

HEART OF AMERICA CHAPTER NO. 36 of the N.A.W.C.C.

May Report

Dear H.O.A. Collectors:

FIRST THINGS FIRST-----

Since it would be difficult to transport the many good clocks of the H.O.A. members to the N.A.W.C.C. National Convention at Chicago this coming May 23 thru 25 to show what we in the Mid America Area have in our collections, we have decided to present as good a pictorial display as possible (one picture is better than a thousand words of description). If each member will send us color pictures of several of their clocks, watches or any horological object of interest, we will mount them on large display cards and set up a special table in the Exhibition at the Convention. The exhibit of our members' clocks and watches as well as the exhibit of pictures in our own collections will really show the true enthusiasm and spirit of our Chapter and the collections involved. We are as proud of our various clock and watch collections as we are of our members, and rightly so. Let's show the other interested collectors of these items what the Mid-America Area's collectors really have to offer.

The Officers have been working on this display and the cards are ready. We only need your good COLOR pictures (approximately 3 X 3 or 3 X 5 inches will be fine). Be sure and write your name and address on the back of the pictures and get them to us as soon as possible. We would like to have them by the first week in May. We think your items will show off better with only one item per picture as crowded pictures do not show off too well. We hope to have every member represented in our display, so please be sure and get yours in early. Send them to Mrs. Caspar A. Wagner, 5802 Garfield, Kansas City 30, Missouri.

NEXT THINGS NEXT-----

The April Meeting could very easily have been called "H.O.A.'s CONVENTION MEETING" as that was the subject most discussed. New members and guests were introduced and the ladies of the Auxiliary were thanked for the nice Table Birthday Decorations. Mrs. Caspar Wagner, the Auxiliary Chairman, provided us with a schedule of the summer meetings as they presently are set up: June 9th, Meeting at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Epp Blair in Rogers, Arkansas; July 14th, workshop get-to-gether at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Vandervort in Moberly, Missouri; August 11th, dinner meeting at Carousel Cafeteria in Kansas City, Missouri; September 8th, Open House at the Home of Mrs. and Mrs. Leonard Peterson at Smith Center, Kansas; October 13th, Meeting and Open House at Home of Mr. and Mrs. Caspar A. Wagner in Kansas City, Mo. The August Meeting was debated by the assembled Chapter, but since no other definite arrangements could be proposed at this time, the matter was tabled and turned back over to the Auxiliary to make whatever arrangements would best suit the Chapter.

But, as we said before, the forthcoming Convention in Chicago in May received the biggest and most enthusiastic support. Twenty members are already planning to attend, and of these over half indicated that they planned on bringing exhibits for H.O.A.'s Booth at the Convention. During the discussion of pictures for exhibit where we could not bring the rarer items themselves, most members agreed that within the next couple of weeks they could send in color photographs of some of their nicer clocks, or if they didn't already have them, could have some friend take them and then send them in.

A tentative schedule of events was read and some of the highlights include the Mart and Exhibition open all three days, except during meal times, the 23rd thru the 25th of May at the Pick-Congress Hotel; the Council Meeting at 1:00p.m. Friday, the dinner that evening at the Institute of Arts and Sciences followed by the "Queen's Tour" of this Museum, and the BIG ANNUAL BANQUET Saturday evening followed by the Convention Auction of items not sold at the Mart (this goes on for hours and hours of fun). Lots of members indicated that they were planning on staying at one of the three motels located near by, and were planning on getting together in groups and really enjoy the fun. Well, that's it. We'll see you there.

Sincerely,  
Clement C. Wagner, Secy.