News from Districts

FIRST DISTRICT

Mrs. James Siler, Director

Wyandotte High School Parent-Teacher Association of Kansas City is the largest unit in the state, having a membership this year of 1,167 members. Congratulations.

Stony Point Association of Muncie has had a busy year in spite of the many difficulties brought about by the war. We had to hold our meetings in the afternoon in order to have our teachers with us. They could not get back to night meetings because of transportation problems.

So many of our mothers, like every where, are working so they could not come to afternoon meetings; so our attendance has dropped off some; but in spite of all this, we have carried on, sponsoring a blood bank, immunizations, ration registration, grease drives, Red Cross drive, Home Nursing class and First Aid. So I would say that the P.T.A. is one of the most needed organizations in our community and we intend to carry on and safe guard the health and lives of our little children.

Mrs. H. H. Daniels.

THIRD DISTRICT

Mrs. A. E. Stockebrand, Director

The three Parent-Teacher Associations of Yates Center observed Founder's Day together at the High School. All Parent-Teacher workers and teachers of our city schools have worked and cooperated on rationing books and all programs pertaining to war efforts.

The Parent-Teacher Association of Ware School of Fort Scott celebrated Founder's Day in a unique way. The president, Mrs. McDonald gave a brief history of the organization since 1923. The past presidents, who could be present, recalled high lights during their administrations. It was very interesting to hear how the P.T.A. started and from a small beginning developed into a strong unit, now working on such a large scale.

Candles were lighted in memory of Mrs. George Wood, Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Meek, efficient officers who have passed away.

Mrs. Hankins, one of the teachers, gave a paper on the work of the National Congress and this was followed by the Penny Parade, and the election of officers.

All units of Fort Scott are working hard and in spite of rationing are still able to serve hot lunches to an average of 140 children a day. The "Little Theatre" was a very successful project.

Clema Hubbart, Publicity.

SEVENTH DISTRICT

Mrs. M. Erickson, Director

Axtell Parent-Teacher Association held the first meeting in the new \$100,000.00 school building and observed Founder's Day.

The April meeting will be an Open House and the new auditorium will be used for the first time. We have been rather cramped for space but our attendance during the winter has been large and we hope to begin in September with an active membership drive and really do big things.

Marysville's big project at present is \$150.00 to be loaned to worthy students for dental care and correction of teeth.

Founder's Day was observed by all of Manhattan's Parent - Teacher Associations at the Junior-Senior High School. Theodore Roosevelt P.T.A. had charge of the program assisted by the Junior-Senior High School Girl's Sextette.

Films of point rationing were shown and a skit on food rationing was given. Mr. F. E. Mordy gave the history of Founder's Day.

EIGHTH DISTRICT

Mrs. Fred C. Barber, Director

At Jewel, the theme of the March P.T.A. meeting was "Music." "Benefits of Music for Small Children," "Music for Older Children," "and Music in the Home," were the topics discussed.

The Delphos unit set a goal of 100 members for the year. They have reached that goal and this is a fine increase in memberships over last year.

NINTH DISTRICT

Mrs. W. M. Lovett, Director

We have a fine report this month from Salina. Founder's Day was observed by the Lincoln and Washington Units in a joint meeting. Mrs. R. R. Cooper, City Council President was their speaker and gave a fitting tribute to the Founders. An all girl orchestra, under the direction of Mr. C. F. Lebow furnished the music.

Mrs. E. H. Linville, president of Lincoln, sent us their program for the year. Had it been earlier in the year, it would have been difficult for me to conserve rubber, so interesting are the topics. Their last meeting will be April 29, 1943, and the subject will be, "Father's Part In Developing Our Human Resources." The theme for their study group was determined in a most original manner. Ask Mrs. Linville for information on it. Her address is 1016 S. Ninth, Salina.



Mrs. Martin Erickson, Axtell, Seventh District Director

TENTH DISTRICT

Mrs. A. D. Lowe, Director Wichita

LOWELL SCHOOL LIBRARY CONTEST

Lowell School had a point system all its own, in a book contest recently which ended March 23, with the announcement of the winning room at the P.T.A. meeting. The purpose of the contest was to increase Lowell's new library by a thousand volumes. In the rules of the contest, 5 points were given to each new book, 3 points to an old book, and 1 point for a child's magazine. Money donations of 50c were given credit for 5 points. 5 adult books or magazines received credit for 1 point. 500 points were added for the highest stack of magazines, and 25 points for transportation vehicles.

The three rooms winning the contest had special treats Friday, with the other rooms receiving "Consolation prizes." 300 new and old books were added to the shelves of the new Lowell School Library, besides stacks of children's magazines. \$20.00 worth of old books were sold to a second hand store, and 160 good books and stacks of magazines were given to the men in Service. 17,590 pounds or 92 yards and 7 inches, measured with a yardstick, were brought to the school within 10 days and then sold to the waste paper company bringing \$87.95. Counting 12 feet to the floor, the Allis Hotel which is 17 stories high, would lack about 72 feet being as tall as the stack of magazines gathered. However, the Allis Hotel has a 150 foot tower above the seventeenth floor. \$127.09 were the cash donations. Grand total for the contest was \$235.64.