

1965-1966 IOWA DISTRICT

President of O.I.	John R. Olvey 1000 E. Main Street Plainfield, Indiana 46168	
Regional Vice-Pres.	Robert M. Heidbrink 808 Nicollet Avenue Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402	
Governor	Morris Dicker 436 Grant Street Iowa City, Iowa 52240	
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Convention Site	Marshalltown	
O.I. Convention Rep.	Phillip E. Reemes (Past V.P.)	Pine Bluff, Ark. (Jane)

Clubs in Iowa:

Bettendorf  
Cedar Rapids Brk.  
Cedar Rapids  
Cedar Rapids Eve.  
Cedar Rapids Thurs.  
Clinton  
Coralville  
••Council Bluffs  
C.B. Sundown  
Davenport Brk.  
Davenport  
Denison  
Des Moines  
Dubuque  
Glenwood  
Hiawatha  
Iowa City  
I.C. Sunrise  
Larchwood  
Maquoketa  
Marshalltown  
Red Oak  
Sioux City  
Waterloo  
West Branch

Clubs Added:

Carter Lake

Clubs Deleted:

None

- Distinguished
- Honor Club

President:

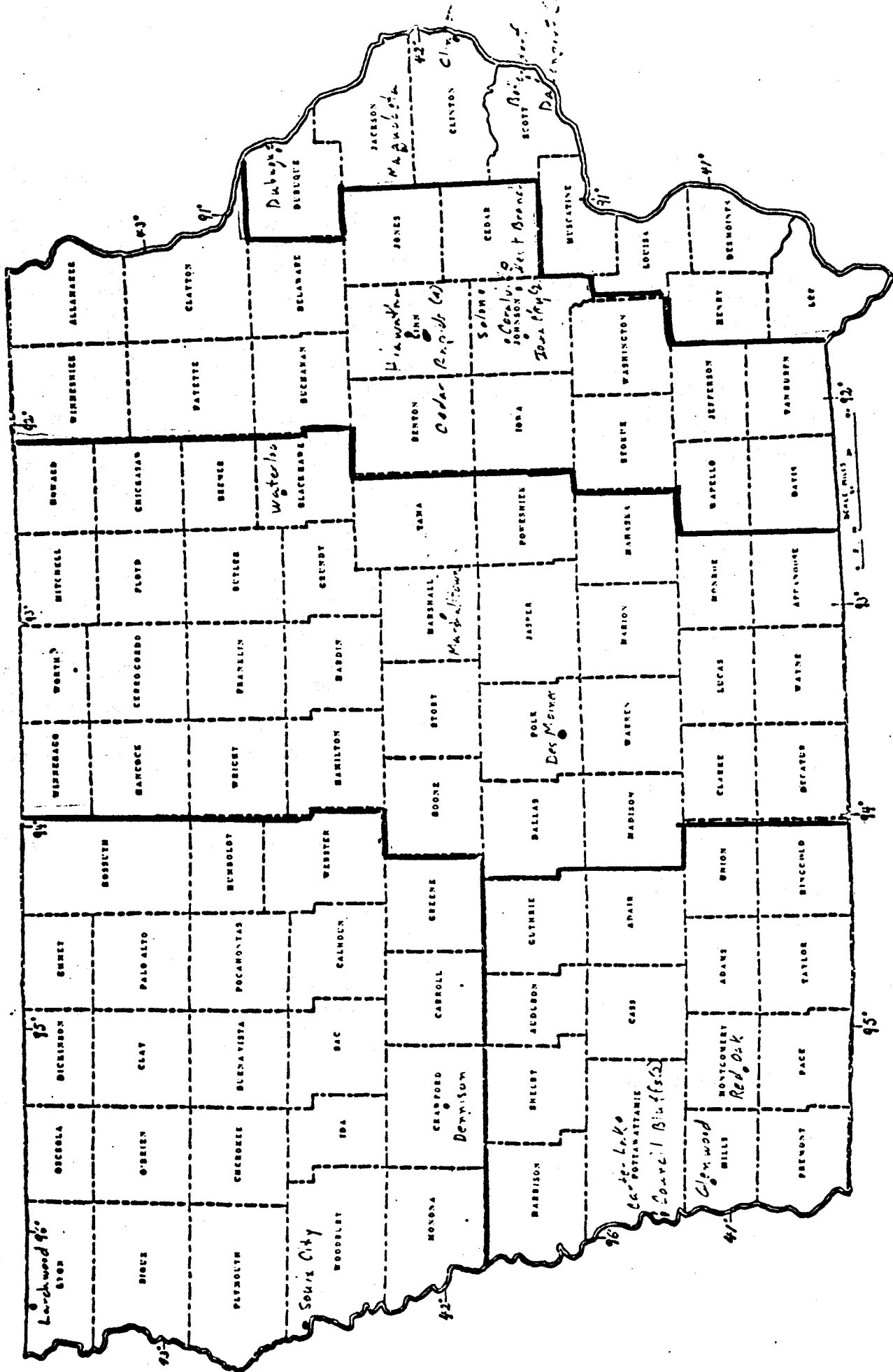
Milt Lipsman  
Donald Weimer  
Robert Klopp  
Ralph Watson  
Wm. Hukill  
R. Larry Youngman  
Don Strub  
•Dale Hastings  
Curtis Eshelman  
Bruce Dunlap  
Robt. Koestner  
Donald Ripley  
Howard Morrison  
Owen Evans  
Tom Fink  
Patrick McGuire  
James Sangster  
Max Selzer  
Gerard Scholten  
Jack Bickford  
Homer Rinehart  
Ivan Lyddon  
E. W. Eberhard  
Kenneth Stover  
Steve Jensen

Secretary:

David Pitzele  
Jacob Thorson  
Robt. Wazac  
Robert Lehman  
Frank Parks  
Francis McNamara  
Leslie Miller  
James McPartland  
Howard Bradford  
David Simon  
Thomas Hancock  
Jack Simonsen  
Cassius Allison  
Wm. Retz  
Richard Meyers  
Donald Tooman  
Stanley Plank  
Robert Gay  
Gerald Grotewold  
LaVerne Roberg  
Herb Tschudy  
Lewis L. Lowe  
Mike Malinosky  
Don Willason  
Robert Bickford

H.L.Karrer, Jr. D.D.S. Ronald Caddell

Membership 1148-1129 = -19  
Clubs 25+1 = 26  
Life Membership Quota 9 = 11  
International Rank 27



Landing of June 30, 1966

REGIONAL COMPETITION - 1965-66 12 Months

VICE PRESIDENT ABBOT

Distr.	New Club Building		%	Life Membership		Membership		Avg. Per.	District Rank	
	Quota	Clubs		Quota	Sales	Net	Net Gain		As of 6/30	As of 5/31
CSILL	5	1	20.0	16	20	179	-101	0.0	36	39
IND	7	12	171.4	39	45	277	+546	197.1	1*	1*
MICH	6	4	66.6	25	25	239	-30	0.0	27	33
NOILL	4	0	0.0	8	13	125	+9	7.2	37	36
OHIO	6	6	100.0	27	35	236	+320	135.6	7	8

Regional Average Per.....63.2

VICE PRESIDENT HEIDBRINK

DSMM	5	5	100.0	11	15	156	+183	117.3	13	31
Iowa	4	1	25.0	9	11	125	-19	0.0	34	27
MO	7	11	157.1	33	42	269	+343	127.5	3*	2*
NEB	4	1	25.0	10	10	123	+28	22.8	32	30
WISC	4	4	100.0	15	18	142	+172	121.1	11	5

Regional Average Per.....69.7

VICE PRESIDENT QUICK

FLA	7	15	214.2	28	32	285	+311	109.1	2*	6
GA	6	6	100.0	15	17	214	+40	18.7	20	21
KYWA	6	4	66.6	26	27	231	-123	0.0	28	28
SC	5	5	100.0	8	11	157	+209	133.1	8	13
TENN	6	8	133.3	20	29	221	+251	113.6	6	4*

Regional Average Per.....82.6\*\*

VICE PRESIDENT ROWE

AMS	4	3	75.0	8	14	129	+76	58.9	18	22
ARIZ	4	4	100.0	7	11	132	+130	98.5	15*	16
PACC	6	5	83.3	26	30	253	-213	0.0	22	24
PACNW	5	2	40.0	10	19	172	+73	42.4	23	20
PACSW	9	12	133.3	67	88	459	-202	0.0	19	15*

Regional Average Per.....58.7

\* Top District in Region \*\* Top Region

(x) 50% of Total Attained in LM.

PAST GOVERNOR'S THOUGHTS - Morrie Dicker, Our First Governor of the  
Iowa District

About eight years ago we were members of a District comprised of Iowa, Minnesota, the Dakotas and Manitoba. We had to convince the administration of Optimist International that Iowa was ready to break away and become a District of its own, standing on its own feet. Then it took us almost two years of maneuvering to finally disengage ourselves from the Minnesota-Iowa-Dakotas-Manitoba District.

When we finally became the Iowa District (how proud we were of ourselves), we had to start almost from scratch. We had to work up a budget, design and print stationery, experiment with bulletins, make a format for achievement and awards, and form (and needle) the various committees.

Our first convention as an IOWA District was held in Marshalltown. After many trials and tribulations in planning that convention, it went off like clockwork. Some of the high-lights of that first convention was the appearance of Governor Harold Hughes at one of our luncheons, and the packed rooms we had at the beautiful memorial service and the outstanding oratorical contest.

The first couple of years as a fledgeling District were rocky ones. We started with 25 clubs and had about 1050 members. Leadership started to develop and now we are at the point where any number of our good members could step in and carry on.

Because we couldn't show too much improvement in numbers of clubs and members, I like to think that we were building a solid foundation during those formative years. I also like to believe that the success of the IOWA District bears out that statement. That and the leadership which has come forward. We have been at or near the top the last few years and we need apologize to no one. Our District has furnished O.I. committeemen and we now have an O.I. Vice-President. (If this brief history went further back I could mention others including an International President.) According to the last District bulletin we are at the top of our Region and very near the top of all of O.I. The IOWA District has achieved a good deal in less than seven years and all of you are going to help us stay there and even reach greater heights. That's the kind of man-power we have in our clubs.

Yes, we are proud of the IOWA District--proud enough that we should all be anxious to share our good fortune with others. That means establishing new clubs and adding new members to existing clubs. However, always remember that new members are not just warm bodies; they should be live, vital and active ingredients added to our

organization. It's our duty to teach them, indoctrinate them, guide them and keep them busy so that they can realize that we are an on-going and vitally needed service club, an asset to any community, large or small.

There is so much more that I would like to say about Optimism but I have already rambled too long. Perhaps someday I will be called upon to bore you again. But before closing this little message I want to add a few personal words to you, my friends.

As most of you know, I have just gone through a most traumatic experience with the untimely loss of my wife, Lena. I still don't believe it. I see something I like in a show-window or someone makes a nice remark and I remind myself that I must remember long enough to tell Lena about it when I get home. I have read and re-read the Optimist Creed and it has been of some consolation to me. Each time I read it I get some different impression and each time seems a little better than the last.

One of the great advantages of belonging to an organization like Optimist International and one which we must stress is the fact that we are privileged to make such wonderful friends. I ask your indulgence in allowing me to close with an anonymous poem which I keep propped right next to the Optimist Creed.

#### FRIENDS

I think that God will never send  
A gift so precious as a friend,  
A friend who always understands

And fills each need as it demands;  
Whose loyalty will stand the test,  
When skies are bright or overcast;  
Who sees the faults that merit blame,  
But keeps on loving just the same;  
Who does far more than creeds can do  
To make us good, to make us true.  
Earth's gifts a sweet enjoyment lend  
But only God can give a friend.

Thank you so much for your indulgence,

*Morrie*

Morrie Dicker  
Past Governor