



## League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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**MEMBERSHIP:** There are now 20 Leagues which have reached their goal for 1969. Is it possible that 50 will reach their goal in keeping with our 50th Anniversary? Let's try!

There are still a number of postcards stating your paid-up membership as of January 1, 1969 outstanding. Please mail yours in immediately, if you have not done so.

May we please have the names and addresses of paid-up members from the 20 Leagues which have not sent them in, so that we can complete the checking of our VOTER file.

**ANNUAL REPORTS:** This year all Annual Report forms are being sent to you directly from the national office. Do follow directions and do give a complete picture of all your activities. Please start working on these reports early. For your convenience we have made deadlines a little tighter than in the past. The state Board must make a report too, a composite one, to national. It would be great if we could have all reports before March 15th.

**CONSENSUS:** All local League presidents received a copy of a speech by national Board member, Mrs. Donald E. Clusen, on this subject. (National mailing December 1968). This would be excellent for use in the orientation of new members and in the review of the consensus process for all members.

**TRADE CONFERENCE:** Thanks to all the Leagues who did such a fine job publicizing the trade conference and attending. We had a good attendance of almost 200, with an excellent response from the business community. The speakers did an excellent job of clarifying the issues of trade and outlining the problems. We will try to make Dr. Anne Krueger's speech available later.

**ELECTORAL COLLEGE:** As a start toward your preparation for our study of the Electoral College, send for a copy of "Electing the President" which is a report put out by the American Bar Association whose address is 1155 East 60th St., Chicago, Illinois, 60637. Also try to get a copy of "After the Electoral College?" by William Boyd, from the National Municipal League, 47 East 68th St., New York, N. Y., 10021, price 50 cents.

There will be a delay in the material from National, but until the pamphlet comes, do read everything you see on the subject in your newspapers and periodicals; some of these articles give valuable background information and pertinent facts. Keep a clipping file for future reference.

At the January 10th meeting in Edina, Congressman MacGregor was optimistic that the new Congress would definitely be debating the problem of the Electoral College. He told us that both the Senate and the House judiciary committees are scheduling hearings on this subject; with the first one in the House set for February 5th. Senator Birch Bye is head of the Senate Committee, and Congressman Emmanuel Celler is chairman of the House Committee. It is hoped that mimeographed copies of the day-to-day hearings will be available.

**AN INVITATION:** To all League members from the League of Women Voters of Minneapolis -  
February 12, 1969 - 7:30 P.M. - Heritage Hall, Minneapolis Public Library - 3rd & Nicollet

to hear Congressman Donald Fraser speak on Possible Reforms of the Electoral College.

There will be time for questions and answers -- Husbands are also invited.

We have a new 4th District Coordinator: Mrs. John Sullivan  
1429 Skiles Lane  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55112 - Tel. 633-1666

**WATER RESOURCES:** The Water Quality Improvement Act of 1968 - S3206, which would have provided long-term financing for waste treatment facilities, was a casualty of Congress' rush to adjourn in October. Hopefully, it will be re-introduced this session. Watch for it! Also important, its provisions relating to oil and vessel pollution.

"It's Your Decision - Clean Water", the public service film co-sponsored by the Soap and Detergent Association and League of Women Voters is praised by legislative and Housing groups over the country. It has been viewed by over 12 million persons. If your League has a water item or general meeting coming up, why not schedule this free-loan film - it is 16mm, 14½ min., available from Association Films, 600 Madison Avenue, New York City, 10022.

With our Local Leagues Fridley League members are furnishing a room dedicated to the League of Women Voters at the Anoka Historical Locke House.

Albert Lea started their 50th Anniversary account with a gift from a former Albert Lea League of 20 years ago; a 1st District representative.

A quote from "Chips from Rock" Voter of Rock County LWV on members entertaining in their homes - "We are interested in her viewpoints, not fuzzies under her bed."

From Winona LWV Voter "Someday, you and I may be recruiting college age League members if the 18 and up voting age is put in."

Shoreview LWV used their election reporting money for "Capitol Letter" for members and contributors.

Buffalo LWV co-sponsored a Musical U. N. tribute with the High School.

South St. Paul LWV had a two-page "Laugh-in-Potpourri" in the Voter.

Chaska Pro-LWV purchased 20 "Capitol Letters" for businessmen.

#### 50th Anniversary

Just finished reading a whole batch of your Bulletins; your plans for involving the individual member in the Campaign sound great - and fun too! Wish we could attend all your special events!

Attention League Members in St. Paul and Minneapolis Area - The state office needs another full-time staff member, clerk typist. We urge well-qualified members who are interested to call the office for an appointment. Make it soon, because we also plan to advertise.

# BOARD MEMO

February 1969

## 50th ANNIVERSARY!

You have just received a special promotion kit on the events scheduled for the 24th. Read every word! Feel free to add some of your own ideas.

A Reminder The Membership drive is not complete until every member has had her opportunity to contribute! Read enclosed 50th memos carefully.

STATE CONVENTION This year we are sending the final call to the Forty-Second State May 21 & 22, 1969 Convention of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota in a special Convention mailing which you will receive immediately after this Board Memo. All necessary information will be included in that packet. President + delegates = Convention Delegation.

PRESIDENTS WORKSHOP The Presidents Workshop will be held on the Tuesday preceding the Convention May 20. This has been a particularly successful workshop in the past. It provides an informal atmosphere for the discussion of the president's job - what it should be, how to make it easier, how to make it successful.

The Workshop will be held from 2:00 to 5:15 p.m. There will be ample opportunity for discussion and questions. The dinner meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. We urge all presidents to attend the Workshop. If your president is unable to attend, plan to have someone there to represent your League. If your Board operates with an administrative assistant, we invite her to attend also. The state League is underwriting the cost of dinner for the presidents or their representatives.

PROGRAM Between now and April 7th, the deadline for second-round state Program recommendations by local Leagues, League members and local Boards have a prime responsibility. The responsibility of each member is to consider carefully and express her views on the state Board's Proposed Program presented and explained in this mailing. The responsibility of the local Board is twofold: 1) To devise plans which give members maximum opportunity to participate in this round and to express their opinions; 2) to reflect in the official second-round recommendation the best thinking of the members. 52 Leagues responded to the first-round. Let's have 100% participation in the second-round. We are including enough Program material for each of your units so that there will be no need to produce additional material for your members' discussion.

PROGRAM-MAKING Included with this memo is a report of first-round program suggestions which will appear in the March VOTER. The copy is now at the printers, and God and the U.S. mails willing, should be in your members' hands the first week in March. We know this will make tight scheduling for consideration in March unit meetings, we must have reports back the first week in April, however, so that we may consider them at our April Board meeting.

Don't collapse when you see the length of the proposed program. You will notice that with a single list many items will not require any new study, and we expect members



Owners of duplexes and rooming houses are in the business of renting real property. Their business should be open to all. How does one justify discrimination if he lives in the other half of the duplex, if discrimination is wrong when another family lives in the other half?

What about rooming houses on college campuses? It is legal for operators of these rooming houses to discriminate because of race. And they are discriminating.

The white majority is saying "minorities may go just so far but no farther." Not only is this insulting, but it is a miscarriage of the principle of equal access to all.

By removing the exemptions from the present law, Minnesota would come into line with the 1866 federal law recently ruled constitutional by the Supreme Court, which bans discrimination in all housing. Minnesota would by this updating of its law against housing discrimination also join with the City of St. Paul, which in 1968 called discrimination in all housing illegal.

FINANCING      To those of you who have sent in your reports on classifications, thank  
GOVERNMENT      you. We would appreciate hearing from the rest of you as soon as you have  
had your meetings.

The hearings in the House Tax Committee on exempt property are underway on Thursday mornings at 8:00 a.m. in room 107 of the Capitol. They are truly an education and everyone is welcome. Come join us whenever you can.

MEMBERSHIP      In January and February you have been holding committee meetings to analyze your drops, preparing a membership budget, making plans for the Go-See Tours as part of the State Government in Action Workshops, preparing your annual reports for state and national, and preparing plans for COLLECTING RENEWALS (Dues) by annual meeting time. Who said things would be quieter after the first of the year?

Seriously you should be making plans for collecting those renewals. Send out talent and interest sheets to your units. Let them know that you hope to have most of the committee assignments filled and your dues collected by April so that you can concentrate your attention on your new members.

Prepare a report for your annual meeting on what you have accomplished in membership this year, and what you hope to accomplish next year. If you are going off board this year, now is the time to get your files in shape for the coming membership chairman.

Our state budget for 1969-70 provides for a letter from the state President along with a copy of Membership Memo #2 to go to each member. We think the new members will find this worthwhile.

At our Membership Workshop on February 4, there were several pieces of information which should be noteworthy to each of you. The Minnetonka League suggested using a calendar at a new member tea which had the dates of unit meetings colored in, e.g., if unit one meets the first and third Wednesday mornings, color it blue; unit two might meet the second and fourth Tuesday evening, color it green, etc. Then the new member can more readily see the times available to her, stress that she can attend any meeting if she is unable to get to her own.

Brooklyn Center put on an orientation skit. Their chairman made several copies available. Currently they are out to local Leagues. When they are returned, you may borrow one

and copy it, then return it. The Mahtomedi League used a clever recruitment gimmick with Yellow Pages dresses. Contact the League for more information.

Other points included: doing a better PR job of keeping League's name before the community; analyzing your community; picking your membership committee on a geographic basis; making it as easy as possible for a member to join; using permanent name tags.

If any of you have had any particularly successful programs with attracting younger members, please forward the information to the state office; several Leagues have requested this information.

Finally, check to be sure everyone who should received a VOTER in February. If they did not get it, please send their name and this information to the state office. We feel that our files are fairly current considering the number of lists we have received from local Leagues.

P.S. Do you know that you are setting your membership goals for next year when you adopt your local budget? The amount budgeted for income from dues should reflect some room for growth in your League. Are you going to grow next year?

**ANNUAL MEETINGS** Plan carefully for publicity coverage of your annual meetings. The new officers and Board members are usually good for a picture, but what about adoption of new Program? This is an excellent time to help explain League to the community - how the members choose the Program, and what they do with it after it has been adopted. Start now to develop community interest in what you plan to do.

State Board members' calendars are beginning to fill up . . . we like to be invited to your annual meetings (to speak or not) and would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

Remember to have Bylaw changes reviewed by the state Board before they are presented - also, after your annual meeting, send a copy of the reviewed Bylaws to the state office.

Help! Help! State Board delegates to the National Council meeting April 28 - May 2, 1969, need some answers from you to guide decisions to be made at Council. Read carefully Human Resources section of January 1969 National Board Report - pp. 15-26 - What guidance has your League for decisions to be made at Council - p. 21.

Extra! Extra! Extravaganza!! So you didn't get called as an extra for Airport? Gather your singing-acting-impresario abilities, and do call the LWV's own Producer-Director, Jerry Jenkins (telephone 645-1452) before **MARCH 21st**. She's searching for talent - 8 women, 8 men - for the show of the year, the 50th Anniversary Extravaganza premiering May 21st at the State Convention Banquet. Also needed: help in locating period costumes - like the 20's, 30's, 40's, 50's? And anybody handy with sets? Lights? Call Jerry - NOW!

It is with regret that we announce the disbanding of the LWV of North St. Paul and the LWV of International Falls. Remaining members of the North St. Paul League will join nearby Leagues. It is hoped that sometime in the near future there will again be a League at the Falls.

On your behalf the state Board has donated 5000 copies of How A Bill Becomes a Law, and 4000 copies of maps of the State Capitol to the Guide and Tour Service at the Capitol.

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50th Anniversary! Read carefully every word of the enclosed communiqué.

Public Relations: Please share clippings, articles, as well as photos with us.

Second Round Program: Due April 7th in the state office. We expect to come up with a proposed program representing the wishes of all of our Leagues.

State Convention: May 21 and 22 - plans are going along nicely. Please note flyer on Minneapolis bus tour, a Convention "extra"!

Members of the League from 1919 to 1929-Do you have people in your community who were members during that period? We suggest that you might like to invite them to the Convention banquet - please let us know.

Vital Information is needed as it is available - please fill out the enclosed forms and return them promptly to the state League office. We are operating with a very small staff so we cannot afford to call each league individually to get this information. Your cooperation will be very much appreciated.

Pledge for state and national services - please complete enclosed pledge form as soon as possible.

On your behalf - Over 450 copies of the Pre-Legislative Conference on Indian Affairs were sent to the legislators and other interested groups.

National Council: Your state President and Mrs. Ralph Ebbott were chosen by the state Board to represent Minnesota - April 28 - May 2, 1969, in Washington, D. C., for this very important meeting. In the February 1969 Board Memo we asked for guidance from you on decisions to be made at Council in the Human Resources area. Let us hear from you.

HUMAN RESOURCES (Farley) The state Board at the March meeting began a discussion of Human Resources for the purpose of giving direction and guidance to the National Council. The discussion will continue at the next Board meeting. We thought that local Leagues might like a summary of the state Board discussion as a starting point for their discussions.

1. General agreement was reached that the question of housing supply is as important as the subject of discrimination in housing, and is vital to a correction of problems of discrimination. Feeling was that the housing item should be broadened to include such things as renters' rights, the area of lending and borrowing, and zoning and planning policies.
2. Compliance review on defense contracts was suggested as a direction for increased employment activity. Discrimination in southern textile mills, mentioned by Senator Mondale, was pointed out.



3. On the subject of education concerns for defacto segregation and quality education were weighed. It was suggested that improved quality of education, especially in ghetto schools, should be pushed at the same time that defacto segregation is being eliminated. Mention was made of the need for delving into education more deeply, if not into subject matter at least into the philosophy of education - geared to a changing society. Vocational education's importance for reaching lower income people was emphasized.
4. It was pointed out that the human resources item should always be aimed at equality for all minorities and that we should guard against an emphasis on Black that would, for instance neglect the Indian citizen.
5. Stress was placed on the importance of self-determination in all anti-poverty programs and programs for the benefit of minority groups and poor people - such as urban renewal, model cities, OEO, etc.
6. Concern was expressed that the national administration is confusing segregation with compensatory programs that temporarily emphasize the needs of neglected groups in our society. For instance, the Up-ward Bound program is reportedly threatened as being only for Indians. It was suggested that the national Board make some definitions in this area.

We enclose another copy of "What Any White Woman Can Do" - LNW Education Fund publication - please pass along to your Human Resources Chairman. Plan now to order a supply of these - one for each League member, and many to have on hand to distribute to women's groups in your community. It's an excellent publication; make good use of it.

FINANCING            Here's a report of your answers to the questions on classification. So far 30 Leagues representing about 65% of our GOVERNMENT       membership have reported. (Apparently some Leagues don't (Nash)            respond unless a definite deadline is established!) In many instances the discussions were hampered by poor attendance due to bad weather, the flu, etc. There was also some confusion between classifications and exemptions for which we are to blame. We apologize. If we had asked if there are any types of taxable property that should get special treatment, that one extra word might have eliminated some confusion. But in spite of these difficulties many Leaguers did consider and discuss the classification system. Here's what has been gleaned from your reports -

Most members think Minnesota has too many classifications but they had trouble deciding just how the system should be changed. A few would like to eliminate classifications altogether and base property taxes only on market value but most think there are types of property that should get special treatment. Property most often mentioned as deserving relief included that owned by low-income elderly persons, agriculture, homesteads, natural resources, and rural electric lines. Leagues listed profit-making property, petroleum refineries, and natural resources as property that should pay more. Apparently Leagues did not think that classification is the best way to provide special tax treatment in most cases, since many



types of property were listed as being worthy of special treatment but considerably fewer were listed as being best provided for through classifications. Natural resources were most often mentioned as a type of property deserving a special class. However, some members think natural resources should be given relief and others think they should pay more. (Possibly some were thinking of irreplaceable resources such as ore, and others were considering such things as timber which can be replaced.) Agriculture and homesteads were also mentioned as types that should be in a special class. Some Leagues think a severance tax would be preferable for natural resources and a system of tax credits was suggested as a better way to give relief to farmers. No new classes were suggested. Two very similar three class systems were suggested by members of two different Leagues. One proposed natural resources, homesteads, and all other as the three classes. The other suggested natural resources, residential, and profit-making.

It does not appear that we have any new consensus in this area. Perhaps the most that can be said is that we think Minnesota has too many classifications, and although some types of property deserve special treatment, perhaps other methods of providing it are preferable and should be considered. Since no new classes were suggested we might be able to oppose the addition of more classes, but there didn't seem to be any clear-cut consensus to eliminate any of the present classes.

MEMBERSHIP  
(Olsen)

Now that your annual reports have been completed and mailed, don't put away your copy until you have prepared an annual report on membership for your own local League. If you achieved your membership goal, tell your members how you did it. If you didn't, try to assess why, and point out how you might do better this year. Prepare your members to participate in membership as a year-round activity - starting with your annual meeting.

Encourage your members to pay their dues by annual meeting time. Some may say they have always paid in the fall. Ask them to try it your way this year, pointing out that if you get your renewals in now, you can devote full-time to prospects during the summer and fall.

You should be meeting with your membership committee and drawing up a plan for the 1969-70 membership year to present to your local Board at its first meeting after the annual meeting. For those of you who will be passing your portfolio on to someone new, prepare a report for her outlining your successes and failures. Be willing to spend some time over the report with her. Try to set up a timetable or membership calendar for her to follow (see last page of national publication, HOW TO GET AND KEEP MEMBERS).

Prepare your units to organize for committees at the May Unit meeting. This is a better time than fall. We all know how swamped we are in the fall and often seem to be pinched for time to handle topics without trying to organize units. Have your unit chairmen assume their jobs concurrently with the new Board. Pass out the committee sheet and ask your units to sign up. Your resource people will love you for helping to get their committees organized early. Sometimes these committees can have a first meeting in the spring to present reading material for the member to read leisurely this summer in her hammock at the lake.

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Next month, I plan to send you a two year summary, total and individual, of the growth in membership among Leagues in our state. Gung-Ho is anxious to see just how much we have grown. January 1969 showed us up 350 over two years ago.

Just a note on reporting - if a member paid dues in your League this year and then transferred, include her in your total paid-up members until April 1, 1969, in computing your total. Some of you may want to amend your totals to state and national as you are dropping these paid members from your total count.

From the Michigan Voter of a few years ago:

JUST A THOUGHT: Someone has said that there are three classes of people. Those who make things happen; those who watch things happen; and the overwhelming majority who have no idea of what is happening. Save a friend from the majority and bring her to a League meeting.

Why not your Annual Meeting?

We have ordered another supply of the LWV Green Buttons - we urge all members to wear them at all times during the 1969-70, 50th Anniversary year - 25¢ each.

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The following Leagues participated: Minneapolis, Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Columbia Heights, Burnsville, St. Croix Valley, Northfield, Bloomington, West St. Paul, Willmar, Faribault, Cloquet, Alexandria, St. Cloud, Brooklyn Center, Crystal-New Hope.

Groups attending were mixed as to school groups, ages, leisure-time groups:  
Jr. High (mainly 9th, some 8th) - 10 schools  
Sr. High (mainly 12, some 11th) - 12 schools  
Girl Scouts - Jr. High, Sr. High age - 4

Total different schools, groups: 26 in these 15 communities.

Leagues indicating interest near or following registration deadline: Wayzata, Fridley, Robbinsdale. (Cloquet and Minnetonka were both on this "waiting list," but worked into attendance as plans of some groups shifted.)

Speakers: Department of Education - Sig Ode (Asst. to Commissioner) - 3 days  
Department of Human Rights - Frank Kent, Commissioner - 3 days  
Attorney General Douglas Head - 3 days  
Senator Robert Brown - 3 days (Conservative)  
Representative Richard Nolan (DFLer) - 3 days  
John Tschol - Lobbyist, Coalition to Lower the Voting Age - 3 days



# BOARD MEMO

April 1969

## D A T E S   T O   R E M E M B E R

- May 2    Registration for State Convention due state office.
- 10    Deadline for Convention Bus Tour    (See March flyer as well  
as enclosed flyer)
- 10    Convention Displays - notify office of the amount of space  
you will need - this is important.
- 20    State Presidents Workshop - Holiday Inn Central.
- 21    42nd State Convention - 50th Anniversary year of the League  
& of Women Voters of Minnesota - Holiday Inn Central.
- 22

Due now and as soon as available copies of your Board lists, Budgets  
and Local Agendas. (5 copies).

\* Special Note: How about providing those large green LWV buttons  
for all delegates and visitors! We have a good  
supply; they will also be for sale at the Convention.

\*\*Special Note: Members of the LWV - 1919-1929. Please let us know  
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Leagues indicating interest near or following registration deadline: Wayzata, Fridley, Robbinsdale. (Cloquet and Minnetonka were both on this "waiting list," but worked into attendance as plans of some groups shifted.)

Speakers: Department of Education - Sig Ode (Asst. to Commissioner) - 3 days  
Department of Human Rights - Frank Kent, Commissioner - 3 days  
Attorney General Douglas Head - 3 days  
Senator Robert Brown - 3 days (Conservative)  
Representative Richard Nolan (DFler) - 3 days  
John Tschol - Lobbyist, Coalition to Lower the Voting Age - 3 days



Governor Harold LeVander - 1 day  
State Treasurer Val Bjornson - 1 day  
Robert J. Sheran, Associate Justice, Minn. Supreme Court - 1 day  
Benjamin Baer, Deputy Commissioner Department of Corrections- 1 day  
Chief Murray, Department of Conservation (Enforcement) - 1 day

We had only one speaker absent - Mr. Leirfallom, Commissioner of Conservation, was called to testify in a hearing that first day and sent no substitute -- but Mr. Ode and Mr. Kent each extended their parts of the program.

Format: The Governor and Treasurer each spoke briefly in welcome; all other speakers spoke approx. 10 minutes and fielded questions from the floor for another 10 minutes. We had suggested advance written questions, but only one was submitted during entire series. Questions were lively, often related to the particular legislative issues occupying the press at the given date; some were more general and all indicated a breadth of understanding often confounding League members in attendance as chaperones or assisting as hostesses. Following the talks (from 10 to 12:30 p.m.), bag lunch (milk provided through St. Paul public schools' cooperation and financed by receipts from state League ABC-TV Key Precinct election reporting) at 1 p.m. groups toured Capitol, tours conducted by state Tour Guides Service. These ended by about 3 p.m.

Promotion and publicity: This was a project of the state League in Voters Service. It was first discussed in Leadership Workshops in June, 1968, for local League V.S. Chairmen, followed by suggestions in the Board Memo and a special mailing--including promotion, advance assignments, ways of reaching youth. This also follows the 1966 state V.S. publication: Voters Service Sights the YOU in Youth which explored in depth ways local Leagues can extend service to future voters. Sample News Releases were available at each Youth Day for distribution to groups attending. Attempts to secure local news media coverage directly by the state League were largely unsuccessful, with one exception; local Leagues were often very successful in securing coverage in local papers.

Supervision and Assistance: Cadette Girl Scouts of Troup #82, Edina, volunteered to serve as assistants and pages at Youth Days. Members of West St. Paul League attended each session as hostesses, and members of other Leagues assisted on the days their Leagues youth attended--including Bloomington, Brooklyn Center, Minneapolis, St. Croix Valley. A sheet of instructions prepared in advance aided in facilitating this hostess effort.

MEMBERSHIP: Congratulations to these 21 Leagues for reaching their goals in membership this year: Battle Lake (20%), Bemidji (17%), Bloomington (14%), \*Buffalo (32%), Burnsville (27%), \*Cass Lake (19%), Chaska-Provisional (104%), \*Crystal-New Hope (31%), Edina (11%), Falcon Heights (32%), \*Granite Falls (11%), Jackson (26%), Mahtomedi Area (21%), \*Northfield (10%), Owatonna (15%), \*Red Wing (28%), St. Croix Valley (19%), Silver Bay (48%), \*Wells (13%), \*Westonka (3%), and White Bear Lake (22%). (The \* indicates Leagues which have reached their goals in both 1968 and 1969.) Enclosed on a separate sheet is a two-year membership summary report.

In 1967, we fell-off 346 members-net - from a beginning total of 5518 to 5172 in December, when we turned the corner upwards. However, we could



only reach 5438. As we continued to chart the trends, we found that in 1968, although starting from the lower total of 5438 members, we only had a net loss of 175 members until November--one month earlier--when we began climbing to our present total of 5667. We had cut our net loss in half, and had done so a month earlier. Hopefully, next year will be even better.

We trust that all of you are collecting your dues by Annual Meeting time, and that you and your committees have a plan for membership work in 1969-1970 fairly well established.

Sincere thanks to all of you for your hard work from "Gung-Ho-Grow, with confidence that the League will remain "green" in money, and "growing" in members in the future.

# BOARD MEMO

## OUTLOOK FOR WORK

June 1969

"Time to Soar for Fifty More," the theme used for the pre-convention presidents' workshop, seems an especially appropriate theme for this Outlook as the League of Women Voters moves into the next fifty years. The convention and decisions made by the delegates from 64 local Leagues provided the basis and some of the fuel for the "launching." We expect more fuel from time to time in the form of ideas, more members and greater funds to carry on the increasing demands on the League. Your delegates to the convention adopted a revised budget of \$54,150. It was adopted with little question or comment. Therefore, please note the income side of the budget - \$4000 from anticipated 50th Anniversary funds. This amount cannot be used until it is received. Please note also the \$2500 from Reserves - this actually means from the cash balance in our checking account.

Though we still have a long way to go, we expect to be right up there among the top ten state Leagues in the 50th Anniversary Fund Campaign as the grand finale is reached and reported at the National Convention in 1970, Washington, D.C.

Though we have made gains in membership the past couple of years, we must, as we always do, urge you to continue and step up your efforts on membership growth. Regardless of your experience as a League leader, you certainly know by this time that almost anything can be done if enough people are available to do the job and funds are adequate.

Remember, the state Board is organized to serve you. As we look ahead to next year, we shall continue this service to the best of our ability in all aspects of League operation. Much time and thought go into the Board Memo and other state Board communications to you. So, please take the time to read these carefully and respond promptly where requested.

The Outlook for Work is meant to be used as a guide as you plan for the year ahead, refer to it often. Watch for further information and suggestions in the monthly Board Memo. The calendar on the last page of this publication is accurate when specific dates are given, otherwise plan on the last day of the month. The state Board will continue to meet the third Tuesday of the month, the only exception being August, when the meeting will be the second Tuesday. You should receive your Board Memo within ten days following state Board meetings. We usually have a limited supply of extra copies of the Board Memo - they are available upon request. Local League presidents will receive a list of state Board members and their assignments and a current consultant list. The local League president's roster will arrive in the



same mailing. New Publications Catalogs will not be available until in the fall.

We want to hear from you. Now that we have two regular staff people in our office, we promise to answer your letters and notes more promptly. Plan to attend a state Board meeting this year; just let us know in advance.

For inspiration we suggest that you read and re-read The First Fifty Years, by Mildred Hargraves, the history of the LWV, at 75¢ a copy.

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### 1969 CALENDAR PLANNING

Here are some basic guidelines for planning your League Year - 1969-70

#### Preparation for Calendar Planning

1. Evaluation of work of past year by each Board member.
2. Publications provided for Board members in advance of calendar planning session:  
Local League Handbook, National Board Report - May 1969, Outlook for Work - June 1969. (See also Basic Publications Needed by Local League Boards - included in 1969 Outlook.)
3. Calendar planning should be scheduled before September 1 at a time when all Board members can be present. Very little other League business can be handled at this meeting.
4. The president should plan the agenda well ahead of time and send it to each Board member with specific instructions as to what will be expected of her.
5. Ask your secretary to prepare a large calendar to mark dates and activities as the meeting proceeds. Board member will find the calendar attached to her Outlook for Work quite helpful in this process.

#### Planning Procedures

1. Review Recognition Standards.
2. Study and follow suggestions in Local League Handbook on Board Planning, pp. 13-14 and Planning Program Development, p. 25. (1969 edition).
3. Make broad plans for whole year with fairly definite plans for the first three or four months. Allow for flexibility.
4. Give realistic consideration to publication dates given by state and national Boards allowing sufficient time to prepare for planning sessions and/or briefing sessions.
5. Check local, state and national Bylaws so that all deadlines may be met. Consensus reports must be received in the state or national office by deadline in order to be considered.
6. Some plans and suggestions for League activity are found in the National Board Report and in the Outlook for Work.

"Time to Soar for 50 More"- this time we really mean "the sky is the limit."  
 Make 1969-70 a real blast!



## S T A T E     P R O G R A M

## ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT

Delegates to the 1967 State Convention adopted Organization of State Government: Evaluation of the structure and procedures of the legislative and executive branch. While we as Leaguers pride ourselves on the study, consensus, position, and action process, it was apparent that we felt unrest over these two branches even before beginning evaluation. Mrs. Harold Watson, past state Board member and Legislative Chairman, in her Legislative Report to the 1969 Biennial Convention, viewed the adoption of the item this way. "But at the 1967 Convention, were we not responding to a larger question - that of the responsiveness of government to the needs of society? Were we not questioning the relative power of the governor and the legislature? Were we not questioning whether the power of the governor should be increased? Were we not expressing dissatisfaction with the near paralysis which seemed to us to grip our cumbersome legislature? .....

During the first two years consensus of opinion emerged on means of improving the structures and procedures of the legislature. We support sessions of adequate length, meeting annually with power to determine how long, when, and power to recess. We approve of a smaller legislature and oppose an increase in size. We favor realistic compensation for legislators including for time spent between sessions. We feel the legislature should: improve its ways of communicating with us, have additional staff including clerical and research. With regard to committee structure, we favor fewer of them with parallel structure in both chambers. The minority caucus should have proportional representation on committees and legislators should be limited in the number of committees assigned them. (This would be an appropriate time to drop a cordial note to your legislators thanking them for long hours, hard work, and favorable votes on League areas of interest. You may wish to remind them of some of the above positions, particularly annual sessions of adequate length and realistic remuneration.)

Also during the two years between conventions, Leagues began to look at the Executive Department and recommendations of the Governor's Council on Executive Reorganization and came to Convention enthusiastic about continuing evaluation of the Executive. As adopted, the item reads - Organization of State Government: Support of improved structure and procedures for the Minnesota legislature. Evaluation of the Executive Branch.

In 1969 we will examine: recommendations of the Governor's Council's professional consultants, recommendations of the Council, the Governor's recommendations and finally the reorganization package that emerged at the end of the '69 session. How do they compare? We will want to see how many of our positions on the legislature were acted upon - the above-mentioned plus positions under other items related to the legislature - party designation, support of the short ballot including joint election of governor and lieutenant governor, sessions of adequate length, provision for a post-auditor, and regular and equitable reapportionment. The state Board will be expecting direction from local Leagues on the future of executive evaluation study certainly by 1970 Council.

In planning your local League calendar, reserve an early spring (preferably March) meeting for discussion of reorganization. Plan to emphasize community understanding of the implications of reorganization. Begin to think of intriguing ways to reach John Public. What can you expect from the state Board? The Sept.-Oct. VOTER will tell the saga of what really happened on executive reorganization in the 1969 Legislature. Additionally, what legislative reform became reality? In January, a Facts and Issues on Reorganization will be available for member purchase. It is hoped that within the year, You Are the Government will be updated and available for member and community use.

## EDUCATION

Education: The role of the state in creating and financing equal educational opportunities for all Minnesota children.

We will begin by studying and discussing the state's role in education - what the state regulations are, what financing the state provides, what the state is doing to overcome discrimination, etc. We will try to discover what children are being neglected and where the problems are. Then we can try to determine what changes should be made and what the state should be doing to assure equal educational opportunities for all.

The state resource committee is now working on the publication which we plan to have ready in February. This means that education can be scheduled for your April or May unit meetings.

Don't wait until February to start working, however. Watch the newspapers and magazines for articles and start clipping now. We'll send you a suggested bibliography in the fall.

Before the publication comes out and we start studying the whole state, you might want to look at your own school district. Are all children in your district being given the opportunities they need to realize their greatest potential? Consider all races, all income levels, the mentally or physically handicapped, the gifted, migratory workers' children, etc. What children are being neglected? Where are the problems? Look in the School Survey Guide (national) and try to answer the pertinent questions - no need to do a complete survey. This might be done during the summer while other League work is not quite so pressing. Many of you have already done a school study and probably already have the information. This is not a required project but would enrich your study and would help you relate the state study to your own community. Your findings might also be useful to the state committee.

We are planning a sort of "how to" meeting for resource chairmen and their committees in March. It will probably be in the metropolitan area. We'll have more details on this later.



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## FINANCING GOVERNMENT IN MINNESOTA

### Financing Government in Minnesota: Support of Property Tax Reform

After three years of study on this item, we reached consensus on property tax reform in April of 1968. We support property tax reform through equitable assessment, fewer classifications, and more restrictive criteria for determining classifications, and more restrictive criteria for determining exemptions. We also advocate less dependence on the property tax.

There will be no new study on this item, but we do have very definite opportunities for action based on two bills passed by the 1969 Legislature.

1. A bill was passed authorizing counties to appoint a county assessor to value and assess all property in the county. In order to prepare your members to speak to their county boards, we will send materials explaining the bill, the advantages of the system, opposition to the system, and suggesting how action can best be taken.
2. A bill was passed to amend the constitution to allow the legislature to define or limit tax exempt property except churches, houses of worship, and property used solely for educational purposes. This amendment will be on the ballot in the 1970 general election. We will be waging a strong campaign for passage of this amendment. Begin now to plan your strategy.

Information on property tax reform can be found in two Facts and Issues publications, Property Taxes: Probing Some Options and Some Property Tax Flaws and Options. Watch newspapers for articles pertaining to #2. Keep a scrapbook.

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## EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

It is suggested that your Human Resources Chairman combine the national item with the above state item and coordinate activities carefully. We know that a number of Leagues have adopted a local agenda item in these or closely related areas, therefore additional coordination is needed. The state Convention delegation amended our position under this item to include: Support of legislation to ensure employment on merit regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, age or sex. Information on employment of women in Minnesota will be available during the year.

Indians in Minnesota will be updated and published before the first of the year.

## OUTLOOK FOR WORK - June 1969

### ELECTION LAWS

Election Laws: Support of party designation for legislators and improvements in election laws in the field of campaign practices, election procedures and voting.

Under this item we have a number of positions which will be retained for future action. For background information on these positions, refer to Goals for Good Government and the State Convention Workbook. Check your Capitol Letters for action in this field during the 1969 legislative session. Let your members know the successes and failures of League Program.

Since the Constitutional Revision item was dropped as a separate Program item, the position calling for an easier amending process by which to revise the Minnesota constitution will now be included under Election Laws.

At the State Convention it was suggested that we include a limited new study under Election Laws. Since the 1969 Legislature did pass a bill for a constitutional amendment lowering the voting age to nineteen in Minnesota, it was felt that League members would wish to be informed of the pros and cons involved in lowering the voting age.

This new study should require only a small portion of your October or November unit meetings. In September you will receive material that should be made available to every member. Consensus questions will be included. Consensus is due January 1, 1970.

Special note: Information on state positions can be found in the 1969 State Convention Workbook and in Goals for Good Government (1967-69) currently being updated.

### LOBBY REGULATION AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Lobby Regulation and Conflict of Interest: Support of legislation to regulate lobbying and conflict of interest.

Some of the positions under this item have been realized through House and Senate Rules. As yet there has been no success in achieving our goal of disclosure of lobby expenses and source of lobbyists' money. There will be no new study on this item.



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## LEGISLATIVE ACTION IN AN "OFF-LEGISLATIVE YEAR"

## Note to President:

Because the legislative focus of League does not end with the session, because a good legislative action chairman is essential to your Board, do appoint one now. She can be responsible for the state Program items that will not involve new study and can prepare herself and your League for effective state action next session.

Here are some things you will want to do in the coming year:

- 1) First, send personalized notes to your Representatives and Senators. No one does. Good place for League to make an impression, and besides, they have worked very hard for you - so let them know you know it. By personalized, we mean mention the votes they cast for League-supported bills, for bills of interest to your community, for committees they headed. Use your newspaper articles right now for background information, check Capitol Letters for sponsors of our bills and the last issue for a run-down of votes on many important questions. Drop our state office a note; we have a file on every legislator and will gladly share this with you (bills he's sponsored, areas of his interest on committees, etc.) if you write us, and if you promise to use it.
- 2) Plan a post-session meeting with your legislators. They are full of stories about the session, and it's a perfect opportunity to let them tell you about it. Your League members will enjoy it and so will the legislators.
- 3) Know your state Program resource material. Goals for Good Government will be updated promptly - useful for quick review of League positions. You could use this along with your legislators' comments and Capitol Letter summation as the basis for a good state Program background meeting.
- 4) Inform your community. Use your most articulate and enthusiastic League members to work with you as a speakers bureau. Go to groups in your community, starting in the fall, and talk to them about the past legislative session. Provocative titles, eye-catching flyers, imaginative ideas are important. The national League's Tips on Reaching the Public is full of good ideas for you.
- 5) Take League material with you to leave with the group, such as How a Bill Becomes a Minnesota Law, publications catalog, invitation to join LWV.
- 6) Write letters to the editor about League Program to keep it before the public between legislative sessions.

NATIONAL PROGRAM

ELECTORAL COLLEGE

A community-wide meeting on the Electoral College would be an exciting way for local Leagues to begin the 1969-70 study year. Representatives of both political parties, legislators, local officials and civic groups could be invited to participate in the presentation and discussion.

The meeting should be scheduled for September, and would provide additional background for unit meetings in October to answer the consensus questions due in the national office November 30.

Such a meeting could serve several purposes:

- 1) Provide publicity for LWV and its national concerns
- 2) Illustrate to the community League service in publicizing and analyzing an issue
- 3) Introduce prospective members to League Program
- 4) Stimulate public interest in an issue which should be kept alive if any action is to be taken before the 1972 national election.

We are preparing a suggested format for your meeting, which we hope will assist you in your planning. It will include suggestions for structuring the meeting, visual aids, and publicity releases. Look for it in a special mailing the first week in August.

We know that you have done an excellent job in informing your members on the present election system and the four major reform proposals. According to the 1969 Leader's Guide published in May by the LWV of the U.S., you should be receiving a publication entitled Who Should Elect the President? (in the mail now) and Facts and Issues on reform proposals in the near future. (See National Board Report for May)

We have purchased a 25-minute slide and script presentation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which offers a visual approach to quick understanding of our present election system and the four major reform proposals. You may borrow this for use at your meetings. Since it promotes a position on reform which has already been adopted by the Chamber, we suggest that you edit it and add your own comments to the script. More than one point of view must of course be presented.

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## HUMAN RESOURCES &amp; EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

Human Resources & Equality of Opportunity -- see Equality of Opportunity

As chairman you will want to get your committee together soon to plan your year's work. If you do not now have a copy of the National Board Report, May 1969, order one immediately or better still, order a copy for each member of your committee. Though all of the section on Human Resources is important, we refer you particularly to A. pp. 31-32, B. pp. 32-34, C. p. 34 - the Human Resources Calendar, and Guidelines for League Action - p. 35.

Be sure that anticipated publications for the coming year are ordered for you -- see that all members are provided with Facts and Issues as they become available. The final edition of the Capitol Letter gives excellent information on the fate of Human Rights Legislation and Indian Affairs. Goals for Good Government, currently being updated, is a complete source of state positions.

The following is a quotation from the 1969 Outlook - and is still applicable:

"If your League has not studied the area of crisis in the cities, you certainly will want to do so. Even for - and perhaps especially for - Leagues in smaller Minnesota cities and in suburban areas - a knowledge of the nature and magnitude of our national problem is essential.

On the state level we urge not only continued but increased efforts to carry our positions more effectively into local action. Many Leagues are urging formation of or are supporting established human rights or human relations committees in their communities. Leagues, with their background of knowledge in working through and with governmental units, can help greatly to keep the tenor of public opinion balanced - neither hasty and idealistic nor hesitant and fearful. A state official has publicly stated that communities should not bring in minority groups until the city has been prepared to receive them; most of our suburbs and outlying cities are in this situation. Some education of communities is certainly necessary; however, most of the communities will not and cannot get ready until they are forced to cope with specific situations. Leagues can be of great help in the pre-educational process but should also exert leadership in prodding their communities to "take the plunge" once a foundation has been laid. Initiating a positive program of equality by any one suburb or outlying city will make a similar program that much easier for other suburbs and cities. One League may indirectly help many communities."



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## FOREIGN POLICY

Important date: First round National Program suggestions due in national office, December 4, 1969.

China: The League now has a position on China. Our job is to implement it by informing our communities on the issues, keeping up-to-date, and being prepared to act when the opportunity arises. The National Board Report will contain many useful suggestions.

League Publications: The China Puzzle, 1967.  
 Facts & Issues - Mainland China: US Policy Choices, 1967.  
 F & I - Chinese Representation at the UN, 1967.  
 F & I - Mainland China Under Communist Rule, 1968.  
 F & I - Mainland China and Her Asian Neighbors, 1968.  
 League consensus statement.

Program Sources: "Let's Look at the China Puzzle" - a slide set available from the state office. The script can be adapted to our support position.

Trade: Last year in Minnesota we stressed updating on the League's trade position. There will undoubtedly continue to be much action on trade as the US must face the issues of basic trade legislation, regulation of East-West trade, and the pressures for restrictive quota legislation. You may want to emphasize this issue by holding a public meeting. It is a good one to work on in cooperation with Chambers of Commerce and exporting industries.

Publications: "LWV 1968-70 National Program: Study and Action," 1969  
 "The Protectionist Mood and Midwest Agricultural Trade,"  
 Extension Bulletin 355, 1968, U. of Minn. Agricultural  
 Extension Service  
 "International Trade: Gateway to Growth," U.S. Dept. of  
 Commerce, 1967, 25¢, U.S. Gov't. Printing Office,  
 Washington D.C. 20402

Aid: Our major emphasis in foreign policy this year will be on re-evaluating United States approach to foreign aid and development. The national Board will provide three Facts & Issues before fall; the first one is already available. One F & I will be a case study of aid in S.E. Asia. This fall the League's Overseas Education Fund will also publish a Facts & Issues type publication on aid in Latin America. There will be consensus questions with a deadline of February 1, 1970.

To focus on foreign development and the US's role in it, we will be planning a major state conference on this subject November 20 (tentative). There will be more details later, but be sure to note the event, make plans to publicize it, and work for a good attendance from your members and communities.

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To update yourself and your committee, there is a good bibliography in National's "Current Review of Foreign Policy," December, 1968. A useful summary of the US AID program is "The Foreign Assistance Program," Annual Report to the Congress, Fiscal Year 1968.

The following score card may help keep straight some of the studies just concluded or now going on which are taking a new look at foreign development.

- . . . President Johnson's General Advisory Committee on Foreign Assistance Programs (Perkins Committee) - study completed late 1968.
- . . . AID's International Private Investment Advisory Council - study completed late 1968.
- . . . A university task force chaired by John A. Hannah, (who has become Administrator of AID) - study completed late 1968.
- . . . National Planning Association Report, "A New Conception of Foreign Aid" - completed March 1969.
- . . . Pearson Commission Report, an international report, due October 1969.
- . . . Sir Robert Jackson, report for the United Nations Development Program, due late 1969.

Important Dates: November - State LWV Conference on Aid  
February 1, 1970 - National consensus due on aid.

League Publications: Foreign Aid at the Crossroads, 1966.  
Current Review of Foreign Policy, December 1968.  
1968-70 National Program: Study and Action, 1969.  
F & I: Development Aid: Images and Realities"  
F & I: three additional issues to come.

Publications: "The Foreign Assistance Program," Annual Report to the Congress, Fiscal Year 1968, Superintendent of Documents, US Government Printing Office, Washington D.C. - 45¢

UN: For 1969 the League is suggesting that you may want to stress UN peacekeeping and/or UN economic development as you plan your UN activities. This year the UN begins Development Decade II, and emphasis of great interest to the League. The UN Development Program is conducting a study of aid and development with Sir Robert Jackson in charge. The report is expected late this year.

UN Day is October 24, Friday. The UN Rally, to which the state League and many Minneapolis, St. Paul, and suburban Leagues belong, will be having an outstanding program on October 24 at the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis. There will be morning workshops and an exciting luncheon speaker. Cost is \$5.00. Some Leagues make very creative use of the Rally by selecting one or two high school students, bringing them as guests and then asking them to report to their school or the local paper or the League bulletin.

A reminder that you can get excellent help on your UN plans from the United Nations Association of Minnesota, Inc. Mrs. Helen Chandler is the executive secretary and she will be happy to aid you getting UN publications, UNESCO cards, and UN films. (For schools and the

League there should be no charge. Let them know who you are when you contact them.) The UN Association also has a speakers bureau. Ask them for a copy of the list of speakers.

Important Dates: October 24 - UN Day  
October 24 - UN Rally - Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis  
(details - see August Board Memo)

League Publications: Current Review, Report from the United Nations, April 1969.  
A 1969 issue of "The UN Today" - LWV, US, and UNA - to come.  
1968-70 National Program: Study and Action, 1969.

Program Sources: United Nations Association of Minnesota, Inc.  
738 Midwest Federal Plaza Building  
801 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Mn. 55402  
Ex. Secty: Mrs. Helen Chandler 333-2824

UNA speakers' list

Films: Peacekeeping: UN Business - film strip or slide set with record.

UN Development Program is preparing a 16 MM film on its activities.

LWV-US and the UNA are preparing a film strip on UN development, to run 15-20 minutes.

Representative Government (Apportionment of State Legislatures and D.C.)  
Tax Rates and Treaty Making:

These Program items are support positions. It is important to keep members informed and to be prepared to take action. No major study emphasis is anticipated.

Minnesota is one of the 33 states that has asked Congress to call a Constitutional Convention to allow states apportionment on some basis other than the one-man-one vote ruling of the Supreme Court. (Only one more state is needed. At the moment, Wisconsin is on the verge of becoming the 34th state. The Minnesota League tried unsuccessfully this past session to get the legislature to rescind its action.

There is some optimism that there will at long last be congressional action on D.C. We are concerned with three issues: 1) We favor a constitutional amendment giving D.C. one Representative and allowing additional Representatives and Senators up to the number D.C. would have if it were a state. The additional representation could be set by Congress. 2) In the interim, until the constitution can be amended, we favor non-voting representation in the House (similar to Puerto Rico). 3) We are still working for home rule for the District. The bill that comes closest to this, and the League is supporting it, is to establish a committee to make home rule recommendations, perhaps even to write a charter.

Minnesota's Congressmen Nelsen and Fraser are active on these issues as they are on the House D.C. Committee.

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The tax rate and treaty making position has been kept primarily to enable Leagues to oppose the "Liberty Amendment" in their state legislatures. This amendment was not introduced during the 1969 Minnesota legislative session.

League Publications: 1968-70 National Program: Study and Action, 1969.  
F & I: Washington-The Nation's Showplace, 1967.  
A new Facts & Issues on D.C. coming this year.  
Background sheet on D.C. sent to Minnesota's  
Leagues in the 2nd District.



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## WATER RESOURCES

Water Resources: Support of national policies and procedures which promote comprehensive long-range planning for conservation and development of water resources and improvement of water quality.

### Environmental Planning

This not-recommended item just missed being a part of the state Program by a few votes. The Convention delegation instructed the state Board to set up a committee to work towards plans for the national convention in 1970, hoping to expand the national Water item to that of Environmental Planning. The committee is being organized. Program making begins with the member; state Board and committee must know what the member wants.

In the meantime, your state Board committee is meeting and plans are in the making for a state publication which will explain the intricacies of all the state agencies and their functions. We will also try to keep local Leagues informed via the State Board Memo of all that is happening state-wise.

### Pollution Control Agency (PCA)

The PCA has been given expanded powers by this legislature - both by an increase of two members and power in setting both air and solid waste standards. The state League Board will try to work closely with them, as well as testifying at hearings on the League's behalf.

We will continue to be active in the Minnesota Environmental Defense Council, and hope next year to be even more effective in working with the organizations that make up this Council.

Many Leagues are anxious to be active on a local level -- help is coming. We will start sending out information sheets of help to your local water resource person along with the State Board Memo. Please pass them on to her so that she can keep them together. Some of you may already have this information. Many do not, or at least you may not have them all in one place. First will be a list of publications which should be in every water file. Also remember to file pertinent information from past National Board Reports and State Board Memos. We suggest a separate notebook for this information.

Note: There will be a reconvening of the Upper Mississippi River Enforcement Conference on July 22, 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Central, Minneapolis. This involves the Federal PCA, Minnesota and Wisconsin, and all industries and municipalities from Anoka down to Lake Pepin, and South Eastern Minnesota and Wisconsin. Visitors are welcome. Inform your members.

## NATIONAL TIME FOR ACTION

To review the procedure on Times for Action, the attached sheet will be useful.

There will probably be some calls for action during the summer and it is important to plan in advance how they are to be handled. Congress will reconvene after its summer vacation on September 3. Many important decisions will probably not be made until after that.

It would be good to plan part of a unit meeting early in the fall to help members write their Congressmen. Basic facts and arguments should be available on several of the still pending League Program areas. Issues such as funding OEO, Foreign Aid, sewage plant construction, housing programs will undoubtedly still be with us. Another approach would be for the member to write stressing her own personal priorities for this nation. Ask each member to bring personal stationery and pen. She can do her writing at the meeting, selecting the issue that concerns her the most. The letters will be personal, not League identified unless she wants them to be. The Time for Action Chairman should provide the facts, the names and addresses of the Congressmen, and the information on the proper way to address them.

Important Dates: After Congress adjourns this fall, your Congressional Action Coordinator will be arranging an interview with your Representative. She will contact your League so that you may attend. Try to make it. Get to know your Congressmen.

League Publications: When you Write to Washington, April 1969.  
"Report from the Hill" - capsule report of progress of legislation.  
Times for Action calls, background sheets, League testimony - all of these give you the facts and arguments in support of the League position.  
1968-70 National Program: Study and Action, 1969.  
Interview sheets, voting records on your Representative and the two Senators - from the state League.

## CONGRESSIONAL ACTION

## How to Influence Washington

I. Address your Congressman:

The Honorable Walter F. Mondale  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Eugene J. McCarthy  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Mondale,

Dear Senator McCarthy,

Representatives: The Honorable \_\_\_\_\_  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman \_\_\_\_\_,

II. What to say: (In many Leagues official letters are prepared by national Program chairmen to go out over the president's signature or joint signatures.)

- A. Know your Congressman's stand and past voting history on the issue. Be appreciative of his previous actions in line with League positions.
- B. Know the issue. Make full use of your League Action Service (Times for Action background material and Reports from the Hill).
- C. If at all possible, relate your comments to what the issue means to your district.
- D. Write an informed letter worded in positive terms. Don't be irate, antagonistic or threatening.
- E. Democracy is communicating with your legislator. Appreciate it. Enjoy it.

III. Procedure for an official Time for Action:

- A. Designate one person in your League responsible for national Time for Action responses. Let the state office know her name, address and phone number. See that she receives a national League Action Service mailing. (Your president automatically receives this. If someone else has this responsibility, it would be a good idea to purchase this service for her - \$2.50 from national.)
- B. When a Time for Action mailing comes, carefully note when a response is needed. It is usually immediate. Send an official League letter within five days. Make four carbons - for the national office, the state office, your district coordinator, your files. Instead of carbons, you can use the Time for Action response card to notify the coordinator of your action.

- C. If your district coordinator hasn't received a carbon of a letter or a card within seven days of receiving a Time for Action mailing, she will call or write her contact person within the League to remind her.
- D. Keep in mind the public opinion telegram. This is the most economical way to contact your Congressman quickly. For \$1.00 you can send 15 words plus your name, title and address.

IV. To get your members to take action:

- A. Have a unit meeting on "how to." Use an issue as an example; background it; background the Congressman; suggest possible appeals. During the meeting have the members write in their own words, on their own stationery.
- B. Use your bulletin to keep members informed of Time for Action calls and background information.
- C. Contact your resource committees and other known concerned individuals when a specific issue needs action.

V. To get your community to take action:

- A. Have public meetings to build general community awareness of the issue.
- B. Use your newspaper or other channels of communication to background an issue; stress why it is of local concern. Inform the public when it is the proper time to contact the Congressman.
- C. Identify key community people who share your concern and notify them when action on a bill is crucial.

VI. Share with your coordinator:

- A. News of your League's other congressional action activities as well as your notification of official action.
- B. Information about your Congressman and his stands on League issues. From time to time a summary of this information will be distributed to Leagues in the district.



## LOCAL AGENDA

One of the most exciting areas of study for members of the League of Women Voters throughout the country is our local Program. For many people in the community the League is their main source of information and many times the true leader of public opinion on issues which are controversial. In some instances the League is judged solely by its local Program, and more women have been known to say that they joined the League because they wanted to get to know their home community better and felt the League was the organization to best aid them in doing this.

Local Program means true member involvement, and gives each one of us the opportunity to follow an item through from first round Program suggestions to research to consensus to action with an enormous feeling of accomplishment, pride, and satisfaction. The choice of local study items is endless, but the criteria for choosing them must be followed just as they are listed in your new Local League Handbook, page 23.

Your local Program is the heart of your League, and with this in mind you should start your plans early. Get your committee organized quickly, and then divide the work load equally. The more people you can get involved the better, and remember that "to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government" is our foremost purpose!

After your local agenda has been decided upon, set up a committee and organize tentative plans for work to present to your Board for approval, revision or additions, then back to your committee to plan and apportion the work to be done. (p. 11 new Local League Handbook)

Plan ahead, and once your committee starts working keep an outline so you can keep the Board informed of your progress. Set up a timetable for yourself so that certain goals will be reached by certain dates. If you are going to be publishing the results of your study and research, be sure that you have all the costs and figures ready and available for the Board. Read the two excellent chapters in the new Local League Handbook, Program Making and Program Development - pp. 22-32.

Local Program is fun; it's educational; it's stimulating! Make your League's local agenda meaningful, and you will feel its impact upon your members and your community. Then watch your membership figures soar and your League's image bloom -- it's bound to happen!

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## COUNCIL OF METROPOLITAN AREA LEAGUES (CMAL)

The Twin Cities area Leagues of Women Voters adopted the following program at their Convention, June 5, for the years 1969-1971:

## I. GOVERNMENTAL DECISION-MAKING

CMAL supports provision for coordinated metropolitan services focused through the Metropolitan Council. CMAL will study the present financial structure of the metropolitan area and will seek to make positive recommendations for the solution of fiscal disparities. CMAL will support the development of the Metropolitan Council as the decision-making body for metropolitan needs in accordance with these criteria: efficiency and economy, equitable financing, flexibility, citizen control, and responsiveness to the electorate.

## II. TRANSPORTATION

CMAL continues its support of improved mass transit and provision of a new non-air polluting rapid transit system.

Explanation: Item I above has the new aspect underlined. The first and third sentences of that paragraph are a resume of the 1967-69 Continuing Responsibility on government structure, plus 1967-69 Current Agenda including the consensus reached November 1968.

Item II above is a continuation of the 1967-69 transit Continuing Responsibility.

Outlook for Work

This is a two-year topic; fall of 1970 is the consensus date. Many of the Leagues are planning early fall 1969 unit meetings to update their members on the extensive new laws passed by the legislature and also on the new transit plans. CMAL delegates and alternates and local League presidents will receive in July an Update Sheet. This plus the First Annual Report of the Transit Commission received last month, the monthly Metropolitan Council Newsletter, the LWV's Capitol Letter articles, and Metropolitan Maze will provide your resource committee with adequate background for this fall's unit meetings.

We suggest you also plan for spring 1970 unit meetings on Item I in preparation for the consensus. This fall the CMAL resource committee will have ready for you some information on financing of metropolitan services. This winter the new publication will be ready on structure of government, including the new finance topic.

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## SECRETARY

The secretary is the officer of the League responsible for making and keeping League records. (See pages 16-17 of the new Local League Handbook for job description.)

Since she is responsible for so many written reports and much of the correspondence, the secretary should sharpen up her spelling, punctuation and sentence structure. DO be certain all reports are dated - day, month and year.

BYLAWS: The secretary is responsible for keeping up-to-date copies of local League Bylaws. Plan now to ask your president for time at your June or August Board meetings to review your local Bylaws with your Board. If the Board thinks some changes are in order, appoint a Bylaws committee to make a presentation to the units via the bulletin to the membership in November or December. Then the Board can consider these changes at the January Board meeting, forward suggested changes to the state Board for approval, and have them back in time for publication 30 days before your 1969 annual meeting. Article XII of your Bylaws spells out the amending process.

Each revision of the Bylaws should carry the date of adoption. A copy of your up-to-date local League Bylaws should be kept in the secretary's permanent file, a copy should be sent to the state office and each of your Board members should have a copy. (Note: Any changes in dues requires a Bylaw change.)

MINUTES: The secretary is responsible for minutes of Board meetings, annual meetings and other general membership meetings where business is conducted. All minutes are a part of the permanent file. Forward one copy of the minutes to the state office and one copy to your local League consultant. League minutes must contain the following information:

- \* Name of League, place and date of meeting.
- \* Those attending and those NOT attending. (Use Board members' last names throughout minutes.)
- \* Presiding officer and time meeting was called to order, time of adjournment.
- \* Correction or approval of previous minutes.
- \* Cash balance in treasury.
- \* NUMBER OF PAID UP MEMBERS (enter under treasurer's report).
- \* Important announcements, date of meetings, names of members suggested for special jobs, appointments, correspondence considered. (Avoid listing names suggested for Board appointments.)
- \* Motions, maker, second and how disposed of (carried, defeated, tabled, etc.)

In recording discussions, varying points of view should be indicated. The matter under discussion should be explained with sufficient fullness to be meaningful at a future date when the situation may have been forgotten. It is not enough to simply state the motion and the vote on it. (Remember, state Board members read your minutes, and it is important that they understand the discussion, too.)

OTHER DUTIES: The secretary is also responsible for the following:

- \* Forwarding agendas to Board members.
- \* If possible, forwarding copies of minutes to Board members prior to next Board meeting.
- \* Being ready to assist in parliamentary procedure. (Simplified Parliamentary Procedure).
- \* Correspondence.
- \* Annual meeting notices.
- \* Board lists.
- \* Reports - see pp. 13 & 14 New Handbook - you are the record keeper for your League. Remember! Complete copies of correspondence, bylaws and minutes are a necessity for future reference.



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## TREASURER

As treasurer of your local League, your duties and responsibilities are both varied and interesting. You will be working closely with your League president as well as the membership chairman, budget chairman, and finance chairman, which is only part of your total over-all Board responsibility.

Membership: It is your important responsibility to send state and national Boards the names and addresses of members to be added to or dropped from state and national VOTER mailing lists or changes of address. Forms are supplied by National - they are free upon request. (p. 18 - new Local League Handbook.)

You are responsible for the collection of dues, and you should keep in mind for future reference that National recommends that all Leagues bring their dues up to \$7.50 per year as a goal to conformity across the country. If your League charges less than this amount, try to advise your budget chairman of this so that you can adjust it by a bylaw change at your next year's annual meeting. It can also make a significant difference in your financial picture.

Each month you will report your League's financial status at your monthly Board meetings, and give each Board member a copy of this for her information. This report should include the balance at the beginning of the month, the expenditures for the month, the latest cash balance, the income for the month, and the total membership count for that period. The form to follow is illustrated on page 26 of your Guide for a Local League Treasurer which is a "must" for you to read before you start your career in this job. You also prepare three, six, and twelve month comparison reports, copies of which are sent to the state office.

You must work closely with your publications chairman also, primarily because of the Sales and Use taxes and their accompanying forms. You can make arrangements to send these in quarterly or annually to the State of Minnesota tax department. Keeping accurate records as to the number of publications that you sell or give away is the secret to simplifying this procedure. Be sure you also keep track of the quantities and prices of everything that falls into this category. Material given to schools, libraries, or any other government agency is not taxable.

Every year each local League is required to file federal tax form #990. You may get your auditor to do <sup>this</sup> for you if he is willing, but do remember that it must be done annually and within six months from the end of the fiscal year.

As treasurer you are a member of your League's budget committee, and as such you should be aware of how all monies are being spent and if they are being appropriated in the way originally intended. You will be working closely with your finance chairman during the League's finance drive, and during this year of our fiftieth anniversary and fund-raising, you must be fully cognizant of the various drives, where these funds are deposited, and the full amounts collected.

Keep your records up-to-date and in good order.



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## FINANCE

As we get ready to launch the next 50 years of the League of Women Voters, the finance chairmen of all local Leagues can approach the 1969-70 League year with more experience and know-how than ever before. In 1968-69 finance chairmen were all beneficiaries from state and national of the 50th Anniversary Fund Drive memos, workshops, kits, etc. If you are new in finance this year, be sure that last year's chairman handed all these on to you, as well as the basic tool of League fund raising "The Art of Raising Money."

Armed with all the material even you won't be a big success unless you read it!! After you have read it, set up a finance committee and have them read it all. A good committee is the backbone of the finance drive. It can be made up of someone from each unit, past presidents, past finance chairmen, etc. Your committee with Board approval should set the date of the finance drive, and the goal to be raised in the community drive. Set your sights high! Keep the budget in mind when setting your goals. Give each committee member a job to help keep her interested and involved. (you'll need someone to read the newspaper with an eye to new and old contributors - businesses move in and out - executives are promoted - contributors die.) Work with the public relations committee to make your League visible so that the contributor knows what you are doing in the community and will want to support your efforts!

After you formulate your plans for the drive, recruit and train a corps of solicitors. A good training session for solicitors will give the members who go out a measure of confidence and know-how that will help insure their success. From the 50th Anniversary Fund Drive, we have learned that researching our prospects and matching up the solicitor and the contributor after extensive homework pays off. Use the business men in your community to help you rate and contact other businessmen. It worked on the National Drive and should work for you too. With adequate training, knowledge and understanding, as well as lots of enthusiasm, you are bound to have a successful drive.

For some of you, the Fall of '69 will be your 50th Anniversary Drive. If it is, make maximum use of the solicitors kit (kit available through state League office - Metro Leagues through Metro office) and materials from National, and be sure to ask each donor for that increase for the 50th.

For those who have already had their 50th Anniversary Drives be sure when you contact your supporters in 1970 to keep the levels of giving as high in '70 as they were in '69. Don't go back to the small contributions - capitalize on what you learned and earned for the 50th!

The state Finance Chairman is available for consultation, aid and assistance. There will be many communications through the Board Memo, but be sure to ask for help if you need it.

Local League finance chairmen are the ones who will make it possible for us to "Start the Soar for 50 More!" You know how much an effective launching costs. Once we launch, we want to land and make the impact of the LWV felt. We have gained so much momentum this year, let's not lose it! On to bigger and better finance drives! Good luck.

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## MEMBERSHIP

The League year April 1, 1968 - March 31, 1969 showed an increase in membership of 229. So with those figures as a basis, Leagues have a good start on the "Soar with Fifty More." If your League is one of those which reached its goal, how about trying to reach the membership figures for the year when your League had the most members? Whatever your answer, time's a'wasting. Schedule a membership committee meeting now and get going. Three months of the next 50 years have already gone. Be sure that membership publications are at hand and within your reach; provide blank sheets of paper for calendar planning; ask each committee member to bring a loose leaf notebook; add a large pot of coffee and your stage is set for planning your committee's work for the year.

This year we are asking each League to set its own membership goals - at least a 10% increase; then let us know. Don't forget, the 50th Anniversary Campaign and celebrations continues on to 1970. Capitalize on the League's excellent publicity in connection with the special events that will take place during the year. Our Anniversary will continue to create interest in League membership.

Membership Memos will be revised and continued during the year.

A Roster of Local League Membership Chairmen will be compiled and sent to all local League Membership Chairmen.

Informal workshops or "talk" sessions will be held early in the fall and again very early spring in the state League office if you want this type of meeting. Let us know.

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## FIELD SERVICE

## The Old Look to Field Service Outlook ...

Consultant Program. Each local League will be assigned a consultant. The consultant will be "on call" and will serve in ways described in the State Board Handbook (p.53-54) throughout the year.

The day your consultant contacts your League (or you may feel free to make the initial contact if you like) is the day you add a friend to your League who shares in your local League's activities by reading your Board minutes, paying special attention to your bulletin and occasionally visiting your meetings--Board or any others to which you invite her. It is important to remember that the word here is "friend" to your local League, not "inspector" or "critic."

The consultant program provides an opportunity for members of the state Board and members of local Leagues to communicate and is intended to be a "mutual benefit society."

Calendar planning time, when your League takes a look at the total League year, sets goals, makes plans and anticipates the intricacies of distributing woman power and potential, is a good time for local Leagues (and local League presidents in particular) to communicate with your consultant.

In spite of the packed fall calendar, members of the Field Service Committee, working in conjunction with various consultants, will try to visit many Leagues throughout the state in September and in early November. We have not firmed up dates but we are hoping to work around the already scheduled activities, the exigencies of weather, and the inevitable autumnal press of commitments (both yours on the local level and ours on the state level). Needless to say, all statewide meetings, the upcoming 50th Anniversary observance, Budget Building Day, and State Council will allow many opportunities for local League members to tap state Board resources covering all areas of LWV activity.

The period of preparation for your annual meeting and the annual meeting itself seems to be a natural time for consultants and Leagues to get together. To be quite frank, an invitation to the annual meeting may be the only time your local LWV chooses to make contact with your assigned consultant. Some Leagues ask a consultant to act as parliamentarian, featured speaker, etc. and others ask her as a guest without an assigned responsibility.

## The New Look to Field Service Outlook . . .

Regional Activity. Partly in response to the 1969 Legislature's proposal to establish eleven state planning regions and partly in response to the desire to keep up and be relevant, the "new look" in Field Service will be to facilitate efforts of Leagues located within the same region to implement any joint activity they may believe would be

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beneficial. In the metropolitan area we already have established a Council of Metropolitan Area Leagues. Gradually Leagues in each of the other regions may want to set up a way in which they too may carry out meaningful citizen participation in "regional government." Initiating regional LWV meetings will be tried as the local Leagues themselves indicate the need for them. The state Board stands ready to offer guidance and assistance in these endeavors whenever members indicate such a desire.

## The Other Look to Field Service Outlook . . .

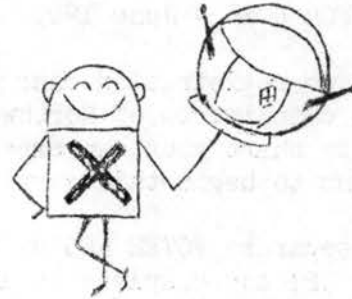
Organizational Activity. The Field Service Committee will continue to provide advisors for Provisional Leagues and to be largely responsible for organizing new local Leagues. The Adopt-A-League approach in which an established League helps guide a provisional League through the demanding steps toward recognition will also be continued.

State Council Workshops. Each local League Board will be asked in February to indicate areas which are in need of upgrading and around which we could design some "how to" workshops at State Council in April.



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# VOTERS "SOAR" VICE



OUTLOOK for the Next Fifty in Voters Service?

- . .the next fifty days perhaps?
- . .or the next fifty weeks?
- . .or maybe the next fifty phone calls?

Your anticipation may SOAR into vistas of citizen involvement, citizen information, youth programs. . .but if you'll SWAP information with your predecessor in Voters Service, you'll quickly learn that in non-election months or election years alike, your primary destination is meeting your community's needs in active participation in the democratic process.

One thing is certain: We're beginning the Next Fifty with a FIRST!  
1970 will mark the first time all political parties' PRECINCT CAUCUSES will be held on the same date in Minnesota:

FEBRUARY 24, 1970

according to a law enacted by the 1969 Legislature (4th Tuesday in February in each general election year).

The state Board is cooperating with the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party and the Republican Party in requesting all municipalities, schools, PTAs and other community organizations to free that date on local community calendars--as well as sufficient public meeting rooms to accommodate the numbers expected to attend the caucuses.

Your League can help by a similar appeal directly to the local officials in your community NOW, before the 1970 calendar begins to fill up!

- . .a personal call informing the school, the city officials, the organizations about the new law.
- . .a letter from your League stressing the importance of citizen participation in precinct caucuses to the editor of the paper. .and the importance of saving this one date.

This fall you will be receiving a special kit of information about promoting precinct caucus participation in your community. There will also be a new edition of a Digest of Minnesota Election Laws and the pamphlet, Who Me? Go to My Precinct Caucus? available to assist in your promotion.

VOTER REGISTRATION was extended by the 1969 Legislature in certain municipalities within 15 miles of Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Duluth--to cover municipalities in which 300 or more votes were cast in the previous general election (prior limit was 800). Check the status of municipalities within your League's area. . you may be able to assist with voter registration. Or your community may have elected to institute voter registration? Or perhaps your League is planning to begin assisting with existing voter registration for the first time?

To aid Leagues in this valuable Voters Service, the state League is planning a special VOTER REGISTRATION SWAPSHOP -

August 21, 1969 - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
at Northwestern National Life Insurance Company Building  
20 Washington Avenue South, Minneapolis



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- Fall: Ballot Issues Swapshop - October  
Digest of Election Laws - updated edition  
 Survey vote patterns or other problem areas in anticipation of Election '70  
 Groundwork for promotion of precinct caucus participation
- Winter: Precinct caucus promotion launching  
 FEBRUARY 24, 1970 - Uniform Precinct Caucus Date  
 Candidate Questionnaires Review and Swapshop
- Spring: Candidates meetings for local elections, school elections  
 Explore regional candidates meetings for Election '70  
 Groundwork for voters guides for Election '70

Reminder: Return your VOTER REGISTRATION QUESTIONNAIRE to state office before August 1, 1969.

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## PUBLIC RELATIONS

Everybody and everything has a story, and as Public Relations Chairman, you can help other Board members see the import of their activities for the community at large.

What you actually will help publicize will depend upon activities of other portfolios. The League must be visible in order to do its most effective work.

The four basic objectives in the LWV Public Relations programs are: 1) an increase awareness of the LWV as a potent force on the Washington scene; 2) increased awareness of the state and local Leagues in order to demonstrate LWV widespread influence; 3) emphasis on League's involvement with vital issues of the day; and 4) a focus on LWV public service contributions across the country in order to develop business and financial support for the League.

Go over your League calendar and construct a PR calendar of your own. This year will be a good one to remain in the public eye. Fiftieth Anniversary activities stretch into 1970. Youth Day in Minnesota will come on our actual birthday, October 29. Constitutional amendments related to League Program will be on the 1970 fall ballot. Several special conferences and workshops are scheduled throughout the year. New Program items on the state level will give timely opportunities to bring your community along with the League.

All aspects of League effort (Voters Service, finance, Program, membership) all deserve your attention. And don't forget the individual member as an ambassador for the League. You can help her understand the League's goals and so she can communicate them. Perhaps you can feed material to your president for her "prez sez" column to aid member understanding of League.

What are your plans for a speakers bureau or library displays? Most other organizations are setting up their programs for next year. Remind them now of our services.

Have you met your editor or radio programmer personally? Both are worthwhile appointments to ensure each of you to understand your respective roles.

Will you prepare a banner for your public meetings? Make your name visible somehow at every opportunity? Don't forget the large green buttons available from the state office carry our name everywhere members wear them.

The best reference piece is still "Tips on Reaching the Public" put out by the LWV of the U.S. For national direction in PR, consult the National Board Report.

Continuing direction from the state Board will continue through the Board Memo.



We always say we appreciate knowing what you do. These are not empty words. We like to hear about your news releases, radio programs, speaking engagements, etc. We will continue to send sample press releases and notices of Minnesota Newspaper Association releases in Voter Service Program areas, conferences, etc.

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### PUBLICATIONS

In launching the next fifty years of League, let's take stock of how we are using our publications. Are we getting those excellent resource pieces to enough of our members to develop the best possible discussion and consensus? Are they getting publications in ample time for unit use? Are we offering "package deals" in the form of local subscription services to encourage members' reading? Are we sharing with each other through unit libraries? Are we orienting new members by showing them past publications for background on items?

And is our community getting the benefit of League materials? Have local libraries ever had a display of timely League publications? Have the schools been made aware of what we have to offer? Have we proudly handed our contributors one of our latest pieces as a sample of what League is doing? Have we checked out other organizations' study interests to see if they could use our materials?

Some local Leagues feel that publications have such an impact that they devote a large proportion of their community action budget to giving away League publications. Others have found interested businessmen who will buy League publications for community or company distribution. Some have nonmembers anxious to subscribe to a local League subscription service.

The sharp, cogent and impartial publication of the League (e.g. national's Crisis: The Condition of the American City) strengthens League itself, and can make a significant impact on citizens generally.

Study your state and national publications catalogues, and note the bulk rates for ordering. Note also that duplicate presidents' mailings put every publication that comes into the hands of the subscriber - especially handy for Board members.

From the state Board, watch this year for a booklet on education in Minnesota, an update of our citizens' handbook, You Are the Government, and a revision of our 1961 publication, Indians in Minnesota, plus several short publications.

Remember, the local Board's publication chairman is our agent. It is only through her that League materials will reach the membership and the community at large.

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## BULLETIN EDITORS

Lucky you! You're one Board member who gets lots of help on your work. It's a real team effort, but you must let the other "team" members know the kind of communication game you're playing.

Start now. Be sure the Bulletin is included in calendar planning and total Board orientation sessions. Your Bulletin is the voice of your total Board--not just yours--and your fellow Board members must realize their responsibilities to it now. (Old Board members need their memories refreshed just as much as new Board people need to learn the ropes.) If local League members are to get the word, consistently, accurately, your Board must get the news to you consistently, accurately!

Try this system:

1. Attend all Board meetings and be sure the Bulletin is on the agenda.
2. Summarize what each Board member is expected to contribute at the end of each Board meeting.
3. Announce and adhere to a deadline.

Each Bulletin has individuality but usually it will contain: a calendar of events, time and meeting place of units, items to be discussed, pertinent information on the local scene of government, reports from committees' observers, Board members and the president. Many Bulletins include a welcome to new members, get-acquainted tidbits, lists of contributors to the finance drive, information on how to lobby by letter, calls to action, ads for League publications, bibliographies, book reviews, notices of meetings related to League Program, consensus questions, candidate questionnaires. Bulletins can contain League orientation material, Know Your Government quizzes, etc. Putting out a membership directory and pulling together all material for annual meetings (proposed budget, proposed Program, officers, proposed Bylaw changes, reports of individual Board members on the year's activities, etc.) is usually within the province of the Bulletin Editor also.

Most important to make your League love you is 1) make your Bulletin clearly legible, 2) be sure members receive it well in advance of meetings, and 3) practice the art of plain talk!

## REMEMBER

1. Your Bulletin must include the name of your League, the name of your town, your president's name and address, and your name and address as Editor.
2. Send 18 copies of each issue to the state office for use by state Board members and office staff. Send three copies to national.

There is also a national Board member designated to whom all Minnesota Bulletins are sent--don't forget her each month.

3. Read your Bulletin with the eye of a brand new member (or prospective member) to see if your copy is clear, your enthusiasm and commitment to League is genuine.

Watch the Board Memo for an announcement in September for a meeting of Bulletin Editors. We'll have an informal session to tackle problems, exchange tricks of the trade, etc. at the state office.



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## GUIDE TO PUBLICATIONS FOR LOCAL LEAGUE BOARD MEMBERS

EVERY BOARD MEMBER

Local League Handbook (1969 edition)

Local Bylaws

Local Budget

Local Program

Facts - National 1969

Facts - State 1969

State Board Memos - for the last year

How to get and Keep Members (1965 edition)

Meaningful Meetings

The Art of Spending Money

Publications Catalogs - Local, National,  
State

Let's Talk League, 1968

Money Matters - 4, 5, 6, 7

40 Years of a Great Idea

National Voters - for the last year

Minnesota Voters - for the last year

Local Bulletins

Rules of Punctuation and Capitalization

The First Fifty Years

IN ADDITIONPRESIDENT

President's Guide; National Board Reports

Sample Local League Board Agenda

Sample Local League Annual Meeting Agenda

Simplified Parliamentary Procedure

List of Local League Presidents

Lists of State and National Board Members

National Bylaws (revised 1968)

National Budget - current

State Bylaws (revised 1967)

State Budget - current

Know Your Town Survey - current

The Member and the League

The Art of Raising Money

It Makes a Difference

Tips on Reaching the Public

Current Publications in National and State  
Program Fields

The Role of the Political Parties

You and Your National Government

You Are the Government

Is Politics Your Job - 1966

TREASURER

Guide for Local League Treasurer

A Budget Committee Workbook

Report Forms for Membership Changes

National Budget - current

State Budget - current

Membership Transfer Cards

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Memo - National Filing Forms

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SECRETARY

Sample Local League Board Meeting Minutes

Sample Local League Annual Meeting Minutes

Simplified Parliamentary Procedure

National Bylaws (revised 1968)

National Budget - current

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State Budget - current

FINANCE CHAIRMAN

The Art of Raising Money

National Budget - current

State Budget - current

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Prospect Cards

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At Your Fingertips - Finance Workers

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Suggestions to Bulletin Editors on Finance

Checklist for Local League Finance Chairmen

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MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Membership Memos  
You've been Intrigued by the League  
It Makes a Difference  
The Member and the League  
Sample New Member Kit  
Sample Membership Letters  
Membership Matters - 3, 4, 5, 6, 7  
The Member in the Unit  
Newspaper and Magazine Reprints as available  
Do you know the ABCs of Your Local Government?  
Tips on Reaching the Member Through the Bulletin

CHAIRMAN OF DISCUSSION UNITS

The Member and the Unit  
Tips for Unit Chairmen  
Sample Unit Meeting Report Form  
The Member and the League  
Sample Membership Letters  
Handbook on Discussion Techniques  
available from the LWV of Los Angeles

PUBLICATIONS CHAIRMAN

Duplicate Presidents Mailing - state, national  
First Things to Do on Becoming Publications Chairman  
Record of Publications Ordered Forms  
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One copy of all Local, State and National Publications  
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Minnesota LWV Publications:  
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Who Me? Go to My Precinct Caucus?  
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How a Bill Becomes a Minnesota Law  
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Ideas for Programs Based on "You and Your National Government"  
When You Write to Washington  
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Voters Service Handbook  
Registration and Voting Laws and Procedures by States  
VS for Less Easily Motivated People  
Simplified Parliamentary Procedure  
ABCs of Your Town's Government  
Choosing the President  
National VS Swapshops #11 thru #15  
Voting is People Power  
National Board Reports  
When You Come To Washington

NATIONAL RESOURCE CHAIRMEN

National Board Reports  
Leaders Guides  
The China Puzzle  
Foreign Aid at the Crossroads  
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Human Resources: Minnesota's Changing Patterns  
Crisis: The Condition of the American City

STATE RESOURCE CHAIRMEN

You Are The Government  
State Constitution  
Financing Public Services in Minnesota  
Property, Income and Sales Taxes  
Property Taxes: Probing Some Options  
Project Updates: Election Laws, Constitutional Revision, Minnesota School System - Equal for All?, Discrimination in Housing  
Human Resources: Minnesota's Changing Patterns  
Goals for Good Government  
How a Bill Becomes a Minnesota Law  
Map of Minnesota Capitol  
Legislative and Congressional District Maps  
Facts and Issues: Minnesota Legislature  
Some Property Tax Flaws and Options  
Set of 1969 Capitol Letters

LOCAL RESOURCE CHAIRMAN

Know Your Local Government  
Know Your County  
Handbook of Local Program (Calif., Wis.,  
N.Y., or Ind.)  
Agreement for Council of Metropolitan Area  
Leagues (if in CMAL)  
CMAL Program material (if in CMAL)  
School Survey Guide  
Parks and Recreation  
Local Programs of Minnesota League  
Planning in the Community

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FYI Copies  
The Art of Raising Money  
Speakers Bureau Kit  
Lists of Tapes Available

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All Publications Listed for State Resource  
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Job Description for Local League Legislative  
Chairman  
How to Write Your Legislator  
Legislative Manual

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The Art of Spending Money  
Budget Forms  
Budget Committee Workbook  
State Budget - current  
National Budget - current  
Local Budget and Explanation  
Money Matters - 4

CHAIRMAN BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Local League Handbook  
Standard Local League Bylaws  
Explanation of Local League Bylaws

CHAIRMAN NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee  
Local League Handbook

# OUTLOOK CALENDAR 1969-1970

<u>State</u>	JULY 1969	<u>National</u>
	AUGUST	
Voter Registration Workshop - 8/21 Local League Calendar Planning		
	SEPTEMBER	
Bulletin Workshop CMAL Delegates Meeting - 9/18 Material on Lowering the Voting Age		
	OCTOBER	
Ballot Issues Workshop Digest of Election Laws - published UN Day, UN Rally - 10/24 Minnesota Youth Day - 10/29 Sept.-Oct. VOTER - Executive Reorganization in 1969 Legislature		National Youth Days - 10/14 - 10/16
	NOVEMBER	
Aid Meeting - 11/20		Deadline, Consensus on Electoral College - 11/30
	DECEMBER	
Budget Day - 12/4		Deadline, Nat'l. Program Suggestions - 12/4 Proposed Amendments & Nat'l. Bylaws due - 12/4



State

JANUARY 1970

National

Facts & Issues on Executive Reorganization  
Voting Age Consensus due - 1/1  
CMAL Delegates Meeting - 1/15

## FEBRUARY

Precinct Caucus Day - 2/24  
Education Publication

Aid Re-evaluation Consensus due  
2/1  
Proposed Program sent out by  
Nat'l. Board - 2/18  
Proposed Bylaw changes with  
Board's recommendations sent  
out - 2/18

## MARCH

Education Workshop  
CMAL Delegates Meeting - 3/19

Report of National Nominating  
Committee sent to state and  
local Leagues - 3/4

## APRIL

State Council, St. Paul Hotel - 4/15

Second Round National Program  
Suggestions due - 4/13

## MAY

50th Anniversary Convention,  
Sheraton Pk., Washington, D.C.  
5/4 - 5/8

## JUNE

CMAL Convention - 6/4  
Leadership Workshops - 6/9, 10, 11

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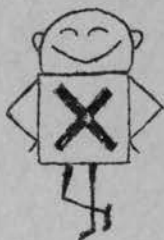
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1969 VOTER REGISTRATION QUESTIONNAIRE

To assist in an exchange of information about local League participation in voter registration, please complete the following questionnaire and return to STATE OFFICE before AUGUST 1, 1969.

IF THERE IS VOTER REGISTRATION IN YOUR MUNICIPALITY:

1. Does your League assist commissioner of registration? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

2. If "Yes". How?

3. In most recent election:

\_\_\_\_\_ number of members involved

\_\_\_\_\_ number of days and hours per member involved

\_\_\_\_\_ number of voters registered

Check kind of election referred to above: \_\_\_\_\_ primary; \_\_\_\_\_ general;

\_\_\_\_\_ municipal; \_\_\_\_\_ special; \_\_\_\_\_ other

4. What training or other qualifications are required for League member participation in voter registration in your municipality?

5. If answer to question #1 is "no", why? (indicate negative response of local commissioner, negative interest of League, other?)

6. Is there a possibility that your League may assist with voter registration in the near future?

IF THERE IS NO VOTER REGISTRATION IN YOUR MUNICIPALITY:

1. Are any plans underway to institute it? Describe.

2. Has your League indicated willingness to assist municipality with proposed voter registration? Describe.

Please use back of this report to indicate whether your League would have any special information to SWAP with other Leagues at the VOTER REGISTRATION SWAPSHOP, August 21, 1969 - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., at Northwestern National Life Insurance Building, 20 Washington Avenue S., Minneapolis.

BUDGET 1969-70  
(As adopted by the State Convention May 22, 1969)

EXPENDITURES

A. General Administration

1. President and Board of Directors		\$ 1400
2. Administrative Committees		
a. Public Relations	\$ 315	
b. Budget and Nominating	200	
c. Membership	150	<u>665</u>
3. Operating Costs		
a. Equipment Upkeep	120	
b. General Supplies	2400	
c. Postage	1900	
d. Telephone and Telegraph	800	
e. Insurance	130	
f. Audit	75	
g. Office Expenses		
1) Rent (including electricity)	3000	
2) Salaries and salary taxes	17160	
h. Other Expenses	150	<u>25735</u>

B. Capital Expenditures

200

C. Delegates, Travel and Affiliations

1. National Council	550	
2. National Conferences and Regional Meetings	100	
3. Special Meetings	300	
4. Affiliations	45	<u>995</u>

D. Services to Local Leagues

1. Field Service	1200	
2. Leadership Publications - New Leagues	100	
3. State Workshops, Conferences	300	<u>1600</u>

E. Program and Activities

1. Publications		
a. National	380	
b. State (net cost only)	50	
c. Minnesota VOTER	3000	
d. Capitol Letter (net cost only)	100	<u>3530</u>
2. <u>Program Committees</u>		
(National, State and inter and intra-League)		<u>300</u>
3. Community Services		
a. Voters Service*	250	
b. Action		
State*	875	
National	100	<u>1225</u>
4. 50th Anniversary		<u>500</u>
5. National Services		<u>18000</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$ 54,150

INCOME

Pledges from local and provisional Leagues	\$ 46,900
Unsolicited Gifts	<u>400</u>
Members-at-large @ \$7.50	<u>75</u>
Interest on Jane Grey Swisshelm Fund	<u>275</u>
50th Anniversary	<u>4,000</u>
Reserves	<u>2,500</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 54,150

\* accrual



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STATEMENT TO CONGRESSIONAL AND SENATORIAL PANEL  
ON NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND MILITARY SPENDING

Trade Union Center, St. Paul, Minnesota, May 23, 1969  
Presented by Mrs. Ralph Ebbott

As spokesman for the more than 5,700 members of the League of Women Voters in Minnesota, I appreciate the opportunity to express to your panel some of our priorities for national action. Our statement discusses three national matters of great importance to our membership: foreign policy, human resources, and water resources. This presentation combines efforts of our state Board with those of the Minneapolis League, our largest local organization with 1,000 members. So, while the section on Human Resources relates specifically to the Minneapolis scene, it nevertheless reflects general problems of concern to all Leaguers.

Our local and state League organizations and the national League of Women Voters have no explicit position on defense policy or defense expenditures as such. We have reached agreement within our organization, however, on the very great importance of reducing the growing gap between rich and poor nations internationally and on narrowing the gulf between rich and poor within the United States. We also agree that our nation must promote comprehensive long-range planning for conservation and development of water resources and improvement of water quality.

First, to the issue of foreign policy. We must register our deep concern at the decrease in funds available to improve the lot of the "have-nots" at both the international and domestic levels. It has been said that the war in Vietnam has been paid for by the most miserable on earth in terms of benefits which they might otherwise have received. The same point may be made with regard to the evidently higher priority recently accorded by Congress to defense spending in general.

Recent developments in the funding of American foreign policy deeply concern League members. On the one hand, we are warned by experts that unless the developed countries greatly increase their foreign economic assistance, misery in the less developed countries will soon reach crisis proportions. Furthermore, as C. P. Snow suggested recently, wealthy nations may be likely to find themselves in a "state of siege" if greatly increased assistance is not provided for poorer, overpopulated nations. On the other hand, we see Congress appropriating the smallest amount for foreign aid since the inception of the American aid program 20 years ago. We are particularly disturbed to note that some of the more innovative programs and agencies - such as the Alliance for Progress, the International Development Association, and the Asian Bank - have been especially deprived of appropriations.

The aid program we do finance is further minimized by the spending of most of these funds in the United States: 91% in 1968. The mounting interest burden the less developed countries must bear further reduces the amounts of money available for development.

We are dismayed to see drastic cuts of modest requests in foreign aid while large military aid and defense budgets survive relatively unscathed.

This discrepancy in funding appears to suggest that something of a "siege" mentality already exists in this country. We regret the emphasis on a negative protection of the United States at the expense of a positive policy to make past promises credible. The United States, through continued policy statements and past aid programs, has directly contributed to the revolution of rising expectations on the part of the less developed world. A retreat from this policy can be viewed only as a false commitment by these people.

A similar picture seems to characterize Congressional domestic policy in recent years. In studying the topic of Human Resources, the League of Women Voters has taken a strong position of support for equality of opportunity in education, employment and housing.

Locally, the Minneapolis League has studied and supports the local anti-poverty effort. We are very concerned that now, just when these programs have begun to provide some disadvantaged citizens with meaningful participation in our society, the threat of cut-back or even cut-off of funds continues. Uncertainty and inadequate funding have plagued these programs since their beginning. This record is hardly convincing evidence of a strong national commitment to develop innovative solutions to the multi-faceted problems of poverty.

The local Headstart situation is an example. Studies and experience have clearly shown that the intensive year-round program is more effective than the brief, six-week summer session for these children. Yet interested Minneapolis citizens and public officials had to exert concentrated pressures on both regional and national OEO staff in order to obtain funds for the current year round program which serves only 100 of the more than 1,000 Minneapolis youngsters who need this experience. A rewarding local effort by the Minneapolis Urban Coalition has raised enough private money to include another 140. But we are still far short of meeting the need, and the Minneapolis school system is in no financial position to take on the task.

In a sense, the very success of poverty programs in raising the awareness and the expectations of disadvantaged citizens has created problems. This month the Hennepin County antipoverty board is struggling with the dilemma of how best to distribute funds for 1969 summer youth programs. The process involves hard, unpopular decisions. The same number of dollars as were available last summer has been allocated to our community. Inflation means that these dollars will buy less. Yet this year valid program proposals have come from more resident groups than ever before, including several American Indian organizations for the first time. These groups have been encouraged to form, develop programs, and use channels for seeking funds. Then their hopes are cut by two-thirds or more.

The League supports the Model Cities program. In Minneapolis, we admire the tremendous citizen involvement, the great amounts of time and effort which residents and officials have invested in the planning process. In view of the Nixon administration's recent announcement of Model Cities "reorganization," will this program - as John Herbers suggests in the New York Times - turn out to be "another pipe dream?" We earnestly hope not.



The commitments that count are promises backed by dollars. As a nation we have raised expectations which we now seem unwilling to meet, expectations that it is possible to narrow the gap between rich and poor in this country. Are we creating the potential for a domestic "state of siege?"

Housing problems - condition, supply and discrimination - in Minneapolis and Hennepin County are another concern of the Minneapolis League. The crucial need for an increased supply of low and moderate income housing here and in the nation as a whole has been frequently documented. The harsh and shameful fact that more than 20 million Americans continue to occupy more than six million substandard housing units must project this issue upward on our nation's priority list. The role of the federal government is not new in the area of housing. Indeed, 1968 has been called a significant year in the advance of federal housing policy. But our local study has shown that the Twin Cities area does not make adequate use of federal programs. There is little public knowledge of how to go about it. Furthermore, Congress has rarely funded housing and urban development legislation adequately. Some desirable programs are simply out of money.

Efforts to achieve equality of opportunity in education are stymied by insufficient funds. Quality education for all students has long been a concern of the Minneapolis League. We know the needs and have lobbied to increase program funds from state sources as well as from federal sources such as Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. So far these sources have been inadequate, despite the widespread recognition that cities themselves can no longer find the tax dollars to provide adequate modern education for all children.

Our national League position also states our support for federal efforts "to help communities bring about racial integration of their school systems." Such efforts will require a greater commitment of national will and money than have been shown to date.

The continuation of the set of Congressional priorities in recent years, as between foreign assistance and anti-poverty legislation on the one hand and defense policy on the other, may tend to prove the most pessimistic observers correct. Will such a trend over time make our country appear to other nations as a "garrison state" preoccupied with weaponry at the expense of constructive efforts in the international arena? Will such a trend, ironically, leave an increasingly indefensible domestic at home?

Another one of the nation's great domestic problems is securing, for the present and in the future, adequate quantities of good water. We as a nation are beginning to recognize the water crisis created by rising population, increasing industrialization, and urban growth. Since 1956, the League has been concerned with this issue. We have worked for passage and implementation of amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the Water Quality Act, Clean Water Restoration Act, and the Water Quality Improvement Act just recently approved by the House of Representatives. These laws have done a great service to the country by requiring quality standards for interstate waters and providing the mechanism to help finance the needed treatment.

This crucial need to clean up water systems and to keep up with growing population concentrations has not received the necessary financial priority.

Funds have been woefully inadequate. Former Interior Secretary Udall estimates that there is \$26 billion worth of work to be done over a five-year period to clean up the nation's waterways. In fiscal 1969, Congress appropriated \$214 million as its share in the work. This is far too little to stimulate the needed state and local investment.

If pollution is not stopped and corrected, it can become difficult to reverse. Lake Erie represents this process, to our great shame as caretakers of the earth. Experts say it will require 500 years to correct what man has done to that lake in the past 25 years.

Former President Johnson said in 1965, "The clear fresh waters that were our national heritage have become dumping grounds for garbage and filth. They poison our fish, they breed disease, they despoil landscapes. No one has a right to use America's rivers and America's waterways that belong to all the people, as a sewer ..... this sort of carelessness and selfishness simply ought to be stopped; and more, it just must be reversed."

Mr. Hickel, Secretary of the Interior, recently said he favors "gradually upgrading clean water standards until such now-polluted rivers as the Hudson and the Potomac flow as pure as mountain streams .... possibly in a period of ten years that could be obtained." This cannot possibly happen to the water in Minnesota or in the nation in ten years unless we reorient our priorities and assume this as a moral and financial obligation.

In conclusion, we feel very grave concern at the discrepancy between funding for international and domestic programs of a constructive nature and the funding for defense policy. We are becoming in a very real sense what we will be. And years of underinvesting in constructive and innovative foreign and domestic policies are bound to be interpreted as evidence of their low ranking in our hierarchy of values. As the Durants stated so eloquently in The Lessons of History, "Our states, being ourselves multiplied, are what we are. They write our natures in bolder type, and do our good and evil on an elephantine scale." We in the League believe that our nation possesses a more positive and humane nature than our current priorities would suggest.



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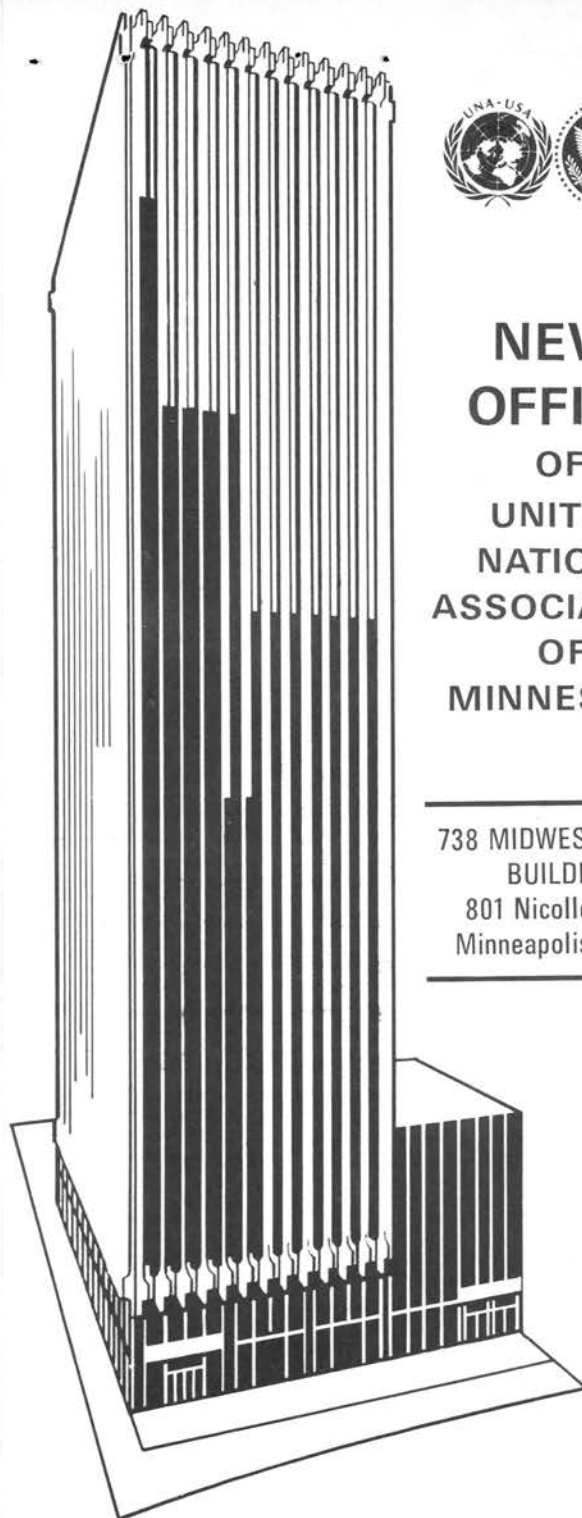
This list is of necessity incomplete as new names will be added from time to time.

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Requests should be made as far as possible in advance of the meeting.

In general no fee is expected; the exceptions will be explained when the request is made. The speaker's expenses should be paid.



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## Topics

"The United Nations cannot achieve the purpose for which it has been created unless the peoples of the world are fully informed of its aims and activities."

—UNITED NATIONS FIRST  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY



## Our Purpose Is...

TO MAKE available to the people of Minnesota speakers on the United Nations and its specialized agencies. These speakers include prominent Minnesotans who have attended sessions and committee meetings of the United Nations. Several have been officers or Board members of the Minnesota Division, U.N.A. (United Nations Association). Some are professors of political science in the colleges and universities. Others are members of the clergy, of business organizations or of the professions. Many have traveled widely and have been observers of the work of the U.N. and its specialized agencies in other parts of the world. All have devoted time and study to the United Nations.

INFORMATION about individual speakers is available upon request.

Human Rights and the U.N.

The United Nations in Our World of Today

The Middle East and the U.N.

Communist China and the U.N.

Asia and the U.N.

Africa and the U.N.

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The Secretary General and the Secretariat  
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The Power Struggle and the U.N.

The New Nations and the U.N.

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Dr. Gaylord Anderson

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Helene Borg  
**BOARD MEMO**

August 1969

HELP!      HELP!      HELP!

It's that time of the year again. Your state Board's operating account has reached an all-time low. We have no other recourse except you - the local League. We are appealing to you to start payment on your pledges just as soon as you can.

Housekeeping Hints

When you write to the National Board or staff, please send a copy of your communication to the state office. Since we receive copies of all of National's replies to you, we feel the need to be "filled in." Prompt answers to requests from us help eliminate endless hours of Board and staff time -- please cooperate.

House cleaning - we have three willing and able past state Board members who are cleaning out our files. Their guide is the section in the LOCAL LEAGUE HANDBOOK on "Filing." We suggest that you might find that section helpful too.

Consultants - If you are in the good habit of sending an agenda to your Board members prior to your Board meetings, would you add your consultant's name to the mailing list?

National Program Suggestions

(Due in National office December 4, 1969) The state Board has already had communications from one of our local Leagues, Leagues in New Mexico and the enclosed proposals by three League members.

Procedure: By special arrangement we are including the suggestions of the three members. If your League or any group of your members wish to promote an item, the roster of Local League Presidents may be used as well as the roster of State Presidents and our State Board List. Proponents or vice versa of any item are totally responsible for the production and distribution of flyers and other promotional pieces. The state Board will help and advise when requested.

Publications

State ca'alog will not be done until the end of September. The state



office does not keep a supply of National publications on hand. Local Leagues must order directly from National. Catalogs are available free, upon request.

EDUCATION: Some sheets on "State Financing of Public Elementary and (Nash) Secondary Schools" put out by the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations are included with this Board Memo. This is part of their report, State Aid to Local Government, which is being printed at the present time. Next month's Board Memo will include a suggested bibliography for further background information.

A copy of the letter we sent to the State Board of Education concerning their proposed policy on racial segregation and racial isolation is also enclosed with this mailing.

For your information and at the request of the LWV of Silver Bay, we will be sending a brochure published by the Reserve Mining Company within a short time.



TREASURER: As the busy part of our League year shifts into gear, you should (Brandwein) be working closely with your membership chairman, and the dues should be "rolling" in. An important thing to remember is to keep your lists current at all times.

Please do not forget to send us your employer identification number as soon as you receive it from the Internal Revenue Service. Even if we mailed in your completed SS-4 form for you, they will be sending the number directly to you or your local League president. We must have these numbers in order to get the group ruling for tax exemption that National has requested from every state League.

Refresh your memory after a lazy summer by going over your budget so you can watch pretty closely how your League's financial picture shapes up. It's your responsibility to keep your Board members informed if they are close to spending more than was budgeted for their portfolio. They will also want to know how well projected income is coming in. Your monthly treasurers' reports should help explain this to them.

Remember that every local League must file federal form #990 or #990SF (the new one) every year, and you only have until the end of September to do it. We all are compelled to comply with this whether we have a group ruling or not. The #990SF is for Leagues whose budget is under \$10,000 per year, and no League should neglect this regulation.

As with every League officer and director, you should "plan ahead" and September is the time to start discussing calendar sales with your Board. This is an easy moneymaking project and is practically "painless," but be certain you don't over-order and thereby defeat your own purpose. Only get the maximum quantity your League can realistically handle.

And don't forget we want three-month, six-month, and yearly treasurers' reports sent into the state office. How else will we know how you're doing?

LOCAL AGENDA: Believe it or not, but we are as concerned about helping all (Brandwein) of you with your local Program as we are about getting information back from all the local Leagues. As September approaches most Leagues should have their local agenda committee functioning, and many even have their research done and material being written.

A timely suggestion is to prepare a calendar for yourselves and stick to it. Schedule your committee meetings so you can have a visual progress report and also so you can keep your Board informed. It is a good idea to draw your community into your local study as soon as possible, especially if you plan to take action on it at a future date. Your local officials can be of unestimateable help on your present topic and may also be able to give you some insight as to potential areas of study for the following year. If you can plan ahead to have an open meeting which they can attend with their wives, they are usually happy to discuss their jobs and will often give you a fine picture of their function in the community. This is not only informative but is mighty good public relations as well.

Your local agenda committee should be sharing the workload equally, and the chairman should keep a bibliography of all material used. In a future Board Memo we will be listing a bibliography of our own on seven or eight major areas of study of interest to every local League.

Think and plan ahead as to how your local item is to be handled in your units. Visual aids are always good, and there are many simple ones you can use - such as cartoons, a flannel board, stick men, a flip chart, or movies, to name just a few. The important thing is to have both a discussion leader and a resource person who can get the information across to the members in an interesting and meaningful way. Don't despair--it can be done.

The key words are "plan ahead." Good luck with your local agenda items, and if we can help you, don't hesitate to ask us.

FIELD SERVICE: See enclosures.  
(Jenkins)

VOTERS SERVICE: Ballot Issues Swapshop - When was the most recent time  
(McCoy) YOUR Board faced some critical local issue ("Another swimming pool bond issue?" "Conditions at the village garbage dump?" "Municipal senior citizen residence proposed?") . . and solved the matter by the all-inclusive: "We could do Voters Service on it! (since we don't have a position on this issue)."

Did said "Voters Service on it" materialize?  
Great! Let's swap ideas with other Leagues. How?

The state League is planning a special BALLOT ISSUES SWAPSHOP (see p. 27-29 of Outlook for Work, June, 1969):

October 30, 1969 - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Minneapolis Public Library - Room 216  
300 Nicollet Mall - Minneapolis.

There is no registration charge for this SWAPSHOP (Our meeting is open to the public, and the meeting room is furnished to us with the compliments of the Minneapolis Library Board.) Plan NOW to attend--to share your own experiences in mounting Voters Service activities on local issues (ballot issues, local issues of interest to citizens which do not come under local Program).

Invite members of other organizations with whom you cooperate (. . or would seek to cooperate?!) to attend with you.

A separate BALLOT ISSUES QUESTIONNAIRE is included with this Board Memo mailing. Please complete it and mail it to the state office before OCTOBER 1, 1969, so that we may compile results to distribute at the SWAPSHOP on October 30.

REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICTS: (See enclosures - map & explanation)  
(Roth)

ELECTORAL COLLEGE: The state committee recently wrote Mrs. Resor, Electoral College National Board Chairman, asking for additional information on answering the consensus questions. Here is an excerpt from her reply: "These questions are the product of long discussion by the National Board in May. We were anxious to make the questions broad enough and flexible enough to enable the Leagues to arrive at their own consensus and for the National Board to have a fairly wide base for its interpretation of that consensus in the light of what practical alternatives may emerge from Congress. We will probably send a short covering memo with the consensus questions as you suggest. Now for your questions. If a League unit answers question I 'No', are the rest of the questions to be

filled out? Yes because we anticipate that there may be action by Congress and/or state legislatures on proposed reforms on which the state or national League will want to work. Sort of a half a loaf is better than none. We can't now anticipate what form the final bills will take. We want to avoid people who answer, 'No' saying later, "If I had only known what the League was going to work for I would have urged the League to support something else."

"The same answer would apply to question 2, "If a League or unit answers Question II by stating that it prefers direct election by popular vote, which of the remaining questions should it answer? All of them with some such explanation as, "If your wishes for the direct election are not realized would you be willing to make a second choice and if so, what?"

You may be familiar with the excellent publication by the National Municipal League titled AFTER THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE? It is a well-researched and unbiased pamphlet that might be used as an every-member piece. Copies may be ordered from the National Municipal League, Carl H. Pforzheimer Building, 47 East 68 Street, New York, N.Y. Single copies are \$.50, but the price is \$.25 for bulk orders.

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION: The League of Women Voters of Minnesota and Minneapolis (Ebbott) have been published in the Congressional Record. Congressman Don Fraser put the Leagues' testimony on national priorities in the July-1 issue, pages E5421-E5423.

To help in understanding the legislative process on the national level, two House of Representative booklets are very helpful. Every League would benefit by having them available as resource material. They are:

How Our Laws are Made, House of Representatives Document No. 91-127, US Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 35¢

Our American Government - What is it? How Does it Function?, House Document No. 530, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 25¢

The latest news on the tax status of private foundations aiding voters: In the tax bill as passed by the House in August, political action by private foundations has been prohibited, however an exemption has been added to exclude such groups as the League of Women Voters Education Fund and the Southern Regional Council. The bill deals with this issue as follows:

"The Bill provides that foundations are forbidden from spending money for lobbying, electioneering (including voter registration), grants to individuals (unless there are assurances that the grants are made on an objective basis), grants to other organizations (unless the foundation is responsible for the use of such funds by the donee) or for any other non-exempt purpose. Any improper expenditure is subject to tax ... This does not apply where such activity is supported by five or more foundations and carried on by non-partisan exempt organizations active in at least five states."

A tax bill will now be written by the Senate Finance Committee. They hope to be through with their version by October 31. Undoubtedly the two versions will be different and the final bill will emerge from a conference committee later this fall.

HUMAN RESOURCES: Indians - Enclosed in the mailing is a copy of a speech (Ebbott) made by Dr. Sol Tax, anthropologist from the University of

Chicago. It was given at a University of Minnesota seminar on Indians last winter. It does an excellent job explaining Indian attitudes and view of life. We highly recommend your reading this and making use of this material in your understanding of the Indian communities. A limited number of extra copies are available at 10¢ each.

FOREIGN POLICY: \*October 24, 1969 - the U.N. Rally. Save the day! A full (Ebbott) day is planned. Morning Workshops: "Conflict in the '70's" with sessions on the Middle East, Chemical-Biological Warfare, Disarmament. Luncheon Speaker: "A Realistic View of the United Nations", Rita Hauser, U.S. Representative to the U.N. Commission on Human Rights. It is being held at the Radisson Hotel, \$5 for the day including luncheon. Rita Hauser is a very exciting speaker. Come, encourage your members, bring some high school students, etc.

\*November 20, 1969 - Pick-Nicollet, all day - "A New Look at Foreign Development." This is the state League's big conference on foreign aid. Start making your plans how to publicize with your members and your communities. Our plans are tentative but we would like to share with you our thoughts so far:

Format: 9:30 - 10 - Registration  
10:00 - 10:45 - Development Assistance - What Have we Learned?  
A brief look at the major studies now being concluded.  
11:00 - 12:15 - New Priorities of Development  
Examining the problems of Population Control, the Green Revolution, Education, and Stimulating Citizen Involvement  
12:30 - 2:00 - Luncheon and major speech - Development Assistance - Where We Stand  
2:15 - 3:00 - (attendance optional) A Strategy for Action  
A workshop for sharing ideas on how the citizen can be involved.



# BOARD MEMO

September 1969

50th Anniversary Campaign: Keep going! Don't stop yet! Read the enclosed report from the 50th Anniversary Committee carefully!

National Program Making: Your suggestions for proposed Program are due in the National Office December 4, 1969.

1. Just in time: All local League presidents recently received an excellent publication from National -- Leaders Guide: National Program Making. We hope you have already ordered several extra copies for your Program making sessions.
2. Enclosures for your consideration:
  - a. From Dade County, Florida
  - b. From members of the Minnesota committee interested in promoting Environmental Planning

October 9th -- Structures and Procedures Meeting in Chicago: Minnesota will be well represented. In addition to 5 and possibly 7 or 8 state people, we know that League members from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Rochester, Edina, Bloomington, New Brighton, Crystal-New Hope, Fridley and Northfield are planning to attend.

## Dates to Remember

- October 2 -- Let's Talk League Meeting, Worthington  
October 16 -- Let's Talk League Meeting, Northfield  
October 23 -- Let's Talk League Meeting, Hibbing  
October 28 -- Let's Talk League Meeting, Rochester
- October 24 -- UN Rally -- see brochure
- October 29 -- Youth Day in Minnesota -- flyer enclosed  
Actual 50th birthday of the LWV of Minnesota
- October 30 -- Ballot Issues Swapshop  
Bulletin Editors Swapshop
- November 11 -- 7:30 p.m., Membership Rally - Minneapolis League
- November 30 -- Consensus reports on the Electoral College due in National Office



December 4 - How to Build a Budget Day; for local Leagues -- watch for details

Order now from National -- for your treasurer, finance chairman and all other members of your budget committee:

- a) Budget Committee Workbook and
- b) The Art of Spending Money

First Round National Program suggestions due in National Office.

Deadline for recommendations for proposed amendments to the National Bylaws.

Very special - "MY LEAGUE LADY" Scripts --

Now is the time for all local Leagues to push for new members and more funds. Right? Right!

One way to tell your story is through music and song. Enclosed for your use is a script for the "historical" musical presented at the 50th Anniversary State Convention in Minneapolis last spring. Extra copies are available for 25¢.

As an example of how you may use it: Minneapolis-St. Paul is planning a gigantic membership rally. Current LWV members are admitted only if accompanied by a prospective member. They have Spannous and Thiss to talk about Party changes and woman's role in the Parties and then as an extra added attraction, they are presenting "My League Lady."

The League story deserves to be told to your members, your elected officials, your citizen boards, your whole community. Here's one way to tell it. Feel free to adopt it in any way appropriate to your needs.

An Invitation

You are invited to the Minneapolis Membership Rally, November 11, 1969, at 7:30 p.m., presenting "My League Lady." DFL Chairman, Warren Spannous and Republican Chairman, George Thiss will speak. You will be notified of the place later.

Admission is paid. League members are admitted free if a prospective member accompanies.

EDUCATION: This year the Minnesota Citizens Committee on Public Education is planning a series of open meetings on "Equality of Educational Opportunity." The first one will be October 8th at 12:00 noon in the Arizona Room of the Prom Center, 1190 University (take Lexington Exit on 94). Mrs. Mitau will moderate a panel discussion of the Citizens League report, "Stretching the School Salary Dollar." Luncheon will be \$2.85 and reservations should be made by October 3rd with Mrs. Wilkin at 632 South Warwick, St. Paul - phone 698-6337. If you would like to come after lunch, just for the program, no reservations are necessary.

When it was suggested that you might like to look at your own schools, the intention was that such a study would be an addition to and an enrichment of the statewide study. It was thought that it might be of interest to you to find out whether or not some children in your own district are not getting an equal opportunity. How much or little you do, however, is strictly up to you. Whether you do it or not, we do want you to remember we are undertaking a statewide study and we must all keep the needs of the whole state in mind. Don't become blinded by the needs of your own district only.

This mailing contains two more goodies for you and your committee - a suggested bibliography and a reprint. It is hoped that the bibliography will help you find some interesting background reading. Your local library may have other worthwhile books, too. The reprint, "Taking Advantage of the Disadvantaged," contains some provocative ideas. You might like to use it as the basis of a discussion with your committee members.

ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT: The Organization of State Government Item Committee has decided to seek member consensus on the executive branch of state government. We feel that on the basis of:

- (a) varied amounts of past study on the executive branch by local Leagues,
- (b) the Sept.-Oct. VOTER soon to be mailed every member,
- (c) a Facts & Issues to be available in January 1970,
- (d) independent member reading and discussion, and
- (e) unit meetings in March ----- we should be able to arrive at some conclusions. Be assured that prior to unit meetings we will make available to resource committees, suggestions and unit meeting outlines. We have set a consensus deadline for May 4, 1970. Please try to plan to do your Board review of unit consensus reports well in time to meet that deadline.

ELECTION LAWS: Unit meetings on Lowering the Voting Age in Minnesota should be held in October or November. The consensus report from each local League is due in the state office January 1, 1970.

The League publication Should the Voting Age Be Lowered in Minnesota? is available now and is intended as an every member piece. The price per copy is 25¢.

Minneapolis League Briefing Session -- On Wednesday morning, October 8, 1969, the Minneapolis League will have a meeting on Lowering the Voting Age. It will be held at the Minneapolis Public Library at 9:30 a.m. Senator Robert Brown will speak on the Pro side and Representative Warren Chamberlain will take the Con side. There will be time for questions and answers. League members are encouraged to attend.

HUMAN RESOURCES - MAYBE....there will be a breakthrough soon in housing  
HOUSING: and maybe the League will play a part in effectuating  
it. The idea is exciting. We have recently reached  
consensus expanding our position on equality of opportunity in housing to  
include housing supply. We have also simplified our national guidelines for  
local and state action under the national Human Resources position (see the  
June 1969 National Board Report, p. 35). Many local Leagues have been look-  
ing at their own communities - learning about such things as housing dis-  
crimination, supply, zoning ordinances, building codes, tenants rights,  
federal programs - and have been seeing the effect of each of these issues  
as well as their interaction on each other. Following are some League and  
non-League accomplishments.

The Citizens League has finished their report: Adequate Housing is Now  
Everyone's Problem. This is available free from their office - 84 So. 6th  
St., Mpls., Mn. 55402. Although it is directed primarily to the metropol-  
itan area, the same problems exist on a smaller scale throughout the state  
and the recommendations will suit other communities also.

The Urban Coalition has available free from their national office two excel-  
lent publications: Guide to Federal Low & Moderate Income Housing & Com-  
munity Development Programs and State Programs in Housing & Community Develop-  
ment. Write 1819 H Street NW, Washington D.C. 20006. Both the Minneapolis  
and St. Paul Urban Coalitions have an appointed task force on housing now  
operating in their specific community.

The Metropolitan Council has appointed a Low Income Housing Technical Advis-  
ory Committee which is meeting at least twice a month on a housing report  
for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, due by the end of this  
year.

The Hennepin County LWV's have completed a 75-page report titled, Housing  
Problems in Minneapolis and Its Hennepin County Suburbs, available from the  
Minneapolis League office, 1200 Second Ave. So., Mpls., Mn 55403, for \$1.20  
plus tax and postage. Again, information dealing with the metropolitan  
area but with problems known to all communities. Leagues in other parts of  
the state may find it worthwhile to take a similar look at their communities.

Enclosed with this mailing is a brochure on open housing prepared as a joint  
effort by the St. Paul League and the St. Paul Board of Realtors. Additional  
copies are available on request from the St. Paul League office.

Organized labor, including the building trades unions, is making statements  
in support of wider use of low cost factory built housing and the need for  
a national system of uniform building codes.

What should your League do? Each League may now study this national crisis  
from the perspective of their own community and then decide how to relate  
to it. One immediate action might be to inform and encourage your local  
Human Rights Commission and Planning Commission to be concerned that your  
community offer a full range of housing size and cost. If you do not yet  
have a Human Rights Commission, perhaps your education job starts right  
there.

HUMAN RESOURCES - If your League is concerned with adequate health ser-  
HEALTH: vices for the poor, you may want to order the Urban  
Coalition's publication: Health Wanted: For Millions of  
Americans..., available from the above Urban Coalition address.



FOREIGN POLICY: Upcoming programs of interest:

October 1, 8, 14, and 22 - Development Assistance and US Foreign Policy: Focus on Africa. A seminar series on African development to be given by professors from Michigan, Manchester, England, Tanzania and Nigeria. There is no charge. Attendance is by invitation only. For an invitation, call Barb Stuhler 373-3740.

October 2 - Problems of Development - the Case of India, Professor David W. McCurdy, Macalester College. Sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Minneapolis, Y-Teen Room, 5th Floor, YWCA, 1130 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, 9:45 a.m.

October 24 - United Nations Rally, sponsored by The Women's United Nations Rally and The United Nations Association of Minnesota, Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis. Workshops begin at 9:45 a.m. Rita Hauser, US Representative to the UN Commission on Human Rights is the luncheon speaker. \$5.00 for the day. (Brochure enclosed giving full details, ticket information.)

\*\*November 20 - A New Look at Foreign Development, sponsored by LWV of Minnesota and the Minnesota World Affairs Center. Pick-Nicollet Hotel, Minneapolis 9:30 - 3:00. Program will cover "Development Assistance - What Have We Learned?", "New Priorities of Development -- Population Control, The Green Revolution, Education, Stimulating Citizen Involvement," "Development Assistance - Where We Stand," "A Strategy for Action." Ticket price is \$5.50. Reservations through the state League office, deadline Monday, November 17th. We have just had confirmation that Dr. Robert S. Bilheimer, Executive Director, Department of International Affairs, National Council of the Churches of Christ, will be our luncheon speaker.

\*\* This is our own big program. We need your attendance to make it a success. Start making your plans to publicize the event. There will be much more information later.

LOCAL AGENDA: Now that you have all received a copy of the local programs of all the Leagues in Minnesota, you can get a fairly good view of the many interests of our members on the local level of study. We assume that most of you are practically finished with your research and interviews for your local agenda items. If your efforts result in publication, please be sure to send at least two copies to the state office; your hard work and initiative may help another local League at some future date.

The new 1969 LOCAL LEAGUE HANDBOOK has excellent information on Program Development and Consensus -- Position -- Action pp. 25-38.

As a guide to more productive meetings, remember to use Meaningful Meetings, available from National at 40¢ a copy. You may have a copy in your files -- good for planning all levels of Program meetings.

SECRETARIES: Do you have any questions about proper minute keeping for the League of Women Voters? There is a copy of model minutes available at the state office that might give you a few tips in areas where you may need some assistance. They are available for the asking. A reminder! One copy of your minutes goes directly to your consultant, and one copy directly to the state office. Each set of minutes for each local League is carefully read. We like to receive your minutes regularly within a week of your Board meeting.

Special note: Last month we reported that the local League files in the state office were being cleaned out. In the process we discovered few up-to-date copies of local League Bylaws in our files. We do keep those on file as a reference. May we have one copy please with your latest revisions?

TREASURER: Every local League must file either form 990SF or 990 every year. It makes no difference that you have no employees or no office; you must file as a tax-exempt organization. This has absolutely nothing whatsoever to do with the sales and use taxes we pay to the State of Minnesota.

And once again may we remind you to send your employer identification numbers to us as soon as you receive them from the Internal Revenue Service. Please send them to: Mrs. Hy Brandwein, 8301 W. 30 1/2 Street, St. Louis Park, Mn. 55426.

October 1st means six month treasurers' comparison reports are due. Our state League's six month summary will be in your next Board Memo. Please, may we have your report promptly?

Another reminder is to be certain that we get the names of your new paid-up members as quickly as possible so they can start receiving their copies of the Minnesota VOTER and National VOTER. Keep close tabs with your membership chairman and also send us your "drops" as well. This is very important.

We do appreciate prompt payments on your 1969-1970 pledges.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMEN: May we hear some success stories of successful membership drives held in your League? It would be fun to put out a Membership Memo with your League's story included. You are the judge of "successful." Was it a meeting to which husbands were included and you heard flattering things as the guests were leaving? Was it a Tea to which neighbors were brought by the regular members and some ladies were acquainted with League who might not otherwise have "dared" to go to a League of Women Voters meeting? Was there some particularly good publicity in your local paper, either before or afterwards that you could share with us? Did you start your year with your regular program and find that you had several "new" faces among the regulars? Things happen in all communities during the summer that change the picture of League. Don't let the new residents go uninformed about a vital organization to which they may contribute their talents. Remember to notify the state office about address changes. And we would like to hear about your membership success story....just a note to the Board Office and mark it "membership." See enclosed MY LEAGUE LADY. If you have set a membership goal for your League, be sure to let us know.

VOTERS SERVICE: Digest of Election Laws is still available at 5¢ each or 100 for \$3.75. Very handy to include in finance letters and thank you notes too.

Reminder -- Ballot Issues Swapshop, October 30, 1969 -- Minneapolis Public Library (see August Memo).

PUBLICATIONS: Indians In Minnesota -- Committees are functioning around the state on the revision of Indians in Minnesota. The orientation of our new edition will be the Indians' experience with government at all levels and their own self-help programs. We will involve the Indians in all stages of our project and will therefore need more time than a simple

updating would require. So do, please, be patient with us and look for the booklet in April rather than in January as we suggested in an earlier Board Memo.

The old version is so definitely out-of-print that we haven't even enough copies for our committees to work with. Anyone finding a copy in their files is asked to send it to the state office and in return they will be handsomely rewarded with a revised Indians in Minnesota as soon as it's off the press!

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** An overall public relations calendar should be developed along with your League calendar too so you'll know what to do and when. You will be able to plan a constant and consistent program of public relations that way. It will help you remember deadlines for newspaper coverage, times to contact your radio and television stations.

Is your League of Women Voters visible at every opportunity? You can make a paper sign for the side of the bus for your "Go-See" tour. Your newspaper women's editor might be interested in a "gourmet" recipe your UN chairman makes every UN Day. Incidentally, LWV material could turn that idea into a feature story with pictures. You can probably make arrangements for a reporter to cover program speakers. If not, ask if the paper would print a resume the League would write.

Newspapers can usually use good clear polaroid pictures.

You can work with other Board members to keep the League name visible in their projects. It should say in large letters "League of Women Voters of \_\_\_\_\_" on materials the publications chairman gives to schools and libraries. The new publication, "Should the Voting Age Be Lowered in Minnesota?" is quickly read and ideal for the reading table in the 4 B's: barber shops and beauty shops, bowling alleys and banks, doctor and dentist office too. Be sure your local League gets credit for distributing them.

Remember to get a short resume from the program portfolio people to include in announcements about unit and general meetings. See the bulletin section of the Memo for a tip on writing.

**BULLETIN EDITORS:** Here's the word I promised in the Outlook for Work. A Bulletin Editor's Workshop will be held Thursday, October 30th, at 9:30 a.m. in Room 253, Minneapolis Public Library. We'll end by noon.

We'll discuss various means of reproduction, tools of the trade, costs and sources of materials, contents AND whatever you want to know about. We'll have samples of bulletins, and displays of tools and materials of interest to editors.

The workshop is open to the public and we'll welcome editors from other organizations from your home town too.

A Ballot Issues meeting will involve your Voters Service committees that same day, same place, so you can have company on the drive into Minneapolis.

A valuable aid for anyone who writes is a pamphlet, "How to Take the Fog Out of Writing" by Robert Gunning. (Dartnell Press Inc., 4660 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60640) It gives handy tips on how to write clearly. The author is convinced his hints will save time, energy, and money, and make

the writing both readable and interesting.

Perhaps you would like to share this aid with anyone your public relations chairman, your local agenda chairman, (who is probably writing resource material for the local study) or your president. It should cost about 25¢; you may write directly to the publisher.

Some features you might include in your local bulletin:

1. Explanation of Time for Action, especially if you are announcing one.
2. Background material for Times for Action.
3. Updates or reviews of Program items. This is an effective means of covering local, state and national support positions when no unit discussions are scheduled for them.
4. Announcements of community meetings as they relate to League Program.



# BOARD MEMO

October 1969

50th Anniversary Campaign: What have YOU done as part of the 50th Anniversary campaign? What has your local League done? Stop and think about it - honestly and seriously. Does it make a difference to you that there is a League of Women Voters? What does the League mean to you? Have you personally done all you can to assure a viable, healthy League? What has your League done? Have all your members been contacted personally? Have you conducted a special 50th Anniversary community campaign and not just your usual finance drive?

The 50th Anniversary campaign is not something somebody else is doing. It's what you and I and all of us are doing - each League member and each local League. Included with this mailing you will find some progress reports on the campaign. If your League is one that has not yet done everything possible to make our campaign successful, why not start today? There's still time if we get busy on it. It can be done - but only if each member and each League does its part. Can we count on YOU?

## Dates to Remember

- November 11 - 7:30 p.m., Membership Rally - Minneapolis League - see enclosure.
- November 20 - "A New Look at Foreign Development" - 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Pick-Nicollet Hotel, Minneapolis - see special mailing.
- November 30 - Consensus reports on the Electoral College due in national office.
- December 4 - How to Build a Budget - for local Leagues - St. Paul YWCA, Save the day - special mailing will be sent on this.

First round national Program suggestions due in national office.

Deadline for recommendations for proposed amendments to national Bylaws.

- January 1 - Voting age consensus due in the state office.

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National Program-making: Included with this mailing is a sheet from the Fullerton, California League with their proposal.

Conference on Income Maintenance: This may be of interest to Human Resource Chairmen. It is Friday and Saturday, November 14 and 15 at Macalester College in the Concert Hall of the Fine Arts Center. Speakers will include Alfred J. Kahn, Vera Shlakman, Robert J. Lampman, Charles Killingsworth, Wilbur J. Cohen, and Robert Patricelli. Registration is \$7.50 and includes 2 luncheons and coffee. Checks should be made payable to Conference on Income Maintenance and sent to Mrs. Barbara Adams, R. 1, Box 104B, Chaska, Minn. 55318. Attendance is limited. The conference is being sponsored by several organizations including Macalester and Augsburg Colleges, Urban Programs, Catholic Welfare Services of Minneapolis, National Association of Social Workers, National Council of Jewish Women, Junior League of Minneapolis, Minnesota Council of Churches, etc.

NATIONAL MEETINGS: The National Conference on Youth and Community Involvement was held in Fort Collins, Colorado, October 17-19. Minnesota was well represented with 4 League members and 3 young people attending from here. Regenia Hicks and David Pence, both of Minneapolis, and Paul Fogelberg from St. Paul were selected to participate. (The 90 youths in attendance included about 45 suggested by state Leagues.) Mrs. Charles Johnson, our own national Board member, Mrs. James Shannon, our Youth Day chairman, Miss Barbara Stuhler, and Mrs. Harold Watson also participated. It was a lively, exciting conference. Look for a report on it in the next Minnesota VOTER.

Another meeting sponsored by the national LWV, the Structure and Procedures Meeting in Chicago on October 9th, was attended by 45 - 50 Minnesota League members. They joined Leaguers from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Wisconsin, and several members of the national Board.

The meeting was for the most part informal. Leaguers took turns at the microphones as they spoke out for 3 1/2 hours on such things as:

- 1) program-making process -- many wanted to eliminate one round,
- 2) national convention -- structure it like a legislature representative of League members and make it a consensus-reaching body,
- 3) action on principles -- eliminate consensus,
- 4) Consensus -- shorten process, get updated consensus by yes or no,
- 5) Communication -- improve it among all levels of League,
- 6) Non-partisanship policy -- liberalize to allow all Board members except president and voters service chairman to work actively for political parties and for or against candidates.

The meeting also discussed and approved a change in the relationship between the national League, the Education Fund, and the Overseas Education Fund. The assembled body approved a suggestion that one board of directors act as the board for all three. This would bring about a closer relationship between the funds and the League members.

Now that all five regional meetings have been held, a National Committee on Structures and Procedures has been formed. It is made up of members of the national Board and a representative of each region elected at the various conferences. (The Chicago Conference elected a member from Illinois.) This committee will consider all the ideas that came out of the conferences. In addition, the state Board will communicate to this committee some of our conclusions about changes in structures and procedures. Local Leagues are encouraged to do the same if they have ideas for significant changes. Use the May National Board Report and the coming September report as resource material. Mrs. Perry Roth will head the state Board committee. Local Leagues can communicate any ideas to her if they wish or send them to the national committee, Mrs. John O. Ahern, chairman, c/o League of Women Voters of the United States.

EDUCATION: Enclosed with this mailing is a copy of "The ABC's of Minnesota State Aids to Public Schools." It was prepared by the Minnesota Citizens Committee on Publication Education.

ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT: It would be well for you to begin your exploration of materials regarding the executive branch of state government. The following publications will be helpful in providing information supplemental to that which appeared in



the Sept.-Oct. VOTER and which will appear in the Facts & Issues to be available in January 1970.

1. Minnesota State VOTER - Nov.-Dec. 1967
2. Governor Harold Levander's message to the legislature on executive reorganization (each League received one).
3. Report of Governor's Council on Executive Reorganization (each League received one).
4. Modernizing State Government - Chamber of Commerce of the United States - 1615 H Street N.W., Washington D.C. 20006 - \$1.00.
5. Modernizing State Government - Committee for Economic Development - 711 Fifth Avenue, N.Y., N.Y. 10022 - \$1.00.
6. US News and World Report, November 27, 1967, p. 82, "Are the States Obsolete?"
7. A Summary of Earlier Comprehensive Survey Proposals for Executive Reorganization, June 1968. Public Administration Service. (Try the Legislative Reference Library at the Capitol for those of you in the metro area. Outstate, request this piece from your library.)
8. Modernizing State Executive Organization - Government of Minnesota, 1968. Public Administration Service. (Try the same sources as above.)
9. Report to National Governors' Conference by the Study Committee on Constitutional Revision and Governmental Reorganization, October 1967. AND
10. Report to National Governors' Conference by the Study Committee on Constitutional Revision and General Government Organization, July 1968. (Try the Legislative Reference Library in the Capitol or write to Mr. Charles A. Byrley, Director, National Governors' Conference, Office of Fed-State Relations, 1735 De Sales Street NW, Washington D.C. 20036.
11. Storm Over the States, Terry Sanford, New York: McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1967.
12. Politics and Processes by G. Theodore Mitau.
13. You may write to: The Council of State Governments, Ironworks Pike, Lexington, Kentucky 40505 and request pertinent materials.
14. US News & World Report, July 24, 1967, p. 100, "More of the Obvious; Defects in Governmental Systems."
15. US News & World Report, July 24, 1967, p. 10, "Program for Curing Inertia in the States."
16. Executive Reorganization Plan. A Survey of State Experience - University of California at Berkeley (try your library).

NATIONAL ACTION, HUMAN RESOURCES, INDIANS: In the Senate, an additional \$2.3 million for Indian education was added to the appropriations bill for the Department of Interior. The House passed version of the bill did not include this amount. If these additional funds are retained it will mean that kindergarten can be offered in eight Minnesota schools serving Indian students from reservation areas. The state League has written to the members of the conference committee (Senators Bible, McClellan, Byrd - West Virginia, Mundt, Young; Representatives Mrs. Hansen, Kirwan, Marsh, Flynt, Mahon, Reifel, McDade, Wyatt, Bow). A copy of the letter is enclosed.

FOREIGN POLICY: We have recently mailed you the brochures, press release, and promotion suggestions on the statewide conference on "A New Look at Foreign Development." Let this be an additional reminder



to do your best to attend. It will be invaluable for resource people and the general member. Promote it among the churches in your community, too. All ministers associated with the Minnesota Council of Churches are being notified.

October 15-16 the League of Women Voters Education Fund, the Johnson Foundation and the Overseas Development Council sponsored a conference on development at Wingspread, the estate designed by Frank Lloyd Wright near Racine, Wisconsin. These two days brought together several outstanding authorities in the development field; and a League representative from each of 45 states. I was most privileged to attend this conference on behalf of the Minnesota League. The recurring theme was that development is possible and there were statistics and case studies to prove it. A report of this conference will be in a Minnesota VOTER later this year. Watch for it.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or problems, need any help on this issue as you work toward consensus and taking the issues to your communities, I would be most happy to help. Contact Mrs. Ralph Ebbott, 409 Birchwood Ave., White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110 612-426-3643 or the office, 612-224-5445.

Some specific suggestions as you do your research and plan your consensus meetings:

1. Reread "Foreign Policy Leaders Guide, Development Aid Re-evaluation," League of Women Voters of the U.S., July 1969. It outlines step by step how to proceed. It explains the consensus questions, it gives suggested meeting outlines. There is a dictionary of terms, suggested visual aids, bibliography.
2. Make sure your members have the three or four Facts and Issues sheets ahead of the unit meeting and that they have read them!  
Development Aid: Images and Realities, April 1969  
The ABC's of International Development, June 1969  
Case Study on Development in Asia, September 1969  
Case Study on Development in Latin America, just published, October 1969 by the LWV Overseas Education Fund.
3. Each League will receive a free copy of "Partners in Development" - Report of the Commission on International Development, chaired by Lester Pearson. Praeger Paperbacks, 400 pages, \$2.50. This well done, thoughtful, somewhat conservative report will be much discussed as development policy is shaped in the years to come. Become familiar with it. (Hint: The total report is summarized in the first chapter.)
4. Additional studies coming up with basically similar conclusions that vary in some details:  
  
"A New Conception of US Foreign Aid," National Planning Association, 1606 New Hampshire Ave. NW, Washington D.C. 20009, March 1969, \$1.00.  
  
"Assisting Development in Low-Income Countries: Priorities for US Government Policy," Committee for Economic Development, 477 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y. 10022, Sept. 1969, \$1.25.
5. Worth writing for, free from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, World Bank, 1818 H Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20433 -

"Trends in Developing Countries" August 1969  
understandable graphic presentation of world development  
statistics.

"World Bank Group" - pictorial report of the work of the World Bank

"World Bank Atlas, Population, Per Capita Product and Growth  
Rates, 1969"

Statistic per nation, simply and attractively presented.

#### 6. Visual aids

The state office will have the League produced film strip-record  
"Development Is....." It is a good tool to lead into discussion of  
the elements of development, what it is, how all nations are developing.  
It explains development by comparing it to a network of roads.

"Not Enough," 16mm, color, sound, 30 minutes.

An excellent film exploring reactions to development assistance and  
graphically presenting the needs. It is well worth showing. To get  
it: Write well ahead of time (it is now booked into December) to  
Modern Learning Aids, 160 E. Grand Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60611.  
The rental charge is \$10.00 for a three-day period.

#### An Invitation

The Minneapolis League of Women Voters would be happy to have  
chairmen and resource people from other Leagues attend tis "Do  
It Yourself" briefing session on Development Aid at 7:30 p.m.,  
November 12th in the Minneapolis Public Library.

WATER RESOURCES: If you have not yet picked up copies of the Extension  
Bulletin, "Understanding the Water Quality Controversy  
in Minnesota," be sure to do so. It would be excellent for a local water  
meeting and can be obtained for all your members from your county agent.

Dr. Waelti, the author, has been meeting with members of our water com-  
mittee and we hope we will be working with him on his next publication.  
We are also conferring with Mr. William Walton, on a three-year study of  
water related agencies in the state of Minnesota. Our particular assignment  
is committees in the state legislature. See "On the Waterfront" enclosed.

PUBLICATIONS: Because so many of our upcoming publications are not far  
enough along to list exact prices, we have delayed preparing  
a new publications catalog. To alleviate your frustration somewhat, we are  
therefore listing here the new state publications now available and simply  
noting generally those to come whose titles and prices are not yet set. A  
few of the currently useful items from the last catalog are included. The  
list is arranged by pamphlets and booklets under general subject headings.  
With rising costs, you may find the price of booklets in the catalog will  
be slightly more than in the past.

#### Membership

##### booklet:

<u>The First Fifty Years</u> - 1969	75¢	History of the LWV of Minnesota by Mildred F. Hargraves
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##### pamphlets:

<u>50th Anniversary 1919-1969</u>	5¢, 100 for \$3.75
<u>The story of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota</u> (this year's FACTS)	

Let's Talk League - revised 1968 - 40¢  
Orientation kit - mimeo

My League Lady - 1969 - 25¢  
Script of musical presented at the 50th Anniversary Convention,  
May 1969 - mimeo

State Program

booklets:

education	due February 1970
water resources	due 1970
<u>Indians in Minnesota</u>	due April 1970
revision	

pamphlets:

Facts and Issues: The Minnesota Legislature - 1968 - 25¢  
Facts and Issues: Executive Branch of State Government - due  
January 1970

Financing Public Services. Property Taxes: Probing Some  
Options - 1967 - 2 for 25¢

Financing Public Services. Some Property Tax Flaws and Options -  
1968 - 2 for 25¢

Should the Voting Age be Lowered in Minnesota? - 1969 - 25¢  
mimeo

Facts and Issues: equality of opportunity for women - due  
spring 1970

Positions for Action - 1969 due November 1969

Revision of Goals for Good Government

Local Program

pamphlet:

Minnesota Leagues' Local Program 1969-1970 25¢  
mimeo

Legislation

booklet:

You Are the Government revision due January 1970

pamphlet:

How a Bill Becomes a Minnesota State Law - 1967 - 5¢

Voters Service

pamphlets:

A Digest of Minnesota Election Laws - 1967 - 5¢, 100 for \$3.75

A Digest of Minnesota School District Election Laws due Nov. 1969

Who Me? Go to my Precinct Caucus? - 1967 - reprint due Nov. 1969

Precinct Caucus Kit - 50¢ due November 1969

TREASURER: Now that we have passed the half-way mark in our League fiscal year, you should take a close look at your 1969-70 budget and six months' comparison report (Forms for this are enclosed with this mailing. Please send one copy to the state office.) to see how realistic your projected expenditures and income really are. Then you will have a clear picture of

what areas you have over-financed, and at the same time what categories you have not adequately funded.

This is a very important analysis for you to make at this time, for soon you will be asked for your recommendations by your budget committee which has the responsibility to submit next year's budget to your members. Only a comprehensive comparison can aid you in this judgment.

Another thing to keep in mind is the fact that your by-law committee will soon be asking your League's Board if it has any suggested revisions for the coming year. If your annual dues are under \$7.50, you should seriously and enthusiastically be "pushing" for this amount, and try to convince your Board that National's recommendation is a "must." Your finances will be bolstered immeasurably; you will be able to provide more and better services to your members; you will be in a better position all around. And remember that after the first year, your membership will take it as a matter-of-fact change.

In these inflationary times in which we live, League costs have followed the financial spiral all around us. Raise your sights as you raise your dues. And remember, all by-law changes must be submitted to the state Board for approval first and then your members must be notified of the proposed changes at least one month before your annual meeting. Now is the time to get your suggestions ready.

One small correction should be made in the Financial Report and Budget Review included with this mailing. Although the nominating committee has not met yet this year, they will be meeting later to select the Hope Washburn award winner from your nominations.

MEMBERSHIP: The Membership portfolio, as you have by now discovered, is a most cooperative one. In reading through this month's bulletins, it is evident how cooperative efforts pay off. For instance, the combination of a membership chairman with a clever artist as in ST. PETER provides a catchy welcome for new members in their bulletin. The combination of the membership chairman with an alert Treasurer keeps the records accurate on new members, dropped members, and those who have moved during the summer, such as were reported in the ST. ANTHONY VILLAGE bulletin. (We need those accurate addresses, too, in the state office. Please send them in promptly.)

A membership chairman who is quick to give credit to those opening their homes for membership teas, such as the AUSTIN bulletin reported, or coffee parties such as noted in the NORTHFIELD and BROOKLYN CENTER bulletins, or to give credit to those spending precious hours telephoning those who had forgotten to pay their dues, such as the DULUTH bulletin reported is very valuable in maintaining satisfied members. A public relations chairman and a membership chairman make a good combination as in BROOKLYN PARK where the public relations chairman wrote a very stirring account of why we enjoy being members of League. It also takes good cooperation with the whole Board to have effective Membership drives such as the League of Women Voters Parade planned by the SOUTH ST. PAUL League, the box lunch auction planned by DEEPHAVEN, the Big Sisters endeavor planned by FARIBAULT, or the pot luck suppers at ST. CLOUD and ST. CROIX VALLEY to which guests were invited.

It takes cooperation by many Leagues to plan the six-League "Information about League" booth held in two shopping centers by ARDEN HILLS, FALCON HEIGHTS, NEW BRIGHTON, ROSEVILLE, ST. ANTHONY, and SHOREVIEW. It was



particularly interesting that GOLDEN VALLEY's president issued a proclamation in the Golden Valley bulletin calling for a "Be kind to your membership chairman year." Large Leagues have different problems than the smaller Leagues do and in MINNEAPOLIS, the 38 new unit chairmen were invited to an orientation meeting at which the president, the membership chairman, and the placement chairman spoke.

Many bulletins listed the names of the guests who had been present at their last unit meetings such as was done by FRIDLEY, and this is a fine welcome. Many bulletins gave paragraph profiles of the prospective members such as EXCELSIOR does, which helps acquaint the "old" members with the "new." MANKATO's membership chairman is experimenting with a contest, the one recruiting the most new members will receive free membership dues. All of these examples from the bulletins illustrate the cooperation necessary between the membership chairman and the bulletin editor. These few examples show the ingenuity around the state for seeking out the new member, the gal who would love to be a member, but just needs that nudge. Good luck, membership chairmen. Remember, your job continues all year. The effectiveness of League Program depends on YOU.

VOTERS SERVICE: V.S. Forecast: "Party Season Coming Up!"....and with your League in the enviable role of Hostess with the Mostes' (Mostest general information on political party precinct caucuses--by virtue of our non-partisan research into promotion of same) time to line up your strategies, dust out the cobwebby corners (how about reaching some additional groups with caucus promotion ideas . . . groups just recently organized? . . . groups not approached in your 1968 caucus campaign?), and try out some new recipes (play them off your own unit members--work with your action chairman to arrange some intra-League caucus attendance promotion to test techniques to recommend to other groups?)

Watch for a special mailing next month with the 1970 Precinct Caucus Attendance Promotion Kit ... and meanwhile, back at your hot stove you can line up the committee members who will help carry out all your Board's plans.

PRECINCT CAUCUS DAY in Minnesota is FEBRUARY 24, 1970 . . . Do YOU know where YOU will be on February 24, 1970?

Digesting the Digests: Look for a separate piece included in this mailing listing Election Laws Amended in 1969. Find it? We hope you'll find it useful . . . for your bulletin . . . for your speakers bureau . . . for your ready reference.

The current edition of A Digest of Minnesota Election Laws when paired with the about-to-be-published edition of Who Me? Go to My Precinct Caucus? (a 3-fold leaflet printed in grass-roots green ink explaining the finesse of effective caucus participation) makes an excellent "hand out" to contributors, to welcome wagon hostesses for their distribution, to other organizations interested in citizen awareness.

Announcing: A Digest of Minnesota School District Election Laws is at the printer now for publication in November. Red-white-and-blue, it matches the Digest of Minnesota Election Laws--fits into a business-size envelope for mailing...and comes in response to requests from Leagues and from other organizations for information on school elections. Our thanks to Mrs. Thomas Gallagher, Jr., of the LWV of Minneapolis for the art work...and thanks to her, too, we have our Who Me? couple in 1970's attire. Watch for these publications in a special November mailing.

# BOARD MEMO

November 1969

50th Anniversary Campaign: "Remember these fall months are crucial ones. We need to concentrate our energies on making the 50th the success it deserves." Sound familiar? Then you did read the last sentence in the September 50th MEMO. Leagues across the country are finding "The Second Time Around" a successful venture in achieving membership campaign goals. Answers to many of your questions relating to the Campaign are in this month's Memo - read carefully.

## Dates to Remember

November 30 - Was the day you sent consensus reports on the Electoral College to the National office. Did you remember to send us a copy?

December 4 - Stretch Your Dollar Day for local Leagues - St. Paul Y.W.C.A. Past deadline date, but come anyway.

First Round National Program Recommendations - 1970-72 due in National office.

Deadline for proposed amendments to National Bylaws. (Down to the wire? Air Mail special may do it.)

January 1 - Consensus Report Form - Lowering the Voting Age in Minnesota - due in state office.

Resignation: With regrets we announce the resignation of Mrs. Jewel Goddard, State Publications Chairman, from the state Board. We shall miss her - however, she will continue to chair the committee on the revision of Indians in Minnesota.

Membership: Keep that membership information coming - share your experiences with all 68 local Leagues in Minnesota. Check with your treasurer so that your membership lists are up-to-date.

Local Agenda: Bibliography enclosed. If you have additional resources, let us know so that we can share.



REPORT FROM THE FIELD: We have had seven LET'S TALK LEAGUE meetings. We want to thank the following Leagues that served as hostesses: Crookston, Albert Lea, Brainerd, Worthington, Northfield, Hibbing, Rochester. And the other Leagues participating: Moorhead, Rock County, Bemidji, Cass Lake, St. Cloud, Cloquet, Duluth, Virginia, Owatonna, Wells, Fairbault, St. Peter, and Winona. Average attendance at the meetings: 25. There were informal discussions ranging over many facets of LWV activity. Every meeting talked about Membership, Local Agenda, and Program Making. Mrs. J. J. Jenkins attended all the meetings. 12 members of the state Board and 2 members of the state Field Service Committee travelled with her at various times.

IMPORTANT SAVE THE DATES: Leagues in the metro area did not indicate an overwhelming desire to have similar meetings set up for them. Of the Leagues responding to the check list (blue sheet) there was a consistent desire expressed for a workshop on Discussion Techniques. The Field Service Committee has made arrangements with the University of Minnesota (Continuing Education for Women) to conduct a two-day workshop at Nolte Center, Minneapolis Campus on February 25, 26, 1970. Cost per person: \$20 (includes lunches). Ideally we would recommend each League in the state of Minnesota sending two members to the workshop. They would then train members of their local Leagues upon their return home. Members attending must arrange for own lodging and breakfast and dinners. More information will be sent out regarding this workshop. Suburban Leagues and Minneapolis and St. Paul will certainly want to take advantage of this opportunity to upgrade your operations and if some outstate Leagues are unable to send two you will be able to "fill in" with reservations (limit: 100) for more than your allotted two members. The Minneapolis Board has indicated a willingness in the past to provide lodging for outstate members. We shall enquire if this is a possibility for this workshop. We shall also see if Nolte Center has space.

A SEARCH FOR IDENTITY: Please place the name of your League on your minutes, your Bulletin, and all other correspondence with the state office.

CAUTION: Proposals for Changes in Structures and Procedures were just that. None of them have been adopted. Discussions you have with people who attended the meeting in Chicago should be viewed as ways to jog you into considerations of possible changes. As an example: if you heard that one League said it is applying the non partisanship policy to the offices of President and Voters Service only that does not mean that LWV has changed the policy described on pages 5, 6, and 7 in your 1969 Local League Handbook.

MINUTES-MINUTES-MINUTES: Each League is asked to send a copy of each month's minutes to the state office as well as one to your consultant. The office has not been receiving them from the following Leagues:

Alexandria	Cass Lake	Fergus Falls	New Ulm	Worthington
Austin	Crookston	Mankato	Rochester	
Bemidji	Deephaven	Mahtomedi	St. Peter	
Brainerd	Falcon Heights	Minnetonka	West St. Paul	



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LOCAL BY LAW BUSINESS: Please remember to send a copy of your proposed changes to the state office for review by the state Board before presentation to your members.

VOTERS SERVICE - 1970 - The Year of the Voter . . begins tomorrow, you realize! Actually, it began last summer when you started alerting all your community to the fact that

FEBRUARY 24, 1970 is Uniform Precinct Caucus Day

in Minnesota. You will be receiving shortly a "Caucus Promotion Kit" full of how-to's and helps, and meanwhile . . . you can improve the intervening shining hours by hunting up the names of local political party chairmen and chairwomen to introduce yourself to them as someone who can help them in launching a major drive to stimulate caucus attendance. This is the very first time all party caucuses will be on the same date, so you can mount a very lively get-to-your-caucus campaign all at once.

Plan a bulletin article in your very next issue to include reminders about caucuses and a summary of your planning and proposals to date--ask for volunteers to aid in your campaign.

"Who Me? Go to My Precinct Caucus?" is available now in a special 1970 version. When you go calling on your parties, tell them it is available now in quantity for their own local party training for workers--1000 copies for \$17.50, printed in grass-roots green on white, with space on the back to stamp their own special message, too!

Something to look for! In this mailing is a copy of a letter sent to all editors of house organs for business and industry in Minnesota (accompanied by a copy of "Who Me?") urging that they include information about caucuses in their January or February, 1970, publication. It is a sample of the kind of letter your League may send to local businesses and organizations to seek similar attention of their employees and associates. Be sure to order enough copies of Who Me? right away so that you may include them with your letters.

Voters Service is happy to announce the arrival of . . . our very own brand new, red-white-and-blue Digest of Minnesota School District Election Laws--in handy business-envelope size (8 1/2" x 3 5/8"), three-fold leaflet form. It includes provisions for elections in independent school districts\* and is available now! Single copies - 5¢, 100 for \$3.75, 1000 for \$25.00. Special promotional material, including a copy of the new Digest itself and a sample news-release, is included in this mailing. Read, utilize, and order!

\* Alas, Minneapolis and South St. Paul Leagues will not find their school district election laws included since they are special districts (the only two remaining in the state). But, perhaps they may wish to be informed, anyway, about independent districts? As a part of our state study of Education?



HUMAN RESOURCES: Enclosed in this mailing is a brochure entitled "This Door is Open". This is a program to help citizens understand welfare programs from the recipient's point of view. It has proven very successful where it has been tried. Contact your local county welfare director for more information. Additional brochures are available from Mr. William Judkins, Division of Field Services, Minn. Dept. of Public Welfare, Centennial Bldg., St. Paul, Minn. 55101.

The Health Task Force of the Urban Coalition has released another excellent publication. Titled Rx for Action, its emphasis is on what the citizen can do to put together better health services for the poor in any city. Contained are a mix of the best ideas of the ablest innovators in the field and the experiences and recommendations of the experts. The appendix lists federal programs related to health care for the poor and also a selected bibliography. The 76 page report is available from The Urban Coalition, 1819 H Street NW, Washington, DC, 20006.

A film titled "Even Chance" has been released by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The twenty-minute black and white film describes the experience of a single black man in his personal encounter with job discrimination, and the efforts of the EEOC to identify and eliminate the discriminatory employment practice. His story typifies the many thousands of cases brought to the commission each year and shows how the EEOC handles these complaints. The film may be booked by writing the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Office of Public Affairs, 1800 G Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20506.

Have you been reading the "Human Resources Newsletters" as they arrive? The three this year (Feb., July and Oct.) contain many examples, from Leagues across the nation, of innovative ways to take local action under the Human Resources position. Included are some from Minnesota - is your League project one of them?

NATIONAL ACTION: Enclosed is a sheet discussing recent events of interest to the League. This will be useful to national program people. Bulletin editors may want to share some of this information with the members.

CONFERENCE ON FOREIGN DEVELOPMENT: This is being written just prior to the conference; so we can't fully evaluate it. But we can thank the many very dedicated Leaguers that have worked so hard to make it a success:

Presenting the panel, "What Have We Learned?", from the Minneapolis League:

Mrs. William Flanigan (Barb)  
Mrs. Earl Shaw (Betty)  
Mrs. Perry Bollin (Winnie)

Moderating the panel, "New Priorities of Development",

Mrs. F. William Jones (Barb) from Mankato

Leading discussion groups on "A Strategy for Action"

Mrs. John Myslajek (Florence), New Brighton  
Mrs. Rafael Chacon (Louise), Falcon Heights  
Mrs. William Crampton (Jean), White Bear Lake  
Mrs. James Thurow (Elsie), Edina  
Mrs. William Kennedy (Marla), St. Paul  
Mrs. Burton Paulu, (Fran), Minneapolis  
Mrs. Herbert McFarlane (Jean), St. Louis Park  
Mrs. C. Ray Humphries (Marge), St. Croix Valley  
Mrs. Leopold Van Dyke (Lois), West St. Paul  
Mrs. Heinz Kornfuehrer (Elsa), Minneapolis, from the World  
Affairs Council of Minneapolis

Making the physical arrangements:

Mrs. Earl Yonehiro (Janet), Minnetonka  
Mrs. H. T. Downing, (Myrtle), Minnetonka

A panel of participants will be on WCCO-TV, Channel 4, in color, Sunday, November 30 between 7-8 a.m. Mrs. Earl Shaw, Dr. Harry Foreman and Mrs. Ralph Ebbott will do a 15 minute discussion for John Gallus' "Sunday Morning" show.

NATIONAL PROGRAM: Reminder, first round program suggestion due to the national office December 4th. We'd appreciate a carbon copy in the state office, too.

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ITEM: Since there has been delay in getting out copies of the Pearson Commission report, a very brief summary of its conclusions is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a report of the conference, "Perspectives in Development", sponsored by the League of Women Voters Education Fund at the Johnson Foundation's Wingspread, Racine, Wisconsin.

Program suggestion. Minnesotans who visited UNDP programs in Africa this summer and would be interested in sharing their experiences with others:

Mrs. Beatrice Reed, 1025 Arundel Street, St. Paul, 55117

Mr. & Mrs. Willis S. Hutchinson, Scandia, Minn. 55073  
or 2161 Commonwealth Ave., St. Paul, 55108

MEMBERSHIP: There are several interesting events that have occurred or are occurring in Membership around the state. These might be of interest to all Membership Chairmen as a matter of information or even for suggestions and inspiration. For those who have had their membership push in the fall and are now relaxing with their ten percent increase in their membership rolls it might be of interest to note that some leagues push membership in the late fall and winter. For instance St. Paul had a folk singer for their Membership Rally and Minneapolis had the production of "My League Lady" at theirs. Crystal-NewHope and neighboring Leagues are planning a Salad Tasting Luncheon on Saturday, January 31, for prospective members at which time Mrs. Ann Duff, Chairman of CMAL and Mrs. Josie Johnson of Minneapolis who is a member of the National League Board will speak. White Bear Lake is planning a "Take a Husband Out to Dinner" evening at which legislators will speak. Gentlemen are frequently invited to League activities, but often are not included in the programs planned for prospective members. However, St. Anthony mentioned that it had seven female guests to their open meeting and more than seven male guests.

In this month's bulletins, several membership chairmen used the quote from the Christian Science Monitor, "Action is where the League of Women Voters is." The Chairmen have the responsibility for thinking of how to get new enthusiastic participating members the year around. The State Board loves to hear success stories. We are wondering how the Mankato contest for new members is progressing, for which the reward for the most new members is a year's free membership. Instead of apologetically referring to the dues and publication charges, Mankato advertises, "Only \$7.50 dues... no increase in price...what else hasn't become more expensive this year?"

After the membership rallies are completed, there are several areas Leagues should be on their guard in which members might become disenchanted with League. Buffalo reminds its members in their bulletin to take one of the visitors whom they list to the next meeting, reminding the members, "Remember how hard it is to go alone to a new group". Brooklyn Park mentions in their bulletin a new member who joined and that she is already assisting in making posters. This points out a valuable technique of getting the new member involved. Duluth has an interesting method of encouraging more even distribution of its units by giving a sales pitch for the low attendance units, such as "Baby sitter provided and wear casual clothes," or another unit, "members and guests attending showed much enthusiasm for this new group". Many leagues provide baby sitting, especially for daytime units, and some such as St. Croix Valley hold their meetings in a church where the nursery facilities are available in another room. Hibbing is excited about adding new units to their League, the latest one to be from the towns of Nashwauk-Pengilly.

Many leagues write about their new members in their bulletins, and some leagues such as Albert Lea, Austin, Columbia Heights, Chaska and New Brighton write whole paragraphs about the new member to introduce them to the other members.

You who have small leagues may feel encouraged to hear that the membership brunch held by Hutchinson had 19 guests in attendance and 11 members. Worthington had a successful membership breakfast and an auction at which money was raised for the 50th Anniversary campaign fund. St. Anthony Village is planning a Christmas Tea to which League members, guests and wives of Village Officials will be invited.

Leagues are always anxious to make their presence known to the community, and Winona gave an Electoral College panel discussion for a Kiwanis meeting. This helps to lend support and encouragement from husbands for their wives League activities. Rochester and Winona were justly proud of their proclamation from their mayors naming a League of Women Voters Week, however, in neither of their local papers was mention made of the event. We've come a long way, etc., but we've still got some work to do.

East-West Trade:

HR 4293 - Muskie + Mondale

conference committee accepted Senate  
version + Senate has approved conference  
report

Urgent acceptance of conf. com.  
version of bill



## PROPOSED 1970-1971 STATE LEAGUE BUDGET

### EXPLANATION OF ITEMS

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

It has been, and remains, a belief of state Boards and budget committees that those serving on the Board or on any of the off-Board committees, who are volunteering their time, talents and energies by serving, should be reimbursed for certain expenses. For that reason these persons are reimbursed 10¢ a mile for car travel; bus, train or plane fare is paid in full. Lodging is paid in full for over night trips and a meal allowance of \$4.00 per day is provided. Many of these volunteers contribute their expenses. In instances where a voucher is submitted and marked "contribution", this shows in the year end treasurer's report as expenditures under the appropriate category and as income under direct contributions. Where no voucher is presented, no record is available.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

President and Board of Directors. This item includes the expenses of transportation, meals and lodgings for members attending Board meetings and Board committee meetings. To assure Leagues in the state a voice in policy making and implementation, our State Board should include members from various parts of the state adequate funds provided to finance their participation.

Administrative Committees. In addition to routine Public Relations, the Public Relations committee plans for several new releases and a clipping service to evaluate the effectiveness of the news coverage. The Budget, Nominating and Finance committees, like the State Board should represent the total league; this item covers the expenses incurred in travel, lodging and meals. The Membership item pays for state-wide promotion of membership.

#### OPERATING COSTS

Equipment Upkeep. Costs of contracts for service of equipment.

General Supplies. Includes stationery, mimeograph supplies, and all other general office supplies.

Postage. Cost of all mailing expense except for the Bulletin.

Telephone and Telegraph. Includes monthly charges and addition of one more line and one extension phone. This gives the state office 2 incoming and 2 outgoing lines plus one extension. This item also reimburses Board Members for long distance calls and telegraphs sent from their homes.

Insurance. Cost of fire and theft insurance of office equipment.

Audit. Cost of annual audit.

#### OFFICE COSTS

Rent. The rent was increased \$300 this year.

Salaries. Salaries costs include increase of pay rate, increased social security payments and taxes. Office employees include one office manager, one clerk typist, one part-time bookkeeper, and small amount for extra part-time help.

Other Costs. Small expenses not otherwise listed.

## DELEGATES TRAVEL AND AFFILIATIONS

National Convention. State Board is allowed three delegates to National Convention. (This year in Washington, D.C.) Budget figure covers coach plane fare, minimum hotel and meal accommodations and registration fees.

National Conferences and Regional meetings. Item includes expenses of Board members attending training conferences and program meetings.

Special Meetings. Costs for non-league meetings beneficial to program chairmen and covers expenses for league representatives at conferences and seminars where League should appear.

Affiliations. Actual costs of membership in organizations having interests paralleling league activities.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

Voters Service. This item covers expense of Voters Service in areas where there are no local Leagues. Budget figure provides for 6 Youth Days during the legislative session. (There were three last session.)

State Action. Includes expenses incurred by lobbyists, cost of Legislative Journals, Phillips Legislative Service, and a training session for League lobbyists. We also include the approximate costs of four mailings to legislators and travel costs for state Board speakers, (out-state).

National Action. This figure includes expenses for National Action co-ordinators in each congressional district. Included are provisions for state Board attendance at various meetings relating to program (ex: Pollution Control Agency hearings, Foreign Policy meetings).

National Services. Annual state pledge to the League of Women Voters of the United States is made on behalf of all local Leagues. A portion of the pledge which a local League makes for support of state and national services is sent via the state level of your League to the national level.

## SERVICES TO LOCAL LEAGUES

Field Service. Expenses of Organization or Field Service Committee in establishing new leagues and providing services to provisional and recognised leagues and for consultants and advisors when visiting leagues throughout the state.

Leadership Publications. Cost of publications and workbooks provided for use of board members of new Leagues.

State Workshop and Conferences. Costs not otherwise covered by fees charged for workshops.

## PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

National Publications. Costs of duplicate mailing for state Board and League publications needed for state committees and portfolios.

State Publications. Removed from Budget.

Minnesota Voter. This item covers cost of printing, addressing and mailing nine issues of this publication. This will include The Voters Guide as one issue. Four of the issues will serve as the Capitol Letter, thus making this publication available to every member.

Program. These include expenses for off board members active on National, State, Inter, and Intra-league program committees. It includes cost of non-league resource material and publications.

INCOME

Local and Provisional League Support. Annual provisional local League pledges for the support of state and national League services. This year two new leagues will contribute \$250.

Unsolicited gifts. This income item is money received directly by the state Board from friends of the League and contributions by state Board and committee members.

Accrual from State Action. This money is being used in this year's state action to retire the accrual.

State Members-at-Large. There are a few League members who do not reside in areas where there is a local League. These members may pay dues directly to the state. They receive the Voters and program publications.

Interest on Jane Grey Swisshelm Fund.

ABC - Key Precinct Reporting.



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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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# BOARD MEMO

December 1969

When this Memo reaches you, 1970 will have already begun - the 50th Anniversary year of the League of Women Voters of the United States and the beginning of the next 50 years for the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. So, Happy, Happy 1970 to you and to all of us!

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs. F. William Jones (Barbara) of the League of Women Voters of Mankato to the State Board. Her assignments will be announced later.

## Dates to Remember

- January 1 - Voting Age Consensus due in state office.
- January 15 - CMAL Delegates meeting.
- January 30 - Facts and Issues on Executive Reorganization will be available.
- New - You are the Government - should be ready for sale.
- February 1 - Aid - Re-evaluation consensus due in National office - copy to state.
- February 24 - Precinct Caucus Day - both parties
- Feb. 25-26 - Discussion Techniques Workshop - Nolte Center
- February 28 - Education Publication ready for sale.
- March 24 - Half day briefing session on state education item - place to be announced later.
- April 15 - State Council meeting - St. Paul Hotel.

STATE BUDGET COMMITTEE Mmes: John Sullivan, Arden Hills, Chairman; Delbert Allinder, Willmar; John Dyer-Bennett, Northfield; Bernard Greensweig, Edina; Donald Rockenbach, St. Paul; William Whiting, Owatonna; H.J. Brandwein, State Board; Jerome Gray, State Board; James Jenkins, State Board, members of the state budget committee met with the entire state Board November 18, to hear projected plans and to participate in budget discussion. The committee met again December 4, to finalize the 1970-71 state budget. The state Board approved the proposed budget at its December





meeting. The Budget and an explanation as well as the suggested pledges with a covering letter have been sent to your president. If you have any questions, please let us hear from you!

LOCAL LEAGUE BUDGET BUILDING Read carefully the enclosed "Counterpart Communique".

STATE COUNCIL MEETING April 15 at the St. Paul Hotel. We are pleased to announce that the St. Croix Valley League will hostess the event. Mrs. John Thiessen is the chairman. Mrs. Reuel Phillips is the state Board chairman. More next month.

We thought that you would like to know - 200 copies of You are the Government, How a Bill Becomes a Minnesota Law, and Digest of Minnesota Education Laws were provided by the state Board for the Youth in Government Program, free of charge. This is a state-wide project of the YMCA.

VOTERS SERVICE Look for the Grass Roots Green Election 'Seventy Service Call included in this mailing to alert you to a special mailing to public and parochial school districts. Over 600 kits will be sent as part of state Voter Service. Your local support can double this number and reach every social studies class in your community--if you act now!

A special mailing about the Voter Service publications on caucus promotion and the new Digest of School District Election Laws is being sent to businesses and corporations. Plan to follow up with a call on your local businessess to see if they wish to order copies to distribute to employees and customers.

Statements by Richard Roe, state chairman of the Democratic Farmer Labor Party, and George Thiss, state chairman of the Republican Party, on the importance of the precinct caucus will be available for local distribution in flyer form soon. You may wish to order copies to include in your February, 1970, bulletin. They will be sent as a news release to all newspapers in Minnesota as part of state Voter Service.

As you plan and promote your "party parties" (See caucus kit for detailed suggestions), be sure to keep records--and share your successes and suggestions with us. Send the state office a carbon of any written reports on these promotions which you submit to your Board--and we'll be able to swap ideas among Leagues.

ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT The Facts and Issues on the Executive Branch of state government is (so far) right on schedule. As soon as it comes back from the printer you will receive a sample copy, mimeographed supplementary info to communicate to your members via bulletin and unit meetings, a suggested outline for your unit meetings, consensus questions and consensus report forms. Naturally, your Board will wish to purchase a Facts and Issues for every member. Because executive organization as an issue has not been in the news since last May, and because most local leagues dealt with this issue some time ago, it would be important for every member to have at least this one publication prior to discussion and attempts to reach consensus. In determining the validity of

any consensus of opinion, one must always wonder, how prepared were the participants to express a point of view?

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On the action front, the State Board has decided to file an amicus curiae (friend of the court) brief in the State Supreme Court in what is known as the "legislative days case". Involving members of the tax court, the case is viewed by many as a test case designed to bring before the court for resolution the large constitutional issue of what is meant by "120 legislative days". Because the Leagues' position on the Legislature includes: support of sessions of adequate length, meeting annually and with the power to determine the time of meeting, the length, and the power to recess, we feel the amicus brief offers us an opportunity to act as an advocate of the public interest. The January-February Voter will carry a more detailed explanation of the action. Our attorney is Leaguer - Lawyer Sue Buell of St. Paul.

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The spanking new YAG, more formally known as You are the Government, publication will be ready for sale in January. Mrs. Gordon Grunditz of Richfield, and Mrs. Harold Byers, Jr. of Burnsville co-chaired the YAG up-date committee. Perhaps you would like to begin to make plans for member purchase and community distribution. The publication's contents will dovetail nicely with executive branch study.

REPORT "A New Look at Foreign Development" Conference, November 20. The conference was a great success. The speakers were all excellent on their topics and presented an interesting array of approaches to this subject. There was an attendance of about 250 with many coming great distances. Brookings, S.C., Eau Claire and Hudson, Wisconsin, Crookston, Rock County, Duluth, Winona, Northfield, St. Cloud, Hutchinson, Mankato, New Ulm, Austin, Albert Lea, and Owatonna Leagues all attended as well as those in the Twin Cities area. One of the most gratifying results of the conference was that it did create awareness of the seriousness of this issue and the great needs facing the developing nations. One Leaguer commented that it had been several years since she had "done" this topic but because of the conference, she had become "converted" to the great need for more development assistance. Another Leaguer stated, "My interest in this topic has been 'reborn'."

We thank you all for your support which made this conference possible.

(A copy of some of the points made in the workshops on "A Strategy for Action" is enclosed.)

ELECTORAL COLLEGE Fifty-seven local Leagues have sent consensus reports on this item to the state office. We hope that the eleven Leagues whose reports we did not receive have sent a report to the national office and merely forgotten to submit a copy to the state.

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The reports show that you have studied the material thoroughly and carefully recorded your opinions. Minnesota will be well represented in the national consensus soon to be released.

Please check page 33 of your Local League Handbook for suggestions on publicizing local consensus on state or national items. Report to members should be delayed until after the national consensus has been announced.

Congratulations on a job well done!

MEMBERSHIP Included in this mailing is a card for reporting membership totals as of January 1, 1970. Mail to state office no later than January 10, 1970.

TREASURERS Thank you to those Leagues who answered the plea for pledge payments. Within the week we should hear from the balance of the 68.