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### STATE OFFICERS 1967 - 1968

JUNIOR PAST STATE PRESIDENT ..... LOUIS DION  
Montreal 2130

STATE PRESIDENT ..... FRED RITCHIE  
Fort Hamilton 2621

STATE VICE PRESIDENT ..... JOSEPH PERRY  
Watertown 782

STATE CHAPLAIN ..... ROBERT SCHICK  
Rochester 52

STATE SECRETARY ..... ALFRED W. LANE  
Yonkers 0473

STATE TREASURER ..... KENNETH DECKER  
Ithaca 1253

STATE CONDUCTOR ..... RAYMOND WOMBLE  
Ithaca 1253

STATE INSIDE GUARD ..... VICTOR RYAN  
Depew-Lancaster 2692

STATE OUTSIDE GUARD ..... LAVERNE WEBER

### STATE TRUSTEES

Chr. LOUIS DION ..... Montreal 2130

EDGAR IRELAND ..... Gloversville 482

RAYMOND LANCE ..... Glens Falls 2486

FRANK STOKES ..... Maple Leaf 2311

WILLIAM CARRICK ..... Middletown 544

## 1967 STATE CONVENTION

As a prelude to the official opening of the State Convention a class initiation was held on Wednesday evening June 21, 1967, in the home of Glens Falls Aerie. As is the custom the New York State Aerie Degree Team, headed by State President Louis Dion, initiated into the Order a nice class of candidates. In attendance were the majority of the New York State Officers, along with a number of Past State Presidents, plus delegates from various aeries throughout the New York State Jurisdiction. Following the initiatory ceremony all of the State Officers and Past State Presidents were introduced and a short speaking program was held. The Annual Get Acquainted party was held in the aerie home and was enjoyed by all. All sessions for the convention, along with the State Convention Banquet and Joint Installation of Officers were scheduled for the Queensbury Hotel. The Registration of Delegates was started at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday June 22nd, in the Queensbury Hotel.

### FIRST SESSION

The Sixty First Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 2:15 P.M. Thursday June 22nd, 1967 in the main ball room of the Queensbury Hotel by Convention Chairman and Past Worthy President of Glens Falls Aerie, Raymond Lance. This particular part of the program was opened to the general public. A large percentage of the delegates from the aeries and auxiliaries along with the convention visitors were in attendance. The invocation was given by the Rev. Father A. Boucher. Hilda Pratt sang the National Anthem and O Canada, joined by all present. Short talks of welcome were given by Roswell Earl, Mayor of Hoosick Falls, Joseph Fiore, County Supervisor, and Louis Varney, Glens Falls Councilman. Grand Aerie officials present included Michael T. Gaffney, General Auditor of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Past Grand Madam President Adaline Navarra, Grand Outside Guard Robert Hood and Grand Madam Trustee Yvonne Magnan. Each of the Grand Aerie Representatives spoke briefly expressing their best wishes for a successful convention. New York's Madam State President Bessie Jones and State President Louis Dion were introduced and each extended a welcome to those present. A recess was then called to permit the State Aerie to make arrangements for the holding of the first business session.

The delegates moved to the Convention Hall where the business session was opened in regular form by State President Louis Dion, at 3:00 P.M. Following the opening ceremonies the roll call of officers was taken by State Secretary Lane. All of the Officers were in attendance with the exception of State Trustee H. Ernest Freed, of Auburn, N.Y.

The admission of new members to the State Aerie and the oblation was given by Past State President Kenneth Decker of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253.

The following committee appointments were announced by State President Dion:

**STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEES**

1967

**BY-LAW**

Gazo Samok, Chr. 2692  
John Saxer, 46  
Robert Hood, 941

**LEGISLATIVE**

Wayne Harris, Chr. 52  
Adrien Brosseau, 2130  
Clayton Tucker, 825

**YOUTH GUIDANCE**

Frank Lewis, Chr. 544  
Robert LaRue, 616  
Alanson Fields, 782

**CANCER RESEARCH**

Roswald Veille, Chr. 941  
Vincent Scharf, 46  
Donald Rettinger, 2311

**MAX BAER HEART FUND**

Raymond Womble, Chr. 1253  
Gazo Samok, 2692  
Wayne Monroe, 941  
Harry Welsh, 1042

**SOCIAL SECURITY**

Edgar Ireland, Chr. 482  
Chester Halliday, 46  
Donald Gregory, 97

**STATE ATHLETIC**

Victor Ryan, Chr. 2692  
Laverne Weber, 825  
James Stewart, 1411

**SPEAKERS**

Alfred W. Lane, Chr. 0473  
Kenneth Decker, 1253  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260

**CIVIL DEFENSE**

Frank Crowley, Chr. 941  
Ernest Bates, 2299  
Edward Carpenter, 941

**NET GAIN**

Edgar Ireland, Chr. 482  
Edwin Carpenter, 941  
Dollard Perusse, 2130

**BOY SCOUTS**

Robert Schick, Chr. 52  
Ubaldo Croteau, 2130  
Arthur Borchmann, 544  
George Dingman, 514

**JIMMY DURANTE FUND**

J. Thomas Hood, Chr. 941  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260  
Harold L. Royer, Sr., 2586

**IN MEMORIAM**

Joseph Perry, Chr. 782  
Michael Hnatiuk, 2130  
Walter Lull, 46

**STATE BOWLING**

John Hamula, Chr. 941  
Harry Turner, 1260  
Raymond Womble, 1253

**PAST STATE PRESIDENTS**

Frank Lewis, Chr. 544  
Robert Magnan, 2130  
William Alf, 46

**CREDENTIAL**

Anton L. Shrout, Chr. 1166  
Ronald Stickney, 825  
Angelo Natoli, 2191  
Thomas Moser, 1545  
James Attaya, 2486

**NOMINATING**

Robert Hood, Chr. 941  
Herbert Old, 3128  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260  
Thomas Philpott, 2311  
Larry Roy, 2130

**JUDICIARY**

John Saxer, Chr. 46  
William Callahan, 52  
H. Reinders, 2311

**AUDITING**

Harry Woodruff, Chr. 52  
Pierre Proteau, 2130  
Frank Stokes, 2311

**PUBLICITY**

Raymond Lance, Chr. 2486  
Richard Carr, 482  
Louis Seeroshich, 2640

**RESOLUTIONS**

Wayne Harris, Chr. 52  
Floyd Jones, 782  
Charles Eifert, 825  
William Carrick, 544

**RITUALISTIC**

Thomas Philpott, Chr. 2311  
Charles Eber, 3155  
Merton Davis, 2644  
Henry Becker, 3128

**ELECTION**

Herbert Old, Chr. 3128  
Clyde Ott, 1260  
Harry Kincaid, 616  
John Weber, 782

**FINANCE & BUDGET**

Paul Ayers, Chr. 825  
Pierre Proteau, 2130  
Frank Stokes, 2311

**INSTALLATION**

Robert Hood, Chr. 941  
Wildore Marchand, 2130  
Albert Tallman, 2119

**BANQUET**

Leroy Miller, Chr. 1253  
Edward Yaw, 2348  
Purley Taylor, 2119

**STATE FUND RAISING**

Fred Ritchie, Chr. 2621  
Elsworth Davis, 1253  
Carl Richardson, 616

**CIVIC AFFAIRS**

Laverne Weber, Chr. 825  
Owen McNally, 2621  
Robert Manry, 2399

**STATE OF THE ORDER**

Kenneth Decker, Chr. 1253  
Herbert Glen, 2644  
Bruno LePine, 2130

**GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS**

Joseph Perry, Chr. 782  
Harry Ossit, 2191  
Bernard Wirth, 3244  
Gerard Greaves, 2130

**NEW AERIES**

Joseph Perry, Co-Chr. 782  
Herbert Old, Co-Chr. 3128  
Theodore Hurwitz, 1260

**PROGRAM & ACTIVITIES**

Robert Watts, Chr. 825  
Frank Lewis, 544  
Victor Ryan, 2692

**BLOOD DONORS**

Robert Schick, Chr. 52  
Harold Mapes, Sr. 2692  
J. Murray Burt, 2311

**BINGO SCHOLARSHIP**

Harry Woodruff, Chr. 52  
Robert Schick, 52  
Fred Ritchie, 2621  
Ronald Stickney, 825  
Frank Cernik, 514

**BIRD MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Robert Magnan, Chr. 2130  
Nino Ghezzi, 053  
James Wopperer, 2692

**SAFETY**

Larry Roy, Chr. 2130  
Philip Greaves, 2311  
James Stewart, 1411

**JOBS AFTER FORTY**

Robert Schick, Chr. 52  
Dollard Perusse, 2130  
William Hopf, 3185  
Frank Peters, 46

State President Dion stated that in view of the fact that a number of committeemen were not in attendance it would be necessary to make changes as the convention progressed.

**REPORT OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

Read by John Saxer, Chr., Buffalo Aerie No. 46

**RULES OF THE CONVENTION:**

1. Credentials for admission: properly accredited delegates and Past Worthy Presidents along with Ten Year Secretaries shall obtain their credentials from the proper committee upon presentation of their official receipts showing that they are in good standing in their aerie.
2. No person shall be admitted to the main floor unless he is a delegate, Past Worthy President, or a Ten Year Secretary. He must display his credentials and deposit the daily attendance slip with the proper aerie officer.
3. A delegate desiring to be heard on any matter which is properly before the State Aerie shall rise, give the salutation sign, address the President, and state his name and the number of his aerie. When recognized by the President, he may proceed.
4. A question indefinitely postponed shall not again be considered except by the action of two thirds of the delegates voting again to take up the question.
5. Voting shall be by the voting sign of the Order, except upon roll call, then it shall be aye and nay vote. Any thirty persons may demand a roll call on any question but such demand shall be made before the voting on the question.
6. Nominating speeches shall be limited to three minutes each and seconding speeches to two minutes each.
7. The election shall convene in the credential room of the convention in the Queensbury Hotel, on Saturday June 24th, 1967 from 9 A.M. to 11 A.M. Only official ballots to be received. The count shall begin promptly at the close of the polls and continue to the completion thereof.
8. Delegates must present their credentials and ballots, depositing the latter in the ballot box, first ascertaining that the number of votes indicated on the credential is identical with that indicated on the ballot and that no erasures appear thereon.
9. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing (typewritten in triplicate if possible) and delivered to the State Secretary for distribution to the proper committees. The committee on resolutions will, at the proper time, report all resolutions to the convention, with recommendations thereon.
10. Any point of issue not covered by the rules of the convention, or the rules of the Order, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS — THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1967**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: THIS SCHEDULE MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO. PLEASE HAVE REPORT READY.**

1. Opening Exercises of the Convention.
2. Roll Call of the State Officers.
3. Admission of New Members and Oath of Allegiance.
4. State Committee Appointments.
5. Report of the Judiciary Committee.
6. Approval of the Proceedings of the Previous Convention.
7. Reading of Communications.
8. First Report of the Credential Committee.

9. Report of the State President.
10. Special Order of Business.
11. Report of the State Secretary.
12. First Report of the By-Law Committee.
13. Report of the State Treasurer.
14. Report of the State Membership Director.
15. Report of the Bird Memorial Library Committee.
16. Good of the Order.
17. Recess.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS — FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 1967**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: THIS SCHEDULE MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO. PLEASE HAVE REPORT READY.**

1. Opening Exercises.
2. Report of Scholarship Committee.
3. Report of the Civil Defense Committee.
4. Report of the State Legislative Committee.
5. Report of the State Legal Advisor.
6. Report of Safety Committee.
7. First Report of the Resolutions Committee.
8. Report of the Max Baer Heart Fund Committee.
9. Report of the State Program and Activities Committee.
10. Report of the in Memoriam Committee.
11. Report of the State Athletic Committee.
12. Special Order of Business.
13. Second Report of the Credential Committee.
14. Report of Jimmy Durante Fund Committee.
15. Report of the New Aerie Committee.
16. Report of the Civic Affairs Committee.
17. Report of the Social Security Committee.
18. Report of Blood Donor Committee.
19. Nomination of Officers.
20. Report of Publicity Committee.
21. Recess.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS — SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 1967**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: THIS SCHEDULE MUST BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO. PLEASE HAVE REPORT READY.**

1. Opening Exercises.
2. Report of the Youth Guidance Committee.
3. Report of the Cancer Research Committee.
4. Final Report of the By-Law Committee.
5. Report of State Fund Raising Committee.
6. Special Order of Business.
7. Report of the Auditing Committee.
8. Report of the Finance Committee.
9. Report of the Boy Scout Committee.
10. Second Report of the Resolutions Committee.
11. Report of the State Banquet Committee.
12. Report of the Net Gain Committee.
13. Report of the Installation Committee.
14. Special Order of Business.
15. Report of the Past State Presidents Committee.
16. Final Report of the Credential Committee.
17. Report of the State Bowling Committee.
18. Report of the Speakers Committee.

19. Report of the State of the Order Committee.
20. Special Order of Business.
21. Report of Jobs After 40 Committee.
22. Report of the Election Committee.
23. Report of the Grievance and Appeals Committee.
24. Report of the Ritualistic Committee.
25. Joint Installation of State Aerie and State Auxiliary Officers.
26. Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN SAXER, Chr. 46

A motion was made by John Saxer and seconded by Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie 544, that the report be adopted as read. On the question Frank Crowley, Elmira Aerie No. 941 asked that the wording of paragraph two be reread. This was done and then Brother Crowley asked what procedure is used with reference to visiting brothers, not delegates to the convention. State Secretary Lane stated that in years past visitors were admitted to the convention hall, if they were members in good standing and that a special section had been set aside for these brothers. He further stated that such a procedure was taken for granted and not included in the report of the Judiciary Committee in past conventions. The following was presented as an amendment, to be included with the wording of paragraph two: "A visiting member, in good standing, not a delegate, may attend the convention sessions, in a section set aside by the committee, as a spectator only." The amendment was presented by Brother Saxer and moved by him that the same be adopted as read. This was seconded by Brother Crowley and carried. The main motion was again presented and carried.

The reading of the proceedings of the 1966 State Convention held in Syracuse on June 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 26th was started by State Secretary Lane. A motion was presented by Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie No. 544, in view of the fact all delegates had received a printed copy of the 1966 minutes that reading of the entire proceedings be eliminated. This was seconded by Raymond Lance, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 and carried.

#### READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

State Secretary Lane presented the following communications for disposition by the State Aerie.:

Fram Maurice Spain Jr. advising that the following brothers would represent the Grand Aerie at the New York State Convention: Grand Aerie General Auditor and Comptroller Michael T. Gaffney, Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta along with Grand Outside Guard Robert Hood, Jr. Past New York State Aerie President.

From State Trustee H. Ernest Freed advising that he would not be present at the convention as he is a patient in the Auburn Hospital. He extended his best wishes for a great convention.

From Past State President Paul Ayers advising that he would be unable to attend the convention due to unexpected work call.

From Eagle Publication Editor Arthur Ehrmann advising that Montreal Aerie won an award in the Annual Local Aerie Bulletin Contest.

Greetings and best wishes for a successful convention were received from Membership Director Maurice Spain, Grand Secretary Robert Maxson, Eagle Publications Editor Arthur Ehrmann and Grand Treasurer Al. T. Williams.

From the Grand Secretary's Office an auditor's report stating that there were no charges or debts against the New York State Aerie.

Fram the Grand Worthy President's Office official Circular No. 55 which was in reference to the prize list for various ritualistic, drill team and quartette prizes to be presented at the Grand Aerie Convention in Kansas City during July.

From the Grand Worthy President's Office Official Circular No. 54 which was in reference to the prize list for the parade events to be held at the Grand Aerie Convention in Kansas City.

Reading of a statement of Maurice Spain Jr. Past Grand Worthy President delivered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania May 9th, 1967 in which he commented on the remarks attributed to Father McIlvane in which he allegedly assailed the Fraternal Order of Eagles as being "despicable odious and immoral."

Reading of a statement from the New York Times of June 15th, 1967 which was in reference to the death of former Olympic Champion and life member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Edward Eagan.

From Quentin A. Dressler, Chairman of the Bald Eagle Wildlife Conservation Commemorative Stamp Committee a letter and resolution in connection with the work that his committee is doing and asking for the support of the New York State Aerie.

A motion was made by State Secretary Lane that all of the communication be placed on file with the exception of the telegram received from Brother Freed and the resolution received from the Bald Eagle Wildlife Committee. He further moved that Brother Freed be excused from attending the convention and that the resolution be received from the Bald Eagle Wildlife Committee be turned over to the State Aerie Resolutions Committee. This was seconded by Herbert Old, Elmira Aerie No. 3128 and carried.

#### FIRST REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Read by Anton L. Shrout, Chr. Port Chester Aerie 1166	
Grand Aerie Representatives .....	2
State Officers .....	10
Past State Presidents .....	11
Delegates .....	74
Alternates .....	0
Past Worthy Presidents .....	61
Total number of Credentials issued .....	74

It was moved by Brother Shrout that this be received as a partial report. Gazo Samok, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 seconded the motion which was carried.

## STATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Read by State President Louis Dion, Montreal Aerie No. 2130

To the Delegates, here assembled for this sixty-first State Aerie Convention of the New York, Ontario and Quebec State Aerie, in Glens Falls, N.Y.  
My Brothers;

The curtain falls on another successful year of our Fraternal work for our Beloved Order in the State of New York, Ontario and Quebec. It is my duty, and what a pleasant one to come here and give you a report of the splendid work accomplished by you all, during this term! To tell you how proud I am, to give credit and thanks to all of you, who have served so well The Fraternal Order of Eagles during these last twelve months; you have served not only our Order but also the Society in general. You have helped to accomplish the aims and projects formulated by our Leaders of the Grand Aerie and also those that we, from this Empire State, had anticipated, which could be resumed with this motto: "People Helping People", the one that I had made my own this year.

Through your hard and incessant work, my Brothers we are proud to stand at this Convention, my fellow officers and myself, and say to you, that this is one of the best years, for our State of New York. We, together, have been going forward all the way. Although we are not in the Big Ten, this year, we stand at a good place, the twelfth nationally. I am proud to tell you all, that my Home Aerie, Montreal 2130, has helped immensely by being the ninth Aerie nationally. If we attained these successes, it is due to the unrelenting efforts displayed by our congenial Membership Director, Brother Theodore Hurwitz. Ted as we call him, has planned well, organized systematically and is proud to be able to report to you, the greatest year, membership wise, since many years. We have enrolled 2,704 new members during the term, what a success, he has all the reason to be proud of such achievement! His as well as my aim, was 3,000, we didn't reach that goal, but we nearly made it; should we have had a couple of new Aeries, we might have done it, but I leave that honor to my successor, with the continual efforts of our good producers, we will reach that goal this coming term. It is proper and only just that, at this time, I pay homage to all the District and Aerie Membership Directors, in thanking them for the magnificent job well done; continue the same good work for my successor this coming term and another record will be broken.

All Grand Aerie and State Aerie projects have been well helped in a grand manner; for all this fine work, I thank all the Committee chairmen and their members who have toiled so hard for such successes.

As you are all aware, each State President has a pet project, you all know the one I have chosen. With the help of all of you, I report proudly, that this year, YOU, my good Brothers, have given to some crippled children, the following: thirteen (13) wheel chairs, (Montreal Aerie alone, has given six (6) of them), two (2) hospital beds, one (1) set of braces for the legs, one (1) exercise matt and one (1) hearing aid. This is tremendous, you are really "People Helping People"! For these kids that you helped, I humbly come to you saying "THANKS."

As a State President, I had two jobs to do, I had to lead you and also be a public relation man; for this purpose, I have visited 35

Aeries, many of them quite several times, I would have liked to visit more, but the distance and weather conditions have prevented me to do better. During all of these visits, how proud was I to be your State President, seeing how you received your humble servant; your hospitality and friendship, so well and heartily extended to my wife and I, was out of this world. My wife and I want you to accept our most gracious thanks for your so cordial receptions all over the State. We hope that we made many friends during these visits, which, some of them carried us over 400 miles from home most every week end since September, we traveled over 15,000 miles, but, the warmth expressed and so well shown by all, made these trips most enjoyable.

A term could never be a success without devoted State Officers. To all of you, who served with me this year, I commend you for your devotion and hard work, accept my sincere thanks and those of your fellow Brothers of the State. To our so kind and patient, as well as capable State Secretary, Al Lane, I say, thanks for your good advice and counsel, they were of invaluable help to the successes of this term.

I would be ungrateful, if at this time, I would not mention in this report, the help given me by my Brothers of my Home Aerie, Montreal 2130, in Quebec, to them I address my most sincere thanks for their unrelenting support, morally and financially during my ascension through the chairs; without them, I could never have been able to serve you as your State President.

To my darling wife, Orietta, who was so indulgent, standing by me all these twenty-three years that I am an Eagle, and more than ever this last year, accompanying me during all these trips, I say thanks; her encouragement and moral support were my guiding beacon.

Resuming this wonderful year which was a most great experience, I can say that serving you was not a chore, but a real pleasure. I only hope that the Providence keeps me a few more years, so I could be of service to you all in my humble capacity. My term is over in a few hours, but the Eagles of New York State will always be there to help my successors. To Fred Ritchie, who will succeed me, I offer my humble services, I will continue to devote my energy in furthering our goals under his leadership.

Again, my brothers, I thank you for giving me the privilege to serve you, I sincerely think that I have done my best, enjoying every minute of it, I will call this year and remember same, as the nicest of my life. I hope that you will remember me in the years to come, as a good friend, personally I will continue to be of service to you and our Beloved Order, as long as the Providence keeps me able to.

You are the best group ever and I pray God to Bless you all!

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

LOUIS DION

State President, 1966-67

A motion was presented by Victor Ryan, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by John Saxer, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 and carried.

A special order of business was called at this time during which Michael T. Gaffney was introduced to the delegates by State President Dion. Brother Gaffney who is General Auditor of the Fraternal Order of Eagles spoke briefly extending his personal greetings to all present.

## STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Read by State Secretary Alfred Lane, Yonkers Aerie No. 0473

Once again we come to the close of another fiscal year and to the time when we review the results of the efforts expended in behalf of our great Fraternity during the past twelve months.

The year 1966-1967 will go down in our history books as an outstanding one because of the accomplishments gained in all fields of endeavor. Taking a quick overall look we find that success marked every venture that was initiated during the past year with very few exceptions.

Highlighting this remarkable period was the securing of 2704 new members which made possible the best New Membership record since 1950-1951. Congratulations are certainly in order for State Membership Director Ted Hurwitz and his energetic group of helpers that made this feat possible.

Our financial picture is a pleasant one too. Starting with a balance of \$2,361.92 back in June 1966 and despite the conducting of many active campaigns it was real gratifying to discover a balance of \$3,324.50 as of June 1967. I do want to point out once again — this was no accident. Our financial position has become that much stronger only because of the co-operation and dedication of the State Officers, State Leaders and interested members of our aeries who continue to give of their time, money and services to insure the success of some Eagle project without any monetary compensation what so ever.

Counting the units in our State Aerie Jurisdiction we still arrive at 57. This was our first disappointment. One little aerie would have made State President Louis Dion a State Aerie Bell Ringer. Although a number or surveys were started in various sections of the State Jurisdiction none were brought to a successful conclusion. Of course there is one little tiny ray of sunshine — we didn't lose any aeries but believe me there are some just hanging on by a thread.

The only real disappointment was again in the Net Gain category. It was a shocker to me and I feel that it will be to you too. Total figure at last year's convention was 15,519 — This year it is 13,930. That is a loss of 1,589 members. A well known saying for many years has been "They bring them in the front door and lose them out the back." The \$64 question is how do we close the back door? I can only repeat "Success in the Net Gain Field can only come from additional pressure being applied on the local aerie level. The brothers must be kept interested in their own little unit so that retaining membership in the aerie would be a pleasure instead of an obligation."

A large delegation of New York Eagles attended the Grand Aerie Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. The election of Robert Hood as Grand Outside Guard and Yvonne Magnan, of Montreal, Canada as Grand Madam Trustee made what was a very successful convention that much more enjoyable.

Headed by New York State President Louis Dion, a large delegation of State leaders of both the New York State Aerie and State Auxiliary journeyed to York, Pennsylvania on Saturday January 14th for the two day Eastern Regional Conference. As always, the business sessions were most instructive and the social activities enjoyable for all concerned.

Both the Fall Conference in Utica and the Spring Conference in Endicott were successful ventures socially and in the conducting of Eagle programs. Highlights included the election of Theodore Hurwitz, as New York State Membership for another year and the selection of Olean, New York as the site for the 1968 New York State Convention.

Our four top humanitarian projects, namely the Max Baer Heart Fund, the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund, the Cancer Research Committee and the State Fund Raising Committee have been meeting with success all the way down the line as you will learn as the convention progresses. This has been made possible because of the active part taken by the aeries and auxiliaries in these commendable programs.

The breakdown of the State Funds is as follows: Balance as of June 1st, 1966 \$2,361.92. Total Receipts \$13,245.74 for a first total of \$15,607.66. Total expenditure \$12,283.16. Balance as of June 1st, 1967 - \$3,324.50. An itemized financial report will be included in the State proceedings.

In closing the curtain on another year I do want to extend, once again, my sincere thanks for the continued assistance received from all sides. The duties of my office were made that much easier because of the great help received from State President Louis Dion, State Membership Director Ted Hurwitz, my old sidekick Ken Decker and so many of the State and local aerie leaders. I am only one of many that express the hope that the reports and discussions along with the decisions made here in Glens Falls will help greatly in continuing the fraternal successes we have enjoyed during the past few years. May much happiness mark your short stay in Glens Falls and may God look over you on the way home and bring you to your destination safely so that we can all be together again in the very near future.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. LANE

State Secretary

It was moved by George Dingham, Schenectady Aerie No. 514 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Reobert Schick, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried.

## STATE SECRETARY'S FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 1st, 1967

RECEIPTS	November	May	Total
State Per Capita Tax from the Aeries .....	\$2,927.60	\$2,893.30	\$ 5,820.90
Convention Committee Receipts .....	920.00		920.00
State Membership Fund .....	2,348.00	2,856.00	5,204.00
State Convention Advance .....		800.00	800.00
Donations .....		50.00	50.00
Bank Error (Canadian Debit) .....	20.64		20.64
State Fund Raising Committee .....	375.00	55.20	430.20
Totals .....	\$6,591.24	\$6,654.50	\$13,245.74



**EXPENDITURES**

State Secretary's Salary .....	\$ 383.20	\$ 382.80	\$ 766.00
State Treasurer's Salary .....	50.00	50.00	100.00
State President's Salary .....	2.00	2.00	4.00
Various Assignments .....	884.70	1,222.47	2,107.17
State President's Visits (Hood) .....	136.30	695.41	136.30
State President's Visits (Dion) .....	370.12	1,065.53	1,065.53
State Aerie Postage .....	103.45	184.05	237.50
Mimeographing State Bulletin .....	33.60	128.52	214.20
Social Security Tax .....	221.52	34.40	68.00
State Telephone and Telegrams .....	249.58	471.10	471.10
State Printing and Mimeographing .....	248.78	58.77	307.55
Grand Aerie Supplies .....	19.83	19.83	19.83
Bank Charge .....	.53	.53	.53
State Officers' Convention .....	937.44		937.44
Expenses .....			
State Convention Miscellaneous .....	1,163.48		1,163.48
Expenses .....			
Delegates to Grand Aerie .....			
Convention .....	400.00		400.00
State Secretary's Office Supplies .....	163.53	29.30	192.83
State Officers' Bond .....	26.25		26.25
State Treasurer's Office Expense .....	173.22	26.16	26.16
State Membership Printing .....	31.60	156.44	329.66
State Membership Postage .....		33.98	65.58
Ads in State and Grand Aerie .....			
Convention Journal .....	230.00		230.00
State Membership Meetings .....	281.86	270.46	552.32
State Membership Telephone .....	41.13	43.67	84.80
State Membership Prizes .....	135.00		135.00
State Headquarters at G.A. .....			
Convention .....	150.00		150.00
Floral Sprays .....	31.65	10.85	42.50
Canadian Debit .....	48.26	24.03	72.29
Printing 1966 State Convention .....			
Proceedings .....	522.42	624.24	624.24
State Officers' Meeting (Utica) .....			
State Officers' Meeting (Endicott) .....		612.08	522.42
State Auxiliary Convention Advance .....		400.00	612.08
State Membership Dept. Office .....			400.00
Expense .....	46.00	25.00	71.00
State Legal Dept. Services .....	70.00		70.00
Return of overpayment of State .....			
P. C. Tax .....		42.40	42.40
State President's Office Expense .....		35.00	35.00
Totals .....	\$6,991.55	\$5,291.61	\$12,283.16

**RECAPITULATION**

Balance as of June 1, 1966 .....	\$ 2,361.92
Total Receipts .....	13,245.74
Total Expenditures .....	15,607.66
Balance as of June 1st, 1967 .....	\$ 3,324.50

**FIRST REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE**

Given by Gazo Samok, Chairman, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692  
 Up until the present time no by-law changes have been given to the committee. Your committee will stay in session during the convention to receive any changes that the aeries wish to present. Brother Samok asked that this partial report be accepted as read. Frank Lewis, Empire Aerie No. 544, seconded the motion, which was carried.

**STATE TREASURER'S REPORT**

Read by State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253:  
 To the Officers and Members of New York State Aerie F.O.E.

The following is a report of your State Aerie financial status as of June 1, 1967.

Balance — June 1, 1966 .....	\$ 2,361.92
Receipts .....	\$13,245.74
Disbursements:	\$15,607.66
Checks — 253 thru 468 .....	\$12,210.34
Canadian Debit .....	\$ 72.29
Bank Service Charge .....	.53
Total Receipts .....	\$12,283.16
Total Disbursements .....	\$15,607.66
Balance — May 31, 1967 .....	\$ 3,324.50
Outstanding Checks:	
Number — 467 .....	\$ 29.20
Bank Statement — June 1, 1967 .....	\$ 3,353.70

Bank Statement verified by Auditors of Tompkins County Trust Co. of Ithaca, New York.  
 Respectfully submitted,  
 KENNETH B. DECKER  
 State Treasurer

A motion to adopt the report as read was presented by Anton Shrout, Port Chester Aerie No. 1166. This was seconded by Edgar Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 481 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR**

Read by Theodore Hurwitz, State Membership Director, Oneonta Aerie No. 1260.

NEW YORK STATE AERIE  
FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES  
MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT REPORT

June 1, 1966 thru May 31, 1967

My Brothers,

Shortly after taking over the duties of State Membership Director, after a most successful three years of administration by P.S.P. Robert Watts of Lockport Aerie, we recommended, and then abolished the office of Zone Director, added two districts to the rolls of this office, making a total of 15, and appointed directors to handle the membership chores of the State. In appointing the district directors, we tried to choose, very carefully, men, who in our opinion, had the potential, and were capable of doing, just what was required of them. We appointed P.S.P. Robert Magnan of Montreal Aerie as Assistant State Membership Director, and at this time, we are happy to report, that brother Magnan, and the District Directors, thru their dedicated efforts have more than, fulfilled the duties of their office.

We were never in doubt about the change this dept had made, and it resolved itself in the fact, that N.Y. State and Eastern Canada, has added another successful page to it's history, by the enrollment of 2704 new members. This was made possible, by the fine spirit, and determined efforts of our State Leaders, District Directors, and above all, the splendid display of achievement on the part of the local aeries, in gaining the cooperation of their respective memberships, in adding so many new members to their ranks.

The membership record-2704 new members enrolled, our quota for the year 1452, a total of 1252 over our yearly quota. We find that 37 of the States 57 aeries have made their quota, with a possibility of 26 of these 37 aeries earning the distinction, of having met the requirements of Net Gain. We would like to point out that 10 aeries doubled their quota, 3 aeries tripled their quota, several aeries making 4 and 5 times their quota, and our baby aerie in Quebec, Cartier, having the distinction of having made 12 times it's quota. Proving once again, that N.Y. State and Eastern Canada, had rolled up it's sleeves and gone to work.

During the fiscal year, N.Y. State and Eastern Canada, placed itself in the Big Ten for the months of June, September, November and January. Receiving honorable mention for the months of August, October, February, April and May.

Our membership promotional campaigns during the year were - September, honoring our local aerie membership directors-267 new members, 9th in the nation. November, honoring our district directors-279 new members, 10th nationally. January, honoring our State President Louis Dion, 406 added to our ranks, 6th in the nation. February, in honor of our Canadian aeries, their officers and members-203 new members, Honorable Mention. March, supporting the Max Baer Heart Fund, 200 members. April, supporting the Jimmy Durante Childrens Fund and honoring veteran fraternalists Alfred Lane and Kenneth Decker, gave us another 200 members, May, honoring all Past State and Local Aerie Presidents and Grand Outside Guard Robert Hood, found us back in the honorable mention column, with a total of 352 new members. Our membership campaigns, consisted of posters and promotional letters to all of the aeries, with additional follow-up letters to keep up the enthusiasm, that had been started.

In addition, our State Leaders, gave much of their time and effort to the local aeries, by personal contact, and their most invaluable advice and counsel.

Several efforts were made during the year to establish new aeries in the States jurisdiction. Many communities were investigated, and some favorable reports were received. I have every confidence, that we shall have a new aerie, in the immediate future.

Inter-aerie conferences were held in various parts of the State during the year. These joint meetings were presided over by Past State Presidents. We were of the opinion, that these men were more than qualified to moderate these conclaves, wanted to be active, and then given the opportunity to do so. From all of the reports this dept has received, they were well attended, and very successful. I was given the privilege of presiding over two of these meetings, at Ossining and Schenectady, and was quite surprised and pleased by the turn-out, and the business that was discussed and resolved.

I had the pleasure of visiting many aeries during the year, attending meetings and initiations, and discussing their membership problems with them. In our estimation, this personal contact is a must, and we hope to continue with this policy in the future.

The top aeries in the State of N.Y. and Eastern Canada, are as follows, Montreal-401, Ft. Hamilton-265, Toronto-187, Elmira-163, Cartier-154, Lockport-100, Jamestown-98, Ithaca-96, Utica-77 and Oneonta-72.

Membership trophies and plaques for the aeries and District Directors are as follows —

Montreal Aerie No. 2130 — Most members for the month of January 136

Cartier Aerie No. 3269 — Best per-centage gain during March .... 18%

Net Gain Trophy — Montreal Aerie No. 2130 with a Net Gain of .. 177 District Directors —

1st place — Pierre Proteau Montreal Aerie No. 2130 .....564

2nd place — Charles Arnold Elmira Aerie No. 941 .....269

3rd place — Fred Ritchie Ft. Hamilton No. 2621 .....267

My personal gifts to the top producers in the State will be given to the individuals, as soon as this information is made known to me.

Starting as of the 1st of June 1967, for the coming fiscal year, we have once again changed the line-up of our membership dept's, letters to that effect have been sent to all aeries and State leaders.

Despite the fact, that we have had a most successful year, I am still of the opinion, that as yet, we have not reached the peak in our efforts. We look forward with great anticipation, toward the year 1967-68. The goal of 3000 new members is within site, almost within our grasp, let's reach for it, let's attain it. Then, and only then, can we say. We have reached the peak.

We should like to remind all, that the entire facilities of this dept, as always, is completely at your disposal. We are at your service, when any problems arise, in relation to membership.

In closing this report, I should like to say, that you were all instrumental in making this, one of our best years. I would like to express my thanks, first, to our State Secretary Al Lane, for his cooperation, and his keeping all informed as to our progress, thru the medium of his splendid bulletin. Secondly, to our State President Louis Dion, for his being an apostle, in spreading the good Gospel of our Fraternity to every corner of our States jurisdiction.

Let us all, once again, thruout N.Y. State and Eastern Canada, roll up our sleeves, and go to work. You've done it before, We know that you can do it again. Please let me, at this time, extend to each and every one of you, my sincere gratitude, for making this 1966-67, one of our most outstanding years.

Respectfully submitted,

**THEODORE M. HURWITZ**

State Membership Director

A motion was made by John Saxer that a rising vote of thanks be given for the splendid report and that the same be adopted as read. This was seconded by Floyd Jones, Watertown Aerie and carried.

The report of the Bird Memorial Library Committee was postponed until later in the program. A number of announcements in connection with State Committee work were made at this time. State President Dion appointed Frank Peers, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 as a member of the Jobs after Forty Committee.

Under the Good of the Order a discussion was presented by Frank Crowley, Elmira Aerie No. 941 which was in connection as to the appointment of State Committee members and in particular State Committee Chairmen. A number of the delegates present took a part giving their particular views as to what procedure should be used and what qualifications should be looked for.

State President Dion announced that the Annual State Officers' Banquet would be held at 6:30 P. M. in the Crown Room of the Hotel.

There being no further business the first session was adjourned at 4:35 P. M. to meet again on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

#### STATE OFFICERS' BANQUET

The Annual New York State Officers' Banquet was held at the Queensbury Hotel on Thursday evening June 22nd, 1967 starting at 6:30 P. M. All of the State Officers were in attendance with the exception of State Trustee, H. Ernest Freed. Also present were Past State Presidents Philpott, Hurwitz, Old, Watts, Samok, Saxer, Magnan, Lewis and Grand Aerie Representatives Michael Gaffney and Thomas Liotta. A delicious dinner was served after which a State Officers' meeting was held.

## SECOND SESSION

The second session of the Sixty First Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 10:10 A. M. on Friday June 23, 1967 by State President Louis Dion.

New members were admitted into the State Aerie and all present were given the obligation by Past State President Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie No. 544.

## REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Crowley, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

Worthy State President, Grand Aerie Officer, State Officers, Members and Guests:

For several years we have encouraged interest and offered assistance to any and all Aeries in instituting a Civil Defense program. We have had very little or practically no response to our repeated offer.

Although the need continues to be great, for a strong Civil Defense organization throughout New York State and Eastern Canada we regret that the F. O. E. is apparently satisfied to let others carry on this important work and that we must report no significant progress in Civil Defense.

Although we are hopeful that in the future more interest will be generated in each Aerie and we will be happy to help in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CROWLEY, Chr. 941

ERNEST BATES, 2299

ED CARPENTER, 941

It was moved by Brother Crowley and seconded by Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

## REPORT OF THE SAFETY COMMITTEE

Read by Larry Roy, Chr. Montreal Aerie No. 2130

My Brothers:

Someone has said the trouble with safe driving talks is that they need to be made to us while driving. When we are sitting in a meeting like this we all agree readily that safety makes sound sense. But sometimes when we get behind a steering wheel, a strange disease seizes us. Some have called it "GALLOPIN' TITS" Yes it would be wonderful if we could hear the safety talks while we are driving. It has been suggested that a tape be installed in every car that would be connected to the speedometer and play music through the radio speakers. At 50 to 60 miles per hour, the music would play "HIGHWAYS ARE HAPPY WAYS". At 60 to 70, the tune would change to, "I'M BUT A STRANGER HERE, HEAVEN IS MY HOME". And when the speedometer reads 70 to 80, the music would automatically switch to "WHEN THE ROLL IS CALLED UP YONDER, I'LL BE THERE". When the needle goes above 80 miles the driver hears soft organ music

accompanying a lovely voice singing, "LORD, I'M COMING HOME".  
Someone has defined a reckless driver as one who passes us in spite of everything we can do.

The problem is complicated by the fact that we often do not realize our own speed. One editor writes that the two biggest menaces on the highway are drivers under 25 going over 70, and drivers over 70 going 25.

Two drivers met on an old city street so narrow, they could not pass. One yelled out, "I never back up for an idiot". The other driver shifted into reverse, tipped his hat and said, "I always do".

Yes, once the best mechanical equipment has been placed at the disposal of the driver, then safety is up to him. Safety consists of not only in controlling his car with maximum efficiency, but also in other human factors such as common courtesy. Safety is the driver accepting responsibility for the tremendous horsepower that responds so eagerly to his accelerator. The safe driver always meets his responsibilities regardless of what the other person does. A road sign in a Japanese Village reads, "PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY, OUR CHILDREN MAY BE DISOBEYING US". To the safe driver, there is never a moratorium on responsibility. Let us teach young drivers that it is sophisticated to be safe; it is smart to be responsible. That it is childish and immature to play russian roulette with your own life and it is criminal to take such liberties with others.

Let us impart to youth the reverence and respect for human life that develops wisdom. Wisdom helps us to foresee consequences. I know a wise father who counselled his son, "Jim, think about this. What would you do if you killed a child on the street? How could you face that child's parents? What would you say to them? Jim, you have a date tonight with one of the loveliest girls in your high school. I'm trusting you with the car. Jean's parents are trusting you with their daughter. What if in a moment of carelessness you kill her? or crippled her? Jim, think about it. What would you do? What could you do to makeup for such tragedy? What if you had to tell Jean's parents that you killed their only child because you wanted to show off while driving? How could you tell them their lovely daughter is dead because you drank some liquor at the party? How would you explain to them, that you cared more about a drink than you did for Jean or her parents or your parents or yourself or anybody. This father said, "Jim, the opposite of carelessness is caring. To care means to be concerned. Son, unless you care enough to be careful, you should never drive a car. This fine father practices what he preaches. He teaches by examples as well as exhortation. We must be worried that more Canadians and Americans die on our highways than are falling before the guns of all our enemies all over the world. Canadians and Americans are dying on our roads and streets at the rate of about 1000 per week. Over fifty thousand a year. This figure does not include the injured who go partially living. What could be more senseless slaughter than Canadians killing Canadians and Americans killing Americans?"

Here are some staggering figures. Accidents in homes or public places took the lives of 48,000 last year. This figure includes 29,000 deaths in the home and 19,000 deaths in public places. The council said that 40% of the home fatalities were due to falls with other 20% due to asphyxiation from fires.

My Brothers, It all boils down to this:

You must remain alert when you are behind the wheel of your automobile but you also have to teach safety in your home and remain safety conscious at work and at play.

Never forget, the life you save may be your own.

LARRY ROY, Chr. 2130

PHILLIP GREAVES, 2311

JAMES STEWART, 1411

A motion was made by Brother Roy that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Herbert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128. On the question Chester Halliday and John Saxer of Buffalo Aerie No. 46 spoke on the safety campaign that was waged in the City of Buffalo during the past year and the part that the Buffalo Aerie played in the same. Brother Saxer then read the following resolution and the action taken thereon.

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, now more Americans have been killed by motor vehicles than have died in all the wars in the nation's history; and

WHEREAS, traffic accidents are becoming more frequent and more severe throughout the nation, the State of New York and the Niagara Frontier; and

WHEREAS, traffic deaths and injuries are on the rise throughout the nation, the State of New York and the Niagara Frontier; and

WHEREAS, traffic accidents are currently draining the economy of the Niagara Frontier by approximately sixty million dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, there is a real need for all motor vehicle operators in Erie and Niagara Counties to learn the art of defensive driving; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Buffalo Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 46 strongly endorses and supports the Defensive Driving Course which is currently being sponsored by the Buffalo Evening News and WBBN in cooperation with the Western New York Traffic Safety Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Buffalo Aerie No. 46 of the Fraternal Order of Eagles recommends that all motor vehicle operators in Western New York complete the Defensive Driving Course as expeditiously as possible.

Fraternally yours,

WALTER S. LULL

Worthy President

CARL W. KEMPKE,

Secretary

Passed in due form at the regular meeting of Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie No. 46 in Buffalo New York December 5, 1966.

Brother Saxer then moved that the resolution be included with the report and that the same be placed in the proceedings of the convention. This was seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311. Both the amendment and the main motion were approved.

### REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND

A partial report of the activities that were held during the past year in connection with this fund and his plans for more activities along the same line to be held before the drive for this particular year comes to an end at the Grand Aerie Convention in Kansas City was given by chairman Raymond Womble of Ithaca 1253. A number of other brothers took a part in the discussion among them was State Vice President Ritchie who spoke in connection with the condition of a Brooklyn member by the name of Benny Picanno who is to undergo heart surgery with a few weeks. Brother Ritchie stated that Benny took an active part in the campaign that raised \$1,800 and which is to be divided equally among the humanitarian projects of the F.O.E. at this convention. Brother Womble moved that this partial report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Floyd Jones, Watertown Aerie No. 782. The delegates assembled approved this motion with a rising vote of thanks. Chairman Womble then asked permission to hold a dollar parade. He further stated that his committee along with the Cancer Committee and the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund would share equally in the money collected. State Vice President Ritchie announced that he would match dollar for dollar the total amount collected. State President Dion granted permission to hold the parade.

### REPORT OF THE STATE PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Read by Roberts Watts, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 825

Our New York State Aerie has encouraged the local aeries in the State Jurisdiction to participate in the humanitarian and legislative programs of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Many committees have been working on these programs throughout the year. Our health research committees for the Max Baer Heart Fund, the Cancer Fund, the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund have done a fine job in promoting these programs and we are sure you will be proud of the New York State Aerie's accomplishments when the reports are presented, in detail, at this convention. Louis Dion's State President's Project of Eagles helping People by having local aeries making presentations of wheel chairs and other aids to the handicapped has also met with great success.

During the year, in the athletic category, a very successful State Bowling Tournament was held in Elmira. Plans are now being completed to hold the Third Annual Golf Tournament, during the month of August, in Lockport, N.Y.

Other programs that the State Aerie has encouraged the local aeries to participate in are Youth Guidance, Civil Defense, Boy Scouts, Civic Affairs, Blood Donors, Jobs After Forty and local projects in their communities.

At the opening session of this convention an excellent report was presented on membership by State Membership Director Ted Hurwitz. Every aerie should have a well organized New Membership and Membership Security Program. The State New Aeries Committee is making every effort to establish new aeries in the State Jurisdiction. This is a must for the security and growth of our great fraternity.

This committee encourages all of the local units of the New York State Aerie to participate in all of our Eagle Programs and to hold the

interest of their particular membership by promoting diversified activities in their home aerie.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT WATTS, Chr. 825

FRANK LEWIS, 544

VICTOR C. RYAN, 2692

A motion was made by Brother Watts and seconded by John Rushmer, Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621 that the report be adopted as read. On the question additional remarks concerning aerie activities and programs were made by Herbert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128 and Harold Royer Sr., Saratoga Aerie No. 2586. Brother Old stated that his aerie had a very active Judo School for boys and Brother Royer announced that Saratoga presented another wheel chair to the New York State Project. The motion to adopt was then carried.

### REPORT OF THE IN MEMORIAM COMMITTEE

Read by Joseph Perry, Chr. Watertown Aerie No. 782

Brother Delegates:

During the past year many of our Fraternal Brothers throughout the New York State and Canada jurisdiction have left us to enter the Grand Aerie beyond.

May I ask the brothers assembled here, upon the sound of the gavel, to arise and remain standing as we all join together for a moment of silent prayer for our departed brothers.

There will be a joint Memorial Service held at the Queensbury Hotel Friday evening at 6:30 P. M., with the Ladies Auxiliary Drill Team of Elmira No. 941, conducting the service.

This committee wishes to thank the Sisters in advance, for the service which we know they can do so well.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH PERRY, Chr. 782

WALTER S. LULL, 46

Motion made by Brother Perry and seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311, that the report be adopted as read. This was approved. State Secretary Lane spoke on the joint ceremony and asked that as many of the State Aerie delegates as possible attend the services. Floyd Jones, Watertown Aerie No. 782 asked permission to take moving pictures of the Memorial Services. Permission was granted by State President Dion.

### REPORT OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Read by Victor Ryan, Chr. Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692

Brother Delegates:

Last August, at the second annual New York State Golfing Tournament, held at Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692, there were 19 golfers that played in the tournament. They were from Lockport Aerie No. 825, Jamestown Aerie No. 2145 and Depew-Lancaster Aerie 2692. Lockport Aerie No. 825 was the winner of all the prizes. The weather

was very poor — raining most of the day but play continued.

Lockport Aerie No. 825 will play host for the Third Annual New York State Golfing Tournament, which will be held on Sunday August 13, 1967. All Eagles and their families have been invited to attend as a banquet will be held following tournament play.

During the past year your committee has run into various types of problems such as rules, prizes, securing of greens and many others. We would like to suggest to the delegates that some real thought be given to the idea that the tournament site be selected a year in advance, if possible. Interest in the tournament is increasing year by year and to insure the success of this project much more time is needed to make the necessary plans and to publicize the same.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR RYAN, Chr. 2692  
 JAMES STEWART, 1411  
 LAVERNE WEBER, 825

A motion was made by Brother Ryan that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 and carried. Following the reading of the report a general discussion was held as to the formation of a plan of action such as is used by the State Bowling Association of the State Aerie. No definite action was taken. However it was agreed that the matter would be taken up again at the State Officers' meeting in September.

Under a special order of business State President Dion presented to the convention the General Auditor of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Michael T. Gaffney. Brother Gaffney gave a stirring address on the policies and activities of the Fraternity as a whole and congratulated the New York State Aerie on the splendid record made during the past year. Following Brother Gaffney's talk John Saxer, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 spoke with reference to the policies in the matter of selectivity of members. At the conclusion of his remarks he moved that we extend support to continue the selectivity membership policy. He further asked that this be a rising vote. This was seconded by Vincent Scharf, Buffalo 46 and unanimously adopted.

Grand Aerie representative Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta was introduced. He extended his greetings to the delegates assembled and presented State President Dion with two cases of oil for his creaking bones.

#### SECOND REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Read by Anton L. Shrout, Chr. Port Chester Aerie No. 1166

Grand Aerie Representatives .....	3
State Officers .....	12
Past State Presidents .....	11
Delegates .....	67
Alternates .....	3
Past Worthy Presidents .....	74
<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDENTIALS ISSUED ....</b>	<b>98</b>

Motion was made by Brother Shrout that this partial report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Raymond Womble, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 and carried.

A number of special announcements were made at this time.

State Secretary Lane informed the delegates that only two resolutions had been received to date and that the resolution committee would report at the Saturday session. Secretary Lane further stated that no by-law changes had been received up until the present time and that the final report of that committee would also be presented at the Saturday session. Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 presented a check from his aerie to the Max Baer Heart Fund. The amount of the same being \$125.00.

Because of the fact that the chairman of the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund was not a delegate to the convention or a Past Worthy President a motion was presented to suspend the rules of the convention to permit the chairman J. Thomas Hood from Elmira Aerie No. 941 to personally read the report of the committee. This motion was made by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 and seconded by George Dingham, Schenectady Aerie No. 514 and Frank Crowley, Elmira Aerie No. 941. The motion was unanimously adopted by the delegates.

#### REPORT OF THE JIMMY DURANTE CHILDREN'S FUND COMMITTEE

Read by J. Thomas Hood, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

To the Officers and Delegates assembled at the New York State Convention in Glens Falls, New York, of the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund Committee submits this report:

As of June 1, 1967, New York State and Eastern Canada had reported to Brother Michael T. Gaffney \$1,259.00. This figure represents donations from 11 aeries, 9 Auxiliaries and the New York State Aerie and Auxiliary officers.

Since coming to the convention I have received checks from a number of aeries and a donation from the delegates assembled.

#### PRE-CONVENTION CONTRIBUTIONS:

The following donations to the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund are for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1966 up to and including June 1, 1967:

CITY	AERIE	AMOUNT
Rochester, N.Y.	52	\$ 500.00
Gloversville, N.Y.	482	14.00
New York City, N.Y.	491	10.00
Lockport, N.Y.	825	100.00
Ithaca, N.Y.	1253	25.00
Oneonta, N.Y.	1260	47.50
Northport, N.Y.	1815	50.00
Binghamton, N.Y.	2119	60.50
Montreal, Que. Canada	2130	108.00
Endicott, N.Y.	2269	10.00
Depew, N.Y.	2692	100.00
State Aerie (Personal Donation — Mrs. Castro)		20.00

**AUXILIARY**

Watertown, N.Y.	782	5.00
Watertown, N.Y. Aux. Past Pres.	782	10.00
Lockport, N.Y.	825	5.00
Elmira, N.Y.	941	35.00
Ithaca, N.Y.	1253	25.00
Montreal, Que. Canada	2130	22.00
Cortland, N.Y.	2191	25.00
Toronto, Ont. Canada	2311	30.00
Johnson City, N.Y.	2644	10.00
Depeew, N.Y.	2692	25.00
State Auxiliary Officers		22.00
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	Total	\$1,259.00

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION:**

Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621	\$ 700.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486	50.00
Elmont Aerie No. 3128	15.00
Elmira Aerie No. 941	231.00
Saratoga Springs Aerie No. 2586	20.00
Montreal Aerie No. 2130	10.00
Utica Aerie No. 97	20.00
Fred Ritchie Sr.	34.00
Fred Ritchie Jr.	5.00
Hamilton Aerie No. 3185	5.00
Watertown Aerie No. 782	5.00
Olean Aerie No. 616	25.00
State Officers (Cleveland Check)	5.00
State Officers (Glens Falls)	7.25
State Aerie Delegates (Dollar Parade)	34.25
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 (Aerie Officers)	10.00
State Auxiliary Convention	133.00
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Pre-Convention Donations	\$1,309.50
Convention Donations	\$1,259.00
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Grand Total	\$2,568.50

The success of this charity, as revealed by the figures just presented, can be attributed to the unselfish efforts of all Eagles of New York State and neighboring Canada. My sincere thanks go to State President Louis Dion, for appointing me as the first chairman of this worthwhile project. Our appreciation for their fine publicity efforts is due also to the Grand Aerie, to Brother Al Lane, and to Brother Ted Hurwitz who served as Eastern Regional Director of the "Jimmy Fund." For the contributions made by the auxiliaries, we are grateful to Madam State Treasurer Marie Crowley and her committee.

Last but not least, a special to the men on my committee. My particular and personal thanks to my father Bob Hood, to Brother Ken Decker, and to Brother Wayne Monroe for their helpful advice throughout this past year.

May I ask each of you to take a message back to your respective aeries. Please tell your membership that their dollars can purchase years of knowledge through humanitarian projects such as the Jimmy Durante Children's Fund.

Also, my brothers, please remember this, regardless of how intelligent and healthy you may be, you have no exemption or free ticket from having a mentally or physically handicapped child in your home. Thank you very much.

Respectfully submitted,  
 J. THOMAS HOOD, Chr. 941  
 KEN DECKER, 1253  
 FRED RITCHIE, 2621  
 EDGAR IRELAND, 482  
 CLAYTON TUCKER, 825

A motion was made by Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Schick, Rochester Aerie No. 52 and carried. Chairman Hood informed the delegates that the sum of \$103.00 was realized from the dollar collection and this was to be equally divided between the Cancer Fund, the Heart Fund and the Jimmy Durante Fund.

**REPORT OF THE NEW AERIE COMMITTEE**

Read by Joseph Perry, Chr. Watertown Aerie No. 782  
 Brother delegates:

Your New Aerie Committee is sorry to report that we have no new Aeries in New York State that has been reported to us. If there are any new ones we apologize.

We have made some surveys in the past year in different sections of the State, but as of now nothing has come of it.

In closing go back to your Aerie and get them to sponsor a "NEW AERIE", close by - watch it grow. This will be good for you and your Aerie.

Respectfully submitted,  
 JOSEPH PERRY, Chr. 782  
 THEODORE HURWITZ, 1260  
 HERBERT OLD, 3128

A motion was made by Brother Perry that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Read by Lavern Weber, Chr. Lockport Aerie No. 941  
 Brother Delegates:

As in the past this committee is again happy to report that the majority of Aeries in New York State and Eastern Canada have again, during the year just ended, proved that Eagles are "PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE". Needless to say many of us hesitate to boast about

contributions we have made to charitable causes which possibly accounts for the few reports received by this committee.

However, in visitations to many Aeries by members of this committee we find that contributions to local charities are being made and interest in community affairs is ever in existence. For instance, Fort Hamilton Aerie sets aside one night to hold a dance, the proceeds of which are donated to local charities. The proceeds, I might add exceeds \$1,000.

Toronto Aerie yearly sponsors a scholarship program for some deserving youth from the City.

Rochester and Oneonta Aeries continue to support their local Boy Scouts. Lockport Aerie supports the school for retarded children in the city. My brothers, these are but a few examples of some civic projects. We know there are many more such blood donor programs, programs for our senior citizens and programs youth guidance and many others too numerous to mention.

Again, this committee urges the Worthy President of every Aerie to appoint an active Civic Affairs Committee, to work hand in hand with a publicity committee to make the people in your community aware of what your Aerie is doing. Good Publicity of your community projects is essential.

And so my brothers as we start another year in this great fraternity, let us not only give a helping hand to people in far off land but, look around in your own community and extend a helping hand to those in need, the rewards will be gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

LAVERNE WEBER, Chr. 825

OWEN McNALLY, 2621

ROBERT MANRY, 2299

It was moved by Brother Weber that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191. On the question Hembert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128 requested that he would like to have included in the report that his aerie conducts a Judo Club for boys from the age of 6 to 18. There were no objections and the motion was carried.

#### REPORT OF BLOOD DONORS COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Schick, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52  
My Brothers:

The Blood Donor project originally proposed by Jr. Past President Robert Hood was continued during the present administration of State President Louis Dion.

Your committee would be less than candid if it were to report any energetic efforts to implement this worthwhile program on a jurisdiction-wide basis. However, as was the case last year, some Aeries continued programs already started and made special pleas for additional Donors. It is still a fact that the impetus which causes a person to donate their Life's Blood cannot be instilled by letters, posters or any of the other paraphernalia or propaganda.

Giving Blood is a personal act, it's result is personal. It is the

kind of person to person good will which gives us that warm feeling when we contemplate our action.

At this particular moment, Saigon time, one of our young men lying on a stretcher in a jungle clearing may be saved by the Blood donated by one of us.

Remember, survival of our Blood Donor program depends upon recruiting first-time donors. It is important that everyone understands how safe and harmless it is to donate. Above all, drive home the incontrovertible fact - - There is no substitute for Blood.

So Brothers, regardless, of the manner in which the Blood donorship program is run in your community and regardless of your particular method of promoting Donor-Ship, the need is there, the time is now.

At this point. I ask the indulgence of the Convention to allow any Brother from any Aerie to report now what they have done to implement this program and the results thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SCHICK, Chr. 52

HAROLD C. MAPES, 2692

MURRAY BURTT, 2311

Following the reading of the report an open discussion was held and the following facts were presented to the delegates: Rochester reported a donation of 56 pints of blood, Elmira Aerie stated it was a member of the Elmira Association which donated 407 pints of blood during the past year. Montreal Aerie reported that its membership had donated 86 pints of blood since January 1st. Following the discussion a motion was made by Brother Schick that the overall report be adopted. This was seconded by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Given by Robert Hood, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

Brother Delegates:

We, the members of the Nominating Committee, do hereby submit the following slate of officers, for the ensuing year. All of these brothers have been certified by the credential committee as registered delegates. We, the members of your committee, have weighed carefully the problems that confront us in the State and have come up with what we know will be a good slate of officers. I now submit the following for State Office:

State President ..... Fred Ritchie, Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621  
State Vice President ..... Joseph Perry, Watertown Aerie No. 782  
State Chaplain ..... Robert Schick, Rochester Aerie No. 52  
State Secretary ..... Alfred W. Lane, Yonkers Aerie No. 0473  
State Treasurer ..... Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253  
State Conductor ..... Raymond Womble, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253  
State Inside Guard ..... Victor Ryan, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692  
State Outside Guard ..... Laverne Weber, Lockport Aerie No. 825  
State Trustees ..... Edgar Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 482



Raymond Lance, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2811  
William Carrick, Middletown Aerie No. 544

A motion was made by Brother Hood that the report be adopted as read and the names put in nomination. This was seconded by Angelo Natoli, Cortland Aerie No. 2191 and Herbert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128 and carried. The nominations continued on an individual basis but there were no further nominations. State President Dion instructed State Secretary Lane to cast one ballot for the brothers nominated. This was done after which State President Dion declared all of the nominated brothers elected to office.

Under the Good of the Order Vincent Scharf, Buffalo Aerie No. 46, spoke briefly in connection with the fine editorial that appeared in the Glens Falls Times concerning the Fraternal Order of Eagles in general and the New York State Aerie Convention in particular. At the close of his remarks he moved that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the newspaper extending our thanks for the fine editorial printed in our behalf. This was seconded by Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried. State President Dion instructed the State Secretary to forward such a letter.

State Treasurer Kenneth Decker, announced that the Max Baer Heart Fund from New York State had once again gone over the \$5,000 mark.

Following a few announcements concerning committee meetings and hospitality rooms the second session was adjourned at 12:15 P.M. to meet again on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

### THIRD SESSION

The third session of the 61st Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie was called to order at 10:15 A.M. by State President Louis Dion on Saturday June 24th, 1967.

New members were given the obligation by Past State President Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie No. 544 and admitted to the State Aerie.

### REPORT OF THE YOUTH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE

Read by Robert LaRue, Olean Aerie No. 616:

Once again this committee is handicapped by lack of communications. Although we all know many Aeries have fine Youth Programs - Jr. Baseball Little League - Pop Warner Football - Boy Scouts - Pioneers - Jr. Traffic Police - Driver Training - are just a few of the many programs that the local Aeries sponsor and aid.

Today, this problem is becoming a real factor in the welfare of our nation. Every Aerie in the jurisdiction should have a youth project and publicize the same via local medias.

Be sure and report your activities to the State Aerie so that proper acknowledgement may be given, thus encouraging others by your example.

Respectfully submitted,  
FRANK H. LEWIS, Chr. 544  
ROBERT E. LA RUE, 616  
ALANSON H. FIELDS, 782

A motion was made by Brother LaRue, seconded by Brother George Dingham, Schenectady Aerie No. 514, that the report be adopted as read. This was carried.

### REPORT OF THE CANCER RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Read by Roswald Veille, Chr. Elmira Aerie No. 941

State President Dion, Grand Aerie Officers, State Officers and Brother Delegates:

Again I am here as your New York State Chairman of the Eagles Research Committee for Cancer. I truly believe that we are going to reach a much better total this year than last. As I have told you in the past, I believe that cancer research is our most important humanitarian project. I feel that this is true because the average cancer patient spends more time with doctors, hospitals and clinics. Often times using up his entire life savings, plus leaving bills that dig heavily into his insurance at the conclusion of which he also dies.

It is very gratifying to know that as a direct result of the dollars contributed by the Fraternal Order of Eagles some types of cancer are curable. Today it is not uncommon to meet a friend or brother who had cancer of one type or another and who has been completely cured. This proves to me that our Grand Aerie Officers are putting our contributions to the best possible use, and I might add without the very expensive administrative costs that other fund raising organizations do have. These costs are absorbed by the Fraternal Order of Eagles one hundred per cent.

On the other hand most of us know of some friend or relative that is doomed to die of cancer at some future date and usually not too far away. I know of one. She is the wife of one of my co-workers. She has been doctoring with a cancer condition for the past four months and the husband told me last week that the doctor says that she cannot last more than a month or so. Brothers, I only tell you this to impress upon you the importance of the dollars that you contribute towards the costs of finding the causes, and possible cures and preventives of this dreadful disease.

Brothers, I know that you are all anxious to come forward with your checks but if you will just bear with me a minute, I have a little surprise. We have here a comparatively small aerie in Glens Falls, hosting this convention. But even though it is a small aerie they do have some big men. I want to introduce to you your own Glens Falls Cancer Chairman William Gandrow who has to my knowledge the largest single contribution to the Eagle Cancer Fund in the State. (Glens Falls Aerie then presented a check for \$556.68 Followed by Lockport Aerie with \$250.00 — Elmira Aerie with \$200.00 — Ithaca Aerie with \$50.00 and New Yorkers with \$10.00). Following are the contributions previously received along with those received at the convention which gives us a complete total of \$3,355.84.

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM THE AERIES:**

Toronto, Canada Aerie 2311 .....	161.55
Elmira, N.Y. 941 .....	25.00
(Dewbird Golfers)	
Toronto, 2311 .....	100.00
Rochester, 52 .....	500.00
Depew, 2692 .....	10.00
Bronx, 491 .....	10.00
Northport, 1815 .....	50.00
Port Chester, 1166 .....	10.00
Gloversville, 482 .....	47.60
Johnson City, 2644 .....	10.00
Toronto, 2311 .....	191.22
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>1,115.37</b>

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM THE AUXILIARIES**

Batavia, 2348 .....	25.00
Hornell Aux., 2640 .....	57.00
Glens Falls, 2486 .....	25.00
Tarrytown, 1042 .....	5.00
Elmira, 941 .....	40.00
Cortland, 2191 .....	25.00
Gloversville, 482 .....	5.00
Montreal, Canada, 2130 .....	241.00
Ithaca, 1253 .....	60.00
Ft. Erie, Canada, 3155 .....	10.00
Lockport, 825 .....	5.00
Schenectady, 514 .....	5.00
Johnson City, 2644 .....	10.00
Hoosick Falls, 2467 .....	5.00
Binghamton, 2119 .....	30.00
Toronto, Canada, 2311 .....	246.00
Elmont, L. I., 3128 .....	5.00
Syracuse, 053 .....	79.00
Syracuse, 053 .....	20.00
Brooklyn, 2621 .....	54.14

Middletown, 544 .....	10.00
Buffalo, 46 .....	5.00
Niagara Falls, 88 .....	50.05
Endicott, 2269 .....	5.00
Corning, 2299 .....	25.00
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>1,047.79</b>

**CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED AT THE CONVENTION**

Lockport Aerie No. 825 .....	\$ 250.00
Elmira Aerie No. 914 .....	200.00
Yonkers Aerie No. 0473 .....	10.00
Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 .....	50.00
Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486 .....	556.68
Fred Ritchie (Personal) .....	85.00
State Officers Meeting .....	7.35
State Conv. Delegates .....	34.25
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$1,193.28</b>

**TOTALS:**

State Aerie Contribution .....	\$1,115.37
State Auxiliary Contributions .....	\$1,047.19
State Convention Contributions .....	\$1,193.28
<b>Overall total</b> .....	<b>\$3,355.84</b>

The committee and I wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for the wonderful support we received during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSWALD C. VIELE, Chr. 941  
VINCENT SCHARF, 46  
DONALD RETTINGER, 2311

It was moved by Brother Veile that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 and carried. Following the report a short discussion was held during which much praise was given Glens Falls Aerie in general and William Gandrow in particular.

**REPORT OF THE STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Given by State Secretary Lane.

In view of the fact that State Legal Advisor Wayne Harris, who is also chairman of the State Legislative Committee, found it impossible to be in attendance and whose reports were with him in Rochester, I at this time would like to give a brief resume of the work done by the Committee and the State Legal Advisor during the past year. Once again the drafting of the New York State Fraternal Order of Eagles Contract for the State Convention. A review of all bills pertaining to Fraternal orders and the like. A number of investigations with relation to bingo and tax matters. Speaking for the State Aerie and the committee at large that all matters of importance to the Fraternal Order of Eagles in particular were carefully checked and investigated.

Respectfully submitted,  
ALFRED W. LANE, Secretary

It was moved by Brother Lane that this be considered as the report of the State Legislative Committee and the State Legal advisor and that it be adopted as read. This was seconded by Edgar Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 482 and carried. Brother Harry Woodruff announced that State Legal Advisor Harris had all intentions to be present at this session but that the pressure of business made it impossible for him to be in attendance. There being no objections State President Dion excused Brother Harris for his absence.

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE MAX BAER HEART FUND

Read by Raymond Womble, Chr. Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

Brother Delegates:

To the Eagles in Eastern Canada and New York State, I say congratulations. For the second straight year we will be giving to the Max Baer Heart Fund over \$5000 and much closer to \$6000 when all of the donations have been received and counted. When you think of all the money given by us to our charities at home and to all other Grand Aerie projects realizing that the number one project in 1966-1967 was the Jimmy Fund, which was pushed hard by Grand Worthy President D. D. Billings and the Grand Aerie, we proved that we have a big heart and we will continue to fight until we have whipped the killer that has taken from us so many relatives and friends.

We all realize the outstanding job that Fort Hamilton and Rochester did, and we are proud of them. We are also just as proud of the small aeries and auxiliaries that gave \$5.00, for it was just as hard for them to make their donation. We know that our good brothers and sisters in Canada make two donations to our one because they have to give in their Country too.

So, in behalf of Art Ehrmann, the Max Baer Heart Fund Chairman, and all of the people who have been given a few more days on this earth by your dollars, I say thanks. To my co-chairman Ethel McVittie, it was wonderful to work with you. In closing, I want you all to know that your efforts and co-operation in behalf of this fine humanitarian venture was appreciated by all. Following is the list of contributions received from August 1966 up until the present time.

Pre Convention Contributions:

New York		
Rochester, New York	Aerie No. 52	\$610.00
Elmira, New York	Aerie No. 941	49.00
Toronto, Ontario, Canada	Aerie No. 2311	100.00
Bronx, New York	Aerie No. 491	10.00
Endicott, New York	Aerie No. 2269	10.00
Depew, New York	Aerie No. 2692	20.00
Kenmore, New York	Aerie No. 2448	5.00
Schenectady, New York	Aerie No. 514	5.00
Port Chester, New York	Aerie No. 1166	10.00
Staten Island, New York	Aerie No. 543	30.00
Tonawanda, New York	Aerie No. 1411	50.00
Ithaca, New York	Aerie No. 1253	50.00
Johnson City, New York	Aerie No. 2644	10.00

Gloversville, New York	Auxiliary No. 482	Total 959.00
Schenectady, New York	Auxiliary No. 514	10.00
Cortland, New York	Auxiliary No. 2191	15.00
Binghamton, New York	Auxiliary No. 2119	25.00
		25.00

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Batavia, New York	Auxiliary No. 2348	30.00
Depew, New York	Auxiliary No. 2692	20.00
St. Jerome, Quebec, Canada	Auxiliary No. 3176	5.00
Tonawanda, New York	Auxiliary No. 1411	10.00
Elmont, L. I., New York	Auxiliary No. 3128	5.00
Rockaway Beach, New York	Auxiliary No. 1544	5.00
Hoosick Falls, New York	Auxiliary No. 2467	5.00
Medina, New York	Auxiliary No. 2424	5.00
Tarrytown, New York	Auxiliary No. 1042	5.00
Watertown, New York	Auxiliary No. 782	131.30
Lockport, New York	Auxiliary No. 825	25.00
Hornell, New York	Auxiliary No. 2640	82.54
Montreal, Quebec, Canada	Auxiliary No. 2130	10.00
Johnson City, New York	Auxiliary No. 2644	10.00
Elmira, New York	Auxiliary No. 941	70.00
Ossining, New York	Auxiliary No. 1545	5.00
Toronto, Ontario, Canada	Auxiliary No. 2311	110.00
Ithaca, New York	Auxiliary No. 1253	81.00
Fort Erie, New York	Auxiliary No. 3155	17.00
Buffalo, New York	Auxiliary No. 46	15.00
New Syracuse, New York	Auxiliary No. 058	46.00
Fort Hamilton, New York	Auxiliary No. 2621	350.00
Middletown, New York	Auxiliary No. 544	10.00
Niagara Falls, New York	Auxiliary No. 88	50.40

Total 1177.24

Rochester, New York	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 52	300.00
Corning, New York	Aerie & Auxiliary No. 2299	402.00

Total 702.00

Contributions received at the convention:

Elmira, N.Y.	Aerie 941	\$ 185.00
Utica, N.Y.	Aerie 97	76.00
Elmont, N.Y.	Aerie 3128	25.00
Glens Falls	Aerie 2486	250.00
Montreal	Aerie 2130	100.00
Fort Hamilton	Aerie 2621	700.00
Lockport	Aerie 825	250.00
Schenectady	Aerie 514	125.00
Middletown	Aerie 544	100.00
Cortland	Aerie 2191	125.00
Fred Ritchie (Personal)		34.00
State Officers Meeting		7.35
Convention Delegates		34.50

Total \$2,011.85

Aerie Donation	\$ 959.00
Auxiliary Donations	1,177.24
Convention Donations	2,011.85

Total received to the present time

\$4,850.09

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND WOMBLE, Chr. 1253

GAZO SAMOK, 2692

WAYNE MONROE, 941

HARRY WELSH, 1042

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Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 moved that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Anton L. Shrout, Port Chester Aerie No. 1166 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMITTEE

Read by Edgar Ireland, Chr. Gloversville Aerie No. 482  
Brother Delegates:

This committee finds there are not too many changes in the Social Security law, as far as the past year is concerned. However there is the Health Bill and we bring you the article as written by the Associated Press

If you are 65 or over you come in automatically under a new hospitalization plan. It does not matter whether you are drawing Social Security or not or even if you are working, if you are not a recently arrived alien or a Federal Employee eligible for similar benefits.

The bill provides up to 60 days in the hospital and up to 20 days recuperation in a nursing home for each illness.

If you don't use all of the hospital time you can extend the nursing home time after you pay the first \$40.00. The plan takes over the remainder

But if you want protection against doctor bills while hospitalized, and some other health expenses, you can sign up for a National Insurance Plan. It will cost you three dollars a month which will be deducted from your Social Security check, if you get one. Otherwise you can remit direct.

Under the plan you pay the first \$50.00 expenses in any year and the insurance takes care of 80% of the remainder. Say you have an operation that involves a \$300.00 hospital-Nursing Home bill and a \$250.00 doctor bill — total of \$550.00.

If you had both plans you would pay \$40.00 on hospitalization plus \$50.00 and 20% of \$200.00 which is \$40.00 for the doctor. Your total payment is \$130.00 out of the \$550.00 bill.

Respectfully submitted,  
EDGAR IRELAND, Chr. 482  
CHESTER HALLIDAY, 46  
DONALD GREGORY, 97

It was moved by Brother Ireland and seconded by Victor Ryan, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692 that the report be adopted as read. This was carried. Addition remarks in connection with Social Security were made by Past State President Frank Lewis plus a report of the Hyde Park Observance in August of 1966.

#### HYDE PARK CEREMONY AUGUST 14, 1966

Once again the Fraternal Order of Eagles paused to pay tribute to the memory of their favorite legislature, the Social Security Bill. On a fine sunlit Sunday in the historic town of Hyde Park, N.Y., at the gravesite of one of its most illustrious members and his wife, Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Eleanor Roosevelt, both life members of our Order, the Grand Aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, rep-

resented by the New York Past State President's Committee placed wreaths of white roses on the graves.

Past Madam President Mrs. Patricia Baldwin, representing Middletown Auxiliary No. 544, Mrs. Roosevelt's home aerie, officiated for the Auxiliary.

Brothers Alfred Lane, State Secretary, Theodore Hurwitz, State Membership Director, Past State President Frank H. Lewis, Chairman for 1966-1967 were accompanied by Brother Bethold Forrester, Order of the Carmelite Fathers, a long time member of Empire Aerie No. 544, Middletown, N.Y. who gave a very eloquent and outstanding eulogy at the graves, preceeding the presentation of wreaths.

This ceremony is truly the most expressive of our theme of "People helping people." Nowhere in the world is there any known legislature that means so much to so many. Truly citizen participation on a level that all can understand.

In today's constant changing and unrealistic world, a sense of earned security, not to be confused with charity or relief nor yet welfare. Social security has gone a long way towards insuring a solid foundation for our American standard of family togetherness, if peace, and if there be need, in war, which is not wanted, but we will not evade it if our integrity is threatened.

I would like to say that the National Park Service, and in particular, Mr. Ben Davis, Superintendent of the Roosevelt-Vanderbilt historic site were very courteous and co-operated one hundred percent.

Visiting Eagles and Auxiliary Officers and members were present from Middletown, Tarrytown, Ossining and Yonkers.

The ceremony was very simple, but in my opinion, it was very important and it should be an Annual Event.

Respectfully submitted,  
FRANK H. LEWIS, Chr.

It was moved that this report be included in the proceedings of the convention by Brother Lewis. This was seconded by John Saxer, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Given by Fred Ritchie, Chr. Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621:  
Brother Delegates:

Donations have been made to this committee by various aeries throughout the year. Following is the final report being submitted for the State Convention proceedings:

Elmira Aerie No. 941 .....	\$100.00
Gloversville Aerie No. 482 .....	55.20
Fort Hamilton Aerie No. 2621 .....	400.00
Montreal Aerie No. 2130 .....	200.00
Rochester Aerie No. 52 .....	25.00
Elmont Aerie No. 3128 .....	25.00
Total	\$805.20

Respectfully submitted,  
FRED RITCHIE, Chr. 2621  
ELLSWORTH DAVIS, 1253  
CARL RICHARDSON, 616

It was moved by Brother Ritchie and seconded by Herbert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

#### PRESENTATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP TROPHIES

Under a special order of business State Membership Director Theodore Hurwitz made the following presentations for New Membership Gain: Both the Membership Gain Trophy and the January Trophy went to Montreal and was accepted by Pierre Proteau, District Director Trophies: 1st Pierre Proteau, Montreal 2nd Charles Arnold, Elmira and 3rd Fred Ritchie, Fort Hamilton.

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

Read by Pierre Proteau, Montreal Aerie No. 2130:

We the undersigned members of the 1967 State Auditing Committee have audited the books and records of the State Secretary and the State Treasurer for the period beginning June 1, 1966 and ending May 31, 1967.

We find that the books and records of both Financial Officers have been properly maintained and that the balances shown in both Officers Cash Books are in agreement with the Bank Statement at the close of business May 31, 1967.

The balance on hand as of May 31, 1967 was found to be \$3,324.50.

We commend Brothers Lane and Decker for the efficient manner in which they have executed their respective duties for the Fraternal year 1966-67.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY J. WOODRUFF, Chr. 52  
J. A. PIERRE PROTEAU, 2130  
FRANK STOKES, 2311

A motion was made by Brother Proteau that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Frank Lewis, Middletown Aerie No. 544 and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Read by Frank Stokes, Chr. Toronto Aerie No. 2311

The financial operation of the New York State Aerie has been fully examined and it is remarkable how close the financial officers can operate this organization, to the funds available. However they didn't do quite as well this year as last when they were within \$12 of the estimated budget. This year the operation was within \$180. In other words their expenses were \$180 less than what the 1966 budget provided. Consequently, once again the officers deserve our utmost confidence and appreciation for the manner in which they handle our affairs.

The budget of any organization is based on receipts and expenditures. It has been reported to this convention that the State aerie has experienced a loss in total membership over the past year. This means not only a step backward in the building of our organization

in the way of membership but it means there are less funds available for the State Aerie to continue its operation. It is therefore recommended, Mr. Secretary, that if there are any extra funds available over and above the budget estimates they might well be used in the Membership Department with the thought in mind of devising ways and means of combating this condition because if it is allowed to continue without serious consideration the services of the State Aerie may necessarily be curtailed.

With the foregoing facts in mind, your committee recommends the following budget for the coming year.

BALANCE JUNE 1, 1967 ..... \$ 3,324.50

#### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

State Aerie Per Capita Tax .....	5,000.00
Convention Receipts .....	600.00
State Membership Dept. Receipts .....	4,000.00
State Fund Raising Campaign .....	500.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$13,424.50</b>

#### ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

State President's Salary .....	4.00
State Secretary's Salary .....	800.00
State Treasurer's Salary .....	100.00
State President's Allowance .....	1,200.00
State Bulletin Printing .....	225.00
State Aerie Postage .....	250.00
State Social Security Tax .....	75.00
Telephone, Telegrams and Flowers .....	550.00
Bond Premium .....	27.50
State Secretary Office Expense .....	50.00
State Treasurer Office Expense .....	50.00
State Aerie Printing and Mimeographing .....	350.00
State Aerie Meetings .....	800.00
State Auxiliary Convention Advance .....	400.00
Grand Aerie Supplies .....	50.00
Printing Convention Proceedings .....	600.00
State Aerie Convention, Miscellaneous Expenses .....	300.00
State Aerie Convention, Officers Expenses .....	1,000.00
Delegates to the Grand Aerie Convention .....	400.00
Ads in State and Grand Aerie Convention Programs .....	150.00
Visitations and Assignments .....	1,500.00
Membership Dept. Printing .....	350.00
Membership Dept. Postage .....	125.00
District Directors and Membership Dept. Representatives .....	1,300.00
Membership Department Operation .....	1,000.00
Membership Dept. Telephone and Telegrams .....	150.00
Membership Dept. Awards and Campaigns .....	200.00
Contingency Fund .....	1,168.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$13,424.50</b>

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK STOKES, Chr. 2311  
PIERRE PROTEAU, 2130

It was moved by Brother Stokes that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130.

On the question Brother Magnan spoke at length on the seriousness of the loss of membership which eventually would lead to the loss of much needed funds. He asked the delegates to return home and put on concerted drives to stop the continued drain on our membership rolls. The motion was approved by the delegates.

#### REPORT OF THE BOY SCOUT COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Schick, Chr. Rochester Aerie No. 52

Brother Delegates:

A number of Aeries throughout the New York State jurisdiction are playing a major roll in Boy Scout work. Following are reports received from some local Aeries.

Rochester No. 52 — Have sponsored a troop for past 5 years. There are 20 boys in the troop. These boys are from the inner-city, included in the number are 16 negro boys. The troop has received high honors at camp. The Junior Chamber of Commerce assists in the sponsorship. One half of the expenses of the Massawepie camping trip is paid by Aerie No. 52. Scoutmaster Bill Callahan is very proud of this troop and justly so.

Schenectady No. 514 — Schenectady's troop was chartered since our last convention. Like Rochester, their troop is made up of boys who are less privileged than many others. Schenectady also presents a trophy to every boy in Schenectady County who earns the rank of Eagle Scout.

Oneonta No. 1260 — Oneonta donates check room proceeds to the Boy Scouts.

Gloversville No. 482 — Donates their hall to the Boy Scouts for meetings.

Scouting is an excellent method for any Aerie to fulfill its civic affairs responsibility. It is rewarding to all who participate.

If any Aerie is interested in organizing a troop, they should contact Bill Callahan of Rochester No. 52 or Harley Belfance of Schenectady No. 514.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SCHICK, Chr. 52  
UBALO CROTEAU, 2130  
GEORGE DINGMAN, 514  
FRANK PETERS, 46

A motion was made by Brother Schick and seconded by William Callahan, Rochester Aerie No. 52 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Read by Floyd Jones, Chr. Watertown Aerie No. 782

WHEREAS, it is every Eagle member's oath, "If I cannot speak well of an Eagle, I will not speak ill of him,"

WHEREAS, "We are people helping people."

WHEREAS, there are times in individual aeries that the membership has forgotten and neglected to remember their obligation (oath) which they swore to, at their initiation.

THEREFORE, we submit the following resolutions:

That on the date when each individual aerie has its largest membership in attendance, the chaplain shall read the obligation (oath) to the membership.

WHEREAS, it is extremely important to the future of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, this should be exercised once each year.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD MENZIES  
President 2692  
WILLIAM BROTZ, SR.  
Secretary 2692

Brother Jones speaking for the committee moved that this resolution be rejected. This was seconded by Vincent Scharf, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Read by Floyd Jones, Chairman, Watertown Aerie No. 782

BALD EAGLE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMEMORATIVE STAMP RESOLUTION

TO: The Postmaster General, Mr. Lawrence O'Brien, Washington, D. C. 20260

RESOLVED:

We, the delegates to the New York State Aerie Convention, Fraternal Order of Eagles assembled at Glens Falls, June 24 1967, knowing that there is a dire need for further educating the People of the United States in the preservation of the now greatly diminished Bald Eagle, symbol of the National Government.

RESOLVED:

We request that you issue a Bald Eagle Wildlife Conservation Commemorative stamp as proposed by Mr. Quentin A. Dressler, National Chairman of the Bald Eagle Wildlife Conservation Stamp Committee. The date, and place of the first day of sale to be worked out by Mr. Dressler, and the office of the Postmaster General.

We also wish to call the attention that the Bald Eagle Stamp proposal has the backing of the Department of Interior, and the National Audubon Society. These two organizations as well as the Fraternal Order of Eagles are actively working for the preservation of the greatly diminished Bald Eagle.

New York State Fraternal Order Of Eagles

LOUIS DION, State Aerie, President  
ALFRED W. LANE, State Aerie, Sec.

It was moved by Brother Jones and seconded by Chester Halliday, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 that the resolution be adopted as read and a copy be forwarded to Postmaster General M. Lawrence O'Brien. This was approved.

### RESOLUTION NO. 3

Read by Floyd Jones, Chairman, Watertown Aerie No. 782

**WHEREAS:** Much time and effort has been spent on the part of the Officers and members of the host aerie, Glens Falls No. 2486 plus the efforts of the Convention Committee to make this a successful convention,

**THERE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Officers of the New York State Aerie and the delegates here assembled hereby express their deepest appreciation and thanks to the Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486, the Convention Committee and all those who helped to make this convention a success.

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD JONES, Chr. 782  
CHARLES EIFERT, 825  
WILLIAM CARRICK, 544

It was moved by Brother Jones and seconded by Edgar Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 482 that this resolution be adopted as read. This was carried.

### REPORT OF THE STATE BANQUET COMMITTEE

Read by Leroy Miller, Chr. Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

Brother delegates:

All arrangements have been made and plans are well in progress for the Annual Joint State Aerie and State Auxiliary Banquet to be held this evening in the main Ballroom of the Queensbury Hotel.

The banquet is scheduled for 6:30 P.M. and all attending are asked to be seated by that time.

The committee will meet today at 5 P.M. with the Auxiliary's Committee in the ballroom for the final arrangements.

The menu is Roast Beef with all the trimmings.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY MILLER, Chr. 1253  
PURLEY TAYLOR, 2119  
EDWARD YAW, 2348

It was moved by Brother Miller that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Wayne Monroe, Elmira Aerie No. 941 and carried.

### REPORT OF THE NET GAIN COMMITTEE

Read by Edgar Ireland, Chr. Gloversville Aerie No. 482

Brother Delegates:

This committee agrees with the Grand Aerie Membership Department that a Net Gain is one of the most important items on our agenda. We must show vast increases in membership to prove we are still the greatest Fraternity in the world. In order to achieve our goal of Net Gain we must make careful plans well in advance.

The Worthy President should choose carefully a man who will try to do an outstanding job as Membership Chairman. We also urge that you have monthly initiations with over our yearly quota percentage in each class. This committee advocates an inter-aerie exchange of ideas and social functions. We believe this might help to achieve our goal of Net Gain.

We also urge the Worthy Presidents to carefully select his Membership Security Chairman and committee. It is very good to get new members, but it is very important that we hold our old members. The Worthy Secretary should send out reminder cards when dues are overdue. Then the delinquent committee should make tactful contact with the delinquent members.

We urge you to keep your members busy through the medium of committee work, social activities, etc., give all who want the opportunity a chance to help, overlook no one, a pat on the back for a job well done can do much for you. A happy Eagle is a good Eagle and he will try to recruit new members. This will help achieve your NET GAIN.

This committee on behalf of the State Aerie offer our sincerest congratulations to all the aeries in the State of New York and Eastern Canada who have met with all of the conditions and requirements which entitles them to a Net Gain.

Through the untiring efforts of our State Membership Chairman, Ted Hurwitz, our Worthy State President Louis Dion, and all the Worthy Presidents we have many Net Gain Aeries. Let us all try just a little harder during this next fiscal year to have more Net Gains and make New York State a little stronger. The three top Net Gain Aeries based on the reports received by our State Secretary are as follows: Montreal No. 2130 — Net Gain - 177; Toronto No. 2311 — Net Gain - 71 and Syracuse No. 053 - Net Gain - 42.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR IRELAND, Chr. 482  
EDWIN CARPENTER, 941  
DOLLARD PERUSSE, 2130

A motion was made by Brother Ireland, that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Charles Eber, Fort Erie Aerie No. 3155 and carried. Brother Ireland then presented the Net Gain Award Trophy to Montreal Aerie 2130 for the largest Net Gain during the past Fiscal Year. The trophy was accepted by Pierre Proteau, Frank Stokes, representing Toronto Aerie No. 2311, last year's winner, congratulated Montreal and promised to make every effort to regain the Net Gain Title next year.

### REPORT OF THE INSTALLATION COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Hood, Chairman, Elmira Aerie No. 941  
Brother Delegates:

A joint installation of officers will be held in the ball room of the Queensbury Hotel, immediately following the State Convention Banquet. Robert Hood, Grand Worthy Outside Guard will act as chairman. Michael T. Gaffney, Grand Auditor will be the Installing President, Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta, will be the

Installing Conductor and Past Grand Trustee Robert Magnan, will be  
Installing Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT HOOD, Chr. 941  
WILDORÉ MARCHLAND, 2130  
ALBERT TALLMAN, 2119

It was moved by Brother Hood that the report be accepted as  
read. This was seconded by Pierre Proteau, Montreal Aerie No. 2130  
and carried.

Under a special order of business State President Dion intro-  
duced to the delegates Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta  
from Pennsylvania. Brother Liotta spoke briefly on his travels  
throughout the Eastern Region and the progress being made by the  
majority of the local aeries. He elaborated on the Humanitarian pro-  
grams that were also meeting with a great deal of success through-  
out the Eagle Jurisdiction. His remarks proved interesting and ed-  
ucational.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Given by Raymond Lance, Chairman, Glens Falls Aerie No. 2486  
Brother Delegates:

I am happy to report that we received the maximum of good  
publicity not only from the newspapers and the radio but also from  
all of the organizations and good citizens of Glens Falls. As you have  
been informed we and I mean the Fraternal Order of Eagles were  
the subject of two fine editorials in the Glens Falls press. The city  
officials and the Chamber of Commerce went all out in our behalf,  
for which we are most appreciative. Although we are nearing the close  
of the Convention your committee is still most active and are doing  
everything possible to provide favorable publicity for the Fraternity  
as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND LANCE, Chr. 2486  
RICHARD CARR, 482  
LOUIS SHEROSHICK, 2640

#### REPORT OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENTS' COMMITTEE

Given by Frank Lewis, Chairman, Middletown Aerie No. 544:  
Brother Delegates:

It is a real pleasure to have Grand Aerie Auditor Michael T.  
Gaffney and Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta as guests of  
this convention. At our Past State Presidents' meeting held yester-  
day afternoon, Brother Bob Magnan, was elected as President for  
the coming year and Gazo Samok, of Depew, was elected as Vice  
President. Your Past State Presidents are continuing to work with  
the New York State Officers in all programs and projects of the  
State Aerie and are willing to assist at all times. The Past State  
Presidents' Hyde Park Ceremony will be held this year on August

13th at 1 P. M. The committee for this project consists of Brothers  
Lewis, Saxer and Lane. It is hoped that the aeries of the State will  
support this worthwhile program.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK LEWIS, Chr. 544  
ROBERT MAGNAN, 2130  
WILLIAM ALF, 46

It was moved by Brother Lewis that the report be adopted as  
read. This was seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311  
and carried.

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Read by Anton Shrout, Chr. Port Chester Aerie No. 1166

Grand Aerie Representatives .....	3
State Officers .....	12
Past State Presidents .....	11
Delegates .....	68
Alternates .....	4
Past Worthy Presidents .....	79
Total number of credentials issued .....	104

A motion was made by Brother Shrout that the report of the  
Committee be adopted as read with the names of all the delegates  
present recorded in the proceedings. This was seconded by Edgar  
Ireland, Gloversville Aerie No. 482 and carried.

#### COMPLETE LIST OF THE REGISTERED DELEGATES

DELEGATES	AERIE	DELEGATES	AERIE
1. Anton L. Shrout	1166	30. James G. Stewart	1411
2. Louis Dion	2130	31. Harold L. Royer, Sr.	2586
3. Merton Davis	2644	32. Peter Baxter, Sr.	2586
4. Purley Taylor	2119	33. Frank W. Cermik	514
5. Bert Tallman	2119	34. George Dingham	514
6. Floyd L. Jones	782	35. Theodore M. Hurrwitz	1260
7. Harold Turner	1260	36. Kenneth Decker	1253
8. Fred Richie	2621	37. Victor C. Ryan	2692
9. Clayton E. Tucker	825	38. Edwin Carpenter	941
10. Herbert Old	3128	39. Richard Updike	941
11. Edgar Ireland	482	40. Thomas Moser	1545
12. Vincent Scharf	46	41. Frank Lewis	544
13. William H. Alf	46	42. Harry E. Welch	1042
14. Frank Peters	46	43. William Carrick	544
15. Walter S. Lull	46	44. James Attaya	2486
16. Joseph D. Perry	782	45. Ronald A. Stickney	825
17. Joseph E. Gordon	2486	46. Raymond Womble	1253
18. R. P. Malan	2486	47. Charles E. Michaud	2130
19. Robert E. Hood	941	48. Roswald Viele	941
20. Robert W. Schick	52	49. Murray Burh	2311
21. Frank Crowley	941	50. Owen McNally	2621
22. Robert LaRue	616	51. John Rushmer	2621
23. Carl Richardson	616	52. Gazo Samok	2692
24. Charles F. Eifert	825	53. Lewis P. Varney	2486
25. Charles Eber	3155	54. Harry Woodruff	52
26. Louis R. Sheroshick	2640	55. Mike Gaffney Lance	96
27. Edward Yaw	2348	56. A. Raymond Lance	2486
28. Thomas Philpott	2311	57. John P. Saxer	46
29. Robert Magnan	2130	58. Adrien Brosseau	2130



DELEGATES	AERIE	DELEGATES	AERIE
59. Pierre Proteau	2130	82. Harry Kinkaid	616
60. William Callahan	52	83. Ralph E. Pauly	616
61. Justin Pierce	52	84. Alan Konert	616
62. Jack J. Finnigan	52	85. Wayne Monroe	941
63. Charles Stannard	2486	86. John Hamula	941
64. Nino Ghezzi	053	87. Nick F. Fusare	941
65. E. Leroy Miller	1253	88. Wildor Marchard	2130
66. George M. Mould, Sr.	97	89. Dollard Perusse	2130
67. Laverne Graham	825	90. Robert J. Rostas	825
68. Robert W. Watts	825	91. Frank Stokes	2311
69. Laverne Weber	825	92. Herb Snow	1253
70. John Weber	782	93. Herbert Glen	2644
71. Chester P. Halliday	46	94. Gerhard Greaves	2130
72. Alfred W. Lane	0473	95. Angelo Natoli	2191
73. Henry Becker	3128	96. Harry Ossit	2191
74. Harry A. Phillips	1043	97. Donald Gregory	97
75. Gordon Benson	2586	98. Fred W. Bernard	3244
76. Harold Mapes	2692	99. Thorney L. Dawson	2191
77. Alanson H. Fields	782	100. Ernest Evens	2486
78. Bill Hope	3185	101. Gerald Oare	482
79. Larry Roy	2130	102. Donald D. Menzies	2692
80. Michael Hantiuk	2130	103. Charles C. Gibbs, Sr.	2692
81. Bruno LePine	2130	104. Cloyde E. Ott	1260

**REPORT OF THE STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE**

Read by John Hamula, Chairman, Elmira Aerie No. 941

Brother Delegates:

It is my pleasure to inform you that the 20th Annual State Bowling Tournament held in Elmira during the past year was another successful undertaking. Not only did the tournament bring out the sport minded brothers and their families and friends but it did much in creating a stronger feeling of fraternalism between the aeries in the State. The State Board of Directors were pleased with the manner in which the tournament and Elmira Aerie No. 941 wishes to thank all who played a part in the success of this particular venture. Following is the financial report of the tournament.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE 1967 N.Y. STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance as of January 1, 1967	\$ 305.45
Total receipts from entry fees	\$8,513.40
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,818.35</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Elmira Bowling Center, 5553 games at 50 cents per game	\$2,776.50
John Hamula, Tournament Secretary, 5553 games at 7½ cents	416.28
Scorekeepers, 5553 games at 5 cents per game	277.65
Total Prize Money	\$4,372.01
Mrs. Ferrare, writing prize money checks	15.00
Directors' Meeting (Elmira)	227.44
John Schuler, State Bowling Secretary's Salary	50.00
Bowling Secretary's Office expense	42.20

Canadian Debit	\$ 39.84
Bank Charge	.55
Joseph Kibler, Special Meeting, Elmira, February 5th	50.00
Advertiser's Press, State Bowling Printing	262.35
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,529.82</b>

**RECAPITULATION:**

Balance as of January 1, 1967	\$ 305.45
Total receipts	\$8,513.40

Total Expenditures	\$8,818.85
Balance as of June 23, 1967	\$8,529.82

Respectfully submitted,	\$ 289.03
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JOHN HAMULA, Chr. 941  
RAYMOND WOMBLE, 1253  
HARRY TURNER, 1260

A motion was made by Brother Hamula and seconded by Brothers Viele, Carpenter, Monroe and Updike, all from Elmira Aerie that the report be adopted as read. This was approved by the delegates.

**REPORT OF THE SPEAKERS COMMITTEE**

Given by Alfred Lane, Chr. Yonkers Aerie No. 0473

Brother Delegates:

As in former years a number of invitations were extended to persons in various fields of endeavor to address the delegates at one of the business sessions or at the State Banquet. The majority of those invited had previous engagements but we did have the pleasure of hearing from Roswell Earl, Mayor of Hoosick Falls, John Fiore, County Supervisor, Louis Varney, Glens Falls Councilman, Michael T. Gaffney, General Auditor of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Past Grand Madam President Adaline Navarra, Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta, along with our leaders from the State of New York and a number of Glens Falls leading personalities.

I can't help but repeat again and again that people in public life and in interesting occupations and endeavors give good publicity to our Eagle programs. Speaking for the committee, I wish to thank all who helped in what we thought was a program of interesting speakers.

Respectfully submitted,  
ALFRED W. LANE, Chr. 0473  
KENNETH DECKER, 1253  
THEODORE HURWITZ, 1260

It was moved by Brother Lane that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by John Saxer, Buffalo Aerie No. 46 and carried.

**REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE ORDER**

Read by Kenneth Decker, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253

Brother Delegates:

If every year the Committee can report as follows, we would like to become permanent members.

The year 1966-67 will long be known as one of the better years of the New York State Aerie. True, we did not have a "Net Gain" and we failed to institute a New Aerie, but we feel that the ground work has been laid for a progressive future.

We have a fine group of State Officers representing all sections of our State and Eastern Canada. Our Membership Department is well organized and rolling.

We are sure that a year from now your State of the Order Committee will again proudly present their report. All Stations - GO.

Respectfully submitted,

KEN DECKER  
HERBERT GLENE  
BRYND LEPINE

A motion was made by Brother Decker that the report be adopted as read. This was seconded by Herbert Old, Elmont Aerie No. 3128 and carried.

Under a special order of business Past State President John Saxer took over as presiding officer. Past State President Robert Hood called State President Louis Dion to the rostrum. Brother Hood spoke at length on the splendid manner in which Brother Dion conducted himself as the State President — the success that we achieved in most of the State Aerie Programs, especially the State Aerie Project helping the handicapped by the donation of wheel chairs and the like. At the close of his remarks he presented Brother Dion with his Past State President's Pin, his Past State President's plaque and a check for \$50 from the State Aerie. Brother Dion, in turn, thanked all for the fine support that he received during his term of office.

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE BY-LAW COMMITTEE

Given by Gazo Samok, Chairman, Depew-Lancaster Aerie No. 2692

Brother Delegates:

Your State By-Law Committee was appointed many months ago but there was no reason for any session to be held as no by-law changes have been received. For the record I wish to report that no communications or requests with relation to a change in the New York State Aerie by-laws have been received by this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

GAZO J. SAMOK, Chr. 2692  
JOHN SAXER, 46  
ROBERT HOOD, 941

It was moved by Brother Samok and seconded by Raymond Womble, Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 that the report be adopted as read. This was approved.

A short address was given by Past State President John Saxer with reference to Centennial celebration of the Canadian Confederation, at the conclusion of which all of the delegates rose as a tribute to the Canadian brothers and extended the best wishes of the New York State Aerie for a wonderful celebration.

#### REPORT OF THE JOBS AFTER FORTY COMMITTEE

Read by Robert Schick, Chairman, Rochester Aerie No. 52  
Brothers:

As you know New York has statutes covering age discrimination in the anti-discrimination law. Our order can share in the credit for getting this law. "JOBS AFTER FORTY", is an excellent example of what can be done by the concerted effort of an organization dedicated to a cause. Discrimination because of age has been outlawed in over 30 states.

Federal Legislation is still wanting. While New York State has statutes on the books, we can still do our part by writing our Congressmen supporting a federal law. This personal pressure from the grass roots has amazing results at times.

Literature is available from the Grand Aerie to guide you in petitioning the Congress.

In New York, our efforts can be directed toward making the law work. Local Aeries can monitor "Want Ads", for example, to detect violations.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SCHICK, 52  
DOLLARD PERUSSE, 2130  
WILLIAM HOFF, 3185

A motion was made by Brother Schick, that the report be accepted as read. This was seconded by Brother George Dingman and carried.

#### REPORT OF THE ELECTION COMMITTEE

Given by Herbert Old, Chairman, Elmont Aerie No. 3128

Brother Delegates:

It is my pleasure to report that as far back as my memory goes this is the first time that we have had no contest for State Office. All of our work was eliminated when the slate of officers as recommended by the Nominating committee was unanimously accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT OLD, Chr. 3128  
CLYDE OTT, 1260  
HARRY KINCAID, 616  
JOHN WEBER, 782

A motion was made by Brother Old and seconded by Frank Stokes, Toronto Aerie No. 2311, that the report be accepted as read. This was approved.

#### REPORT OF THE GRIEVANCE AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Read by Joseph Perry, Chairman, Watertown Aerie No. 782

Brother Delegates:

This committee is happy to report that no grievance has been filed or reported to the chairman or any other member of this committee.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The 12th Joint Installation of Officers of the New York State Aerie and the New York State Auxiliary was held immediately following the State Banquet in the Queensbury Hotel, on Saturday evening June 24th, 1967. A majority of the guests from the banquet remained for the ceremony. The installing Officers were Michael T. Gaffney Grand Worthy President, Rose Weber, Grand Madam President, Thomas Liotta, Grand Conductor, Harriet Cole, Grand Madam Conductor, Robert Magnan, Grand Secretary, May McCluskey, Grand Madam Secretary, Co-Chairmen were Past State President Robert Hood and Irene Perreault. Chaplain was Past State President John P. Saxer. The following brothers and sisters were installed into office.

### STATE AERIE STATE AUXILIARY

**PAST PRESIDENT**  
Louis Dion, Montreal 2130 Bessie Jones, Watertown 782

**STATE PRESIDENT**  
Fred Ritchie, Fort Hamilton 2621 Yvonne Magnan, Montreal 2130

**STATE VICE PRESIDENT**  
Joseph Perry, Watertown 782 Rita Schultz, Syracuse 053

**STATE CHAPLAIN**  
Robert Schick, Rochester 52 Ethel MacVittie, Buffalo 46

**STATE SECRETARY**  
Alfred W. Lane, Yonkers 0473 Alice Barkdoll, Ithaca 1253

**STATE TREASURER**  
Kenneth Decker, Ithaca 1253 Marie Crowley, Elmira 941

**STATE CONDUCTOR**  
Raymond Womble, Ithaca, 1253 Helen L. Glen, Johnson City 2644

**STATE INSIDE GUARD**  
Victor Ryan, Depew-Lancaster 2692 Virginia Ireland, Gloversville 482

**STATE OUTSIDE GUARD**  
LaVerne Weber, Lockport 825 Mae L. Foster, Toronto 2311

**TRUSTEES**  
Louis Dion, Chr. Montreal 2130 Virginia Cooney, Ossining 1545  
Edgar Ireland, Gloversville 482 Lorraine Hufnagel, Lockport 825  
Raymond Lance, Glens Falls 2486 Ethel L. Clark, Glens Falls 2486  
Frank Stokes, Toronto 2311  
William Carrick, Middletown 544

A short speaking program followed the Installation Ceremonies. Both Past State Presidents Louis Dion and Past Madam President Bessie Jones received their Past State President certificates and other little gifts. Both spoke briefly thanking all for the support received during the previous year. State President Fred Ritchie and Madam State President Yvonne Magnan, spoke briefly outlining their plans for the coming year. As in the past a number of messages of congratulations were received and read. Flowers and little gifts were presented to the newly elected officers as a memento of the occasion.

There being no further business this brought to a close the 61st Annual Convention of the New York State Aerie.  
Respectfully submitted,  
ALFRED W. LANE  
State Secretary

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH PERRY, Chr. 782  
HARRY OSSIT, 2191  
GERARD GREAVES, 2130

It was moved by Brother Perry and seconded by Robert Magnan, Montreal Aerie No. 2130 that the report be accepted as read. This was carried.

With all of the convention business completed up to this point State President Dion called a recess until the joint installation of officers to be held immediately following the conclusion of the State Convention Banquet. He further stated that the report of the State Ritualistic Committee would be given at the banquet. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

## STATE CONVENTION BANQUET

The Annual State Convention Banquet was held on Saturday evening June 24th, 1967 in the ball room of the Queensbury Hotel with approximately 300 persons in attendance. The speaking program conducted by Toastmaster Kenneth Decker, of Ithaca Aerie No. 1253, one of our veteran Past State Presidents was handled in an excellent manner. All of the State Officers of the State Aerie and State Auxiliary along with a majority of the State Leaders from both groups played a part in the program. Featured speakers included Eastern Regional President Thomas Liotta, Grand Madam Trustee Yvonne Magnan and General Auditor of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Michael T. Gaffney, who gave the principal address.

## REPORT OF THE STATE RITUALISTIC COMMITTEE

Read by Thomas Philpott, Chr. Toronto Aerie No. 2311

This report was given at the State Convention Banquet and is as follows:

Grand Aerie Representatives, State Officers, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The State Ritualistic Committee is proud to present the following report. We were very disappointed in the amount of teams entered in competition and due to an unforeseen circumstance one aerie was unable to participate. It is regrettable that more interest is not shown at the local level. If one would only realize how much more impressive it is on the new candidates. Let me quote an old saying "First impressions are lasting ones." To the delegates assembled here we sincerely hope that you will go back to your respective aeries and encourage the formation of a local degree team. The following aeries are the winners in the ritualistic competition:

1. Maple Leaf Aerie No. 2311 ..... 93.5%
2. Ithaca Aerie No. 1253 ..... 92.6%
3. Elmira Aerie No. 941 ..... 86.1%

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS PHILPOTT, Chr. 2311  
HENRY BECKER, 3128  
CHARLES EBBER, 3155  
MERTON DAVIS, 2644  
VICTOR RYAN, 2692

It was moved by Brother Philpott that the report be adopted as read. There being no objection State President Dion ruled it as such.

## BY - LAWS OF

### NEW YORK STATE AERIE, FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES

Pursuant to the authority granted by Section 35, Statutes, F. O. E., and for the purpose of securing a more efficient organization of, and strengthening the bond of fraternity between the several Local Aeries and their membership within the State of New York, the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario of the Dominion of Canada, under the charter granted by the Grand Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, the New York State Aerie hereby enacts and adopts these by-laws for the government of its affairs, and repeals any and all other Constitutions and/or by-laws, of any, heretofore adopted.

### M E E T I N G S

**Section 1.1** The State Aerie shall meet annually, in the month of June, starting on the Thursday of the last week, where there are at least two remaining days in June. The place to be designated by the Executive Committee, at least, one year in advance of said meeting.

In the event of a National or State emergency, a special meeting of the Executive Committee will arrange the Annual meeting.

**Section 1.2** Between the Annual sessions of the State Aerie, all regular elected or legally appointed officers of the New York State Aerie shall act as the Executive Committee and shall, subject to the laws of the Order, have and exercise all powers of the said State Aerie whenever the necessity of exercising such powers arises or where, because of an emergency, an Annual meeting cannot be held.

A majority of the Executive Committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the acts of the majority of the board members at a meeting, when a quorum is present, shall be the acts of the Executive Committee. However, if two-thirds of the members shall, after all board members have been notified, consent in writing to any action to be taken by the Board, such action shall be as valid a Board action as though it had been authorized at a meeting of the Board. The Secretary shall record such action in the Executive Board minutes, together with the written consent of the Executive Committee Members, as though a meeting had been actually held and the action taken thereat.

**Section 2.1** The State Aerie shall be composed of delegates from the Local Aeries of the New York jurisdiction as follows:

- (a) The present serving officers of the State Aerie.
- (b) All of the Past State Presidents of this State Aerie.
- (c) All Past Worthy Presidents and 10 year secretaries of Local Aeries.
- (d) Representatives elected by the Local Aeries of the New York State Aerie, provided, however that no individual shall be eligible to vote or sit in the deliberations of this State Aerie, unless he is in good standing in the Local Aerie, of which he is a member and has paid all designated registration fees.

**Section 2.2** Each member Local Aerie which has filed its required report and paid its per capita tax in full and is otherwise qualified by the laws of the Grand, State and Local, and this State Aerie, shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred (100) members on whom the per capita tax has been paid, or the major fraction thereof, on its rolls in the month of December preceeding the annual convention.

**Section 2.3** Any State Officer and past State President in good standing in his Local Aerie shall be entitled to vote for each such office in addition to any vote or votes to which he might be otherwise entitled.

**Section 2.4** No individual may cast more than five votes for or on behalf of any one Aerie in his capacity as a duly elected delegate from such aerie.

**Section 2.5** The presence of a sufficient number of representatives legally eligible and certified by their respective aerie and authorized to cast one-fourth or more of the total legally authorized and registered votes shall constitute a quorum.

**Section 2.6** All voting except for the election of officers and on roll call, shall be by regular voting sign of the Order. A majority of the legally authorized votes present and voting shall prevail. Election of officers shall be by secret written, printed or typed ballot and a plurality of the legally qualified votes legally cast for each office shall elect. A roll call vote shall be had on any question except election of officers upon request of such number of qualified delegates as the rules of the convention shall provide. Upon a roll call vote a majority of the legally qualified and registered votes present and voting shall prevail. Where more than one person is to be elected for any one office, no ballot shall be counted for any candidate for such office unless such ballot shall have been voted and marked for the required number of persons to be elected to such office. Ballots shall not be prepared or marked in any way that the casters thereof can be identified. Such ballots shall be issued by the Credentials Committee. They shall be issued only to named qualified delegates and Past Worthy Presidents. State Officers and Past State Presidents who are actually registered at the Convention. No delegates shall be entitled to cast more votes than appears on the roster of qualified delegates as submitted by the Secretary of the Local Aerie to the State Secretary and the Credentials Committee.

### O F F I C E R S

**Section 3.1** The Elected Officers of the New York State Aerie shall be as follows:

- A Junior Past President
- A President
- A Vice-President
- A Chaplain
- A Conductor
- A Secretary
- A Treasurer
- A Inside Guard
- A Outside Guard
- 5 Trustees

**Section 3.2** The five trustees shall consist of four elected members and the Junior Past Worthy President, who shall serve as the fifth member and who shall by virtue of his office be Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

**Section 3.3** The Term of offices of all State Officers of the State Aerie shall be for one year.

**Section 3.4** All Officers except the Junior Past Worthy President shall be nominated and elected at the annual convention.

The Worthy State President may appoint a nominating committee consisting of 5 members to present a prospective slate of State Officers. If the Worthy State President does not appoint a nominating committee, then a resolution may be introduced by any member of the State Aerie directing the Worthy State President to appoint a Nominating Committee of 5 members to present a prospective slate of State Officers.

Notwithstanding the fact that a nominating committee may be appointed, nominations for all state offices, (excepting J.P.S.P.) may be made from the floor of the convention.

one or more candidates for any state office if they deem it advisable.

**Section 3.5** No person other than a Past Worthy President or a 10 year Secretary of a local Aerie shall be eligible for State Office, nor shall any person be eligible to hold any State Office, unless he shall at the time of his installation as a State Officer, be of legal age as defined by the laws of the State or Canadian Civil Jurisdiction, nor unless he shall be a member of good standing in his own local Aerie.

**Section 3.6** No person shall be placed in nomination for any office unless he be in good standing--is a registered delegate at the convention and shall be present in the assembly hall at the time of the nominations. If convention business makes it necessary for a delegate to be absent during the nomination ceremony or if sickness or some other unavoidable circumstance makes it impossible for him to be in attendance, his name may be placed in nomination by a majority vote of the delegates present.

**Section 3.7** The President shall preside at all meetings of the State Aerie, appoint committees and sign voucher checks drawn upon the State Treasury and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the State Aerie. He shall render all decisions interpreting the State by-laws, and his decision shall be final unless reversed by the State Aerie or the Grand Tribunal. He may, whenever he deems the same necessary, call a meeting of the Executive Committee. The President shall, during his term of office, officially visit as many aeries as possible, in the State jurisdiction, within his budget allotment, and shall send a copy of his visitations to the State Secretary. The President shall appoint a legal advisor, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. Annually and prior to the State Convention he shall appoint the following committees and announce the appointments thereof on the first day of the Annual session.

- (a) Credentials, five members
- (b) Auditing, three or five members
- (c) Finance, three or five members
- (d) Judiciary, three or five members
- (e) Election, three judges and two clerks
- (f) State of the Order, five Past State Presidents
- (g) Resolutions, five members
- (h) Exemplification of the ritual, such number of judges and tellers as may be required.

All committees appointed by the President shall be selected from among the duly accredited delegates as well as from among the Past Worthy Presidents in good standing of member local series. He shall also appoint such other committees as called for in our by-laws as the State Aerie in session, or the Executive Committee thereafter, in the interim, shall create and direct.

**Section 3.8** The Vice-President shall, in the absence or disability of the State President, perform all the duties of State President.

**Section 3.9** The Secretary shall act as Secretary to the Executive Committee and maintain a record of their proceedings. He shall maintain a record of all proceedings of the State Aerie, shall collect all moneys due to the State Aerie and shall pay the same over to the Treasurer at least once each month with an itemized statement there-

of, and shall maintain a true and correct account of all moneys received and disbursed. He shall under the supervision of the President and Treasurer, initiate all disbursements, and the payment of all expenditures of and from State Aerie Funds. At each session of the State Aerie and whenever to do so by the President, he shall deliver to the Auditing Committee of the State Aerie all his books and records for examination and audit. He shall at each session of the State Aerie deliver to the President a duplicate report covering the cash balance of the preceding State Convention, and the amounts received by him from all sources and the sums paid for all purposes. He shall deliver to his successor in office all books, papers, records, money and other property of the State Aerie in his possession. As soon as practical after the adjournment of each Annual Session but not later than the following October 1st, the Secretary shall compile and include so much of the record of the proceedings of the session, to be printed or mimeographed, as shall be directed by the Executive Committee and shall deliver two copies thereof to the Grand Worthy President and copies to the Secretary of each member local aerie. He shall require all expense vouchers to be itemized. It shall further be the duty of the Secretary:

(a) To arrange official visitations of State Officers and individuals upon request and within the limitations of the State budget. Each such person so assigned shall submit a report to the State President and the State Secretary before expense vouchers shall be paid. To prevent conflict of visitations the State Secretary shall advise the State President and the State Membership director of all assignments as soon as they become final.

(b) It shall further be the duty of the State Secretary to act as a member of the Board of Directors of the New York State Bowling Association. He shall also as State Secretary receive from the State Bowling Association Tourney all funds of the New York State Bowling Association and deposit the same in the bank or banks designated by the Directors of the New York State Bowling Association. He shall countersign all checks or withdrawal orders on said account which are presented to him by the Bowling Tournament Secretary and which are in accordance with the Statutes and By-Laws of the New York State Aerie Bowling Association.

**Section 3.10** The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all bonds and securities belonging to the State Aerie, receive all monies from the Secretary and receipt to him therefor. He shall deposit the same in a good and responsible bank approved by the Executive Committee. He shall countersign all checks for legal expenditures of the State Aerie after the same have been authorized and signed by the Secretary. He shall maintain an account of all monies coming into his hands and all checks issued and all checks that have cleared the bank and such as have not been presented for payment. He shall annually present to the President a report in duplicate showing a detailed statement of his accounts. He shall deliver to his successor in office all books, papers, records, monies and other property of the State Aerie in his possession from under his control.

**Section 3.11** The Conductor shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all paraphernalia of the State Aerie during the annual session, but the Secretary shall be the custodian thereof when the State Aerie is not in session. The Conductor shall perform all duties prescribed by the Ritual and such other duties as he may be directed to perform by the President of the State Aerie when in session.

**Section 3.12** The Chaplain and the Inside and Outside Guards shall perform such services at the State Aerie sessions as are required of

them by the Ritual governing proceedings of the State Aerie Session as provided by the Grand Aerie.

**Section 3.13** The State President shall act as chairman and presiding officer of the Executive Committee: The Executive Committee, when the State Aerie is not in session, shall act upon such matters that may be referred to them by the State Aerie and the majority rule shall prevail. They shall also examine and inquire into the sufficiency of all bonds and make recommendations to the State Secretary regarding them. In all matters of expenditures of monies of the State Aerie in which the obtaining of bids or awarding of contracts is deemed by them to be advisable and that may be required so to be done by the State Aerie they shall require and conduct the demand for bids, the opening of the same, and award contracts but no such contract shall extend any time beyond the current fiscal year, with the exception of the awarding of the State Convention and the appointment of the State Membership Director and every action in this regard shall be subject to review by the State Aerie. Between Annual State Aerie sessions, the Executive Committee shall meet upon call of the State President or when in the judgement of a majority of the Executive Committee such meetings are necessary to the general welfare of the State Aerie but in no instance shall more than one meeting be held in any one month. The Executive Committee shall meet between March 1 and April 30th of each year and among other business select a Membership Director for the following fiscal year. They shall keep an inventory of all furniture and equipment of the State Aerie held by them or any other officer and report the same annually in writing to the State Convention.

**Section 3.14.** Except as otherwise provided by the laws of the Order, should a vacancy occur in the Office of State Membership Director or any State Aerie Office other than the President, by reason of death, removal from Office, resignation or expulsion from the Order, the Executive Committee shall appoint a successor to such office to fill the unexpired term. In event of a vacancy in the Office of State President, the State Vice President shall succeed to and fill the Office of State President for the unexpired term.

#### PER CAPITA TAX

**Section 4.1** The State Aerie shall fix the amount of the per capita tax in annual convention for the coming year, following the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee, for each member whose name appears on the membership roll of the local aerie on the date upon which the per capita tax is due, the same to be paid semi-annual on or before January 1st and on or before July 1st of each year not in excess of 40 cents per annum. Any contemplated increase in the State Per Capita tax by the State By-Law Committee must be made a matter of public record to every local aerie in the State jurisdiction at least 30 days before the Annual Convention.

#### SALARIES

**Section 5.1** All serving officers attending sessions of the State Aerie shall receive, when the budget so provides, or when the Executive Committee deems it possible \$10.00 per day, actual railroad, pullman or Plane fare or six cents per mile if traveling by automobile.

**Section 5.2** The State President shall receive annually a salary of \$4.00 payable quarterly, and in addition thereto an annual allowance shall be made for his respective office expenses in such amount as shall be fixed by the budget as adopted by the State Aerie.

At the conclusion of his term the State President shall receive a Past State President's Pin as prescribed by the Grand Aerie and in

addition thereto a purse of Fifty Dollars, both of which shall be an expense of the State Aerie.

**Section 5.3** The State Secretary shall receive annually a salary of \$800.00 payable quarterly and in addition thereto an annual allowance shall be made for his respective office expense in such amount as shall be fixed by the budget as adopted by the State Aerie.

**Section 5.4** The State Treasurer shall receive annually a salary of \$100.00 payable quarterly and in addition thereto an annual allowance shall be made for his respective office expense in such amount as shall be fixed by the budget as adopted by the State Aerie.

**Section 5.5** The State Legal Advisor shall be paid a retainer fee not in excess of \$100.00 per year payable quarterly, if provision therefor made in the State Budget. The State Legal Advisor shall counsel and advise the State Aerie Officers, when requested, on matters of the State and Local nature and which are of concern to the welfare of the State and Local Aeries. He shall attend the State Aerie Conventions and such other sessions of the State Officers, Executive Committee, Special Committees and meetings that may be duly called, when his presence is necessary or desirable. He shall be paid the same per diem and travel expense provided for in Section 5.1, only when called to attend any of the aforesaid sessions by the State President. If the Legal Advisor is called upon to represent the State Aerie in any legal action which requires his appearance or attendance in a Civil Court, involving the State Aerie or any of its Local Aeries, he shall be allowed such additional legal fees as is commensurate with the services rendered by him. The said fee, shall be paid by the State Aerie or by the Local Aerie, whichever may be involved.

**Section 5.6** Whenever per diem or travel expenses are allowed the same be as follows: One day visitations shall be at \$10.00 per diem plus actual hotel bill which shall not exceed \$5.00 per diem and this only if it is necessary to remain overnight. Travel expenses shall be the actual railroad or airline fare. In the event the trip is by automobile the amount paid shall not be in excess of \$.06 per mile for the distance to and from the point of destination.

**Section 5.7** The State Aerie representatives to the Grand Aerie Convention shall be the Junior Past Worthy President, at the time of the Grand Aerie session, or his duly-elected alternate and the serving State Membership Director. The compensation for each shall not exceed \$20.00 per diem plus the approved registration fee and actual pullman fare or airline fare, or if traveling by automobile, not in excess of \$.06 per mile while going to or returning from, and while in actual attendance at the Grand Aerie session. In no event shall the expense of each exceed \$200.00.

**Section 5.8** The Chairman of the Credentials Committee at the State Convention shall receive the sum of twenty-five dollars and each other member of the Committee shall receive the sum of ten dollars.

#### BUDGET

**Section 6.1** The Finance Committee shall report and the State Aerie shall adopt a budget of the anticipated per capita tax and other income, and authorized expenditures and appropriate the money from the State Aerie Treasury to finance the same. Such appropriation shall not be exceeded except by unanimous approval of the State Aerie's Executive Committee.

#### REPORTS

**Section 7.1** The Secretary of each Local Aerie, comprising this State Aerie shall make a semi-annual and/or quarterly report to the Secretary of the State Aerie on such forms and in such manner as may be

prescribed by the Secretary of the State and in conformity with Section 35.3 Statutes, F. O. E., or laws amendatory thereof. Any change in the office of a Local Aerie Worthy President and/or Secretary shall be forthwith reported by such Local Aerie to the Secretary of the State Aerie.

**Section 7.2** The fiscal year of the State Aerie shall begin on the first day of June of each year and end on the 31st day of May of the following year.

**Section 8.1 Credentials Committee — Duties:** The State Secretary shall submit to the Credentials Committee prior to the opening of the Annual Convention a copy of the roster of the delegates, Past Worthy Presidents and 10 Year Secretaries qualified to vote at the Annual Convention as submitted to the State Secretary by the secretaries qualified to vote at the Annual Convention as submitted to the State Secretary by the secretaries of the respective local aeries. Such roster shall show the number of votes each local number aerie, each delegate, Past Worthy President and 10 year Secretary is entitled to cast. The committee shall report to the convention the number of accredited delegates, Past Worthy Presidents and 10 Year Secretaries to whom credentials have been issued and the number of votes each is entitled to cast.

Further, in case of a contested election the Credentials committee shall issue the ballots to those delegates, Past Worthy Presidents and 10 Year Secretaries strictly in accordance with the number of votes each is entitled to cast as appears on the said rosters, and no ballots shall be issued or votes changed because of the absence or disability of any accredited delegate, Past Worthy President or 10 Year Secretary. Each contestant for office shall be entitled to have one watcher at the time the ballots are issued and to insure that the ballots shall conform strictly with the roster of accredited delegates, Past Worthy Presidents and 10 year Secretaries as submitted to the Credentials Committee. This to be in addition to the one watcher he is entitled to have at the polls and at the counting of the ballots.

Where credentials are issued in place of an accredited delegate, the alternate shall be considered to be the accredited delegate and shall have the same powers and be subject to the same duties as the original delegate named.

The same rules and procedures shall govern the issuance of credentials and votes to all State Officers and Past State Presidents.

**Section 8.2 Auditing Committee; duties.** The Auditing Committee shall make a complete audit of the records of the State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Membership Director and State Bowling Association.

**Section 8.3 Finance Committee: Duties.** The Finance Committee shall report to the State Aerie an itemized budget for the ensuing year, and the per capita tax required to meet the same.

**Section 8.4 Judiciary Committee: Duties.** The Judiciary Committee shall recommend in a report submitted to the State President of the opening session of the State Aerie, the Order of Business and Rules to be followed at each daily session thereof, and pursuant to which the business of the several sessions of the State Aerie shall be conducted, and by which the Delegates shall be governed in their deliberations.

Any proposed amendments to by-laws and such portions of the reports of officers and committees of the State Aerie and/or resolutions containing suggestions which, if adopted, would necessitate a change

in any existing by-laws, shall be in writing submitted to the Judiciary Committee which shall, at the same session of the State Aerie, report thereon to said session with its recommendations. Such committee shall report to the State Aerie such legislation as it may deem advisable and within the powers of the State Aerie to legislate.

**Section 8.5 Election Committee: Duties** The Election Committee shall of the State Aerie and its member Local Aeries, and shall report to the State Aerie.

**Section 8.6 Publicity Committee: Duties.** The Publicity Committee shall have charge of all publicity of the State Aerie Session.

**Section 8.7 State of the Order Committee: Duties.** The Committee of the State of the Order shall consider all matters presented to it by the State President or Aerie, concerning the general welfare of the State Aerie and its member Local Aeries, and shall report to the State Aerie.

**Section 8.8 Resolutions Committee: Duties.** All resolutions with the exception of those initiated or considered by the State of the Order Committee or those required to be submitted to the Judiciary Committee, shall first be in writing presented or referred to and passed upon by the Committee on Resolutions, which shall make its report, with its recommendations thereon, to the State Aerie in Session.

**Section 8.9 Ritualistic Committee: Duties.** The Committee on Exemption of the Ritual shall have full charge of all ritualistic and drill contests according to such rules as may be by it adopted, subject to the approval of the State Trustees, and shall report the results of such contests to the State Aerie, giving to each contesting team an itemized record of the debits and credits accorded such team.

**Section 8.10 Committee Reports in Triplicate.** Except as herein otherwise provided, each committee shall, immediately after its appointment by the President, convene and review the activity of its predecessor committee since the preceding annual convention and, through its chairman, draft and present in triplicate a written report of such activity and recommendations for the ensuing year.

**Section 8.11 Legislative Committee.** The State President, immediately following his installation in Legislative years, shall appoint a Legislative Committee, to be composed of three (3) or five (5) members who are in good standing in member Local Aeries. The Chairman and the Secretary, if any, of said committee shall be designated by the President. Such committee shall hold office and serve through the State convention following the next regular session of the State Legislative assembly. Any such committee member shall be eligible to succeed himself. In the event of a vacancy for any cause, occurring in the membership of said committee, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the then President for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Legislative Committee shall have the power and shall be charged with the following duties:

(a) To direct and control all matters relating to legislative action necessary to be taken before the State Legislative assemblies in connection with proposed or pending legislation that basically effect the essential internal operations of the Local Aeries, their club rooms and facilities, or in any way effect their property rights and interests, and such matters as are exclusively subject to state legislation and regulation, to the end that the rights of the Local Aeries may be safeguarded and protected.

(b) To carefully review and consider, prior to and during State legislative sessions, all legislation that may be proposed or

submitted thereto, which may in any way effect the public welfare, social security or other humanitarian programs and policies of the State Aerie, or that may in any way effect the property rights and interests of the member Local Aeries and to keep said member Local Aeries and the State Aerie Legislative Committee fully informed thereon and of the progress of such legislation and of the action recommended or taken thereon by this Committee as herein authorized.

- (c) There shall be provided to said committee, subject to the approval of the State Aerie, adequate funds to enable it to properly carry out its herein designated duties and activities in an efficient manner.
- (d) There shall at all times be provided to said committee, in connection with the performance of its duties as herein prescribed and in order to enable it to properly advise member Local Aeries with respect to the legal effect of existing or proposed legislation on their property holdings, interests and activities, adequate legal advice, either by appointment of a State Legal Advisor or by including qualified licensed attorneys among the membership of the Legislative Committee.
- (e) A report of the Legislative Committee of its activities shall be made at each session of the State.

#### MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

##### Section 8:12 Membership Director

The duties of the Membership Director, approved as provided in Section 3:13 shall be as follows: In co-operation with the Grand Aerie Membership Department to have general supervision over all activities in the State Aerie relating to the securing of new membership; to promote membership campaigns throughout the State; to assist local aeries in their membership campaigns by furnishing said local aeries with suggestive programs, data, and generally to do all things necessary or desirable to encourage and promote the addition of new members in the local aeries throughout the State jurisdiction. He may if he so desires divide the State into Zones, he may appoint from the members in good standing in the local aeries as many assistants as he deems necessary to aid him in his membership activities. He shall submit, annually, a proposed budget to the State Convention for the operation of his office for the coming year.

He shall not exceed the amount allocated for any particular activity as set forth in the budget except with the consent of the Executive Committee secured prior to such disbursement.

He shall file with the State Secretary an official voucher for all expenses incurred such as office expenses, membership material, printing, per diem and traveling expenses. He shall submit a report of all visitations, the same as the State Officers.

All membership monies received by him from all sources, including the Grand Aerie Membership Department, shall be turned over to the State Secretary to become part of the General Fund of the State Aerie. These monies shall be set aside for membership promotion and allocated as set forth in the membership budget and provisions of the State by-laws.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Section 9.1** In opening and closing the State Aerie Sessions and installing Delegates and Officers, the approved Ritual as provided by the Grand Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles shall be used.

**Section 9.2** Any violation of these by-laws by any member, officer, delegates or Local Aerie, attending or belonging to or affiliated with the State Aerie shall constitute a violation of the laws of the Order, and may be tried in the same manner and penalized to the same extent as a violation of the Constitution and Statutes, Fraternal Order of Eagles, or laws amendatory thereof.

**Section 9.3** No Amendment, alteration or addition to the be-laws shall take effect unless made in accordance with the requirements of Section 35.4, Constitution and Statutes, Fraternal Order of Eagles or laws amendatory thereof, and such change shall require a two-thirds vote of the authorized delegates present and voting.

**Section 9.4** Where the Constitution and Statutes of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Rules and Regulations of the Fraternity and these by-laws do not cover or control, then Robert's Rules of Order (revised.) shall govern the actions and deliberations of the State Aerie.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the delegates of the New York State Aerie in Convention assembled at Rochester, N. Y. on the 26th day of June 1965 that we hereby adopt the foregoing as amendments to the New York State Aerie By-Laws and the same shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the approval by the Grand Secretary of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Original Reading: June 24, 1965

June 25, 1965

June 26, 1965

BY-LAW COMMITTEE  
FRANK H. LEWIS, Chr. 544  
KEENE M. BROWN, 1253  
ROBERT HOOD, 941  
FRED RITCHIE, 2621

Frank Lewis, Empire Aerie No. 544 moved the adoption of these changes after the final reading. This was seconded by William Wright, Hornell Aerie No. 2640. Vote was adopted this 26th day of June 1965.

THEODORE HURWITZ,  
State President

ALFRED W. LANE,  
State Secretary

Approved the 26th day of June 1965.

ROBERT MAXSON,  
Grand Secretary



**NEW YORK STATE AERIE CONVENTIONS**

**YEAR and CITY**

1907 — Rochester (Institution) 1937 — Auburn  
1908 — Saratoga Springs 1938 — Watertown  
1909 — Little Falls 1939 — Gloversville  
1910 — Rockaway Beach 1940 — Lockport  
1911 — Rochester 1941 — Rochester  
1912 — Cohoes 1942 — New York City  
1913 — Carthage 1943 — Auburn  
1914 — Olean 1944 — Batavia  
1915 — Auburn 1945 — Rochester  
1916 — Rochester 1946 — Middletown  
1917 — Buffalo 1947 — Utica  
1918 — Geneva 1948 — Saratoga Springs  
1919 — Syracuse 1949 — Saratoga Springs  
1920 — Niagara Falls 1950 — Rochester  
1921 — Saratoga Springs 1951 — Rochester  
1922 — Binghamton 1952 — Binghamton  
1923 — Mount Vernon 1953 — Schenectady  
1924 — Rockaway Beach 1954 — Oneonta  
1925 — Niagara Falls 1955 — Elmira  
1926 — Watertown 1956 — Montreal  
1927 — Binghamton 1957 — Saratoga Springs  
1928 — Syracuse 1958 — Buffalo  
1929 — Schenectady 1959 — Elmira  
1930 — Elmira 1960 — Rochester  
1931 — Oswego 1961 — Toronto  
1932 — Rochester 1962 — Utica  
1933 — Lockport 1963 — Oneonta  
1934 — Johnstown 1964 — Watertown  
1935 — Ithaca 1965 — Rochester  
1936 — Olean 1966 — Syracuse  
1967 — Glens Falls

LIST OF THE PAST STATE PRESIDENTS OF THE

NEW YORK STATE AERIE, F. O. E.

1	— JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 893	1907-08
2	— JOHN J. HARRINGTON, Brooklyn 893	1908-09
3	— FREDERICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1909-10
4	— FREDERICK HUGHES, Yonkers 473	1910-11
5	— JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1911-12
6	— JAMES CONLAN, Buffalo 46	1912-13
7	— GEORGE BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1913-14
8	— GEORGE B. BEDFORD, Syracuse 53	1914-15
9	— JOHN F. MALONEY, Watertown 782	1916-16
10	— JOHN F. COLE, Binghamton 1118	1916-17
11	— GEORGE E. MORGAN, Buffalo 46	1917-18
12	— WILLIAM KENEALY, Rochester 52	1918-19
13	— JOSEPH M. SCHERER, Long Island City 1509	1919-20
14	— THOMAS G. WELSH, Elmira 941	1920-21
15	— FRANK X. BERNHARDT, Buffalo 46	1921-22
16	— THOMAS J. HICKEY, Syracuse 53	1922-23
17	— JOSEPH STREICHER, Buffalo 46	1923-24
18	— JOHN F. McGRATH, New York 40	1924-25
19	— MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1925-26
20	— WILLIAM B. HUTCHINSON, Buffalo 46	1926-27
21	— MICHAEL H. SWEENEY, Binghamton 1118	1927-28
22	— WILLIAM S. DODSON, Olean 616	1928-29
23	— WILLIAM MENTZINGER, Rockaway Beach 1544	1929-30
24	— CHARLES J. MENGLER, Elmira 941	1930-31
25	— WILLIAM ALF, Buffalo 46	1931-32
26	— WALTER E. McGRATH, New York 40	1932-33
27	— ALBERT LEONARD, Geneva 95	1933-34
28	— ERNEST J. MAHONEY, Rochester 52	1932-35
29	— JOHN P. SAXER, Buffalo 46	1935-36
30	— JOHN T. SHORTELL, Olean 616	1936-37
31	— CHARLES G. MARALDO, Staten Island 543	1937-38
32	— RAYMOND R. BARBER, Ithaca 1253	1938-39
33	— WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1939-40
34	— WILLIAM H. MOSTYN, Rochester 52	1940-41
35	— R. LESLIE McDERMOTT, Lockport 825	1941-42
36	— CHARLES J. DOLZEN, Schenectady 514	1942-43
37	— KENNETH DECKER, Ithaca 1253	1943-44
38	— HENRY KOHAUT, Yonkers 0473	1944-45
39	— JOHN R. TAGGERT, Buffalo 46	1945-46
40	— GEORGE GREEN, Gloversville 482	1946-47
41	— FRANCIS H. BRECHUE, Auburn 96	1947-48
42	— EDWARD M. KAMAS, Elmira 941	1948-49
43	— PAUL M. AYERS, Lockport 825	1949-50
44	— DONALD MANZER, Utica 97	1950-51
45	— CHARLES F. BOYLE, Buffalo 46	1951-52
46	— JOSEPH L. WURZER, Rochester 52	1952-53
47	— LOUIS ASTIFAN, Watertown 782	1953-54
48	— HAROLD CRAWFORD, Fort Hamilton 2621	1954-55
49	— KEENE M. BROWN, Ithaca 1253	1955-56
50	— FRANK H. LEWIS, Empire 544	1956-57
51	— CHARLES P. EDWARDS, Schenectady 514	1957-58
52	— ROBERT MAGNAN, Montreal 2130	1958-59
53	— GEORGE SATTLER, Elmira 941	1959-60
54	— GAZO SAMOK, Depew-Lancaster 2692	1960-61
55	— THOMAS PHILPOTT, Maple Leaf 2311	1961-62
56	— ROBERT WATTS, Lockport 825	1962-63
57	— HERBERT OLD, Nassau 3128	1963-64
58	— THEODORE HURWITZ Oneonta 1260	1964-65
59	— ROBERT HOOD, Elmira 941	1965-66
60	— LOUIS DION, Montreal 2130	1966-67

