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HUNTINGTON LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS

DECEMBER, 1969 - HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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C A L E N D A R

- Jan. 6 9:30 a.m. Aid and Trade unit meeting, background information. Enslow Park Presbyterian Church, babysitter provided.
- Jan. 7 7:30 p.m. Aid and Trade unit meeting, background information. Mrs. Wylie Dunfee, 818 - 13th Ave.
- Jan. 11 2:00 p.m. Meeting at Afro-American Culture Center, Shawkey Student Union on Marshall Campus to discuss Human Relations Council (see bulletin item)
- Jan. 12 8:00 a.m. Channel 13, "This Morning" show. Voter Service Chairman Bea Lingenfelter will discuss League's legislative programs
- Jan. 14 9:30 a.m. Board meeting. All interested Leaguers welcome. Mrs. D. C. Carlson, 2009 N. Englewood.
- Jan. 20 9:30 a.m. Aid and Trade consensus meeting, Enslow Park Presbyterian Church, babysitter provided.
- Jan. 21 7:30 p.m. Aid and Trade consensus meeting, Mrs. Henryetta Hager, 611 - 12th Ave. Rear.
- Jan. 27 9:00 a.m. LEAGUE DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE in Charleston. Please read bulletin item for details.
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Transportation to any of the unit meetings may be arranged by calling Helen Gibbins for Pea Ridge area, Sue Carlson or Beth Bauserman for Southeast Huntington, and Kathleen Kowalski for South Side and West Huntington.

ATTENDANCE ? ?

The attendance at both Electoral College consensus meetings totalled only 12! A calling committee contacted many members and the previous bulletins provided a great deal of information about Electoral College. The topic has been one of the foremost national issues of the day and affects every voting citizen, as do all of the issues the League studies. To make League's positions truly representative of the membership, members should make an effort to attend as many units as possible. If any member has a suggestion for improving attendance at units, please let the president or membership chairman, Kathleen Kowalski, know.

ANNUAL MEETING

The following committees will be preparing to make recommendations for the annual meeting in March. If League members have suggestions, please confer with the committee members.

Nominating Comm.

- Mrs. David Thompson
- Mrs. Donald Dornbath
- Mrs. Thomas Bassford
- Mrs. Thomas Bauserman
- Mrs. Charles Hagen

Budget Comm.

- Mrs. Robert Means
- Mrs. Joseph Kowalski
- Mrs. D. C. Carlson

Ey-Laws Comm.

- Mrs. Gerald Phillips
- Mrs. E. H. Broh

NATIONAL PROGRAM

The Board of the Huntington League recommended for first round National Program that the following subjects be included:

- Electoral College (add study of uniform requirements for voting in national elections)
- Human Resources (re-evaluation of programs, study further means to combat poverty)
- Foreign Policy (no new study)
- The Environment
- Representative Government (no new study)
- Tax Rates & Treaty Making (no new study)

LOCAL PROGRAM

A discussion of local program items will be held at the beginning of the Aid & Trade unit meetings on Jan. 20th and 21st. If you have suggestions, be on time for these meetings so you will have an opportunity to participate in the discussion.

ELECTION LAWS

Feel uneasy about state election laws ? Why not glance over our local positions (page 4 of the Nov. bulletin), check out the state position in the December Voter, then put by some stamps for after Christmas and Action Time ?

PLEASE KEEP THE LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SHEETS ENCLOSED IN THIS MONTH'S

BULLETIN FOR FUTURE REFERENCE !

Bea Lingenfelter, Voter Service Chairman, has done an excellent job for us in preparing this material and we urge you to make use of it. If you can take copies of it to other groups, friends and neighbors, call Bea for the extra copies you will need.

HUMAN RELATIONS

The meeting on Jan. 11th at the Afro-American Culture Center has been called by a group of concerned Huntington area citizens, including several Leaguers, who are interested in improving human relations, and race relations in particular, in our community. Several planning sessions have been held with cooperation and help of the W.Va. State Human Rights Commission and representatives from the Kanawha Valley Council on Human Relations. A county-wide volunteer council to work with the State Commission in solving local problems is being discussed and all those interested in supporting or working with such a group, either as individuals or representatives of other groups, are urged to attend and help in the organization of the council.

The Afro-American Culture Center, located on the second floor of the Student Union, has been established by Marshall University to serve both as a focal point for the interests of the black students and as a Student Relations Center to promote racial understanding and human brotherhood. It will also serve as the coordinating agency for student community service projects.

LEAGUE DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE !

Complete details are in your State Voter but we want to urge as many as possible to attend. Coffee, legislative workshop, and luncheon will be held at the Daniel Boone Hotel, followed by attendance at the afternoon session of the legislature. The cost will be \$3.00 for the coffee and luncheon and reservations should be made with Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, before Jan. 21. Call Jean Dickerson at 522-1032 about the car pool arrangements. Mark this day on your calendar now ! It will be a most enjoyable and informative day!

ELECTORAL COLLEGE CONSENSUS

The Huntington League's consensus on Electoral College was in support of election by direct popular vote. The items most favored for reform:

1. Direct popular vote
2. Pledged electors (if electoral college is kept)
3. Contingent elections by a national run-off election
4. Standard national voting qualifications for national elections.
5. Provisions needed for disability or death of a candidate.

THE LEAGUE AND DEVELOPMENT AID: CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

As early as the 1920's the League began studying the economic and social work of various international organizations. In the 40's the League worked for the enactment of the European Recovery Program (the Marshall Plan). In the late 40's the League began supporting efforts to assist the poor nations in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. The League in the 50's and 60's worked for improvement in U. S. development aid programs, supporting long-range planning, adequate financing, effective coordination and administration, cooperative financing be developed countries, and maximum self-help from the developing countries.

Recognizing the interrelationship of trade and aid for less developed nations, the League believes the impact of trade policies cannot be viewed apart from aid policies.

Despite the financial pinch of the Vietnam war and crucial domestic needs the League continues to support development aid as a sound and essential long-term investment.

In January our local League will study the Aid question in unit meetings on Jan. 6 and 7 and will come to consensus on Jan. 20 and 21 on the following questions:

1. What should be the objectives of U. S. development assistance policies?
2. In view of these objectives and in the context of establishing sound and effective development aid programs, how does your League view the following;
 - a. military aid and supporting assistance
 - b. the blend of multilateral and bilateral aid
 - c. the issue of effectiveness and efficiency
 - d. the ability of the U.S. economy to meet the 1% GNP target
3. What priority would you assign and how would you evaluate the newer emphasis in development; e.g., population planning, expanded agricultural production, social and civic development and education
4. In reviewing the League's position on development assistance and trade with the developing countries, does your League wish to delete, change, or shift emphasis on any specific policy? If so, please specify and give your reasons.

Bring your bulletin with you to the unit meetings and try to read the following Facts and Issues:

Development Aid: Images and Realities - April 1969
The ABC's of International Development - June 1969
Asian Case Studies in Development - Sept. 1969
Development is People Plus - Oct. 1969 (not on hand but can be ordered)

Copies are available at 25¢ each at unit meetings or from the Foreign Policy Chairman, Carolyn Kozak, 736-3119.