

September 15, 1973

To: Publications Department LWVUS

From: Louise Cummins, President LWV of Lubbock

Re: National Board Report June, 1973

Our League did not receive the Standing Order for the National Board Report for June of 1973. Could you please mail those to us?

Thank you.



September 18, 1978

To: League of Women Voters of the U.S.

From: Louise Cummins, President, LWV of Lubbock

Re: Publications Order Invoice No. 57125

I am writing to question the charges on the order a copy of which is enclosed. We cannot understand the reason why no discount was allowed as this material was for our League and we ordered 130 copies. The publications chairman did pay for it with her personal check but only because the treasurer was out of town and I assure you the order was for our members. If this is the reason would you please credit our account. If there is some other reason for not allowing the discount will you please let us know?

Thank you for your help in this matter.



September 18, 1973

To: Keller Bumgardner, Chair, Election Systems Project

From: Louise Cummins, Pres., LWV of Lubbock

RE: Publications order

Please send us an additional 7 free copies of the two publications, Making it Work: A Guide to Training Election Workers and Election Check-up: Monitoring, Registration and Voting.

Thank you.



March 5, 1973

TO: Alice May Berthelsen, President
League of Women Voters of Houston

FROM: Louise Cummins, President
League of Women Voters of Texas

RE: Emergency Item on the energy crisis

At our February board meeting we discussed your memorandum concerning the adoption of an emergency item on the energy crisis. While the board recognized the seriousness of the situation, they did not feel that they could recommend support for this item at this time. The board did feel that it might be possible to take some action on this matter through our existing EQ and IR positions and indicated that they would support such a request.

CC: League of Women Voters of the U.S.
League of Women Voters of Texas

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HOUSTON

February 8, 1973

TO: Presidents of Local Leagues in Texas

FROM: Alice May Berthelsen, President
League of Women Voters of Houston

As you will see from the attached memorandum, the League of Women Voters of Houston is suggesting that an emergency program item on engry to be adopted by the LWV-US Council in May. We are urging all Leagues interested in this item to write to the National Board before the end of February.

Obviously, we earnestly solicit the support of our fellow Texas Leagues--not only in making your wishes known to the National Board, but also in notifying the Board of LWV-Texas of your wishes. We have requested the support of our State League, but they cannot give their support unless they hear from you. We do intend to bring this matter up at Convention so that our delegates to the LWV-US Council will know the will of the Convention in this regard. However, we would be in a much better position with early support of the State League. So would you write the National League and the State League of your interest soon (certainly before the end of February)?

Thank you for your support in this most urgent matter.



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HOUSTON

February 8, 1973

EMERGENCY!EMERGENCY!

The Board of the LWV-Houston declares that a state of emergency exists. It further declares that this emergency relates to program, and that the most immediately effective way of coping with this emergency is the adoption, by the Council of the LWV-US, of an EMERGENCY PROGRAM ITEM. What is the nature of the emergency? ENERGY!

News reports of the past several months have indicated that a serious problem exists in the area of energy supply and demand in the United States. There is no doubt that governmental action of some sort will occur in order to prevent further emergency shortages. (President Nixon is to present an energy message to Congress in February, and bills are now pending relating to oil import controls.) It is crucial that citizens groups be in a position to speak to this problem, and we in Houston urge that the LWV lead the way!

What are the pertinent issues and why should the LWV be involved? The issues are incredibly complex, but a partial listing would include:

1. Should all import controls on petroleum-related products be removed?
2. If import restrictions are removed, how can we offset resulting trade deficits?
3. How dependent do we want to be on foreign energy sources?
4. Should price controls on petroleum-related products be removed?
5. Should greater economic incentives be given to domestic energy producers?
6. Should federal funding toward the development of new energy sources (i.e., nuclear, solar, geothermal) be greatly increased?
7. Should the depletion allowance for oil and gas companies be modified?
8. What role did the petroleum industry play in the current energy "crisis"?
9. How can an environmental backlash to the current energy shortages be avoided?
10. What procedures should be developed for siting problems (i.e., for power plants, refineries, etc.)?
11. What restrictions should be placed on offshore drilling?
12. What environmentally safe controls can be developed for coal mining?
13. How can energy conservation be encouraged? By citizens? By industry?
14. What elements should an energy policy for the United States contain?
15. How can an adequate supply of energy be assured for the long and short term?

As is obvious, this topic goes to the very heart of our IR and EQ items--it is for this reason, plus the obvious fuel shortages, that make this a "natural" League topic. After all, what will happen to our balance of trade and how can we keep hard-won environmental gains and still solve this problem? Or is the problem an artificial one, as suggested by S. David Freeman, Director of

Ford Foundation's Energy Policy Project? (U.S. News & World Report, Feb. 5, 1973.) Also, how valid are the recommendations of industry, as reflected by the Shell Oil Company position paper "The National Energy Problem, Implications of Forecast Demands and Supply: Oil & Gas, May, 1972:

"Uninterrupted energy supplies are vital to U.S. economic health, security of employment. and national independence.

Forecast demand and supply figures spell out the logic of increased efforts to expand domestic production. Development will not happen unless there is a climate encouraging risk investment. This would need to include import controls, economic incentives, more effective land use, and a satisfactory resolution of the environmental problem."

The solutions found to this most complex problem will affect our lives for years to come--many consider this our most urgent national problem. The question is, can the LWV speak to an urgent and immediate problem in a timely way? We feel that it must.

With regard to wording, we are certainly flexible, but suggest the following for your consideration:

ENERGY: Evaluation of alternatives necessary to provide adequate energy supplies while maintaining strong environmental safeguards.

Obviously, this could be studied under the EQ "umbrella"--or we could have a separate item. The LWV-Houston has no preference in this regard.

If you agree that this item must be studied by the League, will you please communicate your thoughts immediately to the National Board (specifically Mrs. Benson or Mrs. Clusen). According to LWV-US Bylaws, an emergency item must be sent to the presidents of local and state Leagues at least two months in advance of the meeting of Council. Council has been scheduled for May, therefore you must communicate your wishes to the LWV-US before the end of February.

PLEASE WRITE TODAY!!

References: U.S. News & World Report, Feb. 5, 1973
Newsweek, Jan. 22, 1973



League of Women Voters of Baytown

BOX 3105

BAYTOWN, TEXAS 77520
February 5, 1973



Dear President:

The proposal regarding the establishment of a unicameral Legislature for Texas is expected to be presented to the Constitutional Revision Commission and consequently to the Constitutional Convention for consideration. Modernization of State Government is one of the items recommended by the LWV State Board and, if adopted, a study of the unicameral form of legislature should be made. Many League members know little about it and they should be given the opportunity to become well informed in regard to it and to determine whether or not they will support having one for Texas--ignorance on the subject would be quite embarrassing.

Mr. John Bebout, an active member of the Board of Directors of Citizens for Texas, said: "....the case for a unicameral legislature should be given cogent presentation both to the Constitutional Revision Commission....and to the Convention next year....a unicameral suggestion is likely to have rough sledding, but even if it is not accepted, discussion of it helps to focus attention on basic issues respecting the legislative institution and may have beneficial side effects at least." There has been expression of interest in obtaining a unicameral form of legislature by other influential persons in organizations devoted to working for better government.

The Baytown League wishes to urge the local Leagues throughout the State to support a study of the unicameral form of legislature and the advisability of having one for Texas, as part of the LWV State Board's recommended item entitled "Modernization of State Government". This phase of the study can be accomplished in one unit meeting and should be done this year.

Sincerely,

Lizette Palmer

Baytown League's TCR CHAIRMAN



League of Women Voters

VICTORIA, TEXAS

October 13, 1972

Dear President:

The Victoria League is again attempting to line up support for a study of the Role of the Ombudsman in State Government. This year we are recommending that it be done under the Modernizing State Government item.

The idea of having a complaint department at the state level to which the average citizen may turn with grievances against a state agency is a growing concept in the U.S. today. Four states now have Ombudsmen and 26 other states had legislation introduced last year for such an office. Texas has had a bill calling for the establishing of an Ombudsman in both the 61st and 62nd sessions of the Legislature. As we have seen this past year, Texas government is made-to-order for special interest groups. But what about the lowly masses who have neither the financial means nor political clout to make the existing structure responsive to their needs? Although no one claims that an Ombudsman is a magic panacea for all of our problems, the establishing of such an office could go a long way in restoring the citizens' faith in the democratic system. To quote from H.B. 641 of the last session, "the purpose...is for the humanizing of government."

Perhaps such an office could make other studies frequently proposed unnecessary; i.e. consumer protection, administration of justice, control of utilities, etc. We in Victoria think the League of Women Voters of Texas can best spend its time in the next biennium on this study. It would not be a long, complicated study. There are sufficient resources available to provide background to enable us to reach consensus in a 2-year period. With the likelihood that our effort will be needed on Constitutional Revision, this item should not cause a drain on our woman-power and at the same time provide an intriguing, timely subject for study to hold member interest.

An article in the National Civic Review, May, 1972, states, "...the Ombudsmen must of necessity be on the agenda of federal, state, and local governments for serious consideration. It is one of the remedies which guarantee those rights which are essential to a society in which fundamental rights and human dignity are respected." Doesn't that sound like something basic to League thinking?

Won't you join us in promoting this study? Help us restore the "avant garde" spirit to the LWV of Texas. We think the League can best serve the citizens of Texas by leading the way in understanding the possibilities, limitations, strengths, and weaknesses of the office of Ombudsman.

Sincerely,

Mrs. R. Lee Hassell, President
104 Norwich Glen

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League of Women Voters

4721 Bucknell, Garland, Texas 75040 (214)276-0797

October 7, 1972

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To: All Texas Local League Presidents
From: LWV of Garland Board, LWV of Richardson Board, and LWV of Dallas
Resource Committee on Administration of Justice in
Dallas County (which includes representatives from all Dallas
County Leagues).
Re: State Program Making

Please read the following suggestion to your members at your
State Program-Making meetings:

The Leagues in Dallas County adopted a study of the Administration of Justice in Dallas County at their annual meetings this year. This study has not yet been presented to our units, but has created considerable interest. The committee has broken the study into three parts concerning the adult criminal, the first of which covers apprehension, arrest, detention, and pre-trial.

We have interviewed between thirty and forty people (lawyers, judges, professors, ex-convicts, legal services people, city and county officials, police officers, sheriffs, social workers, etc.). In every case the League study has been encouraged. Many of these people feel League could have significant impact toward change. All see the need for change - we are sure you will also.

As most change must occur in the legislature and on a state level, we would like to recommend a study of the Administration of Justice in Texas for your consideration, for any change in penal institutions and the rehabilitation of prisoners, or in parole, or in correcting the inequalities of sentencing for similar crimes, needs study and action from the State level of League.

If we are to have a lower crime rate, there are faults in our criminal justice system that must be corrected. All the people we have talked with seem to feel that the League of Women Voters, with its thorough study and careful action, can be a driving force for the necessary change.

Please give this suggestion your consideration. We feel that you will find this a most enlightening and interesting study, and that a study of the Administration of Justice in Texas could contribute much to the future of Texas.

Sincerely,
The LWV of Garland Board
The LWV of Richardson Board
The LWV of Dallas Resource
Committee on the Administration
of Justice in Dallas County

P.S. Additionally,
some forty other LWV members in positions of leadership in
the Dallas area have agreed to sponsor this letter.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF BETHEL PARK

April 10, 1972

Dear Mrs. Jordan,

Does your league need more visibility in your community? Ours does, and we think we've come up with a novel way of providing it.

We have had designed for us an election year bumper sticker. It is silk-screened on vinyl with red lettering on a blue background. Created to be readable and eye-catching, it is also guaranteed to be easily removed. We have enclosed a sample of the sticker.

In addition to generating good publicity for your league, these attractive stickers will remind the public of their privilege and duty to vote in November. Market surveys have shown that people read bumper stickers, even those who profess not to like them.

For orders of 50 or more, we have priced these stickers at a low cost of 35¢ each. This will allow you to resell them at a still low price of 50¢, thereby earning some revenue for your treasury while gaining publicity for your league. If you wish to order fewer than 50 stickers, the cost will be 50¢ each.

Please let us know as soon as possible how many of these stickers your league can use so that we can mail them to you in advance of summer vacation. We have included an order form at the bottom of this letter to be returned with your remittance.

Sincerely,

Ardath Rzeszut

Ardath Rzeszut,
President - Bethel Park League

Please send us _____ (Number) of vote bumper stickers at 35¢ each. (50¢ for orders of less than 50.) We understand the shipping costs will be paid by the Bethel Park League. Send to the following address:

(Please print
full address!)

Send to -

MRS. DAVID R. RYLANDER

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1346 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. Room 730
Washington, D. C. 20036

May 19, 1972

Dear Sister League:

The District delegates to the Annual Convention in Atlanta were enormously heartened by your warm and enthusiastic support of an action program to achieve self-determination for this city. We strongly believe that this is a very critical period in the movement toward that goal.

Since we returned from Atlanta, we have conferred with some of the Board and staff members of the National League. They feel that the plan we distributed to the delegates is too ambitious to undertake within the present resources of the League and that the date of July 4, 1972 as the start of an action program is too early for the National staff to meet. They have asked us to prepare alternate proposals for consideration by the Board in June. They may be able to get something underway by the end of this year.

We are, of course, disappointed that the plan cannot be put into effect as we proposed but we know that you will give your support to another or modified action program when it is developed. It will be difficult (or, at least, so we think) to come up with a plan as good as this but we shall try our best to do so.

We hope that, in the coming months of campaigning, you will take the opportunity of discussing our problems with your Congressmen and the Presidential candidates. If we can be of help in any way, such as providing materials for you, please let us know.

In the meantime, we send our most heartfelt appreciation for your activities in behalf of Washington, D. C.

Sincerely,

Wilma C. Martin

Wilma C. Martin
President



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May 16, 1972

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To: Local Leagues of Women Voters of Texas
From: League of Women Voters of Garland
Re: Financial Security of the state League

The Board of the LWV of Garland, at its monthly Board meeting, decided that the future of the LWV of Texas is in a somewhat precarious condition in light of the decision made by the National Convention. We feel the delegates did not intend to jeopardize the security of the state Leagues; however, to keep from imposing mandatory dues on the local Leagues, they left all state Leagues that had already held their Councils or Conventions at the "bigger's rail".

For this reason, we felt that we should write this letter to all local Leagues to encourage each one to dig as deeply as possible in support of our state League. Few other states have the kind of state operation that the Texas League has. We are grateful for our state services and hope that we can see them through the financial bind they now face. We urge you to join us in stretching that extra inch that can really make the difference. We are asking the State Board to make sure that their own needs are met before they promise additional support for National and hope you will, too.

Thanks for joining us in our rally for financial support for the Texas League, as we are sure you will.

Jo Coker

Jo Coker, President

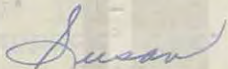
April 18, 1972

Dear Mrs. Cummins,

Angie Ford, who served as our Voter editor during the past year, has recently moved to Lubbock, where her husband is in graduate school, and from a recent letter, I believe she must be waiting for an invitation to join the Lubbock League. Angie is rather shy and works best in committee situations where she has someone to bolster her self confidence, but she has a lot of time and interest to devote to League work and is excellent in any clerical capacity. I found a lot of unexpected dividends in working with her and hope you will pass the need for an invitation on to your membership chairman.

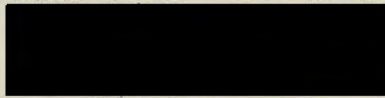
Incidentally, was Aunt Carrie's identity revealed at the annual meeting? Paris has been waiting breathlessly! We would love to see you offer a collection of her letters for use by other Voter editors.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs. Richard B. Swint
2965 Mahaffey Lane
Paris, Texas 75460
Provisional LWV of Lamar County

Mrs. John Ford (Angie)



Angie Ford

For the purpose of the present report, the following information is being furnished to you for your information and for the use of the Bureau of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The following information was obtained from the files of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is being furnished to you for your information and for the use of the Bureau of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Very truly yours,

Wm. J. Ford



Dear Local League President

March 30, 1972

The Leagues of Women Voters of Longmont, Durango and Northwestern Colorado, are initiating a nation-wide, local League directed effort to defeat the \$15 Dues proposal of the LWV Nation Board of Directors. Our opposition to the by-law amendment is based on the following statements:

1. LWV is a grass roots, member oriented organization. While local Leagues must support the operation of state and national League levels, the local Leagues must retain the right to set the rate of annual dues for their own members.
2. LWV is based on membership involvement, democratic procedures, and considered time for thoughtful discussion and action. Any proposal as far reaching as uniform dues must be in the hands of the local Leagues at least one year in advance of a National Convention.
3. The quota system of financial support should be abandoned. Per member contribution for the support of state and national Leagues should not be in excess of \$10. Retroactive collection of dues will not be supported.

We hope your local League can support the above statements. If so, please let us know by responding to the return address. At Convention look for the caucus COLORADO ALTERNATIVE. Any action that we propose will be based on the above statements. The method of action will be determined by the delegates at Convention.

April 4, 1972

Mrs. Thomas Wright
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Wright,

I was interested to read the communication you sent concerning the \$15 dollar dues proposal of the LWV National Board of Directors. I am enclosing the letter which our Board sent to the people listed on the memo. I will be attending the convention as the delegate of the Lubbock League and I will look for the Colorado Alternative caucus so that we may discuss this further.

Yours truly,

Mrs. David Cummins (Louise)
President, Lubbock LWV

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ARIZONA

1426 North First St., Room 204
Phoenix, Arizona 85004

March 21, 1972

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President, LWV
[REDACTED]

Re: Board of League of Women Voters of Lubbock
Memo to Mrs. Bruce Benson.

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

Attached is a copy of the letter sent by the
League of Women Voters of Arizona to Mrs. Benson
in regard to dues change proposal.

We appreciate your sending a copy of your memo.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Catherine Zaudler
Mrs. Clement W. Zaudler

President, League of Women Voters of Arizona



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD., INC.

TO: All Delegates to the 1972 National Convention
FROM: League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, Md., Inc.
1047-R Rockville Pike, Rockville, Md. 20852
DATE: February 25, 1972

HAVE WE HONESTLY DONE JUSTICE TO OUR U.S. CONGRESS STUDY ITEM?

DO WE REALLY WANT TO BURY THE U.S. CONGRESS ITEM UNDER REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT?

DEFINITELY NOT!! The Montgomery County LWV, with a working committee of 20 members, feels that we have barely scratched the surface of this item. This study is basic and should always be a top priority item for the National LWV. WHY? Without an effective and responsive Congress, the rest of our LWV program suffers at all levels: national, state and local. In cities far removed from the District of Columbia newspapers fail to cover adequately the actions or inactions of Congress. Through their silence, they condone actions by Congress which may or may not be favorable to all of us. As long as this attitude is accepted by the public, less and less concern will be shown and we will have acquiesced. Nothing in our program is more suitable to the principles and purpose of the League of Women Voters!

At the 1970 National Convention, held in Washington, the delegates adopted the U.S. Congress item over the recommendations of the National Board because they felt personally involved over our invasion of Cambodia and upon a mass exodus to the "Hill" were told by their Senators and Representatives that Congress needed change before they could expect the kinds of results they wanted. The delegates returned to the Convention and voted in a non-recommended item!!

We know the difficulties that LWV's across the country must have experienced with this study as those of us in the National Capital Area were constantly calling the "Hill" for information -- we experienced great difficulties in searching out the "how's and why's" ourselves. However, we are fully prepared, with the aid of National, to assist LWV's in other parts of the country in the continuation of this study.

Not only do we feel that this subject is far more difficult and complex than most of us realized but now know an intensive drive for "public education" is a definite MUST for all LWV members. However, before we begin our "education campaign," let us build a better foundation for our own "positions." Our U.S. Congress committee believes that on the basis of our present research we could not adequately and with confidence lobby for change in Congress. Every LWV in the country handled this study differently and as a consequence we question the validity of a meaningful national consensus on this item. We would like to propose that we choose an area of concentration for the next two years for purposes of reaching meaningful consensus. Although "campaign spending" will undoubtedly be included, LETS NOT FORGET TO FINISH WHAT WE STARTED.

If you are interested in fighting to keep this study in the forefront of our National program, please contact Freddie Hodges at the above address. We are looking forward to seeing all of you at a U.S. Congress caucus during National Convention week.

U.S. Congress Committee
Montgomery County LWV

LNU of Montgomery County, Md. Inc.

Congress Yawns Its Way Toward Distant Reform

House Opens With Squabble Over Spoils

Did you know that....

Russell's Proxy Kept Byrd in the Race

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A steadily growing number of
House and Senate members are
squirming under congressional
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The Senate Can Be Reformed

By Senator Fred R. Harris

House D.C. Subcommittee
Hasn't Met in a Year

The Conference Committees:
House of Secret Deals

Senate Panel Rejects Non-Seniority Plan

The Senate Rules Committee
has rejected a resolution to per-
mit selection of committee
chairmen on some basis other
than seniority.

Robert C. Byrd, D-W.
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of chairmen in party caucuses
and confirmation by the full sen-
ate, without regard to seniority.

... steps that could be
taken immediately to make Congress more respon-
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provide that kind of constituency.

WASHINGTON CLOSE-UP

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Liberals Fail in Challenge
to the Seniority System

Headlines from Wash. Post, Evening Star, N.Y. Times

TO: All Delegates to the 1972 National Convention

FROM: League of Women Voters of Arlington, Virginia
League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area, Virginia
League of Women Voters of Loudoun Co., Virginia
League of Women Voters of Alexandria, Virginia

DATE: March 10, 1972

It appears at this time that the National Board will not be recommending that U. S. Congress be maintained as a separate study item. We join the Montgomery County LWV in the belief that the Congress study has only begun and that it should not be placed in a secondary position under an umbrella "Representative Government" item. We intend to join with them in pushing for a separate Congress item at National Convention. We would like to know how your League feels, if it is interested in keeping this item and if it will join in support for such a move at convention.

We suggest that the Congress study could be a long-range one with a number of areas to be covered. If you are interested in continuing the study we've begun, will you please indicate your preferences for study so that we may draw up the wording of an item.

Please fill in the following questionnaire and return it by April 1 to the Montgomery County LWV, 1047-R Rockville Pike, Rockville, Md., 20852.

CONGRESS STUDY

Are you interested in maintaining a separate Congress study? Yes _____ No _____

Would you support a non-recommended Congress study at Convention? Yes _____ No _____

Possible Areas of Study: Please number in order of preference.

- _____ a. Right-to-Know: Direction might be: how the public and the congressman is affected by:
- ____ --executive sessions
 - ____ --executive privilege
 - ____ --conference committees
 - ____ --access to (or lack of) information before vote in Congress
- _____ b. Appropriations Process:
- ____ --lack of interaction between primary ctte and appropriations ctte
 - ____ --duplication and lack of coordination between committees
 - ____ --absence of priority determinations
 - ____ --review of total budget
- _____ c. Campaign Spending:
- ____ --ethics
- _____ d. Congressional Relationships with Executive & Judicial Branches:
- ____ --congressional oversight
 - ____ --origins of legislation
 - ____ --federal agencies
- _____ e. Lobbying Controls:
- _____ f. OTHER: please specify _____
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS of
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD., INC.
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Mr. Duane P. Jordan
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ARIZONA
1426 North 1st Street, #204
Phoenix, Arizona 85004

February 23, 1972

COPY

Mrs. Bruce B. Benson, President
League of Women Voters of the United States
1730 M Street, NW
Washington, D. C. 20036

Dear Mrs. Benson:

The League of Women Voters of Arizona joins the five local Leagues in the state to voice our opposition to the proposed bylaw amendment to set dues at the national level of no less than \$15 per year.

We do believe that this proposal changes the grassroots concept of the League of Women Voters, a concept built into the very beginnings of the organization. Also, with a projected drop in membership of from one-fourth to one-third if the dues plan is adopted, the very nature of League membership will subtly change from a broad-based group of women representative of their communities to a selective group of those "not dependent on the vagaries of the economy, less prone to yearly ups and downs of income."

For Arizona this new dues may mean not only fewer members, but fewer local Leagues. We feel that dues of \$15 will prevent many new members from joining, will prohibit them from finding out the real value of the League of Women Voters. It will make our efforts to expand Member-at-Large Units almost impossible.

Finally, we also feel that the announcement of this proposed change did not arrive in time for local and state budget-making. At least one local League's proposed budget was published in a VOTER within days of the receipt of the December NATIONAL BOARD REPORT. We do feel the uncertainties of this proposal are such that budget committees can not adequately project the results.

Although the League in Arizona does oppose this bylaw amendment, we do wish to express our concern for adequate financing for the national League as well as state and local leagues. We hope an alternate plan can be developed and presented for consideration at the 1972 convention. If not, then perhaps some "belt-tightening" is in order while the problem is given more thought.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Clement W. Zandler
President

cc/ Local Leagues
LWV of Oklahoma

March 16, 1972

To: All Local Leagues in Texas

From: LWV of Brazos County
Mrs. C.A. Phillips, Pres.
1704 Glade Street
College Station, Texas 77840

Re: Signing of the Numbered Ballot Stub

In 1970-71 our League studied election laws and voting procedures as they applied to Brazos County. Our consensus included opposition to the requirement of signing the numbered ballot stubs. As far as we can determine other states do not require such a signature which, in effect, could identify how one voted.

It does not appear that this will be an issue taken up by Texas state League. We need to have the reaction of your League as to possible legal action on the Brazos County League's part since any action might affect every paper ballot in Texas.

At this time it appears our action will be to file an amicus curiae brief in conjunction with litigation by the Brazos County Civil Liberties Union.

We need to hear from you by May 1. If we do not hear from you by that date, we will assume you approve of our contemplated action.

Please send copies of your correspondence with us to the state office, Lois Braunagel, Betty Anderson, and Peg Lampton, as they need to follow developments.



April 5, 1972

Mrs. C. A. Phillips, Pres.
LWV of Brazos County
1704 Glade Street
College Station, Texas 77840

Dear Mrs. Phillips,

At the March 21 Board meeting of the Lubbock League, we discussed your memo regarding signing of the numbered ballot stub and the filing of an amicus curiae brief in conjunction with litigation by the Brazos County Civil Liberties Union. We would not be opposed to your filing such a brief.

We will be interested in following this litigation.

Yours truly,

Louise Cummins (Mrs. David)
Pres. Lubbock LWV

cc: Lott Braunagel, Betty Anderson, Peg Lampton

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March 6, 1972

To: League of Women Voters of the United States

From: Mrs. David Cummins, President League of Women Voters of Lubbock

Enclosed is a list of the Officers and Directors of the
Lubbock League for the 1972-73 year.



March 6, 1972

To: League of Women Voters of Texas

From: Mrs. David Cummins
President, League of Women Voters of Lubbock

Enclosed is a list of the Officers and Directors of the
League of Women Voters of Lubbock for the 1972-73 year.





PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW ADDRESS:

614 Harold
Houston, Texas 77006

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HOUSTON

MEMORANDUM TO: INTERESTED LEAGUERS, OUTSIDE OF HOUSTON
FROM: LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS-HOUSTON
RE: NATIONAL/STATE DUES PROPOSAL

The League of Women Voters of Houston has, as yet, taken no formal action on the National/State Dues proposed as outlined in the National Board Report and as discussed in the Jan./Feb. NATIONAL VOTER. There has been some discussion at our February Board meeting and we are now in the process of informing our members and eliciting their reactions before the Board formulates a recommendation.

The enclosed memo-and-postcard has gone out to our entire membership, and we are already beginning to receive replies. We are further planning a Special Membership Meeting on March 27th to give members another opportunity to express themselves on this matter.

The preliminary tally of replies is against the \$15 amount, against National Convention establishing the amount of dues on a local level, and against a pledge system in addition to assessed dues.

We are taking this opportunity to inform you of what we are doing, hoping that whatever thoughts you have in this regard you will share with us and also with the idea in mind that you might wish to inform your membership in a like manner. There is ample time to get a good feed-back from all League members and to formulate an effective strategy to deal with this matter at National Convention in May. There does not appear, however, to be the necessary time or approved procedures available to us to offer a substitute proposal or to amend the National Board's recommended By-laws change, in order that we might find some other way to extricate LWV-US from its financial dilemma.

If you have any suggestions regarding ANY aspect of this matter, please forward them to us at your earliest convenience.

March 9, 1972

P. S. If you are not, as yet, planning to send a delegate to National Convention, PLEASE reconsider. The money your League and/or delegate would spend will be well worth it--and we need all the support that can be mustered. Let's not have "taxation without representation".



March 1972

MEMO

TO: THE MEMBERSHIP, LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HOUSTON

RE: PROPOSED NATIONAL AND STATE DUES

The National Board of the LWV-US has adopted a proposal to recommend to the coming National Convention a National By-Laws change which would establish League dues at no less than \$15 per year and further to recommend that this sum be presently allocated \$7 to local Leagues, \$4 to State Leagues, and \$4 to National League. The proposed change in financial support for the League is based on a two-fold idea:

- (1) equal support for equal services (member dues support of the League at all three levels--local, state and national)
- (2) ability to pay (pledges sought from local and state Leagues based upon size and economic yardstick of communities from which fund-raising is sought)

A four-page dissertation by Lucy Benson, the national president, on the necessities and decisions surrounding this proposal appear in the Jan./Feb. NATIONAL VOTER, under the title, "New Directions." We strongly urge all concerned Leaguers to read this article.

It is important that our local Board have some member input before taking any action and that our National Convention delegates be able to vote at convention consonant with member attitudes. Therefore, we are presenting some of the salient pros and cons on this subject and request that, after thinking about these proposals, you mail back the enclosed card, expressing your sentiments. If you do not have enough space on the card, please write a letter or feel free to telephone Jeannette Naman () or Janet Puestow () to express your opinion further. You will have an additional opportunity to discuss this matter and ask questions of our more knowledgeable Board members at the March 27th meeting--be sure to come!

PROS: The proposed new structure is considered necessary by the National Board and its Long-Range Planning Committee because--

- (1) Integrated finance, i.e., money raised locally and pledged to State and then to National, is no longer adequate to support the programs and actions demanded by the membership.
- (2) Financing by corporations and foundations is too often funneled into tax-deductible channels and therefore limited to purely educational programs and restricted from use by action campaigns and administrative purposes.
- (3) Grants and contributions are not readily predicatable from year to year, fluctuating according to the economy and the vagaries of the donors.
- (4) Individual members should carry more of the financial responsibility for providing funds for League as a whole because members care about the League and value its unique role in their lives and the life of the country and are ready to pay directly a larger part of the bill for carrying out that role.
- (5) \$15 dues would provide an assured annual source of funds to State and National to cover operating expenses, increasing the financial stability of total League programs and reducing the uncertainty of year-to-year planning.
- (6) If National and State do not have stable income from member dues, the alternatives are a sharp rise in local League voluntary pledges or a drastic cut in National and State services.
- (7) Only minimum dues would be determined by National Convention; local Leagues could still increase local dues if necessary to cover their local operating expenses.
- (8) Many members belong to other national organizations whose dues are at least \$15.

CONS: Those who challenge this proposal present the following salient points--

(over)

- (1) \$15 is too great a burden for many current and potential League members, particularly minority and youth members whom we are trying to attract.
- (2) Houston League Board recently rejected the suggestion to raise dues to \$12.50 because it felt such an increase would not be supported by the majority of our membership.
- (3) Most active local League members are already supporting League beyond their present dues and contributions, in the form of miscellaneous expenses, babysitting, travel, etc.; inactive Leaguers will probably not wish to make any larger "contributions."
- (4) While a per-capita commitment to State and National (of a lower amount, perhaps) may be justified, the National Convention should NOT set local League dues; these should continue to be decided by local Leagues, in order to preserve our grass-roots autonomy.
- (5) In many cases (e.g. Houston), the proposed local dues of \$7 is below the current dues level; member support of local programs and action might have to be reduced under the new proposal.
- (6) Local Leagues would have to conduct more extensive finance drives to raise additional funds from the community to cover local budgets, as larger amounts of local funds would be channeled to State and National and smaller amount of local dues would be received.
- (7) \$15 dues will probably severely cut into member contributions, which we are working diligently to increase.
- (8) We already make a voluntary pledge to State and National at the rate of almost \$9 per member.
- (9) In addition to the \$8 proposed to go to State and National, we would still be expected to make a pledge to State and National of an amount supposedly based on our ability to raise outside, non-member contributions from the community; however, this is presently proposed (by new State budget proposals) on a per-capita basis in reality.
- (10) The comparison with other \$15-dues collecting organizations lacks validity because every national organization has a different membership composition and a different purpose.
- (11) Even greater economy may be needed at the National level as there still may be too many frills and too many high-priced staff people in the national office. In contrast, local Leagues, where program and action emphasis lies, often subsist on shoe-string operations and predominantly volunteer help.

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PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE THE ATTACHED POSTCARD--YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SIGN YOUR NAME--
THAT IS OPTIONAL-- MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO ATTEND THE MARCH 27 MEETING.

SAMPLE OF POSTCARD SENT WITH LWV-H MEMO TO MEMBERS, 3/72

PROPOSED NATIONAL AND STATE DUES OPINION POLL

1. I approve of the concept of members paying National and State dues. ☐ Yes
☐ No
2. I approve of National Convention establishing a minimum dues
at all levels of League. ☐ Yes ☐ No
at State and National levels only. ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. I approve of the proposed By-laws change in establishing the following minimum dues per member:
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|----------|----------------|------------------------------|
| National | \$ 4.00 | |
| State | 4.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes |
| Local | 7.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| TOTAL | <u>\$15.00</u> | |
4. I approve of retaining a voluntary pledge system in addition to dues, if
National and State dues are passed by Convention. ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Additional Comments:

Name (optional)



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF HOUSTON

Dear Correspondent:

This is to inform you of a change of address
for the League of Women Voters of Houston,
whose office has been located at:

1103 Autrey
Houston, Texas 77006

and who may now be reached at the new office
address, as follows:

614 Harold
Houston, Texas 77006

starting January 3, 1972.



DECEMBER 14, 1971

Dear Members -

The attached copy of our December 14, 1971 press release is self-explanatory.

I am sure that many of you have been wondering what action the League of Women Voters of Dallas would take regarding the appearance on the Dallas scene early in October of the group using a name similar to ours.

We have, of course, been investigating this problem since the formation of the group was first announced. We have at all times had to consider the possible ramifications, not only at the local level but at State and National League levels as well, of any action we might take. There have been many discussions among the League of Women Voters of Dallas and State and National officers together with discussions between attorneys for the National Board and our local legal advisor. As a result of these consultations, it was determined that action should be taken by the League of Women Voters of the United States and such action has now been authorized.

I hope you are in accord with our handling of the situation. We will keep you advised.

Jean E. Johnson

CC Local League Presidents
State Board Members



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DALLAS



2626 W. MOCKINGBIRD, DALLAS, TEXAS 75235

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DECEMBER 14, 1971

TO: ALL MEDIA

FROM: THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF DALLAS
Mrs. Paul Guerrero, Public Relations Chairman 526-6673

Attorneys for the League of Women Voters of the United States
have sent notice to the organizers of the group calling itself
"The Greater Dallas County League of Women Voters" to request that
they cease using the Trademark name LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS.

For over 50 years, the League of Women Voters has supported
the right of any citizen to speak out on any issue: we ask only
that this newly formed group find a name of its own.

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November 24, 1971

To Local League Boards of LWV of Texas:

On April 27, 1971, the Texas Legislature passed the Equal Legal Rights Amendment to the Constitution of Texas which guarantees that equality under the law shall not be denied or abridged because of sex, race, creed, color or national origin. On Tuesday, November 7, 1972, the people of Texas will be given the opportunity of approving this amendment and it is important that every citizen work to see that the guarantees of the Equal Legal Rights Amendment be enacted into our State Constitution.

With the Constitutional guarantee of full, legal equality for citizens, it would not be easy to pass a law discriminating against any citizen, as it requires a two-thirds vote of the legislature to repeal a constitutional amendment. Without the amendment, an oppressive law can be passed by simple majority vote, so that one of the very important functions of the Equal Legal Rights Amendment is to prevent the passage of discriminatory laws in the future.

The Board of the Tarrant County League of Women Voters is writing all the Leagues in Texas to inform them of our recent action concerning the Equal Legal Rights Amendment to the Texas Constitution. In August our Board voted to urge the State Board to announce League support for the Equal Legal Rights Amendment. At their September meeting the State Board read a statement prepared by the Tarrant County League, showing the State Board that we, the League of Women Voters, can and should actively support the amendment. Because of a shortage of time at their September meeting, the State Board deferred a decision on the matter until their January meeting. During the intervening time the State Human Resources Chairman was to look more closely at the amendment and prepare a report for the January Board meeting.

The State Board has not heard from any local Boards except Tarrant County and would like to know how the other Leagues feel on this matter. We urge you now to discuss this at your December Board meetings and to write either Mrs. Fritz, the State Human Resources Chairman, or Mrs. Winick, the State League President, adding your support for an affirmative decision at the State level. The prestige of League support for this human rights amendment to the Texas Constitution will facilitate its passage in November, 1972.

Thank you for your prompt response to this communication.

Karen Burkett, Secretary
Tarrant County League of Women Voters
4616 Dwendale Drive
Fort Worth, Texas 76116

We would enjoy any personal communication that you would like to send us, too, informing us of the feelings of your individual Boards.

Thank you again

Karen Burkett

November 8, 1971

TO: Local League Presidents - Texas
State Board - LWV of Texas

FROM: Mrs. Lee R. Johnson, President, LWV of Dallas

RE: PTA State Convention, Dallas, November 17-19

We have just learned that the Dallas PTA City Council voted on November 3 to submit an amendment to the 1971-72 proposed legislative program of the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers which asks support of a United States Constitutional Amendment to prohibit forced busing of school children to achieve racial balance.

The resolution is to be submitted to the State resolutions committee for consideration of presentation at the state convention in Dallas November 17-19.

We are sending this information along to you in the event that you may have members coming to Dallas for the convention who may wish to oppose this resolution or that you may know other delegates in the community who may wish to oppose it.

It is our understanding that a resolution in opposition to the "anti-busing" resolution has also been submitted for consideration.

Any action taken would, of course, be on an individual basis as a PTA delegate not as a League member.

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February 5, 1973

Memo: To Publications Dept. LWVUS

From: Louise Cummins, President LWV Of Lubbock

Re: Facts and Issues on Trade

Recently we received word that there would be a Facts and Issues on Trade and that it would be coming out in February. Because of our scheduling of the Unite Meetings on Trade we need this publication as soon as possible. Therefore I wantd you to send us 130 copies of this publication as soon as it is available and bill it to our account. Please send it by first class mail.

IMPORTANT! In the event that you cannot have this order in the mail before February 23, please disregard the above instructions and we will re-order at a later time.



[REDACTED]
December 6, 1969

Mrs. Carl Smith
[REDACTED]

Dear Ella Mae:

Thank you for the snapshot of the poster designed and made by the League of Women Voters of Lubbock. I am particularly impressed with the way you are using it and the valuable contact it makes with the community.

Also, thank you for the suggested questions for the questionnaires to be used in preparing the Voters Guide. They will be most helpful in formulating the questions for candidates.

The state office has the audition tape for the Political Perspective tapes, so will you please direct your request for its loan to:

League of Women Voters of Texas
[REDACTED]

I am very glad to have heard from you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Albert Barstis
Voters Service Chairman

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF TEXAS
DICKINSON PLAZA CENTER
DICKINSON, TEXAS 77539

MRS. DUANE P. JORDAN
[REDACTED]

THE STATE OFFICE HAS RECEIVED RETURNED VOTERS, CONCERNING MEMBERS OF
YOUR LEAGUE, STATING THAT EITHER THE PERSON(S) LISTED HAS MOVED OR
LEFT NO CURRENT ADDRESS.

COULD YOU PLEASE SEND THE STATE OFFICE INFORMATION REGARDING THIS
PARTICULAR PERSON(S), SO THAT WE MAY KEEP OUR RECORDS OF MEMBERSHIP COM-
PLETE AND UP-TO-DATE.

THANK YOU.

MR. JUDSON MAYNARD
[REDACTED]

Obalk this up to "another mystery of the Post Office". Mrs. Maynard still lives
at 4925 - 49th Street and you have her correct address. Have fun straightening it
out with the friendly forces at the P.O.

Carolyn Jordan



League of Women Voters of Peoria
[REDACTED]

September 7, 1971

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan,

The League of Women Voters of Peoria is working for a change in the method of election of our city council which is now elected entirely from wards. Peoria has council-manager form of government. We feel that a combination council (part at-large and part from wards) would better serve the interests of all the citizens of Peoria.

In order that our efforts to effect a change may be conducted in a rational League-like manner, we need information regarding minority representation associated with the various methods of election of councils. Please help us gather this needed data. Enclosed is a questionnaire which we ask you to fill out and return to us. We realize that some of this information will involve League opinion and we will treat it as such.

Sincerely,

Carol Madison

Mrs. Robert F. Madison, President

sent response 9-25-71





League of Women Voters of Amarillo

AMARILLO, TEXAS

June 25, 1971

Mrs. Duane Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

Presently our League is working with two other organizations in an effort to establish a Human Relations Commission in Amarillo. If your League was involved in the formation of your commission or if you have information as to its function, would you share your experiences with us?

These are some of the questions that concern us most:

How did you determine the existence of discrimination?

Was your commission created by ordinance of the city council, city commission or county commission? If not, do you have an assured source of financial support?

How do you select your commission members? Are they representative of all segments of the community and how many members do you have?

Does your commission have the support of the majority and or minority groups and of the news media?

In what areas has your commission adopted workable programs?

Do you have one or more trained staff members? If not, how are responsibilities delegated?

When did you establish your commission and why? Do you consider it effective?

We will be most grateful for any information or advice that would be helpful.

Sincerely,

Mrs. C. D. Foote
Program Vice President

cc:

Mrs. Lee Harris, President
Miss Lola Campbell, HR Ch.



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July 5, 1971

Mrs. C. D. Foote
Program Vice President
LWV of Amarillo
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Foote:

In answer to your letter of June 25 in which you ask about the Lubbock Human Relations Commission, I must say that we can be of little help because we do not have such a commission functioning in Lubbock.

At one point in Lubbock's history (2 to 4 years ago) the City Council did appoint a Human Relations Committee. At the time we studied the Human Relations Commission on the State level we did briefly investigate the status of the Lubbock Committee. As of last fall it was essentially defunct and our DHR chairman says that little seems to have been accomplished by the group. They did draw up bylaws which included listing a purpose of dispelling "malicious rumors." The committee was given few powers, primarily given the responsibility to report to the Council. There was "token" representation of various racial groups. Whatever the intended purposes of the group, it has been completely ineffectual.

In recent weeks, there has been a great deal of controversy centered on discrimination and other charges in regard to our police department. The City Council has appointed a "90-day Grievance Committee" to investigate the complaints. At the time it was formed, the mayor suggested that it might evolve into a Human Relations Commission, but the apparent lack of success of the Grievance Committee would lead us to believe that it will die a quick death as soon as the 90 days are up.. (So far, there have been several resignations from the committee and people have been "afraid" to make statements for fear of job reprisals.)

I recently visited the Midland League and did find out that Midland has a very successful Human Relations Commission. I might suggest that you write to their president, Mrs. Ken Carpenter, and hopefully she can be more helpful in answering your questions than I have been.

Good luck in your endeavor. Perhaps your success will give us some insight on how we can establish an "effective" Commission in Lubbock.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane Jordan
President, LWV of Lubbock
[REDACTED]

Sunday, February 7, 1971

Dear Carolyn,

I'm delighted to see that you're going to continue as President of the Lubbock League for another term!! That's wonderful, and the membership is fortunate that you're willing to give the time and effort. It is a most important and satisfying office....along with all the frustrations that never seem to get completely worked out. But perhaps I'm speaking from the viewpoint now of one who's been up-to-here with a rebuilding job for the past 2 years!! You've done an outstanding job with your Presidency, and I know the next two years will be fine ones for you, too.

The nominating committee here visited me en masse one evening to ask me to consider another term. There really is no way that I can....Bob is beginning to feel well enough that we should be able to make some kind of long range decisions soon, although we don't know for sure yet what they will be. I just need a little time for more attention to our personal matters.....and I've had more than 10 years of giving the major part of my spare time to the League. What is apt to happen is that I'll be completely bored 2 weeks after going out of office!!! A good new President and Board is falling into place here....the nominating committee has more leadership to choose from as each year goes by. In fact, as I look back to a few short years ago...the progress made is almost incredible.

Would like to have attended the Water Institute Friday... but that was the day after our Finance Drive Kick-off.

Could I have another copy of your outstanding Annual Meeting Workbook? It's about the best I've seen, and we would appreciate an extra copy (if possible). Not sure yet whether anyone will go to Austin on the 18th. Time and money!!

Hope all is well with you and yours.

Love,

Beulah





December 14, 1970

Mrs. Gayle H. Stoddard
[REDACTED]

Dear Junia:

Enclosed you will find our copies of Congressional Interview of George Mahon. We had a luncheon with over 100 persons in attendance. Mr. Mahon was just great - as he can be - and had a ball answering questions. I think if he hadn't had an engagement in Midland later that day, we might have gone on for hours. As it was, we went over a half hour on the agreed upon cutting off time.

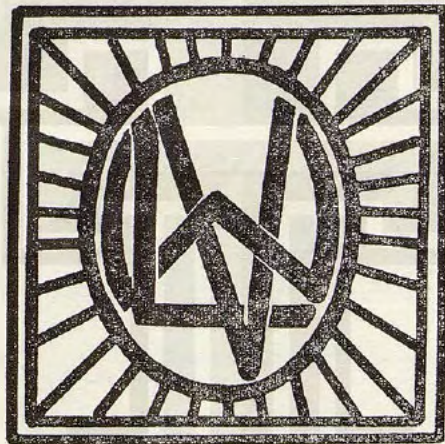
It seemed a little ridiculous for us to schedule another interview with him with a small group. If the State Office has no objections, you all might want to have a few of your board people talk with him the next time he is in Midland. After your and my visit with him in Washington in May and this luncheon, I think the Lubbock League has had a good chance to sound him out on opinions and ideas, but the Midland League may be feeling neglected.

Hope all is going well for you. I am looking forward to getting rid of my cauliflower ear (from the phoning) and Duane is looking forward to getting his study back from the League. But, at the same time, I'll miss the fun and excitement of it all.

Happy Holidays, As ever

c.c.: State Office





Nov. 23, 1970

Dear Mrs. Jordan,

We certainly appreciate your getting the copies of your Handbook to us so quickly. We received it in plenty of time for our meeting.

Enclosed with this note is a check covering your expenses. The Handbook was a bargain of a publication. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,
Sandra Gillingsey

Dear Mrs. Jordan,

As our local item this year we are studying our juvenile detention facility. National infomred us that your league has been working on a diagnoses center for potential delinquents. If you have any information, ideas etc. that you think might be helpful or relevant to our study, we would greatly appreciate them.

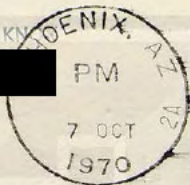
Please send such as soon as possible to:
Mrs. Rivko Knox

Thank You,
Sincerely,
Mrs. R. Knox

Mrs. R. Knox

*Local United Fund
Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh*

MR. & MRS. DONALD G. K



Mrs. Duane P. Jordan, Pres.
LWV of Lubbock



League of Women Voters of Lubbock

Lubbock, Texas

November 19, 1970

Mrs. Rivko Knox
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Knox:

We began our study on the possible need for a juvenile detention facility in Lubbock two years ago. Our youth are currently being held in the County jail. I am enclosing some reproductions of our program sheets which appeared in the Lubbock VOTER at the beginning of our study. We reached consensus on the need for such a facility and have spent the last year and one half working toward the implementation of our consensus.

Our Juvenile Problems chairman understood that your city already has such a facility, so I am not sending the information we have produced aimed at the establishment of such a building. However, she did suggest that the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) representative for Arizona would probably be a good person to talk with, if you have not already done so. The representative from Texas, John Cocorus, came free of charge and spoke to our League. His office has since been hired to prepare a study of our local needs. The finished report is now being used as a potential guide by our Juvenile Court to work toward establishing such a facility. We still have to find a way to finance the building and have a few knotty problems to work out (such as getting it through the Commissioner's Court and seeing a bond issue passed.)

The NCCD publication "Standards and Guides for the Detention of Children and Youth" (referred to in our program sheets) would probably be most helpful to you if you are trying to evaluate the effectiveness of your present facilities and program. The NCCD is supported by Local United Funds and you should be able to learn through your local agency how to get in touch with your NCCD representative.

I hope this information will be of some help to you in the course of your study.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President, LWV of Lubbock
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November 16, 1970

Dear Buelah,

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Your letter, with article, arrived today -- and my reaction to them was again the same as when I got the invitation -- it couldn't happen to anyone nicer!

So here I am, with piles of stuff to do - is there ever a bottom to these piles? - but finally writing a letter that is long overdue. I need first to thank you for the clipping you sent of Duane way last August! I did appreciate having an extra copy to send on to the family.

I also want to say thank you for thanking me in your Voter. It really was the least I could do - just wished I could have come in person to give my reaction to convention.

We have had one whirlwind of activity after another down here, with various and sundry people resigning to go back to school or work. At least no one is quitting mad! But that still doesn't always help when there is a job to be done.

Veta's visit was most successful here - we got a lot of good TV mileage, plus a good general meeting with several new members. I'm not sure what happened between Veta and the Finance drive in September and the end of October -- but whatever it was, it left me feeling like another few hours each day would have helped. Our Voter Service activity was done by "committee" - without a chairman. We planned a poll watcher school, rides to the polls, talks in the ABE classes, VG distribution, TV appearances, Election night reporting for NBC, and all came off without a hitch, despite the fact that our chairman resigned in September and we had no luck replacing her.

I am enclosing an article on the Mahon luncheon. We had over 100 in attendance - and I thought our poor Secretary, Lindl Graves, would fall apart at the seams after making the arrangements. But we all had a good time, thanks to Mr. Mahon's great presentation and obviously enjoyment of fielding questions.

It's good to hear that Bob's recovery is coming along. I'm sure he was pleased by your honor, as indeed he should be.

Hope you will treasure this letter, because at the rate I write, there might not be one again for awhile. Just hold onto it, and remember I'm thinking of you even if I don't get it down on paper.

As always -

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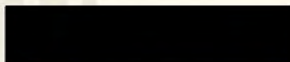
The Woman of the Year

Mrs. Robert E. Casperson

Sunday, November 8, 1970

Federated Women's Club

2-4 p.m



November 13, 1970

Dear Carolyn,

This certainly has been one of the most unusual episodes of my life!! It's all wonderful, and I'm just relaxing and enjoying every minute of it....although I'm still a bit overwhelmed. The "fallout" continues, and I'm beginning to suspect that it will for some time to come....flowers, telephone calls, telegrams, etc. etc.

I so appreciate your taking time to call up here last week - and am sorry that I missed talking with you. Bob delivered the message...and believe me, I understand. Except for the unusual circumstances at the time, I would not have undertaken another term as a LL President....however, it's still great fun along with the almost ridiculous amount of work that's involved.

Thought you might like to see a copy of the article in last Sunday's paper here. Friends have inundated me with copies, bless their hearts, so I'm sharing them.

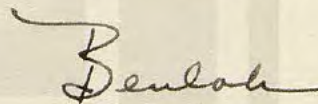
Hope you're not getting all the effects of the latest norther that we are today. It has snowed quite hard all day, and is to be something like 8 degrees by tomorrow morning.

I so wanted to be in Lubbock for the luncheon and meeting with Congressman Mahon last week....had tried to plan for it, but with all this personal excitement and scheduling going on - there was no way.

Bob continues to make slow gains in his convalescence. I was concerned about his stamina and the reception Sunday. But he had a comfortable couch to sit on....and many friends to talk with. Think he enjoyed it as much as I did. All past Women of the Year are being honored with a luncheon this Tuesday... it's such fun to attend events that require no participation except to just be there. Pure joy!

Our best regards to Duane and your family. And thanks again for the thoughtful call.

With love,



Beulah.



August 12, 1970

Dear Carolyn,

I had put the enclosed clipping aside to mail to you when I finally got a note written to you — and then forgot to enclose it with the letter about our September LWV meetings. Thought you might like an extra copy of the story.

What a fascinating and valuable project Duane + Mr. Lawrence are working with.

In a way, I feel as if this summer has been more a space in time, rather than having had definite days and weeks — which is one way of saying "It can't be August already."

It's great that the bond issues passed last Saturday — that should give everyone in Lubbock

a real boost along with the
far-reaching results.

Bob has good + bad days,
but perhaps he'll have more
of the good ones as time goes
by.

I'm sure you're getting "in gear"
for school — hope you and
your family are all fine.

As ever,

Beverly

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September 14, 1970

Mrs. Karl Schmitt
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Dear Grace:

C You should have already received through "official channels" the name of a transfer from our League to yours: Mrs. Lorrin Kennemer (Laura). She has just joined our League this past spring so her dues are paid for the year. Laura's new address is:

Mrs. Lorrin Kennemer
[REDACTED]

O She had begun to help us on the Environmental Quality item and showed a great deal of promise.

P Her husband was in the administration here at Tech and went back to UT in a similar position. They have no children, so she has more time than most and a lot of talent to do great things. Hope you will find her to be a valuable member.

As always,


Mrs. Duane Jordan
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Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter
4635 Princeton, Midland, Texas 79701

Sept. 16, 1970

Mrs. Duane Jordan



Dear Mrs. Jordan:

We are sorry that neither you nor Betty Anderson will be able to speak at our luncheon.

However, many thanks for your prompt reply and helpful suggestions! We have decided for the present to try to find a local speaker. In lieu of that however, we may need to ask your Lubbock people. So again, thanks.

Have a good time at Lobby School!

Sincerely,
Lois Carpenter

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter

[REDACTED]

Mrs. Duane Jordan

[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

The Midland League of Women Voters is planning to study Texas water at our unit meetings in October and early November. We also wish to have someone speak on the subject at our luncheon meeting on Thurs., October 8, 1970.

Our president, Junia Stoddard, tells me that you have done considerable work on this topic and would be an excellent speaker. So could you help us out then?

We would be happy to pay your transportation expense. The luncheon is scheduled for 11:30 A. M. in Midland Country Club. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Lois Carpenter

Quality of Environment Committee

P.S. In the event you are unable to speak, would you have any names to suggest?

September 12, 1970

Mrs. R. Ken Carpenter
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Dear Mrs. Carpenter:

Thank you for your invitation to speak to the Midland League on October 8, but I feel I must decline. I plan to attend the Lobby school in Austin on October 6 and two trips away from home in one week is more than my family can seem to adjust to.

Our other water "expert" that speaks is Betty Anderson. However, she plans to be in Austin for the State Board meeting and will not be home in time for your meeting.

I do have some possible suggestions for speakers:

Dr. Dan Wells
Civil Engineering Department
Texas Tech University
806 - 742 - 1231

Dr. Wells heads the West Texas Water Institute at Tech and is quite knowledgeable about state-wide water problems. He did his PhD dissertation on Galveston Bay Pollution, so he is more than "one-area" oriented. He would probably come closest to presenting pros and cons of the Water Plan, which should be presented before taking consensus.

Representative Bill Clayton
of Springlake
Executive Director of Water, Inc.
1611 Avenue Q, Lubbock
806 - 763 - 5271

He gave a talk to our League last spring on the Texas Water Plan. He was the chief house sponsor of the legislation during the past session of the Legislature. His presentation is biased toward the Water Plan and if you use him you will need to plan to present some con information for balance before you take consensus.

Mr. Russell Bean
[REDACTED]

Mr. Bean was Lubbock's representative to the water conference held in Austin several years ago. He is a successful area farmer and very knowledgeable about water planning. He is the former president of the board of our High Plains Underground Water Conservation District Board. However, he lost that position at the last election. He is an active supporter of water importation and he too would give a bias to his presentation that would keep him from being both pro & con. He is serving on our Men's Advisory Committee and has been a good League friend for several years.

I hope this will be a help in the planning of your meeting. Thank you again for thinking of me.

New member - $\frac{40 \text{ Sec}}{10 \text{ min}}$? July 30, 1970
Carolyn -

We have scheduled use of the
convention tapes for our units
on Sept. 15. Do you want them
before then? If so, I'll send it
post haste. You have first call.
P.S. Hope you have re-
covered from the storm. Y. (Lisa)
(Debbie)

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Mrs. Deane Jordan

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September 11, 1970

Mrs. William De Pierri
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Dear Ellen:

Please forgive my delay in answering your card. We are finding our schedule chock full and trying to find a satisfactory time to use the tapes is becoming a bit of a problem. At this point, we feel we could use them best for our membership orientation on October 22nd and, if possible, we will try to play at least a part of them at Board meeting on October 20th. We would probably use Tape A, side 1 and Tape C, side 2 for this purpose.

We could possibly use the Edelman speech at our Human Resources Units on September 22-24.

If you can only send them to us once, please send them for the week in October -- that would be the 19th through 23rd. We will have our Foreign Policy, Human Resources, and special committee on "A Time to Listen" use the tapes that will be of most interest to them.

We are knee-deep in our Finance Drive, hoping the torreado will not effect it too much. There is much optimism that we will recover and have a better city than before.

As always,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
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Tape A - side #1 - Mrs Benson - Address to the
Convention "A Time to Listen"
side #2 - D.C. Petition Rally

Tape B - side #1 Mr Rita E Hauser
side #2 Mrs Shirley Temple Black

Tape C - side #1 Smithsonian Program featuring
Catherine Dinker Bowen
side #2 Sound tracks of Banquet
"Salute to Past Presidents"

Tape D - side #1 Marion Wright Edelman
side #2 Hillary Rodham

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We welcome Mrs. Mary Taylor as our new Water Resources Chairman. She brings many years of League experience and an interest in the water resources of our area to the position. She replaces Ruthe Fredericksen, who has served in that capacity for over two years. Our thanks to Ruthe for her many efforts in behalf of keeping us informed on the Water situation.

We also welcome Mrs. Clark (Elly) Ellzey to the board as Foreign Policy Chairman. She is taking Mrs. David (Elizabeth) Rodnick's place while Elizabeth is traveling abroad this fall. On Elizabeth's return, they plan to serve as co-chairmen for this vital item of League concern.

NEW COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

It is with pleasure that we announce two new appointments. Lillian Mandel will be the new Units Organization Chairman, and Shirley Reese will be the new Unit Chairman for the Rush Unit.

Lillian is not new to our Board, having served as Chairman of the Foreign Policy Committee last year. She has been a League member since 1951. She came to Lubbock from Miami Beach in 1965 and, like the good Leaguer she is, promptly joined the Lubbock League. She is currently a member of the Voter Service Committee and has served in this capacity in the past. She is also the Unit Chairman of the Monterey Unit.

Shirley has been a League Member for six years. She is a past chairman of both the Foreign Policy Committee and the Human Resources Committee and is currently Publication Chairman. Her husband Jim is an Associate Professor of History at Tech. They have two children, Lee, 5½ and Sally, 2½.

VOTER IN NEED

The Voter editor needs help in assembling the Voter. This job requires only one afternoon or morning a month. It involves very little work and lots of witty conversation. If you can help, please call Betsy Pontius, 792 1675.

WEST TEXAS HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

The first meeting of the Consumer Advisory Committee of the West Texas Health Planning Council was held Thursday, August 28. Ella Mae Smith and Joyce Noble attended as the two representatives for the League. Names were drawn for the term of representation. Ella Mae drew three years and Joyce, two years. A three year term is the maximum membership for any one individual.

Although this group is still in the formative stages, the general direction is to encourage high-quality health services to all individuals, with the plan to represent broad geographical areas, multiple ethnic groups, and multiple religious groups, with special focus on members of minority groups, especially the economically deprived and socially disadvantaged.

Mrs. Marlene Mackey was nominated the chairman. She represents the Secretary Association.

REPORT FROM THE BOARD MEETING

The board took action on the following:

- A. Approved El Chico Restaurant as location for November General Meeting; approved Pioneer Flame Room as location for Candidate's Rally in April.
- B. Accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Buck Fredericksen, Director of Water Item, and Mrs. S. Bernard Rosenblatt, Director of Texas Executive Item; approved Mrs. Mary Taylor as Director of the Water Item and Miss Lillian Mandel as new Units Organization Chairman.
- C. Approved Mrs. James Reese as Rush Unit Chairman to replace Mrs. Eleanor Kreneck.
- D. Approved plans for a Legislative Round-Up in October at the Garden and Arts Center.
- E. Approved Mrs. Jordan's stating the League position concerning salaries of librarians and Health Department employees before the City Council budget hearing, September 25.

League of Women Voters of Texas



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MRS. DARVIN M. WINICK, PRESIDENT

August 18, 1970

Mrs. Duane Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Carolyn:

I'm sorry your League isn't one of the ones chosen by ABC for the Election Night Reporting: I hope you will be in the next election as they have arranged their reporting so that it is really fun. First they have the simulated report and its fun to compare their 'guess' figures with the real ones on election night, and secondly they pay the reporters expenses.

In answer to your question:-yes, they do pay State. It is considered in the State Budget for this year under the Income item of Election Night Reporting---\$1900.

Thank you for your prompt reply.

Sincerely,

Lucia Pollard

Mrs. T. A. Pollard
[REDACTED]

cc: SO



Dorline O. Wonciar

July 27, 1970

Mrs. Duane Jordon

Dear Mrs. Jordon:

A short introduction: my name is Dorline Wonciar and I am a new member of the LWV, and a new resident to El Paso and the state of Texas. I have been a board member for one and half months and have taken the Housing Chairmanship. Being new and inexperienced you can see I need a lot of help and that is why I am writing to you.

Our next item in continuing the study of housing, is Urban Renewal. This is not only a timely, but a very controversial subject in El Paso. Mr. Oliver E. Goodman, the Executive Assistant to our Mayor, has been most helpful and suggested I contact the cities that have Urban Renewal.

Our president, Arlene Quenon suggested I contact the local leagues in each city that has Urban Renewal. Has your league any information on the subject, or, can you tell me who could provide any information concerning this? I want to know the problems you encountered, what happened in your city and to the people when you started to consider Urban Renewal? The pros and cons and how you solved them? Did you have a good Public Relations Dept.? What did they do to bring about a better understanding between the people and the Urban Renewal Project?

All information will be most appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely yours

Dorline O. Wonciar

Dorline O. Wonciar

September 14, 1970

Mrs. E. S. Wenciar
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Wenciar:

Your letter requesting Urban Renewal information sent me to our "old and ancient" files! Urban Renewal came to Lubbock long before my time and I was fresh out of answers.

Here is what I have come up with and I hope it will be of some help to you in your study. First, you will find a copy of our Human Resources publication published last April. The Housing section starts on page 16 and I have marked sections that may help to answer your questions. We hope you will find the whole report of value. Arlene should have an additional copy, because all local League presidents were sent a copy with our Voter.

I am also sending some reproductions of pages from our City Survey done in 1966. Some of this information supplements that which appears in the DHR report.

In regard to answering people's reactions, pros & cons, etc., let me recommend the following persons as possible resources:

Mr. Orville Alderson
Urban Renewal Agency
[REDACTED]

Mr. Harry Stokley
FHA
[REDACTED]

Mrs. Robert Casperson
President, LWV of Amarillo
[REDACTED]

Buelah was on the Urban Renewal Board in Lubbock when all this came about according to Halcyon Baggett, who was also on the Board. Halcyon says she has donated all her material to the Southwest Collection of the museum, so she would not be of help.

Urban Renewal Director
Kansas City, Kansas

They have been reported to have the the most successful Urban Renewal Project in the country.

Hope this will be of help to you. Good luck in your League activities. Hope it will prove to be as rewarding to you as it has been to me.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Duane Jordan, President
LWV of Lubbock
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July 11, 1970

Dear Carolyn,

I received your Program Handbook yesterday and am so very impressed. Not only with the idea of getting all that information readily available in one spot, but with your flexible format. Really great!

I'm going to show it to our Board this ^{coming} week and--provided we can find funds for it in our budget--see if they would like to do one for our League. Please remember, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery!

Best regards,

Margaret Lechner
Pres., LWV/San Antonio Area



Mrs. Duane Jordan



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Carolyn -

Your program Handbook
is excellent. — good tool
for action for members!

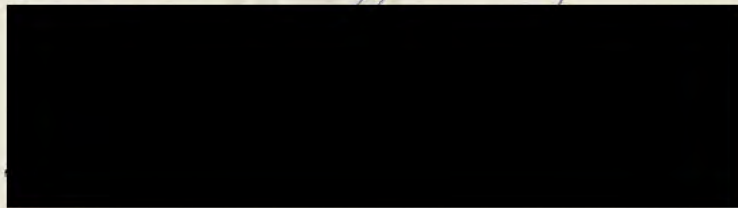
Also enjoyed reading your
excellent account of Nat'l. Convention

Chris Bracher
Legislative Chair.

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Mrs. Luane Jordan



MEMORANDUM FROM:

League of Women Voters of Texas

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Dear Carolyn,

Your comments about convention rules and procedures were most helpful. I shall pass them on to the Board at the October meeting. Thanks for sending them.

Hope to see you in Austin in October.

Barbara Bulis

[REDACTED]
May 31, 1970

Mrs. Duane Jordan
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Dear Mrs. Jordan:

The League of Women Voters of the Dickinson Area send the enclosed check in the amount of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) Please use, as needed, for preservation of the Lubbock League of Women Voters or for community service.

Sincerely yours:

Pauline R. Lee

(Mrs. Wm. R. Lee, Jr.)
Treasurer D.LWV

encl: check no. 492



July 1, 1970

Mrs. Vincent Hollister
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Hollister:

I would like to express the thanks of the Lubbock League for the generous gift of the Dickinson League of \$25.00. It is a most welcome gift at a time when our prospects for a successful finance drive this fall look a little on the slim side.

We are still planning our drive with the hopes of being able to meet our approved budget. However, we are also looking at the possibility of having to cut back if our drive is unsuccessful.

Your gift is doubly appreciated because we recognize the effort it takes to raise such an amount and the need each League has for the money it raises. We shall make every effort to use it wisely.

In regard to our past Voters, Mrs. Moorehead's name was on our list of Presidents. She should have received the March through May issues. A summer issue is going out this week and your name is on our revised mailing list. If Mrs. Moorehead does not have our past issues, we will assemble them and send them on to you.

Our thanks and appreciation,

Mrs. Duane Jordan, President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
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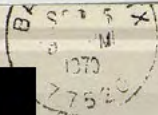
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Dear Carolyn -

There appears to be some misunderstanding. The only tapes I bought were Edelman's & Rodman's speeches. It is on one reel, both sides. We will be using them tomorrow & they are free after that. Presentation? I wonder! I'll send it to you this mch. — Ellen

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Mrs. Deane Jordan

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May 25, 1970

Mrs. Donald Coleman

Dear Ann:

One of the actions that I have wanted to initiate is the formation of an off-Board Statewide Human Resources committee. I hope you will be able to serve on this committee.

At the most you could expect two committee meetings, which would have to be attended at your own expense if you could make them. At the least, we could exchange ideas through correspondence or by phone.

A sample of the things I should like to have the committee consider are: ideas about the contents of the Human Resources newsletter; help with research, mainly on welfare; decision on whether to set up a Human Resources action arm; your ideas.

Could you come to a meeting at my house on Friday, June 12? If you would care to spend Thursday or Friday night or both at my house, I can accommodate four extra persons.

Please indicate your preference when you answer:

First Meeting in Dallas, June 12; First Meeting in Austin June 12; Other Date.

Second Meeting, October 5 before Lobby School in Austin October 6; November; January.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible. If you cannot serve on the committee perhaps you could suggest someone else from your League who could. If there is someone have her write me her preferences as to meeting times. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Edward C. Fritz

cc: Jordan, Barstis, 30

May 27, 1970

Mrs. Gordon Sumner, Jr.
Organization Staff
League of Women Voters of the United States
[REDACTED]

Dear "Mac":

Thank you for your letter of May 20th. We are all safe after the tornado. One League member's store was completely destroyed. Other losses of window were minor.

Our city has a lot of work ahead, but hopefully we can build back a better city than we had before.

Enclosed, copies of two letters that should be of interest to you.

Thank you again for your concern.

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan, President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
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**YEAR OF THE
VOTER**

May 20, 1970

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan, President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock

Dear Mrs. Jordan,

It was good to visit with you, if briefly, at the National Convention. I understand from Alethea Banks, with whom you spoke, that she has straightened out your mailing difficulties. I hope you will be noting the results in the immediate future.

I was distressed to learn of the tornado in Lubbock and sincerely hope you and yours escaped unharmed. There must be a lot of work before that whole community!

Please keep in touch and let me know if there is anything I can do for you.

Sincerely yours,

Florence M. Sumner
Mrs. Gordon Sumner, Jr.
Organization Staff

"Mac"

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cc: Mrs. Murphree
State LWV



Mrs. Gail H. Stoddard
1403 Harvard, Midland, Texas 79701

Monday June 8 -

Dear Carolyn,

Well, little gal, have been thinking about you so much, in fact called after the big blow up there to be sure all was well but of course that didn't work. Realize that you returned to such a busy schedule and I kept wondering if you did go up to Amarillo to give your report of the Convention. Actually, we didn't have to write one because there have been others who have put it all into words for us. We did get some publicity on it here and it is a good thing that I haven't waited for the picture with Mr. Mahon, just like you said, all in fun no doubt.

We have had our Board training and another start on getting members, hopefully we will have good results, there is a terrific transference of people down here right now that I am beginning to wonder but we are hard at the new ones coming in.

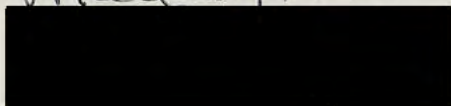
What have you gals been up to, anything exciting? Aha, you want me to read your Voter, well alright I shall do just that.

Missed my little roommate upon my return, hope you didn't get mashed and I assume that Lubbock is pulling out of it all but what a shame. Sincerely, is there anything I can do for you?

*Always
Gail*



May 21, 1970



Dear Carolyn,

What a welcome home
party you had! Thank goodness
you survived. I hope you
didn't have any damage
personally although I realize
you cannot live through
something of that magnitude
and not be affected deep
tragically somewhere along
the line.



I really enjoyed
being with you

in Washington, but it looks
as though we may not be
able to continue our argument.

The first of this week Ralph
got a contract from one school
in Calif. and a request for an
interview from another even
better situation. Where we
will go I do not know but
I definitely feel we will go.

More later when I do
know something.

Love,

Virginia



Monday

Dear Carolyn

What a terrible welcome home you had! I hope you and your family escaped the worst. What about the Lubbock League - did the storm damage files, office or such?

I'll be watching your next Voter for a report - I'm sure you're busy. Tell if we can help.

As ever

Grace



Dear Aunt Carrie,

I have this friend who has a problem. Really, she has lots of problems.

She doesn't live in Lubbock, infact she doesn't even live in Texas. However, said friend wants to belong to the greater L. L. W. V. Undoubtedly, this is do to some of her problems.

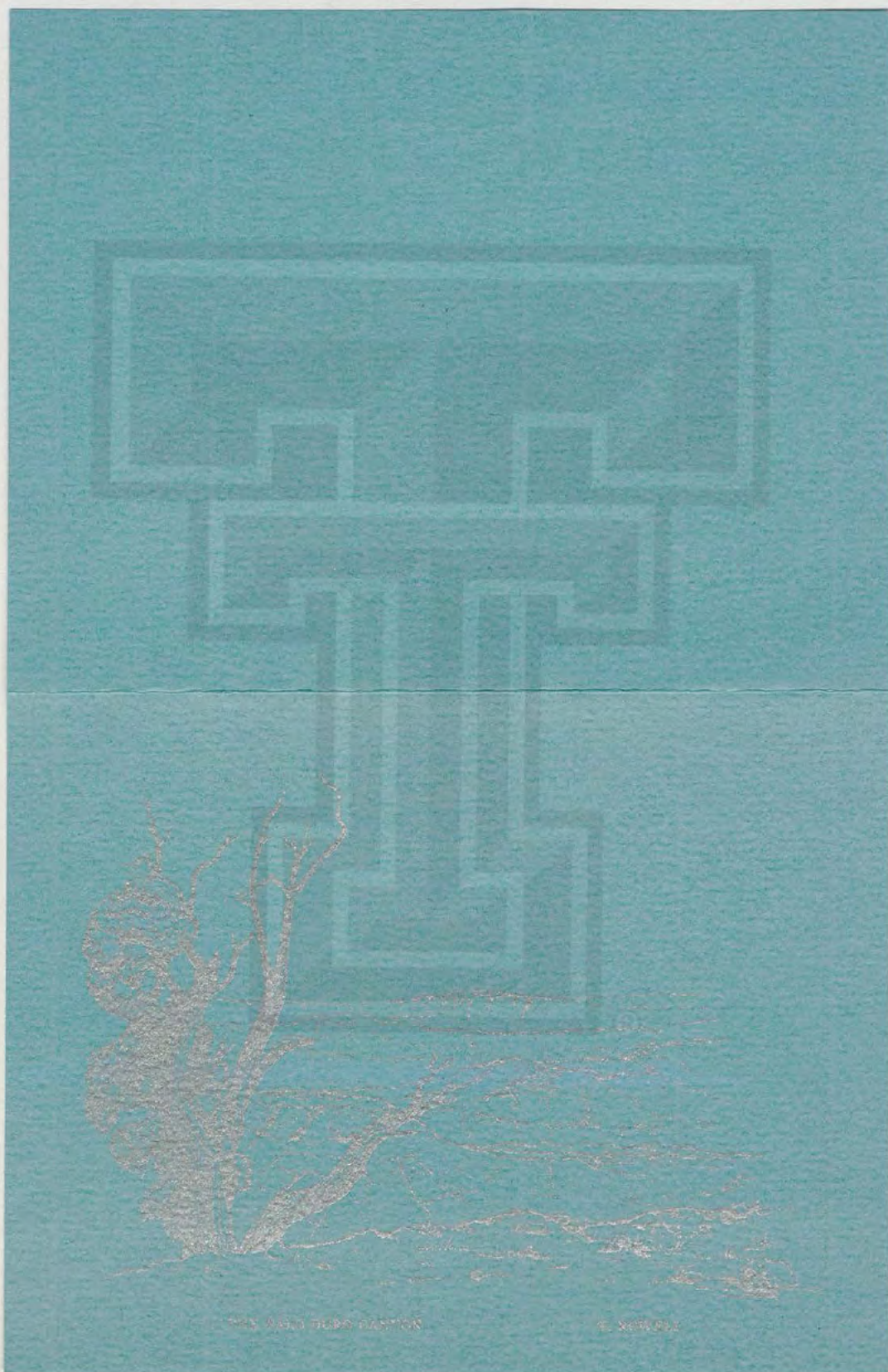
Can she do this? Since she may haunt you (more problems) if her illogical request is refused, enclosed is her check.

Sincerely,

Friend-of-a-Friend

P. S.

This friend promises to make a contribution to your finance drive. Sneaky friend.



THE WILD BIRD GARDEN

BY KENNETH

Sorry we missed you while
playing around Lubbock.

Now wea sitting here worrying
about all our friends and how
they fared in the storm. Between
Mary & George Kather & us the
poor phone operators are kept
busy trying Lubbock numbers.

Do hope you and all others
are O.K.

Talked to Betty, Shirley and
Cron and Selly. Barbara got
me up to date on local issues.

Can't figure out this Omaha
bunch. They seem quite social but
do nothing on the local level.
Either that, or they need a Public
Relations person. Send Connie up.

Anyway, I don't feel like taking
them on (300 membership) at
this time, therefore the request to
keep my membership with you.

After some 23 years my blood pressure may not be able to take a sudden and complete retirement.

Everything is fine. Omaha is a fun place to live. Paul is as happy as if he had good sense.

I'm chairman of the big faculty social event of the year - their Xmas dinner-dance. I like one shot deals when you come out smelling like a Rose.

Almost time to put the feed bag on.

Hope all are O.K.

Love,

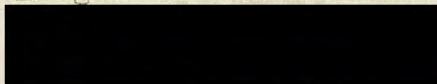
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Thanks, Jean Johnson

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MRS. DARVIN M. WINICK, PRESIDENT

May 15, 1970

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Carolyn:

Just a note to tell you how relieved I am that apparently none of my League freinds in Lubbock were injured or worse in the terrible tornado. I do not find any of the members names on the list of those injured. However, most likely some had damage to their homes and/or budi-
nesses, although I hope not. Reports sound awful. I hope you had no damage of any kind.

While writing, I want to mention the excellent piece of material that was enclosed with the Lubbock League's last VOTER. I know this publication represents a great amount of time and work by the HR committee. They are to be commended.

Hope you enjoyed National Convention. I am anxious to hear all of the reports from Texas delegates.

By the way, I have noted your comments re state Convention in your May VOTER and want you to know that everything possible will be done to fully implement the single list as it is supposed to be. Much work went into the convention procedures to make things as easy as possible for delegates to adopt the kind of program they wanted, but somehow there were conflicting ideas in spite of all of the care taken. This was not realized until the moments of truth were with us on the floor. We, too, are "a little sadder and a lot wiser." At least I know that I am. The sad part to me is that even though we intended to make program adoption and development more simplified, there was still a barricade. But, we are working on it, and are most hopeful for the 1971 Convention.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Herbert C. Martin
1st Vice President

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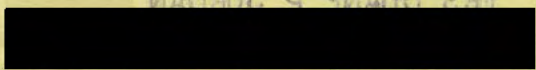
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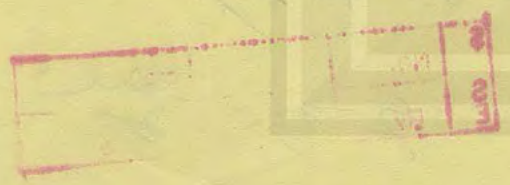
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League of Women Voters of Texas



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MRS. DARVIN M. WINICK, PRESIDENT

April 30, 1970

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Carolyn;

What lovely news. It is with great pleasure that we accept your raise. I wish all the local Leagues felt as you did.

I will get the information to the proper person. I know that Alice May will be as happy as we all were because this will be a tight year.

When I am at National Convention I will get a chance to talk to Gladys Barstis and to you. I would be delighted to come to Lubbock in the fall if this is okay with Gladys. As far as I know there will be no charge to you as I will take this out of my Presidents account.

To me it is of great value to get out to the local Leagues. It is my first love and all I have to be given is the opportunity.

Let's all get together at Convention and discuss this, as I have not had a chance to write to Gladys other than send her this carbon.

I look forward to seeing you and again my sincerelyst thanks to the Lubbock League for their generous decision.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Darvin M. Winick
President

cc: Barstis, Braunagel

National Library Week In Texas



April 12-18, 1970

What Is National Library Week?

A program which provides the framework for citizen action to raise standards of literacy and develop library resources, emphasizing that **READING IS FOR EVERYBODY** and **READ, LOOK, LISTEN IN YOUR LIBRARY.**

SPONSORS

National Book Committee
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National Council of Jewish Women
Special Libraries Association
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U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce
and many others

IN TEXAS

LIBRARIES NEED ATTENTION

27 counties have No Library Service.

824,370 Texans have No Library Service.

Many more persons have only token service.

The cost per capita for minimum standards of library service through systems in 1969. \$6.12

Library income per capita in Texas \$1.37

Only 8 of 352 reporting libraries had a per capita income equal to or above the \$3.50 average for libraries in major American cities.

There are fewer books in Texas public libraries than there are Texans!

Books 10,011,850
(1968)

Texans 10,988,000
(1968 estimate)

There should be 2 to 4 volumes per capita in areas serving 1,000,000 population and a greater number per capita in libraries serving smaller populations.

THE GOAL FOR NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK IN TEXAS

Educate Texans about and gain support for the funding and implementation of the Texas Library Systems Act.



What You Can Do To Promote Better Libraries

In 1969 the Texas State Legislature passed the Texas Library Systems Act which has as its basic purposes:

- Raising the level of library service in Texas.
- Making adequate library service equally available to every Texan.

Any public library that meets certain criteria of service and local support is eligible to participate in the System and receive the benefits of state aid. System members may also contract with other libraries--college and university, school and media centers, technical information and research--to provide specialized materials and services.

Under the Texas systems plan a library user can draw upon the total library resources of the State to find the information or materials he needs.

The Sixty-second Legislature will be asked in 1971 to provide funds necessary to implement the Systems Act.

MAKE YOUR SUPPORT OF LIBRARIES KNOWN IN AUSTIN. CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVE AND URGE HIM TO VOTE FOR FUNDING THE TEXAS LIBRARY SYSTEMS ACT!



national library week in texas

April 12-18, 1970

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Fort Worth

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mrs. T. C. Fischer
Fort Worth Public Library

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

The League of Women Voters of Texas, at its Board meeting in January 1970, voted to support National Library Week, April 12-18, 1970. This Week is an annual observance instituted in 1957 for the purpose of asking Americans to look closely at the nation's reading and the library resources to which they have access. Examination over a thirteen-year period has resulted in increased Federal aid, from two million to almost 500 million dollars, and a rise in state and local appropriations for support of libraries.

National Library Week provides a framework for citizen-action in raising the standards of literacy and increasing the reading resources of the community. Sponsored by the National Book Committee and the American Library Association, National Library Week has attracted a number of participating organizations such as: American Association for the Advancement of Science; American Association of University Women; American Newspaper Publishers Association; Association of Junior Leagues of America; Boy Scouts of America; General Federation of Women's Clubs; Girl Scouts of the U.S.A.; National Congress of Parents and Teachers; Super Market Institute, Inc.; and many others.

The importance of reading to the cultural, economic, social and intellectual climate of our nation cannot be over-emphasized. James E. Allen, Jr., Assistant Secretary for Education and U.S. Commissioner of Education, describes the right to read as the "target for the 70's" and calls upon citizens to "take upon yourselves the obligation of assuring that every child in your State will learn to read ... when together we set in motion that nationwide effort that will erase this intolerable deficit in American education ..."

National Library Week needs to concentrate on the local and state level if we are to become aware of the library as a democratic institution providing free access to adequate information for all. Citizens need an awareness throughout this year of the importance of reading to cope with technological advances, the knowledge explosion, social changes, and to assist in the alleviation of poverty and racial tensions.

This year in Texas the objective of National Library Week is to "cooperate with the Texas State Library in its efforts to implement the Library Systems Act." On March 20, 1969, a bill was approved "relating to the establishment, operation, and financing of a state library system consisting of a network of interrelated cooperating library systems designed to provide adequate library facilities and services to the public ..." This "Library Systems Act" provides the foundation for bringing adequate library service to all Texans and access to the total resources of Texas libraries. Before March, 1969, Texas had not had a legal instrument through which it could provide State funds for library development. Since March, 1969, the instrumentality exists, but except for a small appropriation for basic personnel to lay the necessary groundwork, no funds are available to implement the provisions of the Act.

If Texas is to provide the proper climate for developing lifetime reading habits among her citizens, and if the State is to realize the economic, cultural and social benefits which accrue to an enlightened society, the Sixty-second Legislature meeting in Austin in 1971 must include significant funds in its appropriation bill for implementation of the Library Systems Act. Otherwise, the legislation becomes a splendid but empty gesture.

Those Leagues which have a consensus on libraries which would allow them to work for adequate funding of this Act will be especially interested in the flyers which will be available at State Convention. A sample is enclosed. The other Leagues may wish to distribute the flyers as a voters service project with appropriate publicity.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. William H. Watson
Mrs. William H. Watson
President, League of Women
Voters of Tarrant County

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Midland County



Midland, Texas

April 15, 1970

Dear Mrs. Jordan.

Enclosed is a copy of the questionnaire sent to George Mahon, which you asked me to send, when we talked about Voter's Guide publication.

We have no primary contests for the May 2 election, but voters here seem to rely on the Guide anyway, so we will publish one on the 26th.

I'd be interested to know what the Lubbock League does to drum up interest in a no-contest election - so far I haven't hatched any new ideas on that!

Sincerely,

Marion Fisher

April 25, 1970

Marion Fisher
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Fisher:

Thank you for the copy of the questionnaire sent to George Mahon. It will certainly come in handy when we interview him this year. We just got an assignment from State which says it is the Lubbock League's responsibility to contact him this year. I am planning to do so, if at all possible, when I attend National Convention next week.

Our Voter Service activity has been primarily centered around participating in Party Primary Precinct Meetings. We have had a series of unit meetings this past week in which members were encouraged to get active in the party of their choice. We pointed out that this was a good time to get involved if they wanted to have a real voice during the Presidential primaries.

We have been circulating Voter's Guides -- the ones from State -- and hope that we will have a good turnout next week. At this point, we all are a little weary of elections -- with School Board and City Council ones just over and a run-off in the City Council race scheduled in two weeks.

Some members of the Voter's Service Committee set up a mock voting demonstration at a recent Chicano Convention. They spent all afternoon (1-4p.m.) and were able to process thirty (30) persons. Quite a few others watched the demonstration but it all goes to prove that a lot of work is needed in Voter Education.

Thank you again for sending the questionnaire results.

Sincerely Yours,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
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C.c. Mrs. G. H. Stoddard



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March 21, 1970

Dear Beulah,

This is the Airline schedule I was referring to on the phone Thursday:

For Saturday:

From Amarillo to Dallas:

Leave 9:40 a.m., Continental 198 (through Lubbock)	Arrive Dallas	11:10
→ Leave 9:50 a.m., Braniff 165 (" ")	Arrive "	11:29 ^{48 RT}
Leave 10:45 a.m., Braniff 275 (non stop)	Arrive "	11:43

(I plan to take one of the first two flights)

From Dallas to New York:

Leave 12:30 p.m., American 98 (non stop)	Arrive N.W. (JFK)	4:27
→ Leave 12:30 p.m., Braniff 4 (non stop)	Arrive N.Y. (JFK)	4:29 ^{87.00}
Leave 12:25 p.m., Braniff 14 (one stop)	Arrive Newark, NJ	5:12

There are two TWA flights leaving at 9:15 from Amarillo. One goes through Chicago to Laguardia and arrives at 4:30 p.m. The other Lands in Newark at 3:58 after three stops. However, there is no way for me to get to Amarillo by that time unless I come up on Friday. The other options seem much preferable, because these flights don't give us much advantage on arrival time in N.Y.

My preference would be to take Braniff all the way - so we wouldn't have to switch airlines -- there seems to be no way of avoiding switching planes. If we go that way, you could either take Braniff 165 and we could ride to Dallas together, or you could take Braniff 275 while I took 165 and we could meet in Dallas. Let me know your thinking on this.

For Sunday:

From Amarillo to Dallas:

Leave 6:20 a.m., Continental 180 (through Lubbock)	Arrive Dallas	7:50
Leave 6:20 a.m., Braniff 167 (" ")	Arrive "	7:59

From Dallas to New York:

Leave 8:40 a.m., Braniff 2 (non stop)	Arrive N.Y. (JFK)	12:30 p.m.
Leave 9:00 a.m., American 82 (non stop)	Arrive N.Y. (JFK)	12:51 p.m.

I agree that this would be cutting things a little close, so let's plan on the Saturday departure, unless something unexpected comes up.

For Friday:

From Washington to Dallas

Leave 3:10 p.m. from Dulles, Braniff 15	Arrive Dallas	5:19
Leave 4:30 p.m. from Baltimore, American 323	Arrive Dallas	6:27
Leave 7:20 p.m. from Dulles, Braniff 17	Arrive Dallas	7:25 ^{9:25}
Leave 5:25 p.m. from National, Braniff 115	Arrive Dallas	8:43

From Dallas to Amarillo (by way of Lubbock)

Leave Dallas 7:00 p.m., Braniff 168	Arrive Lub.	7:56, Amar. 11:45
Leave Dallas 10:15 p.m., Braniff 178	" "	11:10, Amar. 11:58

If you decide to come home by way of Dallas, there is no alternative than to come through Lubbock.

There are some other alternatives for you:

Leave National at 5:00 p.m., TWA 407 to Kansas City, arrive KC at 7:40
Leave Kansas City at 8:00 p.m., TWA 437 to Amarillo, Arrive 10:25

or Leave National at 2:40 p.m., American 611 to O'Hare, Chicago Arrive Chig. 3:35
Leave Chicago at 4:35 p.m., TWA 339 to Amarillo, Arrive 7:36

If you ~~took~~ the one that Leave National at 5:00, I would probably take the ~~National~~ flight that leaves at 5:25 from National and gets in here at 11:10.

If you want to take the American 611 flight, I can take it too and stay on the plane. It goes on to Dallas and makes connections with the Braniff flight that comes in to Lubbock at 7:56.

It looks like we have several options on the return. In the workbook, on page 4 it indicates travel time to National ($\frac{1}{2}$ hour), Dulles ($1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.) and Baltimore (45 minutes). It is a little unclear if they mean from the hotel on the first two, but the last one is definitely from a downtown terminal. Duane thinks we will have to go by cab to some downtown terminal for all of them.

If we decide to try to make the Braniff 168 flight that leaves Dallas at 2:00, we have a choice between the flight from Dulles at 3:10 or from Baltimore at 4:30. Leaving at 3:10 from Dulles might mean that we wouldn't be able to stay until the end of the Friday sessions at 1:00. Another one of those close cutting situations. If we leave from Baltimore at 4:30, we would have to switch airlines.

If we decide to take the Braniff 178 flight, that leaves Dallas at 10:15, we have a choice between the flight from National at 5:25 or the one from Dulles at 7:20. The one from National would take less time from hotel to airport and might possibly make it possible to go on the afternoon tours. We would have an hour and a half wait in Dallas. If we go from Dulles, we would have the longer drive, but certainly enough time for the afternoon tours, and we would only have to wait in Dallas for 50 minutes.

If you decide to take the TWA flight that leaves National at 5:00, you would get home an $1\frac{1}{2}$ earlier than by coming through Dallas on Braniff. It would also allow you a leisurely "get-away" but not enough time for afternoon tours.

The American flight that leaves National at 2:40 would be a little easier to work out in terms of time after the 1:00 p.m. adjournment time.

From here, it look like our best choices would be either that American flight that would make it relatively easy to get to the airport and would get us back home at a good hour, or the flight from Dulles at 7:20 on Braniff that would make it possible for us to go on the tours and cut down on the waiting time in Dallas. It does get us in rather late on Friday. Let me know your thinking on this.

The information on hotels arrived yesterday from New York. Duane looked in his AAA travel guide and nixed two of those listed. They may be recommended by League, but not the AAA. In addition, the prices look better or at least as good for a room with two beds for two in the AAA hotels than the others. At this point it leaves the Hotel Biltmore and the Hotel Roosevelt. There are some other AAA hotels in the same area - some a little closer to the airport terminal on the East Side. Duane wants to check the subway map tomorrow, which may give an advantage to the Biltmore or the Roosevelt over those closer to the air line terminal. All are within a few blocks of the UN building. If you have no objections, I will just go ahead and make reservations - by phone thanks to the PO department - at the place that seems best to us. My preference is for one on the list, just because there might be a chance that more League people will be staying there.

After reading this over, I have the sinking feeling that the airlines might change flights on us -- and there goes all my efforts as anovice travel agent. If the Texas mail people go on strike, I guess we will have to resort to the phone.

Until then, lets hope for the best -- and a little less snow -- thre times in a week is a little much for March.

as ever

PSS. Duane has just looked this over, and realized for the first time that the Chicago stop is part of that American flight. Something he hadn't spotted in his go-through of the schedule. Boy, do I feel smug. Anyway, he says we should try to avoid Chicago, so that puts a different light on that flight.

He discouraged me from taking that Braniff Flight 178 that gets in so late, because it is often cancelled! So that puts us back to the 3:10 flight from Dulles or the 4:30 flight from Baltimore. He says the drive on the bus out to Dulles is worth missing a few minutes of the last session. I have no way of judging on that. The transfer from American to Braniff (if we go the Baltimore route) could be a bit tense, so at this point it looks like the Braniff 15 and Braniff 168 flights are the ones I will want to take. Guess we better make a decision on this fairly soon, so that we can get our reservations made for the tours.

← habit!
Monday morning, March 9, 1970

Dear Carolyn,

A quick note before another action-packed week gets underway!

I think that I'm cross with Senator Blanchard!! Our paper up here carried an excellent story about the public hearing on environmental control held in Lubbock March 5th.

Our paper's reporter also mentioned your statement and it sounded as if it was intelligently prepared and well presented (natch!). But he also mentioned what sounded to me like a "put-down" response from the Senator...something about League members starting to help by not throwing gum wrappers out car windows! If that's what happened, it certainly lowers my opinion of Senator Blanchard!

I've thought quite a bit about our telephone conversation that got into discussion about the State Board slate for this year. Mostly, I appreciate your faith in me...along with so many others. Without doubt, this is the strangest situation I have ever been in. I suppose the thing that really could upset me is the fact that I held my tongue, cultivated an unusual amount of patience, and attempted to keep a lid on the personal animosity of a couple of people here in Amarillo....poor Cleo Elkins, the President, was a pawn.

It's seldom mentioned here anymore, but local Board members are still furious with the few State Board members who actually helped build the situation. As one of them said to Ruth Joor, "We didn't know we had a problem until the State Board told us we did". Actually, the local Board did have a problem, but didn't know it and I wasn't about to tell them since it was directed at me, and I'd decided I'd just grow a thick skin and ignore it. Interestingly enough, as time has gone by, we've found that Polly Moss' niece here had a great deal to do with the smear campaign. Oh, well.....the only people who don't attract some kind of response are the ones who just stay home all the time and scrub floors!!

There's been some concern about Ruth Martin serving on the SB again. I turn the comments aside as gently as possible...but she has no contact with this League and hasn't had for a long time. Think she's been to 2 meetings during the past year. That's sad for her service at the state level means nothing one way or the other to the membership. Nova Foote said when she first joined the League here, she wondered who Ruth Martin was for a long time before she finally met her. Well...an experienced Program VP is a tremendous asset to a new President, so it's good that she was asked to continue. But her membership in a local League is a mighty slim thread.

Enough of that....once in awhile I could get a little bitter about walking so innocently into a mess like this was up here..... but most of the time I remember it was "just one of those things" and involved people who lack in maturity. And 99½ % of League members are still great people!

Saw the notice of your annual meeting in last Sunday's (week-before-last, I guess) paper. How intelligent the planning that brought Arch Lamb to discuss voting machines!! The punch card/computer

system seems to be working very well in Randall County. There have been some "bugs" to work out, but they've been mostly in the area of the human factor. Potter County continues to use the lever machines.

Don't know whether this information is in Lubbock's files anywhere... but the salesman for the lever machines told me at the time the issue was on the ballot in Lubbock (same fall it was voted on in these two counties up here).....that the only things that allowed passage in Potter and Randall counties was the fact that the bonding company that was going to supply the money for the purchases (if it carried) insisted that the voting for the machines, and the voting for the warehouse to store them, be carried as separate issues.

The vote for the machines carried (though not overwhelmingly) and the issue for funding a warehouse lost. After the election was over, one of the Commissioners in the 2 counties said that they really didn't need the warehouse anyhow, but thought they might as well put that amount in while the issue was being voted on!

They probably wouldn't have done it if they'd known the issue was going to be split into the 2 different expenses.

This could be something to watch for if there's any discussion in Lubbock County about including the cost of storage space for the machines. People up here now vote as if they've always had the machines rather than paper ballots, and seem to have forgotten it was "controversial" some 8 years ago.

As of now...I plan to go to Convention in Houston. My mother is coming to visit us soon....it will soon be a year since my father died and she wants to be away from Greeley. I've written her that I'll need to be gone a few days in April, and I think she'll understand. She and Bob have always enjoyed each other's company...but if a choice has to be made, I wouldn't hesitate to choose family instead of LWV.

We're past the half-way mark in our Finance Drive....and thank goodness, we have a Finance Chairman for next year. I've never served as Chairman of a Finance Committee before...ver-r-r-y interesting! Every League should have a Tila Bowers!

I do hope that you will be able to go to Washington in May. "ational Conventions are simply tremendous - Texas has a good State Convention, but the dimensions can't be the same, of course. Tell Duane we'll take good care of you....I'm pretty cautious about my own safety even in Amarillo!

I've been trying to get down to Lubbock for weeks...seems like a long time since I've done any visiting down there. Am also involved up here with an ad hoc committee of our church studying current literature at all levels in the SS classes.

We're fine..and hope that you and your family are, too. Hope to talk with you again beofre State Convention time. I've written Betty to wish her well in the School Board election. Hope she's elected! She'd be a top-notch School Board member.

You couldn't possibly have time to read another page...so I'll quit!

As ever,

Deulah

[REDACTED]
January 30, 1970

Mrs. Duane Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

Some of us in the Houston League are interested in finding out about the transportation situation in Lubbock. We would particularly like to know:

- a) Do you feel there is a transportation problem in your city? *Yes*
- b) Do you feel that your present mass transit system (busses, etc.) is adequate? *No*
- c) Is your league presently doing, or have you in the past done, any study related to mass transit systems or transportation in general? *No*
- d) Is your league interested in doing a study of mass transit and would you be willing to support mass transit as a state program item? *No at this time*

Thank you for your time and consideration in responding.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Earl Stephens

Mrs. Earl Stephens



February 25, 1970

Mrs. Earl Stephens
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Stephens:

Your letter of January 30 regarding transportation was discussed at our recent Board meeting. In answer to your specific questions:

1. Yes, we do feel there is a transportation problem in our city.
2. No, we do not feel that our present mass transit system is adequate. In fact, our present system consists of busses which are run by a private firm. In a recent statement to the City Council, they indicated that they would not be able to continue to run the company under present conditions. They have suggested that the City buy the equipment and their company would in turn run the service. Even so, there is great difficulty for a person to use this only form of public transportation to get from one part of town to another. A great deal of improvement in service is needed. At this time, the City is taking the bus company's suggestion under advisement.
3. No, our League has not done nor is it doing any study on mass transit or transportation.
4. There was some interest in possibly studying mass transit or at least transportation. However, it appears to be more of a local than a state item to us at this time. We do think that this is a potential study area, and possibly in the future we would be willing to support it as an item -- but not this year. We wondered if it could not be considered as one aspect of Environmental Quality - somewhere down the line when we finish the areas of water, land use, and air quality.

We hope this information will be helpful to you in your considerations.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
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VOTER'S DIGEST

presented by: THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

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January 15, 1970

Dear League President:

You are undoubtedly aware that your community is one of sixty-seven receiving programs originating at KTVT in Fort Worth-Dallas via the Community Antenna System (CATV). VOTER'S DIGEST is a weekly half-hour program presented as a public service by KTVT. It is produced by the Leagues of Women Voters of Dallas, Denton, Garland, Irving, Richardson, and Tarrant County. For the past six years since VOTER'S DIGEST first went on the air there has been full cooperation and an excellent working relationship between the Leagues and KTVT. The Leagues choose the subjects, invite the guests, and conduct the interviews on the air. KTVT provides the facilities and professional advice when asked.

Many of ^{the} our programs deal with some aspect of a national, state, or local study item. Others explore subjects in which the League has an interest but has not conducted an in-depth study. VOTER'S DIGEST strives to bring information rather than propaganda to the viewer and we seldom stress the League position or point of view. We believe that almost all of our programs would be of interest to your local League members.

Our friends at KTVT tell us that VOTER'S DIGEST is probably carried in your area at the same time it originates here--12:30 P.M. on Saturdays, September till June. We would very much appreciate your periodically reminding your League members that they can watch this League program. We would also welcome their comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Marty Stone

Mrs. Thomas Stone
TV Coordinator
LWV of Tarrant County

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Betsy Pontine
I have sent Sept / Oct
Voters. - Please
be sure she is on the
list
MRS. WILLIAM E. JOOR, President

Dear Carolyn,

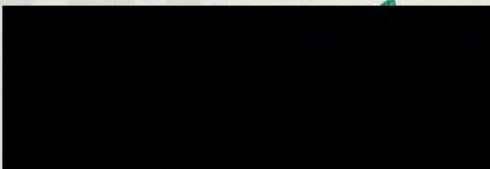
I was so glad to get to see you here in Dallas in August. Some of these days, perhaps, we'll really have time to chat and get acquainted. Things always seem so busy in the League that often just getting to know someone is difficult.

I heard of your excellent report in the VOTER about the Dallas conference and realized that for some reason I was not getting your Lubbock VOTER. Helen Duckworth had forwarded some to me early in the summer, but she is no longer doing so. I have always thought you had one of the best in the state and have enjoyed reading them in the past. Is it possible to get me put back on the mailing list and to send me a back copy of the VOTER concerned with the August meeting? I would really appreciate it.

Very truly yours,

Barbara

Mrs. Ralph I. Bubis



[REDACTED]
September 20, 1969

Mrs. Donald Tankersley
[REDACTED]

Dear Liz,

I checked the VR file, but did not find any skits that I can send on to you. I remember a lively skit that was given several years ago, but do not have the script. One Leaguers sat at a voter registration table to register voters. As one person after another came to register, they were turned away for various reasons, such as not meeting residence requirements. Of course they were disgruntled. In this way, the pertinent VR information was given.

I do not know of an expert in your area to use as a speaker. Mrs. Mary Kate Wall, Director of Elections Division, office of the Texas Secretary of State, is excellent, but it is unlikely that she could be free to go so far from Austin. (Don't you envy those Austin Leaguers with all the experts and go-see tours at their finger tips?) I'm sorry that I can not give you more specific help.

I hope you will let me know what you do. Your League is so creative that you may be able to share your good ideas with other Leagues who need help.

Sincerely,

Mary Beth

cc: Carolyn Jordan

Liz!

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May 4, 1969

Mrs. Donald Tankersley

Dear Mrs. Tankersley:

I am sorry that I could not find very much material in my file to help you. This item has been with us longer than most of our state program items, and since there has been no new study for quite a while, there is no current material. I am sending a resume of legislation and and League action in this field. Also I am including the body of a speech given before the House Election Laws Study Committee in October 1968. I gleaned the information for it from various older statements and a recent National League publication, Get Ready to Vote!

When the League first arrived at positions following its study of Voter Registration, we said that we favored "permanent" registration. Use of this word proved to be a mistake because there is strong feeling against permanent registration in Texas. Many people who misunderstand its meaning seem to imagine that we could vote everyone in the graveyard with this system. Also there are those who oppose making voting easy and convenient. Realizing its mistake, the League dropped the use of the word "permanent". We have supported "re-registration by voting" and "biennial registration" for the last two legislative sessions, and I think we should continue to use those terms. Recently there has been a great deal of discussion of the driver's license system. We can use this analogy when explaining our position as this is something everyone knows about and can understand.

In addition to the enclosed material, refer to the recent Time for Action notices on SJR 13 for more background on Voter Registration.

If I can be of further help to you please let me know.

I am looking forward to meeting you next week.

Sincerely,

Mrs. John Brient

cc: Mrs. Duane Jordan

*Hi Carolyn -
I have my
ticket, and Jim set to leave
next week. I am really
looking forward to
it!
Mary Beth*

August 26, 1969

Mrs. A. J. Nutter
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Nutter:

Enclosed you will find the publication that resulted from the League's study on planning and zoning in Lubbock. As you will note, this study was completed over five years ago, but we are finding that the City has yet to respond to many of our suggestions.

We wish you well in your study and hope you find this booklet helpful. It is yours to keep.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
[REDACTED]



August 23, 1969
Pasadena LWV

To: President, Lubbock League of Women Voters

Subject: Request for Information on Planning and Zoning

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

The Pasadena League of Women Voters has selected land use in relation to planning and zoning for the local study item this year.

We are interested in locating a league that has completed a study along these lines. Have you published any brochures or guides related to this subject?

We will appreciate any help or information you may have.

Sincerely,

Audrey W. Nutter
Audrey W. Nutter
LWV Local Program

Mrs. A. J. Nutter
[REDACTED]

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October 23, 1969

Mrs. William G. DePierri, Jr.
League of Women Voters of Baytown
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. DePierri:

We have appreciated your letters in regard to State Program Making and the Permanent State Office.

At our most recent rounds of Unit Meetings our members discussed both and I thought you would be interested in the outcome.

In regard to the Permanent State Office, our League took a position two years ago in support of such an office, preferably in Austin, and to be set up as soon as financially feasible. We felt it should perform its present functions and it should be in a place where it could have the PR value of being where the public and legislators could find it easily, i.e. Austin. In our most recent discussions, our members reaffirmed their position.

We too are in agreement that we should not overload ourselves with new program items in this coming year. However, we are suggesting that we do state-wide studies on Water (primarily the Texas Water Plan) and Human Resources (as suggested by the group that met in Dallas). Our feelings were that these would not be new items, since they have been with us on a national level for some time, but rather they would be a state focus on these national items that would make the implementation of our National positions more meaningful.

We thank you for your suggestions in these areas and wish you to know that your ideas were taken into consideration in our decision making.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President, LWV of Lubbock
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League of Women Voters of Baytown

BOX 177

BAYTOWN, TEXAS 77520



September 23, 1969

Dear League President:

Through coorespondence with Mrs. Ramey, convention chairman, we have learned that no time has been scheduled on the convention agenda for discussing the permanent state office location.

Whether you favor Dallas or Austin as the sie, we hope you agree that sufficient time should be allowed for the entire convention to discuss this most important piece of business.

Mrs. Joor has asked me to meet with her and Mrs. Ramey after the budget meeting in Houston on September 29 to discuss the agenda.

If you want time allowed for discussion, please write to the state office before Sept. 29 so they will know the will of the membership.

Many thanks to those of you who replied to my previous letter. Please note our new box number which was not on that letter. The post office sometimes forwards them and sometimes not, so perhaps some of you letters have been lost. My apologies for any inconvenience this has coused you.

To date I have had replies from Dallas, Tarrant County, Galveston and La Marque.

Sincerely yours,

Ellen DePierri, President
(Mrs. Wm. G. DePierri, Jr.)



League of Women Voters of Baytown

BOX 177

BAYTOWN, TEXAS 77520



August 28, 1969

Dear League President:

We have held our First Round State Program-Making meeting and ask that you consider our recommendation.

We feel it would be difficult to adequately complete a study of a new item in one year and that this affords an excellent opportunity for "catching up". The State Board and local Leagues could spend the year in an all out effort for community education of the need to revise the Texas Constitution or on any other part of the State Program which your League has not had time to cover sufficiently.

We ask that you consider this recommendation and give us your support.

Yours very truly,

Ellen De Pierri

Mrs. W. G. DePierri, Jr.
President



League of Women Voters of Baytown

BOX 3105

BAYTOWN, TEXAS 77520



July 25, 1969

Dear President:

The League of Women Voters of Baytown believes that while a permanent state office is a necessary and desirable objective, we cannot afford it at this time; we further believe that when a permanent state office is established, it should be located in Austin.

We hope your League agrees with us and will support our move at Convention this spring. We plan the following:

- I. A request for sufficient time on the agenda for debate on this important matter.
- II. A request to Joan Ramey, Chairman of the PSO Board committee, to include in her cost comparison report (due in November) a cost estimate on a legislative office in Austin, which would be necessary if the state office were in Dallas.

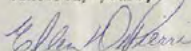
In support of our stand we offer the following arguments:

1. We cannot afford the big additional expense of a permanent state office at a time when we are skimping on other things.
2. The Public relations value of a PSO cannot be overlooked. In fact this is a prime reason for establishing a PSO. The League is an organization concerned with government and should be visible in the state capitol, thus making us accessible to legislators and other governmental officials, and vice-versa.
3. Location in Austin would eliminate the need for a separate legislative office.
4. While Austin is not the center of League population, it does have a sufficient number of members to draw upon within reasonable travelling distance for staffing the office and Board.
5. Texas is a large state which cannot be reasonably compared with any other state. Distances from state capitals to center of League population are much smaller in other states. Austin is roughly the geographical center of the state, located approximately midway between the three largest cities in Texas.

6. The Houston-Gulf Coast area has the largest League population and convenience to these Leagues should not be overlooked in selecting a PSO site. Austin is 160 miles from Houston, Dallas is 240 miles.
7. The dangers of an office employee running the organization have been exaggerated. Areas of responsibility can be clearly defined. Hired personnel can be fired.

Please let us know if you agree with us. Any suggestions or criticisms will be welcomed.

Sincerely yours,



Ellen DePierri
(Mrs. Wm. G. DePierri, Jr.)

[REDACTED]
September 17, 1969

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

At this late date I still want to thank you so very much for sending copies of "Lubbock Handbook" and "Program Handbook" to me. I am finding the "Handbook" most helpful as I work on a member handbook for Tarrant County LWV.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Strom

Mrs. Hubert Strom

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August 15, 1969

Mrs. Hubert Strom
Membership Chairman
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Strom:

Enclosed you will find a copy of our Membership Handbook and a copy of our Program Handbook. We give both to new members and update the Program Handbook for all members on an annual basis.

Your letter arrived while I was on vacation. Please forgive me for the late response. We hope these materials will be an aid to you in your endeavor. We would appreciate having a copy of your booklet when it is complete.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane P. Jordan
President
League of Women Voters of Lubbock
[REDACTED]



[REDACTED]
August 7, 1969

Mrs. Duane Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

We are considering compiling a new member booklet or handbook for our Tarrant County League. I understand that your League has put out the Lubbock Handbook. I would like to have a copy of it. I will be happy to pay for any expense entailed in your mailing it to me. Please mail it to me at the above address.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Strom

Mrs. Hubert Strom
Membership Chairman
League of Women Voters
of Tarrant County



THE PROVISIONAL
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GARLAND
4022 LONGLEAF DR.
GARLAND, TEXAS 75040

JUN 6 1969

June 5, 1969

Mrs. Duane Jordan, President
League of Women Voters
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

In making our Know Your Town Survey we would like to cover adequately but not in depth a problem that has been with this city over 20 years. In Garland there are two sources of electric power, a municipally owned company and Texas Power and Light Company.

You may have read in the past year or so that some of the Garland city ordinances governing the power companies were declared unconstitutional. Negotiations between the two companies have been going on, but as yet no agreement has been publicized. We are hoping that you have some information that will help to give us a more objective view of this sort of situation, as we have been informed that your city also has two sources of power and that there seems to be no problem there.

This is still a very controversial situation here, and in order to neither gloss over the whole thing nor to find ourselves in the middle of the conflict, we would like to know more of how other cities are operating.

If you do not have information already available, we are not asking you to add more work to what we know is already a crowded schedule, but we surely would appreciate whatever light you might shed on our problem.

Very truly yours,

Sue Heaberlin

Mrs. Charles L. Heaberlin
President

CC: State

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June 10, 1969

Mrs. Charles L. Heaberlin, President
Provisional League of Women Voters of Garland
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Heaberlin:

I am enclosing a recent clipping to illustrate that Lubbock does have a problem with our two power companies. The difficulty lies in the fact that expansion of the public facilities depends on approval of bond issues. Bond issues have been defeated twice within the last year and a half. Current proposals include the suggestion that the public power company "divorce itself" from politics and be run by a public utilities commission. So you can see, from the standpoint of a trouble-free situation, we in Lubbock have no room to talk.

However, from our handbook on local government, the following excerpt might be of help to you in serving as a guide as you write your Know Your Town Survey.

"The Lubbock Power and Light Company is administered by the Public Utilities Division of the city of Lubbock. ... The Lubbock Power and Light and Water Company is financed by the sale of electricity and water. The revenues are used for debt retirement, for operating the utilities, and for the general fund. Of the total city general revenue funds, 17.4% comes from electric revenues and 18.2% comes from water revenues... The State of Texas does not regulate municipal utilities; this is left to the discretion of the city. The City Council determines utility rates for water and electricity... A comprehensive plan, projected for 15 years, has been drawn for the city's utility needs. This plan is updated every five years. A feasibility study to determine future needs and timing for additional electric generation facilities is to be completed soon... The water collection and the electric collection offices were combined in 1964 to eliminate duplication of purchasing and accounting procedures. The department services bills for 60,905 electric and water meters monthly...

"ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT: Electricity is generated within the city at three municipal power plants. Five steam-turbo generating units supply approximately 64% of the total generation. The Holly Avenue Station (completed in 1965, has both a steam-turbo generator and a gas-turbo generator), supplies approximately 35% of the total power required by Lubbock Power and Light customers. The diesel department is used for standby purposes to provide peaking and/or emergency power. An auxiliary function of the diesel department is to staff and maintain a machine shop which serves all city departments requiring metal or machine work.

"Electric revenues total approximately \$4,780,000 or 29.4% of the total 1965-66 budget. Of the electric revenues, 15.6% goes to electric debt services, 26.9% to general fund, and 57.5% to electrical operations. The appropriations for electric promotion was increased approximately 22% over the past year. The electric promotion budget of \$143,166.00 for 1965-66 is designed to provide a more aggressive promotion and advertising program for Lubbock Power and Light Company.

"The Electric Utility Board consults on policies, practices, rates, services, and future planning for expansion of service of Lubbock Power and Light system.

"The Texas Utilities Company began electric service in Lubbock in 1915. This company served Palinvew, Lubbock and Lockney. The Southwestern Public Service Company was the first independent operating company to come out of the Holding Company Act in 1942. The Lubbock Municipal Power and Light System began service in January, 1916. Diesel engines and generators produced the necessary kilowatts until 1949 when the first steam-turbo generators were installed.

"The Lubbock Power and Light Company has approximately 1,120 miles of distribution circuits, 16 substations, and 26 miles of transmission line."

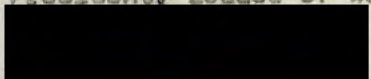
It has occured to me, while typing the above, that this article which appeared on May 21, more fully explains the problems as they exist now in Lubbock. I would appreciate it if you would return this clipping, because I will need it in my files to answer questions when this thing comes up again for discussion or a possible vote.

Keep in mind that our Local Handbook came out in the Fall of 1966, so it is already out of date, in some respects.

I wish you well in your efforts to write your survey and become a League in full standing. Let me know if I can be of further help to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Duane Jordan
President, League of Women Voters of Lubbock



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June 13, 1969

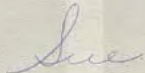
Mrs. Duane Jordan, President
League of Women Voters
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Dear Carolyn:

You're an angel! We were so happy to receive your prompt and most helpful reply to our request for information. It seems the problem in Lubbock is very similar to the one in Garland. Your clippings are enclosed. Hope you don't mind the tape; I ran them through a copying machine and had to shorten some. They were both enlightening.

It surely is a great morale builder to know there are such co-operative leaguers around, and we appreciate your kind wishes.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Charles L. Heaberlin
President

CC: State



League of Women Voters

P. O. BOX 5053
BEAUMONT, TEXAS

April 21, 1969

Mrs. Duane Jordan
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. Jordan:

Our league has felt a need to find some means of bringing our old and new members up-to-date on all three levels of its program.

In the August 1968 issue of "Give and Take" I read about your League's answer to this problem in the publication of your "Program Handbook."

I would certainly appreciate your furnishing me with a copy of this pamphlet if at all possible so that perhaps our League can try a similar idea.

I hope some day we can reciprocate the favor.

Sincerely,

Mrs. B. J. McGinnis

Mrs. B. J. McGinnis
1st Vice President

Send to:
[REDACTED]



April 30, 1969

Mrs. B. J. McGinnis
[REDACTED]

Dear Mrs. McGinnis:

Enclosed, one copy of the Lubbock League's Program Handbook. I am soory it took so long to get this on its way, but we find these copies are scarcer than "hen's teeth" these days. I guess this is the measure of their success. No one wants to part with them.

We have plans to update this again this year. Copies will again go to each member and we have found them most useful for the new and prospective members.

A note on the format. Typing stencils to get this staggered effect was not too difficult, but it was necessary to have a "dummy" to work with. We folded blank papers, then margined off the available space and typed sections until they fit. Typing from this dummy onto the stencils was not a problem. We just un-stapled and made sure we got the right sections on the right stencil. Our mimeographer held her breath until we started to assemble, but it all went together without a snag. We have since purchased some sheets that keep the machine from letting ink go onto the backs of the pages - something for slip-sheeting, but I'm not sure of the name. We hope it will give our next batch a neater appearance.

We do hope this will be of ~~help~~ to you. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

mMrs. Duane P. Jordan
President
[REDACTED]

P.S. I am also inclosing some unassembled sheets that may give you a better idea of what was involved in the typing and assembling process.



June 10, 1969

League of Women Voters of Texas
[REDACTED]

Dear Office:

I don't mean to appear flip - but I'm not sure that this needs to come to the attention of Ruth Joor - and I am soory that I don't know any other names at the office.

Please increase the Standing Orders for the Lubbock League to seventeen (17). As of April 1969 we were listed as having fifteen(15).

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Mrs. Duane Jordan
President, LSV OF LUBBOCK
[REDACTED]

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MEMORANDUM FROM:

League of Women Voters of Texas

1841 BINGLE ROAD • HOUSTON, TEXAS 77055

TO:

Dear Carolyn:

Just a note to wish all of you well at National Program Area Workshop next Thursday, and to tell you I would like to be there. However that is the last day of State Board Meeting so I will be in Houston.

I will be watching for reports of the Meeting.

Regards to you and all Leaguers,
Ruth Martin

June 13, 1969

Dear Betty:

I have been wanting to write you since I saw the publicity about your visit to Amarillo and send you a copy of the write-up in our local newspaper. However, with pre-Board and post-Board affairs, plus the actual Board meeting last week, there just hasn't been a time for one extra letter. I am enclosing the article.

I was, and am, so disappointed that I did not get to see you and hear your report of the Utah Water conference. But, the fact is, I knew nothing about it until I saw your photograph in the paper. The Amarillo April VOTER mentioned there would be a meeting on Water May 8 and that we would be called re details. Somehow the telephone committee missed me, much to my regret. I do hope that you get to come back soon and that I have better luck next time in knowing about it.

We are having delightful weather in the Panhandle. Very little hot weather--in fact the nights are mostly coat or sweater type--and good rains nicely spaced to keep things green and growing. And, so far, no hail of damaging size and quantity.

Best wishes and give me a call whenever you get to Amarillo.

Sincerely,

Ruth Martin

cc- State Office
Carolyn Jordan

*Hi, Carolyn - from your VOTERS it seems the Lubbock League is staying busy and functioning fine. I am always impressed with the excellent program material that is included. Your May issue is an excellent example with its ~~the~~ information on the Human Resources item. Have a nice summer.
Ruth*