



## League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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Mrs. Liz Elliott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn.  
53110

Dear Liz,

'Congressman's Twacks  
interview has been  
arranged for April 5  
2:30 at Carol Wakle's  
home. |||||

Hope that you can  
attend if not maybe  
you could send me  
some information on  
areas you would  
like Congressman to  
concern himself.

Jean Benda  
Alpha, Minn.

# **BENDA**

**Your  
Conservative**

**Candidate**

**For**

# **STATE SENATOR**

**Alpha, Minnesota**



**The George Bendas**

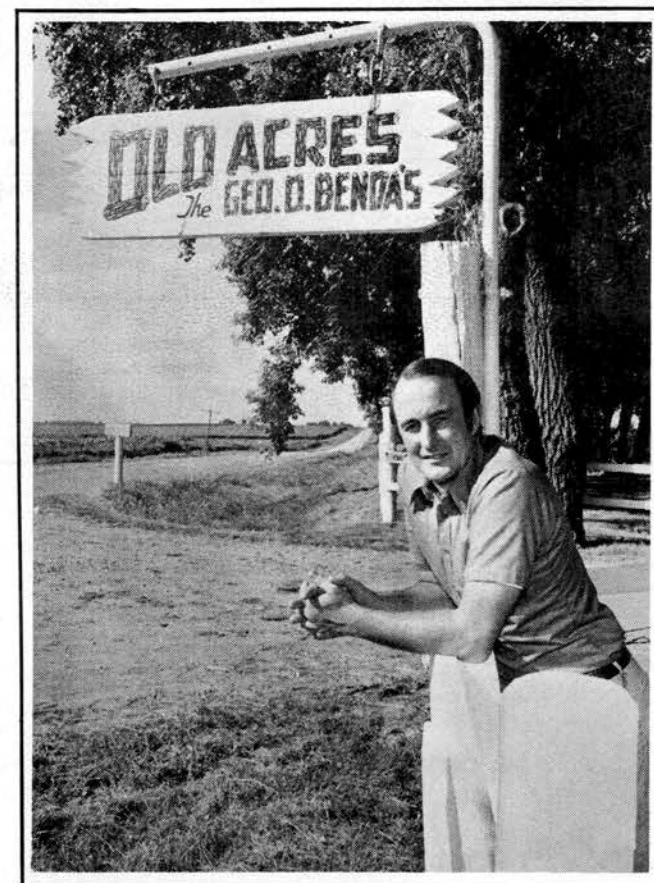
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# **George Benda**

**FOR  
State Senate**



Prepared and Paid for by The George Benda  
Volunteer Committee, Dean Peterson, Truman,  
Minn. Chairman.



- George Benda supports
- State Tax Formulas that are more equitable for rural Minnesota.
- Continued dedication of Highway Gas Tax for the completion of out-state Highways.
- Favorable economic conditions that provide for the growth of our small town businesses and our family farms.
- Incentives to draw a larger number of Medical Doctors to rural Minnesota.
- Less Federal and State Government thus allowing more local control.



George Benda has been concerned about rural Minnesota for years as evidenced by his involvement in local affairs and his every growing recognition at the State level.

**BUT —** He needs your vote on November 7th! Will you have become involved?



George and Jean



★ President, Minnesota Livestock Feeders Association and National Director

★ President, Jackson County Farm Bureau

★ County Republican Chairman

★ Chairman, Vocational School Advisory Committee

★ County Taxpayers Association

★ Chamber of Commerce

REPORT OF CONGRESSIONAL INTERVIEW

Congressman Richard M. Nolan

District 6 - Minnesota - Democrat (DFL)

Particular legislative interests (committee preferences if new): Agriculture Committee - assignment has been made. Hoped to be on the Banking and Currency Committee, too.

1. Trade Reform - Believes in maximum production and the development of reserves. Thinks we should import no food, that it is immoral. Is for free trade basically, but thinks imported foods should have to meet same standards as domestic supplies. The dairy industry was used as an example. Would use a food reserve to assure farmer a fair profit.
2. Land Use - Favors a national land use plan. Would classify all land in the United States (as has been done in Minnesota) to provide an inventory of what we have to work with. We need a projection analysis on housing, agriculture, development, etc. Need input from knowledgeable people and federal control over how we use land. Minnesota has a land computerized system under the Department of Natural Resources, but not as much control of planning as is necessary. Some counties have land use plans now managed by zoning and the state of Minnesota has laws regarding use of lake shore, but land use should be a federal function. States could administer a plan, but we must have a national outlook. We have to consider allocation of people.
3. Public Service Employment - Favors public service employment. Government should provide jobs if private sector can't. All people should be able to have jobs. Favors a guaranteed annual income with higher pay for unpopular jobs. Prefers alternative employment and training instead of unemployment insurance. Would re-allocate funds to pay for this out of the present budget or, if necessary, raise taxes.
4. Development Aid - Concerned with health and food which led us right back to our domestic concerns in these matters.  
  
Welfare - Current system archaic. Need an income maintenance plan with broad range of social services that would be nationwide - financial counseling, family counseling, mental health care. Favors giving money instead of food stamps.  
OEO legislation - need separate department with continuous support of OEO.  
  
Health - Emphasis on prevention and out-patient services. Need health care under the same concept as education. Need a new definition of health, including nutritional health. Has a compromise plan for national health care.
5. Air Quality - Discussion turned to energy and he favors rationing for fuel and gasoline. Thinks a tax increase is not economically sound.

As a result of the interview, how do you think the League can work more effectively with the Congressman? What is his attitude toward the League as an organization and in general toward the League's national position?

We established a fine rapport with the Congressman. Much of this was established prior to his being elected to office. The Congressman's wife, Marjorie, is a member of the League of Women Voters in St. Cloud. The Congressman agreed to send us material that would benefit the League. We asked to be put on the mailing list for the Congressional Record; he agreed. He indicated that he found us stimulating to talk with and later stated that it had been one of the best discussions he had entered into.

Other organizations and/or individuals to whom he is particularly responsive:

Common Cause, farm organizations (such as NFO, Farmer's Union, Farm Bureau, etc.), labor unions, PUSH (People United for Sound Health), the elderly.

Kind of interview: in St. Cloud, MN at the home of Doreen Keable, 909 6th Ave. N. on January 9, 1975. The interview was information, held in livingroom--

coffee--but following outline of items to be covered. Two Leagues (St. Cloud and Buffalo) were represented and a state Board member - about 12 people.

Doreen M. Keable  
6th District Action  
Coordinator

# memorandum

The League of Women Voters of the United States

DATE: 10/25

TO: Mrs. McCoy, President, LWV of Minn.

FROM: Lesley G. Dunn, Staff Director, Legislative Action

SUBJECT: Congressional contact by National (~~Board member~~/Lobbying Corps member)

(A):

We would like you to notify the local League president(s) in your state's 6

Congressional district that Representative Zwack

of that district was contacted on 5-31 by F. Kaeffer

. The subject of the discussion was Reform

L.A. says Cong. would probably support Pres. + not  
legislation re' above. Is interested in emerging Congressional

Additional remarks: reform legislation + would probably support  
setting ceiling on Congressional spending + developing  
priorities within it.

(B):

Your U.S. Senator \_\_\_\_\_ was interviewed on \_\_\_\_\_,

by \_\_\_\_\_. The subject of the discussion was \_\_\_\_\_

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_



Congressional Interview

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Congressman John M. Zwach - 6th District - Republican

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On January 4, 1974 a Congressional Interview with Sixth District Congressman John M. Zwach was held at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Carol Dahl at Willmar, Minnesota. Due to the icy roads and cold weather the crowd was limited to fourteen League members from St. Cloud and Willmar, Minnesota. Those who were present found the interview interesting and informative. Our moderator was Harret Ball of the St. Cloud League of Women Voters. Questions revolved around the national program.

Environmental Quality: Congressman Zwach indicated that we can get additional energy from solar energy and atomic energy. Waterfall would be the ideal one while coal is less desirable. In regard to atomic energy, we have a problem with so-called environmentalists who just recently jumped aboard the bandwagon and do not take a realistic approach. They have not allowed a refinery to be built in ten years. "We're going to have to have refineries if we're going to have energy. We're going to have to find the answers to living with refineries. They have opposed every effort to the development of atomic energy. They think they have some other answers. We have to-- if we're going to live the way we do--we have to find a way to produce energy with the least damage--and we can."

The other major point on environmental quality dealt with automobiles. Congressman Zwach stated, "Regarding automobiles we may have made some mistake in insisting that the antipollution devices be used on cars where there is not a heavy population. We have slipped a lot by not having improved carburation on automobiles. The carburetor today is no more efficient than it was on the Model T Ford." He continued, "Rather than put all kinds of devices on the inefficient carburetor, we should approach the real good use of fuel by carburation."

Another concept which he felt merited some exploration was putting a little alcohol in gasoline. The addition of 10% alcohol in gasoline would improve mileage at least 10% and reduce the bad polluted residues perhaps 25 to 50% since gasoline would do a cleaner job of burning. The state of Nebraska has done a lot of pioneering in this field.

Basically Congressman Zwach feels we went too far with standards for emission control devices in Detroit and not far enough in trying to prevent pollution through poor consumption of gas and bad carburation.

Land Use: Questions arose regarding federal zoning. Congressman Zwach's philosophy simply is as follows: "As a Republican I am a State's Rights, and I always think nobody does things as well as the people that are closest to it." Work is being done in Washington to get some type of legislation. Zoning should be a cooperative venture between the federal, state and local levels of government. We already have excellent cooperation on all three levels in our Watershed Districts. Local boards are really the thing that are important.

Questions also arose regarding federal lands within the states and who ought to control or regulate them. Congressman Zwach indicated that these lands would always have to be regulated by the federal government. About one-third of our land is federal land.

Regionalism is a part of this overall structure. Many people are opposed to this concept. Congressman Zwach indicated that, "Cooperation is desirable

on a regional basis. Regional domination is not desirable."

Human Resources: On this topic we dealt mainly with the Indian question. Here too, Congressman Zwach felt that local control would work better than federal control. He believes the federal government should supply the funds, but that there should be more Indian control via an Indian Council. Zwach stated that the Indian Bureau in Washington has not done a good job. He also stated that the Indians should be given block grants for categorical aids. The government shouldn't force excessive spending in certain areas.

The conversation also turned to Wounded Knee. Congressman Zwach indicated that though it was a sad event, some good did come out of it. Wounded Knee brought about an awakening of the American people and an awareness in Congress and in the Indian Bureau. It is leading to the revising of the Indian Bureau.

International Relations: Our discussion here dealt mainly with world trade. Congressman Zwach favors open trade. He says it is better to "feed people than to shoot them." The Midwest is currently suffering in the world trade situation. Zwach feels we are giving too much power to the executive branch of the government. Congress should reserve the right to approve or disapprove things.

Congressman Zwach disapproves of the Flanagan Report. This would be an agreement between two countries regarding what each would produce. One country would grow all the grain; the other would produce all the milk. We ought to be able to sell all our finished products--eggs, chickens, beef, pork--rather than just the grain. It would dry up our farms.

Regarding Japan's current influx into the United States, Zwach thinks it is a temporary thing. Japan can convert their money to our dollars and come out ahead. He believes they have the right to build factories here just as the United States has been granted that right in other countries. He does feel, though, that Japan is making a mistake--that they can't raise soybeans cheaper here.

Representative Government: Representative government dealt mainly with the topic of campaign financing. Congressman Zwach's main concern was, "How do you restrict it and be fair?" You need to be fair to the one who is running against an incumbent. He has many advantages before the campaign starts. Some congressional districts are larger than others. It takes more money to travel around the 6th District than it does to travel around the 4th District in Minnesota.

Congressman Zwach does think there should be some limit on campaign spending, but there are still a lot of questions about it.

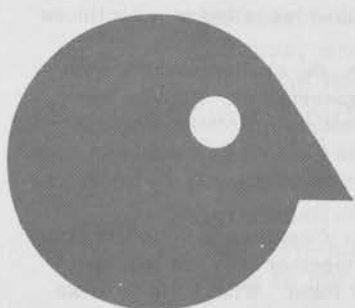
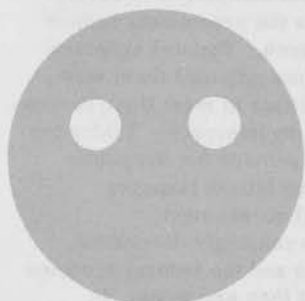
Watergate: Closing comments dealt with Watergate. The Congressman stated that he felt Congress was not involved in Watergate to any great extent, but he said, there are "always a few."

He said the President has one basic weakness. He places "too much confidence in a few people and centralizing the power." The President ought to spread out the responsibility.

The interview adjourned around 4:30 in the afternoon.

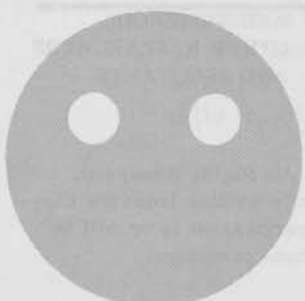
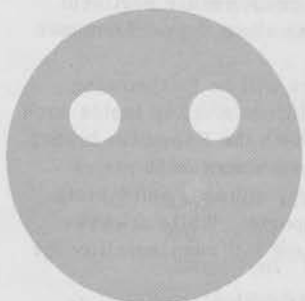


## Ralph Nader Congress Project Citizens Look at Congress



## John M. Zwach

Republican Representative  
from Minnesota



written by Robert Shapiro



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Liz Ebbott  
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White Bear Lake, Minnesota  
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1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
February 19, 1972

Mrs. Liz Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz:

I sent the file to Jean Benda about 2 weeks ago and she received it.

This past week I received a call from Congressman Zwach's office and he wants to meet with the Leagues of the 6th District on April 5, 1972 in the afternoon. I called Jean and told her that she could use my house if she would make the arrangements with the Leagues. She seemed pleased to do this. She was going to call Congressman Zwach's office to confirm the date and time. Hope you will be able to come that day.

Sincerely,

*Carol*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl

cc: Mary Ann McCoy  
LWV of Minnesota

MNA Clipping Bureau

**WILLMAR  
WEST CENTRAL  
DAILY TRIBUNE**

**APR 4 1972**

# **District 6 of WV In Willmar To Hear John Zwach**

WILLMAR — When Congressman John Zwach of Minnesota's 6th District comes to this city tomorrow (Wednesday) for a Meet-Your-Congressman Day, he will be a special guest at a 6th District meeting of the League of Women Voters.



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# memorandum

The League of Women Voters of the United States

DATE: 6/22/72

TO: Mrs. Mary Ann McCoy, President, LWV of Minnesota.

FROM: Lesley G. Dunn, Staff Director, Legislative Action

SUBJECT: Congressional contact by National (Board member/~~Lobbying Corps member~~)

(A):

We would like you to notify the local League president(s) in your state's 7th  
6th Congressional district that Representative Bob Bergland  
John M. Zwack of that district was contacted on 6/7/72 by J. Rene Samaki.

The subject of the discussion was Busing  
Bergland - Cong. Constituency could care less about busing  
aspect of bill. He thought amendments to bill were bad, but that total  
Additional remarks: even less they could do.  
Zwack! Cong. - Voted for Ed. bill and thought all delegates  
would vote for it. Not sure he was right.

(B):

Your U.S. Senator \_\_\_\_\_ was interviewed on \_\_\_\_\_,  
by \_\_\_\_\_. The subject of the discussion was \_\_\_\_\_

Additional remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

CONGRESSIONAL ACTION OF LEAGUE INTEREST

92nd Congress - 1st Session

John Zwach - Republican - 6th District

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Veteran's Affairs

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- Co-author, to provide for equitable minority staffing.

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- X --Amendment to add \$728.6 million...Defeated 188-191 (4/7/71 - #52)
- X --Amendment to remove section forbidding forced busing...Defeated 149-206 (4/7/71 - #53)
- X --Emergency School Aid Act (HR2266), to suspend the rules and pass...Defeated 135-222 (11/1/71 - #329)

Higher Education Act (HR 2266)

- X --Amendment to exclude all male or all female undergraduate schools from "prohibition of sex discrimination" - Committee of the Whole, Passed 194-189 (11/4/71 - #349)
- X --same amendment, Passed the House 186-181 (11/4/71 - #360)
- X --Amendment to remove Ethnic Heritage Studies. Passed 200-159 (11/4/71 - #352)



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- X --Amendment to postpone any U.S. District Court order forcing busing for racial balance until the U.S. Supreme Court has the opportunity to act on any appeal. (Broomfield Amendment) Passed 235-125 (11/4/71 - #354)
- X --Amendment that the federal government can't force states to spend state or local funds on programs for which federal funds can't be used (busing for racial balance - Green Amendment). Passed 231-126 (11/4/71 - #355)
- X --Amendment to exempt from the prohibition of using funds for busing local schools carrying out plans pursuant to court orders. Defeated 146-216 (11/4/71 - #356)
- X --Point of order removing the amendment (Ashbrook Amendment) that prohibits using any federal funds for busing to overcome racial imbalance. Overruled 233-124 (11/4/71 - #357)
- X --Point of order removing Emergency School Aid Act (HR2266 - Pucinski Amendment) as an amendment. Overruled 211-160 (11/4/71 - #359) (The amendment contains the antibusing provision)
- X --To consider the Family Assistance Bill (HR 1) under the rule allowing no amendments except whether or not to strike Title IV (family assistance)...Passed 200-172 (6/21/71 - #152)
- X --To strike out Title IV...Defeated 187-234 (6/22/71 - #156)
- X --Family Assistance Bill...Passed 288-132 (6/22/71 - #157)
- X --To forbid food stamps to households where a member is on strike...Defeated 172-225 (6/23/71 - #161)
- Co-author, joint resolution to maintain food stamps at present levels.
- X --School Lunch and Breakfast program - Passed 354-0 (10/18/71 - #303)
- X --HUD Appropriations, conference report...Passed 362-30 (7/29/71 - #215)
- Author, to allow income tax deductions for home repairs and improvements.
- X --Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Act - Erlenborn substitute to provide for court enforcement without cease and desist powers; to remove the broadened coverage; to remove combining OFCC with EEOC...Passed 202-197 (9/17/71 - #262)
- X --To recommit - Defeated 130-270 (9/17/71 - #263)
- X --Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Act...Passed 285-106 (9/17/71 - #264)
- X --To disapprove of Reorganization Plan #1 of 1971 to create the Action Corps - combining the Peace Corps, VISTA, etc.)...Defeated 131-224 (5/25/71 - #108)
- X --Economic Opportunity Act Extension. Passed 251-115 (9/30/71)
- X --Amendment to lower poverty level for day care provisions to conform to HR 1 level. Committee of the Whole. Defeated 187-189 (9/30/71 - #272)
- X --same amendment, Passed the House 191-180 (9/30/71 - #277)
- X --Amendment, Comprehensive Child Development Program. Passed 186-183 (9/30/71 - #276)
- X --Amendment to remove the Legal Services Corporation - Defeated 152-210 (9/30/71 - #275)
- X --Economic Opportunity Act Extension, 1971, conference report. Passed 210-186 (12/7/71 - #438)
- X --Alaska Native Claims, conference report. Passed 307-60 (12/14/71 - #465)
- FOREIGN POLICY
- X --To add \$11.6 million for dues in the International Labor Organization...Defeated 147-227 (6/24/71 - #163)
- X --Foreign Aid Appropriations Act...Passed 200-192 (8/3/71 - #235)
- X --Repassing original House version of the Foreign Aid Bill to take to conference with the Senate. Passed 269-115 (11/18/71 - #406)

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- X --Foreign Aid Appropriations. Passed 214-179 (12/8/71 - #441)
- X --Amendment to restore \$50 million for U.S. contribution to the UN Development Program. Defeated 119-268 (12/8/71 - #440)

Signed petition strongly opposing the expulsion of the Republic of China from the UN (prior to the UN vote, 10/13/71)

- X Accepting the conference committee's Military Procurement Authorization Bill, Sect. 503 (removing the embargo on importing chrom ore from Rhodesia) - Passed 252-101 (11/10/71 - #379)

#### VOTING RIGHTS

- X --Constitutional Amendment, 18 year old vote - Passed 401-19 (3/23/71 - #27)

#### OTHER ISSUES OF GENERAL INTEREST

- X --To strike further funding of SST - Passed 217-204 (3/18/71 - #31 - Teller vote)
- X --To strike further funding of SST - Passed 216-203 (3/18/71 - #25-Recorded vote)
- X --Continued funding of SST - Passed 201-195 (5/12/71 - #89)
- X --\$155.8 million to terminate SST program...Defeated 118-156 (5/20/71 - #105)
- X --To create a select committee of the House to investigate energy resources... Defeated 128-218 (5/26/71 - #110)
- X --To forbid funds for testing any nuclear weapons in the Aleutian Islands... Defeated 108-211 (5/27/71 - #111)  
Author, to require detergents to be phosphorus free.
- X --To repeal 2 year extension of the draft...Defeated 62-331 (3/31/71 - #37)
- X --To extend draft for 1 year...Defeated 198-200 (3/31/71 - #38)
- X --Conscientious objectors to serve 2 years instead of 3 and delete the automatic induction if they do unsatisfactory work...Defeated 132-242 (3/31/71 - #41)
- X --To prohibit involuntary assignment to SE Asia after 12/31/71 and involuntary extension of service of previous inductees (Fraser's Amendment)...Defeated 122-260 (3/31/71 - #42)
- X --To prohibit using draftees in any undeclared war...Defeated 96-278 (3/31/71 - #42)
- X --To extend the draft 18 months instead of 24...Defeated 170-200 (3/31/71 - #44)
- X --The draft extension bill...Passed 293-99 (3/31/71 - #45)
- X --To table the Senate amendment to the draft bill that all U.S. military be withdrawn from Indochina in 9 months, subject to the release of the POWs... Passed 219-175 (6/28/71 - #167)
- X --Military Draft Bill, conference report...Passed 297-108 (8/4/71 - #238)
- X --To prohibit expenditure of new funds after 1/1/1972 to support U.S. military operations in Vietnam, Cambodia or Laos...Defeated 158-255 (6/17/71 - #144)
- X --To cut off military support to Indochina after 6/1/1972 subject to certain POW provisions...Defeated 147-237 (6/17/71 - #145)
- X --Defense Appropriations Amendment, to stop funding U.S. military in SE Asia after 6/1/72 with withdrawal of U.S. forces at a date certain, subject to the release of all American POWs. Defeated 163-238 (11/17/71 - #399)
- X --To table the Mansfield Amendment to the Foreign Aid Bill. Passed 130-101 (12/16/71 - #472)
- X --To table directing the Secretary of State to furnish certain information about U.S. operations in Laos...Passed 261-118 (7/7/71 - #178)
- X --To send back to committee contempt citation against Frank Stanton and CBS... Passed 226-181 (7/13/71 - #188)



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- X --To authorize emergency loan guarantees to major business enterprises (Lockheed)  
...Passed 192-189 (7/30/71 - #227)
- X --Women's Rights Amendment to the Constitution (H J Res 208). Passed 354-24  
(10/12/71 - #294)
- X --To accept the committee amendment to exempt women from the draft and to retain  
laws characterized as "reasonably promoting the health and safety of the people"  
(Wiggins Amendment). Defeated 87-265 (10/12/71 - #293)
- X Prayer in public buildings Amendment to the Constitution (H J Res 191). Defeated  
(lacked 2/3rds vote) 240-162 (11/8/71 - #366)
- X --Election Reform Bill, passed 373-23 (11/30/71 - #418)
- X --Amendment, to remove all federal elections from the equal time provision.  
Defeated 95-277 (11/29/71 - #414)
- X --Amendment, to allow broadcasting stations to charge regular rates instead of  
lowest unit charge. Passed 219-150 (11/29/71 - #413)

April 20, 1972

The Honorable John Zwach  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zwach:

On behalf of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota we appreciate your making time available to meet with our members in your district Wednesday, April 5 in Willmar. These sessions are always very useful to the Leagues.

The League thanks you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
National Action Chairman

cc: Jean Benda

JAN 4 1972

1215 13th Ave S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
January 1, 1972

Liz Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz:

I had been thinking it was nearing the time of the Congressional Interview and I was very happy to see that you have another leaguer to take over 6th District. Serving on the Field Service Committee, advising Stevens County is sufficient in my spare time as I'm working at the State Hospital again this year. Imagine the nominating committee will be meeting later also.

Congressman Zwach hasn't ever been able to meet with us before Congress reconvenes so I would think Jean Benda would have plenty time as he likes the interview during the Easter recess. Tell her to let me know if she needs any help.

I will wait to hear from you as to the mailing of the file to her. Thank you and a very happy 1972.

Sincerely,

*Ernest Bon*  
Mrs. Hans A. Dahl

cc LWV of Minn.



January 1972

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- X --Emergency School Aid Act (HR2266), to suspend the rules and pass...Defeated 135-222 (11/1/71 - #329)

Higher Education Act (HR 2266)

- X --Amendment to exclude all male or all female undergraduate schools from "prohibition of sex discrimination" - Committee of the Whole, Passed 194-189 (11/4/71 - #349)
- X --same amendment, Passed the House 186-181 (11/4/71 - #360)
- X --Amendment to remove Ethnic Heritage Studies. Passed 200-159 (11/4/71 - #352)

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- X 0 --Amendment to postpone any U.S. District Court order forcing busing for racial balance until the U.S. Supreme Court has the opportunity to act on any appeal. (Broomfield Amendment) Passed 235-125 (11/4/71 - #354)
- X --Amendment that the federal government can't force states to spend state or local funds on programs for which federal funds can't be used (busing for racial balance - Green Amendment). Passed 231-126 (11/4/71 - #355)
- X --Amendment to exempt from the prohibition of using funds for busing local schools carrying out plans pursuant to court orders. Defeated 146-216 (11/4/71 - #356)
- (X) --Point of order removing the amendment (Ashbrook Amendment) that prohibits using any federal funds for busing to overcome racial imbalance. Overruled 233-124 (11/4/71 - #357)
- (X) --Point of order removing Emergency School Aid Act (HR2266 - Pucinski Amendment) as an amendment. Overruled 211-160 (11/4/71 - #359) (The amendment contains the antibusing provision)
- X --To consider the Family Assistance Bill (HR 1) under the rule allowing no amendments except whether or not to strike Title IV (family assistance)...Passed 200-172 (6/21/71 - #152)
- (X) --To strike out Title IV...Defeated 187-234 (6/22/71 - #156)
- (X) --Family Assistance Bill...Passed 288-132 (6/22/71 - #157)
- X --To forbid food stamps to households where a member is on strike...Defeated 172-225 (6/23/71 - #161)
- X Co-author, joint resolution to maintain food stamps at present levels.
- X --School Lunch and Breakfast program - Passed 354-0 (10/18/71 - #303)
- X --HUD Appropriations, conference report...Passed 362-30 (7/29/71 - #215)
- Author, to allow income tax deductions for home repairs and improvements.
- (X) --Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Act - Erlenborn substitute to provide for court enforcement without cease and desist powers; to remove the broadened coverage; to remove combining OECC with EEOC...Passed 202-197 (9/17/71 - #262)
- X --To recommit - Defeated 130-270 (9/17/71 - #263)
- X --Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Act...Passed 285-106 (9/17/71 - #264)
- X --To disapprove of Reorganization Plan #1 of 1971 to create the Action Corps - combining the Peace Corps, VISTA, etc.)...Defeated 131-224 (5/25/71 - #108)
- X --Economic Opportunity Act Extension, Passed 251-115 (9/30/71)
- X --Amendment to lower poverty level for day care provisions to conform to HR 1 level. Committee of the Whole. Defeated 187-189 (9/30/71 - #272)
- X --same amendment, Passed the House 191-180 (9/30/71 - #277)
- X --Amendment, Comprehensive Child Development Program. Passed 186-183 (9/30/71 - #276)
- X --Amendment to remove the Legal Services Corporation - Defeated 152-210 (9/30/71 - #275)
- (X) --Economic Opportunity Act Extension, 1971, conference report. Passed 210-186 (12/7/71 - #438)
- X --Alaska Native Claims, conference report. Passed 307-60 (12/14/71 - #465)

#### FOREIGN POLICY

- X --To add \$11.6 million for dues in the International Labor Organization...Defeated 147-227 (6/24/71 - #163)
- X --Foreign Aid Appropriations Act...Passed 200-192 (8/3/71 - #235)
- X --Repassing original House version of the Foreign Aid Bill to take to conference with the Senate. Passed 269-115 (11/18/71 - #406)

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- X --Foreign Aid Appropriations. Passed 214-179 (12/8/71 - #441)
- X --Amendment to restore \$50 million for U.S. contribution to the UN Development Program. Defeated 119-268 (12/8/71 - #440)

Signed petition strongly opposing the expulsion of the Republic of China from the UN (prior to the UN vote, 10/13/71)

- X Accepting the conference committee's Military Procurement Authorization Bill, Sect. 503 (removing the embargo on importing chrom ore from Rhodesia) - Passed 252-101 (11/10/71 - #379)

#### VOTING RIGHTS

- X --Constitutional Amendment, 18 year old vote - Passed 401-19 (3/23/71 - #27)

#### OTHER ISSUES OF GENERAL INTEREST

- X --To strike further funding of SST - Passed 217-204 (3/18/71 - #31 - Teller vote)
- X --To strike further funding of SST - Passed 216-203 (3/18/71 - #25-Recorded vote)
- X --Continued funding of SST - Passed 201-195 (5/12/71 - #89)
- X --\$155.8 million to terminate SST program...Defeated 118-156 (5/20/71 - #105)
- X --To create a select committee of the House to investigate energy resources... Defeated 128-218 (5/26/71 - #110)
- X --To forbid funds for testing any nuclear weapons in the Aleutian Islands... Defeated 108-219 (5/27/71 - #111)  
Author, to require detergents to be phosphorus free.
- X --To repeal 2 year extension of the draft...Defeated 62-331 (3/31/71 - #37)
- X --To extend draft for 1 year...Defeated 198-200 (3/31/71 - #38)
- X --Conscientious objectors to serve 2 years instead of 3 and delete the automatic induction if they do unsatisfactory work...Defeated 132-242 (3/31/71 - #41)
- X --To prohibit involuntary assignment to SE Asia after 12/31/71 and involuntary extension of service of previous inductees (Fraser's Amendment)...Defeated 122-260 (3/31/71 - #42)
- X --To prohibit using draftees in any undeclared war...Defeated 96-278 (3/31/71 - #42)
- X --To extend the draft 18 months instead of 24...Defeated 170-200 (3/31/71 - #44)
- X --The draft extension bill...Passed 293-99 (3/31/71 - #45)
- X --To table the Senate amendment to the draft bill that all U.S. military be withdrawn from Indochina in 9 months, subject to the release of the POWs... Passed 219-175 (6/28/71 - #167)
- X --Military Draft Bill, conference report...Passed 297-108 (8/4/71 - #238)
- X --To prohibit expenditure of new funds after 1/1/1972 to support U.S. military operations in Vietnam, Cambodia or Laos...Defeated 158-255 (6/17/71 - #144)
- X --To cut off military support to Indochina after 6/1/1972 subject to certain POW provisions...Defeated 147-237 (6/17/71 - #145)
- X --Defense Appropriations Amendment, to stop funding U.S. military in SE Asia after 6/1/72 with withdrawal of U.S. forces at a date certain, subject to the release of all American POWs. Defeated 163-238 (11/17/71 - #399)
- X --To table the Mansfield Amendment to the Foreign Aid Bill. Passed 130-101 (12/16/71 - #472)
- X --To table directing the Secretary of State to furnish certain information about U.S. operations in Laos...Passed 261-118 (7/7/71 - #178)
- X --To send back to committee contempt citation against Frank Stanton and CBS... Passed 226-181 (7/13/71 - #188)



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- X       --To authorize emergency loan guarantees to major business enterprises (Lockheed)  
          ...Passed 192-189 (7/30/71 - #227)
- X       --Women's Rights Amendment to the Constitution (H J Res 208). Passed 354-24  
          (10/12/71 - #294)
- X       --To accept the committee amendment to exempt women from the draft and to retain  
          laws characterized as "reasonably promoting the health and safety of the people"  
          (Wiggins Amendment). Defeated 87-265 (10/12/71 - #293)
- X       Prayer in public buildings Amendment to the Constitution (H J Res 191). Defeated  
          (lacked 2/3rds vote) 240-162 (11/8/71 - #366)
- X       --Election Reform Bill, passed 373-23 (11/30/71 - #418)
- X       --Amendment, to remove all federal elections from the equal time provision.  
          Defeated 95-277 (11/29/71 - #414)
- X       --Amendment, to allow broadcasting stations to charge regular rates instead of  
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Liz Ebbott, 409 Birchwood Ave., White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

December 30, 1971

Dear Carol,

It's time again to contact John Zwach to arrange a League interview, if possible Before Congress reconvenes January 18, 1972. The League office is now working on the voting record for this past year and it will be out to your Leagues - the new ones too - as soon as they can get it done. If you set up the interview before the material is out, I'll see to it that your Leagues and you get it in time.

You now have 9 Leagues to deal with - the new ones, Jackson, Rock County and Worthington; leaving ones - Stevens County; remainders - Buffalo, Granite Falls, Marshall, St. Cloud, Willmar. Enclosed is a League president list with address so you can contact them. If you'd like to set the meeting up in another community, I'm sure you can feel free to ask any of the League presidents to find a place for it. Where ever it is, we will pay your transportation, 10¢ a mile, phone calls, etc.

Since Jean Benda, Jackson League, 2nd District Coordinator is now going to be moving into the 6th District, we will have to work something out. You both are excellent. I suppose if either one of you has a compelling reason for dropping out we would need to honor it, but at least we have a year to work it out.

Let me know how you make out; if I can be of any help. I'll try to attend it I can. Happy New Year.

Yours,

Liz.



May 1971

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CONGRESSIONAL INTERVIEW

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John Zwach - Republican - 6th District

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1141 34th Avenue North  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301  
May 18, 1971

The Honorable John A. Blatnik  
Chairman, House Committee on Public Works  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Blatnik:

The St. Cloud Area League of Women Voters joins other leagues from every sector of the U.S. in urging you to report out new and strengthened water pollution control legislation.

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Thank you most sincerely for every effort you and your committee members have made to preserve our environment.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. E. Scott Bryce  
Correspondent for National Action  
1141 34th Avenue North  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301

Mrs. Fred Wemlinger  
President, St. Cloud Area LWV  
Route 1, Sherwood Shores  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301

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May 8, 1971

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Chairman, Senate Committee on Public Works  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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# WELFARE REFORM



FOR: LOCAL AND STATE LEAGUE PRESIDENTS  
(see over)

FROM: CYNTHIA HANNUM, LEAGUE ACTION CHAIRMAN

RE: CONGRESSIONAL VIEWS ON WELFARE REFORM  
LEGISLATION

PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN IMMEDIATELY TO:  
Legislative Action Division  
League of Women Voters of the U.S.  
1730 M Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20036

(This is not going on DPM)  
April, 1971.

REPORT ON CONGRESSMAN Zwisch Dist. 6 State Minnesota

FROM: (League member) Name Mr. Henry A. Dault

The following information was obtained from:

Easter recess interview (date) April 14, 1971  
Earlier interview (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
Other sources (list) \_\_\_\_\_

We have not been able to interview our Congressman and have no information on his views \_\_\_\_\_

## CONGRESSMAN'S VIEWS

- |                                                                                                     | YES | NO  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1. Federal legislation should guarantee that no person receive less assistance than presently ----- | (X) | ( ) |
| 2. Federal government should assume most welfare costs: a. now-----                                 | ( ) | ( ) |
| b. by stages-----                                                                                   | (X) | ( ) |
| 3. State supplementation: a. should be mandatory to present level----                               | ( ) | ( ) |
| b. should be voluntary and matched federally-----                                                   | ( ) | ( ) |
| c. should be matched federally in either case-----                                                  | (X) | ( ) |
| 4. Benefit levels: a. \$2400 is an adequate beginning-----                                          | ( ) | ( ) |
| b. should begin at poverty level-----                                                               | ( ) | ( ) |
| c. should provide cost-of-living increases-----                                                     | (X) | ( ) |
| 5. The tentative Committee bill: a. is good-----                                                    | (X) | ( ) |
| b. is all Congress will accept-----                                                                 | ( ) | ( ) |
| c. would pass with a few changes-----                                                               | ( ) | ( ) |
| for example: _____                                                                                  |     |     |

Cong. Zwisch supports President Nixon's welfare proposal.

NOTE: add other comments on bottom half of reverse side.



from the desk of

HANS DAHL

Dear Liz -

Thank you again for  
coming last week.

If you have anything to  
add or ~~subtract~~ to the  
report, feel free to do so.

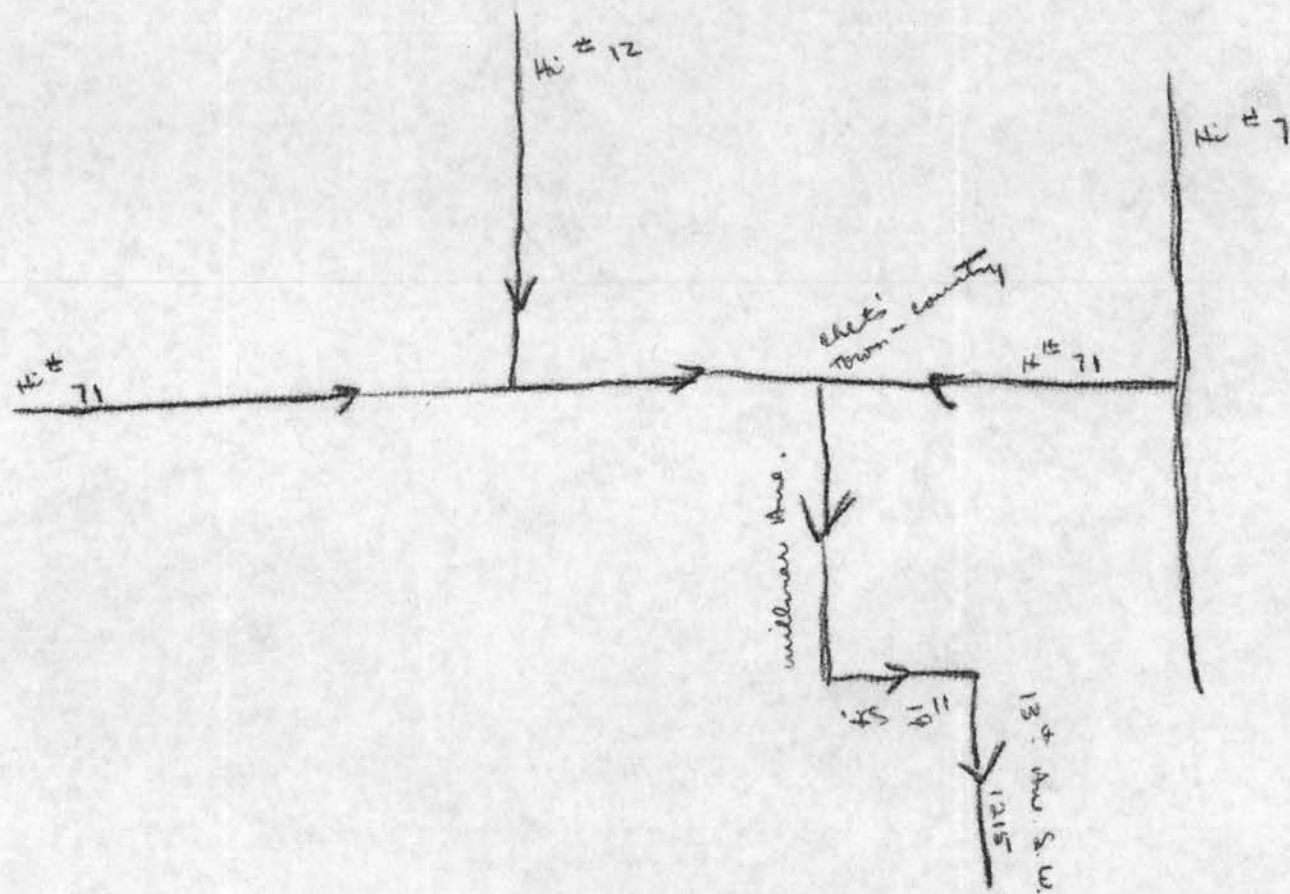
Carol

LWV of Minnesota, 555 Wabasha St., St. Paul, Minn. 55102  
February, 1970

The LWV of \_\_\_\_\_  
responded to the Time for Action on \_\_\_\_\_  
in the following manner:

The LWV of \_\_\_\_\_ did not  
respond to the Time for Action on \_\_\_\_\_  
because:

Please return to : Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 - 13th Ave. S. W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201





1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 6, 1971

The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

The Leagues of the Sixth District are pleased that you will be available for a legislative interview commencing at 3:00 P.M. for one hour on April 14, 1971. The interview will be held at my home, 1215 13th Ave. S.W.-see directions enclosed.

Congressional Reform, Environmental Quality, Education are some of the study items of the League. These will want to be discussed along with any current items.

Sincerely,

CD

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District  
League of Women Voters

cc:Liz Ebbott,LWV of Minn.

M. Beach, C.of C., Willmar

enc.: map-Zwach, Ebbott

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 22, 1971

Mrs. Morris Midboe  
813 7th St.  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

Dear Mrs. Midboe:

Once again it is legislative interview time and I have been corresponding with Congressman Zwach in Washington. We have decided upon April 14, 1971, at 3:00 P.M. at the above address.

Please arrange to have four members from your league attend this interview. Complete the enclosed card and return to me by April 9, 1971.

I mentioned some of our study items to Congressman Zwach and he will be eager to discuss any of these items with us.

Sincerely,

CT

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District

c.c.:Buffalo, St. Cloud,Marshall,  
Morris, Willmar, LWV  
Liz Ebbott  
Enc.:Postcard for reservation  
Map

PS. Sorry I missed your call - Tuesday I. See you  
4-14-71. CT

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
April 19, 1971

The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

The Leagues of Women Voters of the Sixth District wish to thank you so very much for the interesting visit on April 14, 1971. We appreciate the time spent with us.

The information from the interview is being mimeographed and mailed to all persons that were not able to attend so they will benefit from your opinions also.

Thank you again and we will look forward to meeting with you again.

Sincerely,

*CD*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott, LWV of Minn.

4-13-71-----West Central Daily Tribune

MEMBERS OF LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS TO INTERVIEW ZWACH

Representatives of League of Women Voters' chapters from Marshall, Stevens County, Granite Falls, St. Cloud, Buffalo and Willmar will hold a legislative interview with Sixth District Cong. John Zwach in Willmar on Wednesday.

The meeting will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Hans Dahl, congressional action coordinator for the Sixth District.

Basic purpose of the meeting is to discuss legislation dealing with some of the league's study items, such as congressional reform, enviromental quality and education.





from the desk of

HANS DAHL

big -

Thought I should wait  
to write Cong. Zwach until  
the date to return to Washington  
was pretty secure & looks  
pretty good now -

I have planned to invite  
Stevens County also - hope that  
is alright with you -

will write you when I  
have a date -

Sincerely,

Carol

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
January 2, 1971

Congressman John M. Zwach  
Walnut Grove, Minnesota 56180

Dear Congressman Zwach:

The Leagues of Women Voters of the Sixth District wish to have another interview with you before Congress reconvenes, if that is possible.

We now have six Leagues so I'll need some advance notice to communicate with them to organize a group for that day.

I spoke with Mr. Marvin Beach of the Chamber of Commerce of Willmar and they would like to have a "Meet Your Congressman" day once again for the Sixth District so perhaps these two functions could be the same day. However, they usually like their function to be during the Easter recess.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

CP

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott, LWV of Minn.

# Zwach-Montgomery Race Is a Study in Opposites

By **FINLAY LEWIS**  
Minneapolis Tribune  
Staff Writer

hear a ringing defense of the Nixon Administration. The campaign leaflets they will be handed will

cumbent's record, Montgomery's ads make the claim that the youthful-looking DFLer would pro-

to debate the issues. The chair is one of the old swivel variety.

congressman claimed that Montgomery was being assisted substantially by

riculture Committee, for not using his position to his constituents' advan-

business." A third slide shows another abandoned farm,



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from the desk of

HANS DAHL

Dear Liz —

Hope the change in date  
won't make a difference to  
you —

Mr. Beach wanted Wed. so  
thought I should give in as  
long as it's a men's world. He!

will write the other leagues  
& you as soon as I have the  
time —

Sincerely,

Carol

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
February 9, 1971

The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Congressman Zwach:

In my conversations with Marv Beach we decided April 14, 1971 would be fine. His plans are to have his meeting in the morning and including lunch so anytime in the afternoon that is convenient will be acceptable to us. May we hear from you as to the time.

The members of the League of Women Voters of the Sixth District appreciate your taking time for this interview.

Sincerely,

*Carol Dahl*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
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Coordinator  
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League of Women Voters

cc:Liz Ebbott  
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1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
January 29, 1971

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz:

Congressman Zwach has now answered my inquiry concerning the legislative interview. He plans to meet with us during the Easter recess of which the dates are uncertain.

St. Cloud has been the only League which has sent copies of their action letters and they are as follows:

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| 1. Environmental Protection Agency-letter to Cong. Zwach |                                                            |
| 2. Foreign Economic Assistance-                          | " " Sen. McGee                                             |
| 3. 1969 Trade Act -                                      | " " Cong. Byrnes, Milla, Zwach                             |
| 4. 1965 Votings Rights-                                  | " " " Zwach                                                |
| 5. Electoral College Reform-                             | " " Pre. Nixon, Sen. Mondale, McCarthy                     |
| 6. Clean Water Restoration                               | " " Cong. Zwach, Evins,<br>Sen. Mondale, McCarthy, Russell |

I will keep you informed of the progress of the legislative interview.  
Also, see you Wednesday, February 3, 1971, in Morris.

Sincerely,

*Carol Dahl*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District



U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

**JOHN ZWACH**



6th DISTRICT — MINNESOTA



## meet the member

"Last in the alphabet, first at work," that is the way Congressman **John Zwach**, Sixth District, Minnesota is classified by the people who know — the policemen who patrol the corridors and watch the doors of the Longworth Building where he has his office and the garage attendants where he parks his car at 7 a.m. every morning.

"Mr. 100% Parity" Zwach is called by his colleagues on the House Committee on Agriculture where he fights constantly and expertly for fair prices for his rural constituents.

"Watchdog of the Treasury" he's titled by the National Associated Businessmen as a token of his efforts to reduce waste and extravagance in government spending. Congressman Zwach is known for his devotion to duty. In the 90th Congress, his attendance and voting record ran in the high nineties, winning the commendation of House Minority Leader Gerald Ford.

Congressman Zwach has been a public official for 35 years. He was a Minnesota Representative for 12 years and a State Senator for 20 years in addition to being a member of Congress for three years. In addition to serving as a public official, he was a school teacher and a superintendent for 14 years and has been an active farmer since 1940.

Congressman Zwach is an independent thinker. He makes up his mind on the issues and neither pressure group nor party partisanship will sway him.

Economy and efficiency in government have been his trademark in all of his public life. When he was Minnesota Senate Leader he scheduled his committee meetings starting at 7:00 a.m. so there would be no conflicting meeting times and so that the work could be done in the limited time available.

Having been an educator and having served on the House Education Committee, Congressman Zwach authored some of Minnesota's most progressive education legislation. In Congress, his sphere is Agriculture and Veterans' Affairs, committees on which he serves.

The Zwach motto is: "We must rebuild Countryside America," and he says, "The sad migration from the simple life of the countryside to the frustrations of the cities only piles problems on top of problems. This migration must be reversed." The Congressman says, "First of all this can be accomplished by making the countryside more inviting, economically, to its people. This means fair prices for the products of the farm and resulting good business and stronger financial support for the churches and schools of the local communities.

The countryside also needs its share of the better things of life: better education funding, better health care facilities, more job opportunities, and cultural and recreational advantages. Matching his deeds to his words, the Minnesota Congressman has introduced legislation designed to accomplish these ends. And his voice is being heard. The Countryside is getting more attention.

Funds are being made available. The President has appointed a Rural Affairs Council and serves as a member of it himself.

When he goes back to his district, which he does with considerable frequency, Congressman Zwach spreads his arms wide, takes a deep breath and with a smile lighting his friendly open face, proclaims, "This is God's country."

"Abraham Lincoln has always been my ideal from my earliest boyhood. I think it is a rare privilege for a man to have the opportunity to serve his country," the Congressman will say. And serve it he does, with duty and devotion.



MINNESOTA C.D. 6

PRIMARY SEPTEMBER 15

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY CANDIDATE: Terry Montgomery

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY CANDIDATE: John M. Zwach (Inc.)

THE DISTRICT: The sixth congressional district in Minnesota is a largely rural area encompassing only one large city, St. Cloud, with a population of 33,815. St. Cloud College, with 10,000 students, is also in the district. The population in 1969 was estimated at 427,000, only 7,000 more than in 1960. The median income of \$4,054 was below the state average of \$5,575, as was the median education, 8.9 years compared to 10.8 years statewide. Farming, transportation and construction industries, in that order, employ the majority of the work force. In 1960 the district's unemployment was 5.5% compared to 5% for the state.

Politically the district is considered marginal or leaning Republican. The Democratic Farm Labor Party has been strong. Incumbent Congressman Zwack (R) has been elected to two terms with margins of 51.4% in 1966 and 56.2% in 1968. Before 1966 the district had been represented by a Democratic congressman with margins of 50.1% in 1962 and 51.8% in 1964. In presidential elections the Democrats (DFL) have managed to win the district in both 1964 (62.9%) and 1968 (50.7%). Of course Humphrey is from Minnesota, so the 1968 figure is not really indicative of a solid national Democratic vote. Both Democratic Senators Mondale and McCarthy have won the district with 53.5% and 59.4% respectively. The district supported the Republican governor LeVander with 54.5% in his successful bid for governor in 1966.

THE CANDIDATES: Terry Montgomery, 32, was raised on a farm in Meeker County and graduated from Grove City High School. He worked his way through college as a radio-television news reporter, attending both the University of Minnesota and St. Cloud State College. He received the NBC News Fellowship in nation-wide competition, attended Columbia University for his master's degree and graduated with high honors. While working as a reporter for the Minneapolis Tribune and WCCO-TV, he appeared several times on nationwide CBS News. He gained statewide exposure in his four years of on-the-air news coverage at WCCO-TV. In 1967 he built and began operating his own radio station WKPM at Princeton. He was appointed a Vice-President of St. Cloud State College in 1968 after working as an instructor and assistant to the president for four years. In 1968 he was named one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men in Minnesota for leadership in business,

education and rural development. He has been a long time member of the Democratic-Farm Labor Party and currently is a member of the State DFL Executive Committee.

John M. Zwach (R-Inc.) is sixty-three years old, married with five children and two grandchildren. He received a teaching certificate from Mankato State College and earned a B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota. He served in the Minnesota State Legislature from 1934 to 1946, in the Minnesota State Senate from 1946 to 1966, and was majority leader from 1959 to 1966. During his stay in the state legislature, he was Chairman of the Rules Committee, chairman of the Education Committee, and chairman of the Interim Agricultural Commission. His pre-legislative experience was in public schools. He has also been an active farmer since 1940. Now that he is in the U.S. Congress, he is on the Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committees. <sup>1</sup>

THE ISSUES: Montgomery is particularly involved with rearranging national priorities to concentrate on domestic issues. To do this, he calls for an end to the war, but also a public evaluation of our involvement to insure that the policies which led to Vietnam are not repeated. He opposes further development of ABM, SST and other unnecessary military and space spending. He is for immediate control of pollution and feels that Congress has the responsibility to draft legislation (i.e. stiff federal laws) and provide appropriate funds. Montgomery sees education as an important issue in his district and calls for additional federal support at all levels. He is also concerned about the plight of senior citizens, crime prevention, consumer protection, draft reform, veteran's benefits, welfare reform and opportunities for the poor and disadvantaged. None of these domestic programs, says Montgomery, can be handled effectively until we re-order priorities.

Though Zwach is definitely more conservative than his Democratic predecessor, it is unclear exactly what his opinions on domestic issues are, because of his inconsistent voting record. In 1967-68 he voted for the Civil Rights Act, but against the Model Cities program, for food stamps, but against rat control, and for stricter meat inspection laws but against OEO. On military policy Zwach has voted for funds for ABM and for the November 4 and December 2 resolutions supporting Nixon's policies in Vietnam. He has an ADA rating of 20 and an ACA rating of 72.

THE CAMPAIGN: The central issue in Montgomery's campaign will be reordering priorities. He has travelled extensively through the 19 counties talking to the people and considering their views. In a press release telling of his candidacy, Montgomery lists the priorities in this order: inflation, tax reform, improving farm income and farm bargaining power, pollution, education, senior citizens; he lists other needs but does not elaborate on them as

he has on the ones mentioned above.

The headquarters address for Montgomery for Congress is:  
115 Seventh Avenue South  
P.O. Box 1312  
St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301  
(612) 253-2276

His campaign manager is Robert Hurnar; Jack Montgomery is in charge of media; Don Schiel - finance; Mrs. Marilyn Shriner is the office manager. They are in the final stages of preparing literature and other publicity. They will use some television. They have volunteers organized in all nineteen counties and are planning fund raising activities in all counties also.

This is definitely a district where the Democrats could regain a seat with the swing of a few marginal voters. Montgomery, by emphasizing the local issues and showing how they can be helped by reordering national priorities (first end the war), has a good chance. Montgomery is new, fresh, and he worked and grew up in the area. He is running a vigorous campaign. Zwach has appealed for student support but Montgomery seems to have most of it. 2

UPDATE 8/13/70

1 CANDIDATES - Richard Martin, a professor at St. Cloud College, has filed as an Independent candidate. He is running on a platform backing Nixon's war policy, and attacking student radicals.

2 CAMPAIGN - The magnitude of the effect of the conservative independent candidate is as yet unknown, but his candidacy can only help Montgomery. Montgomery people anticipate heavy media expenditures by Zwach in the late stages of the campaign.



May 14, 1970

The Honorable John Zwach  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Zwach:

The Minnesota delegation to the League of Women Voters national convention wishes to thank you for joining us for breakfast May 5. The women from your district were especially pleased to have the opportunity to meet with you. We appreciate your comments on the food stamp program as viewed by the Agricultural Committee.

Our convention was a very full one. From our deliberations will come the study and action issues for the next two years. We have decided to study environmental problems, alternatives to welfare, and evaluation of Congressional structures, procedures and practices. We will continue to support the several issues we have discussed with you in the past - education, employment, anti-discrimination legislation, funding anti-pollution programs, foreign assistance and trade legislation, electoral college reform, etc.

We are especially concerned to see that there will be some positive results coming from our D.C. Congressional representation drive. You will be interested to know that our members collected 29,906 signatures throughout the state. 840 from your district. Especially gratifying were the 406 signatures from Buffalo, with good response also from Brainerd, Granite Falls, St. Cloud and Willmar.

Almost universally our members found that the public had no idea that the District did not have a voice in Congress. The public was very willing to urge change when the situation was explained. We hope you will use your influence to urge action by the House Judiciary Committee in the very near future.

We appreciate your meeting with us in Washington. Our members will look forward to renewing the discussion in Minnesota.

cc: *Brainerd*  
*Granite Falls*  
*St. Cloud*  
*Willmar*  
*Buffalo*  
*Das Haus Dahl*  
*Bruce Janski*  
*Liz Ebbott*

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
National Action Chairman  
LWV of Minnesota

League of Women Voters of Minnesota, 555 Wabasha, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102

April 1970

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from the desk of

HANS DAHL

4-13-70

Dear Sir -

Am sending a copy  
of Congressman Zwack's  
letter -

looks like winter is  
starting again -

Sincerely,

Carl Dahl



COMMITTEES:  
AGRICULTURE  
SUBCOMMITTEES:  
LIVESTOCK AND FEED GRAINS  
DAIRY AND POULTRY

VETERANS' AFFAIRS  
SUBCOMMITTEES:  
EDUCATION AND TRAINING  
HOSPITALS

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

Washington, D.C. 20515

April 10, 1970

JOHN M. ZWACH  
SIXTH DISTRICT, MINNESOTA

1208 LONGWORTH BUILDING  
TELEPHONE: 202-225-2332

DISTRICT OFFICE:  
216 FEDERAL BUILDING  
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA  
TELEPHONE: 612-251-2120

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
1215 13th Avenue  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201

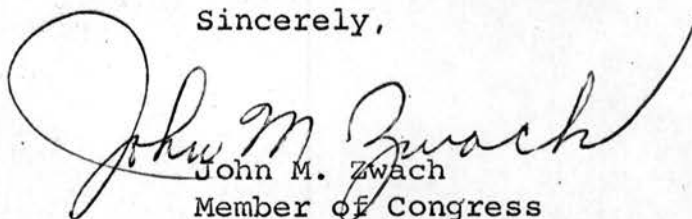
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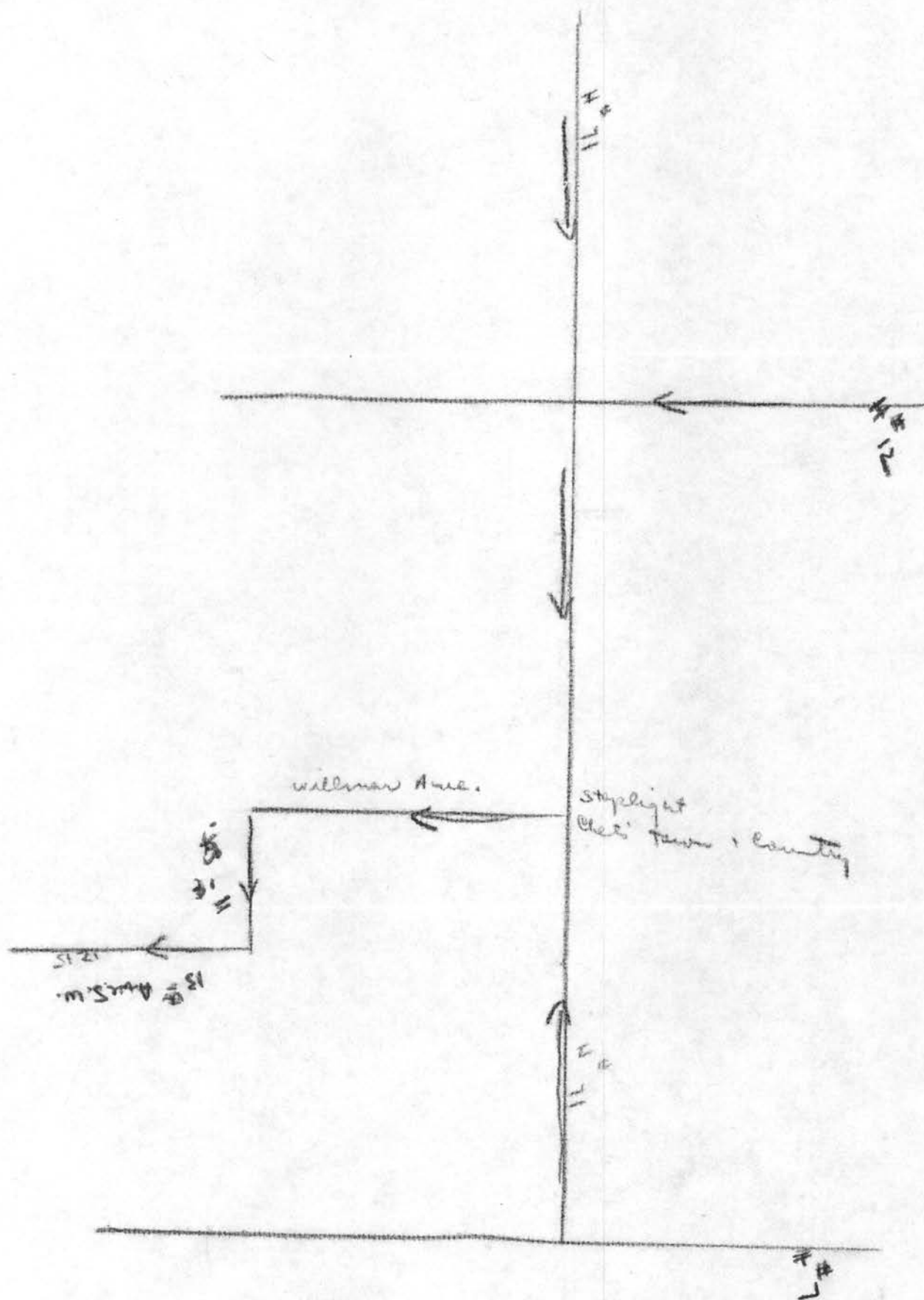
I want you to know how much I appreciated the meeting with your group in your home in Willmar.

The discussion was very helpful to me. I hope that that feeling is mutual.

With kind personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,

  
John M. Zwach  
Member of Congress



1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 3, 1979

The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

The Leagues of the Sixth District are pleased that you will be available for a Legislative Interview commencing at 3:30 P.M. for one hour on March 31, 1970. The interview will be held at my home, 1215 13th Ave. S.W.- see directions enclosed.

Foreign Assistance, Water Pollution, Housing, and Education are some of the study items of the League. These will want to be discussed along with any current items.

Sincerely,

*cd*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District  
League of Women Voters

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 3, 1979

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz:

So nice to visit with you the other day and am happy you are able to come here for the interview. To confirm- March 31, 1979, 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Mrs. Moore was not at home so of course, I wasn't able to get the file. I will convey your message of providing transportation when I write to Mrs. Lueth.

Hans and I are taking a week of vacation so I will be out of town March 23-29. We are spending a few days in Tucson and then to my parents for Easter. They are taking care of the girls as it is school vacation also.

If you would like to come earlier in the day on March 31, plan to do so. We could have an extra cup of coffee.

Sincerely,

*Hans Dahl*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl



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1215 13th Ave. S.W.

Willmar, Minnesota 56201

April 2, 1970

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Route 1, Box 183A  
Buffalo, Minnesota 55313

Dear Mrs. Moore:

I received the Sixth District Coordinator's files. Thank you very much.

The Legislative Interview with Congressman Zwach was held March 31, 1970 at my home. I am sorry that there wasn't representation from Buffalo, as the ladies that did attend had a lively discussion with him. It was very interesting for all.

Thank you for your offer of assistance. If and when the need arises, I shall call upon you.

Sincerely,

CD

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl

cc: Liz Ebbott

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
April 2, 1970

The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

The Leagues of Women Voters of the Sixth District wish to thank you so very much for the interesting visit on March 31, 1970. We appreciate the time spent with us.

The information from the interview is being mimeographed and mailed to all persons that were not able to attend so they will benefit from your opinions also.

Thank you again and we will look forward to meeting with you again.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator,  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott, LWV of Minn.

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 17, 1970

Mrs. Herman C. Molin  
1209 K St. N.E.  
Brainerd, Minnesota 56401

Dear Mrs. Molin:

The Legislative Interview with Congressman Zwach has been set for March 31, 1970. It will be held at my home at the above address from 3:30-4:30 P.M.

Due to space limitations, I must ask that no more than four members of any one League attend this interview. Please complete the enclosed card and return before March 26, 1970.

Sincerely,

CD

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
Congressional Action Coordinator  
Sixth District

C.C: Brainerd, Buffalo, Granite Falls,  
St. Cloud, Willmar L.W.V.

Enc: Postcard for reservation  
Map to Brainerd, Granite Falls, St. Cloud



copy of postcard

LEGISLATIVE INTERVIEW

(check one)

☐ We will be attending. Number .

☐ We will not be sending anyone.

Name of League .

League of Women Voters

BUFFALO, MINNESOTA 55313

Mrs. Frank Moore

R. 4 Box 247

Buffalo, Minn.



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota  
55110

March 2, 1970

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Avenue S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201

Dear Mrs. Dahl,

I am forwarding the files for the Sixth District Action Coordinator's assignment. I wish you the best of luck with this challenging job.

I have not pursued an interview with Representative Zwach for some time. My efforts last year were to no avail. I found him very pleasant - but unwilling to set a date for this interview. As I recall, there were two occasions on which his St. Cloud office telephoned and offered to get together with us - but on very short notice. It apparently is necessary to accept this last minute offer - and do the best you can by telephoning your league contacts.

It was also my experience that your leagues generally will not inform you of the action they have taken, unless you send the follow-up postcard requesting their reply. Perhaps a bit of ingenuity on your part will lead to improved response.

If I can be of any assistance, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Nancy Moore  
(Mrs. Frank Moore)  
Buffalo, Minn.

cc: Liz Ebbott



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1215 - 13th Avenue S. W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
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1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
February 23, 1970

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz:

I have talked to Mr. Graf of Congressman Zwach's office and he has promised to set up a time for an interview the week after Easter. I will have the time, place, etc. two weeks prior the visit. Our local Chamber is trying to schedule a similar type conference with him so hopefully it all can be done the same day.

The Leagues in the 6th District are being notified of the tentative plans so they can make some arrangements. I am sending a copy to you. Should I send a copy of all correspondence to the State Office?

I have received a summary of 1969 Congressional action and voting records of Mondale, McCarthy and Zwach. I haven't received anything from Mrs. Moore.

Sorry for the delay in answering you but we had set aside a few dates in February for entertaining as our Christmas was very quiet. My only brother was in a severe car accident in December and was put into a body cast the latter part of January and spent two weeks with us so I had a chance to practice my profession again. All is going along very well now.

I will notify you as soon as I have definite information.

Sincerely,

*Hans Dahl*

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl

1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
February 23, 1970

Mrs. Larry Brunfeld  
1561 10th Ave.  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

Dear Mrs. Brunfeld:

It is Congressional interview time again and I have conversed with Congressman Zwach's office in Washington. They are setting a time aside for us sometime during the week after Easter. I should have the definite information two weeks in advance.

Please arrange to have a few people attend this interview. I will notify you of the time, place, etc. as soon as I am able. Also think about the topics you would like to discuss with him.

Sincerely,

CD

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
6th District Congressional  
Action Coordinator

*This letter was sent to:*  
LWV in Brainerd  
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LWV in St. Cloud  
LWV in Willmar

DISTRICT 6

LWV of Minnesota, 555 Wabasha St., St. Paul, Minn. 55102  
February, 1970

The LWV of \_\_\_\_\_  
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Willmar, Minn., 56201

February 1, 1970

Mrs. Ralph Ebbett

409 Birchwood Ave.

White Bear Lake, Minn., 55110

Dear Liz:

The position of Congressional Action Coordinator sounds very inviting to me and I will be able to replace Mrs. Moore right away. Really, I have missed being in the know.

I will be awaiting further instructions.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl



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TO: League of Women Voters of the U. S.  
1730 M Street N W  
Washington, D. C. 20036

FROM:  
State Office

SUBJECT Time for Action Service

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA**

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ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55102

PHONE: 224-5445

DATE

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Please add the following name to the Time for Action mailing list and bill the  
LWV of Minnesota, 555 Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota, 55102 -

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 - 13th Avenue S W  
Willmar, Mn 56201

409 Birchwood Ave  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
February 4, 1970

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minn. 56201

Dear Carol;

So glad you are interested. We are in the process of getting you set up in business:

1. You should have received a summary of 1969 Congressional action and voting records of Momale, McCarthy and Zwach.
2. We have sent your name in for a Time for Action National subscription service - the state League pays for this. It may take a while for you to get any mail - national is slow & there aren't too many Times for Action this soon in the session anyway.
3. I've written Mrs. Moore, Buffalo asking her to send you the file - this has copies of previous interviews with Zwach, voting records, response cards for T for A, etc.
4. The enclosed "Congressional Action" sheet briefly describes your job.

The Leagues in the 6th District:

Brainerd: Mrs. Herman C. Molin -----President ----- 829-2415  
1209 K. St. N.E., Brainerd 56401

*Mrs. Robert Melcher, 309 Division St., Buffalo, Minn. 55313*

Buffalo: ~~Mrs. Vernon Lueth (Virginia) - Pres ---- 682-1903~~  
~~511 4th Ave. N.W., Buffalo 55313~~

Granite Falls: Mrs. Larry Brunfeld ----Pres ----- 564-4554  
1561 10th Ave., Granite Falls 56241

St. Cloud Area: Mrs. Allen Eliason (Sandy) --Pres-252-9309  
722 6th Ave. N., St. Cloud 56301

Willmar: Mrs. Delbert Allinder (Pat) ---Pres  
801 W 17th St., Willmar 56201

(They will be notified and sent reply cards with your name on them before too long.)

I have asked Mrs. Moore to send in a summary of what the 6th District Leagues did during 1969 on national action. Hopefully she will.

There is a problem with Congressman Zwach's interview. I don't think Mrs. Moore will be arranging it and if I don't hear from her very soon it will mean that it hasn't been set up. Would you be willing to try? It will probably be on Friday or Saturday ( Congress is recessed next week, February 11-15 and Good Friday, Easter Monday...Friday, Feb 20th is the \$100 a plate dinner. Maybe these dimes might work). It could be in Willmar - or if you want to go to his office in St. Cloud. The hard part of setting up these meetings is to get enough advanced warning so the Leagues can be notified to attend. If you don't feel informed enough to start asking the questions, maybe someone in your League would - or maybe someone from St. Cloud. It also works well to have several of your League members attend so that there are 10-15 etc people there. (You came to the one in Granite Falls, didn't you?)

It's unfair to ask this of you so soon, but it probably means your doing it or it won't get done this year. I will do my best to come, but it is best if I don't dominate too much because I'm not a constituent. See what you can do.

Submit a bill for any expenses you have - postage, travel, etc. I'm here to help in any way I can. Thanks for volunteering.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott



June 4, 1969

National Time for Action - 6th District

Brainerd

Mrs. Herman C. Molin ----- President ----- 829-2415  
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409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
December 20, 1969

Mrs. Frank Moore  
R #4, Box 247  
Buffalo, Minn. 55313

Dear Frank:

I'm very sorry that you can no longer be the action coordinator. You needn't be at all appologetic about the job you have done. It's been fine and we appreciate it very much. Thank you.

I don't know how soon and completely you need to conclude the job. If it is right away, yes, please send me the files. (An expense voucher will be sent to you soon. The state office will reimburse your expenses.)

If you have the time and would be willing to finish out this legislative session, it would be greatly appreciated. There are two jobs remaining - one is summarizing the year's responses; the other is arranging the League interview with Zwach. (Information and suggestions about these two jobs will be coming to you in a week or so, whether you can do it or not.) The interview is particularly difficult and if you could help on this, it would be great. It should be arranged in January, if possible, and I should think it would be good to have it in Buffalo - some one's home, a public place, etc? There is so much talent in you League that even if you weren't able to conduct the interview, surely some one else could. (Besides the League didn't make contact with Zwach last year.) If you can do this, I would hope to attend the interview and would be very happy to help with some suggestions on the interview, etc., if needed.

If you can last into January, why not hold the files. I'll be trying to find a replacement and maybe they can go directly to her. Use your judgement.

Thanks for all the help you've been. Merry Christmas;  
Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott

cc: Mrs. Lueth



409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
February 4, 1970

Mrs. Frank Moore  
R #4, Box 247  
Buffalo, Minn. 55313

Dear Nancy;

We have a new 6th District Coordinator:

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minn. 56201

Please send your files on to her. If you could let me know what response you have had from your Leagues this past year, summary of action, I'd appreciate getting it so we can close out last year before Mrs. Dahl takes over.

The only other question is if you have been able to set up an interview time with Congressman Zwach. If you have, let me know, otherwise I'll suggest that Mrs. Dahl set one up if she can.

Many thanks for your help. I hope someday I can visit you people in Buffalo, meet and thank you personally.

Sincerely yours,

*L. Ebbott*

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott

however, she is still on  
my board of directors through  
April.

We are really down in member-  
ship - Willman is quite a  
transient community with  
good members moving all the  
time.

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Hope this is helpful  
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Dear Liz,

Having Consulted with  
my board we can  
give you a name or  
two - Mrs. McBride no  
longer lives in Wellmar.

We think Carol Dahl  
Mrs. Hans Dahl, a past  
president and national  
action Chairman might be  
very ideal. He is a  
Republican & knows  
Mr. Zwach. I might add  
the name of Mary Jo Schmidt,

409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
January 28, 1970

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Ave. SW  
Willmar, Minn. 56201

Dear Carol;

Pat Allinder and the Willmar League Board have recommended you for Congressional Action Coordinator for the 6th District. And I agree it's an excellent recommendation. The present Coordinator, Mrs. Moore from Buffalo has had to quite and with the new session of Congress just starting, we need to find a replacement right away.

Briefly the job is to receive notification from the Leagues in the 6th District that they have responded to Times for Action. The Coordinator receives the Time for Action mailing also. If she doesn't hear from her Leagues within a week, she is supposed to contact them and remind them. An additional responsibility is setting up the League interview with the Congressman each year. She can either lead off this discussion or arrange for some League president or national program person within the District to conduct it. I try to attend the session. The State office will run off the summary of the interview, returning it to the Leagues. We also keep track of the Congressman's voting record and actions of interest to the League. This we get out just as soon as the session is over.

I'm sure you're familiar with much of this procedure. I know you'd do an excellent job. (Outside of the interview, it's primarily a file-keeping, contacting job - not very time consuming.) Please let me know if you will take it on and we'll start your Time for Action subscription right away. We also need to arrange the interview with Zwach asx soon as convenient ... we missed last year.

Hope you'll say yes.

Yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott



409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
- December 20, 1969

Mrs. Delbert Allinder  
801 W. 17th St.  
Willmar, Minn. 56201

Dear Pat,

We are again looking for a National Action Coordinator for the 6th District. The job will start with the next session beginning in January. A little over a year ago we came to your League looking for a coordinator. Mrs. McBride was not able to take on the job at that time. Might she be able to now? Might you have some one else who would be able to do the job? Willmar is one of the best Leagues in the 6th. - We would greatly appreciate it if you could find some one.

The job is encouraging Leagues to take action on national program, to respond to Time for Action calls. Leagues are to let the Coordinator know when they have written. The Coordinator is to remind them if she doesn't hear. In addition we have used the Coordinators to set up the yearly League interview with the Congressman and usually she leads off the interview. Afterwards there is a summary of the discussion and the state office is responsible for getting it to all the Leagues in the District. It is the kind of job that can be filled by a political Leaguer - in your case a good Republican could probably establish good rapport with Zwach.

I'll be happy to go into much more detail and to get the new coordinator set up. Please let me know if your League has any one who could help by taking on the job. Merry Christmas; Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,

*L. Ebbott*

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott, National Action  
Coordinator

# League of Women Voters

BUFFALO, MINNESOTA 55313

December 9, 1969

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

Dear Liz:

The time has come for me to resign as Sixth Congressional District Action Coordinator. I certainly regret the inconvenience this will cause you, Liz.

The chief reason for this decision is a business transfer for my husband, hopefully not before the end of the school term, but actually, my personal situation has prevented me from doing this job properly this winter, and so it clearly is in the best interest of League to reassign this responsibility as soon as possible.

There is a file of considerable bulk that goes with this assignment. I'll await your instructions as to what you want me to do with it - forward to you or to the new Coordinator?

Again, I am sorry, Liz. I started out with a great deal of enthusiasm for this phase of League activity, but it deserves far more consideration than I can manage at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank Moore

R. #4 Box 247  
Buffalo, Minn.  
55313

1215 S. W. 13 Avenue  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
March 10, 1969

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Route # 4, Box 247  
Buffalo, Minnesota 55313

Dear Mrs. Moore:

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Contacts have been made with my fellow members as to the topics they would like to have discussed with Congressman Zwach. Electoral College Reform, water Pollution and an Improvement Program in OEO are a few that are of League interest.

Our Annual Meeting is April 12, 1969, and of course our new directors will take office. Mrs. Allinder is slated for the presidency and she would like to accompany me to this interview. The lunch and chat sound very interesting and I shall wait for your reply as to the date, time and place.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Hans Dahl,  
President

cd:jr

cc: Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

Mrs. Hans Dahl, President  
**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**  
WILLMAR, MINNESOTA 56201



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINNESOTA 55110





409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
March 6, 1969

Dear Nancy,

That was a very good letter to your Leagues. It should help make it a much better interview. Congress will be in recess April 3 -14; May 28-June 2; July 2-7; August 13-Sept. 3. His office might try again during these times. I will be anxious to hear what gets set up. (I will be gone on vacation from March 28-April 8. If the interview gets set up then you can contact Mary Brasengli, Saint Cloud (251-2495) or Inene Janski, State Board President.)

To my horror I discovered that we hadn't paid our bill to National League and nobody has been getting the Time for Action mailing. I hope we are straightened out now, but it will take time before they come. There has just been the one mailing. The Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty has not yet come to the Senate floor although it has cleared the Foreign Affairs Committee. Leagues could still write. Senators Mondale and McCarthy are both for it.

Enclosed are bits from the Congressional Record on bills that Zwach has introduced. He is a very prolific bill introducer.

Good luck. Thanks for the fine way you have taken on the coordinating job.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott

# League of Women Voters

BUFFALO, MINNESOTA 55313

February 25, 1969

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

Dear Liz,

Time for a status report regarding our continuing efforts to interview the good Congressman Zwach.

I received a 'phone call from Mrs. Neville, his secretary in St. Cloud on February 14 (a Friday) asking if we would like to see her boss the following Monday morning. I consulted Phyllis Robertson (Buffalo Pres. and my advisor) and we agreed it would be impossible to contact the other four leagues and arrange an effective interview on such short notice. So..... Mrs. Neville promised to continue her efforts to bring about the requested interview, but indicated it would be "early spring" before he was back in the district for any length of time.

I'm enclosing copies of letters being sent today to the Leagues in the district requesting their thoughts on the subject.

Liz, I didn't receive a mailing on the Time for Action - Ratification of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. I only heard from one of my Leagues - so a bit of encouragement to respond would have been in order. However, not having any knowledge of the call (until much too late) made me pretty ineffective in following up. You did comment that it would take some time for National to change their mailing list - maybe next time around...

Sincerely yours,

*Nancy Moore*

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Congressional Action Coord.  
Sixth District

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February 25, 1969

Mrs. Alex Michaelis  
1426 Portland Avenue  
Brainerd, Minn. 56401

Dear Mrs. Michaelis,

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With this in mind, I wonder if you and your interested members will give some thought to the topics you would like to have included in this discussion and drop me a line with your suggestions?

I hope you will be able to attend this interview - looking forward to meeting you. I'll contact you just as soon as I have a date set up. It looks as though this get-together will take place in Zwach's office in St. Cloud, and I'm hoping we can have lunch either before or after. It would be nice if we could chat beforehand. In the meantime, I'll appreciate it very much if you will let me know as soon as possible what you would like included in this interview.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Congressional Action Coord.  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

February 25, 1969

Mrs. Virgil Klibofske  
Granite Falls, Minnesota  
56241

Dear Mrs. Klibofske,

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Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Congressional Action Coord.  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Eobott  
Congressional Action Chairman



February 25, 1969

Mrs. Harold Hopkins  
818 9th Avenue S.  
St. Cloud, Minn. 56301

Dear Mrs. Hopkins,

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Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Congressional Action Coord.  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

February 25, 1969

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Ave. SW  
Willmar, Minn. 56201

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Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Frank Moore  
Congressional Action Coord.  
Sixth District

cc: Liz Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

R. 1 Box 183A  
Buffalo, Minn. 55313  
December 15, 1968

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

Dear Liz,

With regard to the League interview with Congressman Zwack, it will not take place until after the 1st of the year, and probably after the beginning of the session. I received a 'phone call from Zwack in which he indicated he had made every effort to schedule an interview, but found it impossible to do so. He was very apologetic and assured me he would be in St. Cloud soon after the beginning of the session and would see us at that time. I plan to follow-up with a letter this week, pointing



out that I'll need a list of advance notice to make arrangements with the interested League people.

Liz, I'm wondering if there is a suggested format for this interview. The gal from Buffalo League who interviewed our State Representative received a list of questions to be used, which makes me wonder if I should have received something similar.

Incidentally, in your letter of Nov. 6 you indicated I would be receiving a Carbon of the letter from Mrs. Janaki to Zwach, in which she congratulated him on his re-election and mentioned my name and job. I didn't receive this copy, and I'm afraid waiting for that letter to precede mine caused me to delay my letter to Zwach. (I finally



decided to forget protocol and make the contact.) I was, therefore, surprised to see the Nov. 22 letter from Zwach, indicating he was waiting to hear from me. I have no point to make (water under the bridge) - just hope I didn't "goof" my first obligation in an effort to do the "correct" thing.

I'll keep you posted.

Sincerely yours,

Nancy Moore  
(Mrs. Frank Moore)

Congressional Action  
Coord. - Sixth District

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**Washington, D.C. 20515**

JOHN M. ZWACH  
SIXTH DISTRICT, MINNESOTA

1208 LONGWORTH BUILDING  
TELEPHONE: 202-225-2332

DISTRICT OFFICE:  
216 FEDERAL BUILDING  
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA  
TELEPHONE: 612-251-2120

November 22, 1968

Mrs. O. J. Janski, President  
League of Women Voters of Minnesota  
State Organization Service  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

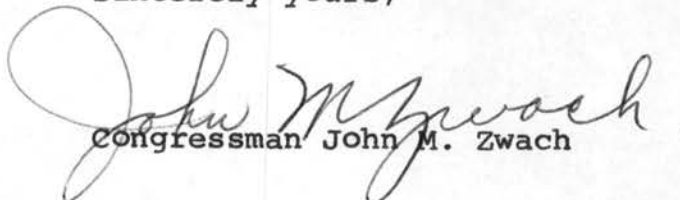
Dear Mrs. Janski:

Thank you for your letter and congratulations on my re-election to Congress. The vote I received was indeed heartening, and you may be sure that I will continue to work hard for the broad interests of our people in Minnesota's Sixth Congressional District and for the general welfare of our State and Nation.

As you know, I am very interested in the work of the League and want to cooperate with your organization in any way that I can. I await hearing from Mrs. Moore of Buffalo.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
Congressman John M. Zwach



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*Mrs. Ralph D. Ebbott*  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINN. 55110

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
(Name & Address)  
1215 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota

has responsibility for  
National Times for Action  
for Willmar League.

She (or a substitute) ☒ can meet for lunch at  
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*Mrs. Ralph D. Ebbott*  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINN. 55110

Mrs. John Lundquist  
1506 - 9th - Granite Falls -  
56241

Name & Address

Has the responsibility for  
National Time for Action  
for Granite Falls League.

She (or a substitute)

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*Mrs. Ralph D. Ebbott*  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINN. 55110

Mrs. Harold Hopkins  
818 9th Ave. S.

Name & Address  
St. Cloud, Minn. 56301

Has the responsibility for  
National Times for Action  
for St. Cloud League

She (or a substitute) ☒ can  
☐ cannot  
meet for lunch at  
the Legislative Workshop  
Oct. 1

Thanks for the simplified form. I'll look forward to  
seeing you. Pauline





*Mrs. Ralph D. Ebbott*  
409 Birchwood Ave.  
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINN. 55110

Mrs. Petry Armin (Virginia)  
815 Bemidji Ave.

Name Address

Has the responsibility for  
National Times for Action  
for Bemidji League.

Tentative plans are for our members to attend the Duluth workshop on Oct. 8, as we are 50 miles closer. Hazel Shimmin plans to attend the Willmar workshop when enroute to S. Dak. for a visit. Mrs. Sattgast is with Mrs. Whiting's tour in Europe, but will be back by then.

Ada Booth V.P.

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MRS. GUY P. BOOTH  
1926 Birchmont Drive  
Bemidji, Minn. 56601

409 Birchwood Ave.,  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
November 6, 1968

Mrs. Frank Moore  
RR #1, Box 183 A  
Buffalo, Minnesota 55313

Dear Nancy,

Thanks so much for taking on the job of Congressional Action Coordinator for the 6th District. We were pleased to hear from Phyllis that you had accepted.

The most important reason for having a coordinator is to get the Leagues in the habit of responding to National Times for Action. To accomplish this, we have asked the Leagues to make an official reply within 5 days of receiving a Time for Action mailing. At this time they are to either send you a carbon of their letter or send you a reply card we have provided. You should hear from your Leagues within a week. If you don't hear, you should contact them, reminding and encouraging them to take action.

Another part of the position is to encourage Leaguers to get acquainted with their Congressmen, to know ~~their~~ position on League issues and to use this knowledge to be more effective in writing them. At the state level, we are keeping track of voting records, bills introduced, etc. and this will be sent out from time to time. (If you would like to do your own research, you could ask Representative Zwach on behalf of the Leagues of your district to be put on the Congressional Record mailing list. St. Cloud took it for a while and then asked to have it stopped as they found they weren't getting it read.)

National League asks us to have an official League interview with our Congressmen and Senators every year before the beginning of the session. We feel this is most effectively handled by the Coordinator. Your responsibility will be to contact Mr. Zwach and request a chance to talk with him soon, at his convenience, before Christmas if possible. Representative Zwach has an office at 216 Federal Building, St. Cloud (Phone 612-251-2120). You can set up the meeting in Buffalo, or St. Cloud or elsewhere. (The State League will reimburse you for your expenses.) When the meeting is set you can notify Leaguers you would like to attend - your contact people in the other Leagues, the president and resource people from Buffalo, Mrs. William Brascugli (Mary) - State Board 1560 6th Ave. N., St. Cloud 56301 (Phone 612-537-0694), perhaps Eli Colborn, etc. and I would like to attend if at all possible. Irene Janski, the League's State President will soon send a congratulatory letter with a carbon to you. She will let him know that our Coordinator will soon be in contact to set up an interview.

As for the details:

1. Your Leagues and contact people are:

		Phone:
Brainerd	-Mrs. Alex Michaelis 1426 Portland Ave., Brainerd, Minn 56401	829-6176
Buffalo	-Mrs. George Robertson 209 NW 2nd St., Buffalo, Minn. 55313	682-1853
Granite Falls	-Mrs. Virgil Klibofske Granite Falls, Minn. 56241	
St. Cloud Area	-Mrs. Harold Hopkins 818 9th Ave. S., St. Cloud, Minn. 56301	252-3602
Willmar	-Mrs. Hans Dahl 1215 13th Ave. S.W., Willmar, Minn. 56201	235-0836

We will be sending these Leagues a supply of response cards and letting them know you are the coordinator.

2. We have written National to put you on the Time for Action mailing list. It may take some time for them to change their records, however there probably won't be much action until late winter anyway.

3. Enclosed are:

- a. Congressional activity sheets for 1968 for Zwach, Mondale and McCarthy.
- b. Procedure sheets for Time for Action.
- c. Expense Vouchers.

4. Coming 3rd class is the file folder of the previous 6th District Coordinator. It contains Time for Action background sheets, background and interview sheets for the Congressmen, clippings from the Congressional Record about Zwach, etc.

Feel free to bring up any questions or problems that arise. Best of luck and many thanks for taking on the job.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman  
(Phone 612-426-3643)

# League of Women Voters

BUFFALO, MINNESOTA 55313

November 2, 1968

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110

Dear Liz,


I have someone who will act as 6th District Action coordinator.

Mrs. Frank Moore (Nancy)  
RR #1, Box 183A  
Buffalo, Minnesota 55313

682- 1222

She's a new League member but has had experience on the east coast as Women's Club president, and is a very sharp gal. She is quite willing to work on this and we're close enough here so that we can help her out. (You can tell Elle C. that this her new member - she does a good job of recruiting!)

Sincerely,

  
Mrs. George Robertson  
President



6<sup>th</sup> Zwach

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Willmar

Buffalo

? Mrs. John Lundquist

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Granite Falls

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? Mrs. Robert Carlson

Granite Falls

~~Mrs. James Putnam (Gany)~~  
~~857 Main Ave.~~  
~~Granite Falls, 56241~~

Mrs. Frank Moore

RR #1 Box 183A

Buffalo, Minn. 55313

682-1222

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	PORTFOLIO
(Husband's name & given name)	(street, city & zone)		

bede cards:  
Buffalo  
Rock County

409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110  
September 19, 1967

Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota Avenue  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

Dear Virginia,

We were very pleased to hear from Mardelle Lundquist that you would accept the job of 6th District Congressional Coordinator, providing that it can be handled by mail. It most certainly can be. You should find the job very interesting. Thanks for taking it on.

At this time we are making contact with your five Leagues in the 6th District:

Brainerd	Mrs. Alex Michaelis 1426 Portland Avenue Brainerd, Minn. 56401	829-6176
Buffalo	Mrs. George Robertson 209 NW 2nd Street Buffalo, Minn. 55313	682-1853
Granite Falls	Mrs. Virgil Kl:bofske Granite Falls, Minn. Mrs. Fred Ostensoe Granite Falls, Minn. 56241	<del>564-2565</del> Mrs. Deborah Lundquist 1520 9th Granite Falls, 56241
St. Cloud Area	Mrs. Harold Hopkins 818 9th Avenue So. St. Cloud, Minn. 56301	252-3602 Pauline
Willmar	Mrs. Hans Dahl 1215 <del>13th</del> Ave. S.W. Willmar, Minn. 56201	235-0836

Getting Congressional Record.

Unless you hear differently from them, your contacts will be these presidents. A copy of their letter is enclosed. We are also sending these women a procedure sheet, some Time for Action response cards, and brief fact sheets about Minnesota's two Senators. All except the cards are enclosed. You should be getting them from your Leagues as they respond to Times for Action.

The Coordinator's job will have three parts. Most important, as a start, is to get the Leagues in the habit of responding to Times for Action. You are supposed to hear from all 5 Leagues within a week of the time you receive your mailing from national. (We are getting you a national Time for Action subscription service.) If you don't hear from the local Leagues, you will have to use your judgement on what to do about it. If the issue isn't already settled in Congress, a prodding note is probably best. We can't afford phone calls unless there is a real urgency. Our goal is to get the minimum of an official League letter from each League in the state on the Times for Action.



September 19, 1967

The job of summarizing League activity from time to time and letting everyone know will depend on how much the Leagues do and how good they are about letting you know. The third part of your job is to help them share information about Representative Zwach. Here you can take the lead by getting some basic information from his office - his address, biography, current committees, legislation he has introduced, his positions on issues the League is concerned with, etc. We at the state level and national also would be interested in getting this information. If typing is any problem, send it along to the state office. We'll be happy to get it done and out. (The state will reimburse you for expenses for postage, etc. Some expense voucher sheets are enclosed.)

If as you get into this job you can suggest any way we can be more effective, please let us know. It maybe that setting up a meeting with your Leagues (just once) might be a good idea. We would be happy to participate in that. Encouraging your Leagues to meet with Zwach; setting up interviews with yourself and the national action contact person from some of your Leagues with Zwach; etc. are further possibilities you might want to look into.

Please keep us informed and feel free to bring up any problems that arise.  
Best of luck and many thanks.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

Enclosures

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

CONGRESSMAN JOHN M. ZWACH - Republican - Sixth District

Committees: Agriculture  
District of Columbia

Congressional Activity - 1968:

Key: X: for  
0: against  
NV: not voting

Human Resources: Education, Employment, Housing, Civil Rights

1. Funds for Departments of Labor; Health, Education and Welfare;  
Related Agencies  
X To cut \$100 million from OEO (defeated 220-181)  
0 Increase in teacher corps funds (passed 228-172)  
X To put a ceiling on expenditures (passed 275-126)
2. Conference Report, Supplemental Appropriation Bill:  
X To support conference version cutting Head Start from \$25 million to  
\$5 million (passed 265-106)
- X 3. Housing Funds
4. Preventing discrimination in housing; Civil Rights Act - 1968:  
X To prevent the House version from going to conference with the Senate  
X To accept the Senate version (passed 250-171) (passed 229-195)
- X 5. Conference Report - funds for Housing and Urban Development
- X 6. To establish a commission on Negro history
- 0 7. Busing - vote that no funds can be used to force busing, abolish schools,  
force attendance at any particular school against the choice of the parents  
(defeated 175-167)

Water and Natural Resources:

- NV 1. Water Pollution Control Act - to accelerate construction of facilities, to  
control pollution from vessels over 45 feet, research and demonstration  
projects on oil discharge, acid mine waters, and lake pollution (passed 277-0)
2. Co-author of bill creating the Voyageurs National Park
- X 3. Scenic Rivers Bill

Foreign Aid and Development:

- X 1. \$412 million subscription to the Inter-American Development Bank
2. Foreign Aid Authorization



Foreign Aid - Continued

- X To cut \$165 million from various sections (passed 268-150)
- 0 Passage of House version (228-184)
- 0 Conference report (196-150)
- 0 3. Foreign Aid Appropriations (173-139)
- 0 Conference Report

Other Issues of Interest:

## Farm legislation:

- 0 To put a \$20,000 ceiling on payments (passed)
- X Vote on the bill
- X Vote on the conference report - deleting limit (189-172)

## X School Lunch Bill

## Food Stamp Bill:

- 0 to extend the program 4 years without dollar limit (passed)
- X passage of the bill
- 0 prohibiting strikers and students from participating (defeated 187-158)
- X passage of conference report
- (certified for food stamps, waiting funding - Mille Lacs County; requesting program - Meeker and Stevens Counties)

## X Tax Increase

## TV debate among major candidates

- 0 To permit separate, equivalent appearances (defeated 204-112)
- X Passage of the bill

## 0 Gun Control legislation, conference report

Bills introduced and other special activities:

## Authored: Resolutions:

- To review our Southeast Asia policy
- To have FCC study violence on TV
- On dumping waste materials in navigable waters
- Fair practices act for agricultural producers
- To proclaim October 26 the 50th Anniversary of the Declaration of Czech Independence
- Concerning the occupation of Czechoslovakia

## Bills:

- For veterans to take classes while farming
- To prohibit assigning a serviceman to combat if relative has been killed in combat
- To study increased public works in smaller urban areas
- To study storm prediction
- To allow small employers to deposit withheld taxes quarterly
- To use import duty on agricultural products to upgrade services to rural people
- To make certain agricultural payments in advance of performance
- To prevent Commodity Credit Corporation from disposing of stocks at less than parity

From Sixth District Questionnaire (over 15,000 returns):

1. If federal spending is reduced, cuts favored in the following order:

- Foreign Aid
- Space
- Poverty
- Urban Aid
- Public Works
- Defense
- Farm
- Health, Welfare, Education

2. Foreign Aid:

- 67.8% favor decreasing expenditures
- 20.3% favor discontinuing expenditures
- 8.4% favor maintaining expenditures at current levels
- 1.2% favor increasing expenditures

3. Stricter import quotas to better protect American producers:

- 78.5% favor
- 15.7% oppose

409 Birchwood Ave.,

White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

October 25, 1968

Mrs. George Robertson  
209 N.W. 2nd Street  
Buffalo, Minn. 55313

Dear Mrs. Robertson;

The League coordinator for congressional action for the 6th District, Mrs. Putnam, has had to give up the job. We are trying to locate an interested Leaguer who would be willing to assume the responsibility. Your League has been her prize responder, and we're hopeful that you might be able to find some one to take on the position.

We feel it is very important that we emphasize congressional action by having some one in the district take responsibility for it. The job itself is not too burdensome and is one that can be done from home. The coordinator is on the National Time for Action mailing. She should receive the district's Leagues' Time for Action response cards within a week of the call. If she doesn't, she should drop a note, reminding them. This shouldn't be too big a job in the 6th District as there are only 5 Leagues. In practice, the Time for Action calls come mostly between March and September with probably no more than six in all. At the state level, we will set up the system and will help you keep informed about your Congressman's activities. The other part of the job is that we would like to work through the coordinators in arranging an official League interview with the Congressman right after the election. For this reason, we are anxious to locate a coordinator as soon as possible.

I do hope your League can help us out. It is very interesting and a good excuse to get well acquainted with the Congressman. Please let me know right away if some one in your League can take this on. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Coordinator

Rev. & Mrs. James McBride  
619 West Trott Avenue  
Willmar, Minnesota



Mrs Ralph Ebbatt

409 Birchwood Ave  
White Bear Lake,  
Minn. 55110

Willmar, Minn.  
Oct 19, 1968

Dear Mrs Ebbett;

Thank you so much for  
your letter. I would like very  
much to be an active part of  
League of Women Voters - Ill Health  
has incapacitated me for 2 yrs  
due to a spinal fusion. As things  
look now I'll be heading for  
another spinal fusion - It would  
be so satisfying to be able to  
do a few constructive things - but  
I'd best save my energy for  
work and washing at home -

Thank you for considering  
me - maybe when I gain health  
I can be of help -

Mrs James M Bruck  
Willmar, Minn.



409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minnesota 55110  
October 2, 1968

Mrs. J. McBride  
619 W. Trott Ave.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201

Dear Lois;

At the workshop at Willmar yesterday, Carol Dahl suggested that you might be interested in taking on the job of 6th District Congressional Coordinator. The main purpose of the position is to help Leagues in the district write your Congressmen and the U.S. Senators when national Times for Action are sent out. This mailing explains the bill, backgrounds the issue and tells what action should be taken. The Coordinator receives this mailing at the same time the local League gets it. We ask the League to make an official reply within 5 days and to let the Coordinator know what it has done. If all goes well, the Coordinator just keeps the records. Otherwise, the Coordinator should follow through by reminding the League to take action. (The enclosed sheet is our instruction sheet on this for the local Leagues.)

Another facet of the job is to help keep the Leagues informed about their Congressman. At the state level, we are keeping a voting record and this will be available as soon as Congress adjourns. When the election is over, we will want to have an official League interview with the 6th District Congressman. Having this arranged by the Coordinator has worked well. On all of this, we are ready to be of help.

There are 5 Leagues in the 6th District - Brainerd, Buffalo, St. Cloud, Granite Falls, and Willmar. The Coordinator's job is a very important one, but it shouldn't be too time consuming. It can easily be done from home. We are sure you can do a good job, and we hope you will take it on.

If you are interested, we'll send along more information and set you up in business.

Very truly yours,



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Coordinator

**CONGRESSMAN JOHN M. ZWACH** - Republican - 6th Congressional District

Washington Address:  
1208 Longworth Building  
Washington, D. C. 20515

District Office:  
216 Federal Building  
St. Cloud, Minn.  
Phone: 612-251-2120

Home Address:  
Walnut Grove,  
Minn.

### Biography

Congressman John M. Zwach was born in Gales Township, Redwood County, on February 8, 1907. He attended the public schools and graduated from the Milroy High School in 1926. He received a teaching certificate from Mankato State College in 1927 and was awarded his BA degree from the University of Minnesota in 1933, graduating with distinction. In 1940 he married Agnes Schueller. They have three daughters and two sons.

Congressman Zwach served in the Minnesota House of Representatives from 1934 to 1946 and in the Minnesota Senate from 1946 to 1966. He was Senate majority leader from 1959 to 1966 and also Chairman of the Rules Committee. He served as Chairman of the Education Committee from 1955 to 1957, Chairman of the Interim Agriculture Commission, 1955-57, and served on committees on agriculture, education, game and fish, highways, finance, and taxes.

Congressman Zwach was a school teacher and superintendent for 14 years and an active farmer since 1940. He is a member of the Farm Bureau, National Farmers Organization, Farmers Union and the Knights of Columbus. He was elected to the 90th Congress on November 8, 1966. He maintains his legal residence at his farm home near Walnut Grove, Minnesota.

### Current Committees:

House Committee on Agriculture - Subcommittees: Rural Development  
Dairy and Poultry  
Livestock & Feed Grains

House Committee on District of Columbia

### Legislative activity in areas of League interest:

#### Foreign Aid and Trade

Has authored bills to reduce imports of meat, dairy products and mink skins.  
Has authored a bill making it easier to bring charges of damaging impact of agricultural imports before the US Tariff Commission.  
Voted for increased aid to Latin America.  
Voted for increased funds for the Inter-American Development Bank.  
Voted against the Foreign Assistance Act of 1967.  
Voted against the foreign aid appropriation bill.

#### Developing Human Resources

Authored "Human Investment Act" to help employers train employees for new jobs by allowing a small tax credit.  
Voted to cut \$460 million from the Economic Opportunity Act.  
Voted for the Economic Opportunity Act conference report.  
Voted for allotting funds for Title III (innovative educational services)  
Elementary and Secondary Education Act to the state rather than having them controlled by the US Office of Education.  
Voted for the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended.

#### District of Columbia

Voted for the bill to permit popular election of the D.C. school board.  
Voted against the reorganization plan for the D.C. city government.

Additional legislative interests:

Authored a bill to establish a new Hoover-type commission to make a comprehensive analysis of the Executive Branch of government.

Authored a bill to prohibit Congressmen from employing relatives on their staffs or committee staffs.

Authored a bill to increase the dependency tax exemption from \$600 to \$1000.

Authored a resolution to have George Washington commissioned General of the Army.



February 1968

REPORT OF CONGRESSIONAL INTERVIEW

John M. Zwach

6th District, Minnesota

Republican

Committee Assignments -- Agriculture -- District of Columbia

District of Columbia Representative Zwach is a member of the conference committee to work out differences with the Senate on the bill allowing DC to elect its own school board. He supports self-government, and feels that home rule in part will come, but as District of Columbia is the Capitol of the United States, there will always be need for some federal control. He favors representation in Congress and sees no trouble in getting a bill for non-voting interim representation out of committee. The proposed constitutional amendment which now provides for two Senators and two Representatives he probably would not support, however, he does favor a constitutional amendment allowing some representation.

Foreign Policy - United Nations He favors placing the Vietnam question before the United Nations. United States made a mistake in not keeping the military burden on the Vietnamese with economic and technical aid being of more benefit to the Vietnam people. The United States' dream of the United Nations has not been fulfilled; United Nations power is at an impasse.

Foreign Policy - Aid Although Representative Zwach voted against the foreign aid authorization and appropriation bills, he has supported many foreign bills, such as Export-Import, Peace Corps and others. He believes there is at least \$6 billion of unspent money "in the pipeline" available for programs and that a cut-back need not hurt necessary programs. The major problem is for the United States to become fiscally responsible. Unless we are in sound fiscal shape, we will not be able to assist any country. This should have been done earlier, but now we are at a point of crisis where our first responsibility is to assure the soundness of the American dollar.

Foreign Policy - Trade We should encourage free trade, but not at the expense of our needed industries and producers. Congressman Zwach points to a study done by the Trade Relations Council of the United States where 147 selected industries (meat and dairy products, textiles, apparel, wood products, paper, leather, steel, motor vehicles, sporting goods, electrical equipment, etc.) had an \$8.3 billion trade deficit in 1966. Many of these industries will be affected by the 50% tariff cut in the Kennedy round. Mr. Zwach's solution is to apply quotas on these imports. He feels this action will not be subject to retaliation because GATT allows quotas to be used for balance-of-payments reasons. He has authored quota bills and feels they are justified because so many dairy farms have gone out of business in his district. He must support that which is of first concern. The real problem is the small, family farm. The United States is spending AID money abroad to break up large land holdings and yet here, through governmental policies, we are forcing large land holdings. (He doesn't think subsidizing the farmer instead of crops is the answer. It's too complicated. What if the corporation farms overproduce and flood the market?).

Development of Human Resources - He feels that educators should know the amount of federal aid in time to plan wisely for its use. He favors giving education funds to the states for distribution. The Green Amendment to the Economic Opportunity Act, which gives state and local governments control over the poverty programs, was the result of placating southern and big city Democrats. It was a set-back to the poor. We fight poverty by providing opportunity.

Water Resources Pollution is definitely a problem. He has suggested a single federal agency to control America's fight against water pollution. He also feels that the approach used in the air pollution bill is good. This bill requires that the whole country comply equally. With water pollution, we must do what we can now, but this is an area where men and money should be used to maintain a stable economy as soon as Vietnam is controlled. We must practice conservation of our resources.

Local water problems were discussed: the federal ditching program around Big Stone Lake; the silting in of the Granite Falls reservoir; the problems of the Minnesota River; the general problem of nitrogen pollution.



Ziwock -

9/26 Elected ~~senator~~ Bd of Ed - DC - For

4/27 Congressional District 1, 2 30% vote in 1972 P  
Pound 289-63 For

5/28 Amend to E1. 2 Ed Act, T+1. ~~III~~ to be allotted by  
Dpt of Ed. Amended 220-185 For

7/28 Redistrict - Rejected 176-207 Against

8/14 Inter Am Dodge Bank - mentioned and not in Pound 275

8/19 Resolution to disapprove D.C. plan. Rejected 160-244  
For

10/29 - HUDs -

Against rent supplement - For recommending to committee

Against model cities

For Conference report, For recommending

For - recommending congressional redistricting

For - conference report on

11/4 - Voted to take up priority bill

11/5 - Voted to reduce quota on extra-long - style cotton

11/9 - Pilot City people - "We got the impression that, with  
some cuts, he might vote for the final bill."

11/12 - ~~For taking up EOA bill~~

Against Foreign Assistance Act of 1967

11/16 - To cut 460m from EOA bill - (P-221-190) - Voted for cut  
Voted for bill

(D-135-177) - For

11/17 Recommend foreign assistance approp to com

Foreign aid approp P-167-143 - Against

To register Comm. organizations (P-269-104) - For

11/21 EO Act - conference report (P-247-149) - For

12/8 Subversive Control Act (P-276-114) - For

Recommend conference report - approp Foreign assistance P-196-185 - For

12/15 Foreign aid approp (P-198-158) - Against

E1 Secondary Ed amend. p 286-73 - For

2.

You will receive from time to time bulletins issued from the main office regarding school activities, programs, and announcements. We want to keep you informed so you know what is going on at Willow. Some general school procedures follow:

#### THE SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM:

Lunch money will be collected daily at noon in the cafeteria. Hot lunch with milk costs 25¢ per day. Milk for those who carry their lunch costs 3¢ per day. Money will be collected from each student as he enters the cafeteria. IOU slips will be issued if a child has lost or forgotten his money. The IOU slip should be redeemed the next day. If an IOU slip has not been redeemed two days after it has been issued, parents will be contacted by the school secretary.

This procedure has been established this year in order to provide more instructional time for students and teachers. (Previously, teachers handled all monies and consumed up to two hours per week of instructional time.) We hope that this new lunch money collection method will not be too great an inconvenience for you.

#### FREE LUNCH

The official Board of Education Policy on free lunch adopted June 15, 1964 is as follows:

- a. Children of families receiving direct welfare aid. Yes - on certification by case worker.
- b. Children on A.D.C. - No free lunch unless qualified under Item (d). May work for lunch if qualified and work is available.
- c. Welfare children in boarding homes. No free lunch. May work for lunch if qualified and work is available.
- d. Families not on welfare, but in severe financial straits because of illness etc. Yes - by certification by head school nurse.

Children receiving free lunch who are fourth grade or above will be encourage to do tasks in the cafeteria commensurate with their age, size, and ability. However free lunch will not be denied a child who is otherwise qualified because he is unable to work, unsuited to the work, or there are no tasks available.

#### PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION:

Two Lakewood Junior College students will supervise our playground during the noon hour. They are Miss Rory Freas and Miss Rory Mishler.

#### WILLOW LANE PTA:

Because of the nature of our enrollment, last year's executive board had considerable difficulty in obtaining a board for the 1967-68 school year. Mr. Roy Havenor, last year's president, makes a plea for people to come forward and volunteer to help promulgate the Willow P.T.A. This is your school and it should be represented at the Area Council level. Please contact Mr. Havenor (429-7577) or the school office if you are willing to help maintain a Willow P.T.A.

#### THE SCHOOL PATROL:

The Willow Lane School Patrol, under the direction of Mr. Robert Bergstrom, sixth grade teacher at Willow, will provide supervision for walkers on Orchard Lane and Elm Street. Qualified 6th grade students are chosen to be school patrols. The patrols also supervise areas on the school grounds. Contact Mr. Bergstrom if you wish more information regarding our school patrol.

COMMITTEES:  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
AGRICULTURE

SUBCOMMITTEES:  
LIVESTOCK AND FEED GRAINS  
DAIRY AND POULTRY  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives**

Washington, D.C. 20515

JOHN M. ZWACH  
SIXTH DISTRICT, MINNESOTA

1208 LONGWORTH BUILDING  
TELEPHONE: 202-225-2332

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216 FEDERAL BUILDING  
ST. CLOUD, MINNESOTA  
TELEPHONE: 612-251-2120

October 23, 1967

Mrs. O.J. Janski  
Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
League of Women Voters  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minn. 55455

Dear Ladies:

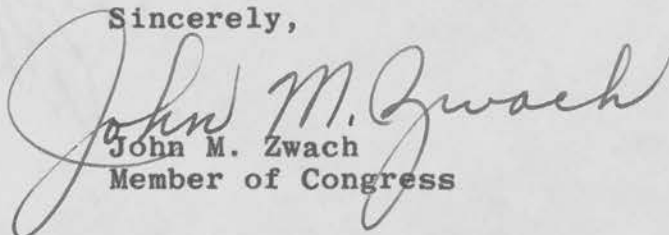
This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 19 regarding H.J. Res. 396.

This legislation has just been reported favorably from the House Judiciary Committee and may be coming to the floor shortly.

You may be interested to know that I have also introduced a bill to bring representation in Congress to the residents of the District of Columbia.

Thank you for once again giving me the benefit of the thinking of the League. You can be sure that I will keep your views in mind when this matter comes before me for a vote.

Sincerely,



John M. Zwach  
Member of Congress



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April 11, 1968

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chrm.  
LWV of Minnesota  
555 Wabasha Street  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Ebbott:

In the absence of the Congressman who is in the District during the official Easter recess, this will acknowledge receipt of your recent letter expressing deep concern about Amendment Report #668 which was attached to the Tax Adjustment Act of 1968.

This Amendment, offered by Senator Hollings, does provide an import quota system for man-made textiles. It was passed by a roll call vote of 55-31 on March 27. While it is true that our agricultural exports were greater than our imports, still, none of these exports sold at our domestic market price. Consequently, we have a situation in which we have greatly increased our exports at the expense of earned farmer income. Farmers are thus forced to take the world price which is much lower than the domestic price but they have to pay the higher domestic costs of producing that product.

Congressman Zwach has long been a strong believer in the necessity and desirability of trade between nations, and especially in the complementary type, not supplementary. Supplemental imports serve as a replacement for the need of a local industry in society without providing an opportunity for them to develop a higher income market, or to become trained in another vocation. It is his belief that some protection in the form of quotas should be offered to domestic producers to allow them time to make needed adjustments. We would be most happy to fully explore all other possibilities in lieu of quotas to effectuate the problems of finding occupations for the displaced American laborers and farmers.



Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
April 11, 1968

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Thank you for taking the time to share the concern of the League of Women Voters with us on this vital matter, and I can assure you that I shall bring your letter to the Congressman's immediate attention upon his return.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Verlon Welch", written in a cursive style.

Verlon Welch  
Legislative Assistant

St. Cloud -

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MEETING WITH REP. ZWACH by Jackie Hays

A delegation of our members met with Rep. John Zwach on Saturday morning, October 28. Because of a hurried thirty minute appointment, no one subject was discussed in depth.

Rep. Zwach reported that home rule for the District of Columbia is closer to reality than ever before. HJR 396 has passed the House Judiciary Committee, a big hurdle to clear.

Mr. Zwach is deeply concerned about the budget deficit. He reiterated his view that it is the responsibility of Congress to bring fiscal responsibility to government. He feels that some national needs will have to be passed over until a solution to the Vietnam crisis is found. It is Mr. Zwach's opinion that the United States is almost totally supporting the war for the free world.

On the subject of foreign aid, Mr. Zwach told us he felt military aid was foolishly spent more often than not, and that he favors giving assistance in the form of technical aid.

All League members will be interested to know that anyone can use the library at Mr. Zwach's office located in the St. Cloud Federal Building. His secretary will be glad to help with questions.

Interview w/ Zwach. Phyllis Ostann - Granite Falls,  
1/12/68 - Attended by Madeleine Lundquist, Virginia Peterson.  
Mrs. Dahl - Wilmer, 3 Granite Fallers, Phyllis, Arlene Powers -

D.C. - His on the Conference committee on School board -  
Home - April election, Senate - Nov. election -  
Doesn't always attend committee meetings - 10 AM.  
Conflict with Ag. sub. committee -  
Feels home rule is part w/ it come - but never complete -  
perhaps election of some of the council.  
He spends his time sitting liquor limits - feels  
that sort of thing can be done locally -  
Constitutional amendment - he probably wouldn't support  
2 Senators, 2 Rep - feels representative enough.  
Sees no trouble in getting out bill for non-voting  
citizens representation -  
Complimented Anchor Nelson on the good job he does  
managing the M. H. H. H.

Water - Says he introduced a "Clear Lake Bill" - wants to  
set procedure up to get money into water pollution  
control just as soon as the war is over -  
Instead of tax incentive - thinks Air Pollution bill good  
approach - make the whole country comply -  
Big Stone Lake - on Fed discussion - ditching program.  
underway -  
Was told of local L.W.V. concern over siting in  
of Granite Falls reservoir, Minnesota River, the problem of  
Nitrogen Pollution -

Foreign Aid - Pastern - Reg. Treas. authority - says that 16 billion  
"in the pipeline" At least 6 billion, Zwach thinks. Reminds the  
Nominations we have financed + set up. Read off the "Foreign  
aid bills" he suggested - Rijk Islands, St. Vincent-Nevis-Bass,  
etc. - Did vote against foreign aid.

#### METROPOLITAN FINANCE AGREEMENT

For the purpose of eliminating duplicate solicitation of contributors by Leagues in the metropolitan area.

1. A local League shall check its prospect list with that of any other League which might have the prospect listed.
2. In the case of duplication of prospects' names, decisions as to which League will solicit the prospect shall be made with these considerations in mind:
  - a. Former contributors shall continue to be solicited by the same League unless the contributor voluntarily expresses a wish to contribute elsewhere or a League voluntarily chooses to release his name.
  - b. If a conflict of interest arises about the solicitation of a new prospect, choice should be made in the light of the following considerations:
    - 1) A contributor is more likely to contribute to a League in the community where he is most active in civic affairs.
    - 2) A contributor is more likely to give substantial support to a League with a larger budget.
    - 3) In the event the foregoing factors are not relevant, decisions may be based on what best serves individual League needs.
3. In the event that the Leagues involved cannot agree as to which shall solicit the prospect, the matter may be brought before the state finance chairman and/or her committee, or the Arbitration Committee for resolution.
4. The Arbitration Committee shall consist of three voting members, with a member of the state Board as chairman without vote, to be appointed when needed by the state President and approved by the parties involved.
5. Meetings consisting of one representative from each of the participating local Leagues may be called at the discretion of the state finance chairman or as requested by a substantial number of Leagues comprising the Metropolitan Finance Committee.



Trade - Have authored proto bills. Feel they are justified because 6,000 Dairy farms have gone out of business in his district.

Next congressional bill - makes foreign rate = US.  
congressional standards.

Common market subsidizing their ag - Common wheat -  
\$2.60/bu - \$1.50 in US - End. Har 25¢/lb subsidy.

Feel Argentina should eat for most herself - send it -  
like jointed out they need to export their prime crops to  
develop - Feel they should develop so they can eat their  
own - But again doesn't feel a responsibility to finance  
their development - "US always being Santa Claus".

We had to come back 3 times to get into this area  
of protected income.

Int afraid of increased isolationism - "it's different".

Ag - Doesn't think subsidizing the farmer instead of crops is the  
answer - too complicated - what if the crop farm overproduces  
& floods the market. But the family, small farm is a real  
problem - "We're spending AID abroad to break up large  
land holdings & yet force them here".

Vietnam - now like a car in swamp - real hard to go forward,  
backwards or sideways. - Mistake is not keeping the burden  
the S. Viet - The Administration too busy protecting that only they  
are right.

Fiscal responsibility - due to years of deficits - deficits could be OK  
but not a continuing thing.

Poverty - Five to give ed funds to states; Five to keep poverty funds  
away from city hall.

Lives in central Washington -  
Ethics - no rules about franking - sent out letter checked at P.O.  
"motion of Reg. County convention" - Paid \$260 for it.  
Morse M. Senate - Challenged by Washington - 2 charges - more professional  
research help; more office space -

*dy Elbert*

MINNESOTA CITIZENS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC EDUCATION  
632 South Warwick St. Paul 55116  
698-6337

Dear Friends:

How does this grab you?

Extensive school district reorganization-----50% state support  
for schools-----educational overburden in cities of the first class  
-----even the "best" schools are exceedingly traditional and overly  
cautious-----longer school year-----

These are just a few of the phrases and ideas coming out of  
one of the most comprehensive studies ever made of public education  
in Minnesota. The report, "Education 1967", will be studied and  
discussed, pro and con, by legislators, the State Board of Education,  
professional educators, local boards of education and individual  
citizens for many months to come. Implementation of the recommenda-  
tions could have a tremendous impact on our schools.

We are very fortunate to have as our speaker at this meeting the  
director of this study, Dr. Otto Domian, Director of the Bureau of  
Field Studies and Surveys, University of Minnesota.

Date: Wednesday, November 15, 1967

Place: Ambassador Motel  
5225 Wayzata Blvd. (at the junction  
of Highway 12 and 100)  
Public transportation is available by  
Zephyr Bus Line. Call 339-6809 for  
information.

Time: 12:00 noon luncheon \$2.85

A question and answer period will follow. All are welcome, so  
bring your interested friends. Please return enclosed card for  
reservations by November 10.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Mitau, Chairman  
James Jacobs, Program Chairman

\*\*Board of Directors Meeting  
10:15 a.m. in meeting room  
at bottom of stairs to the  
left.

Future Meetings -- February 7  
April 17

Mrs. James L. Putnam  
857 Minnesota Avenue  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

1967

January 2, 1968

Dear Liz,

The date and place are set. The interview with Rep. Zwoch will be in Granite Falls, on Friday, Jan 12 at 2 p. m. I am not sure if it will be at my home or that of Phyllis Ostensoe. Will let you know when we are sure. Zwoch will be in Granite for a luncheon meeting that day and felt this would be the best time.

I have written to each of my Leagues to see if they wish to send their contact people. Hope to keep the meeting fairly

small with emphasis that it is a  
League interview.

Will appreciate any info and  
helps you think I could use. I'm also  
inviting Arlene Powers. She wrote that  
she would like to meet Zwask and  
would come if possible. If you decide  
you would like to come, possibly you  
could come together.

Sincerely,

Virginia Putnam



Mrs. James L. Putnam

857 Minnesota Avenue

Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

December 26, 1967

Dear Liz,

I, too, am way behind this year but felt you would want to know I am trying. I am awaiting a date for the interview with Congressman Zwach. Earlier he had suggested St. Cloud as a meeting place so possibly this will be the final choice. I'll write as soon as I hear from him.

I'm enclosing a list of bills introduced by Zwach. Do you have this or should I make copies for my five Leagues?

Hope I am not slipping up on anything.

I seem to have taken on too many  
jobs so it could easily happen.

Thanks for your letter.

Sincerely

Virginia

To:

Jimmy

From:

Liz Ebbott

SUBJECT

DATE

DEPARTMENT

FOLD

MESSAGE

Hope you can work out a meeting with Zwach.  
Thanks for the information.

Enclosed are ① background sheets for your 5 Leagues,  
② one for you, ③ a summary of Congressional Action - for  
you, ④ 5 stamps for marking out the sheets of Zwach,  
and ⑤ the material you sent. The background sheets should get  
to your Leagues before the interview, if possible -  
Happy New Year

SIGNED

REPLY

DATE OF REPLY

REPLY TO

DEPARTMENT

SIGNED

DETACH AND FILE FOR FOLLOW-UP

# **Zwach Favors Single Agency to Protect Water**

WASHINGTON, D.C. —  
(UPI)—Rep. John Zwach, R-Minn., suggested Wednesday that a single agency should control America's fight against water pollution.





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409 Birchwood Ave.  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110  
December 20, 1967

Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota  
Granite Falls, Minnesota

Dear Ginny,

Merry Christmas. I'm running way behind this year and had hoped to get this letter out a couple of weeks ago. I didn't. With luck, it won't get lost among your Christmas mail, I hope.

Irene Janski has written you about setting up an interview with Zwach. Perhaps you have already made the arrangements. Representative Zwach is supposed to be in Walnut Grove now, returning to Washington just before Congress reopens, January 15. Feel free to set up the interview as you wish. There should be at least two Leaguers and you could invite all of your contact people throughout your district. I'd be happy to come if it is at all possible.

I'm trying to tidy up some odds and ends before Christmas. Enclosed is a reprint of some backgrounding on National CRS that we sent out last month in the Minnesota State Board Memo. Also enclosed is a background sheet on Senator Mondale. The State Board will be having an interview with him tomorrow. I made up this sheet from clippings collected through the fall. By giving it to the Board members before our meeting, hopefully we will all have a more informed, meaningful interview. I have some material on Zwach and just as soon as Christmas is over, I'll work it up and send it along. This kind of material should be helpful in your interview. Representative Zwach's background information and the League interview should eventually get sent out to your Leagues. This will all keep until after Christmas, though --- unless all of a sudden you find you have an interview with him.

Thank you for the good beginnings you have made of the Coordinator's job. I'll be in touch with you soon. A happy holiday season.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Coordinator

December 7, 1967

Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota  
Granite Falls, Minnesota

Dear Ginny,

Now that the first of the year is approaching, it is time for the annual interviews with members of Congress.

As coordinator for the sixth district, it will be your responsibility to arrange an interview with Congressman Zwach. The enclosed sheets from national give all the information I think you will need to arrange a pleasant and productive interview. The holiday season quite often provides an opportunity for these interviews so I would suggest you contact Mr. Zwach soon.

Thank you for helping us in this important task, and please remember to send a copy of the interview report to the state office as well as to the national office.

Sincerely,

Mrs. O. J. Janski  
President

1215 13th Avenue S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
October 17, 1967

The Honorable Congressman John Zwach  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

In my letter to you dated July 20, 1967, and in your reply to me on July 27, 1967, you implied you were in favor of D.C. Home Rule. It is our impression that you voted in opposition to the bill. It is imperative that I know if this is true and your reasons for voting in this manner. Also, I would like this information prior to the bill going on the floor. This date is indicated to us to be late October or early November.

The reason for our concern with your position, as was indicated in my first letter to you, is that League of Women Voters has worked long for Washington D.C. Home Rule.

Sincerely,

c.d.

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl

cc: Minnesota League of Women Voters  
National League of Women Voters - sent Air mail

Mr. Zwach's letter sent Air mail

*I thought you'd want to see this.  
sent it a bit strong?  
F.T.*



409 Birchwood Ave  
White Bear Lake, Minn. 55110

Mrs. Hans Dahl  
1215 13th Avenue S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201

Dear Mrs. Dahl:

We were pleased to receive a copy of your letter to Congressman Zwach about congressional representation for the District of Columbia. Your promptness in responding to this time for action call is appreciated.

There appears to be a misunderstanding about Rep. Zwach's position on the D.C. issues. If we have erred in getting the correct information to you, we are sorry. Mr. Zwach did vote against President Johnson's plan to change the structure of Washington's city government from commissioners to a "mayor" and "councilmen". The President had only the power to change the organization of the city government; he did not have the power to make these positions elective. The mayor and councilmen are still presidential appointees. The residents of the District still do not have home rule. Since home rule was not a factor in that vote, the League had no position on it.

Actually Rep. Zwach has been important on the D.C. Committee helping to bring out the bill which will let D.C. residents elect their own school board. This is the first time since 1874 they have been allowed any control of their own affairs. The bill was introduced by Minnesota's Congressman Nelson with Rep. Zwach supporting it and voting for it. Since congressional representation for D.C. requires a constitutional amendment, that bill has come through a different House committee. We don't yet know of Zwach's stand on it, but in view of his vote on the school board question, he could be in favor of it.

I am inclosing for your information some material on writing congressmen. We suggest that letters give thanks for favorable past votes when possible. It is also best to write stating your position, why you think you are right, and then express your hope that he will take your view into consideration when voting. We don't really have the right to demand a favorable vote.

Perhaps you can find an opportunity to let Zwach know that the League appreciates his vote on the school board bill. It is a good first step. If the amendment providing for Congressional representation passes, that will be a second step. These may well lead to the final step. The League has been concerned with D.C. since 1924. We shouldn't be too disappointed if we don't get everything all at once.



If you have any questions about this issue or your  
congressmen, please contact me or your 6th District Coordinator

Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota Ave  
Granite Falls, Minn. 56241.

We will be happy to help.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

MEMO

TO: Virginia

FROM: Liz Ebbott

SUBJECT 6<sup>th</sup> District Legislative Coordinator DATE

## LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455  
PHONE: 373-2959

How is coordinating coming along? I thought you might not have had access to the enclosed clippings. There are enough for each of your Leagues. (along with some stamps.)

Have you received information from Zwach - biography, committee assignments, legislative interests, etc.? The enclosed sheet contains some of this material, from other sources, that you might want to use when you put together a fact sheet for your Leagues.

An idea from the 8<sup>th</sup> District coordinator... she wrote her Representative & the Senators, identified her job & asked that each of ~~the~~ her League contacts be put on the Congressman's mailing list - enclosing their names & addresses.

# Current Comments about Representative Zwach

## Quie-Zwach on Poverty

REP. ALBERT QUIE of Minnesota deserves a good word for his leadership in trying to obtain legislation to provide food and medical aid for ill-fed Negroes in Mississippi and Alabama. We wish that Rep. John Zwach, also of Minnesota, who voted with a majority on the House Agriculture Committee to sidetrack the bill, would show the same enlightened concern, even though the problem is not of direct concern in his district.

Minneapolis Tribune  
October 10, 1967

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455  
PHONE: 373-2959

DATE

Letter to 6<sup>th</sup> District Coordinator -  
Enclose: 1- Letter to presidents in the 6<sup>th</sup>  
2- "Proceedings - - etc" -  
3- Fact sheet Mondak -  
4- " " " McCarty -  
5- 23 Expense vouchers -

build a commission  
- clament of Human Rights

409 Birchwood Ave  
White Bear Lake Minn 55110

Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota Ave.,  
Granite Falls Minn 56241

Dear Virginia,

We were very pleased to hear from Mardelle Lundquist that you would accept the job of 6th District Congressional Coordinator providing that it can be handled by mail. It most certainly can be. ~~I think~~ You ~~should~~ find the job very interesting. ~~Many~~ Thanks for taking it on.

At this time we are making contact with your 5 Leagues in the 6th District:

	Phone
Brainerd - Mrs. Alex Michaelis 1426 Portland Ave. Brainerd, Minn. 56401	829-6176
Buffalo - Mrs. George Robertson 209 NW 2nd St Buffalo, Minn. 55313	682-1853
Granite Falls - Mrs. Fred Ostensoe Granite Falls, Minn 56241	564-2565
St. Cloud - Mrs. Harold Hopkins 818 9th Ave So. St. Cloud, Minn 56301	252-3602
Willmar - Mrs. Hans Dahl 1215 Penn Willman, Minn. 56201	235-0836

Unless you hear differently from them, your contacts will be these presidents. A copy of their letter is enclosed. We are also sending these women a procedure sheet, some Time for Action response cards, and a brief fact sheets about Minnesota's two Senators. All except the cards are enclosed. You should be getting them from your Leagues as they respond to Times for Action.

The Coordinator's job will have three parts. Most important, as a start, is to get the Leagues in the habit of responding to Times for Action. You are supposed to hear from all 5 Leagues within a week of the time you receive your mailing from National. (We are getting you a National Time for Action subscription service) ~~which will come eventually~~. If you don't hear from the local Leagues, you will have to use your judgement on what to do about it. If the issue isn't already settled in Congress a prodding note is probably best. We can't afford phone calls unless there is a real urgency. Our goal is to get the minimum of an official League letter from each League in the state on the Times for Action!

~~The job of summer~~



The job of summarizing League activity from time to time and ~~in~~ letting everyone know will depend on how much the Leagues do and how good they are about letting you know. The third part of your job <sup>is</sup> to help them share information about Representative Zwach. Here you can take the lead by getting some basic information from his office - his address, ~~biography~~, current committees, legislation he has introduced, <sup>his</sup> positions on issues the League is concerned with, ~~xxxxxx~~ biography, etc. We at the state level and national <sup>also</sup> would be interested in ~~also sharing~~ <sup>getting</sup> in this information. If typing is any problem, send it along to the State Office. We'll be happy to get it done and out. (The State will reimburse you for expenses for postage, etc. Some expense voucher sheets are enclosed.)

If as you get into this job you can suggest any way we can be more effective, please let us know. It maybe that setting up a meeting ~~(just once)~~ might be a good idea with your Leagues (just once) might be a good idea. We would be happy to participate in <sup>That.</sup> ~~Encouraging~~ you Leagues to meet with Zwach ~~and~~ setting up interviews with yourself and the national action contact person from some of your Leagues with Zwach; etc. are further possibilities you might want to look into.

~~I know you will find the job interesting.~~ Best of luck. Please keep us informed and feel free to bring up any problems that arise. Best of luck, and many thanks.

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TO:

Diana

FROM:

Liz Ebbett

SUBJECT

6<sup>th</sup> District:

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455  
PHONE: 373-2959

DATE

This letter <sup>(5 League  
1 file)</sup> goes to the presidents of the  
5 Leagues in the 6<sup>th</sup> along with:  
1- Procedures in Response to a Nat. TforA.  
2- McCarthy sheet  
3- Mondale sheet  
4- TforA response card. — (5 or so) Make this like  
the others except use Mrs. James Putnam  
857 Minnesota Ave  
Granite Falls, Minn.  
as the address.  
Sorry 30 or so cards in all

Letter to the Presidents of the 6th District -

~~Chisholm~~  
~~Claquet~~  
~~Duluth~~  
~~Hibbing~~  
~~International Falls~~  
~~Silver Bay~~  
~~Virginia~~

✓ Brainerd  
✓ St. Cloud  
✓ Granite Falls  
✓ W. L. H. H.  
✓ Buffalo.

409 Birchwood Ave  
White Bear Lake, Minn 55110

Summer vacation is coming to an end, but Congressional deliberation continues as does the need for League's voice on the issues. The problem of making Minnesota's League voice an effective one has recently become my responsibility on the state Board. I believe we can all benefit from rethinking our procedures.

As you know from the Local League Handbook, "a local League shall respond to a Time for Action sent by the national Board or report to the national Board the reasons for not taking action." All Leagues are required to respond officially and additional efforts should be made to get letters from individual League members as well as the community. To help us be more effective, Congressional District Coordinators were set up last year. Yours is:

← Mrs. M.I. Smith (Marion)  
Box 65, Star Route 2  
Hibbing, Minn 55746

Phone: (I can find last year's presidents list)

On the enclosed "Procedures in Response to a National Time for Action" we have outlined a communication schedule that we hope will make everyone's job easier and more meaningful. Your League will need to designate one person as ~~xx~~ your contact. We are assuming that you, as President, will take this responsibility unless you let ~~Marion~~ know otherwise. Some Leagues use a National item person, some have an Action Chairman, but the important thing is that someone has the responsibility and is prepared to act when a Time for Action arrives. Your action depends upon many factors such as how much time you have, how informed your members are (and how much time you have to inform them), your channels into the community, etc. However, the first step is your League's official response. To insure that this gets done, we are asking you to send a carbon of your letter to ~~Marion~~ within 5 days of the time you get the Time for Action mailing. For many Leagues ~~this~~ is a great problem making so many carbons. If it is easier, just jot on one of the enclosed Time for Action response cards that you've done it and send that off to ~~Marion~~. If she doesn't hear from you within 7 days, she will contact you to remind you.

To encourage greater action and to give some well deserved pats on the back for jobs well done, ~~Marion~~ would also like to hear about extra efforts you make. Send a Time for Action card listing what you've done; send along newspaper clippings, etc. These will be a separate mailing because there won't be time to do it all within the 5 day limit. ~~Marion~~ from time to time will summarize and let you know what the 6th District has been up to.

There is also the vital job of being informed about your Congressmen. We are enclosing some background information about Senators McCarthy and Mondale. ~~It~~ You can write Representative ~~Bratton's~~ and the Senators' offices and ask to be put on their newsletter lists. Be alert for newspaper clippings; evaluate their letters to you; try to arrange to meet your Congressmen, to talk over League positions,

the position

12/15/41  
24th St. & 1st St.  
N. W. D. C.  
Washington, D. C.

Your League has done ~~very~~ good work in the past. ~~In an~~  
~~effort to~~ <sup>to</sup> make your job easier & more meaningful in the future,  
~~Making full use of your Congressional District Coordinator should~~  
we are using Congressional District Coordinators. Yours for  
the 6<sup>th</sup> District is:

Mrs. James Putnam (Virginia)  
857 Minnesota Ave.,  
Granite Falls, Minn. 56241



From the office of  
SENATOR EUGENE J. McCARTHY  
11 Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510  
Telephone: (202) 225-3244

STATEMENT OF SENATOR EUGENE J. McCARTHY  
COMMUNITY MASS RALLY  
JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF GREATER WASHINGTON  
SHOREHAM HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D.C.  
MAY 30, 1967

Mr. Wolf, Monsignor Higgins, Reverend McClellan, Reverend Fauntroy, Rabbis, and friends of Israel, the Rabbis from Minnesota who spoke to me earlier and apologized in asking me to come here on Memorial Day. Certainly there was no need for any such apology, and I can think of no better place to be today than speaking to you while all around this country we take stock of what our record has been in the defense of freedom and honor and the measure of our responsibility as we look to the future.

The legal case for our involvement in the Middle East is one that we can trace clearly back to 1945 when President Truman first asked the British to admit Jewish refugees into Palestine. And that request was followed in 1947 when we supported the United Nations Assembly in the establishment of Israel. We did not stop short with that general endorsement and support in the family of nations, but proceeded in 1950 to agree to the Tripartite Declaration by which we took responsibility upon ourselves in a very special and national way, promising our continuing support to preserving the integrity and the life of the State of Israel.

And on down through the years, each time that that integrity was challenged, each time we were called upon to make public a position, our government speaking through the President has responded.

President Eisenhower in 1957 spoke of freedom of the seas and the right of Israel to have access to all the oceans of the world, and in 1963 President Kennedy reaffirmed our support of Israel and its integrity. And in 1967, President Johnson has reviewed and summarized and taken to himself all of these earlier commitments and stated them for this nation to the world.

M O R E





# Willmar Women's Group Commends Cong. Zwach

WILLMAR — In a letter to Sixth District Congressman John Zwach, Mrs. Hans A. Dahl, president of the League of Women Voters of Willmar, commended his sponsorship of a constitutional amendment to provide for representation of the District of Columbia in the United States Congress. Repre-



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# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

WILLMAR, MINNESOTA

1215 13th Avenue S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
July 27, 1967

The Honorable Congressman John Zwach  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Zwach:

Thought you might like to have a copy of the news release published  
in the West Central Tribune, Tuesday, July 25, 1967.

Sincerely,

a.D

Mrs. Hans A. Dahl  
President

Enc.: News clipping  
cc: Minnesota League of Women Voters  
National League of Women Voters



*Weenah Bond*

25% COTTON FIBER

409 Birchwood Avenue  
White Bear Lake  
Minnesota 55110  
July 28, 1967

Mrs. John Lundquist  
875 Prentice  
Granite Falls, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Lundquist:

While we are all appreciating our summer vacations, Congressional deliberation continues as does the need for League's voice on the issues. The problem of making Minnesota's League voice an effective one has recently become my responsibility on the state Board. The process and degree of a local League response to a national Time for Action has been of concern to the state Board for some time. All Leagues are required to respond officially and additional efforts should be made to get responses from individual members as well as the community. We are not now reaching this goal. I believe we can all benefit from evaluating our procedures.

Last year you generously volunteered to become 6th Congressional District coordinator to help in getting local action and to function in a communicating, liaison capacity. Thank you very much for the fine job you have done. We do hope you will be willing to continue in the coming year. (If you should be unable to, could you suggest a replacement?)

We are now making contact with each district. The enclosed sheet contains discussion questions on Time for Actions and suggested possible procedures. By drawing on the experiences of coordinators and their contacts within the local League, we hope to arrive at some simple, workable suggestions. We need the benefit of your knowledge of the 6th District and would appreciate your comments.

Most Leagues have had a change in leadership and it will be necessary to make new contacts. Would it be useful to set up a meeting of the local presidents and/or those who will be concerned with national Time for Action responses in your district? We will be happy to contact the Leagues concerned and to attend the meeting. Please let me know your thoughts on where we should be going next with the coordinator program. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Ralph Ebbott  
Congressional Action Chairman

Enclosure

cc: Mrs. Fred Ostensoe



TIME FOR ACTION by Mary Brascugli

St. Cloud

League members all over the nation are asked to write to their Congressmen and Senators concerning the Federal budget for sewage-facility construction grants.

The President's budget request of \$203 million is less than half the \$450 million the House and Senate Public Works Committee agreed should be invested in this program in fiscal 1968. The President's budget proposals for fiscal 1968 hold new water projects to a minimum and stretch out projects already underway. But this is one public works program that the League thinks must be carried on with no slow-down.

Many congressmen are unaware of how much less than the recommended amount the President's budget was.

All League members--write to our senators, McCarthy and Mondale, and to our Congressman, John Zwach. Tell them how important we feel an adequate appropriation is, and that we would like them to recommend to the subcommittee that the amount called for be the original \$450 million!

The Public Works Subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee for the House is scheduled for its report on June 16, with the budget request going to the House floor on June 20. Each goes to the Senate two weeks later.

It is inconceivable that the Federal Government withhold this needed money just when local action and public opinion are reaching a peak toward pollution clean-up.

League members, act now. Tell our Congressmen the problems of St. Cloud. It will cost the city about \$138,000 if they put in the new lift station for 5th Ave. North.

Let our Congressmen know we want the whole amount--\$450 million--NOW!

STATE CONVENTION

LEGISLATIVE PICNIC

HAVE YOU WRITTEN? \*

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

Dear Senator McCarthy:

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

Dear Senator Mondale:

3. The Honorable John Zwach  
House Office Building  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Zwach:

\*When League has a position on a bill, you may write either as a private citizen or as a League member. When League does not have a position, you must write as a private citizen.

Mrs. John M. Lundquist  
875 Prentice Street  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

Aug 29, 1967

Dear Liz,

At last I am able to give you an answer to your letter about the 6<sup>th</sup> Dist. Coordinator. I have taken on two new time-consuming responsibilities and don't feel I can do a good job at this too, but I have a replacement! Mrs. James Putnam (Virginia) 857 Minn. Ave, Granite Falls, <sup>56241</sup> will do it if it can be handled by mail. She does not feel she can spend much time traveling out-of-town.

I know Virginia will do a very good job - she is very bright and has a good League background - good st. Bd material.

Sincerely,  
Mardell

Granite Falls, Minnesota  
December 31, 1966

1966

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
National Program Chairman  
League of Women Voters of Minnesota

Dear Hannah;

I am flattered that you asked me to be the coordinating chairman for the 6th District. I enjoyed the interview with Mr. Zwach, but don't feel, after much thought, that I would be very good as coordinator--I hate to write letters and have my hands full as local president and as a member of the state nominating committee. I think that Mrs. Robert Carlson of Granite Falls would be much better at this if she would do it; maybe you have other ideas too, but if all else fails, I will try to discipline myself and get the job done. Try someone else though!

Yours truly,

*Mardelle Lundquist*  
Mrs. John Lundquist

November 15, 1966

Mrs. John Lundquist  
875 Prentice  
Granite Falls, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Lundquist,

The Times for Action coordinators in each of Minnesota's eight congressional districts are being asked to make appointments for an interview with their elected Congressmen as soon as possible. The purpose of these interviews is to discuss with the elected officials their opinions on issues that are a part of our national Program.

The sixth district has been without a coordinator since the resignation of Arlene Powers. We would appreciate if you would handle this particular assignment. We feel it is very important for someone to have an interview with Congressman Zwach, and we think Granite Falls is the ideal League to handle it.

Enclosed are the questionnaires that have been sent to us from the national office to guide us in conducting our interviews and to be used in making reports. There are the usual three copies, one each for the national office, the state office and your files.

We will send you a copy of With Continued Support and National Continuing Responsibilities to present to the Congressman at the interview just as soon as we receive them from national.

In contacting your Congressman to set up this interview, don't forget to congratulate him upon his election. If you know a League member who is particularly well-acquainted with him (we hope you are, too), ask her to accompany you but do brief her ahead of time. For this particular interview it would be easier for all concerned if not too many people were involved.

We call your attention to Another Dimension of Lobbying included in the enclosed materials. This is the kind of thing each coordinator has been trying to do and share with her committee members from the other Leagues in her district.

Good luck - have fun - let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
National Program Chairman



3912 York Ave. S.  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
July 12, 1966

Mrs. Glynden Webb, President  
League of Women Voters of the St. Cloud Area  
Route 2  
St. Cloud, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Webb,

As you know from the Local League Handbook, "a local League shall respond to a Time for Action sent by the national Board or report to the national Board the reasons for not taking action."

In order to help local Leagues in responding to Times for Action and to help the state League in knowing what responses have been made, the state League appointed last year a Times for Action coordinator for each of our eight congressional districts. She has been in touch with representatives from each of the Leagues in her district, and at the adjournment of each congressional session, she will make a report on the responsiveness, effectiveness and willingness of Leagues in her district to handle Times for Action.

Mrs. Leland Powers, 1815 W. 7th St., Willmar, has been doing an excellent job as coordinator for the 6th congressional district. Unfortunately, she is moving away from Minnesota in the near future. Is there anyone in the St. Cloud Area League who would be willing to take on this responsibility? It would not involve too much time nor many meetings. There are only five Leagues in the 6th district - Brainerd, Buffalo, Granite Falls, St. Cloud and Willmar.

Mrs. Powers, I am sure, has a file on this committee that she would be glad to pass on to the new chairman. Her telephone number is 1-235-5405. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
State Foreign Policy Chairman

March 2, 1966

Mrs. John Lundquist, President  
Granite Falls League of Women Voters  
1500 Ninth Street  
Granite Falls, Minnesota 56241

Dear Mardelle:

Granite Falls is mighty fortunate to have you and I am sure they appreciate you just as I did. We all thank you for stepping in so quickly.

You probably feel you stepped right into the "fire" with all of the Times for Action on app~~ointment~~ment. I can certainly understand the consensus of the Granite Falls League and they were not alone in their opinions. It is important, however, that your members understand that it is the body of opinion on consensus from all over the country which determines the position on a national Program item.

Once this is expressed by the national Board it is the position of the League of Women Voters of the United States of which we are all members. Your local League as you know must respond to Times for Action or report the reasons for not taking action. Whether or not you take action as a local League you should inform the members of the Time for Action so they can take action as individuals.

When a position (representing the thinking of the majority) has been reached, the minority abides by the decision. A local League should not make official statements contrary to a state or national position. It is the statement in the Granite Falls paper that is unfortunate. You know best how to handle this in your own community.

Of course your members as individuals are free to take individual action contrary to League position if they do not identify themselves with League. I would hope their loyalty to League would keep them from undermining your effectiveness in other areas of concern to your area.

If there is anything I can help you with, don't hesitate — I am looking forward to seeing you at Council.

Sincerely,

Mrs. William W. Whiting  
President

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cc: Mrs. Powers. Willmar: MMcCov. DHoukeho. HDaniel. LJanski. ATW

# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455

January 26, 1967

Mrs. Robert Carlson  
Granite Falls  
Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Carlson:

As you know from the Local League Handbook, "a local League shall respond to a Time for Action sent by the national Board or report to the national Board the reasons for not taking action."

In order to help local Leagues in responding to Times for Action and to help the state League in knowing what responses have been made, the state League has appointed a Times for Action coordinator for each of our eight congressional districts. She has been in touch with representatives from each of the Leagues in her district. We hope that through the coordinators and their committees, we may establish a closer relationship with our Congressmen, may get to know them and their administrative assistants personally. In addition, we hope that the coordinators will know or find out in each district who the people are outside the League who are influencing the Congressmen and who should be contacted for action. Would it be helpful for each coordinator to have a member of her committee to help her in these respects with Program development and promotion?

When this program was initiated, Mrs. Leland Powers of Willmar acted as coordinator. She has since moved away from Minnesota. Since then, Mrs. John Lundquist has been acting as coordinator. Here is a copy of the note I received from her recently.

"I am flattered that you asked me to be the coordinating chairman for the 6th District. I enjoyed the interview with Mr. Zwach, but don't feel, after much thought, that I would be very good as coordinator — I hate to write letters and have my hands full as local president and as a member of the State Nominating Committee. I think that Mrs. Robert Carlson of Granite Falls would be much better at this if she would do it; maybe you have other ideas too, but if all else fails, I will try to discipline myself and get the job done. Try someone else though."

So we are asking you to assume this responsibility. Mrs. Lundquist must have a file on the necessary information. We sincerely hope that you will be willing to accept the assignment.

Very truly yours,

Hannah Daniel

Mrs. Lewis M. Daniel  
State Foreign Policy Chairman  
3912 York Avenue South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55410



TELEPHONE 373-2959

*Dear Mrs. Daniel*  
*Thank you for considering me to be of help to the League in this way. However, I will have to decline. In the past few years I have had a much greater interest in partisan affairs — more specifically the Republican party; and my activities have increased in this endeavor. My plans are to devote even more time to this effort; so, as you know, it would be unwise or even impossible for me to accept any responsible League position.*

*Sincerely*  
*Robert Carlson*



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TO: Arlene Powers, Willmar

*Handwritten signature*

FROM: Annette Whiting

SUBJECT Apportionment and Granite Falls

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455  
PHONE: 373-2959

DATE 3-14-66

The League of Women Voters of Granite Falls did not send the article to the Willmar newspaper.....Mrs. Lundquist is sorry this appeared in your paper and is checking with the Granite Falls reporter for the West Central Daily Tribune. Needless to say Mardelle was as concerned as you were over this article's appearance.

We seem to have many Leagues in Minnesota reluctant to actively support this new national position. Do you know in your district just what each League is doing? I am hoping that improved communications relating to follow through on Times for Action will result from the district action committees.

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TO:

Arlene Powers  
1815 Seventh St. S.W., Rte. 3

FROM:

Hannah Daniel

SUBJECT

Times for Action Committee

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA**

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE  
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455  
PHONE: 373-2959

DATE April 1, 1966

Dear Arlene:

Thank you for keeping me informed about the work you are doing as Times for Action coordinator for the VIth congressional district.

Your district is fortunate in having ypu as its coordinator. Let me know if I can help in any way.

Sincerely,



March 21, 1966

TO: Mrs. George Robertson, President, League of Women Voters of Buffalo

FROM: Arlene Powers, Time for Action Coordinator, Sixth Congressional District

RE: A one day campaign to focus attention on the District of Columbia and "to finish the job" of getting self government for the nearly 300,000 disfranchised citizens of our capital city.

A few weeks ago you received a memorandum from the national office informing Leagues of a nation-wide, all-out, one-day campaign to focus attention on the plight of the District's votelessness. This mailing included:

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A sample speech which can be adapted for use in your community

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Radio and television ideas

A list of National Organizations supporting Home Rule

Today in my mail, I received another Memo from national urging us to move forward with this educational effort. Although we haven't much time left before March 29, it is not too late to begin. Perhaps you are already working on several of the proposals, and if so, HURRAH for you! You don't need to do everything they suggest, but let's set a goal for at least one and perhaps two (?) of the proposals.

GOOD LUCK!

Originals of this memo sent to: Mrs. Alex Michaelis, President, LWV of Brainerd  
Mrs. George Robertson, President, LWV of Buffalo  
Mrs. John Lundquist, President, LWV of Granite Falls  
Mrs. Donald Sikkink, U.N. and National CR  
Chairman, LWV of St. Cloud

cc: LWV of Minnesota  
Hannah Daniel

MAR 22 1966

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cc: LWV of Minnesota  
Hannah Daniel

## RESUME OF CONGRESSMAN ALEC OLSON'S VIEWS ON LEAGUE PROGRAM ITEMS

### CA 1 - Apportionment of State Legislatures

Congressman Olson submitted a bill last session similar to Senator Dirksen's but not as detailed. He favors the idea that the membership in one house be based on a factor other than population.

### CA 2 - Development of Human Resources

He favors regional planning. Problems which cut across state lines cannot be solved through state cooperation because the states to date have not cooperated; therefore, a federal program is desirable. He favors anti-poverty programs with local administration because they are closer to their own problems. Also, he believes that the success of these programs rests with the local people; and, he hopes that they will use the money wisely and as it is intended to be used. Congressman Olson favors reviewal by the Congress to determine the effectiveness of the programs.

### CA 3 - United Nations

Congressman Olson supports the United Nations. He feels that unless Red China is admitted to the U.N., the United Nations could not be very effective in bringing about the settlement of the conflict in Vietnam or in effecting disarmament. He said that it is unrealistic that a disarmament agreement--now in the talking stage--could become effective unless Communist China agrees to talk and comply.

### CA 4 - Foreign Economic Policy

International Coffee Agreement: In 1964, he voted for the Coffee Agreement Implementation legislation which failed to pass in the House. From a letter of April 12, 1965 - "I am advised that the House Ways and Means Committee is going to be holding hearings very soon on the Senate bill [Coffee Agreement], and I expect that it will also be considered by the full House during this session. I shall support this legislation again this year."

Restrictions on Imports: Generally agrees that there should be free trade, but was caught in the pressure from back-home in regard to limitations on imports of meat. He did indicate that he was opposed to some of the Senate amendments on H.R. 1839, but did not commit himself as to how he would vote.

International Development Association: Voted for bill authorizing funds for IDA.

A.I.D.: Supports both authorization and appropriation bills.



Resume of Congressman Olsen's Views on League Program Items - p. 2

Feed For Peace: He favors P.L. 480. Agriculture is the foundation of an economy whether in the United States or abroad. He has found that foreign countries realize this as well as the need for self-help. He saw a great problem between expanding population and the ability of under-developed countries to produce the feed necessary to feed their people.

CA 5 - Water Resources

From a letter of August 17, 1964 - "I share the League of Women Voters deep concern with the problem of water planning and conservation." Has supported water legislation.

CR 2 - District of Columbia

From a letter of August 17, 1965 - "This legislation does have my support, and I will work for its passage. I am prepared to sign the discharge petition if this is necessary to its consideration by the full House."

From a letter of August 30, 1965 - "I signed the "home rule" discharge petition within hours after it was available for signature. I hope we make it."

An original of this was sent to each League in the Sixth Congressional District.

1815 Seventh Street S.W. - Rt. 3  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
February 18, 1966

Mrs. Alex Michaelis, President  
League of Women Voters of Brainerd  
1426 Portland  
Brainerd, Minnesota 56201

Dear Mrs. Michaelis:


I was sorry that you could not attend the Time for Action Committee meeting that was held at my home on February 8. We had a good exchange of ideas, and it is hoped that these will be discussed again at a future date.

It was decided that because I have a close contact with Congressman Alec Olsen—his home is near Willmar, and I see him often—that I should send you a capsule account of his thinking on League positions. As you will notice, I do not have information on all the national items, but what I have may be of some help to you when contacting him.

Information concerning the Senators will be sent to you from the state office. Their file is more extensive and will be of more help to you than my limited information.

If you have any questions concerning the enclosed information or the responsibilities of this committee, please feel free to contact either the state office or me.

Yours very truly,

  
Mrs. Leland Powers  
President

cc: LWV of Minnesota  
Mrs. Lewis Daniel, State Board  
National Program Chairman  
Mrs. Earl Colborn, State  
Program Coordinator

Originals of this letter sent to Mrs. George Robertson, Pres. - LWV of Buffalo  
Mrs. John Lundquist, Pres. - LWV of Granite Falls  
Mrs. Donald Sikkink, U.N. Chairman, LWV of St. Cloud



February 18, 1966

Dear Arlene:

Since I am in a mad scramble trying to get off for California tomorrow, I do not have time to write a letter. So I am enclosing part of a Memo which I received from Annette Whiting. I think it is self explanatory.

Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis M. Daniel  
Foreign Policy Chairman,  
State Board

February 12, 1966

Mrs. Leland Powers, President  
League of Women Voters of Willmar  
1815 W. 7th Street  
Willmar, Minnesota

Dear Arlene:

I thoroughly enjoyed meeting you last Tuesday. Your lunch was delicious.

Even though the other Leagues in your district were not represented, I feel the meeting was well worth while. You have so many good ideas and such boundless energy that I know you will make a superb coordinator and your help to the other Leagues in your district will be of great value. If either she or I can be of assistance to you, please let us know.

Thank you for your hospitality and your willingness to cooperate in this pilot project of the LWV.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis M. Daniel

I am sorry that I am temporarily out of League stationery.

*Please to -  
Dunsmuir Falls  
St Cloud  
Buffalo*

February 1, 1966

Mrs. Alex Michaelis, President  
League of Women Voters of Brainerd  
1426 Portland  
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Michaelis,

As you know from the Local League Handbook, "a local League shall respond to a Time for Action sent by the national Board or report to the national Board the reasons for not taking action". Now that Congress is again in session, we may expect to be receiving Times for Action at any time.

Some of the local Leagues in Minnesota have been remiss in responding to Times for Action. The state Board thinks it might be wise to have a coordinator in each of Minnesota's eight congressional districts who would have a committee composed of representatives from each League in her district. It would be the responsibility of this committee to see that the local Leagues respond to Times for Action.

Mrs. Leland Powers from the League of Women Voters of Willmar has accepted the responsibility of being the coordinator for the sixth district. She will help local Leagues exchange ideas, coordinate information about congressmen and make responding to Times for Action easier for local Leagues. We are hoping that a representative from each of the Leagues in this district can meet with her and members of the state Board on Tuesday, February 8, at 11:30 a.m. at 1815 W. 7th St., Willmar. Mrs. Powers has graciously invited all of us for lunch. Please let us know if your League can have a representative at this meeting, and who it will be.

Thank you for your cooperation in this enterprise.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
National Program Chairman



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

STATE ORGANIZATION SERVICE

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55455

TELEPHONE 373-2959

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Feb 3, 1966

Dear Mrs. Daniel,

I was a bit surprised to see that you knew I was president since the Bd. meeting at which I was appointed was the same day you wrote the letter. I saw Lee last night and she explained how you knew.

This is a little hard to get used to because I didn't think I'd have to do it again and I have many other obligations for the next year; some I'll have to relinquish.

I'll be in Willmar next Tues. at 11:30 at Arlene's.

Granite Falls

Sincerely,  
Mardelle Lundquist

February 1, 1966

Mrs. Leland Powers, President  
League of Women Voters of Willmar  
1815 W. 7th Street  
Willmar, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Powers,

Thank you for your prompt and cordial reply to my request for a representative of your League to act as coordinator of Times for Action for the sixth district. I am delighted that you will assume this responsibility yourself.

A meeting on February 8th at 11:30 at your home will be fine. It is most gracious of you to invite all of us to lunch.

We will write to the other Leagues in the sixth district and ask them to have a representative at the meeting. Mrs. Earl Colborn, state Program Coordinator, will accompany me.

We look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
National Program Chairman





LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
OF WILLMAR, MINNESOTA

JAN 26 1966

1815 W. Seventh St. - Rt. 3  
Willmar, Minnesota 56201  
January 25, 1966

Mrs. Lewis Daniel  
National Program Chairman  
League of Women Voters of Minnesota  
State Organization Service  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

Dear Mrs. Daniel:

I received your letter of January 24, regarding the formation of a committee to assume the responsibility of local League responses to Times for Action.

Willmar will accept the responsibility as you request. Because I will shortly retire from the presidency, I will assume the position as coordinator for the sixth congressional district.

The meeting can be held in Willmar. Any Tuesday or Wednesday in February will be fine for me. You can meet at my home, and I can give everyone lunch. The lunch will be simple in order that we can spend our time in organizing. I have drawn a map showing the directions to take in order to get to my home.

I will expect to hear from you soon regarding your plans.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Leland Powers  
President

Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

11:30 -

12:00



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
OF WILLMAR, MINNESOTA

1815 Seventh Street S.W.  
Willmar, Minnesota  
March 21, 1966

Mrs. William Whiting, President  
League of Women Voters of Minnesota  
State Organization Service  
University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

MAR 22 1966

Dear Annette:

Thank you for your memo of March 14. We were relieved to hear that Granite Falls did not submit the article to the West Central Daily Tribune.

In answer to your question regarding my knowledge of the action Leagues in this district are taking, I must say that I do not know. I am reluctant to require an answer from them because of the extra work involved. I might suggest a questionnaire made up of mostly yes and no answer questions; such as,

If your League does not as a whole support a national position, do you have a procedure to allow the members who favor the position to receive and respond to a national call to action?

- a. Through the bulletin?
- b. Did a Board member who favors the position act independently of the Board to encourage the members in favor to write?
- c. Was an off-Board member given the responsibility to carry out action among the members?
- d. Others?

This is one of several questions that could be asked. A self-addressed envelope could be included to simplify the task and insure an answer.

I won't do anything on this unless I heard from you. I don't want to antagonize anyone.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Leland Powers  
President

*Do they change and  
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not suggested.*

*I. Daniel  
Please reply -  
does it do it?*

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
1200 17TH STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, D. C. 20036

March 9, 1966

Mrs. D. T. Chesley  
612 North Eighth Street  
Brainerd, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Chesley:

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Mrs. Stuart has asked me to thank you for your letter of January 19 in which you asked "whether or not the League of Women Voters of the United States has taken a stand, or has power to take a stand, advocating that the present Vietnam crisis be brought before the United Nations for settlement."

I am not certain whether you have had an opportunity to see the January 1966 NATIONAL BOARD REPORT but on pages 67-68 (under UN and FEP Outlook) we discussed this matter and reported that Mrs. Stuart did send the President a letter, dated January 14, 1966 (reproduced in full in the Appendix), the last paragraph of which reads:

"We wish to express our earnest hope for the ultimate success in the many initiatives toward negotiations for peace in Vietnam. We welcome, as a valuable follow-up to your July 28 letter to U.N. Secretary-General U Thant, Ambassador Goldberg's January 4 letter and his request that it be communicated to all members of the United Nations. In our judgment the full resources of the United Nations should be brought to bear on this conflict."

Actually, we have communicated several times with the President on foreign policy matters of League interest in the not too distant past: Last July 30 we sent letters to both President Johnson and Ambassador Goldberg at the time of the first official indication of a shift in U.S. attitude toward using the United Nations in general -- and U Thant's good offices in particular -- to try to evolve a peaceful solution in the Vietnam dispute (see September 1965 NATIONAL BOARD REPORT, pp. 19-20). Prior to that, on April 8, 1965, Mrs. Stuart sent President Johnson a telegram after his Johns Hopkins University speech on Vietnam in which we commended his proposals for the economic development of Southeast Asia's Mekong River basin (see May 1965 NATIONAL BOARD REPORT, pp. 24-26).

We appreciated your sharing your thoughts with us about this matter; your letter will be called to the attention of the full national Board at its next meeting.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donald C. Mills  
Foreign Policy Program Secretary

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