

League of Women Voters of the U.S.
100 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20036

LOCAL LEAGUE Decatur

STATE Illinois

ANNUAL REPORT, 4/1/68 - 3/31/69

NATIONAL PROGRAM - HUMAN RESOURCES

(Add extra sheets if necessary.)

Describe your League's coverage of the Human Resources item in all its aspects (committee work, unit and general membership meetings, subjects covered, membership participation). In May 1968 the committee held unit meetings on the Human Relations Commission and took a local consensus as to what powers and duties are desirable for such Commissions. We published the material presented and distributed copies to a number of interested persons, city officials and the news media. We read a statement based on this consensus at a meeting where the Human Relations Commission was preparing a sample ordinance and by-laws for presentation to the City Council.

Following a quick, secret passage of a Human Relations ordinance by the City Council, we went a letter of protest to the Mayor and to the local newspaper. However, the ordinance was some improvement on the one it superseded although it was not as comprehensive as our League felt desirable. (See insert)

Describe your League's response to state and national Times for Action on Human Resources. Official letters have been sent and some individuals have also written but response has been limited.

Was local action taken under the Human Resources position? If so, describe.

Was the national position combined with a state or local position? Yes. The Decatur League supported an ordinance to increase the powers of our local Human Relations Commission. This was primarily aimed at giving the Commission more powers to enforce our Fair Housing Ordinance which was covered by our local consensus and would fall under the national statement of position calling for equality of opportunity in access to housing.

Our League has a "Schools" item on the local agenda and they took action on a proposed plan for school integration on the elementary level under the national position calling for equality of opportunity in education. Since the Decatur League has this committee who were interested in handling this aspect of Human Resources it was agreed that they should do so. An official statement was put out by the League, a fact sheet was prepared and distributed and a number of League members spoke as individuals at the public hearings.

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HUMAN RESOURCES (Continued)

4. How many members of your League have served on non-League state or local committees, boards, or councils related to Human Resources, such as Fair Housing or Fair Employment Committees, Human Relations Councils, Health and Welfare Councils, Community Action Boards, Urban Coalitions, inner city neighborhood groups, etc.? Please list names of committees, boards or councils, names of members serving and capacities in which they served.

Have these contacts been beneficial to the League? Decatur does not have many of the groups mentioned. Mrs. Alvin Schaar is on the School Board. Mrs. Roger Mauterer, Mrs. Paul Raber, Mrs. Gerald Redford and Mrs. Jerry Roucher have been on the Community Commission on Integration (schools). Mrs. Clifford Smith is working for the YWCA in setting up extension programs to reach low-income women. Mrs. O. E. Schlachter, Adult Program Director at the YWCA has also been active in this area. Mrs. Manker Harris is a board member of the Decatur Improvement Association which is planned to function as a non-profit corporation to provide low and moderate-income housing under the provisions of the 1968 Housing Act. Mrs. Thomas Hurst is on the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Workable Program for Community Improvement. Mrs. Henry Bachrach is on the City Planning Commission.

5. What studies or programs, if any, has your League conducted relating to "further measures to combat poverty and/or discrimination," in areas such as civil rights and race relations, income supports, health, welfare, legal services, etc.? Were these studies or programs done under the Human Resources item, or under state or local program items?

See answers to 1 and 3. The study on the Human Relations Commission was a local one. The balance of our work has been under the Human Resources item.

6. Has your League published materials in the Human Resources area (related to national, state, or local items)? If so, please list, indicating price and availability. One publication was made of materials presented at our units on the Human Relations Commission but we did not charge for it. Some are still on hand, however, most were distributed to various persons in the city and the news media.

Insert

1. A statement calling for more housing for low-income persons was prepared and was read by our local League President when the City Council was holding hearings preparatory to adopting a 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.

In October our League worked with the local Office of Economic Opportunity to hold voting device demonstrations in the neighborhood centers.

In November the Human Resources Committee arranged a public meeting with a HUD representative from Chicago. We send special invitations to a number of individuals and organizations and attendance was good.

On November 12 and 13, 1968 we held our unit meetings to answer the national consensus questions. Since most of them were covered by previous state and local consensus, a substantial part of the presentation was devoted to a housing program which had been proposed for the city. It was felt that League members should be informed on this plan, as hearings were to be held soon after. A statement was read at the hearing.

At present, the committee is preparing the housing survey and making a study on "Income Maintenance". Plans are to present this material at an all-member meeting in May.

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Deadline for return: Determined by State Board

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

LOCAL LEAGUE ANNUAL REPORT

For the year April 1, 1968 - March 31, 1969

Population of community (or area, if League is organized on area basis) 87,000

This League is in Congressional District or Districts Number 22nd.

M E M B E R S H I P

- a) Total membership reported one year ago (use figure given on line g last year) 153
- b) Number of voting members (estimated) 3/31/69 151
- c) Number of associate members (estimated) 3/31/69 1
- d) Number of new members (estimated) 4/1/68 - 3/31/69 35
- e) Number of members dropped 4/1/68 - 3/31/69 24
- f) Net ~~loss~~ gain (cross out one) since last year. (If a gain, this figure is d) minus e); if a loss, e) minus d.) 11
- g) Total membership (estimated) 3/31/69 152

If your League ~~lost~~ gained (cross out one) in membership this year, to what factors do you attribute the gain or loss?

I feel that the key to losing or gaining members is how successful one is in helping old members or prospective new ones not to feel guilty about individual participation no matter how small that contribution may be. It is essential that we recognize other areas of interest and duty beyond League and allow individuals to judge their own priorities and limitations as to interest, time and effort. Particularly with old inactive members we tried to be assuring in this respect and did keep a number from dropping.

Total membership January 1, 1969

155

(Use the figure reported to your State Board for Convention representation this year and add number of associate members paid as of January 1, 1969.)

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STATE Illinois

What special efforts did your Board make this year to keep members? Describe briefly. A well-planned and advertised (radio, newspaper, etc.) Fall Tea was particularly successful in netting new members and helped to re-enlist the interest of the old ones as did a very successful Holiday Dessert in mid-December. We also tried, of course, to maintain interest through stimulating and well prepared unit and all-member meetings.

A well informed new member is apt to become an old member gladly!

We tried smaller, less formal orientation meetings in different areas of town after calling each new member and those we felt were good prospects to inquire of them what specific questions they might like to have answered. Various committee chairmen were then invited to come to cover the subjects indicated by the results of the telephone survey. The League president also participated.

What services do you suggest that the national and/or state Boards provide which would help in membership growth? (Suggestions may be for some entirely new kind of help or for more of the kinds of services now offered, e.g. Membership Matters, Recruitment Flyers.)

A fact sheet listing recent successfully attained goals would be helpful as well as stands recently taken. Also what successful approaches have been made to gain membership from minority and low-income groups and how has the dues problem for these people been solved. I do not believe staggered payments are the answer.

(c) Number of associate members (estimated) 3/31/69

(d) Number of new members (estimated) 4/1/68 - 3/31/69 36

(e) Number of members dropped 4/1/68 - 3/31/69 24

(f) Net Gain (cross out one) since last year. (If a gain, lower)

(e) minus (d). This figure is (d) minus (e); if a loss.

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(g) Total membership (estimated) 3/31/69 152

If your League has made any special efforts to build membership among a special group or segment of the population - minority, low income, youth, retired, professional, etc. - please describe your plan and evaluate.

Much time was spent telephoning Negro prospects without much success. However we feel other approaches may be more successful once we have been able to overcome the suspicion that we are not altogether sincere. We are advertising our unit meetings in the local Negro paper noting that visitors are welcome and baby-sitting is provided during the Tuesday morning unit. This unit is held in a church where we hope they will perhaps feel more free to come. An "Information" telephone number is also provided.

We have wondered if our dues are prohibitive and how this might be solved.

Our Voters' Service Committee cooperated with OEO demonstrating voting machines. It was more successful where a team of two-- one Negro and one white was used.

Barbara M. Duma

Ask if they any suggestions -

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BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

None
Has your Board any suggestions for changes or improvements in policies, procedures and services of the national Board. If so, please describe, giving reasons.

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BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS - Continued

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

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

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LOCAL LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT - 1968-69

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

INCOME (estimated 4/1/68 - 3/31/69)

1. Dues @ \$ <u>8.00</u> (from <u>150</u> members)	\$ <u>1,200.00</u>	\$ <u>1,200.00</u>
2. Member Contributions (from <u>50</u> members)	\$ <u>725.00</u>	1. (total from dues)
3. Nonmember Contributions (from <u>65</u> individuals)	\$ <u>337.00</u>	
(from <u>45</u> businesses)	\$ <u>656.00</u>	\$ <u>2,018.00*</u>
		2.&3. (total from member & nonmember contributions)
4. Other Receipts		
a) from <u>Nacon Co. Book</u>	\$ <u>145.20</u>	
b) from _____	\$ _____	
c) from _____	\$ _____	
d) from <u>Interest</u>	\$ <u>51.37</u>	\$ <u>196.57</u>
		4. (total from "Other Receipts")
5. From Reserve		
(from Earmarked Reserves: For KYT)	\$ <u>1,310.50</u>	
(for delegates _____; for etc. _____)	a) _____	
(from Savings to balance budget)	b) _____	\$ <u>1,310.50</u>
		5. (total from Reserves)
6. Total Income, including any taken from Reserve		\$ <u>4,725.07</u>
		6. (grand total)

EXPENDITURES (ESTIMATED 4/1/68 - 3/31/69)

7. Local Disbursements	\$ <u>2,050.00</u>	
8. State and National Support	\$ <u>975.00</u>	
9. Total Expenditures 1968-69		\$ <u>3,025.00</u>
		9. (grand total)

CASH STATEMENT

10. Total Cash Balance on hand 4/1/68	\$ <u>1,770.22</u>
11. Total Estimated Cash Balance on hand 3/31/69	\$ <u>2,159.79*</u>
12. How much of estimated Cash Balance is earmarked?	\$ <u>2,159.79*</u>

*Finance drive was not held in the fall.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING OUT LOCAL LEAGUE TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Dues: Fill in rate of dues, number of members and total amount received.
2. & 3. Contributions: Consult Finance Chairman's report for number of contributions. Include both member (2) and nonmember (3) contributions in total amount of contributions.
4. Other Receipts: Show in these four spaces only net profits (receipts minus expenses equals net profits) derived from such activities as: a) sale of publications (including calendars); b) fees charged for meetings; c) fees for reporting election returns; d) any other profit-making activities.
5. From Reserves: Fill in this figure only if funds were drawn from a) Earmarked Reserves (for a Know Your Town, or for future delegates expenses, or special publications or equipment, etc.) or b) drawn from savings to balance your expenses. Reserve is total cash balance on hand at end of previous fiscal year. It includes all money in all savings accounts, plus all money in all checking accounts.
7. Local Disbursements: Include all expenses except state and national support.
8. State and National Support: Show actual amount of pledge, plus any additional gifts to state or national. Do not include cost of state and national publications or county council pledge. Those items will appear under local disbursements.
10. Cash Balance 4/1/68: Include total of cash in all checking and savings accounts even though some may be earmarked as in #5 above.
11. Estimated Cash Balance 3/31/69: You will arrive at this figure by adding 1, 2, 3, 4, and 10 (Cash Balance 4/1/68) then subtracting #9 (Total Expenditures 1968-69).
12. Earmarked Funds: Put in this space that portion of your estimated Cash Balance which fits description of earmarked funds in item 5 above.

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NATIONAL PROGRAM - ELECTORAL COLLEGE

In the NATIONAL BOARD REPORTS of May and September 1968 the national Board suggested that local Leagues schedule meetings on the Electoral College after January 1969 and therefore it does not expect that many Leagues will have already held meetings at the time Annual Reports are being compiled this year.

However, there have been indications that a number of Leagues have already done something on the Electoral College for their members and/or for the public--for example, a newspaper story or League Bulletin article or even a meeting or radio or television program. And some Leagues have found fascinating ways to use the Electoral College Capsule Quizzes provided by the national Board last August as one of two "watching tools" for the presidential election period.

Because it has been such an extraordinarily timely Program item, perhaps your League has already done something on the Electoral College which you might like to report. If it has done nothing yet, please feel no compunctions. Simply write a big NOTHING YET on this sheet. If you should want to report on Electoral College work at this stage, we would be delighted to have you do so.

Our League's Electoral College Resources Committee began meeting on January 7, 1969 with plans to present an informational type program to the general membership of our league on April 16. We have given considerable publicity to the new study item and find interest high in our League. Membership of committee is six at the present time with Mrs. Carl Stahl as Chairman.

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NATIONAL PROGRAM - FOREIGN POLICY

China*

1. If your League undertook any community service (public meetings, speeches to organizations, sponsorship of conferences, etc.), please describe extent of League involvement, segment and proportion of community reached. Evaluate effectiveness.

"Let's Look at the China Puzzle" shown to women's club.
Women receptive to enlightenment on issues.

2. Please comment on the usefulness of national League materials on China published since May 1968.

- . "Mainland China and Her Asian Neighbors" (FACTS & ISSUES)

Main basis for March 25, 26 Unit Meetings.
Results remain to be seen.

- . "Discussion Outline for Consensus Meetings on U.S. - China Relations"

Because our League came to consensus last year
discussion outline not of use.

3. If your League recently made use of THE CHINA PUZZLE and/or F&Is produced earlier, we welcome your comments on them.

*Member participation in the China study and consensus process are to be described in Report on Consensus on U.S. - China Relations (due March 1, 1969).

Foreign Policy Support Positions

1. Describe and evaluate your League's coverage of the support positions (response to T for A; League or community meetings; use of press, radio, TV, etc.).

AID

China*

TRADE

Letters sent April 22, 1968 concerning Textile Quota Amendment and protectionist legislation, to 2 senators and representatives.

U.N. (Please comment in particular on use of THE UN TODAY and on Human Rights Year and/or Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty activities.)

U.N. Day was celebrated with an International Potluck. League speaker mainly gave review of U.N. structure and activities.

2. Please comment on the usefulness of publications related to foreign policy support positions.

National League materials:

Leaders Guide Selected Readings most helpful

Current Reviews Sept. 1968 most useful information
Dec. 1968 will be used next year

VOTER articles

Non-League materials:

INTERCOM - "The U.S. and Foreign Trade" (FPA)
Our League will concentrate on foreign trade next year

"Foreign Policy Election Issues 1968" (FPA)

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NATIONAL PROGRAM - WATER RESOURCES

1. What has your League done on the water item this year?

On Sept. 4th at a tea for all League members and prospective members, we showed the film "The River Must Live" supplied by Shell Oil Co.

On Sept. 13th at an evening all member meeting we had a panel discussion on the Proposed Capital Improvements Plan for Decatur (emphasis on water) and our Decatur Sanitary District (Sewers and treatment of waste water). Our guest panelists were Mr. Charles Reed, City Planner, Mr. William Sands, Public Works Director, and Mr. Charles Hughes, Chief Engineer of the Decatur Sanitary District.

On Dec. 11th we had a Review of LWV National Program items. At this time we reviewed activity in Washington concerning water.

On the state level we worked for the passage of the Natural Resources Development Bond Act. It was defeated.

2. Is the WATER RESOURCES LEADERS GUIDE for 1968-69, "Water for the Absolute Neophyte," filling a need in your League?

Yes it is. It will be very helpful to a new chairman. I have been working on water for about 10 years and still found it helpful. I liked the last sentences on Page 5 beginning with "All progress begins with a single step, etc."

Concerning other League publications People Production and Who Pays for a Clean Stream continue to be read.

Other Resource material which I found to be valuable:

Land and Water for Tomorrow
The Federal Air Pollution Program
Alternatives in Water Management
The Nation's Water Resources Summary Report
National Board Reports

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NATIONAL PROGRAM - REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT: THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

1. Please describe in detail any method which you found particularly successful for informing your members about the District of Columbia.

NONE

2. Describe any action your League took on the District of Columbia. If you have devised any way of notifying interested members to write to Congressmen on Times for Action, other than announcements at units or Bulletin notice, please describe. Describe any methods you have used to acquaint your community with the plight of the District citizens.

NONE

3. Two recent publications with information on the District are available from the national office:
CURRENT REVIEW OF CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES #8 (April 1967)
FACTS & ISSUES ON WASHINGTON: THE NATION'S SHOWPLACE?, 1967

Comment about their usefulness for your League, distribution, how they were used.

(Note: No questions are included in this report on national League apportionment, tax rates, or treaty making items since action on these are most likely to occur at the state level. State Leagues are asked to report, however.)

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VOTERS SERVICE

As in the LWVUS Voters Service Handbook the national Board is differentiating in this report between election Voters Service and other Voters Service not related to specific elections, other words nonelection Voters Service. You may need extra sheets on which to report all your Voters Service work. (Label each extra sheet "Voters Service.") Please read all the questions before beginning to answer any. (Please include quantities of publications and meeting attendance estimates, if available.)

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1. a) What did your League do in election Voters Service? Printed and distributed special June Primary issue to members, financial contributors and potential contributors containing biographical material and results of a questionnaire sent to candidates for delegates and alternates to nominating conventions and to candidates for State Representative from 52nd District.

Gave voter information to telephone callers prior to primary and general elections following spot announcements on TV and Radio.

Held "Meet the Candidates Night in Fall.

b) What did your League do in nonelection Voters Service?

Demonstrated new electronic voting device for six weeks in six city banks prior to primary election and in poverty areas prior to general election.

Our League did nothing in the area of nonelection Voters Service.

c) Describe in particular the Voters Service activities undertaken with inner city and other politically disadvantaged groups.

Members demonstrated votomatic devices to be used for the first time by county residents in four G.E.O. "target areas" prior to November election. Most of these people would not have voted if they had not been shown how easy this device was to operate.

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2. Describe how your League promoted party precinct participation. With members? With the public?

Nothing in this area.

3. Please describe in detail your Voters Service success stories. (Attach clippings and agendas of meetings, if available.)
Main Voters Service project of the year was the 20th "Meet the Candidates" program on October 23. Candidates running for congressional, state and county offices gave brief talks and also answered questions submitted by audience of about 250. Printed programs giving biographical material on all state and local officials as well as descriptions and duties of offices were distributed to audience as well as to churches and civic groups.

4. If more money had been available in 1968-69, what additional Voters Service work would your League have done?
If woman power had been available, money probably could have been diverted from other sources to print and distribute a government officials and voting preference handbook.

5. What recommendation have you for future League Boards and Voters Service Committees to increase the effectiveness of your League's Voters Service?
Rather than just having a chairman, a Voters Service Committee should be set up similar to a resource committee, especially on an election year. Sometimes when special projects arise, people are too busy with other league activities to supply necessary woman power.

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PUBLICATIONS

1. Has your League produced publications (not mimeographed) in 1968-69? Please give details of production costs. (Please use separate sheet if necessary.)

	<u>Number Ordered</u>	<u>Name of Publication</u>	<u>How Produced</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Selling Price</u>	<u>Approximate No. of Free Copies Distributed</u>
<u>Program:</u>	370	"Decatur League Questions our Candidates for State Representatives"	printed	\$51.50	--	370
<u>Voters Service:</u>	450	"Meet the Candidates"	printed	\$59.20	--	450
<u>Other:</u>	500	"The LWV of Decatur School Integration Fact Sheet"	printed	\$56.00	--	500

Has your League sent 3 copies to the National office? (If not, please attach.)

(Attached)

2. How has your League promoted publications? (local, State and national)

a) to League members?

The Publications Suitcase has been present at almost all meetings, and pertinent reading material has been publicized at meetings and in the monthly Decatur Voter. There are also 57 members on local Subscription Service.

b) to the community?

Information we felt useful to the community has been sent to various groups and individuals throughout the year -- e.g. news media, mayor, library, political parties, citizen groups, etc.

The Decatur League also purchased for the Decatur Public Library a subscription to the State Subscription Service. (Other groups were notified of its availability.)

3. Do you have any success stories you would like to pass along?

LOCAL GOVERNMENT SURVEYS: List those done by your League now currently in print. Give date.

"This is Macon County"
A Handbook on Local Governments 1967

PUBLICATIONS

a) Which of these, if any, are used in schools? libraries? distribution by others? groups or agencies? Comment fully.

"This is Macon County" was distributed at schools, libraries, the County building, etc. The selling price was 75¢ per copy. Copies were also sold by various in town and in surrounding towns.

Complimentary copies were given to various city and county officials, school officials, etc.

b) What cooperative financing arrangements, if any, has your League had for publication of local surveys?

None

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Decatur, Illinois

presents

"Meet the Candidates"

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1968

8 P. M.

HOTEL ORLANDO BALLROOM

Moderator: DICK WESTBROOK

Timekeeping by COMMODORE TOASTMASTER CLUB

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Term: 6 years Salary: \$30,000 plus allowances

Democratic
William G. Clark, Chicago
Loyola U.; Michigan State;
U. of Mich.; LL.B. DePaul U.;
Att. for Public Adm. of
Cook Co.; House of Rep. 3
terms, majority leader '58
Ill. Senate 1 term; Att.
Genl. 1960 - 1964.
Occupation: Attorney

Republican
*Everett M. Dirksen, Pekin
U. of Minn. Law School;
U. S. Senate since 1950;
Minority Leader since
1958; U. S. Congressman
1932-49.
Occupation: U. S. Senator

Socialist Labor
Louis Fisher, Chicago
H. S. graduate; does not regard
political qualifications of
primary importance.
Occupation: Silk Spotter

STATE OF ILLINOIS CANDIDATES

GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS

Governor is the State's Chief Executive Officer

Term: 4 years Salary: \$45,000 per year plus use of executive mansion

Democratic
*Samuel H. Shapiro, Kankakee
LL.B., U. of Ill.; Lt. Gov.
since 1960; Ill. House of
Rep. 14 yrs.; State's Att.
Kankakee Co. 10 yrs.; City
of Kankakee Att. 3 yrs.

Occupation: Governor, Ill.

Republican
Richard B. Ogilvie, North-
field
Yale, Kent College of Law;
Sheriff Cook Co., 1962-66;
asst. U. S. Attorney.

Occupation: Pres. Board
of Cook Co. Commissioners;
Attorney

Socialist Labor
Edward C. Gross, Chicago
Tuley H. S.; U. of Ill., 1 yr.;
Crane Jr. College, 1 yr.;
candidate for public office
in Ill. every General Election
since 1948.

Occupation: Chauffeur

* Indicates Incumbent

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Acts as Governor when a temporary or permanent vacancy occurs in the office of Governor. Serves as President of the Senate but has no vote except in case of a tie.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$24,000 annually

Democratic

Paul Simon, Troy
U. of Oregon and Dana College;
honorary doctorates from McKendree
and Dana Colleges; member Ill.
legislature 14 yrs., senator
since 1962
Occupation: State senator &
journalist

Republican

Robert A. Dwyer, Winnetka
Business degree, Loyola; Chmn.,
Citizens' Advisory Board to
Sheriff of Cook Co; National
volunteer Chmn. for Republican
V. Pres. candidate in 1964.
Occupation: President insurance
firm

Socialist Labor

Stanley L. Prorok, Waukegan
No response

SECRETARY OF STATE

Registers motor vehicles, has charge of records of the state, is keeper of the great seal, custodian of much of the property of the state, certifies the official acts of the Governor and all laws passed by the legislature, keeps state election records, issues articles of incorporation, registers securities, and serves as state librarian.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$30,000 annually

Democratic

*Paul Powell, Vienna
Graduate Vienna Township H.S.;
member General Assembly 30 years,
Minority Whip 1945, Majority
Leader 4 terms, Speaker 3 terms
Occupation: Secretary of State,
1964-68

Republican

Donald D. Carpentier, Moline
St. Ambrose College; Illinois
Senate, 6 years.
Occupation: Insurance broker
State Senator

Socialist Labor

George A. LaForest, Rockford
12 yrs. education;
Occupation: Auto worker

AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Keeps track of all money paid to the state prior to deposit in the state treasury, issues warrants to pay bills of every agency of the state government, and receives audits required of all municipalities.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$30,000 annually

Democratic

*Michael J. Howlett, Springfield
H. S.; DePaul U.; Business Admin-
istrator; State Auditor, 8 years;
former V. Pres. Sun Steele Co.
Occupation: State Auditor

Republican

William C. Harris, Pontiac
H. S.; U. of Michigan; House
of Rep., 6 yrs.; Senate, 8
yrs.; Member Ill. Budgetary
Comm., 2 terms.
Occupation: Life insurance
agent

Socialist Labor

Elizabeth Schnur, Chicago
H. S.; Genl. Business Educa-
tion; Federal employee in
Navy Purchasing Office, World
War II.
Occupation: Legal Secretary

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Chief law officer of state and legal advisor to the Governor, all state officials, and all boards, commissions, and departments of the state government. Administers the Inheritance Tax Act.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$30,000 annually

Democratic

Francis S. Lorenz, Chicago
LL.B. DePaul U.; Ill. State Direc-
tor of Public Works & Bldgs. 1963-
65-67; Master in Chancery 1964-65;

Republican

William J. Scott, Evanston
H. S.; U. of Pa.; LL.B. Chicago
Kent College of Law; former
special Asst. U. S. Attorney;

Socialist Labor

George P. Milonas, Chicago
No response

Democratic
Francis S. Lorenz, con't.
Cook Co. Treasurer 1958; Clerk
Superior Court, Cook Co. 1956;
Asst. Corp. Counsel Chicago.
1943-56.
Occupation: Lawyer

Republican
William J. Scott, con't.
former Treasurer of State
of Ill.
Occupation: Attorney

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT

Term: 4 years Salary: \$20,000

Democratic
Fannie G. Jones
No response

Republican
Justin Taft
No response

Socialist Labor
Gregory P. Lyngas
No response

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The Board of Trustees is the governing body of the U. of Ill. and is responsible for the proper use of funds appropriated by the General Assembly and for the proper administration of the University.

Term: 6 years Salary: Members serve without compensation

Democratic
Kenney E. Williamson, Peoria
Age: 69; B.S., U. of Ill.; Chart-
ered Life Underwriter; 20 yrs., U.
of Ill. Board of Trustees; V-P U.
of Ill. Alumni Assn., 1940.
Occupation: Insurance Agent

Frances Best Watkins, Chicago
Age: 69; A.B., U. of Ill.; 18 yrs.
U. of Ill. Trustee; Cook Co. Hos-
pital Nursing School Board of Di-
rectors; secy. Chicago 4-H Assn;
Cook Co. Extension Board; U. of
Ill. Foundation.

Timothy R. Ives, Bloomington
Age: 40; Courses in Accounting &
Management, Ill. Wesleyan U.; AF
correspondence courses, Business
Admin. Seminar, Harvard Graduate
School, 1963; Director, The Daily
Pantagraph; Director and Secy.,
WROK, Inc; Secy., Ill. School
Bldg. Commission; Director Ill.
Broadcasters Assn.; Ill. Commit-
tee, Council on Crime and Delin-
quency; Committee on Ill. Govt.;
Platform Committee Democratic
State Convention, 1968.
Occupation: Manager, Bloomington
Broadcasting Corp.

Republican
Timothy W. Swain, Peoria
Age: 59; A.B., U. of Ill.,
1931; LL.B., J.D., U. of Ill.,
1933; U. of Ill. Board of
Trustees, 1955 to present,
presently serving second term
as President; Board of Higher
Education; Chrmn. University
Civil Service System of
Ill., 1956-68; Pres., Ill.
Bar Assn., 1958-59; 10 yrs.,
Bd. of Governors, Ill. State
Bar Assn.
Occupation: Practice of Law

Earl M. Hughes, Woodstock
No response

Russell W. Steger, Winnetka
Age: 42; U. of Ill. graduate;
Ill. Youth Commission 1954-58;
Sigma Chi Board of Directors.
Occupation: Insurance Agent

Socialist Labor
Edwin L. Williams
Blue Island
Clarys L. Essex
Canton
Henry Schilling
Belleville

CLERK OF THE APPELLATE COURT
FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Term: 4 years Salary: \$18,000 annually

Democratic
James Griffin, Jr.
No response

Republican
*Robert L. Conn, Springfield
Age: 59; U. of Chicago & Loyola U.;
Lincoln College of Law; Appointed
Clerk of the Appellate Court, 1951,
re-elected '56 and '62; Asst. Attorney
General of Illinois, 1946-49; Ill.
State Bar Assn.; American Judicature
Society.
Occupation: Clerk of the
Appellate Court

U. S. REPRESENTATIVE
22ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Elected to the U. S. Congress from the 22nd Congressional District (Macon, Logan, Dewitt, Moultrie, Champaign, Douglas, Coles, Cumberland, Edgar and Clark Counties).

Term: 2 years Salary: \$30,000 Annually

Candidates for Congressional Representative have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. What changes, if any, would you advocate in federal policies to solve the problems of the cities?
2. What should be the role of the federal government in the welfare field? Should it establish uniform state standards, family allowances, guaranteed annual wage, negative income tax?
3. Can you suggest ways in which the United States can work within the United Nations to improve its peace-keeping effectiveness?
4. What is your attitude toward the Trade Expansion Act of 1968?

Democratic
Carl F. Firley, Champaign
Age: 35; Illinois State U., 1957; 3 years
graduate study at U. of Ill. in mass commun-
ications in PhD program; taught American Govern-
ment, Champaign Public Schools; Fullbright
Teaching Grant to Finland 1964-66.
Occupation: Asst. Dean of Student Programs
and Services, U. of Ill.

Republican
*William L. Springer, Champaign
Age: 58; A.B., DePauw U., 1931;
LL.B., U. of Ill. Law School, 1935; LL.D.,
Millikin U., 1953; LL.D., Lincoln College,
1966; State's Attny. Champaign Co.,
1940-42; County Judge of Champaign Co.,
1946-50; Member of Congress, 1951-68.
Occupation: Member of Congress

STATE REPRESENTATIVES 52ND DISTRICT

Three representatives are elected to the General Assembly from the 52nd District (Macon, Christian and Shelby Counties).

Term: 2 years Salary: \$9,000 annually

Candidates for Representative have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. As a state legislator, what changes in the tax structure would you support or work for in the next legislative session?

STATE REPRESENTATIVES 52ND DISTRICT CON'T

2. What would you as a legislator do to improve highways for Decatur?
3. The 1965 Legislature created a Task Force to study education in Illinois. Would you favor and support the following recommendation which it made? (Recommendation No. 41)

"The state should establish a Quality Foundation Program for current operating expenses for those districts which meet reasonable standards of organization and other conditions essential to the provision of a high quality of education. The quality foundation program which is recommended at 1965-66 prices is \$600 per pupil in weighted average daily attendance for the academic (9 month) year."

4. Do you think that equal housing should be guaranteed by state law? If yes, what enforcement procedures would you include?

Democratic

Republican

*John W. Alsup, Decatur

Age: 55; H. S. graduate; U. of Ill.; Past school board member & Macon Co. Treasurer; served 10 years in Ill. House of Representatives.

Occupation: Legislator
Farm Manager

Webber Borchers, Decatur

Age: 61; IA & S., U. of Ill., 1931; Past member of Board of Supervisors, 12 yrs.; past member Library Bd.; past Pres. Historical Society of Decatur & Macon County; member Macon Co. Regional Planning Commission; Bd. of Directors, Oakley Landowners Assn.; Co-chrmn. of Oklahoma Landowners Committee. Occupation: Property management

*Rolland F. Tipsword, Taylorville

Age: 43; A.B., U. of Idaho; LL.B., Northwestern U.; 1 term as State Representative; 6 yrs. Clerk to Ill. Supreme Court Justice; 2 terms State's Attorney, Christian Co.; 17 yrs. active law practice.

Occupation: Legislator
Attorney at law

*George P. Johns, Decatur

Age: 62; H. S. and Business College; Retired last year as Pres. & Gen'l. Manager of Credit Bureau of Decatur, Inc; 8 years experience as State Senator & Representative. Occupation: Legislator

MACON COUNTY CANDIDATES

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

A clerk of the circuit court is elected in each county to keep the records of the court and serves as Clerk of the Court.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$12,000

Candidates for Circuit Clerk have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. In the office you are seeking, what are the ways to economize and improve services?
2. What are your special qualifications for this office?

Democratic

Republican

*John T. Curry, 255 E. Pierson

Age: 45; H. S. graduate; 2 years Business College; Past 12 years Clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon County.

Thomas L. Henebry, 548 W. Sawyer

Age: 55; H. S. graduate; 2 years in business administration; operated clothing store 6 years; 15 years finance dept. of Decatur Post

John T. Curry, con't.
Occupation: Clerk of the Circuit Court

Thomas L. Henebry, con't.
Office; licensed Real Estate Broker 18 yrs.
Occupation: Appraiser, Macon Co.
Supervisor of Assessments Office

RECORDER OF DEEDS

The recorder keeps a record of deeds, mortgages, contracts, abstract books, and other documents.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$12,000

Candidates for Recorder have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. In the office you are seeking, what are the ways to economize and improve services?
2. What are your special qualifications for this office?

Democratic
*John H. Bohn, 2336 E. Prairie
Age: 61; H. S. graduate; has had own
business; Justice of the Peace, 4 years.
Occupation: Recorder of Deeds

Republican
Robert W. Davis, 1939 W. Riverview
Age: 51; H. S. graduate; attended Millikin
U. business major; branch manager Capital
City Paper Co., 15 yrs.; member Macon Co.
Bd. of Supervisors; member, Ill. Assn. of
Supervisors & County Commissioners.
Occupation: Licensed Real Estate
Salesman

STATE'S ATTORNEY

The State's Attorney is chief prosecuting officer in Macon County, and is legal advisor to county officials. He defends the county in actions brought against it.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$18,500

Democratic
*Basil G. Greanias, #3 Lincoln Place
Age: 40; B.A., 1952; J.D., 1952; Ill. Col-
lege of Law; 8 yrs. State's Attorney of Macon
Co.; 16 yrs. general law practice; conducted
schools for law-enforcement officers in crim-
inal law field; prepared law-enforcement
manuals for peace officers in Macon County.
Occupation: State's Attorney

Republican
Warren Arthur Sappington, 328 S. Westlawn
Age: 40; Millikin U., B.S., 1955; College of
Law, U. of Ill., J.D. 1956; Graduate School
of Business, Ind. U. 1961 (Ford Fellow); In-
surance Claims Adjuster; Asst. Professor of
Business Administration; Decatur Public
Library Board, 5 yrs., 2 yrs. president.
Occupation: Lawyer

CORONER

The county coroner has the principal duty of investigating sudden or violent deaths. He summons a coroner's jury composed of six persons when there is a suspicion of violence, and he may request an autopsy.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$12,000

Candidates for Coroner have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. Do you feel it is necessary for the county coroner to be a medical doctor? Why or why not?
2. Do you favor autopsies in all cases of accidental death?

CORONER CON'T.

Democratic

Republican

*V. T. Turley, M. D., 3318 Cedar
Age: 75; MD degree, Hahnemann Medical College,
Chicago, 1918; practicing medicine in Decatur
since 1929; prior to that in Bement. 4 years
County Coroner.
Occupation: Physician

Phares G. Thompson, 152 So. College
Age: 67; attended Eureka College & Millikin
U.; graduated Worsham's School of Embalming,
Chicago; served 8 yrs. as Macon Co. Coroner;
past pres. of Ill. Coroners Assn.; 3 yrs. on
Ill. Necropsy Bd.; 6 yrs. on Advisory Bd.
Natl. Coroners Assn.
Occupation: Funeral Director & Embalmer

COUNTY AUDITOR

The county auditor audits all claims against the county, recommends payment or rejection of bills, and keeps a record of contracts made by the county board and county officers.
Term: 4 years Salary: \$12,000

Candidates for Auditor have been asked to comment on the following questions:

1. In the office you are seeking, what are the ways to economize and improve services?
2. What are your special qualifications for this office?

Democratic

Republican

*Richard D. Ferre, 954 E. Clay
Age: 40; graduate Millikin U. School of Bus-
iness Administration; 4 yrs. IBM section Ill.
Power Co.; Cost Accounting Supervisor, P.R.
Mallory Co.; 6 yrs., Millikin Nat'l. Bank,
Commercial & Vault Teller; 9 yrs. Sec'y.-
Treas. credit unions.
Occupation: County Auditor

Patrick C. Nolan, 13 East Drive
Age: 27; graduate U. of Notre Dame, Account-
ing & Auditing; 2 yrs. CPA Firm, St. Louis;
worked on first two Annual Certified Audits
of Macon Co.; Owner & operator of Accounting
& Income Tax Practice.
Occupation: Accountant

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization which has as its purpose pro-
moting political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in
government. The League never supports nor opposes any candidate nor any party.

Candidates Meeting Chairman: Mrs. John Homan
Publicity Chairman: Mrs. Merlin Barber

Write your questions here, tear off, and hand to usher.

DECATUR LEAGUE QUESTIONS OUR CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Results of a League questionnaire sent to all candidates for State Representative from the 52nd District have been compiled. (See May - June issue of the "Illinois Voter" for information on cumulative voting, page 3.) Replies have been received from the following candidates:

John W. Alsup - Decatur	Dem.	Everett S. Austin - Blue Mound	Rep.
Paul H. Ferguson - Decatur	Dem.	George P. Johns - Decatur	Rep.
Rolland F. Tipword - Taylorville	Dem.	Jeanne Stahl - Niantic	Rep.

A. Webber Borchers of Decatur (Rep.) did not respond.

CANDIDATES' QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you think that equal housing opportunity should be guaranteed by state law?

Alsup - yes	Johns - no response
Austin - yes	Stahl - yes
Ferguson - yes	Tipword - yes

What exemptions, if any, would you want to make?

Alsup - owner occupied dwellings
Austin - owner occupied dwellings
Ferguson - owner occupied dwellings
Johns - single dwellings

2. Should the planning for and development of day care programs be a responsibility of the State?

Alsup - yes	Johns - no response
Austin - no	Stahl - no response
Ferguson - yes	Tipword - yes

3. Should state support for primary education be increased to a level of \$600 per student?

Alsup - yes	Johns - yes
Austin - no	Stahl - yes
Ferguson - yes	Tipword - yes

If you do not agree with the \$600 level, what do you think it should be? ---

Austin - lower
Johns - higher

4. Do you think that Judges should continue to be nominated by political parties?

Alsup - "Judges run on only their own record for election."
Austin - yes
Ferguson - no
Johns - yes
Stahl - no
Tipword - no response

5. Do you support the calling of a state constitutional convention?

Alsup - yes	Johns - yes
Austin - yes	Stahl - yes
Ferguson - yes	Tipword - yes

6. Do you support the \$1 billion Water Bond referendum?

Alsup - yes	Johns - yes
Austin - no	Stahl - yes
Ferguson - yes	Tipword - yes

7. Should the state legislature have annual sessions?

Alsup - yes
Austin - yes
Ferguson - no

Johns - yes
Stahl - yes
Tipsword - yes

8. Do you favor "stop and frisk" legislation?

Alsup - no
Austin - no
Ferguson - no

Johns - yes
Stahl - yes
Tipsword - no

9. What methods would you advocate for equalizing educational opportunities?

Alsup - Increasing state aid
Austin - Integration of schools, vocational training, consolidation of schools to maximum limit of time, miles, same qualifications for all teachers.
Ferguson - Desegregation and state financing of elementary schools subject to standard facilities and controls under state supervision.
Johns - No response
Stahl - Equalizing education can be achieved when every school has the same amount of money to spend for each student, including vocational schools and junior colleges. We need to reassess our entire school structure - particularly the method used to determine the amount of state aid to schools.
Tipsword - Increased scholarship program, promotion of Junior College program.

10. Would you approve of a state income tax?

Alsup - yes
Austin - no (I would approve of a state income tax only on condition that the personal property tax be abolished.)
Ferguson - no response
Johns - yes I would consider a flat rate income tax very seriously providing it was earmarked for educational purposes and an exemption for paid personal property tax and some real estate tax relief for people over 65.
Stahl - yes
Tipsword - yes

If it were graduated?

Flat rate?

Austin - No

Alsup - yes
Tipsword - yes
Ferguson - (If earmarked for Education to replace school property tax.)
Austin - no

If it were a flat percentage of the federal income tax?

Alsup - yes
Austin - no
Ferguson - no

11. What do you think are the major problems facing the state, and what solutions do you foresee?

Alsup - Changing the revenue article, having a constitutional convention.
Austin - The major problems facing the state are sufficient revenue to pay for programs already passed. Also state aid for education above the present limit. Water and air pollution control to meet present and future needs. Annual sessions of legislature and annual budgets. Constitutional convention to meet present day needs - "Change".
Ferguson - Relief of property from over burdensome taxation and tax reform, constitutional revision, school aid, water and air pollution.
Johns - Get people to approve constitutional convention in November and then establish an equitable tax structure. Combine local governmental agencies for a more economical and practical operation. Suggest we combine townships, school districts, possibly even counties, etc.

Stahl - Revenue reform is the major problem facing Illinois today. This can be achieved if the con-con proposal is approved by the voters in November. If con-con is not approved then the legislature must propose another revenue amendment and they must assume the responsibility of acquainting and selling the public on it. In the meantime they must provide the necessary money for top priority issues. (The legislature also needs to initiate an efficiency study of all state agencies and departments. This would result in better state services at a considerable savings to the taxpayer.)

Tipsword - Finance on all levels of government - schools, municipalities, highways, state, etc. Revenue reform - including an income tax, reduction of real property tax and sales tax, and elimination of personal property tax to provide equalization of tax burden. Improvement of highways and ~~improvement of highways and~~ highway safety requiring increased expenditure. Equality of all citizens in all areas of public life, rights and responsibilities.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION - CANDIDATES FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 52nd DISTRICT

JOHN W. ALSUP

Address: 1712 N. Church, Decatur
 Education: University of Illinois
 Occupation: retired farmer, legislator
 Qualifications: former School Board member, Macon County treasurer, five terms as legislator.

EVERETT S. AUSTIN

Address: 361 E. Seiberling St., Blue Mound
 Education: Blue Mound High School
 Occupation: A. E. Staley Mfg. Co.
 Qualifications: Part time agent Equitable Life Assurance Society of U. S. Past political experience. USN - 1943-46.

PAUL H. FERGUSON

Address: 441 Kellar Lane, Decatur
 Education: Willow Hill Twps. Grade and High Schools
 University of Illinois A. B. Cum Laude
 University of Illinois College of Law, J.D.
 Occupation: Attorney
 Qualifications: Editorial staff, Lawyers' Cooperative Publishing Co, 7 years.
 Published book on party history, The American Party Drama. Assistant examiner and commissioner, Illinois Division of Motor Carriers, 2 years.
 State Representative, 8 years.

GEORGE P. JOHNS

Address: 260 E. Wood Street, Decatur
 Education: High School, Business College and Night School
 Occupation: Retired
 Qualifications: Eight years experience on legislature, presently serving as State Representative and on the Highway Study Commission, Secretary of the Sub-committee on Highway Safety, member of Cities and Villages Problem Commission. Last session was chairman of Municipalities Committee and served on Revenue Committee. State Senator 1957-60, State Representative 1963-64 and currently.

JEANNE STAHL (Mrs. Carl)

Address: R. R. # 1, Niantic
 Education: Graduate of Niantic-Harristown High School. Class Valedictorian
 Occupation: Homemaker
 Qualifications: Precinct committeewoman since 1956, County chairwoman since 1962, State Central Committeewoman since 1965, Second Vice President of Illinois Federation of Republican Women, 1960-1966, First Vice President of Illinois Federation of Republican Women, 1964-1966, Served as a committee clerk for Illinois House of Representatives during 75th session of the Gen. Assembly.

ROLLAND F. TIPSWORD

Address: 318 N. Simpson, Taylorville
 Education: B.A., University of Idaho - LL.B., Northwestern University
 Occupation: Attorney
 Qualifications: Former law clerk to Justice Harry B. Hershey with Illinois Supreme Court, Two terms as State's Attorney of Christian Country, One term as State Representative.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO THE NATIONAL NOMINATING CONVENTIONS
(from the 22nd Congressional District)

At the Primary Election on Tuesday, June 11, voters will elect from each of the 24 Congressional Districts in Illinois two delegates and two alternates to each of the National Nominating Conventions.

The Democratic National Convention will be held in Chicago beginning August 26.

The Republican National Convention will be held in Miami Beach beginning August 5.

The purpose of the national party convention is to select candidates for President and Vice President, adopt a party platform, and elect national party officers. The candidates from each party are as follows:

<u>DELEGATES</u>	<u>DEMOCRATS</u>	<u>ALTERNATES</u>
Jo C. Williamson 2022 Zuppke Urbana, Illinois		Robert N. Radcliff R. R. # 5 Paris, Illinois
Luther Dearborn 206 11th Street Lincoln, Illinois		Wayne "Andy" Turner 106 Archer Avenue Marshall, Illinois
Bob Wilson RFD Rt. 1 Argenta, Illinois		Donald F. Tingley 98 Harrison Street Charleston, Illinois
Cameron B. Satterthwaite 101 E. Florida Ave. Urbana, Illinois		Gene S. Gilmore 611 W. Ohio Street Urbana, Illinois
Charles H. Kelly 1124 N. State Street Monticello, Illinois		

<u>DELEGATES</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>	<u>ALTERNATES</u>
Harry G. ("Skinny") Taylor 1340 W. Wood Street Decatur, Illinois		George T. Mitchell, M.D. R. R. # 2 Marshall, Illinois
Lyle C. Van Horn 121 Arnold Drive Cerro Gordo, Illinois		
Jerry S. Dobrovoly 1104 S. Prospect Avenue Champaign, Illinois		
Robert M. Werden 309 Lafayette Avenue Mattoon, Illinois		

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES QUESTIONNAIRE

In a co-operative venture to pool information, the Decatur, Charleston, Champaign, and Lincoln Leagues sent letters to all candidates for delegates and alternates from the 22nd, Congressional District to the Democratic and Republican National Nominating Conventions. The candidates were asked the following questions:

- 1) Are you committed to a candidate for President? If so, to whom?
- 2) What are your qualifications for the post of delegate (or alternate) to the national nominating convention?

At the time the Decatur Voter went to the printer, replies were received from the following:

(Delegates and Alternates Questionnaire continued)

LUTHER DEARBORN (Dem. delegate)

"On various occasions prior to March 31, I had said that I thought President Johnson was the strongest man for the position of President. I still feel that way. Due to his announcement of March 31st there has been such a fundamental change and so many ramifications could result therefrom that I do not think it proper to express a preference as to a candidate this far ahead of the convention. My expectation, if elected, would be to represent the District and be for the man who, in my judgment, would best represent the feeling of this District as an appropriate candidate."

Qualifications:

"I have practiced law in Lincoln for approximately the past 30 years. During that time I have been Special Assistant Attorney General for several years, and, at various times, City Attorney. I am interested as an officer and member of the Board of Directors of the Logan County Bank. I have also had a lifelong interest in farming; and have owned and operated farms for many years. In addition to my business and professional interests, I have been a member of the various boards of the First Presbyterian Church, Lincoln; and I am also one of the Trustees of the Presbytery of Springfield of the Presbyterian Church; also, a Trustee of Lincoln College; and for several years was Treasurer and on the Board of the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital." Dearborn is 60 years old.

CHARLES H. KELLY (Dem. delegate)

"I have been supporting our President the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson and now that the Vice President has announced his candidacy I feel I will probably be happy to support the Vice President, however since there are several other candidates I feel I will not make any firm decision until after I have had a chance to meet with the County Chairman and the rank and file Democrats to see what will be in the best interests of the Democrats of the U. S. 22nd. Congressional District of Illinois."

Qualifications:

"I have served as a delegate, as an alternate delegate, however I feel my personal service to the President on Vietnam, my offer to the President of a "Peace Plan" drafted as a result of my own son's service with the U. S. Marines and my service in the Pacific and China may have helped, because I received an acknowledgment from the White House on March 20, 1968, of the President's receiving the 'Peace Plan'."

HARRY G. "SKINNY" TAYLOR (Rep. delegate)

"I am not committed to be a delegate to any particular candidate for President. However, I do want to vote for Chuck Percy as the favorite son candidate on the first ballot and then work closely with him from that time on."

Qualifications:

"I have been a precinct committeeman since 1934 and have been on the Macon County Republican Central Committee since 1948 and I have been State President of the Republican County Chairmen's Association for the past 8 years. I was a delegate to the National Convention when Eisenhower was nominated the second time and I was alternate delegate to the Republican Convention 4 years ago. I was Percy's downstate campaign manager when he ran for United States Senate two years ago.

I am a graduate of Millikin University, President of the Decatur Warehouse Company, have two sons who practice law in Decatur."

LYLE VAN HORN (Rep. delegate)

"I am not committed to any candidate for President. I feel that if I'm elected I can better serve my district by not committing myself ahead of convention time. Other new or better candidates could present themselves to the people before convention time. I would like to be able to consider all possible candidates."

Qualifications:

"I served as alternate delegate to the 1964 Republican National Convention, so I am familiar with the duties of a delegate and with the procedure. I have had considerable experience working with people in several local and State organizations, having served as a director and president of the board of the following: Illinois Crop Improvement Association, Cerro Gordo School Board, Cerro Gordo Lions Club, Illinois Foundation Seeds, Inc., Illinois Seed Dealers Association, and Master of Cerro Gordo Masonic lodge." He is President of Van Horn Hybrids Inc.

(Delegates and Alternates Questionnaire continued)

ROBERT M. WERDEN (Rep. delegate)

"I expect to support the presidential candidate who is the choice of the majority of the voters in my district. At the present time, a majority of the party leaders and voters favor Richard M. Nixon."

Qualifications:

"I was a delegate to the 1964 National Convention. I have also been a delegate to state conventions and judicial conventions. I know the manner in which conventions are and should be conducted. Personal acquaintance with other delegates will make it easier for us to work together."

Werden, age 60, is a lawyer.

BOB WILSON (Dem. delegate)

"I am committed to the candidacy of Senator Eugene McCarthy of Minnesota. Should this become his wish, I would be prepared to support instead Senator Robert F. Kennedy of New York. As a third choice I could support Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey."

Qualifications:

"My qualifications are a reasonable amount of both political background and moral principle. In 1962, I was the Democratic Candidate for U. S. Representative from this 22nd District. As a publisher of weekly papers, I take positions on public matters. I became a candidate for Delegate without the endorsement of the regular party organization. My reasons were a desire to take part in the decision-making process; and a conviction that Lyndon Johnson was committing us to a course of moral and economic bankruptcy, and must be denied the nomination by his own party."

Wilson is editor and publisher of PRAIRIE PUBLICATIONS.

GEORGE T. MITCHELL (Rep. alternate)

"Presently leaning toward Richard M. Nixon."

Qualifications:

"I am a concerned citizen interested in good government. I'm a practicing physician; bank vice president, owner of a grain farm, and a former member and president of the local board of education." He is 54 years old.

DONALD F. TINGLEY (Dem. alternate)

"Senator Eugene McCarthy -- the people's candidate."

Qualifications:

"An issue-oriented outlook on the upcoming election. This involves a dedication to the idea that the Viet Nam War must be ended as soon as possible. The President elected must be dedicated to alleviating the poverty that exists in the United States and be willing to move toward real solutions of the civil rights question. In addition, I (and the slate of delegates with whom I am associated, Cameron Satterthwaite, Bob Wilson, Gene Gilmore) are not tied to the Illinois Democratic machine. We have no support from and will not be told how to vote by the machine."

Tingley, age 46, is a history professor.

WAYNE "ANDY" TURNER (Dem. alternate)

"My preference is President Lyndon Johnson, but I see no reason why I cannot support any of the announced candidates."

Qualifications:

"To be a member of the Party and believe in its principles and platform, to know the candidates and to know their stand on important issues. Also to work faithfully for the convention's choice."

Turner, age 46, is a union representative.

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Washington, D. C. 20036

LOCAL LEAGUE Decatur, Illinois

STATE Illinois

ANNUAL REPORT, 4/1/68 - 3/31/69

STATE PROGRAM

Please report state Program (CA's and CR's if distinguished) activity, one subject to a sheet, on which there has been study and/or action since April 1 last year (1968).

Study and action to revise the Structure of Illinois Gov't (Con Con)

The local league started work on the effort to explain and pass the call for a state constitutional convention in the Fall of 1967 and gave a general public push starting at least by February, 1968. We held two unit meetings in the Fall of '67 and in Feb. '68 we had an open meeting but stressed that any member who missed fall units to be sure to be there.

To educate people to Con Con we got information to all news media, a short TV spot, pushed cooperation with PTA legislative groups to present this issue during the year. Before the election in November we wrote Letters to the Editor, informational articles, distributed hand bills and other information, made TV appearances, radio appearances and put up signs on stores marquees in the community. We distributed over 1,000 pieces of literatures. We helped form a community committee for Con Con in the summer of '68. We created a speakers bureau and provided speakers for local clubs and civic groups and provided 38 or 40 speakers during the campaign.

As you know, Con Con passed in Illinois and we have held discussion groups on what is the next step. We want Con Con continued on our State program for the coming two years to include:

- Close cooperation and assistance in implementing the work of the Constitution Convention when it is held.
- Study of the Legislative and Executive articles.
- A new Revenue Article and measures to obtain an adequate and flexible tax structure.
- Annual sessions for the Illinois General Assembly.
- A short ballot, electing only policy-making officials.
- Improved and clarified election laws and procedures.
- Protection of the 1962 Judicial Amendment and support of measures to further Judicial reform.

How useful were the state Board's materials, if any; state area conferences or workshops, if any; and state Board services on state Program in general?

Very useful. State chairman very inspirational in personal contacts. We used the League's "2-cent" sheet for wide distribution, posters and insets. Chairman attended state area conferences and workshops. This was strictly an action item this year.

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STATE PROGRAM

Local Government

Please report state Program (CA's and CR's if distinguished) activity, one subject to a sheet, on which there has been study and/or action since April 1 last year (1968).

A committee of seven women met every two weeks from October, 1968 through the middle of February, 1969 to study the Illinois School system. Emphasis was placed on structure, finance and special problems confronting urban and sparsely settled areas.

An all member meeting was held at which time material was presented and consensus was taken on the special problems.

In February, consensus was taken at three unit meetings covering finance and structure.

A series of transparencies were made and used to graphically illustrate the three problem areas. These have been used at four PTA meetings and will be used at others in the near future.

How useful were the state Board's materials, if any; state area conferences or workshops, if any; and state Board services on state Program in general?

Materials were very useful when preparing the transparencies and for all member background reading before programs were presented. Committee was unable to attend workshop. ~~be sent Leagues~~ We would suggest a copy of a summary of the workshop be sent Leagues unable to attend.

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LOCAL PROGRAM

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Decatur Public Library

--Support for a new main library building and further study of the needs and operation of the Decatur Public Library.

In February, 1965, our League followed up its study of the Decatur Public Library with consensus to support plans for promotion of a new main library building to replace the outmoded, inadequate present structure.

During the past year the Library Resources Committee has worked for public awareness of the need for a new Library Building. Members of the committee attended hearings by the City Plan Department on the cultural needs of the community and presented a statement on the need for a new Library to the City Council. We met with the head of the Decatur Public Library to encourage support for a new building.

In April, 1968, a general meeting of the League was held with the speaker, Robert Dumas, Head Librarian, presenting new concepts in library services and discussing the needs of our community for a more adequate library. This was a well-attended meeting and considered one of the most successful of the meetings for the year.

In December, 1968, plans were announced by the City Council and the Library Board to purchase the former Sears Store in Downtown Decatur for the purpose of remodeling the structure into a library facility. Estimated costs were a saving of a million dollars when compared with the lowest estimated cost of any alternative plan and offers potentially 43,500 square feet over the current library's 28,000 square feet.

Since it is felt that in this community at the present time, there would be no hope of a referendum passing to raise funds to build a new library, this was felt to be a practical, serviceable solution to the problem of "doing something about the library." Funds for remodeling can be procured from present taxing sources.

There is considerable enthusiasm in the community over the successful procuring of needed library space and our league feels that we contributed in this success by helping to arouse public interest in the need for a new building and by open support of the library.

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School Committee -- The major study-action area this year was in the field of school integration. Our committee prepared and distributed a fact sheet on school integration to about 500 people, including our League members, school officials, PTA officers, and other education-minded individuals in the community. (This project was prompted by the fact that our school board had appointed a "Community Commission on Integration" charged with presenting a plan for integrating Decatur's schools along racial and socio-economic lines. Our fact sheet, based on interviews with local school personnel and study of such material as the Coleman report, attempted to give factual background material on school integration generally before the specific plan for Decatur was presented.)

School committee members have since attended the public meetings when the Decatur plan was presented, also public hearings. We met as a committee to discuss the plan and helped prepare a statement which the local League board approved supporting the principle of school integration.

In October, 1968, the School Problems Commission subcommittee on urban schools held a hearing in Decatur. Several school committee members attended this hearing and we have several of the statements in our file.

Last spring there was much discussion locally about the usefulness of the working cash fund. Our committee and the LOGO committee held two joint meetings--one to hear school board member Mrs. Shan Schaar explain why she feels the fund is useful and one to hear former school board member Mr. Franzy Eakin explain why he feels the fund should be abolished. It was decided the League would take no action on this.

Since last spring, the school committee has been sending a League observer to the regular school board meetings, which are held twice monthly. The local school administration furnishes a copy of the press agenda packet for our files--we attach press clippings to this.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT
April 1, 1968-March 31, 1969

1. What few words best describe the 1968-69 activities of your League?

Comprehensive (6 local items, 4 State items, 6 National items)

Productive (Solution to the library building problem, Con-ten

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nesses in our county)

Controversial (School integration opposed by community)

2. Have you cooperated with a nearby League? _____ On program? _____
Voters Service? _____ Finance? _____ Public Relations? _____
Administration? _____

no

no

no

no

no

no

3. What did you think about the experiment of having a State Board "communicator"
for your League?

Worked well for us. We received advice and the answers to questions
in the time that it took to call.

Should the plan be continued? _____

yes

4. How do you like the Area Presidents' meetings with State Board members?

I like the idea of having the Board members coming to us rather
than our having to go to Chicago. However, the meeting which
I attended wasn't particularly helpful to me.

5. What are your problem areas in administration (i.e., filing, personality problems, finance, leadership, membership, mail)?

filing (time to do it) mail (time to read it) communicating with board members between board meetings

6. What has been most helpful to you in carrying out your duties as President? (i.e., monthly President's letter, State Board communicator, visits of State Board, National or State publications, etc.)

the President's Notebook

7. What was your most frustrating League experience this year?

Having the mail and the filing pile up

8. What was your most rewarding League experience this year?

Learning: at the National Convention, at workshops, at unit meetings, at public meetings sponsored by our League, and even at our own board meetings.

Signed

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

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1. How has the 50th Anniversary Drive affected your overall public relations program?

Several members contributed to Education Fund

2. What special efforts have you made because of the 50th Anniversary Drive? Have you seen any results yet?

Published history of Local League. No. We are planning extensive publicity in March. Public finance drive starts then

3. How have you coordinated your Public Relations planning with:

A. Finance? Served on committee

B. Legislative Action? Worked with Chamber of Commerce and other organizations on school referendum.

C. Membership Recruitment and Involvement?

Served on committee

D. Program?

a) Local

b) State

c) National

E. Use of Publications?

Helped with distribution of some.
Sold publications at Macon County Fair

(MORE)

F. Voters Service?

Served on committee for candidates meeting and demonstrated voting devices

(OVER)

4. What methods and media do you use to tell the story of the League? (Please enclose news clippings, scripts, and other pertinent materials if available.)

Media

Comments and Evaluation

Newspaper 4 newspapers
 Pictures, meeting announcements
 Statements on our study positions
 Reporters at important meetings

Very good coverage by all and get wonderful cooperation
 1 black community paper publishes our articles. Only white organization mentioned in paper

Radio 2 stations
 Filmed interviews of members on Con-Con and candidates meeting.
 Spot announcements. Announcements by newscasters. Filmed announcement by member of League

Served on planning committee and recruited members to work on "Community Conversation Day" for WDZ.. Received a lot of publicity

Television

Taped announcements by members of League. Interviews of members. Spot announcements. Announcements by newscasters

Gave us more than we expected

Films and Filmstrips

None

Displays

Placed announcements of candidates meeting in various places

No difficulty in placing them

Speakers Bureau

Speakers on Con-Con

Other

Discuss League with non-members

5. What do you consider your biggest success story (stories) this year?

Articles and picture on history of League. Obtaining good relations with the publisher of "The Voice" a black community paper and his consent to print articles in the paper about League activities. Publicity on candidates. Obtaining good relations with all news media

(MORE)

PUBLIC RELATIONS (continued)

6. Do you work with other organizations? Yes

Which ones? OEO - PTA Council - Chamber of Commerce - Council of Churches

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7. How many of your League's members were elected to political office during the past year? Please list names and titles. None

8. How many of your League's members have been appointed to serve on governmental boards or commissions during the past year? Please list names and titles.

- Mrs. Manker Harris - Decatur Improvement Association
- Mrs. Paul Raber - Community Commission on Integration
- Mrs. G.A. Redford - " " "

(OVER)

9. How many of your League's members are playing other active roles in the community (e.g. civil rights groups, urban coalitions, human relations councils, teaching, etc.)? Please list names and group or activity.

Many
Have no idea who and what group

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10. To summarize:

What was this year's primary public relations aim?

Obtain better relations with news media and increase publicity
Make better use of ideas sent me from state

What do you see as future public relations goals for your League?

Increase publicity on League activities, increasing membership, ~~expanding~~ Voters Service work and set up a speakers bureau
expanding

7. How many of your League's members are playing other active roles in the community? What is your major public relations challenge?

Setting up a speaker's bureau and expanding Voters Service

How have you handled it? (Or how do you plan to handle it?)

I am not keeping this office

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