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New Districts

The steady growth of the organization has again made necessary the creation of additional Districts. The first year there were three, last year there were five, and now there will be ten. These are established by General Order No. 7. A significant change will be noted in the naming of the Districts. It was deemed by the Council no longer feasible to assign directional names such as "Northern" or "Western" and consequently the Districts have been named after the state in that District having the largest number of Chapters.

General Order No. 7

For the purpose of the third general election and until otherwise directed, the Chapters are divided into Districts in such manner that there shall be not less than ten nor more than twenty Chapters in any one District, as follows:

NEW YORK DISTRICT—All Chapters in New York, New Hampshire, and Maine, now twelve in number;

PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT—All Chapters in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Florida, now sixteen in number;

OHIO DISTRICT—All Chapters in Ohio, Indiana, and West Virginia, now sixteen in number;

WISCONSIN DISTRICT—All Chapters in Wisconsin and Michigan, now eighteen in number;

ILLINOIS DISTRICT—All Chapters in Illinois, Tennessee, and Missouri, now thirteen in number;

IOWA DISTRICT—All Chapters in Iowa and Minnesota, now twelve in number;

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT—All Chapters in South Dakota, now fifteen in number.

KANSAS DISTRICT—All Chapters in Kansas, now fifteen in number;

COLORADO DISTRICT—All Chapters in Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas, and Louisiana, now twelve in number;

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT—All Chapters in California, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Arizona, Utah and Nevada, now fourteen in number.

States not included herein in which Chapters are hereafter established shall be attached to the adjacent District which then has the smallest number of Chapters.

Nomination of Candidates

The time for election of National Officers to serve for the ensuing school year is again at hand. According to the provisions of the constitution the Executive Council by General Order No. 8 has prescribed the time and manner in which that election shall be held. As only nomination of candidates take place at this time only that part of the Order concerning nominations is published at this time. The order will be published in full next month. The chapters are asked particularly to note that the nominations must be in by March 1.

General Order No. 8

Election of National Officers for 1927 shall be held as follows:

1. Before March 1, 1927, each Chapter shall nominate as candidate for National Officer one member and submit with the nomination a statement not exceeding two hundred words setting forth the person's qualifications.

2. The National Secretary shall mail to each Chapter before March 10 a list of the persons nominated in that District and a copy of the statement accompanying each nomination. The names of the candidates shall be arranged in the order in which the nominations were received by the National Secretary.

The Annual Magazine

Under the editorship of President Ray Cecil Carter the N.F.L. will soon publish its second annual Magazine. In order to avoid the heavy financial loss which resulted last year the Executive Council, however, has agreed upon these propositions to govern the publication.

1. The issue shall be approximately fifty pages.
2. The price shall be fifty cents a copy.
3. Only the number subscribed for before May 1, plus fifty copies shall be published.

Orders for copies of this publication should be sent as soon as convenient to the Editor, President Ray Cecil Carter, High School, Albany, New York. Chapters should get together on this at once and send in their subscriptions and remittances so that sufficient copies will be desired to warrant publication.

Dedication of the Magazine

So long we have referred to our annual publication simply as the Magazine. We now want a more suitable, more distinctive name. To encourage the thought processes which might lead to a fortunate suggestion the Council has decided to dedicate this year's annual to the person who submits the best name for the publication. The collegiate forensic honor societies have publications named "The Gavel," "The Forensic," and "The Speaker." A name for our publication should in some similar manner refer to the public speaking art and still should obviously be quite distinctive. Send your suggestions to the Editor. There is no restriction as to how many names may be suggested by any one member.

Debate Reports

In making out reports of debates in which only two people participate the line for first speaker should be left blank. Some chapters have been filling in all three lines by writing the name of the team leader twice. This is confusing to the Secretary's office and observation of the above suggestion will be appreciated.

Credit Points

A good many chapters do not apply for the extra point to which the team leader is entitled. The practice is so prevalent that it seems many chapter must overlook the provision giving this extra point and their attention is directed to it.

Summary Statement

	New	Total
Chapters	5	147
Members	51	1102
Emblems Ordered	57	790
Reports of Contests	321	2500
Memoranda Issued	272	2454
Degrees Granted:		
Degree of honor	13	178
Degree of Excellence	5	59
Degree of Distinction	4	22

ADVANCED DEGREES

The following have been granted Advanced Degrees during January:

DEGREE OF DISTINCTION

Ralph S. Frantz	Rocky Ford, Colorado
E. Frank Walker	Clarion, Iowa
Merwin Murphy	Phoenix, Arizona
Edwyna M. Forsyth	Maryville, Missouri

DEGREE OF EXCELLENCE

Ralph S. Frantz	Rocky Ford, Colorado
Bernice Bernard	Clarion, Iowa
Merwin Murphy	Phoenix, Arizona
Edwyna M. Forsyth	Maryville, Mo.
Arthur L. Knoblauch	Blissfield, Mich.

DEGREE OF HONOR

Lena Hollingsworth	Arlington, Wash.
Ann Novelle Nettles	Arlington, Wash.
Josephine M. Schmidt	Plymouth, Mich.
Meyer Rothwacks	Passaic, N. J.
Samuel Wechsler	Passaic, N. J.
Ruby M. Thomas	Rocky Ford, Colo.
Ralph S. Frantz	Rocky Ford, Colo.
Clarice Harber	Sacramento, Calif.

Bernice Bernard	Clarion, Iowa
Merwin Murphy	Phoenix, Arizona
Milton E. G. Muelder	Burlington, Iowa
Edwyna M. Forsyth	Maryville, Mo.
Arthur L. Knoblauch	Blissfield, Mich.

New Chapters

The following Chapters have been authorized during the past month:

- 145 Howell, Michigan
- 146 Austin, Minnesota
- 147 Canton, South Dakota
- 148 Presho, South Dakota
- 149 Oakland, Nebraska

Petitions Referred

The petition referred to the Northern District was approved by a vote of 94 to 11.

The petition referred to the Eastern District was rejected by a vote of 46 Yes and 28 No, a three-fourths affirmative vote being required.

Chapter Reinstated

The Sheboygan Chapter having complied with the constitutional provisions was reinstated as an Active Chapter by the Executive Council on January 31st.

Annual Dues

As a number of Chapters are paying their annual dues in currency the Secretary wishes to acknowledge that it has been received and that the dues for that Chapter have been recorded. Following is a list of the Chapters whose dues have been received. Chapters not on this list should send their dues at once. Next month the list of chapters not having paid the dues will be published as this undoubtedly should be the smaller list

Wichita	Morton	Laconia
Elko	Canning	Wagner
Webster Groves	Burlington	Norwich
Canton, Ohio	Ashland, Ohio	Centerville
Plano	Sheboygan	Lucas
Columbus	Niles	Phoenix
New Philadelphia	Shawano	Ford
Clarion	Wheatridge	Winnetka
Cicero	Blissfield	Calvert
East Orange	Allentown (High)	Nazareth
Howell	Asbury Park	Cameron
	Guthrie	

Additional Copies

Additional copies of this Bulletin will be sent for the remainder of the year to any chapter for 15 cents a copy.