## MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE KANSAS CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS -- APRIL 15, 1941

The meeting of the Executive Committee of the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, met in the Dining Room of the Booth Hotel, Independence, Kansas, April 15, 1941, at 4:30 p.m.

Mrs. James H. Whipple, the President, presided and the following members of the committee were present: Mrs. E. E. Miller, Mrs. George Winters, Mrs. Norah Luther, Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Mr. Fred Smith, Mrs. L. R. Fulton, Miss Hazel Thompson, Mrs. W. R. Loder, Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Editor, Kansas Parent Teacher, and Mr. James Sharpe, Chairman of the Student Loan Fund committee, were also present.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT RULES COMMITTEE

Mrs. E. E. Miller, presented the report of the Committee on District Rules and Procedure and showed mimeographed copies of same.

MOTION, by Miss Hazel Thompson, that the report be accepted and that the work of the committee be approved with commendation and thanks.

(CARRIED)

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY CHAIRMAN

A letter from Miss Helen Wagstaff, Library Chairman, was read asking for approval of suggestions for promoting the Reading Project and presenting the proposition of having assistant Chairman in each district.

MOTION, by Mrs. E. E. Miller, that the Library Chairman, be authorized to make up a report form, for reporting on fifteen (15) books read from the 'suggested list' and a form for a certificate of recognition to be given those completing requirements at the State Convention.CARRIED.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Secretary.

PRE-Convention MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE KANSAS CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS -- APRIL 15, 1941

The Pre-Convention meeting of the Board of Managers of the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, was called to order by the President, Mrs. James H. Whipple, at 9:00 o'clock, in the Sample Room of the Hotel Booth, Independence, Kansas, Tuesday April 15, 1941.

The following members were present: Mrs. James E. Whipple, Mrs. E. E. Miller, Mrs. Geo. Winters, Mr. C. M. Miller, Mrs. Norah Luther, Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Mr. Fred Smith, Mrs. L. R. Fulton, Mrs. W. R. Loder, Miss Hazel Thompson, Mrs. James Siler, Mrs. E. A. Carlson, Mrs. A. E. Stockebrand, Mrs. A. E. Hastings, Mrs. Arthur Leach Mrs. E. T. Beck, Mrs. Martin Erickson, Mrs. R. S. Pickler, Mrs. Wm. Downs, Mrs. A. D. Lowe, Mrs. John Daly, Mrs. O. C. Taylor, Mrs. J. Oscar Brown, Mrs. C. Fred Griffith, Mrs. J. W. Hutchison, Mrs. C. B. Sherwood, Mrs. Ira Stockebrand, Mr. Ted Bunting, Mrs. Frank Langston, Mrs. Glenn A. Steven, Mrs. Lucile Rust, Mr. Harry M. Dawdy, Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Miss Helen Wagstaff, L. M. Eddy, Otis J. Mumaw, Mrs. W. M. Lovett, Mrs. Leo Stewart, W. M. Richards, Mrs. LeRoy Arnold, Mrs. Paul Kuhn, Mr. James Sharpe.

The Rev. Fred Smith gave the invocation.

The Call of the meeting was read by the Secretary and the Agenda passed.

MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE REPORT
The minutes of the January Executive Committee meeting were reported as correct as printed by Mrs. George Winters.

MINUTES APPROVAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The President appointed Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, Mrs. A. E. Hastings, and
Miss Hazel Thompson, to check the minutes of the Board of Managers
and the Convention.

BILLS APPROVAL COMMITTEE APPOINTED
The Bresident appointed Mrs. L. R. Fulton, and Mrs. George Winters to check the bills presented at this convention.

TELLERS
The President announced that Mr. W. M. Richards, had been elected at the January Executive Committee meeting to serve as Chairman of Tellers for the election at this convention. Nominations were opened for four other members for this committee:

Mrs. Le Roy Arnold was nominated by Mrs. E. E. Miller.
Mrs. C. B. Sherwood, was nominated by Miss Hazel Thompson.
Mr. Harry Dawdy, was nominated by Mrs. George Winters.
Mr. James Sharpe, was nominated by Mrs. J. Oscar Brown.

MOTION by Mrs. Lucile Rust, that the nominations be closed. CARRIED. MOTION by L. M. Eddy, to elect those nominated as Tellers for the election. CARRIED.

CONVENTION RULES
The Convention Rules proposed by Mrs. Carl Anderson, were read by the Secretary and on MOTION were recommended to the Convention body for approval. CARRIED.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS
The elected Officers and several District Directors gave reports of their activities and filed same with the Secretary.

RESIGNATION OF THIRD VICEPRESIDENT

The Secretary read a letter of resignation from Mrs. R. A. Seaton, who, due to her temporary residence in Washington, D. C., wished to resign as third Vicepresident. The resignation was referred to the Post-Convention Board of Managers meeting.

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1941

The meeting of the Board of Managers was called to order by the President at 9:30 a.m.

The Secretary read the report of the third Vicepresident, Mrs. R. A. Seaton, which was filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT
The Treasurer, Mr. Fred Smith, read his report which will be found in Appendix No. I, to these minutes.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL BYLAWS
MOTION BY Mrs. Lucile Rust, to accept the report of the Chairman, Mrs.
Carl Anderson, on Bylaws and approve the Bylaws of the Liberal City
Council, Mc Pherson City Council, Amendments of the Bylaws of the
Kansas City, City Council and Salina City Council. CARRIED.

BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. L. R. Fulton, read the proposed Budget for 1941-42, as set up by
the committee to be referred to the Post-Convention Board meeting.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN
The remaining District Directors read their reports and on MOTION by
Mrs. Glenn A. Steven, the reports were accepted and filed. Reports
were made by the Chairmen present and the report of the Emblems Chairman and the Editor of the Kansas Parent Teacher Magazine, were referred
to the approval of the Convention.

BOUND COPIES OF THE KANSAS PARENT TEACHER MAGAZINE PRESENTED
Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, presented the Congress with bound copies of the
1940-41, Parent Teacher magazine for official files, as compliments of
the Zona Printing Company of Wichita.
MOTION by Mrs. E. T. Beck, that a letter of appreciation be sent the
Zona printing Company, for the volume. CARRIED.
The Board gave a vote of appreciation to Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, for the
splendid work she had done on the Kansas Parent Teacher magazine, as
its editor.

Mrs. M. A. Taylor, National representative arrived and was introduced.

ETTERS AUTHORIZED
By common consent the Secretary was instructed to send a sympathy card to Mrs. R. L. Barker, at the loss of her brother and regrets for her inability to attend the Convention. Also to Mrs. R. A. Seaton, Mrs. Carl Anderson and Mrs. R. H. Short of Salina, a past Vicepresident of the congress, who was celebrating her golden wedding anniversary. A telegram had been received from the British Columbia Parent Teacher Federation, with greetings to this convention, and was read by the Secretary. A telegraphed reply was authorized.

The National Representative, Mrs. M. A. Taylor made a short talk.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Secretary.

CONVENTION PROGRAM
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"EDUCATION FOR THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE"
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

# FIRST GENERAL SESSION

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON--Memorial Hall.

Presiding--Mrs. Van D. Peterson, President, Independence Council and Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President.

2:00 p.m.

Music--Robed Choir of Independence Grade Schools.

Director, Miss Margaret Gilmore, Director of Elementary
School Music, Independence, Accompanist--Mrs. E. C. Rader

Processional -- State Board

Directed by Elva Hughes, Physical Education Director.

Color Bearers -- Sea Scouts.

Salute to the Flag--Sea Scouts

Invocation -- Rev. Wm. Paul Barnds, Rector, Epiphany Episcopal

Church, Independence.

Greetings -- F. M. Wilhelm, Mayor of Independence.

Greetings -- J. H. Clements, Supt. of Schools.

Greetings -- Mrs. Van D. Peterson, Pres. Parent Teacher Council.

Response -- Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President.

#### BUSINESS SESSION:

Report of Convention Committees:

CREDENTIALS -- Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth, Acting Chairman.

First Report --

RULES --Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Acting Chairman.
MOTION to accept the Convention Rules as presented.CARRIEDL

PROGRAM --Miss Hazel Thompson, Chairman. Changes necessary at this time were suggested and MOTION to accept the program as corrected with such other changes as may be necessary. CARRIED.

Introduction of Local Convention Committees-Mrs. Van D. Peterson.

ADDRESS -- "Home, the Primary Source of Education."

Mrs. M. A. Taylor, National Vicepresident of Region Six.

INTRODUCTION of State Board.

4:00 p.m.

DRIVE -- "The Inde-Kan Way" courtesy of Independence Council and

Chamber of Commerce.

TEA SERVED:

Kindergarten--Lincoln School
Elementary--Riley School.
Elementary--Washington School.
Junior & Senior High--Junior High School
Rural--Central District 58.

#### SECOND GENERAL SESSION

WEDNESDAY EVENING -- Memorial Hall.

Presiding--Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President

7:30 p.m.

Concert--Independence High School and Junior College Band.

Director--Maurice Callahan, Director of Instrumental

Music, Independence High School & Junior College.

Invocation--Rev. Clarence Shackelford Paster Presbyterian Chu

Invocation -- Rev. Clarence Shackelford, Pastor Presbyterian Church. Oration -- "From Grave to Glory" -- Miss Margaret . Carlile.

Panel Discussion--"Four Pillars of Democracy"

Leader and Summarizer -- C. M. Miller, 5th Vicepresident, and Director State Board for Vocational Education.

PARTICIPANTS:

Dr. Alice Sowers, Family Life Education Specialist --University of Oklahoma. (HOME)

Rev. A. B. Miller, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church Pittsburg. (CHURCH)

Mr. Glenn A. DeLay, Supt. Schools, Neodesha--(SCHOOL)

Mr. Frank Sands, Independence--(PRESS)

Pageant -- "History of the Flag." V.F.W. Auxiliary and Sea Scouts. Reader--Mrs. E. L. Jenkins.

THURSDAY MORNING--MEMORIAL HALL

8:30 to 9:30 CONFERENCES WITH STATE CHAIRMEN:

> GROUP I -- Main Floor -- East Side. Presiding--Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, 7th Vicepresident. Motion Pictures and Visual Education -- School Education and Exceptional Child -- Use of Alcohol & Other Narcotics --Character Education.

GROUP II -- Main Floor -- West Side. Presiding--Mrs. E. W. Emery. Child Hygiene -- Mental Hygiene -- Social Hygiene -- Summer Round-Up.

GROUP III -- Balcony -- East Side. Presiding--Mrs. George Winters, 4th Vicepresident. International Relations -- Juvenile Protection -- Safety --Student Aid.

GROUP IV--Balcony--West Side. Presiding--Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth. Membership--Finance and Budget--Hospitality.

THIRD GENERAL SESSION

THURSDAY MORNING--Memorial Hall. Presiding--Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President. 10:00 a.m.

Devotional -- Patriotic Dramatization -- Presented by pupils of Washington School--Directors--Miss Dorothy Featherngill and Miss Bertha Simon.

BUSINESS SESSION:

Report of Nominating Committee, Mrs Fred Smith, Acting Shr. "Your State Committee on Nominations presents the following named members as nominees for the respective offices:" 

Signed -- Mrs. Myron Husband, Chairman Miss Helen Wagstaff Mrs. W. R. Loder

Mr. Fred Smith

Mrs. G. Goodson Wright

The President called for nominations from the floor for President.
Hearing none the nominations were closed.

The president called for nominations from the floor for 1st Vice-President. Hearing none the nominations were closed.

The President called for nominations from the floor for Secretary.

Hearing none the nominations were closed.

The ballot was prepared and the voting was held in the Lobby of the Memorial Hall, from 11:45 to 5:00 p.m., Thursday.

REPORT OF THE STATE TREASURER -- Rev. Fred Smith.

MOTION by W. M. Richards to accept the Treasurer's report.

CARRIED. Report will be found in APPENDIX NO. I.

ADDRESS--"Home, America's Strength" -- Dr. Alice Sowers, Family Life Educations Specialist, University of Okla.

Introduction--Mrs. John Wadlin--Oklahoma President.

Report -- New Legislation Affecting Schools -- Mr. Rees Hughes, Supt. of Schools, Parsons.

SECOND REPORT CREDENTIALS -- Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth.

Telegrams read from:

Mrs. J. B. Riddle, Past President.
Mrs. Wm. Kletzer, National President.
British Columbia Parent and Teacher Federation.

PENNY PARADE -- Directed by Wm. Newell, Director, Physical Education, Independence.

#### LUNCHEON HOUR--12:00

PUBLICITY -- Presbyterian Church -- 5th & Maple Presiding -- Mrs. Paul Kuhn, State Publicity Chairman. Invocation.

Group Singing
Round-Table Discussion--"Defense for P.T.A."

Participants:

Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Editor--Kansas Parent Teacher Mrs. W. R. Loder, State Radio Chairman. Mrs. Geo. Winters, 4th Vicepresident.

Favors furnished by Chanute Council.

RURAL LIFE--Methodist Church--Penn. Avenue & Maple.

Presiding--Mrs. A. E. Hastings--Director 4th District.

Invocation.

Assembly Singing.

"Rural Youth"--W. M. Ostenberg, State Chairman Citizenship.

Favors furnished by Coffeyville Council.

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VISUAL EDUCATION -- Christian Church -- 10th & Laurel.

Presiding--L. M. Eddy, Chairman, Motion Pictures and Visual Education.

Invocation.

Introduction of State Officers.

Remarks on Visual Education Service rendered by the State University, Fred S. Montgomery, University of Kansas.

Sound Picture.

Favors furnished by Parsons Council.

## FOURTH GENERAL SESSION

THURSDAY AFTERNOON--Memorial Hall.
Presiding--Mrs. George Winters--4th Vicepresident.

Vocal Solo--Mrs. Earl Merchant -- Accompanist, Miss Mildred Fansler.

Devotional -- Mrs. George Winters.

BUSINESS SESSION: REPORTS

STATE PRESIDENT -- Mrs. James H. Whipple read her report and on MOTION it was accepted and filed. An ovation of applause was given Mrs. Whipple.

NATIONAL PARENT TEACHER MAGAZINE -- Mrs. Wm. Lovett, CHR.

MOTION was made to accept the report. CARRIED.

KANSAS PARENT TEACHER MAGAZINE -- Mrs. Ben Mc Camant. Chr.

MOTION to accept the report and financial statement of the Kansas Parent Teacher editor. CARRIED. Report found In APPENDIX NO. II.

One Act Play--"A Day in Traffic Court."--Presented by Riley School Safety Club, Director, Miss Marie Pitts, Principal.

ADDRESS -- "The Responsibility of the Press in Education for the American Way of Life." W. G. Anderson, Winfield Courier.

SECTIONAL MEETINGS--PROGRAM PLANNING & PROJECTS

3:15 p.m.

GRADE AND PRE-SCHOOL--Main Floor--West Side.

Leader--Mrs. Deal Six, Lawrence.

"Programs and Projects beneficial to the Welfare of Children." -Mrs. L. E. Greiner, Council President, Ottawa.

"Program Plans in our Unit"--Mrs. A. E. Strid, President, Bryant Pre-School, Kansas City, Kansas.

"To What Extent Parent-Teacher Associations are Warranted in Student Aid Work."--Mrs. Fred Powers--President, Randolph-Pre School--Topeka.

"Our Thrif Shop."--Mrs. L. E. Yulich, Council President, Kansas City, Kansas.

Discussion.

JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH -- Balcony -- West Side.

Leader--Mrs. E. E. Miller, Parsons.

"Some Basic Principles of Program Building." Mrs. LeRoy Arnold, State Program Chairman.

"Revitalizing a High School Parent Teacher Association." -- Mrs.
Paul Kuhn, State Publicity Chairman.

Discussion.

RURAL--Main Floor--East Side.

Leader--Mrs. Norah Luther, Spearville.

"Organization, Program and Spirit of the Parent Teacher Assn."

Mrs. M. A. Taylor, National Vicepresident, Bonham, Tex.

"Helps Available from the State Program Chairman."--Mrs. LeRoy

Arnold--State Program Chairman.

Discussion and Questions.

COUNCILS--Balcony--East Side.

Leader--Mrs. Ben Buck--President Wichita Council.

Symposium: --

"Should a Council have a program?"--Mrs. L. E. Yulich, Council President--Kansas City, Kansas.

"Can Councils Legislate or give Definite Orders to Units?" -- Mrs.
Arthur Gillette, Council President, Parsons.

"Does a Council need Publicity--Why--Usable Methods?"--Mrs. Ike Reed, Council President--Hays.

"What part may a Council take in Civic Affairs?" -- Mrs. D. L.

Fuller, Council President -- Emporia.
"What Type of Program is advisable for County Councils?" -- Mrs.

Helen Bacon, Montgomery County Council President.
"What activities are Profitable and Possible for County Councils?"
Mrs. Cora Shepler, Sedgwick County Council President.

Discussion--

SUMMARY: Mrs. M. A. Taylor, National Vicepresident.

4:30 p.m.

REHEARSAL -- Memorial Hall -- Kansas Mothersinger Chorus.

4:30 p.m.
SHOPPING HOUR.

6:15 p.m.

CONVENTION DINNER -- Memorial Hall -- First Floor.

Presiding--Mrs. E. E. Midler, Second Vicepresident.

Invocation -- Rev. Fred Smith.

Music--String Ensemble.

Music--Vocal Solo--Mrs. Marlin Reppert, Accompanist, Mrs. E. C. Rader.

Introductions.

Favors and Program Cover, furnished by Art Department, Independence High School.

#### FIFTH GENERAL SESSION

Presiding:

Mrs. James H. Whipple--State President.
PLATFORM GUESTS--STATE BOARD.

8:15 p.m.
Music:

"Come, Spirits, 'Tis His Day"--Bach--Luvaas.

"Mists" -- Respighi.

"Tales from the Vienna Woods"--Strauss-Riegger.
KANSAS MOTHER SINGER CHORUS--Director, Otis J. Mumaw,

State Music Chairman--Parsons.

Accompanist -- Miss Mildred Fansler.
Invocation -- Rev. Geo. Dalrymple, Pastor Christian Church.

ADDRESS -- "Education, the Bulwark of Democracy." W. M. Jardine, President University of Wichita.

INTRODUCTION --State Board.

# FRIDAY MORNING--Memorial Hall.

8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

CONFERENCE WITH STATE CHAIRMEN

- GROUP I -- Main Floor -- East Side.

  Presiding -- Miss Hazel Thompson, State Chairman Parent Education.

  Homemaking -- Parent Education -- Radio.
- GROUP II -- Main Floor -- West Side.

  Presiding -- Miss Helen Wagstaff, State Chairman Library Service.

  Art -- Music -- Recreation -- Reading & Library Service.
- GROUP III--Balcony--East Side.

  Presiding--Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Editor Kansas Parent Teacher.

  Emblems--Publications--Kansas Parent Teacher--Natl. Parent Teacher.
- GROUP IV--Balcony--West Side.

  Presiding--Mrs. L. R. Fulton, Historian.

  Historian--Parliamentarian--Parent Teacher Courses.

## SIXTH GENERAL SESSION

FRIDAY MORNING--Memorial Hall Presiding--Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President. 10:00 a.m.

Assembly Singing--Leader, Mrs. Marlin Reppert, Director, Vocal Music, High School & Junior College, Independence.

Accompanist--Mrs. E. C. Rader.

Devotional--Patriotic Dramatization--Presented by pupils of Lincoln School. Directors, Miss Maude Fortner and Miss Eda Frances Gansel.

BUSINESS SESSION -- REPORTS:

Election Tellers--W. M. Richards, Chairman.
"The following is the report of the canvassing of the ballots for the officers of the Kansas Congress of

Mrs. W. R. Loder......272
Mrs. E. L. Jenkins..... 20

For Secretary

Mrs. Ben Mc Camant.....289

Signed--W. M. Richards, Chairman Mrs. C. B. Sherwood Mrs. LeRoy Arnold Harry M. Dawdy

The President introduced the new officers to the Convention.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE -- Mrs. Norah Luther Chairman.

The Resolutions were read and on MOTION were adopted and may be found as APPENDIX NO. III.

ADDRESS--"The Church Under-Girds America Spiritually."
Rev. Fred W. Condit, Pastor Christian Church--Parsons.

DISTRICT MEETINGS -- MEMORIAL HALL
Meeting places designated by placards.

# FRI ... Y 100N--12:30 p.m.

AWARDS LUNCHEON Memorial Hall First Floor
PresidingMrs. George Winters, 4th Vicepresident, and
Mrs. James H. Whipple, State President.
InvocationMrs. Vm. Paul Barnds.
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS:  MembershipMrs. E. J. Nodurfth, Acting Chairman.
1941
Total Membership
Units 563
Units 10% gain or over 198
Units same
Units New
Total Membership 1941
Total Membership 194043,657
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AWARDS FOR MEMBERSHIP WERE ANNOUNCED AS FOLLOWS:
1. City High School Association
Washington High PTA, Salina.
2. City Junior High Association
Sherman Jr-High PT., Hutchinson.
3. City Grade Association
Canadade Association. Concordia
Concordia Grade PTA, Concordia.
4. Combination Grade & Jr-High Association
Horton PTA, Horton.
5. Rural High Association
Vilas Rural High PTA, Vilas.
6. Rural Grade Association
Padonia PTA, Padonia.
7. Combination Rural Association
Belmont PTA, Belmont.
8. Pre-School Association
Olathe Pre-School PTA, Olathe.
STANDARDSMrs. E. E. MillerChairman.
Reports send in
Standard Units
PARENT TEACHER COURSES Mrs. Leo Stewart, Chairman.
Number enrolled from April 1940 to April 1941125
Number completing course
Number completing last year's course this year 16
Number lessons graded April 1940 to April 1941123
EMBLEMSMrs. Glenn A. Steven, Chairman Mrs. Steven gave a de-
tailed report of supplies sold and on hand.
March 15, 1941
The auditing committee of the Chairman on Emblems' books
beg to submit the following report: We have audited the
books of Mrs. Glenn A. Steven, State Emblems Chairman &
find them to be correct.
SignedMrs. L. E. Yulich
Mrs. Carl Anderson.

ASSEMBLY SINGING--Leader Mrs. W. L. Newell--Acc. Mrs. E. C. Rader. INVITATIONS FOR 1942 Convention--Salina, Hutchinson, Lawrence

and Emporia.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE--Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth, Acting Chr.

A MOTION to accept the final report of the Credential committee was made and carried.

## AWARD OF SILVER LOVING CUPS:

Penny Parade cup won by Eleventh District. Life Membership Cup won by Tenth District State Life Memberships were presented to:

Mrs. D. Harbaugh--Coffeyville. Mrs. L. E. Yulich--Kansas City.

Mrs. Mildred Curtis--Arkansas City.

Mrs. Ben Buck, Wichita.

Mrs. T. V. Weinhold--Kansas City.

- INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS--Mrs. M. A. Taylor, National representative from Region Six, installed the following officers in an impressive ceremony: Mrs. E. W. Emery, President; Mrs. W. R. Loder, First Vicepresident; Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Secretary.
- MINUTES -- MOTION by Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, that the reading of the minutes be postponed to the July meeting of the Executive Committee. CARRIED.
- CLOSING--A farewell eulogy was delivered by Mrs. James H. Whipple, retiring president. Words of her pledge of service to the Congress for the coming years were given by Mrs. E. W. Emery, the new president. "The Unconquerable Spirit in Man"--by James Hilton was solemnly read by the convention as it closed.

ATTEST; Mrs. James H. Whipple Signed: Mrs. E. L. Jenkins President Secretary

## MEETING OF ELECTIVE OFFICERS & DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Elective Officers and District Directors met Friday a.m., in Memorial Hall, Independence, Kansas, to elect the Chairmen from names presented by the Nominating Committee.

The following attended: Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Mrs. Norah Luther, Mrs. A. E. Hastings, Mrs. Wm. Downs, Mrs. J. Oscar Brown, Mrs. C. Fred Griffith, Mrs. James E. Siler, Mrs. E. T. Beck, Mrs. M. Erickson, Mrs. E. E. Miller, Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, Mrs. A. D. Lowe, Mrs. J. W. Hutchison, Mrs. John Daly, Mrs. R. S. Pickler, Mrs. C. B. Sherwood, Mrs. O. C. Taylor, Mrs. Arthur Leach, Mrs. E. A. Carlson, Mrs. Geo. Winters, Mrs. W. R. Loder, Mrs. A. E. Stockebrand, Fred Smith, Mrs. E. W. Emery.

## CHAIRMEN ELECTED WERE:

Art Character Education Child Hygiene Citizenship Congress Publications Emblems Exceptional Child-School Educ. Founder's Day Historian Homemaking International Relations Juvenile Protection Kansas Parent Teacher Editor Legislation Library Service Membership Mental Hygiene Motion Picture & Visual Educ. Music National Parent Teacher Parent Education Parent Teacher Courses Parliamentarian Program Service Publicity Radio Recreation Rural Service Safety Social Hygiene Student Aid Alcohol & Other Narcotics Summer Round-Up

Mrs. Ira Stockebrand, Independence Mr. John England, Newton. Mrs. Matt Scherer, Newton. W. M. Richards, Emporia. Mrs. Hubert Bell, Atchison Mrs. Glenn A. Steven, Kansas City. Mr. Chas. Hawkes, Salina. Mrs. Reece Bowen, Arkansas City. Mrs. James H. Whipple, Topeka Mrs. Lucile Rust, Manhattan. Miss Julia Emery, Wichita. Mr. Harry Dawdy, Topeka. Mrs. J. W. Oursler, Wichita E. C. Westlund, Topeka Miss Helen Wagstaff, Lawrence Mrs. G. G. Wright, Newton. Dr. Bert Nash, Lawrence. L. M. Eddy, Parsons. Otis J. Mumaw, Parsons. Mrs. Jesse Wire, Ottawa. Miss Hazel Thompson, Topeka Mrs. Leo Stewart, Wichita. Mrs. L. R. Fulton. Mrs. LeRoy Arnold, Kansas City. Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Topeka Mrs. I. U. Rea, Mc Pherson. Dr. Forrest Allen, Lawrence. Mrs. Adah Cain, Topeka Miss Irma Gene Nevins, Pittsburg. Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth, Wichita. Mr. James Sharpe, Chanute. Mrs. Jesse Crawford, Kansas City. Mrs. Harry Stewart, Manhattan.

Signed: Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Secretary. POST CONVENTION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE KANSAS CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS APRIL 18, 1941-----Independence.

The Post Convention meeting of the Board of Managers of the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, was held in the Basement Room of the Hotel Booth, Independence, Kansas, Friday, April 18, 1941, following the Convention Session.

Mrs. E. W. Emery, President, called the meeting to order and presided.

The Secretary, Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, read the Call.

The following members attended: Mrs. E. W. Emery, Mrs. W. R. Loder, Mrs. E. E. Miller, Mrs. Geo. Winters, Mrs. Norah Luther, Mrs. D. D. Harbaugh, Mr. Fred Smith, Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Mrs. L. R. Fulton, Miss Hazel Thompson, Mrs. E. A. Carlson, Mrs. A. E. Stockebrand, Mrs. A. E. Hastings, Mrs. Arthur Leach, Mrs. E. T. Beck, Mrs. Martin Erickson, Mrs. C. B. Sherwood, Mrs. O. C. Taylor, L. M. Eddy, Mrs. E. J. Nodurfth W. M. Richards, Mrs. I, U. Rea, Mrs. C. Fred Griffith, Mrs. Wm. Downs, Mrs. J. Oscar Brown, Mrs. G. G. Wright, Mrs. James Siler, Mrs. J. W. Hutchison, Mrs. John Daly, Mrs. James H. Whipple, Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Mrs. LeRoy Arnold, Mrs. Glenn A. Steven, Miss Helen Wagstaff, Mrs. Lucile Rust, Harry M. Dawdy, Mrs. J. W. Oursler, Mrs. A. D. Lowe, Mrs. Leo Stewart, Mrs. Ira Stockebrand, Mr. James Sharpe.

CONVENTION CITY 1942--HUTCHINSON

Invitations were received from Hutchinson, Salina, Lawrence & Emporia.

Tellers appointed by the President were: W. M. Richards, Chairman,

Harry Dawdy and Mrs. G. G. Wright. Ballots were passed and the vote

received was:

HUTCHINGON......21 Emporia......1
Salina.....1

SELECTION OF CONVENTION DATE MOTION, by Mrs. Lucile Rust that the selection of a convention date for 1942 be referred to the Executive Committee.

SELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

The following were named as delegates to the National Convention, to be held in Boston, May 19-22: Mrs. E. W. Emery, Atchison; Mrs. Ben Buck, Wichita; Mrs. A. E. Stockebrand, Yates Center; Mrs. O. C. Taylor, Cimarron; and Mrs. L. E. Yulich, Kansas City.

MOTION by Mrs. Whipple that the president be empowered to name others.

(CARRIED)

MEMBERS AT LARGE
The following chairmen were chosen to serve on the Executive Committee as Members-at-Large: Mrs. James H. Whipple, Historian; Mrs. G. Goodson Wright, Membership; Mrs. J. W. Oursler, Editor, Kansas Parent Teacher.

MOTION by Mrs. Harbaugh to accept report. CARRIED.

ELECTION OF MEMBER ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR STUDENT AID MOTION by Mrs. Luther that C. M. Miller be reelected for another term as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Student Aid Fund. CARRIED.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Those selected on the Nominating Committee were: Mrs. A. E. Hastings,
Mrs. E. E. Miller, Mrs. Geo. Winters, Mrs. E. L. Jenkins, Harry Dawdy.

MOTION by Mrs. Carlson that the first one named by Chairman. CARRIED.

SELECTION OF PRESIDENT'S ALTERNATE ON NATIONAL BOARD OF MANAGERS MOTION by Mrs. E. E. Miller, to select Mrs. W. R. Loder, 1st Vice-president, as alternate. CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR 1941-42

Secretary read the proposed Budget. Found in APPENDIX NO. IV.

MOTION by W. M. Richards for adoption, subject to what changes deemed necessary by the Executive Committee. CARRIED.

BUDGET COMMITTEE appointed by the President: Rev. Fred Smith, Mrs.

Ben Mc Camant, and Mrs. E. E. Miller.

VACANCIES
The resignation of Mrs. Roy Seaton, 3rd Vicepresident, was read by the Secretary. MOTION by Miss Wagstaff to accept. CARRIED.

W. M. Richards was nominated and elected 3rd Vicepresident.

MOTION by Mrs. Harbaugh to accept resignation of W. M. Richards as Citizenship Chairman. CARRIED.

MOTION by Mrs. Jenkins that president be allowed to fill vacancy from names presented. Names presented are: C. E. Strange, Wichita; Finis Green, Pittsburg; A. H. Procter, Pratt; Dr. Geo. E. Kelley, Hays, Supt. A. G. Schroedermeier, Dodge City; and Supt. Arnold Anderson, Hill City.

SET-UP FOR KANSAS PARENT TEACHER MAGAZINE
The Secretary read the report of the committee previously read to the Executive Committee. (MINDTES January 1941--Page 6.)
MOTION by Mrs. Luther to accept report. CARRIED.

Letter from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society read.
MOTION by Mrs. Fulton to refer it to Executive Committee for further study.

RETURN EXPENSES ALLOWED

QUESTION was asked concerning the paying of return expenses of new chairmen.

MOTION by Mrs. E. E. Miller to pay them. CARRIED.

Attest: Mrs. E. W. Emery Signed: Mrs. Ben Mc Camant Secretary

## APPENDIX NO. I

Your Treasurer takes pleasure in presenting the Financial Statement of the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, for the year ending March 23, 1940 to March 15, 1941.

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Dues	· · · • • • · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Founder's Day	503.57
State Convention Reg. Fees	
Emblem Sales	150.87
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Treasurer's Books (Unit)	
Overremittance	2.22
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Refund National Meeting	31.55
Registration Fees (2nd District).	12.47
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Building & Loan Dividends	
Sale of Publications	61.26
Student Loan:	
	50.00
Life Memberships	
Penny Parades	328.86
Dividends	28.40
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DISBURSEMENTS:	
Office Expense:	*
Rent	510.00
Supplies	150.68
Clerical Help	
Stationery	60.11
Printing	
Literature	
Equipment	21.79
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## TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED

The \$800.00 loan from the Student Loan Fund was distributed as follows: \$200.00, was loaned to each of the following State supported schools:

Kansas State College--Hays, Kansas

Kansas State College--Manhattan, Kansas

Kansas State Teachers College--Emporia, Kansas

Kansas State Teachers College--Pittsburg, Kansas.

Deducting these loans from the Student Loan Fund the assets of this fund on March 15, 1941 were:

The Total assets of the General Funds of the Congress of the date of March 15, 1941 were:

The depositary bank is the Commercial National Bank of Kansas City, Kansas.

All invested funds are decesited with the Railroad Building Loan and Savings Association, Newton, Kansas.

Your Treasurer has attended all meetings called of the Executive Committee and the Board of Managers.

Respectfully submitted, Fred Smith, Treasurer

## APPENDIX NO. II

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE KANSAS PARENT TEACHER MAGAZINE FROM APRIL 1, 1940 to APRIL 1, 1941

## RECEIPTS

Bal. on hand in Union Natl. Bank, Apr. 1, 1940.  Membership Dues (1¢ for each member from Kansas Congress).  Printing Directory (\$10.00, per month).  Subscriptions (April to April 3,263).  Extra Magazines Sold.  Advertising.  Plates and Mats.  National subscriptions to be forwarded.  Tax on subscriptions.  TOTAL RECEIPTS.	90.00 803.80 1.50 434.40 27.63 4.00 15.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
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Zona Printing Co. (25,712 copies 9 issues)	\$1,233.94
Zona Printing Co. (Mailing\$3.50 per issue	31.50
City Postage	43.61
Post Office deposit (Postage outside city)	35.00
Postage for extra copies, statements, typing)	
Supplies, and post office changes )	30.00
State Tax on subscriptions	15.33
N.C.P.T. for subscriptions to National Magazine)	
Sent to this office )	4.00
Advertising Commission	179.96
Wichita Eagle (Ingraving.for.plates.and.mats)	27.57
National Convention check	
Casts, changes and additions	~~ ~~
Fillers for unit package	5.61
Fillers for unit package	\$1,722.30
BALANCE on hand in Union Natl. Bank. April 1. 1941.	952.68
BALANCE on hand in Union Natl. Bank, April 1, 1941	\$2,674.98

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT:
April 12, 1941, received check from dues for \$9.72.
Total Balance on hand in Union Natl. Bank, April 12, 1941..\$ 962.40

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Ben Mc Camant, Editor.

#### AUDIT

Wichita, Kansas April 4, 1941

To the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers:

We have this day, April 4, 1941, audited the books of the Kansas Parent Teacher Magazine, for the period April 1, 1940 to April 1, 1941, and found the accounts correct.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Geo. W. Winters, Chairman
Mrs. A. D. Lowe,
Mrs. Ben H. Buck

## APPENDIX III

RESOLUTIONS PROPOSED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE KANSAS CONGRESS OF PARENTS & TEACHERS INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS - APRIL 1941

we, the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, assembled in annual convention in Independence, Kansas, April 16, 1941, hereby record our position in regard to problems affecting education and the proper care and development of youth in our state as follows:

(1) We re-affirm our belief in the program of the Public Schools as a means of safeguarding our form of Government and of guaranteeing

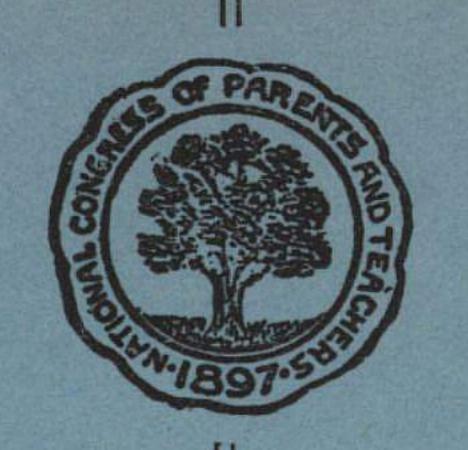
the perpetuity of our democratic institutions.

The training of youth is a vital factor in the provisions for national defense. Today's youth are tomorrow's citizens, and our continued national welfare is dependent upon their ability to assume the obligations and responsibilities of citizenship in our increasingly complex society. Therefore, we urge that in our intensive program for national defense that preparation and training of our youth be carefully and adequately provided.

- (2) We commend the Governor and the 1941 Kansas Legislature for enacting the state-wide School Employee's Retirement Law, thereby following the practice previously adopted in more than half of the other states. It establishes a retirement policy for school employees, a provision that is considered "Good Business" in a majority of leading business organizations for their employees. We believe it is constructive legislation that will improve the profession of teaching and strengthen the school offering for many of our children.
- (3) We urge continuation of the efforts to secure enactment of new laws that will improve the system of secondary education in the state, including an enriches curriculum, more adequate financing, equitable tuition provisions, and suitable transportation. We also commend the Kansas Senate for enacting the resolution which provides for continued study of the codification of school laws and, also, special study of rural education in Kansas. We trust that this study will lead to modernization of many school laws to provide a more suitable program of education throughout the state.
- (4) We also believe that the office of state and county superintendent should be removed from partisan politics and we recommend that every unit study needs for and methods whereby the standard and quality of educational leadership in these improtant offices may be insured.
- (5) We commend the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Kansas State Safety Council, and the State Highway Commission for the splendid work being done in the interest of safety and urge both parents and teachers to cooperate in these programs in every way possible.
- (6) We recognize the increasing need for Christian parenthood in our changing world today. Therefore, we urge that teaching appropriate to this need be provided through the close cooperation of the home, school, and church. We believe that this teaching for Christian parenthood should incorporate, as a part of its subject matter, material related to the problem of the use of alcohol and narcotics.

We wish to express our appreciation to the City of Independence for its hospitality; to the Council of Parent Teacher Associations; to the Board of Education; to the Superintendent of Schools and his staff; to the Chamber of Commerce; to the press; to the radio; and to all others who have provided so graciously and effectively for our entertainment and comfort during the convention of this Kansas Congress of Parents & Teachers.

Mr. Earl Bevan, Independence Mrs. A. D. Lowe, Wichita Mr. Rees Hughes, Parsons Mrs. R. A. Seaton, Manhattan Mrs. Norah Luther, Spearville, Chm.



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Dear Chairman:

Realizing that you are a new chairman and have not had access to national material, I know you will find some difficulty in making out an outline by June 15.

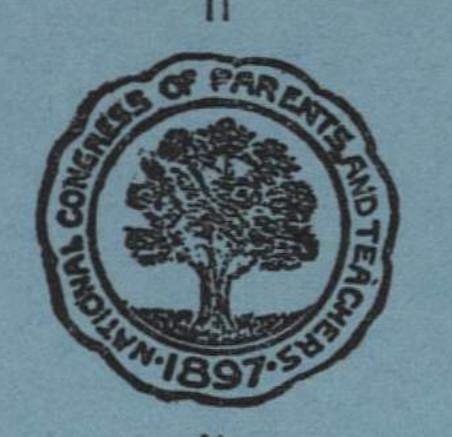
Under separate cover, I am sending you a 1940 Guidebook, which contains a discussion and outline of suggested activities by the national chairman. This book was off the press last year too early to contain the outline of the new chairman named at the beginning of Mrs. Kletzer's administration. These outlines reached the office during the past winter, and I am sending to you the one which relates to your chairmanship.

Trusting this material will give you the needed information, I am

Sincerely,

Inez M. Whipple,

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Dear State Chairman:

According to our Bylaws, each State Chairman should send an outline of his year's program, to the State Office to be acted upon at the July Executive Committee meeting.

Will you make these outlines as brief as possible; preferably one typewritten page. Have them into the office by June 15.

The new office address is--Suite 9, Blair Building, Atchison.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. E. W. Emery State President

## PLAN OF WORK FOR 1940-1943

#### COMMITTEE ON RECREATION

J. W. Faust, National Chairman 315-4th Avenue New York City, New York

There was an old hymn of our youth "We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion," which crystallized the longings and the aspirations of those ancient days for a heaven free of earthly cares and toil. The trouble was that sometimes so much fervor was spent in singing the hymn that there wasn't enough left to tackle the unpleasant earthy things necessary to be combatted to make this a heaven on earth.

Ever since its organization the national Recreation committee has had a Zion - an ultimate objective toward which all its work has been directed:

YEAR-ROUND RECREATION FOR ALL AGES, UNDER TRAINED PERSONNEL, TAX-SUPPORTED AS IS ANY OTHER SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL NECESSITY.

Whether the emphasis has been on the home, the school as a neighborhood recreation center, or after-school play, it all leads toward this objective.

Toward a Plan of Work for the next three years, your national chairman submits the following suggestions:

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR STATE CHAIRMEN

For your own basic information read, at least, the pamphlet "Recreation - A Major Community Problem"\* and "The Theory of Play."\* If you have not already done so, get for your kit on social recreation "A Handbook for Recreation Leaders."\* Ask your library for these. The national chairman will be glad to send you on request a full bibliography on recreation too long to print here.

Build up a lending library which you can loan to local parent-teacher groups. Have in it besides books a wide range of information pamphlets and material, game kits with instructions as to how they can make their own kits.

One state has formed state recreation teams that put on play nights at association, council, district, and state meetings.

Help associations plan play evenings, or furnish materials.

Keep local associations informed of: available free and inexpensive material, speakers on recreation, recreational leaders who can help them in training and in other ways. We can send you the names we have listed here of superintendents of recreation for your state if you ask.

Find out from the state agencies mentioned below what helps and free material they have available.

\*See Bibliography

Collect from your locals and from individuals forms of recreation popular and successful at parent-teacher meetings and in the home. Use these and other materials in making your own state recreation bulletin.

There is scarcely a committee of the state board that has not a stake in adequate and wholesome recreation. See that the importance of recreation is considered by your state board as a whole. The entire state organization should be behind doing something effective about it.

Study the existing state legislation enabling counties and local communities to establish programs and support them. If none exists, consult with the National Recreation Association (315 Fourth Avenue, New York City) on securing adequate state-enabling legislation.

Cooperate with all state agencies concerned with the recreational use of leisure time such as the state library commission, extension service of the state university, the farm bureau, departments of public instruction, parks, conservation development, and others. Use their resources.

The state chairman in some states has found it helpful to have a small unofficial advisory committee made up of representatives from public and private agencies concerned with the question of recreation.

Cooperate with the Safety committee and other agencies in state-wide "Learn to Swim" and water safety programs.

Cooperate with the state committees on Music, Art, Reading and Library Service, and others in furthering the recreational use of leisure time.

## SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STATE CHAIRMEN TO LOCAL CHAIRMEN

Local chairmen will find many of the above suggestions useful. In addition here are some others;

Get your local library to catalogue all recreation material available in the library and set up a recreation shelf.

A properties and costume loan closet will prove a big aid for dramatic stunts at the play periods of the associations and other groups.

Tie the men of your associations closely into the recreation program. Place upon their shoulders a major responsibility for taking the lead in meeting recreation problems.

Join with other parent-teacher committees and outside agencies in suppression of degrading and unwholesome leisure-time activities. These are usually of a commercial, exploitive nature.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR WORK IN GENERAL

## I. Work for permanency in the whole recreation program.

Strengthen and expand existing municipal and county programs by helping obtain adequate financial support. Cooperate with other related committees and organizations and with recreation departments, park departments, and boards of

education in this work. Cooperate with officials and directors of recreation in the development of public opinion for the support and use of recreation.

#### A. Work in urban areas for -

- 1. The establishment of a municipal recreation department, recreation commission or board, or a separate recreation department under the school board.
- 2. Municipal appropriations for an all-year-round recreation program for all ages, under trained personnel. Recreation is as definite a lien on tax funds as is education.
- 3. Sponsor local conferences for the consideration of the problems of recreation planning.
- B. Work in rural areas for a rural community program through either -
  - 1. A lay committee including representatives from such agencies as the Farm Bureau, the Grange, 4-H clubs, Future Farmers, church, school, etc., with leadership and funds obtained through these agencies or by their support in a campaign for public funds.
  - 2. A county recreation commission to direct a county-wide recreation program, supported from county tax funds, when this is permissible.
  - 3. Enabling-legislation to lay a foundation for (2) where necessary.
- C. Make permanent the gains realized through the Federal Emergency Recreation Program.

Great impetus has been given by the Federal emergency program to education on the vital need of recreation and to the development of facilities for recreation. Federal aid was set up as an emergency measure only. It will ultimately be withdrawn. We must conserve this great gain, as suggested in A-1, B-2, and B-3 above, and make it serve as a spur to increased local initiative and action toward a sound and sane program of recreation for everybody.

#### II. Continue -

Use of volunteer recreation leaders

Leadership training
Classes in family recreation for parents

Town, county, and state committees of volunteers to plan and promote recreation

Sponsoring supervised playgrounds and other recreation facilities

Use of schools as neighborhood centers

Providing equipment, supplies, apparatus

Fostering participation in play, athletics, arts, music, dramatics, crafts, hobbies by all ages and economic groups

Beautification of school properties and playgrounds

## III. Promote recreation for everybody through -

- 1. Recreation periods at parent-teacher meetings, conferences, conventions
- 2. Family play; neighborhood recreation
- 3. Cooperation with youth in the development of programs which meet their needs
- 4. Personal participation in recreation for the sheer fun of it

# IV. Promote individual or group study of the fundamental reasons for recreation and its place in a program for effective living.

A recreation committee or group of association or council members who are especially interested in studying recreation might form themselves into a study group. For this purpose the pamphlet, "Recreation - A Major Community Problem," is recommended, supplemented with the book "The Theory of Play," as a reference. See the <u>Parent-Teacher Guidebook</u> sections on Recreation, Art, Music, Library Service. Many interesting studies and experiments could be planned. Such groups, reporting back to their associations, can be of incalculable value in stimulating activities in the field of recreation by making specific recommendations supported by their studies.

### V. <u>Use of resources</u>

Every local parent-teacher association should know where to turn for advice and assistance on any phase of recreation work. Let us keep them informed about the services - offered through our state and national office, the Farm Bureau, the extension divisions of state colleges and universities, recreation departments, the National Recreation Association and its district representatives in different parts of the country, and the state offices of the Federal emergency agencies - W.P.A. and N.Y.A.

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Proceedings. Annual report of national chairman on Recreation and report of Recreation Conference at National Convention.

Our Homes. Select chapters on various phases of recreation in the home.

National Parent-Teacher Magazine. A list of articles on recreation may be obtained from the National Office.