

# New SAR chapter here gets charter at banquet

Patriotism in America is far more than just love of country, said Judge Wilson King Barnes, state president of the sons of the American Revolution, Thursday evening at the Venice Restaurant at the charter banquet of Hagerstown's Christian Ardinger Chapter.

Barnes told members of the new chapter and their wives and guests that patriotism in this country is also an ideal and a theory of government.

He said that our unique system of government, produced by the American Revolution, "turned the world upside-down" because the sovereign right to rule lies with the people and not a king.

Our free enterprise system, he went on, has produced a

great amount of wealth and "the highest standard of living known to man." But, he said, this success has lulled some to forget "why we have what we have."

He described communism and socialism as the main threats to our country and said that they must destroy us to survive themselves.

In order to combat this, he said, we must know what we believe in and know how to bring others to knowledge.

"This is why SAR and our new chapters are so important. Patriotism is a must," he concluded.

After presenting the charter to Jacob Hoffman, president of the new chapter, Barnes made a personal gift of a Sons of the American Revolution

flag to the chapter from him and his wife.

An American flag was presented to the chapter by Frank Trovinger, past commander of the Morris Frock Post of the American Legion and chairman of the flag committee, and John Grove, a legionaire.

Other awards presented by the state SAR were an SAR medal of appreciation to Mrs. Jacob Vorous, state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution, for help in researching lineage of the new chapter members, and a Martha Washington Medal to Mrs. Wilson K. Barnes, past state DAR regent, for help in forming other SAR chapters.

Earlier in the day Barnes presented a medal of appreciation to Mrs. Dennis

T. Zeller, chairman of lineage research for the Conococheague chapter of the DAR, for tracing the ancestry of almost every member of the Christian Ardinger SAR chapter. Mrs. Zeller, who is an invalid, could not attend the banquet.

Besides Judge and Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Vorous, guests of the chapter at the banquet were former state SAR presidents, Harold Wilmouth and Dr. J. King B. Swegar Jr. and their wives. Representing the Sgt. Lawrence Everhart Chapter from Frederick were Edward D. Shriner Jr., state historian general, and Dr. Wilbur Divelbiss, a member of the slate board of managers, and their wives.

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## Family

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### *Found their ancestors*

Judge Wilson K. Barnes, state president of the Sons of the American Revolution, pins an SAR medal of appreciation on Mrs. Dennis T. Zeller Thursday afternoon at her home. Mrs. Zeller, who is chapter chairman of lineage research for the Conococheague Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and state DAR vice-chairman of lineage research, received the award for doing most of the ancestry research for members of the new Christian

Ardinger Chapter of the SAR formed here. The chapter was named for an ancestor of Mrs. Zeller. Mrs. Jacob Vorous, left, state DAR regent, and Mrs. Wilson Barnes, right, past state DAR regent and former organizing secretary general of the National Society, DAR, received SAR medals that evening at the new chapter's charter banquet. Mrs. Zeller, an invalid, could not attend.