

ridge, Hope, Leonardville, Miltonvale, Minneapolis, Onaga, Wamego, Washington, Wesleyan Academy.

Group D—Admire, Barnes, Beattie, Blaine, Brookville, Clements, Courtland, Cuba, Dunlap, Greenleaf, Junction City Jr., Kipp, Mahaska, Munden, Narka, Neosho Rapids, Reading, Republic, St. Marys, Tescott, Vermillion, Wakefield, Wilsey.

#### District No. IV

Group A—Atwood, Beloit, Colby, Ellsworth, Lincoln, Norton, Oberlin, Russell, St. Francis, St. Joseph's.

Group C—Alton, Beverly, Brewster, Esbon, Gorham, Grinnell, Hunter, Jennings, McDonald, Natoma, Norcatur, Palco, St. John's, Sylvan Grove, Woodston.

#### District No. V

Group B—Ashland, Dighton, Elkhart, Fowler, Greensburg, Hugoton, Kinsley, Leoti, Meade, Medicine Lodge, Ness City, Spearville, Sublette, Syracuse, Tribune.

Group C—Bison, Johnson, Lewis, Macksville, Minneola, Montezuma, Pawnee Rock, Satanta, Utica.

Group D—Alexander, Arnold, Bellefont, Bloom, Brownell, Burdett, Copeland, Cullison, Dodge City Jr., Great Bend Jr., Hazelton, Healy, Kingsdown, Lewis Jr., Offerle, Pratt Jr., Rozel, Shallow Water, Sharon, Stafford Jr.

#### District No. VI

Group A—Arkansas City, El Dorado, Hutchinson, Wellington.

Group C—Belle Plaine, Potwin, Pretty Prairie, Sedgwick.

Group D—Arkansas City Jr., Belmont, Bentley, Benton, Bluff City, Cambridge, Durham, Galva, Goddard, Lincolnville, Maize, Mount Hope, Nashville, Partridge, Ramona, Rosalia, Towanda, Udall, Viola, Walton, Zenda.

### The Constitutional Amendment

As we go to press the vote on the constitution amendment to change the wording of Article II, which refers to the purposes of the Association, was 301 favorable votes to 9 opposed. This appears to insure the passage of the proposed amendment.

Whether or not it will produce the results desired by the Delegate Assembly and Board of Control in regard to making the employees of the Association eligible for enrollment under the Federal Social Security Act, is a question. The action of the Deputy Internal Revenue Collector who assessed the Social Security tax against us on the basis that our association had "influenced legislation," was not endorsed by the Internal Revenue Department. It is rather doubtful if the change in the constitution is sufficient to alter the present Federal ruling.

The inclusion of reference to the maintenance of the Athletic Accident Benefit Plan as a part of the constitution seems to have been wise and necessary. As for the proposed benefits for the retirement plan, apparently no harm will have been done whether the change in wording is recognized or not. The new wording of Article II is a true statement of the activities of the

Association, regardless of its effect upon the proposed retirement plan.

### Basketball Rules Changes

A number of changes in the basketball code were made by the national rules committee at its annual meeting in March. These alterations are divided into those affecting Playing Procedure and those that affect Game Administration. In the first division are the following:

1. A player will be disqualified when he commits his fifth personal foul, instead of his fourth. No additional personal fouls will be permitted in an extra period and the rule for high school and college play will be the same. As soon as the fifth personal foul is made the player is out of the game for good.

2. The limitation on the number of times a player may re-enter the game has been removed. It is still illegal, however, for a player to withdraw during a dead ball and return to the game before play has been resumed. Also, he may not enter during a dead ball and withdraw before the ball is put in play.

3. The practice of "goal tending" will be illegal. During a throw for a field goal no opponent may legally touch such a throw while his hand is above the level of the ring and after the ball has started its downward course. For this violation 2 points are awarded. The ball becomes dead when the violation occurs and the awarded 2 points are the only points scored, even though the ball might go through the basket, despite the violation.

In the second division of rules changes the following will be found:

1. A change has been made in the legal length and composition of the basket net. The new rule permits the use of cord as thick as 120-thread. The length of the net will be limited to a minimum length of 15 inches and a maximum of 18 inches.

2. The new rules will specify that scorers must be supplied with legible lists of all substitutes and their numbers, as well as the starting players, at least two minutes before time for the game to begin. Failure to comply is a technical foul.

3. Officials will be given discretionary authority to suspend play when a player is obviously injured. This is designated to protect the official when the player is obviously injured, is entirely out of the play, and is apparently in need of medical or first-aid attention.

4. The new rules will not permit a team to return the ball from its front court to its back court, except where such return immediately follows a jump ball. In all other cases, if a player secures the ball inbounds, it is a violation if he causes the ball to go to the back court.

Other moderate changes will tend to simplify and clarify certain sections of the code. The new rules will make it clear that a substitute free throw must be attempted by the same player who threw the first one. A slight change also has been made in order to designate definitely the spot of the jump-ball following basket-interference violations and free-throw lane violations.