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C A L E N D A R

- Jan. 27 9:00 a.m. LEAGUE DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE! Have you made a reservation? Call Helen Gibbins for reservations and Jean Dickinson, 522-1032, for transportation.
- Feb. 1 2:00 p.m. Cabell-Huntington Human Relations Council meeting to elect officers and steering committee, at Morgan AME Zion Church, 10th Ave. and Douglas.
- Feb. 3 & 4 Unit meetings for the first week of Feb. cancelled
- Feb. 10 9:30 a.m. Board meeting. All interested Leaguers welcome. Mrs. D. C. Carlson, 2009 N. Englewood Rd.
- Feb. 13 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the League of Women Voters.
- Feb. 17 9:30 a.m. Study of the Legislature unit meeting. Enslow Park Presbyterian Church. Babysitter provided.
- Feb. 18 7:30 p.m. Study of the Legislature unit meeting, with Mrs. Wylie Dunfee, 818 - 13th Ave.
- Mar. 3 9:30 a.m. Study of the Legislature unit meeting. Enslow Park Presbyterian Church. Babysitter provided.
- Mar. 4 7:30 p.m. Study of the Legislature unit meeting, with Mrs. M. R. Mason, 517 - 12th Ave.
- Mar. 21 ANNUAL MEETING - watch for details next month!

Transportation to any of the unit meetings may be arranged by calling Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, Sue Carlson, 523-5838, Beth Bauserman, 522-3052, or Kathleen Kowalski, 525-9555.

CONSENSUS ON STUDY OF THE LEGISLATURE

Because of the number of questions we must consider and answer in this study, consensus will be reached on the first 4 questions in the meetings Feb. 17 and 18, and on the last 4 questions on Mar. 3 and 4.

1. How should legislative salaries be determined?
 - a. by constitutional provision?
 - b. by legislative determination?
2. Should legislative per diem expenses in addition to salaries be permitted?
3. If answer to #2 is "yes"
 - a. for regular session expenses?
 - b. for interim session expenses?
 - c. for special sessions?
 - d. should expenses be constitutionally limited?
4. How should length of session be determined?
 - a. by legislative action?
 - b. by Constitution?
5. Should the annual sessions be of unlimited length, or should restricted budget sessions be retained?
6. Should any persons be ineligible for service in the legislature?
 - a. public officials or employees?
 - b. private individuals?please list any you feel should be ineligible.
7. By what vote should a gubernatorial veto be overridden?
8. In considering the proposed legislative amendment
 - a. Is there any provision you consider so important that you would support the amendment, even if you disapproved of most of the other provisions? State.
 - b. Is there any provision you consider so undesirable that you would not support the amendment, even if you approved of most of the other provisions? State.

MEMBERSHIP is everyone's job! BRING SOMEONE to the next meeting!

Votes For Women by G. Allen Foster

"Militancy" and "protest demonstrations" were tools used first by women, 70 years ago, in the long 90 year campaign for votes for women. In 1836, Mary Lyon began a college for women because American colleges did not admit women. Lucy Stone, distressed by the lack of legal and property rights of women, began a life of speaking and writing for womens' rights.

Exciting stories of women's work and adventure during the Civil War helped show the value of women in life outside the home. Names we've heard, Susan Anthony, Lucretia Mott, Clara Barton, Elizabeth Starton, worked endlessly, each in a different and effective way toward the goal. Liquor and slavery figure largely in the early struggle.

Two groups were formed in the United States, one to exert pressure on state legislatures to grant womens suffrage, the other to work at the federal level toward a constitutional amendment for womens rights.

All this refined speechmaking and letterwriting began to take the form of 'real action' in the beginning of the 20th Century, with parades, sit-ins, sign carrying rallies, and loud firm voices. Our own Carrie Chapman Catt had assumed leadership, combined the two groups, and fired them into effective action. And here we are Now! Read it!

Kathleen Kowalski

TUNE IN!

To Channel 33 - WMUL-TV!

During the Legislative Sessions, League will present programs dealing in depth with current issues and bills. The schedule is as follows:

Wed. Jan. 21 at 8:00 p.m.
Elections Laws, with Sue Carlson and Keenie Hill of the Huntington League and Joyce Manyik of the Charleston League.

Tues. Jan 27 at 7:30 p.m.
Environmental Control, including water pollution, with Ann Rick of the State League.

Tues. Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m.
Tax Revision, with Nancy Matthews of the State League and Dr. Paul Stewart of Marshall University.

Wed. Feb. 11 at 8:00 p.m.
Education, in co-operation with the AAUW, with Ann Ferguson and Mary Hagen of the Huntington League.

League programs + League legislative information sheets = letters to our legislators. Or at least it should!

Bea Lingenfelter

Are you receiving your copies of the National and State Voter? If you are missing either or both of these publications, call Anna Lou Means, 736-4433, and tell her.

WOMEN AND THE VOTE

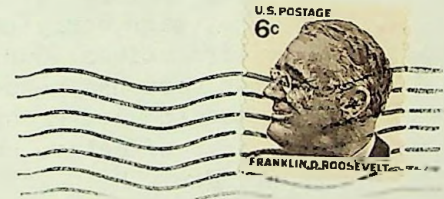
The Smithsonian Institution will stage an exhibition on women and the vote to open on the eve of our national Convention. The League has been asked to assemble items for this exhibit and is calling on members for help. Do you have or know of a source for such items as costumes, banners, early Voter Service material, posters, flyers, badges, etc.? If you do, please write to the National Office and describe what you have. The address is;

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

HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

The Cabell-Huntington Human Relations Council was formed on Jan. 11 in a meeting attended by many interested Leaguers and a good cross-section of our community. On Feb. 1 it will meet to elect officers and a steering committee, a total of 15 positions. It is hoped those elected will represent all segments of our area so that the work of the Council will meet the needs of all our people and reflect the broad support of all our citizens. This meeting will be publicized and you are urged to attend and voice your own particular concerns. Our League, in line with our consensus positions, supports the objectives and purposes of the Council.

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