

REPUBLICANS RECEIVE CONSTITUTION FUND

Mrs. Braman Gives \$5,000 to Women's Club for Defense of American Principles.

Mrs. Chester Alwyn Braman has given \$5,000 to the Women's National Republican Club as a "Fund for the Defense of the Constitution," it was announced yesterday by the board of governors through Mrs. George A. Wyeth, the president. Mrs. Braman is the widow of Chester A. Braman, former president of A. D. Juilliard & Co., of 40 West Fortieth Street, known for his philanthropies.

"It would be difficult for me, at this time, to set aside a sum of money for any other purpose," said Mrs. Braman, "but the threat to fundamental American principles of government is so great I feel impelled to make this provision for their protection."

Mrs. Braman said a paper, written by her husband in 1928 in which he expressed the belief that "to live under the American Constitution is the greatest political privilege that was ever accorded to the human race," recently had come to her attention. Mr. Braman declared that the Constitution was not "self-perpetuating" and that its survival required "knowledge on the part of the citizens and active public support."

Her gift, Mrs. Braman said, was inspired by a desire "to help arouse our people to the menace now threatening our form of government and to arm them for its defense."

"We cannot allow our children to become serfs in a land where their fathers lived as free men," Mrs. Braman asserted.