

**THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DECATUR, ILLINOIS**  
**Frances Doubleday, President**  
**(422-7604)**

"American people can do anything if you tell them why, but you must tell them."

-Bernard Baruch

**UNIT  
MEETINGS**

**PUBLIC HEALTH** in Decatur and Macon County - January 16th and 17th.

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away." This old adage might have sufficed in the days of rural America, but today - with people living an urbanized life, practically breathing into one another's homes - there is a great need to prevent the spread of diseases and unsanitary conditions. As individuals, we feel we can control our own household, but what of the one next door and those which surround us? How can we obtain better health services in Macon County? Should it be a County Health Unit?

Committee: Marilyn Tenney, Irene Colvis, Lou Cole  
Doris Miller, Helen Miller, Eleanor Jones  
Sara Kessler, Chairman

**CALENDAR**

**January**

- 4 Thursday 1:00 P.M. BOARD MEETING  
The 87th Congress resumes this week.
- 10 Wednesday 1:00 P.M. COUNTY WORKSHOP - Dee Carr, 1607 Home Park Avenue
- 11 Thursday 7:45 P.M. ALL-MEMBER MEETING - Ruth Miller, 1749 W. Forest Avenue.
- 16 Tuesday 9:00 A.M. BRING-THE-CHILDREN-UNIT MEETING - The First Methodist Church
- 7:15 P.M. UNIT MEETING - Helen Schudel, 2080 W. Riverview Avenue
- 17 Wednesday 9:00 A.M. UNIT MEETING - Lucy Oplinger, 152 Cobb Avenue.
- 20 Saturday 10:15 A.M. WSOY Radio "Resources" Program - or the following Saturday

**February**

- 7 Wednesday 7:45 P.M. ALL-MEMBER MEETING - Student Center, Millikin University,  
Guest Speaker, Mr. W. F. Ice of State Dept. of Revenue.

The year 1962 of the Christian Era corresponds to the year of Creation 5722-23 of the Jewish Calendar; the year 1381-82 of the Mohammedan Hegira; and it is the 186th year of the United States.

a BIG welcome to the following new members:

**MEMBERSHIP**

|                                  |                     |          |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Miss Marie Brensley              | 310 S. Linden       | 422-6857 |
| Mrs. Glenn O. Fuller (Shirley)   | 1640 Home Park Ave. | 422-0778 |
| Mrs. Gerald A. Redford (Barbara) | 1321 W. Riverview   | 429-6239 |

Mrs. Redford transferred her membership to Decatur from Ripon, Wisconsin where she was the first president of the newly organized Provisional\* League.

\*To our new members: Newly-formed Leagues are considered Provisional until their membership is large enough and their budgets adequate to carry out the whole program expected of local leaguers.

Keep bringing your friends to League meetings. The League year officially begins April 1st

Elise Hurst - Membership Chairman

**PUBLIC  
RELATIONS**

Sara Kessler will be interviewed on the Saturday WSOY Radio "Resources" program either Jan. 20th or 27th, at 10:15 A.M. She will speak on the subject of the January unit meetings: A County Public Health Department. Since last August, WSOY has donated \$85 in free time on the "Resources" program - to the league.

Marilyn Tenney - Public Relations Chairman



## FROM THE SOUND OF THE PRESIDENT'S GAVEL

The League is going to support, as vigorously as possible, the new Judicial Amendment passed in the regular session of the Legislature. You will be given a comparison sheet at the January unit meetings, so that you can see how the Amendment compares with the present Judicial Article. Shirley Landholt is in charge of this part of our program.

In January, the local agenda committee meets to draw up a list of those study items you would like to work on in 1962-63. The item or items are voted on at the Annual Meeting which comes at the end of March. But, the program has to be presented in the February Bulletin for all members to consider. THIS is the time for you to offer your suggestions to the committee. Write or call: Lillian Stivers - Chairman (422-5484), or Helen Gill (429-6591) or Julie Drenan (428-8287).

DO IT TODAY! Remember: it is your program.

Since the February Bulletin will not be mailed before the All Member meeting, herewith is information pertaining to the program. The guest speaker, Mr. Willard F. Ice of the Department of Revenue in Springfield, has been recommended as an interesting and precise speaker, well familiar with his department. All citizens concerned with taxes should hear what Mr. Ice has to say. Guests and husbands are invited. Instead of a dinner, dessert and coffee will be served for a nominal charge. Place: Millikin Student Center  
Date: February 7th, 7:45 P.M.

### VOTERS' SERVICES

Nancy Cox, who had taken over as Voters' Service Chairman, underwent emergency surgery during the Christmas holiday. Her recuperation is satisfactory, but she must be very quiet for some weeks.

Marilyn Tenney and Sara Kessler will act as co-chairman of the Candidates Meeting - to be announced in the February Bulletin.

### POLITICAL PARTIES

A workshop is about to begin, which is scheduled to report in March prior to the primaries. It promises to be one of the most exciting studies of the year. The State office has published a very good booklet on the subject. I'm sure many of you will want to join the workshop, so call, as soon as possible, 423-1307.

Marilyn Kessinger-Political Parties Chairman

### FINANCE

Final Finance Drive Report: The proposed budget called for \$1020 to be collected. Final total was \$1055.50, exceeding the goal by \$35.50.

#### Statistics

Budgeted: from members, \$175; from non-members \$845.

Results: Contributions were from 17 League members; 89 non-members, of which 17 were from Businesses rather than from individuals; 34 were new, including those who gave to the League in previous years, but not in 1960. 50 League members worked actively on the drive.

Since it is virtually impossible to complete the finance drive in one day, even with every member participating, some suggestions were given to the Board - such as teamwork and a committee - to make the finance drive move more smoothly and easily.

Sylvia Cohn - Finance Chairman



## THE GREAT DEBATE OF 1962: "OUR TRADE LAWS"

The Gallup Poll reported in December: "As things stand at present, only about one person in five has heard of or read about the European Common Market; only one person in eight has a correct idea of what its purposes are." We hope these percentages are much higher among League members because the time has come for us to help spread awareness in our communities of what the Common Market means to us.

Do you have the January 6th copy of "The Saturday Evening Post"? If not, please try to procure a copy and read "Common Market - What does it Mean to Us?" by Christian A. Herter. Mr. Herter has covered well many points studied by the League. You will appreciate his article all the more because of your League experience. In addition, Mr. Herter - a former Secretary of State and former Governor of a New England State ~~that~~ experienced dislocation in industry - speaks with authority.

By the time you read these paragraphs, President Kennedy probably will have addressed the Congress on the subject of the Great Debate - the necessity for lowered trade barriers and future close ties with the EUROMART.

The League's own publication "The Politics of Trade" is an excellent handbook to use as a basis for family discussions, for women's clubs, for church groups, and for husbands' civic associations. You may purchase copies for 50¢ each from the Publication Chairman.

Lola Smith - Foreign Policy Chairman.

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| PUBLICATIONS | To assist your workshop study: available are copies of - |               |
|              | "Primaries and Parties"                                  | - @ 35¢ each. |
|              | "You and Your National Government"                       | - @ 25¢ each. |
|              | "Constitutional Dilemma"                                 | - @ 20¢ each. |
|              | "Politics and Trade"                                     | - @ 50¢ each. |

The Board approved having mimeographed copies of unit meeting reports available to the membership. For \$1, you may have a copy of each month's topic mailed with bulletin, to be paid at the beginning of the League year - April first.

Louise Krambeer - Publications Chairman (423-5105)

## 1962-63 COMMITTEES

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| BUDGET       | Pauline Jurgens - Chairman, Willie Susler, Frances Doubleday   |
| NOMINATING   | Lucy Oplinger-Chairman, and Dee Carr, elected last year at Annual Meeting.<br>Appointed: Mary Cresswell, Ruth Sabey, Pauline Winn. |
| LOCAL AGENDA | Lillian Stivers-Chairman, Helen Gill, Julie Drenan   |

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| UNITED NATIONS | A daytime workshop will hold consecutive weekly meetings, beginning the week of March 11th. Those interested in attending, please let me know your preference so that time may be arranged to accommodate as many as possible. |
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Viola Reeder - United Nations Chairman (428-7310)

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| DEED CATERERS | Irene Colvis is a member of the State Committee on Unit Organization.<br><br>Katherine Donovan will represent the Decatur and the Springfield Leagues at a state-budget meeting in Chicago on January 11th. |
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Memo: from Marjorie Pebworth to Mrs Dahlmann: "This is a very belated note to tell you that your sketch is impaled on the bulletin board in the state office which I inhabit, and we all enjoy it thoroughly, although several people frown and ask, 'Who's that one?' Thanks for doing it and we will add your name to the list of people with 'abilities and skills'".



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS  
DECATUR, ILLINOIS**

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INVESTORS  
LIMITED

STANDARD PAPERMAN-BUTTERBY BROS.

FOOT VEHICLE

STANDARD PAPERMAN-BUTTERBY BROS.

COMINGLING

STANDARD PAPERMAN-BUTTERBY BROS.

ROCKEL

STANDARD PAPERMAN-BUTTERBY BROS.

1893-94 COMMISSION

STANDARD PAPERMAN-BUTTERBY BROS.

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- "BOTTLES AND GLASS" - @ 20¢ each.
- "CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES" - @ 50¢ each.
- "LAW AND LAWYERS" - @ 50¢ each.
- "LAWYERS AND LEGAL" - @ 25¢ each.

EXHIBITIONS

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THE CHINA DRIVE OF 1893: "ONE INDEED TWO."



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"Laws should be like clothes. They should be made to fit the people they mean to serve." - Clarence Darrow

UNIT  
MEETINGS

COUNTY GOVERNMENT must be brought into realistic focus or it might become the length of rope that will hang Freedom. Our local governments must be brought up to date to serve the people they represent. They must not be allowed to become so outmoded they deteriorate and are absorbed by the state and federal governments. The unit meeting will tell you what improvements can be made in Macon County, what it would be like under the three man commission form, and what we think of the county-manager form.

Keep abreast of the times. Be aware of the importance of your county government and how it affects your life.

Committee: Jeanne Stahl, Shirley Fuller, Ella Kuntz, Eleanora Dahlmann, Lillian Stivers, Marge Unger  
Dee Carr, Chairman

Tuesday, February 20th, 9:00 A.M. "BRING-THE-CHILDREN" UNIT - The First Methodist Church  
7:00 P.M. UNIT MEETING - Mrs. Donald Volentine, 632 W. Prairie  
Wednesday, " 21st, 9:00 A.M. UNIT MEETING - Mrs. Forrest Martin, 235 Park Place

REMEMBER: Neighbors and friends are always welcome

CALENDAR

February

|    |           |            |   |
|----|-----------|------------|---|
| 1  | Thursday  | 1:00 P.M.  | BOARD MEETING   |
| 7  | Wednesday | 1:00 P.M.  | COUNTY WORKSHOP - Dee Carr, 1607 Home Park Avenue   |
|    |           | 7:45 P.M.  | ALL-MEMBER MEETING - Millikin Student Center, Guest Speaker Mr. W. F. Ice of State Dept. of Revenue |
| 8  | Thursday  |            | POLITICAL PARTIES WORKSHOP - Marilyn Kessinger, 82 Woodhill Ct.                                     |
| 14 | Wednesday | 1:00 P.M.  | COUNTY WORKSHOP - Dee Carr, 1607 Home Park Avenue   |
| 15 | Thursday  | 9:30 A.M.  | ORIENTATION - Irene Colvis, 559 S. Taylor   |
| 20 | Tuesday   | 9:00 A.M.  | BRING-THE-CHILDREN UNIT MEETING - The First Methodist Church  |
|    |           | 7:00 P.M.  | UNIT MEETING - Peggy Volentine, 632 W. Prairie  |
| 21 | Wednesday | 9:00 A.M.  | UNIT MEETING - Cauline Martin, 235 Park Place.  |
| 24 | Saturday  | 10:15 A.M. | WSOY - Tune In Time - Dee Carr's interview with Donney Henry  |

FROM THE SOUND OF THE PRESIDENT'S GAVEL

A reminder for League members to attend the ALL-MEMBER meeting at the Student Center of Millikin University on Wednesday February 7th at 7:45 P.M. Mr. Willard F. Ice, supervisor of the Rules and Regulations Division of the Illinois Department of Revenue, will explain the difficulties caused by the present revenue article and suggestions offered for its revision.

Due to an oversight, the sheets of the Judicial article, promised for the January unit meetings, were handed only to the Wednesday morning group. The rest of the sheets will be taken to the ALL-MEMBER meeting.

The League sent \$10 to the American Field Service as a memorial gift to Mr. Walker Mills. Both Mr. Mills and Irene have generously supported the League with their time, helpful advice and money.

Viola Reeder is a member of the state committee of the League on Election Laws.

It is always with a glad note that we add the names of new members in the blue book. We are happy to welcome the following:

MEMBERSHIP

|                         |            |                       |          |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Mrs. C. H. Bridgman     | (Amy)      | 2050 W. Riverview     | 423-1518 |
| Mrs. James D. Kneebone  | (Emily)    | 105 Benton Drive      | 877-3258 |
| Mrs. David P. Macarus   | (Doe)      | 1762 Sandy Place      | 429-2262 |
| Mrs. Robert B. Moore    | (Jo)       | 259 N. Woodlawn       | 423-1219 |
| Mrs. L. B. Ritter       | (Ruth)     | 3772 N. MacArthur Rd. | 877-2461 |
| Mrs. E. Robert Williams | (Teresa)   | 123 S. East Avenue    | 423-8325 |
| Mrs. Robert E. Witmer   | (Virginia) | 199 S. Westdale       | 422-3026 |

Address correction: Dottie Booth 637 S. Crea  
Address change: Margaret Crouch 68 First South Shores Ave.

We bid a sad good-bye to a long time active member, Pauline Winn, who is moving to 1717 Big Hill Road, Kettering 39, Ohio (a suburb of Dayton).



ORIENTATION "Let's Talk League" meeting, for new members and others who have never attended one, will be Thursday, February 15th 9:30 A.M. at the home of the Orientation Chairman, Irene Colvis, 559 S. Taylor. You will learn about the workings of the League and have a chance to ask questions.

To help the Membership Chairman, Enid Zarbock has graciously consented to be telephone chairman; Eve Clark, to keep attendance records; Mary Humphries, to set up a new membership record system. Dottie Booth printed two additional sets of name tags to avoid hustling the set June Roby made from unit to unit.

Elise Hurst - Membership Chairman

PUBLIC  
RELATIONS  
&  
VOTERS  
SERVICE

CANDIDATES' MEETING: ATTENTION TO ALL MEMBERS

The Candidates Meeting has been set for Thursday evening at 8:00 P.M. March 29th in the Stephen Decatur High School Auditorium. Mr. Robert King, manager of WSOY will be the moderator. More details next month, but just keep the date in mind and mark it in red on your calendar. League members certainly should be in attendance. Bring your husbands and neighbors too.

Sara Kessler, Marilyn Tenney (Co-Chairmen Candidates' Meeting)

FOREIGN  
POLICY

NEWS NOTES: Decatur area industries will have an opportunity to confer on their stake in foreign trade. The economic development committee of the Association of Commerce has announced its decision to stage a foreign trade conference, possibly in May or June. The move was prompted by the fact that 26 local firms are now engaged in some sort of foreign trade and others may be considering it.

The first state-by-state breakdown on exports of manufactured goods has recently been issued by the Commerce Dept. Illinois is second only to New York in the tally which shows the figures for 1960: New York: \$1,417,400,000; Illinois: \$1,407,800,000. California, Ohio and Pennsylvania followed closely in that order. The total for the country as a whole: \$15,454,300,000. This was the first analysis of its kind and will be followed by detailed reports on the impact of international trade on economic conditions in more than 140 congressional districts. The first of the district studies will be completed in mid-February.

Lola Smith - Foreign Policy Chairman

PUBLICATIONS

Be prepared for the new workshops - read to be informed - buy now your copies of: "Primaries and Parties" 50¢ ea "The Politics of Trade" 50¢ea "Illinois Constitutional Dilemma" 20¢ ea

Louise Krambeer, Publications Chairman (423-5105)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

BUDGET

Enclosed with Bulletin, is report of the 1962-63 Budget Committee.

NOMINATING

We, the nominating committee, respectfully submit the following slate of officers for your consideration:

|                    |                                  |         |   |                           |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|---------|---|---------------------------|
| President          | Mrs. Henry Bachrach              | 1962-64 | Directors for 1962-64   |                           |
| 1st Vice President | Mrs. Paul S. Reeder              | 1962-64 | Mrs. Gerald A. Redford  | Elected Directors who     |
| 2nd Vice President | Mrs. Thomas L. Hurst             | 1962-64 | Mrs. James Manuell  | have 1 more year to serve |
| Secretary          | to be filled by appointment      |         | Mrs. Evart Peterson   | Mrs. Harold F. Tenney     |
| Treasurer          | Mrs. David Carr (unexpired term) | 1962-64 | Mrs. Frank Verbanc - (for unexpired term (62-63) of Mrs. Reeder | Mrs. James C. Allen       |

Lucy Oplinger, Nominating Chairman; Committee: Dee Carr, Mary Cresswell, Ruth Sabey, Pauline Winn

LOCAL AGENDA

The Board agreed upon the recommendation of the following items proposed by the Local Agenda Committee:

1. A study of the benefits to Decatur under the Council-Manager plan of city government compared with those under the Commission form. (Note: There are many new members in the League who need to know more about our present city government.)

2. A further study of the Urban renewal program as it enters another phase of its development. (Note: There is considerable support for local businesses and labor to share in the actual carrying out of the program.)

Although there were other suggestions, the Board feels two study items can be handled with more efficiency. The other items proposed were these: 1. A study of local taxes and tax assessment plan. 2. A study of location of roads and of routing traffic around Decatur.

Those - not within the range of Local League: 1. Welfare Program in Illinois 2. Civil Defense in Illinois

POLITICAL  
PARTIES

Donna Manuell, Barbara Redford, Gayle Peterson and Lola Smith attended the first meeting. Regular workshop dates will be arranged as soon as certain study materials have been gathered. There is room for more members to join. (Call 423-1307 for information.)

Marilyn Kessinger - Political Parties Chairman



# REPORT OF THE 1962-1963 BUDGET COMMITTEE

|                                     | BUDGET<br>1961-1962 | ACTUAL<br>1-31-62- | PROPOSED<br>1962-1963 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>RECEIPTS</u>                     |                     |                    |                       |
| Dues                                | 600.00              | 620.00 (1)         | 625.00 (increase)     |
| Member Contributions                | 175.00              | 134.00 (2)         | 150.00 (decrease)     |
| Other Contributions                 | 845.00              | 937.00 (3)         | 900.00 (increase)     |
|                                     | \$1,620.00          | \$1,691.00         | \$1,675.00            |
| Reserve Macon Co. Booklet           | 200.00              | 74.25 (4)          | -                     |
| Total Receipts                      | \$1,820.00          | \$1,765.25         | \$1,675.00            |
| <u>EXPENDITURES</u>                 |                     |                    |                       |
| State & Nat'l Pledge                | 675.00              | 675.00 (5a)        | 700.00 (increase)     |
| Equipment & Supplies                | 30.00               | 38.04              | 30.00                 |
| Postage (Not Bulletin)              | 30.00               | 49.60 (5b)         | 50.00 (increase)      |
| Telephone                           | 10.00               | 2.20 (5c)          | 5.00 (decrease)       |
| President's Expense                 | 50.00               | 50.00              | 50.00                 |
| Delegates - Regional                | 125.00              | 75.00              | 125.00                |
| " - Convention                      | 175.00              | 175.00             | 175.00                |
| Committees-Finance, Membership, etc | 35.00               | 45.51 (5d)         | 50.00 (increase)      |
| Bank Charges                        | 5.00                | -                  | 5.00                  |
| Meetings (Room Rental)              | 50.00               | 28.12              | 50.00                 |
| Publications (net expense)          | 75.00               | 80.55 (5e)         | 75.00                 |
| Bulletin                            | 150.00              | 101.58             | 150.00                |
| Action in Community                 | 175.00              | - (5f)             | 175.00                |
| Printing Local Publications         | 10.00               | 4.50               | 10.00                 |
| Unallocated                         | 25.00               | 14.16              | 25.00                 |
|                                     | \$1,620.00          | \$1,339.26         | \$1,675.00            |
| Booklet-Macon Co. Reserve Exp.      | 200.00              | 3.50 (4)           | -                     |
|                                     | \$1,820.00          | \$1,342.76         | \$1,675.00            |

## EXPLANATION:

- Due to the increase in members for the past year, the committee felt a goal of 125 members was ideal and more realistic.
- Since member contributions dropped this year and has not met the \$175.00 goal for the past few years, a decrease of \$25.00 was made.
- The increase of \$55.00 in revenue received from Other Contributions for the coming year is more realistic since \$937.00 was actually collected.
- The Macon County Booklet is no longer a budget item and this committee would rather give an accounting of this account each year than budget it. The account as it now stands is as follows:

|                         | <u>INCOME</u> | <u>EXPENSES</u> | <u>BALANCE</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Reserve before printing | -             | -               | \$1,000.00     |
| Bal. to 1/31/61         | 253.25        | 1,131.58        | 121.67         |
| 2/1/61 to 4/30/61       | 49.25         | -               | 170.92         |
| 5/1/61 to 1/31/62       | 74.25         | 3.50            | 241.67         |
- Expenditures:
  - State & Nat'l Pledge increase \$25.00 due to increased operating costs of League.
  - Postage expense was budgeted too low last year and felt \$50.00 would be better.
  - Telephone expense lowered \$5.00 since the expense has never reached budgeted amount.
  - Committee expense increased \$15.00 to cover additional cost of these committees.
  - The net expense of the item of \$80.55 plus the cash received for publication of \$35.25 brings the total cost of publication to \$115.80.
  - Action in Community shows no cash spent after beginning of the year. The expense of \$84.45 was in the last calendar year. The amount was budgeted same as last year with the thought of expanding this service.



# REPORT OF THE 1962-1963 BUDGET COMMITTEE

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Expenditures:

5/1/61 to 1/31/62  
2/1/61 to 4/30/61  
Bal. to 1/31/61

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1962-1963

121.67  
170.92  
241.67

BALANCE

\$1,000.00

EXPERIENCES

1,131.58

255.25

Mrs. Henry Bachrach  
25 N. Country Club Rd.  
Decatur, Ill.



# The League Of Women Voters, Decatur, Ill.

Frances Doubleday, President  
(422-7604)

"To preserve independence, we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. We must make our election between economy and liberty, or profusion and servitude." - Thomas Jefferson

## UNIT MEETINGS

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The POLITICAL PARTIES workshop has been interesting and stimulating. We met with the chairmen of both County Central Committees: Dem., Robert Owen, and Rep., H. G. Taylor, whose statements, comments and so forth will be included in our report at the March units. We expect to receive specimens of primary ballots from the County Clerk. POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRIMARIES present much thought provoking and thought prodding information, as well as such perplexing questions: Should we have more than two parties? Are the primaries "a good thing", or "a necessary evil"? As an independent voter, are you a menace to democracy? Join us at the March unit meetings.

Marilyn Kessinger - Chairman.

Committee: Virginia Witmer, Lola Smith, Barbara Redford, Donna Manuell, Gayle Peterson, Bonnie Livergood, and Shirley Landholt.

Tuesday, March 20th, 9:00 A.M. "Bring the Children Unit" - First Methodist Church

7:00 P.M. Unit Meeting - Mrs. Berwyn Foster, 1584 W. Wood

Wednesday, " 21st, 9:15 A.M. Unit Meeting - Mrs. Roy F. Zarbock, 298 S. Westdale

## CALENDAR

### March

|    |           |            |  |
|----|-----------|------------|--|
| 1  | Thursday  | 1:00 P.M.  | BOARD MEETING  |
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### ANNUAL REPORTS OF CHAIRMEN

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| New members in 1961-62                       | +27 |
|  | 129 |
| Transferred to other Leagues                 | - 4 |
| Transferred here                             | 125 |
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We should have more members!  
Did you do your part to increase our membership this year?

A hearty welcome to these new members:

|                       |        |                    |          |
|-----------------------|--------|--------------------|----------|
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| Mrs. Daniel C. Jack   | (Joan) | 514 Woodhill Drive | 428-4706 |
| Mrs. Harold F. Riedel | (Lucy) | 1847 W. Riverview  | 429-1048 |

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# EMERGENCY BUS STUDY

A special meeting concerning the bus study, called on October 24th, included a brief history of public transportation in the United States, a resume of city manager John Dever's "Report on Problems of Mass Transportation", attending a few School Board meetings, the highlights of the legislature on transportation, plus a summary of the interviews with officials of the City Lines.

The committee found obstacles impossible to solve in a short time. The overwhelming task of determining how the overlapping school routes might co-ordinate with the restricted city routes came to a dead end. The request from the Transportation Committee of the Association of Commerce for a comparison of findings was a complement to the League efforts. (One enlightening factor - a man's viewpoint on the issue versus a woman's point of view.)

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The Foreign Policy committee of ten members began a series of five workshop meetings in October and reported at the November Unit meetings. Chief among the materials used was the national publication "The Politics of Trade". The study and unit discussions led to the following conclusions: 1) our members favor continuance of support to the present basic trade aid position --that is, support of foreign economic policies which serve to spur economic growth and to expand world trade; 2) we would favor federal assistance in the form of tax adjustments to encourage modernization of industry; 3) federal co-operation with industry and labor unions to retrain the unemployed; 4) we think some special trade concessions for the newly-developed countries may be necessary; 5) we recognize the necessity for close ties with the European Common Market; 6) we feel that the countries of the Free World must trade with Japan. The Trade consensus report sent to the National and State offices included a minority opinion on the question of economic aid.

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DUES are now payable! Send your check to Dee Carr, 1607 Home Park Ave., or bring your \$5.00 to the April unit meetings.

Membership A welcome to our new members:

|                                  |                  |          |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Mrs. William R. Armstrong (Rose) | 30 Norwood Drive | 428-7374 |
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Miscellany Bonnie Livergood's name was not appended to the Bus Study report in last month's report, but you all know who was in charge of that study. She wants to make it clear that the workshop could not come to any conclusion -- the "pro's" and "con's" mentioned in the report were supposed to refer to factors working for and against the City Line's profitable operation.

We are asked to make the following announcement: Under the auspices of the Macon County Civil Defense Unit, Lt. Col. Thomas G. Nelson, of the Medical Field Service School, Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, will address a public meeting on the "Care of Mass Casualties". Time: Tuesday, April 24, 7:30. Place: Eisenhower High School.

WIND will broadcast two programs of interest to League members. The Public Affairs Forum, conducted by the Chicago Sun-Times, with columnist John Dreiske, will have Mrs. Henry Connor of the State League appearing as guest on Sunday, April 22, at 6:35 p.m. She will speak on Constitutional Convention. A week later on April 29, same time and station, Mrs. R. E. Robertson, also of the State Board, will speak on Election Laws.

The League is to have a table showing United Nations material at International Night, in the Masonic Temple, on April 25.

DUES are now payable! Send your check to Dee Carr, 1607 Home Park Ave., or bring your \$5.00 to the April unit meetings.

Membership A welcome to our new members:

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| Mrs. William R. Armstrong (Rose) | 30 Norwood Drive | 428-7374 |
| Mrs. Ely Balgley (Margaret)      | 2334 West Forest | 429-4618 |

Bring prospective members to the April and May unit meetings. With our fiscal year beginning April 1, now is the time to get new members -- tell them that if they wait till fall, they will pay as much and miss the summer issues of the National Voter and Illinois Voter.

Elise Hurst, Membership Chairman

Last Words:

I want to thank all League members for the loyal support they have given me the last two years. I have been continually delighted by the way members have accepted and carried out their responsibilities -- surely no one could have expected such wonderful cooperation. I know that not everything got done that we might have done, but I think we can agree that it has been a productive two years: we have carried out the state and national programs as well as we could; and on the local level we have finished two studies: one on improved County Government, and one on Health Services in Macon County, both of which will bear fruit in future years. In addition, I think our Bus Study has made a real contribution in this vexing question. So thank you all.

Frances Doubleday

Frances Doubleday, Bulletin Chairman

Bonnie Livergood, Circulation Chairman



# The League Of Women Voters, Decatur, Ill.

News Bulletin #44

Betty Bachrach, President  
429-6251

May, 1962

May meeting:  
The Judicial Amendment  
and  
Report from Convention

Another change in plans was made necessary when we told the Regional meetings (see below) would come on May 22. Therefore, there will be only one all-member meeting to be held at Betty Bachrach's home on May 23, at 7:45 P.M., Wednesday.

If we all do our best, we may very well be able to get a new Judicial article in the November election. But do you know enough about the proposed amendment to explain to your neighbors why they should support it? Come to the May meeting, and learn more about it. Shirley Landholt will lead the discussion.

Also, we will learn what went on at Convention. The program there adopted will be with us for two years, at least, so we all ought to be interested. Betty Bachrach will cover the highlights. (A good time to bring prospective members)

To reach Betty Bachrach's home, 25 North Country Club Road, go southeast on Route 36, and after crossing the bridge, take the first turn to the left. Keep on Country Club Road for about 1/3 of a mile, when you will see two little elephants. Since it will be daylight, you should have no trouble.

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## Calendar

April 30 to  
May 1 National Convention at Minneapolis  
1 Tues. Law Day  
10 Thurs. Board Meeting  
19 Sat. Armed Forces Day  
20-26 World Trade Week  
22 Tues. Regional Meeting at Danville  
23 Wed. 7:45 P.M. All-member meeting at Betty Bachrach's  
30 Wed. Memorial Day  
31 Thurs. Public School Workshop at Janet Westenhaver's  
3420 North University  
June 12 Tues. International Trade Conference at Millikin  
14 Thurs. Board Meeting at Betty Bachrach's

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**Regional Meeting** The state board has planned a series of regional meetings on membership, state continuing responsibilities, legislation, finance drives, and the judicial amendment campaign. The one nearest us is in Danville on May 22. Anyone may go--such meetings are always interesting, since state board members are there, and women from other near-by Leagues. Call Betty Bachrach, 429-6251, and let her know you want to go. We will have to start by 8:00 A.M. and the cost of the luncheon will be \$1.70. Let's have several carloads!

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## Pay your dues now!

Almost half of the membership have paid their dues. Send in yours (with a contribution if you can) to Dee Carr, treasurer  
1607 Home Park Ave.



Meet your Decatur Board

President, Mrs. Henry Bachrach (Betty)

First Vice President and United Nations Chairman, Mrs. Paul Reeder (Viola)

Second vice-president and Membership Chairman, Mrs. Thomas Hurst (Elise)

Secretary, Mrs. Charles Meyerson (Dee)

Treasurer, Mrs. David Carr (Dee)

Public Relations, Mrs. Harold F. Tenney (Marilyn)

Bulletin, Mrs. Neal Doubleday (Frances)

Voters Service, Mrs. James Manuell (Donna)

Program Arrangements, Mrs. B. C. Dahlmann (Eleanora)

National Item, Foreign Trade, Mrs. Clifford Smith (Lola)

State Item, Constitutional Convention, Mrs. Frank Verbanac (Laura)

Local Item, Urban Renewal, Mrs. Lloyd Ater (Barbara)

#2, Council Manager, Mrs. Glen Fuller (Shirley)

#3, Public Schools, Mrs. Keith Westenhaver (Janet)

Also important, though not on the Board,

Finance Chairman, Mrs. G. R. Cohn (Sylvia)

Judicial Amendment, Mrs. Hilmer Landholt (Shirley)

Bulletin Circulation, Mrs. Don Livergood (Bonnie)

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International Trade Conference The Association of Commerce is sponsoring a very important trade conference to which businessmen from a six-state area have been invited. Eight nationally known speakers will take part in the discussions with particular emphasis on the European market.

League members are invited by Mr. George R. Slater, chairman of the planning committee for this conference, to register for an attend the day-long session, which will begin at 8:30 A.M. and conclude with a panel discussion at 4:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the new University Center at Millikin University on Tuesday, June 12.

Registrations are due June 1. The fee for the conference is \$15 which covers a luncheon and conference materials. All things considered--including the eminently qualified eight participants--the fee is considered very reasonable by the planning committee.

You will find a write-up of the conference on page 19 of last Sunday's Herald and Review. Special brochures will be available to those who ask.

Lola Smith, Foreign Policy Chairman

Note: Lola is the official League delegate to the Conference. She would welcome the companionship of other League members.

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Downtown Council Approached by our Foreign Policy Chairman

Although May 20-26 has been designated World Trade Week, it seems to us that the week of the International Trade Conference to be held in Decatur would be an excellent time to focus consumers' interest on the enactment of liberalized trade legislation.

Consequently we are asking the Downtown Council to consider arranging for window displays in various stores, showing imported items which we all use.

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Public School Workshop Our local agenda includes "A Study of the operation of School District, and of the necessity for a referendum covering school expansion." What do you really know about Decatur's public schools? If you agree that it's important to be informed about the way in which 2/3 of your tax dollars are spent, you'll surely want to take part in the study of our public schools.



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In order that we may be on the lookout for material all summer there will be a meeting on the morning of May 31, 9:30-11:00, 3420 North University. Everyone who might have studied this item before, and all of you who want to see if the League can't really stir up interest in this important subject--call  
Bring your pre-schoolers. The yard is fenced and the basement is finished.

Janet Westenhaver, Chairman

Con Con We want to get started again on Constitutional Convention. Anyone who might have studied this item before, and all of you who want to see if the League can't really stir up interest in this important subject--call

Laura Verbanac, Con Con Chairman

Finance Drive Let's get started early this year to make plans for a bigger  
Plans and better finance drive. Have we really tapped much of the potential in Decatur? If we could do twice as well, we could contribute more to our hard-pressed state and national offices, and also do a good deal more in the community. Do you have the names of any potential contributors--either that you would be willing to contact, or that you think someone else could call on? Please consider carefully, and give those names to

Sylvia Cohn, Finance, Chairman

International Fair Interesting articles from Betty Bachrach's African collection attracted attention to United Nations' literature displayed at the League's booth at the recent International Fair. Many thanks to the following members who took turns manning the booth: Lola Smith, Bernys MacKechnie, Betty Nicholson and Laura Verbanac.

Viola Reeder, U. N. Chairman

Public Relations For your interest, WSOY donated to the League \$302.20 of free time in advertising the Candidates' Meeting. Between March 6 and March 28, WSOY gave us 32 ad lib announcements. The League is certainly grateful for such cooperation. This feeling of interest and support among radio and newspaper personnel for the League has been one of the joys of serving as chairman of public relations.

Marilyn Tenney

Membership We welcome the following new members:

Mrs. Eugene Flynn (Irma)  
215 North Taylor 428-7516  
Mrs. Richard McGowan (Linda)  
2144 Clearmont 423-8244  
Mrs. Olla Svennes (Mollie)  
Box 38, 3760 E. William 429-1973

Though it is best to reach prospective members by calling them personally, there are certain women whom we are unable to reach in that way. I'm thinking of getting a letter ready to send to women in the community who seem to be likely prospects, but whom we don't seem to reach. I'd appreciate it if each member would give me the name of at least one such person to receive such a letter.

Elise Hurst, Membership Chairman



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Action on  
U. N. and  
Trade Expansion

Look back to page 2 in your April bulletin and see that we are asked to write our Representative and Senators for their Support of the Trade Expansion Bill. Have you written yet?

It is also time to urge Congressman Springer to support the U.N. Bond issue. He will need to see how many of us believe in the U.N. because the opposition is very vocal.

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The League is most grateful to Mr. James C. Leigh who audited our books. We are especially appreciative because it was a very busy time of the year for him.

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Books for the  
Mental Health Ass.

The Mental Health Association badly needs books for their fair. They can use any kind of book. Call Mrs. Robert Nelson, 648 South Siegel, 422-6377. If you wish, she will arrange to have them picked up.

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Frances Doubleday,  
Bulletin Chairman

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