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DISTRIBUTION: CHAPTER OFFICERS, AREA COUNSELORS, INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND ALL DISTRICT PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES.

* * * SPECIAL REMINDER TO CHAPTER OFFICERS * * *

How about your election of officers coming up in April? Has your Nominating Committee been appointed? This should be attended to at once so that the committee can have a slate of candidates selected and announced prior to the April election. BE SURE TO ELECT A CSA DELEGATE and remember that your chapter delegate or representative to the District Board must be elected and take office not later than May 1st. REMEMBER your chapter election is not necessarily a popularity contest. CHOOSE OFFICERS WHO WILL HAVE THE TIME AND ABILITY TO GET THE JOB DONE.

* * * REGIONAL PRELIMINARY CONTEST * * *

Chapter Presidents and Secretaries should ACT AT ONCE - CONTACT EVERY ORGANIZED QUARTET in your chapter and urge them to enter the International Regional Preliminary Contest to be held at Topeka, Saturday, May 6, 1950. Entry Blanks should be obtained from Carroll Adams in the International Office. The quartets should get their entry blanks now and plan to be in Topeka not later than 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning, if at all possible, because eliminations will doubtless be held in the forenoon and again in the afternoon in order to select the finalists for the big public contest Saturday night. REMEMBER quartets must qualify in the Regional Preliminary before they can enter the BIG INTERNATIONAL CONTEST AT OMAHA IN JUNE, and have a chance at being chosen INTERNATIONAL CHAMPS. REMEMBER TOO, the International Contest is being held in our District this year. Our quartets selected to enter the International Contest will not have far to travel this year and this is an opportunity which may not occur again for sometime. WE HAVE AN ESPECIAL INTEREST THIS YEAR in having all organized quartets in the Central States Region get into the Regional Preliminary Contest at Topeka, in order that our district or region may be strongly represented at the International Contest because, this year, we are the host district and the eyes of Barbershoppers throughout the whole Society will be upon our District at the International Contest and convention in Omaha in June.

* * * REGIONAL PRELIMINARY CONTEST - SPECIAL DOPE * * *

PLACE: Topeka's beautiful new air conditioned Municipal Auditorium, Topeka, Kansas.
DATE: Saturday, May 6, 1950. 8:00 p.m. (Preliminary eliminations during the forenoon and afternoon. Free to Barbershoppers with paid up membership cards.)
HEADQUARTERS: Jayhawk Hotel. (All competing quartets and visiting Barbershoppers will make their own hotel arrangements by writing Harry Lose, Assistant Manager, Jayhawk Hotel.
TICKETS: \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00. (Advance reservation of choice seats reserved for out of town Barbershoppers obtained by writing Dr. U. U. Shoaf, 909 Kansas Avenue, Topeka, Kansas.
AFTERGLOW: Hotel Jayhawk roof. Tickets \$1.00 obtainable at door. Limited to Barber-shoppers and their families.

* * * DISTRICT CONTEST THIS FALL * * *

How about your chapter getting in a bid to have the District Contest held in your city this fall. This Contest must be held on either of the last two week ends in October or the first two week ends in November. Here is an opportunity to bring a major Barber-shopper event to your city and also make some money for your chapter treasury. SO FAR WE HAVE ONE BID. The Des Moines, Iowa, Chapter has bid for this event to be held in that city Saturday, October 28. Every chapter in the district has a right to bid for this event. HOW ABOUT IT? If you have auditorium facilities with a seating capacity of 2,000 or over, and are interested, GET IN YOUR BID AT ONCE to Russ Gentzler, District Secretary, stating the population of your city, auditorium seating capacity available. Availability of transportation facilities, etc. ACT NOW. This event will be awarded at the Annual District Meeting which will be held at Topeka on May 6, in conjunction with the Regional Preliminary Contest. Get in your bid if you are interested in order that it may be passed upon by the Board at the May 6 meeting in Topeka.

SPECIAL CONSTITUTIONAL NOTICE

Pursuant to our present Constitution, notice is hereby given to all Chapters and members thereof:

That by action of the International Board, a new District Organization Plan, including a new uniform District Constitution, will come up for adoption at the annual meeting at Topeka, Kansas, on May 6th, 1950.

All Chapters in the Central States Association will take due notice hereof, and be prepared to vote on said proposal.

FOR SALE ***** FOR SALE

Kansas City, Mo. Chapter has a very fine Shell for sale. It is the shape of a sea shell in four sections. May need repainting. No reasonable offer refused. Write Chas. A. Suits, Chapter Secretary, 52 No. 5th St., Kansas City, Kansas.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO OMAHA

A Special Train will leave Kansas City Union Station Thursday evening, June 8th, 1950, for the International Convention in Omaha. For particulars write Ken Hegarty, c/o Kansas City Star, 18th & Grand Ave., Kansas City, Mo. Join other BARBERSHOPPERS on this Convention Special.

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COMING EVENTS:

March 12th, 1950	Annual Parade	Jefferson City, Mo.
March 18th, 1950	Charter Presentation	Beatrice, Nebr.
March 19th, 1950	Parade	Mexico, Missouri
March 24th, 1950	Parade	Union, Missouri
March 25th, 1950	Parade	Wichita, Kansas
March 25th, 1950	Parade	Lincoln, Nebraska
April 1st, 1950	Joint Parade, Clayton and St. Louis	St. Louis, Mo.
April 1st, 1950	Parade	Des Moines, Iowa
April 15th, 1950	Parade	Kansas City, Mo.
April 16th, 1950	Parade	Kansas City, Mo.
April 16th, 1950	Parade	Ft. Dodge, Iowa
April 21st, 1950	Charter Presentation	Newton, Kansas
April 23rd, 1950	Parade - Rice County Chapter	Holyrod, Kansas
April 29th, 1950	Parade	Kearney, Nebr.
April 30th, 1950	Charter Presentation	Fulton, Missouri
May 6th, 1950	C.S.A. Annual Meeting and Regional Preliminary Parade	Topeka, Kansas Dubuque, Iowa
May 20th, 1950	International Convention	Omaha, Nebraska
June 9th, 1950*	International Convention	Omaha, Nebraska
June 10th, 1950	Parade	Longmont, Colo.
November 4th & 5th, 1950	C.S.A. District Mid-year Meeting and Quartet Contest	?
November 11th, 1950	Parade	Herman, Missouri
November 24th, 1950	Parade	Kansas City, Mo.
March 31st, April 1st, 1951	Parade	

NEW DISTRICT PLAN

The International Board of Directors has adopted a new plan for each District. This is a step forward and will add greatly to the stabilization and efficiency of the District program. Copies of the new plan will be mailed soon. However, some of the things for the District Board to be thinking about for the May 6 meeting at Topeka, Kansas are:

- (1) Counselor area boundaries
- (2) Changes in Constitution and/or by-laws
- (3) One delegate from each Chapter or proportional representation
- (4) Incorporation of District before May 1, 1951. This is obligatory. The International Board recommends that steps be taken for action at Annual District Board meeting at Topeka, Kansas, May 6.

The Central States District has been following many of the practices advocated in the new District Plan, so it will not be a very big change in our present operation.

HAIL TO OSBORNE COUNTY, KANSAS, CHAPTER!!!

Emmett Kissell and his Kansas boys of the Osborne County, Kansas, Chapter have recently organized three new Chapters and will have them under way very soon. Congratulations! and Orchids! How about some other Chapters getting that new Chapter started?

Be seein' yuh!

RUSS GENTZLER, Sec'y.
C.S.A.