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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

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Huntington, West Va. September, 1964

Mrs. Albert J. Lynch, Editor

DEAR MEMBER.

An extremely busy spring and summer are behind us and we are now start on Wednesday evening, Septem-

To review: In late spring your president was a member of the citizen's committee which recommended to us for what promises to be an en-Council a charter amendment provid- joyable and worthwhile cvening. Council a charter amendment providing for area representation for councilmen with at-large voting.

Late in June, Council announced the August 11 election for charter board candidates. I was asked, as a representative of the League, to attend the strategy planning meeting for the election.

On June 30, a League meeting was called to report on this meeting and planned the following:

Voter Service: G. Deveny, Chairman

- 1. Material on registration prepared and sent to newspaper and radio.
- 2. Five thousand flyers on absentee voting distributed throughout the City and spot announcements were read on the radio. (An absentee vote of about 560 shows the results of our efforts.)

3. A film strip on Mr. Smug's views on local elections was purchased and loaned to WSAZ-TV.

4. Questionnaires were sent to all candidates and answers printed

in the paper on Sunday, August 9.
5. Jeanne Dornbach worked with a group of teen-age girls who were interested in helping with the election.

Program: Mary Titus, Chairman

1. Three thousand flyers on the election were prepared by League members and distributed by the teen-agers and the Chamber of Commerce Local Government Committee. (The League received many favorable comments on these flyers.)
2. The membership was called

and asked as individuals to help with the City telephone campaign or work as election officials. One member had a polling place in her garage.

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DINNER MEETING SEPTEMBER 23 TO OPEN FALL PROGRAM

League activity gets a fresh moving into an interesting and stim- ber 23, when all League members are ulating season ahead.

invited to attend a dinner meeting at the Glenbrier Country Club, Ohio River Road. Husbands and interested friends are also asked to join

> Giovanna Deveny, Voters Service chairman, has arranged a timely program concerned with political parties and their value in the dem-ocratic system. Speakers will be Mr. Irvin Robinson, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Cabell County, and Mr. Russell Dunbar, Prosecuting Attorney. These gentlemen have been asked to explain party structure and to show the need for politics to be everybody's business.

FEE: \$3.50 per person
TIME: Sherry 6:45; Dinner 7:15
RESERVATIONS:Telephone committee will take reservations. In case you miss your call, contact Joan Bassford (525-7510)by Sept. 20.

NATIONAL SECURITY SEMINAR LEAGUE AID

A splendid opportunity for League members to enlarge their understanding of many phases of govern-ment will be afforded by attendance at the National Security Seminar being given in the Huntington City auditorium the weeks of Sep-Tember 28 and October 5.

The course runs Monday through Friday, 10:00 - 12:00 in the morning and 2:00 - 4:00 in the afternoon. Fee, including text, is \$3.
Make your reservation at 518 Ninth
Street. If you cannot attend fulltime, call Peg Schroeder or Jean Lynch for a possible share on another's registration.

LAST CALL FOR DUES OCTOBER 1

Make \$5 check payable to League of Women Voters of Huntington, West Va. and mail to: Mrs. R. Bannon, 835 Twelfth Ave., City.

DEAR MEMBER (continued)

In all, about 50 to 60% of the active membership worked in some capacity on this summer election. A proud record indeed.

Is there really anything left to be done? Well ...

- l. The work of the Charter Board will be studied and county planning is the other local item. Mary Titus has prepared material for her study group and for the general meeting in October.
- 2. The State constitution is not yet revised. Jean Dickinson's group has much to do and could use many more people.
- 3. Water resources material, state and national, continue to flood us.
- 4. Our foreign economic policy and the United Nations, our international items, will be cussed and discussed in Joan Weisberg's study group.
- 5. Finally, and to many the most exciting, our newest national item DHR. This new domestic item, voted in at the National Convention last April, will be headed by Evelyn Meier. The DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES is a study of all the disadvantaged people in our country, and the subject is many-faceted enough to encourage the participation of every member in some of the most vital domestic issues facing the nation today.

How can one join one or more of these study groups? By simply dropping in at the time and place listed in the monthly bulletin. (Bring a guest, if you like.) Listen to the discussion. Soon you'll find that you, too, are interested, stimulated, and bitten by the "League-bug."

In conclusion, may I remind you that it is important to remember that this is a "League of Women Voters of the United States." We here in Huntington, West Va., cannot and must not be merely a local militant group dedicated to

a few particular principles of local government. There is much to do, and an active membership must support its Board if we are to continue to be effective.

I look forward to greeting you in person on September 23.

Peg Schroeder Fresident

STUDY GROUPS BEGINNING THIS MONTH

Constitutional Revision: Tuesday, Sept. 29, 12:45 P.M., Mrs. Wm. Dickinson (Jean), 2191 Kennon Lane (522-1032)

Foreign Econ. Policy & United Nations: Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1:00 P.M., Mrs. Fred Weisberg(Joan), 2618 Washington Blvd. (525-4742)

THE BOARD WELCOMES Mrs. Kenneth Moore (Jean) as chairman of Public Relations.

WOMEN VOTERS WEEK SEPT. 13-19 is basically a campaign for greater voter participation among women. As a League member you are asked to make it effective by persuading a non-voting woman to register and vote in November. "Each one reach one, " and sell "Your vote makes the difference."

PUBLICATIONS chairman, Jeanne Dornbach, suggests you avail yourself of a new booklet called THE ROLE OF POLITICAL PARTIES, U.S.A. (35¢). Copies will be available at our Sept. 23 meeting.

DID YOU CATCH League national president's, Mrs. Robert Stuart's, article "The Political Power of Women" in current LADIES HOME JOURNAL?

Especially liked: "I would be neglecting my own family if I didn't assume responsibility for shaping the community and the world they live in."