



League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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LOCAL LEAGUES AND MEMBERSHIP

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Name of League (Include local and provisional Leagues. Indicate which are provisional)	Population of Community of Area of League	No. Voting Members 3/31/66	No. Associate Members 3/31/66	No. new Members this year	No. Members dropped this year	Net Increase or Decrease + or -	Total Membership 3/31/66
Albert Lea	18,000	26		5	4	plus 1	26
Alexandria	7,000	36		9		plus 9	36
Anoka	11,000	37		2	10	- 8	37
Arden Hills	4,434	56		14	6	plus 6	56
Austin	28,000	132					132
Battle Lake	800	18		3	1	plus 2	18
Bemidji	9,958	45		7	20	- 25	45
Blaine (Prov.)	8,000	46					46
Bloomington	60,000	89		20	20	0	89
Brainerd	12,000	22		4	2	plus 2	22
Brooklyn Center	30,000	52		1	10	- 9	52
Brooklyn Park (Prov.)	15,003	45		17	23	- 6	45
Buffalo	4,027	21		3		plus 3	21
Cass Lake	1,565	20		4		plus 4	20
Chisholm	7,500	49	1	8	15	- 7	50
Sub Total or Total	352,287	694	1	97	111	- 14	695

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF Minnesota
(State)

STATE LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT
April 1, 1965 - March 31, 1966

(Please fill in and return 3 copies NOT LATER THAN March 31, 1966, to the League of Women Voters of the United States, 1200 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20036. If enough space is not provided for your replies, attach additional sheets.)

LOCAL LEAGUES:

Number of local Leagues, 3/31/66
Number of provisional Leagues, 3/31/66

63
4
67

Total local and provisional Leagues, 3/31/66

Check last year's State Annual Report and give:

Increase of local and provisional Leagues over 3/31/65 3

OR

Decrease of local and provisional Leagues under 3/31/65

MEMBERSHIP:

Voting members, estimated 3/31/66
Associate members, estimated 3/31/66
Members-at-large, estimated 3/31/66

~~5651~~ 5651
31
3

Total voting, associate and members-at-large,
estimated 3/31/66

~~5682~~ 5685

Check last year's Annual Report and give:

Increase of voting, associate and
members-at-large over 3/31/65

OR

Decrease of voting, associate and
members-at-large under 3/31/65

151 151

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE:

If you have undertaken any special project to increase the number of members-at-large in your state, please describe the project and the services you are giving these members and their part in League activities.

Our members-at-large receive the Minnesota and National VOTERS
and copies of all state Program material.

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Cloquet (Prov.)	9,054	47					47
Columbia Heights	23,283	27		7	2	plus 5	27
Crookston (Prov.)	9,000	45					45
Crystal	26,000	55		15	12	plus 3	55
Deephaven	3,500	59		15	6	" 9	59
Duluth	106,000	292	1	53	34	" 19	293
Edina-Morningside	40,000	238	6	34	67	- 33	244
Excelsior	8,200	47		11	9	plus 2	47
Falcon Heights	5,922	43		12	18	- 6	43
Faribault	17,000	37		4	5	- 1	37
Fergus Falls	14,000	40		4	2	plus 2	40
Fridley	26,000	79		16	19	- 3	79
Golden Valley	21,219	95	3	23	14	plus 9	98
Granite Falls	3,100	38		5	7	- 2	38
Hibbing	18,000	77		13	12	plus 1	77
Sub Total or Total	330,278	1,219	10	212	207	plus 5	1,229

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Hutchinson	8,000	24		5	7	- 2	24
International Falls	6,678	69		8	17	- 9	69
Jackson	3,500	19					19
Mahtomedi Area	5,550	60		4	14	- 10	60
Mankato	30,000	76	1	10	11	- 1	77
Maplewood	18,500	36					36
Minneapolis	485,000	1075	2	148	165	- 25	1079
Minnnetonka	30,000	97		18	35	- 17	97
Moorhead	23,000	78		21	7	plus 14	78
New Brighton (Prov.)	10,000	62					62
New Ulm	12,500	30		5	5		30
Northfield (Prov.)	8,000	55	1				56
North St. Paul	10,000	26		8	4	plus 4	26
Owatonna	14,000	52		10	3	" 7	52
Redwing	10,528	43	1	3	5	- 2	44
Sub Total or Total	675,256	1,802	5	240	273	- 33	1,807

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RAMSEY							
Richfield	46,000	72		11	15	- 4	72
Robbinsdale	18,243	43		7	6	plus 1	43
Rochester	47,000	213	1	39	51	- 12	214
Roseville	29,500	120	4	45	38	plus 7	124
St. Anthony	7,170	58		5	10	- 5	58
St. Cloud	35,000	63					63
St. Croix Valley	10,000	53		12	11	plus 1	53
St. Louis Park	48,000	180		56	36	plus 20	180
St. Paul	350,000	416	4	23	113	- 80	420
St. Peter	8,484	49		10	8	plus 2	49
Shoreview	8,480	45		10	9	" 1	45
Silver Bay	3,723	39		4	11	- 9	39
South St. Paul	25,000	36		4	18	- 14	36
Virginia	14,000	38		5	4	plus 1	38
Sub Total or Total	650,600	1,425	9	231	330	- 99	1,434

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Wayzata	15,000	68		19	17	plus 2	68
Wells	3,000	23					23
Westonka	7,000	50		2	15	- 13	50
West St. Paul	17,000	95	4	20	12	plus 8	99
White Bear Lake	19,410	90		15	32	- 17	90
Willmar	12,000	57		15	12	plus 3	57
Winona	26,771	78	2	16	25	- 9	80
Worthington	11,000	50		7	4	plus 3	50
	111,181	511	6	94	117	- 23	517
Sub Total or Total	2,119,602	5,651	31	874	1,038	- 162	5,682

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INTER - LEAGUE GROUPS

Please list the inter-League groups in your state (county councils, metropolitan councils, etc.), EXCEPT those set up to implement the national WATER item. Include the names of the Leagues in each inter-League group, the name and address of the chairman, and the League program and/or other activities carried on by the inter-League group.

Council of Metropolitan Area Leagues - 33 member Leagues - Anoka, Arden Hills, Bloomington, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Blaine (prov.), Columbia Heights, Crystal, Deephaven, Edina-Morningside, Excelsior, Falcon Heights, Fridley, Golden Valley, Mahomet Area, Maplewood, Minneapolis, Minnetonka, New Brighton, North St. Paul, Richfield, Robbinsdale, Roseville, St. Anthony, St. Croix Valley, St. Louis Park, St. Paul, Shoreview, South St. Paul, Wayzata, Westoka, West St. Paul, White Bear Lake.

The Council chairman for 1965-66: Mrs. A. H. Seymour, 2600 W. 102nd St., Mpls.
CMAL Program:

In June 1965 CMAL reached agreement on criteria for intergovernmental cooperation in the metropolitan area as follows:

Efficiency and Economy - Adequate public services should be provided at reasonable costs without overlapping and duplication among units of government.

Financing - The costs of area-wide services should be distributed fairly among all citizens.

Responsive to the Electorate - The government structure should be simplified, rather than complicated, so the responsibility for performance of functions is understood by citizens and government is accessible to citizens.

Citizen Control - There should be provision to maximize citizen participation and control.

Flexibility - There should be ~~maximum flexibility~~ sufficient flexibility in scope and authority to adjust to future growth and development patterns.

They further agreed that:

1. When evaluating procedures for intergovernmental cooperation, consideration should be given to acceptability by the voters and the state legislature, and to whether or not the functions are being handled successfully by existing levels of government.

2. County reform may not be the solution to problems of metropolitan development but county government should be strengthened so the county can operate more efficiently and be more responsive to the voters.

This spring this criteria was communicated to all local officials, legislators, board members, etc. who were working on or interested in metropolitan problems. At the 1965 Convention the new Program was adopted: Transportation in the Twin City metropolitan area. This is a two year study.

This spring CMAL published an excellent booklet for general distribution: Minnesota's Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. This is part of a long-range Voters Service program to acquaint citizens throughout the area on what is involved in governing the metropolitan area. 25,000 booklets were published to be sold by all the local Leagues in the area.

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- 1) Has your state League an office? **Yes**

Address: State Organization Service, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

Is it permanent? **Yes.** (We have a committee investigating other facilities. University growth may force us to leave State Organization Service.)

Do you share it with a local League? **No**

How many rooms? **2** Describe briefly. One very large room with long counter and large amount of built-in cabinet space. One smaller inner office. Located in old public school owned by the University and at the edge of the campus. This is our third location in 3 years, and we expect to have to move again this summer. We have a large room available for meetings without cost.

Do you make use of volunteer help on a regular basis? **Yes** How is this organized?

Former executive secretary helps regularly with bookkeeping.

- 2) Give name of staff person(s) and brief description of staff job(s), (indicate full or part time).

Mrs. Howard Krageland, Executive Secretary, full time. Handles major portion of typing and almost all of the handling of publications. The executive secretary works closely with the Program chairman on the state Board and the President. She assists the volunteer mentioned above with bookkeeping.

Mrs. Robert Thompson, Organization Secretary, full time. Works closely with organization chairman on the state Board and the local Leagues. She also works with Veterans Service chairman, state action chairman and public relations chairman.

- 3) List dates of state Board meetings 1965-66. Indicate if pre- or post-Convention or Council.

April 15, 1965; May 20, 1965 - post-Convention; June 16, 1965; August 18, 1965; September 15, 1965; October 20, 1965; November 17, 1965; December 15, 1965; January 19, 1966; February 23, 1966; March 16, 1966.

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STATE SERVICES TO LOCAL LEAGUES

- 1) Is there a Membership Chairman on your state Board? If your state Board has given help to local Leagues in the field of membership expansion, describe fully. Attach any materials not already sent to the national office.

- 2) What kinds of services (in addition to those described in question 1) has your state Board provided your local Leagues during the past year?
 - a) Local Board training X ^{as needed}? All local Leagues _____? How is this carried out? Please attach any materials that are available.

 - b) Do you have consultants, advisers, or coordinators _____? How are they selected? How are they trained? Other comments? Please attach any materials that are available.

 - c) Have you held workshops or conferences for your local Leagues yes? On what subjects? Please attach agendas and reports if available.

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STATE SERVICES TO LOCAL LEAGUES (Continued)

3. AID TO LEAGUES WITH LIMITED MEMBERSHIP

- a) Please describe any special service you gave to the smaller Leagues in your state. Did you supply additional help in program coverage? Arrange for assistance by another local League or cooperative work? Have you employed any technique for small Leagues which you would recommend to other states?

- b) Did any small League in your state do exceptionally well in covering total program? How do you account for its success? Have any small Leagues attempted modifications in their structure, procedures or activities? With what success?

1. The responsibilities for membership are a total Board responsibility, but specific assistance is usually channelled through our Organization Co-chairmen. All of our activities have been directed toward helping to build membership, which has been dropping in all of our Leagues. We have stressed the importance of keeping the members we have through better unit meetings, providing publications for every member use, planning sessions, discussion guides, etc. Our Program Coordinator has been meeting with the local Leagues to help them in carrying out Program so that members will have a more satisfying experience. We still have a long way to go in this respect. Recruiting new members has to be continually promoted.
2. a) We have provided local Board training on a limited basis this past year. Our Organization Co-chairmen are both new to the Board and to this area of state responsibility but have worked with the Organization Secretary and our 1st Vice President (former Organization Chairman) - because they were new to the job we stressed "do-it-yourself" Board training by the local League presidents at their training workshop in May 1965. Special help was then given to those Leagues who changed leadership or were not represented at the workshop. Where help was needed in a specific area, one of the Organization Co-chairmen would visit the League with the state Board member most expert in that problem area.
- b) We have state Board consultants for all local Leagues. Consultants are assigned by the state President with all Board members (except the two Organization Co-chairmen) responsible for three to six Leagues. Assignments are made for the benefit of the local Leagues, ease of travel and also to give the Board members insight into activities in a variety of Leagues. The rest of the Leagues are assigned to the Organization Co-chairmen; these include those with special problems and newly recognized Leagues. Provisional Leagues' advisors are carefully selected from the League serving as adopt-a-League sponsor. Last fall a special training session was held for all advisors. There is usually close communication with advisors so that the organization committee and the Board are well-informed of activities in provisional Leagues.
- c) Presidents Workshop - afternoon and evening preceeding 1965 State Convention - training for new presidents.
Local Program Workshops - five area workshops in October 1965.
Budget Building Workshop - December 1965.
Financing State Government Workshops now in progress.
Material relating to above workshops attached.

3. a) Since the majority of our Leagues would be considered "small Leagues" to anyone outside of Minnesota, all of our service could be considered geared to the smaller League. The assistance we give in Program coverage is geared to the unit, for we feel that, regardless of the size of the League, the unit is the important element. Although small Leagues do not have a formal planning session, we encourage larger resource committees, use of the discussion outlines provided and use of discussion leaders other than the resource person. Our units are generally no larger than 20 members so that the units can meet in any member's home, and all members will feel important to the unit and therefore attend regularly.

By providing more appealing printed publications and promoting every-member use we feel our members are becoming better prepared to participate in unit discussions and consensus.

Our Leagues in the metropolitan area cooperate a great deal on general meetings with outstanding speakers. Minneapolis is very generous in inviting other Leagues to send resource people to their planning sessions, Program workshops, etc.

Our best technique is to appreciate everything the small League does - never talk down to them as if they were unimportant. We try to steer away from "standards", "basics", etc., so that they are not made to feel "guilty" or frustrated as they do become informed and do contribute to better government in their communities and do a great deal to influence other citizens to become informed and participate in government.

If Program is to be the only motivation for the local Leagues there is no place in our organization for the small Leagues in Minnesota. We believe they have a great deal to contribute besides Program coverage in depth - some are more successful than others. The unsuccessful, unhappy, frustrated Leagues are those whose leaders have bogged down over Program coverage because they were not able to discipline themselves or accept their limitations (and not because someone didn't do it for them).

- b) Many of our so-called small Leagues of 50 members have done quite well in covering total Program along with all their other League activities. The Leagues which have two meetings a month (unfortunately we do not have many of these) do better than others. The member-at-large proposal should lead to further frustration and real problems for our organization committee. It would also add to our problems of action on the state level as we try to coordinate activities in the legislative districts.

We are looking forward to discussing this with the national team in June. Our problems are not so much with Program coverage as they are with so many "little Leagues" in the metropolitan area. This creates problems for the state to service so many local League Boards. We find so many overlapping areas of governmental jurisdiction and complexities which these Leagues are not coping with - at the same time they do not want to lose their local identity.

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(Please total all these columns)

Name of League; indicate whether local or provisional	Goal of Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66	Amount Raised in Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66	Number of Contributions			No. of all gifts rec'd of					Total No. of Work- ers	Did this League have a bona fide Finance Drive? If not, why not?
			Mem- bers	Non-Memb. Individ- uals	Business Firms	\$5 to \$10	\$10 to \$25	\$25 to \$50	\$50 to \$100	Over \$100		
Albert Lea	225.00	195.00	7		11	15	3				3	No. Trouble getting C of C permission
Alexandria	443.00	386.00		41		21	20				16	Yes
Anoka	500.00	550.00	2	8	127	118	19				26	Yes
Arden Hills	250.00	415.50	18	22	15	8	3	2			20	Yes
Austin												Not really Long-time resistance
Battle Lake												No
Bemidji	310.00	331.50	7	15	21	13	14	3			9	Yes
Elaine (Prov.)	252.50	289.00										Yes
Bloomington	1000.00	1111.00	4	22	100	44	48	7	2		43	Yes
Brainerd	350.00	300.00		1								Yes
Brooklyn Center	730.00	799.50	32	10	65	39	18	6	3		28	Yes
Brooklyn Park (Prov.)	330.00	528.04	7		65	22	18	4	1		14	Yes
Buffalo												No Member resistance
Cass Lake	100.00	126.00	9	14	8	15	2				3	Yes
Chisholm	350.00	213.50	1		58	21	1				10	Businessmen group refused permission
Sub Total or Total	4750.50	5243.54	87	133	470	316	146	22	6		172	

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Cloquet (Prov.)	262.50	136.00	16			14	2				12	Yes, but poorly organized
Columbia Heights	330.00	400.00			60	18	20	2			19	Yes
Crookston (Prov.)	360.00	402.00	6								14	Yes
Crystal	540.00	424.00	6		93	35	10	2			32	Yes
Deephaven	300.00	365.00	1	66	2	39	4	3			18	Yes
Duluth	1800.00	1790.50	43	144	52	97	86	11	2		51	Yes
Edina-Morningside	1550.00	1575.00	80	84	26	85	21	1	3		131	Yes
Excelsior	265.00	266.00	11	3	56	29	6				12	Yes
Falcon Heights	295.00	245.49	38	3	17	20	1				18	Yes, plus proj.
Faribault	125.00	152.00		10	10						1	No - only by mail
Fridley	575.00	600.00	22	25	45	37	16	4			51	Yes
Fergus Falls												
Golden Valley	650.00	702.25	2	24	42						55	Yes
Granite Falls	285.00	300.00	25	10	75	110					24	Yes
Hibbing	700.00	(not comp.) 654.50			102	48	22	5			16	Yes
Sub Total or Total	8037.50	8012.74	234	385	580	552	188	28	5		452	

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Hutchinson	125.00	228.25	19	3	15	6	10				12	Yes, limited
International Falls	500.00	409.00	8	28	35	31	14	9			25	Yes
Jackson	202.50	132.17	4		3	4						No
Mahtomedi Area	635.00	519.00	24	80	13	19	1				34	Yes
Mankato	600.00	600.00	7	2	78	36	33	2			37	Yes
Maplewood	480.00	430.00	19	3	37	16	9	5	2		20	Yes
Minneapolis	7600.00	7461.50	331	100	167	64	175	74	24	14	209	Yes
Minnetonka	705.00	516.00				13	8	1	2		40	Yes
Moorhead	500.00	616.00	2	19	76	48	26				39	Yes
New Brighton (Prov.)	327.50	471.00	5		45	21	10	4		1	32	Yes
New Ulm	430.00	294.26		25	11	9	18					No, all by mail
Northfield (Prov.)	302.50	838.50	1	20	21	18	10	4	2	2	26	Yes
North St. Paul	345.00	300.00	2		65	40	4				12	Yes
Owatonna	550.00	650.00	1		87	41	26	4			37	Yes
Sub Total or Total	13,302.50	13,465.68	423	280	653	366	344	103	30	17	523	

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Red Wing	550.00	630.00	9	14	64	38	19	7	1		16	Yes
Richfield	350.00	367.50	1	6	46	26	10	1	1		47	Yes
Robbinsdale	410.00	460.00	9	10	68	43	14	2			25	Yes
Rochester	1875.00	1852.00			168	75	65	10	4		50	Yes
Roseville	850.00	470.00	6	11	29	24	6	1			7	Yes, but far be- low their usual effort
St. Anthony	405.00	489.00	37	20	38	27	24	1	1		35	Yes
St. Cloud												Yes
St. Croix Valley	475.00	490.00	3	2	50	17	35	3			32	Yes
St. Louis Park	1000.00	1200.50	4	2	176	118	7		1		88	Yes
St. Paul	5000.00	4500.00										Yes
St. Peter	475.00	542.00	2	33	35	44	25				27	Yes
Shoreview	500.00	478.39	30	106	6	141		1			38	No Civic Fair
Silver Bay	315.00	354.50	5	41	23	30	8	1			17	Yes
South St. Paul	515.00	506.00		3	57	32	17	2	1		19	Yes
Virginia	300.00	452.50			85	73	12				23	Yes
Sub Total or Total	13,020.00	12,842.39	106	248	845	686	242	29	9		424	

* If form filled in before drive held, use estimated figures based on last year's drive.

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STATE LEAGUE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT*
(Please total all these columns)

Name of League; indicate whether local or provisional	Goal of Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66	Amount Raised in Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66	Number of Contributions			No. of all gifts rec'd of					Total No. of Work- ers	Did this League have a bona fide Finance Drive? If not, why not?
			Mem- bers	Non-Memb. Individ- uals	Business Firms	\$5 to \$10	\$10 to \$25	\$25 to \$50	\$50 to \$100	Over \$100		
Wayzata	640.00	662.05	25	46	33	72	31		1		26	Yes
Wells												
Westonka	430.00	501.00	5	36	46	40	3	1				Yes
West St. Paul	500.00	643.00	6	18	45	40	15	2	1	1	42	Yes
White Bear Lake	810.00	768.50	5	55	74	86	2	2	2		26	Yes
Willmar	465.00	505.00	6	83		52	18	1			12	Yes
Winona	Did not use figures from last year's drive. Felt they were not indicative since they were provisional last year.											Yes
Worthington	One drive every 4 years. Will have one in 1966.											
Sub total	2845.00	3080.00	47	238	198	290	69	6	3	1	106	
XXXXXXX Sub Total or Total	41,955.50	42,644.35	897	1294	2746	2190	909	108	53	18	1677	

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STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. What services (letters, visits, publications, workshops, state-wide promotion, etc.) has the state Board provided for local Leagues in connection with the following? Please describe briefly and attach sample materials if possible.

- a) Budget building (designate whether for local or state budgets, or both).
State Budget Building Day was attended by representatives of local Leagues. Stressed the new budget forms and how to build a budget. Reasons for and how to make a budget on the local and state level. Please see below.
- b) Fund raising.

~~FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S~~

- Minnesota VOTER, Board Memos, letters to individual Leagues and visits provided service and advice.**
2. Has your state Board offered advice or recommended procedures in connection with the following:

- a) Dues: Does your state League recommend \$7.50 dues? yes If so, how many Leagues have raised dues to at least \$7.50 1? **Several have dues of \$6.00 and \$6.50.**
If your state does not recommend \$7.50 dues, what does it recommend in regard to dues, and what improvement has resulted?

This is the first year we have encouraged \$7.50 dues. Many Leagues have proposed increases for next year indicating good acceptance of this goal.

- b) Pledges for state-national services (for both local and provisional Leagues): How do you help Leagues arrive at a pledge which represents a fair share of the support needed?

State Budget Committee sets suggested pledges based on local Leagues' age, financial health, size, location. If a local League indicates it cannot accept the suggested pledge, the state Board ~~XXXX~~ consultant or Budget Committee work with the League to help them understand the need for the additional support of state and national services.

3. If any local League (or Leagues) in your state have had an outstanding finance drive, please describe in some detail the ingredients of their success.

Several Leagues have had really outstanding drives. Some of the ideal ingredients seem to be enthusiastic workers, well organized drive, active league in the community so the citizens are aware of their value, good public relations and a financially able town.

1. a) (cont'd.) Articles in the Minnesota VOTER and in Board Memos. Letters of encouragement and advice sent to individual Leagues throughout the year. Visits to local Leagues. Six-month budget report.

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STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (Continued)

4. What do you consider the real problems or successes connected with budget-building in your state? Describe briefly.

Member education and participation. The member must realize where the money goes and how much is necessary. They need to learn more about building a budget and raising the needed money in order to carry out their League program. Our Leagues continue to carry large sums in "reserve" and are very reluctant to increase support for state and national services. Those Leagues represented at Budget Building Day seemed very receptive, but "back home" they were not able to get the message across. The loss in membership this year has influenced the financial picture. It is difficult to get them to show optimism in planning for growth. We have a conservative group when it comes to spending money!

5. List names of any nationwide business firms which have contributed to Leagues within your state. If they have contributed to more than one League in your state, indicate how many Leagues.

Please see attached sheet.

Amalgamated Clothing Workers
American Linen Co.
Archer-Daniels-Midland
Baker Properties, Inc.
F.M.C. Corp.
The Gelco Corp.
Honeywell, Inc.
International Milling
Investors Diversified Services
Jefferson Transportation Co.
Maico Electronics Co.
Malt-O-Meal Co.
Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith
New England Mutual Ins. Co.
Northrup, King & Co.
Paine, Webber, Jackson & Curtis
Peavey Co.
Pillsbury Co.
Powers Dry Goods Co.
Ralston Purina Co.
Sears, Roebuck & Co.
Toro Mfg. Co.
J.C. Penneys
Coca Cola
Northwestern Bell Telephone
John Deere
Thermo King
Control Data
National Foods
McDonalds Rest.
Transistor Electronics Corp.
Metro U. S. Const. Co.
Krogers
General Mills
Paki, Inc.
Super Valu Stores
Red Owl
Federated Paper Co.
Tampo Discount

Honeyhead
Ben Franklin
Coast to Coast
Rexall Drug
Walgreen Drug
Belton Hearing Service
Construction Laborers Union
Goodyear Tire Co.
Hammond Organs
Holiday Inn of America
I.B.M.
Montgomery Ward
Osco Payless Drug
Pepsi Cola
Piper, Jaffrey & Hopwood
7-Up Bottling Co.
F.W. Woolworth
Pittsburgh Plate Glass
Jostens
VFW
Univac
Minn. & Wis. Truck Lines
Pilgrim Cleaners
Culligan Soft Water Service
Maytag Co.
Nash Finch
National Lead Co.
S & L
Westinghouse
John M. Galbreath Co.
Armour's
Gold Bond Stamp Co.
Holiday House
Reynolds Metals
Standard Conveyor Co.

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STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

STATE LEAGUE (See explanation of items on reverse side)	1964-65	Estimated 1965-66
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Income

1. Local Leagues Support	\$ 31,649	\$ 33,735
2. Contributions direct to state	341	328
3. All other receipts	397	124
4. From Reserve		
5. TOTAL INCOME	\$ 32,387	\$ 34,187

Expenditures

6. General Administration	\$ 14,087	\$ 14,810
7. Direct Services to Local Leagues	2,904	3,995
8. National Support	13,000	14,525
9. All other disbursements	1,450	230
10. TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 31,441	\$ 33,590

CASH STATEMENT

11. Cash balance on hand (including savings) at beginning of year	4/1/65	\$ 10,373
12. Estimated cash balance on hand (including savings) at close	of year, 3/31/66	\$ 10,970

LOCAL AND PROVISIONAL LEAGUES

Income

Dues	\$ 25,237	\$ 26,150
Member Contributions	5,422	7,212
Non-Member Contributions (Individuals & Business)	32,796	39,368
Other Receipts (total of 4a), b), c), d), from Local League reports)	17,301	8,410
Drawn from Reserves (total of 5a) and b) from Local League reports)	5,602	10,110
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 86,358	\$ 91,250

Expenditures

Local Work	\$ 51,572	\$ 56,398
State and national services	31,844	33,735
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 83,416	\$ 90,133

CASH STATEMENT

Total of local Leagues'

Balances on hand (including savings) at beginning of year	4/1/65	\$ 48,495
Estimated balances (including savings) on hand at close of year,	3/31/66	\$ 42,765
How much of the estimated balance is earmarked?		\$

Note: We are aware that the state Board must receive local League figures by March 15. We suggest you reassure your local Leagues that their figures may be based on their best estimates.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT STATE TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME

1. Local League Support: Include both pledge support and additional gifts from local Leagues.
2. Contributions Direct To State: Show any gifts made directly to the state League from other than local League sources.
3. All Other Receipts: Include dues from members-at-large, net profit from publications or other activities.
4. From Reserve: Fill in this figure only if funds were drawn from: a) Earmarked Reserves for state and national Convention or Council delegates' expenses, for special publications or for equipment etc., or b) drawn from savings to balance expenses.

EXPENDITURES

6. General Administration: Include cost of President, Board, Delegates, Legislative costs, Operating costs, Salaries, Public Relations costs, Fees, or net cost from the operation of Council or Convention.
7. Direct Service to Local Leagues: Include cost of field travel, conferences, free organization materials; also net cost of any state publications or any national publications.
8. National Support: State pledge plus any additional gifts made to national.
9. All Other Disbursements: Any expenses not included in 6, 7, and 8.
11. Cash Balance, 4/1/65: Include total of all cash in all savings and all checking accounts.
12. Estimated Cash Balance, 3/31/66: You will arrive at this figure by adding 5, (Total Income, 65-66) and 11, (Cash Balance, 4/1/65) and then subtracting 10 (Total Expenditures, 65-66).

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INCOME FROM

EXPENDITURES FOR

Name of League; indicate whether local or provisional	Members		Non-Members		Other Receipts 4 a), b), c), d)*	Total Drawn From Reserve 5 a), b)*	Local Disbursement	State and National Support
	Dues	Member Contributions	Individuals	Business Firms, etc.				
Albert Lea								200
Alexandria	145	1.00		335.50	19.02		164.08	215
Anoka	195	17.00	22.00	511.00			336.53	400
Arden Hills	290	94.00	86.50	200.00	25.33		237.60	305
Austin								715
Battle Lake	90	25.00	10.00	10.50			47.00	85
Bemidji	225	42.50	95.00	194.00		13.50	250.00	320
*Blaine								125
Bloomington	486	22.00	139.00	950.00	53.59	65.78	1,122.21	655
Brainerd	110					155.00	103.81	125
Brooklyn Center	240	80.00		800.00	40.00		630.00	430
Brooklyn Park	175	21.04		507.00	84.50		510.00	175
Buffalo	95	2.25		130.00			113.00	100
Cass Lake	76	32.00	52.00	42.00	10.89	81.46	199.35	95
Chisholm	172	62.90		211.50	32.20		325.00	175
Sub Total or Total	2299	399.69	404.50	3,891.50	265.53	315.74	4,038.58	4,120

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INCOME FROM					EXPENDITURES FOR			
Name of League; indicate whether local or provisional	Members		Non-Members		Other Receipts 4 a), b), c), d)*	Total Drawn From Reserve 5 a), b)*	Local Disburse- ment	State and National Support
	Dues	Member Contribu- tions	Individuals	Business Firms, etc.				
*Cloquet	235	34.00	136.00		10.00		220.00	125
Columbia Heights	135	28.65		400.00	89.50	284.03	650.86	160
*Crookston								100
Crystal	275	15.05		413.00	36.50	45.00	418.31	300
Deephaven								345
Duluth	1320	530.00	1,790.50		229.55	450.00	2,620.05	1700
Edina-Morningside	1120	253.00	796.00	526.00	430.00	793.00	2,500.00	1500
Excelsior	235	274.70	11.00	255.00	6.20	171.00	834.07	300
Falcon Heights	238	34.75	25.00	110.00	80.49		112.23	200
Faribault	185		77.00	75.00	85.40		140.35	160
Fergus Falls	160	70.00	240.00	25.00	215.04		251.15	290
Fridley	363	100.00	140.00	^{451.00} 481.00	14.94		680.53	350
Golden Valley	475	133.50	142.00	421.75	121.39		511.69	575
Granite Falls;	156	85.00	20.00	180.00	218.80		310.50	200
Hibbing	226			709.50		59.67	423.96	425
Sub Total or Total	7422	1,958.34	3,782.00	7,457.75	1,803.34	2,118.44	13,712.28	10,850

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EXPENDITURES FOR

Name of League; indicate whether local or provisional	Members		Non-Members		Other Receipts 4 a), b), c), d)*	Total Drawn From Reserve 5 a), b)*	Local Disbursement	State and National Support
	Dues	Member Contributions	Individuals	Business Firms, etc.				
Hutchinson	130	17.55	19.00	172.00	54.25		168.77	115
International Falls	240	99.97	165.00	259.00	277.65		1,142.35	200
Jackson	57	17.60			13.00	71.25	146.75	95
Mahtomedi Area	320	121.00	310.00	88.00	13.10	50.00	450.99	390
Mankato	380	116.70	15.00	611.50	240.20		993.10	280
Maplewood								375
Minneapolis	6300	2,550.00	3,087.00	4,263.00	4,350.00	3,450.00	17,000.00	7,000
Minnetonka	600	100.00		605.00	65.00	75.00	810.00	620
Moorhead	438	10.00	91.00	515.00	34.83		669.29	300
New Brighton	320	20.00		471.00	45.76		676.35	125
New Ulm	135	37.76	158.50	98.00	86.25		358.39	175
North St. Paul	119	4.00		270.00	8.50		178.93	245
*Northfield	295	15.00	336.00	722.50			1,118.50	125
Owatonna	230	6.50		643.50	55.25		630.18	380
Red Wing	330	24.00		680.00	19.90	195.00	520.59	355
Richfield	357	46.02	23.00	334.50	120.05	4.41	335.48	550
Sub Total or Total	17673	5344.44	7,986.50	17,190.75	7,187.08	5,964.12	38,911.95	22,180

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EXPENDITURES FOR

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	Dues	Member Contributions	Individuals	Business Firms, etc.				
Robbinsdale	215	48.00	60.00	352.00	16.19		359.19	320
Rochester	950	120.00		1,732.00	290.00		1,470.00	1,500
Roseville	580	145.70	118.00	407.00	292.00	5.24	747.94	800
St. Anthony	290	34.50		489.50	22.47		400.00	300
St. Cloud	360	40.00		750.00		53.00	900.37	450
St. Croix Valley								340
St. Louis Park	875	14.25	11.00	786.50	99.81		1,182.15	880
St. Paul	2050	1,140.00		4,348.00	100.00	2,537.00	7,025.00	3,150
St. Peter	193	10.00	262.00	214.50	63.00		605.00	210
Shoreview	190	108.89	264.50	105.00	74.00		811.36	210
Silver Bay	185	32.78	147.50	162.00	10.00	87.72	400.00	225
South St. Paul	180		20.00	488.00			366.91	400
Virginia	148			452.50	18.00	212.70	294.76	230
Wayzata	252	109.50	295.55	257.00	5.44	150.00	528.47	425
Wells								495
Sub Total or Total	24141	6,948.06	9,165.05	27,734.75	8,177.99	9,009.78	54,003.10	31,715

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	Dues	Member Contributions	Individuals	Business Firms, etc.				
West St. Paul	425	50.00		450.00	60.00	766.72	620.00	430
Westonka	240	52.85		461.00	74.18		517.10	300
White Bear Lake	420	33.50	280.50	454.50	48.49	93.50	655.80	575
Willmar	370	20.00	505.00		34.00	129.19	548.69	310
Winona	410	83.00		317.50		10.49	545.49	275
Worthington	144	25.00			14.86	100.00	112.95	130
Sub Total or Total	26150	7212.41	9950.55	29417.75	8409.52	10109.68	57003.13	33735

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - APPORTIONMENT

1. List and describe the kinds of helps provided by the state Board for this national item.

A state study last year and the excellent national material left little need for additional material from the state Board. Local Leagues continued to use Apportionment in Minnesota 1965, published the previous year. We did keep local Leagues posted on current developments through our Board Memo. In addition, we prepared a discussion outline for unit meetings.

2. If your state has a state program item on apportionment, did you find the earlier study a help or a hindrance in arriving at a national consensus?

Please explain.

Our state study was definitely an asset. Since we had just completed our state study, local Leagues had a reservoir of informed women-power to handle the emergency item. Members had much basic information already, were interested, and reacted favorably to the national item. In fact, the transition from the state study to the national study was so smooth that most members were hardly aware that it was an emergency item. Since our state study had proved inconclusive on the question of whether Minnesota should have an area factor in one house if this became permissible, League members were glad to have another chance to look at the question from a slightly different angle. This time we, as a state, did reach a consensus for population apportionment.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - APPORTIONMENT (Continued)

3. Report in brief activities that have been going on in your state, legislative or judicial, in the area of reapportionment.

1959 - Minnesota apportioned itself for the first time since 1913.

1964 - A suit was brought in Federal Court challenging the 1959 apportionment on the grounds that it did not meet federal constitutional standards. The Court declared the 1959 apportionment invalid.

1965 - The legislature passed an apportionment bill which was vetoed by the Democratic governor on the grounds that the bill had too great population disparities and that it was a partisan gerrymander by a Republican legislature. The governor's power to veto apportionment bills was questioned (based on confusing constitutional language) in lower state court which said he couldn't. The decision was appealed to the Supreme Court which upheld his power. The original plaintiffs then readressed the Federal Court asking the Court to reapportion. The Court said there was still ample time for the legislature to act but kept the case under advisement.

1966 - The governor reactivated a bi-partisan commission which has come up with a plan. The governor has stated he will not call a special session without some prior agreement of both parties to a plan. Republicans have said they won't commit themselves to a plan in advance. At this time it is quite possible that we may have a special session for reapportionment after Easter.

4. Comment on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national materials.

One word "excellent". Although Minnesota opposed the adoption of this item and even had some question about one of the discussion questions as outlined in the first National Board Memo, we have been most pleased with everything that has been done since then. The kit was balanced and helpful; the Voter article was well written and an excellent every-member tool. The statement of position arrived promptly and is a beautiful exposition of population apportionment. Our membership has regarded this as a most satisfying item. However, a number of our Leagues, primarily in outstate communities, do support a non-population factor in apportionment. Several of these Leagues felt the National Board Report gave inadequate mention of minority feeling.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

1. How would you evaluate the work of your local Leagues on the Human Resources item?

They did well. They addressed themselves to the problem forthrightly. They sought to find answers to questions they did not know. They were honest in their criticism of the state and national materials presented. They made good use of the materials presented to them as aids.

Considering how lukewarmly the Leagues of this state could have approached this problem (of. population studies), they have more than accounted for themselves in their evaluations of the criteria.

2. Has any member of your state Board served in local or state programs related to the Human Resources item? If so, in what capacity? In what ways, if any, has the League benefitted from this kind of activity?

One Vice President serves as a member of the state Indian Affairs Commission.

One member of the Board of Directors serves on a committee to decide whether the Governor's Human Rights Commission (volunteer) and the State Commission Against Discrimination should be merged.

The League benefits from wider contacts and better understanding of other people's thinking, but the programs benefit even more from these League leaders' contributions.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES (Continued)

3. What kind of guidance on the Human Resources item did your state Board give to local Leagues? workshops? written communications? mimeographed or printed publications? other? Please attach workshop agendas.

We gave publications showing where our state stood in comparison to the federal government in legislation in the Human Resources field. We also published a book, Human Resources: Minnesota's Changing Patterns, showing in very clear perspective where Minnesota stood in every aspect of this subject.

A basic discussion guide was provided for use in units and guidance was provided in our Board Memo. Local Leagues were given information on meetings of other groups and organizations.

4. Comment on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national materials.

As with our state materials, alas, the reports all too frequently were that national materials were late. There was probably more criticism of the national materials on this item than we have ever heard. The list of criteria for consensus consideration may have accounted for this. The scope of the item has been too broad so the material has seemed to lack specific direction.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - UNITED NATIONS AND FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

1. How would you evaluate the work of your local Leagues under the foreign policy CAs?

ICY The local Leagues did a good job on ICY. Many of them had ICY projects last fall, too numerous to list. There were activities through newspapers, schools, churches, window displays, international dinners, etc. A great deal of interest was displayed in these projects. Disappointments were expressed that there was so little publicity in our local newspapers about the White House Conference on ICY.

Other U.N. Activity

Most of the local Leagues in Minnesota held meetings on the UN item. Many of them complain that their workload is so overwhelming that they were not able to give adequate time to this item during the past year.

Trade

Testified before the House Agriculture Committee in opposition to three bills requiring labeling of imported meats. Bills did not reach the floor.

Aid

Very little was done on this item in Minnesota except to respond to the Times for Action on foreign economic aid. Tapes were used in many communities, but they felt some of these were too old.

Other

In the Twin Cities metropolitan area there were numerous conferences and seminars relating to the UN and U.S. foreign economic policy. The most widely attended were the "Pathways to Peace Conference" in October, sponsored by 25 organizations and institutions in the area including the LWV; the meeting on ICY observance, sponsored by the Twin Cities group of Women United for the UN; and the three-day Minnesota Conference (OVER) on Red China in Feb., sponsored by the World Affairs Center, U. of M. Representatives of Leagues throughout the state attended these meetings. Local Leagues made frequent use of radio, newspapers, etc., to inform the public of League positions.

2. What kind of guidance on the foreign policy CAs did your state Board give to local Leagues? workshops? written communications? subject matter material? other? Please include materials not already sent to national office, especially workshop agendas.

State Board representatives, when they were invited, talked to local Leagues through their consultants and visitors about national CAs. The state Board has had a representative at each meeting of the local UN Assn. and the World Affairs Center of the U. of M. and has been represented at many of the meetings mentioned on page 17 of this report. No workshops were planned on these CAs, but there were frequent written communications to the local Leagues from the state Board about the CAs.

The state Board has been busy during the past month setting up Times for Action committees in our eight congressional districts. The committees consist of a representative from each local League in the district and a coordinator for each district who will help the representatives from the local Leagues respond to Times for Action by meeting with them, by exchanging ideas and techniques, by passing on to them information about their Congressman's positions on League issues and by stressing the importance of sending carbon copies of their responses to the national and state offices. The state office has prepared information about the Congressman's stands on League positions and sent this to the coordinator in each district and to the presidents of the local Leagues. We have high hopes for the success of these committees, which should improve communications and keep us better informed on League contacts with our Congressmen. We also hope that through these committees our members will be better acquainted with their Representatives. (Hopefully, too, the Congressional Interviews will be better handled in the future.)

3. Comment, if you wish, on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national foreign policy materials.

Local Leagues in Minnesota almost unanimously found the guidance of the national Board excellent and were most enthusiastic about national foreign policy materials. The materials most often praised were:

National Board Reports
Facts and Issues
Current Reviews of Foreign Policy
Pocket Reference - The UN - IGY

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - WATER RESOURCES

1. What has your state League done under the national water item during this year?

The state Water Resources chairman attended:

Milwaukee Water Resources meeting

Minneapolis Water Forum (the second forum was attended by the state President and 1st Vice President)

Department of Conservation meeting explaining the Land and Water Fund for Minnesota

Attended hearing on pollution of the Red River - HEM. A statement was sent in to be included in the report of the hearing.

Hearing on Classification of Minnesota Surface Waters.

Sent in statement. Local Leagues were urged to attend hearings held in their areas.

This past year articles pertaining to water resource management in Minnesota under federal legislation were included in the Minnesota VOTER. The title used was Follow-up.

State chairman spoke to two Leagues in the Red River Basin. Discussed water legislation with Rep. Langen, and he has been sending information to help understanding of the Water Resources Planning Act. Other Minnesota Congressmen were interviewed by other League members.

Our biggest project was working with representatives on the Land and Water Seminar under the LWV Education Fund. This was the Northern Upper Mississippi Basin. Because it was held in Minnesota and this was the most populous section of the basin, Minnesota people played a key role in committee assignments. It was an excellent public relations effort with the many agencies who contributed faculty and resource materials. The biggest challenge is yet to come as we go into the follow-up period.

I am very pleased with the increased amount of interest indicated by local League reports. They have been using films, outside resource people, tours, articles and, most of all, the national publications. I do feel that the publications from our national office have done a great deal to stimulate the interest in this item. When this item was not scheduled, it was usually only because of lack of time.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - WATER RESOURCES (Continued)

2. If your League has a state water CA or CR, what has your League done under it this year?

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NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Please describe any action the state League has taken on HOME RULE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Letters to our Senators and Representatives
Reminders to local Leagues to respond to Times for Action.
State-wide press release on the March 29 campaign.

2. Was there a resolution in your legislature to limit or abolish the national income tax? ☒ Yes, ☐ No. If so was it coupled with a proposal to reduce the President's power in negotiation of treaties and international agreements? ☒ Yes, ☐ No.

- a) If there was any such resolution introduced, what happened in your state Legislature? **This resolution was introduced in 1965, sponsored and even passed the Senate Tax Committee. The League testified in opposition at one of the two Senate hearings. Although it passed this committee, it was not reported to the floor and died with the end of the session.**

1. What proposal was put forth?
The Liberty Amendment

2. Was it killed in committee? **No**

3. Was there a committee hearing? **Yes**

4. Did the resolution reach the floor? **No**

5. If there was a vote, what was the outcome?

- b) Did your League take action under the Continuing Responsibilities on tax rates and treaty making? If so, please describe. Attach any press clippings, news stories, and editorials you may have.

Testimony in opposition was given before the Senate Tax Committee. All to the Liberty Amendment

members received a copy of the statement. We were not given an opportunity to speak before the House Tax Committee, but Committee members received copies of the statement, and it was discussed with many of them individually.

- c) If the League did not act, please give reasons the state Board thought it wiser to desist.

Our state legislature meets only every other year. This year has been a non-legislative year, therefore no legislative action has been taken. A lobbyist has been lined up for the next session of the legislature to

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oppose the Liberty Amendment if it is once again introduced.

NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES (Continued)

2. What services has your state League given to local Leagues to help them prepare their members on national Continuing Responsibilities?

As stated in the report on the CAs, consultants and visitors from the state Board to the local Leagues are always ready to give help and advice when they are asked for. The Times for Action committees, described on page 18 of this report, should be of help to local Leagues in preparing their members on national CRs.

3. Please comment on the value of the national CR publications, for planning, orientation, and program catch-up meetings --

NCRs 1962-64 Members encouraged to purchase and local Leagues always referred to this publication for answers to basic questions.

CURRENT REVIEW OF CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES #3, #4, and #6

Good for provisional Leagues. Others do not have the interest needed to delve into these publications.

FACTS AND ISSUES - HOME RULE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA?

These publications, whenever they were used, were found to be extremely helpful. The most widely used one was the Facts and Issues - Home Rule for the District of Columbia because this was the CR that received most attention from the local Leagues this year. This was useful in the community as well as for members.

4. Is there any other aspect of work on national Continuing Responsibilities on which you would like to comment?

The only other thing to report is to reiterate the frequent complaint from local Leagues that "womanpower is short and the workload large", so that they cannot give as much attention to all Program items as they would like, and yet they seem unwilling to use discipline in Program-making or to increase the number of meetings. The members are not apt to respond to Times for Action for they usually feel they are not well enough informed.

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VOTERS SERVICE

1. Of all your Voters Service techniques, which have proven to be most successful?
Please explain. Preparation of publications in VS which can be distributed by local Leagues or sold by local Leagues to large businesses for free distribution to employees and customers - these have been most successful this year. We did an updating Digest of Minn. Election Laws which has had wide circulation by the above means, and we prepared a 1-page mimeographed flyer on precinct caucuses designed for use in local League bulletins and for their distribution in the community. A publication designed to assist local Leagues in working with youth in their communities in citizenship activities was also published this year. The first 2 furnished Leagues with effective tools at a cost they could not have approached.
2. Did you have candidates meetings for state-wide candidates? Please describe indiv'ly.

No. There were no statewide elections during the past year.

3. What have you done to help your local Leagues in Voters Service this year?
- a) Workshops, conferences, memos, etc.? Please attach agendas if available.

See attached sheet.

- b) Printed materials such as Ballot Issues, Candidates Questionnaires, registration flyers, etc. Please list quantities printed, costs to you, and cost to the local Leagues for each item.

	Quantity	Our Cost	Cost to LL
Digest of Minn. Elec. Laws	25,000	.033	.05/3 per .10
Voters Serv. Sights You in Youth	1000	.705	.75
Caucus Flyer	1000	.008	.02

4. What, if anything, have you done to provide Voters Service information in communities where there are no local Leagues?

See attached sheet.

- a) Have you sent Voters Service material to newspapers or radio stations in non-League areas? Do you know whether this material was used?
No, except national Citizenship Test. See Public Relations.
- b) Have you tried using your members-at-large to assist in this activity?
No
- c) Have you contacted state services that might distribute Voters Service material state-wide? **Yes** State Library Bookmobile service? **No**
Extension Service of the Department of Agriculture? **Yes** Others?

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VOTERS SERVICE (Continued)

5. What kind of nonpartisanship problems (if any) were brought to your attention by your local Leagues?

Mainly a necessity to clarify the role of the local Board in determining how to define the nonpartisanship policy within their local League and to the community.

6. Is your state League planning to ask a state level question on the Congressional Questionnaires? Please state the question, if it has been decided upon.

Yes. It has not been decided on yet. We prefer to have it as timely as possible and hence are holding our decision until June 1966.

7. What have you done in Voters Service to develop understanding of state government and the state legislature; e.g. GO SEE tours, printed materials, meetings? Please attach agendas of meetings if available.

Very successful Legislative Observers Program during the legislative session every other year, but no session this year.

8. Please describe any special success stories in the area of Voters Service.

The promotion of citizen participation in precinct caucuses was of especial success during this year. With the aid of Memos to VS chairmen, the mimeographed flyer mentioned above, and with a fine feature article in the VOTER, the precinct caucuses were effectively promoted. The St. Paul League printed a flyer on caucus participation which was widely used by other local Leagues and other organizations. It was included in a Caucus Kit which was sent to schools and other organizations and which received a great deal of favorable publicity.

9. What materials would you like to see the national Board supply in the area of Voters Service? From local League annual reports:

Continued publication of timely pamphlets at reasonable cost along with concrete suggestions as to effective use of them.

Reading lists of material to help educate the public about government and parties.

Information to help LL inform senior citizens thru clubs and nursing homes.

Help in publicizing roll call and voting record information on Congressmen.

State Suggestion: Outline for an adult education course in citizenship. Send questions they will be asking in this annual report at least halfway through the year or earlier.

VOTERS SERVICE

3. a) Main contact with Leagues came via monthly sections of the Board Memo geared to the total year's planning and "Outlook for work" for Voters Service outlined at the beginning of the year. There were articles in the Minnesota VOTER to supplement these contacts and also to reach every member with news of VS activities. A conference of VS chairmen from eight metropolitan area Leagues of varied membership, size and location was held to sample needs and ways of work in VS in preparation for workshops to be held at state Council and at Leadership Workshops in June. Participants exchanged ideas, suggested direction in planning for the upcoming statewide election candidates questionnaires and explored possibilities of staffing a Minnesota League booth at the state fair this summer.
4. We have advised local Leagues in their conduct of VS in areas beyond their municipalities. Preliminary plans have been made for a booth at the state fair in 1966 with information for voters on legislative redistricting and voting machines, cooperation with the Minneapolis Tribune in preparation of a Voters Guide prior to the primary and general elections in 1966 to be part of issues of that newspaper and be distributed by local Leagues - in many cases into areas without Leagues, and preliminary plans for TV candidates interviews for late summer 1966.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. From the state point of view what was your foremost Public Relations achievement for the year 1965-66? Describe.

We have had no spectaculars. A budding project with excellent PR potential is our VS to youth-serving organizations. Our state Board does a lot of public speaking which is good for us. Public reaction to our whole precinct caucus effort was very favorable. Our Leagues did an outstanding job in promoting the National Citizenship Test. Over 100,000 test forms were distributed by the Leagues through schools and local organizations, etc. A state-wide press release went out of our office including the test mat. The results were very good.

2. What aspect of the League is of greatest Public Relations value?

(Please summarize what local Public Relations reports have on this and add what you think from the state point of view)

Most Leagues cited VS as of top PR value with local Program next. Very few mention Program at other levels or action programs. On the state level, both state and national Program provide avenues for contact with the public. Our record of participation by present and past Board members on Program-oriented committees and commissions is very high.

3. What aspect of the League is hardest to make clear to the public?

(Please summarize what local Public Relations reports had to say on this and add what you think from the state point of view. Include also any suggestions for ways to improve the situation)

Our nonpartisanship policy was most often mentioned as hard to explain, first because parties and candidates cannot understand that Board members cannot be active and second, that the public often feels that the organization is dominated by one party. (Fortunately, the party varies with the community.)

Many mentioned consensus, saying they had difficulty making members and non-members understand the process. There was occasional comment that members and the general public believe that Program and positions are dictated by Boards.

4. Did you schedule Public Relations workshops during the year?

No, but working with the community was a part of the Local Program Workshops. What were the subjects discussed? last fall. One section was devoted to taking Program to the community, and organizing for action with most of the material coming from Tips on Reaching the Public.

Were there practice sessions held on techniques? (e.g. actual writing of spot announcements, demonstrations of interviews etc.?)

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PUBLIC RELATIONS (Continued)

5. Do you distribute releases directly to news media in non-League communities?

Yes. The simplest procedure is through a Minnesota Newspaper Association press release which goes to all papers in the state.
Other contacts? Please evaluate.

6. If you have a large metropolitan area in your state what do you advise for two or more Leagues sharing the same publicity media?

YES Yes, we have this situation. Apparently standard procedures have been worked out over the years, for I have heard of no conflicts.
Which metro area? Does it cross state lines?

Minneapolis-St. Paul

No

Cooperative arrangements between Leagues?

Between states?

Yes

Please evaluate.

The large Leagues and CMAL use the large metropolitan papers, and the smaller Leagues concentrate on their area suburban papers. KUOM, the University station, cooperates with Minneapolis, St. Paul and the state League in program coverage.

7. How many Leagues in your state have a Speakers Bureau? What aid do you give them on this?

Twenty. Thirty-six reported that they have no speakers bureaus. Only a few are active throughout the year. This is an area where we need to evaluate our procedures, and we will.

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STATE PUBLICATIONS

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The cost figure does not include salaries. Our budget does show one-sixth of the executive secretary's salary charged to publications. The extra \$.02 shown with cost per copy of Financing Public Services in Minnesota refers to the amount we figured it cost the office to produce the typed manuscripts required to go to readers and printer. Our catalog shows that we charge 10% postage and handling on orders of \$1.00 and more. This is not shown in cost per copy.

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Cost per Copy</u>	<u>Selling Price</u>	<u>### Produced</u>	<u># Sold</u>	<u># Distributed Without Cost</u>
Digest of Minnesota Election Laws	.033	.05 or 3/.10	25,000	23,951	1000
Facts About the LWV of Minnesota	.017	.03	8,000	7,320	680
" " " " " rerun	.03	.03	2,500	472	
Financing Public Services in Minn.	.269 .02	.50 members .75 others bulk rates	10,000	3,939	219
Indians in Minnesota rerun	.395	.50	1,000	930	40
Human Resources: Minn. Changing Patterns	.488	.50	4,000	3,600	400
" " " " " rerun	.49	.60	2,000	174	
Voters Service Sights the You in Youth	.705	.75	1,000	93	6
How a Bill Becomes a Law rerun	.013	2/.05	5,000	2,000	
" " " " "	.013	2/.05	10,400	10,000	
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You Are the Government (published several years ago)		.15	1,149	1,149	
Outlook for Legislative Action (reprint from VOTER	.02	.03	1,000	78	900
Project Update	.05	.10 15/1.00	10,000	7,020	
The State You're In (published several years ago)		.50		117	
Publications Catalog	.048	free	2,050		2000

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Program Structure

The 1965 state Convention adopted a four-item current agenda as a modified single list experiment. We retained two continuing responsibilities. On our current agenda we have one entirely new item, Financing Government in Minnesota, and three items, Equality of Opportunity, Home Rule, and Election Laws, where the League has had past study and has positions.

The goal of this experiment was to make it possible for us to update our older positions where necessary. Under "Project Update", we prepared every member publications, modeled on the national Facts and Issues. This enabled our members to reach a new consensus on strengthening Minnesota's Housing Law and on the problem of local consent under our Home Rule item. These two areas had been particularly troublesome during the 1965 Legislature, and we now have more workable positions for 1967.

We have prepared a booklet, ~~Financing Government~~ Public Services in Minnesota, to serve as resource material in this area. The majority of our Leagues will have spring meetings on this topic.

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Minnesota

Home Rule: Support of policies that promote a fair and workable application of home rule.

Adopted May 20, 1965.

Because Minnesota's legislature has biennial sessions, state Program reports deal mainly with work being done to prepare members for the January 1967 session and the updating of some of our positions.

Under our long-standing position favoring home rule for local communities, we had a stand that hampered taking effective action in the area of intergovernmental relations when two or more local communities had related problems necessitating a legislative solution. The 1965 state Convention decided an update of material on this aspect of our home rule stand was needed.

An every-member resource publication was printed. Forty-six Leagues reported by the consensus deadline, though nearly all studied the topic. The state material included discussion outline and question suggestions for use in unit meetings. Material from the two other organizations in Minnesota interested in this question was listed and many Leagues wrote the organizations for their background information. Minneapolis and St. Paul Leagues presented two radio programs on this topic on the University station and nearly every League interviewed its representative and senator for legislative opinion on the subject.

Most Leagues could spend only half of a unit meeting on this topic, but by distribution of the resource material before the meetings, and because we already had a good background in the whole subject of home rule, the consensus returns were very good and will enable us to lobby on this question in the 1967 session.

We have already alerted League members to offer our position in the form of resolutions in precinct caucuses, hoping it will become part of the parties' platforms. We are working with other groups interested in legislative action on local consent, knowing a united front will make our activity more successful.

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Minnesota

Election Laws: Support of party designation for legislators and improvements in election laws in the field of campaign practices, election procedures and voting. Adopted May 20, 1965.

Election Laws has always been an interesting and successful area of League legislative activity. State Program presentation at the upcoming Council will focus on this subject.

Two other citizens' groups in Minnesota are actively studying election laws. One focused on the effect of machines on voting and how state laws could be improved in this area. The other is considering voting in nursing homes. Much more than average interest and publicity is being given election laws this year because of all this activity. The League has been asked by both of these groups to assess their results to see if we can support their recommendations and work cooperatively on lobbying.

We chose party designation for legislators for emphasis at precinct caucuses because, with reapportionment occurring in Minnesota before the next legislative election, we will probably get more party-oriented legislators. Therefore, this should be an excellent time to work for this position.

At Council, we will update members on our present stand on working for extension of voter registration to small communities; will ask for direction in lobbying efforts on this question. We will also demonstrate voting machines and electronic voting devices. Members have indicated strong interest in these demonstrations.

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Continuing Responsibilities

1. The LNV of Minnesota will support legislation to regulate lobbying and conflict of interests.
2. The LNV of Minnesota will support constitutional revision by convention and by amendments based on previously reached positions as follows: A. An easier amending process, B. Regular and equitable reapportionment, C. Legislative sessions of adequate length, D. Provision for a post auditor, E. Clearly fixed executive responsibility.

Adopted May 20, 1965.

During the 1963-65 period the League had constitutional revision by amendment as a Current Agenda item and constitutional revision by convention as a Continuing Responsibility. The 1965 Convention combined the two items into a single CR and explicitly stated the areas of concern for amendments. This action represented member feeling that our previous Current Agenda item: The LNV of Minnesota will work for amendments to improve the Minnesota State Constitution, had proved unsatisfactory. We had been forced into the position of supporting amendments which were worthy in purpose but were often overly detailed and dealt with subjects which many believed did not belong in the constitution in the first place. Continued piece-meal revision wasn't getting us any closer to our original goal of a concise, consistent constitution.

The 1965 Legislature in Minnesota was primarily concerned with reapportionment. A Republican (in fact, not by party designation) legislature fastened on some confusing constitutional language and a dubious court precedent in the apportionment section of our constitution which led them to believe that perhaps the governor did not have veto powers. Testing this language in court seemed to be their chief constitutional concern. Later in the year, the Minnesota Supreme Court upheld the governor's veto powers.

Against this background, the League supported amendments had little attention. The one constitutional amendment voted out of the legislature allows legislators to run for other offices. The League does not have a position on this amendment. However, on the basis of our position on conflict of interests, the League did lobby against the original wording of this amendment as it had been introduced. The legislature did accept our wording.

Action on CRs has been primarily deciding which to emphasize for members to take to caucuses. B, C, and E, all much in the news this political year, were chosen as timely and profitable.

We stressed member political action this year more than ever before with good member interest and action. The Minnesota VOTER had several feature articles on League members who were active in their parties, on the way precinct caucuses operate, and how to be effective there. Local Leagues were furnished with the names of the parties' county officials and bulletin editors found out from these officials caucus times and dates and gave excellent coverage to these activities, urging members to attend.

Minnesota caucuses were surprisingly well-attended, and the League gained much acclaim as one of the reasons for an aroused public interest. The St. Paul League did an especially effective publication on caucus attendance and it was used by Leagues around the state as well as the parties.

Some Leagues had member update meetings on CRs. Many reported, because of heavy national Program requirements, they were not able to devote a unit meeting to state CRs.

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Financing Government in Minnesota: Evaluation of revenue sources with consideration of state and local needs.
Adopted May 20, 1965.

The "Outlook for Work" in June envisioned the following program: We would study and discuss our present system of financing government. The state would have a basic publication ready in February and a bibliography would be sent to local Leagues in the fall. Local Leagues were to start reading and clipping newspapers and magazines and also make a survey of the financing of their own local governments. A special seminar would be held for resource chairmen and their committees. It would be in the metropolitan area, probably in March. It was suggested that local Leagues plan their unit meetings for April or May.

All of these things have been or are being carried out. A statewide committee of 16 members met monthly throughout the summer and fall to prepare the publication, Financing Public Services in Minnesota, which was ready February 21. A bibliography along with four reprints of articles published by the League of Minnesota Municipalities and a small booklet called Fiscal Facts about Minnesota State Government, put out by the state was sent to each local League with the September Board Memo.

Many local Leagues have been reading and clipping current articles and as far as we know about half have made a local survey.

The special seminar has become a series of regional workshops to be held the last two weeks of March. The last one is April 1. We hope they will help local Leagues and their resource chairmen develop this item within their Leagues. In the morning session we will demonstrate one method of presenting this material at a unit meeting, suggest other methods and how to carry this to their communities. They will discuss (in buzz sessions) how to cope with some of the situations we think are likely to occur in their unit meetings. After lunch we'll offer a little material beyond what is in the publication. A three-member panel will discuss possible solutions. Alternatives will be presented by a League member and this will be followed by two men with specific but differing views as to the best solution. Each of these talks will be about five minutes, and the rest of the time will be spent on questions among the panelists and from the audience. The afternoon sessions are open to the public, and we are urging the hostess Leagues, especially, to work on some extra publicity, invite other organizations, etc.

Most local Leagues are planning unit meetings on this topic in April and May. A few have already had outside speakers at general meetings. These are supplemental to, rather than substitutes for, unit meetings. St. Paul had four legislators speak at a public meeting. Minneapolis and St. Paul are cooperating on a public meeting for the metropolitan area on April 13 with the state Tax Commissioner as speaker.

Since no consensus has been reached, no action has been taken except the Voters Service type activities which go on while the study is in progress. We have been fortunate in that the Agriculture Extension Service has been interested in the same topic. Last fall they sponsored, throughout the southern half of the state, a series of Town and Country Public Affairs Conferences on "Financing Government". We encouraged attendance by local League resource chairmen, their committees and all interested members. Quite a few did participate. The northern part of the state will be covered this spring, and a second series throughout the state will be held the latter part of March and during April. We hope these will be well attended by League members.

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STATE PROGRAM

(Please use a separate sheet for each subject. Attach copies of legislative newsletters, reports, and press releases having to do with legislative activity IF not already sent. Materials on each Program subject, memos, publications, outlines for study should also be attached IF not already sent. Give state at top of each sheet.)

Describe briefly state and local League activity on each state Program subject (Current Agenda and Continuing Responsibilities) covering the following points:

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Minnesota

Equality of Opportunity: 1. Support of policies to insure equality of opportunity in employment, housing, public accommodations, education and other public services for all citizens. 2. Support of commission administration of anti-discrimination laws. 3. Support of state responsibility for Indian citizens.
Adopted May 20, 1965.

Minnesota has had an item on Equality of Opportunity on its Current Agenda since 1961. The 1965 state Convention added education and public services as areas for possible consideration. The Convention directed the state Board to re-examine our position on housing.

Our state item on Equality of Opportunity and the national Human Resources item have been handled jointly by one state Board member. We have used a number of small committees, each charged with a specific responsibility: Indians, Housing, State Commission Against Discrimination, Poverty Programs, Education. The committees have worked separately with occasional meetings of the chairmen to compare results and to avoid duplication of effort.

Two publications done primarily for the national item, Human Resources: Minnesota's Changing Patterns and Human Resource Newsletter #3, comparing the provision of state anti-discrimination laws with the 1965 Civil Rights Act have provided background for the item. In addition, we published Project Update: Discrimination in Housing. This publication, modeled after the national Facts and Issues, was an every-member piece and proved very popular. In addition, we have kept members up-to-date on developments in Indian affairs through a series of articles in Board Memos, written in a form so that they might be used in local bulletins. To round out the picture, St. Paul and Minneapolis have had local items on problems of discrimination and have published material dealing with various phases of the problem in their communities.

As a result of the study on housing, we added the following statement to our position: "In the area of housing, we support the present legislation and recommend its strengthening to include all housing except the rental of space in private homes or owner-occupied duplexes. Regulation of such facilities in owner-occupied property might constitute an invasion of privacy."

We were very successful at the last legislative session. The League supported three bills aimed at strengthening our state law against discrimination: One extended the coverage of the employment provisions to all employers regardless of the number of employees. A second streamlined the procedures of a state commission. The third placed enforcement of non-discrimination in public accommodations under the jurisdiction of the state commission. All three passed. In addition, we worked for legislation bringing the Indian Commission in line with League criteria, and this too passed. Appropriations for SCAD were not as high as we would have liked, but we will hope to do better next time.

A state Board member is serving on the Indian Affairs Commission. This Commission has a paid staff for the first time this year and is working to expedite various state and national programs which can be of benefit to Indians. We have presented testimony to a legislative interim commission which is investigating the possibility of merging our State Commission Against Discrimination with the Governor's Human Rights Commission. We have stated League criteria for agencies in this field and urged that a merger must not be regarded as an economy move.

Our members were urged to take League positions in this field, and particularly our new position on housing, to their party caucuses. We are looking to the next legislature.

STATE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) Does your state Board have suggestions for the kind of field service that would be most beneficial for your state? Visit by national Board or staff member? On a specific program, activity or problem? Or a general visit? A single visit or repeat visits by the same Board or staff member? Would your state League benefit from participation in an Inter-League Conference? In what area of League Program or activity? Other suggestions or comments about national field service.

We are looking forward to the general visit and participation in our Leadership Workshops by a national team early in June. We hope to discuss further the trends in working with "little Leagues". We are not happy about our drop in membership and would appreciate all the help you can give us in this important area. This visit should be a real inspiration to our local League leaders - as one state Board member put it, "Local Leagues seem to need to be 'bucked up' by rubbing against the Terrycloth Mother".

Let's take some time to "talk" consensus and action. There are some trends here which are not entirely clear. You have heard from our local Leagues about consensus on the Human Resources item. Our members are not feeling a personal involvement or commitment to action. They are studying without personal "participation".

We feel we always benefit from participation in Inter-League Conferences; but we would prefer to have them on national rather than state Program. If they are to be on state Program, perhaps they would be more productive if some state people were involved in the planning. The state Board conferences were particularly beneficial. Our water chairman felt her participation in the Education Fund's Land and Water Use Seminar was a tremendous experience for her. Contacts and communications between state level chairmen in all areas should be encouraged - personal contacts within areas would help move this along (for example, Minn., Wis., Ill., Ia., Mo., etc. should try to get together). We could use some guidance in organizational patterns for area Leagues. We know we have greater member participation than many Leagues so we are hesitant to change - at the same time we have many Leagues "overlapping" in school districts, etc. in the Twin City metropolitan area. It is a costly and no doubt inefficient operation.

Helps in Program areas could include less lengthy bibliographies and more specific, step-by-step sort of approach, including what goes in the bulletin, when material can be distributed, when the resource committee meets and what it does, what happens at the unit meeting, how many discussions on the particular item, how much straight reporting, how much time to allow for decision-making - all this in simple form in a kit including a time-table with suggestions for taking the item to the community.

(OVER)

STATE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS (Continued)

- 2) Does your state Board have suggestions for changes in basic League policies or for improvement in the procedures and services of the national Board and office? If so, please describe, giving reasons and suggestions for the improvements that might be made.

We know there is always an assortment of good reasons for publications being delayed, but we do think we (and the local Leagues) should be notified as soon as a postponement is imminent - for example, we had planned "helps" for a unit meeting around the promised F&I on Foreign Aid.

We have had considerable trouble over national mailings. It would be very helpful to have two state presidents mailings when there is a state office and a state president residing in another community. Our telephone bills checking on and following up on such communications cost more than that second mailing (we are referring to those mailings which go only to the state president).

We will be particularly interested in the discussions at National Convention on handling action at the state legislatures on national items. Any system of evaluating state action which makes it impossible for Minnesota to lobby on a bill creating a Boundary Commission for the St. Croix River but permits Wisconsin to do so is patently in need of revision. Furthermore, the form we were to use in a request for such action really didn't cover the significant facts as far as Minnesota action was concerned. How much judgement is to be left to state leaders? Is it possible to set up "ground rules" and let us carry it from there? State legislatures are understaffed, and the sessions are short and somewhat chaotic, and time is always of the essence. The "man" in the department may also hold the key. If each situation is to be judged at the national level it is going to be too little action too late.

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1. Name and brief job description of staff (indicate full or part-time).

Two full time staff people

- A. Executive secretary
- B. Organization Secretary

Job description attached

2. List dates of state Board meetings for 1963-64. Indicate if pre- or post-Council or Convention.

Minnesota State Board meets monthly on the third Thursday, with the exception of July.

3. List inter-League groups - i.e. county, regional, or area councils or ad hoc arrangements. List the local Leagues in each group and give chairman and address.

- A. We have three county councils, two of them are on inactive status; see attached lists.
- B. We have the Council of Metropolitan Area Leagues; list of member Leagues attached.

4. List state League publications and prices, or attach mimeographed publications list if your state has one.

Publications Catalogs attached.

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1. If your state Board has given help to local Leagues in the field of membership expansion describe fully. Please attach one copy each of materials prepared -- memos, agendas for workshops, flyers for recruitment, etc., even if they have already been sent to the national office.
 - A. We have set membership goals.
 - B. A ten-member state membership committee was appointed in February to set up ways and means to help LL in this area. We plan a person to person contact between this committee and the LL on a monthly basis.
 - C. Membership will be emphasized at our Leader training workshops in June.
 - D. We felt the workshops listed below would be helpful, particularly in keeping membs.
 - E. Those Leagues with acute membership problems were assigned to the Org. Comm. for special handling. Coffee parties to talk League with prospects were held and several weeks later the state Board was responsible for the program at a general meeting. Too recent to know results.
 - F. Adopt-a-League program being used in four ϕ areas to develop new Leagues.
2. Has your state Board had area conferences, workshops, or other types of meetings for local Leagues in your state during 1963-64, other than those described elsewhere in this report?

Yes

If so, on what subjects? President's Workshop
Local Agenda Workshop
Workshop on Planning and Discussion

Has the number of Leagues represented and the participation been good?

Yes, we generally have good attendance at workshops.

Attach detailed working agendas, working plans of such conferences or detailed reports if available for any conferences held by the state.

3. Does your state Board have suggestions for changes in basic League policies or for improvement in the procedures and services of the national Board and office? If so, please describe, giving reasons and suggestions for the improvements that might be made.

We're probably one of those state Leagues that feels too self-sufficient! We appreciate the services we have received from the national Board and office. We do feel left out on communication, including correspondence between our local Leagues and national Board or office--wonder what those strange carbons are all about. We realize, however, this is our own responsibility in training local Leagues to include us. We are not always sure to whom copies of what should go. We see discrepancies in capitalization throughout the country. Could this be standardized to the satisfaction of all--in other words, a new statement on this?

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STATE LEAGUE

	1962-63	Estimated 1963-64
Income		
Local Leagues Support	\$ 26,248.36	\$ 29,615.00
Contributions direct to state	<u>441.86</u>	<u>405.00</u>
All other receipts (including members-at-large dues, profit from publications or other activities)	<u>562.90</u>	<u>10.00</u>
From Reserves		
TOTAL INCOME	\$ <u>27,253.12</u>	\$ <u>30,030.00</u>
Expenditures		
General Administration	\$ 5,623.34	\$ 6,647.06
Direct Services to Local Leagues	<u>2,445.59</u>	<u>3,771.46</u>
Salaries	<u>7,510.63</u>	<u>6,346.00</u>
National Pledge	<u>10,000.00</u>	<u>11,350.00</u>
All other disbursements	<u>699.71</u>	<u>828.28</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ <u>26,279.07</u>	\$ <u>28,942.80</u>

CASH STATEMENT

Cash balance on hand (including savings) at beginning of year, 4/1/63	\$ 9,361.73
Estimated Cash balance on hand (including savings) at close of year, 3/31/64	\$ <u>10,825.08</u>

LOCAL AND PROVISIONAL LEAGUES

	1962-63	Estimated 1963-64
Income		
Dues	\$ 21,103.00	\$ 24,005.00
Member Contributions	<u>6,138.09</u>	<u>6,603.48</u>
Non-Member Contributions	<u>27,123.00</u>	<u>34,941.41</u>
Other receipts: (total of 4 a), b), c) from Local League reports)	<u>12,797.43</u>	<u>7,708.69</u>
Drawn from Reserves (total of 6 a) and b) from Local League reports)	<u>4,997.12</u>	<u>2,822.93</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ <u>71,427.64</u>	\$ <u>76,081.51</u>
Expenditures		
Local Work	\$ 47,724.36	\$ 45,032.94
State and national services	<u>25,859.38</u>	<u>29,145.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$ <u>73,583.72</u>	\$ <u>74,177.94</u>

CASH STATEMENT

Total of local Leagues'	
Balances on hand (including savings) at beginning of year, 4/1/63	\$ 40,537.71
Estimated balances (including savings) on hand at close of year, 3/31/64	\$ <u>42,795.31</u> *

*55 Local Leagues Reporting

Note: We are aware that the state Board must receive local League figures by March 15. We suggest you reassure your local Leagues that their figures may be based on their best estimates.

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✓ Albert Lea	17,184	45		5	5		45
✓ Alexandria	8,000	28					28
✓ Anoka	30,000	43		9	10	+1	42
✓ Arden Hills	3,900	65		5	13	+8	62
✓ Austin	27,000	166					166
✓ Battle Lake	800	17		2			17
✓ Bemidji	10,000	55		11	6	-5	55
✓ Bloomington	60,000	98		22	32	+14	88
✓ Brainerd	12,898	24		3	3		24
✓ Brooklyn Center	25,000	61		13	10	-3	55
✓ Buffalo	2,500	13		1	1		14
✓ Cass Lake	1,580	15		4	1	-3	15
✓ Chisholm	7,144	62	3	14	11	-3	65
✓ Columbia Heights	22,000	21		5		+1	21
✓ Crystal	28,000	40		2	4		35
Sub total or Total	256,006	753	3	86	96	+10	732

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STATE LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT
April 1, 1963 - March 31, 1964

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LOCAL LEAGUES:

Number of local Leagues, 3/31/64

59

Number of provisional Leagues, 3/31/64

2

Total local and provisional Leagues, 3/31/64

61

Increase of local and provisional Leagues over ^{3/31/63} 3/31/64

3

OR

Decrease of local and provisional Leagues under 3/31/64

MEMBERSHIP:

Voting members, estimated 3/31/64

5,468

Associate members, estimated 3/31/64

41

Members-at-large, estimated 3/31/64

2

Total voting, associate and members-at-large,
estimated 3/31/64

5,511

Increase (estimated) of voting, associate and
members-at-large, over 3/31/63

OR

Decrease (estimated) of voting, associate and
members-at-large, under 3/31/63

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: January 1, 1964 paid membership :
:

: Voting members :

5,361 :

: Associate members :

41 :

: Members-at-large :

2 :

: Total :

5,404 :

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✓ Deephaven	3,000	42		14	5	-9	42
✓ Duluth	106,000	288		59	61	+2	288
✓ Edina	30,000	273				-46	269
✓ Excelsior	5,900	46		6	10	+4	46
✓ Falcon Heights	6,000	39		17	8	-9	38
✓ Faribault	15,000	24		12	15		24
✓ Fergus Falls	13,500	36		8	5	-3	36
✓ Fridley	21,500	80		17	24	+7	72
✓ Golden Valley	17,500	89		22	22		89
✓ Granite Falls	3,000	35		3	11	+8	35
✓ Hibbing	16,000	73		11	14		73
✓ Hutchinson	6,000	23		5	2	-3	23
✓ *International Falls	6,778	54					53
✓ Jackson	3,370	17					17
✓ Mahtomedi	5,500	61		11	19	+8	62
Sub total or Total	518,424	1933	3	281	292	-31	1899

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✓ Mankato	30,000	75	1		25	+41	77
✓ Maplewood	18,519	54					54
✓ Minneapolis	435,000	1,133		154	122	-25	1,114
✓ Minnetonka Village	27,000	101	1	14	24	+10	110
✓ Moorhead	23,000	57	3	9	26	+17	55
✓ Mound	10,000	62		2	8	+ 8	60
✓ New Richland	1,096	18		3	1	-3	18
✓ New Ulm	11,100	39	2	6	6		39
✓ North St. Paul	8,500	19		8	2		18
✓ Owatonna	14,000	54		14	8	-6	54
✓ Red Wing	10,000	40		12	4	-8	29
✓ Richfield	45,000	86		15	14	-1	85
✓ Robbinsdale	16,000	46		9	9		45
✓ Rochester	40,000	230	15	29	35		223
✓ Roseville	25,000	147	3	35	26	-11	147
Sub total or Total	1,232,639	4094	28	591	602	-9	4027

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✓ St. Anthony Village	5,500	56		7	12	+6	51
✓ St. Cloud	33,000	64		13	9	-4	64
✓ St. Croix Valley	17,500	57		7	10	+8	53
✓ St. Louis Park	47,000	145		36	30	+2	136
✓ St. Paul	313,411	474	8	71	55		458
✓ *St. Peter	5,001	53					48
✓ Shoreview	7,200	40		4	4		38
✓ Silver Bay	3,726	45		6	8		45
✓ South St. Paul	21,921	43		24	4	-20	43
✓ Virginia	15,000	33				-12	33
✓ Wayzata	8,000	74		12	8	- 4	74
✓ Wells	2,900	26		2	6	+4	25
✓ West St. Paul	32,500	69		15	15		69
✓ White Bear Lake	20,000	92		10	19	+9	89
✓ Willmar	10,200	58		13	19	+7	58
✓ Worthington	10,000	45	5	2	9	+7	50
Sub total or Total	1,785,498	5,468	41	813	810	-6	5,361

*Placemakers to
give by 5/21/66*

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1. If there has been a statewide campaign on state Program spearheaded or participated in by the League see question 3 in Public Relations Section.
2. Describe briefly state and local League activity on state Current Agenda items and state Continuing Responsibilities. Tell us about state-planned workshops and conferences, legislative activity and community activity, if any. In reporting legislative activity please describe the League goals, the kind of action taken, whether the legislative goal was accomplished and an evaluation of the role of the League in the result. If a vote by the electorate was involved (such as an amendment) please describe League activity in connection with it, a brief description of the measure, the result of the voting, and future steps necessary (such as action by legislature) to accomplish the goal. You need to send copies of material only if these have not already been sent to the national office.

Don't forget work you completed in the spring of 1963.

Since Minnesota's legislature has biennial sessions this has been a year for study and discussion and the broadening of previous positions, plus decisions on two amendments to be voted on next fall. The legislature was in session the first two months of our League year but our work for this session had been determined and included in last year's report. If we had had some ~~a~~ real success in these last two months we would be happy to report them.

Many of our Leagues have followed up with meetings with their legislators--getting a report of the session. We have had League observers at interim committee meetings on LNV program or where we thought the members might be interested.

CURRENT AGENDA: The LNV of Minnesota will study specific areas where legislation would be effective in improving the situation of the Minnesota Indian.

The LNV of Minnesota will work for amendments to improve the Constitution of the state of Minnesota.

PUBLICATIONS: Proposed Amendments to Minnesota Constitution 1964 (every member)
Minn. Taxes Established by Special Constitutional Provisions (resource)
Capitol Letter on Indian Affairs (every member)

All 55 local Leagues reporting have studied or are planning to study both CA items. Planning sessions for resource committees have been widely used. (An Amendment kit was provided which included: Tips on Using Resource Material, Proposed Discussion Outline, Sample Bulletin story. For the Indian study we provided a discussion outline, earlier consensus.) Smaller Leagues in the Metro. area send committee members to the Minneapolis and St. Paul briefing meetings. In addition to using the state publications as basic material, local Leagues used a variety of methods to study program: Go-see tours, expert speakers, university lectures, debate between legislators. After consensus (Indian item) program was promoted by: radio; distribution of publication to schools and contributors; public meetings with either League or "expert" speaker; editorial or news stories in papers.

Local League response to discussion aids was gratifying. Many Leagues also reported using additional resource material from a selective, evaluative bibliography which even told where to find the materials.

State Program - cont.

State Amendment Item chairman served as speaker for League meetings and as resource person for YMCA Youth in Government program.

Indian Item chairman's appointment by Governor to Indian Affairs Commission was direct recognition of LWV study. In a local Indian publication, Trail, Mr. James Hawkins, Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, credited the LWV with the greatest single improvement in Indian affairs in Minnesota -- increased public awareness. There is considerable public demand for speakers on this topic.

At the State Convention held in May 1963 the following CR items were adopted (general topic presented here not exact wording):

- I Equal Opportunity--real estate, employment and public accommodation through Commission
- II Party Designation, election laws in field of campaign practices, election procedures
- III Regulation of lobbying and conflict of interest
- IV Constitutional revision by convention
- V Home Rule

The Discrimination item appears as a CR for the first time this year, that fact combined with the timeliness of the item probably accounts for fairly high activity in the Leagues compared with activity on other items. It seems to be traditional that very little attention is given to CRs in a non-legislative year and the following year emphasis is on those items that are most closely followed at the legislative session. For this reason the state Board has attempted to urge local Leagues to follow a line of action that could be called pre-legislative planning. The Minnesota League has participated in the State Women's Steering Committee on Civil Rights cooperating on an all day meeting on Human Rights. The State CA II chairman who was in charge of the Discrimination item as a CA has participated as a speaker in many workshops, local Human Rights committees, the Women's Steering Committee meetings, a meeting held by the University of Minnesota; as well as taking part in various other programs concerned with Equal Opportunity.

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Of the ~~##~~ Leagues who submitted reports on state Program activities, 27 mentioned CRs. Unit meetings were held on CRs in 15, 4 chose CRs as topic of general meetings (3 with outside speakers, 1 with a film). All of the 4 general meetings were held on the ~~Equal Opportunity~~ Equal Opportunity topic. Mpls. and St. Paul Leagues used CRs as topics for two of their series of radio programs. 5 Leagues participated in community action in this field, 4 working with or instigating local human rights committees and 1 operating a county fair booth publicizing party designation.

LL Board members have been urged through the month BOARD MEMO to promote CRs in various ways, urged to stimulate member interest, to do public relations work with their legislators, and specifically to urge members to attend precinct caucuses and make resolutions including League program. Articles in the Minnesota VOTER have dealt with CRs, with legislative committee structure as a deterrent to legislative success and a forecast for the coming legis. year. A special expanded issue of the VOTER with updating of all CRs, planned as a resource for CRs only has been sent to all members instead of the usual publication that would be purchased and read by only a limited number. These are also available for sale.

Two CR items have been chosen for particular legislative emphasis for the coming session (January 1965), these will be Party Designation for Legislators and legislation that would enable a new resident to vote for President and Vice President before meeting the residence requirements. The chairmen of both political parties have been contacted concerning our legislative program and we are in the process of obtaining League lobbyists.

INACTIVE COUNTY COUNCILS

<u>Leagues in St. Louis County</u>	<u>Leagues in Hennepin County</u>	<u>Leagues in Ramsey County</u>
Chisholm Duluth Hibbing Virginia	Bloomington Brooklyn Center Crystal Deephaven Edina Excelsior Golden Valley Minneapolis Minnetonka Village Mound Richfield Robbinsdale St. Anthony Village St. Louis Park Wayzata	Arden Hills Falcon Heights Maplewood South North St. Paul Roseville St. Paul Shoreview White Bear Lake
Chairman: Mrs. R. W. Rudstrom 703 N.W. 3rd Street Chisholm, Minnesota	Chairman: Mrs. Marlin Haugen 339 Ridgeview Drive Wayzata, Minnesota	Chairman: Mrs. Eugene Guy 2966 N. Simpson St. Paul, Minnesota

Council of Metropolitan Area Leagues - all Leagues in Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka, Dakota, Washington

<u>Hennepin County</u> see list above	<u>Ramsey County</u> see list above	<u>Anoka County</u> Anoka Columbia Heights Fridley
<u>Washington County</u> Mahtomedi St. Croix Valley	<u>Dakota County</u> South St. Paul West St. Paul	

Chairman will be: Mrs. A. H. Seymour, 2600 West 102nd Street, Minneapolis 31

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STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. What services (letters, visits, publications, workshops, state-wide promotion, etc.) has the state Board provided for local Leagues in connection with the following. Please describe briefly and attach sample materials if possible.

a) Budget building (for either local or state budgets). Budget Building Day had local Presidents, treasurers and budget chairmen as observers. In BOARD MEMO they had been advised of the proper publications to read. Dec. BOARD MEMO (attached) devoted to aids in LL budgeting. Consultant wrote letters offering help, ideas and visits. Jan-Feb.

b) Fund raising Minn. VOTER (att.) had 2 excellent articles on Budget. Finance chairman, orientation chairman and consultants made several visits for esp. help, kick-off days, and solicitor training sessions. "Outlook for Work" urged increase in member participation in any capacity. Workshop planned for 4/30/64 on Budget, Advisory Committees and Finance Drive.

2. Has your state Board offered advice or recommended procedures in connection with the following?

- a) Dues: Does your state League recommend \$7.50 dues? No If so, with what success?

If it does not recommend \$7.50 dues, what does it recommend in regard to dues? It recommends \$5 as the minimum. However, a few have not yet met this standard. They are urged to meet the \$5 standard. The move upward has begun and our Leagues are informed of the trend so they know \$5 is not a "ceiling."

- b) Pledges for state-national services (for either established or provisional Leagues): Pledges are set with age, size and location of the League, past pattern of pledging, success of finance drive, size of local budget and reserves, and relative "health" of the League as criteria. If the League indicates it cannot meet the sug. pledge, the consultants, the finance chairman, or budget chairman writes ~~ur~~ urging reconsideration and suggests ways this can be done-using reserves, raising dues or more mbr
3. Timing of local League drives (refer to question 6 on local League report form)

In the spaces below, indicate how many local Leagues hold drives in each of the months listed:

Jan. <u>3</u>	April <u>7</u>	July <u>1</u>	Oct. <u>11</u>
Feb. <u>8</u>	May <u>3</u>	Aug. <u>0</u>	Nov. <u>6</u>
March <u>2</u>	June <u>3</u>	Sept. <u>14</u>	Dec. <u>0</u>

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4. What do you consider the real problems or successes connected with fund-raising in your state? Describe briefly.

The real problem is the member's acceptance of the finance drive with personal solicitation. They have difficulty seeing the many benefits derived besides money. We are working toward the solution of this problem. Those who have had this kind of drive, not only report a financial success, but a larger number of solicitors, and a tremendous satisfaction because of the good foundation laid over several years. The Leagues trying it for the first time always have a successful drive but still need to work at convincing members.

5. List names of any nation-wide business firms which have contributed to Leagues within your state. If they have contributed to more than one League in your state, indicate how many Leagues.

J. R. Clark
Sears (2)
Montgomery Ward (2)
Coca Cola
Sherwin Williams Paint
J. C. Penny (2)
Production Credit
General Mills
Pako
Red Owl (3)
National Lead
National Food Stores
Maytag
Oliver Iron Mining Co.
Meriden Mining Co.

Cargill, Inc.
Tonka Toys
Amalgamated Clothing Workers
General Mills
Pillsbury
Archer-Daniels-Midland
Woolworths (3)
Federated Mutual
Univac
Snyders Drugs
Deluxe Check Printers
IBM (2)
Reserve Mining Co.
Great Northern Iron
Ore Properties

Owatonna Canning Co.
Owatonna Tool Co.
Wenger Music Co.
Protecto Mfg. Co.
Uber Glove Co.
Kummuth Mfg. Co.
King Co.
Owatonna Mfg. Co.
Jostens
Gandy Co.
Truth Tool Co.
Jolly Co.
Cleveland Cliffs Mining Co.
M. A. Hanna Mining Co.
Pittsburgh Pacific Co.

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Name of local or Provisional League	Total Cam- paign Goal	Number of Contributors*			No. of Work- ers	Comment on each drive, e.g. ef- fort fair; shows improvement; exceeded goal; failed because; resists drive; project (describe) only, or in addition to drive.
		Memb.	Non-Mem. (Indi- viduals)	Business Firms		
Albert Lea	425	7	20	5	36	Failed goal; not allowed personal soli- tation. Hope for improvement
Alexandria						
Anoka	\$ 500	2	36	80	18	Failed goal; contributions not as large as last year
Arden Hills	300	7	33	2	36	Not complete; good public relations.
Austin	480	70	15	32		Could do more.
Battle Lake		17	0	0		No drive. Very small League.
Benidji	350	0	11	10	9	Failed goal. Lacked solicitors Members resist drive.
Bloomington	965	0	25	105	60	Just short of goal; drive well organ- ized; good member participation
Brainerd	585	2	73	--	14	Failed goal; not enough soli- citors
Brooklyn Center	685	33	14	63	49	Exceeded goal; good member participation; fun day.
Buffalo	150	\$23	\$66	--	17	Very small League; consequently few solicitors.
Cass Lake	170	4	11	7	5	Short of goal; small community; felt drive was successful
Chisholm	150	9	9	56	32	Exceeded goal; good training; drive well organized
Columbia Heights	195	1	6	27	16	Exceeded goal.
Crystal	675	11	-	82	19	Failed goal; contributors said business was bad. Members cooperative.
Deephaven	400	3	-	53	23	Short of goal
Duluth	2250	38	-	194	50	Exceeded goal; Changed to spring, helped prospect list enlarged; large no. solic- itors
Edina	1300	56	-	111	106	Exceeded goal; money there, solici- tants reluctant; mop-up slow
Sub or Grand TOTAL	9580	283	319	827	490	

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		Memb.	Non-Mem. (Individuals)	Business Firms		
Excelsior	\$ 250	9	12	39	19	Exceeded goal; personal solicitation helps
Falcon Heights	202	6	12	14	6	Exceeded goal
Faribault	500	3	9	17	13	Failed goal; resist drive.
Fergus Falls	300	10	21	15	15	Just short of goal. Much better member participation.
Fridley	590	12	45	32	55	Goal almost reached. Community econ level low. Heavy industry scarce.
Golden Valley	450	15	20	28	48	Exceeded goal. Successful drive.
Granite Falls	200		96		10	Exceeded drive-excellent small LWV
Hibbing	682	21	83 62		15	Short of goal. Excellent results considering economic climate. (range
Hutchinson	96	18	10	9	7	Exceeded goal. Fairly good public relations. Sold 30 publications to one
International Falls (Prov.)						Recently organized. No drive yet.
Jackson						
Mahtomedi	500	26	95	9	32	Exceeded goal. Contributors replied well by letter, also personal solicitation
Mankato (Provisional)	450	10	41	--	15	Short of goal. Hope for improvement.
Maplewood	300	6	44	--	80	Exceeded goal. Worked through units with unit chairmen as captains.
Minneapolis	8000	415	284	158	213	Exceeded goal. Use of Advisory Board, committee, good follow-up helped.
Minnetonka Village	725	6	9	18	38	Drive incomplete. Looks good.
Moorhead	400	2	0	59	19	Exceeded goal. Gained new members.
New Richmond						No finance drive
Sub or Grand TOTAL	23235	842	1079	1225	1075	

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		Memb.	Non-Mem. (Indi- viduals)	Business Firms		
New Ulm	329	12	44		12	Drive usually successful-goal could be higher
North St. Paul	331	2	--	64	--	Just short of goal.
Owatonna	450	-	21	59	35	Exceeded goal. Very successful. Always good job.
Red Wing						Exceeded goal.
Richfield	550	70	63	9	65	Short of goal. Poor mop-up. Member dislike of personal solicitation
Robbinsdale	415	10	17	63	23	Exceeded goal. Successful. Good member cooperation.
Rochester	1550			150		
Roseville	950	46	27	90	39	Exceeded goal.
St. Anthony Village	400	40	-	-	45	Drive in progress. Anticipate success.
St. Cloud						
St. Croix Valley	360	10	13	21	15	Achieved exact goal.
St. Louis Park	1045	3	5	142	100	Short of goal. Solicitors cooperative. Clean-up slow. Checks still coming.
St. Paul	4000	104	163	87	141	Very successful drive. Far exceeded goal. Advisory committee great help.
St. Peter(Prov.)	320	2	74	-	28	Successful first drive. Exceeded goal. Well organized drive. Good training.
Shoreview						Drive has not started.
Silver Bay	325	7	63	12	22	Exceeded goal.
South St. Paul	500	4	6	51	16	Short of goal, by \$5. Mop-up slow. Good public relations.
Virginia	507		13	70	25	
Sub or Grand TOTAL	35267	1152	1588	2043	1641	

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		Memb.	Non-Mem. (Indi- viduals)	Business Firms		
Wayzata	680	39	77	15	30	Exceeded goal.
Wells	125	15	50	-	12	No drive. On tea where guests leave contribution. Poor weather, failed.
Vestanka (Formerly Mound)	385	3	38	40	20	Exceeded goal.
West St. Paul	547	38	16	19	41	Exceeded goal. Persistent.
White Bear Lake	595	14	19	90	27	Exceeded goal. Would like to get more member contributions.
Willmar	460	5	77	--	35	Just short of goal. Poor chairman. Poor mop-up.
Worthington						No drive.
Sub or Grand TOTAL	38059	1266	1865	2207	1806	

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I N C O M E					EXPENDITURES		
Name of local League	Members Dues	Contrib.	Non-mem- bers Contrib.	Other Receipts 4 a) b) c)	Total Drawn from Reserves 6 a) b)	Local Disburse- ment	State and National Pledge
Albert Lea	210	53.00	193.00	22.64		423.42	200
Alexandria							245
Anoka	210	3.00	430.00	26.50		222.15	375
Arden Hills	310	45.00	205.00	258.19	406.81	980.00	245
Austin							630
Battle Lake	68	24.00	25.00	20.00		70.00	65
Bemidji	220	3.75	177.70	15.85	58.45	175.75	300
Bloomington	395	84.00	923.00			873.81	600
Brainerd	130	40.00	334.00	20.00		391.57	175
Brooklyn Center	310	52.00	683.50	10.69		671.13	375
Buffalo	70			77.25		36.00	100
Cass Lake	60	16.00	77.00	15.54		82.49	85
Chisholm	195	17.50	235.50	87.25		342.95	175
Columbia Heights	93	15.30	226.00	11.27		132.76	135
Crystal	160	17.50	355.50		25.00	225.00	275
Deephaven							275
Duluth	1440	536.00	1,760.00	164.00		2,375.00	1525
/Edina	1332	231.00	1,147.00	363.81	31.69	1,800.00	1300
Excelsior	212	47.00	209.00	18.40		237.14	230
Falsen Heights	224	15.50	176.00	95.55		144.76	240
Faribault	120	22.00	221.00			69.92	140
Sub or Grand Total	5759	1222.55	7378.20	1206.94	521.95	9253.85	7690

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Name of local League	Members Dues	Contrib.	Non-mem- bers Contrib.	Other Receipts 4 a) b) c)	Total Drawn from Reserves 6 a) b)	Local Disburse- ment	State and National Pledge
Fergus Falls	180	45.50	247.00	87.02		256.50	250
Fridley	400	70.00	520.00	10.17		505.00	285
Golden Valley	385	60.70	345.50			569.69	530
Granite Falls	144 3	2.50	324.50	183.36		245.72	150
Hibbing							450
Hutchinson	66	44.00	85.00	45.24		116.44	100
*International Falls	275			7.35		61.07	25
Jackson							90
Mahtomedi	305		533.00		17.30	440.00	345
Mankato	390	51.32	361.00	100.70		457.75	125
Maplewood							350
Minneapolis	5200	2,975.00	8,132.00	3,900.00	1,356.00	15,263.00	6,280
Minnetonka Village	550	20.00	342.50	17.00		915.00	525
Moorhead	305	10.00	420.00	60.00	204.28	466.75	250
Mound	300	28.19	449.50	48.60	52.67	511.50	265
New Richland	90				10.00	15.00	85
New Ulm	128	84.00	262.50	14.35		287.64	140
North St. Paul	68	2.00	320.00		7.86	162.86	235
Owatonna	250		561.50	33.40		425.00	325
Red Wing	300	20.00	442.50	40.00		472.00	325
Richfield	430	80.00	400.00	130.00	160.00	635.00	565
Robbinsdale	225	43.00	381.50	14.67		370.36	280
Sub or Grand Total	15750	4758.76	21,506.20	5898.80	2330.06	31430.13	19665

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I N C O M E					EXPENDITURES		
Name of local League	Members		Non-mem- bers Contrib.	Other Receipts 4 a) b) c)	Total Drawn from Reserves 6 a) b)	Local Disburse- ment	State and National Pledge
Rochester	1175	150.00	1400.00	275.00	250.00	1,785.00	1,465
roseville	750	111.50	893.00	259.00		980.00	900
St. Anthony Village	270	40.00	400.00	19.00		525.00	225
St. Cloud	302	97.60	1,201.60	111.35	242.87	675.27	400
St. Croix Valley	270	30.50	360.00	24.69		292.46	310
St. Louis Park	690	3.75	965.00	130.00		464.39	800
St. Paul	2270	900.00	4477.00	220.00		4,930.11	2,900
*St. Peter	265	9.50	408.50			243.78	125
Shoreview	190	63.37	163.00	83.30		280.09	175
Silver Bay	225	50.00	275.00	3.00		350.00	200
South St. Paul	215	15.00	481.00	62.60		335.16	400
Virginia	132		350.00	1.50		199.71	210
Wayzata	288	147.00	540.50	3.20		400.39	350
Wells	91		65.61	110.15		168.20 1,100.20	95
West St. Paul	242	101.50	495.00	32.00		327.39	375
White Bear Lake	445	50.00	560.00	100.00		758.00	500
Willmar	300	75.00	400.00	1375.10		800.00	250
Worthington	135					87.86	100
Sub or Grand Total	24005	6603.48	34,941.41	7708.69	2822.93	45,032.94	29,445

LOCAL LEAGUE _____

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UNITS - No. of _____

MEMBERSHIP

Please give a brief summation of the Membership Committee activities to promote membership. Evaluate.

What has been done, in particular, to keep members in your League?

How can we as a state Board help you obtain new members? List ways.

What can we do to help you keep your members?

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DISCUSSION TECHNIQUES

Do you use a discussion leader other than the resource person in all, most, some, or none of your units?

How long has your present plan been in use?

Have you used one or more Planning Sessions during the year similar to that described in the fall Discussion Workshops?

Do you feel that better discussion has resulted in your units because of the use of discussion leaders and planning sessions?

Comments:

MEMBERSHIP (see attached form)

1. There doesn't appear to be anything new in the efforts of LL Membership Chairmen to promote membership. One pattern keeps coming through--a lot or a flurry of membership promotion but not much carry through. Too many one-shot events, but not enough effort to get people acquainted with one another and into units. It is still not a responsibility of every member.
2. This one was more encouraging. LL may not be out beating the bushes for new members, but as pointed on under discussion, LL are trying to keep members by improving their discussion meetings in one way or another. Most frequently listed was--a. More preparation in advance of unit meetings; b. publications to members in advance of unit meetings; c. better and more orientation of new members.
3. Answers were most interesting--ones that appeared most frequently and in that order:
 - a. Advertising or publicity on radio, TV, newspapers--statewide. Improve League image.
 - b. Statewide membership campaign--crash type program--one suggestion
 - c. Make publications interesting and attractive
 - d. They liked membership materials--New Member Kits, too
 - e. Prompt notification of membership transfers.
4. Liked the opportunity to get together with other membership chairmen
 - a. Many said that keeping members is a problem that Local Leagues must solve.
 - b. Leagues like our excellent state publications for member and general use.
 - c. They like the discussion outlines that go out with our materials.

DISCUSSION TECHNIQUES
(form attached)

1. Discussion leaders are generally used in Minnesota Leagues, but these are not necessarily a person other than the resource person. I have a strange feeling that quite often the person who "does the topic" is considered the discussion leader, when actually all she does is the topic.
2. Many of the present plans have been in use for several years, but in many cases the Leagues have tried to work out an improvement over their old patterns and some have tried the "new" plan or variations thereof.
3. Part of this question was answered under #2. The most encouraging thing was the fact that many Leagues have conscientiously tried to improve discussion by planning ahead. True--all planning sessions have not been held as outlined in our workshops--there have been many variations--this is good--at least the need to improve is recognized.
4. Most Leagues reported an improvement in unit discussion where they had made some changes in pattern; some felt the need to become more accustomed to the "new" plan before they could judge.
5. Comments:
 - a. Difficult to find permanent discussion leaders
 - b. Last fall's workshop excellent
 - c. Changing patterns for unit discussion meetings, seeing that members have publications in hand before unit meetings and involving as many members as possible, improves discussion and makes meetings much more stimulating .
(Isn't this what we have been saying?)
 - d. Provisional Leagues very much in favor of the "new" plan.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. From the state point of view what was your foremost Public Relations achievement for the year 1963-64? Describe

Probably the coverage of our state convention in May. All the metropolitan newspapers covered the convention and gave excellent reports of the proceedings and program decisions. Both St. Paul and Minneapolis papers carried interviews with the incoming President and pictures of her and the new Board officers.

2. Do you have a public relations chairman on the state Board? If not, how is the PR responsibility distributed?

Yes though this position was not filled until October. Mrs. Nash is inexperienced in this field but learning fast and is able to put to good use a wealth of experience in other areas of League activity on the local level.

3. Please describe any statewide campaigns the League spearheaded or participated in during the year.

We are just launching our campaigns on party designation and the election law enabling new residents to vote for president and vice president before meeting resident's requirements.

Did you locate like-minded groups? We will work with both parties, AAUW, Jaycees and hope to enlist support of and work with still others.

Did you incorporate or organize formally? No

Did League "control" planning and action? We plan to. If not, were any difficulties encountered in decision making?

Who handled PR? We will -- hope to have some advice from the experts.

What technique proved most effective?

We'll answer these two questions next year.

What would you do differently?

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PUBLIC RELATIONS - Continued

4. Did you schedule public relations workshops during the year?
Please describe content and evaluate results.

What public relations is and its value were discussed at President's workshops. Always stressed at Board Training. Three workshops at State Council will be related to Public Relations.

Was TIPS ON REACHING THE PUBLIC useful?

Very much so --- just what we're needed in public relations.

Are you reminding Leagues of TIPS and suggesting ways it can be used to move into new areas of PR?

Yes, we've suggested its use many times in our BOARD MEMO which goes out to all local Leagues each month after the state Board meeting. It will be a basis for discussions in workshops at Council.

5. Do you send sample news releases to local Leagues? Distribute releases directly to news media in non-League communities?

Please evaluate.

We have not done this this year because of vacancy on Board and then a new PR chairman.

We distribute to media in 500 communities preparing for and during a legislative session. Occasionally we order "clipping service" to follow up on such releases -- this service is provided by Minnesota Newspaper Association through whom the releases are distributed.

Have you been able to use releases before or after state Board meetings to develop public understanding of the League? No What pegs have you used?

Since our Board meets every month it begins to be "old hat" to the news media-- even though it isn't to us. We will probably have a release after our April meeting announcing our position on the taconite amendment.

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6. Has state League used radio-TV for spot announcements? Programs?
Please enclose samples or describe.

Cooperated with the World Affairs Center on just one short tape on LWV to counteract "attack" by American Legion on World Affairs Center of which LWV is member organization. These tapes now being made available to stations throughout the state.

Do local Leagues exchange program ideas or tapes? Yes

Does state League supply spot announcements or tapes for placement by local Leagues or direct to stations?

Not this past year.

7. If any Leagues in your state have experienced public attacks on League program please add your evaluation of their effect on League.

9 out of 52 Leagues indicated some attacks on League program. 3 were on foreign aid or trade, 2 on the UN, 3 on local issues and 1 on League non-partisan policy. Except for one on a local school bond issue, these appear to be only a few people in each community who feel strongly enough to voice their complaints. I know of no major organized groups in Minnesota who are viciously opposing League positions. Some opposition is to be expected and I don't believe that these attacks have adversely affected these Leagues. St. Anthony Village has had considerable difficulty, both outside and within the League on their school bond position. This has been a very hot issue and the League hasn't always acted as diplomatically as they might have. (The bond issue was passed 4th attempt) so this issue can die.

8. Do you give samples of new publications to selected groups with similar interests? Yes To libraries? Yes To office holders? Yes

Please describe any special presentations used to increase impact.

PUBLICATIONS REPORT - 1963-64

49 Leagues reported.

- I. 15 Leagues assess members a fee for publications.
12 Leagues have set up a Local Subscription Service.
30 Leagues sell publications at Unit Meetings.
21 Leagues receive Unit Mailings from state (1 or more)
3 Leagues use a "kitty" in units to help buy publications. Other methods to promote sale to members are by use of the Bulletin, sale at membership meetings, chairmen's meetings and workshops. There is overlapping, of course, with some Leagues using more than one method.
- II. 45 Leagues provide at least one publication for the entire membership.
- III. 43 Leagues report that members receive their publications a month preceding the study of that item always or usually. Four report seldom and two never.
- IV. 47 Leagues provide free publications in their communities. Number varies greatly, but are given to schools, public and school libraries, clergymen, editors, Representatives in Congress and the Legislature, councilmen, professors, doctors' and dentists' offices, laundromats, YWCA, Welcome Wagon, county and city offices, hospitals, and the Chamber of Commerce.
- Nearly all Leagues also send publications to their contributors.
- V. 32 Leagues promote the sale of publications outside the League, but in varying degrees. This is done by calling on school and city representatives personally, providing catalogs and Social Study kit flyers to Social Studies Departments in schools and colleges, selling publications at PTA and AAUW, UN Rallies, Civic Vairs, and party conventions. Sales are also promoted by ads in newspapers and spot radio announcements, through speakers bureaus, at open meetings, and through the Chamber of Commerce.

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VOTERS SERVICE

1. What have you done to help your local Leagues in Voters Service this Year?

a) Workshops, conferences, memos, etc.? Advised them of availability of free film on grass roots political activity, memo on legislative manual available for young readers, Minnesota VOTER articles on caucuses and party activity.

b) Printed materials such as Ballot Issues, Voters Guides, etc.

Please list quantities printed, and costs, for each item.

Digest of Minnesota Election Laws - 500 printed, cost \$25.00

Proposed Amendments to Minnesota Constitution - 8500 - \$495.00

Is this material given to the local Leagues without charge? No - First copies went to League presidents in President's Mailings - additional copies charged as below.
If not, what is the cost to the local League for each item?

Digest of Minnesota Election Laws - 10¢ each

Proposed Amendments to Minnesota Constitution - 10¢ each

2. What, if anything, have you done to provide Voters Service information in communities where there is no local League?

Since January we have been preparing a Voters Service flyer with general election and registration information to distribute all over the state beginning in April.

3. What have you done in Voters Service to develop understanding of state government and the state legislature; e.g. Go-See Tours, printed materials, meetings? Attach agendas or descriptions.

Published a digest of current Minnesota election laws (attached).

4. Please describe any special success story in the area of Voters Service.

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UNITED NATIONS

1. Describe briefly your state Board work on the United Nations item (including publications promotion, workshops, action, etc.)

Gave direction through the BOARD MEMO.

Because of the general acceptance of the United Nations in our area and the information and abundance of literature available from other organizations did not find the need for as much direction on this CA as the foreign economic policy item.

The Minneapolis and St. Paul Leagues are inviting suburban and outstate ~~for~~ foreign policy chairmen to their workshops on this item so that they might have the benefit of research and activity afforded by the large city committees.

2. In the state Board's opinion how valuable were the following materials in the development of the United Nations item during the 1962-64 biennium?

For leaders: Outlook for Work (National Board Reports), Leaders Guide, Foreign Policy Roundups, Times for Action.

For members: Facts & Issues, NATIONAL VOTER Articles, U.N. Pocket Reference.

For the public: Facts & Issues, U.N. Pocket Reference.

The U. N. Pocket Reference used widely for public distribution.

(Answer on Foreign Economic Policy sheet on this question applies here too.)

3. Have you any further comments concerning guidance by the national Board on the United Nations item?

No.

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FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

1. Describe briefly your state Board work on the Foreign Economic Policy item (including publications promotion, workshops, action, etc.)

Gave direction through the BOARD MEMO on action and publications promotion. Many 'phone calls and questions from Leagues during the course of the Aid Legislation prompted our holding a December 9th workshop on Foreign Aid.

Have requested the Mpls. and St. Paul Leagues invite suburban and outstate foreign policy chairmen to their workshops so that these smaller Leagues may have the benefit of the research afforded by the large committees of the City Leagues. Good response to this.

Took part in a broadcast on Foreign Aid. After a prepared statement, answered questions 'phoned in to the station.

Are planning another workshop on Aid and East West trade on April 30. The response to our December 9 workshop was excellent. There is a need to bring our program to life with excellent speakers and open discussion so that the study becomes more meaningful.

2. In the state Board's opinion how valuable were the following materials in the development of the Foreign Economic Policy item during the 1962-64 biennium?

For leaders: Outlook for Work (National Board Reports), Leaders Guide, Foreign Policy Roundups, Times for Action.

For members: Facts & Issues, NATIONAL VOTER Articles, Background on Aid.

For the public: Facts & Issues, Herlock Sholmes.

All materials are valuable. Leaders felt some lack on the consensus questions in League materials. The Facts & Issues are an excellent idea for the member; however, because of the number and interrelationship of them were not used particularly for public distribution. Leaders found them somewhat difficult for unit discussion because of the overlapping of Current Agenda areas and problems.

Flyers such as Herlock Sholmes are excellent for public distribution.

National Voter articles such as KULP, statement of positions as in March issue, questions and answers on foreign aid in July, The Private Investor & Foreign Aid in August, and the UN article in January are exceptionally good for the only all member publication.

3. Have you any further comments concerning guidance by the national Board on the Foreign Economic Policy item?

Would like bulletins to the state Board often during legislative activity involving Times for Action. Found it difficult to keep abreast of aid legislation and to answer specific objections raised during the debate. A recent subscription to the Congressional Record will help, but nevertheless need constant direction during such an extended period of action as in the last session on aid.

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NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES

1. What services has your state League given to local Leagues to help them prepare their members on national Continuing Responsibilities?

Through BOARD MEMO - suggestion to order NCR 1962-64 for all members. Also information on the Senate testimony (#56) of Sen. Carl Hayden against the "liberty amendment." State Board consultants were urged to encourage their Leagues to use new ideas for reviewing CRs. The National Board suggestions were most helpful. We have prepared an information sheet on water pollution that was sent out for use in LL bulletins (attached). Information on the Soil and Water Research Station at Morris, Minn. was sent out in the fall of 1963. A revision of 1959 material was made but did not get printed-so this will have to be updated again before anything more is done. However, there is a need for the local members to have some state LWV material to inform members of the changes and progress in the water positions. All of this work depends upon the action of the National Convention.

Each year a bibliography is given out of state information that is available on water resources.

2. What action did the state League take on water under the national Continuing Responsibility? Did your local Leagues participate in this action?

A statement was prepared to be included with the report of the hearing of the Conference on Interstate Pollution of the Mississippi River, Febr. 7, 1964. Leagues in the area were invited to attend and there were a few local League members presented at this hearing. They We have followed up with bulletin reports on this meeting.

The state League has written Congressmen in response to calls to action. Specific Leagues have been asked to do the same so we knew they would hear from constituents at the same time all Leagues were expected to respond. Many feel their members are not well enough informed to respond to such calls. The Brainerd League has been active--this is on file in the national office.

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NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES - Continued

3. Was there a resolution in your legislature to limit or abolish the national income-tax? If so, was it coupled with a proposal to reduce the President's power in negotiation of treaties and international agreements?
Please check (☒ yes) (☐ no)

a) If you answered "yes":

What happened in your state legislature? A resolution by Wright was introduced to submit the so-called "liberty amendment" to the states for ratification. Only What proposal was put forth? by chance was this caught through newspaper in small community.

Was a resolution introduced? Yes

Was it killed in committee? Yes

Was there a committee hearing? Yes - 2 - only proponents were heard

Did the resolution reach the floor? No

If there was a vote, what was the outcome?

b) Did your League take action under the Continuing Responsibilities on tax rates and treaty making? Opposition to limit tax rates and treaty making was included in the statement opposing H.P. 327. We never were able to present the If so, please describe. statement because only proponents were heard. The LWV is working with Federation of Republican Women who were "studying" this amendment through use of material from Natl Comm. for Economic Freedom. This group is now promoting discussion groups among our high school students. Where we find this happening we are providing our information.

Did members not on state or local Boards participate in the action? Yes, in contact legislators on committees-a few members outstate were asked to write or talk to others with influence. Letters in opposition from Pres. of ACLU, Minn. Branch, Sen. McCarthy, Dr. Upgren & Mpls Attny Stanley Platt If the League did not act, please give reasons the state Board thought it wiser to desist.

4. Is there any other aspect of work on national Continuing Responsibilities on which you would like to comment?

36 local Leagues discussed all CRs at at least one unit meeting or equivalent
4 " " informed members through Local Bulletin
4 " " brought CR discussion to meetings when these issues were in the news
7 " " did nothing to inform members on CRs
3 " " concentrated on Water CR alone

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Duplicate Presidents Mailing

October 1965

TO: Local and Provisional League Presidents (Copy to State Presidents)
FROM: Mrs. Robert J. Stuart
RE: 1965-66 Local Annual Report

Your sample copy of the local Annual Report for 1965-66 is attached. You have been sent this sample copy so that at your next Board meeting you can tell each Board member exactly what information she will be requested to furnish to the national office later in the year. Perhaps you may want to take this sample report apart and distribute the appropriate sheet to each chairman.

The report forms to be filled out will be mailed to you about the first of the year. They will be identical with this sample copy.

Provisional Leagues will be asked to report on the activities which they have undertaken in preparation for local League status: Voters Service, meetings on Program, opinions on League positions and new consensus, and statistical information.

Deadline for returning the completed reports will be set by your state Board. By that date please fill in and return two copies to the national office. As many copies as your state Board requires should be sent to the state office. Of course you will want to keep one copy in your local files as a permanent record of your League's activities.

Since the national Board has a policy of never asking Leagues for anything it will not use, you should know why we need two copies of your annual report. One copy of your report is kept as a permanent record in the national office, to which we can refer when answering your letters. The second copy is distributed sheet by sheet to the national Board committee and staff concerned with the item or activity. From these separated sheets come accumulations of data which demonstrate trends, evolving patterns, shifting developments, SWAP SHOPS of ideas or of work, nationwide pictures of League activity. To speak authoritatively of the work of the League of Women Voters of the United States, one must of necessity be aware of what these local League annual reports contain, both as a unit, and also broken down into the components of League activity.

Estimating membership figures for March 31 several weeks in advance of that date has proved a bit troublesome. The reason for continuing the use of that date is that it is the one which has always been used and allows us to compare figures from year to year. May we suggest that your treasurer can supply information for each of the last several years on the number of members paying dues during the period between the time your report is filled in and March 31. From these figures an average growth for the period can be reached which is reasonable to use in arriving at the estimated figure. Actual paid membership plus this average growth for the period should not be far off the mark unless there is some unusual circumstance that has to be taken into consideration this year.

Estimated finance figures may be reached in the same way though the treasurer in making her estimate has the advantage of knowing the approximate costs of activities planned for the period to be covered. We realize these figures will not be identical with the figures made in the treasurer's Annual Report to her League which is prepared after the books are closed on March 31, 1966.

This year we are again providing three sheets for reporting work on local Program. If only one subject is reported on a sheet we are able without cross filing to continue to build files of local Program work in various popular subjects (for example schools, planning, juveniles, libraries) which we can share with you. If you have more than three local Program items, please use a separate additional sheet for each one, being careful to put the name of your League and your state on each sheet. We are also supplying three sheets for your state Program reports.

Your Annual Reports serve quite another purpose in addition to providing the national Board and office and your state Board with a detailed picture of your League. The mechanics of compiling this Report serves to pull together all the threads of your League work, and this provides an opportunity for you to have an overall look at your League's progress. This is rewarding in so many ways that the chore of the paper work involved becomes incidental. We do all deplore the necessity of this much paper work, but it definitely "pays off." In this regard, may we urge you to request that your chairmen go to every length possible to have their reports typed and to use extra sheets of paper (with the name of the League and state on every sheet) whenever needed. A typed report will be read with much greater ease than a handwritten one. Surely in every local League there exists one member who can type and who will be willing to do this "one-shot" job. We will be more than grateful to her and to you.

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Deadline for return: Determined by State Board

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To National Office -- two copies to 1200 17th Street, N.W.
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To your file -- one copy

LOCAL LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT
For the year April 1, 1965-March 31, 1966

Population of community (or area, if League is organized on area basis) _____

This League is in Congressional District or Districts Number _____

M E M B E R S H I P

Number of voting members (estimated) 3/31/66 _____

Number of associate members (estimated) 3/31/66 _____

Number of new members (estimated) 4/1/65-3/31/66 _____

Number of members dropped, 4/1/65-3/31/66 _____

Net ^{Growth}
Loss (cross off one) since March 31, 1965 _____

(Check 1965 Annual Report if available)

If your membership showed a noticeable increase this year, please describe any technique you used for acquiring new members:

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1. How successful has your League been at "keeping" members this year?

2. Has Orientation in Government and/or your techniques in Orientation in League helped you to keep members? Please describe.

3. To what other factors, if any, do you attribute your success?

4. Please describe any technique you have used which you feel would be good for a League with small membership.

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LOCAL LEAGUE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - 1965-66

1. What was the goal of Finance Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66?* \$ _____

2. How much was raised in Drive held between 4/1/65 and 3/31/66?* \$ _____

3. Number of persons who contributed: Total amount received from:

Members _____ \$ _____

Non-members (individuals) _____ \$ _____

Business Firms and
other Organizations _____ \$ _____

4. Number of workers

Actual solicitors _____

All other workers _____

5. Number of all *gifts received in each of the following categories:

\$5-\$10 \$10-\$25 \$25-\$50 \$50-\$100 Over \$100

No. _____

6. Regarding business gifts only, please list:

a) number received from nationwide firms _____; from state-wide firms (if any) _____;
from local firms _____.

b) How many business gifts were \$5 to \$10 _____; were \$10 to \$25 _____; were \$25
to \$50 _____; were \$50 to \$100 _____; were over \$100 _____?

c) Give below names of nationwide firms, labor unions or organizations, etc. which
contributed to the League this year.

*If you are filling in this form before your drive has been held, please estimate results on the basis of last year's drive. Be sure to include membership contributions as well as non-member gifts (including business gifts) in your goal and amount raised.

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d) List names of state-wide firms (if any) contributing to League:

e) Regarding business contributions: Have you a success story (e.g., about a successful selling point), or a helpful procedure; (e.g., about establishing a good contact with a firm), or any good advice; (e.g., did you try a firm more than once with eventual success?) If so, please share with other Leagues here:

f) Comment on any particular difficulty in soliciting business firms.

7. Did you have a Men's Advisory Committee? If so, describe briefly its composition and how it helped.

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LOCAL LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT - 1965-66

(Please read explanation for each item on reverse of this sheet before filling in form.)

INCOME (estimated 4/1/65 - 3/31/66)

- | | | |
|--|----------|------------------|
| 1. Dues @ \$ _____ from _____ members) | \$ _____ | (total dues) |
| 2. Member Contributions (from _____ members) | \$ _____ | |
| 3. Non-member Contributions (from _____ individuals) | _____ | |
| (from _____ businesses) | _____ | \$ _____ |
| | | (total contrib.) |
| 4. Other Receipts (from _____ a) | _____ | |
| (from _____ b) | _____ | |
| (from _____ c) | _____ | |
| (from _____ d) | _____ | \$ _____ |
| | | (total Receipts) |
| 5. From Reserve | | |
| (from Earmarked Reserves: for KYT _____; | | |
| (for delegates _____; for etc. _____) a) | _____ | |
| (from Savings to balance budget) b) | _____ | \$ _____ |
| | | (total Reserves) |
| 6. Total Income, including any taken from Reserve | | \$ _____ |

EXPENDITURES (estimated 4/1/65 - 3/31/66)

- | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 7. Local Disbursements | \$ _____ | |
| 8. State and National Support | _____ | |
| 9. Total Expenditures 1965-66 | | \$ _____ |

CASH STATEMENT

- | | |
|--|----------|
| 10. Total Cash Balance on hand 4/1/65 | \$ _____ |
| 11. Total Estimated Cash Balance on hand 3/31/66 | \$ _____ |

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT LOCAL LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Dues: Fill in rate of dues, number of members and total amount received.
2. and 3. Number of Contributions: Consult Finance Chairman's report for these figures.
4. Other Receipts: Show in these four spaces only net profits (receipts minus expenses equals net profits) derived from such activities as: a) sale of publications (including calendars); b) fees charged for meetings; c) fees for reporting election returns; d) any other profit-making activities.
5. From Reserve: Fill in this figure only if funds were drawn from a) Earmarked Reserves (for a Know Your Town, or for future delegates expenses, or special publications or equipment, etc.) or b) drawn from savings to balance your expenses. Reserve is total cash balance on hand at end of previous fiscal year. It includes all money in all savings accounts, plus all money in all checking accounts.
7. Local Disbursements: Include all expenses except State and National Support.
8. State and National Support: Show actual amount of pledge, plus any additional gifts to state or national. Do not include cost of state and national publications or county council pledge. Those items will appear under local Disbursements.
10. Cash Balance 4/1/65: Include total of cash in all checking and savings accounts even though some may be earmarked as in #5 above.
11. Estimated Cash Balance 3/31/66: You will arrive at this figure by adding 6, (Total Income 1965-66) and 10, (Cash Balance 4/1/65) and then subtracting 9 (Total Expenditures 1965-66).

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - APPORTIONMENT

- * 1. Please comment on how your League Board and membership responded to the adoption of the national emergency item on apportionment.
- a) How did you select a chairman for the resource committee, recruit members for the committee?
- b) How did your Board handle planning and scheduling -- did you schedule extra membership and/or unit meetings or did you postpone membership consideration of other program items?
- c) Was general membership reaction favorable or unfavorable to the extra work involved?
- d) Was reaction favorable or unfavorable to the ability of the League to respond to a crisis situation and to meet an emergency?

* (Please have this a Board answer rather than a Chairman's answer.)

NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - APPORTIONMENT (Continued)

2. Comment on the guidance given by the national Board through its Board Reports and Memos on the development of the apportionment item.

3. Comment on the adequacy of materials provided by the national Board in the Kit and in the July 1965 NATIONAL VOTER Supplement.

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2. Have any members of your League served in local programs related to the Human Resources item? If so, in what capacity? In what ways, if any, has your League benefitted from this kind of membership activity?

NATIONAL CURRENT AGENCY - DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Describe your League's coverage of the Human Resources item (Resource committee work, kinds and number of membership meetings, participation and response of membership).

3. Comment on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national materials.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - UNITED NATIONS AND FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

Describe and evaluate your League's coverage of the foreign policy CAs (including I.C.Y., other U.N. activity, aid, trade, other).

Other U.N. activity

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UNITED NATIONS AND FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY (Continued)

Aid

Trade

Other

Comment, if you wish, on the guidance of the national Board and on the usefulness of national foreign policy materials.

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NATIONAL CURRENT AGENDA - WATER RESOURCES

1. What has your League done under the national water item during this year?

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WATER RESOURCES (Continued)

2. During the past year has your League worked in cooperation with another League on water? If so, which League(s)?

3. If your League has a local water CA or CR, what has your League done under it this year?

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VOTERS SERVICE

In the period covered by this report many local elections and some state elections have provided opportunity for varied kinds of ELECTION VOTERS SERVICE. And an important continuing trend in Voters Service is CITIZEN EDUCATION for all -- highly educated people, High School graduates, grade school graduates, foreign-born or non-English speaking people, indigenous people in the inner cores of large cities, semi-literates.

You may need extra sheets on which to report all your Voters Service work, including your efforts to cooperate with the publications chairman of your League to promote Voters Service publications. Please read all the questions before beginning to answer any.

1. Of all your Voters Service techniques, which have proven to be most successful? Please explain.

I. ELECTION VOTERS SERVICE

1. What did your local League do to encourage registration, to inform the voter, and to get out the vote in any elections during the period of this report?
2. What efforts were made this year to reach groups of people or geographical areas of your locality not usually contacted by the League?
 - a) Any comments on the success of this effort
 - b) Has your League produced Voters Service materials especially pointed towards these groups? Please attach samples.
3. Did you have Election Voters Service speaking engagements this year? _____
How many? _____ What groups did you speak to?
4. Please describe on an extra sheet of paper any unusual success story in the area of elections. (Attach clippings, if available.)

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VOTERS SERVICE (Continued)

II. ORIENTATION IN GOVERNMENT -- CITIZEN EDUCATION in the area of government and politics is increasingly a concern of local Leagues.

1. Did you have any kind of workshop, single meeting, or series of meetings on government or practical politics? Open to the public? Please describe, including attendance. Attach agendas.
2. Did your League make any effort to reach groups of people not usually contacted by the League in your citizen education efforts. Describe successes or failures. What subjects did you cover? What materials did you use? Attach samples.
3. Did you have Citizen Education speaking engagements this year? How many? To what groups? Subjects of your talks?
4. Have you used in your League, or promoted with other groups, or taken to your schools
 - a) DO YOU KNOW THE ABC'S OF YOUR TOWN'S GOVERNMENT?
 - b) YOU AND YOUR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT?
 - c) THE ROLE OF POLITICAL PARTIES, U.S.A.?
 - d) CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT?
 - e) WHEN YOU COME TO WASHINGTON?
5. How can the national Board be of assistance to local Leagues in the citizen education area of Voters Service?

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. What aspects of the League are of greatest public relations value?

open membership?

nonpartisanship?

educational opportunities?

Voters Service?

Program: local - state - national

action?

other?

2. What aspect of the League is hardest to make clear to the public?

nonpartisanship?

consensus?

difference between Voters Service and Program?

local Program? State Program? national Program?

action?

(Clippings illustrative of any of the above would be appreciated)

3. In the fall of 1964 the League spearheaded WOMEN VOTERS WEEK. In the spring of 1965 we focused on State Government. Do coordinated campaigns of this sort help

- (1) in obtaining additional publicity?
- (2) in building increased understanding of the League?

4. Did your League use radio?

How?

Did you produce your own programs?

What kind?

(Please include scripts and spot announcements if available)

(OVER)

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Continued)

5. Did your League use TV? How?
Did you produce your own program? What kind?
6. What kind of national public relations activity is most useful in your community?

7. Does your League have a Speakers Bureau? How many speakers?
Subjects?
How many engagements did the Bureau fill?
Do you find speech ideas such as "You and Your State Government," "Your Vote Makes a Difference," "Women, the United Nations and ICY" useful?

8. We are always interested in League members who have gone into politics or who have been appointed to Boards and Commissions. Please list below. If clippings or other background information is available please include.

Name	Party	Position
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9. We know you like to read stories in magazines and newspapers telling of League achievements in other places. League members in other places like to read stories of your achievements. If any of your efforts would prove enlightening to a League public please describe. Stories with a beginning, middle and end are particularly appreciated. Use extra sheets, if necessary.

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Local Government Surveys: List those done by your League currently in print.

Observers Programs: List governmental meetings (Council, School Board, Planning Commission, etc.) regularly attended by your League.

LOCAL PROGRAM

(Report each subject fully on a separate page. Three forms, including this one, are attached. Use extra pages if necessary.)

Subject:

1. League position (if any):

2. Publications issued (attach copy):

3. Activities during the year, including League meetings, action taken by League (testimony at hearings, ballot campaigns, letters, public meetings, important publicity, etc.):

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BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

Has your Board any suggestions for changes in basic League policies. If so, please describe, giving reasons.

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BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS - Continued

Has your Board any suggestions for improvements in procedures and services of the state Board? If so, please describe the improvements, giving reasons.

Has your Board any suggestions for improvements in procedures and services of the national Board? If so, please describe the improvements, giving reasons.

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- 1) Has your state League an office? **Yes**

Address: State Organization Service, University of Minn., Minneapolis, Minn.

Is it permanent? **Yes**

Do you share it with a local League? **YES No**

How many rooms? Describe briefly.

Two rooms. One with files and for staff. Other room - a smaller one - for publications. Has table and chairs for small committee meetings.

Do you make use of volunteer help on a regular basis? **No** How is this organized?

- 2) Give name and job description of staff (indicate full or part time).

Executive Secretary - full time - office manager - bookkeeper - works closely with Program people

Organization Secretary - full time - works closely with local Leagues - also with legislative, public relations and voters service.

- 3) List dates of state Board meetings 1964 - 65. Indicate if pre- or post-Convention or Council.

March 19, 1964

April 10, 1964 - special

April 16, 1964

May 14, 1964

June 18, 1964

August 20, 1964

September 17, 1964

October 14, 1964

November 19, 1964

December 9, 1964

January 21, 1965

February 25, 1965

March 18, 1965

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- 1) If your state Board has given help to local Leagues in the field of membership expansion, describe fully. Attach any materials not already sent to the national office.

A section of the June Leadership Workshop was devoted to membership. A meeting with some local League representatives was held to discuss ideas for stimulating membership growth. The result of this was two membership memos sent to all Leagues. A particularly good calendar plan for getting new members from a local League was reproduced and sent to all Leagues. Samples of local League membership flyers and brochures were sent to all local Leagues.

- 2) Does your Board feel that you have strengthened your services to local Leagues during the past year? In what respects?

See attached sheet

- 3) Does your state Board have suggestions for the kind of field service that would be most beneficial for your state? Visit by national Board or staff member? On a specific program, activity or problem? Or a general visit? A single visit or repeat visits by the same Board or staff member? Would your state League benefit from participation in an Inter-League Conference? In what area of League Program or activity? Other suggestions or comments about national field service.

See attached sheet

- 4) Does your state Board have suggestions for changes in basic League policies or for improvement in the procedures and services of the national Board and office? If so, please describe, giving reasons and suggestions for the improvements that might be made.

We mentioned previously our wish for a change in policy on Congressional questionnaires (see comments under VS section). We feel we never know when our Leagues will receive additional helps (discussion questions, consensus report forms, etc.) on national Program. If these are not provided, we feel we should give this service, but it is too late after the resource material is received by the local Leagues. There does not seem to be a consistency in material which goes to the state office only and to our president's home - one time it will be sent to the president at the office and the next time it will go only to her home and then it will go both places. Since our president lives 70 miles from the state office this has created some problems for us.

2. In many respects we feel we have strengthened our services to our local Leagues. In some other areas we have not provided the kinds of service that were needed because we have not had an Organization Chairman on our Board this last year. Each of our Board members has continued to serve as consultant to a number of local Leagues. Those Leagues needing special attention, primarily because of membership and leadership problems, have received special attention from the Organization Secretary. This, however, has been limited because our Executive Secretary (for the past 7 years) resigned and her replacement resigned after six months.

In spite of limited staff our office operation has become efficient which results in improved services to the local Leagues. The office management committee on our Board has been an active committee working to improve office procedures. We were able to move from one office to two rooms in the same building, and we have secured new desks and new open shelf files so that our staff is in one room and the other room is for publications and can also be used for small committee meetings.

Program:

Consensus - series in our monthly Board Memo and ~~Voter~~ related articles in the Minnesota VOTER.

Program Development - provided discussion outlines and helps for planning sessions on state Program items.

printed all state Program publications and promoted every member use.

resource chairmen visited many local Leagues to talk about their items -

also spoke to other groups at meetings arranged by local Leagues.

arranged luncheon meetings in metropolitan area with speakers on U.N. and FEP.

Check list on Water helped stimulate renewed interest in this item during the summer.

summary of state Program positions printed in March 1965 VOTER.

Lively Issues VOTER followed with special helps in choosing Program in the Board Memo. (Two years ago 24 Leagues participated in first round Program suggestions - this year 51 participated.)

Program Promotion - increased mailings of Program publications to key people in the state.

legislative workshops on an area basis included in Legislative Report.
sent out specific ideas for promoting amendment #2 in November election with good response from local Leagues.

helped finance - with Minneapolis League - ad on Amendment #2.

workshop on working with legislators at state Council.

Leadership Training - workshop in June for all local League Board members. This was offered in place of special Board training for individual Leagues.

Finance - finance workshop for all local League - see Finance Report.

Budget Building Day to which all local Leagues were invited to send observers (previously invitation sent to 1/3 of Leagues each year)

Public Relations - WWV activity - see PR Report.

encouraging local Leagues to work more with other organizations and at the same time we have been making more contacts with these organizations on the state level.

Voters Service - for the first time provided candidates questionnaires for district judges.

made available VS flyer - Your Vote Makes a Difference - 90,000 sold and distributed through the local Leagues.

3. We do not feel the need for repeated visits, but we would always welcome a visit of a national Board member or staff member (we are looking forward to Mrs. Pharis' visit to our State Convention). In discussing this question the Board members had many ideas such as a speaking tour through certain sections of our state by Mrs. Little; closer interdepartmental contacts in voters service, membership, public relations and publications; regional meetings on national Program as well as finance and other phases of League activity (here we were thinking of smaller conferences with our surrounding states including local as well as state League representation); our state Board members feel they would benefit from more direction or assistance from their counterparts on the national Board; our local Leagues would benefit from digests of reports such as the one we just received on the finance meeting (it has more meaning when it comes directly to the local Leagues); we would benefit from specific helps on preparing and promoting publications.

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MinnesotaSTATE LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT

April 1, 1964 - March 31, 1965

(Please fill in and return 2 copies NOT LATER THAN March 31, 1965, to the League of Women Voters of the United States, 1200 - 17th St. NW, Washington, D.C. If enough space is not provided for your replies, attach additional sheets.)

LOCAL LEAGUES:

Number of local Leagues, 3/31/65
Number of provisional Leagues, 3/31/65

604

Total local and provisional Leagues, 3/31/65

64

Check last year's State Annual Report and give:

Increase of local and provisional Leagues over 3/31/65

3

OR

Decrease of local and provisional Leagues under 3/31/65

MEMBERSHIP:

Voting members, estimated 3/31/65
Associate members, estimated 3/31/65
Members at large, estimated 3/31/65

5790492Total voting, associate and members at large,
estimated 3/31/655836

Check last year's Annual Report and give:

Increase of voting, associate and
members at large over 3/31/64~~5511~~ 325

OR

Decrease of voting, associate and
members at large under 3/31/64

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March 30, 1964

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1026 17th Street, N. W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Leaguers:

RE: Annual Reports

Enclosed are two copies of the Annual Report for the state of Minnesota. Our file copy for 1962-63 has disappeared - hence, no figures on page 18 for Local League Income and Expenses for the same date.

May I make a couple of suggestions for improving next year's forms? It would be most helpful if page 2 of the state form could correspond more closely to page 1 of the local form. In other words, column 5 should be 6 and vice versa on the state form.

On page 15 of the local form it would be easier if item 2 was in the total column; otherwise local treasurers usually added items 2 and 3 together, thus making it difficult to do page 17 of the state form.

Thank you for giving these suggestions your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mrs. E. C. Williams
Executive Secretary

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STATE LEAGUE

	1963-64	Estimated 1964-65
Income		
Local Leagues Support	\$ 29,505	\$ 31,649
Contributions direct to state	<u>404</u>	<u>341</u>
All other receipts (including members-at-large dues, profit from publications or other activities)	<u>211</u>	<u>397</u>
From Reserves	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ <u>30,120</u>	\$ <u>32,387</u>
Expenditures		
General Administration	\$ 6,615	\$ 7,187
Direct Services to Local Leagues	<u>3,716</u>	<u>2,904</u>
Salaries	<u>6,709</u>	<u>6,900</u>
National Pledge	<u>11,350</u>	<u>13,000</u>
All other disbursements	<u>1,008</u>	<u>1,450</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>29,398</u>	\$ <u>31,441</u>

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CASH STATEMENT

Cash balance on hand (including savings) at beginning of year 4/1/64	\$ <u>9,826</u>
Estimated cash balance on hand (including savings) at close of year, 3/31/65	\$ <u>10,000</u>

LOCAL AND PROVISIONAL LEAGUES

	1963-64	Estimated 1964-65
Income		
Dues	\$ 24,005	\$ 25,237
Member Contributions	<u>6,603</u>	<u>5,422</u>
Non-Member Contributions	<u>34,941</u>	<u>32,796</u>
Other Receipts (total of 4a), b), c), d) from Local League reports)	<u>7,709</u>	<u>17,301</u>
Drawn from Reserves (total of 6a) and b) from Local League reports)	<u>2,823</u>	<u>5,602</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ <u>76,081</u>	\$ <u>86,358</u>
Expenditures		
Local Work	\$ 45,033	\$ 51,572
State and national services	<u>29,445</u>	<u>31,844</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>74,478</u>	\$ <u>83,416</u>

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CASH STATEMENT

Total of local Leagues'	
Balances on hand (including savings) at beginning of year 4/1/64	\$ <u>43,519.89</u>
Estimated balances (including savings) on hand at close of year, 3/31/65	\$ <u>45,519.30</u>
How much of the estimated balance is earmarked?	\$ <u>2,750.60</u>

Note: We are aware that the state Board must receive local League figures by March 15. We suggest you reassure your local Leagues that their figures may be based on their best estimates.

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LOCAL LEAGUES AND MEMBERSHIP

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Name of League (Include local and provisional Leagues. Indicate which are provisional)	Population of Community of Area of League	No. Voting Members 3/31/65	No. Associate Members 3/31/65	No. new Members this year	No. Members dropped this year	Net Increase or Decrease + or -	Total Membership 3/31/65
Albert Lea	20,000	31	0	8	19	-11	31
Alexandria	6,713	29	0	4 10	4	6	29
Anoka	12,000	48	0	9	1	8	48
Arden Hills	4,000	57	0	8	19	-11	57
Austin	27,908	170	0	10	3	7	170
Battle Lake	800	16	0	1	2	- 1	16
Bemidji	10,000	56	0	15	15	same	56
Bloomington	60,000	89	0	27	26	1	89
Brainerd	10,000	22	0	2	2	same	22
Brooklyn Center	29,000	63	0	8	6	2	63
Brooklyn Park (Prov.)	14,000	51	0				51
Buffalo	2,500	18	0	7	3	4	18
Cass Lake	1,568	16	0	3	1	2	16
Chisholm	7,500	53	0	13	21	8	56
Columbia Heights	22,000	25	0	11	7	4	25
Sub Total or Total							

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Crookston (Prov.)	10,000	62					62
Crystal	30,000	55	32	5 32	5	27	55
Deephaven	3,000	47				5	47
Duluth	106,000	320	1	68	45	23	321
Edina	34,000	270	0	74	75	- 1	270
Excelsior	7,800	45	1	3	9	- 6	46
Falcon Heights	5,922	49	0	18	8	11	49
Faribault	16,900	38	0	19	0	19	38
Fergus Falls	14,000	40	0	8	4	4	40
Fridley	25,000	82	0	24	14	10	82
Golden Valley	14,559	89	6	24	14	10	95
Granite Falls	3,000	41	0	9	4	5	41
Hibbing	16,000	75	0	13	13	same	75
Hutchinson	6,943	29	0	11	5	6	29
International Falls	6,778	75	0	23	0	23	75
Sub Total or Total							

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Jackson	3,400	19	0	6	1	5	19
Mahtomedi	4,500	70	0	14	4	10	70
Mankato	30,000	78	0	17	15	2	78
Maplewood	19,000	56	0	2	4	- 2	56
Minneapolis	435,000	1100	20	230	251	-21	1120
Minnetonka	25,000	115	0	10	5	5	115
Moorhead	27,000	58	0	14	12	2	58
New Brighton (Prov.)	7,000	54	0				54
New Ulm	12,000	30	0	7	10	- 3	30
North St. Paul	10,000	28	0	5	3	2	28
Owatonna	13,000	49	0	13	14	- 1	49
Red Wing	10,000	42	0	8	4	4	42
Richfield	45,000	75	0	10	21	-11	75
Robbinsdale	18,000	42	0	4	5	- 1	42
Rochester	40,000	213	2	52	58	- 6	215
Sub Total or Total							

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Roseville	26,000	97	0	10	60	-50	97
St. Anthony	5,100	70	0	18	3	15	70
St. Cloud	50,000	60	0	10	0	10	60
St. Croix Valley	18,000	58	0	13	9	3	58
St. Louis Park	48,000	170	0	65	34	31	170
St. Paul	313,411	495	10	88	75	13	505
St. Peter	8,484	48	0	9	8	1	48
Shoreview	7,200	49	0	11	2	9	49
Silver Bay	3,700	45	0	8	7	1	45
South St. Paul	24,832	49	0	6	4	2	49
Virginia	14,100	37	0	2	2	same	37
Wayzata	8,000	67	0	6	13	- 7	67
Wells	3,000	23	0	5	5	same	23
Westonka	10,000	61	0	10	9	1	61
West St. Paul	31,000	86	0	25	10	15	86
Sub Total or Total							

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Willmar	10,400	53	0	11	18	- 7	53
Winona (Prov.)	25,000	87	0				87
Worthington	9,800	41	0	6	5	1	41
Sub Total or Total	1,859,915	5790	49	1178	1008	170	5834

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STATE PROGRAM

(Please use a separate sheet for each subject)

Give state at top of each sheet

(You need not send copies of materials if they have already been sent.)

Describe briefly state and local League activity on each state Program subject (Current Agenda and Continuing Responsibilities) covering the following points:

1. Development of subject since April 1, 1964 including preparation of materials for local Leagues, work of state resource committee, subject matter workshops or conferences, etc.

2. Position reached and action taken since April 1, 1964:

- 1) at state legislature or with the executive branch.
- 2) to build public support for legislative proposals.
- 3) results accomplished at the state legislature. Evaluate.
- 4) if a statewide campaign on a vote by the electorate was involved describe organization of campaign; give results and evaluate.

The LWV of Minnesota will work for amendments to improve the Constitution.

"Apportionment in Minnesota" was published last fall. The afternoon session of the fall Legislative Workshops was devoted to ~~XXXX~~ reapportionment. Program discussion sections were included in the state Council meeting. Program resource people have assisted local Leagues by speaking at general meetings training sessions for local resource people.

New positions were reached regarding two ballot amendments to the Minnesota Constitution: deleting obsolete provisions and establishing a tax policy for taconite industries; and on reapportionment. See attached sheets. Leagues have reported that they have ~~XX~~ held one to four meetings on the Constitutional item. Most Leagues began their fall programs with a review of the ballot amendments and a discussion of the League's reasons for supporting them. Reapportionment, because of its timeliness, was a popular study item. As well as holding unit meetings, local Leagues have spoken with their legislators, sponsored debates and invited outside speakers to general meetings. Newspaper coverage of these events has helped develop public understanding of the recent Supreme Court decisions and the federal court order requiring the 1965 legislature to reapportion.

The 1965 Minnesota Legislature has not yet taken action on any amendments. We are supporting amendments for annual session, joint election of governor and lieutenant-governor, and party designation, all on the basis of positions reached in previous years. We are working with the Governor's Commission on Reapportionment in support of an amendment which would establish enforcement machinery and limit the size of the legislature. A League Board member served on the Governor's Commission. As yet it is impossible to predict the success of any of these amendments.

Board members have spoken to public groups on reapportionment and local Leagues have sponsored public meetings.

The League supported both the amendments submitted to the voters in the November election. Both passed. One amendment, removing obsolete provisions, had no active supporters other than the League. Since it was non-controversial, a large share of the League's efforts were concerned with simply explaining its provisions to the general public. This was done through the distribution of flyers and by local Leagues contacting radio and newspapers and asking that the amendment be discussed.

The second amendment establishing a tax policy for taconite was more controversial, both within and outside the League. It was sponsored by a citizens group. The state president and item chairman served on the executive committee of that group. The committee was able to raise sufficient funds for an extensive TV, radio, billboard, newspaper campaign. Local Leagues distributed material prepared by the committee. The amendment passed overwhelmingly.

In evaluation, since more people voted against the noncontroversial amendment than the taconite amendment, the importance of sufficient funds can not be overlooked.

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 - 4) if a statewide campaign on a vote by the electorate was involved describe organization of campaign; give results and evaluate.

The LWV of Minnesota will study specific areas where legislation would be effective in improving the conditions of the Indian in Minnesota.

A "Supplement to Indians in Minnesota" was published. A Program discussion section was included in the state Council meeting and Board training workshops last June. Program resource chairmen have assisted local Leagues by speaking at general meetings and training session for local resource people. A new position was reached last spring - see attached sheet.

The number of local League meetings on Indians varied from one to three. One League reported no Indian discussion. Minneapolis and St. Paul Leagues sponsored a bus tour of Indian reservations which was enthusiastically received by a number of neighboring Leagues. Many local Leagues reported the use of outside speakers. Emphasis this year was placed on problems of economic development and law and order. We do not expect to reach any new consensus. Local Leagues report moderate use of speakers on this topic by outside organizations. The state item chairman has received a number of such requests for this service. We feel we are being quite effective in building public opinion regarding this minority group. Legislators appear to be sympathetic and all exhibiting a new awareness of the problem. However, the legislative session is about half over, and thus far no startling action has been taken in the area of Indian affairs. A number of local Leagues reported good newspaper coverage and several League sponsored radio programs have been given on this topic. The state Indian Item Chairman continues to serve as Secretary of the Minnesota Indian Affairs Commission. As a public service, a skeleton legislative service is being provided for Indian Tribal Councils and other Indian organizations. It has included factual information concerning the state legislative process and digests of pertinent bills.

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STATE PROGRAM

(Please use a separate sheet for each subject)

Give state at top of each sheet

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The LWV of Minnesota has CRs in the areas of Equal Opportunity; Election Laws: Party designation for legislators, campaign practices, election procedures and voting; Ethics in Government; to regulate lobbying and conflict of interest; Home Rule; Constitutional Reform. See attached sheet.

That same sheet appeared in the Minnesota VOTER, and the reprint is now available. A section of our June Leadership Workshop was devoted to state CRs, and there was some discussion of them during the course of our fall Legislative Workshops. Questions and Answers on party designation and the new resident election law were published for use by local Leagues. These were used extensively.

We have lobbyists for all our CRs. Our legislative session is only half over so it is early to evaluate the results of our efforts. One exception is in election laws. The legislature has passed a new resident election law - waiving the six month residency requirement in voting for President and Vice President, - We worked very hard on this bill last summer with an interim commission and this winter in the legislature and are very pleased at the results.

A number of other bills which we can support have been introduced - some of them with our help. It is too early to know the outcome except in the case of party designation, and there the outlook is bleak indeed.

Times for Action have gone to our local Leagues on party designation, a mandatory voter registration bill (this was a limited Time for Action), the new resident election law, and appropriations for the State Commission Against Discrimination. The local League response to these has been generally good. Last summer a number of statewide organizations were contacted in an effort to determine their interest and perhaps support of legislation in the fields of party designation and the new resident election law. The response did not warrant an effort on our part to enlist the active support of these groups.

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STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. What services (letters, visits, publications, workshops, state-wide promotion, etc.) has the state Board provided for local Leagues in connection with the following. Please describe briefly and attach sample materials if possible.

a) Budget building (designate whether for local or state budgets, or both)
State Budget Building Day attended by committee, Board and local League observers was used to show Board planning the state budget - as an example for LL budgeting; As an avenue for member education the Minn. Voter and Board Memos explain and help state and local budgeting. Section on budgeting in finance workshop.

b) Fund raising
~~LL~~ Finance workshop for local Leagues: budgeting, finance advisory committees, finance drives - planning and techniques. Kit provided. Leadership workshop - stress on member education and participation. Service and advice in Voter, Memos.

2. Has your state Board offered advice or recommended procedures in connection with the following:

a) Dues: Does your state League recommend \$7.50 dues? Yes If so, what has been the reaction? Will take several years for majority to come up to this. A few now pay \$7.50; one or two \$6.50 - most \$5; a few less. If it does not recommend \$7.50 dues, what does it recommend in regard to dues?

b) Pledges for state-national services (for either established or provisional Leagues): State Budget Committee sets suggested pledges based on local League's age, financial health, size, location. If League indicates it cannot accept pledge, state Board consultants or budget committee advise ways this could be done (dues, member or non-member contributions, use of reserves).

3. If any local League (or Leagues) in your state have had an outstanding finance drive, please describe in some detail and give your evaluation of why they were successful.

The same Leagues constantly make or exceed their goal. The reasons seem to be that they have membership participation and enthusiasm, good public relations, good leadership, determined finance chairmen and a financially able town.

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4. What do you consider the real problems or successes connected with budget building in your state? Describe briefly.

Member education and participation on all levels. In order to be successful all Boards must be sympathetic and fully informed about League aims and goals. Constant member involvement from planning, securing and spending funds, to reporting achievements. Money must be translated into accomplishments.

5. List names of any nation-wide business firms which have contributed to Leagues within your state. If they have contributed to more than one League in your state, indicate how many Leagues.

J.C. Penney - 2
Northwestern Bell Telephone - 3
Red Owl Stores - 3
Super Valu
Howard Johnson
Meridan Mining Co.
Pittsburgh Pacific Co.
Great Northern Iron Ore Properties
American Motor Co. - dealers - 2
Sears-Roebuck - 3
REA
Rexall - 2
S & L
~~OWI~~
Oliver Iron Mining
Hanna Mining
Du Pont
Woolworth's - 4
National Tea - 3
Clark's
Pure Oil
Shell
Brunswick Corp
Economics Lab.
Federal Mutual

Chevrolet
7 Up Bottling
Coca Cola Bottling
Holiday Inn
IBM
Libby's
State Farm Insurance
Piper, Jaffrey, Hopwood Inv.
Uncle John's Pancake House -2
Univac
Westinghouse
Maytag
Piggly Wiggly
General Mills
Pako Corp.
Reynolds Aluminum
Jostens
Montgomery Ward
Standard Oil
Texaco
Phillips 66
McDonald's Drive-In
Federal Paper
NW States Portland Cement
Toledo Scale

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(State)

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			Memb.	Non- memb. (Indi- vid- uals)	Busi- ness Firms		
Albert Lea	260	117	0	16	3	7	No. Credit Assn. forbids personal solicitation
Alexandria							Every other year
Anoka	500	497	1	16	102	27	Yes
Arden Hills	250	255	8	34	3	31	Yes
Austin	500	418	77	7	10	3	No. Letter solicitation Reluctant members & chrnm.
Battle Lake							Too small
Benidji	330	252	3	14	15	10	Luke warm drive with same results.
Bloomington	1000	1134	15	33	105	57	Yes
Brainerd	400	395	14	Combined		79	Yes
Brooklyn Center	700	707	38	11	66	44	Yes
(Prov.)							
Brooklyn Park	320	207	6	9	22	18	Yes
Buffalo	100	102	14			14	Yes
Cass Lake	100	87	9	8	8	4	Yes
Chishelm							
Columbia Heights	250	250	0	0	35	16	Yes
Crookston (Prov.)							
Crystal	400	315	5	0	77	20	Yes
Sub or Grand TOTAL							

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Deephaven							
Duluth	2075	2086	58	200	0	55	Yes
Edina	1275	1559	46	99	19	154	Yes
Excelsior	285	339	20	3	48	18	Yes
Falcon Heights	225	214	48	24	0		Yes
Faribault	200	134	1	8	10	3	No. Weak, in trouble
Fergus Falls	300	298	12	17	15	20	Yes
Fridley	575	575	12	46	40	47	Yes
Golden Valley	450	650	20	22	39	41	Yes
Granite Falls	340	340	24	83	90	30	Civic dinner at the No. request of City Council.
Hibbing	700	715	0	20	85	22	Yes
Hutchinson							No drive this year.
International Falls	465	487	30	64	0	36	Yes
Jackson	285	120	1				No. Lack conviction about purpose.
Mahtomedi Area	527	554	24	99	11	31	Yes
Mankato	500	520	6	65	0	43	Yes
Maplewood	450	510	4	54	0	55	Yes
Sub or Grand TOTAL							

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Minneapolis	8350	7985		177	166	243	Yes
Minnetonka	740	599*	18	70	15	120	Yes
Moorhead (Prov.)	450	570	1		87	26	Yes
New Brighton							
New Ulm	400	364	2	86	1	16	Yes
North St. Paul	345	295	1	9	52	15	Yes
Owatonna	525	591	0	17	71	31	Yes
Red Wing	450	541	10	19	44	15	Yes
Richfield	550	397	24	6	56	46	Lack conviction
Robbinsdale	430	464	12	25	49	21	Yes
Rochester	1600	1824		17	149	63	Yes
Roseville	950	765	33	20	76	40	Yes
St. Anthony	465	350	23	20	38	37	Yes
St. Cloud							
St. Croix Valley	475	353	13	14	19	14	Yes
St. Louis Park	950	787	0	2	135	most members	Yes
St. Paul	5000	4326			216	112	Yes
Sub or Grand TOTAL							

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St. Peter	455	570*	0	60	21	41	Yes
Shoreview	500	511	2	60	5	40	No. Have Civic Fair. Feel it is more successful
Silver Bay							
South St. Paul	500	511	2	63		25	Yes
Virginia	375	350					Yes
Wayzata	680	631	29	75	8	27	Yes
Wells	115	163	3	0	30	10	Every other year
Westonka	390	390	0	35 47	47	24	Yes
West St. Paul	500	640	2	22	45	44	Yes
White Bear Lake	680	830	9	34	102	35	Yes
Willmar	425	434	1	73		30	Yes
Winona (Prov.)							
Worthington							Every other year. Will change to annual
Sub or Grand TOTAL	40,062	38,567	718	5197	2419	1965	

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Name of local League	I N C O M E				EXPENDITURES		
	Members		Non-mem- bers Contrib.	Other Receipts 4 a) b) c) d)*	Total Drawn from Reserves 6 a) b)*	Local Disburse- ment	State and National Pledge
	Dues	Contrib.					
Albert Lea	150		117	23 23	145	118.60	200.00
Alexandria	116				500	310.81	215.00
Anoka	240	36	487		140	502.67	400.00
Arden Hills	250	45	250	45		260.00	275.00
Austin	815	299	120	1	227	745.94	715.00
Battle Lake	64	25	45			60.00	65.00
Bemidji	224	20	222	33		174.78	320.00
Bloomington	492	28	1126	202	84	(194.25) (815.74)	630.00
Brainerd	110	63	327	39		322.85	175.00
Brooklyn Center	300	85	717	93	67	850.00	405.00
*Brooklyn Park	245	21	166	2		172.11	125.00
Buffalo	70	4	102	2		78.90	95.00
Cass Lake	64	23	66	15		56.36	85.00
Chisholm	168	12	348	32		162.51	175.00
Columbia Heights	125	13	250	25		114.11	155.00
*Crookston	305	12				204.12	25.00
Crystal	260	17	298	120	65	469.50	290.00
Deephaven							300/00
Duluth							1,650.00
Edina	1250	163	1133	470	474	2045.00	1,445.00
Excelsior	225	116	223	22		236.35	290.00
Sub or Grand Total	5473	982	5997	1124	1702	7894.60	8,035.00

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Excelsior	225	116	223	22		236.35	290.00
Falcon Heights	252	20	159	59		101.31	260.00
Faribault	160	3	131	35		172.60	150.00
Fergus Falls	200	78	221	166		382.02	270.00
Fridley							325.00
Golden Valley	445	92	487	185	4	549.77	550.00
Granite Falls	168	10	338			274.60	170.00
Hibbing							375.00
Hutchinson	127	44	49	251		382.99	100.00
International Falls	95	74	414	234		505.63	100.00
Jackson	48	41		75		112.50	90.00
Mahtomedi	343	134	420		229	750.00	375.00
Mankato	388	55	520	212		895.31	200.00
Maplewood	275	34	340	42		583.94	400.00
Minneapolis	6760	1900	7985	9802	827	17,572.00	6,775.00
Minnetonka Village	600	100	500	79	200	980.00	580.00
Moorhead	310	5	570	32	190	681.20	280.00
New Ulm	152	13	351	41	174	546.45	165.00
North St. Paul	108	1	294	51	10	216.18	235.00
Owatonna	230		591	40	20	493.07	355.00
Red Wing	300	5	541		100	358.24	280.00
Sub or Grand Total	16659	3707	20,131	12,450	3452	33,688.76	20,360.00

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Richfield	360	51	366	380	293	674.00	610.00
Robbinsdale	208	66	400	80		450.00	305.00
Rochester	1050	165	1670	330	339	2080.00	1,474.00
Rpseville	485	125	810	227		1250.00	970.00
St. Anthony Village	305	40	386	67	300	701.90	250.00
St. Cloud							435.00
St. Croix Valley	254	23	330	40	123	434.00	335.00
St. Louis	800	5	951	271		1139.00	850.00
St. Paul	2340	900	4326	3040	140	6695.00	2900.00
St. Peter	225		3717	73	285	574.47	175.00
Shoreview	230	59			39	151.70	200.00
Silver Bay	220	15		65	269	343.32	225.00
South St. Paul	245	5	515	41		316.99	400.00
Virginia	148		20	2		185.81	210.00
Waysata	264	114	538	5	100	650.77	425.00
Wells	81	13	164	79	87	184.01	95.00
Westonka							275.00
West St. Paul	440	28	580	44		499.88	400.00
White Bear Lake	530	32	799	95	175	910.00	555.00
Willmar	270	54	434			516.35	265.00
Worthington	123	20	5	12		125.81	130.00
Sub or Grand Total	25237	5422	32796	17,301	5602	51,571.77	31,844.00

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DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

1. How would you evaluate the work of your local Leagues on the Human Resources item? Many of our Leagues, including Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth have not completed their study and unit meetings on this item. It has certainly begun with a great deal of interest and enthusiasm. However, reports from approximately half our Leagues indicate very little consensus or conclusions beyond the recognition that inequality in education and employment exists. Our Leagues appear to have gone off on a variety of tangents in their discussions. Evaluating the federal programs did not meet with success beyond a conclusion by most Leagues that a thorough consideration of programs and activities on the local level are necessary before federal legislation can be evaluated. The emphasis on the national scene and the overall problems this year did not permit time for most of them to arrive at any determination as to how federal legislation could best or better cope with the local and state problems. The state of flux of the legislation ~~MINNESOTA'S~~ and the fact that much of it has not been implemented to any great degree in Minnesota makes it difficult to observe its merits and has been another deterrent to evaluation by League members. A great deal of time, effort and research by our state committee in the accumulation of information about the employment and education picture in Minnesota, both governmental and private, has led to the conclusion that the request for evaluation of federal proposals and legislation was premature. (Our item should better have predated all this flurry of activity going on at present because of the difficulty of objectivity in assessing programs in the process of being implemented.) Consequently, in our booklet about to be published, Human Resources: Minnesota's Changing Patterns, we have presented a background study of the state to provide a basis for determining how best needs might be met in providing equality of opportunity in education and employment.

2. What do you, as a state Board, see as areas (within the scope of the item) for increased or new emphasis during the second Program year?

Our suggestion would be that the evaluation of standards for programs and proposals be a continued area of emphasis next year inasmuch as there were so few conclusions drawn this past year. From our research it has become evident that adequate financing is not the problem in Minnesota as available funds have not been utilized because of lack of qualified ~~MINNESOTA~~ people needed to fill a variety of positions, in administration as well as in education and training. Facilities cannot be made available rapidly enough either to meet the time limits in both the Manpower Act and Vocational Education Act of 1963. The necessity to furnish proof of non-discrimination in all the schools has been another stumbling block to submitting projects quickly in order to take advantage of the large proportion of federal funds. The sense of urgency accompanying the planning and submitting of projects as well as the necessity for rapid implementation is a detriment to properly conceived and staffed programs. A lack of direction and communication to local communities and even to the state departments by federal offices responsible for these programs is cause for confusion and lack of coordination.

HUMAN RESOURCES (Continued)

3. What kind of guidance on the Human Resources item did your state Board give to local Leagues? workshops? written communications? subject matter material? other?

Workshops for all of the Leagues in Minnesota last June.

Some direction through our Board Memo.

Our state publication which constituted most of our activity this past year, we hope will prove to be of advantage and assistance for this coming year.

4. Comment, if you wish, on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national materials.

It has been difficult to see a clear direction as to the scope of the item as we prepared our state resource piece. Although certainly inequality of opportunity is greatest among the poor and minority groups in Minnesota as elsewhere, we found as great or greater an indication of inequality which prevents many not so classified from developing or achieving their potential. For example, discrimination because of age in employment, underemployment of minority groups and women (many the head of households), school dropouts not because of any cultural deprivation but because the school curriculum (lack of vocational education) did not meet their needs, rural youngsters receiving an inferior education in comparison with most suburban and urban youngsters. Because the working of the item would include anyone who is not afforded equality of opportunity and because the war on poverty is so much in the news, any effort to clarify the item and its direction is appreciated.

LEGISLATIVE WORKSHOPS
WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Opinion-makers in this country are to be found in organizations; they are the leaders. Therefore, if we want to influence opinion, a good place to start is through organizations. Consequently, we are asking you to do a survey of your own community. (See enclosed blanks) The four Leagues (one at each Workshop) that have already done this have found it interesting, worthwhile and not nearly as much work as they thought at first glance.

Perhaps before we consider how to go about this, we should think about how this information might be useful to us. Firstly, it should be helpful in taking legislative action. It should indicate which groups to alert for a Time for Action, which ones to urge to write letters to the editor, which ones might be interested in a joint meeting with your legislators, etc. It may also show where your opposition is. It should suggest groups that would be interested in a League speaker or program and which organizations might like to buy publications. It may indicate possible help with a radio or TV program you would like to put on, or likely co-sponsors of a meeting. It may suggest newsletters of other organizations that would be a good place for League announcements, information on issues, etc. It should be useful in your constant quest for new members. It may suggest new prospects for your finance drive and also indicate what to talk about and what not to talk about when approaching a particular contributor. What other ideas do you have?

As to how to go about the survey - you may be able to find a list of organizations in your telephone book, at your library, newspaper, United Fund or Chamber of Commerce. If you can't find a list already made up, you will have to do the best you can with the help of other League members and friends. The headings listed ~~down~~ down the left hand side of the survey sheets we hope will be helpful in suggesting types of organizations you probably have in your area. Watch your newspaper for announcements. Then put down what you already know about each one. This will probably be more than you expect. Then fill in the holes by talking with the president or legislative chairman either by phone or in person. We are suggesting that your approach should be to tell them that we are interested in learning about their organization, what their interests are, where we have common interests and how we can help them. (Providing speakers, programs and publications, alerting them to times for action, cooperating with meetings, etc., are some ways in which we can be of assistance to them.) It is probably not best to go down the list and ask every question. If they have an interest that seems somewhat related to one or more of our items, then proceed along that line and see where we have interests in common. Use your own judgement. As long as you are friendly and helpful, you will be doing a tremendous public relations job just by doing the survey. A lot of people will learn about the League and League Program that don't know now.

A word or two of explanation - the question "League Contributor" means the president, legislative chairman or someone like that since very few organizations as such contribute to the League. "Interests" means the interests of the organization. You will have to make your own judgements on "effectiveness". League contacts are League members or husbands who also belong to the other organization. The rest of the questions are on our Program items. Constitutional Amendments refers to possible new ones in the coming session, not the two that just passed. Under Election Laws, we are particularly interested in one which would allow new state residents to vote for President and Vice President before they meet the 6 month residence requirement. The "power elite" refers to individuals, ~~not~~ not organizations. They are the people who have power, are influential, in your community. Some ~~may~~ people may be influential in many areas and some people only in one field. Information gathered here will undoubtedly have to be done indirectly. Talk to other Leaguers and do what you can. Maybe you won't be able to do much on this part, but it will be good to think about it. These, of course, are the people it would be most advantageous to have on our side.

The green sheets are for you to use as work sheets. There are two sets of white sheets. One is for you to keep for your own records and one should be sent to the state office before Christmas. These will be useful to us on the state level - particularly Sue Murray, our legislative chairman, and her lobbyists. But probably their biggest value will be to you in your own local community. Don't worry if you don't get all the blanks filled in. We don't expect you to. But do the best you can. Pick the most likely groups first, find out what you can and work down to the less likely organizations as you have time. If, after you have sent them in to us, you learn something that would be useful to us, please send us a note, and we will add it to your sheets. We would probably not need ~~XXXXXX~~ everything that you find out after you have sent them in - especially if you do the more important ones first.

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You will find that some groups may be interested in a topic but do not actually take a support position, some have not decided for sure yet, some have no interest and some may actively support - or oppose. Some local groups follow the stands of their statewide organizations and some do not. Some vary from one community to another. Probably no other group operates like the League so don't expect them to.

If you have any questions, we will try to answer them. Hope you find it fun and profitable.

Sorry about the ~~XXXX~~ rough draft look of this, but we had no more copies of the mimeographed form.

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NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Was there a resolution in your legislature to limit or abolish the national income tax? If so, was it coupled with a proposal to reduce the President's power in negotiation of treaties and international agreements?
Please check (☒ yes) (☐ no)

a) If you answered "Yes":

What happened in your state legislature? Hearings in House and Senate Committees so far

What proposal was put forth? Standard Liberty Amendment as passed in 7 other states.

Was a resolution introduced? Yes. In Minnesota legislature it can only be introduced as a resolution memorializing Congress.

Was it killed in committee? No

Was there a committee hearing? Yes

Did the resolution reach the floor? Not yet

If there was a vote, what was the outcome? No vote yet

- b) Did your League take action under the Continuing Responsibilities on tax rates and treaty making? Yes

If so, please describe. Our lobbyist made a statement in opposition to the Liberty Amendment before the Senate Tax Committee. All members of the Senate and House Tax Committees received copies of the statement and Senate Document 56. Members of the press covering the hearings received the same material. Portions of our statement subsequently appeared in newspaper articles and editorials.

Did members not on state or local Boards participate in the action? Yes

If the League did not act, please give reasons the state Board thought it wiser to desist.

NATIONAL CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES (Continued)

2. What services has your state League given to local Leagues to help them prepare their members on national Continuing Responsibilities?

Copies of the statement in opposition to the Liberty Amendment given before a Senate committee were sent to each local League along with a list of sources of information that were used in preparation of the statement.

3. Is there any other aspect of work on national Continuing Responsibilities on which you would like to comment?

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

1. From the state point of view what was your foremost Public Relations achievement for the year 1964-65? Describe.

This year women's groups from both parties are cooperating with us on our Legislative Observers Course. We sponsor the morning session with lecture, panel and League lobbyists. The party women then conduct tours of the Capitol in the afternoon. In this way we have been able to reach many people that we would not have been able to otherwise. Since it has proved to be a very popular activity, many people are learning something about the League. At 22 below nearly 200 women came; on the heels of a blizzard they still came, and the last three sessions each had an attendance of about 300! Our publications have also been good PR tools. About 90,000 VS flyers were dist.

2. From the state point of view evaluate the effectiveness of Women Voters Week.

On the whole I'd say it was great. Most of our Leagues did a fine job and felt it was well worth the effort. As is to be expected, I suppose, some of the Leagues that needed it most did very little and so gained little. 16 Leagues entered our contest. It took a tremendous campaign to win because there were so many very good entries. Red Wing was the winner in the smaller town classification and Brooklyn Center, Duluth and Rochester in the larger city group. (These last 3 were so very close the judges had trouble deciding. Brooklyn Center was the winner and the others runners-up.) We tried to organize the metropolitan Leagues to work with radio and TV stations in the area. Most Leagues did very well and got good coverage. We also had - (Cont. under #6)

3. From the state point of view evaluate the election night reporting of the Leagues. Was the state League involved? If so, how? No

Minneapolis and suburbs have been doing it for some time. It has come to be expected that they will do it, and do it well. St. Paul and suburbs did it for the first time this year and felt it was very successful.

4. Did you schedule public relations workshops during the year?
Please describe content and evaluate results?

A section of our Legislative Workshops in November was devoted to working with the community. At that time we asked each League to make a survey of its own community. One League at each workshop had already done the survey and reported on how they did it, what they found, etc. We discussed how to go about making the survey and how to use the information after we had it. See attached sheets. So far just over one third of the Leagues have returned their sheets. A few apparently never quite got the idea, but most all of them have found at least a few organizations that have common interests and/or would like speakers, publications, etc. I still think, if used properly, it could be a valuable tool.

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Continued)

5. Do you send sample news releases to local Leagues? **Yes**
Do you distribute releases directly to news media in non-League communities?
Please evaluate.

We sometimes send news releases through the Minnesota Newspaper Association. They send material to all 412 newspapers in the state. We subscribe to their clipping service after our release on Amendment 2 before the election. We got 41 clips that were definitely our release or editorial or articles based on it. 22 of these were from non-League communities. It doesn't seem that many papers used it considering the number of paper in the state, but that was 22 towns we have no way of reaching otherwise so we felt it was worthwhile.

6. Do you work with the State Associations of Broadcasters on programs of state interest? **No**

Number of programs	Kind of programs	Spot announcements
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#2 cont. a luncheon for leaders of statewide women's organizations. See attached sheet. The entire project took a lot of work and even though I think most Leagues feel it was well worth it, I'm not sure how often they would care to undertake such a campaign.

7. Do you have a League-connected anecdote or an account of a League achievement which you would like to pass along (stories with a beginning, middle, and end are helpful in writing articles)?

Not really an anecdote - just a thought you might like to know. According to one witness at our state Senate Tax Committee hearing on the Liberty Amendment, "Leagues are the shock troops for the Soviet Embassy!"

8. Have you been able to use releases before or after state Board meetings to develop public understanding of the League? **What pegs have you used?**

The only time we tried was after a special Board meeting last April. We called a press conference then to announce our stand on the two amendments to the state constitution that were to be voted on in the November election. We alerted nine newspapers and TV stations but were only able to give them about an hour's notice. Two reporters and one TV cameraman came - with many questions. Three other newsmen took our statement over the phone. This seemed to be very good coverage considering the extremely short notice we were able to give them.

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PUBLICATIONS REPORT

- 10 Leagues assess a publications fee.
- 14 Leagues offer a Local Subscription Service.
- 24 Leagues sell publications at unit meetings.
- 12 Leagues have unit mailings.

Other methods used to promote sale of publications to members were by using the bulletin and chairman's memos, sale at briefing sessions, traveling file of publications in each unit, sale of publications at general meetings, workshops, etc. Publications are sometimes mailed with bulletin. Most Leagues have state and national publications catalogs in each unit.

45 Leagues provided at least one free publication to the members. Many provided more than one. These were on all levels of study.

32 Leagues report that resource publications reach the members a month before the item is studied in the units. 10 said this happened seldom or never.

All Leagues reporting give free publications in the community. Those groups receiving material included schools, libraries, many civic organizations, legislators, news media including newspapers, TV and radio, youth organizations, businesses, Congressmen, professional organizations, Welcome Wagon, Girl Scouts, councilmen, AFS students, county officials, community in general through VS booths, etc. Capitol Letter subscriptions were given in some cases. Most Leagues gave contributors publications. Speakers bureaus gave free material.

23 Leagues reported that they promote the sale of publications outside the League. This was carried out by personal calls on schools, local officials, local business organizations, etc. Some got reviews in local newspapers, set up displays around the community, selling publications at League open meetings, giving both state and national publication catalogs to various organizations (especially libraries and schools), booths at banks and fairs, sell for Practical Politics courses, underwrite the cost of publishing material which the local League then distributed free to the community. League speakers sell some publications to the organizations which they visit.

30 Leagues made an effort and felt that the local communications media were aware of the League publications and many gave them free copies.

34 Leagues said that their communities looked to them for material on governmental matters and that League publications were looked upon with favor. Some mentioned hearing non-League citizens quoting League publications as their source of expertise.

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STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

(This section is designed to find out how you organize your legislative work both for action on League Program and for general education of members and public on matters of the legislature, its operations and procedures. The report of State Program work itself will be made under that section.)

ORGANIZATION Please describe. Is the state chairman a director with this as her sole assignment? or is this a temporary assignment? If the latter, what is her other assignment? Is there a state committee? Board or non-Board composition? how selected? how frequently does it meet?
State Chairman - her sole assignment. Nine lobbyists - 3 are Board members. "Strategy committees" for each Program area - composed of President, Legislative Chairman, lobbyists and Board Program ~~CHAIRMAN~~ Chairmen. Also a Board committee.

What, if any, local League parallel operation is there?
Our local Leagues have legislative chairmen on their Boards, at least during the legislative years.

LOBBYING How does the State Board determine which legislation it will seek or support? How are Times for Action and statements to the legislature handled by the State Board? by local Leagues when received? Is any effort made to inform the public? Describe. Evaluate the effectiveness of your legislative methods, including specific successes and failures.

Program chairmen prepared background material for Board in June, July and August which gave consensus, likely legislative proposals, forecasts, etc. The entire Board participated in most decisions - all major ones. Unexpected problems since January (when session began) handled by appropriate strategy committee.

Times for Action usually are handled through the state office to local League presidents. If it is a general Time for Action, mimeographed sheets with background material or references is sent. Other calls to action may be letters or phone calls to specific Leagues requesting specific action. Response of our local Leagues is wonderful.

Testifying is handled in different ways - sometimes formal statement "a la national" by lobbyists or Board member; sometimes informal testimony (usually of a more technical nature) by lobbyist, working closely with author of legislation; sometimes local League people are asked to testify; sometimes outside (below)

COSTS How realistically are the expenses for this portfolio provided for in the budget? What kind of services would you provide or utilize if more money were available?

Our budget is adequate, I think, but wish we could pay higher mileage and sitter fees for our lobbyists.

people (party chairmen, etc.) asked by the League to testify. Sometimes a continuation of several methods is used. It is too soon to evaluate methods, but the question seems inadequate. Success depends on more than support of certain bills. We have found that securing the right author for our bills before the session is a key factor. Also we start building local League ~~(OVER)~~ standing and support 6 months before session. Time for Action and testimony is the culmination. This is a full year's effort. Attempts to get support for League Program from other groups was not too successful, but was good PR.

LEGISLATIVE WORK (Continued)

SERVICES Newsletter: Do you publish a regular newsletter giving information on legislation and its progress? (If done by Memo indicate how.) Does it include legislation of LWV interest only? If not, what other? how selected? Describe distribution: to local League presidents only? to all League members in the state? to selected non-League persons? how selected? Is it free? if by subscription, to whom and how priced?

Capitol Letter has reports of bills of League interest and also "in depth" articles of broader range. Subscription - \$1.00. 2400 printed. Majority to League members, the rest given to legislators, newspeople, etc. by the local Leagues.

Workshops: Were any state or regional legislative workshops held? For what purpose? What subjects were covered? Who was invited?

Four area workshops were held 3 months before session for presidents, Program chairmen and legislative chairmen of local Leagues. Combination of Program review and "how to" information. It was given by the state legislative chairman and 3 state Program chairmen and the public relations chairman. We learned a lot about the local Leagues and their problems and felt personal contact was good. Comments from the Leagues were very favorable.

Go-See Tours: Describe timing, arrangements, what was seen, and who attended of any League (local or state) tours held. Include notes on costs, time, special features.

Legislative Observers Program - six sessions - near Capitol - free to public financed by \$5 fees from local Leagues.

Programs were attended by League people, party people and general public including high school students. It was taped for broadcast on University radio station and distant Leagues may rent the tapes. Have two to three hundred in attendance every time in spite of incredible weather most of the time.

CONTACT WITH LEGISLATORS Were interviews with legislators held? How are local Leagues prepared for these? Is any report made to the state League? How successful were they? What percent of the legislators were seen? Do you provide any information to the legislators? What?

All local Leagues were expected to call on legislators with state, local and national material. No report forms were given out so actual results are not known, however, conservations, bulletins, etc. and response to Time for Action show most Leagues did contact legislators. Efforts to establish better League-Legislator relations were begun at last year's state Council with taped interviews of legislators' candid opinions of the League. Emphasis at the fall workshops was on understanding and appreciating role of the legislator. Professor Backstrom at the Observers Course also stresses this aspect. All legislators received a copy of Apportionment in Minnesota. All will receive a copy of Legislative Outlook.

Cap letters *Testimony* *Marion's sheet* *Many handwritten notes*

Please attach copies of newsletters, reports, materials prepared for workshops or for public distribution (press releases).

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WATER RESOURCES

1. What has your state League done under the national water item during this year?

A committee meeting in late September 1964 initiated renewed activity on Water Resources in Minnesota. This group, representing the Duluth area (NE), Fergus Falls (NW), St. Cloud (central), Anoka, Minneapolis and Stillwater, tried to evaluate what had been done, and what could be done on this item in Minnesota. Slowly, information is coming together for a state Water Resources Guide for local Leagues.

Meanwhile, several other methods for continuing interest have been tried. One was a survey of federal agencies working in water resources management in some M&M phase of programming done by local Leagues in their own areas. Not quite half the Leagues responded. All but one of those responding Leagues had held meetings or given out information on water resources during the year. The Leagues also had assigned a member as Water Resources Chairman. This did not occur (except in two Leagues) that did not respond to the survey.

This survey was done primarily to stimulate interest in this item by letting the Leagues find out for themselves what is going on in their own localities. It has been about six years since this had been done for river basin surveys. It also provided the state Board with some means of judging the interest and response of local Leagues to this item. There were some misunderstandings of program, but this can be understood as possible when one agency may not understand the program of another agency. We also initiated a column in the Minnesota Voter - a follow-up of national item activity in Minnesota. An example was the article on the Water Resources Research Center established at the U. of M. The response to a Time for Action on this gives us a feeling that we helped bring this center about.

There also have been extra mailings such as the Pollution Kit put together by the National Wildlife Federation and publications explaining the Fish and Wildlife Service wetlands acquisition program. The latter was in answer to one of the controversies in Minnesota that the League was concerned about. This has helped in the drainage vs wetlands problem - not solved the situation entirely. The mailings were accompanied by our explanation of why they were sent and suggestions as to how they could be used.

League activity was varied. One League, St. Croix Valley, had attempted to bring the national item on Water Resources to the members but did not succeed because of the impact of the NSP controversy in the community. The suggestion of voters service programs - both for the members and, if possible, the community, was turned down by the local Board. The chairman of this committee continued to attend hearings and report back to her League as well as the state Board.

A few Leagues had this item reviewed as part of the NCRs last fall but plan to schedule more time in next year's program. Responses to Time for Action were cited as well as observers at the Minnesota River Valley Development Interim Commission and the Red River Planning Commission.

WATER RESOURCES (Continued)

2. If your League has a state water CA or CR, what has your League done under it this year? **None**

None

The Leagues had used the filmstrip "Clean Water Is Everybody's Business" with the discussion guide. One League had used "Every Drop Fit to Drink" and were disappointed. The criticism was that it was very elementary and obviously a commercial for the detergent industry. This League followed this program with an interview printed in their local bulletin. One of the League members interviewed the head of the Public Service Commission about local water usage and problems.

It was reassuring to see the Leagues that had put in research and time for meetings on Water Resources. Several sent copies of the material used and in some cases they relied on the national material. Others sought out local information to bring the significance of this national item to the local League.

Only three Leagues have some aspect of this item as a local current agenda or CR so this hampers any real impact of this item as an action item in Minnesota.

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UNITED NATIONS AND FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

1. How would you evaluate the work of your local Leagues under the foreign policy

CAs? U.N.: Considering the emphasis on our new national item, Leagues in Minnesota have done a surprisingly good job of alerting the public to our support of the U.N. Many of our League members take part in U.N. activities of other organizations as well. Your suggestion, "Developing Human ~~RM~~ Resources Around the World" as a theme for ICY is excellent. It should provide a spark for innumerable ideas for tying together the U.N. and Human Resources items for community activity next fall.

Foreign Aid: There does not appear to be a great deal of activity in response to Times for Action. In the summer particularly when much of this action takes place, the response is almost nil. Chairmen who keep their members updated on legislative activity are few and consequently when a Time for Action alert goes out, many members do not feel they have the background for an effective response. We attempted to appoint a chairman for each of our legislative district to organize this kind of activity, but it was not successful. Appointing a League in each district to be responsible for this activity for a period of time might be a better approach.

East-West Trade: Very few reports have come into our state office (about 19) as yet. However, quite a number of our Leagues have meetings scheduled for March. There have been some objections to the presentation in the Facts and Issues. However, asking for consensus after the trade winds are already blowing heavily toward this expansion of trade does not make it easy to present a pro and con case.

UNITED NATIONS AND FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY (Continued)

2. What kind of guidance on the foreign policy CAS did your state Board give to local Leagues? workshops? written communications? subject matter material? other?

Held workshops for all Leagues last June.

Had Barbara Ward tape played on our educational radio station.

Planned February tour to U.N. and Washington which had to be cancelled.

Luncheon meeting in February on the U.N. with John Horner, Director of the Office of Public Services of the State Department Bureau of Public Affairs.

Direction through our Board Memo along with information on foreign policy activity in the state.

3. Comment, if you wish, on the guidance of the national Board and on the helpfulness of national foreign policy materials.

The help from the national Board is extensive enough in direction and materials and bibliography that it does not seem necessary to add to this beyond the use of speakers. The Current Review of Foreign Policy is excellent and attempts might be made by both of us to broaden its use and readership.

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VOTERS SERVICE

1. What have you done to help your local Leagues in Voters Service this year?

- a) Workshops, conferences, memos, etc.? VS Workshop at state Council; Leadership Workshop covering candidates meetings, candidates questionnaires; VS Swap Shop publication on candidates meetings; memos on handling candidates questionnaires; sample local candidates questionnaire; WVW promotion; memos on separating VS and Program promotion; suggestions on ways to distribute the VS election information flyer.
- b) Printed materials such as Ballot Issues, Candidates Questionnaires, Registration flyers, etc. Please list quantities printed, costs to you, and cost to the local Leagues for each item.

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Cost to LL</u>
Your Vote Makes a Difference (election information flyer)	91,500	\$669	1¢ ea.
Amendment flyer (ballot issue)	60,000	333	1¢ ea.
Digest of Election Laws	400	10	10¢ ea.

2. What, if anything, have you done to provide Voters Service information in communities where there is no local League?

- a) Have you tried using your members-at-large to assist in this activity? No
- b) Have you contacted your State Library bookmobile service to distribute Voters Service material? No see below The Extension Service of the Department of Agriculture in your state? Yes
List of publications goes to all public school libraries.
- c) Did you use the September Election Issue of THE NATIONAL VOTER where there is no local League? Yes If so, how? Sent to those inquiring about voting information both here and overseas.

Also contacted Chairman of House Organs Assn. to let him know of our VS material.

3. What kind of nonpartisanship problems (if any) were brought to your attention by your local Leagues? One instance reported from a candidates meeting - candidates from both parties for one office had not been invited, but when one of them from one party came anyway, he was called upon to speak to the audience. This caused some problems which have since been resolved, but pointed out need to inform LL better upon possible ways to deal with such an occurrence - i.e., not asking him to directly address the group as those invited were being allowed but acknowledging him in another more informal way, perhaps? The other instance involved use by a League of a truck owned by one party in its (the League's) voter registration drive. The League president specified no mention of the party, no signs, on the truck but those of the League, and this was complied with and no problems developed - registration was successful, and no charges of partisanship.
4. Do you have any suggestions for a 1968 Election Issue of THE NATIONAL VOTER? The ideas were excellent - a question of timing has arisen, some wishing the publication could be later in the fall, closer to election; some hoping for an earlier publication. Could the type be larger and the actual contents shortened for easier reading by general public.

VOTERS SERVICE (Continued)

5. Did you use the Congressional Candidates Questionnaire? Yes Completely? No

Just biography? Omitting one question? yes If so, which question (by number) did you omit? 2

- a) Is there a need to add state level questions to this Questionnaire? Yes

For example: The lack of flexibility permitted state Leagues may not provide information from our candidates which Minnesota citizens want and which will help them cast an informed ballot. Our congressional candidate information is published by the Minneapolis Tribune under an agreement providing wide coverage and some free distribution but providing information is not available to anyone

- b) Were the questions timely as to content when you distributed your (attached sheet) CANDIDATES QUESTIONNAIRES? Time lag between January when questions are finally drawn up and election in November does tend to create some irrelevance in the questions. If state Leagues were permitted more latitude in the number of questions, time of their writing and in choosing some to suit the particular state (our questions are sent out as soon as filings close in July - already 7 months after they are written) - perhaps the timelier answers might more closely reflect the candidates views and the questions currently being raised by the voters themselves as they prepare to vote.

6. What have you done in Voters Service to develop understanding of state government and the state legislature; e.g. GO-SEE tours, printed materials, meetings? Please attach agendas or descriptions.

We have supported the Legislative Observers Course planned by our Legislative chairman. It has been better attended this year than in any previous year, had to move into larger rooms with each succeeding session.

7. Please describe any special success story in the area of Voters Service.

VS ideas and plans covering activities new to Leagues were often most successful for them this year, and this might indicate that we all need encouragement to branch out into newer things, try our wings creatively in VS in order to achieve member satisfaction and increase our effectiveness in service to the community. Another facet might be that in trying these newer items, more careful plans were made than when doing "the same old thing", and hence the more successful results.

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1. b)	Candidates Questionnaires	1500	\$22.33	free
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5. a) else until after publication the week before election. Local Leagues could distribute additional information if we were permitted to secure it by additional questions of interest in our area. This would give us a better rapport with our mass media and our candidates and should result in better informed Minnesota voters.

REPORT ON WOMEN VOTERS LUNCHEON - LWT OF MINNESOTA

The luncheon was held on August 10 at a motor lodge on the outskirts of Minneapolis. Approximately 60 letters of invitation were sent to state-wide women's organizations as well as to several representatives of minority groups not organized on a state-wide basis. Eighteen of these groups had representatives at the luncheon. Another ten asked for the material we distributed at the luncheon. That material is enclosed, minus its pretty blue folder. The folder won't fit into the envelope.

I think the enclosed agenda will give a good picture of what went on. We had hoped the Governor would attend, but his schedule wouldn't permit it, and the Attorney General filled in very ably. Not on the agenda was a short talk given by the state voters service chairman on the role of the League in program making and voters service. Leaguers currently active in government were mentioned, and she stressed our nonpartisanship. Our public relations chairman used an excellent, large flip chart (prepared by a local League member) to illustrate the various points of What Difference We Can Make.

The discussion by the group wasn't as stimulating as we would have liked - three or four doing most of the talking; many of them saying nothing. We couldn't get much from them about what they have done or might be planning to do to stimulate voting participation. Whether they will act on the ideas we gave them in their groups remains to be seen.

The general feeling of the Board was that it was a worthwhile endeavor and surely accomplished some of its purpose in initiating interest in WVM, and possibly some action by some of the organizations. It's basic PR aspect cannot be discounted.

There was some press and TV coverage of the event. We are now going ahead with an off-Board committee made up of representatives from the leagues in the metropolitan area to try to obtain radio and TV time on every station during WVM week. The reception by the radio stations of our spot announcements has been very encouraging. The arrangements for TV time and actual program time move more slowly.

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