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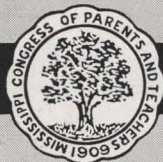


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State Magazine Day August 17



WHO'S WHO IN PTA?

This smiling group received the 100% membership Topper Award at the state convention held in Jackson last May. Was your unit represented in this picture? If not, next year have your Membership Chairman as happy as these winners.

Belated Honor

Pearl-McLaurin PTA, Mrs. M. J. Wilson, President for 1965-66, has reported an increase in membership of 611 members. The percentage increase would be 143 over the previous year when the two schools Pearl and McLaurin Heights were combined. The membership committee, Mrs. B. V. Barry, Chairman, carried out a drive that restored the PTA strength to the level held by the schools as separate units of over 1,000 parents and teachers.

This unit, showing its concern for the welfare of its children and community, has been commended by the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers Membership

Chairman, Mrs. J. M. Ewing of Cleveland, for excellent work, naming it to second place in state membership growth. Ingomar PTA unit, Mrs. J. C. Jackson, President, obtained highest place with 150% and was recognized for achievement at the state convention in April.

YOUR SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRES
WITH THIS ISSUE
RENEW AT ONCE TO INSURE
RECEIVING ALL TEN ISSUES
NEXT YEAR

THE PTA MAGAZINE is the official voice of the National PTA. In its pages long experience, wide knowledge, and deep understanding of the parent-teacher organization are focused on the top priority concerns of parents, teachers, and all thinking citizens.

According to Mrs. V. L. Smith, state magazine chairman, Mississippi PTAs have for several years found it profitable for the parents in their communities to have a late summer Magazine Day. "We have set August 17 for this drive to sell THE PTA MAGAZINE to parents and teachers who wish to study the latest findings in child development and education," says Mrs. Smith.

In this magazine, month after month, year after year, the story of learning about children and of compassionate caring about them unfolds. No magazine at any price has been a more consistently valuable source of information about life and its needs. Armed with this information we must work diligently to increase its use and circulation. There's a source of information

That we just can't overlook!
It isn't too expensive,
And it isn't in a book.
It tells the how's and wherefore's,
That what's and who's and why's.
For just a dollar fifty
It's among the wisest buys.
It's the "mostest for the leastest"
That we have ever seen.
Don't wonder any longer —
It's PTA MAGAZINE.

Arkansas PTA

This little jingle needs a Post Script to add that the low subscription rate of \$1.50 a year for THE PTA MAGAZINE will be in effect only until September 1st, 1966. After that it will be \$2.00 a year or two years for \$3.50. For this nominal sum you receive 10 issues of the best reading material available written by experts in their field. Take advantage of the \$1.50 rate and get your subscriptions in right away.

Note to Magazine Chairman: THE PTA MAGAZINE Subscription Kit will be mailed to each local unit from THE PTA MAGAZINE Office before Magazine Day August 1st.

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Mrs. B. J. Chain

What Makes Delinquents?

Delinquents are frequently discussed by individuals, civic clubs, welfare groups, etc., but seldom is there any information on what makes a delinquent. The Houston, Texas, Police Department has compiled the following Twelve Rules For Raising Delinquent Children:

1. Begin with infancy to give the child everything he wants. In this way he will grow up to believe the world owes him a living.

2. When he picks up bad words, laugh at him. This will make him think he's cute. It will also encourage him to pick up 'cuter' phrases that will blow off the top of your head later.

3. Never give him any spiritual training. Wait until he is 21 and then let him 'decide for himself.'

4. Avoid the use of the word 'wrong.' It may develop a guilt complex. This will condition him to believe later, when he is arrested for stealing a car, that society is against him and he is being persecuted.

Pick up everything he leaves lying around — books, shoes, clothing. Do everything for him so that he will be experienced in throwing all responsibility on others.

6. Let him read any printed matter he can get his hands on. Be careful that the silverware and drinking glasses are sterilized, but let his mind feast on garbage.

7. Quarrel frequently in the presence of your children. In this way they will not be too shocked when the home is broken up later.

8. Give a child all the spending money he wants. Never let him earn his own. Why should he have things as tough as you had them?

9. Satisfy his every craving for food, drink, and comfort. See that every sensual desire is gratified. Denial may lead to harmful frustration.

10. Take his part against neighbors, teachers, policemen. They are all prejudiced against your child.

11. When he gets into real trouble, apologize for yourself by saying 'I never could do anything with him.'

12. Prepare for a life of grief. You will be likely to have it.

Better Lives for Children

Basic needs for children and families remain pretty much the same as always, but they take new forms and give rise to new problems calling for new and sound solutions.

Specialists in child development and related fields have opened up vast new reaches of knowledge that every parent needs to be familiar with: knowledge about school education, family life, and community services.

This new knowledge is distilled for you in the timely and wide-ranging articles in THE PTA MAGAZINE.

THE PTA MAGAZINE is rich in ideas for many PTA activities — for example, regular monthly meetings, symposiums and panels, conferences, workshops, TV and radio programs. Articles in the three study courses will be of particular value for chairmen of committees on parent and family life education, preschool service, high school service, mental health, school education, health, to name only a few.

In fact, all PTA workers will find THE PTA MAGAZINE a sure source of sound information, provocative ideas, practical suggestions, and up-to-date reference material.

Here is a glimpse of some of the titles you will find in your magazine during 1966-67.

September — Are Girls Getting Too Aggressive?

November — Discipline Isn't Dated

December — Steady Dating — In or Out?

January — What's New in the Curriculum?

March — Teaching Styles We Parents Practice

April — Are Parents the Best Sex Educators?

If you find the titles interesting, you are sure to find the articles even more so. **SUBSCRIBE TODAY TO THE PTA MAGAZINE.**

Pearls for Ruby

Our Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers' President, Ruby Chain, is well known and highly regarded in her own state of Mississippi, but she has also won recognition and acclaim on the National PTA level. She is a member of two committees of our National PTA. One committee is the committee to nominate chairmen. It is made up of 2 officers, 4 state Presidents and 3 national chairmen from the National Board of Managers. The other committee called the Board of Directors of the PTA Magazine consists of 11 members of the Board of Managers, elected from among the members of the Board.

We are proud of Ruby for attaining these two positions and for representing our state in such an able manner.

On the state level, Ruby has also been honored. She was recently commended by our state legislature during their regular session. The resolution introduced by Senator B. G. Perry of Horn Lake is as follows:

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MRS. RUBY CHAIN UPON HER RECENT ELECTION TO A SECOND TERM AS PRESIDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Ruby Chain, of Olive Branch, Mississippi, has been active for a number of years in the activities and affairs of the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Chain has just completed a two-year term as President; and

WHEREAS, she has been re-elected for a second two-year term as President of the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the members of this Legislature to commend and congratulate Mrs. Chain for her diligent efforts and accomplishments in said organization;

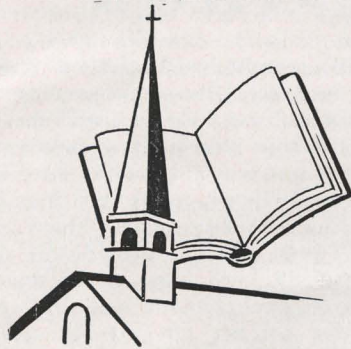
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby commend and congratulate Mrs. Ruby Chain upon her recent election to a second term as President of the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers.

New and Reinstated Units

New Units and Presidents: Kossuth, Mrs. D. Crow, Jr., Rt. 1, Corinth; Lafayette High, Mr. T. E. Briscoe, Rt. 2, Oxford.

Reinstated Units and Presidents: Escatawpa, Prentiss, Mrs. Oran Keisman (Vice President), Prentiss.

Devotional



And Their Children After Them

Mrs. Chester Mitchell

Character and Spiritual Education

"Better is the end of a thing than the beginning." Ecclesiastes 7:8.

School time is almost here. The end of another vacation, the end of a season of relaxation. At the same time, however, we are forced by circumstances to project our thinking into the future and look forward to another year, another season.

If we might have the same chance

To live the days once more,

and rectify mistakes we've made

To even up the score,

If we might have a second chance

To use the knowledge gained

Perhaps we might become at last

as fine as God ordained,

But though we can't retrace our steps,

However stands the score,

Tomorrow brings another chance

For us to try once more.

—Clipped

It is good to know that we have been given another day for the remaking of ourselves. God has given to parents and teachers a most sacred obligation for the moral and spiritual leadership of children and youth. Closely tied in with this is our duty concerning the health of these children. Even by attitudes and examples, by our indifference and preoccupation or by our love and concern, we have a great effect on the physical and mental wellbeing of those about us. We are morally responsible for every sickness, weakness or disease we have the power to prevent.

"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein." Jeremiah 6:16.

The story is told of the young mother who asked "if the way is long" as she set foot on the path of life. She was told "Yes, and the way is hard, and you will be old before you reach the end of it. But the end will be better than the beginning."

But the young mother was happy, and she would not believe that anything could be better than these years. So she played with her children, and gathered flowers for them

along the way, and life was good and she felt that nothing could be lovelier than this.

The days went on, and the weeks and the months and the years, and the mother grew old, and she was little and bent. But her children were tall and strong, and walked with courage. And when the way was hard, they helped their mother; and when the way was rough, they lifted her, for she was as light as a feather. At last they came to a hill, and beyond the hill they could see a shining road and golden gates flung wide.

The mother had reached the end of her journey but said, "Now I know that the end is better than the beginning, for my children can walk alone, and their children after them."

What is Success?

What are the qualities we most admire in others? What are the attributes which will draw people to us as friends and followers and give us power to lead them better ways? What are the secrets of the influence, power, and success of the great men and women whose names rule the pages of history? What are the things which will yield the most satisfaction and are the most worthwhile to seek and achieve as the outcome of our own lives? What is true success, and how shall we know when we have achieved it?

May the challenge of this poem clipped from a booklet published by the National Dairy Council meet our needs.

"Mirror, Mirror, on the wall"
Am I measuring short or tall?
Am I as big as I should be
In line with my philosophy?
Have I the character I'll need
To face this life in word and deed?
Am I growing more attractive
To those with whom I shall be active?
Has my mind with vision grown
As seeds of knowledge have been sown?
Have I the strength to carry through
The tasks that will be mine to do?
Am I acquiring social assets
That will act as binding facets
And help this little thing called me
A greater citizen to be?

"Mirror, Mirror, on the wall",
Though I'm measuring short or tall,
Help me in my own reflections
To master all my predictions,
And become a personality
Who can face and meet reality.
Who can adjust to time or place
With any problem, creed, or race.
May I grow in this the summing
To be a person who's becoming."

May our Prayer be:
At the end of every day
As we bow our head and pray
Thank Thee, Lord, for all good things
Thank you Lord, My King of Kings.

State Life Memberships

From July 1, 1965 through June 30, 1966

Amos, Mrs. Marvin, by Gulfport Pass Road Elementary PTA.

Burrowes, Mrs. Irene, by Jackson Raines PTA.

Campbell, Mrs. Madge R., by Ocean Springs East Elementary PTA.

Carroll, Mrs. J. C., by Morton PTA.

Dees, Mrs. Crawford, by Pascagoula Central Elementary PTA.

Edmiston, Mrs. Narvelle, by Meridian Highland PTA.

Farr, Mrs. Robert E., by Jackson Peebles PTA.

Farrell, Mr. Herbert D., by Pascagoula City Council.

Ferrell, Miss Ruby, by Pontotoc PTA.

Ham, Mrs. Robert J., by Pascagoula Jr. High PTA.

Hammer, Mrs. A. L., by Starkville Overstreet PTA.

Hardin, Mr. C. Lloyd, by Pascagoula Jr. High PTA.

Ishee, Miss Dorothy, by Forest PTA.

Johnson, Mr. J. C., by Morton PTA.

Johnson, Mrs. J. H., by Bruce PTA.

Johnston, Miss Dorothy, by Friars Point PTA.

Jones, Mrs. C. C., by Raymond PTA.

Kyle, Mrs. Ben, by Calhoun City PTA.

Ledlow, Mrs. George, by Jackson City Council.

Lindsay, Mrs. Gladys, by Long Beach Jeff Davis PTA.

Mitchell, Mrs. Eunice Massey, by Oakland PTA.

McConnell, Mrs. Shirley, by Gulfport North Central PTA.

Miller, Mr. Claude, by Long Beach Jeff Davis PTA.

Pearson, Mrs. Lula, by Pineville PTA.

Powell, Mr. Robert H., by Hub PTA.

Rasor, Mrs. C. E., by Ocean Springs High PTA.

Saliba, Mrs. Irene, by Pascagoula Eastlawn PTA.

Scarborough, Rev. Howard, by Kosciusko PTA.

Smith, Mr. S. F., by Picayune City Council.

Snowden, Mr. J. O., by Jackson Lester PTA.

Tandy, Mrs. E. F., by Gulfport Bayou View Jr. High PTA.

Thomas, Mrs. Charles, by Greenville Sr. High PTA.

Thompson, Mrs. E. J., by Horn Lake PTA.

Ueltschey, Miss Thelma, by Morton PTA.

**TIE A STRING AROUND
YOUR FINGER TO REMIND
YOU TO RENEW YOUR MISSISSIPPI PARENT-TEACHER BULLETIN**

PROCEEDINGS-1964-1966

Report of President

Mrs. B. J. Chain, Olive Branch

The present administration ending June 1, 1966 has endeavored to keep faith with those who have preceded them and who have built a firm foundation on which to grow. Believing that there is no substitute for information and that trained leaders do the best job, emphasis has been placed upon LEADERSHIP TRAINING. This training began at the summer board meeting the first year of the administration, when a whole day of board orientation was held prior to the board meeting. The president and four other board members attended the Regional Workshop in Little Rock, Arkansas, early in December. The president and the high school service chairman attended the conference on "Children in Trouble," in Marianna, Florida, sponsored by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the National Council of Juvenile Court Judges. Fifteen district conferences developed the theme "Parents and Teachers — Partners with a Plan", and brought information and inspiration, to every local unit in the state.

The 1965 annual convention was held at the Heidelberg Hotel in Jackson, with the National PTA President, Mrs. Jennelle Moorhead as our honored guest. Other distinguished speakers who participated on the program were Dr. J. Win Payne, president of the National Association of School Administrators and the Honorable Chris Barnett, Judge of the 4th court of appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Seven members of our Congress attended the National PTA convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The Theme of the convention was "Critical Issues in our Democracy: PTA Steps Toward Great Decisions". The Action Program by the same title was launched at this convention.

Three Leadership Training Short Courses were held in June for local unit leaders. Mrs. Ellen Dell Bieler, a member of the field staff of the National Congress, a charming and most capable instructor, assisted us for the eighth time. Other leadership responsibilities were well performed by qualified members of our own board of managers.

A statewide SAFETY conference was held in September at the Heidelberg Hotel in Jackson with more than a hundred safety-minded people from all over the state attending this one-day conference. Deputy Chief L. V. Warren, safety chairman for the Mississippi Congress attended the National Safety Conference in Chicago, in October.

Much interest was shown by local units for the releasing of accumulated funds for driver education in the schools of the state.

The MEMBERSHIP total as of March

31, 1966 was 90,618. There are 366 units, 19 new and reinstated.

FOUNDERS DAY gifts amounted to \$1,331.96 for the biennium, (to date) these funds are shared equally by the state and national organization, making possible the continued growth of the PTA movement through additional leadership training. The many programs for Founders Day reported by local units show interest in the rich heritage of our PTA organization through reviewing historical facts and interpreting its aims, its policies and its philosophy.

BYLAWS and amendments of 41 local units and 1 council were approved by the bylaws chairman.

HONORARY STATE LIFE MEMBERSHIPS were awarded by local units, councils and districts to 45 worthy citizens who were recognized for their contributions to education. This fund with additional contributions, maintain the Teacher-Training program begun three years ago.

Thirty scholarships of \$100.00 each were awarded to college juniors and seniors who plan to teach. This program in its third year is growing in popularity.

PARENT AND FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION has received major emphasis in the Mississippi Congress Action Program for the biennium. In 1964-65, 135 local units participated in one phase or the other of the PAFLE program that involved more than 11,000 people.

Local units donated \$1,142.50 to the film fund. The film library is housed at the State Board of Health and is used extensively by local units in program building.

Local units donated \$1,423.63 to the birthday fund. The Mississippi Congress keeps the entire amount of this fund. It is used for extension work.

THE PTA MAGAZINE continues to be one of the main sources for study discussion groups. Mrs. Ralph Hobbs of Columbus, Georgia, a former member of the National Board of Managers conducted workshops at eight of the District Conferences in the fall of 1965 on the promotion and use of the magazine.

THE MISSISSIPPI PARENT-TEACHER the official bulletin of our state Congress is issued monthly from September through May, with a summer issue referred to as the proceedings issue. The bulletin has a circulation of nearly 3,000. Information is channeled to the local units through the bulletin and through the four regular mailings from the state office. Complimentary copies are sent to college libraries and to others in the field of health, education and welfare.

THE STATE OFFICE serves as headquarters for the state organization. All receipts of the congress, gifts, dues, etc., are received, deposited and the books kept by

the office consisting of an office director and a secretary. The mimeographing and assembling of materials for distribution and mailing to the local units is done in the office. It serves as a depository for official records and reports, and is open from 8:30 to 5 o'clock, Monday through Friday.

STATE OFFICERS, CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTORS have given many hours in serving the local units and councils, through answering requests for materials and information, installing officers, assisting with fall conferences, conventions, leadership training, and in many other ways.

LEGISLATION: Numerous contacts have been made in the interest of education bills that have been under consideration in the House and Senate during this session of the legislature. Local units have invited legislators and educators to bring information to the memberships concerning these issues and have given active support, especially to the following: teacher salary increase as sponsored by the Mississippi Education Association; county wide election of school board members, prohibition of the sale of fireworks; requirement of x-rays for school employees; enlargement of state lay board of education and others.

LOCAL UNIT ACTIVITIES: Space does not permit the listing of all the activities reported by local units. Among the projects and programs being reported are: establishing and operating libraries, cooperating with medical Auxiliaries and Public Health Services on educational projects to combat and eliminate venereal diseases; book fairs; pre-school surveys; story hour; all-out efforts against obscene literature, movies and TV; Code of Conduct for Parents; study groups on school compliance with Civil Rights Act; cooperating with school authorities in Head Start project; working to establish a Junior College; clearing \$1,250.00 on book fair; sex education studies; day care centers; art exhibits; pre-school clinic; character and spiritual education emphasis through well planned devotional.

HEALTH: Promotion of a continuous health program included eye tests and examinations, hearing tests, dental hygiene, studies of fluoridation of water, water and air pollution, Red Cross first aid training program on mental health.

Many local units developed their programs using suggestions from the "Critical Issues in our Democracy" and the program outlines of our own Congress.

The first year of the two-year administration the theme of the previous administration was continued. This year there seemed to be a need for more interpretation of the PTA movement, so the theme "This is PTA; Plan — Train — Act" was adopted.

The president has served on the following National Congress committees: Joint

committees of the National Congress and National Council of juvenile Court Judges; committee on Action Program including financing Public Education; clarifying responsibilities for educational decision making, committee to nominate chairmen of presidents' conference. The State committees on: Program for Mental Health, Alcohol Education.

Itinerary for 1965-66 included the following: Summer Board Meeting and Orientation, Safety Conference, nine Fall District Conferences, Mississippi Education Association's Conferences. School Administrators Meeting, Regional Training in Norman, Oklahoma, Southern Conference on Education, Richmond, Virginia, National Convention, Albuquerque, New Mexico, National Board of Managers, Chicago, two Executive Committee Meetings of the state, three Short Courses in Leadership Training, routine trips to office, installation of officers for local units, visitation of local units with problems. Numerous letters were written, telephone calls and personal contacts made on behalf of PTA.

Extension

**Mrs. Milton B. E. Hill, Vice President
Gulfport**

This officer, serving as Director of Extension of the Miss. Congress, feels that progress has continued to be made in all areas of extension. Even though in 1964-65 we had only a slight increase in membership we were among the few states in the National Congress who enjoyed an increase in membership. In 1965-66 we experienced a drop in membership. Some units fell far short of their usual total membership while other units made remarkable gains.

Some of the activities this vice president has endeavored to promote extension are:

1. A close contact was maintained with District Directors in the 15 districts through form mailings and personal correspondence.
2. Training sessions with the Directors were held at the two annual Leadership Training Short Courses. Also special Breakfasts for the Directors and Standing Chairmen concerned with Extension at each State Convention were held.
3. The Handbook for District Directors was reworked.
4. Directors were kept informed of the status in organization of units and councils.
5. A new standing committee chairman was created — Council-Advisory. It is strongly believed that additional interest and strength can best be ob-

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Education-Bulletin Editor

Mrs. Karl Stauss, Vice President, Jackson

Education of parents and teachers so that they might cooperatively fulfill the needs of each child in their community is the basic function of the state PTA. National and state chairmen of safety, mental health, recreation, health, parent and family life education, juvenile protection, citizenship, character and spiritual education, reading and library, exceptional child, and program planning have sought meaningful and current program and study materials. These for the use of local PTAs are combined for easy access in state mailings, in the state Bulletin, and in national PTA publications.

In order to obtain the latest information on developments that will affect children and youth in the state, these chairmen listed above and this officer represent the state PTA in meetings and conferences of local and state organizations whose concern is the welfare of children. Findings are published or relayed by way of leadership training such as the Council Advisory and Safety Conferences of the two past summers, the three short courses and district meetings in the fall of each year, and the state PTA conventions.

In addition to the publishing of monthly editions of the Mississippi Parent-Teacher and working with the standing committee chairmen assigned to Education, the writer has served as program chairman of the last two conventions, as interim Council Advisory Chairman, as interim vice-president, as alcohol education chairman, as nominating committee chairman for Chairmen of the State Board, and as interim publicity chairman. Other committee assignments were filled as a member.

Public Relations

**Mr. Fred R. Brown, Vice President,
Vicksburg**

The Vice President of Public Relations for the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers has attempted to supervise the activities of the chairman of the committees assigned, namely, Audio-Visual Services, Cooperation with Colleges, International Relations, and Publicity. Fine work has been done by each of these chairmen and will be reflected in their reports. Unfortunately, the chairman of the Publicity Committee could serve for only one of the two-year term of office.

In addition to the above, the Vice President served as chairman of the Civil Defense Committee and the Legislation Program Committee and as a member of the Budget, Continuity, and State Office Committees. The Vice President also served as Management Chairman of the 1965 State Convention. He was present at least for a portion of every meeting of the Board of Managers and the Executive Committee during the two-year term of office.

Treasurer

Mrs. Henry N. Toler, Jackson

The treasurer has performed all the duties of the treasurer and attended all meetings of the Board of Managers and Executive Committee.

The books and accounts are audited by Walter Denny, C.P.A. of Jackson, Mississippi. A financial statement showing cash receipts and disbursements is printed in the November issue of the Mississippi Parent-Teacher and report made to District Director of Internal Revenue. The operating account is with the First National Bank, Jackson, Miss., and the Memorial Fund and Savings account is invested in First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Jackson.

A proposed budget was prepared by the Budget Committee, of which the treasurer is a member. Quarterly financial statements showing disbursements and income for the quarter and totals to date for the year have been prepared and sent to Board members. Financial statements have also been prepared for special reports and meetings.

A bylaws change, allocating receipts for Life Memberships to the Scholarship Fund, was drafted and passed at Convention, 1965.

The treasurer has served as manager of and member of the program committee for Convention, 1966, chairman of 1966 Short Course committee, chairman of Office Committee, Trustee of Memorial Fund, and member of the following committees: Legislation, Budget, Continuity, Yearbook, Bulletin Advisory, and Inter-Group Relations.

Character and Spiritual Education

Mrs. Chester Mitchell, Forest

Character and spiritual education work embodies all PTA ideals. The work of this committee is related to the Objects of the Parent-Teacher association.

The reports received from local chairmen let us know that character development and spiritual education were included in their programs.

The state chairman has participated in local officers training groups, regular PTA meetings and convention programs. She has prepared devotional materials for the monthly Parent-Teacher bulletins and gave a devotional talk at a PTA meeting.

The community plays a very definite part in molding the character of our young. Let us not be too busy or indifferent, to take a active interest in what goes on in our community. It will take work, planning, watchfulness, and cooperation of all right-thinking people in the community if it is to be well with the child there.

Citizenship

Mrs. John F. Bryan, Pascagoula

Mississippi PTA members have been very active in the field of citizenship the past

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school year. Many units combine the chairmanship for citizenship with some other but the many unit reports received by your state chairman indicated that this area of work was well covered in our state. Nearly all units had at least one program centered around citizenship with much variety in presentation. The quiz "What is Your Flag I.Q.?" was used enthusiastically by many units and it is hoped that it will be used by others this coming year. There was much activity by local unit members in voter registration and in providing necessary information to newcomers in many areas over the state. Many local problems were discussed through good programming resulting in better understanding. PTA members in Mississippi know that ours is perhaps the only organization that can provide the necessary mediator which can lead to a solution of our many problems. Never before has the challenge been so great: never before has the call to good citizenship in word and deed been more demanding. With the protection of our democratic principles Mississippi PTAs can meet this challenge and we will.

Legislation

Mrs. Francis B. Stevens, Jackson

1965-66 was a busy legislative year because our legislature was in regular session in Jackson for twenty three weeks. This was one of the longest sessions in the history of our law making body.

During the year communications have been sent to the presidents and legislation chairmen through office mailings, special mailings, and reports in the Mississippi Parent Teacher Bulletin. There have been many phone calls and much frustration.

Of the 2100 bills introduced, the PTA actively supported only eight. Each of us must work harder next session to urge the passage of this needed legislation for the welfare of our children and youth. If we as parents and teachers are not interested, we can't expect others to be.

Report blanks were sent out in the Mississippi Parent and Teacher, but the number returned was disappointing. The reports received by the chairman, however, showed an interest in legislation and gave evidence of much work done in the local units. These reports are important because that is the the only way the chairman has of knowing what goes on in the units in the area of legislation.

The Legislation Chairman has attended all executive meetings, board meetings, and conventions. She has served as Courtesy Chairman of the 1966 convention and Chairman of the Legislation Committee. Other committee memberships include: Bulletin Advisory, MEA-PTA, State Office, Inter-group Relations, Scholarship, Convention Program and Trustee of the Memorial Fund.

Membership

Mrs. J. M. Ewing, Cleveland

The main objectives of the Membership Chairman was to provide a strong, active membership for the MCPT by inviting every parent, teacher and interested citizen to become a member of PTA. This was very effectively done in many units, but in some, it was not done. The local units were urged to use the "personal contact" method in membership enrollment and when this was done, the results were fine.

At least 60% of the unit presidents sent the state Membership Chairman the name and address of the local Membership Chairman. This enabled the state Chairman to have direct contact with the unit Chairman. Many letters and cards were sent out and in some instances telephone calls were made. A membership booklet, giving many suggestions for membership enrollment was prepared and put in the hands of the local Chairmen and articles were put in the Bulletin giving instructions and information on membership enrollment.

The Chairman kept in constant contact with the President and the Vice President in charge of extension, in order to keep all the channels open, and information flowing. She spoke at several local units giving help and information about membership and stressing its importance. She presided at the Recognition Luncheon during the State Convention, and had the pleasure of making a number of awards.

In 1964-65, the state membership showed a loss of nearly 7000. This year, there was a loss of 2,558 members. All citizens of the state are aware of the tension and confusion, brought on by the integration problem. We can attribute the loss in membership to these things. It is hoped that the reaction of citizens in the future will be that PTA MUST become STRONGER, not weaker, and that PTA can be one of the means of holding high standards of excellency for our schools and communities.

The chairman has attended all meetings of the Board of Managers, and the Executive Committee; attended two Fall District meetings and spoke at several local unit meetings. She also served as Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, and was a member of several other committees.

Parent and Family Life Education

Mrs. H. D. Worthy, Oxford

Objectives:

To increase the quantity and improve the quality of family life education in Mississippi; to help Mississippi Communities prepare for tomorrow, your state committee launched a special promotion project called "TRAINING FOR TOMORROW'S FAMILY." Through this special project we endeavored to set forth in simple terms: —the true meaning of parent and family

life education as a means to better and happier parenthood.

- tested programs and projects designed to vitalize the activities of the area.
- step-by-step procedures to achieve this goal in every PTA.
- what-to-do and how-to-do aid to discussion group lay leaders.

Promotional materials were channeled to local units through the Office Mailings, Mississippi Parent-Teacher Bulletins (especially the December issues), and miscellaneous correspondence. Interest was stimulated by outstanding exhibits at Fall District Conferences, State and National Conventions, and Leadership Training Short Courses which depicted activities, projects, and materials.

Special emphasis has been given through all phases of leadership training.

(1) 15 Fall District Conferences promoted Family Life programming.

(2) At state convention.

(3) The annual Short Courses in Leadership Training included classes for training in leadership techniques and practice in participating in study-discussion groups, all woven into a background understanding of child development and guidance.

(4) Councils held Schools of Instruction including classes in Parent and Family Life Education. Also, Clinics on promotion of special emphasis project were conducted.

(5) District and Council President's Day meetings stressed the importance of Family Life programming.

There has been a definite increase in the use of THE PTA MAGAZINE for regular meetings and study-discussion groups.

The phenomenal interest throughout the state in establishing parent and youth codes of conduct in secondary and elementary schools is gratifying.

The Special Recognition Luncheon at State Convention culminates each year's special emphasis project. This report was made possible by the combined efforts of the related committees of the Mississippi Congress, the cooperating agencies in the state and through an educational grant from the Sears, Roebuck Foundation.

There has been a steady growth in this area. In 1962-63 only 52 units reported programs in Parent and Family Life Education. In 1965-66 approximately 200 units had well developed programs.

To promote the goals of the Parent and Family Life Education committee the chairman:

Attended all Board of Managers meetings except the 1966 Post-Convention meeting.

Contributed articles to the Mississippi Parent-Teacher Bulletin. Compiled materials for the December issue highlighting this committee.

Prepared materials for regular mailing to unit presidents, and special mailing to Parent and Family Life Chairmen.

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DISTRICT NEWS

District Two

Mrs. D. M. Pennebaker, New Albany
Director

District 2, which is composed of Alcorn, Benton, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishomingo, and Union Counties, had 14 units and a total membership of 2,488 in 1964-65.

There were 14 units with a membership of 2,367 in 1965-66, making a loss of 121 members. One new unit has just been organized at Kossuth, but as yet they have not had a membership drive. That will make a total of 15 units.

Every county in District 2 has at least one or more PTA units.

The Fall District Conference for both years was held in New Albany, with the State President and other State Board members attending this conference.

The District Director attended the State PTA convention in Jackson on April 26-27; the summer board meeting at Hinds Jr. College on June 14-15; and the Short Course at the University of Mississippi on June 23-24.

District Three

Mrs. J. P. Williams, Ruleville (Drew)
Director

- District Leadership Training Programs:
- Presidents Meeting — July 1964—Cleveland
- Workshop for Membership and Program Chairmen held at same time.
- District Conference — October, 1964 — Cleveland
- School of Instruction — May, 1965 — Clarksdale
- Presidents Meeting — July, 1965—Cleveland
- Workshop for Membership and Program Chairmen held at same time.
- School of Instruction — August, 1965 — Greenville
- District Conference — October, 1965

It has been my privilege to serve as director of District III for four years. Meeting and working with the people of the district has been one of the richest experiences of my life. Having the honor of a National Life Membership bestowed upon me by the PTAs in my district was an honor I shall always treasure.

District III has lost membership in the past two years, but we feel that some very strong units have been developed.

The Director has attended every Congress meeting and served as a member of the executive committee three years.

29 units, 2 councils, membership 6,862.

District Nine

Mrs. Dempsey T. Amacker, Pelahatchie
Director

(Has moved from the district)

During this administration the Director

of District IX attended all meetings of the Board of Managers of the State Congress, State Conventions, Short Courses, District Conferences, sixteen council meetings and sixty-two local unit meetings conducting manual studies, assisting with programs and installing officers.

There has been excellent participation in musical activities, American Education Week, Character and Spiritual Education and passage of school bond issues. There has been a continued interest in Parent and Family Life Education, study discussion groups, and codes of ethics for Junior and Senior High School students.

Units in the district have more than fulfilled expectations in being represented at numerous meetings. Enthusiasm has been high and various needs for "action" have been met. The quality of PTA work has continued to improve, as more leaders are informed concerning PTA responsibility and School responsibility.

The membership of the district for 1964-65 was 21,044 and for 1965-66 — 22,280. The fact that some PTA Units continued to function even though no increase in membership was shown, could be the most significant activity of the year and the faithful officers and members are to be commended. It is encouraging to see that thirty-one units showed an increase in membership for 1965-66. These units are: Byram; Forest Hill High; Oak Forest Elementary; Jackson, Bailey Jr. High, Baker, Boyd, Chastain Jr. High, Davis, Duling, French, Galloway, Green Elementary, Key, Lake, Lee, Lester, McLeod, McWillie, Power, Raines, Spann, Sykes, Watkins, Whitfield Elementary, Whitten Jr. High, and Wilkins; Raymond, Florence, Pearl-McLaurin, Pelahatchie, and Richland.

Many worthwhile projects were accomplished by other units and while it is realized that it is more important to make these accomplishments, it should also be realized that many units are doing good work and are not reporting. Only thirty-one reports were received in 1965 and 26 in 1966. Better liaison should be established between director, council and local unit and the importance of reporting should be given emphasis at all schools of instruction and workshops in order to follow up on many projects and worthwhile activities.

District Twelve

Mrs. Zeb Fitzgerald, McComb
Director

The Director of District 12 during 1964-65 attended both state conventions, both Summer Board meetings, one Short Course, and represented the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers at an MEA meeting in Brookhaven. District conferences were

held with at least fifty attending and nine counties represented.

The Director held several manual studies and represented the MCPT at many local meetings when called upon for the program or for information.

The number of units remained the same—no increase nor decrease.

District Fourteen

Mrs. E. F. Tandy, Mississippi City
Director

Throughout the 1964-1966 administration there has been ACTION in this PTA district. In spite of — or maybe, because of — obstacles, tension, pressures, extremist publicity, these capable people worked harder, cooperated, studied, and set all-time highs for growth and a continuing increase in many important activities. For example:

An increase from 49 units with 10,422 members, to 12,347 members in 52 units gave us a nice increase of 1,925 members. Organization of the Long Beach PTA Council brought the number of councils to five in the district. A steady increase in PTA accomplishments is also evident in Parent and Family Life participation and the number of awards received and in the PTA MAGAZINE subscriptions and use. Especially noticeable, and one to top any secondary school record currently known, is Gulfport High PTA. Mrs. John Tomlinson, Chairman of the PTA MAGAZINE Committee, with three Bonus subscriptions earned, plus thanks from parents called from roof tops and the bath to take their subscriptions. Mrs. Tomlinson is to be commended for outstanding promotion and use of the PTA MAGAZINE.

Innumerable conferences by phone, mail, and in person for interpretations of policies, advice, encouragement and help, added strength, stability, interest and enthusiasm beyond measure in all areas. District 14 again shows an increase in Bulletin subscriptions for members of the Executive Committees, in contributions to the State Scholarship Fund, and in the use of PTA publications. Among other factors contributing to the outstanding record of achievements were these: Nine President Day Meetings; eight Schools of Instruction; talking with groups and at meetings, Installation of Officers, and presenting programs. Also, three special TV programs (Membership, PTA Magazine, Family Court), very productive sessions in conducting Manual Studies in workshops and clinics, and the many rewarding meetings with members of executive and other committees. Attendance at leadership training has been excellent. For instance, 59 delegates attended the recent convention in Jackson; 78 met for Gulfport Council's School of Instruction on May

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5; and Picayune Council, (5 units) had 58 for their School of Instruction on May 12. These are to mention but a few examples of effective community leadership for growth.

This director attended all meetings of the Executive Committee, Board of Managers, Instructions for Board Members, Short Courses, and District Fall Conference; serving on the team for Districts 10, 12, 13, 14, and 15. She has served as Courtesy Chairman for Short Courses in Gulfport, planned a workshop and skit for Convention program and attended National Convention in Chicago as one of eight elected delegates from the Board of Managers.

This director has been chairman of the Council Advisory Committee, and the Year-book Committee, and has been a member of the following committees: Short Course, District Fall Conference, Membership, Legislation Program, and Certification.

Interest and enthusiasm of informed leaders indicate continued growth in PTA achievements in District 14. This director is grateful for the opportunity and rewarding experience of working with the wonderful people in District 14. She is also deeply grateful, and very appreciative of the encouragement, the help, and perfect cooperation generously given by State Officers and Chairmen, School Officials, and the many other Council and Local Unit leaders who contributed to the successes we shared.

Extra: Gulfport East High PTA and (Harrison County) d'Iberville PTA are new units organized in time for officers to attend convention but too late to count as new units this year.

UNIT RATINGS

Superior Rating requires 3900 points on the Guide Sheet.

Standard Rating requires 2400 points.

DISTRICT I

Unit	Rating
Byhalia	Standard
Horn Lake	Superior
Tunica Elementary	Superior
Walls-Lake Cormorant	Superior

DISTRICT

Unit	Rating
New Albany Central Elementary ..	Superior
New Albany Mattie Thompson	Standard
West Union	Standard

DISTRICT III

Unit	Rating
Clarksdale Heidelberg	Superior
Clarksdale Junior High	Superior
Clarksdale Kirkpatrick	Superior
Drew	Superior
Friars Point Attendance Center ..	Standard
Greenville Em Boyd	Superior
Greenville Fulwiler	Superior
Sunflower-Blaine	Superior

DISTRICT IV

Unit	Rating
Oakland	Superior

DISTRICT V

Unit	Rating
Bruce	Superior
Calhoun City	Standard
Houston	Superior
Pontotoc	Standard
Tupelo Joyner	Standard
Tupelo Lawhon Jr. High	Superior

DISTRICT VI

Unit	Rating
Columbus Barrow	Standard
Columbus Brandon	Superior
Columbus Demonstration	Standard
Columbus Stokes-Beard	Superior
Kosciusko	Standard
Starkville Sudduth	Standard

DISTRICT VII

Unit	Rating
Vicksburg Bowmar Elementary ..	Standard
Vicksburg Carr Jr. High	Standard
Vicksburg Eliza Fox	Standard
Vicksburg Halls Ferry	Standard

DISTRICT VIII

Unit	Rating
Carthage	Standard
Meridian Chalk	Superior
Meridian Crestwood	Superior
Meridian Griffin Jr. High	Superior
Meridian Highland	Superior
Meridian West Hills	Superior
Meridian Witherspoon	Superior
Morton	Superior
West Lauderdale	Standard

DISTRICT IX

Unit	Rating
Byram	Standard
Crystal Springs	Standard
Florence	Standard
Forest Hill Elementary	Standard
Jackson Baker	Superior
Jackson Boyd	Standard
Jackson Central	Superior
Jackson Enochs Jr. High	Superior
Jackson Galloway Elementary ..	Standard
Jackson George	Superior
Jackson Green	Superior
Jackson Hardy Jr. High	Superior
Jackson Key	Superior
Jackson Lake	Superior
Jackson Lee Elementary	Superior
Jackson Lester Elementary	Superior
Jackson Marshall Elementary ..	Superior
Jackson McLeod Elementary	Superior
Jackson McWillie Elementary ..	Superior
Jackson Murrah High	Standard
Jackson Peebles Jr. High	Superior
Jackson Provine High	Superior

Jackson Raines Elementary	Superior
Jackson Sykes Elementary	Superior
Jackson Whitfield Elementary ..	Superior
Jackson Wilkins Elementary	Superior
Pelahatchie	Superior
Raymond High	Standard
Richland	Superior

DISTRICT X

Unit	Rating
Burns	Standard
Laurel Gardiner	Superior
Laurel Jones Jr. High	Superior
Laurel Mason Elementary	Superior
Laurel Stainton Elementary	Superior
Sandersville	Standard

DISTRICT XII

Unit	Rating
McComb Hughes Elementary	Superior
McComb Kennedy	Superior
McComb Otken	Superior

DISTRICT XIII

Unit	Rating
Hattiesburg Main Street	Standard
Oak Grove	Standard

DISTRICT XIV

Unit	Rating
Bay Elementary	Standard
Biloxi Dukate Elementary	Superior
Biloxi D'Iberville Elementary ..	Standard
Biloxi Fernwood	Standard
Biloxi High	Standard
Biloxi Howard II	Superior
Biloxi Lopez Elementary	Superior
Biloxi Popp's Ferry	Superior
Gulfport Anniston Avenue	Superior
Gulfport Bayou View Jr. High ..	Superior
Gulfport Central Elementary	Superior
Gulfport East Jr. High	Superior
Gulfport East Ward	Superior
Gulfport Handsboro Elementary ..	Superior
Gulfport High	Superior
Gulfport Mississippi City	Superior
Gulfport North Central Elem.	Superior
Gulfport Northeast Ward Elem. ...	Superior
Gulfport Pass Road Elementary ...	Superior
Gulfport West Jr. High	Superior
Gulfport West Ward	Superior
Long Beach Jeff Davis Avenue Elementary	Standard
Picayune Bertie Rouse	Standard
Picayune Industrial	Standard
Picayune Roseland Park	Superior
Woolmarket	Superior
Gautier Elementary	Superior
Ocean Springs Jr.-Sr. High	Superior
Pascagoula Beach Elementary	Standard
Pascagoula Eastlawn Elementary ...	Superior
Pascagoula Jackson Elementary ...	Standard
Pascagoula Jr. High	Superior
Pascagoula Lake Elementary	Superior

PROCEEDINGS—

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Served as Coordinator for Short Course Lay Leader Training in Family Life Sections.

Procedure and Bylaws

Mrs. Everett Greer, Pascagoula

The objectives outlined in the Plan of Work for this chairmanship have been the predominant theme of this chairman's efforts during the biennium just ending. These objectives are to work toward: (1) Every unit a currently chartered unit, (2) Every unit using and observing its Bylaws, (3) Every unit familiar with and observing correct parliamentary procedure, and (4) Every unit proudly displaying its charter.

Every effort has been made through every opportunity available to us to promote these objectives and to be of real help to local units in working on their Bylaws. Hundreds of letters, visits, telephone and personal conversations have gone into promoting these several objectives.

It is our considered opinion that a real consciousness of proper procedure is the rule among a large majority of the units rather than the exception. The bylaws we have reviewed have shown a great deal of thought and work in preparation, and many are approved without additional work.

The next renewal year will begin in 1967, at which time all units and councils will be asked to renew their bylaws for the five-year charter period. A completely revised set of bylaws for both local units and councils will be provided, and Directors will be kept advised as to the units and councils within their District.

Reading and Library Service

Mrs. Homer Matthews, Laurel

Our main objective, to improve library service in every school we could reach throughout the state, was accomplished as follows:

1. Followed suggestions of MCPT Reading & Library Service Chairman.
2. Sent suggestions to local unit chairmen.

Brochures on National Library Week and Children's Book Week were distributed to all local units from the State Office.

Articles in Miss. Parent-Teacher Bulletin.

Information distributed at 3 Short Courses in Leadership Training each year.

Exhibits at Short Courses, Conventions and local unit meetings.

3. Encouraged use of Standards for school library programs, a publication of the American Library Association.
4. Cooperated with Mississippi Library Commission.
5. Promoted exhibits at Short Courses, Conventions, and local unit meetings.

6. Established Parent and Family Life Education Bookshelves in many school and public libraries.
 7. Suggested that complete file of The PTA Magazines be kept in libraries.
- This chairman has experienced a degree of satisfaction in the various facets of this chairmanship. There has been a definite increase in establishing better libraries. Many schools held Book Fairs. Libraries was the theme of several outstanding exhibits at State Convention.

The PTA Magazine

Mrs. V. L. Smith, Forest

OBJECTIVES:

- To increase number of subscriptions
- To get all renewals
- To encourage more comprehensive use of magazine
- To use more effectively the ideas for promotion available from NCPT as well as those suggested by unit chairman:
- Work to improve plans for promotion of magazine
- Develop new ideas and plans

SUGGESTIONS:

- Use suggestions for promotion in National packet, Mississippi Parent-Teacher and mailings from state office
- Promote continuous sale and use of magazine throughout year

**Safety Conference
September 29**

Make your plans now to attend the Safety Conference to be held in the Victory Room of the Heidelberg Hotel in Jackson on Thursday, September 29. Mrs. Dora Mooney, new PTA Safety Chairman, promises that your time will be well spent. All Presidents and Safety Chairmen are urged to be present at this important meeting. Mark Thursday, September 29 on your calendar.

PTA: "Restore School Lunch and Milk Funds"

PTA leaders throughout the country are being urged to study their states' needs for school lunch programs and to alert congressmen to hardships that might be created by proposed federal cutbacks in school lunch funds.

The National PTA's acting chairman for legislation, Mrs. Edward F. Ryan, of Manchester, Massachusetts, sent a memorandum to legislation chairmen of state congresses of parents and teachers, noting that the proposed federal budget "calls for a cutback of school lunch funds from \$202 million this year to \$183,590,000 next year Even more drastic cuts are proposed for the special milk program," with federal reimbursement to be limited to milk served to needy children and those in needy schools now lacking food service.

National PTA leaders see the proposals as "ill-advised," Mrs. Ryan wrote, viewing the school lunch and milk programs as good investments in health and health education of our children and youth at relatively small cost — and a strong support to their capacity for education."

She urged each state legislation chairman to consult with his department of education "for figures and other information relative to the state's situation, including adequate handling of hardship cases," and to relay the information to congressmen, urging restoration of last year's funds and possible expansion of federal free lunch programs in poorer states.

FILM LIBRARY FUND

Carthage, \$3.50; Coffeerville, \$2.00; Greenwood Davis, \$2.50; Gulfport Pass Road, \$1.00; Hub, \$5.00; Jackson Duling, \$10.00; Meridian Chalk, \$5.00; West Hills, \$5.00; Oak Grove, \$2.50; Terry, \$5.00.

STATISTICAL DISTRICT REPORT 1965-1966

April 1, 1965 through March 31, 1966

District	Members	Units	Councils	PTA Gifts	Founders Gifts	Film Fund	Scholarship Gifts
	1965-66						
1	3,075	17	1	\$ 40.13	\$ 40.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 62.50
2	2,367	14	2	12.50	29.50	14.50	25.00
3	6,862	29	3	62.50	47.00	51.50	127.50
4	2,947	8	0	6.00	8.50	9.50	25.00
5	5,777	25	1	42.00	30.00	20.00	215.00
6	6,375	19	1	17.50	15.00	25.00	65.00
7	3,077	13	1	17.00	19.50	9.50	27.50
8	5,955	26	1	77.50	53.50	38.50	50.00
9	22,280	52	3	185.50	159.95	183.50	230.00
10	5,196	33	1	30.00	29.50	26.00	1.00
11	1,278	9	1	10.00			15.00
12	2,817	17	0	28.00	33.00	17.00	20.00
13	6,538	33	1	24.00	29.11	29.50	30.00
14	12,347	52	5	121.00	89.00	56.50	75.50
15	3,727	19	2	58.50	41.50	33.00	265.00
Totals	90,618	366	23	\$732.13	\$625.06	\$535.00	\$1,234.00

Meet Your New Board Members



MRS. GLEN E. WATSON, Morton
Chairman, Citizenship

The MCPT will benefit from the past experience of Billie (Mrs. Glen) Watson. Billie has contributed 15 years to PTA, having served in every local capacity including being certified leader of District 8. She attended school near Greenville, Hollandale, Eupora, and Chicago. She was a high school essay contest winner and an honor student.

Billie's primary interest is in her home and family. Husband, Glen, is production manager of a poultry complex at Morton, and three children ages 13, 10, and 9 keep things lively at home. However, this chairman has a wide range of secondary interests and hobbies. She lists reading, sewing, cooking, art (she is an art student), short wave reception, creative writing, square dancing, appearing on radio and TV, modelling, and adds, "I love people".

Billie and her children have both won awards for cooking and sewing and she has had some of her work published in a home-making magazine. She has given of her time and energy to all community projects and drives, as well as the Girl Scouts, 4-H Club, Art Association, Band Boosters, Home Demonstration Club, American Legion Auxiliary, and Scott County Hospital Auxiliary. This talented person will also greatly improve the appearance of the Board of Managers, as she was the runner up for the title of "Mrs. Mississippi" in the 1966 Mrs. America Pageant and was invited to participate in the 1967 competition.

On Sundays the family attends the Morton Church of Christ where Billie has served as Bible Class teacher and Church School teacher.

It's good to have you on the Board, Billie.



REV. CHARLES E. BLAND
Director, District V

Mr. Charles E. Bland comes on the Board as new Director of District V.

Mr. Bland began his work in PTA in 1958 when he served his local unit as Character and Spiritual Education Chairman. He held this position from 1958-1960 and 1962-1964. From 1964-1966 he served his local unit very ably as President.

Mr. Bland is a minister of the Church of Christ in Houston and is also the owner of a book store. He received his B.S. degree from Florida College with special training in Education, Bible, Speech, and English and was graduated with special honors.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Bland, the family includes two daughters, Shirley Ann 14 and Nancy Linn age 10. Mr. Bland is interested in working with young people, especially in areas of church and recreation.

District V is fortunate to have you as its Director, Mr. Bland.

Charters

- Biloxi Dukate
- Fernwood (District 14)
- Jackson Barr
- Laurel Northeast Jones
- Picayune West Side

Film Library Fund

- Biloxi Poppo Ferry, \$10.00; Jackson Central High, \$5.00; Green, \$5.00; Moss Point Hyatt, \$5.00; Pascagoula Lake Elem., \$3.00; Richland, \$7.50; Rocky Creek, \$5.00; Tunica Elem., \$5.00.

National Life Membership

- Williams, Mrs. J. P., by PTA Units in District 3.



MRS. EARL R. WILSON, Jackson
Chariman, Legislation

Martha Wilson (Mrs. Earl) takes over as the new Legislation Chairman for the MCPT. Martha is certainly no newcomer to PTA as she has served as President and Vice President of her local unit at McWillie Elementary School in Jackson and also as Vice President of the Jackson City Council.

Martha is a native of Oxford and received her B.A. degree from Ole Miss. She has also done graduate work in History.

Husband, Earl, is an attorney and is outnumbered by the women in his household. There are three Wilson daughters ages 14, 11, and 4.

Martha's interests are centered around her home, her church, and her schools. She is very active in the Methodist Church on both the local and district level. She has held the office of President of the W.S.C.S. in her local church and has been Sub-District Chairman of the W.S.C.S. and District Spiritual Life Chairman. Martha manages an occasional bridge luncheon meeting and is a member of the Symphony League. Her hobby of reading has been understandably neglected and Martha looks forward to the time that she can take up this pleasant pastime again.

The Board welcomes you, Martha.

MCPT Scholarship Fund

- Biloxi Poppo Ferry, \$25.00; Jackson Central High, \$5.00; Enochs Jr. High, \$10.00; Moss Point Hyatt, \$10.00; Pascagoula South Elem., \$10.00; Rocky Creek, \$7.50; Union, \$5.00; Units in District 3, \$4.50; Vicksburg Carr Jr. High, \$10.00; Walls-Lake Cormorant, \$10.00.

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EXTENSION—

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tained through the organization and active participation of Councils in all phases of PTA work.

6. Worked closely with Chairman under supervision of Vice President of Extension.

Membership Chairman on material for membership packet and in membership roundup of delinquent units. High School Service Chairman on materials for the special Secondary School issue of the Miss. Parent-Teacher Bulletin. A marked increase in interest in junior high, high, and in consolidated schools having grades 1 through 12 was noted.

Placed emphasis on providing opportunities for parents to gain knowledge needed to guide their children through the pre-school years.

Plans were formulated for special promotions through councils by the Council Advisory Committee. A statewide Council workshop was held July 10, 1965, in Jackson. Timely trips for promotion of sale of Congress Publication were given. THE PTA MAGAZINE chairman and High School Service chairman attended the Regional Workshop in Little Rock, Ark. In cooperation with the National Congress a pilot project in promoting the sale and use of THE PTA MAGAZINE was conducted at each of the 15 Fall District Conferences.

7. Revised the booklet for use in Field Service for all Board members.

The Extension Vice-President served on the following committees: Continuity, Guide Sheet, Nominating Committee for Standing Committee Chairman, Short Course, and Council Advisory.

This officer, representing the MCPT president, took part on the District 9 meeting of the Miss. Education Association. She has conducted installations, led Parent and Family Life Discussions groups, assisted with schools of instruction and participated on programs. She has served as council advisor in her local council.

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