



Chess And Politics

There's a similarity between international politics and chess and these League members abandon their chess game to get into another, international and national politics. Mrs. Augustus Rose III looks at a pamphlet on "U.S.-China Relations," the League's international study. Mrs. Warren T. Shallies reads a paper on "Clean Water," a national study item; and Mrs. Gordon K. Anderson, national program chairman, studies contemporary China.

Know Your Government

Travel with League

Traveling in high gear ever since receiving its official status in April 1963 is the Torrance League of Women Voters.

The purpose of the League is to promote political responsibility through active participation of citizens in government. Mrs. James van Oppen, president, pointed out that the League works in two ways to achieve its purpose: Program—local, state and national; and Voters Service.

"Our pace of summer League activities for board members may well exceed posted speed limits," said the League president. "In order to launch a year's program much careful planning is necessary."

For the League president and her board there have been area workshops, calendar preparation, summer board meetings, committee meetings, and a semblance of relaxed summer living.

Mrs. Donald F. Meade, program coordinator, has learned to adjust sights with ease from the local scene, to the state, and then to national.

Mrs. William Geissert is mapping plans for the local study item, "Torrance City Planning." The state study item, "Financing Government in California" is being guided by Mrs. George Rothman. Plotting the course for the second year of the national study, "U.S.-China Relations," is Mrs. Gordon Anderson.

Voters Service is being piloted by Mrs. William Birdsall, who says that distribution of the newly published "Facts for Voters" is just beginning.

During the coming year, she will be involved in preparing candidates' questionnaires, arranging candidates' meetings, supervising voter registration, conducting voters' education, preparing prog and cons, and distributing league publications.

Flying low over city council, municipal commissions and the Board of Education are League observers. Mrs. L. B. Farrell is local affairs chairman and Mrs. W. F. Barnes is observer chairman, who agreed that the purpose of observing is to keep members informed on all phases of local government.

Mrs. Donald Vannorsdall is serving as League membership chairman and invites all women of voting age to join the League and participate in its diverse activities.

Going Places with League of Women Voters



Distribute Pamphlets

"Facts for Voters" is the title of the newly-published pamphlet by the League of Women Voters and distribution has just begun. First to receive the pamphlets was City Hall where a supply was left for the public. Delivering the material are from left, Mmes. Burt Belzer and C. Verwanger. They are being accepted by Miss Bonnie Hagan, secretary in the city clerk's office.

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Up, Up and Away

As balloons ascending in the air, membership of the League of Women Voters has ballooned since its organization in 1963. From left, Mmes. Wayne Logan, James van Oppen, president, and Don Vannorsdall, membership chairman, demonstrate how the membership is expected to "ascend" during the coming new year.

Women of Voting Age Invited

Membership Coffee

On Sept. 20 at 8:30 a.m. at La Casita, Bullock's Fashion Square, the League of Women Voters will sponsor a Membership Coffee designed to acquaint prospective members with the non-partisan group's plans for the coming year.

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Guest speakers will be Mrs. Peter Grassi of the Democratic County Central Committee and Mrs. Manley Natland, representing the Republican County Central Committee.

All women of voting age are invited to attend the coffee.



An Eye on The State

How the state of California is financed will get the attention of the Voter League as their state study item for the year. Mrs. H. Arch Williams, Jr. (center) reads the fine print on a copy of the state budget as Mrs. James E. Pierson, left takes notes and Mrs. Donald F. Heade, program coordinator, uses a slide rule on those big amounts.



Know Your City

"Torrance City Planning" is the new local study item for the League during the coming months. With the city in the background, these league members study a map of Torrance, from left, Mmes. William Geissert, chairman of the local study, Charles Dougherty and Robert E. Leavitt, press chairman.