he was then stressing the ways and means of combating those unusual fires which might be expected.

Immediately following the attack at Pearl Harbor on December 7, Mr. Brockwell went into conference with the Governor of our State, the result of which on December 8 each Fire Chief in the State received a wire calling a Mass meeting in Raleigh for December 10th. Many of you attended this meeting in Raleigh and are fully aware of the valuable information received which enabled us to return to our respective communities and there begin to organize our Auxiliary Firemen and Fire Watchers and to train them to assist in this extreme emergency. At this meeting in Raleigh it was decided to hold two additional meetings, one in the eastern part of our state and one in the western section. The first of these meetings was held in Farmville for the Eastern half of our State on January 13, and in Charlotte on March 16 for the Western half. Both of these meetings were well attended and the interest manifested assured me let come what may that the Firemen of North Carolina would always be on the job. They were eager and anxious for more knowledge on how to meet the situation facing them, and upon receiving this information, they returned to their homes, went to work with vigor and determination, giving of their time, working day and night that their respective communities might be reasonably protected at all times.

I would like to pause here to pay tribute and to thank our mutual friend, Sherwood Brockwell, who is State Fire Marshal, State Coordinator of Fire Defense, and above all, a Fireman, for the valuable service which he has, is now, and will continue to render us in our training program.

Your Fire College and Drill School was held in Asheville the first week in June and was attended by some over three hundred in number, and from the expressions of many, was an outstanding success. Your conductor and his most efficient assistants and co-workers received nothing but praise and commendation from all in attendance

This has been the most trying year ever experienced by you firemen in your own homes, throughout the state, and ya, the entire nation. We have been and are now faced with the most destructive and devastating war ever experienced by humanity; a

war that is not dependent upon the armed forces of our nation alone to protect this free land of ours, but upon the united efforts and sacrifice of every living soul of our country, and especially is the burden heavy upon the firemen who are recognized as the first line of defense in our home defense program, and the safety of America today rests heavily upon you firemen in your respective communities. We have made much progress in preparing ourselves and communities to meet the emergency that is thrust upon us.

I am proud of the splendid record from reports which I have received throughout the State on the seriousness with which you men have taken your responsibility and how you have worked day and night training auxiliary firemen and fire watchers, first aid courses, and helping in any other way within your power to best prepare your community to meet a likely invasion. I wish to personally commend and congratulate each one of you on the splendid record achieved. From information that I have been able to receive, I know that our State is taking a lead in this most necessary program, yet may I remind you that what has been accomplished is only the beginning and may we now use this ground work and continue to work and study that no stone may be left unturned, whereby we may keep our communities as well prepared as possible to meet that invasion which is certain to reach some of you men that are in the hearing of my voice. May the experiences of Pearl Harbor never happen to a Fire Department of our State, and I don't believe that it will for you men are mindful of your obligations and are ever on the alert, knowing how to take advantage of an emergency and handle same without the loss of time.

Many of you have sons, brothers, fellow-firemen, or near relatives who have gone to the fronts to do their bit among the armed forces of America, some of them you know not their whereabouts. They are dependent and looking to us to guard and protect their loved ones and homes which they have had to leave behind, and it is our solemn duty to not fail them in this trying time. May we assure them that while they are fighting for us on the battlefield, that we are likewise fighting for them on the homefront.

Now, in conclusion, I would like to leave this important thought with you . . . There has never been a time when unity of action was so necessary as it is now during this grave emergency. No community, State, or Nation even, can fight their battles alone. We are dependent upon others and others dependent upon us. The unity of action of every trueblooded, redblooded American citizen is absolutely necessary for the early termination of this conflict. The unity of action of the Fire Departments of North Carolina is surely necessary for the protection of the lives and property of

this grand old State. The interlinking of our paved highways leaves no longer a segregated community dependent solely on its own resources. The North Carolina State Firemen's Association can and must be one great Fire Department united in their efforts and recognizing themselves as their brothers' keeper; and last but not least, they must be united in spirit as well as in action.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Joyner, President

Moved and seconded that the report of the President be accepted. Motion carried.

Mr. Burkett, Vice President, returns the gavel to the President.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

Most of you gentlemen know that A. B. Horney, our treasurer, has passed on and our secretary, John L. Miller, was appointed as secretary-treasurer to fill the unexpired term, and at this time we will have report from John L. Miller.

SECRETARY MILLER:

I would like to make a remark or two before I make this report. The Firemen's fraternal insurance fund began in 1921 and began to write business in 1922. We have written forty one hundred and seven policies. More than half of these insured have either died or moved to some other point, or dropped the insurance. Today we have practically seventeen hundred paid firemen in this insurance fund. The question has come up since "Pearl Harbor" and since the boys have been going to war as to what we are going to do about the policies. The committee will not vitiate or violate any contract just so long as the insured carries out his part of the contract. We know and you know we issued these policies upon the recommendation of the Chief and Secretary of the department saying the men were in good health. The committee knew the liability attached to this paper. That liability has increased two, three or four-fold, and what we would like to have seen done was for those boys who are now volunteering or being drafted or drawn to the war, to permit their policy to stand; in the mean time take out the insurance offered by the Federal Government who can stand the liability much better than the firemen's fraternal insurance. With that in view we will not cancel any policy. All we want the boys to do is to keep their assessments up, and if the worse comes to the worse, if the boys are sacrificed on the alter of their country, it is no more than right for us to respond. That is the position the committee has taken.

I wanted you to see and know the attitude of the executive committee. No policy will be lapsed by them—we hope the boys can come back home and if they do we will be in fine shape to meet them and they will still have their policies in the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Officers and members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith transmit to you, as Secretary, annual report for the year ending June 30, 1942. The membership of the Association is composed of the following officers and departments:

DEPARTMENT	CHIEF	SECRETARY
Aberdeen	C. F. Brasington	J. D. McLean
Ahoskie	L. A. Williamson	Jas. H. Mitchell
Albemarle	J. C. Haynes	C. E. Morris
Andrews	W. S. Calhoun	C. H. Jarrett
Angier	D. W. Denning, Jr.	
Apex	W. T. Williamson	Ralph Martin
Asheboro	Clarence Rush	L. B. Lambert
Asheville	J. C. Fitzgerald	J. H. Bailey
Ayden	E. T. Smith	
Badin	J. H. Leonard	R. E. Marbry
Beaufort	J. F. Duncan, Jr.	E. M. Noe
Belhaven	R. D. Windley	W. C. Harris
Belmont	W. M. Williams	W. B. Gaston
Benson	H. O. Dixon	W. R. Strickland
Bessemer City	P. R. Harmon	
Bethel	J. W. Minton	R. S. Whitehurst
Biltmore Forest	Carl Smith	
Black Mountain	H. P. Holshouser	D. L. Greene
Blowing Rock	Joe Crawford	G. H. Winkler
Boone	J. W. Smith	Alex H. Kiser
Brevard	J. C. Keeter	P. R. Bennett, Jr.
Bryson City	G. D. Moore	Geo. W. Bradshaw
Burlington	K. Robertson	J. B. King
Burnsville	Albert Fox	Paul Russell
Candor	C. L. Westmoreland	J. E. Tate
Canton	D. M. Greer	T. W. Allen
Carolina Beach	W. T. Thrift	W. B. Ray
Carrboro	H. W. Jackson	S. H. Miller
Carthage	L. E. Midgette	L. E. Midgette
Cary	R. M. Brown	Chas. B. Rufty, Jr.
Catawba		

DEPARTMENT	CHIEF	SECRETARY
Chadbourn	F. L. Strole	J. H. Ashley
Chapel Hill	P. R. Perry	Jno. L. Caldwell
Charlotte	W. H. Palmer	C. E. Horne
Cherryville	G. W. Friday	Fred K. Houser
China Grove	L. E. Bostian	G. E. Beaver
Clayton	Dalton Morgan	W. H. Creech
Clinton	H. C. Bunch	T. A. Vernon
Columbia	J. L. Poston	W. T. Crutchfield
Concord	Jno. L. Miller	C. L. Miller
Cornelius	J. E. Donaldson	Moffett Sherrill
Davidson	J. C. Washam	A. N. Adams
Dillsboro	Robert Jacobs	G. W. Terrell
Dunn	J. A. Cromartie	J. C. Andrews
Durham	F. W. Bennett	B. C. Cannada
East Spencer	J. F. Brandon	W. T. Love
Edenton	R. K. Hall	E. W. Spires
Elizabeth City	Jerome B. Flora	R. M. Jennings
Elizabethtown	J. W. Cross	C. R. Jordan, Jr.
Elkin	Ted Brown	W. F. Harris
Elm City		
Enfield	H. H. Burrows	Geo. R. Ivey
Enka	J. R. Gill	L. Carter Pauline
Fairmont	W. O. Jones	W. O. Jones
Faison	P. G. Adams	J. H. Darden
Farmville	Haywood Smith	R. A. Joyner
Fayetteville	N. J. Bell	J. H. Kyle, Jr.
Forest City	Jno. T. Pool	Thomas Petty
Franklin	Carl Tysinger	J. C. Crisp
Franklinton	J. J. Collins	W. H. Cyrus
Fremont	O. E. Turlington	I. F. Yelverton
Fuquay Springs	W. L. Rowland	W. L. Rowland
Gastonia	Geo. F. McLaughen	Geo. F. McLaughen
Gibsonville	G. B. May	W. G. Boon
Goldsboro	A. W. Gurley	F. W. Lancaster
Graham	Dr. Will S. Long	Austin Isley
Greensboro	Frank D. Shaw	C. O. Crumpler
Greenville	Geo. W. Gardned	Geo. W. Gardned
Halifax	W. R. Caudle	Geo. A. Hux
Hamlet	J. C. Worley	E. P. Leatherbury
Henderson	C. G. Ellis	Fred A. Kesler
Hendersonville	C. H. Edney	A. S. Truex
Hertford	V. N. Darden	W. B. Tucker
Hickory	D. E. Shuford	Joe W. Shuford
High Point	E. K. Ingram	J. E. Horney
Hillsboro	Geo. W. Gilmore	E. M. Lynch

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Hot Springs		
Huntersville	A. L. Meacham	Thos. L. Kerns
Jacksonville	J. R. Ketchum	Geo. Wm. Aman
Kannapolis	J. C. Taylor	Ed. A. Johnson
Kernersville	Ned R. Stuart	
Kings Mountain	Grady W. King	J. P. Tignor
Kinston	J. S. Gray	W. T. Burns
La Grange	E. W. Kinsey	E. W. Kinsey
Laurinburg	W. D. Lytch	W. D. Lytch
Leaksville	Waymon Smith	H. E. Williams
Lenoir	G. C. Courtney	C. W. Hailey
Lexington	T. N. Owen	Garland Burkhardt
Liberty	Foster Davis	R. B. Moffit
Lillington	J. M. McLean	Grady Johnson
Lincolnton	B. J. Ramsaur	J. A. Shuford
Littleton	E. L. Crawley	F. R. Moore
Louisburg	F. M. Fuller	W. J. Shearin
Lumberton	Ed. J. Glover	Ed. J. Glover
Madison	Geo. T. Martin	E. A. Bennett
Maiden	H. T. Campbell	P. L. Keener
Manteo		
Marion	M. C. Wingate	G. W. Giles
Marshall	E. C. Teague	S. B. Roberts
Maxton	E. T. Carrowon	
Mebane	H. C. Taylor	J. W. Nichols
Mocksville	Rufus L. Frye	R. M. Holthouser
Monroe	Emsley Armfield	D. H. Hinson
Monroe (Benton H)	J. Earl Williams	Austin Brooks
Mooreville	F. B. Freeze	J. S. Nesbit
Morehead City	E. W. Swindell	Jack T. Styron
Morganton	W. B. Lane	L. E. Smith
Murphy	Fred Swaim	E. O. Christopher
Mount Airy	D. G. Witt	J. S. Jarrell
Mount Holly	R. E. Holland	C. D. Beatty
Mount Olive	G. E. Summerlin	Walter T. Cherry
Mount Pleasant	L. H. Barringer	Hoy A. Moose
Nashville	M. C. Gulley	J. R. Nelms
New Bern	Zeb J. Davis	A. W. Brinson
Newton	P. V. Reitzel	Everette Deal
North Wilkesboro	C. G. Day	E. A. Shook
Old Fort	W. L. Dalton	H. M. Hensley
Oriental	Jack Mason	Carl E. Curtis
Oteen		
Oxford	W. N. Thomas	H. F. Peed
Pembroke	Archie M. Byrne	Hugh Monroe

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Pilot Mountain	R. C. Boaz	Lester R. Brown
Pinebluff	N. L. Van Boskerch	
Pinehurst	Ellis Fields	Harold Kelly
Pinetops	B. A. Steadman	W. L. Stallings
Pittsboro	Sam Beard	James L. Griffin
Plymouth	I. M. Warren	Roscoe Gaylard
Raeford	H. A. Greene	H. L. Gatlin, Jr.
Raleigh	W. R. Butts	J. T. White
Red Springs	R. T. Moore	R. W. Owen
Reidsville	H. W. White	Ralph H. Allen
Roanoke Rapids	W. C. King	Rufus Britton
Robersonville	Wm. H. Gray	Wm. H. Gray
Rockingham	Ned Covington	J. E. Covington
Rockwell	G. H. Moose	R. L. Holshouser
Rocky Mount	J. R. Sorsby	Wm. L. Williford
Roseboro	W. L. West	R. G. Baker
Rowland	J. W. McPhail	J. W. McPhail
Roxboro	H. E. O'Briant	Percy Bloxam
Roxboro (Ca-Vel)	J. E. Spake	V. Ray Parrish
Rutherfordton	H. W. Hodge	C. J. Dobbins
Salisbury	Chas. L. Burkett	Coy L. Poole
Sanford	J. O. Bridges	Gordon O'Briant
Scotland Neck	Dillard Bunch	Norwood Hale
Selma	J. Q. A. Jeffreys	C. W. Straughn
Shelby	R. G. Mauney	Paul Hawkins
Siler City	W. E. Sharpe	R. S. Lane
Smithfield	E. L. Woodall	E. L. Woodall
Snow Hill		
Southern Pines	L. V. O'Callaghan	F. H. Kaylor
Southport	H. B. Aldridge	Ormond Leggett
Spencer City	T. C. Neill	J. L. Rimer
Spencer (Shop)	W. D. Morgan	W. D. Spake
Spindale	H. A. Dotson	D. M. Sinclair
Spring Hope	Ed. C. Acree	C. M. Gaskins
Spruce Pine	Sam English	J. W. Gilbert
Statesville	L. M. Gaither	J. C. Rumble
Swannanoa	Geo. D. Young	
Sylva	Phil Stovall	Woody R. Hampton
St. Pauls	A. L. Carroll	A. L. Carroll
Tabor City	Fred Jernigan	J. E. Bell
Tarboro	J. S. Dancy	Jack Denson
Taylorsville	Kermit Alspaugh	W. P. Ingram
Thomasville	C. L. White	H. E. McFadden
Troutman	M. L. Williamson	R. E. Hilderbrand
Troy	W. E. Watkins	J. H. Lemons

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Tryon	J. S. Arledge	W. W. Creasman
Valdese	Lee Ribet	Frank W. Pons
Wadesboro	F. B. Huntley	Frank G. Fetzer
Wake Forest	F. R. Keith	Geo. W. Saintsing
Wallace	J. W. Hoffler	W. N. Rose
Warrenton	W. H. Burroughs	J. E. Rooker, Jr.
Warsaw	J. T. Gresham, Jr.	Henry Merritt
Washington	C. T. Burgess	D. T. Smith
Waynesville	L. L. Kerley	L. L. Kerley
Weaverville	J. S. Barnard	Glen West, Jr.
Weldon	D. R. Medlin	L. H. Williams
Wendell	J. M. Todd	C. E. Todd
Whitakers	E. F. Smith	H. L. Etheridge
Whiteville	A. A. Rushing	C. L. Taylor
Wilkesboro	Carl W. Bullis	Archie A. Yates
Williamston	G. P. Hall	J. H. Harrell
Wilmington	J. L. Croom	Fred Futches, Jr.
Wilson	A. L. Lancaster	Ed. W. Davis
Windsor	J. B. Spivey	C. J. Rhea, Jr.
Winston-Salem	M. G. Brown	Jno. H. Holmes
Wrightsville Beach	W. E. Singletary	R. L. Benson
Yanceyville	J. B. Harwood	R. L. Brooks
Zebulon	A. S. Hinton	L. C. Thompson

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING

The Year 1942

Chiefs	183
Assistant Chiefs	179
Superintendants of Water Works	8
Superintendants of Fire Alarm	17
Building and Electrical Inspectors	6
Fire Marshall (City)	1
Fire Marshall (State)	1
Firemen: Active and Honorary	4431
Total	4826
AREARS: Chiefs, 7; Members, 45	52
Total Membership	4878

STATE ASSOCIATION - GENERAL FUND

COLLECTIONS AND REMITTANCES

Per-Capita Tax -- July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

1941		
Dec. 6	Deposit Concord National Bank	282.00
15	Deposit Concord National Bank	462.00
27	Deposit Concord National Bank	426.65
1942		
Jan. 5	Deposit Concord National Bank	322.50
6	Remitted A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,482.82
	Intangible Tax (State)33
20	Deposit Concord National Bank	379.00
29	Deposit Concord National Bank	244.50
Feb. 28	Deposit Concord National Bank	222.00
	Remitted A. B. Horney, Treas.	623.50
Mar. 27	Deposit Concord National Bank	169.00
Apr. 2	Remitted A. B. Horney, Treas.	391.00
May 29	Deposit Concord National Bank	166.50
July 7	Deposit Concord National Bank	55.60
	Remitted Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	222.10
	Total Collections and Remittances ...	\$2,719.75 \$2,719.75

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND:

MORTUARY AND GENERAL

COLLECTIONS: Assessments July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

1941		
July 19	Deposit Concord National Bank	578.60
Aug. 2	Deposit Concord National Bank	612.60
11	Deposit Concord National Bank	564.30
21	Deposit Concord National Bank	587.80
Sept. 4	Deposit Concord National Bank	1,079.10
8	Deposit Concord National Bank	572.00
13	Deposit Concord National Bank	574.20
20	Deposit Concord National Bank	357.50
Oct. 1	Deposit Concord National Bank	653.30

	8	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	799.70
	13	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	227.60
Nov.	1	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	478.40
	6	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	676.40
	10	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	557.70
	18	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	502.60
	25	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	859.10
Dec.	1	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	295.90
	5	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	1,091.20
	11	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	523.60
	22	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	535.70
	27	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	409.20
1942							
Jan.	6	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	806.30
	20	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	690.70
	29	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	436.70
Feb.	7	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	844.80
	13	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	231.10
	18	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	657.80
	23	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	1,095.00
Mar.	5	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	569.80
	10	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	609.10
	16	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	508.00
	26	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	590.50
Apr.	2	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	489.20
	4	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	524.70
	8	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	590.70
	11	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	469.70
	20	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	542.30
May	2	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	633.60
	7	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	560.90
	15	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	535.70
	27	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	441.10
June	6	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	671.00
	12	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	574.20
	25	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	485.10
	30	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	641.30
July	7	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	982.30
	10	Deposit	Concord	National	Bank	-----	372.90
Total Collections							\$28,091.00

REMITTANCES: A. B. Horney, Treasurer

1941							
Aug.	2	A. B. Horney, Treasurer	-----	1,000.00	100.00		
	21	A. B. Horney, Treas.	-----	1,000.00	100.00		

Sept.	4	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	13	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Oct.	1	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	13	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Nov.	6	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	18	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Dec.	1	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	5	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	22	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
1942				
Jan.	6	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,129.03	112.98
		Intangible Tax 12-31-'4279
		Refund Hertford	2.00	.20
		Refund Roanoke Rapids	4.00	.40
	29	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Feb.	9	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	13	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Mar.	5	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	16	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
Apr.	2	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	8	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	20	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
May	7	A. B. Horney, Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	29	Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
June	12	Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	30	Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
July	6	Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	1,000.00	100.00
	10	Jno. L. Miller, Act.-Treas.	401.45	40.15
			\$25,536.48	\$2,554.52
Total Remittances				
Mortuary Fund			25,536.48	
General Fund			2,554.52	\$28,091.00

STATE RELIEF FUND:WARRENTS ISSUED

1941

July	22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	22.78
Aug.	11	Defense Bonds "G" Concord National Bank ...	3,000.00
Sept.	26	A. B. Horney, Treas. Salary to 9-30-'41	62.50
		Jno. L. Miller, Secty, Exp.-Suit Wilmgt	23.32
Nov.	21	Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Custodian	34.11
		Snyder Printing Co., Printing Minutes	398.28
Dec.	20	A. B. Horney, Treas. Salary to 12-31-'41	62.50

1942

Feb.	2	Defense Bonds "G" Concord National Bank ...	3,000.00
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	3	Bond Premium, Treasurer	11.25
Mar. 27		A. B. Horney, Treas, Salary to 3-31-'42	62.50
June 17		Wachovia B. & T. Co., A. B. H.—Sal. 5-24-'42 ...	41.67
Total Warrants Issued			\$6,718.91

STATE GENERAL FUND: WARRENTS ISSUED

1941

July 18		Postmaster, Envelopes 3c	66.80
	22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	5.10
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary month July	150.00
Aug. 6		J. C. Fitzgerald, Chief Entertaining	500.00
		A. W. Brinson, Statistician, 1 year Salary	75.00
	11	Southern Ins.-Agency, Bond Premium Sect'y.	5.00
		Wachovia B. & T. Co., Bond Premium, Treas. ...	6.25
		Defense Bonds "G" Concord Nat. Bank	1,000.00
	12	Wm. B. Umstead, Expense-Convention	21.10
	13	A. W. Brinson, Statistician, Exp.-Convention ...	53.15
	15	L. H. Hall, Treas. one-sixth of 5 per cent	281.10
	16	D. E. Shuford, Pres.-Salary & Expense	77.95
	19	A. B. Horney, Treas, Exp.-Convention	19.77
	27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary month August ...	150.00
	30	Middlemont Gardens, Inc., Flowers	3.61
Sept. 10		Frank W. Bennett, Advisory, Exp. E-C-M ...	25.00
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary month Sept. ...	150.00
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Exp.-Quar.-Sept. 30, '41 ...	86.05
		R. A. Joyner, Pres., Sal.-Quar.ending 9-30-'41...	37.10
		R. A. Joyner, Pres., Exp.-Asheville Convention...	48.10
Oct. 1		Stenographer, Kate Wade Asheville Convention ...	70.00
	28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary-October '41	150.00
Nov. 21		Postmaster, Concord, Stamps	35.56
		Wachovia B. & T. Co., Custodian Service	3.96
		Snyder Printing Co., Printing & etc.	33.79
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary month Nov. '41 ...	150.00
Dec. 20		R. A. Joyner, Pres. Sal.-Q.-ending 12-31-'41 ...	62.50
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal-month December ...	150.00

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Jan. 28		Jno L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month January	150.00
Feb. 27		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month February ...	150.00
Mar. 27		R. A. Joyner, Pres. Sal.-Quar., ending 3-31-'42..	62.50
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month March '42 ...	150.00
Apr. 27		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month April	150.00
June 1		Ellington's Florists, Florial Design	25.00
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month May	150.00
	3	Token: Sherwood Brockwell Defense Bond ...	150.00

	J. C. Fitzgerald, Instructor F-C & D-S	20.00
	C. L. Burkett, Instructor F-C & D-S	50.52
	A. Y. Cottrell, Instructor F-C & D-S	44.00
	J. M. Munday, Instructor F-C & D-S	48.10
	C. L. Cox, Instructor F-C & D-S	43.98
	Sherwood Brockwell, Supplies & etc.	8.75
	Samuel J. Pope, Lecturer, F-C & D-S	194.65
8	J. C. Fitzgerald, Chief Exp.-F-C & D-S	56.10
15	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Exp.-Q. ending 6-11-'42 ...	48.59
17	R. A. Joyner, Pres. Exp. Oct. '41 to 6-17-'42 ...	159.08
22	R. A. Joyner, Pres. Sal.-Quar. ending 6-30-'42 ...	62.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal. month June 1942 ...	150.00
	Total Warrants Issued	\$5,290.66

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND

WARRENTS ISSUED: July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

		Mortuary	General
1941			
July 18	Postmaster, Concord, Envelopes ..		82.20
	Mr. Odessa M. Parrish, Widow	1,000.00	
	Mrs. Anita Umstead, Widow	1,000.00	
22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	39.32	
	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit		2.80
26	Mrs. Fannie M. Gilbert, Widow	1,000.00	
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month July		125.00
Aug. 11	So. Insurance Agency, Bond premium ..		14.06
	Wachovia B. & T. Co., Bond premium ..		28.13
	Defense Bonds, "G" Concord Nat. B. ..	5,000.00	
	Defense Bonds, "G" Concord Nat. B. ..		1,000.00
27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Aug. ..		125.00
Sept. 8	Mrs. Hannah C. Shirley, Widow	1,000.00	
24	James J. Stone, Beneficiary	1,000.00	
26	A. B. Horney, Treas., Salary 9-30'41 ..		37.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Sept. ..		125.00
Oct. 2	Mrs. Elizabeth P. Fix, Widow	1,000.00	
	Mrs. Maud Sluder, Widow	1,000.00	
8	Mrs. Mamie A. Lefler, Widow	1,000.00	
28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Oct. ..		125.00
Nov. 21	Wachovia B. & T. Co. Cust. Service ..	49.44	
	Wachovia B. & T. Co. Cust. Service ..		1.98
	Snyder Printing Co., Letter Heads ..		8.25
	Mrs. Lizzie V. Zellars, Widow	1,000.00	
26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Nov. ..		125.00
Dec. 20	A. B. Horney, Treas., Sal.-Quar 12-31 ..		37.50

	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Dec.		125.00
26	Mrs. Christy M. Barefoot, Widow	1,000.00	
	Mrs. Maggie F. Armsworthy, Widow	1,000.00	
31	Snyder Printing Co., Ins. Policies		18.35
	Intangible Tax (State)	9.56	
	Intangible Tax (State)		.94
1942			
Jan. 28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Jan.		125.00
Feb. 2	Defense Bonds "G" Concord Nat. B.	5,000.00	
18	Mrs. Annie Lillian Kelly, Widow	1,000.00	
27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Feb.		125.00
	Mrs. Fannie C. Harper, Widow	1,000.00	
28	J. P. Bolt, Trust Officer, R.-Coupons		3.00
	Mrs. G. M. Baggett, Widow	1,000.00	
Mar. 5	Annual License		58.00
12	Mrs. Minnie V. Kinkead, Widow	1,000.00	
27	A. B. Horney, Treas. Sal.- Quar. 3-31		37.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Sal.-month Mar.		125.00
Apr. 2	Mrs. Mary L. Ingram, Widow	1,000.00	
7	Hartsell & Hartsell, Attorney's Fee		10.00
	Snyder Printing Co., Stationary		9.25
Apr. 27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month Apr.		125.00
May 6	Mrs. Araminta Hill, Widow	1,000.00	
June 1	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Sal.-month May		125.00
10	Mrs. Ethel R. Littleton, Widow	1,000.00	
15	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Exp.-Tel.-Calls		41.35
17	Wachovia B. T. Co. Executors (ABH)	1,000.00	
	Wachovia B. & T. Co. Ex. Sal. (ABH)		25.00
22	Jno. L. Miller Sect'y Sal.-mo. June '42		125.00
	Custodian, Telegram		.69
Total Warrants Issued		\$29,099.01	\$2,915.81

Respectfully submitted,

Jno. L. Miller, Secretary

Moved and seconded that the Secretary's report be accepted and printed in the Minutes. Motion Carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

The year ending June 30, 1942

RELIEF FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

RECEIPTS

1941

Balance July 1, 1941 _____ 3,586.55

Dec. 13	State Appropriation	1,312.00
1942		
Jan. 10	Semi Annual Interest	745.00
Feb. 3	Defense Bond Interest	37.50
July 10	Semi Annual Interest	745.00
	Overdraft June 30, 1942	292.86
		<hr/>
		\$6,718.91

DISBURSEMENTS

1941		
July 22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	22.78
Aug. 11	Defense Bonds "G"	3,000.00
Sept. 26	A. B. Horney, Treas., Salary	62.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Exp.-Wilmington	23.32
Nov. 21	Wachovia B. & T. Co., Custodian Service	34.11
	Snyder Printing Co., Printing Minutes	398.28
Dec. 31	A. B. Horney, Treas., Salary to 12-31-'41	62.50
1942		
Feb. 2	Defense Bonds "G"	3,000.00
3	Bond premiuni, A. B. Horney, Treas.	11.25
Mar. 27	Salary A. B. Horney, Treas. 3-31-'42	62.50
June 12	Salary A. B. Horney, Treas. 6-1-'42	41.67
	Balance June 30, 194200
		<hr/>
		\$6,718.91

GENERAL FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

RECEIPTS

1941		
	Balance—July 1, 1941	\$4,020.82
1942		
Jan. 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Secretary	1,482.82
	Received Semi Annual Interest	88.75
29	Jno. L. Miller, Secretary	623.50
Apr. 2	Received Jno. L. Miller, Secretary	391.00
3	Received Defense Bond Interest	12.50
June 30	Received Jno. L. Miller, Secretary	222.10
July 7	Received Dan. C. Boney, Commissioner	1,902.46
	Received Semi Annual Interest	88.75
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	Total	\$8,832.70

DISBURSEMENTS

1941		
July	18	Postmaster, Concord _____ 66.80
	22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit _____ 5.10
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary _____ 150.00
Aug.	6	J. C. Fitzgerald, Chief _____ 500.00
		A. W. Brinson, Statistician, Salary _____ 75.00
	11	Southern Ins.-Agency, Bond premium _____ 5.00
		Wachovia B. & T. Co., Bond premium _____ 6.25
		Defense Bond "G" Purchased _____ 1,000.00
	12	Wm. B. Umstead, Expense _____ 21.10
	13	A. W. Brinson, Statistician, Exp.-Convention ____ 53.15
	15	L. H. Hall, Treas., Colored Association _____ 281.10
	16	D. E. Shuford, Pres., Salary & Expense _____ 77.95
	19	A. B. Horney, Treas. Expense Convention _____ 19.77
	27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary August _____ 150.00
	30	Middlemont Gardens, Inc. Flowers _____ 3.61
Sept.	10	Frank W. Bennett, Advisory, Expense _____ 25.00
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary September _____ 150.00
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Exp.-Quarter 9-30 _____ 86.05
		R. A. Joyner, Pres. Salary to 9-30-'41 _____ 37.10
		R. A. Joyner, Pres. Exp.-Convention 1941 _____ 49.10
Oct.	1	Stenographer, Kate Wade _____ 70.00
	28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary October _____ 150.00
Nov.	21	Postmaster, Stamps _____ 35.56
		Wachovia B. & T. Co., Custodian _____ 3.96
		Snyder Printing Co., Printing _____ 33.79
	26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary November _____ 150.00
Dec.	20	R. A. Joyner, Pres. Salary _____ 62.50
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary December _____ 150.00
1942		
Jan.	28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary January _____ 150.00
Feb.	27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary February _____ 150.00
Mar.	27	R. A. Joyner, Pres., Salary 3-31-'42 _____ 62.50
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary March _____ 150.00
Apr.	27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary April _____ 150.00
June	1	Ellington's Florist, Florial Design _____ 25.00
		Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary May _____ 150.00
	3	Token, Defense Bonds, S. Brockwell _____ 150.00
		J. C. Fitzgerald, Instructor _____ 20.00
		C. L. Burkett, Instructor _____ 50.50
		A. Y. Cottrell, Instructor _____ 44.00
		J. M. Munday, Instructor _____ 48.10
		C. L. Cox, Instructor _____ 43.98
		S. Brockwell, Expense F-C & D-S _____ 8.75

	Sameul J. Pope, Lecturer, F-C & D-S	194.65
8	J. C. Fitzgerald, Chief, Exp.-F-C & D-S	56.10
15	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Exp-Quar. 6-11	48.59
17	R. A. Joyner, Pres. Exp.-6-30-'42	159.08
22	R. A. Joyner, Pres. Salary June 30	62.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y, Salary June '42	150.00
	Balance June 30, 1942	3,542.04
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		\$8,832.70

FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

RECEIPTS: MORTUARY

1941		
	Balance July 1, 1941	\$11,051.05
Aug. 2	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
21	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Sept. 4	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Oct. 1	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Nov. 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
18	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Dec. 1	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
5	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
22	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
1942		
Jan. 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,129.03
29	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Feb. 9	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Mar. 5	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
16	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
Apr. 2	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
8	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
20	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
May 7	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
29	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
June 12	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
30	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
July 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	1,000.00
10	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	401.45
Jan. 3	Semi Annual Interest 12-31-'41	1,055.00
	Maturity, High Point Bonds 1-1-'42	2,000.00
	Maturity, City Lexington 1-1-'42	5,000.00

	Semi Annual Interest 6-30-'42	905.00
Feb. 3	Defense Bonds Interest	62.50
	Total Receipts	\$45,604.03

DISBURSEMENTS

1941		
July 18	Mrs. Odessa M. Parrish, Widow	1,000.00
19	Mrs. Anita Umstead, Widow	1,000.00
22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	39.32
26	Mrs. Fannie M. Gilbert, Widow	1,000.00
Aug. 11	Defense Bonds, "G"	5,000.00
Sept. 8	Mrs. Hannah C. Shirley, Widow	1,000.00
24	James J. Stone, Beneficiary	1,000.00
Oct. 7	Mrs. Elizabeth P. Fix, Widow	1,000.00
	Mrs. Maud Sluder, Widow	1,000.00
8	Mrs. Mamie A. Lefler, Widow	1,000.00
Nov. 21	Wachovia B. & T. Co.	49.44
	Mrs. Lizzie V. Zellars, Widow	1,000.00
Dec. 26	Mrs. Christy M. Barefoot, Widow	1,000.00
	Mrs. Maggie F. Armsworthy, Widow	1,000.00
31	Intangible Tax (State)	9.56
1942		
Feb. 2	Defense Bonds	5,000.00
18	Mrs. Annie Lillian Kelly, Widow	1,000.00
27	Mrs. Fannie C. Harper, Widow	1,000.00
28	Mrs. G. M. Baggett, Widow	1,000.00
Mar. 12	Mrs. Minnie V. Kinkead, Widow	1,000.00
Apr. 2	Mrs. Mary L. Ingram, Widow	1,000.00
May 6	Mrs. Araminta Hill, Widow	1,000.00
June 10	Mrs. Ethel R. Littleton, Widow	1,000.00
17	Wachovia B. & T. Co., Executors (ABH) ...	1,000.00
22	Telegram, Wachovia B. & T. Co.69
	Balance June 31, 1942	16,505.02
		\$45,604.03

GENERAL FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

RECEIPTS

1941		
	Balance June 30, 1941	\$2,581.51
Aug. 2	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
21	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00

Sept. 4	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Oct. 1	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Nov. 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
18	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Dec. 1	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
5	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
22	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
1942		
Jan. 1	Semi Annual Interest 12-31-'41	42.50
6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	112.98
29	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Feb. 3	Interest Defense Bonds 2-1-'42	12.50
9	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
13	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Mar. 5	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
16	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
Apr. 2	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
8	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
20	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
May 7	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
29	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
June 12	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
30	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
July 6	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	100.00
10	Received Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	40.15
	Semi Annual Interest 6-30-'42	42.50
	Total	\$5,232.14

DISBURSEMENTS

1941		
July 18	Postmaster, Concord	82.20
22	C. L. Smith & Co., Audit	2.80
26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Aug. 11	Bond premium, Sect'y	14.06
	Bond premium, Treas.	28.13
	Defense Bonds "G"	1,000.00
27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Sept. 26	A. B. Horney, Treas. Salary	37.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Oct. 28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Nov. 21	Wachovia B. & T. Co.	1.98
	Snyder Printing Co.	8.25
26	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y	125.00

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Dec. 20	A. B. Horney, Treas., Salary	37.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
31	Snyder Printing Co.	18.35
	Intangible Tax (State)94
1942		
Jan. 28	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Feb. 27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
28	J. P. Bolt, Trust Officer	3.00
5	Annual License	58.00
27	A. B. Horney, Treas. Salary 3-31-'42	37.50
	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
Apr. 7	Hartsell & Hartsell, Att'y Fee	10.00
	Snyder Printing Co.	9.25
27	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
June 1	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
15	Jno. L. Miller, Expense	41.35
17	Wachovia B. & T. Co., Executors (ABH)	25.00
22	Jno. L. Miller, Sect'y Salary	125.00
		\$2,915.81
	Balance June 30, 1942	2,316.33
		\$5,232.14

Respectfully submitted,

Jno. L. Miller, Acting Treasurer

Moved and seconded that the report be accepted and printed in the Minutes. Motion Carried.

AUDIT REPORT

June 30, 1942

Concord, N. C.

July 20, 1942

To Officers and Members,
North Carolina State Firemen's Association,
Concord, N. C.

Gentlemen:

We have made an audit of the books of Mr. Jno. L. Miller, Secretary, North Carolina State Firemen's Association, Concord, N. C. also, have made an Audit of the books and records of Mr.

A. B. Horney, Treasurer, High Point, N. C. and Mr. Jno. L. Miller, Acting Treasurer, Concord, N. C. for the period from July 1, 1941 to and including June 30, 1942 and present, herewith, our Report of the following Exhibits:

Jno. L. Miller, Secretary, Receipts and Disbursements:
 Exhibit "A", State Association, General Fund
 Exhibit "B", Firemen's Fraternal Insurance,
 Mortuary & General Fund.

A. B. Horney, Treasurer, and Jno. L. Miller, Acting Treasurer
 Concord, N. C.
 Exhibit "C", State Association, Relief Fund.
 Exhibit "D", State Association, General Fund.
 Exhibit "E", Firemen's Fraternal Insurance;
 Mortuary Fund.
 Exhibit "F", Firemen's Fraternal Insurance:
 General Fund.
 Exhibit "G", Summary of Bank Balances Treasurer.

Assets:

Exhibit "H", State Association, Relief Fund.
 Exhibit "I", State Association, General Fund.
 Exhibit "J", Firemen's Fraternal Insurance:
 Mortuary Fund.
 Exhibit "K", Firemen's Fraternal Insurance:
 General Fund.
 Exhibit "L", Summary of Assets.

REMARKS:

Jno. L. Miller, Secretary:

We examined in detail all receipts and disbursements as shown by the books, summary of which appears in Exhibits "A" & "B" verifying the per-capita tax and assessment collections with receipt stubs, the disbursements with Treasurer's receipts, Bank Statements and other records, which disclose to us no evidence of improper handling of funds.

North Carolina State Firemen's Association.
 Treasurer:

We Examined in detail all receipts and disbursements as shown by the books, summary of which appears in Exhibits "C", "D", "E" & "F", verifying the receipts with remittances from the Secretary and other available sources of income, the disbursements and balances with approved Vouchers, Bank Statements and other records, which disclose to us no evidence of improper handling of funds.

The books of both Secretary and Treasurer have been well kept and balanced.

Assets:

The current Assets presented in Exhibits "H", "I", "J" & "K", were verified with Bank Statements and other available sources of income.

The investments of the State Association have been deposited with the Wachovia Bank & Trust Company as Custodian, and the same were verified with Statement from the Custodian.

The following donation is owned by the State Association:
One Motor Truck, American LaFrance.

Very truly yours,

C. L. Smith & Company

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Jno. L. Miller, Secretary, Concord, N. C.

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

	Receipts	Disburse- ments
Per-Capita, Receipts Nos. 3019-3315	2,719.75	
Remittances to Treasurer		2,719.42
Intangible Tax33
	<u>\$2,719.75</u>	<u>\$2,719.75</u>

Exhibit "A"

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

	Receipts	Disburse- ments
Assessments Receipts Nos. 11089-12030	28,091.00	
Remittances to Treasurer:		
Mortuary Fund ... 25,530.48		
Mortuary Refunds 6.00 25,536.48		
General Fund	2,553.13	

General Fund;			
Refunds -----	.60		
Intangible Tax	.79	2,554.52	28,091.00
			<u>\$28,091.00</u>
			<u>28,091.00</u>

Exhibit "B"

STATE ASSOCIATION, RELIEF FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

		Receipts	Disburse- ments
State Appropriation -----		1,312.00	
Interest -----			
State Highway Bonds -----	395.00		
Chatham Mfg. Co. Preferred -----	330.00		
City of Greensboro, Bonds ---	200.00		
City of High Point, Bonds ---	100.00		
Piedmont B. & L. High Point -----	90.00		
Carolina B. & L. Wilmington -----	200.00		
Piedmont Fed. Savings B. & L. -----	175.00		
Defense Bonds -----	37.50	1,527.50	
Audit Year 1941 -----			22.78
Custodian Service -----			34.11
Bond Premium, Treas. -----			11.25
Printing Minutes, etc. 1941 -----			398.28
Treasurer, Salary -----			229.17
Secretary, Expenses -----			23.32
Defense Bonds -----			6,000.00
		<u>2,839.50</u>	<u>6,718.91</u>
Balance, July 1, 1941 -----		3,586.55	
Overdraft, June 30, 1942 -----		292.86	
		<u>\$6,718.91</u>	

Exhibit "C"

STATE ASSOCIATION, GENERAL FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

	Receipts	Disburse- ments
Jno L. Miller, Secretary	2,719.42	
Interest:		
State Highway Bonds	127.50	
City of High Point, Bonds ..	50.00	
Defense Bonds	12.50	190.00

Insurance Com., 5% Relief Fund ..	1,902.46	
Custodian Service		3.96
Entertainment Com. Asheville.....		500.00
Stenographer		70.00
Jno. L. Miller, Secretary:		
Salary	1,800.00	
Expenses	134.64	1,934.64

Colored Firemen's Association		281.10
Postage Stationery & Printing		136.15
Premium on Bonds		
Secretary	5.00	
Treasurer	6.25	11.25

Audit Year 1941		5.10
D. E. Shuford, President:		
Salary	25.40	
Expenses	52.55	77.95

Fire School		466.10
Statistician:		
Salary	75.00	
Expenses	53.15	128.15

R. A. Joyner, President:		
Salary	224.60	
Expenses	207.18	431.78

Florial Designs		28.61
Treasurer, Expenses Convention ..		19.77
F. W. Bennett, Advisory Exp. ..		25.00
Defense Bonds, S. B.		150.00
W. B. Umstead, Expenses		21.10
Defense Bonds		1,000.00
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	4,811.88	5,290.66
Balance, July 1, 1941	4,020.82	
Balance, July 1, 1941		3,542.04
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$8,832.70	8,832.70
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Exhibit "D"

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

MORTUARY FUND

	Receipts	Disburse- ments
Jno. L. Miller, Secretary	25,530.48	
Interest:		
State University Bonds 162.50		
Liberty Storage Co. 100.00		
Town of Lexington 100.00		
Chatham Mfg. Co. 150.00		
City of H. Point Bonds 50.00		
Piedmont B&L H Point 60.00		
State Highway Bonds... 712.50		
Piedmont Fed. S. & L. 175.00		
Brown Mfg. Co. 300.00		
First Federal S. & L. 150.00		
Defense Bonds	62.50	
	<u>2,022.50</u>	
High Point, Bonds, Matured ...	2,000.00	
Town of Lexington, Matured ...	5,000.00	
Audit Year 1941		39.32
Custodian Service		49.44
Death Claims		19,000.00
Defense Bonds		10,000.00
Intangible		9.56
Telegram69
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Balance, July 1, 1941	34,552.98	29,099.01
Balance, June 30, 1942	11,051.05	
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$45,604.03	45,604.03
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Exhibit "E"

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND

July 1, 1941 to June 30, 1942

GENERAL FUND

		Receipts	Disburse- ments
Jno. L. Miller, Secretary		2,553.13	
Interest:			
State Highway Bonds	85.00		
Defense Bonds	12.50	97.50	
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Jno. L. Miller, Secretary:			
Salary	1,500.00		
Expense	41.35		1,541.35
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Audit Year 1941			2.80
Custodian Service			1.98
Stationary & Envelopes			118.05
Bond Premiums:			
Secretary	14.06		
Treasurer	28.13		42.19
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Treasurer, Salary			137.50
Estate License			58.00
Intangible Tax94
Registration Fee, Coupons			3.00
Attorney Fee			10.00
Defense Bonds			1,000.00
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		2,650.63	2,915.81
		2,581.51	
Balance, July 1, 1941			2,316.33
Balance, June 30, 1942			
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		\$5,232.14	5,232.14
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Exhibit "F"

SUMMARY OF BANK BALANCES

June 30, 1942

State Association:	292.86	
Relief Fund, Overdrawn	3,542.04	3,249.18
General Fund,		
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Firemen's Fraternal Insurance:		
Mortuary Fund	16,505.02	
General Fund	2,316.33	18,821.35
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		\$22,070.53

Exhibit "G"

STATE ASSOCIATION, RELIEF FUND

June 30, 1942

ASSETS

Investments:

4 N. C. State Highway Bonds due 1-1-49 4¼ % Nos. A84873-85806-85807-85808, Serial.....	4,000.00
5 N. C. State Highway Bonds Due 1-1-48 4½ % Nos. M62896-62897-62898-62899-62907, S.	5,000.00
30 Shares Chatham Mfg. Co., Elkin, N. C. Preferred Stock 6% No.182B	3,000.00
25 Shares Chatham Mfg. Co., Elkin, N. C. Preferred Stock 6%	2,500.00
5 Bonds City of Greensboro, N. C. due 1-1-47 4% Nos. 816-817-818-819-820	5,000.00
2 Bonds City of High Point, N. C. Due 12-1-42 5% Nos. 85-86	2,000.00
30 Shares Piedmont B. & L. High Point, N. C. 4% Certificate No. F P 166	3,000.00
50 Shares Carolina B. & L. Wilmington, N. C. 4% Certificate No. 6618	5,000.00
35 Shares Piedmont Federal Savings and Loan Association, Winston-Salem, N. C. 4% Certificate No. 13357	3,500.00
15 Shares Piedmont Federal Savings and Loan Association, Winston-Salem, N. C. 4% Certificate No. 13742	1,500.00
6 1000 U. S. Defense Bonds Nos. M148548 G- 148549-148550-M428753G-428754-428755	6,000.00
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	\$40,500.00

Exhibit "H"

STATE ASSOCIATION, GENERAL FUND

June 30, 1942

ASSETS

Current, Treasurer's Bank Balance		3,542.04
Investments:		
3 N. C. State Highway Bonds Due 1-1-49 4¼ % Nos. A84874-84875-84876, S.		3,000.00
1 Bond City of High Point, N. C. Due 12-1-42 5% No. 176		1,000.00
Permanent:		
1 All Steel 4 Drawer Cabinet	21.00	
1 Steel Safe	141.00	
1 Office Desk & Chair	51.00	
1 Numbering Machine	6.60	
1 No. 10 Royal Typewriter	92.40	
1 Metal Cabinet	53.10	
	<u>365.10</u>	
Less Depreciation	264.08	101.02
		<u>1,000.00</u>
1 1000 U S Defense Bond No. M148551G		1,000.00
		<u>\$8,643.06</u>

Exhibit "I"

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE, MORTUARY FUND

June 30, 1942

ASSETS

Current Treasurer's Bank Balance		16,505.02
Arcruals:		
Assessments Nos. 305-306-307-308 To Support Death Benefits		2,000.00
Investments:		
5 Liberty Storage Co. Bonds, Due 1-1-48 4% Nos. 168-169-170-171-172		2,500.00
6 N. C. State Highway Bonds Due 1-1-49 4¼ % Nos. A84919-84920-84921-84922 85640-85641, Serial		6,000.00

3 N. C. State Highway Bonds, Due 1-1-48 4¾ % Nos. M28385-28386-28387, Serial	3,000.00
7 N. C. State Highway Bonds, Due 7-1-46 4½ % Nos. M12555-12556-12557-12558-12559 12560-12561, Serial	7,000.00
25 Shares Chatham Mfg. Co., Elkin, N. C. 6% Preferred Stock	2,500.00
20 Shares Piedmont B. & L. High Point, N. C. Prepaid Stock 4% Certificate No. F P 167	2,000.00
5 N. C. State Univ. Dormitory Bonds, Due 8-1-55 3¼ % Nos. 127-128-129-130-131	5,000.00
50 Shares Piedmont Federal Savings & Loan Association 4% Certificate Nos. 13 207 - 1 3740	5,000.00
50 Shares Brown Mfg. Co., Concord, N. C. 6% Certificate No. 170	5,000.00
50 Shares First Federal Savings & Loan Association 4%	5,000.00
2 5000 U. S. Defense Bonds Nos. V 31200-G 73342	10,000.00
	\$71,505.02

Exhibit "J"

FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE, GENERAL FUND

June 30, 1942

Current, Treasurer's Bank Balance	2,316.33
Investments	
2 N. C. State Highway Bonds, Due 1-1-49 4¾ % Nos. A84917-84918, Serial....	2,000.00
Permanent:	
1 All Steel 4 Drawer Cabinet	21.50
2 Metal Card Files	8.10
1 Memograph Machine	150.00
1 Addressograph	15.00
1 Adding Machine, Wales	33.00
	227.60
Less Depreciation	144.76
	82.84
1 1000 U. S. Defense Bond No. M148552G	1,000.00
	\$5,399.17

Exhibit "K"

SUMMARY OF ASSETS

June 30, 1942

State Association:

Relief Fund	40,500.00	
General Fund	8,643.06	49,143.06

Firemen's Fraternal Insurance:

Mortuary Fund	71,505.02	
General Fund	5,399.17	76,904.19

\$126,047.25

Exhibit "I."

Moved and seconded that the Audit Report be accepted and entered in the Minutes. Motion Carried.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

We have been distinctly honored to have an unusual visitor come to our meeting and I know you will be delighted to hear from him for a few minutes. I will ask Sherwood Brockwell to present our distinguished visitor.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

Yesterday in speaking to the convention assembly I mentioned the fact that in my humble opinion the second largest undertaking ever faced by the people of the United States of America was that of civilian defense. You have heard much said about that in reports and discussions here today, and we are indeed fortunate in having at this time a man who represents all that North Carolina is doing in this great work, and a man, in my opinion, as well qualified as ever has held any such position in the United States.

It becomes my happy privilege at this time to present the State Coordinator of Civilian Defense, Ben E. Douglas.

BEN DOUGLAS:

Mr. President, Mr. Brockwell, Fellow firemen:

Back a few years, before I was married, in the City of Charlotte Chief Palmer and the Charlotte Fire Department made me an honorary member, and I have carried that honor every since.

This past week?end I spent at Morehead City doing offshore patrol — went out with the Coast Guard looking for a sub-

marine, praying we wouldn't find one. One day I was going down the street with a Colonel and a General. We met lots of soldiers, and every time the Colonel would salute a soldier he would say "You're another" and "You're another" and finally the General said "What do you mean by saying that every time you salute a soldier?" The Colonel said "I have been a soldier in the ranks and I know what they are saying."

I would like to attend all firemen conventions and stay all the time they are convened, but now as they have given me a real job I really don't have time. I hurried back here from Morehead City to tell you one thing and that is this: In civilian defense the most important phase of it is civilian protection, and the most important phase of civilian protection is fighting fire, fire bombs.

You fellows took the bit in your teeth a long time before I was appointed State Director and before there was a civilian defense, and began to teach yourself and others how to fight fire. You may not think that has meant very much to the people of North Carolina but I tell you it has. The auxiliary department in North Carolina are possibly further ahead because of the work you have done than any other department unless it would be the air raid wardens. You men all over North Carolina under the direction of Sherwood Brockwell, who, by the way, was reappointed State Coordinator for the Fire Department and Civilian Defense, have done a good job. He has done a good job and the Chiefs and officers of the Fire Department and every member have done well in teaching the people. The ultimate aim of civilian defense is to teach every housewife in North Carolina, rural as well as urban communities, how to take care of their own home. It is obvious that if a Jap plane came over and dropped bombs and set fire to a hundred or two hundred homes your department couldn't cope with it, so the answer is to train every house holder to take care of their particular home. I appeal to you to take that job on yourself to teach the people in your community to take care of fire bombs. Much has been said about the change in the way to fight fire bombs. A great many other changes will come about before we win this war, and we are going to win it--don't you doubt that for a minute.

I hope the American people, certainly the fire departments, will take it for granted that more changes are coming, and when they do come accept them in the same spirit given you. If it hadn't been found to be the best way to fight a fire bomb it wouldn't be changed. I heard Sherwood Brockwell in a speech many months ago say that if a fireman was fighting a fire bomb he would fight it not with a spray but with a stream of water, because he knew how to fight it. That is true. Now they tell the civilians to

fight it like you knew it ought to be fought all the time. If we find other changes necessary we will make them and ask you to accept these changes as they come. Civilian defense is a common sense proposition. Certain planes come over and drop incendiary bombs, high explosives and other bombs, fire starts and people are injured and it takes the Fire Department and the Emergency Medical staff to take care of them.

So I come today not only to thank you for what you have done but urge you to keep doing. You know our enemies would like us to set up a fine civilian defense operation and because there was nothing to do we would gradually sway off, wouldn't attend meetings, would say "After all no bombs have been dropped, why do this?" Our enemies would like that, and then when we backed off and failed to keep up with the times, then they will come over and drop some bombs. I ask you to keep the interest up in your community and through the fire department, as much as any department of any City Government can, because even though we get tired at times, no country has been able to withstand the onslaught of Hitler and his hoard except the country who has trained civilians. To train everybody how to do and what to do is the only way to win this war. So fellows, keep up the good work and let's do it.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

Mr. Douglas, we are delighted to have you and appreciate your visit and assure you that the Firemen of North Carolina are with you in your civilian defense program.

STATISTICIANS'S REPORT

President Joyner, Fellow Firemen, Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I submit to you my report of statistics for the fifty-fifth annual convention assembled here with our fine host—Greensboro—the city of the birth of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Since our association met last year history has again been made and we find our country deep in war, with our forces in all parts of the world, in a world wide conflict, to fight not a fire,—but to fight for our continued freedom—for our democracy—which have been our heritage. On our home front we can proudly say that the firemen of North Carolina have girded on their fighting uniforms and are prepared for any attack from our common enemies—

the Fire Demon from the Sky, Espionage, or any other Hitler or Jap form of menace.

NATIONAL LOSS OF LIFE: Fires take an average of 10,000 lives a year. Since 1900 about 400,000 people have lost their lives by fire in the United States. In the last twenty-five years more Americans were burned to death than fell in World War 1 and the Civil War. We have about 700,000 fires a year in the United States. But here is a more significant figure: About 400,000 of those fires occurred in homes. A home fire occurs somewhere in the United States every minute and a half on the average. About once every 50 minutes some person is burned to death in a fire. The principal causes are well known and easily understood. They are; Carelessness with cigarettes and matches, defective or overheated chimneys and flues, misuse of electrical equipment, carelessness in handling gasoline and kerosene, sparks on wood shingle roofs and unnecessary accumulation of rubbish in attics, closets and basements. The final fire hazard suggests a theme of more fire prevention.

NATIONAL FIRE LOSS: The Fire loss for the United States for the year 1941 was \$304,000,000. This is the heaviest loss since 1932 when the loss was \$400,859,000. The 1941 loss of \$304,000,000 is \$18,121,303 increase over the year 1940 or an increase of 6 per cent, making a per capita loss of \$2.34.

The property losses during the past eleven years have been estimated as follows by the National Board of Underwriters:

1931	\$451,643,000	1936	\$266,659,000
1932	400,859,000	1937	254,959,000
1933	271,453,000	1938	265,591,000
1934	271,197,000	1939	274,943,000
1935	235,263,000	1940	285,878,697
	1941		\$304,000,000

Annual Fire Losses by Causes—Approximate Estimate from State Fire Marshall's Reports:

CAUSE

Chimneys, flues—defective or overheated	58,000	\$15,000,000
Sparks on roofs	79,500	14,000,000
Defective or overheated heaters	19,000	8,600,000
Rubbish	26,000	4,000,000
Combustibles near heaters	15,000	4,500,000
Open lights, flames, sparks	7,500	1,700,000
Hot ashes, coals	16,000	2,500,000
Oil burners	7,000	2,000,000

Smoking	87,000	14,000,000
Children and matches	23,000	2,500,000
Matches	22,000	3,200,000
Electrical	55,000	26,000,000
Electrical appliances, motors	10,000	1,500,000
Flammable liquids, Misc., home dry cleaning and starting fire	20,000	4,000,000
Torches, welding	8,000	2,700,000
Films (Nitrocellulose)	1,000	150,000
Lamps and stoves	22,000	5,200,000
Gas and appliances	4,000	1,900,000
Grease, tar, etc.	10,500	2,000,000
Spontaneous ignition	19,500	15,400,000
Fireworks	1,500	200,000
Lightning	24,000	8,500,000
Thawing pipes	1,000	350,000
Sparks from machinery, friction	3,000	1,300,000
Incendiary, suspicious	8,500	11,000,000
Miscellaneous	11,500	6,800,000
Unknown	78,000	114,000,000
Explosions	10,500	9,000,000
Exposure	37,000	18,000,000
TOTALS	685,000	\$300,000,000

Annual Fire Losses by Occupancies—Approximate Estimate
from State Fire Marshall's Reports.

Occupancy	No. of Fires	Loss
(a) Public Buildings	13,300	\$19,650,000
(Including hospitals, schools, churches, theaters)		
(b) Dwellings	393,000	\$92,000,000
(including hotels, apartments, homes etc.)		
(c) Mercantile	72,000	70,100,000
(Including office buildings, ware- houses, restaurants, and other mercantiles)		
(d) Manufacturing	23,700	52,900,000
(Including mills, packing plants bakeries, cleaners, etc.)		

(e) Miscellaneous	183,000	65,350,000
(including barns, lumber yards, rail- road and wharf properties, powder plants, automobiles, etc.)		
TOTALS	685,000	\$300,000,000

UNITED STATES FIRE LOSSES EXCEED TOTAL OF BRITISH BOMBINGS:

If the average American citizen was to stop and think of the terrible destruction caused by the bombings of Great Britain for the first two years of the present war he probably would consider it as the greatest devastation ever caused in the history of man. Great as has been such destruction, however, it does not equal the loss caused by fire in our own country during the same period of time.

Recently, the Economist, a leading London financial paper, estimated the damage caused in Great Britain by bombing during the first two years of the war at \$480,000,000. During this same period of time the loss caused by fire in the United States was nearly \$600,000,000, and it is entirely likely that this fire loss figure would have been far greater were it not for the fire prevention activities carried on by the Fire Departments of North Carolina and the other forty-seven states.

STATE FIRE LOSS: The reported fire loss in the state of North Carolina in 1941 based on actual reports furnished the Insurance Commissioner by Fire Department officials was \$3,684,000, a decrease of \$144,685 or approximately 4 per cent decrease over the year 1940. The formula used by your statistician to ascertain the unreported fire loss is 40 per cent of our total loss or the amount of \$1,473,600. This gives reported and estimated loss in 1941 of \$5,157,600 with a per capita loss of \$1.44.

Your statistician was this year able to obtain amounts of approximately all losses actually paid by Insurance Companies in the state during the fiscal year of 1941. This totals around \$4,316,936. The formula generally used by the National Board of Underwriters in computing the National Fire Loss is to add 30 per cent to the amount actually paid by all forms of insurance companies, exclusive of automobile insurance, to the amount of actual insurance paid. This means adding \$1,295,080 to the \$4,316,936 thus making a total loss of insured and uninsured of \$5,612,-

016. From the figures and formula above would be established a per capita loss for North Carolina (based on 1940 census) of \$1.57. Taking into consideration the National per capita loss of \$2.34 the North Carolina per capita loss is especially gratifying and something every fireman should be proud of.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: Fire Prevention Week for 1941 was again a week of extended activity by the Fire Departments throughout the State of North Carolina. The Honorable J. Melville Broughton, State Fire Marshal Sherwood Brockwell, and Lieutenant Kenlon Brockwell, Post Fire Marshal, Fort Bragg, featured the week at Salisbury in their Fire Prevention week, vividly portraying Civilian and Army collaboration in "Fire Defense is National Defense."

Fire Departments of North Carolina once again received National recognition in awards and honorable mention from the U. S. Chamber of Commerce in its educational program. There were approximately 300 cities, reporting a combined population of over 30,000,000, competing in this national contest. For the second consecutive year the first award in the final classification, class six, cities under 20,000 population, was awarded to the city Salisbury, North Carolina. Rocky Mount received national recognition and honorable mention in class six as well as being rated second in our state. Durham and Greensboro again received honorable mention for cities between 50,000 and 100,000 population.

The second consecutive winning by Salisbury of the national award and the three honorable mention cities place North Carolina firemen once more in the outstanding leadership in the nation in Fire Prevention activities. This is reflected in the reduction of our per capita loss.

Closely following Fire Prevention week, Sherwood Brockwell, Chairman of the Educational Committee of your association, entered the United States Army School of Chemical Warfare at Edgewood Arsenal in Maryland. Immediately upon his return on November 18 he inaugurated a Program of Defense in North Carolina in co-operation with the Fire Departments—appearing in Scotland Neck for the Roanoke River Association; at Farmville for the Fire Department and joint Civic Clubs meeting; at Tarboro with a joint meeting of Tarboro and Rocky Mount Fire Departments and city officials; in Greensboro for the Kiwanis Club; and for the Federation of Woman's Clubs of Johnston County at Clayton.

NORTH CAROLINA FIREMEN IN TIME OF WAR AND DEFENSE: On that history making day, December 7, 1941, when

the United States was plunged into the war by that dastardly stab in the back at Pearl Harbor, the Firemen of North Carolina answered that alarm. On the night of December 7 every Fire Chief in North Carolina was notified of a special meeting for National Defense to be held in Raleigh December 10. Representatives of over 150 fire departments answered that roll call. After hearing a stirring address by the Governor, the Honorable J. Melville Broughton, the day was devoted to a study of the methods used by our enemies in raids, espionage, and incendiary activities in War Production Plants. In the meeting Mr. Brockwell was assisted by Captain J. M. Munday of the Charlotte Fire Department graduate of Edgewood Arsenal School, and Lieutenant Kenlon H. Brockwell, Fire Marshal of Fort Bragg.

This initial meeting was followed by a Critique for East Carolina cities and towns in Farmville on January 13 and for Western Carolina in Charlotte, March 16. Both these Critiques were attended by representatives for practically all fire departments in the East and West. The North Carolina Fire College and Drill School was conducted along similar lines at Asheville June 2, 3, 4 with Chief Sam J. Pope of the Boston Fire Department guest member of the Faculty.

Since the declaration of war, Sherwood Brockwell, representing the North Carolina Insurance Department and the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, acting with local fire departments, has appeared before many mass and group meetings in furthering the War and Defense Educational Program. Following is a list of these meetings: State College at Raleigh 2 meetings, the University of North Carolina 2 Defense Schools, a Virginia state wide O. C. D. Meeting at Richmond, Roxboro 2, Lexington 2, Badin 3 including entire adult population, Burlington 2, Farmville 2, Red Springs joint meeting of all fire departments in that section, at Campbell College a county wide meeting for Harnett County, St. Mary's School at Raleigh 1, Greensboro 3, Henderson 1 including the North Carolina State Guard Encampment, Sanford 2, Raleigh 4, and one each for the following: Durham, Fort Bragg, Thomasville, Wilmington, Roanoke Rapids, Rocky Mount, Wilson, Goldsboro, Leaksville Spray, Kinston, Clinton, Plymouth, Washington, Littleton, Sylvia, and Asheville.

The enthusiastic response of fire departments throughout the state and the activities and interest by those departments, following the December 10 meeting in Raleigh and subsequent meetings in Farmville and Charlotte, in forming and training auxiliary fire units has, to a large extent, counted for the very favorable standing of North Carolina Fire Departments in an All Out War Effort.

Your statistician has again this year, in cooperation with Mr. Brockwell and the Insurance Commissioner's office, made a complete summary of the fire fighting equipment of all the cities and towns of the state of North Carolina, as reported to the Insurance Commissioner's office. There are 176 cities and towns represented in this report with a combined population of 1,132,467 men, women, and children being protected by you men.

The equipment consists of 10 aerial trucks, 31 ladder trucks, 62 auto hose trucks, 86 hand reels, with total capacity of 34,100 feet of hose, and 290 combination pumpers with a combined pumping capacity of 184,750 gallons of water per minute, 584,500 feet of 2 one-half inch fire hose, new or in good condition, with a total investment of \$3,154,756 and per capita investment of \$3.05.

It is very gratifying when we compare the equipment for 1941 with that for 1940, as you have increased your ladder trucks by 3, hand reels 2, combination pumpers 14, 2 one-half inch fire hose 18,350 feet, and your water pumping capacity 9450 gallons per minute. In the past year there was a growth of 29 among the voluntary firemen and of 48 for the paid firemen, in spite of the fact that many departments have lost men to the Defense and Armed forces of our country. Along with this improved equipment you have increased the total value of all equipment \$130,730 with your per capita investment only raised 15 cents.

Your annual Fire College and Drill School was held in Asheville June 2, 3, and 4, under the able leadership of Sherwood Brockwell, your educational director. Despite the great distance and the necessary location of the school, Asheville, necessitating long trips for many representatives during a period of acute tire shortage and gasoline rationing, the number in attendance bespeaks volumes for the importance with which the Fire College and Drill School is regarded by the rank and file in the fire departments of the state. There were 77 North Carolina towns, 2 industrial plants, 4 out-of-state cities and towns, and 3 U. S. Army posts represented, making a total of 86 fire departments taking part, with 329 firemen attending the School to gain more knowledge in fire fighting and protection of lives and especially to learn what to do with those destruction and death bombs from the air, which we may expect in times of war.

NEW MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATION: The towns of Catawba, Huntersville, and Liberty have reported as having qualified for membership in the Association since our last convention and we are happy to welcome them into our organization. These towns have not submitted data as to their personnel and equipment which will, in all probability, be listed in the next report.

DEATH OF TREASURER:

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death and loss of our Friend A. B. Horney, Treasurer. He organized the High Point Fire Department in 1887, and was continuous chief from 1887 until 1917 and was re-elected chief in 1919, serving in that capacity to 1931. Mr. Horney then was appointed Fire Marshall of the city of High Point and held this post until his death on Sunday, May 24, 1942. He was president of the North Carolina State Fire Association in 1925 and became your treasurer in 1933, remaining guardian of your funds until he answered the last alarm.

Mr. Horney was one of the original number of men who organized the North Carolina State Fire Association. At that time (55 years ago) our state was just emerging from the most trying time it has ever lived through—Reconstruction—and the leaders of that time were hoping to find a way to serve the people. This they did when, in that memorial year of 1887, they organized the North Carolina State Firemen's Association here in our host city of Greensboro,—and this great Association stands as a living memorial to their efforts.

In conclusion I wish to express to our friend Sherwood Brockwell and the office of the Insurance Commissioner my sincere appreciation for the wonderful co-operation their offices have given me in helping to secure the information and data necessary in compiling my report.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Brinson, Statistician

(See next page for Statistician's Table)

ABSTRACT FROM STATISTICIAN'S REPORT—AUG. 12, 1942

Summary of the Fire Fighting Equipment in Various Cities and Towns of the State of North Carolina as Reported to the Insurance Commissioner as of October 1, 1941.

Cities and Towns	Population 1940 Census	Volunteer Firemen	Paid Firemen	Aerial Trucks	Ladder Trucks	Auto Hose Trucks	Auto Hose Truck Capacity	Combination Pumper	Pumping Capacity Gallons	Hand Reels	Hand Reel Capacity	Number Reel Fire Hose	Alarm System	Total Value All Equipment
Aberdeen	1076	18						2	800	1	500	2650	Siren	\$15,000
Ahokeie	2313	16	2			2	1500	2	1500			3000	Telephone	13,000
Albemarle	4060	20	7				1150	2	400			4400	Telephone	18,000
Andrews	1520	20				1	500	1	400			1300	Siren	4,000
Angier	1028	26						2	1000			1700	Telephone	4,800
Apex	977	26						2	1350			2000	Siren	6,000
Ashboro	6981	28	8			1		7	5500			13550	Siren	23,500
Asheville	51310	66	66	1	1			1	500	1	300	1800	Gamewell	83,600
Ayden	1884	25						1	1850			3600	Telephone	8,000
Beaufort	3272	44	1	1	1			3	800			3200	Gamewell	28,000
Belhaven	2360	20						1	500	1	250	2050	Siren	10,000
Benson	1887	10						1	600			2500	Siren	5,000
Belmont	4356	15	1			1	1200	1	500	1	500	1600	Siren	8,500
Bessemer City	3667	15				1	500	1	500	1	500	1600	Siren	7,500
Bethel	1833	22						1	250			1500	Siren	4,000
Biltmore Forest	476	20						1	750			2250	Gamewell	4,000
Black Mountain	1042	53	1					2	1250			1900	Gamewell	12,000
Blowing Rock	654	20						1	500	1	500	2200	Siren	10,000
Boone	1788	14	1					1	750			1600	Telephone	9,000
Brevard	3061	16	2			1	400	2	700			4000	Siren	7,500
Bryson City	1612	18						2	2000			6500	Siren	10,000
Burlington	12198	40	4	1				3				6500	Gamewell	30,000

Greenville	12674	36						2	2000		4600	Gamewell	35,000
Hamlet	5111	17	1		1	1200		1	750		3200	Sirene	15,000
Henderson	7647	14	7		1	1200		3	2400		4500	Gamewell	25,000
Hendersonville	5381	18	3		1	750		2	1500	1	500	Sirene	27,000
Hertford	1969	16			1	750		4	500		2000	Sirene	6,000
Hickory	13487	40	6		1	800		4	3250		6400	Gamewell	88,675
High Point	38496		59	1				5	3750		12350	Gamewell	110,000
Hot Springs	773	32						1	650	1	300	Sirene	7,000
Hillsboro	1311	20	20					1	500		1900	Sirene	4,500
Jacksonville	873	22	22					1	500	1	1400	Sirene	3,000
Kannapolis	25000	23						1	300	2	1000	Telephone	5,000
Kernersville	2103	12						1	350	1	500	Sirene	6,000
Kings Mountain	6547	19	1					2	1100		3250	Sirene	15,000
Kinston	15388	16	11		1			3	2250	1	6600	Gamewell	47,500
La Grange	1647	11				1000		1	500		2100	Sirene	6,000
Laurinburg	5685	16	1		1			2	950		3100	Gamewell	13,000
Leaksville	1886	21	1					1	750		2200	Sirene	16,000
Lenoir	7598	33	3	1		1000		3	1850		5800	Gamewell	71,000
Lexington	10650	18	7		1	1400		3	2000	2	400	Gamewell	55,000
Lillington	914	13	2					1	500		2000	Sirene	9,776
Lincolnton	4525	17	1		1	800		2	1250		3200	Telephone	20,000
Littleton	1200	12						1	300		2500	Sirene	3,500
Louisburg	2309	22	2					1	750		2500	Sirene	10,000
Lumberton	5803	13	2					2	1250		2700	Gamewell	15,000
Madison	1688	8			1	1000		1			1900	Sirene	3,000
Maiden	1803	16						1	350		1650	Sirene	3,500
Manteo	571	28						1	450		1000	Sirene	3,750
Marion	2889	20	1					2	1050		3400	Sirene	15,000
Marshall	1160	23	1		1	1000		2	1000		2100	Sirene	2,500
Maxton	1656	15						2	500	2	1800	Sirene	4,000
Mebane	2060	17						1	850		2000	Sirene	10,000
Mocksville	1607	19	1		1	300		2	600	2	1700	Sirene	8,000
Monroe	6475	15	3		1			2	1100		4300	Telephone	32,000
Moorestville	6682	22	2		1	750		2	1250	2	8800	Gamewell	14,000
Morehead City	3695	43	2		1	1000		2	1500		4000	Gamewell	45,000
Morganton	7670	21	2		1			2	1250		4250	Sirene	25,000
Murphy	1873	22									1500	Sirene	7,500
Mount Airy	6286	22	3		1	1000		2	1250		4300	Telephone	26,600
Mount Holly	2055	11	1					2	800		1850	Gamewell	15,000

Spring Hope	1222	11				1	1000	1	500	1800	Sirene	2,000	
Spruce Pine	1968	16				3		3	2250	1050	Sirene	3,200	
Statesville	11444	30	5		1		750			5000	Gamewell	50,000	
Sylva	1409	18			1		1000		350	2000	Sirene	3,000	
St Paul	1923	16			1				500	2000	Sirene	2,100	
Tabor City	1552	16			1				300	1850	Sirene	5,000	
Tarboro	7148	31	3		1		1000		500	6200	Gamewell	45,000	
Taylorsville	1122	15			1				500	1750	Sirene	6,500	
Thomasville	11041	16	3						1750	5000	Gamewell	42,000	
Trotman	566	20							1000	1100	Telephone	1,900	
Troy	1861	12			1				250	1700	Sirene	2,000	
Tryon	2043	12	2		1		1000		500	2500	Sirene	16,000	
Valdese	2615	20			1				600	1700	Telephone	6,800	
Wadesboro	3587	17	1						1350	2000	Sirene	12,000	
Wake Forest	1562	28			1				400	1700	Gamewell	4,500	
Wallace	1050	18			1		800		500	2400	Sirene	5,300	
Warrenton *	1147	22			1				500	1750	Sirene	5,000	
Warsaw	1483	18			1				500	2700	Sirene	4,000	
Washington	8569	53	2		1				2150	5500	Gamewell	35,000	
Waynesville	2940	16	2						1250	3000	Telephone	21,000	
Weaverville	880	15			1		1000			1200	Sirene	3,712	
Weldon	2841	14			1				350	1800	Sirene	2,250	
Wendell	1132	14			1				500	2400	Sirene	2,500	
Whitakers	882	17			1				500	1500	Telephone	3,800	
Whiteville	3011	19	1		2				1000	3200	Sirene	15,000	
Williamston	3956	17			1				750	2250	Sirene	13,000	
Wilmington	33407	26	60	1	1				4200	8700	Gamewell	75,000	
Wilson	19234	26	11		1				2250	4600	Gamewell	50,000	
Windsor	1747	27			1				500	2200	Sirene	4,500	
Winston-Salem	79815	20	82	1	1				6500	15000	Gamewell	84,330	
Wrightsville Beach	232	20			1		500			1000	Sirene	1,500	
Yanceyville	1000	14			1				750	1000	Sirene	2,750	
Zebulon	1070	6			1				250	1250	Sirene	2,000	
Dillsboro	290		No Report										
Halifax	374		No Report										
Swannanoa			No Report										
Wilkesboro	1209	12			1		500			500	Sirene	200	
TOTALS	1,132,467	3370	845	10	31	62	53850	290	184750	86	34100	584500	\$3,454,756

Per Capita Invested — \$3.05

Charlotte — One Lighting Truck

Wilmington — One Fire Boat

*Warrenton — Colored Fire Department

ALBERT W. BRINSON, Statistician

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

The facts speak for themselves that you have furnished us valuable information.

MOTION that the report be accepted and recorded in the Minutes.
MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED.

**REPORT OF THE 1942 SESSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
FIRE COLLEGE AND DRILL SCHOOL**

by Sherwood Brockwell

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL, G-FDNY, Chairman,
Fire Marshall for the State of North Carolina,
Chief of the North Carolina Volunteer Fire Department,
Ex-Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Raleigh, N. C.
Director of Personnel Training of North Carolina Fire Departments,
Coordinator of North Carolina Fire Departments, N. C. OCD.,
Member 9th Civilian Class conducted by U. S. Army at Edgewood Arsenal, Md.
Conductor of North Carolina Fire College and Drill School.

J. C. FITZGERALD,
Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Asheville, N. C.,
Former Drill Master of the Asheville Fire Department.

J. L. CROOM, G-FDNY., (Inactive 1942 Session)
Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Wilmington, N. C.,
Former Drill Master of the Wilmington Fire Department.

A. Y. COTTRELL,
Superintendent of Fire Alarms for the City of Lenoir, N. C.,
Drill Master of the Lenoir Fire Department.

C. L. BURKETT, G-FDNY.,

Chief of Fire Department of the City of Salisbury, N. C.,
Former Drill Master of the Salisbury Fire Department.

E. M. SALLEY, Major in the Army of the United States of America
(In Service, 1942)

Ex-Chief Fire Department of the Town of Enka, N. C.,
Ex-Drill Master Enka Fire Department.

FIRE COLLEGE AND DRILL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

J. M. MUNDAY, Assistant to the Conductor,

Drill Master of the Charlotte, N. C., Fire Department,
Member 6th Civilian Class conducted by the United States Army
at Edgewood Arsenal, Md.

C. L. COX, Assistant to the Conductor,

Drill Master of the Durham, N. C., Fire Department,
Ex-Acting Chief of the United States Army Fire Department
At Fort Bragg, N. C.

Mr. R. A. Joyner, President,

North Carolina State Firemen's Association,
In Convention Assembled,
Greensboro, N. C., August, 11th, 1942.,

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to submit the report of the Fire College and Drill School Committee listed above.

The 1942 Session of the North Carolina Fire College and Drill School, an integral part of the Program of Fire Department Personnel Training inaugurated as a function of the Government of the State of North Carolina following unanimous endorsement of the North Carolina Firemen's Association in Convention assembled in August, 1942, was conducted in Asheville, N. C., June, 2nd, 3rd., and 4th., with Total Enrollment, exclusive of the members of the Asheville Fire Department not listed in the Official Roster and City Officers and Civic Leaders of the City of Asheville participating in the opening exercises, of

THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE (329).

Of this Three Hundred and Twenty-nine (329),

TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE (283) FIREMEN
attended all lectures and participated in or observed all Drills, Evolutions and demonstrations and were awarded

FIRE COLLEGE CERTIFICATES FOR THE 1942 SESSION

Of this Two Hundred and Eighty-three (283)

TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN (227) FIREMEN participated in all Drills and Evolutions and were awarded

DRILL SCHOOL CERTIFICATES FOR THE 1942 SESSION.
Of the Two Hundred and Twenty-seven Firemen receiving Drill School Certificates,

ONE HUNDRED (100),
having participated in one or more full sessions of the Drill School, were awarded

ADVANCED DRILL SCHOOL (ads) CERTIFICATES

FOR THE 1942 SESSION.

The following members of North Carolina Fire Departments, having attended FOUR full Sessions of the North Carolina Fire College and Drill School and having participated in or observed all Drill School Courses, were awarded

DIPLOMAS

WILLIAM RALPH BUTTS of the Fire Dept. of the City of Raleigh,

VANN NORWOOD NEAL of the Fire Dept. of the City of Rocky Mount,

DAVID MAURICE ANDERSON of the Fire Dept. of the City of Rocky Mount,

EDWARD ASHE JOHNSON of the Fire Dept. of the City of Kannapolis,

SAMUEL CLEGG GOODWIN of the Fire Dept. of the City of Monroe,

ROBERT LEE HARRISON of the Fire Dept. of the City of Spencer,

WILLIAM PAUL DORSETT of the Fire Dept. of the City of Spencer,

WILLIAM DONALD WILFONG of the Fire Department of the City of Hickory,

FRANK STEWART SHUFORD of the Fire Department of the City of Lenoir,

HOWARD ALEXANDER SULLIVAN of the Fire Dept. of the City of Thomasville,

JAMES Mc GEE MUNDAY of the Fire Department of the City of Charlotte.

The THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE officers and men directly connected with the Fire Service represented EIGHTY-SIX Cities, Towns, United States Army Bases and industrial Plants engaged in War work, these including

SEVENTY-SEVEN (77) North Carolina Cities and Towns,

FOUR (4) Out of State Cities and Towns,

THREE (3) United States of America Army Posts

and

TWO (2) Industrial Plants engaged in War Production and not directly attached to a North Carolina City or Town Fire Department.

The Fire College and Drill School, this year, following Declaration of War; a War Defense Meeting of Representatives of practically all North Carolina Fire Departments, called by the Conductor of the Fire College and Drill School on December, 7th, 1941, and convening December, 16th, 1941, in the House of Representatives in the State Capital in Raleigh; subsequent Fire Department War Critiques; Farmville, January, 13th, 1942, and Charlotte, March, 16th, 1942, while maintaining a curriculum of fundamental Fire Department Personnel Training, included special work in Defense Against Air Raids and other enemy activities.

This included: the Fire Department's place in Civilian Defense; study of water-works systems in order to remain in action with principal mains burst; utilizing emergency water supplies; relay pumping; operation of apparatus during and following effects of air raids; operation of equipment during air raids and immediately following air raids; methods of combatting fires and other emergencies peculiar to war; protection against espionage, incendiarism, etc.

In this, you and other officers of the State Association, your Fire College and Drill School Committee, instructors and others forming the 1942 faculty were ably assisted by Mr. Samuel J. Pope, Chief of the Fire Department of the City of Boston, Mass., a member of the Executive Committee of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, co-organizer of the first Auxiliary Fire Department for service in World War No. 2, a possessor of an Honorary Diploma

awarded by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and a Fireman of the highest quality. Chief Pope was able to attend and participate in all lectures, drills, evolutions and demonstrations. His work was of inestimable value to the Fire College and Drill School Committee.

In concluding this report, the members of the Fire College and Drill School Committee and assistants listed thank the officers of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association for their splendid cooperation; all members attending for exemplary conduct, interest, patience and enthusiasm, and extend to those formerly associated with the work of the Fire College and Drill School and now in the Armed Forces of the United States of America, along with all others so engaged, our sincere best wishes.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherwood Brockwell, Chairman

ADDENDUM FIRE COLLEGE AND DRILL SCHOOL REPORT

Explanation of Symbols used in Report and Attached Official Roster

P—President of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

V 1—First Vice-President of the North Carolina Firemen's Association.

S—Secretary (and acting Treasurer) of the N. C. Firemen's Association.

Stn.—Statistician of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

XP—Ex-President of the N. C. Firemen's Association.

G-FDNY—Graduate of the Fire College and Drill School Conducted by the Fire Department of the City of New York.

DSC—Member of the Fire College and Drill School Committee.

I—Instructor 1942 Session of the N. C. FC and DS.

Afdtd—Member of the Drill Team of the Asheville Fire Department.

D—Diploma awarded 1942 Session.

cc—1942 Fire College Certificate Awarded.

ds—1942 Drill School Certificate Awarded.

ads—1942 Advanced Drill School Certificate Awarded.

vp—Visitor or partial attendance.

L—Chaplain.

*—Attended all sessions of N. C. F. C. & D. S.

Official Roster, 1942 Session N. C. Fire College and Drill School
Asheville, N. C.

AHOSKIE

L. A. Williamson, Chief—cc,
ads

Earl Mitchell—cc, ads

ALBEMARLE

J. C. Haynes, Chief—cc

Virgil Whitley—cc

M. H. Hall—cc, ds

L. M. Kincaid—cc, ads

K. C. Nash—cc, ds

Elwood Hatley—cc, ds

M. R. Drye—cc, ds

G. F. Cole—cc, ds

W. C. Talbert—cc, ds

ASHEBORO

T. E. Sink—cc, ads

ASHEVILLE

J. C. Fitzgerald—*, DSC Chief

J. H. Bailey—I, Ass't. Chief

W. H. Williamson—I, Ass't.
Chief

Seth J. Perkinson—Chaplain,
Asheville Fire Dept., L

Seth J. Parkinson, Jr.—cc, ds

R. L. Smith—Afdtd, cc

H. P. Jarvis—Afdtd, cc

C. D. Hensley—Afdtd, cc

W. E. Anderson—Afdtd, cc

T. E. Calloway—Afdtd, cc

J. M. Sluder—Afdtd, cc

D. B. Dover—Afdtd, cc

Dan Fair—Afdtd, cc

P. H. Johnson—Afdtd, cc

H. L. Hunnicutt—Afdtd, cc

ATLANTA, GA.

J. O. Eaves—o

W. M. Morgan—o

BADIN

J. H. Leonard, Chief, cc

A. D. Howell—cc, ads

Joe Cresswell—cc, ds

Troy Chambers—cc, ds

Lawrence Mc Kinney—cc, ds

BESSEMER CITY

P. R. Harmon, Chief, vp

L. A. Poteet, Ex-Chief, vp

J. B. Schofield—vp

Charles Harmon—vp

Elmore Bridges—vp

R. L. Franklin—vp

Bobby Hager—vp

B. M. Tennyson—vp

Buck Cole—vp

Tommy Limrick—vp

Bob Kincaid—vp

E. G. Hoyle—vp

John T. Morgan—vp

BLACK MOUNTAIN

W. W. Morgan—cc, ds

J. A. Dougherty—cc, ds

R. L. Greene—cc, ds

BOSTON, MASS.

Samuel J. Pope, Chief, L
Vice-President, International Association Fire Chiefs

BREVARD

J. W. Smith, Chief, vp
Dean Whitlook—vp
Fred Taylor—vp
Roy Mc Call—vp

CANTON

Frank Smathers—cc, ads
Guy Mc Craken—cc, ads
E. J. Gallienne—cc, ads
Joyce Owen—cc, ads
Thomas Furness—cc

J. E. Slaughter—cc

CAROLINA BEACH

C. W. Hewett—cc, ds
J. C. Bame—cc, ds

CHADBOURN

T. A. Atkinson—vp
Paul Avant—vp
J. M. Rawls—vp

CHAPEL HILL

C. E. Vashaw—cc, ads

CHARLOTTE

J. M. Munday, Ass't. to Conductor, D, cc, ads
W. J. Black—I, cc, ads

CLAYTON

G. B. Morgan—vp
Delmer Blinson (or Vinson) vp

CONCORD

John L. Miller, Chief, S, cc
S. H. Foil, Ass't. Chief, cc, ads
Joe Misenheimer—cc, ads
Earl Freeze—cc, ds

CORNELIUS

J. E. Donaldson, Chief cc, ds
O. N. Gibbs—cc, ds

DAVIDSON

Oscar Gant—cc, ads

DUNN

J. H. Russell—cc, ds
J. E. Tart—cc, ds
Mark Denning—cc, ds

DURHAM

C. L. Cox, Ass't. to Conductor, cc, ads

EAST SPENCER

J. F. Brandon, Chief, cc, ds

ECUSTA pb

Luke Harrison—cc, ads
Lon Hargis—cc, ads
Herbert Finck—cc, ads
Carl Eldridge—cc, ds
Lewis Johnson—cc, ds

ELKIN

Ted Brown, Chief, cc, ads
E. E. Shore—cc, ads
J. L. Cothren—cc, ads
Tom Phillips—cc, ads
Herber Mounce—cc, ads
Sig Holcomb—cc, ds

ENFIELD

H. H. Burrows, Chief, cc, ads
George R. Ivey—cc, ds
J. L. Bellamy—cc, ds
E. W. Bobbitt—cc, ds
J. W. Proctor—cc, ds

ENKA

C. C. Robinson, Chief, I, cc, ads
Homer Clark—cc, ads
William Pace—cc, ads
D. G. Archer—cc, ads
Carl Allison—cc, ads
Frank Gibbs—cc, ads
Weaver Taylor—cc, ds
F. B. Williamson—cc, ds
Mack Jones—cc, ds
James Schnell—cc, ds
Jack Walker—cc, ds
Noland Faulkner—cc, ds
Walter Blalock—cc, ds
J. K. Whisnant—cc
N. B. Faulkner—cc
Charles Brooks—cc
Allen Mitchell—cc
Boone Williamson—vp

FARMVILLE

Haywood Smith, Chief, cc

- R. A. Joyner, Ass't. Chief, P
cc
M. W. Robbins—cc, ads
A. J. Melton—cc, ds
Ed Nash Warren—cc, ds
- FAYETTEVILLE**
Sam W. Tillinghast, Chief, cc
W. C. Mc Corquadale—cc, ds
T. O. Rhodes—cc, ds
- FRANKLIN**
A. C. Tysinger, Chief, cc, ds
J. C. Crisp—cc, ds
- FREMONT**
Oscar E. Turlington, Chief, cc
H. A. Corbin—cc
C. L. Wiggs—cc
- GAFFNEY, S. C.**
H. T. Oliphant—cc, ads
H. P. Queen—cc, ds
- GOLDSBORO**
A. W. Gurley, Chief, cc
T. E. Davis—cc, ads
Alton Edens—cc, ads
- GREENSBORO**
Frank D. Shaw, Chief, XP, cc
H. D. Ballinger—cc
- GREENVILLE**
George W. Gardner, Chief, *
cc
- HENDERSON**
W. W. Langston—cc, ads
D. L. Newman, Jr.—cc, ds
V. H. Riggan—cc, ds
L. F. Jackson—cc, ds
- HICKORY**
D. E. Shuford, Chief, XP, vp
H. E. Whitener, Ex-Chief, vp
W. D. Wilfong—D, cc, ads
- JACKSONVILLE**
J. R. Ketchum, Chief cc, ads
A. E. Aman—cc, ds
C. H. Bynum—cc, ds
- KANNAPOLIS**
J. C. Taylor, Chief, cc, ads
E. A. Johnson, Ass't. Chief, D
cc
- J. M. Wiley—cc, ads
C. L. Mc Carn—cc, ads
Homer Ketchie—cc ads
T. P. Simms—cc, ds
C. W. Leonard—cc, ds
S. S. Mc Coy—cc
- KINGS MOUNTAIN**
G. W. King, Chief, vp
Otis Falls—vp
D. L. Saunders—vp
J. A. Burns—vp
Charles Blalock—cc, ds
Floyd Thornburg—cc, ds
J. P. (Pat) Tignor—cc, ds
Fred Thornburg—cc, ds
Haywood Allen—cc, ds
T. W. Gamble—cc, ds
- LAURENBERG**
W. D. Lytch, Chief, cc, ads
Hewett Beacham—cc, ads
Henry Ford—cc, ds
Joe Deane—cc, ds
- LEAKSVILLE (Including Marshall Field and Co.) pb**
Waymon Smith, Plant Chief,
cc
C. M. Pender—cc
J. W. Norris—cc
W. J. Baughn—cc
M. W. Hayden—cc
S. G. Strader—cc
Lawreance Cox—cc
W. T. Dix—cc
W. N. Perry—cc
- LENOIR**
A. Y. Cottrell—DSC, cc, ads
H. S. Caldwell—cc, ds
M. B. Estes—cc, ds
F. S. Shuford—D, cc
- LEXINGTON**
T. N. Owen, Chief, cc
J. T. Bailey—cc
- MARION**
J. L. Sullivan—cc, ds
Guy Rabb—cc, ds
Mack Hester—cc, ds

- M. C. Wingate—vp
- MEBANE**
T. L. Rideout—cc, ds
Charlie Mincey—cc, ds
- MONROE**
Emsley Armfield, Chief, cc
Sam Goodwin—D, cc, ads
- MOORESVILLE**
S. A. Lyttle—cc
Homer Brantley—cc, ds
- MOREHEAD CITY**
Duffy F. Guthrie, Chief, cc
E. M. Arendell—cc
J. A. Smith—cc, ds
- MORGANTON**
M. G. Ward—cc, ads
Cecil Williams—cc, ads
Seth Mull—cc, ads
William Tolbert—cc, ds
S. E. Hern—cc
- MOUNT AIRY**
J. Ed Brannock—cc, ads
H. J. Hawks—cc, ads
J. E. Watson—cc, ads
E. P. Pruitt—cc, ds
- MURPHY**
Edwin Cook—cc, ds
Loren C. Davis—cc, ds
Homer Mulky—cc
Wess Garrett—cc
Henry Seabolt—cc
- NEW BERN**
Sam T. Cook, Ex-Chief, vp
S. L. Dill, III, Ex-Chief, cc
M. R. Smith—cc, ads
E. M. Bell, (Ball)—cc, ds
V. L. Goodwin—cc, ds
R. G. Broadstreet—cc, ds
M. Hahn—cc, ds
A. W. Brinson, Stn., cc
- NORTH WILKESBORO**
L. R. Deans—cc, ads
Clay Pardue—cc, ads
Chris. Williams—cc
- OLD FORT**
W. L. Dalton—vp
- PINEHURST**
Charles C. Fields, Ass't. Chief
cc, ds
Norman Calcutt—cc, ads
L. P. Johnson—cc, ds
W. I. Mc Kenzie—cc, ds
- RALEIGH**
Sherwood Brockwell, *, Ex-Chief, DSCcC, cc, ads
J. P. Butts, Chief, DI, cc, ads
J. P. Blake—cc, ads
J. B. Keeter—I, cc, ads
J. M. Burnette—I, cc, ads
Rupert Atkins—cc, ds
Dana Stearns—cc, ds
- REIDSVILLE**
D. A. Talley—cc, ads
R. H. Allen—cc, ds
Fred Walker—cc, ds
Robert Sparrow—cc, ds
- ROANOKE RAPIDS**
W. C. King, Chief, cc, ads
H. B. Duke—cc, ads
A. C. Braswell—cc, ds
W. C. Duke—cc, ds
N. W. Saddler—cc, ds
R. F. Rawlings—cc, ds
E. S. Hasty—cc
- ROCK HILL, S. C.**
E. W. Cole—cc, ads
C. A. Williams—cc, ads
- ROCKY MOUNT**
V. N. Neal—D, I, cc, ads
D. M. Anderson—D, cc, ads
J. O. Herring, Jr.—cc, ads
E. G. Croom—cc, ds
W. P. James—cc
- RUTHERFORDTON**
Hubert Hodge—cc, ds
Bill Walker—cc, ds
J. G. Merrell—cc, ds
- SALISBURY**
Charles L. Burkett, Chief, DSC
VI, cc, ads
Garland Micheal—cc, ads
- SANFORD**

- G. L. O'Briant—cc, ads
 Marion Destal—cc, ads
 Lewis Lawrence—cc, ds
- SCOTLAND NECK
 Joe House—cc, ads
 Howard Braxton—cc, ads
- SELMA
 B. A. Henry—cc, ads
 H. S. Ward—cc, ds
- SHELBY
 James Hull—cc, ads
 W. K. Powell—cc, ds
 A. M. Hopper—cc, ds
 Ralph Jones—cc, ds
 M. D. (Bubb) Walker—cc
 Tom Harriss—cc
- SMITHFIELD
 C. A. Creech, Jr.—cc, ds
 H. C. Talton—cc, ds
- SPENCER
 W. P. Dorsett—D, cc, ads
 R. L. Harrison—D, cc, ads
- SPENCER SHOPS
 W. D. Morgan, Chief, I, cc, ds
 E. L. Helig—cc, ads
- R. J. Poole—cc, ads
 G. M. Smith—cc, ds
- SPINDALE
 J. U. Grose—cc, ads
 W. W. Hamrick—cc, ds
 F. A. Skidmore—cc, ds
 C. L. Beatty—cc, ds
- STATESVILLE
 C. F. Owens—cc, ads
 J. R. Benfield—cc, ads
- SYLVA
 W. B. Cope—cc, ads
 F. H. Pickleseimer—cc, ads
 Bud Monteith—cc, ds
 Wade Wilson—cc, ds
 D. M. Tallant—vp, 1-6
 Fred Moody—vp, 1-6
 Allney Bryson—cc, ds
 Ray Cogdill—vp, 1-6
 Ralph Elkin—vp, 1-5
 Woody Hampton—vp
- THOMASVILLE
 Howard Sullivan—D, cc, ads
 Lewis Godby—cc, ads
 Ralph Eanes—cc, ds
 Fred Williams—cc, ds
 Walter Beasley—cc, ds
 Billy Boyles—cc, ds
- TRYON
 Jack Ford—cc, ads
 Frank Mc Farland—cc, ds
- UNITED STATES ARMY
 CAMP DAVIS
 W. F. Houston, Chief, cc
- UNITED STATES MARINE
 BASE
 Albert Jowdy, Chief, cc
- VALDESE
 Lee Ribet, Chief, vp
 A. O. Anderson—vp
- WAKE FOREST
 P. M. Utley—cc, ds
 Kenneth Bradbury—cc, ds
- WASHINGTON
 C. T. Burgess, Chief, cc
 George S. Walston—cc, ds
 Charles T. Gray—cc, ds
 G. L. Parker—cc, ds
 G. Andreoli—cc, ds
- WAYNESVILLE
 L. L. Kerley, Chief, cc, ads
 R. H. Clark—cc, ads
- WELDON
 D. R. Medlin, Chief, cc, ds
 L. H. Williams—cc, ds
- WHITAKERS
 E. F. Smith—cc, ads
 H. L. Ethereidge—cc, ds
- WILMINGTON
 J. L. Croom, Chief, DSC (Inactive 1942) vp
 J. B. Wallace, City Manager, vp
 E. E. Casteen—vp
- WILSON
 T. R. Bissett—cc, ads
 J. H. Pridgen—cc, ds

MOTION THAT THE report be accepted and printed in the Minutes.

MOTION SECONDED AND CARRIED.

Adjourned until Wednesday.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wednesday, August 12th, 1942—9:30 A. M.

Xylophone prelude — by G. C. Wauchee

Invocation—Reverend J. L. Levens

We bow in Thy presence, our Heavenly Father, asking Thee to invoke Thy rich benefaction on us as we come together, and pray Thee to keep us in meditation, thought and undertaking so that everything that is done and said during this hour and the remaining part of the convention may be done to Thy name's honor and glory: may our mind and thoughts be ever upon God who is the giver of life. Hear this our prayer, O, God, this morning as we pray in Jesus's name and for his sake.

Amen.

Hymn—"O, Paradise" by the First Presbyterian Church Mixed Quartet, composed of Mrs. R. Dewey Farrell, Soprano; Mrs. Trace Mebane, Contralto; Mr. Karl Fisher, Tenor, Mr. Fred Phipps, Bass; Miss Nell Davis, Accompanist.

ROLL CALL OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Hymn—"Crossing the Bar"—First Presbyterian Church Quartet.

MEMORIAL ADDRESS

by Reverend J. L. Levens

Second Timothy 4:7.

"I have fought a good fight;
I have finished my course;
I have kept the faith.

There is a distinct tenderness in our hearts when we come to this part of the program in any convention of any sort. Men may

become hardened to the everyday happenings, but there is something distinctly different about death. We never become accustomed to it. It is always strange and different from anything else that we know. Someone has beautifully expressed it:

Death is only an old door
Set in a garden wall.
On quiet hinges it gives at dusk,
When the thrushes call.

Along the lintel are green leaves,
Beyond, the light lies still;
Very willing and weary feet
Go over that sill.

There is nothing to trouble any heart,
Nothing to hurt at all.
Death is only an old door
Set in a garden wall.

Today we take time out from our business sessions and from our periods of good times and recreation to remember those of our fraternal organization—the deceased members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. As we call to memory their names, may we breathe a special prayer for their loved ones who are left behind, and let us silently express our hearty thanksgiving to Almighty God for the lives that have been lived and for their great contribution to human-kind during their pilgrimage on earth.

Paul wrote these memorable words of our text to his spiritually adopted son Timothy. He said something like this: "Timothy, my beloved son in the Lord, this old frame, this old earthly structure, this thing you call the body, is about worn out. Its early, youthful years were spent in persecuting the christians. I thought it was the right thing to do. I was sincere in my efforts. I did a good job of it, but one day the Lord put a stop to all that and I saw the Great Light. It was the glory of Jesus Christ, the son of the Living God. And Timothy, I fell down upon my knees, and I was so impressed with the glory of God that I fell prostrate at his feet. I couldn't see. I couldn't speak. I could only hear, and, Timothy, this is what I heard:" 'Paul, you have gone far enough. You have gone to the end of the trail. Now turn face about and travel the King's Highway.' "And, Timothy, my son, I have traveled that highway, lo, these many years. It has been a glorious journey; the road wasn't always straight; there have been many curves and numerous detours have shown up; there have been

many rough places. At times I felt that I couldn't make it, but some way or other I have made the curves in safety. I have climbed the hills and mountains with added strength and power. I have covered the rough places and come out all the better because of them. I have been able to go on in spite of the challenge to give up in despair. And so, Timothy, I feel that I am almost at the end of the King's Highway, but I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

I can see old Paul maybe now crippled and bent, weather-beaten because of his experiences in stocks and bonds, in prison and as a free man, hungry and well fed, with tears streaming down his cheeks because he would like to go on, and yet he knows that he is at the end of the road. Yet he must have had a smile on his face because he can hear Almighty God say to him "Well done, Paul, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joys of the Lord."

Come home, Come home,
Ye who are weary come home,
Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
Calling, O Sinner, come home.

And Paul, who said he was the chief of all sinners, is now saying to Timothy "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of glory. I am going home to be with Jesus."

Going home, Going home; I'm just going home."

I feel that it is somewhat in that same spirit that these firemen of North Carolina have gone through that old door set in the garden wall.

I have the greatest admiration in the world for you men. From early childhood I wanted to be a fireman. I think there is something thrilling about it; not so much the driving of the truck nor the crying of the sirene; there is something beyond that. I suppose as a child I couldn't express it, but as a man I have come to realize that it is the fact that you are giving the best that you have, yea, even endangering your lives for your fellowmen. I know of nothing better than for a man to give himself in unselfish service so that his fellowmen may have protection and live in safety. I congratulate you in your task, and in the words of the writer:

To love someone more dearly every day,
To help a wand'ring child to find its way,
To ponder over a noble thought, and pray,

And smile when evening falls,
And smile when evening falls,
This is my task.

To follow truth as blind men long for light,
To do my best from dawn of day til night,
To keep my heart fit for His holy sight,
And answer when he calls,
And answer when he calls,
This is my task.

And then my Saviour by and by to meet,
When faith hath made her task on earth complete,
And lay my homage at the Master's feet,
Within the jasper walls,
Within the jasper walls,
This crowns my task.

It is your task to protect life and property, and to build a better community spirit, and, praise God, you are doing a good job of the whole business. I never leave my home with any fear that it will not be protected to the utmost if fire should break out in it. I know these firemen in Greensboro. The Chief, Frank Shaw, is the best friend I have, and all the firemen follow in his foot-steps. I know then so far as it is humanly possible my home will be protected and if fire destroys my home I know that my furniture and my belongings will be taken care of in the best possible way. I trust that each Chief and each fireman here today is loved and respected in your local community as much as our members of the fire department are in the city of Greensboro.

It has been interesting to note how the task of the firemen has broadened out during the past several years. You men are contributing even more than your part in the work and in money to all the enterprises in the community. So, you can say, along with Paul, when the shades of evening fall and the sun sets beyond the western hills, and when the light of your life passes on into its eternal abode "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith." A spirit like that makes a man want to live at his best, and makes him want to make his best contribution to society, and the men who have gone on, I am sure, lived in just such a spirit.

As we pause for these brief moments in this memorial service, we pay our highest tribute of honor and respect to the men of our rank who have gone away since your convention last met. Faces

in this convention change from year to year. It is, therefore, proper and fitting that today you should say to those who have passed on "Well done, faithful servants. You have fought a good fight; you have finished your course; you have kept the faith."

Impressive memorial services for the 34 members "who had answered the last alarm" were concluded following a solo "Abide with me" by Chief Frank Bennett of the Durham Fire Department.

Benediction—Reverend R. Murphy Williams.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

May the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, keep us and help us to do that which is well pleasing in his sight, Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom be glory, dominion and power forever.

Amen.

In Memoriam

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GEORGE W. PARRISH	WINSTON SALEM
CHARLES L. GILBERT	STATESVILLE
G. M. SHIRLEY	FARMVILLE
O. D. BOYCOTT	GREENSBORO
JOHN McGEE FIX	BURLINGTON
F. S. SLUDER	ASHEVILLE
D. C. LEFLER	EAST SPENCER
F. F. ZELLARS	WILMINGTON
B. R. KINKEAD	WILMINGTON
EARL G. BAREFOOT	CANTON
H. W. ARMSWORTHY	THOMASVILLE
J. R. KELLY	SANFORD
P. S. B. HARPER	KINSTON
G. M. BAGGETT	RED SPRINGS
JOHN W. INGRAM	DURHAM
JOHN HILL	ALBEMARLE
A. B. HORNEY	HIGH POINT
JOHN S. LITTLETON	ALBEMARLE
JOHN O'DONNELL	ASHEVILLE
CLAUD M. RINEHARDT	MOORESVILLE
ARTHUR T. GODWIN	DUNN
CHARLIE B. FIELDS	PINEHURST
W. L. PEARSALL	FAISON
JOHN HALL	ORIENTAL
CYRIL GRIFFIN	ORIENTAL
R. R. RIDENHOUR	ROCKWELL
JAS. S. BRYANT	NEW BERN
WATSON WILLIAMS	BURNSVILLE
R. L. HART	HICKORY
RALPH HOWARD	KINSTON
CLAUDE JARMAN	KINSTON
SAM JONES	KINSTON
RALPH HEATH	KINSTON
CHAS. C. GARETT, JR.	ROXBORO

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BUSINESS SESSION

Wednesday, August 12th, 1942—10:30 A. M.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I now call to order the business session of this convention.

We are distinctly honored by having a visitor in our midst, one of the oldest firemen of this State, and I am going to ask Dr. Long to present this gentleman to you. He is old in age but young in spirit.

DR. LONG:

Since we had our meeting in Asheville our oldest member, Uncle Press Harper, of Kinston, has passed on. It is now my pleasure and duty to honor the old brethren who have been in the service longest. Brother R. K. Hall of Edenton, W. J. Nixon, Graham, North Carolina. I think he is one of the oldest members in the State. You men come forward and let us see you.

MR. R. K. HALL:

I wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for the faces I see, to be with the young people. I will be seventy seven years old Christmas. I have been in the fire department sixty years; I love it, and you men keep me as young as I am today.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

We are mighty glad to have you with us.

I wish to now present to the Association one whom I expect is loved by more than any woman in North Carolina. I refer to Miss Mary Brockwell.

(APPLAUSE)

I now wish to present the mother and two Honorary members of this association, two officers of our United States Armed Forces, and whom I believe is responsible for a lot of the success of Sherwood Brockwell,—Mrs. Mildred Brockwell.

(APPLAUSE)

I will now recognize Chief T. N. Owen, of Lexington.

CHIEF OWEN:

Mr. President, Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

As you know in Asheville last summer there were two motions made for committees to be appointed to take action on first, a plan for a retirement fund for the firemen of North Carolina. We all know that since our meeting in Asheville many things have changed and happened that none of us thought would happen.

First, as co-chairman of this committee I would like to make a report of the committee on the plan for retirement fund. We have met and discussed this matter fully, but due to conditions beyond our control, namely, lack of time due to civilian defense program, lack of transportation facilities and economic conditions, which we feel at present all firemen will be strained to the utmost since most salaries remain the same as they were, we feel that under the present conditions we have been unable to formulate plans and get the information and statistics necessary to present to you a feasible plan at the present time as a retirement plan for the firemen of North Carolina. Therefore we suggest that this committee be continued with authority of the executive committee to order action at any time they deem advisable.

We submit that as our report on this committee.

We had expected to get out and contact a lot of people and get information but have not had the time due to the present conditions, and therefore we recommend that as our motion that the committee be continued.

MOTION THAT THE REPORT BE ACCEPTED was duly seconded and carried.

CHIEF OWEN: (Continuing)

We, as the committee, appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws, met and agreed upon the following recommendations which were presented to the executive committee. To save time I will only read the sections where the wording was changed. Some sections had become obsolete, and that is the only part, to save time, that I am going to read:

Article III, section 1, of the Constitution.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. The members of the Association shall consist of the Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs of the Fire Department, State Fire Marshall, and each regular organized Fire Department in the State, complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, and all individual members of such Fire Department, who will comply with the provisions of the Constitution and

By-Laws of this Association, shall also, by virtue of their membership in such department, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds disbursed by it, so long as said department remain a member of the Association, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his per-capita tax, when called for in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, he shall be debarred from the privilege of this Association.

MOVED AND SECONDED that the amendment be accepted.
Motion Carried and it is so ordered.

Article III, section 2, of the Constitution

ARTICLE III

Section 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty as a Fireman shall be entitled to the benefits from the "FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND" of this Association, as set forth and contained in the By-Laws of said Association.

MOVED that the amendment be accepted. Motion seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

Article III, section 3

ARTICLE III

Section 3. Every Fire Department, eligible and desiring to become a member of this Association, shall make application to the Secretary, and at the same time pay to him the prescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible, the department shall become a member of this Association.

MOVED that the amendment be accepted. Motion seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

Article III, section 4

ARTICLE III

Section 4. All members represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department of the City, town or village where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all rights to membership in this Association.

MOVED that the amendment be accepted. Motion seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

MOTION that the revised constitution, as submitted and revised, be approved. MOTION SECONDED that the constitution be adopted as amended.

L. W. BROWN, of Charlotte:

I have a resolution that I would like to present to the floor, being so instructed by my department.

Article III, section 5

"Resolution: Be it resolved by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association in duly called and assembled session, in the City of Greensboro, N. C., August 10, 1942:

That section 5, Article III, of the Constitution of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association be, and the same is hereby adopted as an amendment to the Article III of the aforesaid constitution.

Thirty days prior to the annual meeting of the Convention, delegates shall be elected as follows: Every fire department in the State, which is a member of the association, shall elect one delegate for each company, and also one alternate for each delegate so elected, with the Chief, Assistant Chief and Superintendent of the Fire Alarm System of the various fire departments at large, who shall be entitled to one vote each. In the absence of a delegate so elected, his alternate shall be entitled to vote in his stead, and every fireman in the State of North Carolina (whether volunteer or paid) who is a member of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in good standing, and has in his possession a membership card for the current year and is attending the convention, shall upon payment of the registration fees, be entitled to voice and vote in the deliberations of the convention in session."

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

It is the duty of the president at this time to rule that the resolution submitted is out of order for the reason that any resolution to amend the constitution and by-laws must be submitted to the executive committee at a prior session to its submission. This has not been done, therefore your Chair rules the resolution out of order.

MOTION that the constitution as amended by your committee stand approved. Motion seconded and carried by a unanimous vote.

BY-LAWS**Article I, Section 3****ARTICLE I**

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all the proceedings of the Association; to receive and answer all communications pertaining to the Association; to keep a roster of the names of the different Fire Departments composing the Association and the individual members thereof; to collect the membership fee and the per-capita tax, and to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor; and to issue all warrants and vouchers for the payment of all moneys expended by the Association or any officer thereof. He shall execute a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars to the Association for the security of all funds in his hands to be approved by and filed with the President. All property, books and records in the hands of the Secretary, are and shall remain the property of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. He shall receive an annual salary, set by the Executive Committee, to be paid monthly by warrant on the Treasurer, issued by the Secretary and countersigned by the President.

MOTION that Article I, section 3, as amended be approved and adopted. Motion seconded, carried, and so ordered.

Article I, Section 4**ARTICLE I**

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected by the Secretary and give a receipt to him for the same, to collect and receive annually from the State Treasurer the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund; to collect and receive from the Insurance Commissioners office the five per-cent of the money collected from the Insurance Companies as prescribed by law in Section 6067 of the consolidated Statutes of North Carolina. He shall disburse no money except on order issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President. At the annual meeting of the Association he shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed by him. He shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina as prescribed by law, which bond shall be approved by and filed with the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the State of North Carolina of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall, also execute a bond

in the sum of Three thousand five hundred dollars to this Association for the security of the General Fund, to be approved by the President and filed with the Secretary in this Association. All property, books and records in the hands of the Treasurer are, and shall remain the property of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. He shall receive \$250.00 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President.

MOTION that Article I, section 4, as amended, be approved and adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

Article I, Section 9

ARTICLE I

Section 9. The President of this Association is required to appoint annually from the membership of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, two members, whose duty it shall be; to advise with the Executive Committee in all matters pertaining to the investment of all funds, belonging to and controlled by the Association.

MOTION that Article I, section 9, as amended, be approved and adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

MEMBERSHIP

Article II, Section 1

ARTICLE II

Section 1. Each fire department shall pay a membership fee of five dollars, and each chief and Assistant Chief, shall pay an annual fee of One dollar, and all other members an annual fee of fifty cents each.

MOTION that Article I, section 9, be approved and adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

Article II, Section 3

ARTICLE II

Section 3. Any individual or fire department, members of this Association who, at any time fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may upon charges brought before the Association be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

MOTION that Article II, section 3, as amended, be approved and adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

SICK AND DEATH BENEFITS

Article III, Section 1

ARTICLE III

Section 1. Any member of this Association injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duties as a fireman, shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of Four dollars per day while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness for a period not exceeding one hundred days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits for good cause shown to the next annual meeting of the Association, next after the expiration of the said period of one hundred days, and the Association at said annual meeting will at its pleasure determine the time for which such benefit may be received, Provided, that no fireman shall be entitled to receive any benefits under this Section until the local Firemen's Relief Fund of his city or town shall have been exhausted.

MOTION that Article III, section 1, as amended, be approved and adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

Gentlemen, you have heard the various sections approved individually. May we have a motion to approve these changes and adopt the By-Laws as submitted by your committee?

MOTION that the amendments to the By-Laws, as submitted by the Committee, be adopted. MOTION seconded, carried, and it is so ordered.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I would like to take the opportunity to assure you of our appreciation for the splendid work and study that has been given the subject by your committee. You have done a wonderful work, and we extend to you our hearty thanks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CHIEF FLORA:

In January 1943 the general Assembly of North Carolina

meets in session in Raleigh. We all know the conditions we are now working under are very uncertain, very troublesome. We do not know what legislature may be necessary for the protection of our association. I make a motion that the President be allowed to appoint a Legislative Committee, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, to take whatever action necessary before the General Assembly.

MOTION seconded, carried, and so ordered.

NEW BUSINESS

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

I make a motion that the North Carolina Firemen's Association, through its various agencies, provide for supplying each member who has been in the association, ten, twenty, thirty, forty years, respectively, with an emblem, and to any man who has served over fifty years in the North Carolina Firemen's Association a gold emblem as soon as gold can be bought.

Due to metal shortages these emblems will probably have to be made of some plastic material but at the end of the duration may be replaced with a permanent emblem of metal.

MOTION seconded and unanimously carried, and so ordered.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

Mr. President:

We have only one courtesy report and one resolution to present to the Association, but something has transpired here this week, and I would feel that I was lacking in my duty by virtue of the fact that I have attended every meeting of this Association with the exception of one in 1916, when I was marooned by a flood, since 1901.

It has been my privilege and my pleasure to have known personally every man who has ever been elected to an office of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. I have seen this Association grow from what you might term a baby into an Association at this particular time meaning as much to the United States of America and her allies as any other civic organization in any other state in the union. All of that leading up to something I have heard within the last fifteen minutes. Please note that I say I have watched changes come over this Association.

Greensboro being almost in the absolute center of the State, being a hospitable section, and the gateway to the piedmont section, is a City of conventions. The members of the Press in one form or another cover conventions of all sizes and denominations. One of the members of the Press of Greensboro said to me in this hall that he was surprised at a convention of this size having shown practically no evidence whatever of that which used to be looked upon as a part of this convention. In other words, he said that this had been as sober a convention as had ever met in Greensboro, North Carolina.

When we realize that this convention was called as an emergency convention, and that so many other conventions are not meeting this year, that there is a shortage of gasoline, shortage of tires, and the fact that we can report through the Press to the outside world, if you please, Mr. Press-man, that this convention in which we expected not over a hundred to attend that there has been an average attendance of over two hundred for every minute of its sessions, is in my opinion the finest tribute to the firemen of North Carolina. In other words, when firemen are called in for business they respond in a business-like manner.

Now as to the resolution.

You will appreciate the fact that nobody in Greensboro had time to prepare for a convention of this size; that nobody in Greensboro a month ago had any idea that we would meet, and further due to the fact that having met here yesterday morning and every minute that we were not engaged in serious business has been taken care of in an inimitable manner by the Chief and every member in the fire department, which is tantamount to saying every citizen in Greensboro, is the reason we so forcibly mention the citizens of Greensboro rather than any group.

The resolution mentioned, one which I think is timely and one which incorporated everything we have had in mind during this convention is this, for whatever change or disposition you may care to take.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is definitely established that the fire service is of great importance to National Defense, both in cities and towns, and in all plants manufacturing essential war materials, and

WHEREAS, the all out war effort so necessary to the maintenance of freedom throughout the world, has from all appearances

limited to the ultimate the production of new fire apparatus and equipment, and further

WHEREAS the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association have been and are now being taught to "nurse" and to do all in their power to maintain and keep ready for instant use all apparatus and all equipment, and to all of which we, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, fully subscribe and pledge our best efforts:

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association in convention assembled, in Greensboro, North Carolina, on the 11th and 12th days of August, 1942, do request that the War Production Board, and all other Government and all National Agencies give due consideration to use such means as may be at their disposal to provide, when and where such does not in any manner interfere with the production of equipment and other materials necessary for the armed forces of the United States and our allies, such materials, labor et cetera necessary to establish priority for manufacture and distribution of such parts, material etc., necessary to provide adequate maintenance of fire apparatus and equipment."

If this is not clear to you, what it means is this: We have been able to get certain parts. There are other things, hose, for instance. You know so often we have burst a section of hose. Ordinarily in normal times if it got over five feet we could discard it; we can't any longer, and will have less as time goes on and it will be necessary that we have half sections with couplings. You can't do that without rings and those rings must be pliable. That enters into one of the prime essentials of war materials. Therefore I think we should go on record as including in our request in so far as it does not interfere with the vital needs of our armed forces that we be allowed priority through the proper sources of the things necessary to keep our apparatus and equipment to where it can be depended upon.

MOTION that the resolution be adopted. MOTION seconded and unanimously carried.

ADDENDUM:

"The Secretary of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association be instructed to communicate with the officials of the War Production Board and such other agency established by the Government and present to them this resolution."

CHIEF PALMER:

My idea is this. Tomorrow there will be at the convention here of the League of Municipalities a man who is in charge of the War Production Board. We have a representative who is a past president of this Association and who is also a past president of the Municipal League. No doubt he will contact Mr. Maverick tomorrow, and I would like to make the suggestion that the Secretary have this resolution typed and Past President Jerome Flora take this to Mr. Maverick.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

I subscribe to what he said in that we have this in the hands of Jerome B. Flora who will have the opportunity to contact that representative. Let's also have it sent to the War Production Board so that when he gets back he won't forget it.

MOTION seconded and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF COURTESY COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that we, the members of the North Carolina Firemen's Association, in convention assembled in Greensboro, N. C., do:

Extend thanks and appreciation to Chief Frank Shaw and all other members of the Fire Department of the City of Greensboro for the splendid entertainment provided during our stay in Greensboro.

We extend to the people of Greensboro, especially those who have participated in our activities, and more especially to those taking part in the beautiful memorial services, to the municipal officers, the Press and Clergy of Greensboro, for their full cooperation in making it possible for this the 1942 convention an outstanding convention in the history of our Association.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL,
Chairman.

MOVED that the report of the Courtesy Committee be adopted. Motion seconded and carried.

SECRETARY MILLER:

The meeting in Greensboro was put up to the Executive Committee. We knew the conditions and we selected Greensboro, if we could get them to take it, as the most centrally located point

where we could come from the north, south, east and west. I was instructed to come to Greensboro and contact Chief Shaw. I found him at the Club House and took the matter up with him. I said "We don't want to spend any money. We are going through a war. If we have got any money to spend let's spend it in buying bonds" and he acquiesced in that respect. He did not hesitate. He did not come back to see any City Official or any one. He said "The convention will be held in Greensboro." We are here. We have had a wonderful time. I think we have attended to our business as well as at any time, and it is on account of the responsibility you placed upon your Executive Committee that we are here. I think Frank Shaw has done his part and the firemen of the City of Greensboro, as well as others who have participated in our activities. I wanted to make that statement so you would know why we are here.

CHIEF SHAW:

Mr. President and members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

I hope that each and every one of you will have the same privilege that I have had. When you have an honor like that bestowed upon you, such as being notified that the North Carolina State Firemen's Association is going to hold convention in your City, there isn't anything other than your own birthday that will make you happier.

I am not asking for the convention next year, but you may rest assured that as long as Frank Shaw lives this Association has a home and a place to come to, and we will do our very best to take care of you. There are seventy thousand people in Greensboro waiting for you at any time that you want to hold your convention here. Come back to see us next year. I'm asking for this convention now.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

What is your pleasure as to the Association holding the College and Drill School?

MOTION that the Fire College and Drill School be continued, barring complications. Motions seconded and carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

E. D. MORGAN:

I attended the Drill School in Asheville this year for the first

time and I was one of his students. I take pleasure in nominating my neighbor, Charles L. Burkett of Salisbury.

I make a Motion that the nominations be closed.

MOTION seconded that the nominations be closed.

Motion carried.

SECRETARY MILLER:

Being born in Rowan County, it is a great pleasure for me to cast the unanimous vote of this convention for Charles L. Burkett as president for the ensuing year.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

Charlie, it is a great pleasure to me to turn the affairs of what I consider one of the greatest Associations of its kind in the world in the conditions that you will find it, strong financially, strong spiritually, and united for the protection of the property and lives of our fellow citizens. I know of no one more capable of handling and negotiating the affairs of the association, carrying on and seeing that the assets are preserved to protect these men you are serving.

It has been a pleasure to work with you the past year and I wish you God speed in your undertaking.

As I present to you this gavel may the firemen of North Carolina be so united in spirit that our Association will remain the best there is in the world, and in presenting to you this trophy, a symbol of service, a token from that man who gave his all for the fire service in North Carolina, may that leave and continue to be an inspiration to the firemen of North Carolina to never forget that our supreme motto shall be "Service above self." It is indeed a pleasure to present to you the GAVEL with the authority as President of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

PRESIDENT BURKETT:

Thank you Dick.

I think the first thing I would like to do upon taking office would be to ask the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association to give our past President, Dick Joyner, a rising vote of thanks. I have never worked with a more splendid man, a man more enthused over the Association of the State. Let us all give him a rising vote of thanks.

(APPLAUSE)

As I take office I want to thank each and every one for the honor bestowed upon me. I think this is one of the happiest days of my life. As I told you last year when I was elected Vice President of the Association in Asheville, I say again today that coming up as vice president and president of the Association, I have never asked for the office of either, nor have I contacted or asked any fireman in the whole State, or members of the Association for a vote. I have been put up and put in by you gentlemen and I certainly appreciate it. It all comes from you, and from the bottom of my heart I don't know of any place in the world I had rather serve than to serve the firemen with whom I have been in contact for the past twenty two years.

Realizing the conditions existing I hope each of you will give your support to your officers this year. I know the dark clouds are hanging over us and I hope every member will take an active part. You members can be of great importance to your Association by at any time that you find something we could do, some suggestion, we would be more than glad to receive them from you and try to carry them out. It is your Association, and a committee cannot function well without finding out the faults existing over the different parts of the State, and we will appreciate any fireman sending us any suggestion for the betterment of this association. We realize that we are running short of gas and rubber, and your committee will not be able to get around to many of the departments I want to visit as many as possible, but we all realize the existing conditions and will have to do the best we can, and at any time called upon we will serve you the very best we can.

In accepting this office I would like to ask the cooperation of every member, because naturally we are going to be burdened heavily under the conditions and we will ask you to go along and cooperate with us and give us your attention during the year.

In accepting this office I know that it has come to me through the guidance of God, and I would like that all firemen please bow their head while we meditate.

O, Heavenly Father, I am thankful to Thee for the honor bestowed upon me. As we gather in this convention we humbly ask your guidance in carrying out the duties of the coming year. We ask Thy blessings upon every one of us, inspire each of us with love for one another. Give us strength to go home and carry out the duties that have been prescribed for us here. We ask Thy protection and blessings upon our boys in the Army, whether firemen or others; please think of them. We know they are fighting

for what you desire "Freedom of religion" and we pray Thee to unite all of us with Thy grace to love one another; we pray Thee to bless our leader and our country. Forgive us of all sins, and when the days have grown shorter and the curtain of darkness is drawn, we pray that Thou will be with us. These things we ask in Christ's name.

Amen.

PRESIDENT BURKETT:

I would like to entertain a motion for the nomination of Vice-President.

CHIEF SMITH:

Mr. President: We have a man in our body that is well known all over the State of North Carolina that everybody loves. I am not going to make a speech in his behalf, but I want to have the pleasure of nominating Brother Frank Bennett, Chief of the Durham Fire Department.

CHIEF SHUFORD:

I tried to beat my friend to it but he got ahead of me. I want to make that nomination he just made. I don't believe there is a better man in this association for the job of Vice-President for the coming year than Frank Bennett. I know he will carry on and will help our president, advise with him and help him in his work. I know Frank has tried and has been proven true. So, it gives me great pleasure to second the nomination of Frank Bennett for Vice-President.

DR. LONG:

I expect I have served about as long as any of you. I object to the last named man being your vice-president. He has been president one time with honor and distinction. I love Frank Bennett; he is a good friend of mine; we can't hardly get along without him, especially when it comes to singing, but I have a young man who has been faithful all these years, and his father before him was one of the best firemen in North Carolina. It is up to us to pick an eastern man, but Durham is in the middle and just north of Durham is Roxboro. I wish to nominate Henry O'Brien from Roxboro.

CHIEF GRAY: I second that motion.

MOTIONS TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS for Vice-president, duly seconded and carried.

CHIEF HENRY O'BRIEN:

You remember yesterday that Reg Harris said that Frank Bennett was assistant Chief of the Roxboro Fire Department—I want to tell you he is more than that; he is a step-daddy to me.

I appreciate what the gentlemen have said, Dr. Long in particular, he being such a staunch friend of that dear old Daddy of mine, and God knows it is that one thought in my heart that I regret that he is not with us today sitting in the audience to hear the nomination of his boy for that position. For personal reasons for the best friend I have in the North Carolina State Firemen's Association I would like to ask Dr. Long if he will withdraw my nomination. I would appreciate it.

Dr. LONG: Henry is a fine boy—there is not a better boy in North Carolina than Henry O'Brien. If he desires that I withdraw his nomination I will be glad to do so.

CHIEF HENRY O'BRIEN: I would like, when the time comes, to cast a unanimous vote for Frank Bennett.

PRESIDENT JOYNER:

I make the motion that Henry O'Brien be designated to cast the unanimous vote of this Association for Chief Bennett for Vice-president.

Motion seconded and carried.

Chief Bennett is escorted to the platform by Chief O' Brien.

CHIEF BENNETT:

I have heard it said that there comes a time in every man's life when he would rather sit still and not talk—this is my time here.

I want to say to you that this is certainly a surprise to me. I came just to be one of you and had no other purpose than meeting, calling you my friend and shaking your hand. It being God's will I hope I shall continue to meet with you on these occasions. I want to say to you that anything that I am able to do, in my small way, to make your service better or to make your life more pleasant I ask God to give me that power, I certainly thank you. I will do the very best I can at all times. I may be wrong at times but I always stand ready to be corrected. I want to say without qualifications that it is the greatest thing that has ever happened to me other than the Lord allowing me to come back from a spell of sickness six years ago, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

SHERWOOD BROCKWELL:

I have appeared before you as a story-teller, have come before you to make you laugh and tried to be of other service to you. At this moment I feel as I have never felt before in a convention at any time anywhere. I wonder if you men realize the importance, the solemnity of what has happened in this hall this morning. I wonder if you grasp the true significance of our incoming president in this critical moment of realizing the infinitesimal value of one human being at a time like this. I wonder if it impressed you as it did me, when taking the greatest honor ever bestowed upon any man anywhere when he stops in the form of a beautiful prayer and asks the blessings of God. You have never seen it before, and right now I want to say to you when I look about me eyes full of tears and see men like Mr. Holmes, Morgan, Dixon, Ingram, Taylor, and other men who have passed the milestone of fifty years, I feel that every man connected with the Association should say "Glory to God for sparing this kind of men who have been through these years in conflicts of all kind, and God bless them for their spirit of combat when they knew they were in the right path." We owe God our thanks for having men in the Association of that type.

Now the time has come again when we can turn to this platform and pay tribute, not to him alone, but to ourselves, by re-nominating a man who stands far above any other secretary of any other Association of any kind of Firemen in the United States of America.

I present to you at this time the name of John L. Miller of Concord, in all reverence, ask that God spare him to continue in that office so important to this Association.

CHIEF JONES:

I have the great pleasure of seconding that nomination of my friend, John L. Miller, and ask that this convention rise unanimously as a token of respect and thanks for the grand services that Mr. Miller has rendered us in past years.

DR. LONG:

I want to second the nomination after Brother Jones. Several years ago I remember when our Association was in the red, and we nominated John L. Miller for our Secretary, and it wasn't long after that before we got out of the red and every since we have had a surplus. We are now on the ship sailing on smooth seas leading us on to victory. John L. Miller is the captain of that ship. As long as he steers us across the sea of trouble and vexation I do not see

why we should not unanimously support him. I agree with you, and I second the nomination of John L. Miller.

CHIEF JOHN H. HOLMES:

I have had negotiations with Mr. Miller every since he has been in office and have never had more courteous treatment in my life in dealing with any one. I have been to his office to get information and he has opened his books and assisted me in every way possible. I went to his office to get information about the firemen's insurance and he was always ready to lend his assistance and I have never had more courteous treatment or consideration. I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Mr. Miller for secretary of our Association.

MOTION that the nominations be closed, seconded and carried.

CHIEF JOYNER:

I move that we give a rising vote for John L. Miller as our Secretary.

MOTION seconded and carried unaimously.

(APPLAUSE)

SECRETARY MILLER:

On July 8th, 1908, some of you boys elected me as secretary of this Association, which was thirty four years ago this past July. I am saying this:

"There are waves in the ocean that never reach the beach;
There are waves of emotion that never reach speech."

To me this is such a time. I thank you.

(APPLAUSE)

CHIEF PALMER:

Mr. President, and Gentlemen:

For the past ten years this Association has had one of the finest men as Treasurer that I know of. He has gone to his great reward. This office has been vacant for the past few months and it now comes time to put a man in his place.

I know of no other man in this Association who has done any more for the Association than the man I am nominating. I have always been taught that we should feed the horse that pulls the plow. You men who have attended the conventions for a number

of years know of the Kannapolis Reel Team. They have a man in charge of that team in the person of Ed Johnston. He doesn't live very far from the Secretary of the Association, which means a lot to the Association at this time as it only takes a few minutes for them to get together on matters which need urgent consideration. I have known Ed a long time. He used to be in charge of the baseball team and we used to play against one another. He is a clean sport in all of his dealings.

You can judge a man by the way he stands in his community. Ed Johnston is a young man, forty five years of age. He has a boy in the armed forces who is a Lieutenant. He has been a citizen of Kannapolis for thirty three years, a member of the Baptist Church, Treasurer of the First Baptist Church since 1931, a member of the Board of Deacons, a member of the Y. M. C. A., a charter member of the Kannapolis Fire Department which was organized in 1923, and is treasurer of the Firemen's Relief Fund, also a graduate of the North Carolina State Firemen's College and Drill School, employed by the Kannapolis Mills for several years, president of the baseball association, was secretary for three years of the baseball association, active in all municipal affairs and has been a fireman for twenty five years. I present Ed Johnston.

MR. J. L. TAYLOR:

I would lay down on the job if I did not second that nomination. He is courteous, respectful, a member of the Baptist Church, not only a member but a christian member and active, and that is something so many of us can't say. He is faithful to the firemen. I know he is efficient and I take great pleasure in seconding his nomination as Treasurer of this Association.

CHIEF B. J. RAMSOUR:

I would like to present the name of the man who organized our Fire Department in 1907, has been a member of the organization since. I wouldn't take the time to enumerate his activities. He is a very active man in the community, been endorsed by two financial institutions, our mayor, Chairman of the County Commissioners and several other prominent citizens of our town. We realize that at a time like this we need a man who is thoroughly capable of handling the funds of the organization.

I would not arise to create friction in the organization. If our man wins it is O. K. and if he does not we will be in thorough accord as we have been heretofore, and may the best man win. We do feel that we have a man that would do honor to this Association in the capacity of treasurer. We are presenting the name of

James A. Shuford of the Lincolnton Fire Department for this office.
MEMBER: I take great pleasure in heartily endorsing and seconding the nomination.

MOTION that the nominations be closed. Motion seconded and carried.

CHIEF O'BRIEN:

I make the motion that the two candidates leave the room and take the vote as a standing vote.

Motion seconded and carried.

CHIEF FRANK BENNETT:

I want to thank Grady Smith and Donald Shuford. I also want to thank my good friend, Henry O'Brien. He is one of my best friends and I have been associated with him for years. I also thank Dr. Long, because I know he is a good friend and I especially appreciate the kind words he said about me.

DR. LONG:

I don't think we should go on without pausing in recognition of our good old treasurer A. B. Horney.

During the progress of the voting for the nominees for Treasurer the name of James A. Shuford was withdrawn by Chief Ramsour and a motion made by him to make this a unanimous election of Ed A. Johnston as Treasurer.

MOTION seconded and carried.

ED A. JOHNSTON:

Mr. President, Brother Firemen:

This is the happiest moment of my life. I attended my first convention in Raleigh in 1916. There is something about the Firemen's Association that if you attend one time you always want to attend.

I wish to thank the Firemen of North Carolina for this vote of confidence by electing me this morning as treasurer of this great and honorable association.

I am particularly happy this morning to have in this hall to see me elected by you men to this honorable position my father, who is seventy six years old. I am going to ask him to stand at this time.

In accepting this office as Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association I pledge to each and every one of you the best I have in carrying out the duties of this office. If I can be of any assistance to you as a member of the Executive Committee I invite you to call on me at any time. I ask your cooperation and am sure we have it from every member during this time of perilous trials and trouble and feel that with that cooperation we can continue to grow as we have in the past.

CHIEF TAYLOR:

I want to thank each and all of you for the honor of electing one of our members.

At Asheville the Fire College and Drill School we presented a love gift of appreciation to Sherwood Brockwell. I move that the presentation be spread upon the Minutes of the Association.

MOTION seconded and carried.

PRESIDENT BURKETT:

The Chair would like to present Mr. James Shuford.

JAMES SHUFORD:

I certainly appreciate the support I have and I want to assure my friend, Mr. Johnston, that he will have my support. I thank you. The Chair recognizes Mr. Jerome B. Flora.

MR. FLORA:

I would like to put in nomination our present statistician who has served for the past three years with efficiency.

MOTION seconded.

MOTION that the nominations be closed, seconded and carried.

SECRETARY MILLER:

It is a pleasure to cast the unanimous vote of statistician for the ensuing year of Mr. Albert W. Brinson of Newbern.

CHIEF SHUFORD:

I move that the selection of next year's meeting place be left with the Executive Committee.

MOTION seconded and carried.

L. F. BROWN of Charlotte:

I ask for these few moments for the personal privilege to explain the motion that I entertained on the floor a few moments ago. In talking with Chief Palmer, we were supposed to draw some kind of resolution pertaining to the resolution I presented this morning on the floor and I will say it was carried to Chief Palmer, presented to him and also a copy mailed to the Executive Committee by the Charlotte Fire Department. We thought this was being done through consideration that this thing wasn't suitable for the men as it is now and we thought we were doing something that might better the Association for any man connected with it in any way. That is why it was brought up like it was this morning. I was under the impression that it had been carried to the Executive Committee. We got a letter that it had been received and held on file and I thought it went through the proper procedure. There was no malice to the motion—we merely did it on the suggestion that there should be some changes made, and I still think there should be.

CHIEF PALMER:

I don't want you to go away with the wrong impression about the motion. The president appointed a committee to study and get up the by-laws of the Association. Your president wrote a letter to all fire departments throughout the State. I wrote a letter to the Firemen of the City of Charlotte asking if they had any suggestions to put before the Committee. They gave me a copy of the resolution which they introduced this morning and that was taken up in the Committee meeting; it was thoroughly discussed in the meeting. The Committee did not feel like it should recommend any any changes and consequently there was no change recommended by the Committee of the Association.

There was a circular letter sent out to all the Fire Chiefs. As far as being presented to the Executive Committee, I don't think it was, but this was only a committee meeting to study what we thought would be best for this Association and recommend what changes they thought would be best for the Association. As far as being presented to the Executive Committee, I know nothing about that. I don't want you to go away thinking that I fell down on the job. The Firemen asked me to present that to the Committee—I did—but the Committee did not think they ought to recommend it to the Association and it was not recommended by the Committee to make any changes.

MR. BROWN:

Mr. Joyner, did you not receive a copy of this resolution?

CHIEF JOYNER:

I received a mimeographed copy of this resolution. It is headed "State Fire Fighter's Association of North Carolina" and addressed to all brother firemen, paid or volunteer of the State of North Carolina. It is not addressed to me as president. It was addressed to me as a fireman and I considered it as a fireman, and it was not presented to the Executive Board by the Committee or by any other person.

CHIEF OWENS:

On behalf of the Committee, we were appointed, if you will look at the motion, as a committee to revise the constitution and by-laws, and Chief Palmer at the meeting of this Committee presented this resolution that the gentleman spoke of, and due to the fact that this motion had been made in Asheville we didn't think we had the authority or that that pertained to the motion that was made, according to our understanding, of revising the by-laws to eliminate any that had been out-moded and revise the constitution and by-laws that had been passed.

MR. MILLER:

I want to correct a statement that Mr. Brown made. My duty is to answer all correspondance that comes to the North Carolina Firemen's Association. If I can't answer them when I receive them I get the information from the Executive Committee. All communications are answered from my office, and I want to say to Mr. Brown "If you will address a letter to me at any time as secretary of this organization it will have attention, but this particular thing you are speaking of did not come to my hands as an executive office of this Association.

MR. BROWN:

As I said before I did not come up here to have any controversy, the only thing I wanted to do was to get the thing considered. I thought I was in the right channel when I presented this resolution before the House.

I didn't write a letter to the Secretary but I knew he did get a copy of the letter. I have no malice in my heart against him and the only thing I rose for was to get myself in the clear.

MR. MILLER:

You say you know I got a copy of that communication?

MR. BROWN:

I knew that there was a letter mailed to the Executive head, to someone, our former president or someone.

MR. MILLER:

You mean to say you got out a circular letter and mailed to the firemen throughout the State?

MR. BROWN:

They mailed it.

MR. BURKETT:

What meeting was that in?

MR. BROWN:

The State Fire Fighter's Association at Wilmington a few weeks back.

MOTION TO ADJOURN. MOTION SECONDED and carried.

Friends, Honored Guest, Ladies and Gentlemen—Greetings:

I feel honored in taking part in the exercises on this occasion and I assure you it is a pleasure for me to do my bit, because I have a very high regard for anything and everybody connected with this event.

The splendid motives which actuate this occasion show how good and pleasant it is for us to dwell together in unity and friendship.

A certain minister made his way about China preaching through an interpreter. The minister again and again spoke too long and from time to time said things that might well have been left unsaid. His long-suffering interpreter could not help but become rather irritated because of the many unnecessary words that he had to interpret. One evening the minister was greatly moved by the beauty of the sunset. That night, when speaking to a large Chinese audience, he was moved to draw upon all his poetic talent in order to describe the glory and grandeur of the evening sky. With what seemed like endless repetition he painted and repainted, upon the canvas of imagination, the colorful sunset. The interpreter, when his turn came, paused, looked at the speaker, and

then turning to the waiting audience said in Chinese, "My friends, the gentleman has just remarked 'The sun went down.' "

I feel that I need someone to make a concise, effective presentation of my high and sincere regards for our guest of honor Mr. Sherwood Brockwell.

"There are waves in the ocean that never reach the beach,
There are waves of emotion that never reach speech."

This is such a time.

Never have I undertaken a duty more pleasing to me than that which I am now endeavoring to perform. I sincerely regret, nevertheless, that this part of the program has been assigned to me. The occasion is deserving the support of much greater ability of speech and argument than I possess.

Mr. Brockwell's right to this testimonial meeting is attested in the record of his public life, and no man, whatever may be his partisan faith, will undertake to deny him this recognition.

In life Mr. Brockwell achieved successes and gained a reputation beyond the reach of any man not endowed with the highest intellectual gifts and habituated to the practice of tireless industry. These qualities of character have secured for him the association and respect of the most prominent and influential men — an advantage that gives to him a standing most valuable to the interests of this commonwealth.

Mr. Brockwell you have the confidence of the members of this organization as a faithful servant of your generation.

"From all thy good seed sown since life began
What sheaves now come to crown thy happy years
A multitude of friends deserved and dear;
Remembrance of a past unstained and clear;
A faith that fronts the future without fear.
For us, not thee, Heaven lengthens out thy span,
Lest men forget the measure of a man."

Mr. Brockwell we bring to you garlands of gratitude, gathered in the garden of love from beds of admiration and respect, and we ask that you accept them as tokens of the gratitude of this people.

Mr. Brockwell it would be superfluous for me to tell you further in words how proud and happy we are to honor you. The presence of many of our members and their smiling faces alone assure you of their hearty good will, and the pride we feel in having so distinguished a guest as yourself, to whom to present this award.

Sherwood, our associations for the past many years, have been such, that this is a very pleasant duty for me to perform.

I present to you this token, emblematic of love and esteem from friends—in recognition of the outstanding work performed during the past year, in the interest and well-being of all the people of this Commonwealth, and especially the Firemen.

May this occasion inspire you to greater achievements—and as the years come and go, may your mind run back many times to this event—and may this tend to lighten your burden, and brighten your pathway, as you go down Lifes' Lane—to the Golden Sunset. Congratulations.

The above presentation was made by Secretary Miller at the annual Fire College and Drill School held in the City of Asheville June 1942, and is printed in the minutes as per resolution at the annual convention, Greensboro, August 1942.

An Act to Incorporate the North Carolina State Firemen's Association

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

Section 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. Elam, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles Whittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. D. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; E. B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Brannon, of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; J. B. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other persons as are associated with them, and their successors be, and they hereby are constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and may by that name sue and be sued and prosecute and defend suits in all courts in the State and may have and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure. May take contracts and be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real or personal estate for the benefit of said Association or corporation, provided, the said corporation shall not any time hold real or personal estate of greater amount than ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars.

Section 2. The purpose for which said Association is organized is: The protection and promotion of the best interests of the firemen of North Carolina, the compilation of fire statistics, the collection of information concerning the practical workings of different systems of organizations, the examination and inquiries concerning the merits of the different kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements in the same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellowship between the different companies of the State.

Section 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power to appoint officers, hold meetings, adopt Constitution and enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Association; provided, that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the State and of the United States.

Section 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D., 1889.

The North Carolina State Firemen's Association

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in order to form a more perfect organization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and promote the best interests of the Firemen of North Carolina, and compile statistics of information concerning the practical working of various systems and the merits of the different apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the several Fire Departments of the State do, here establish the following Constitution and **By-Laws**.

CONSTITUTION

Article I

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Article II

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Committee and will hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors shall be elected and qualified. Each officer of the Association shall have one vote on all questions coming before the Association:

Article III

Section 1. The members of the Association shall consist of the Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs of the Fire Department, State Fire Marshall, and each regular organized Fire Department in the State, complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, and all individual members of such Fire Department, who will comply with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, shall also, by virtue of their membership in such department, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds disbursed by it, so long as said department remain a member of the Association, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his per-capita tax, when called for in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, he shall be debarred from the privilege of this Association.

Section 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty as a Fireman shall be entitled to the benefits from the "FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND" of this Association, as set forth and contained in the By-Laws of said Association.

Section 3. Every Fire Department, eligible and desiring to become a member of this Association, shall make application to the Secretary, and at the same time pay to him the prescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible, the department shall become a member of this Association.

Section 4. All members represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department of the City, town or village where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all rights to membership in this Association.

Section 5. "Every fire department in the State, which is a member of the Association, shall on or before the first day of August in each year, elect two delegates, and also two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief and Assistant Chief of the various fire departments at large, who shall be entitled to one vote each in addition to the two votes herein provided for each fire department. In the absence of a delegate so elected, his alternate shall be entitled to vote in his stead, or if his alternate be absent, the next alternate shall be entitled to vote; in any event, the two full votes of each department may be cast by either a delegate or alternate, if only one, whether delegate or alternate, be in attendance. They shall be beneficiary members of the Association, and their names must appear on the beneficiary roll."

(Adopted at the 1941 annual convention in the City of Asheville, August 6, 1941.)

Article IV

Section 1. The annual meetings of the Association shall be held at such place as the Association shall select, if said Association selects such place, and if not, then the Executive Committee shall select the time of holding all annual meetings of the Association.

Section 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a dissolution of the Association.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

Article V

Section 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation or otherwise of any of the officers of this Association, such vacancy shall be filled by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term for which said officer was elected.

Article VI

Section 1. This Association shall have the power to alter, amend, repeal or revise this Constitution and the By-Laws by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association present entitled to vote; provided the proposed amendment shall have been submitted in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article I

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the meetings of the Association and to counter-sign all orders, warrants or vouchers duly granted by the Association, Executive Committee or other officer of the Association. He shall receive \$250.00 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform all the duties of the President in his absence.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all the proceedings of the Association; to receive and answer all communications pertaining to the Association; to keep a roster of the names of the different Fire Departments composing the Association and the individual members thereof; to collect the membership fee and the per-capita tax, and to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor; and to issue all warrants and vouchers for the payment of all moneys expended by the Association or any officer thereof. He shall execute a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars to the Association for the security of all funds in his hands to be approved by and filed with the President. All property, books and records in the hands of the Secretary, are and shall remain the property of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. He shall receive an annual salary, set by the Executive Committee, to be paid monthly by warrant on the Treasurer, issued by the Secretary and countersigned by the President.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected by the Secretary and give a receipt to him for the same, to collect and receive annually from the State Treasurer the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund; to collect and receive from the Insurance Commissioners office the five per-cent of the money collected from the Insurance Companies as prescribed by law in Section 6067 of the consolidated Statutes of North Carolina. He shall disburse no money except on order issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President. At the annual meeting of the Association he shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed by him. He shall execute a

bond to the State of North Carolina as prescribed by law, which bond shall be approved by and filed with the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the State of North Carolina of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall, also execute a bond in the sum of Three thousand five hundred dollars to this Association for the security of the General Fund, to be approved by the President and filed with the Secretary in this Association. All property, books and records in the hands of the Treasurer are, and shall remain the property of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. He shall receive \$250.00 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President.

Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the State of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting the previous reports, which shall include everything of interest to our firemen, and to be so arranged as to be comprehensive in every detail. The expenses of all printing, printed matter and postage necessary in sending for and receiving such information shall be paid by the Association. He shall receive \$75.00 compensation as annual salary, to be paid annually by warrant on the Treasurer issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to have published the proceedings of the Association; to transact all business of the Association during the times intervening between the annual meetings of said Association; to advise the Treasurer in the management of all funds of the Association. At all meetings of the Executive Committee a majority of the committee shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine all questions and transact all business the same as if all the said committee were present.

Section 7. The expenses of the President when absent from home upon business of the Association, and while attending the annual meetings and special meetings of the Association, to be incurred at his discretion, shall be paid upon warrant issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President, and the expenses of the other officers of the Association when absent from home upon business of the Association, and while attending the annual meetings and special meetings of said Association shall likewise be paid upon warrant issued by the Secretary and counter-signed by the President.

Section 8. All moneys expended under this Article shall be paid out the General Fund of this Association, and not from the

Firemen's Relief Fund. Provided, that the salary of the Treasurer and printing of the minutes each year may be paid out of the Firemen's Relief Fund.

Section 9. The President of this Association is required to appoint annually from the membership of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, two members, whose duty it shall be; to advise with the Executive Committee in all matters pertaining to the investment of all funds, belonging to and controlled by the Association.

MEMBERSHIP

Article II

Section 1. Each fire department shall pay a membership fee of five dollars, and each chief and Assistant Chief, shall pay an annual fee of One dollar, and all other members an annual fee of fifty cents each.

Section 2. The annual fees above mentioned shall be paid on, or before the first day of January of each and every year, in advance for the insuing year. And all members who fail to comply with this provision shall, thereon and by reason of such failure, cease to be members of this Association, and cannot again become members of this Association except by new application, made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fee for membership.

Section 3. Any individual or fire department, members of this Association who, at any time fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may upon charges brought before the Association be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

Section 4. Any Honorary Fireman may, upon the payment of the annual fees, become a member of the Association, with all rights and privileges of any other member, except such Honorary Firemen shall not participate in the Firemen's Relief Fund.

SICK AND DEATH BENEFITS

Article III

Section 1. Any member of this Association injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duties as a fireman, shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of Four dollars per day while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness for a period not exceeding one hundred days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits for good cause shown to the next annual meeting of the Association, next after the expiration of the said period of one

hundred days, and the Association at said annual meeting will at its pleasure determine the time for which such benefit may be received, Provided, that no fireman shall be entitled to receive any benefits under this Section until the local Firemen's Relief Fund of his city or town shall have been exhausted.

Section 2. The Chief or Acting Chief shall certify before a Magistrate, Notary Public or other officer authorized to administer oaths on blank form published by the Secretary of this Association, accompanied by a certificate of the attending physician, said certificate to be made on a blank furnished by the Secretary of this Association.

Section 3. Applications for benefits shall be made to the Secretary in compliance with the form to be furnished by the Secretary for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury or contracting the disease complained of; but said time for making said application may be extended by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

Section 4. The action of this Association upon all questions that may arise as to granting or refusing relief and benefits, both as to the amount thereof and the person claiming, and upon all questions relating to the right or claim of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Association at its annual meetings.

RULES OF ORDER

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal of the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities and confine himself to the questions under debate.

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down unless permitted to explain by the Chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the parliamentary rules that govern deliberate bodies. No less than the representative of five companies shall constitute a quorum.

FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND

ARTICLE 1—STATE APPROPRIATIONS

6056—Annual Appropriation

The sum of two thousand five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated annually and shall constitute a "Firemen's Relief Fund."

6057—Payment by State Treasurer.

The treasurer of the state shall pay the amount constituting the firemen's relief fund on the warrant of the auditor, one-fourth to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association, properly chartered by law, and three-fourths to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. The treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, and the Association shall disburse the funds in the same manner and under the same rules as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

6058—Application of Fund

The money so paid into the hands of the treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall be known and remain as the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of North Carolina, and shall be used as a fund for the relief of firemen, members of such association, who may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of duty as firemen, and for the relief of widows, children, and if there be no widow or children, then dependent mothers of such firemen killed or dying from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty; to be paid in such manner and in such sums to such individuals of the classes herein named and described as may be provided for and determined upon in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of said association, and such provisions and determinations made pursuant to said constitution and by-laws shall be final and conclusive as to the persons entitled to benefits and as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be maintained against said Association to enforce any claim or recover any benefit under this article or under the constitution and by-laws of said Association; but if any officer or committee of said Association omit or refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceedings against said officer or committee, to compel him or them to perform such duty. No fireman shall be entitled to receive any benefit under this section

until the Firemen's Relief Fund of this city or town shall have been exhausted.

6059—Treasurer to File Report and Give Bond

The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall make a detailed report to the state treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the appropriation under this chapter on or before the end of the fiscal year, showing the total amount of money in his hands at the time of the filing of the report, and shall give a bond to the State of North Carolina with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the treasurer of the State of North Carolina in a sum not less than the amount of money on hand as shown by said report.

6060—Who Shall Participate in the Fund

The line of duty entitling one to participate in the fund shall be so construed as to mean actual fire duty only, and any actual duty connected with the fire department when directed to perform the same by an officer in charge.

6061—Who May Become Members

Any organized Fire Company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty may, upon compliance with the requirements of said constitution and by-laws become a member of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and any firemen of good moral character in North Carolina, and belonging to an organized fire company who will comply with the requirements of the constitution and by-laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association may become a member of said association.

6062—Applied to Members of Regular Fire Company

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to any fireman who is a member of a regularly organized fire company, and is a member in good standing of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE 2—FUND DERIVED FROM FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES

6063—Fire Insurance Companies to Report Premiums Collected.

Every fire insurance company, corporation or association doing business in any town or city in North Carolina that has, or may hereafter have, a regularly organized fire department under the control of the mayor and city council or other governing body of said town or city, and which has in serviceable condition for fire duty apparatus and equipment amounting in value to one thousand dollars or more and which enforces the fire laws to the satisfaction of the insurance commissioner shall return to the insurance commissioner of the state of North Carolina a

just and true account of all premiums collected and received from all fire insurance business done within the corporate limits of such towns and cities during year ending December thirty-first, or such portion thereof as they may have transacted such business in such towns and cities. Such companies, corporations, or associations shall make said returns within sixty days from and after the thirty-first day of December of each year.

6064—Tax on Receipts For Premiums

Every fire insurance company, corporation or association as aforesaid shall, within seventy-five days from December thirty-first of each year, deliver and pay to the state insurance commissioner the sum of fifty cents out of and from every one hundred dollars, and at that rate, upon the amount of all premiums written on fire and lightning policies covering property situated within the corporated limits of such towns and cities during the year ending December thirty-first in each year, or for such portion of each year as said company, corporation, or association shall have done business in said towns and cities.

6065—Insurance Commissioner to Investigate Returns and Collect

Tax

Every such company, corporation, or association shall make accurate returns of all business done, both on fire and lightning insurance, covering property situated within the limits of such towns and cities; and in case any fraud, misrepresentation, or mistake of any returns, as provided for in this article, be apparent, it shall be the duty of the insurance commissioner to investigate such returns and collect the amount which he shall find to be due.

6066—Penalty For Failure to Pay Tax

Every fire insurance company, association, or corporation aforesaid which shall knowingly or wilfully fail or neglect to report or pay over any of the money due on premiums as aforesaid, at the times and in the manner specified in this article, or shall be found upon examination to have made a false return of business done by them, shall for each offense forfeit and pay the sum of three hundred dollars for the use and benefit of the fire department of such town or city, to be recovered in a civil action in the name of the town or city.

6067—Insurance Commissioner to Pay Fund to Treasurer

The insurance commissioner shall deduct the sum of five per cent from the money so collected from the insurance companies, corporations, or associations, as aforesaid, and pay the same over to the treasurer of the State Firemen's Association for general purposes and the remainder of the money so collected from the

insurance companies, corporations, or associations, as aforesaid, doing business in the several towns and cities in the state having, or that may hereafter have organized fire department as provided in this article, said insurance commissioner shall pay to the treasurer of each town or city to be held by him as a separate and distinct fund, and he shall immediately pay the same to the treasurer of the local board of trustees upon his election and qualification, for the use of the board of trustees of the firemen's local relief fund in each town or city, composed of five members, residents of said city or town as hereinafter provided for, to be used by them for the purpose as named in section 6069.

6068—Trustees Appointed; Organization

In each town or city complying with and deriving benefits from the provisions of this article there shall be appointed annually in January, a local board of trustees, known as the trustees of the firemen's relief fund, to be composed of five members, two of whom shall be named by the members of the local fire department, two by the mayor and board of aldermen or other local governing body, the remaining member by the State insurance commissioner, all to hold office for two years or until their successors are appointed, and to serve without pay for their service. They shall immediately after appointment organize by electing from their members a chairman and a secretary and treasurer, which two last positions may be held by the same person. The treasurer of said board of trustees shall give a good and sufficient bond in a sum equal to the amount of moneys in his hands, to be approved by the insurance commissioner, for the faithful and proper discharge of the duties of his office.

6069—Disbursement of Fund By Trustees

The board of trustees shall have entire control of the funds derived from the provisions of this article, and shall disburse the funds only for the following purposes:

1. To safeguard any fireman in active service from financial loss occasioned by sickness contracted or injury received while in the performance of his duties as a fireman.

2. To provide a reasonable support for those actually dependent upon the services of any fireman who may lose his life in the fire service of his town, city or state, either by accident or from disease contracted or injury received by reason of such service. The amount is to be determined according to the earning capacity of the deceased.

3. To safeguard any fireman who has honorably served for a period of five years in the fire service of this city or town from ever becoming an inmate of any almshouse or actually dependent upon charity.

4. To provide for the payment of any fireman's assessment in the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund of the State of North Carolina, if the board of trustees find as a fact that said fireman is unable to pay the said assessment by reason of disability.

6070—Trustees to Keep Account and File Report; Effect of Failure

The board of trustees shall keep a correct account of all moneys received and disbursed by them, and shall at the annual meeting of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association render an itemized statement of the same, for publication in the annual report, a copy of which report shall be made annually to the state insurance commissioner; and in case any board of trustees in any of the towns and cities benefitted by this article shall neglect or fail to perform their duties, or shall willfully misappropriate the funds entrusted to their care, or shall neglect or fail to report at the annual meeting at the state association, then the insurance commissioner shall withhold any and all further payments to said board of trustees, or their successors, until the matter has been fully investigated by an official of the State Firemen's Association, and adjusted to the satisfaction of the state insurance commissioner. Should such payments be unadjusted for a period of fifteen months from the time when such payments would otherwise have been made then the insurance commissioner shall pay over the said amount to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and shall constitute a part of the firemen's relief fund.

6071—Municipal Clerk to Certify List of Fire Companies; Effect of Failure

The clerk of any city, town or village or other municipal corporation having an organized fire department shall, on or before the 31st day of October in each year, make and file with the insurance commissioner his certificate, stating the existence of such department, the number of steam, hand or other engines, hook and ladder trucks and hose carts in actual use, the number of organized companies, and the system of water supply in use for such departments, together with such other facts as the insurance commissioner may require, on a blank to be furnished by him. If the certificate required by this section is not filed with the insurance commissioner on or before October thirty-first in any year, the city, town or village so failing to file such certificate shall forfeit the payment next due to be paid to said board of trustees, and the insurance commissioner shall pay over said amount to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and same shall constitute a part of the firemen's relief fund.

6072—Fire Departments To Be Members of State Association And Send Delegate To Meeting

For the purpose of supervision and as guaranty that the pro-

visions of this article shall be honestly administered in a business like manner, it is provided that every department enjoying the benefits of this law shall be a member of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, send at least one accredited delegate to the annual meeting of said association and comply with its constitution and by-laws. If the fire department of any city, town or village shall fail to send at least one delegate to the annual meeting of the State Firemen's Association and otherwise fails to comply with the constitution and by-laws of said Association said city, town or village shall forfeit its right to the next annual payment due from the funds mentioned in this article, and the insurance commissioner shall pay over said amount to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and same shall constitute a part of the firemen's relief fund: Provided, however, that the failure of any department to have a delegate or representative present at the annual meeting of the association shall not have such effect if in the opinion of a majority of the Executive Committee of said association such delegate or representative had a valid excuse for his failure so to attend.

6073—No Discrimination on Account of Color

Inasmuch as there are in a number of towns and cities of this state fire companies composed exclusively of colored men, it is expressly provided that the local board of trustees shall make no discrimination on account of color in the payment of benefits. The treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall pay to the treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association one-sixth of the funds arising from the five per cent. paid him by the insurance commissioner each year, to be used by said North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association for general purposes.

Section 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Section 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly, read three times and ratified, this 21st day of February, 1925.

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 6063 OF THE CONSOLIDATED STATUTES RELATING TO THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section six thousand sixty-three of the Consolidated Statutes be amended by striking out the word "incorporated" in line two (2) thereof, after the word "any" and before the word "town".

Section 2. That this act be in force and effect from a and after its ratification.

Section 3. Ratified this the 19th day of March, A. D. 1929.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES

HAND REEL CONTEST

Two To Enter

Sixteen men and a foreman allowed.

Reel to carry not less than 148 feet of standard two and one-half inch hose to be connected on the start as when ready for duty to fires (three full threads) to run 100 yards, unreel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw water in quickets time. Water to show opposite or beyond the hydrant, or company shall be ruled out. The plug must be closed at the time of the company starting on the run, and shall be opened by the wrenchman. No straps or snap couplings allowed.

No company shall be allowed to assist another. In the run each company is required to furnish a roll of its members to the Secretary of the Association on the morning after the first day, as early as possible. Fifteen minutes will be allowed. Each company failing to start within that time shall be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed inside the ropes except the company making the run. The company making the best time wins the first prize. No company allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST

Company to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards to plug, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same to plug and throw water—drag rope to be put up or down (optional with company) Plug must be closed when company starts to run same as Reel Contests. Couplings to be broken opposite or beyond plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off, company be ruled out.

HORSE REEL RACE

Two To Enter

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Carriage or Wagon, either one or two-horse, to carry not less than 250 feet standard two and one-half inch natural unstretched hose. Carriage or Wagon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than 1,000 pounds, exclusive of driver and men; the driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or horses to be hitched to hose Carriage and Wagon and to be given a moving start of 50 yards behind the actual starting line. The starting

to be so located as to be a 200-yard run for horse to hydrant, where company is to unreel. Time to be taken when front wheels of wagon pass over the starting line until water shows, unreel not less than 250 feet of hose, breaking couplings and attach pipe and show water. Water must show within 50 of the 250-foot line; hose to be reeled on carriage or placed on wagon, connected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time of the company starting and cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in such positions as desired. Time taken from the first signal until water shows. If butt, or pipe blows off company shall be ruled out and hose must be let go before pressure is taken off. Where ballast is used the certificate must show the kind of ballast and weight of same.

OTHER EVENTS

One Hundred Yard Foot Race

Men to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by the captain of each company. The one making the best time wins the prize.

General Rules.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade, unless excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made in writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all judges on the morning of the contest.

All competing companies must furnish the judges with weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city Standard, eight threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest, if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless he is a bona fide member of the company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the rules, as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

Rules Governing Motor Contest at Fayetteville Convention and Tournament — 1920

Rule 1. Contest shall be to test the efficiency of the men, and not for speed of truck.

Rule 2. Team shall consist of not more than 8 men, one of whom shall be captain. Team to be sub-divided into 2 sub-teams, one for Hose contest and one for the Chemical contest. The Hose team to consist of 1 wrenchman, 1 buttman, 1 slack-puller, 1 coupling-breaker and 1 nozzleman. The Chemical team to consist of 2 laddermen and one climber—three men; total eight men.

Rule 3. Truck shall be furnished by the city where Tournament is to be held. Same truck to be used by all teams alike. A competent chauffer to be furnished by the city, to drive for all alike. He shall be sworn to give as near as is humanly possible the same start, the same speed and same finish to all teams alike.

Rule 4. Truck to start from a standstill with men on truck, from a point not less than 200 yards from hydrant; to run with fair speed to all, breaking string that sounds starting gong going at hydrant, 100 feet from hydrant and pass hydrant and come to a full stop opposite the ladder-shed, which shall be erected on the opposite side of the street, 100 feet beyond the hydrant. (Hydrant to be on left, ladder-shed to be on right.)

Rule 5. Men to jump from truck, remove cap, connect hose to hydrant lay two sections of hose, break coupling, attach nozzle and show water at nozzle. The Chemical men to unship ladder, place same against ladder shed; the climber to mount same and touch bell on ladder-shed with his chemical nozzle. Bell to be erected on ladder-shed 14 feet from pavement to the center of bell. Ladder to be standard twelve foot truck ladder.

Rule 6. There shall be two sets of timers, one for the Hose contest, and one for the Chemical contest. Hose contest shall be WET, the chemical contest to be DRY. Time shall be taken by both sets of timers at the sound of the starting gong—until water shows at nozzle for the Hoseman, and from the touch of the chemical nozzle at top round of ladder-shed by the Chemical men.

Rule 7. In the Water Contest, coupling must be broken and water shown, opposite or beyond hydrant; hose must be laid in truck, same as for fire service; second coupling (the one to be broken) to be on three full threads and placed in truck, beyond the reach of the coupling breaker, until hose is commenced to be laid; buttman and slack-puller allowed not more than fifteen feet of slack to jump with; cap on hydrant to be three full threads.

Rule 8. The time of the Hose service and the Chemical service to be kept separate. Separate prizes to be given to the winners in each contest.

Rule 9. A neutral judge who is not in anyway connected with the team making the run, to ride on truck and report any infraction of the above rules.

Rule 10. No one except members of team starting with truck allowed to assist in any particular.

The General rules of the Association to govern Judges in making all decisions.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BE IT KNOWN, THAT WHEREAS, James D. McNeill, James H. Wood, R. E. Currier, A. L. Duckett, Charles Schnibben, H. H. Horton, Charles D. Farmer, Sherwood Brockwell, John L. Miller, Col. A. H. Boyden, John L. Foister and E. E. Bain, have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, for the purpose of conducting a mutual insurance business, and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this State in such case made and provided, as appears from the following certified Articles of Association:

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S
ASSOCIATION

This is to certify, that the undersigned, a majority who are citizens and residents of the State of North Carolina, do hereby associate ourselves into a corporation, under and by virtue of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, Chapter 106, of the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina, known as the North Carolina Insurance Law, and the several acts and supplements amendatory thereof.

1. The name of the corporation is The Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.
2. The names and post office addresses of the incorporators are as follows:

Name	Post Office
James D. McNeill	Fayetteville, N. C.
James H. Wood	Asheville, N. C.
R. E. Currier	Black Mountain, N. C.
A. L. Duckett	Asheville, N. C.
Charles Schnibben	Wilmington, N. C.
H. H. Horton	Raleigh, N. C.
Charles D. Farmer	Raleigh, N. C.
Sherwood Brockwell	Raleigh, N. C.
John L. Miller	Concord, N. C.
Col. A. H. Boyden	Salisbury, N. C.
John L. Foister	Chapel Hill, N. C.
E. E. Bain	Greensboro, N. C.

3. The location of the principal or head office shall be in the city of Concord, County of Cabarrus, State of North Carolina, but the same may be moved by said corporation or its board of directors to any other city or town in said State.

4. The objects for which this corporation is formed is to establish and carry on a fraternal benefit fund for the purpose of making provision for the payment of a benefit in case of death of its members as result of disease, accident, or old age, and is organized for the sole benefit of its members and their beneficiaries and designated in the insurance law as Fraternal Orders.

5. Said corporation may make by laws for its government, prescribe the necessary officers, their duties and compensation, require bond from such of its officers as occupy positions of trust, prescribe and levy dues and assessments to be collected from its members, and do and perform such things as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the business of said corporation.

6. The said corporation shall have such powers, rights and privileges as are usually granted by law to such fraternal benefit corporations or associations and be subject to all laws of the State applicable to such corporations or associations and be supervised by the Insurance Commissioner and licensed by said officer before it shall issue certificates or transact said business. The Commissioner is authorized to license said corporation when it shall be made to appear to his satisfaction that said corporation has been organized under this charter, as provided by law, and has at least three hundred bona fide applications for membership.

Its membership shall be limited to the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, who are in good standing, including dues paid to that body, and expulsion, suspension or dismissal from the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall forfeit all rights or benefits in this fund.

7. No member shall be individually liable for the debts of the corporation, except for such amounts as may be levied in dues and assessments, as shall be provided in the by-laws of said association or by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned, hereunto set our hands and affix our seals, this the 9th day of December, 1921.

James D. McNeill,	(SEAL)	Chas. Schnibben,	(SEAL)
J. H. Wood,	(SEAL)	Chas. D. Farmer,	(SEAL)
R. E. Currier,	(SEAL)	Sherwood Brockwell,	(SEAL)
A. L. Duckett,	(SEAL)	Jno. L. Miller,	(SEAL)

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

Be it remembered that on this the 9th day of December, 1921, before me, a Notary Public, in and for said County, personally appeared James H. Wood, James D. McNeill, R. E. Currier, A. L. Duckett, Chas. Schnibben, Chas. D. Farmer, S. Brockwell and Jno. L. Miller, personally known to me and whose names as signed to the foregoing articles of incorporation and they and each of them acknowledged that they signed the same for the purpose therein set forth as their own voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and official seal at Raleigh, N. C., this the day and date above written.

W. H. PITTMAN, Notary Public.

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

My commission expires July 29, 1922.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT
RALEIGH

I, Stacey W. Wade, Insurance Commissioner, in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby certify that I have this day examined the foregoing Articles of Association of The Firemen's Fraternal Fund of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and find that they comply with the requirements of the law, and I hereby approve said Articles of Incorporation and certify them to the Honorable Secretary of State, as required by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at the City of Raleigh, this the 9th day of December, A. D., 1921.

STACEY W. WADE, Insurance Commissioner,

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

Filed December 9, 1921,

J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of State.

Now, therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, do hereby certify that James D. McNeill, James H. Wood, R. E. Currier, A. L. Duckett, Charles Schnibben, H. H. Horton, Charles D. Farmer, Sherwood Brockwell, John L. Miller, Col. A. H. Boyden, John L. Foister, E. E. Bain, their associates and successors, are legally organized and established as, and are hereby made, an existing corporation under the name of the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, with such articles of association, and have all the powers, rights and privileges and subject to the duties, liabilities and restrictions which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the seal of the State of North Carolina hereunto affixed, this the 9th day of December in the year 1921.

J. BRYAN GRIMES, Secretary of State.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Name and Object

Article 1. The name of this Association, which is organized by voluntary agreement of its members and under resolutions duly adopted by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, shall be known as "Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund of the State of North Carolina."

Article 2. The objects of said Association shall be to cement more firmly the bonds of fraternity and friendship now existing between the members of THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Article 3. The Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund shall be created and maintained by assessment made upon its members, which shall become due and payable as provided in the By-Laws of the Association.

Government

Article 1. The Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund shall be under the general control and supervision and management of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Article 2. The Executive Committee shall make a report at each and every Annual Meeting of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association at its first business session.

By-Laws and Regulations

The officers of the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund shall be the Executive officers of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Membership

1. Any active member in good standing with the State Association, and any Honorary member who has served five years as a fireman, and in good standing with the State Association, shall be eligible for membership in THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND.

2. Any member whose name shall have been dropped from the Roll of Members for non-payment of assessments may be re-in-

stated in his membership upon application, and upon a showing that he is in good health at the time, and upon paying to the Secretary the sum of \$2.20, together with all past due assessments: Provided, however, that said application for reinstatement shall be made within twelve months after the time his name shall have been dropped from the roll, and, Provided, further, that no member so in default shall be allowed more than one application for reinstatement.

Sub.-Sec. 2. The application of any person presented to the Secretary of the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund for membership as an honorary member shall be accompanied by a sworn statement, sworn to and subscribed before a Notary Public by the three ranking officials of the Department or organization to which applicant has belonged to, or affiliated with, stating that such applicant has been an active member of an organized Fire Department in the State of North Carolina and is in good standing in the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and has been for the period of FIVE years immediately preceeding the presentation of his application.

Sub.-Sec. 3. No application presented for membership either active or honorary shall be accepted by the Secretary of the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund if the age of the applicant is in excess of 50 years.

Beneficiaries and Certificates

3. A Certificate of Membership shall be issued to each member of THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, signed by the President and Secretary, which certificate, among other things, shall set forth the name, age, place of residence of the member, and also the name, age, place of residence and relationship of the Beneficiary named and designated by the member at the time of his application.

4. The Beneficiary shall be named and designated by the member at the time of his application for membership, and shall be a near relative of the applicant. Provided; that in exceptional cases; and with the consent of the Executive Committee, the applicant may designate his estate as beneficiary.

5. The designated Beneficiary may be changed at the pleasure of the member upon surrender of his Certificate of Membership upon the payment of a fee of \$1.00, and thereupon a new Certificate of Membership, with the name of the new beneficiary therein stated, shall be issued to him. Upon surrender of any Certificate, the President and Secretary shall cancel the same.

6. In case the certificate of Membership shall be lost or destroyed, and a member desires to procure a new Certificate of

Membership or desires to change the beneficiary designated therein, he shall have the resigned beneficiary, if living, join in the application for a new certificate, or for change of the Beneficiary; Provided, that in case the designated beneficiary be dead, proof of such fact must accompany the application for a new certificate, or for change of the beneficiary.

7. In case the designated beneficiary shall pre-decease the member, and the member shall die without having designated a new beneficiary, then, and in that event, the amount payable under the Certificate of Membership shall be payable to the heirs at law or legatees of such deceased member, according to the laws of the State of which the deceased member was a citizen at the time of his death.

Payment of Beneficiary Fund

Upon receiving satisfactory notice of the death of a member of THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, the President and Treasurer shall immediately forward to the beneficiary designated in the Certificate of Membership, if living, or to the heirs at law or legatees of such deceased member, if known, and the designated beneficiary be dead, a check for a sum of not less than Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars if so much be in the Treasury at the time, and as soon hereafter as practicable, not exceeding sixty days, the balance collected upon the assessment made on account of the death of such deceased member: Provided, that no amount greater than One Thousand Dollars of the sum collected upon the assessment made for the death of any deceased member shall be paid to the designated beneficiary, if living, or to the heirs at law or legatees of the deceased member, if the resigned beneficiary be dead at the time of the levy and collection of such assessment, Provided, further that One Dollar from every assessment in excess of One Thousand Dollars collected from members shall go to establish a surplus fund.

Assessment and Beneficiary Fund

1. Each member of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association becoming a member of the Firemen's Fraternal Insurance Fund of the State of North Carolina shall pay in advance to the Secretary, the sum of \$2.20 which shall constitute the first two assessments.

2. Upon the death of any member of the Association, there shall be levied upon each member an assessment of \$1.10, and there shall be levied as many assessments as there shall be deaths of members, to the end that the primary fund arising from the first two assessments shall be maintained intact as nearly as possible.

3. All assessments shall be levied by the Secretary, notice of which shall be promptly given to each member, and shall be payable to said President and Secretary within thirty days after the same shall have been made.

4. Any member who shall fail to pay the assessment levied, and being in default in payment thereof for thirty days after notice of such assessment, shall cease to be a member of THE FIREMEN'S FRATERNAL INSURANCE FUND OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, and shall forfeit all interest therein, unless reinstated as herein provided.

5. The sum arising from assessments shall be apportioned and applied as follows: Ten (10c) cents to each assessment shall be applied to the account of salary and expenses of one (\$1.00) Dollar thereof, not to exceed One Thousand Dollars, as heretofore provided, to the beneficiary of the member for whose death the assessment may be levied.

6. Upon payment of the full amount collected upon an assessment on account of the death of any member of the Fund, the President and Secretary shall cancel the certificate of membership of such deceased member.

Amendments

These By-Laws and Regulations may be repealed, amended or added to by vote of two-thirds of the Executive Committee at any regular meeting, or at a meeting called for that purpose, same to be subject to approval of the NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION at its next regular meeting.

Application blanks and Forms of Certificate of Membership were offered for inspection and the question of the exact forms left open for future action.

Upon motion of Capt. McNeil the election of a board of directors resulted as follows: James H. Wood, John L. Foister, Charles Schnibben, R. E. Currier and John L. Miller, the same persons as now constitute the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. The work of the incorporators having been completed, the meeting was adjourned.

JOHN L. MILLER,
Temporary Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FIREMEN'S
RELIEF FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 31, 1942.

Department	Treasurer	Receipts	Disburse- ments	Balance
Aberdeen	J. D. Mc Lean	---	\$ 5.00	\$ 633.39
Albemarle	P. H. Carlton	865.67	32.00	6,778.08
Ahoskie	H. M. Copeland	18.55	5.00	942.15
*Andrews				
Asheboro	L. B. Lambert	33.71	8.58	3,103.99
Asheville	J. G. Cowan	462.50	2,327.57	13,087.49
Ayden	J. E. Jones	84.88	.92	998.07
Beaufort	W. H. Taylor	70.73	70.73	.00
Belmont	R. S. Garrison		5.00	237.93
*Belhaven				
Benson	W. R. Strickland	22.50	5.00	1,139.83
Bessemer City	Harry L. Davis	46.70		399.24
*Bethel				
*Black Mountain				
*Boone				
*Brevard				
*Bryson City				
Burlington	W. R. Sellars	1,175.00	1,291.76	5,921.84
*Burnsville				
Canton	H. D. Secest	192.90	14.56	1,871.14
*Carrboro				
Carthage	H. W. Jackson			660.60
*Cary				
Chapel Hill	W. O. Sparrow		40.00	849.98
Charlotte	S. Y. Mc Aden	5,030.03	2,760.81	62,502.81
*Cherryville				
China Grove	W. R. Yost	5.01		254.11
Clayton	Jno. T. Talton	29.90	7.50	1,543.02
Clinton	L. R. Register	43.51	2.36	1,589.31
Concord	L. T. Hartsell	596.91	159.00	12,057.57
*Columbia				
Davidson	F. D. Hobart	37.56		292.92
Dunn	J. C. Andrews	30.89	18.66	3,555.22
Durham	B. C. Cannada	968.94	63.00	34,023.53
*East Spencer				
Edenton	Chas. H. Wood	204.97	171.25	3,483.88
Elizabeth City	D. G. Brockett	567.72	360.38	7,413.91
Elkin	Dixie Graham	6,769.85	5,062.88	5,227.14
Enfield	R. E. Shevette	91.06	5.00	1,993.25

Fairmont	W. O. Jones			493.25
Farmville	T. E. Joyner	93.49	19.00	2,506.03
*Fayetteville				
Forest City	J. W. Morgan	126.63		1,597.03
Franklin	J. C. Crisp	58.59	140.00	213.77
Franklinton	W. H. Cyrus	35.14	5.00	338.62
*Fremont				
Gastonia	B. B. Gardner	778.58	36.92	15,696.25
Gibsonville	W. G. Boon	54.97	10.00	611.44
Goldsboro	Edgar H. Bain	1,569.89	1,633.58	20,863.20
Graham	W. E. Thompson	118.04	5.00	1,100.00
*Greensboro				
*Greenville				
*Hamlet				
Henderson	M. W. Wester	542.15	25.00	13,086.49
Hendersonville	G. C. Peebles	3,343.30	3,000.00	3,657.79
Hertford	W. B. Tucker	158.06		1,897.60
Hickory	J. L. Cilley	454.05	7.50	5,829.73
High Point	W. C. Idol	2,362.66	76.95	33,837.23
Jacksonville	Chas. E. Warn	45.70	9.85	419.60
Kannapolis	Ed A. Johnson	145.66	962.00	1,357.62
*Kernersville				
Kinston	W. D. LaRogue	935.46	358.85	11,796.39
La Grange	E. W. Kinsey	43.49		442.40
Laurinburg	Thos. J. Gill, Jr.	223.65	5.63	3,092.17
Leaksville	Waymon Smith	211.24	9.38	2,479.16
Lenoir	C. W. Hailey	569.80	27.82	7,215.80
Lexington	T. N. Owen	459.80	54.50	4,357.84
Lillington	Grady Johnson	31.70	5.00	582.85
Lincolnton	Jas. A. Shuford	374.10	5.00	5,010.67
Littleton	P. A. Harris	45.34	7.50	706.81
Louisburg	A. W. Person	92.72	102.45	3,174.87
Lumberton	Ed. J. Glover	456.19	41.00	7,560.01
Madison	R. M. Goolsby	53.31		801.44
Maiden	T. D. Finger	23.63	5.00	472.06
Marion	G. W. Giles	138.71	9.38	2,418.34
*Marshall				
*Maxton				
Mebane	Geo. E. Holt, Jr.	9.75	5.00	655.39
Mocksville	R. M. Holthouser	43.35	222.29	371.01
Monroe	J. H. Price	211.60	209.50	60.19
Mooresville	H. P. Deaton	1,190.03	5.00	1,948.75

*Morehead City					
Morganton	J. R. Clodfelter.....	288.04	11.25	5,182.54	
*Murphy					
Mount Airy	Robt. M. Smith.....	642.19	32.00	13,412.21	
*Mount Holly					
Mount Olive	T. R. Thigpen	103.96	15.00	2,850.06	
Nashville	J. R. Nelms	37.09		383.05	
New Bern	R. C. Whitley	492.93	18.75	4,881.29	
Newton	F. L. Clapp	267.65	15.53	3,542.00	
No. Wilkesboro	W. W. Starr	317.19	20.00	5,206.67	
Old Fort	H. M. Hensley	18.18	10.00	65.11	
*Oriental					
Oxford	V. W. Taylor	270.21	307.27	4,020.64	
Pinebluff	Levi Packard			70.38	
Pinehurst	Harold Kelly	129.31	123.29	928.77	
*Plymouth					
*Raeford					
Raleigh	Wm. P. Little	1,923.40	776.34	20,889.49	
*Red Springs					
Reidsville	E. F. Hall, Jr.	826.01	37.50	10,999.17	
Roanoke Rapids	H. E. Lee	304.90	13.42	3,898.37	
Robersonville	I. M. Little	75.70		884.28	
Rockingham	W. H. Entwistle ...	192.96	10.00	3,514.80	
*Rocky Mount					
*Rowland					
Roxboro	W. W. Woods	145.06	10.00	1,757.70	
Rutherfordton	C. M. Lynch	73.40	5.15	725.10	
Salisbury	Chas. L. Burkett ...	752.03	518.87	7,002.68	
Sanford	J. R. Ingram	240.07	10.00	3,008.73	
Scotland Neck	J. I. Walston	94.80	55.00	766.20	
Selma	J. Q. A. Jeffreys ...	250.90	5.00	891.02	
Shelby	J. L. McDowell	1,081.25	28.25	7,370.74	
Siler City	Wm. E. Sharpe	68.65	300.00	603.69	
Smithfield	C. H. Pierce	166.16	11.17	1,722.69	
*Snow Hill					
Spindale	C. L. Beaty	49.14		255.19	
Spring Hope	C. M. Gaskins	47.24	5.00	1,358.33	
*Spruce Pines					
Southern Pines	R. W. Tate	309.37	3.60	3,606.65	
*Southport					
Spencer	W. H. Shannon	58.18	10.00	1,092.32	
Statesville	C. P. Davidson	842.25	113.10	1,448.29	
Sylva	F. H. Picklesimer...	44.38		489.00	

*St. Pauls				
*Tabor City				
*Tarboro				
*Talorsville				
Thomasville	R. L. Pope	298.13	75.00	5,384.30
*Troutman				
Troy	M. A. Nicholson ...	59.74	5.00	382.37
*Tryon				
*Valdese				
*Wadesboro				
Wake Forest	Geo. W. Saintsing...	75.40	.11	757.80
Wallace	W. N. Rose	46.81		196.81
Warrenton	J. E. Rooker, Jr.....	108.88	53.00	56.86
*Warsaw				
*Washington				
Waynesville	J. H. Way, Jr.	1,200.83	1,112.75	2,051.04
Weaverville	Glen West, Sr.	12.92		115.91
Weldon	Myrtle W. Smith ...	108.24	5.00	1,338.40
Wendell	W. E. Todd	41.56	5.00	472.13
*Whiteville				
Williamston	W. C. Griffin	223.48		1,935.72
*Wilmington				
*Wilson				
Winston Salem	E. M. Dixon	4,652.02	1,795.26	81,740.28
Zebulon	Chas. E. Flowers ...	43.32	5.00	361.94
*Failed to file report.				

REEL CONTESTS (100) YARDS

— 1942 —

No Competing Teams.

GRAB CONTESTSNo Competing Teams.

MOTOR CONTESTS**Water and Chemicals**No Competing Teams.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST

Team	Time in Seconds
1907—Asheville, No. 2	29 4/5
1908—Eclipse, Goldsboro	34 1/4
1909—Asheville No. 1	26 1/3
1910—Kinston	29
1911—New Bern, No 1	26 1/2
1912—New Bern, No. 1	33 2/5
1913—New Bern, No. 1 (Riverside)	30 3/5
1914—Burlington	30 3/5
1915—Morehead City, No. 1	29 2/5
1916—Kinston, No. 2, Morehead City No. 1	27 2/5

HAND REEL CONTEST

Team	Time in Seconds
1907—Salem	26 3/5
1908—Southside, (Chestnut Hill)	25
1911—Southside (Chestnut Hill)	22 3/5
1911—Southside (Chesnut Hill)	22 3/5
1912—Chapel Hill	25
1913—Chapel Hill	24
1914—Chapel Hill	24 1/5
1915—Chapel Hill	24 1/5
1916—Spencer (Shop Team)	22 2/5
1920—Spencer (Shop Team)	22 2/5
1920—Spencer	18
1921—Spencer	18
1922—Winston-Salem	22
1923—Winston-Salem	18 3/5
1924—East Spencer	18

1925—Winston-Salem	18
1926—Spencer (Shop)	17 3/5
1927—East Spencer	18
1928—Spencer (Shop)	17
1929—Kannapolis, East Spencer	16 2/5
1930—Kannapolis	16 4/5
1931—Kannapolis	16 1/5
1932—Kannapolis	16 4/5
1933—Kannapolis	15 4/5
1934—Kannapolis	17
1935—Kannapolis	20 3/5
1936—No Contest	0
1937—Kannapolis	16 2/5

GRAB RACES

Team	Time in Seconds
1907—Southside (Chestnut Hill)	19
1907—Salem	17 3/5
1909—Spencer	17 4/5
1910—Spencer	17
1911—Spencer	16 4/5
1912—Southside (Chestnut Hill)	18
1913—Spencer (Shop Team)	17
1914—Chapel Hill	18 2/5
1915—Spencer (Shop Team)	17 3/5
1916—Spencer (Shop Team)	16 2/5
1921—Chapel Hill	18 4/5
1922—Winston-Salem	20 1/5
1923—East Spencer	16 3/5
1924—Winston-Salem	19
1925—Spencer (Shop Team)	16 2/5
1926—East Spencer	17
1927—Spencer (Shop)	16 4/5
1928—East Spencer	16 1/5
1929—East Spencer	17 2/5
1930—East Spencer No. 1	16
1931—Kannapolis	15 4/5
1932—Kannapolis	16
1933—Kannapolis	15 3/5
1934—Kannapolis	17
1935—Kannapolis	17
1936—No Contest	0
1937—Kannapolis	16 2/5

MOTOR CONTEST

Water		Chemicals	
	Seconds		Seconds
1920—Statesville	12	Mooreville	17 1/5
1921—Statesville	10 2/5	Statesville	8 4/5
1922—High Point	9 2/5	Asheville	9 2/5
1923—Statesville No. 2	9 2/5	High Point	9
1924—Thomasville	10 2/6	Sanford	8 1/5
1925—Statesville	8 4/5	Albemarle	8
1926—Fayetteville	9 4/5	Fayetteville	8 1/5
1927—Fayetteville	9 3/5	Lincolnton	8 3/5
1928—Thomasville	10	Lincolnton	8
1929—Sanford	9 2/5	Lincolnton	8
1930—Canton	9 4/5	Lincolnton	7 4/5
1931—Sanford	10	Lincolnton	7 2/5
1932—Lincolnton	9 1/5	Lincolnton	8 2/5
1933—Lincolnton	10 1/5	Sanford	8 2/5
1934—Morganton	8 4/5	Sanford	7
1935—Lincolnton	9 2/5	Sanford	7 2/5
1936—Badin	10 1/5	Gibsonville	7 4/5
1937—Albemarle No. 1	9	Lincolnton—(Tie)	8
1938—Albemarle	10	Sanford	8
1939—Albemarle	9 2/5	Lincolnton	9
1940—Albemarle	9	Gibsonville	7 4/5

Important

IMPORTANT: You are required to observe the following **BY-LAWS** of the State Association and Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina.

PER-CAPITA TAX TO BE PAID: You are required to pay your per-capita tax on or before January 1st. each year. **BY-LAWS, Article II. Section 1.**

REPORT TO BE FILED: You are required to report to the Insurance Commissioner each year on or before October 31st. on blank furnished by the Insurance Commissioner, the condition of your fire fighting equipment, etc., Consolidated Statutes, Section 6071.

TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO ANNUAL MEETING: You are required to send a representative to the annual meeting of the State Association. Consolidated Statutes, Section 6072.

TO FILE REPORT OF THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND: The Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of your local Relief Fund is required to make report of the condition of the fund for each year ending June 30th., to the Secretary of the State Association on blank furnished from his office. Consolidated Statutes, Section 6070.

WHEN THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE MET: When these requirements are met you will be in good standing with the State Association, and will have complied with all Statutes relative to the Firemen's Relief Fund, disbursed by the Insurance Commissioner's Office.

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