WAR RECORDS DIVISION

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Under delegation of authority from the Board of Public Works, the War Records Division of the Maryland Historical Society was established in 1945 to assemble and publish data relative to Maryland's participation in World War II. The Division maintains and services a small specialized library of such materials, including a file of the military service records of each Marylander who served in the armed forces during that conflict. Four books have been published and two others are in preparation (Acts 1945, ch. 728).

Appropriations General Fund \$14,250 \$14,820

Staff: 3.

MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION

Chairman: David E. Kaiser Godfrey E. Child, Jarrett M. Ward, D.D.S., Frank T. Powers, Vernon H. Randall.

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The Maryland Veterans Commission is composed of five members appointed by the Governor, all of whom must be veterans. The Commission appoints the State Service Officer, who serves as administrative director of the agency. The State Commanders of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, and the Spanish-American War Veterans serve as an advisory committee to the Commission.

The Commission administers a fund, appropriated annually, to provide the necessities of life to distressed veterans, widows of veterans and their infant children, to provide medical care for those who are ill, and funeral expenses for deceased veterans. The agency also assists veterans and their dependents in securing federal aid to which they may be entitled. The Commission is further responsible for the maintenance of a permanent registry of graves of all persons who served in the military or naval forces of the country in time of war and are buried in Maryland (Code 1951, Art. 961/2, secs. 3-7). The Commission, in addition to its main office, has information centers located in the following cities:

Baltimore: 219-A Veterans Administration Building

Cambridge: High and Spring Valley

Chevy Chase: Recreational Center, 4700 Norwood Drive

Crisfield: Arcade Building

Cumberland: County Building, Union Street

Easton: Dover and Harrison Street

Frederick: Winchester Hall

Hagerstown: City Hall

Hyattsville: County Service Building

Laurel: 369 Main Street

Salisbury: Gunby Building Washington, D. C.: Veterans Administration, 1012

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