

I am enclosing herewith a statement furnished by the officials of the Great War Veterans' Association, showing the number of Poppies sold and the amount for which that Association is responsible.

You will appreciate that my duties were confined merely to receiving and paying over the money. I assumed no responsibility in connection with the organization and administration of the campaign. As National Treasurer I have received \$60,780.03, and, as I am informed that you are authorized to receive these moneys for the account of the Ligue Francaise des Enfants and to settle any outstanding claims, I have much pleasure in now enclosing my cheque in your favour for \$60,780.03.

I understand that there are certain claims against the fund now placed in trust with you. These claims are those of the manufacturers of the Poppies and of Mme. Guerin for expenses incurred in connection with the campaign. From my investigation it would appear that the Great War Veterans' Association had no direct contact with the manufacturers and, accordingly, do not care to take the responsibility of any direct payments to them.

It is my desire, however, and that of the Great War Veterans' Association that as large a fund as possible be left available for the relief of the children of the devastated areas and that only such proportion of the manufacturers' cost and other expenses be deducted from this fund as represents the proportion of Poppies supplied to the Great War Veterans' Association and the expenses incurred in connection with its campaign. Any balance of these accounts would seem rightly chargeable to other campaign funds or persons.