



League of Women Voters of Minnesota Records

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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August 19, 1954

To: Local League Presidents and Voters Service Chairmen
From: Mrs. Roger Klein, state Voters Service Chairman

The great number of contestants for both county and state offices promises a lively campaign and for this reason the Primary Election is very important. Enclosed are 5 copies of the mimeographed replies to questionnaires from state executive and judicial, and congressional and senatorial candidates. No doubt you are also receiving replies to those you have sent out locally.

It is time to make plans to get this important information to the voters. The Voters Service and Public Relations Committees will work together on this. Voters Service can get the information tabulated, then with Public Relations, whose contact with newspapers and radio gives them the experience and know-how for the best possible publicity, make your plans for wide distribution. The newspapers and radio are already giving much attention to the coming election and will undoubtedly welcome the League information.

It is County Fair month and a fair booth permits another fine method of distribution. League members, manning the booths will have opportunity to pass out information on the amendments, candidates' qualifications, registration and voting. (Be sure to display prominently your Citizens Amendment No. 3 stickers and information, and get stickers on fair visitors' cars.)

If you do not plan a fair booth you must use other means of dissemination of League material. Mimeographed copies of the candidates qualifications may be enclosed in city utility statements, payroll envelopes and distributed from Voters Information booths. Set up displays in your public libraries. For other ideas, consult "Give the Voter A Hand", pages 22 and 23.

George Perham of "Range Facts" of Virginia, Minn., writes that local elections last spring "point up a rising interest the citizens are taking in their government affairs." This situation is being repeated over the entire state on all levels of government. We would like to think the League has had and will continue to have influence on this growing interest of the citizen in government. With our questionnaire information publicity, we are stressing the importance of qualifications of these many candidates; helping the voter to an informed selection of their government officials. The candidates meetings give the voter more opportunity to choose qualified officials. I again quote Perham "this energetic political activity spells for a healthy situation beginning to develop again in our great country." The League can be instrumental in the further development of this political interest. Many organizations are now setting up their own legislative committees which again denotes political interest. We would do well to enlist the help of these organizations for wider distribution of our non-partisan information.

We have a limited supply of The Candidates Speak - not enough so that you could attempt community distribution. Additional copies are 30¢.

The Minneapolis League has furnished us with copies of the responsibilities and salaries of the various offices. Additional copies are not available.

August 22, 1954

Mrs. Basil Young
84 South 10th Street, Room 406
Minneapolis 2, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Young,

The Montgomery League of Women Voters has helped the Maxwell Air Force Base Wives' Club promote absentee voting by service personnel and their wives this year. The absentee voters complain, however, that they are uninformed about the candidates running in their home states.

I am writing, therefore, to the League of Women Voters in each state to ask if they would send us any information they may have -- biographical sketches or qualifications -- of the state and congressional candidates running in the general elections in their state this fall. The information will be made available to the voters at the library, so it is necessary to send only one copy.

I would also appreciate a list of the local League presidents and their addresses in your state, such list to be used by the voters who wish to write for information concerning their local candidates.

Sincerely,

Geil Hollingsworth

Mrs. George H. Hollingsworth
2169 Meadowlane Drive
Montgomery, Alabama

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you will find it possible to place your publication orders well in advance to insure delivery on the date needed. We continue to process all orders on the date received with prompt attention given telegraphed. orders.

Some TRENDS Christmas gift order cards are enclosed. Additional cards are available free of charge.

CONGRESSIONAL STATEMENTS The enclosed Congressional Statements are copies of letters to Congressional leaders and government officials in support of increased tax rates and the credit regulations now in effect. These statements are going out on Standing Orders for Congressional Statements and will go to subscribers of the Publication Service at a later date. Additional copies are 1¢ each.

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SPECIAL NOTE
TO STATE
PRESIDENTS:

We want to thank you for your cooperation with the Voters Service Committee of the League of Women Voters of the District of Columbia during the last election. Many Leagues sent information on local candidates and issues to be used at the D.C. "Absentee Voters Booth." D.C. League members handled over 4000 requests for information. Often they were made by one member of the family for several more at home, by one employee in an office for all the others there from his home state, from one club member for all the other home town folks who belong to the same club. The D.C. League also serviced many college campuses, organized groups and military camps with this information so it is difficult to tell just exactly how many people were serviced. However, we hope you will let your local Leagues know that the information which they sent helped a minimum of 98 absentee voters from your state to cast a more intelligent ballot.

League of Women Voters of Minnesota
Room 406, 84 South Tenth Street
Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

Return August 19 1954
Primary Election *8th Ward*
September 14, 1954 *VS*

THE CANDIDATES SPEAK

Replies to League of Women Voters Questionnaire from Candidates

- . for state executive office
- . for state judicial office
- . for the office of United States Senator
- . for the office of Representative in Congress

CANDIDATES FOR STATE EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Republican

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

GOVERNOR

/*C. Elmer Anderson, Brainerd

Orville L. Freeman, Minneapolis
Paul A. Rasmussen, Chatfield

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Mrs. Lillian Carlson, St. Paul
M. (Mike) Holman, St. Paul
A. Herbert Nelson, Minneapolis
Edward E. Olsen, Forest Lake
Kern Olson, Thief River Falls
P. Kenneth Peterson, Minneapolis
Russell H. Underdahl, White Bear Lake
Theodore T. Wold, Minneapolis

C. Edwin Holmberg, Minneapolis
Leonard A. Johnson, Minneapolis
Dennis J. Maloney, St. Paul
Fremont Peterson, Ivanhoe
Karl F. Rolvaag, Rochester
Axel M. Soderberg, St. Paul

SECRETARY OF STATE

Eugene W. Anderson, Minneapolis
*Mrs. Mike Holm, Minneapolis
W. D. (Jack) Ritter, Anoka

Joseph L. Donovan, Duluth
Koscie H. Marsh, St. Paul

STATE AUDITOR

/*Stafford King, St. Paul

/*Clint Haroldson, Renville

STATE TREASURER

C. R. (Cap) Bjornson, St. Louis Park
O. S. Hagen, Minneapolis
L. M. (Rusty) Jacobson, Edina
Duane Lund, Staples
John Nordin, Minneapolis
Charles H. Utton, Minneapolis

Arthur Hansen, Ulen
Victor H. Johnson, St. Paul
Frank Murphy, Northfield
Leslie D. Peterson, Minneapolis
William S. Rasmussen, St. Paul

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Elmer R. Anderson, Minneapolis
Forrest T. Anderson, Grand Rapids
Bernhard LeVander, St. Paul

Robert W. Garrity, Minneapolis
Chester G. W. Gustafson, Bricelyn
A. M. Joyce, West St. Paul
Miles Lord, Minneapolis
Frank P. Ryan, Minneapolis
Erling Swenson, Minneapolis

CLERK OF SUPREME COURT

Eric R. Ahlstrand, St. Louis Park
*Grace Kaercher Davis, Minneapolis
W. J. Werner, Blue Earth

Curtis H. Hanson, Minneapolis
Charles Joseph Johnson, Wabasha
Frank Larkin, Minneapolis

RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE COMMISSIONER

Robert F. Lee, Annandale
Kenneth D. Lund, St. Paul
W. Victor Lundquist, Owatonna
Clifford L. Swanson, Minneapolis
Henry Thorson, Milan
Henry C. Van Auken, Minneapolis

Thomas W. Connolly, St. Paul
Charles R. Gallagher, Minneapolis
Walter F. Jorgenson, Minneapolis
Orville V. Pederson, Minneapolis
Hjalmar Petersen, Askov
*Clifford C. Peterson, Minneapolis

* Denotes incumbent

/* Replies from these candidates are not included since they have received the party nomination for lack of opposition and their names will not appear on the Primary Election ballot. Their replies will be include in the League's information prior to the General Election.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE JUDICIAL OFFICE

CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

- *Roger L. Dell, Fergus Falls
- E. Luther Melin, Minneapolis

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT (3)

1. / *Martin A. Nelson, Austin
2. / *Thomas Gallagher, Minneapolis
3. / Allan L. Johnson, Wayzata
/ *Oscar R. Knutson, Warren

* Denotes incument

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CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES

Republican

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Val Bjornson, Minneapolis
Arthur D. Russell, Minneapolis
Richard S. Wilcox, St. Paul

A. B. Gilbert, Mound
*Hubert H. Humphrey, Minneapolis
Harold Strom, Minneapolis

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

(9)

FIRST DISTRICT

/ *August H. Andresen, Red Wing

/ Robert C. Olson, Waseca

SECOND DISTRICT

/ *Joseph P. O'Hara, Glencoe

Jack Conway, West St. Paul
Wesley H. Erkle, Le Center
Larry W. Feyereisen, South St. Paul
Harry Sieben, Hastings

THIRD DISTRICT

David S. Bledsoe, Osseo
Peter Filips, Minneapolis
Ed Willow, Minneapolis

/ *Roy W. Wier, Minneapolis

FOURTH DISTRICT

John M. Drexler, St. Paul
Richard C. Hansen, St. Paul

Jim Ingram, St. Paul
*Eugene J. McCarthy, St. Paul

FIFTH DISTRICT

/ *Walter H. Judd, Minneapolis

George W. MacDonald, Minneapolis
Anders Thompson, Minneapolis

SIXTH DISTRICT

/ Oscar J. Jerde, St. Cloud

/ *Fred Marshall, Grove City

SEVENTH DISTRICT

*H. Carl Andersen, Tyler
George M. Reimers, Benson

Douglas P. Hunt, Montevideo
James M. Youngdale, Benson

EIGHTH DISTRICT

/ Ernie Orchard, Duluth

/ *John A. Blatnik, Chisholm

NINTH DISTRICT

A. J. Duren, Fergus Falls
*Harold C. Hagen, Crookston

Oscar A. Johnson, Crookston
Mrs. Coya Knutson, Oklee
Thomas A. Letnes, Nielsville
Curtiss T. Olson, Detroit Lakes
T. Austin Teigen, Georgetown

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of
GOVERNOR

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*C. Elmer Anderson, Brainerd

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Orville L. Freeman, Minneapolis

Paul A. Rasmussen, Chatfield

* Denotes incumbent.

+ No primary contest; reply not included.

Candidates were asked these questions:

- A. WHAT PARTICULAR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD THAT WOULD QUALIFY YOU FOR THIS OFFICE?
- B. WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR MEETING THE FINANCIAL NEEDS OF MINNESOTA?
- C. WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR IMPROVING THE FUNCTIONING OF STATE GOVERNMENT?
- D. IN WHAT LEGISLATION ARE YOU ESPECIALLY INTERESTED? PLEASE STATE SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION.
- E. WILL YOU SUPPORT
 1. A bill calling for a constitutional convention?
 2. A law against racial and religious discrimination in employment which would provide for adjustment of complaints by education and conciliation, and would vest ultimate enforcement powers in the state courts?
 3. A bill to abolish absolute preference for veterans in state civil service?
 4. A bill providing for election of our state legislators with party designation?
 5. Some solution to the present inequities in legislative representation?

REPLIES ARE LISTED IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY WERE RECEIVED.

- Freeman
- A. Graduate of U of M., magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa; Graduate of U of M Law School; considerable study & research in problems of state gov't; practicing att'y.; after recovery from wounds received in combat with Marine Corps in South Pacific was assigned to duty at Headquarters of U.S. Marine Corps in Wash. D.C., there helping to establish & administer the Marine Corps rehabilitation program; Ass't. to Mayor Humphrey in charge of Veterans' Affairs, 1945-49; Member & Chairman, Mpls. Civil Service Commission, 1946-49.
 - B. A good tax program should be based on the following standards: (1) Taxation should be based on ability to pay; (2) Taxes should provide an effective incentive to desirable developments in private enterprise fields; (3) Taxes should assist the development of an expanding economy with the accompanying rising level of employment, production, & standard of living; (4) Taxes should be adequate to provide the essential services of gov't. (5) Tax programs should be of such a nature that they can be administered honestly, efficiently, & fairly; (6) A state tax program should make it possible to coordinate the activities of the various taxing units and divisions to the end that: (a) the combined taxing activities of all the units that have power to tax would result in a fair and effective approach to the above principles, and (b) the revenue so raised could be equit-

Freeman
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ably apportioned among the various units to attain the goals & fulfill the functions of government in the best possible manner. Oppose any general retail sales tax. Favor correcting inequities in personal property tax. Favor improvement in methods of assessment & collection of taxes, by more uniform & up-to-date assessment procedures & by studying the value of pay-roll deduction for collection of income tax. More efficient & honest administration of state gov't., better accounting & auditing procedures, & more qualified & competent administrative personnel would make the money collected go much farther.

- C. Effective drive to achieve constitutional revision, which is necessary to achieve basic improvements. Better auditing & accounting procedures, & more qualified & competent personnel as referred to under A. Adequate appropriations to secure competent professional & scientifically trained personnel, especially in programs relating to the conservation of our human resources, such as the Youth Conservation Commission & the Mental Health program. The people of Minnesota want effective programs for human welfare, for opportunities for our youth, for the curbing of juvenile delinquency, & other social measures, & will be willing to pay for them when the state leadership presents a forthright picture of the needs that exist.
- D. Favor positive program to reduce highway accidents - such programs in other states have reduced the accident rate more than 50%. Greater assistance to & equalization of educational opportunity in the state; with special attention to construction programs to meet the desperate shortage of school buildings. Constitutional amendment to enable state to make low cost loans to school districts for building purposes from permanent funds now invested outside the state at lower interest rates than paid by many school districts. Modern scientific program directed toward the conservation & enhancement of our natural resources in the interest of all the people. Promotion & encouragement of expansion of Minn. enterprise by: a credit development corporation to provide easier credit for new, worth-while undertakings; use of U of M, especially Inst. of Technology, to develop new uses for Minn. products; Business, technical & scientific advice for development of new enterprises. More adequate provision for unemployment compensation & fair labor legislation. Strict law enforcement.

- E. 1. Yes
- 2. Yes
- 3. Yes
- 4. Yes
- 5. Yes

Rasmussen Did not reply.

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of
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Republican

Mrs. Lillian Carlson, St. Paul
M. (Mike) Holman, St. Paul
A. Herbert Nelson, Minneapolis
Edward E. Olsen, Forest Lake
Kern Olson, Thief River Falls
P. Kenneth Peterson, Minneapolis
Russell H. Underdahl, White Bear Lake
Theodore T. Wold, Minneapolis

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

C. Edwin Holmberg, Minneapolis
Leonard A. Johnson, Minneapolis
Dennis J. Maloney, St. Paul
Fremont Peterson, Ivanhoe
Karl F. Rolvaag, Rochester
Axel M. Soderberg, St. Paul

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Olsen I have held the following Town Offices: School Treasurer, School Clerk, Town Treasurer and Assessor. Graduate from the Northwestern College of Law with an LLB degree.

P.K. Peterson I was elected to the Minn. state Legislature in 1946, was re-elected in 48, 50 & 52 making a total of 8 yrs. of legislative service. For 4 yrs. I have been chairman of civil administration committee of the House. Have also served on following committees: Education, Elections, Taxes, Reapportionment, Gen'l. Legislation, Public Domains and Judiciary. Have been principal author of the Minn. Presidential Primary Law, our State Civil Defense Act, Minn. Narcotic Control Act, the Mutual Dependents Support Act, and have taken a prominent part in mental health and youth conservation legislation. Since '47 have represented the Legislature on Council of State Gov'ts. Have been a delegate to the Nat'l. Tax Conf. and the Mid-century White House Conf. on Youth. In Oct. '53 I was appointed by the nat'l. administration to serve on the Near East Refugee Commission. This assignment has taken me to the countries of the Middle East and was intended to propose future policy in connection with our commitments in that area. Graduate of U of M in 1936 and Mpls-Minn. College of Law where I received an LLB degree. Selected by Mpls. JC as Outstanding Young Man of 1949 and was named one of the "100 Newsmakers of Tomorrow" by Time Magazine. Served 4 years in World War II. I believe that my 8 yrs. of legislative experience will be invaluable to the functioning of the office of Lt. Gov., who also is the presiding officer of the state Senate.

Nelson Insurance executive; former Minn. Insurance Commissioner; born at Willmar, May 13, 1903. Educated in public schools of Willmar; worked way through U of M, graduated in 1927 with B.S. degree. Entered insurance business 23 yrs. ago. In 1951 appointed Commissioner of Insurance by Gov. Youngdahl; served until 1953. While Commissioner, won considerable acclaim because of fearless enforcing of insurance laws. Took many constructive and unprecedented steps in interest of better insurance service to public; improved conditions for insurance agents in state. Throughout career, given time to various civic enterprises; while Commissioner of Insurance, served on four committees of the Nat'l. Ass'n.

- Nelson (cont'd) of Insurance Commissioners. Ran for Lt. Gov. in 1944; won second place in field of 10 candidates in primary election. Married, two daughters.
- Johnson 6 yrs. service in state Legislature (1949, 51, 53 sessions); active member of state House Appropriations Committee (have chairmanned important sub-committees of this group); served as a member of interim committees: 1) Council of State Governments, 2) Civil Service Study Committee; served 2 yrs. on Park Board in Mpls. (Vice President of Board 1948); member of City Planning Commission 1948; Administrative Assistant to City Engineer, Mpls.; Administrative Assistant to City Council, Mpls.; Graduate of U of M (A.L.A. and B.A. Degrees in Political Science).
- Soderberg Married, one son, 18 yrs. old. Attended Baker public school and Stevens Business College in St. Paul, and Minn. College at Mpls. In 1921 appointed to St. Paul Police Department; served 27 yrs., having served the last 18 as a detective, retiring in 1948 at which time I went into the contracting business until April, 1953, at which time I was re-employed by Minn. Transfer R. R. Co. in the Traffic and Transportation Departments (a position I held prior to my appointment to Police Dept.) Having had direct contact with the public for 27 yrs. or more and having followed the political situation in the state and country, also knowing my past record in public employment is without a blemish, I feel I have the qualifications for the office I seek.
- Carlson Graduated St. Joseph's Academy, St. Paul, in 1924; College of St. Catherine in 1926; State Teachers College in St. Cloud in 1929. From 1930 to Jan., 1937, employed by State of Minn. in capacity of case worker in social service field, stationed in Douglas and Rice Counties. In Jan. 1937, I became associated with State Dept. of Employment Security as one of its first employees. My duties were principally administrative and supervisory. As the people of Minn. now well know, during the past year I was prosecuted for a crime of which I was absolutely innocent. My acquittal not only fully vindicated me, but amounted to an indictment against certain irresponsible officials of the present administration. The firsthand information and knowledge gained during my 15 yrs' experience in state gov't., I believe, well qualifies me for position of Lt. Gov. If elected, I will strive for: 1) operation of this gov't. on sound businesslike basis; 2) adequate controls to curb juvenile delinquency & traffic accidents; 3) quicker realization of adequate mental health program; 4) equitable distribution & use of tax revenues for public projects; 5) more feasible conservation program; 6) procurement of more state participation & activity in attraction of new businesses.
- Wold Born at Kennedy, Minn., Kittson County; 48 yrs. old; married; one daughter. Attended Crookston High School, N.D. Agricultural College and U of M. From 1931 to 1939 operated hotels in Bagley, Winona and Mahnomen, Minn. During 1936 and 1938, was Mahnomen County Republican Chrmn., in Jan. 1939 appointed State Hotel Director by Gov. Stassen. This involved sanitary & safety inspection supervision & licensing of some 14,000 hotels, restaurants & resorts. During military maneuvers in Minn., our Dept. cooperated closely with Military and U.S. Public Health Service in 6 counties in & around Fort Ripley. I solicited and obtained the cooperation of various trade groups & safety organizations, & was successful in obtaining passage of 9 bills & amendments to present Hotel laws & passage of "Small Boat Safety Act". From 1943 to 1946 in cooperation with Minn. Hotel, Restaurant & Resort Ass'ns. I held county wide meetings in 77 Minn. counties on Safety & Sanitation. Past president of Osman Temple Chanters, St. Paul. Member of Nat'l, Minn. & Mpls. Realty Board. Have engaged in sale of Midwest Hotel properties & oper-

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- Wold
(cont'd) ate hotels at Montevideo, Litchfield & Cokato. If elected I will cooperate with Gov. on his programs & will preside over Senate with dignity and dispatch.
- Olson Interested in conservation activities, now serving as president of Minn. Conservation Federation & as a director of Nat'l. Wildlife Federation. Also former president of Northwest Ass'n. of Conservation clubs and the Pennington County Sportsmen's club. Former head of the local Elks and Masonic lodges & of Ecklund-Holmstrom post of the American Legion, as well as having served as 9th District vice commander of the Legion and grande chef de train of the Minnesota 40 et 8.
- Holman For the past 8 session of the legislature I have served as Engrossing Clerk of the Minnesota State Senate. As an officer of the Senate I am well acquainted with the operative details of the legislature. Am admitted to the practice of law in Minn., but have not been active in the practice of law. Am a member of the American Legion and other service clubs. I am a firm believer in "Home Rule" as my past experience has convinced me that the closer you get the government to the people the better the type of government the people receive.
- Rolvaag 1. High School and college training. 2. Graduate school work at U of M. 3. Scholarship for 1 yr. of post-graduate study at U of Oslo, Oslo, Norway. All graduate study in the field of political science & history. 4. 4 yrs. as the State Chairman of the DFL State Central Committee. During this period I was a full-time participant in the field of politics & gov't. I spent most of my time during the state legislative sessions working with the Minn. Legislature in an attempt to secure passage of those parts of our DFL state platform that had to deal with state legislation. 5. In private life I am independent businessmen responsible for meeting pay-rolls & handling the affairs of a successful insurance agency. 6. 6 yrs. military service in World War II. 7. Age 41.
- Maloney Have had intensive training in business & have made practical studies of State Government.
- Holmberg Did not reply.
- F. Peterson Did not reply.
- Underdahl Did not reply.

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CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE of SECRETARY OF STATE

Republican

Eugene W. Anderson, Minneapolis
*Mrs. Mike Holm, Minneapolis
W. D. (Jack) Ritter, Anoka

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Joseph L. Donovan, Duluth
Koscie H. Marsh, St. Paul

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- Marsh Education: a. Graduate of Jackson High and Grade schools, Jackson, Minn. b. Graduate of U of Iowa, 1926, College of Pharmacy. c. Attended Princeton, Washington & Lee, U of Fla. and Ga. Tech, completing advance courses in Business Administration. Also completed one year course of Business Administration and office management at Barry's Business College. Business training: Owned and operated own drug business in St. Paul for 15 years. Was successful and retired two years ago due to physical injuries resulting from war. Military: Served 39 months with Army during WWII; held highest administrative posts in the many Army installations to which I was assigned. Positions held required personal responsibility, policy and supervisory status. General: Have always taken an active part in civic and governmental affairs and have always participated in our elections. Have studied government and its responsibility to the people. Have made politics a party of my daily life for over 25 years.
- Holm Nothing particularly except that the position is just what the title implies 'secretary'. I started out in an office at 15 years of age attending Lancaster Business Institute and took a course in Insurance Law. At 20 years, was Office Manager of firm. Employed by State of Minnesota for some 15 years before I married Mr. Holm who was then Sec. of State. During our married life, I travelled with him to national meeting, acting as his Secretary during formal discussion of problems of the office. Also did considerable secretarial work for him in the home. I am not qualified for anything except office management and procedures. I filed for a second term as Secretary of State with reluctance for I have learned that conscientious, honest, devoted service in public life is not financially remunerative. My observation of the type of persons filing for public office indicates to me a deterioration in the qualifications for such work and I feel if qualified, able, honest people will not make the sacrifice (for it is a great personal sacrifice) to serve in public office, we have a serious problem in the years ahead.
- Ritter Approximately 20 years of Business Management and Public Relations. Age 44. Married - one child. Member: Methodist Church, Anoka Lodge 30 A.F. & A.M.; Martha Chapter #132 O.E.S.; Duluth Consistory 32nd Degree Scottish Rite; Educational Lodge 1002, Minneapolis.

Donovan Some 3 yrs. of general office & clerical work. Administrator: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Duluth office for the 8th District. 1948-1950. Responsible for the efficient operation of office personnel and enumeration of BUSINESS as well as POPULATION census. Administrator: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Field Service Division, Duluth office for 8th District of Smaller War Plant Corp., operated for the purpose of assisting small business. Field Supervisor 1942-1944: War Production Board, with broad powers of decision over field operations as well as policy and procedure. 1930-1940: Employed by Minnesota Power & Light Co. - Sales Dept. 1923-1929: Supervisor: Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. over field representatives and conservation of business. Space does not permit listing additional experience or training which I feel would qualify me for the above office.

Anderson Training: Graduate of High School, Theological Seminary & advanced studies at Northwestern Schools. Experience: Farming, Hardware, Implement & automobile business. Owner of Bing Realty Co., President of Lakeland Development Corporation. 20 yrs. as a Clergyman in the Baptist Ministry. I believe that our greatest political danger lies within our failures, when such have been true to deal honestly & fairly with the low wage & oppressed economic class. It is upon these people that subversive ideologies prey. Communism can never get a foot hold unless they have dissatisfied people to listen & heed their propositions. The state at this time, has an incumbent in the office of Secretary of State who has given glaring examples of such browbeating & uncooperativeness as to make a change highly desirable. I believe in my experience in dealing with people, I can bring to the dept. that kind of direction that is devoid of bossism & yet efficient & productive.

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C. R. (Cap) Bjornson, St. Louis Park
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Duane Lund, Staples
John Nordin, Minneapolis
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Lund B.A., Macalester College, 1947, major in Economics. M.A., University of Minnesota. Teaching experience in public schools - 7 years - Economics and Political Science. Administrative experience in Education and in a number of offices held in Educational and Political organizations, including the following: Central Minn. Education Ass'n, President; Minn. Young Republican League, past Chairman, present National Committeeman, immediate past Chairman Midwest Young Republicans (14 states). Considerable political experience including manager of Governor C. Elmer Anderson's 1952 campaign, Delegate to the 1952 Republican National Convention, and am at present regular party county chairman of Todd County.

Nordin Sixteen years of public office experience, of which 14 years I served as member of the State Legislature. 1 term as Mayor of Columbia Heights which office is also head of the Police Department. 15 yrs. experience in handling construction crews. 11 years owner and operator of Insurance and Real Estate business in Columbia Heights.

Hansen High School. Business College. 3 yrs. office experience, 8 years as Clay County AAA committeeman. 3 yrs. a farmer fieldman for State Agriculture Conservation Ass'n. 2 yrs. as War Food Administration Supervisor. Director of Census. Many years as Director of local and regional co-operatives.

Utton Attended St. Thomas College, U. of Minn. Varied business experience. Presently Sales and Promotion Manager of Lester's Inc. (prefabricators of farm buildings); also operates Porkie Company. Member of Mayflower Congregation Church; Church Athletic Director; Past President, Washburn Athletic Y.M.C.A.; member of Page School P.T.A. and Ramsey School P.T.A. Swedish and English descent. I am young and active and with my many years experience in promoting efficiency in private industry, it would be a pleasure to serve the people of Minnesota in the state treasurer's office.

Hagen Briefly, age 42, married, veteran of 3 years in U.S. Navy, graduate of the University of Minnesota with degree in Business Administration, accounting, about 20 yrs. of business experience as sales representative, Industrial Relations Assistant, advertising agency man, and a reputation for honesty and integrity; plus an avocation for political study.

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- Johnson Business Manager 10 yrs. Special studies of state taxes & financing matters.
- Murphy My employer, the Minn. Transfer Ry., entrusts me with the handling of their freight traffic business which amounts to many thousands of dollars a year. I am a graduate of St. Thomas College & Military Academy.
- Rasmussen 7 yrs. St. Paul Police Officer, & am now Pres. & Gen'l. Manager, St. Paul Merchant Police, Inc. a Private Detective Agency.
- Jacobson Graduate of Madelia, Minn., High School (Completed the prescribed 4-yr. course in 3 yrs.) Graduate of Rasmusses Business College, St. Paul, Minn. Attended U of M night school classes for 3 yrs. average of 3 nights a week for 9 months each yr. Course in accounting, auditing, business law, and general business. Presently & for some time past employed by the Farmers Home Mutual Insurance Co. in the office as assistant secretary, in an administrative & supervisory capacity.
- Bjornson My whole business life has been connected with financial matters, I have had 8 yrs. experience as a supervisor with the Rural Credits, 1½ yr. as Governor's Aid for Gov. Youngdahl, & I have had 6 yrs. experience with the State Legislature as Sergeant-at-Arms of the house. Besides handling the office of the State Treasurer efficiently, I would be in a better position to co-ordinate the activities of the office with the Legislature than any other candidate because of my wide acquaintance-ship with the members of the Legislature.
- Peterson Did not reply.

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CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE
of
ATTORNEY GENERAL

Republican

Elmer R. Anderson, Minneapolis
Forrest T. Anderson, Grand Rapids
Bernhard LeVander, St. Paul

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Robert W. Garrity, Minneapolis
Chester G. W. Gustafson, Briceyn
A. M. Joyce, West St. Paul
Miles Lord, Minneapolis
Frank P. Ryan, Minneapolis
Erling Swenson, Minneapolis

Candidates were asked this question: WHAT PARTICULAR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD THAT WOULD QUALIFY YOU FOR THIS OFFICE?

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- E.R. Anderson Education: High school, Holdrege, Neb; (Miscellaneous courses at) U of Nebraska, American Business College, Minneapolis-Minnesota College of Law, U of M. Political experience: Delegate to Ward, County, District Republican Conventions; active campaigning for candidates since 1924; 14 years service on Mpls. Charter Commission; many years service on Gov. Affairs Committee of Mpls. JC & C of C; candidate for Lt. Gov. in 1952. Occupation experience: Farmer; bookkeeping & counting; steno and secretarial work; 3 yrs. Naval Intell. in World War II; Trade Ass'n. Executive & Counsellor; Att'y. at Law. Organization Experience: Director of Mpls. JC and Mpls. Aquatennial Ass'n.; Member & officer of Hennepin County Bar Ass'n.; Member of Minn. State Bar Ass'n. Charter member & former Vice-President, Aqua Jester; Member, Speakers Bureau of Community Chest and Henn. County TB Ass'n; Member, Lynnhurst Congregational Church; Vice-Pres., Alumnae Holding Ass'n., Sigma Nu; Member, American Judicature Society.
- F.T. Anderson Aged 40 years, married, three children. Graduate, St. Paul College of Law. U.S. Marine Corp, 1942-46. General practice of law in Grand Rapids, Minn. since Apr. 1946. The first and most important qualification for this office is that of being learned in the law. This qualification I have, or I would not have presumed to seek this office. I have also been admitted to practice in U.S. District Court. I have not held public office previously other than serving as att'y. for various municipalities. Through so serving, I have gained some insight into problems of our gov't. on a state and local level, from the standpoint of this office. I have also, as att'y. for REA cooperatives, had occasion to work through the office of Att'y. Gen'l. If nominated and elected, I shall do all in my power to bring to the office the same impartial and efficient administration that Mr. Burnquist has given during his long tenure.
- LeVander Graduate of the U. of M. law school. Admitted to Minn. Bar, Sept. 1939. Seven years general law practice in Center City, St. Paul & Mpls. Member of Henn. Co. Bar Ass'n., and member of Legislative Committee of State Bar Ass'n. Broad administrative experience: Served as State Director of Social Welfare & reorganized the Division; Lt. (JG) in U.S. Navy, serving as Supply Office on the Group Staff of LST Amphib. Forces - 27 months service - 17 months overseas; 4 yrs. as Chairman, Repub. State Central Committee (1946-50); assistant

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- LeVander (cont'd) to Nat'l. Campaign Director, Crusade for Freedom, 1951. Active member of numerous civic, charitable & church organizations & boards: Past mbr., St. Paul Chapter, Nat'l. Conf. of Christians and Jews; past mbr., Board of Deacons, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, St. Paul (still mbr. of church); mbr., American Legion Post 8, St. Paul; appointed by Gov. Anderson to State TB Study Commission. At present actively serving on following boards of directors: Minn. Citizens Mental Health Ass'n., UN Ass'n., American Swedish Institute, Board of Christian Service of Augustana Lutheran Church, Bethesda Hospital and Bethesda Invalid Home, St. Paul.
- Ryan Background of 30 yrs.' legal experience & training; admitted to practice in all Federal, State and local Courts, also before the U.S. Supreme Court; former Ass't. U.S. Att'y.; former Special Ass't. Att'y. General, serving with the Hon. Harry M. Peterson, then Att'y. Gen'l., during the Floyd B. Olson administration; Member State, Hennepin and Ramsey County Bar Ass'ns., American Legion, Elks & Moose Lodges, Delta Theta Phi Legal Fraternity; member of State Central Committee of the D-FL Party.
- Gustafson Actively engaged in the private practice of Law in Minneapolis, Minn. in excess of fifteen years.
- Swenson Engaged in the general practice of law in Mpls. for past 40 years. Member of the House of Representatives and State Senate of Minn. from 1920 to 1930. Director of Game and Fish, Division of Conservation Dept. from 1933 to 1935. Graduate of law college of U of Minn. in 1912.
- Lord Worked my way thru law school by working as many as 18 hrs. a day & have done every conceivable type of employment. Before entering law school I attended Crosby-Ironton Jr. College for 3 yrs; thereafter engaged in restaurant business at Crosby for approximately 1 yr. Left to commence attendance at U of M Law School. After leaving Law School, engaged in practice of law in Mpls. for approximately 2 yrs., at which time I was appointed Ass't. U.S. Dist. Att'y. Handled all civil & criminal income tax matters in Fed. Court for Dist. of Minn; prosecuted bulk of racketeer defendants under Bur. of Internal Revenue Drive. Assigned to conduct Federal Grand Jury investigation of racketeers in Mpls. & in Mpls. City Council. Responsible for federal investigation of St. Cloud Reformatory which led to "penal reforms" there and at Stillwater, Minn. Chairman of Citizen's League of Greater Mpls. when it undertook to revamp licensing procedures in City of Mpls.; was particularly interested in phase of work which pertained to liquor licensing system in Mpls. since a proper revision would eradicate grip which the underworld has upon liquor licensing in Mpls. Have acted as personal att'y. for Mr. Louis Cass, the Stewart, Minn. Superintendent of Schools, who took it upon himself to curb sale of beer to minor students. Presently engaged in private practice of law. 34 yrs. old, married, father of 4, member of Diamond Lake Lutheran Church, active in civic affairs.
- Joyce Native born Minnesotan; 1911 Valedictorian of South St. Paul High School; BA degree, U of M, 1915; entered St. Paul College of Law and office of Todd, Kerr, Fosnes, Sterling & Neson as law clerk; admitted to Bar of Minn. and Federal Courts in 1917. Immediately enlisted & served overseas in WWI as commanding officer of 95th Aero Squadron, 1st Pursuit Group. Opened law office in 1920; served as city att'y. of South St. Paul & County Att'y. of Dakota County (2 terms) & challenge anyone to show better record in those offices before or since. Past Pres. of First Judicial Dist. Bar Ass'n; active member of Minn. and American Bar Ass'n.; & Sections on Intern'tl. Law & Peace & Law thru UN;

Joyce
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membership committees & Korean Armistice negotiations. Now fighting disbarment for advocating Bricker amendment in principle; criticising decision of State Supreme Court giving judges of State a fat increase in salary & compelling payment thereof contrary to law & in direct violation of express provision of constitutions & by tearing from the constitutions the principle of "self limitations of the courts" without which constitutions are nullified. Organized American Legion & VFW at South St. Paul. Widower with son & daughter. Generally admitted to be excellent lawyer but independent in views & judgment; strong advocate for uncompromising support & maintenance of constitutional law in and out of court & particularly by the courts. Only candidate for Att'y. General on any ticket who can guarantee even handed justice to all. A lawyers' lawyer but not an intimidated lawyer - a lawyer for each and all. Admission to Bar is not a qualification for office of att'y. gen'l. People of Minn. may elect to that office a fair representative of all people unhandicapped by 2nd class citizenship imposed by courts upon members of medical and legal professions. To preserve our form of gov't. & way of life, we must revert to a "gov't. of laws & not of men."

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Did not reply.

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Before each election, the League of Women Voters of Minnesota sends questionnaires to all candidates for state executive office. The following are replies from

CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE
of
CLERK OF SUPREME COURT

Republican

Eric R. Ahlstrand, St. Louis Park
*Grace Kaercher Davis, Minneapolis
W. J. Werner, Blue Earth

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Curtis H. Hanson, Minneapolis
Charles Joseph Johnson, Wabasha
Frank Larkin, Minneapolis

* Denotes incumbent

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Davis Twelve years experience in my father's law office at Ortonville, Minn. after having taken a business course; also Associate Editor of Ortonville Independent; assisted in farm land sales and life and fire insurance with my late father and brothers. Now serving my 7th term in this position (28 years).

Hanson Graduate of 2 years of Business Administration with an Accounting major. This included several courses in Law. Approximately seven years in Real Estate and Mortgage Loan business with a large real estate company. Past and present Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Commander. Experience gained in detail work and meeting of public through business and association with VFW organization.

Johnson My slogan comes first "MOTHERS PLACE IS IN THE HOME, AND FATHERS AFTER WORK". Born & raised in Minn. Education: St. Thomas College & Mpls. College of Law. Military training: Honorable discharge, U.S. Marine Air Corps Reserve, Minn. State Guard. Married - five children. Own home in Wabasha. Candidate for Lt. Gov. in 1944 & 1940, party nominee for State Treasurer, 1942. Justice of peace, City of Wabasha, two terms 1949, 1951. Present county surveyor, Wabasha County. Hold honorable withdrawal cards from the Machinists Union #459, Milk Drivers #546, Truck Drivers #120. In the Insurance business for 15 years, now special goods salesman.

Werner I have finished thirteen correspondence courses with the Blackstone law course inclusive. This course conferred the degree of Bachelor of Laws. I have passed a state & a federal bar examination in the State of Arkansas. I am an attorney - in good standing, licensed to practice law, in the Supreme & all inferior courts in that state.

Larkin De LaSalle High School. U of M. Minn. School of Business. Ass't. Cashier, Minn. Div. Employment & Security. Treasurer, Town of Minnetonka; Clerk, Federal Cart. Corp. Executive Sec'y., Henn. Co. Agricultural Society.

Ahlstrand 1. Attended country school, worked on home farm until 18. Entered School of Agriculture at U of M, graduated in 1925. Attended College of Agric. from 1926-33. 1933-34, employed in Dairy Division, U of M, assisted with Dairy short course & worked on experimental cheese project. 2. In May, 1934, appointed Dairy & Food Inspector, Dept. of Agriculture, state of Minn. Work involved responsibility for enforcement of all dairy & food laws in given territory & State supervision of all cheese factories. In addition, organized Minn. Cheesemakers Ass'n. Originated & initiated plan for Nat'l. Advertising Program of Dairy Products. Plan was successful & is now supported by producers in 40 states functioning under name of American Dairy Ass'n. It is the largest of all Dairy Organizations. 3. April 1, 1939 - appointed Director of Dairy & Food Dept. of state of Minn. Dept. consisted of office, food laboratory, bacteriological laboratory & field inspection force, employing approximately 40 employees. This kind of work required technical as well as non-technical administrative responsibilities. Gained considerable experience in practices of large scale public & business administration. 4. Since resigning my position as Director of Dairy and Food Department, have owned & operated own enterprises. Managing a dairy processing business with gross sales as high as \$3,000,000 per year. 5. Have been active in Republican party at Precinct & Ward levels & chairman of Republican Party in St. Louis Park & on Henn. County Republican Party Publicity Committee. Filed for Congress in the Third Congressional District on Republican ticket in 1944. These extensive experiences in financing, purchasing, operating & managing large scale business, business administration, public relations work, public administrative responsibilities, formal education, interest and activity in politics & good government qualifies me for the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

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CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE
of
RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE COMMISSIONER

Republican

Robert F. Lee, Annandale
Kenneth D. Lund, St. Paul
W. Victor Lundquist, Owatonna
Clifford L. Swanson, Minneapolis
Henry Thorson, Milan
Henry C. Van Auken, Minneapolis

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Thomas W. Connolly, St. Paul
Charles R. Gallagher, Minneapolis
Walter F. Jorgenson, Minneapolis
Orville V. Pederson, Minneapolis
Hjalmar Petersen, Askov
*Clifford C. Peterson, Minneapolis

* Denotes incumbent

Candidates were asked this question: WHAT PARTICULAR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD THAT WOULD QUALIFY YOU FOR THIS OFFICE?

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- Lee Sixteen years member of the House, Minnesota Legislature, 1933 to 1949 excepting '37. Education - Graduate Hamline University, Class 1923, major in Economics. Business - Livestock Feeder, Farming. Legislative experience brought me into considerable contact with the work of the Commission. Especially so in 1939 when I was a member of the Joint Senate and House Investigating Committee. Served 16 years as a member of house education committee; 14 years, member of house rules committee; 10 years, member of house appropriations committee; 4 years, chairman of house highway committee. Candidacy endorsed unanimously at 6th District Republican convention.
- Van Auken Twenty years of good business experience: 10 years, wholesale meat line-Hormel & Co., Austin; 10 years in tire distributing in St. Cloud, Mankato and Hibbing and transportation field, the past 6 with the Fruehauf Trailer Co. with whom I am presently employed as Sales Manager. Served as Chairman of Benton County Rationing Board. 3 years as Sec. & Treas. Rotary Club of St. Cloud; Board of Directors-St. Cloud C of C; active in St. Cloud JC; presently serving on Street Traffic Committee of Mpls. Chamber of Commerce.
- Peterson I was elected to this office in 1948 and am the Senior Member of this Commission. I am a member of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Railroad and Utilities Commissioners. At present, I am Chairman of the Railroad and Warehouse Commission.
- Petersen Member of the State Legislature, in the House, in the sessions of 1931 and 1933. In the latter session was chairman of the House Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws, and there sponsored with a number of co-authors the state income tax to help the public schools. Was also lieutenant governor, and governor of the state, filling out the unexpired term of the late Governor Floyd B. Olson. Was railroad and warehouse commissioner from Jan. 1937 to Jan. 1943.

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- Lundquist My education consisted of high school and 4 years business administration. During my 20 years business experience I was an Accountant, Auditor Comptroller and Treasurer for 3 large corporations. My duties included supervision of traffic managers and warehousemen. It is felt that my administrative experience and knowledge of costs will assist me to approach the various problems in a qualified common sense manner.
- Pederson Have studied the matter of trucking & other transportation problems for some years and have had practical experience therein as well as a practical business education.
- Swanson 1. Graduate Civil Engineer from the University of Minnesota. 2. 25 years of business experience dealing with railroads and the trucking industry as to rates and service. 3. Twelve years as a member of the Minneapolis City Council and a member of all important committees conducting hearings with the Public Utilities.
- Thorson I was born & raised in Milan, am a graduate of the Milan High School & attended Mankato Commerical College. For the past 23 yrs. I have owned & operated a grocery business. I have served as village assessor for 9 yrs. & am still serving in that capacity. I am also secretary & treasurer of the Milan Mutual Telephone Co., an office which I still hold & have filled for the past 7 yrs. I have been active in civic affairs, having served 6 yrs. on the Milan School Board, am past president & secretary of both the Milan Commerical Club & the Milan Lions Club. I am 52 yrs. old, married & have one daughter. I am also a member of the Kviteseid Lutheran Church.
- Jorgenson Born: 6/27/1910, Mpls. Education: Grammar School at Miles Standish & Roosevelt High School. Active 18 yrs. in Labor Movement. Alderman, Fourth Ward, 4 yrs. in Mpls. City Council. Machinist by trade, worked 12 yrs. at bldg. trades work. Employed 4½ yrs. at Twin City Sanitary District. Veteran of 3 yrs. in Philippine Islands. Presently employed at Twin City Sanitary District. Member of: North Side Commercial Club; National Congress of Parents & Teachers; Fourth Ward Democratic-Farmer Labor Club; Loyal Order of the Moose; Robbinsdale Sportsmen's Club, The American Legion, Bearcat Post; Construction & General Laborers Union local No. 563; Gethsemane Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mpls.
- Connolly I have had no previous training for this particular, but have long taken a deep interest in politics, and I feel the only requisite for this office is common sense and good judgment.
- Gallagher Did not reply.
- Lund Did not reply.

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Before each election the League of Women Voters of Minnesota sends questionnaires to all candidates for congressional office. The following are replies from

CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE
of
U. S. SENATOR

Republican

Val Bjornson, Minneapolis
Arthur D. Russell, Minneapolis
Richard S. Wilcox, St. Paul
* Denotes incumbent

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

A. B. Gilbert, Mound
*Hubert H. Humphrey, Minneapolis
Harold Strom, Minneapolis

Candidates were asked these questions:

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. EDUCATION
2. OCCUPATION
3. WHAT PARTICULAR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD THAT WOULD QUALIFY YOU FOR THIS OFFICE?

STAND ON ISSUES

- A. PLEASE INDICATE THE ASPECTS OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY WITH WHICH YOU ARE MOST IN AGREEMENT; THOSE OF WHICH YOU ARE MOST CRITICAL.
- B. DO YOU RECOMMEND ANY CHANGES IN THE PROCEDURES OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES?
- C. WHAT SPECIFIC CHANGES WOULD YOU RECOMMEND IN OUR FEDERAL TAX STRUCTURE?
- D. IN WHAT LEGISLATION ARE YOU ESPECIALLY INTERESTED? PLEASE STATE SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION.

REPLIES ARE LISTED IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY WERE RECEIVED.

Wilcox

1. Grade school, graduate of School of Agriculture, University of Minn., 3 yrs. at Academic College, U of M, majoring in Journalism.
2. Public relations & advertising. Farm editor, St. Paul Sunday Pioneer Press-Dispatch for 20 yrs. Associate editor Land O' Lakes News for 28 yrs. & director of economic research for John Brandt, pres. of Land O' Lakes Creameries, for 28 yrs. Public Relations also for other farm organizations.
3. All my life I have been interested in better government & have participated in many campaigns to this end. I was state manager for Thos. E. Dewey in 44 and 48 campaigns. Handled publicity in 44 for Western division of the Republican party, located at Chgo. Very active for Senator Robert Taft in 52 campaign.
- A. I am in agreement that we must play an important part in world affairs but it must be as partners not as world boss. Financial assistance should not be on a charity basis but by private loan on long-time basis, protected by some form of self-supporting gov't. guarantee.
- B. I think the need of this has been much over-exaggerated. As far as I can see all witnesses have had or could have had attorneys. I haven't any sympathy for anyone in gov't. service or out who pleads the 5th amendment on loyalty. However, I am sure there can always be improvements made in procedures.
- C. I think the tax structure of the federal gov't. & the states should be completely overhauled so that certain taxes are reserved for the states & certain for the federal gov't. There should be in this way a lower tax burden for both the nation & the states. We must have lower taxes.
- D. 1) A farm program enacted which will give the farmer the machinery for obtaining of 100 percent parity as promised by the Rep. party in

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its 52 platform, this program to include firm supports & effective production controls to place the program on a self-supporting basis to at least 90%. This would not mean increased cost to consumers over an average number of yrs. & would mean prosperity for the worker & businessman as well as the farmer. 2) I favor an amendment to the constitution which prevents a treaty from prevailing over U.S. laws & one which prohibits & makes ineffective executive agreements now circumventing the constitution.

Bjornson

1. Graduated Minneota HS, 1924; B.A., summa cum laude, U of M, 1930; major: political science; minor: comparative literature; Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic; Delta Sigma Rho, honorary forensic; Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity. Grew up in country newspaper office, assuming full editorship of weekly, Minneota Mascot, when only 19 yrs. old, resuming such work after graduating from U of M. To Twin Cities, 1935, radio & newspaper work, until assumption of state treasurer's office.
2. Newspaper & radio work. Began work in father's weekly newspaper office, 1918, before I was 12 yrs. old. Edited Minneota Mascot both before & after attending U of M. Entered radio work, Twin Cities, 1935; handled commentaries, news programs, farm programs, interviews, coverage of Minn. legislative sessions, 1935-49, except for period 1942-46, spent in U.S. Navy World War II service. Editorial writer, Minneapolis Journal, 1935-36; Minneapolis Tribune, 1937-41; associate editor St. Paul Pioneer Press & Dispatch, 1947-50.
3. Close observation of state gov't. through role in press & radio coverage for long span of yrs. Interest in politics began in boyhood - made more than 20 speeches in a 7th District congressional campaign when I was only 18 yrs. old, in 1924. County chairman, Rep. party, Lyon county, 1932-34. Only public office held prior to 1950 election as State Treasurer was as member of School Board in my home town of Minneota. Have now (7/1/54) served 3½ yrs. as State Treasurer. Have held such unofficial posts as pres. of 7th District Editorial Ass'n.; pres., Minneota Businessmen's ass'n.; pres., Lyon County Press Ass'n.; chairman, information subcommittee of 1947 constitutional revision committee for Minn.
- A. Agree completely as to need for cultivation of allies in collective security endeavors such as NATO, feeling also that similar steps must come as to SE Asia in particular. U.S. must, however, avoid being placed in the role of propping up tottering colonialism anywhere. Agree that admission of Red Chinese regime to UN cannot come while Red China is definitely branded as aggressor in UN, actually a belligerent against UN. Support fully the Eisenhower foreign policy, with particular stress on more realistic presentations of our position being made by the Voice of America, beamed to people beyond the Iron Curtain. Favor thorough watchfulness as to foreign aid programs, realizing that while the 'Yankee dollar' may help, it cannot actually buy friendship.
- B. I certainly do recommend such changes as will more fully guarantee basic individual rights. In a keynote speech launching my senatorial campaign on 6/16/54, I said this: "Let us preserve our freedoms even while we combat those who would be the first to deny them to others."
- C. I am in complete agreement with the Eisenhower administration tax program, as embodied in the 580-page tax revision measure, the most extensive of its kind undertaken since 1875. I agree even as to concessions made in the House version of that measure, seeking to lighten the double taxation of dividends, though I do not consider that particular feature a vital essential. I feel criticisms of that proposal are demagogic, however, particularly since comparable steps

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were advocated by the late Pres. Roosevelt in 1936. I consider the \$7,400,000,000 tax reduction made possible so far under the Eisenhower administration - largest in nation's history - adequate under the circumstances. Piling debts higher leads back toward dangerous inflation.

- D. On the 'farm front', I would favor restoration of some of the abruptly sharp cuts made April 1, 1954, in dairy price supports, & more gradual measures as to the 6 basics. I protest the weighting of the basics in the discriminatory manner continuing favoritism to the South. As a compromise, I would favor extension of supports on the basics within the range of 82½ to 90% of parity. For a more positive approach on the dairy problem, I strongly favor passage of the bill introduced 3/11/54 by Congressman August H. Andresen, seeking elimination of artificial barriers to the marketing of Minnesota milk at distant points such as N.Y., under the guise of sanitary regulations. I favor, in general, more of 'trade, not aid', greater freedom from economic hobbles, less of paternalism, less of 'big gov't.' & Washington 'whip-cracking.'

Russell

1. Grade, high & commercial schools. But little college. Studied law statutes while in public office. Had much early military instruction under the finest drillmaster in the 8th army corp, U.S.A., 1898-9, San Francisco & Manila, P.I. Long a N.G. Captain, volunteered services via Ft. Snelling Officers Training Camp, 1917.
2. Retired accountant, writer.
3. Was City Clerk at Yankton, S.D., 7 yrs., later clerked in County Auditor's office, there. Taught school, worked with lawyers in political offices & in industry. Except for 19 months while with the disabled War Veterans Relief Administration, State of Minn., have put in the rest of my time in private industry as accountant.
- A. Was greatly pleased by the Korean Armistice. It is a diplomatic triumph particularly in view of the president's background. It was a triumph over war mongering pressure groups & political chiselers. But I criticize Ike's listening to Chiang Kai Shek's followers & Syngman Rhee. The tail is still wagging the dog as with Truman & with less occasion. Truman fully expected to become a great world dictator but Syngman Rhee cramped his style & relegated him to 2nd place right from the start. But the China Lobby is still to be reckoned with. Ike should beware.
- B. Yes.
- C. I urge abolishing all price supports & say that we should create a huge governmental cartel to buy & sell all the farmer produces on the order of what Argentina does & which is copied by most of the nations with their export import cartels. I favor heavier income taxes to pay for past & present war prosperity & to provide for a peace prosperity for the future. Federal income taxes should pay for schools, hospitals, roads, bridges, etc, here at home as well as in Korea. Ike allocates 200 million for Korean rehabilitation. I say 200 billion is nearer what we owe them.
- D. Future police actions should be fought by U.N. armies of volunteer Turks, etc, & our \$3 an hr. plasterers, plumbers, carpenters, teachers, judges, etc, should pay the cost, just as draft substitutes were paid during our civil war by the wealthy parents of the boys who did not choose to enlist. The British hired the Hessians from the German Kaiser to fight our colonial troops. We are not a free nation now by any stretch of the imagination & if we intend to keep drafting the youth of the nation into involuntary servitude we should change the old name USA to "The Truman Slave States" or to "The US of Racketeers". The Social Security Administration name should be changed to the

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Undertakers Security Ad'mn. Today a worker starting at 15 & dying at 65 is entitled to 3 monthly payments after his burial bill is paid in full. Less than half of the average funeral cost. Not 1 red cent is allocated for hospitalization or doctor bills. 15 yrs. ago a grave opening cost \$5. Today it is \$50. Henn. Co. used to allow \$7 for burying a pauper. Today they allow \$150. Minn. allows \$350 for burial expense of state workers killed on duty & the 1953 legislators toyed with the idea of raising it to \$700 or 100 times what Henn. Co. used to allow. How crazy can we get?

Humphrey

1. Attended elementary & secondary schools of Doland, S.D. B.A. Degree from U of M (1939), magna cum laude. M.A. Degree in Political Science from Louisiana State U (1940). Honorary Doctor of Law Degree from Nat'l. University Law School, Washington, D.C. (1953).
2. Professor of Political Science at Macalester College, 1943-44. Mayor of Minneapolis, 1945-48. U.S. Senator, 1948 to present.
3. My schooling & training have been in the field of political science & in the art of gov't. I have served as the U.S. Senator from Minn. in the 81st, 82nd, and 83rd Congresses. It was my effort to serve with dignity & conscience, & to the best of my ability. I have always attempted to represent the best interests of the people of Minn. & the nation.
- A. Our role as gov't. in world affairs must be aimed at helping to build an international community based on law & aimed at achieving peace within the framework of freedom & self-determination of peoples. I am a supporter of the UN as the instrument now available to achieve that objective. Our nation is in the position of leadership by virtue of our material strength. We must also earn that leadership by virtue of our spiritual qualities & our dedication to liberty. The Technical Assistance Program, Point Four, exchange of students & peoples & an effective information program, are tools to help us gain the respect & admiration of our world neighbors who are less privileged than we. I am a strong believer in mutual security & consider it the base for bringing about mutual international understanding. This includes the necessity of continuing a program of economic aid as well as military aid. NATO must remain one of foundations upon which our military defenses rests. Within this framework I support regional defense pacts such as a RIO Pact with our Western Hemisphere neighbors. We must recognize that the freedom-loving nations of the world are our partners & our allies, not our statellites, and we should treat them accordingly. Such a program can provide a basis which will place our military preparedness program in proper perspective for the world. We must, however, never minimize the importance of military preparedness for nat'l. defense.
- B. Yes. We should call a halt to abuses of committee procedures now bringing disrepute & disrespect down onto the heads of Congress. The Senate should assert its Constitutional responsibility of providing long overdue reforms of investigative procedures based upon accepted American standards of "fair play". My recommendations for a code of fair procedure for a Senate committee follows: Provisions Covering Committee Organization, Investigations, Reports: 1. Approval of full Committee required for appointment of sub-committee with less than 3 members. 2. Selection of Committee staff & personnel subject to approval of majority of Committee. 3. Written notice 16 hrs. prior to meeting, unless waived by majority of committee. 4. Resolution setting forth subject & scope of Committee hearings & investigations must be specific & can only be amended by majority vote of committee. 5. Submission of any official Committee Report to all members 24-hrs. prior to its consideration by Committee. 6. Testimony taken in executive sessions cannot be released by staff without prior authorization.

Humphrey

Provisions Covering Rights of Witnesses: 1. 24-hr. prior notification must be given a witness called by Comm. outlining subject matter on which witness is to be interrogated. 2. Right to make oral statement or submit a sworn statement is given to every witness, & statement must be included in transcript of hearings. 3. Release of statements or material adversely affecting an individual by a Member of Comm. staff is prohibited, unless there has been prior or simultaneous release of rebuttal statement. 4. Persons adversely affected by testimony taken in public hearings are given right to: cross-examine witnesses in public hearings, be represented by counsel & subpoena witnesses & documents on his behalf at discretion of Comm. 5. Persons adversely affected by release of testimony taken in executive sessions are given same rights as if the testimony had been taken in public hearings. Supervision and Enforcement: 1. The Vice-Pres. & 4 other Members of Senate are constituted as a group to receive complaints & investigate violations of these rules. They can advise Com. Chairmen of their findings, & present their findings to Senate with such recommendations for remedial action as they deem appropriate. In addition, I believe that the single committee approach is the best way to protect our internal security without engaging in headline hunting competition.

- C. I strongly believe in progressive income tax as best form of gov't. financing & fiscal policies. In recent yrs., the integrity of income tax has been undermined by creation of tax loopholes, & tax concessions to special groups. My loophole closing tax program would raise approximately \$4 billion, without increasing tax rates for American taxpayer. In addition, we should increase dependency deduction allowances so that when tax deductions are called for those deductions will benefit middle & low income groups. I also believe in reduction of excise taxes for I consider excise tax to be a form of regressive taxation.
- D. My activities as mbr. of Senate Foreign Relations Comm., Senate Com. on Agriculture & Forestry, & Senate Select Committee on Small Business make it necessary for me to be active in many legislative areas. I believe our most crucial problems are in international area. Problems of foreign policy, therefore, have occupied a major part of my energies in Congress. There can be no more important problem than the need to establish peace based on justice. Closely related, however, is the need to preserve in American economy an equity, & in our American social life a sense of equal opportunity so as to strengthen the fabric of our democracy. It is in legislation to accomplish these objectives that I am primarily interested. For that reason I have been a champion of social welfare legislation, & I have been a strong supporter of fair farm price supports & oppose Sec. of Agriculture Benson's plan to reduce agriculture price supports. It has also been my conviction that the Congress should pay more attention to fiscal policy & to the importance of tax & credit programs to achieve stability.

Gilbert

Did not reply.

Strom

Did not reply.

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
SECOND DISTRICT

Republican

* / Joseph P. O'Hara, Glencoe

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Jack Conway, West St. Paul
Wesley H. Erkle, Le Center
Larry W. Feyereisen, South St. Paul
Harry Sieben, Hastings

* Denotes incumbent

/ No primary contest; reply not included.

Candidates were asked these questions:

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

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2. OCCUPATION
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STAND ON ISSUES

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Conway

1. Graduate of Cretin High School; attended U of M law school for 3 yrs.
2. Owner of Conway's Liquor Store.
3. 3 yrs. of law school has given me some grasp of legal affairs, also I have been a small businessman for 5 yrs. & am well acquainted with the problems of business; & also served as pres. of S. Robert St. Businessmen's Club & am an active member in it.
- A. Agree: help our allies (but up to a point); never, never recognize Red China or admit her into the UN; not get involved in Indo-China, particularly when the natives would not back us. DISagree: with the idea of global planning & thinking that dollar diplomacy can solve things; with the idea that we can't go it alone (we may HAVE to go it alone with the rest of the western hemisphere so we better start thinking about it); with our trading with & continuing diplomatic relations with Russia & other communist countries (we should stop all trade & diplomatic relations at once).
- B. If a witness does not always have the right to counsel, he should have; if private executive sessions are not always held prior to public sessions, they should be; and if a witness does not want to be subjected to the glaring lights of TV & newsreel, he should not have to be. BUT we should do nothing to hamper the effectiveness of these valuable committees.
- C. Generally speaking, the federal gov't. should cut down on expenses & services thus leaving more of the taxes to the states; for instance, the federal gov't. should get out of the gasoline tax field; I would

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Conway
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like to see higher income tax exemptions (\$600 is much too low); most of your business taxes handicap the small businessmen & should be eased; & I would like to see the elimination of the double tax on dividends.

- D. I am very much in favor of the proposal to establish a permanent committee on Small Business; & I would like to see more tax benefit for the \$5,000 & under income group.

Sieben

1. Hastings High School, University of Minnesota - B.S. Degree, major in political science, economics and Social Studies.
2. Manager of Sieben Drug Store at Hastings, General Manager of Murphy Distributing Co., St. Paul. Personnel Manager, N. W. Airlines Bomber Modification Center, St. Paul. Minnesota Director, Office of Price Stabilization, 2 yrs.
3. A lifelong interest in good government, coupled with University training in political science. Leadership in the D.F.L. party on a local, county & state level. A knowledge of the problems of small business from personal experience at both retail & wholesale level. A firm belief that the prosperity of the towns and cities of Minn. depends on the prosperity of the farmers of Minn. A record of long service in community activities such as Cub Scouting, March of Dimes, Red Cross, etc.
- A. The U.S. can best serve itself and the world through continued active membership & participation in the United Nations. Our major objective in foreign policy should be the prevention of another world war, and at the same time to stop the communist menace from further advances.
- B. No comment at this time until I have given further study to present procedures. I believe the problems have been more of personalities than of procedures.
- C. Tax revision to increase spendable consumer income by raising the personal exemption from \$600 to at least \$800. Tax revision to close the tax loopholes now given to oil companies and gas well owners.
- D. Farm legislation. I believe the farmers are entitled to full parity, and I will vote accordingly.

Erkle Did not reply.

Feyereisen Did not reply.

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
THIRD DISTRICT

Republican

David S. Bledsoe, Osseo
Peter Filips, Minneapolis
Ed Willow, Minneapolis

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

/*Roy W. Wier, Minneapolis

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- Filips
1. Only a grade school education. Marks always around 98. Education limited due to being brought up in an Orphan Home. Eng. Corps Army I.Q. was 3rd highest in our Co. surpassed only by a professional lawyer & professional engineer.
 2. Is drafting, structural engineering field. Work is of exceptionally high quality. Also own and operate "The Modern Greenhouse Mfg. Co." in my spare time. We exhibit annually at the Mpls. Builders Show, & will have an exhibit at the Minn. State Fair.
 3. I take a keen interest in the political field. Over Radio I follow "Town Hall Meetings; Meet the Press; Facts Forum;" leading commentators; National political conventions. Get both sides of the story, & this is where I really learn the most. In Newspapers I read the editorial page, and letters from the public. I think Ike needs some help. He can't do it alone.
 - A. The present administration is a vast improvement over the previous administration. I like the end of the Korean conflict, & I especially like the return of our American prisoners. "Bring them back alive" is my motto on this issue. I believe in extreme caution before ever sending our boys away again to fight.
 - B. The committees in themselves are not the real headaches. The disgrace lies in what caused us to have these investigations. Had the Democratic administration been functioning properly there would have been no need for these investigations. We should have more investigations. For example these housings deals. To protect Labor, Union Funds must also be investigated. I believe that other investigations may prove necessary.

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- C. I believe the present administration is doing a fine job here. We must cut all wastes, balance the budget, and cut taxes. The past Democratic administrations have passed too much of the tax burdens on to the future generations. They were living in a Fool's paradise.
- D. A good foreign policy is my first consideration. We must protect Union members by Gov't. guardianship on all Union Funds. There must be a stop to Unions raiding one other, a secret ballot on strikes before going out on strike by all Union members, supervised by Gov't. agents. Better educational program, especially for the underprivileged & the oppressed groups of people. A vigorous highway program. A solution to the farm surplus products.

Willow

- 1. Grade & High School education, Silver Lake, Minn., McCleod County. Graduate Macalester College, Bachelor of Arts degree; additional study in accounting, Labor problems, American gov't., at U of M. Attendance at summer schools & conferences, YMCA Camp at Lake Geneva, Blue Ridge, N.C. Studied in administration & group work.
- 2. YMCA Secretary, on leave of absence.
- 3. City Business Secretary & Executive Secretary of Downtown branch of YMCA, 1944-1949. This is a \$600,000 operation with a staff of 125 people. Past Pres., YMCA Secretaries' Professional Society for Minn. North & South Dakota. Aide to Wes Fesler in recent YMCA capital funds campaign, organizing 1800 men to raise \$1,500,000. Boy's Work Secretary 1927-37, N.E. branch of YMCA; Executive Secretary, N.E. branch, 1937-44. Adviser to Hi-Y Youth & Gov't. program, state of Minn. Member, Dr. Rufus Putnam's lay Survey Committee studying secondary education in Mpls.; one of 5 to write the final report. Member Foreign Policy Ass'n.; Citizens Committee on Public Education; Citizens League for Good Gov't.; Chamber of Commerce Gov'tal. Affairs Committee. Nominee of Republican party in 3rd Congressional District in 1952 elections. Lost to incumbent by 9000 votes in a total of 220,000 votes cast.
- A. I believe strongly in a policy of settling differences around the conference table. A policy of appeasement will not get us very far in our relations with the Communists. I believe in an armed force strong enough to defend us, but not to be used in a war in which we support Colonialism of any kind anywhere. I believe in the policy of self-determination of nations, & giving assistance to those people who show a desire to do things for themselves & who have a determined interest to remain free. I believe in the UN as an instrument to foster understanding & a tool to settle differences amongst member nations. We cannot isolate ourselves by virtue of our leadership position & must participate in world affairs.
- B. I believe that Congressional investigating committees play an important role in the operation of gov't. They serve as a check on the Executive branch to be certain that it operates efficiently. I do not believe that investigating committees are courts where individuals are put on trial & proved guilty or not guilty on the basis of evidence. It is my opinion that they are set up to get facts which can be used by the Attorney General as evidence in Federal Courts.
- C. The tax program of the Eisenhower administration I feel is sound because it encourages both consumer demand & business demand. This administration is seriously attempting to face up to a peacetime economy by cutting the costs of gov't. without sacrificing essential services, & also working toward a balanced budget. I believe that tax cuts should be greatest for the rank & file of our citizens, but not to the point where we fail to realize that all gainfully employed persons should share in fair proportion the cost of gov't.

Willow
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D. 1) I am interested in a sound tax program. The present administration's approach is taking into consideration the overall needs of all of our citizens. 2) I am interested in foreign aid especially as it relates to the Student Exchange program & the Point Four program. I feel that we need to bring to this country students who will be better equipped to solve local problems, & who will help interpret our country to their nations. 3) I am interested in the Health & Welfare Dept. & research in the field of Cancer, Multiple Sclerosis, & other diseases causing the deaths & crippling of so many people. I am interested in advancing a sound approach to the Mental Health Program on a national basis. 4) I am interested in progressive Labor legislation. My residence the last 27 yrs. has been in N. E. Mpls. where so many of our laboring people live. I have worked closely with these families & am therefore interested in progressive labor legislation protecting the rights of the individual laboring man. 5) After this session of Congress most of the Eisenhower program will have crystallized & I will be in a better position to judge future needs.

Bledsoe

1. Grammar School; 1 yr. engineering, U of M Night school; 1 yr. Welding, Dunwoody Institute, Night school; 1 yr. Sheet metal drafting, Crane Tech., Chgo; Production methods, LaSalle Extension U; a correspondence school, Chgo., Ill.
2. Inspector of ordnance material, Northern Ordnance plant, Fridley, Minn.
3. I have been associated with working men & farmers all my life. I have had 15 years supervisory experience. I have sat on both sides of the conference table in labor disputes. I feel I know what is needed in the field of labor & have the answer to our farm problems.
- A. I agree with our non-partisan foreign policy, but believe our foreign aid program should be overhauled. It seems to me we should inject more sales force ability into the administration of our foreign aid program.
- B. No.
- C. No change. I believe our taxes should remain as is until we have balanced the budget.
- D. I believe the Secretary of Labor should be elevated to a major cabinet post, and given the authority to adjust the working hours to fit our changing economy. I am for flexible supports for farm prices. I believe through flexible price support there is protection for the Consumer, the Farmer & the Tax Payer.

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FOURTH DISTRICT

Republican

John M. Drexler, St. Paul
Richard C. Hansen, St. Paul

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Jim Ingram, St. Paul
*Eugene J. McCarthy, St. Paul

* Denotes incumbent.

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Ingram

1. Graduate Mechanical Engineer; Safety Course - NYU, NY; Administration Course.
2. Former Small Businessman - 2 yrs.; Dept. of the Army - 9 yrs.
3. Safety Director for the Corps of Engineers, European Command, which required liaison with labor management & personnel officials. Chairman of the Civilian Council representing 5,000 employees, the utmost tact & diplomacy was required to bring grievances to a harmonious conclusion to the satisfaction of all parties involved.
- A. Agreement: 1) Foreign aid to needy countries. 2) A United Nations. Critical: 1) Foreign aid being too lax. 2) Requiring that other countries do as we wish & buying good will through foreign aid. 3) Purchase of foreign arms for our military forces.
- B. Definitely. I believe that congressional investigation should operate with a minimum of publicity to tone down criticism of the US quarreling within, & advocating a United European Army between other nations. We as a nation should resolve our differences within so as to command respect from other nations.
- C. This would require first hand extensive study to be able to make any statement.
- D. 1. Labor: I believe as in the army, no weapons will ever replace infantry, the modern world must recognize labor as the backbone of all industry, the key to economic success. 2. Small Business: The freedom of each and every individual to conduct business as he would like to within the limitations set forth to guard against loss and a limitation through free enterprise of a net profit to compensate for efforts. 3. Government Contracts: Gov't. contracts should not be consolidated in large plants where atom attack could destroy the

- Ingram (cont'd) complete source of supply. Small business contracts sublet could eliminate this & help small business.

- McCarthy
1. St. John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, 1935. M.A., University of Minnesota.
 2. Incumbent Member of Congress.
 3. Training and education in history, economics and the social sciences. Experience as a teacher in the social sciences at the high school, college and university levels. Experience with Military Intelligence during the war. 6 years as a Member of the House of Representatives in the U.S. Congress during which time have served on the Post Office & Civil Service Committee; Committee on Agriculture; Committee on Interior & Insular Affairs, which has jurisdiction over Mines & Mining, Irrigation & Reclamation, Public Lands, Territories & Insular Affairs, Indian Affairs; and the Committee on Banking & Currency.
- A. I am in general agreement with the economic & military policies which the U.S. is carrying on. I regret, of course, the loss of initiative & the failure to assert strong leadership at the Geneva Conference. It is my opinion, also, that we have not given sufficient attention to South America & its problems. I believe that our program of technical aid to underdeveloped countries & our International Information & Education Exchange programs should be improved & extended. I would like very much to see our international trade program improved. I favor continued support by the U.S. to the United Nations.
- B. I have recommended that congressional investigations, which are intended to lead to criminal prosecution or are likely to lead to such action, be conducted in executive sessions & evidence & developments transferred to Grand Juries for further judicial processing. In serious cases, more attention should be given to basic requirements of due process of law. Committees also should be guided by the rules of committee procedure & committee chairmen should be kept within those rules.
- C. I believe that the graduated income tax, coupled with the corporate profit tax, should be the basic source of income for the Federal government.
- Such tax revision as is necessary to eliminate injustices in cases where there is actual double taxation & where one person or group of persons is taxed unjustly should be accomplished. I am opposed to proposals to set arbitrary limits on tax rates & am generally opposed to the excise & sales taxes as a purely revenue raising measure as distinguished from its use for social control or control of the use of a commodity for other purposes.
- D. Support: Reform of the budgetary process to enable Congress to more accurately determine the needs of the Federal government. Point IV program. Questions dealing with financing, both domestic & international, which come under the jurisdiction of the Banking & Currency Committee.

- Hansen
1. St. Paul Public Schools. Mechanic Arts High School. Gustavus Adolphus College, B.A. 1932.
 2. Real Estate Sales.
 3. Secretary to Congressman Edw. J. Devitt, 80th Congress. Executive Secretary to Luther W. Youngdahl, Gov. Jan. 1, 1949 to May, 1951. Born & raised in St. Paul, Minn., attended local schools graduated from H.S. Engaged in Retail Fuel Business, have served on local church, Y.M.C.A., J.C.C. committees & Boards. Have participated in Fund Raising drives of Community Chest, Red Cross, Hospitals, P.T.A.'s & other activities of civic nature with insight into the needs &

- Hansen wants of community I will serve.
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- A. Strong support to UN. Strong support to Mutual Assistance program. Further expansion of Pacific Pact aid & collective security agreements such as present NATO program.
 - B. Will support Republican Policy Committee recommendations which tend to do away with one man hearings, give witnesses right to counsel, & to support legislation that would definitely outline the duties & purposes of Congressional investigations.
 - C. A complete & comprehensive study of the new 1,000 page tax bill as passed this session of Congress would have to be made by myself before any recommended changes.
 - D. International Policy, Civil Defense, Education & Welfare programs & legislation that especially effects the consumer, Veterans Benefits, housing, social security.

Drexler Did not reply.

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of
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
FIFTH DISTRICT

Republican

*~~/~~Walter H. Judd, Minneapolis

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

George W. MacDonald, Minneapolis
Anders Thompson, Minneapolis

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~~/~~ No primary contest; reply not included.

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Thompson

1. Gustavus Adolphus, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years; Graduate Minnesota College of Law.
2. American Federation of Labor Staff Representative on the Community Chest and Council.
3. Legal training. For many years active in community affairs in Mpls. Knowledge of Internal Revenue Tax Laws, having been an administrator in the Bureau of Internal Revenue for 16 years. Worked with Congressmen both here and in Washington on tax laws & reorganization of Internal Department.
- A. EDC. Mutual assistance pact for Southeast Asia. Both should be consummated. Every reasonable effort should be made to bring our allies into a SE Asia pact which must include friendly Asian nations. Stop massive retaliation threats. Let people of the earth know we are freedom loving & want to help all people to have liberty & strengthen it. Use diplomacy - tho tedious, tiring & sometimes frustrating. We must be militarily prepared, but must also display sincere patient persuasion & calm & friendly but firm leadership. Let's stop threat to leave UN.
- B. Congress must hold investigations which can help in passing good & needed legislation. However, there should be one joint investigating committee with rules of fair play & decency. No man's constitutional rights should be abridged by any congressman or any congressional committee. Democratic procedures must be followed.
- C. Increase personal exemption. Repeal 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ % depletion on oil. Allow deduction on an individual for full medical costs. We should study possible repeal of corporate income taxes. The basis of income tax is the ability of the individual to pay. If corporate income taxes

- .Thompson
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- are repealed, there will be no controversy on the taxing of dividends as normal income & without special treatment.
- D. Tax reform along lines stated above. Stop the giveaway of the public domain such as is started in the AEC bill & the resultant chipping away at TVA. Strengthen foreign policy. Stepped up Point 4.

- MacDonald
1. Grade School & 2 yrs. of High School.
 2. Worked as a Repair Parts Stockman with 23 years of service in the Mpls.-Moline Co. At present am Business Representative for Local 1146 of the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America which represents Mpls.-Moline workers.
 3. Was born & brought up in Mpls., which, I believe, gives me an accurate understanding of the needs of our community. For past 19 yrs., participated actively in the labor movement & civic affairs of Mpls. and the state. Represented labor on Mpls. War Manpower Board, Red Cross & other civic bodies. Held various offices in Local Union, including Presidency, for many years. Have been a delegate to various legislative conferences in Washington & have lobbied with Congressmen & other officials on important issues. Service in Army in WWII with overseas duty in Italy together with having a son in the Marine Corps who served in Korea have given me additional understanding regarding the need to develop a positive program for averting war and securing a just, honorable peace.
- A. In agreement with US participation in all activities of UN including various agencies of UNESCO; with economic aid to India & other underdeveloped nations. In disagreement with present direction of our foreign policy which, in my judgment, is isolating us from our traditional allies & causing us to be distrusted, feared & too often hated by colonial nations; entire policy of "massive retaliation"; policy of charging all independence efforts of colonial people with "communism," a policy which gives the impression our nation supports decadent, corrupt and inhuman practices & denies our own great heritage of freedom & independence; policy of rearming old Germany under leadership of former Nazis; actions in relation to Indo-Chinese armistice, which gave the impression our nation was opposed to ending the war; policy of giving active support to Chiang Kai Shek and Syngman Rhee. Am in favor of return to "Good Neighbor" policy; idea that door to negotiations be kept open. Believe that only thru patient, continuous negotiations can we reduce war tensions. It is not "appeasement" to attempt to reach honorable, peaceful agreement with another nation. In favor of a strong UN used solely as a basis for peace & constructive economic development and which would guarantee right of self-determination for all nations; world trade amongst all nations as one of biggest aids toward promoting job security & international prosperity.
- B. Original purpose of Congressional Investigations was to investigate & make appropriate recommendations for remedial procedures & legislation. Numerous congressional committees have contributed to our national welfare. However (some) have been used as witchhunting instruments to smear & terrorize individuals & groups engaged in lawful activities. I believe that the best security for our nation as a democracy is the widest discussion of public issues under the rights granted us by our Constitution. Therefore, I recommend the abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities & the Senate Committee on Internal Security. Further, the Senate Gov't. Operations Committee should be prevented from carrying on its witchhunting activities & made to return to its original function of recommending improved procedures in the operations of our gov't. If there are to be changes in the procedures of such committees, I would recommend

MacDonald
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that every person coming before such committee be given the right to face his accuser, right of cross-examination, right of counsel in secret or public hearing & other rights granted in court & by the Committee which heard the McCarthy-Army controversy.

- C. Am opposed to present "trickle-down" theory of taxation as recommended by Adm'n. Should be complete rewriting of federal tax laws to base them on ability to pay. Should be no federal sales tax of any kind, since this would hit those in low-income brackets the hardest. Increase personal tax exemptions. Repeal excises on consumer necessities. Permit additional deductions from taxable income for: Child care expenses for working parents & guardians; education expenses; unlimited medical & dental expenses; expenses for transportation to & from work; annual depreciation of owner-occupied house; pension & annuity income. Excess profits tax should be renewed. Close loopholes benefiting the wealthy corporations.
- D. Favor Senate resolution to censure Sen. McCarthy; legislation providing economic aid to India & other nations; legislation to implement Full Employment Act of '46 thru construction of needed hospitals, etc.; legislation increasing unemployment compensation; providing federal-aid-to-education; comprehensive compulsory federal health insurance program; federal funds for needed hospital construction, doctor & nurse training & maternal & child care; federal funds for research on dreaded diseases & common scourges; adequate federal disability insurance; revising social security program to cover all working people, retirement age of 60, minimum monthly benefit of \$125 with an increased schedule of benefits above the minimum based on earnings, monthly benefit of \$60 for dependents & increased allowable earnings; increased public & middle-income housing & slum clearance program; 100% parity for farmers; \$1.50 minimum wage; reducing taxes as contained in original George Bill; federal ownership, control & operation of development of atomic energy for peacetime; nat'l Fair Employment Practices Act with effective enforcement powers; anti-lynch, anti-poll tax legislation. Opposed to anti-democratic legislation such as Taft-Hartley law, McCarran Act; Walter-McCarran Act, Smith Act and call for their repeal; legislation which would provide gov't. control of unions, organizations & businesses, as recommended by Att'y. Gen'l. Brownell; making wiretapping evidence legal; legislation which would undermine Fifth Amendment to our Constitution by granting "immunity" to witnesses before Congressional Committees; Universal Military Training. While I am for an adequate defense budget, I am opposed to legislation providing for the present vast military expenditures at the expense of social services for the people.

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REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
SEVENTH DISTRICT

Republican

*H. Carl Andersen, Tyler
George M. Reimers, Benson

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Douglas P. Hunt, Montevideo
James M. Youngdale, Benson

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- D. IN WHAT LEGISLATION ARE YOU ESPECIALLY INTERESTED? PLEASE STATE SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION.

REPLIES ARE LISTED IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY WERE RECEIVED.

- Youngdale
1. High school. Carleton College-AB. Nat'l. Institute of Public Affairs Intern Training, Washington D.C. American Univ., night courses, no degree.
 2. Farmer.
 3. Experience as a practical farmer helps qualify me to represent this predominantly farm district. Training in public administration in Washington, D.C. including intern periods in the Bureau of the Budget & Bureau of Agricultural Economics in the USDA. Educational background with major in economics in college.
 - A. I am in most agreement with programs such as the Point IV program if administered without paternalism & without demanding military alliances in return for aid offered under the program. I am most critical of the doctrine of massive retaliation. Also, I am critical of the failure to work for practical attempts to world disarmament. I am critical of trying to impose a military solution on social, economic & political problems in Asia & Africa.
 - B. End one man hearings. Hearings should be made to bear some relationship to proposed legislation, which is the purpose & function of Congressional hearings.
 - C. Higher exemptions for individuals to give tax relief to the needy. Higher taxes on excess profits of corporate entities to adequately tax the greedy.
 - D. 1. I favor passage of farm price supports at 100% of parity toward the goal of assuring farmers their fair share of the national income.
2. I favor revision of social security toward a pay as you go universal pension system patterned after the systems in Norway, Sweden & Germany.
3. To prevent a depression, I favor public works spending programs for roads, hospitals, schools, flood control & similar measures of internal improvement.

Reimers

1. High school. Short course in Agriculture college. Some business college training.
2. At present feed mixing & processing laborer.
3. Mostly farm experience general labor in lumbering industry. And various types of construction work.
- A. No comment.
- B. At the present time I would say, no.
- C. The tax structure is of course adjusted to the requirements of expenditures. There may be instances they could be reduced by eliminating unnecessary expenditures.
- D. Farm legislation & other good farm programs. For sufficient support prices. Information to farmers as to amount of acreage, number of livestock to be raised to prevent too large surpluses.

Hunt

1. Litchfield High School, Litchfield, Minn. U of M, B.A. 1923, L.L.B., 1925.
2. Practiced law in Montevideo since 1931. Business experience in Montevideo since 1931. Elected Probate & Juvenile Judge, Chippewa County, 1936 - 40 - 44 - 48 - 52.
3. Elected Probate & Juvenile Judge, Chippewa County. 22 yrs. business experience in Montevideo. Practicing attorney since 1925. Director, Gov. Youngdahl's Citizens Mental Health Committee. Vice-Pres., Minn. Mental Hygiene Society. Boy Scout Citizenship Instructor. Christian Rural Overseas Program (CROP) County Chairman. Red Cross Fund Drive County Chairman. Chairman, Legislation Committee, Probate & Juvenile Judges Ass'n. Long active in political & social groups.
- A. I believe that trade & commerce among nations is essential to our own prosperity & to the welfare of the free world. I believe in the renewal & expansion of the Point 4 program, dealing with technical assistance in public health, highways, agriculture, and in the development of the natural resources of these nations. I believe in a Foreign Policy by which we develop true friendship between nations. I am opposed to the admission of Red China to the UN. I am opposed to the drastic reduction in the Point 4 program, and in the exchange student program. This program brought the future leaders of the world to our shores, to learn to know us & our ways, & to counteract the poisonous communist propaganda against us.
- B. I believe that all people in gov't. service must uphold the Constitution. I believe that all people going into gov't. service should not be a source of irresponsible partisan political attacks. Congressional Committees should protect the democratic principles upon which we have built our nation, by adhering to time honored protective legal procedure.
- C. Greater exemptions at lower levels to increase the purchasing power of the people & to stimulate small & growing business. Congress should always be on guard to correct any loopholes by which certain groups thwart the principal of tax equalization, & avoid their fair share of the tax burden.
- D. I believe the only way in which our democracy can survive is to insure a net profit to the family size operated farm. The farmer deserves & must have his fair share of the national income. In order to buy from the merchants on main street, he must have a net income above his fixed, inflexible overheads. I am in support of not less than 90% of parity. It is only through the prosperity of the farmer & worker that our economic system can survive. Because of my 18 yrs. as Juvenile Judge, I have had the opportunity to work with youth, & I am keenly interested in any legislation dealing with them.

Andersen Did not reply.

Before each election the League of Women Voters of Minnesota sends questionnaires to all candidates for congressional office. The following are replies from

CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE
of
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
NINTH DISTRICT

Republican

A. J. Duren, Fergus Falls
*Harold C. Hagen, Crookston

Democratic-Farmer-Labor

Oscar A. Johnson, Crookston
Mrs. Coya Knutson, Oklee
Thomas A. Letnes, Nielsville
Curtiss T. Olson, Detroit Lakes
T. Austin Teigen, Georgetown

*Denotes incumbent.

Candidates were asked these questions:

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. EDUCATION
2. OCCUPATION
3. WHAT PARTICULAR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE HAVE YOU HAD THAT WOULD QUALIFY YOU FOR THIS OFFICE?

STAND ON ISSUES

- A. PLEASE INDICATE THE ASPECTS OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY WITH WHICH YOU ARE MOST IN AGREEMENT; THOSE OF WHICH YOU ARE MOST CRITICAL.
- B. DO YOU RECOMMEND ANY CHANGES IN THE PROCEDURES OF CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES?
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Hagen

1. St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. - B.A.
2. Newspaperman-publisher - by profession - but now only a member of Congress.
3. Four years of college; traveling to all 48 states except one - Maine; travel to Mexico, Alaska, Canada and most of Europe; Secretary to Congressman R. T. Buckler for 8 yrs; newspaper editor & publisher, school teacher.
- A. U.N. deserves our support & help. Point-4 Programs are beneficial. The Marshall Plan has done a lot of good but now should be curtailed.
- B. Yes, better protection for witnesses & the accused.
- C. Increase exemptions - tax retired pay & pensions less.
- D. Farm legislation - a more permanent farm program of 90%-100% parity with acreage, production & marketing controls when necessary.

Duren

1. High School Graduate. Industrial Engineering College, M.I.T.
2. President, Duren Motor Co., Fergus Falls, Minn.
3. Born & raised on farm in Wilkin County. Land owner in Wilkin County for many years. World War I & II veteran. Registered Naval & Marine Engineer, Member of the Society of Naval Engineers & the Minnesota Engineer. Member of, and has taken active part in Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, B.P.O. Elks, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the 40-8. Experienced as a laborer, farmer, professional & business man. Experienced through travel & service abroad. With the Dept. of Public Works & Public Safety for the City of St. Paul, 12 yrs. Ten years as engineer with the State of Minnesota Division of Public Institutions.

Duren
(cont'd)

- A. I agree whole-heartedly with the administration's Foreign Aid policy. I disagree to a certain extent with the Foreign Trade & Tariff policy. I am most critical of the policy in regard to their stand on Communistic Aggression. It is far too weak & far too vacillating.
- B. Yes, one major change would be to put teeth into the laws covering investigating committees so that information may be gathered more readily.
- C. I would recommend that the limit on dependent's earning be raised. This would benefit the lower income families a great deal. I would recommend more liberal deductions for risk taking capital. This would encourage many new businesses.
- D. 1. Seaway Project - strong support. 2. Social Security - strong support. 3. Defense Spending - should be better controlled & flexible to meet growing Communistic aggression. 4. Red River Flood Control Project - strong support. 5. Farm Program - strong support of administration's Farm Program with full parity in line with other commodities & cost of living.

Teigen

- 1. Grade, High school, College, University, Post Graduate, political and social economics. (B.A., L.L.B. degrees)
- 2. Farmer, laborer, author, businessman.
- 3. World study & experience.
- A. Our present foreign bi-partisan policy.
- B. No.
- C. Less taxes.
- D. Every branch. Principally finance, agric., public, private power. And many others. On the power issue I do not believe the Gov't. should display bias in dealing with these issues.

Olson

- 1. Schools of Roseau County. Training in Business Administration, Political Science & Law thru correspondence courses. Graduated from Military Investigators Course. Graduated from Life Underwriters Course.
- 2. General Agent for Minnesota - American Christian Life Ins. Co. Own & operate a 800-acre farm at Roseau, Minn.
- 3. Served 5 consecutive terms in the Minn. Legislature. Have been active in political activity since age 21. I have served on a number of boards & commissions, thereby receiving further training in the field of politics & government. At present I am a member of the board of Directors of the American Christian Life Ins. Co.
- A. The United Nations. Our point four program & the North Atlantic treaty organization. I am highly critical of the manner in which we are today treating our supposed to be allies. To a degree we are using the same tactics as the communists use against their satellites. We are supposed to be the nation that sets a pattern, a shining example for freedom loving people thru-out the entire world. Today we are not doing that.
- B. Yes. Bar one man investigations. Give every person under investigation the right to counsel. Enact rules that will prevent the guilt by association tactics. Provide stiff penalties for those making false statements - whether they be persons being investigated or those doing the investigating.
- C. I would allow a minimum of \$1000 exemption. I would allow women to deduct costs incurred in running the household - that is additional help etc - if they are on a salary. All medical care should be a deductible item or provide that either all medical care bills be made deductible with the option of all premiums paid for health insurance.

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 2. Housewife, teacher, legislator, businesswoman.
 3. 25 years on farm, college graduate, AAA Farmerfield-woman, 4 years State Representative, 14 yrs. teaching.
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- B. Yes. We should hold investigations behind closed doors if there is a chance an innocent person's reputation may be damaged. When sufficient evidence of guilt is ascertained a Grand Jury Indictment should be obtained & try the case in court where a person is innocent until proven guilty.
- C. Tax loopholes should be plugged up to advance equitable taxation. A tax policy should be followed designed to increase taxes during times of high prosperity to pay off the debt & control inflation & taxes should be cut during recession to allow more purchasing power among consumers.
- D. Against any sales tax, discrimination & favoritism of special interests. For a stable farm program, full employment, fair trade, training more medical doctors, adequate hospital construction, adequate educational facilities, flood control & soil conservation, & expansion of rural electrification & rural telephone programs.
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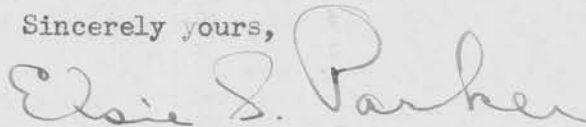
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Dear Mrs. Klein:

As you will see by the galley proof enclosed, we have taken the liberty of quoting rather liberally from the story you recently had published in The Articulate Voter. We shall appreciate it greatly if you will look over the article and let us know if it is satisfactory to you. May we have your reply by return air mail since we shall soon return galleys to the printer for paging.

As soon as the October issue of the NATIONAL MUNICIPAL REVIEW is available, we shall be glad to send you a copy.

Sincerely yours,



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LWV Operates Voters Service

Its Goal — Education for Intelligent Action at Polls

ONE OF the most important activities of the nearly one thousand state and local Leagues of Women Voters in the United States is its "voters service." Now considered a year-round activity, it warms up during the late summer into a frenzy of activity as the November elections approach. An excellent description of this service appears in the July-August *Articulate Voter*, published by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. Excerpts from the story, prepared by Mrs. Roger Klein, voters service chairman of the Minnesota League, follow:

"The history of the League of Women Voters is the history of service to the voters. In the beginning, it was to educate women who had won their fight for the privilege of real participation in their government. This service has extended, through the years, to all voters—men, women, the 21-year-olds and the new citizens to this country. It is a history of which the league can be proud.

"The purpose of the league is to help the individual be an effective citizen. To this end, the responsibilities of voters service are: to build understanding of the essentials of representative government; to encourage an understanding of political parties, their processes and their relation to the citizen; to provide information on issues; to acquaint the community with candidates and their records; to educate the voters; and to encourage registration and get out the vote. We strive to accomplish this by distribution of non-partisan information about government and the qualifications of those who hold the reins of government. By disseminating this information, we give the individual opportunity to participate more intelligently in his government. Only through informed voting can we hope for sound democratic government.

"The party system is a valuable and integral part of our form of government. It has been said that government in the United States is government by political party. It is important to know what the parties stand for, why people work in them and why given candidates choose to run under one party label or another. The questionnaires¹ are means to these ends.

"Once having chosen, voters must be encouraged to follow through on the records of those officials to whom they have entrusted their government. The candidates meetings offer the voter the opportunity to meet the candidates personally, to question them about the issues of the election, and to discuss with them the necessary ingredients of good government. If the candidate knows the voter is interested in the issues and concerned enough to follow through on the record, we shall continue to improve government.

"The league's policy of nonpartisanship is one of its greatest strengths. The league tries to have no preconceived ideas—the issues are thoroughly studied before opinions are formed. As one national legislator said to a local league, 'We value letters from league members because they are informed and non-partisan. They have studied the problem and know what they are talking about.'

"Every league member is, without appointment, a member of the voters service committee because she is an informed voter. She can inform others by talking about the responses to candidates' questionnaires, knowing the candidates' qualifications, discussing the issues of government and taking the league program to the community. League members serve the public in a variety of ways. Here are some of the fine voters service projects that are being done by leagues throughout the state [Minnesota]:

"*Afton-Lakeland* publicized the party caucuses—the beginnings of grass roots party education. . . .

"*Brainerd* publishes a voters directory every two years with voting and registration information, listing names of all office holders from local to national, giving legislative and congressional districts of the community, and offering tips on how to write congressmen.

"*Excelsior* held a very successful candidates meeting using printed fliers and editorials to publicize it. . . .

"*Hibbing* attracted an attendance of over 300 for a recent candidates meeting and had the second highest voting percentage in the state for that election. . . .

"*Mound* tried a candidates meeting 'in the round' where the candidates and voters were seated informally in a manner which stimulated more spirited discussion. . . .

"*St. Paul* car stickers, 'Have your say—VOTE!' were seen all over the city."

Other Communities Active

Some Leagues of Women Voters actually aid in the registration of voters. This season Riverside and Bakersfield (California) league members acted as registrars, to whom voters applied for registration. . . . The Camas (Washington) league operated a "votemobile" which, accompanied by deputized and trained members, circulated around the county, registering 153 citizens.

An old-fashioned picnic rally was staged by the League of Women Voters of Atlanta so that members might meet candidates for Congress, the legislature and the county commission.

Glastonbury (Connecticut) members instruct new voters in the use of voting machines. . . . A "Primary eve" session on voting problems was held by the Nyack (New York) league . . . while the Glynn County (Georgia) group held a unit meeting called "Let's Talk About Elections in Georgia."

Women voters in Lubbock (Texas) staged a "get-out-the-vote" rally prior to the August election, with a telephone committee spending the day previous reminding voters of their election day duties. . . . Each fall the New York City league conducts a telephone information service, made known to the public by spot announcements over the radio.

Many leagues seek information from candidates by way of questionnaires. The facts are published in a voters directory, which is usually widely circulated. While the league takes a stand for or against important questions before the voters, no league supports candidates. It is strictly nonpartisan.

This is but a brief sample of voters service activities. The list could be extended indefinitely. No one has ever tried to estimate the number of citizens which the league's activities have influenced.

LWV Publications

Recent publications of Leagues of Women Voters include *Kentucky Politics—A Primer* (31 pages), issued by the League of Women Voters of Kentucky at Louisville. *Nominations in Rhode Island* (six pages, six cents), *Organization of Political Parties in Rhode Island* (four pages, four cents), and *The Direct Primary* (five pages, five cents) are published by the Rhode Island league with headquarters in Providence. The league at Gainesville, Florida, has made a study of the city's hospital, reporting its findings in a 21-page document.

Striving for Citizenship in Schools and Colleges

Pomona College, at Claremont, California, has been granted \$33,000 by the Falk Foundation of Pittsburgh for a three-year program to increase student observation and participation in civic affairs and practical politics. Dr. John A. Vieg, chairman of the Department of Government at the college, has been named director.

The grant will be used to provide two special courses for advanced students, stage annual Republican and Democratic rally days on the campus, and conduct summer projects for some students.

"This program of field work in politics is based on the theory that life itself is the best textbook in the social sciences," Dr. Vieg said. "It gives the student who demonstrates a *bona fide* interest in such problems an opportunity to check classroom theory by practical experience gained through service as a participant-observer in an actual campaign."

The Falk Foundation also sponsors the national Citizenship Clearing House Program which is designed to encourage greater participation by college men and women in practical politics as an avocation. A Southern California affiliate of the national organization was established several months ago with headquarters at Pomona College and Dr. Vieg as chairman.

A "Workshop in Practical Politics" will be held this fall and next spring by New York University's Division of General Education. Sydney S. Baron, political writer and director of public relations for the New York County Democratic Committee, will conduct the discussions. Mayor Robert F. Wagner of New York City and other prominent political figures—both Republican and Democratic—are to appear as guest lecturers. The program will be conducted in association with the Citizenship Clearing House for Southern New York.

The Action Program of the Citizenship Clearing House, affiliated with the Law Center of New York University, is an attractive 24-page pamphlet, well illustrated, setting forth the organization's objectives. The Clearing House is working with many colleges and universities throughout the country:

1. To develop an interest in politics on the part of students;
2. To make it possible to continue this interest after graduation;
3. To provide the organizational framework that will make these goals possible.

During the past summer Professor Phillips Bradley, of Syracuse University, accompanied a class from the university on a six-weeks tour of American government. Two weeks each were spent in Washington, D. C., New York City and Albany, New York. Opportunity was given the students to confer with officials.

The Citizenship Education Project of Teachers College, Columbia University, which started five years ago with eight schools in the metropolitan area, now has affiliations with 1,500 institutions throughout the nation, reports the *New York Times*.

Among the volunteers who handled voting machine demonstrations prior to the July elections in Kansas City, Missouri, were 82 teenagers. These students manned 24 voting machines, giving nearly a thousand hours of volunteer service within a six-day period.

¹Sent by leagues to candidates running for office.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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From: Mrs. Roger Klein, Voters Service Chairman

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EVERY LEAGUE MEMBER will no doubt think of new and original ideas for dissemination. We hope to have many orders for THE CANDIDATES SPEAK.

THE CANDIDATES SPEAK

Know their views before you choose

VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 2

Before each election, the League of Women Voters of Minnesota sends questionnaires to all candidates for state executive and congressional office. The replies, edited to meet space requirements, are printed below to help the citizen cast a more informed vote.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Candidates for state executive office were asked this question:

A. What particular training and experience have you had that would qualify you for this office?

Candidates for the office of Governor were asked these additional questions:

B. What suggestions do you have for meeting the financial needs of Minnesota?

C. What suggestions do you have for improving the functioning of state government?

D. In what legislation are you especially interested? Please state support or opposition.

GOVERNOR

C. ELMER ANDERSON, incumbent, Brainerd, GOP. **A.** 6 terms as Lieutenant Governor; 3 years as Governor. **B.** During my administration, we have embarked upon a program of increased efficiency and economy. This program must be continued and emphasized so that the savings can serve to lower the cost of government. I am convinced that if we go far enough we can live within present revenues. **C.** There is always a need for governmental reorganization and I feel that we have made considerable progress in the reorganization of the departments of agriculture, public welfare, highways and conservation. **D.** I believe that we should: Stiffen penalties for traffic violations; strengthen accident prevention efforts; put driver licensing on a self-supporting basis financially; improve the judicial system, particularly at the lower level; regulate charity solicitations, eliminating rackets; establish penal forestry camps; provide equal employment opportunities; insure more uniform law enforcement; establish water conservancy and flood control districts; reduce the number of governmental departments and agencies; and centralize certain state operations.

ORVILLE L. FREEMAN, Minneapolis, DFL. **A.** Graduate U. of M. Law School, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa; practicing attorney; helped to establish and administer the Marine Corps rehabilitation program; assistant to Mayor Humphrey in charge of Veterans' Affairs, 1945-49; Member and Chairman, Minneapolis Civil Service Commission, 1946-49. **B.** Oppose any general retail sales tax. Favor correcting inequities in personal property tax; improvement in methods of assessment and collection of taxes, by more uniform and up-to-date assessment procedures and by studying the value of payroll deduction for collection of income tax. More efficient and honest administration of state government, better accounting and auditing procedures, and more qualified and competent administrative personnel would make the money collected go much farther. **C.** Effective drive to achieve constitutional revision, which is necessary to achieve basic improvements. **D.** Favor

positive program to reduce highway accidents; greater assistance to and equalization of educational opportunity with special attention to meeting the desperate shortage of school buildings; constitutional amendment to enable state to make low-cost loans to school districts for building purposes; modern scientific program directed toward the conservation and enhancement of our natural resources; promotion of Minnesota enterprise by: a credit development corporation to provide easier credit for new, worthwhile undertakings; use of U. of M. to develop new uses for products; business, technical and scientific advice for development of new enterprises; more adequate provision for unemployment compensation and fair labor legislation; strict law enforcement.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

P. KENNETH PETERSON, Minneapolis, GOP. Graduate, U. of M. and LL.B., Minneapolis—Minn. College of Law. Selected by Minneapolis J. C. as Outstanding Young Man of 1949; named by Time Magazine one of "100 Newsmakers of Tomorrow." Served 4 years in World War II. Member of state legislature for 8 years. Have been principal author of state Presidential Primary Law, State Civil Defense Act, Narcotic Control Act, Mutual Dependents Support Act, and have taken a prominent part in mental health and youth conservation legislation. Since 1947 have represented the legislature on Council of State Governments. In October 1953, I was appointed by the national administration to serve on the Near East Refugee Commission.

KARL F. ROLVAAG, Rochester, DFL. High school and college training; graduate school work at U. of M.; 1 year scholarship at U. of Oslo. All graduate study in the field of political science and history. State Chairman, DFL Central Committee, 4 years. During this period, I was a full-time participant in the field of politics and government. During the state legislative sessions attempted to secure passage of those parts of our DFL platform that had to deal with state legislation. Handle affairs of successful insurance agency; 6 years military service in World War II.

SECRETARY OF STATE

JOSEPH L. DONOVAN, Duluth, DFL. Administrator: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Duluth office; responsible for the efficient operation of office personnel and enumeration of business as well as population census. Administrator: U. S. Department of Commerce, Field Service Division, Duluth Office, of Smaller War Plant Corporations, operated for the purpose of assisting small business. Field Supervisor: War Production Board.

MRS. MIKE HOLM, incumbent, Minneapolis, GOP. Nothing particularly except that the position is just what the title implies, "secretary." I started out in an office at 15, attending Lancaster Business Institute. At 20 was office manager of firm. Employed by State of Minnesota for some 15 years before I married Mr. Holm, then Secretary of State. I traveled with him acting as his secretary during formal discussion of problems of the office; also did considerable secretarial work for him in the home. I am not qualified for anything except office management and procedures.

STATE AUDITOR

CLINT HAROLDSON, Renville, DFL. Six years experience as Secretary-Director of two co-ops in Renville. This gave me the responsibility of working with the auditor of these two co-ops. Also, as Secretary, I assisted in keeping part of the records. Managed and operated own farm for 21 years.

STAFFORD KING, incumbent, St. Paul, GOP. I have been State Auditor since 1931 (less 31 months military leave in World War II), and have directed its growth from manual to machine operations. If I am re-elected I hope to secure necessary legislation to centralize the state's accounting. If successful thousands of dollars can be saved in the handling of both receipts and disbursements.

STATE TREASURER

ARTHUR HANSEN, Ulen, DFL. High school; business college; 3 years office experience; 8 years, Clay County AAA committeeman; 3 years, farm fieldman for state Agricultural Conservation Ass'n; 2 years, War Food Administration Supervisor; Director of Census; many years, Director of local and regional cooperatives.

DUANE R. LUND, Staples, GOP. B.A., Macalester College; M.A., U. of M.; 7 years, teaching experience in public schools (economics and political science); administrative experience in a number of educational and political organizations, including: Central Minn. Education Ass'n, President; Minn. Young Republican League, past chairman, National Committeeman; immediate past chairman, Midwest Young Republicans. Considerable political experience including: manager, Governor Anderson's 1952 campaign; delegate to 1952 Republican National Convention, present Todd County Chairman.

CANDIDATES FOR CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE

Candidates for the office of U.S. Senator and Representative in Congress were asked these questions:

1. Education

2. Occupation

A. Please indicate the aspects of U. S. foreign policy with which you are most in agreement; those of which you are most critical.

B. In what legislation are you especially interested? Please state support or opposition.

UNITED STATES SENATOR

VAL BJORNSON, Minneapolis, GOP. 1. Graduate, Minnesota High School; B.A., Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, U. of M. 2. Newspaper and radio work; 3½ years, State

ATTORNEY GENERAL

BERNHARD LeVANDER, St. Paul, GOP. Graduate, U. of M. law school; admitted to Minn. Bar, 1939; 7 years general law practice in Center City, St. Paul and Minneapolis; member, Hennepin County Bar Ass'n and Legislative Committee of State Bar Ass'n. Broad administrative experience: State Director of Social Welfare (reorganized division); Lt. (JG), U. S. Navy, serving as Supply Officer; 4 years, Chairman, Republican State Central Committee; assistant to National Campaign Director, Crusade for Freedom, 1951. Active member of numerous civic, charitable and church organizations and boards.

MILES LORD, Minneapolis, DFL. Three years, Crosby-Ironton Jr. College; U. of M. Law School. Two years, practiced law in Minneapolis; appointed Assistant U. S. District Attorney. Handled all civil and criminal income tax matters in Federal Court for District of Minnesota; prosecuted bulk of racketeer defendants under Bureau of Internal Revenue Drive; assigned to conduct Federal Grand Jury investigation of racketeers in Minneapolis; responsible for investigation of St. Cloud Reformatory which led to "penal reforms" there and at Stillwater; Committee Chairman, Citizens' League of Greater Minneapolis when it undertook to revamp licensing procedures in Minneapolis.

CLERK OF SUPREME COURT

GRACE KAERCHER DAVIS, incumbent, Minneapolis, GOP. Twelve years experience in father's law office after having taken a business course; Associate Editor of Ortonville Independent; assisted in farm land sales, and life and fire insurance. Now serving 7th term in this position.

FRANK LARKIN, Minneapolis, DFL. De LaSalle High School; U. of M. School of Business; Assistant Cashier, Minnesota Division of Employment and Security; Treasurer, Town of Minnetonka; Clerk, Federal Cartridge Corporation; Executive Secretary, Hennepin County Agricultural Society.

RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE COMMISSIONER

W. VICTOR LUNDQUIST, Owatonna, GOP. High school; 4 years business administration; during 20 years business experience I was accountant, auditor-comptroller and treasurer for 3 large corporations. My duties included supervision of traffic managers and warehousemen. It is felt that my administrative experience and knowledge of costs will assist me to approach the various problems in a qualified, common sense manner.

HJALMAR PETERSEN, Askov, DFL. Member of state legislature, in the House, 1931 and 1933. In 1933 was Chairman of House Committee on Taxes and Tax Laws and there sponsored, with a number of co-authors, the state income tax law to help the public schools; was Lieutenant Governor and Governor, filling unexpired term of late Governor Olson; was Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner from 1937 to 1943.

Treasurer. **A.** Agree completely as to need for cultivation of allies in collective security endeavors such as NATO, feeling also that similar steps must come to S. E. Asia in particular; U. S. must, however, avoid being placed in role of propping up tottering colonialism anywhere; agree that

admission to UN cannot come while Red China is branded as aggressor; support fully Eisenhower foreign policy, with particular stress on more realistic presentations of our position by Voice of America; favor thorough watchfulness as to foreign aid programs. **B.** On "farm front" favor restoration of some of the abruptly sharp cuts in dairy price supports and more gradual measures as to the 6 basics, protest continuing favoritism to South. As compromise, favor extension of supports on basics within range of 82½ to 90% of parity. Favor, in general, more of "trade, not aid," greater freedom from economic hobbles, less paternalism, less "big government" and Washington "whip-cracking."

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY, incumbent, Minneapolis, DFL. 1. Attended Doland, S. D. schools; B.A., U. of M., magna cum laude; M.A., Louisiana State University. 2. Professor of Political Science, Macalester College, 1943-44; Mayor of Minneapolis, 1945-48; U. S. Senator, 1948 to present. **A.** Our role as government in world affairs must be aimed at helping to build an international community based on law and aimed at achieving peace within the framework of freedom and self-determination of peoples. Support UN as the instrument now available to achieve that objective. The Technical Assistance Program, Point IV, exchange of students and peoples, and an effective information program, are tools to help us gain the respect of our world neighbors. Strong believer in mutual security, this includes necessity of economic as well as military aid. NATO must remain one of military defense foundations. Should treat freedom-loving nations as our partners and allies. While placing it in proper perspective, we must never minimize the importance of military preparedness for national defense. **B.** I believe our most crucial problems are in the international area; strong supporter of social welfare legislation and fair farm price supports and oppose Secretary Benson's plan to reduce agriculture price supports; Congress should pay more attention to fiscal policy and importance of tax and credit programs to achieve stability.

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS

DISTRICT I

AUGUST H. ANDRESEN, incumbent, Red Wing, GOP. 1. B.A., St. Olaf College and Red Wing Seminary; B.L., St. Paul College of Law. 2. Businessman; lawyer; Representative in Congress, 28 years. No comment on **A** and **B**.

ROBERT C. OLSON, Waseca, DFL. (Did not reply.)

DISTRICT II

JOSEPH P. O'HARA, incumbent, Glencoe, GOP. 1. Spirit Lake, Iowa High Schools; Inns of Court, London; Notre Dame, LL.B. 2. Lawyer; McLeod County Attorney, 1935-38; elected to 77th Congress and re-elected to succeeding Congresses to date. **A.** There are many phases of foreign policy to be discussed; it is rapidly becoming a question as to how much longer this country can stand the financial drain of the huge expenditures which are being made. **B.** It is difficult to answer this question categorically; I am interested in all legislation which clears the committees and is presented to the House for consideration.

HARRY SIEBEN, Hastings, DFL. 1. Hastings High School; B.S., U. of M. 2. Manager, Sieben Drug Stores, Hastings. General Manager, Murphy Distributing Co., St. Paul; Personnel Manager, N.W. Airlines Bomber Modification Center, St. Paul; Minn. Director, Office of Price Stabilization, 2 years. **A.** The U. S. can best serve itself and the world through continued active membership and participation in UN; our major objective in foreign policy should be the prevention of another world war, and at the same time to stop the Communist menace from further advances. **B.** Farm legislation; I believe the farmers are entitled to full parity and will vote accordingly.

DISTRICT III

ROY W. WIER, incumbent, Minneapolis, DFL. 1. Graduate, North High School. 2. Cable splicer; stage employee; Financial Secretary and Organizer, Minneapolis Central Labor Union; Chairman, Board of Directors, Co-Operative Work

Glove Manufacturing Ass'n; 1933-38, Member, State Legislature; 1939-49, Member, Minneapolis School Board; 1949 to date, Member, U. S. Congress. **A.** Strong supporter of Point IV Program; strongly convinced today that the colonial system is dead. **B.** In a world where we are beset with both international and domestic threats, I must confess I have many opinions but I am not a doctrinaire. My habit has been to move from one problem to another, giving to each, while it is before me, my undivided study. I am a Democrat, but I have laid most stress on the little "d."

ED WILLOW, Minneapolis, GOP. 1. Grade and high school, Silver Lake, Minn.; B.A., Macalester College; additional study at U. of M. 2. YMCA Secretary on leave of absence. **A.** I believe in: an armed force strong enough to defend us but not to be used in a war supporting colonialism; the policy of self-determination of nations, giving assistance to those who show a desire to do things for themselves and are determined to remain free; the UN as an instrument to foster understanding and a tool to settle differences among nations. We cannot isolate ourselves by virtue of our leadership position and must participate in world affairs. **B.** I am interested in: a sound tax program, the present administration's approach is taking into consideration the overall needs of all of our citizens; foreign aid especially as it relates to the Student Exchange Program and Point IV; the Health and Welfare Department and research in the field of cancer, multiple sclerosis and other disease; a sound approach to the Mental Health Program on a national basis; progressive labor legislation.

DISTRICT IV

RICHARD C. HANSEN, St. Paul, GOP. 1. Mechanic Arts High School; Gustavus Adolphus College, B.A. 2. Real estate sales; Secretary, Congressman Devitt, 80th Congress; Executive Secretary, Governor Youngdahl, 1949-51. **A.** Strong support to UN and Mutual Assistance program; further expansion of Pacific aid and collective security agreements such as NATO. **B.** International policy, civil defense, education and welfare legislation, veterans benefits, housing, social security.

EUGENE J. MCCARTHY, incumbent, St. Paul, DFL. 1. St. John's University; M.A., U. of M. 2. Teacher in social sciences at high school and university levels; with Military Intelligence during war; 6 years, member of U. S. Congress. **A.** I am in general agreement with economic and military policies which U. S. is carrying on; regret the loss of initiative and failure to assert strong leadership at the Geneva Conference; we have not given sufficient attention to South America and its problems; technical aid to underdeveloped countries, our International Information and Education Exchange and international trade programs should be improved and extended; favor continued support of U.N. **B.** Support: Reform of budgetary process to enable Congress to more accurately determine government needs; Point IV; questions dealing with financing, both domestic and international.

DISTRICT V

WALTER H. JUDD, incumbent, Minneapolis, GOP. 1. B.A., M.D., U. of Neb., Fellow in surgery, Mayo Foundation. 2. Physician; 12 years, member, U. S. Congress; 10 years, medical missionary in China and Japan. **A.** Favor: Support of efforts of people to defend or to recover their freedom; regional security arrangements; economic and technical assistance under mutually beneficial arrangements; exchange of persons program; sharing of atomic resources for peaceful uses; support of UN and its agencies; opposition to recognition or admission of Communist China to UN. Oppose: Tendency by some officials to imagine softness toward Communist governments like that in China is way to weaken it or detach it from Soviet Union. **B.** Favor legislation: to strengthen collective security of free world; to help weaker governments become strong enough to resist internal subversion; to share American ideas based on right of individual; for government aid in research and aid on matching basis for construction of education and medical facilities, not for operation of them; to make Taft-Hartley law more workable and equitable; for flexible par-

ity price supports and increased disposal of surpluses by sales abroad; to expose and eliminate unsuitable persons from government jobs; to outlaw Communist Party but not making membership *per se* a felony. Oppose: Measures to increase centralized controls in federal government over individuals, municipal and state governments.

ANDERS THOMPSON, Minneapolis, DFL. 1. Gustavus Adolphus, 1½ years; Graduate, Minn. College of Law. 2. AFL Staff Representative on Community Chest and Council; administrator in Bureau of Internal Revenue for 16 years. **A.** EDC and Mutual Assistance Pact for S. E. Asia; stop massive retaliation threats; let people of the earth know we are freedom loving and want to help all people to have liberty and strengthen it; use diplomacy; we must be militarily prepared, but must also display sincere patient persuasion and calm and friendly but firm leadership; let's stop threat to leave UN. **B.** Tax reform; stop the giveaway of the public domain such as is started in the Atomic Energy bill and the resultant chipping away at TVA; strengthen foreign policy; stepped up Point IV.

DISTRICT VI

OSCAR J. JERDE, St. Cloud, GOP. 1. Considerable work beyond the equivalent of Masters Degree. 2. Teacher of political science and economics, State Teachers College, St. Cloud. **A.** The Eisenhower administration has handled the critical foreign program with courage and determination. **B.** Legislation on all fronts whereby the affairs of our American people may again be returned to the states and local areas as was intended.

FRED MARSHALL, incumbent, Grove City, DFL. (Did not reply.)

DISTRICT VII

H. CARL ANDERSEN, incumbent, Tyler, GOP. 1. U. of Wash. (College of Engineering), 1 year; U. S. Naval Academy, 1½ years (discharged because of disability). 2. Farmer; 1 term, Minnesota legislature; 16 years in U. S. House of Representatives. **A.** Support administration's position generally but in view of my experiences on a recent trip around the world investigating our foreign aid expenditures, I am more convinced than ever that we could have made more and better lasting friendships throughout the world had we sent greater amounts of our surplus foods to needy nations and extended less economic aid. **B.** Since I represent a district which is predominantly rural, my particular interest is in legislation affecting agriculture. I supported the continuation of the 90% price support program as I do not believe the flexible price supports are fair to the producer or the consumer.

DOUGLAS P. HUNT, Montevideo, DFL. 1. Litchfield High School; B.A., L.L.B., U. of M. 2. Practiced law in Montevideo since 1931; elected Probate and Juvenile Judge, Chippewa County, since 1936. **A.** I believe that trade and commerce among nations is essential to our own prosperity and to the welfare of the free world; in the renewal and expansion of the Point IV program; in a foreign policy by which we develop true friendship between nations. I am opposed to admission of Red China to the UN. **B.** I believe the only way in which our democracy can survive is to insure a net profit to the family size operated farm. I am in support of not less than 90% of parity. Because of my 18 years as Juvenile Judge, I have had the opportunity to work with youth and I am keenly interested in any legislation dealing with them.

DISTRICT VIII

JOHN A. BLATNIK, incumbent, Chisholm, DFL. 1. B.E., Winona State Teachers College, graduate work in Public Administration at U. of Chicago and U. of M. 2. Educator and legislator; served in Minnesota Senate (1940-42) and

in Congress from 1947 to present; 3½ years in U. S. Army doing intelligence work with OSS in Europe. **A.** I favor support for the UN, economic aid and technical assistance to foreign countries; extension of Reciprocal Trade Agreements program, and international control of atomic bombs. I am critical of proposals to raise U. S. tariffs, to "withdraw from the UN if China is seated," and the over-emphasis placed on armed force in international relations. **B.** I am especially interested in the passage of legislation to complete the St. Lawrence Seaway; further develop Minnesota's taconite, peat and forest resources; repeal the Taft-Hartley Law; establish full parity for farmer; and expand social security and other federal welfare programs. I am very much opposed to flexible farm supports; and to pending legislation to undermine the Tennessee Valley Authority, to give public grazing land to private groups, and to emasculate our public power policy.

ERNIE ORCHARD, Duluth, GOP. 1. Graduate, Duluth Business University; Booth Memorial College of Chicago; complete post-graduate work in social and political science at State College Cape Girardeau, Mo. 2. District manager, J. M. Wylie Piano Co. and Television News Commentator on Station WFTV, Duluth, 1 year; 20 years, administrative position with international agency. **A.** I am in complete agreement with President Eisenhower's policy of statesmanship to replace secret agreements and political bungling; the positive approach to nations in our alliance has been a strengthening factor to their own initiative and bulwark against Communist expansion; economic aid must be based upon realistic efforts on the part of the recipient country to shoulder responsibilities; military aid must be wisely re-evaluated in the manner of the past 2 years. I am critical of any softness toward forces who seek to weaken the UN by sham membership, and any soft attitude that suggests agreement to trade between allies and Communist nations. **B.** I am especially interested in legislation that affects expansion of jobs for the working forces of this district, development of Seaway.

DISTRICT IX

HAROLD C. HAGEN, incumbent, Crookston, GOP. 1. B.A., St. Olaf College. 2. Newspaperman-publisher by profession; now a member of Congress; secretary to Congressman Buckler, 8 years; school teacher. **A.** UN deserves our support and help; Point IV Programs are beneficial; the Marshall Plan has done a lot of good but now should be curtailed. **B.** Farm legislation: a more permanent farm program of 90%-100% with acreage, production and marketing controls when necessary.

MRS. COYA KNUTSON, Oklee, DFL. 1. B.A., Concordia College; graduate work: Moorhead State Teachers College, Julliard School of Music, N. Y. 2. Housewife; teacher, 14 years; legislator, 4 years; businesswoman; AAA farmer Fieldwoman. **A.** Cooperation with other countries should be continued; I favor help we give to keep other economies stable, throughout the world; we should continue strong support of UN and in particular the specialized agencies to raise living standard of undeveloped countries. Threats of withholding aid succeeds only in splitting other countries from within and makes cooperation much harder. Threats of retaliating with atomic bombs are often overdone. Cuts in technical help hamper long range good will and trust in U. S. We should give more technical aid in proportion to military expenditures. **B.** Against: any sales tax, discrimination and favoritism of special interest. For: A stable farm program, full employment, fair trade, training more medical doctors, adequate hospital construction, adequate education facilities; flood control and soil conservation; expansion of rural electrification and telephone programs.

It was necessary for this publication to be printed before the deadline on which candidates could file by petition. Information on those candidates may be obtained from your local League of Women Voters or at the office address given below.

CITIZENS AMENDMENT NO. 3

ON NOVEMBER 2, IN ADDITION TO ELECTING YOUR CONGRESSMAN, SENATOR, GOVERNOR, AND OTHER OFFICIALS, YOU WILL ALSO CAST YOUR VOTE ON FOUR AMENDMENTS TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION. THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA FAVORS AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ON THE THIRD AMENDMENT, BECAUSE IT IS CRUCIAL TO CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION, WHICH IT SUPPORTS.

The referendum on the proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"Shall the Constitution of the State of Minnesota be amended by adding to Article 14 thereof a new section to be known as Section 3, providing for the submission of any revision of the Constitution to the people of the state at the next general election after any revision of the constitution by any convention called for that purpose, and providing that before any such revision shall go into effect there shall be an approval and ratification thereof by three-fifths of all the electors voting on the question and providing that Section 9 of Article IV of the constitution shall not apply to election to the convention?

Yes....."

No....."

If adopted, amendment no. 3 will provide that:

1. Any constitution revised by convention must be submitted to the people for approval.
2. The revised constitution must be approved by 3/5 of all those voting on the question.
3. Members of the legislature may serve as delegates to a constitutional convention.

The first provision will answer fears expressed by some legislators that a constitution revised by convention would not be submitted to the people. Passage of this amendment would reassure both legislators and citizens that final approval of a revised constitution would be given by the voters of Minnesota.

The second provision places the approval of the revised constitution in the hands of the informed voter. Amendments to the constitution, including this Citizens Amendment No. 3, require a majority of the votes cast, not on the amendments themselves, but in the entire election. Thus, many uninformed voters inadvertently cast a NO vote by not voting at all on amendments. This provision would make it possible for a revised constitution to be rejected by blank ballots.

The third provision was proposed to allow legislators to serve as delegates to a constitutional convention. The constitution now prohibits legislators from serving in any other state or federal capacity while holding legislative office. Delegates to the convention would be elected from legislative districts on the same basis as members of the state House of Representatives. It is hoped that citizens from all walks of life would offer themselves for election as delegates, but it seems unfair to bar voters from sending a legislator if he could make a worthy contribution.

CITIZEN REACTION TO THIS AMENDMENT WILL BE USED AS A MEASURE OF INTEREST IN CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION. IF THE AMENDMENT FAILS, THE OBJECTORS WILL HAVE GROUNDS FOR SAYING THAT MINNESOTANS DON'T WANT REVISION. IF THE AMENDMENT PASSES, IT WILL SERVE AS A MANDATE TO LEGISLATORS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION.

DO YOUR SHARE TO PASS THIS AMENDMENT. TELL YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR NEIGHBORS

DON'T GUESS - VOTE YES

on

CITIZENS AMENDMENT NO. 3

Citizen Action

. Edited by Elsie S. Parker

LWV Operates Voters Service

Its Goal — Education for Intelligent Action at Polls

ONE OF the most important activities of the nearly one thousand state and local Leagues of Women Voters in the United States is its "voters service." Now considered a year-round activity, it warms up during the late summer into a frenzy of activity as the November elections approach. An excellent description of this service appears in the July-August *Articulate Voter*, published by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota. Excerpts from the story, prepared by Mrs. Roger Klein, voters service chairman of the Minnesota League, follow:

"The history of the League of Women Voters is the history of service to the voters. In the beginning, it was to educate women who had won their fight for the privilege of real participation in their government. This service has extended, through the years, to all voters—men, women, the 21-year-olds and the new citizens to this country. It is a history of which the league can be proud.

"The purpose of the league is to help the individual be an effective citizen. To this end, the responsibilities of voters service are: to build understanding of the essentials of representative government; to encourage an understanding of political parties, their processes and their relation to the citizen; to provide information on issues; to acquaint the community with candidates and their records; to educate the voters; and to encourage registration and get out the vote. We strive to accomplish this by distribution of non-partisan information about government and the qualifications of those who hold the reins of government. By disseminating

this information, we give the individual opportunity to participate more intelligently in his government. Only through informed voting can we hope for sound democratic government.

"The party system is a valuable and integral part of our form of government. It has been said that government in the United States is government by political party. It is important to know what the parties stand for, why people work in them and why given candidates choose to run under one party label or another. The questionnaires¹ are means to these ends.

"Once having chosen, voters must be encouraged to follow through on the records of those officials to whom they have entrusted their government. The candidates meetings offer the voter the opportunity to meet the candidates personally, to question them about the issues of the election, and to discuss with them the necessary ingredients of good government. If the candidate knows the voter is interested in the issues and concerned enough to follow through on the record, we shall continue to improve government.

"The league's policy of nonpartisanship is one of its greatest strengths. The league tries to have no preconceived ideas—the issues are thoroughly studied before opinions are formed. As one national legislator said to a local league, 'We value letters from league members because they are informed and non-partisan. They have studied the problem and know what they are talking about.'

"Every league member is, without appointment, a member of the voters service committee because she is an informed voter. She can inform others by talking about the responses to candidates' questionnaires, knowing the candidates' quali-

¹Sent by leagues to candidates running for office.

fications, discussing the issues of government and taking the league program to the community. League members serve the public in a variety of ways. Here are some of the fine voters service projects that are being done by leagues throughout the state [Minnesota]:

"*Afton-Lakeland* publicized the party caucuses—the beginnings of grass roots party education. . . .

"*Brainerd* publishes a voters directory every two years with voting and registration information, listing names of all office holders from local to national, giving legislative and congressional districts of the community, and offering tips on how to write congressmen.

"*Excelsior* held a very successful candidates meeting using printed fliers and editorials to publicize it. . . .

"*Hibbing* attracted an attendance of over 300 for a recent candidates meeting and had the second highest voting percentage in the state for that election. . . .

"*Mound* tried a candidates meeting 'in the round' where the candidates and voters were seated informally in a manner which stimulated more spirited discussion. . . .

"*St. Paul* car stickers, 'Have your say—VOTE!' were seen all over the city."

Other Communities Active

Some Leagues of Women Voters actually aid in the registration of voters. This season Riverside and Bakersfield (California) league members acted as registrars, to whom voters applied for registration. . . . The Camas (Washington) league operated a "votemobile" which, accompanied by deputized and trained members, circulated around the county, registering 153 citizens.

An old-fashioned picnic rally was staged by the League of Women Voters of Atlanta so that members might meet candidates for Congress, the legislature and the county commission.

Glastonbury (Connecticut) members instruct new voters in the use of voting

machines. . . . A "primary eve" session on voting problems was held by the Nyack (New York) league . . . while the Glynn County (Georgia) group held a unit meeting called "Let's Talk About Elections in Georgia."

Women voters in Lubbock (Texas) staged a "get-out-the-vote" rally prior to the August election, with a telephone committee spending the day previous reminding voters of their election day duties. . . . Each fall the New York City league conducts a telephone information service, made known to the public by spot announcements over the radio.

Many leagues seek information from candidates by way of questionnaires. The facts are published in a voters directory, which is usually widely circulated. While the league takes a stand for or against important questions before the voters, no league supports candidates. It is strictly nonpartisan.

This is but a brief sample of voters service activities. The list could be extended indefinitely. No one has ever tried to estimate the number of citizens which the league's activities have influenced.

LWV Publications

Recent publications of Leagues of Women Voters include *Kentucky Politics—A Primer* (31 pages), issued by the League of Women Voters of Kentucky at Louisville. *Nominations in Rhode Island* (six pages, six cents), *Organization of Political Parties in Rhode Island* (four pages, four cents), and *The Direct Primary* (five pages, five cents) are published by the Rhode Island league with headquarters in Providence. The league at Gainesville, Florida, has made a study of the city's hospital, reporting its findings in a 21-page document.

Striving for Citizenship in Schools and Colleges

Pomona College, at Claremont, California, has been granted \$33,000 by the Falk Foundation of Pittsburgh for a

three-year program to increase student observation and participation in civic affairs and practical politics. Dr. John A. Vieg, chairman of the Department of Government at the college, has been named director.

The grant will be used to provide two special courses for advanced students, stage annual Republican and Democratic rally days on the campus, and conduct summer projects for some students.

"This program of field work in politics is based on the theory that life itself is the best textbook in the social sciences," Dr. Vieg said. "It gives the student who demonstrates a *bona fide* interest in such problems an opportunity to check classroom theory by practical experience gained through service as a participant-observer in an actual campaign."

The Falk Foundation also sponsors the national Citizenship Clearing House Program which is designed to encourage greater participation by college men and women in practical politics as an avocation. A Southern California affiliate of the national organization was established several months ago with headquarters at Pomona College.

Workshop in Politics

A "Workshop in Practical Politics" will be held this fall and next spring by New York University's Division of General Education. Sydney S. Baron, political writer and director of public relations for the New York County Democratic Committee, will conduct the discussions. Mayor Robert F. Wagner of New York City and other prominent political figures—both Republican and Democratic—are to appear as guest lecturers. The program will be conducted in association with the Citizenship Clearing House for Southern New York.

The Action Program of the Citizenship Clearing House, affiliated with the Law Center of New York University, is an attractive 24-page pamphlet, well illustrated, setting forth the organization's objectives. The Clearing House

is working with many colleges and universities throughout the country:

1. To develop an interest in politics on the part of students;
2. To make it possible to continue this interest after graduation;
3. To provide the organizational framework that will make these goals possible.

During the past summer Professor Phillips Bradley, of Syracuse University, accompanied a class from the university on a six-weeks tour of American government. Two weeks each were spent in Washington, D. C., New York City and Albany, New York. Opportunity was given the students to confer with officials.

The Citizenship Education Project of Teachers College, Columbia University, which started five years ago with eight schools in the metropolitan area, now has affiliations with 1,500 institutions throughout the nation, reports the *New York Times*.

Among the volunteers who handled voting machine demonstrations prior to the July elections in Kansas City, Missouri, were 82 teenagers. These students manned 24 voting machines, giving nearly a thousand hours of volunteer service within a six-day period.

The Utah Foundation has distributed over three thousand copies of its book on state and local government to junior and senior high schools in all school districts of the state. The foundation reports that the First Security Bank purchased nearly a thousand copies for presentation to social science teachers, principals and libraries; other business firms and individuals presented quantities of books to various schools in their localities for classroom use.

Directors of the Rhode Island Home Rule Association have established a temporary committee, called the Civic Education Committee, to survey what secondary schools in the state are doing

CIVILIAN ABSENTEE VOTING FOR 1954 FROM WITHOUT HOME STATE **

STATE	:REGIS- :TRATION BY: :MAIL PER- :MITTED	:ABSENTEE :VOTING :PERMITTED :PRIM. : ELECT.	:ELECT A: :GOVER- :NOR	:ELECT :A SEN- :ATOR	:NUMBER: :OF :REPS.	:PRIMA :RY	:RUN-OFF
*1	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Alabama	: No	: No : No	: Yes	: Yes	: 9	: May 4	: June 1
Arizona	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 2	: Sept. 7	:
*1 & 2	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Arkansas	: ---	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 6	: July 27	: Aug. 10
California	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 30	: June 8	:
Colorado	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 4	: Sept. 14	:
*3	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Connecticut	: No	: --- : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 6	: none	:
*3 & 11	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Delaware	: No	: --- : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 1	: none	:
Florida	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 8	: May 4	: May 25
Georgia	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 10	: Sept. 8	: Sept. 29
*4	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Idaho	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 2	: Aug. 10	:
Illinois	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 25	: Apr. 13	:
Indiana	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: No	: No	: 11	: May 4	:
Iowa	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 8	: June 7	:
Kansas	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 6	: Aug. 3	:
*5	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Kentucky	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 8	: Aug. 7	:
Louisiana	: No	: No : No	: No	: Yes	: 8	: July 27	: Aug. 31
*6	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Maine	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 3	: June 21	:
Maryland	: No	: No : No	: Yes	: No	: 7	: June 28	:
Massachusetts	: No	: No : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 14	: Sept. 14	:
Michigan	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 18	: Aug. 3	:
*7	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Minnesota	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 9	: Sept. 14	:
*1	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Mississippi	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 6	: Aug. 24	: Sept. 14
Missouri	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: No	: 11	: Aug. 3	:
*8	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Montana	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 2	: July 20	:

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Nebraska	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 4	: Aug. 10	:
Nevada	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 1	: June 1	:
New Hampshire	: No	: No : Yes	: Yes	: (2)	: 2	: Sept. 14	:
New Jersey	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 14	: Apr. 20	:
New Mexico	: Yes	: No : No	: Yes	: Yes	: 2	: May 4	:
*9 New York	: No	: No : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 43	: Sept. 14	:
North Carolina	: No	: No : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 12	: May 29	: June 26
*2 North Dakota	: ---	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 2	: June 29	:
Ohio	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 23	: May 4	:
*10 Oklahoma	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 6	: July 6	: July 27
*4 Oregon	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 4	: May 21	:
Pennsylvania	: No	: No : No	: Yes	: No	: 30	: May 18	:
Rhode Island	: No	: No : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 2	: Sept. 20-Dem.: : Sept. 29-Rep.:	:
South Carolina	: No	: No : No	: Yes	: Yes	: 6	: July 13	: July 27
South Dakota	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 2	: June 1	:
Tennessee	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 9	: Aug. 5	:
*1 & 2 Texas	: ---	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 22	: July 24	: Aug. 28
Utah	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: No	: 2	: Sept. 14	:
*12 Vermont	: No	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 1	: Sept. 14	:
*1 Virginia	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 10	: July 13	: Aug. 17
Washington	: No	: Yes : Yes	: No	: No	: 7	: Sept. 14	:
West Virginia	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: No	: Yes	: 6	: Aug. 3	:
Wisconsin	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: No	: 10	: Sept. 14	:
*8 Wyoming	: Yes	: Yes : Yes	: Yes	: Yes	: 1	: Aug. 17	:

Footnotes:

- *1 Payment of Poll Tax is requisite for voting.
- *2 No registration is required.
- *3 No Primary. Nominations by State Conventions.
- *4 Employees of State and Federal Government may register by mail.
- *5 Federal Government employees and their wives may register from abroad.
- *6 Maine's General Election will be held on Sept. 13, 1954.
- *7 No civilian voting outside continental U.S. except for employees of Army and Navy.
- *8 Affidavit of Absentee Voter must be attested to by an official authorized to administer oaths within the U.S.
- *9 To vote in November election personal registration is required of all electors in communities over 5000 population. 1953 registration entitles electors to vote in the 1954 Primary.
- *10 Re-registration during March 1954 in 58 counties. (Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Tulsa counties are not included in the 58.)
- *11 General registration required in 1954 and every 4th year thereafter.
- *12 Vermont - The Freeman's Oath may be taken outside of the State and if other qualifications are met, the home Board may enter the applicant's name on "Check List".



THE OFFICERS' WIVES' CLUB

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, ALABAMA

November 17, 1954.

Mrs. Bastl Young
84 South 10th Street, Room 406
Minneapolis 2, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Young,

The voting information you sent me for use by the absentee voters at Maxwell Air Force Base was very helpful in supplying accurate and timely information on candidates and issues in the November 2 elections.

You might be interested to know that we received responses from 32 States in answer to our requests. The voting information received, was filed according to States in the office of the Personal Affairs Officer and its availability was publicized at frequent intervals to the Base Personnel and their families prior to the election.

The Personal Affairs Officer was amazed at the interest created and the number of calls he received. The net result has been that for the first time at an Air Force Base, there has been a significant number of military personnel in a position to cast absentee ballots with current knowledge and facts regarding local candidates and political issues.

The Montgomery League of Women Voters and the Officers' Wives' Club of Maxwell Air Force Base extend their wholehearted thanks and appreciation to you and your committee for making this project possible.

Sincerely,

Gail Hollingsworth

Mrs. George H. Hollingsworth
Liaison, The Officers' Wives' Club
Montgomery League of Women Voters

2169 Meadowlane Drive
Montgomery, Alabama

*Your information was excellent
& very well presented!*

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MINNEAPOLIS 3, MINNESOTA

Atlantic 0941

November 18, 1954

Mrs. Henry L. Killan
Voters Service Chairman
League of Women Voters of the United States
1026, 17th St. N.W.
Washington, 6, D.C.

Dear Madam,

As Voters Service Chairman of the League of Women Voters of Minnesota I have become aware of the many problems the local Leagues meet when planning their Candidates meetings . I would like to compile a manual on just that one phase of Voters Service ; the other aspects of Voters Service seem to be solved pretty much in the national pamphlet, " Give the Voter a Hand " (I think that is excellent for Voters Service, generally). I hope your committee might be willing and have the time to advise me on this project of a manual for Candidates Meetings . The chief problem was the non-appearance of the candidates after they had earlier accepted the invitation to be there. There was one instance where both U.S. Senatorial candidates had accepted when they first received their invitation, but after the meeting was all planned and publicized, they received a last minute regret from one of the candidates, which left them with a candidate of one party only and they felt their non-partisanship might be jeopardized but were reluctant to cancel the meeting after the other candidate had made his plans to attend . This happened more than once in the last pre-election campaign and on every level of government. Perhaps you have a solution for this particular problem. If so, I do



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I think it should be included in the manual I hope to prepare.

Any help from you would be much appreciated .

Sincerely,

Mrs. Roger Klein

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November 18, 1954

Mrs. John Watkins
Voters Service Chairman
Provisional League of Women Voters
Wells, Minn

Dear Mrs. Watkins,

Re your letter of November 9th, which was referred to me : you did not misunderstand the use of the voting tags, but the place to use them. I feel I am at fault for the embarrassing position of your League. I should have sent out a general letter on the ruling of the Attorney-General on the tags. I am enclosing a copy I received from him when I wrote about this problem that had arisen earlier in another League. Perhaps it will clarify the problem for you. Will you please return the copy, for our files, when you are finished with it.

Please accept my apologies for neglecting to send a general letter about this so you would have avoided an embarrassing situation. I sincerely hope this situation did not minimize the excellent Voters Service, otherwise, which you did for your community.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Roger Klein, Chm.
Voters Service Committee
League of Women Voters of Minn.



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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
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December 9, 1954

Mrs. Roger Klein
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Dear Mrs. Klein:

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I think the idea of a special sheet on candidates meetings is a good one. It is a technique which has suffered badly in recent years partly through our own inability to keep up with the times and adapt our meetings so that they would draw worthwhile audiences. Now that Leagues know more about radio, television, and other "custom made" kinds of candidates meetings, the technique seems to be revitalized, and again is serving a more useful purpose.

In regard to your question about the non-appearance of a candidate after he has accepted and the meeting was planned and publicized, we have advised that if the League knows far enough in advance that such will be the case it is best to call the meeting off. We realize that this gives tremendous power to a candidate who can dissolve an entire meeting simply by not making an appearance, but the dangers of having such a meeting without candidates from all parties seems to be even worse. There is no single solution that we can suggest, since each League will have to decide on the basis of the circumstances as they exist at the time. But I do think that we protect ourselves by trying to follow the rule of not having a candidates meeting unless all the candidates can be present and subjected to the same questioning, etc.

Sincerely yours,

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Mrs. Fritz R. Kahn
Voters Service

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Sincerely yours,

Ann Kahn
Mrs. Fritz R. Kahn
Voters Service

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*How about candidates?
write in*

League of Women Voters of Minnesota
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Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

December 20, 1954

Memo: To Voters Service Chairmen
From: Mrs. Roger Klein, Voters Service Chairman

Congratulations to all of you for the successful Voters Service work you have done this year. The Constitutional Amendments all passed and I wonder if the reason for that could be because of the Leagues' concentrated campaign for Number 3, which directed the voters' attention to all the amendments?

It was a record vote for a mid-term election. Perhaps our "get out the vote" plus our publicity about candidates and issues stimulated the voting.

As our Leagues grow and mature, we have gained valuable experience for voters service and learn to profit by our mistakes. Each year should find us doing more and doing it more successfully to combat apathy towards informed participation in our government.

We on the State Board are proud of the Leagues' work in Voters Service. We are waiting for your detailed reports so we can evaluate the voters service picture in its entirety. Again, congratulations for a job well done!

Have a merry holiday season, and come back after the first of the year, prepared to work with the Legislative Committee for another successful project.

P.S. Candidates Questionnaires, please!!!

League of Women Voters of Minnesota
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Minneapolis 3, Minnesota

March, 1955
Additional copies not
available - this is NOT
going out on standing
order

Memo: To Local League Voters Service Chairmen
From: Mrs. Roger Klein, State Voters Service Chairman

Many of you are now formulating your plans for local elections, city officials and school board members. Your recent experience with the successful campaign last fall will be of great help to you when planning your candidate information material, candidate meetings and "get-out the vote" campaigns. Good government must begin at the local level so our effort at this level must be as great and as thorough as for State and National. There is usually more apathy to overcome on this level, so it is a challenge to the League to dissipate this indifference to local elections.

Voters Directories can be compiled during this comparative respite. The directory is an excellent service to the voters and should be presented to all finance contributors and persons otherwise friendly to the League. Contained in a practical directory will be information on registration and voting in the community (dates and places for each), names of the government officials of all three levels, how to address them and how and where to write them, length and expiration date of their terms. The directory can be a simple pocket size or an elaborate library size booklet. Imagination can add much to the eye-appeal of the directory. I would advise a small, simple directory because it is something that requires frequent change. Bring samples of YOUR directory to the League convention so Leagues can exchange ideas on this phase of voters service.

I hope you are also working with your Legislative Committee, bringing program and legislative news to the voters. Radio panels are effective in educating the voter during the legislative session. Where radio is not available, the Speakers Bureau can set up panels to go to various organizations. After the panels are set up, let the community know they are available and on what phases of legislative action or possible action the panel is willing to speak. This is a wonderful educational device for the League and valuable from the Public Relations angle.

These are just a few ideas of the year round voters service activity that is possible when a good Voters Service Committee is "on the ball".

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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May 20, 1955

To: Local League Presidents

Enclosed you will find the following:

1. the Minutes of the 35th state Convention (these have not yet been approved by the state Board, but we felt you and your delegates would appreciate seeing a copy as soon as possible)
2. the legislative report of the League's work on FEP
3. a new voters service manual on candidates meeting, Invite the Voter to Meet the Candidate.

Below are some Highlights of Voters Service which were given at Convention.

We are looking forward to seeing you on May 26 at the Workshop for local League Presidents.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF VOTERS SERVICE

We can be proud of our Voters Service record for 1954...but we are confident it will be surpassed in 1956.

Voters Service reports came in from 81% of the Leagues, with a range in membership from 15 to 1150. 1448 League members, of a total membership of 5044, or approximately one fourth of the state membership, worked on Voters Service in 1954. As usual, League work started long before November. Thirteen Leagues conducted registration drives and four Leagues did special work for twenty-on year olds.

In the Primary as well as the General election Leagues used every possible means to get more voters and more informed voters. Twenty-one Leagues conducted "Get-out-the-vote" drives in the primary, with the number growing to 33 Leagues in the general.

Forty-four Leagues distributed Candidate Information; 17 Leagues manned Information Booths; 17 Leagues maintained Speakers Bureaus which serviced many organizations before the election, particularly on ballot issues. Thirty-seven Leagues distributed information on ballot issues with 34 Leagues conducting an intensive promotion campaign for Amendment No. 3.

Thirteen Leagues held local candidates meetings, 10 Leagues held Primary Candidates meetings and 19 Leagues held candidates meetings before the General election, all this besides those Leagues which used radio and TV to better acquaint the voter with his candidate.

Many Leagues cooperated with other organizations on their campaigns, realizing that an adequate job is too much for one organization.

The least successful technique, as shown by the reports, was the candidate meeting. We might be more effective with this technique if we better analyze our own communities and do some rethinking on means of best reaching all segments of the community. However, we do think Voters Service did a fine job in 1954 and will look forward and plan towards an even better Voters Service for 1956.

P.S. We are also enclosing a very important letter on our new Current Agenda.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
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June 23, 1955

Miss Inez E. Lorber, Voters Service Chairman
League of Women Voters of St. Louis Park
2743 Raleigh Avenue
Minneapolis 16, Minnesota

Dear Miss Lorber:

The best way for you to get registration campaign experiences of other Leagues is to write directly to those Leagues which have been active in this field. I have checked through the most recent Voters Service Reports and find that the following Leagues have indicated that they have emphasized registration:

- Tucson, Arizona -- cooperated with the County Recorders Office and political parties;
Phoenix, Arizona -- because of a change in Arizona law all voters had to register last year. The Phoenix League was very active in accomplishing this registration as was the Tucson League previously mentioned.
Piedmont, Calif. -- called on all new residents.
Sacramento, Calif. -- registered 2,054 in the spring and 3,083 in the fall with 1/3 of the League membership participating.
San Bernardino, Calif. -- registered the sick and disabled.
South Pasadena, Calif. -- "operation registration" brought out 526 new registrations.
Santa Barbara, Calif. -- registered the sick and disabled.
Dubuque, Iowa -- conducted a New Voters Registration Day.
Yellow Springs, Ohio -- conducted an extensive registration campaign including leaflets, sound truck and rides to the place of registration.
Falls Church, Va. -- checked registration lists.
Bellevue, Wash. -- "Greater Bellevue Registration Day" brought out 340 new registrations.

I am attaching a list of the presidents and addresses of these Leagues so that you will be able to write them if you care to do so.

If there is anything else we can do, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Christine Urban
Program Secretary

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Att.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

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October 24, 1955

NOTE NEW ADDRESS: University of Minnesota, 15 & Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis 14

To: Local League Presidents
From: Mrs. Basil Young, President

APPOINTMENT
CALENDARS

The appointment calendars have arrived. Please notify the office whether you wish to have them mailed to you or whether and when you will pick them up. Postage costs will be charged.

CONSTITUTIONAL
REVISION

The first meeting of the Minnesota Citizens Constitutional Committee was held on October 4, 1955. Frederick Thomas, Minneapolis attorney, was elected temporary chairman. Nominating and policy committees were elected. The next meeting will be held on November 1st. At that meeting, permanent officers will be elected and a statement of objectives adopted. Barbara Stuhler, League representative on the committee, is temporary chairman of the Policy Committee.

Every League in Minnesota is urgently requested to form a Speakers Bureau of members who would be willing to speak for five or ten minutes on Constitutional Revision, and to notify the organizations in your community that they are available. Suggested speeches will be sent to you, and we would appreciate receiving a list of your speakers so if a request comes into the state office from your area, we will have the names available.

We would also appreciate receiving, for our "contact" file, a list of non-league people, particularly in areas where there are no leagues, whom you feel would be willing to work for constitutional revision, or at least be sent material.

CONSTITUTIONAL
REVISION
MATERIALS

The printed booklets on constitutional revision will be ready some time after the first of the year. A more specific date cannot be given you at this time. For those of you who are planning to have a discussion meeting on this item before 1956, we want to remind you of materials which are available. The best suggestion for discussion this fall would be the use of the May-June Minnesota Voter which contains the Current Agenda and an explanation of the seven constitutional provisions on which the League of Women Voters is agreed. (Additional copies of this Voter are available at the state office for 2¢.) More detailed information on the seven provisions is available for resource leaders: Briefing Material on Constitutional Provisions, 9¢. This material, you will remember, was part of the 1955 Convention Workbook.

The Roaring Farce of 1857, July-August Minnesota Voter, would also be good material for discussion. Because of the many calls for extra copies of this article, we are having it reprinted. A sample copy and price information will be sent you when they are available. In addition to these three recent pieces of material your resource chairman will want to read and use the materials listed in the August 15, 1955 Publication List. Other helpful material is 1) the state Constitution which is printed in the 1955 Legislative Manual, available from your legislators or at your library; 2) "Quality or Quantity in Our State Constitution?" March-April Minnesota Voter; 3) Report of the Minnesota Constitutional Commission, available at library or in League files.

CONGRESSIONAL
ROLL CALLS

The national Board, with the agreement of the Council, decided last May to discontinue the Publication of Significant Roll Calls. However, they sent us the issues and information on how state Boards could compile their own Roll Calls. The votes of Minnesota's Congressmen are listed on the attached sheets. The votes are arranged by date and not in order of their significance. This information could be used in your local bulletin.

NATIONAL ITEM II On October 3rd a pilot Freedom Agenda Organizational Meeting was held at Hibbing, Minn. under the direction of Mrs. Boyne, member of the national Board. This was Hibbing's first attempt to make this a community project, and great interest was shown by the representatives of the various organizations. About 30 organizations had been invited to this meeting and over 20 responded. See enclosed copy of Minutes. New Freedom Agenda Projects are now being started in Deephaven, Duluth, and St. Louis Park. Wouldn't you like to start one in your community - help preserve individual liberty and protect national security? This National Agenda Item II requires a minimum of League woman-power, two to four members can do it. Projects are now reported in over 500 communities in all 48 states and Alaska. Write the state office if you have any questions and would like to initiate this community project.

BOARD TRAINING A one-day institute on "Effective Organization for Community Service" will be held on Friday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Two organizational problems will be emphasized in this conference for board members of women's voluntary associations. They are Board Efficiency and Membership Motivation. Panels composed of distinguished Minnesota women (including two League members) will lead the discussions. Francis Gamelin, psychologist at the Austin Public Schools will speak on "The Cast of Characters" and Ralph Nichols, Professor of Rhetoric at the University will help us to "Listen!" You will receive detailed announcements in a week or so, and I urge all of you who can, to attend.

I'M A VOTER AND I'M MAD Last month's Presidents Letter included a paragraph on this new publication, but the sample was not enclosed. So we refer to it again, as a new popular tool for mass distribution to carry out our public opinion building job for Constitutional Revision. You will note that the name of the League of Women Voters is not imprinted on it. You may wish to use your own stamp, or if you do not have a stamp and would prefer to have the office stamp League of Women Voters on it for you, please let us know when you send in your order. The cost is: 1¢ pc.; 60¢ a 100; \$2.50 for 500; \$5 a 1000; \$24 for 5000.

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CONGRESSIONAL ROLL CALLS

SENATE VOTES

FORMOSA (H.J. Res. 159). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Lehman (D., N.Y.) to the resolution authorizing the President to use the U.S. Armed Forces in defending Formosa, the Pescadores and related territory. The Lehman amendment proposed eliminating the Presidential authority for the protection of the security of related positions and territories of the Formosa area and taking other such measures as he deemed appropriate in assuring the defense of the area. Rejected: 13 yeas, 74 nays. January 28, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 837; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, February 4, 1955.

Humphrey - Y; Thyse - N.

TAX REDUCTION (H.R. 4259). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Johnson (D., Tex.) and others to the bill to extend existing corporate and excise taxes and provide a \$20 credit for each personal exemption on individual income taxes. The Johnson amendment proposed extending corporate and excise taxes for seven months, and provided a \$20 tax cut for heads of household, with an additional \$10 cut for each dependent. Rejected: 44 yeas, 50 nays. March 15, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 2447; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, March 18, 1955.

Humphrey - Y; Thyse - N.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT (S. 500). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to authorize the construction of a storage basin on the Upper Colorado River. Passed: 58 yeas, 23 nays. April 20, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 4072-4073; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, April 22, 1955. (Later a House Committee eliminated from the bill authorization for the construction of a dam at Echo Park, but the House failed to act.)

Humphrey - Y; Thyse - Announced For, Paired For.

TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT EXTENSION (H.R. 1). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Douglas (D., Ill.) to eliminate from the bill the following three provisions: (1) requiring immediate publication of Tariff Commission findings under the escape clause; (2) providing for use of the escape clause if imports "contribute materially" to a threat of serious injury to a domestic producer; and (3) permitting one segment of an industry to seek protection against injury from imports. Rejected: 21 yeas, 67 nays. May 4, 1955. Congressional Record, pages 4817-4818; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, May 6, 1955.

Humphrey - Y; Thyse - N.

TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT EXTENSION (H.R. 1). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to extend the Trade Agreements Act for three years, giving the President limited authority to reduce tariffs and providing protective measures for domestic producers. Passed: 75 yeas, 13 nays. May 4, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 4850; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, May 6, 1955.

Humphrey - Y; Thyse - Y.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION (S. 1048). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Bush (R., Conn.) to send the bill, granting federal aid to the states for highway construction, back to Committee for further study. Rejected: 39 yeas, 50 nays. May 25, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 6013; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, May 27, 1955. (The Senate Committee had turned down the Administration plan for financing the program through a 30-year bond issue. S. 1048, as later passed by the Senate, authorized appropriations for direct federal aid in the form of grants to

the states for highway construction. The House sent its committee-written highway bill back to Committee, so no legislation in this field was enacted.)

Humphrey - N; Thye - Y.

MUTUAL SECURITY AUTHORIZATION for 1956 (S. 2090). THIS VOTE was on an amendment to the bill authorizing funds for foreign aid. Offered by Senator Ellender (D., La.), it proposed to eliminate from the bill the \$200 million for the President's Fund for Asian Development. Rejected: 17 yeas, 63 nays. June 2, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 6468; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, June 3, 1955.

Humphrey - N; Thye - N.

MUTUAL SECURITY AUTHORIZATION for 1956 (S. 2090). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill authorizing \$3.425 billion for foreign aid. Passed: 59 yeas, 18 nays. June 2, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 6481; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, June 3, 1955. (Later in a House-Senate conference this sum was reduced to \$3.285 billion.)

Humphrey - Y; Thye - Y.

HOUSING ACT of 1955 (S. 2126). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Capehart (R., Ind.) to authorize construction of 35,000 public housing units annually for two years. Rejected: 38 yeas, 44 nays. June 7, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 6603; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, June 10, 1955. (The bill as reported to the Senate by the Committee, and later passed, authorized construction of 135,000 public housing units annually until the 1949 authorization for 810,000 units was met. The House eliminated all authority for public housing construction and in conference authorization for 45,000 units for one year was granted)

Humphrey - N; Thye - Y.

D.C. HOME RULE (S. 669). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to provide an elected mayor, city council, school board and non-voting delegate to the House of Representatives for the District of Columbia. Passed: 59 yeas, 15 nays. June 29, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 8087; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 1, 1955. (The House District of Columbia Committee took no action on the bill)

Humphrey - Y; Thye - Y.

STATUS OF FORCES TREATY AMENDMENT...Reserve Forces (H.R. 7000). THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Senator Jenner (R., Ind.) to the bill to strengthen our Reserve Forces. The Jenner amendment would have forbidden our Armed Forces to be assigned to serve in any country with which the U.S. has in effect a Status of Forces Treaty or agreement. (The U.S. has reciprocal agreements with many countries in which members of our Armed Services are stationed, making our Forces subject to the criminal laws of those countries for law infringements when our service personnel are off duty.) Rejected: 14 yeas, 70 nays. July 14, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 9122; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 15, 1955.

Humphrey - N; Thye - N.

MUTUAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION (H.R. 7224). THIS VOTE was on passage of a foreign aid bill totaling \$3.598 billion, an increase of \$420 million in new money above the House-passed bill. Passed: July 22, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 9751; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 29, 1955. (In conference the final amount agreed upon was \$2.765 billion. This appropriation included \$24 million for an 18-month U. S. contribution to the United Nations Technical Assistance Program.)

Humphrey - Y; Thye - Y.

HOUSE VOTES

1. EXTENSION OF TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT FOR THREE YEARS (H.R. 1). THIS VOTE was on a motion by Representative Reed (R., N.Y.) to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions to write in an amendment making it mandatory on the President to accept Tariff Commission recommendations on investigations conducted under the escape clause, unless national security is involved. Rejected: 199 yeas, 206 nays. February 18, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 1528; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, February 25, 1955.
2. EXTENSION OF THE TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT FOR THREE YEARS (H.R. 1). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to extend the Trade Agreements Act and give the President authority to reduce some tariffs 15 per cent over a three-year period. Passed: 295 yeas, 110 nays. February 18, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 1528-1529; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, February 25, 1955. This House version of the bill did not contain the measures to give added protection to domestic industry later written in in the Senate Finance Committee and agreed to in the conference committee.
3. TAXES (H.R. 4529). THIS VOTE was on passage of a bill to continue for one year the existing corporation and excise taxes while providing a \$20 income tax reduction to individuals in 1956. Passed: 242 yeas, 175 nays. February 25, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 1842-1843; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, March 4, 1955.
4. U.N. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. THIS VOTE was on an amendment offered by Representative Preston (D., Ga.) to the Second Supplemental Appropriation for 1955, restoring a \$4 million U.S. contribution to the United Nations Technical Assistance Program. The Appropriation Committee had included this money in the bill as reported, but it had been eliminated on a point of order during the floor debate. Adopted: 174 yeas, 107 nays. March 18, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 2637; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, March 25, 1955. The Senate granted the full \$8 million the President had asked for the U.S. contribution, and in conference a contribution of \$6.5 was agreed to.
5. AGRICULTURAL PRICE SUPPORTS (H.R. 12). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to provide high, rigid price supports on the basic agricultural commodities: wheat, corn, tobacco, cotton, rice and peanuts. Passed: 206 yeas, 201 nays. May 5, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 4950-4951; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, May 6, 1955. The Senate took no action.
6. ALASKAN - HAWAIIAN STATEHOOD (H.R. 2535). THIS VOTE was on a motion by Representative Pillion (R., N.Y.) to send back to committee the bill granting statehood to Alaska and Hawaii. This action killed the bill. Adopted: 218 yeas, 170 nays. May 10, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 5087-5088; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, May 13, 1955.
7. CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION (H.R. 6040). THIS VOTE was on a motion by Representative Simpson (R., Pa.) to send back to committee the bill providing changes in procedures for determining the value of imports. Rejected: 143 yeas, 232 nays. June 22, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 7680-7681; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, June 24, 1955. (Later the bill passed the House but the Senate Finance Committee failed to report it to the Senate.)
8. MUTUAL SECURITY APPROPRIATION, 1956 (H.R. 7224). THIS VOTE was on passage of an appropriation bill for foreign aid totaling \$2.638 billion. Passed: 251 yeas, 123 nays. July 11, 1955. Congressional Record, page 8817; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 15, 1955. (The Senate later increased this figure to \$3.598 billion. In conference the final amount agreed upon was \$2.765 billion. This appropriation included \$24 million for an 18-month U.S. contribution to the United Nations Technical Assistance Program.)

9. SOCIAL SECURITY (H.R. 7225). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to amend the Social Security Act to provide disability benefits for the disabled at the age of 50, reduce to 62 the age at which benefits are payable to women, provide for continuation of insurance benefits for children disabled before the age of 18 and extend coverage. Passed: 372 yeas, 31 nays. July 18, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 9303-9304; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 22, 1955. (The Senate did not act on this bill.)

10. HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION (H.R. 7474). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to raise gasoline and other taxes to pay \$12.4 billion towards a \$48.5 billion highway construction program. Rejected: 123 yeas, 292 nays. July 27, 1955. Congressional Record, Page 10121; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 29, 1955. (The Administration's proposed highway plan to be financed by sale of 30-year bonds had been rejected at the time this vote was taken.)

11. NATURAL GAS REGULATION (H.R. 6645). THIS VOTE was on passage of the bill to exempt producers and gatherers of natural gas from federal regulation. Passed: 209 yeas, 203 nays. July 28, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 10316-10317; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, July 29, 1955. The Senate failed to act on this bill and it is pending on the calendar for the second session of the 84th Congress.

12. HOUSING ACT OF 1955 (S. 2126). THIS VOTE was on a motion by Representative Wolcott (R., Mich.) to substitute for the Senate-passed bill (which contained authorization for 135,000 units of public housing) a proposed bill authorizing additional funds for FHA mortgage insurance and slum clearance, and extending FHA home improvement and military housing program; the substitute eliminated all public housing authorization. Agreed to: 217 yeas, 188 nays. July 29, 1955. Congressional Record, Pages 10437-10438; Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report, August 5, 1955. (In conference a one-year program of 45,000 units of public housing was agreed on.)

Y - Voted for.

N - Voted against.

X - Announced against, paired against, Cong. Quarterly Poll against.

✓ - Announced for, paired for, Cong. Quarterly Poll for.

? - Absent, general pair, "present", Did not announce or answer poll.

Representative and Party	Dist.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Anderson (R)	VII	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
Andresen (R)	I	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y
Blatnik (D)	VIII	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	?	N	?	?	Y	N	N
Judd (R)	V	X	✓	N	?	N	X	?	Y	Y	N	N	N
Knutson (D)	IX	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
Marshall (D)	VI	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N
McCarthy (D)	IV	N	Y	Y	?	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N
O'Hara (R)	II	Y	N	N	?	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
Wier (D)	III	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N

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MINNESOTA ELECTION DATA - 1956

To Be Elected in 1956

I. Executive Department

- A. Officers: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General.
- B. Where to File: File with Secretary of State, Room 128, State Capitol.
- C. Filing fee: \$50.00

II. Judicial

A. Supreme Court:

- (1) Two associate justices - for the office to which:
 - a. Leroy E. Matson was elected for the regular term
 - b. William P. Murphy was appointed
- (2) Where to file: File with Secretary of State, Room 128, State Capitol.
- (3) Filing fee: \$50.00

B. District Court:

- (1) 27 judges to be elected from the following districts:
 - 1st Dist. - one; 2nd Dist. - five; 3rd Dist. - one;
 - 4th Dist. - 7; 6th Dist. - one; 7th Dist. - one;
 - 8th Dist. - one; 9th Dist. - one; 10th Dist. - one;
 - 11th Dist. - two; 13th Dist. - one; 14th Dist. - one;
 - 15th Dist. - two; 17th Dist. - one; 19th Dist. - one.
- (2) Where to file: File with Secretary of State, except
 - 2nd Dist. (file with Ramsey County Auditor)
 - and 4th Dist. (file with Hennepin County Auditor)
- (3) Filing fee: \$20.00

III. Congressional:

- A. One representative in Congress from each of the 9 Congressional Districts.
- B. File affidavit of candidacy with Secretary of State, except candidates in 4th Congressional District (file with Ramsey County Auditor) and 5th Congressional District (file with Hennepin County Auditor)
- C. Filing fee - \$50.00

IV. Legislative

- A. 131 representatives in the State Legislature
- B. Candidates from the following districts file affidavit of candidacy with the Secretary of State: 1st Dist. (Houston-Fillmore) one at large; 14th Dist. (Redwood-Brown) one at large; 44th Dist. (Anoka-Isanti) one; 45th-first division (Benton-Sherburne) one; 53rd Dist. (Crow Wing-Morrison) one at large; 55th Dist. (Kanabec-Mille Lacs-Sherburne) two; 57th - second division (Cook-Lake) one; 62nd Dist. (Beltrami, Lake of the Woods) one; 64th Dist. (Mahnomon, Norman) one; 65th Dist. (Clearwater, Pennington, Red Lake) two.
All other representatives (those voted for in one county only) file with their respective county auditors.
- C. Filing fee- \$10.00

V. Railroad and Warehouse Commission:

- A. One commissioner - six year term
- B. File with Secretary of State
- C. Filing fee- \$50.00

VI. County Officers

- A. County officers whose terms expire in 1955
- B. File with County Auditor
- C. Filing fee - \$10.00

VII. Constitutional Amendments

Three amendments to the Minnesota Constitution will appear on the Constitutional Amendment ballot on November 6, 1956.

The amendments will appear in the following order:

Amendment No. 1 - Ch. 881 - relating to the judiciary

"Chapter 881--H.F. No. 954

An Act proposing an amendment to Article VI of the Constitution; providing for the exercise of the judicial power of the state."

Amendment No. 2 - Ch. 882 - relating to highways

"Chapter 882--H.F. No. 1407

An Act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Minnesota by including a consolidated article on public highways, providing for systems of public roads to be constructed, improved and maintained by the state, counties and municipalities; authorizing the state to construct and maintain trunk highways and aid in the construction and maintenance of other public highways; establishing and authorizing the creation of a fund for such purposes by the taxation of motor vehicles and motor fuel; the issuance of bonds for such purposes as to trunk highways; consolidating and combining the several provisions of the constitution relating thereto into a single article to be known as Article XVI taking the place of present Article XVI, Article IX, Section 16, and replacing inconsistent provisions of the Constitution."

Amendment No. 3 - Ch. 6-Extra Session - relating to the occupation tax on iron ore.

"Chapter 6--S.F. no. 3

An act proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Minnesota, Article IX, Section 1A, pertaining to the occupation tax on the business of mining or producing iron ore or other ores in this state and the apportionment and distribution of the proceeds therefrom."

STATE ELECTION CALENDAR -- 1956

Dec. 31, 1955	Last day for each political party to file with the Secretary of State the number of delegates to which it is entitled at its national convention.
January 16	Filings open to any candidate for the office of president to have name placed on state presidential primary ballot. Affidavit of candidacy.
February 1	Filings open for petitions on behalf of a candidate for the office of president to have candidate's name placed on ballot for presidential primary. Nominating petition.
February 15	Last day for filing affidavits of candidacy and nominating petitions to have names of candidates placed on presidential primary ballot.
February 25	Last day for filing affidavit of withdrawal by presidential primary candidate.
March 20	PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
June 13	First date for filing as a candidate for state, judicial, legislative, congressional and county offices.
July 23	Last day for filing as candidate for state, judicial, legislative, congressional and county offices.
July 28	Last date on which candidates above may withdraw from official ballot.
September 11	STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
October 6	Last day a nomination can be made by petition for the general election.
November 6	GENERAL ELECTION for president, congressional, state, judicial and county officials.

CALENDAR

- December 31 Last day for each political party to file with Secretary of State the total number of delegates to which it will be entitled at the National Convention. (MS 202.42)
- January 16 Filings open for any candidate for presidential nomination to file affidavit of candidacy requesting that his name be placed on presidential primary ballot. (MS 202.44)
- February 1 Filings open to place on the ballot by petition the name of a person as candidate for nomination for president. (MS 202.45)
- February 15 Last day to file affidavits of candidacy and nomination petitions. (MS 202.44, .45)
- February 25 Last day for candidate nominated by petition to file affidavit to withdraw his name from ballot. (MS 202.47)
- March 20 Presidential Primary Election (MS 202.41)
- 40 days prior Last day for holding Congressional District party conventions to National to name alternate delegates. (MS 202.50, Subd. 2)
Convention
- 30 days prior Last day for holding state party convention to select three to National delegates at large and three alternates.
Convention (MS 202.50, Subd. 1)
- Two weeks Last day for delegates selected by convention to file pledges in
Prior to support of presidential candidates selected at the primary election.
National (MS 202.50, Subd. 3)
Convention

FILING DATAI. Affidavit of Candidacy: (MS 202.44)

- A. File with Secretary of State from January 16 to 12:00 o'clock noon of February 15, inclusive.
- B. Contents:
1. Name of candidates party
 2. Names of delegates
 - (a) Two for each Congressional District. Delegate must reside therein.
 - (b) Additional delegates at large to equal the total number of delegates to which party is entitled, less the three delegates who are elected at the state convention.

C. Fee - \$25.00

II. Nominating Petition: (MS 202.45)

- A. File with Secretary of State from February 1 to February 15, inclusive.
- B. Contents:
1. Name of candidate, and name of political party.
 2. Names of delegates:
 - (a) Two delegates for each congressional district
 - (b) Additional delegates at large to equal the total number of delegates to which party is entitled, less the three delegates who are elected at the State Convention.

3. Statement that the filing is made in good faith.
4. Following the facts required to be stated in each petition signed by the voter shall be written or printed an oath in the following form:
"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that I know the contents and purpose of this petition and signed my name of my own free will."
5. Petition shall be signed by at least 100 voters from each Congressional District in the state. Following the signature of each signer there shall be written his post office address and the Congressional District in which he resides.
6. Filing Fee - \$25.00

III. Delegates Affidavit (MS 202.47)

There shall be attached to the affidavit of candidacy or the nominating petition an affidavit signed by each proposed delegate. The affidavit shall contain:

- A. Residence and post office address of the delegate.
- B. A statement that he is a qualified voter.
- C. A statement that he will not withdraw his name before the presidential primary.
- D. A statement that he is affiliated with the specified political party, and that he intends to vote for the nominee at the ensuing election.
- E. A pledge to vote for said nominee at the convention. Form of pledge set out in Section 202.47 (E).

IV. One Filing for a Candidate (MS 202.46)

Only one filing for any candidate may be accepted, and only the first filing by or for a candidate shall be recognized.

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NOTE NEW ADDRESS: University of Minnesota, 15 & Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, 14

To: Local League Presidents
From: Mrs. Basil Young, President

November 1955

STATE PROGRAM

Steady progress is being made on implementing our state program. Every effort is being made to lay a firm foundation for "concerted action." Our Constitutional Revision, Public Relations and Publications Committees are doing a very careful job of analyzing methods and coordinating their efforts. A report of the accomplishments thus far, and suggestions for your unit work is attached.

Resource material on Constitutional Revision will be either six separate printed pamphlets on the history of constitution making, the executive, legislative and judicial branches, home rule and finance, or one book in six sections. We hope it will be ready by March. We are as disappointed as you must be to have it delayed till then, but we are sure it will be worth waiting for, and in the meantime Mrs. Chesley has many suggestions (on attached sheets) for you on material and activities for your members.

A Public Opinion Building Manual is being prepared outlining specific methods and ideas. In it you will find the answer to your question: "What can we do now?" as well as help in setting up your step-by-step long-term plan, for reaching and persuading the public. If this is done well, persuasion of legislators will naturally follow. It should be ready in December, and I would suggest that you order sufficient copies for all board members and unit chairmen. It should of course be particularly helpful to your constitutional revision and public relations chairmen.

The Minnesota Citizens Constitutional Committee held its second meeting on November 1st. The following officers were elected: Donald A. Holmes, Minneapolis, Chairman; Earl R. Anderson, Falcon Heights, Vice-chairman; Mrs. Russell T. Lund, Edina, Secretary; Monrad Paulsen, Minneapolis, Treasurer. Those of us who attended the meetings feel we have every reason to be most optimistic about the success of this committee. It is heartening to see the interest expressed by the individuals and representatives of organizations who have joined the committee, and we believe it will be an excellent example of what can be accomplished through cooperative effort. The League of course is only one of the organization members of this committee and our representative is Miss Barbara Stuhler.

PUBLICATIONS

Will you please remind your Publication Chairman to check as soon as possible to see that you have a complete file of publications on your school and public library shelves, and also to equip yourselves to lend materials to other groups. Constitutional Revision materials especially will be in demand from now on.

A copy of MINNESOTA FACTS (2¢) is enclosed as well as a sample local League Fact Sheet. Our hope is that you will want every member to have one of these (or at least every new member), that you will want to attach to it your own brief history. We feel this will be a useful tool for getting new members, helping in your finance drive and with local public relations, etc.

Reprints of the "Roaring Farce" section of the July-Aug. Minnesota Voter are available at a penny a sheet for 1 to 100; 200 for \$1.40; 300 for \$2.10; 400 for \$2.80; 500 for \$3.50; 1000 for \$7.00.

VOTERS SERVICE

Enclosed is the calendar of 1956 Minnesota Election Dates with information for candidates, filing fees, places to file etc. Included is the list of officials to be elected in 1956 and the three amendments which will be on the ballot. This material will be helpful in planning your Voters Service program for the next months, and the information for candidates may help you answer questions from prospective candidates.

Your Voters Service work might also include use of the excellent pamphlet, "Choosing the President of the U.S.A.," conducting a "New Voter Registration Day," and asking your City Clerk to deputize League members to staff registration booths, register the ill and disabled. Many Leagues have successfully adopted this practice; further information will be sent you on request.

An idea for Candidates Meetings which was mentioned briefly in "Invite the Voter to Meet the Candidate" might be tried in some Leagues this year for a fresh approach. It is a Progressive Candidates Meeting, where the candidates make a tour of several homes during an evening or afternoon. The candidate would have the opportunity to see and talk informally to a larger number of people than he might meet in one meeting. The advantages to the listener is that he would have the opportunity to meet and question the candidate in the privacy of a home. This type of meeting would be easy to publicize — set up in all parts of town, on the same night, schedule of talks worked out on a half hour basis. The meeting would be in lieu of the usual candidates meeting, and you may get a bigger audience if your meetings are in neighborhoods rather than in some public building in the middle of town.

NATIONAL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

If you have neglected to send the state office a copy of your suggestions for national program, I hope you will do so at once.

MINNESOTA TRADE SURVEY

The Minnesota Trade Survey Publication has been unavoidably delayed by the negotiation between the University of Minnesota and the CED concerning its publication. It will probably be published in book form early in March. We suggest that you either delay your consideration of Trade in your units until this book's publication, or that you refer to pages 5 and 6 in the September 1955 National Board Report, and use the many suggestions and bibliography listed there, stressing especially GATT, OTC, and ODM.

1956-57 PROPOSED BUDGET

Soon you will receive from the State Budget Chairman, Mrs. Jerome Gray of Minneapolis, a copy of the proposed state budget for 1956-57. Mrs. Gray and her committee consisting of Mesdames Robert Leshner of Richfield, E.J. Schroeder, State Finance Chairman, of Deephaven, Miss Hazel Shimmin of Bemidji, and Mrs. Gertrude Wallinder of Duluth, gave very thoughtful consideration to our budget needs, keeping in mind that next year is the all important legislative year, and also made a very careful analysis of each League's ability to support those needs. I hope you will discuss it thoroughly with your board and send in your suggestions or questions.

TREASURER'S INSTRUCTION SHEET

A new Treasurer's Instruction Sheet will go out soon to your local League Treasurer. Part of a new plan outlined there is for you to deal directly with national in paying for national publications. So, if you receive bills from national before you receive our new Treasurer's Instruction Sheet, you will understand why.

Enclosed: Letter from Mrs. Chesley to LL State Resource Chairmen (2¢)
MINNESOTA FACTS (2¢)
Sample local League Fact Sheet (1¢)
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Teen-Agers to Address Legislature

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Miss Graf has been invited to read her winning essay, "Minnesota's Only Constitutional Convention," to the Senate at 10 a.m., pointing out some of the oddities and illegalities of the 1857 convention. In "A Teacher's Plea," to be presented in the House of Representatives at 2 p.m., Miss Keltgen will ask legislators to consider the embarrassment of history teachers who must admit to students that many provisions of the Minnesota constitution are not enforced.

George H. Leahy, Chief Clerk of the House, said "It's the first time in my memory, and I have been working for the Legislature for 22 years, that a high school student has been invited to address either the House or the Senate."

Since graduating from St. Anthony High School, Lismore, in June, Miss Graf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Graf of Lismore, has been living in Worthington, where she is employed as a bookkeeper by the Farmers Elevator. A prospective teacher, Miss Keltgen, a senior at Good Counsel Academy, Mankato, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Keltgen. She is a 4-H Clubber and she worked last summer on her father's farm. She is co-editor of her school paper.

Also visiting the Capitol will be the runners-up in the contest, Miss Patricia Ann Skildum of Arden Hills, 10th grade at Mounds View High School, New Brighton, and Miss Mary Ann Jordan, Falcon Heights, 11th grade at Alexander Ramsey High School, Roseville. The group will visit both houses, attend committee meetings and lunch with some of the legislators from their districts. Their League escorts will be Mrs. George R. Springborg of Roseville, member of the state League legislative committee, and Mrs. Earl Worner, also of Roseville.

Miss Betty Girling of Station KUOM will tape an interview with Miss Graf and Miss Keltgen to be played on a "Current Events" program sometime during the first week in February.

In addition to the trip, Miss Graf won a 30-volume set of Encyclopedia Americana and Miss Keltgen, an Oxford dictionary.

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In our MEA story marked for release Wednesday, January 30, or thereafter, and headed "Teen-Agers to Address Legislature", please correct as follows:

Kill paragraphs one and two, beginning "Two rural Minnesota girls..." and concluding "...constitution are not enforced."

Please substitute the following:

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Now pick up the third paragraph of the MEA release beginning ...
"George H. Leahy, Chief Clerk of the House..."

The remainder is correct as written.

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Immediate Release

MEA - March 1 '52

Constitution Contest Sponsored for Students

Minnesota high school students from grades 9 to 12 inclusive are eligible to enter an essay contest on "Our Minnesota Constitution" sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Minnesota to encourage young people to acquaint themselves with the state constitution. Superintendents of public, private and parochial schools have been sent information on the contest, which begins March 19 and closes at noon April 30.

All four prize winners will receive an expense-paid conducted visit to the 1957 Minnesota Legislature. In addition, the first prize winner will be awarded a 30-volume set of Encyclopedia Americana, 1955 edition, and the second prize winner will be given a \$25 Oxford dictionary.

Judges are Mrs. Malcolm Hargraves of Rochester, past president of the state League and a former national League director; Ralph W. Keller of Minneapolis, manager of the Minnesota Editorial Association; and Leroy E. Matson of Minneapolis, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Minnesota. All three have testified on the need for constitutional revision at various legislative hearings.

Lists of suggested topics, bibliography and complete rules may be obtained from local and county school superintendents' offices, local Leagues of Women Voters or the League of Women Voters of Minnesota, 15th and Washington avenue S.E., Minneapolis 14, Minn.

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The State You're In - Which Is the Constitution?

Anyone who delves into the history of Minnesota's only constitutional convention in 1857 soon stumbles on a real puzzler - which of two constitutions is the real one? The convention was split in two by bitter partisan strife, with the result that a conference committee of 10 men wrote the state constitution in 10 days, driven by haste so that Minnesota might achieve statehood. Because Republicans and Democrats would not even sign the same document, two copies had to be made. There were 300 differences in the two versions. No one today knows which is the correct, original constitution of Minnesota!

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MINNESOTA PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION
MARCH 20, 1956

THIS IS THE SECOND PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION FOR MINNESOTA SINCE THE 1949 LEGISLATURE PASSED THIS LAW:

"There shall be held, on the 3rd Tuesday of March of each year in which a President and Vice-President of the United States are to be nominated and elected, a Presidential Primary, at which election, the several political parties recognized by the laws of this state, shall express their popular choice for the nomination for President of the United States and shall elect their delegates to their national convention."

THE A.B.C.'s OF THIS LAW ARE:

A...HOW TO BECOME A CANDIDATE.

The primary race is restricted to national parties recognized in Minnesota that is, Republican and Democratic-Farmer-Labor.

A candidate may file with the Secretary of State, between the dates of January 16 and February 15, by presenting an affidavit of candidacy (which must contain the name of his party and the names of his delegates), and by paying a \$25.00 filing fee. Attached to the affidavit of candidacy must also be affidavits of the proposed delegates named in his filing papers. These affidavits are required whether the candidate files himself, or is filed by petition.

If he has not filed by February 1, he can be filed by a nominating petition without his consent, between the dates of February 1 and February 15, on either ticket. The petition requires signatures of at least 100 voters (who must take an oath that they know the contents and purpose of the petition, and that they signed their names of their own free will) in each of the nine (9) Congressional Districts of Minnesota, the names of the delegates pledged to the candidate, and a filing fee of \$25.00.

Withdrawal of a candidate may be accomplished by his notifying the Secretary of State, by affidavit, that he is not a candidate for president on the party ticket for which he has been filed. Final date for withdrawal is February 20 for those who filed by affidavit of candidacy and February 25 for those who were nominated by petition.

B...HOW ARE DELEGATES CHOSEN?

Two (2) delegates are elected by the voters in each Congressional District and several delegates-at-large are elected by a state-wide vote. Size of delegation from each state is decided by the national parties according to the state's voting strength. The delegates are listed on the ballot beside the name of the presidential candidate and-by voting for the candidate-the voter simultaneously votes for the delegates. Three (3) delegates are chosen at state conventions of each political party after the Primary.

In this year's Primary, the delegate representation will be:

	D.F.L.	REPUBLICAN
Two (2) delegates to be elected by the voters in each of the nine (9)		
Congressional Districts	18	18
Delegates-at-large to be elected by voters all over the state	39	7

D.F.L.

REPUBLICAN

Delegates-at-large to be
elected by state convention
of each party, after the Primary.

3	3
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
60	28

The Democratic party has only 30 delegate votes but is sending 60 delegates with 1/2 vote each.

The alternates for delegates-at-large are named by the State convention of each party and the alternates for the Congressional District delegates are named by the District Convention of each party.

C...HOW ARE THE VOTERS COUNTED?

The votes for each Congressional District are tallied and the winning candidate and his slate of delegates are entitled to represent that district at the party's National Convention.

The votes are also counted on a state-wide basis and the winning candidate in the state receives the votes of all delegates-at-large.

D...ARE DELEGATES PLEDGED TO THE CANDIDATE WITH WHOM THEIR NAMES APPEARED ON THE BALLOT?

The delegates are required to vote for the candidate to whom they are committed, on the first (1st) ballot at National Convention, and all ensuing ballots.....UNLESS OR UNTIL

1. The candidate releases them

or

2. The candidate fails to get 10% of the total vote cast on a ballot.

After that has happened, the delegates may vote as they wish.

Present plans for

Democratic National Convention.....August 13, 1956, in Chicago

Republican National Convention.....August 20, 1956, in San Francisco.

WHAT THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY MEANS TO THE VOTER:

The voters may vote for delegates to their political party's national convention, which will choose its candidate for nomination for the Presidency of the United States. Before this law took effect, delegates were chosen by State Party conventions. Now all but three from each party will be chosen by the voters and all delegates will be pledged to support the candidate of the voter's choice.

THE BALLOT:

If voting machines are used, the voter votes as in any Minnesota election. If paper ballots are used, the voter must name the party of his choice as he enters the polling place. (This does not commit the voter, however, to vote for this party's candidates in future elections.)

On the ballot will be the name of each Presidential candidate who has filed or has been entered by petition. Beside his name will be the names of the delegates chosen

to support him, two from the voters Congressional District and the delegates-at-large from all over the state, thirty-nine if DFL and seven if Republican. The voter will be naming a total of forty-one if DFL and nine if Republican. Each party convention will name three more delegates after the primary.

When the voter marks an X beside the name of the presidential candidate of his choice he will be voting simultaneously for the candidate and his entire slate of delegates.

Absentee voting provisions of the state are applicable to the presidential primary.

Absentee voters must be registered if registration is required at their legal voting address. They may register, absentee, before any qualified notary public and return sworn registration to their own city clerk. Last day to register before Presidential Primary is February 28. An absentee ballot may be requested from the voter's County auditor for general elections or from city clerk for local elections. The request may be made any time before the deadline set for election. The ballot is then notarized and returned to the auditor or city clerk and must reach the polling place by election day.

MINNESOTA'S ROLE IN CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

QUALIFICATIONS NECESSARY TO BE CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT:

Must be a natural born citizen of the U.S.
At least 35 years of age
14 years a resident within the U.S.

I.... PERSONS MOST LIKELY TO ACHIEVE ENOUGH POLITICAL PROMINENCE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:

State governors, especially of the larger states, (Roosevelt)
A self-made man of humble origin appeals to the voters, (Lincoln)
Legislators, particularly senators, (Taft, Kefauver)
Men successful in public life, army generals, college presidents, (Hoover, Eisenhower, Wilson)

II.... HOW DOES ONE BECOME A CANDIDATE?

17 states now have direct Presidential Primaries, including Minnesota.

In Minnesota:

The name of the candidate is filed, together with a slate of delegates, two from each Congressional District, chosen at the major parties' district conventions; delegates at large, the number dependent upon the voting strength of the party in the state, chosen at a special meeting of the State Central Committees. Three delegates are chosen at the State Parties' Conventions after the Primary. (refer to the Primary material for information about alternates.)

The number of delegates, in Minnesota, is based on approximately one delegate for each 50,000 votes cast.

The delegates from Minnesota are pledged to the candidate with whom they were filed until (1) the candidate releases them or (2) the candidate fails to get 10% of the total vote cast on the ballot. After that the delegate may vote as he wishes.

1. State Party Conventions.

Choosing delegates begins at:

Precinct Caucus
which
Elects delegates
to
County Convention
which
Elects delegates
to
District Convention
which
Elects delegates
to

State Party Convention

State Party Organizations choose the Electors of the Electoral College.

2. There is much controversy over the merits or lack of merits of our Minnesota Presidential Primary law.

Proponents of the Primary feel that if more states had Presidential Primaries they would be most influential. One example of success is the "write-in" vote for Eisenhower in 1952.

Opponents of the Presidential Primary feel it is destroying the grass root method of

choosing the candidate as compared to the precinct caucus through to the national convention method.

ADDENDUM to MINNESOTA'S ROLE IN CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.
On page 2 under III re National Committee:

In 1952, the Republican Party changed their rules for membership of their National Committee to include the State Chairmen of a Republican state (that is, the states which elect a Republican Governor). This means that such a state sends four members to the National Committee instead of just two.

vention, or vice-versa.

The main business of the National Convention is to nominate the candidates for president and vice-president. The winning candidates for nomination must get a majority of the convention votes to be nominated.

IV.... WHO DOES THE FINAL BALLOTING FOR THE PRESIDENT?

The College of Electors, (equal in each state according to the number of senators and representatives of each state, the total number of electors is 531.)
The electors of the winning party of the state do the final voting for the presidential candidate who receives the majority of the popular vote, and the winning candidate of the state gets the entire electoral vote of the state. The candidate receiving a majority of 266 electoral votes is declared elected. (The electors are not legally committed to vote for the winning candidate of their state but it is the usual practice to do so.)

Minnesota has 11 electors, one for each of the 9 Congressional districts and 2 for the senators. The State Conventions of each party choose the electors.
The first Monday after the second Wednesday in December, following the Presidential election, the electors, of the winning party of the state, meet in the state Capitol where each elector is furnished, by the governor, 6 certificates which contain two lists, the president and vice presidential candidates, and annexed to the certificates is the list of the names of the electors. These certificates are then marked by the electors, then of the 6 certificates, one is forwarded immediately, by registered mail, to the President of the Senate and two are delivered at once to the Secretary of State of Minnesota. Of the two delivered to the Secretary of State, one is held to the order of the President of the Senate and the other preserved by the Secretary of State for one year, to be part of the public records of his office and may be opened to public inspection.
The day after the voting, two of the remaining certificates are forwarded, by registered mail, to the Secretary of State of the United States in Washington, D.C., to be preserved for the same purpose and for the same period as those sent to the Secretary of State of Minnesota. The 6th certificate goes to the United States District Judge, of the district in which the electors have assembled.

The 6th day of January, following the presidential election, the President of the Senate opens the returns and in the presence of both houses of Congress, counts the votes and declares the candidate elected who has received the majority of the electoral votes. (This will be done before a new Congress, but by the incumbent and perhaps retiring vice-president.) In case of no majority vote, which must be at least 266 of the 531 electoral votes, the president is elected by the House of Representatives and the vice-president is elected by the Senate. This is not likely to happen, however, as long as we have only two strong political parties in the United States.

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III.... THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND CONVENTION; SIZE, MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES?

A... The membership of the National committee is composed of one man and one woman from each state, territory and District of Columbia. Its duties are to plan and arrange the National Convention, choose the National committee chairman and chairwoman, and to promote the interests of the party between elections. (It is interesting to note that the National committee chairman of the winning party is usually given the post of Post-Master General of the U.S.)

B... The size of the National Convention is dependent on the voting strength of the party in each state and territory. For example, the states voting heavily Republican would have more delegates at the Republican Convention than at the Democratic Convention, or vice-versa.

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SIDELIGHTS ON THE SUBJECT:

It is possible to win a majority popular vote and yet lose the election with the electoral vote.

Examples:

1884

If candidate Blaine had carried just New York, with the electoral votes he had already received, he would have won the election, but Cleveland carried the New York electoral vote by winning a majority of the popular vote by a mere 1000 votes. Cleveland therefor won the election by only 6 electoral votes.

1888

Harrison received 233 electoral votes against Cleveland's 168 although Cleveland's popular vote was 100,000 more than Harrison's. Cleveland won large majorities in the southern states with low electoral votes, while Harrison received a small majority vote in the northern states with more electoral votes.

SUGGESTED CHANGES FOR CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT:

I.... Direct popular vote... its disadvantage would be in that states vary in their voting restrictions. (Georgia permits 18 year olds to vote, so Georgia would have more votes per population than states whose voting age requirement is 21 years old.) Stuffing the ballot boxes would be more effective in a direct popular vote.

II.... Allow each candidate a percentage of electoral votes, for example: 60% of the popular vote would mean 60% of the electoral vote. This method would follow the popular vote more closely than the present method, without the disadvantages of the direct popular vote.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MINNESOTA

University of Minnesota TSMc, 15th & Washington Ave. S.E., Minneapolis 14, Minnesota
Federal 8-8791 February, 1956

To: Local League Presidents and Voters Service Chairmen
From: Mrs. Roger Klein, State Voters Service Chairman
Re: Presidential Primary, and Get Out Vote Poster

PRES. PRIMARY In a recent Minnesota Poll asking about the Presidential Primary of Minnesota, I was very surprised to see the very small percentage of interviewees who were informed about the Presidential Primary.

Only 23% of those questioned had heard or read of a Presidential Preference Primary Election in Minnesota next March.

Only 7% answered correctly the question on the purpose of such an election. What does that mean to us?

To me, it means that we didn't do as good a job of Voters Service, in 1952, as we should have done in informing the voters of this new law in our state.

Enclosed is information on the Minnesota Presidential Primary Election, (3 mimeographed sheets for 3¢) to be used in your units (first inform your members, so they may inform others), and by your Speakers Bureau, to inform other organizations.

Also enclosed is the Presidential Primary Broadside just off the press. This is suitable, we believe, for wide distribution to the community in early March. The prices on these are: \$48 for 10,000; \$25 for 5,000; \$6 for 1,000; 70¢ for 100; 1¢ a piece.

POSTER The Voters Service Committee is always trying to get all eligible citizens to vote in all elections. Many methods have been tried; material sent to new residents, parties for 21 year olds, etc. Some leagues have been successful and some have had discouraging failures.

We are now trying a poster idea which we have copied from the advertising world. We feel if this poster is placed in enough strategic spots all over the state, the impact of the importance of voting may eventually register. This pre-presidential period is a fine time to place the posters as voting interest appears to rise in a presidential year.

We suggest these posters be placed in busses, bus depots, R.R. stations, air terminals, recreation centers, shopping centers, banks, college bulletin boards, church basements or lobbies, theaters and any other place a local League thinks there will be traffic. We have been promised by the printer that the plate will be kept on file so we can re-order and continue the program if it seems feasible. The success of it, will, of course, depend on the coverage we get throughout the state.

The posters are on a strong cardboard, size 10 by 12 3/4, and printed in eye-catching (we hope) red. It will ask the citizen if he has ever voted and if he is registered and also give the telephone number of the League of Women Voters where he may call for any voting information he may desire. The telephone number space on the poster will be left blank so each local League can insert its own telephone number. These posters are not dated in any way, so will be useful for years, at any election time.

The cost is \$30 for 500; \$7 for 100; \$4 for 50; \$2.25 for 25; 10¢ a piece.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

- WHAT** A law passed by the state legislature in 1949
- WHY** So that you can help choose the man you want to run for President of the U. S.
- HOW** Vote in the Presidential Primary
- WHEN** Tuesday, March 20, 1956
- WHERE** At your regular polling place

This Is How It Works

In August the Democratic and Republican parties will hold their national conventions in Chicago and San Francisco, respectively. Delegates from all over the country will decide who will be each party's candidate for President of the United States.

Minnesota will send 28 delegates to the Republican convention and 60 delegates with one-half vote each to the Democratic convention. (The national parties decide the number for each state according to the state's voting strength.)

Delegates will be chosen as follows:

	Republican	DFL
Two delegates to be elected by the voters in each of the 9 congressional districts	18	18
Delegates-at-large to be elected by the voters all over the state	7	39
Delegates-at-large to be elected by the state convention of each party after the primary	3	3
	<hr/> 28	<hr/> 60

This Is What You Should Do

1. Be sure you are registered if that is required where you live.
2. Go to the polls March 20. Unless you have voting machines, ask for a DFL or Republican ballot. (You do not have to be a party member. You do not have to vote for this party in future elections.)
3. Vote for the candidate of your choice. Opposite his name will be the names of 2 delegates from your congressional district and the delegates-at-large (7 on the Republican ballot, 39 on the DFL ballot). You will be voting for a total of 9 or 41 delegates depending on which ballot you choose. You vote for the candidate and his delegates, all in one operation.

How Delegates Vote at Convention

The 2 delegates from each congressional district are pledged to vote for the candidate who got the largest number of votes in that district.

The 39 (DFL) and 7 (Republican) delegates-at-large are pledged to vote for the candidate who got the largest number of votes in the whole state.

The 3 delegates-at-large, elected by the state convention of each party after the primary, are pledged to vote for the candidate who got the largest number of votes in the whole state.

At the national convention, each delegate is pledged to keep voting for his candidate until released by the candidate or until the candidate receives less than 10% of the votes of the convention. After that each delegate has the right to vote according to his own judgment.

The League of Women Voters has taken no stand for or against this law. This broadside has been prepared as a voters' information service by the

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