

# 74 Candidates Seek Seats in New Council

Minneapolis voters will elect a complete 13-man city council on June 8.

It will be the first complete council elected under the terms of a charter change approved two years ago when the council was cut in half—from two aldermen in each ward to one.

Seventy-four candidates seek the 13 council seats for 2-year terms. They appear on Monday's primary election ballot.

Today's Voter's Guide presents the aldermanic candidates from wards one, two, three and four. The Minneapolis Tribune will publish all other municipal candidates in three more issues of the Voter's Guide on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

All of the material for these four Voter's Guides was collected and organized by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis.

The Citizens league asked each council candidate to answer a series of questions and to furnish biographical material.

In addition to biographical information and the answers to questionnaires, this year's Voter's Guide includes comments on the candidates made by the Candidate Review committee of the Citizens league as the result of candidate interviews.

These comments express the conclusions of a committee of representative citizens, drawn from the whole city, as to the candidate's knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the office sought and of the problems to be faced. Comments on training for the job also are included.

The Citizens league committee used a rating scale of excellent (1st), good (2nd), fair (3rd) and poor (4th). The committee concluded it could not attempt to rate candidates as to the very important qualities of integrity and judgment.

The committee's report emphasizes that even where a candidate is rated low on understanding or training, it does not mean that he could not—within a reasonable time—acquire competence if he has the personal characteristics and willingness to do so.

On the other hand, candidates rated excellent as to those qualities judged may, nevertheless, be undesirable because of—for example—lack of integrity. Voters must bear both of these facts in mind in using the comments and in determining for whom they will vote.

## First Ward

**FRED G. GOFF**, 33, 522 Third avenue NE., single. Graduate student at University of Minnesota. Active in Republican club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts. Actively supported new licensing ordinance proposed in 1953.

1. Transfer of the function to the city and establishment of a new department, or inclusion of the function in the city planning commission.

2. Revision of the zoning laws. Suggest that the Citizens league draft the proposals and present to the council for consideration. In this manner the council will be spared the routine research which the league can more easily handle with the reserve of experts at their command.

3. Yes, by revamping of the government structure and review of the administrative procedures.

4. I favor spending for capital improvements in the amount available in the treas-

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2. Do you have specific proposals as to zoning?
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4. Do you favor Minneapolis' spending more than now, the same as now, or less than now, for capital improvements? If more, how would you get the money to do this?
5. Would you favor or oppose a policy requiring that the city council vote no expenditures, such as the recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees, unless at the same time it has money on hand or in sight to pay for them?
6. In what circumstances should the council go to the legislature rather than to city voters for charter changes?
7. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
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9. Please state what you consider the most important issues in this aldermanic campaign?
10. Do you favor tenure for the chief of police?
11. How would you organize the new smaller city council to secure efficient operation?
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14. Do you have specific proposals as to taxicabs?
15. Do you have specific proposals as to traffic?

ury without further expansion of the tax system.

5. Unless money is available there should be no increases allowed. The government employee must realize that there is some sacrifice in working for government. This does not circumscribe his ability to seek other employment if he is dissatisfied. The responsibility for keeping employees will rest with the council, who must by good management see that proper funds are available.

6. Changes in the city charter should have the approval of the voters of the city of Minneapolis. I do not favor asking for legislative assistance except on those provisions which it must do so by constitutional requirement.

7. I favor the plan of licensing drafted by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis.

8. Yes. The local government operation could be reduced greatly and the efficiency improved with the aid of citizens advisory groups. Adoption of a new city charter to provide for a mayor-administrative assistant-council form of government. Maintenance of a separate school district free of control of



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the council. Removal from political control and provision of adequate personnel and establishment of a fair wage in the police department. Adoption of the licensing ordinance now before the council. Creation of a metropolitan agency to study the transit problem and develop co-operative means for providing a faster and more efficient system. Development of a metropolitan transportation agency to meet and solve the problems of mass transportation. Raising of the limit from 15 to 18 years for drivers' licenses. Revision of the city planning commission to provide for the creation of a sub-department to handle housing and redevelopment.

9. (1) Adoption of a new city charter. (2) Adoption of the new licensing ordinance. (3) Transfer of all administrative functions of the council to the mayor and provision of an administrative assistant to aid the mayor in administering the city departments.

10. Yes. There is no reason why the chief should be the pawn of any political group, since the FBI and other law enforcing agencies provide adequate criteria for selecting a qualified man for various policy positions.

11. Relegate to the council only the legislative functions. Leave to the mayor and an administrative assistant the present functions of the council committees in administration of city departments. This will give the council more time to deal with the important function of legislating the needs of the city.

12. Progressive.

13. Adoption of a plan similar

to the metropolitan commission to administer the transportation function. Use of advisory citizens groups and technical advisers to settle the transportation problem.

14. Attempt to make available to smaller agencies opportunity to compete with the chain companies by temporary relief in charges or area of operation.

15. Use of advisory groups and technical assistance to solve the traffic problem.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has good theoretical background but is weak in practical experience and training.

**JOHN U. NOREN**, 65, 2630 NE. Garfield street, married, three children. Electrician. One year of night school at University of Minnesota, one year military service. Active in Salem Covenant church, Broadway temple, D.A.V., and local 160, I.B.E.W.

1. Low rental units must be built. Federal aid or subsidy for poor people is inevitable.

2. Enough neighborhood parks.

3. Right, only after necessary financing. I believe in the construction of thoroughfares. Slum clearance with overpasses and more bridges for faster and safer traffic. Business to be encouraged to build in slum-cleared areas, with scenic parks and parking space. A commission should be appointed to study this problem. Architects and engineers and statistical analysts to be consulted. This is a must, if this city is to prosper.

4. I believe that we must spend more than now. But some federal aid I believe is available for some projects. I believe that the legislators should be pressed for more funds from the auto license fees. If we can attract business to locate here, farmers, industry and labor will prosper.

5. Absolutely no.

6. I believe that the average voter is unaware of the fact that our charter is antique and should be replaced with a modern up-to-date law. Legislative seems to be the only solution.

7. Licensing should be transferred to a citizens committee, eliminating collusion and favoritism and corrupting public officials by bribes. When it comes to liquor licenses, the people in the areas so affected should be told and given a chance to say if they want it or not.

8. Yes, as I have mentioned on previous questions. I also believe we should go on record with the legislators that we oppose personal property or inventory tax for business. It would greatly invite business to locate here.

9. Licensing procedures. Liquor control, street improvements. Work hard with all heads of departments and co-operate fully so machinery may function in unison.

10. If competent and efficient and well liked by the police force, his position should be secure.

11. This is one question that requires a lot of study and can't

be answered with a short statement.

12. The group with best business policy.

13. Did not answer.

14. Enough of them to take care of the needs.

15. Strict enforcement of traffic laws and maximum punishment for drunken driving.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had little training for the job.

**EUGENE E. STOKOWSKI**, 31, 503 Twenty-second avenue NE., single. Incumbent for past two years. University of Minnesota graduate, three years military service.



1. Pursue the redevelopment of the Glenwood area as well as the lower loop.

2. I believe in clear separation between industry and residence, our Northwest terminal being a good example of sound planning.

3. I favor a constant retiring of the public debt. The amount to be set each year in line with the amount of bonds due, the need of capital improvements and the general financial picture of the city and the community.

4. Proper capital improvements, such as lower loop redevelopment, pay for themselves by increasing property values and the economy of the city by providing better facilities and living conditions in Minneapolis.

5. We should anticipate the origin of funds before committing ourselves to an impossible program.

6. For technical and administrative changes. General policy questions should be decided by popular vote.

7. I favor a thorough investigation of our licensing procedures. We should modernize and improve our ordinances with fundamental changes to be decided on merit rather than pressure.

8. No.

9. Having a sound financial policy. Setting up a way of getting the converted streetcar lines repaved without delaying the matter for several years.

10. Keep the mayor responsible for law enforcement as provided by the city charter.

11. Limit the number of committees to about 12, with three or five men on each committee depending on the importance of each committee.

12. Liberal.

13. Complete conversion to buses.

14. Did not answer.

15. More one-way streets. More off-street parking. Improvement of trunk highways within the city limits.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. As the incumbent he has received good training for the job. Has

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worked on several important committees.

**CLIFFORD L. SWANSON**, 53, 1922 St. Anthony boulevard NE., married, one child. Retail coal and oil dealer. Served as first ward alderman from 1939 to 1951. University of Minnesota graduate, one year military service. Active in Central Avenue Commercial association, Northeast Lions club, St. Anthony Commercial club, Boy Scouts, Twin City Coal exchange. Author of council action directing Minneapolis housing authority to proceed with Glenwood redevelopment and housing project. Supported \$3,000,000 per year debt retirement program for city and mandatory 90-day workhouse sentence for selling beer or liquor without a license.

1. I believe that slum clearance and redevelopment of blighted areas should go hand in hand, and that sufficient public low-rent housing be provided for eligible dislocated families.

2. A practical and realistic zoning program.

3. Yes.

4. I would favor only such capital improvements that could be financed on a self-liquidating basis, such as water, sewer, etc. All other capital improvements, I believe, should be put to a referendum vote for approval.

5. I am opposed to deficit financing.

6. If we are to maintain our home-rule charter, the people should have the right and opportunity to express themselves by a referendum vote.

7. I favor a license procedure with as little red tape as possible, providing the applicant meets all requirements of zoning, fire prevention, and regulations of the health department.

8. To work for a more sound and responsible fiscal policy—a broader and more realistic zoning program—a simplification of license procedure—merging of overlapping departmental responsibilities—to seek, by a referendum vote, an expression from the electorate on vital and controversial issues.

9. A sound fiscal program for the future. A simplified non-political license procedure. Charter reform and departmental reorganization for more responsible performance.

10. Yes.

11. Reorganization and integration of the present council committees down to approximately five committees.

12. Progressive.

13. Creation of a metropolitan transit authority of three to five members with technical training and experience.

14. Same as above.

15. To give the traffic engineer a wider range of authority for research and recommendation.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. He has had good training for the job as a former alderman and in related fields.

**OSCAR KENNETH THOREN**, 34, 1319 Twenty-seventh avenue NE., married, one child. Design engineer. Edison high school graduate, night classes at University of Minnesota and



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1-2. I believe they bear further investigation before expressing an opinion.

3. I do not know enough about the details of this matter to make a judgment.

4. I believe that more should be spent, but with great care and planning. Where the money is to come from is, of course, most important—but the need should find a way.

5. Oppose—spending without some knowledge of methods to pay, is to me a poor policy.

6. I am not familiar with this question to answer intelligently.

7. Yes, closer investigation of applicants, but also efficient enough to eliminate needlessly long waiting periods.

8. Not at present.

9. Liquor licensing system. Transportation system. General finances.

10. No opinion.

11. No opinion.

12. No opinion.

13-15. I think they all bear further investigation before expressing an opinion.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and a limited grasp of the problems to be faced. Has had little training for the job.

## Second Ward

**MITCHELL P. BARAN**, 26, MB 528 at Twenty-ninth and Como avenues SE., married, two children. Student at University of Minnesota and postal employee. Graduates in August from University of Minnesota, navy veteran. Active in postal employees union, local 125, AFL, East Side Men's club, Eagles lodge 1247, former mayor of University village.

1. (a) Definite slum clearance in areas where needed—with replacement by low-rent housing. (b) Long range plans for lower loop redevelopment.

2. A new comprehensive ordinance with an eye towards future industrial expansion and residential development thus permitting the most economic and efficient police, fire and health protection.

3. Yes, as long as the public can be provided with the best services.

4. I favor a greater expenditure. This money could be raised by seeking a greater and fairer return to the city of taxes paid to the state by the residents of Minneapolis.

5. Favor. These increases should be included as part of the fiscal policy established by the council when the budget is made up for the new year.

6. In emergency situations.

7. Absolutely, especially in regards to liquor. I think the new licensing ordinance of the Citizens league is a step in the right direction. If this does not solve the situation and if the owners themselves do not clean up this mess, then maybe the final solution lies in a referendum to the voters on whether Minneapolis should have municipal ownership of liquor stores.

8. Certainly, with a new 13-man council, we should also have a new city government. A complete, thorough study should be made into every department to eliminate unnecessary duplication, waste and inefficiency.

9. (a) Streetcar service—I advocate a metropolitan transit commission with control over service and fares. (b) Liquor licensing—Smitty's, Curly's, and John's Bar and Funhouse are examples of our present licensing procedure. My plan, the Citizens league proposal, might be the answer—let's try it. (c) Sound fiscal policy to include debt retirement. (d) Slum clearance with low-rent housing to take its place. (e)



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Lower loop redevelopment—this will be an inducement for new companies to locate in Minneapolis.

10. No, if he's not handling his job right we should be able to get rid of him.

11. (a) Establish definite office hours for the aldermen. This is a full-time job which requires full-time effort. (b) Consolidation of committees is necessary to make the council a more responsible policy-making group.

12. Probably liberal.

13. Establishment of a metropolitan transit commission with control over service and fares. This is a local problem which needs local control. A study to see if a downtown transit terminal, off the business district, might facilitate easier transportation.

14. A study should be made to see if more cabs are necessary, especially during inclement weather.

15. (a) More one-way streets. (b) Additional private off-street parking ramps.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Declined interview.

**BJORN S. JOHNSON**, 34, 1020 SE. Seventh street, married, three children. Auto supply salesman. High school graduate, two years military service. Active in VFW, PTA, IOGT lodge, Hope Lutheran church and teamsters union.

1. Replace sub-standard with low-rent housing.

2. Did not answer.

3. Yes.

4. I believe in the redevelopment of the lower loop, paid for by the benefiting parties.

5. Oppose. City has to be careful not to lose good em-

ployes because of low standard of pay.

6. If their power is limited so as to hinder them in performing duties of their office.

7. Probably could be some improvements.

8. City of Minneapolis should have power to fix rates, bus schedules and allotment of streets for the transit companies.

9. (1) Where the money is to come from to pay the police and firemen. (2) Licensing.

10. No, the mayor should be held responsible for the chief of police.

11. To have committees of three.

12. Liberal.

13. Should be a city-appointed commission.

14. Should be adequate service.

15. Should be more one-way streets.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has very limited understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and little training for it.

**JOHN A. PIERRO**, 33, 2852 Forty-fourth avenue S., single. Attorney. University of Minnesota graduate, five years army service. Active in American Legion, Hennepin County Bar association, Minnesota State Bar association, Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis, YMCA rebuilding fund drive now in progress. Supports the Citizens league licensing proposal and is supporting the YMCA fund drive.

1. Housing and urban redevelopment should conform to the intent of the law. The only completed federal housing project, the Glendale project, does not serve as a completed slum clearance project though it does provide needed housing and in the future these projects must be used as intended, for slum clearance as well as housing.

2. The city needs an enabling act from the state legislature to allow it to adopt a new comprehensive zoning law which will take into account changed conditions and new de-



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velopments in large tracts of property.

3. Yes, I do.

4. I believe that Minneapolis should spend no more than it is spending at present for capital improvements. The price level has reached its peak. We should retire our debt as fast as possible, save our capital improvements after prices move down. Some improvements are so valuable to the community they cannot be postponed, but the spending for them should not exceed the present rate.

5. I favor a policy of no expenditures unless the money is available to pay for them. Otherwise we would have deficit financing to meet current obligations, and that certainly is totally unwise in good times. However, I do favor a change in the law to allow 3 or 4 additional mills to be levied for the current expense fund so that all of our necessary current expenditures can be met.

6. When the charter bars particular action by the council in an emergency, perhaps due to a court decision taking from the council powers it believed it had, then the council should go to the legislature for relief in the emergency and later submit the change to the voters. In other cases specific changes should be submitted directly to the voters for their approval.

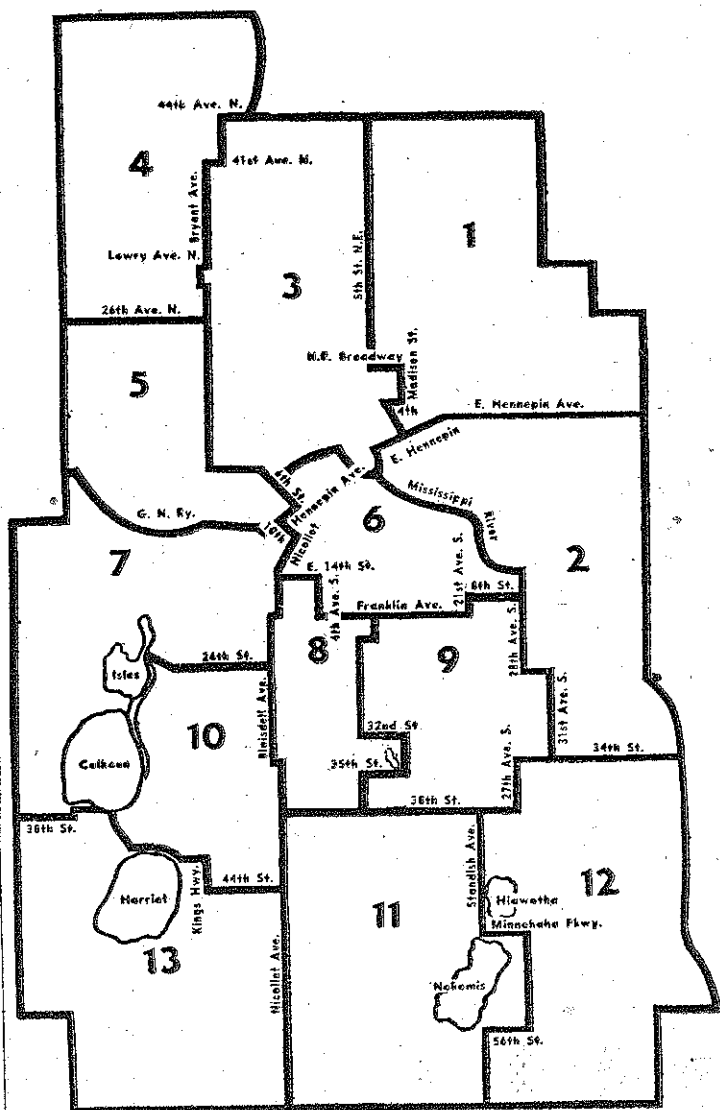
7. I favor changes in the licensing procedure as sponsored by the Citizens league. I particularly favor the system of endorsements which when obtained will require a license to issue as a matter of course. And the new liquor advisory committee sitting with the city council should have a good influence on the aldermen when they come to decide how to vote on applications for a particular liquor license.

8. If elected I will be particularly interested in the development of lower-loop redevelopment. I have the belief that this can be achieved without a permanent investment of public funds. With a temporary outlay of funds by the housing and redevelopment authority, slum property along the Washington avenue area of the loop could be condemned and the land cleared. Then in accordance with contracts previously made with individuals and companies the property would be sold and the investment regained. The main point of the operation would be to have purchasers under contract to buy before there was an investment of public funds in condemnation and clearing. This would require much planning and a good selling job but it can be done.

9. (1) Licensing; (2) finances and new taxes; (3) transportation service; (4) housing and redevelopment; (5) tenure for the chief of police; (6) fluorides for our city water; (7) rent control; (8) new public buildings. A ninth issue I believe should be added though some people may think it is settled, and that is the dog-leashing issue.

10. I do favor tenure for the chief of police. This does not mean that I would place the office under civil service. At present the police chief serves at the will of the mayor who, of course, is under political pressure at times. It does seem

## Minneapolis Ward Map





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seven-cities revenues committee.

1. Expedite plans now approved for Glenwood area. Extend redevelopment into other needy areas.
2. Completion of re-zoning following enabling legislation when passed by legislature.
3. Yes, for the present. Will probably have to modify in a few years when debt retirements are considerably lower.
4. About the same. Would favor more if it could be done consistent with above debt policy.
5. Favor.
6. In general I favor the home rule principle of submitting changes to the voters rather than to the legislature. Expediency has occasionally dictated otherwise.
7. Yes. I have assisted in the formation of the new licensing ordinance. These principles I favor.
8. Addition of a public relations department, minimize time spent by council on administrative details.
9. Securing aldermen of honesty, ability and experience to cope with the serious problems ahead, such as reorganization necessary by the new 13-man council, finances, traffic, mass transportation, and rezoning.
10. No.
11. Reduce number of committees; try to schedule meetings to minimize conflicts.
12. I have been affiliated with the liberal group since entering council and intend to continue.
13. Establishing metropolitan transit authority.
14. Strict compliance with existing ordinances.
15. Continue one-way street pattern. Add more traffic policemen when finances permit. Expedite studies and work on major street and highway plans.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has excellent understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. His training as the incumbent and in related fields also is excellent.

### Third Ward

**ADOLPH GEORGE GILBERTSON**, 45, 621 Twenty-fourth avenue N. Disabled veteran. Vocational high school graduate, two years military service. Active in D.A.V. and Moose. Served as an Elwell

and paving projects, 1946-1951.

Did not answer questions on issues.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Failed to appear for interview.

**FRANK L. HILGERS**, 57, 723 NE. Second street, married, two children. Stationary engineer. Three years high school. Active in Catholic church, Third ward Improvement association, Civic league. Supported elimination of smoke and soot nuisance and zoning in northeast Minneapolis, and charter reform.

1. Need slum clearance, but not by public housing. By city concessions and inducements.
2. Would put trucking warehouses in different locations.
3. Yes. Through economies.
4. Probably more. Tax commercial properties more.
5. No.
6. Referendum only.
7. Yes. Would study problem.
8. Would go back to ward system of snow removal. Would remove smoke inspector. Would clean up nuisances in northeast Minneapolis. Would tax commercial billboards particularly.
9. Liquor and licensing problems. Special permits without notice to public.
10. Not for present.
11. Would put all council on all committees.
12. Liberals.
13. Abolish property tax on houses facing truck routes.
14. Increase number.
15. Reduce speed. Increase fines 100 per cent to 200 per cent.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has fair understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and limited understanding of the problems to be faced. Has had little relevant training.

**LOUIS J. JAROS**, 1605 NE. Third street.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Failed to return questionnaire and declined interview.

**FRANK J. KOZLAK**, 33, 164 Fourteenth avenue NE, single.



Die setter. Two years of high school. Active in Holy-Cross church and Polish White Eagles lodge. Member of CIO union local 1140 for 10 years.

1. Clean out Gateway area.
2. By the people.
3. Yes.
4. Spending the same amount.
5. I would not oppose an increase providing it has money on hand or in sight to pay.
6. Did not answer.
7. Licensing should be more direct rather than the present council system, thereby eliminating license favoritism and delay in action. Oppose multiple ownership. Closer investigation of individual applying for license.
8. Streetcar and buses should be controlled by city government and state railroad and warehouse commission instead of the present system.
9. Licensing, traffic and transportation problems.
10. Chief of police should be under civil service. Answerable to the council only.
11. Would like the Citizens league to study this problem.
12. None—only interested in behalf of better government regardless of party affiliation.
13. No buses on main avenues—only to crosstown and business districts.
14. Not enough competition.
15. All traffic lights should be synchronized.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Unable to come during interviewing hours.

**ANTHONY (TONY) MANTHIS**, 120 Seventh avenue NE. Did not answer questionnaire or submit biographical information.

**FRANK WOLINSKI**, 33, 3400 Washington avenue N., married. Incumbent for past two years. Boxing coach and instructor at University of Minnesota. Master of education degree at University of Minnesota, five years military service. Active in St. Philip's Men's club, Minnesota "M"



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club, Men Teachers federation 238, North Side Commercial club, Polish National alliance, Optimists club, Big Brothers, Inc., 49 Centennial club, Kaneski-Loss V.F.W. post, North Side American Legion post 230, D.A.V., Moose lodge and Eagles. Supported lower loop development, one-way streets and Shingle creek development.

1. Acceleration of long-range plans for slum clearance and redevelopment, using federal grants wherever possible.
2. Re-examination of present zoning policy to meet the changing problems of our industrial expansion, at the same time respecting residential development.
3. Yes, as long as this policy is consistent with public safety and development.
4. A policy which permits our capital assets to deteriorate is penny wise and dollar foolish. I favor a greater expenditure and would seek a greater return to the city of taxes paid by the residents of Minneapolis.
5. Additional expenditures must be examined separately and while I do not advocate new projects without specific funds

occasionally situations arise where this is necessary. In such cases I would seek to effect economies elsewhere.

6. In emergency situations it sometimes is necessary for the city council to go to the legislature for additional revenues.
7. At the present time the proposed licensing ordinance is being studied by various committees of the city council. All of the phases have not been completely studied as yet and I am waiting until that time to determine whether or not I am in favor of the proposed changes in licensing procedure.
8. The purpose of the reduction in the number of aldermen was to make the city government more responsible. I believe that the council will be more of a policy-making body than ever before and I will concentrate my attention towards the establishment of sound policy on all levels of city operation.
9. A sound fiscal policy including continuance of debt retirement, advocacy of metropolitan transportation committee and continuance of services in Minneapolis at their present high standard.
10. No.
11. Organization upon present political divisions of liberals and progressives. It would also be necessary to consolidate committees.
12. I would continue my participation with the liberals.
13. Establishment of a metropolitan transportation commission.
14. The present licensing practices are meeting the requirements of the city.
15. Continuance of present plans for one-way streets and off-street parking.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has very good understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. As the incumbent he has received good training for the job. Seems to have good understanding of relationship between what may be governmentally ideal and what is politically practical.

### Fourth Ward

**ED BOHNENSTINGEL**, 37, 1314 Oliver avenue N., married, two children. Packing specialist and ordinance inspector. Two years at LaSalle university, two years at Minneapolis Business college, four and one-half years military service. Active in St. Philip's Men's club and Knights of Columbus.

1. Yes.
2. Yes.
3. Definitely "Yes."
4. More. Space does not permit an elaboration or without further research.
5. Yes. For without funds it only creates a problem of lowering the morale of such employees. I do however feel such increases were warranted but that funds should have been assured.
6. At the moment I feel that democratic rule should prevail and that voters should be consulted when the issue becomes as important as this.
7. Yes. Again space and further research shall have to be the answer. However I feel strongly in favor of licensing reforms.
8. Yes.
9. Public transportation, traffic, taxes.
10. Yes.
11. Further study and research necessary at this time.
12. Liberal.
13. Yes.
14. No answer.
15. Yes.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job—between fair and good. Understanding of the problems to be faced—fair. Training for the



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**HAROLD G. CRASWELL**, 32, 4901 Washburn avenue N., married, three children. Painter. High school graduate, four years service with Seabees. Active in North Methodist church, Compass lodge 319, Masons. Opposed federal low-rent housing as it was proposed in the fourth ward.

1. and 2. Did not answer.
3. I am in favor of retiring debt, whenever practicable, however, not at the cost of valuable services that are necessary to the welfare of the citizens of Minneapolis.
- 4-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had very little training for the job.

**HARRY DeZIEL, JR.**, 32, 3831 Russell avenue N., married, four children. Contractor. Minnesota School of Business graduate, three years military service. Active in Northtown Businessmen's club, North Side Athletic club, Knights of Columbus, and fathers union.

1. Did not answer.
2. Did not answer.
3. Yes.
4. Depends on the improvement to be made.
5. I would favor the policy because the city should be run on a sound basis. As much as the city employees were worthy of the cost-of-living increase, I think a way should be found to raise the money before the emergency arises.
6. Did not answer.
7. Yes, I do, particularly liquor licensing. I am very much in favor and will support the proposal of the Citizens league.
8. Did not answer.
9. Licensing procedure and recent grand jury investigations.
10. I favor civil service for the best man qualified.
11. Consolidate some of the 20 standing committees.
12. I have not yet decided.
13. Did not answer.
14. Did not answer.
15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had very little training for the job.

**HENRY J. HAMMERLE**, 58, 3446 Girard avenue N., married. Secretary, North Side Commercial club. One year at Minnesota School of Business, 22 months military service. Active in North Side Commercial club, West Broadway Business association, American Legion, Lions club. Supported Upper Harbor development, Lyndale avenue bus line, Seventh street bridge, continuation of Washington avenue streetcar.

1. We are growing and

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slums should be gradually removed on a planned basis.

2. This is an exploratory field and before changes are made justice should be thoroughly considered.

3. Yes.

4. With the city and suburbs growing by leaps and bounds, we must contemplate more capital improvements. Possibly auditorium fees could be increased without too much discomfort.

5. How can you pay out if you don't have unless some department has a carry-over or contingent fund available?

6. Did not answer.

7. Yes. When a law is on the statute book it should be complied with.

8. One-way streets for north Minneapolis.

9. Liquor license.

10. At the present time and information available my mind favors the tenure plan but perhaps for four years rather than six as I was informed.

11. Streamline committees. Make aldermanic duties on time of full day requirements. Willing to listen to progressive suggestions.

12. Progressive.

13. The transit company should be more co-operative with the public and still more exercise tolerance in a much larger degree.

14. Fair play to all concerned.

15. The one-way streets are a step in the right direction.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—fair.

**JAMES HOWARD KATNE,** 23, 3446 Fremont avenue N., married, one child. Drive-in operator. North high school graduate, University of Minnesota graduate, two years military service. Active in Acme Hi-Y club, 1946-47, and in Nu Sigma Alpha Phalanx club, 1947-51.

1. Did not answer.

2. Did not answer.

3. Yes.

4. Less.

5. Oppose.

6. To maintain strong local rule it is important that only problems not directly affecting the Minneapolis voter be carried to the state.

7. Yes, I feel that licensing should become an administrative function.

8. Licensing, city civil service.

9. Did not answer.

10. Yes.

11. Did not answer.

12. Progressive.

13-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and fair understanding of the problems to be faced. Has had good training for the job.

**BENEY A. MENGELKOECH,** 34, 4552 Russell avenue N., married. Brakeman. University of Minnesota graduate, eight months military service. Active in Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Enlisted Veterans of America.

1. Seek federal aid for slum clearance and new housing.

2. Industries confined to areas already designated for them.

3. In principle I favor reducing debt under present policy, but the city should adopt a long-range capital expenditure program to insure wholesome growth of the city and to keep pace with modern development, traffic, housing, etc.

4. Same as now until a satisfactory long-range program can be developed.

5. Same as now until a satisfactory long-range program can be developed.



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sufficient to afford a decent standard of living they should be granted an increase—however, there should be some plan of how to raise the money for these increases to insure full pay for the year.

6. The legislators are the duly elected representatives of the people and on complex problems that require research and study, more permanent and better results can be obtained by a more thorough evaluation by a small organized group and in those cases I believe it is more practical for legislature to evaluate the merits of the proposition.

7. Yes. Applicants should be screened more thoroughly and multiple ownership avoided. In general, I agree with the Citizens league's proposed licensing changes.

8. Council should have only policy-making work, more responsibility and less detail work.

9. Transportation, finances and licensing procedure.

10. Yes.

11. Would have to study committee procedures to see if some of these committees could be consolidated for a more efficient operation.

12. Liberal.

13. Council should be given power to regulate fares and schedules.

14. Further study needed before I feel qualified to answer.

15. Need more one-way streets and possibly have more business firms stagger office hours.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has poor understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had little training in this or related fields.

**RAYMOND JOHN MIDLO,** 32, 3351 Emerson avenue N., single. Food store manager. One year at University of Indiana, four years military service. Active in St. Bridget's Catholic church, Knights of Columbus, Holy Name society, St. Joseph's Benevolent society, Mount Olivet Lutheran Church All Sportsmen's club.

1-2. Did not answer.

Midlo furnished this statement: Desire to help improve Minneapolis government. The first improvement to back to the limit the ordinance drawn up by the Citizens league on licensing.

To improve the transportation problem.

Strive for parking areas outside the loop, these lots to be north, south, east and west in blighted areas thereby serving a dual purpose, establishing parking and improving lower loop redevelopment. These lots to provide parking for people working in the loop and to have a shuttle bus service paid in part by the businesses in the loop and rented by employees either from the city or private owners.

Relieve pleasure-car owners gas tax by introducing a truckers' tax such as weight and distance tax. Trucks do more damage to roads and highways, bridges and viaducts and pay the same in gasoline taxes and licenses as do pleasure cars which do not overload our highways and crack up our bridges as do trucks.

Last but not least, to do something about the housing, the deplorable housing situation in which the greater part of

veterans of World War II are living.

3-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—fair.

**ARTHUR B. MILLER,** 60, 4606 Sheridan avenue N., married, three children. Insurance broker. Business school graduate, one year in state guard. Active in North Side Commercial club, North Side Athletic club, Camden-Fremont Businessmen's association, and I.O.O.F.

1. More study.

2. This would have to be worked out.

3. Yes. I never did approve of deficit financing and I maintain that if the different departments are required to stay within their budgets much more efficient handling of the finances of the city could be done.

4. The city is doing the right thing to stay within its present spending program.

5. I would favor the policy of not spending more than the income will permit.

6. I have always been in favor of the people having a say in the administration of their government, so I would say that the voters should be consulted and have a voice in the charter changes.

7. I would be in favor of a committee as suggested by your organization.

8. I would have to study this situation more thoroughly. But I would favor that aldermen be required to make reports to the citizens as to what problems are coming up for discussion from time to time and get their views on such matters.

9. The election of officers to public positions who are qualified from a business angle as well as their moral character and that they will do an honest job of administration rather than follow the dictates from pressure groups.

10. Did not answer.

11. I would favor a group committee with a quorum required and empowered to act for the council group.

12. Liberal.

13. I feel that the council should retain the authority to regulate the operation of transportation.

14. Same as above.

15. No.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—between fair and good.

**LEROY T. NEWELL,** 54, 3623 Queen avenue N., married, four children. Truck driver. Elementary school graduate, 18 months military service. Active in Eagles, A.F.L. union local 664, Catholic War veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, St. Austin Catholic church.

1-2. Did not answer.

3. Yes.

4. Yes, I do believe in capital improvements, if funds are available.

5. I believe in good sound government.

6. No comment at present.

7. Have to study this question a little further.

8. No comment.

9. Financial conditions and city funds.

10. No.

11. No comment.

12. Liberal.

13. More one-way streets.

14. Did not answer.

15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—poor.

**JAMES W. BONNING,** 34, 4311 Dupont avenue N., married. Attorney. University of Minnesota law graduate, six years military service. Active in University of Minnesota "M" club, Hennepin County Bar association, and Minnesota State Bar association.

1. Did not answer.

2. Did not answer.

3. I am in favor of reducing our bonded indebtedness insofar as practicable without impairing city operations or sacrificing necessary or desirable capital improvements.

4. Did not answer.

5. Did not answer.

6. Did not answer.

7. Yes, I think that the licensing procedure should be largely an administrative function.

8. Did not answer.

9. Licensing procedure and fiscal policy.

10. No.

11-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—fair. Rated fair on sincerity and candor.

**DuWAYNE G. SCHLEE,** 26, 2614 Dupont avenue N., married. Automobile distributor. North high school graduate, received A.A. degree at University of Minnesota and graduated from Minnesota School of Business, two years military service. Active in Erling Y's Men, Committee of management of North Side Y.M.C.A., Community Chest worker.

Did not answer other questions on questionnaire.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—poor.

**ROBERT L. SHORT,** 60, 3257 Russell avenue N., married, three children. Real estate broker. Grammar school education, five and one-half years a civilian employee for the United States ordinance department. Active in St. Anne's Catholic church, Moose, Knights of Columbus, Northtown Business Men's association, North Side Commercial club. Served as secretary, Minneapolis Labor Temple association.

1. I am for slum clearance and low-rent housing.

2. Compliance with planning commission recommendations when satisfactory to the citizens as a whole.

3. I believe in the retirement of city debt at all times when it is possible without curtailing the functions and efficiency of the various city departments.

4. Capital improvements should be voted on by the citizens whenever possible.



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Naturally, they must pay for them.

5. Satisfied city employees are an asset to any community. Refer to question No. 3. Not unless I knew where money was coming from.

6. When the law requires changes which the present city charter does not provide for.

7. Strict adherence to the ordinance and state law governing same in all cases. Believe in a rule for law.

8. For additional school facilities in fourth ward.

9. Licensing revision as proposed by citizens committee of Minneapolis.

10. No.

11. Combine some existing committees and reduce number of members on such committees.

12. Liberal.

13. Better bus transportation.

14. Should be kept under strict license surveillance.

15. More one-way streets.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—poor.

**ERLING SWENSON,** 64, 2722 Vincent avenue N., married, two children. Lawyer. North high school graduate and University of Minnesota law school graduate. Active in Isaak Walton league, North Side Commercial club. Served as state representative in 1921-27, as state senator 1927-31, and as director of the state game and fish department 1933-35.

1. We should use every effort to establish housing and urban redevelopment.

2. No.

3. I definitely am in favor of continuing this policy.

4. The same as now. Am not in favor of more expenditures if the same can be avoided.

5. I would favor this policy.

6. That is hard to answer. Generally I believe the voters should decide on changes in the charter, but possibly it should be by majority of those voting on the question.

7. I am unable to state my views at this time. I would like to learn more facts on both sides of this question.

8. No.

9. (1) Economy wherever possible without the crippling of essential services. (2) Street-car problem. Plans for removing traffic congestion in loop district.

10. Yes.

11. Fewer council committees. Possibly meeting as a committee of the whole to consider legislative acts.

12. I cannot state at this time. I will vote according to my good judgment and conscience without reference to any bloc.

13. No.

14. No.

15. No.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job. Understanding of problems—between fair and good. Training for the job—good.

**JOHN WALLER,** 3355 Sheridan avenue N.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—between fair and good.

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**ERNEST W. WEN,** 54, 4359 Thomas avenue N., married, two children. Mayor, city health officer, High school graduate, years military service in Veterans of Foreign Wars, Catholic War Veterans, local 9 A.F.S. union, Legislative committee of the Minneapolis Holy Name society, Commercial club, Fr. Public Library, St. Catholic church. amendments to the municipal retirement act.

1. All public housing be combined with other housing.

2. Zoning must be taken care of changes facing new and old business.

3. I do.

4. The same as now if possible.

5. I believe the money be on hand or in savings these increases.

6. The voters should by direct vote then changes they want in charter.

7. Issuance of licenses could be done one city department, ing the red tape, discrimination, etc. The issuance of off-sale liquor and licenses is in a mess and fosters corruption. studied the proposed league licensing ordinance. I am thoroughly in the principles of this.

8. Elimination of services now rendered city; more efficient city employment. "Mexican" also, trenched in some of the investments; investigation allowance in the "chiselers"; ment of semi-annual reports or employment.

9. Proposed City licensing ordinance in taxes without any voters. Economy and in all branches of government. Adequate transportation. Adequate control.

10. Yes.

11. Formation of committees instead of 21 standing committees. Each alderman chair a committee. Also dis administration functions. department heads would be possible.

12. Progressive.

13. Gradual street parking in congested area to provide bus transportation. companies must provide adequate transportation.

14. Issuance of permits to provide advice as designed by engineer.

15. More one-way street enforcement ordinance.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comments:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—between fair and good.



# Council Candidates in 5 Wards State Views

The Voter's Guide today presents candidates for city council posts from the fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth wards.

Voters in each of the city's 13 wards will nominate two candidates in the primary election Monday to compete in the general election June 8, when Minneapolis will elect a complete 13-man council.

The information in today's Voter's Guide—all gathered by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis—includes answers to a series of questions, biographical information about each candidate and comments about each candidate made by the Candidate Review committee of the Citizens league as the result of candidate interviews.

Co-chairmen of the committee were Josiah E. Brill, 4827 Queen avenue S., and Harry E. Leonard, 2939 NE. Grand street.

THESE COMMENTS express the conclusions of a committee of representative citizens, drawn from the whole city, as to the candidate's knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the office sought and of the problems to be faced.

Comments on training for the job also are included.

The committee used a rating scale of excellent (1st), good (2nd), fair (3rd) and poor (4th).

The committee concluded it could not attempt to rate candidates as to the very important qualities of integrity and judgment.

The committee's report emphasizes that even where a candidate is rated low on understanding or training, it does not mean that he could not within a reasonable time acquire competence if he has the personal characteristics and willingness to do so.

ON THE OTHER hand, candidates rated excellent as to those qualities judged may, nevertheless, be undesirable because of—for example—lack of integrity. Voters must bear both of these facts in mind in using the comments and in determining for whom they will vote.

Two more Voter's Guides will be published Friday and Saturday. These will include aldermanic candidates from wards ten, eleven, twelve and thirteen, and candidates for mayor, city treasurer, school board, park board, library director, municipal judge and board of estimate and taxation.

## Fifth Ward

**HENRY H. BANK, 54, 1211 Washburn avenue N., married, two children. Incumbent for past 20 years. Attorney. Minnesota College of Law graduate. 90 days military service. Active in Standard club, Beth El Synagogue, Jewish War Veterans, B'nai B'rith lodge, American Legion, 40 & 8. Sponsored or actively supported projects on housing, civic center, bonds for schools and many other ordinances.**

1. Housing and urban redevelopment as proposed by the present authority should be supported and extended.

2. Zoning should be improved by a comprehensive review and revision of the present maps and ordinances to fit the conditions of the present and foreseeable future.

3. Yes. The finance policy resolution was offered by me on Dec. 1, 1952 and was unanimously adopted by the city council.

4. Minneapolis needs to spend much more than it is now spending for capital improvements, especially in the direction of rehabilitation of run-down areas. The money to do

## Candidates for Alderman Answer These Questions

1. Do you have specific proposals as to housing and urban redevelopment?
2. Do you have specific proposals as to zoning?
3. The city has been retiring its debt at a rate of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 per year. Do you favor continuing this policy?
4. Do you favor Minneapolis' spending more than now, the same as now, or less than now, for capital improvements? If more, how would you get the money to do this?
5. Would you favor or oppose a policy requiring that the city council vote no expenditures, such as the recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees, unless at the same time it has money on hand or in sight to pay for them?
6. In what circumstances should the council go to the legislature rather than to city voters for charter changes?
7. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
8. Do you have in mind any particular changes in city operations on which you will concentrate if elected?
9. Please state what you consider the most important issues in this aldermanic campaign?
10. Do you favor tenure for the chief of police?
11. How would you organize the new smaller city council to secure efficient operation?
12. If liberal and progressive voting groups are continued in the new council, which group will you join?
13. Do you have specific proposals as to mass transportation?
14. Do you have specific proposals as to taxicabs?
15. Do you have specific proposals as to traffic?

this should come from a more equitable Minneapolis share of state-collected taxes.

5. I am in favor of paying good living standard wages for city employees. Additional money for such purposes can always be raised by the city council if there is a willingness to do so. As an illustration: "Better enforcement of existing traffic ordinances such as speeding, drunk and careless driving."

6. The legislature should enact taxing authority acts to remove any possible doubt about the city's powers in taxation and to avoid future efforts to reduce such power.

7. I am in favor of any constructive change for the betterment of our licensing procedure.

8. I seek further economies in administrative organization.

9. Stricter enforcement of existing laws and electing men of greatest experience and best ability.

10. No.

11. I would consolidate various committees and place administrative responsibilities upon proper personnel. Realign committees to reduce number of separate committees, to give each group fair representation, and to simplify council committee procedures.

12. Liberal.

13. Mass transportation ought to be controlled and regulated by a local transit authority, and the powers vested in the railroad and warehouse commission removed.

14. I would favor an increase in number and service commensurate with operators' ability

to stay in business and earn a livelihood.

15. Traffic should be further improved by the extension of one-way streets, the construction of by-pass streets, and more rigid enforcement of violations, particularly speeding.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. As the incumbent and as a lawyer he has had excellent training for the job. Rated fair on sincerity and candor.

**EDWARD J. EGAN, 36, 3908 Golden Valley road, married, one child. Incumbent since 1947. Insurance agency owner. North high school graduate, three and one-half years military service. Active in Ascension Catholic church, Glenwood Civic league, West Broadway Business Men's association, Military Order of the Purple Heart, North Side Commercial club, Ascension Men's club, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. Supported the housing project for the Glenwood area.**

1. We should do everything possible to complete the Glen-



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wood housing program and then continue slum clearance and the lower loop redevelopment plan.

2. Bring our zoning laws up to date. To do this, we need enabling laws passed by the legislature.

3. Yes, I was one of the first sponsors of this policy and have voted for the debt retirement policy every year. I believe we should continue to do so until the city no longer needs to refinance bonds.

4. I believe we should hold our spending down that we may be ready to contribute our share of funds, along with federal funds, for the redevelopment of the lower loop, the public library, a public safety building or new school projects of our own.

5. I believe in a balanced budget and have so voted. However, after certain factions in the council played politics by upsetting the budget in granting raises to only certain groups of city employees, it was then only right that all city employees get the same treatment, whereupon I introduced an amendment granting raises to all.

6. The council should only go to the legislature when an emergency exists and there is a need for an immediate decision, otherwise, I believe in home rule, and only the voters of Minneapolis should make the decisions that will affect them.

7. Yes, the license committee, of which I am chairman, has before it a new ordinance in regards to licensing procedure. I believe the function of license issuance and renewal should be handled as an administrative function, and that the ordinance now before us, with a few changes, is a good one.

8. I am in favor of eliminating the duplication of services now existing in our city and county health, welfare and hospital systems.

9. The biggest issue is the respect, honesty and integrity of the city council. As a result of the activities of a few of its members, the entire council has been placed in a somewhat discredited position. This tends to create an unwholesome condition so that an effective council cannot function properly. The council must regain the recognition and stature it deserves as the governing body of the leading city of the state.

10. The people of Minneapolis will have to decide whether the police chief shall have tenure by charter amendment. The city council has no power in this matter.

11. Delegate administrative duties so that the council can concentrate on policy-making functions, cut down on the number of committees and enlarge the remaining committees, so that the average citizen will know and understand what the council is doing.

12. Liberal.

13. We definitely need, and are entitled to, a metropolitan transportation commission. It is unjust that the railroad and warehouse commission should have jurisdiction over our local transportation system. We should have the power to regulate rates and should keep our right of overseeing service.

14. At the present time the

service is adequate, but we should keep alert for needed changes.

15. A continuation and broadening of our one-way street program and off-street parking facilities.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. As the incumbent he has had good training for the job.

**JACK C. GITTELSON, 56, 1613 Morgan avenue N. Married, three children. Tax clerk in county auditor's office. Two years high school, four years military service. Active in AFL state, county and municipal employees union, American Legion, Jewish War Veterans, Minneapolis Memorial Day association, Mikro Kodesh congregation and Men's club, B'nai B'rith.**



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1. Have ideas but nothing specific.

2. Yes.

3. Yes.

4. The expenditures for capital improvements should be controlled by the amounts available for such expenditures after expenses have been paid, without resorting to increased taxation.

5. I oppose spending when there is nothing to spend.

6. None.

7. Yes. I like the setup of the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis with some changes.

8. Yes.

9. Licensing procedure, public transportation, housing.

10. Yes, under proper control.

11. Abolish the liberal, progressive blocs and all work for the same purpose. The whole council should be responsible for everything under council jurisdiction.

12. At present I am independent and would like to withhold my decision.

13. Not at present but have to some extent.

14. Yes.

15. Yes.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and limited understanding of the problems to be faced. Training in this or related jobs—fair.

**CHARLES KASTNER, 71, 1701 Emerson avenue N., single. Retired. Two years at Minnesota School of Business. Active in I.O.O.F.**

1. Can't answer at present.

2. Can't answer at present.

3. No.

4. Leave to civic clubs and districts.

5. Believe in increase for city employees.

6. To depend on voters of city of Minneapolis.

7. All of council of 13 aldermen must investigate licenses and vote upon same.

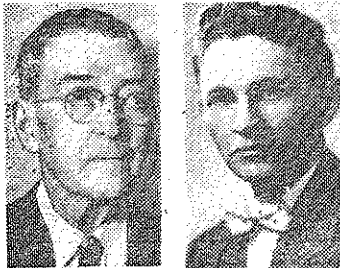
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9. Wages of city employees.
10. No.
11. I do believe in seven-man commission form of government.
12. All depends on question.
- 13-15. Can't answer at present.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to appear for interview.

**ROBERT C. NANFELT**, 1614 Irving avenue N.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an interview.

**EDWARD M. SULLIVAN**, 30, 1923 Hillside avenue N., married. Attorney. Graduate University of Minnesota law school, four years military service. Active in Hennepin County Bar association, Minnesota State Bar association, Sister Kenny foundation, March of Dimes, Phi Kappa Psi. Actively supported proposed licensing ordinance, reapportionment in the state legislature.

1. Did not answer.
2. Did not answer.
3. Yes.
4. Less.
5. I would favor such a policy.
6. Did not answer.
7. I favor changes in the present licensing procedure. Licensing should be an administrative task as much as possible so that many of the present abuses would be removed and that the aldermen would then have more time for the real important functions of the office.
- 8-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comments: Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—very good.

## Sixth Ward

**GUNNAR Y. BERGREN**, 48, 1416 Eleventh avenue S., married, four children. Maintenance engineer. Dunwoody institute graduate. Active in Augustana Lutheran church. Opposed liquor store in sixth ward.

1. Did not answer.
2. Did not answer.
3. Yes.
4. The same as now.
5. Favor cost-of-living plan, but work out plan to have money on hand.
6. Did not answer.
7. Yes.
- 8-15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be



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faced. Has had limited training relevant to the job.

**EDGAR T. BUCKLEY**, 249½ Second avenue S. Incumbent.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule interview.

**CLARA A. DANKO**, 32, 308 Twenty-first avenue S., married, one child. Homemaker. Two years high school, two years military service. Active in Holy Emmanuel Lutheran church, Emmanuel Legion.

1. To make a thorough study of the housing and slum conditions. And to place before a competent group the problem of what to do, and how to do it.
2. Did not answer.
3. Yes.
4. More. I am not yet well enough informed to offer an opinion.
5. I would favor the (no) vote, because I do not believe in spending what I do not have and cannot get.
6. In circumstances involving increases in taxes and changes in laws which are deemed necessary to the betterment and safety of the people of Minneapolis.
7. Yes, I favor whole heartedly the policy put forth by the Citizens league.
8. Not at the present time.
9. Liquor situation, housing and slum clearance, adequate police and fire protection, mass transportation.
10. Did not answer.
11. I do not feel qualified to give an answer at this time.
12. No comment.
13. The city council would do well to improve upon its relationship with the transit company and to take such legal action as deemed necessary to insure the public reliable service and at a reasonable cost.
14. A just distribution of taxicab licenses should be maintained in accordance with the company's ability to serve the public.
15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—poor.

**ALVA M. DRAKE**, 62, Douglas hotel, four children. Retired officer in Drake-Ballard Co. and Drake-Jones Co. Graduate Culver military academy, served in infantry and cavalry.

1. Since sent out U.S. have turned a flip-flop.
2. Have definite ideas — not for my opponents.
3. Have checked — but as an expert bond man can.
4. Can do — but no information for would-be competitors.
5. Can be done — if approached right.
6. Can handle that—but no information to some to plagiarize on or imitate.
7. Yes—too many—let old timers make a profit—have the solution—but why give to opponents.
8. Yes—solution later.
9. T. C. R. T. weed question for public health. Dog leashing and other questions not for my opponents to copy.
10. Yes.
11. Co-operation with the state business research department and action.
12. Crack their heads together and cut out politics.
13. Yes—no ammunition for opponents.
14. Yes—no ammunition for opponents.
15. Have not studied it.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Training poor. Understanding duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced—poor.

**EDWIN A. HENDRICKS**, 1822 S. Third street. Incumbent.

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ment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule interview.

**ORVILLE I. JORGENSEN**, 37, 262 Twenty-first avenue S., married, one child. Fourth year student in business administration at University of Minnesota, four years military service. Active in AFL union, local 1005. Foreign Policy association, National Congress of Parents and Teachers. Supported fluoridation of city water supply and revision of the city charter.

1. I think Minneapolis needs a great deal more low-rent housing. With the changes now taking place in the national administration, future plans will depend somewhat on the developments nationally.
2. Did not answer.
3. Yes, I favor a continuation of this policy whenever possible. However, a city, like an individual, is subject to unforeseen emergencies when deviation from "normal" policies is both inevitable and desirable.
4. I can see no good reason why Minneapolis spending for capital improvements can't be considered in the same manner management of a large corporation would consider spending for capital improvements. A capital improvement is an investment to be decided on its merits.
5. I would oppose such a policy. I can see no justification for expecting a city employee to work for less than a fair wage, by industry standards. If, in such a case, the problem of raising the extra money proved insurmountable, I think the alternative would be decreased services.
6. I believe the city council, as a body representing the

people of Minneapolis, should go to the voters of Minneapolis for charter changes. I fail to see where the record of the 1953 state legislature gives any indication that the legislators are aware of the problems of the largest city in Minnesota. Of course, if there are desirable changes which conflict with obsolete state laws, then the legislature would have to be prevailed upon for changes.

7. Yes, I do. Licensing should be an administrative function, administered according to rules and requirements previously laid down, thereby favoring no one. Liquor licenses, which are limited, will have to remain under the direct control of the council. However, some way of insuring the issuance of these liquor licenses on the basis of merit must be found. I think that the Citizens league proposal is a step in the right direction.

8. I believe there is some overlapping of departments and authority and I certainly would like to see this corrected. I think we can have more efficiency. This brings up charter revision again.

9. I think changes in licensing procedure, city finances, law enforcement, and charter revision are most important. Regarding finances, we should explore the possibility of collecting some form of tax from the people who work in Minneapolis and use our facilities, while living outside the city and contributing nothing toward the maintenance of these facilities.

10. Yes, I do. I think it is generally conceded that in cities where the police chief has tenure, law enforcement is on a much higher plane. I do not believe that law enforcement is a political function.

11. I don't think that I, as

one-thirteenth of the aldermanic body, would say how to organize the council. However, I believe in an organization where responsibility can be fixed, and I would work toward that end.

12. Liberals.
13. I think an intensive study of mass transportation in other large cities is necessary. An unbiased study should be made of municipally-owned systems like the one in Chicago, for example. Some means must be found to improve mass transportation in Minneapolis.
14. Did not answer.
15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to schedule interview.

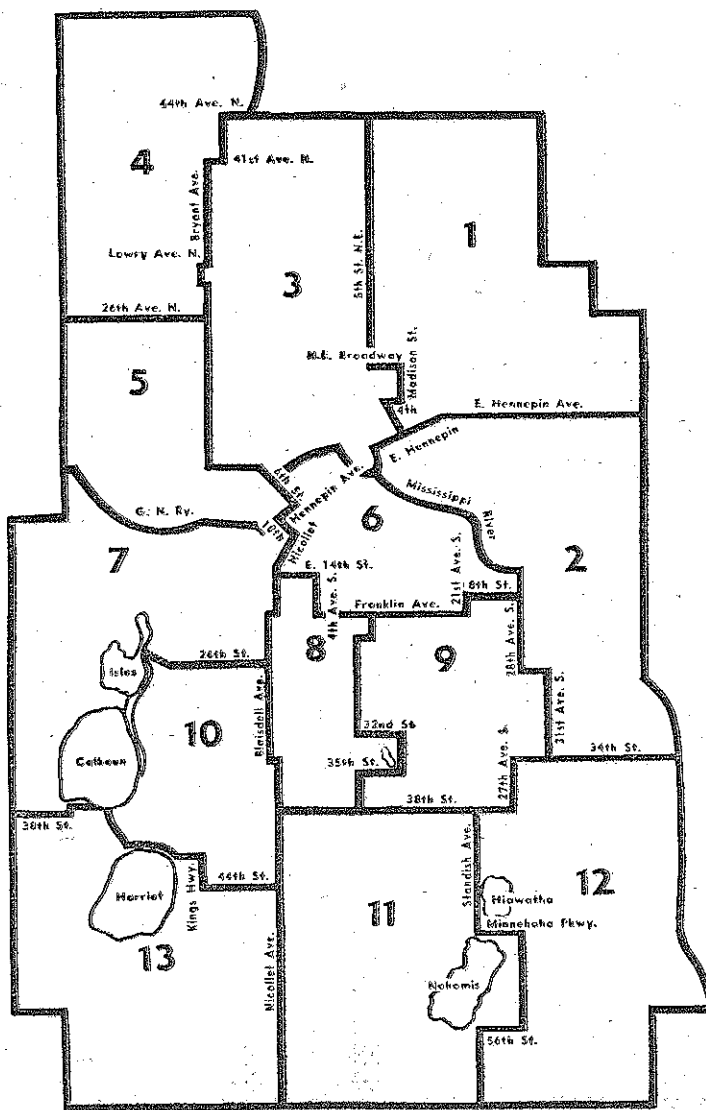
**JOHN J. LAPITZ, JR.**, 35, 941 Fourteenth avenue S., married, two children. Painter. Completed junior high school.

1. Did not answer.
2. Did not answer.
3. Reduce debt as much as possible.
4. I firmly believe that money should not be spent unless finances are sufficient.
5. Favor.
6. I firmly believe that all changes of the charter should be made by the referendum vote.
7. I believe in changes in the licensing procedure.
8. I will do all in my power for tax reduction.
9. Licensing and finance.
10. No.
11. I believe a smaller council will make a more efficient government, with no passing "the buck."
12. Liberal.
13. Yes, better service, lower rates.
- 14-15. Did not answer.

**WILLIAM J. E. (BILL) LUND**, 58, 619 Twentieth avenue S., married, four children. Service station operator. One year at Minneapolis Business college. Active in South Side Business Men's association, Citizens club, Sixth Ward Democratic - Farmer - Labor club, March of Dimes, P.T.A., Pillsbury house. Supported and worked for 13-man council.

1. I would always support any reasonable housing improvement or redevelopment in sub-standard areas.
2. The rights and welfare of our residents should be of first consideration in all zoning plans. Traffic incidental thereto should also be considered, in the interest of safety and comfort in our home environments.
3. Yes.
4. Less if possible, until our financial status permits broader expenditures or such capital improvements are absolutely necessary.
5. Favor.
6. Only if necessary to protect our civic welfare.
7. Yes, the Citizens league proposals.
8. Consolidation of city departments and operations wherever possible to effect greater economy or efficiency. A city council that is more responsive to the wishes of our residents and beneficial businesses.
9. As indicated above and an improved licensing

## Minneapolis Ward Map





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2. The wishes of the people  
should be considered.

3. I favor this policy, unless  
interest is very low and taxes  
can be reduced by retiring the  
debt more slowly.

4. The same as now, subject  
to further study.

5. Favor, conditionally.

6. When the state law re-  
quires such procedure.

7. I favor the type of changes  
recommended by the Citizens  
league.

8. The transit problem, the  
liquor license problem, reduc-  
tion of crime and vice, reduce  
the high divorce rate by pro-  
viding proper recreation for the  
single people.

9. The same as mentioned in  
question 8.

10. I am studying this mat-  
ter.

11. Consolidate committees.

12. Progressive.

13. Reasonable rates, good  
service, and a fair operating re-  
turn to the transit company.

14. Avoid monopoly.

15. Eliminate the bottle neck  
at Hennepin and Lyndale, as  
soon as money is in sight.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Training — fair. Under-  
standing of duties and responsi-  
bilities of the job and problems  
to be faced—fair.

**GERALD R. DILLON, 33, 403**  
Oak Grove street, married, two  
children. Own-  
er, manager of  
printing com-  
pany. Univer-  
sity of Minne-  
sota graduate,  
five years mili-  
tary service.  
Active in Jun-  
ior Chamber of  
Commerce, Na-  
tional Associa-  
tion for the Ad-  
vancement of  
Colored People,  
Foreign Policy  
association, American Legion,  
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Min-  
neapolis Housing association,  
P.T.A., Citizens Committee for  
Public Education. Supported  
the Citizens Committee for a 13-  
man Council, Citizens Commit-  
tee for Constitutional Revision.



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1. In view of the recent  
action of the federal govern-  
ment, the entire question seems  
academic.

2. Zoning studies of recent  
years must be kept up to date.  
When the legislative obstacles  
are cleared, the city should  
undertake comprehensive rez-  
oning. This would relate to  
later remarks (see question 8)  
about a metropolitan commis-  
sion for planning and zoning.

3. I favor the policy of re-  
ducing our bonded debt by two  
to three million dollars a year.  
This policy also reduces the re-  
quired mill levy each year for  
the payment of bonds. Reduc-  
tion in mill levy has the un-  
fortunate result of placing  
ever-increasing restrictions on  
issuance of bonds for needed  
schools, parks and other major  
municipal developments. There-  
fore, I would favor a policy  
which continues the annual re-  
duction of indebtedness but  
stabilizes the mill levy for bond  
reduction.

4. The school rehabilitation  
program must be carried to  
completion. This program and

can be financed without an in-  
crease in spending if our abil-  
ity to float bonds is not further  
restricted.

5. Yes. However, I will sup-  
port payment of adequate  
wages consistent with levels  
established in comparable in-  
dustry. If adequate funds are  
not available, I would favor a  
reduction in municipal services  
rather than a reduction in  
wages.

6. If a change in the city  
charter is necessary and desir-  
able, it would be legitimate to  
seek it from whatever quarter  
was more practicable. Charter  
changes submitted to the elec-  
torate have the advantage of  
permitting full citizens partici-  
pation and education. I think  
aldermanic pay, particularly,  
should be subject to citizen ap-  
proval.

7. Yes. I strongly support the  
principals of the ordinance pro-  
posed by the Citizens league.

8. I would seek to advance  
the use of the metropolitan  
commission type of control on  
various city operations that are  
closely related to activities car-  
ried on by suburbs and St. Paul.  
This type of control has already  
been effective in the Minneapo-  
lis-St. Paul sanitary commis-  
sion and the Metropolitan air-  
ports commission. Of immedi-  
ate importance is the need for  
integrated planning in relation  
to zoning and planning.

9. Reform licensing. Sound  
municipal financing. Expanded  
staff for the Minneapolis police  
force.

10. No. The people have no  
recourse in the event a poor  
police chief were placed under  
tenure. At present, people  
have a political remedy if the  
mayor fails to maintain the  
highest standard of police ser-  
vice.

11. I would seek to eliminate  
the administrative details from  
the city council and make it  
more of a policy-making body.  
An example of this is in the Cit-  
izens league's proposed licensing  
ordinance which would set  
standards of licensing for de-  
partment heads without the  
need to process each of the  
many thousands of license ap-  
plicants who now appear before  
the city council. I would also  
strengthen the office of the re-  
search engineer to provide fur-  
ther research and planning fac-  
ilities for the city council. I would  
want to extend the use of citi-  
zens advisory committees to aid  
the council as is now done in the  
city planning commission and  
as is proposed in the proposed  
licensing ordinance in respect  
to liquor licensing.

12. With the new 13-man  
council, it is difficult to predict  
what alignments will occur. It  
may well be that personalities  
will overshadow previous cau-  
cus arrangements. It is my in-  
tention to caucus with those  
whose views are similar to mine.  
It may be that the proposal for  
licensing reform will determine  
caucus alignment.

13. I favor a metropolitan  
transit authority. Pending legis-  
lation establishing such an au-  
thority, the city should exhaust  
every possible means to force  
the transit company to comply  
with its obligation for street  
maintenance and standards of  
service.

14. I suggest a citizens ad-  
visory commission to study  
this problem to work out a  
formula between public demand  
and the requirements of the  
taxicab business.

15. Establishment of a metro-  
politan traffic authority  
financed by not more than a  
tenth of a mill levy, state aid,  
charged with responsibility for  
a program of long range and  
immediate traffic planning.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Has good understanding

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4. Do you favor Minneapolis' spending more than now, the same as now, or less than now, for capital improvements?
5. Would you favor or oppose a policy requiring that the city council vote no expenditures, such as the recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees, unless at the same time it has money on hand or in sight to pay for them?
6. In what circumstances should the council go to the legis-  
lature rather than to city voters for charter changes?
7. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
8. Do you have in mind any particular changes in city  
operations on which you will concentrate if elected?
9. Please state what you consider the most important issues  
in this aldermanic campaign?
10. Do you favor tenure for the chief of police?
11. How would you organize the new smaller city council to  
secure efficient operation?
12. If liberal and progressive voting groups are continued in  
the new council, which group will you join?
13. Do you have specific proposals as to mass transpor-  
tation?
14. Do you have specific proposals as to taxicabs?
15. Do you have specific proposals as to traffic?

the job and of the problems to  
be faced. Training for the job—  
fair.

**BRITT GORMAN, 1000 W.**  
Franklin avenue.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Failed to return question-  
naire or schedule interview.

**DAN HARDING, 706 W.**  
Twenty-sixth street, married.  
Crime investigator. Three years  
at University of Minnesota, two  
years military service. Active  
in D.A.V., Minneapolis Restau-  
rant association and AFL.

Did not submit answers to  
questions on issues.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Failed to return question-  
naire. Did not wait to be inter-  
viewed.

**ROMEO J. RILEY, 51, 708 S.**  
Cedar Lake road, married, two  
children. Incumbent for 18  
years. Soap and chemical job-  
ber. High school graduate. Sup-  
ported one-way street plan for  
traffic handling. Supported (1)  
revision of Elwell law, passed  
by last legislature, to reduce  
local property burden for pay-  
ing assessments, and (2) re-  
vision of Elwell law, passed by  
last legislature, to encourage  
water main installation in indus-  
trial districts for fire protec-  
tion.

1. Support the local author-  
ity and encourage private in-  
vestments.

2. Comprehensive rezoning if  
the legislature enables us to  
do it.

3. Yes. Have actively partici-  
pated in bond reduction and  
will continue to do so.

4. Same as now, but if new  
sources of revenue are available  
then a reasonable portion  
should be allocated to improve-  
ments.

5. Favor only as to money  
that may be available. Do not  
believe in deficit financing.

6. Tax matters, or changes in  
existing laws affecting the char-  
ter.

7. Yes, simplification, protec-



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tion to neighborhoods against  
nuisances, fair treatment for  
all applications insofar as we  
can legally do so.

8. Speeding up response to  
citizens' requests and com-  
plaints.

9. Finance and efficiency in  
service.

10. Yes, civil service tenure.

11. Fewer committees, sim-  
plified procedure, adequate pub-  
lic notice of meetings, have all  
aldermen directly participate in  
all work of council.

12. Progressive.

13. If the legislature doesn't  
take away powers, then fair  
regulation. Give city council  
more authority and not give all  
of our regulation to railroad  
and warehouse commission.

14. Mainly a luxury service,  
has not been too serious a prob-  
lem. Have always voted for  
more cab licenses.

15. Continuation of one-way  
streets and other measures to  
relieve congestion and reduce  
accidents.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Unable to attend inter-  
view.

### Eighth Ward

**HENRY A. BOTHMANN, 56,**  
3210 Clinton avenue, married,  
two children. Grocer. Com-  
mercial school graduate. Active  
in Mt. Olive Lutheran church,  
Minneapolis Retail Grocers as-  
sociation.

1. Private low-rent housing.  
2. No.  
3. Yes.  
4. Same.

5. If money is on hand yes.  
6. Did not answer.

7. Licenses should not be  
granted to members of family  
or relatives or business asso-  
ciates.

8. No.

9. Handling of liquor license.

10. No.

11. That is difficult to say  
without further study.

12. Progressive.

13. No.

14. More.

15. One-way streets.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Unable to come for inter-  
view.

**WALTER G. HALL, 1906**  
Third avenue S.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Failed to return question-  
naire or schedule interview.



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Howard

**JOSEPH M. HOWARD, 48,**  
3320 Portland avenue, married,  
one child. Restaurant owner.  
High school graduate. Active  
in Salem Lutheran church, Lor-  
ing Park Community council,  
P.T.A., Boy Scouts.

1. Rent control is still need-  
ed in this strategic civil defense  
area because of the shortage of  
housing in the middle and low-  
cost brackets. Minneapolis is  
predominantly a city of trades-  
men and working people and is  
without enough housing.

2. Did not answer.

3. I have not made up my  
mind.

4. I believe that major ex-  
penditures for capital improve-  
ments should be studied, antici-  
pated and publicized and decided  
by the vote of the people at  
elections.

5. Favor.

6. Only in circumstances in-  
volving the whole county and  
not ever in matters that have  
safety or emergency measures  
to be settled — the legislature  
sets the general pattern but  
should not make decisions on  
purely local problems.

7. Yes, the Junior Chamber of  
Commerce and Citizens league  
proposed change is a good one.

8. I would devote myself  
wholeheartedly, with an open  
mind, to every operation—to  
keep what is good and efficient  
and improve and change the  
rest.

9. Licensing. Debt policy.

10. Yes, when qualified. He  
should not be a political ap-  
pointee. Too much depends on  
the integrity of this office for it  
to be subject to one man's  
choice.

11. I would have every mem-  
ber on all the necessary com-  
mittees so that the entire city  
would get fair and complete rep-  
resentation.

12. Did not answer.

13. An unbiased transporta-  
tion expert from another city of  
like size would be the best cap-  
able person to study our prob-  
lem and make the recommenda-  
tions and then the solution  
should be acted upon by the  
council and a citizens' commit-  
tee together.

14. Did not answer.

15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** com-  
ment: Understanding of duties  
and responsibilities of the job  
and of problems to be faced—  
between fair and good. Training  
for the job—fair.

**MRS. ROBERT INGRAM, 46,**  
3236 Fifth avenue S., married,  
two children. Housewife. Three  
years extension work at Univer-  
sity of Minnesota. Active in  
Minneapolis P. T. A. council,  
Wesley Methodist church, Min-  
neapolis Council of Church  
Women, Lorraine chapter  
O.E.S., Citizen's Committee on  
Public Education. Actively sup-  
ported move for sex crime pun-  
ishment in last legislature, sup-  
pression of obscene literature,  
prevention of extension of li-  
cense boundaries (liquor), park  
board referendum, housing sur-  
vey, school improvement pro-  
gram, citizens' school week,  
F.E.P.C.

1. Favor some low-cost hous-  
ing or redeveloping if legisla-  
tively possible. Also a survey  
of present available housing

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and needs, followed by constructive action on same.

2. Would suggest a study of survey, now that legislature passed enabling law.

3. Whenever possible, unless actual emergency exists.

4. I would not favor more.

5. I strongly favor a "pay-as-you-go" policy. When money for such is in sight, I feel that it should be made on some uniform basis throughout the city system.

6. City council should go to the legislature for changes necessary for the efficient running of the city. In some cases this has to be done under state law, as I understand it. In other cases, it is necessary to expedite changes difficult to present to the voters.

7. Definitely. I have confidence in the plan proposed by the Citizens league. I feel that the plan is impartial and constructive. I have had experience in the past with city licensing procedures and have watched them in action. At times I have been amazed at the outcome. We certainly do need a change.

8. I hope to find some method by which we can increase our police force to the size comparable with other cities this size. I have said in the previous question I favor licensing changes, together with a survey of existing licenses.

9. Licensing. Need to elect 13 aldermen who will maintain the respect and confidence of the public.

10. Yes.

11. Time and trial will prove the most efficient method. I favor a round-table discussion among elected councilmen (and women) to pool ideas.

12. I do not favor a division. It is not fair to the public the council represents. However, if there is a division, I would be progressive.

13. Enforcement of present traffic regulations and a spreading of present policies would do a great deal to keep system on schedule. Council must continue to insist on proper service to the public.

14. I favor abolition of limited licensing. Let supply and demand regulate as in any other legitimate business, under strict rule of the council.

15. A continuance of modernization of the traffic pattern in Minneapolis, together with better co-ordination of present system.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Understanding of duties and responsibilities and of problems to be faced—between good and fair. Training in related fields—fair.

**GEORGE E. JOHNSON**, 36, 2931 Portland avenue, married, two children. Incumbent for past six years. Hardware merchant. Central high school graduate, three years military service. Active in Lions club, Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis Aquatennial association, Council of Civic clubs. Sponsored revision of the building code, last revision of the liquor licensing ordinance and presently sponsor of licensing ordinance proposed by the Citizens league.

1. Completion of the Glenwood site program.

2. Complete revision of our zoning ordinance as soon as



Johnson



Mrs. Ingram

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possible after enabling legislation.

3. Yes.

4. For the present, the same as now. After the completion of the school board's program then we can begin on the city's program within our debt retirement policy.

5. Favor.

6. Only those on which there is unanimous agreement or nearly so on the question involved.

7. Adoption of Citizens league proposal.

8. Yes, in the field of public relations. A closer working arrangement with the civic groups, Chamber of Commerce and labor organizations toward the solution of our common problems.

9. Solution of our mass transportation, financial and licensing problems.

10. Yes.

11. Consolidation of council committees whose present functions now overlap or whose present duties are limited.

12. Progressive.

13. Establishment of a metropolitan transit authority.

14. Did not answer.

15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. As the incumbent he has had very good training for the job.

**WALTER J. MURPHY**, 54, 1900 Stevens avenue, married. Supervisor of apartment building. Attended business school. Former member of city council for 12 years.

1. Favor low rent public housing and redevelopment.

2. Only as special problems on that subject arise.

3. Yes.

4. The present practice seems satisfactory.

5. Too controversial. Depends upon circumstances at the time the problem arises.

6. On general issues I believe in a referendum by the public.

7. Depends on the nature of the license.

8. Reduction in taxes and elimination of duplications of civic procedures.

9. Traffic and street car problems.



Murphy

10. Depends on the man's record as chief of police.

11. Majority rule—"the American way."

12. I am running as an independent candidate.

13. Local exclusive supervision of street car problems.

14. Same as above.

15. If one-way street systems prove successful, increase the system.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to schedule interview.

### Ninth Ward

**VERNON L. BERGSTROM**, 3021 Twenty-ninth avenue S.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule interview.

**EINER CHRISTIANSEN**, 2704 Sixteenth avenue S. Incumbent.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or appear for interview.

**DONALD C. HOLMBERG**, 3208 Thirty-first avenue S.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule interview.

**GEORGE W. MARTENS**, 45, 2601 E. Twenty-second street, married. Incumbent for past four years. Attended Northwestern university, two and one-half years military service. Active in Veterans of Foreign Wars, A.F.&A.M., Moose lodge and bakery drivers union. Sponsored or actively supported low-rent public housing, one-way street program, air pollution ordinance, gas franchise ordinance, current financing program, felon registration ordinance.

1. Favor.

2. Favor zoning. Argued the

present bill before the legislative committee.

3. Yes.

4. I would favor capital improvement spending for street paving, additional storm drains and one or two bridges across the river. That necessarily would have to be done with bond money and I feel it is a good expenditure.

5. Favor.

6. In case of emergency.

7. Some changes may be necessary.

8. Streamlining city salary ordinance. Traffic in downtown area. Redevelopment of blighted areas.

9. Finances, transportation, slum clearance.

10. Did not answer.

11. Did not answer.

12. Liberal.

13. Conversion to buses.

14. Did not answer.

15. More one-way arteries and restrictive parking during peak hours.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. As the incumbent has had good training for the job. Has worked for greater control of air pollution. Is chairman of four committees.

**HAROLD MATTHE**, legal age, 3715 Twenty-second avenue S., married, one child. Labor relations assistant. Graduate Gustavus Adolphus college, three years military service. Active in Urban league, YMCA, Greater Minneapolis Safety council, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Lutheran church.

1. I believe these matters should be handled through private enterprise as much as possible, but, at the same time, not losing sight of community problems in regard to such matters.

2. With some consideration for the possible effect this might have on the building activity in this area, and some possible relation to the building code, there might be certain parts of the zoning ordinance which might bear revision.

3. Absolutely. I don't like to have outstanding debts and I would like such a policy to apply to our city government. I see no sense in spending the taxpayers' money on paying interest when we can reduce our debt without crippling basic functions of government.

4. Less at this time. Economic conditions now aren't such as to require mass or large-scale improvements. Of course, there might be some question as to what constitutes necessary capital improvements. This is a matter which would have to be weighed carefully to assure that the taxpayers' money was being spent for



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purposes which would give taxpayer his money's worth.

5. Why antagonize those who are to receive raises when haven't money to pay them when pay day rolls around? Why antagonize the taxpayer by such commitments? If money is readily available, the increase is justified, though it's an entirely different matter.

6. The council shouldn't miss the opportunity to escape facing an issue or solving a problem locally. However, in certain cases, it may be quite justified for the council to go to the legislature.

7. I favor changes in licensing procedure along the line of the Citizens league's proposal.

8. Charter reform, possible licensing reform; some possible change in the public transportation set-up, and probably more important, a more clear policy on our financial problems.

9. Financial policy, licensing procedures, public transportation.

10. Yes, I do not believe chief of police should be a political appointee as is the present case. A qualified, capable man should be selected as the result of an examination for the position and he should have political debts to pay but should be of unblemished character and should pursue his duty for the protection of ALL people.

11. Certain channels and lines of authority would have to be drawn and certain policies formulated. The question of centralizing responsibility in one man or a small committee of the whole would depend, some degree, on the problem matter before the council.

12. This is supposed to be nonpartisan election; that candidates are to run with designation. To even indicate which group I would join would in my opinion, be a violation of the intent of the law.

13. I have something specific here, but I prefer to state it until I've studied matter more.

14. This one has been studied to some extent, but I am not in a position to make a specific proposal at this time.

15. I have something specific here, but prefer to state it more before I make a suggestion.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had limited training in this or related fields.

**LOUIS SUNDEEN**, Twenty-fifth avenue S.

Did not answer questionnaire or submit biographical information.

# VOTE MONDAY

## Polls Open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



## 4 Park Board Posts to Be Filled

Voters in four Minneapolis legislative districts will select one representative each to the Minneapolis park board in this year's municipal elections.

The positions at stake are in the 29th, 31st, 33rd and 35th districts.

However, candidates for the 31st district will not appear on the primary ballot.

One of the three original candidates to file for this post obtained a court order withdrawing his candidacy. The two remaining candidates—Rudolph G. Willer, 1830 Stevens avenue, and incumbent Edwin F. Kelley, 615 Second avenue S.—automatically qualify as the nominees in the general election.

Though the job is non-paying, 12 candidates have filed for the four posts. Four of the 12 will be eliminated in Monday's primary election.

The eight remaining will compete in the general election on June 8.

Each of the park board candidates was asked a series of questions by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis. Here are their answers:

### 29th District

**EDWARD CHALGREEN**, 71, 2201 NE. Fillmore street. Incumbent since 1935. University of Minnesota law school graduate.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Failed to return questionnaire and declined interview.

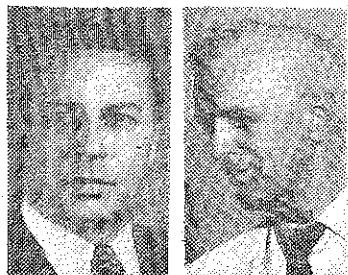
**WENDELL H. KINGSLEY**, 44, 1084 Twenty-fourth avenue SE, married, four children. Salesman. High school graduate, 19 months military service. Active in University Lutheran Church of Hope, Bearcat American Legion post, Masonic bodies.

1. I believe that the system we now have in Minneapolis, an independent agency, is the satisfactory type of commission to have. Our park system is known nationally and it is through the efforts of the independent agency that has put us there.

2. Naturally, I am in favor of keeping our parks scenic, but I believe our greatest need at the present is for expansion in recreational programs.

3. I believe we have sufficient facilities at the present time, however, with the building program that seems to be coming more extensive at all times, there may be a time when additional space will be needed in some areas. I am heartily in accord with the new policy of the board in erecting parks and recreational facilities wherever new schools go up, and I believe that this program should be continued with both the board of education and board of park commissioners participating.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and a good grasp of the problems to be faced. Training in this and related fields—between fair and good. Has plans for more intensive use of parks by younger children.



ROBERT L. MOGG, 24, 1838 NE. McKinley street, married, one child. Insurance adjuster.



University of Minnesota graduate, five years military service. Active in Cataract lodge, Darius Commandery, Columbia Heights Youth council, Zuhrah temple, Scottish rite, Aldrich Avenue Presbyterian church, Harmony chapter O.E.S. Actively supported Columbia Heights youth center.

1. No preference, however, I am eager to take an active part in the present system as that is what we have and I feel we might make the best of it.

2. I favor both, however, emphasis on recreation programs.

3. No expansion but possibly a more efficient use of the services, or a better application of the service.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and a good understanding of the problems to be faced. Has had some training in related fields.

### 33rd District

**RICHARD M. GILL**, 40, 4617 Tenth avenue S., married, four children. Owner of mortuary. University of Minnesota graduate. Active in Knights of Columbus, Chamber of Commerce, Alano society, Minneapolis Calix, Resurrection Holy Name society, Minneapolis, state and national funeral directors associations.

1. Independent agency as it now is.

2. Recreational programs at the parks.

3. Not at the present time. Completion of present objects most important.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has very limited understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training for the job—fair.

**EDWARD PETERSON**, 52, 3520 Fremont avenue S., married, one child. Owner and manager of florist shop. University of Minnesota graduate. Active in Kiwanis, Breakfast club, Volunteers of America, Graft club, Parkview hospital, First Covenant church.

1. The park board is an independent agency elected by the people to do a specific job. Such an arrangement is the best method in dealing with its problems and policy, and fixes responsibility.

2. Minneapolis is endowed with great natural beauty and an abundance of park property. This asset must be preserved but we must not overlook a greater asset—our children. They are entitled to adequate recreational facilities.

3. This question cannot be answered properly without careful study of the entire system in the light of our present facilities and future needs.

## Start Reading Here

Today's Voters Guide contains information about candidates for the park board, city treasurer, and city council candidates from the tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth wards.

The information in today's Voters Guide—all gathered by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis—includes answers to a series of questions, biographical information about each candidate and comments about each candidate made by the Candidate Review committee of the Citizens league as the result of candidate interviews.

Co-chairmen of the committee were Josiah E. Brill, 4827 Queen avenue S., and Harry E. Leonard, 2939 NE. Grand street.

**THESE COMMENTS** express the conclusions of a committee of representative citizens, drawn from the whole city, as to the candidate's knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the office sought and of the problems to be faced.

Comments on training for the job also are included.

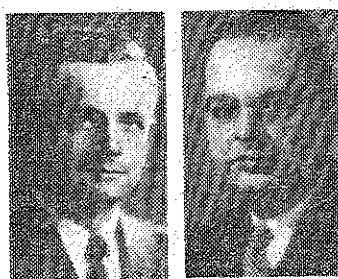
The committee used a rating scale of excellent (1st), good (2nd), fair (3rd) and poor (4th).

The committee concluded it could not attempt to rate candidates as to the very important qualities of integrity and judgment.

The committee's report emphasizes that even where a candidate is rated low on understanding or training, it does not mean that he could not within a reasonable time acquire competence if he has the personal characteristics and willingness to do so.

**ON THE OTHER** hand, candidates rated excellent as to those qualities judged may, nevertheless, be undesirable because of—for example—lack of integrity. Voters must bear both of these facts in mind in using the comments and in determining for whom they will vote.

Another Voters Guide will be published Saturday. It will include candidates for mayor, school board, library director, municipal judge and board of estimate and taxation.



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answered properly without careful study of the entire system in the light of our present facilities and future needs.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to

Park Board

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## Park Board Questions

1. In Minneapolis the park board, except for maximum spending limitations, is an independent agency. Some other cities make the city council responsible for park policy. Which arrangement do you prefer?

2. Which would you favor—putting greater emphasis on developing more scenic parks or on developing recreational programs at the parks?

3. Does Minneapolis need expanded park facilities or services?

Citizens League

PART THREE

Voter's Guide

Prepared by Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis

## 4 Candidates Seek City Treasurer Job

Four candidates seek the job of city treasurer, but Minneapolis voters will cut that field in half at the city primary Monday.

The treasurer—elected for a two-year term—is custodian of city funds and the agent of city disbursements. This means the treasurer signs the checks.

The job pays \$9,444 a year.

The two top vote-getting candidates in the primary will square off in the general election June 8.

All four candidates were asked to present their views on a questionnaire submitted to them by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis. Their answers follow:

### Treasurer

**EARL A. ARNESON**, 35, 2530 Sixteenth avenue S., single. Mobile equipment operator and



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launch pilot for city park board. Graduate of Vocational high school and trade school and attended University of Minnesota, one year military service. Active in American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Moose,

Eagles, Sons of Norway, delegate to Central Labor union and to educational and political committee of CLU, local 664, AFL.

1. I would favor putting the responsibility into the hands of one person who would be impartial to all the different city departments. This I believe would eliminate any and all back-scratching by the department heads and the result would be more efficiency in the city government and the saving of many tax dollars.

2. Working closer to the county treasurer's office in order to try to combine the offices of city and county treasurer. Amalgamation of these two offices would give the people of Minneapolis who paid approximately 80 per cent of the taxes outside of Minneapolis but yet in Hennepin county a more fair and better return on their tax investment.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job—good. Understanding of the problems to be faced—between fair and good. Has had some experience in politics and in city government. Training for this job—between fair and good.

**HAROLD O. ENGBERG**, 46, 5409 Nokomis avenue, married,

## Treasurer Questions

1. The city charter now divides responsibility for financial control among several officers. Do you favor continuing this arrangement, or would you favor putting responsibility into the hands of one officer?
2. What changes in operation of the treasurer's office do you favor?

one child. General insurance agent. South high school graduate. World War II disabled veteran. Active in Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Second Infantry Division association, Lake Nokomis Lutheran church.

1. I feel that there should be proper checks and balances in the handling of the city finances but believe this can be accomplished through greater centralization. This would enable the citizens to place the responsibilities on fewer individuals and would increase the efficiency of the city's operations.

2. I would be unable to answer this question until a proper survey was made of the office and its functions.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has fair understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had limited training in this and related fields.

**GLADYS E. MILLER**, 58, 4701 Chownen avenue S., single. Incumbent since 1939, assistant city treasurer 3½ years. High school graduate.

1-2. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Declined interview.

**JAMES J. SAVAGE**, 28, 3701 Eleventh avenue S., married, four children. Equipment operator for park board. South high school graduate, two- and one-half years military service.

1. I favor putting responsibility into the hands of one officer.

2. Till a more thorough study of the operation of this office is made, I do not wish to commit myself to any particular change. If I am elected, I shall make changes that will increase efficiency in service to the people and save the taxpayer's money.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Failed to schedule interview.



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## Park Board

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be faced. Has had good training for the job.

**DR. ROY E. PETERSON, 58,** 700 E. Minnehaha parkway, married, one child. Incumbent for past six years. Optometrist. Columbia Optometrist college graduate, six months military service. Active in South Side Picnic association, Franklin Business Men's association, Shrine, American Legion. Actively supported Prudential Insurance Co. land deal, development of Parade stadium, Armata school and park development.

1. I firmly believe that the park governing authority should be an independent agency such as we now have in Minneapolis. This type of board has proven to be the most satisfactory in this country in theory and actual practice.

2. Both are a part of each other; that is, a good park system must provide a good recreation program, and a good recreation program requires a good park system. Both aspects are equally necessary, although of recent years recreation has been intensely emphasized.

3. According to the L. H. Weir recreation survey of 1944 and refinements thereof, Minneapolis is still in need of additional park areas and recreation facilities. We need to work together with suburban planning. Also there is need of further co-operation and co-ordination with other civic groups and other city bodies, and need also to provide additional recreation for the older age groups of the city.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Very good understanding of duties and responsibilities and good understanding of problems to be faced. As the incumbent, he has had good training for the job.

**ERNEST F. SHEFFIELD, 58,** 3542 Hennepin avenue, married. Owner of florist shop. University of Minnesota graduate, two years military service. Active in Joppa lodge, Hennepin Avenue Methodist church, Minneapolis Business Men's association, Lions club, Scottish Rite, Uptown Commercial club, Minneapolis Florists association, Zuhrah temple, Community Chest.

1. Park board as an independent agency.

2. I favor both greater emphasis on more scenic parks and developing recreational programs in parks.

3. Yes.

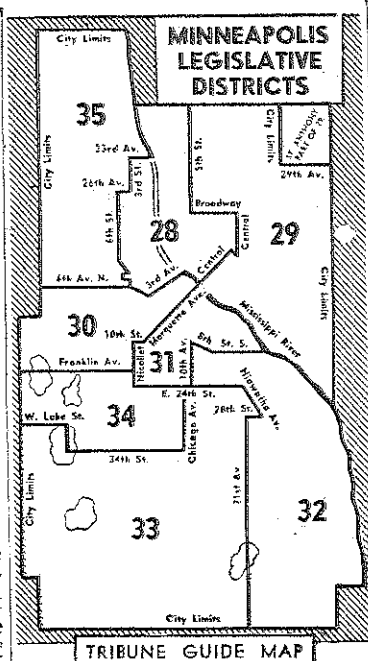
**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had good training for the job.

### 35th District

**S. H. BELLMAN, 1229** Thomas avenue N.

Did not answer questionnaire or submit biographical information.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has fair understanding of duties and responsibilities of



the job and good understanding of the problems to be faced. His training is good. He stresses a program to equalize park facilities.

**MARVEY S. NELSON, 43,** 3442 Knox avenue N., married, four children. Driver-salesman for dairy. Attended Marshall and Edison high schools.



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1. The city parks and playgrounds have gained world recognition under the present setup. In the past the work of this board has not been hampered by petty politics. I think to put the park board under city council jurisdiction would be a serious mistake. The present controversy over the Gateway property, and the public bath houses are timely examples of what might be expected under such a setup. The park board should definitely remain an independent agency.

2. I firmly believe that the further development of more ample recreational programs in the parks should be the primary concern of the park board. These park programs are an essential part of the life of every citizen and should never be sacrificed to more scenic developments.

3. I favor expanded park facilities where they are needed. Some areas have been neglected in the past and this condition should be remedied. New community center buildings are badly needed in every section of the city. However, with a limited budget, and realizing that recreational services are essential, proper maintenance of existing facilities should not be overlooked.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and very good understanding of the problems. His training is good. He stressed broadening, intensifying and expanding the park program.

**WALTER F. QUIST, 59, 1200** W. Broadway, married. Incumbent for 19 years. Vice president-general manager of mortuary. University of Minnesota graduate, two years military service. Active in American Legion, Kiwanis, Shrine, Aquatennial, Minneapolis Athletic



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club. Served on city charter commission, city planning commission, board of estimate and taxation, metropolitan airports commission.

1. I prefer the present system. Park boards, school and library boards should be close to the people they serve. Many cities which changed their form of government some years ago to types of commissions are again restoring park boards elected by the people, and giving them definite millage to

spend, because of park and recreational neglect.

2. The shorter work week—more leisure time for our citizens—places greater emphasis on developing recreational programs. Early retirement at 65 years of age adds adult recreational problems. I favor continuance of our splendid recreational program.

3. With few exceptions we have adequate land. During past years shortage of funds, our physical properties have

deteriorated, and a rehabilitation program is badly needed to prevent further loss. Many curtailed recreational activities should be restored.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has excellent training for the job. Has worked for some reorganization of the park department. Stresses the need for more adult recreational programs.

## Single Council Candidate to Be Eliminated in Each of 4 Wards

Voters in the tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth wards will eliminate a single candidate from the list in each ward at the city primary Monday.

There are three candidates in each ward. Two will be nominated in each ward for the June 8 general election.

The Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis asked each aldermanic candidate to answer a series of questions and schedule an interview appointment. Here are the results:

### Tenth Ward

**THOMAS J. CLINTON, 32,** 3538 Grand avenue, married, two children. Senior clerk in the city-water department. University of Minnesota graduate, four years military service. Active in Minneapolis civil defense, Lyndale school P.T.A., Minnesota Alumni association, American Legion, Reserve Officers association, and A.F.L. local union 363.

1. The Gateway area should be redeveloped as quickly as possible.

2. Limits on areas for commercial development. This is a function of the planning committee.

3. Whenever possible a city government should make every attempt to reduce its debt; however, a set policy of reducing the debt by a specific amount of 3 million dollars per year is very difficult to do especially during a period of rising costs. The debt retirement plan should be flexible to a certain degree.

4. More at the present time. This is especially true in regards to street and school maintenance. The city could set up a water meter maintenance charge of 25 cents per month. When water meters were repaired, there would be no charge to the owners. This plan would bring the city approximately \$275,000 in revenue each year. A wheelage and city income tax certainly could be investigated as to the feasibility of installing these taxes as a means of raising revenue. In no case should property taxes be increased.

5. When pay raises are given, the money should be in sight whenever possible; however, during a period of rising costs, the people of Minneapolis should not expect the city employees, who have devoted themselves to a service, to accept less than comparable industries are paying in order that the city can balance its budget. The necessary money should be raised.

6. The city council should be given more power in raising revenues and controlling streetcar and bus operations. The amending of the Brooks-Coleman act is a function of the state legislature. Likewise, the state legislature can give the city council a greater degree of control in governing municipal affairs.

7. The granting of liquor licenses should be a function of a non-partisan commission appointed by and subject to the approval of the city council. A great deal of investigation should be advocated before a license is issued to anyone.

8. Top efficiency and econ-

omy in every department of the city, and amendment of the Brooks-Coleman act, whereby the city council could have the power of regulating the schedules and fares of buses and streetcars within the city.

9. A thorough investigation of streetcar and bus operations in the city of Minneapolis, school and street maintenance, and a balanced budget.

10. Favor.

11. Reduce the committees from five to three members, and wherever possible consolidate committees.

12. Liberal.

13. Express buses seem to be the answer to getting people into and out of the downtown area.

14. There are times, when more taxicabs should be on the street. At these times, there should be more flexibility in the issuance of permits.

15. If the express buses were put into operation, there would be fewer motorists driving to and from places of employment in the downtown area.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training in this or related fields—fair.

**DALE KENT HENJUM, 28,** 206 W. Thirty-second street, single. Restaurant owner South high school graduate, two years, eight months military service. Active in V.F.W.

1. We will have a proposal that will remedy this.

2. If elected, the council

will give to the citizens a real correction.

3. Sure, providing that there are not other things of more importance at the time.

4. The council will always work to make the city better. We may have to spend more and it may be less. The main thing is, that always we shall work and plan for better, never to go backwards.

5. They should be paid a decent wage befitting these protectors of the poor and the innocent. Risking their lives for a mere pittance is not really the right thing. Council must correct this fault.

6. When requested by the voters only.

7. The council must not repeat allowance of past mistakes, as we must protect the minors.

8. I shall try and carry out the requests of my voters.

9. That's really a question.

10. We (my supporters) have and are discussing this.

11. There is efficiency now, but I doubt if the small council can, ever, fully represent all the people. Problems will take more time. More pressure is involved.

12. Independent.

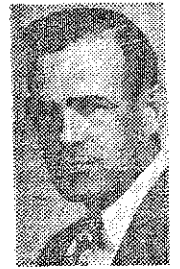
13. We (my supporters) have I believe, a proposal that is really workable.

14. There are enough cabs.

15. I will work with the council.



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## Aldermanic Questions

1. Do you have specific proposals as to housing and urban redevelopment?
2. Do you have specific proposals as to zoning?
3. The city has been retiring its debt at a rate of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 per year. Do you favor continuing this policy?
4. Do you favor Minneapolis' spending more than now, the same as now, or less than now, for capital improvements? If more, how would you get the money to do this?
5. Would you favor or oppose a policy requiring that the city council vote no expenditures, such as the recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees, unless at the same time it has money on hand or in sight to pay for them?
6. In what circumstances should the council go to the legislature rather than to city voters for charter changes?
7. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
8. Do you have in mind any particular changes in city operations on which you will concentrate if elected?
9. Please state what you consider the most important issues in this aldermanic campaign?
10. Do you favor tenure for the chief of police?
11. How would you organize the new smaller city council to secure efficient operation?
12. If liberal and progressive voting groups are continued in the new council, which group will you join?
13. Do you have specific proposals as to mass transportation?
14. Do you have specific proposals as to taxicabs?
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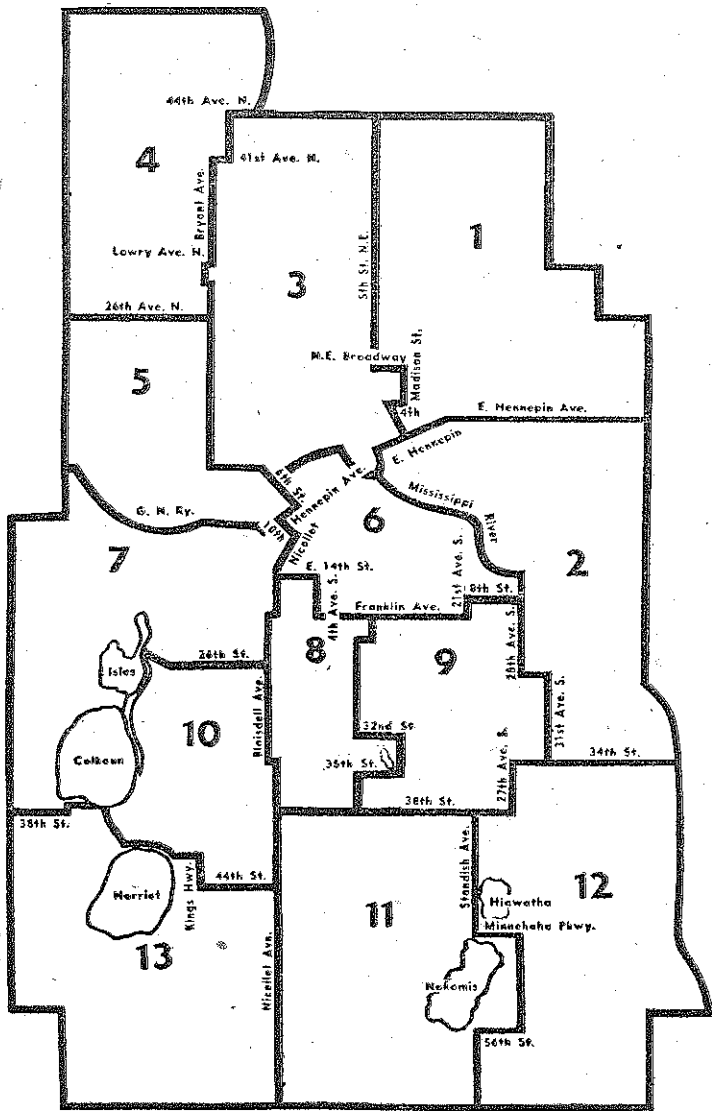
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## Minneapolis Ward Map



olis-Minnesota College of Law, 18 months military service. Active in the Minnesota State Bar association, Hennepin County Bar association, Mount Olivet Lutheran church, Men's club and Mr. and Mrs. club, Delta Theta Phi law fraternity, Toastmasters club, Hennepin County Republican club, University of Minnesota Alumni club, Junior Bar association, Minneapolis Claims association, Red Cross, Community Chest, YMCA rebuilding fund solicitor, Boy Scouts.

1. Improve the housing conditions by modernizing our building codes, redeveloping more unimproved areas to attract building on these sites and clearance of slum areas to reduce disease, fire and social problems and provide ground for new construction thereon.

2. Revision of the zoning ordinances so as to have uniform modern zoning throughout the city on a long range basis. This will help attract and keep industry in Minneapolis and give added protection to present owners of residential and commercial property.

3. Yes, the policy is a sound one provided in doing so you do not deprive the citizens of any of the city services and facilities which are necessary to their health and welfare.

4. The question is whether or not more capital improvements are needed. It may be desirable to survey our present buildings and facilities in an effort to determine this need, if any. The money, of course, must come from bonds and preferably floated on a self-liquidating basis.

5. I am a firm believer in the adjustment of wages to the cost of living, up or down; however, it is only good sound financial

management to either have the money in hand or pledged before appropriating it for city expenses.

6. Technically only the voters of Minneapolis can effect a change in the charter and I think that the people should be given their right to amend their own charter. Many of the recent charter amendments have come from the legislature which has circumvented our home-rule charter by enacting legislation applying only to cities over 450,000 population, which, of course, could only apply to Minneapolis.

7. Yes. Licensing procedures should be simple and economical. The method and manner by which an applicant secures a license to do business should be governed by a predetermined set of standards clearly enumerated in our ordinances.

8. I will endeavor to help work out a solution to our already overburdened tax and financial structure; help institute an improved and uniform zoning plan in an effort to keep and attract more industries to Minneapolis and further, I expect to pass or help pass necessary ordinances or laws to give the council more control and say-so over our streetcar and bus system in hopes that the riders can benefit in lower fares and better service.

9. Willingness and ability to serve the people with honesty and integrity. A desire to advance and promote sound legislation and give aggressive leadership so that we may have government that represents all of the people.

10. Any sound plan for betterment of the police department which would give more effective police protection should be considered. As a matter of law this would require a charter amendment and the people must be given an opportunity to voice their opinion on tenure for the police chief.

11. I would recommend that we consolidate the 21 committees which are now in existence to possibly five committees—

cation; public safety; finance; parks, playgrounds and public buildings—or some similar arrangement thereof; select aldermen who, by training or experience, are peculiarly adapted to serve on these committees and lastly, delegate to the department heads all administrative tasks leaving the elected officials with the law and policy-making functions only.

12. Progressive.

13. Conversion to buses of our streetcar system; more parking areas; and installation of mechanical controls at congested intersections. Elimination of traffic bottlenecks, such as Hennepin-Lyndale, and grade separations at railroad crossings.

14. Increase efficiency by providing additional temporary licenses during inclement weather.

15. Placing of traffic officers at congested intersections during rush hours. Development of a pattern of flow for traffic. Seek ways and means for more parking facilities in our loop area in order to keep and attract more business to the downtown district.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. Has had good training in this or related fields. Particularly interested in capital improvements program.

**JOHN WILLIAM STRAITON**, 63, 4508 Fifth avenue S., married, three children. Incumbent for past 14 years. Salesman of wholesale plumbing and heating supplies on part-time basis. Night classes at West high, YMCA, Dunwoody institute and De La Salle. Active in A.F. & A.M., Scottish rite, Zuhrah temple, PTA, Nokomis Heights Lutheran church, YMCA, Boy Scouts. Sponsored or actively supported correction of liquor laws, stronger fiscal control, efficient management of departments, discontinuance bonds for operation of city hospital, grade separation, elimination of unnecessary expenditures.

1. Slum clearance and redevelopment. Not to interfere too much with private enterprise.

2. Restrict commercial, not to encroach too much on rights of residential areas.

3. Have been very active in its proposal.

4. I do not believe in deficit financing or any subterfuge.

5. Have voted against any proposal without having the necessary money on hand. I was the only alderman to vote against the original pay increases and informed the council of the ultimate budget deficit.

6. Any proposal that would directly help the city, or its taxpayers.

7. The proposals that are now before the council, that may be legal.

8. Have worked for increasing the powers of the board of estimate and taxation, and the ways and means committee of the council.

9. This is the most important election in the history of the city, and the organization of the 13-man council, the election of qualified men.

10. Yes.

11. To see that all of the council familiarize themselves with the operation of city government.

12. Progressive.

13. The council should be able to direct the companies to pro-

vide for adequate transportation.

14. Adequate service.

15. Proper controls and management.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. As the incumbent he has had very good training for the job. Has been an advocate of the debt retirement policy.

## Twelfth Ward

**EDWIN A. HANNULA**, 44, 4921 Thirty-third avenue S., married, three children. Incumbent for past four years. Printer superintendent. Took extension course at University of Minnesota. Active in Nokomis Commercial club, Lake Nokomis Lutheran church, typographical union, YMCA. Co-sponsor of metropolitan transit bill, active in trying to secure amendments to liquor licensing ordinance, supported enabling legislation proposed in legislature for area rezoning, initiated move to reduce size of city council.



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1. Did not answer.

2. Minneapolis needs a new zoning ordinance. Characters of many neighborhoods have changed, making it necessary to change zoning so as to be in accordance with developments established in the various localities. Industry could be encouraged to come to Minneapolis by establishing definite areas in which they could locate.

3. Have supported this policy and will continue to do so.

4. Expenditures for capital improvements should be continued at the present level. If increased some other source of income must be found other than on real estate.

5. I will oppose expenditures unless money is available to pay them with. This in my opinion could lead to deficit financing which I would very definitely oppose.

6. I believe that all charter changes should be approved by the voters of the city of Minneapolis. In extreme emergencies it might be necessary to go to the legislature, however, any change voted should be approved in a referendum vote by the people.

7. I favor the Citizens league licensing proposal.

8. I believe that our charter should be amended to establish stronger and better financial control.

9. Financial policy. Transit problems. Licensing.

10. I favor limited tenure.

11. Committees should be reduced in number. The present 21 standing committees I feel can be reduced to seven. All committee meetings should be held in the mornings, leaving afternoons open for public hearings when necessary. Aldermen would be able to attend all committee meetings.

12. Progressive.

13. Metropolitan transit commission having full control of all transit problems.

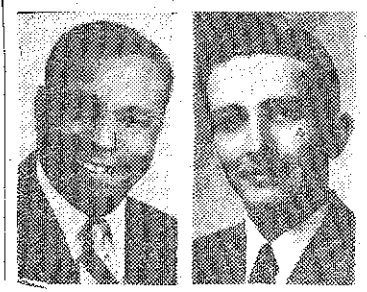
14. I favor increasing the number of licenses so as to give better service. If a metropolitan commission is established I would favor regulation of taxicabs being placed in the metropolitan commission.

15. Did not answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. As the incumbent has had good training for the job. Initi-

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## Aldermen

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ated proposal to reduce council to 13 men. Co-sponsor of metropolitan transit commission proposal.

**BYRON F. NELSON**, 45, 4903 Thirty-seventh avenue S., married, three children. Incumbent for past two years. Formerly a salesman. High school graduate. Active in Elks, Moose, PTA, carpenters union local 7, American Swedish institute, Eagles. Sponsored or actively supported dog-control ordinance, fluoridation of water, one-way street program, fire station site at Thirty eighth street and Snelling avenue.

1. I am for slum clearance and redevelopment.

2. Many of our zoning restrictions are antiquated and should be changed to fit our modern day needs.

3. If it is at all possible to do so, I favor continuing this policy.

4. I wish we could spend more on the many things the city needs — more policemen, storm drains, paving, schools, railroad crossing underpasses, slum clearance, etc. How to get the money is the \$64 question.

5. The recent cost-of-living pay increases in the main were justified. The legislature should have acted in all fairness differently than was done; with good and constructive work on the part of the council for the past couple of years, we deserved more consideration than we received.

6. Considering the "run-around" we received from the legislature, this term and in the past, I believe it would be more constructive to go to the people on the referendum. The difficulty is that in many instances the state law does not permit us to do so.

7. Simplification of procedures. Changes as to the needs. Thorough investigation and strict enforcement.

8. I'm going to concentrate on how to operate the city's functions without any money to operate with and, believe me, this will take a lot of concentrating on the part of the new 13-man council.

9. (1) Getting re-elected. (2) Financial problems. (3) Mass transportation.

10. I am very satisfied with the present type of administration. It proves with the proper officials this system can work very well.

11. Consolidation of committees and the election of more aldermen who will put in full time in this job. To do a good job, one must put in full time.

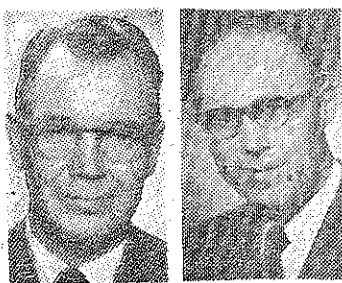
12. Liberal.

13. Metropolitan transit authority.

14. The five or six times I've ridden in taxis in the past 10 years haven't presented any problems to me or to the city.

15. In the police committee I was one of the three who voted the "one-way street" program. I am for any constructive changes necessary to cope with this problem.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be



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## Candidates for Alderman Answer These Questions

1. Do you have specific proposals as to housing and urban redevelopment?
2. Do you have specific proposals as to zoning?
3. The city has been retiring its debt at a rate of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 per year. Do you favor continuing this policy?
4. Do you favor Minneapolis' spending more than now, the same as now, or less than now, for capital improvements? If more, how would you get the money to do this?
5. Would you favor or oppose a policy requiring that the city council vote no expenditures, such as the recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees, unless at the same time it has money on hand or in sight to pay for them?
6. In what circumstances should the council go to the legislature rather than to city voters for charter changes?
7. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
8. Do you have in mind any particular changes in city operations on which you will concentrate if elected?
9. Please state what you consider the most important issues in this aldermanic campaign?
10. Do you favor tenure for the chief of police?
11. How would you organize the new smaller city council to secure efficient operation?
12. If liberal and progressive voting groups are continued in the new council, which group will you join?
13. Do you have specific proposals as to mass transportation?
14. Do you have specific proposals as to taxicabs?
15. Do you have specific proposals as to traffic?

As the incumbent he has had good training for the job.

**GEORGE K. TUTTLE**, 48, 3452 Forty-sixth avenue S., married, three children. Owner and manager of bowling center. Former 12th ward alderman for four years. University of Minnesota graduate. Active in Holy Trinity Lutheran church, Zuhrah temple, I.O.O.F., University of Minnesota "M" club, Minnehaha - Lake Business Men's association, Minneapolis Bowling Operators association, Cosmopolitan club, P.T.A. Sponsored or actively supported the 13-man council, the monthly police recognition dinners, ordinance preventing private use of city-owned automobiles, central switchboard for city hall, loop parking ramps, one-way streets, correcting tax abuses, debt retirement policy, proposed improved licensing procedures while in council.

1. As chairman of the housing committee of the city council I worked for the projects thus far undertaken and I would continue to work for the Glenwood and lower loop redevelopment projects.

2. Did not answer.

3. Yes.

4. About the same as now. If and when another depression hits us, greater expenditures for capital improvements, along with federal assistance, might well become a necessity. So we had better be prepared for a real rainy day.

5. Favor.

6. Only when the charter commission does not have authority to act on the matter at hand.

7. I am in accord with the proposal of the Citizens league.

8. The new 13-member council will certainly call for a lot of concentration regarding its organizational structure. My record in the council shows that I did not hesitate to propose, and diligently work for, the adoption of changes in city operations which resulted in improved efficiency and economy. This is a continuing process which I would adhere to as I have in the past.

9. (1) The licensing situation. (2) The recent cost-of-living pay increase for city employees. (3) The streetcar and bus situation. (4) Debt retirement policy. (5) Housing and redevelopment.

10. As an alderman and as chairman of the police committee I proposed a tenure plan for the chief of police. I worked with the Junior Chamber of Commerce and a group of for-

mer F.B.I. men on this matter. I would continue to work for a similar plan which would provide limited tenure for a specified number of years, probably four.

11. I am working on such a plan and should have it completed at an early date.

12. Progressive.

13. I favor a metropolitan transit commission.

14. Not any more. My record is very clear on this.

15. As chairman of the police committee I proposed the one-way street idea in the loop area. During the rush hours there should be less parking on streetcar lines in the loop. Complete laning of streets, especially the one-way streets. Better markings warning entrance to one-way streets. More traffic police.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has very good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. Training in this or related field — between fair and good. Has had previous experience as an alderman.

### Thirteenth Ward

**LINDSAY G. ARTHUR**, 35, 4634 Dupont avenue S., married, three children. Incumbent since 1949. Lawyer.

Graduate of University of Minnesota law school, three years military service. Active in the bar association, YMCA, PTA, Mount Olivet Lutheran church. Sponsored or actively supported school

charter amendments, metropolitan transit authority bill, city local option ordinance, city liquor financial report ordinance, Citizens league licensing ordinance revision, city "austerity" program.

1. I believe the present approved housing plans should be carried out and that more should be done with the industrial redevelopment of the city.

2. Modernization of the zoning plan is long overdue and should be worked out with consideration for public transportation, more detailed definition of zones to obviate the need for special permits, and to take into account the changes in the character of various neighborhoods in the past thirty years.

3. Yes, consistent with the capital demands of the schools.

4. I don't believe this question

can be adequately answered until a long-range survey has been made to determine all of the capital expenditures projects which are desired for the city, until these have been evaluated as to need and priorities assigned to them. The present system of pressure groups does not appear satisfactory.

5. Very much so.

6. For technical changes upon which there is little question of public approval where the cost and difficulty of a referendum would not be justified, otherwise the people should have the control of any changes in their government.

7. The present system of council discretion with the aldermanic approval power which gives each alderman very large powers should be abolished and a system of administrative licensing, such as the Citizens league proposal, be adopted so that the rights of each citizen are known without the interference of aldermen, and so that the public will know exactly who is receiving the "nuisance" licenses.

8. 1. Licensing revision if not accomplished by present council. 2. Capital improvements survey, to determine needs and priorities. 3. Zoning revision, to modernize present system. 4. Payroll survey, to find if city paying more than industry for comparable work. 5. Co-ordinating transportation routes, zoning, industrial development, etc.

9. Licensing revision; financial responsibility of city government; whether council is to be politically responsible to all of the city or to continue its present responsibility to a few small groups.

10. No, I believe that the policy jobs of city government, like the cabinet jobs of the federal government, should be by appointment by elected officials so that no one set of ideas can be frozen into control.

11. Reduce the present 21 committees to eight by combining functions and by removing administrative functions, such as licensing, from the council. The smaller number of committees could then meet at separate times and with greater public knowledge of what they were doing.

12. Progressive.

13. I claim credit for the bulk of the drafting of the metropolitan transit authority legislation which was submitted to the state legislature with council approval and which would consolidate control of transportation in local hands to deal with the entire area of which Minneapolis is a part.

14. I believe that the number of cab licenses, presently limited in number, should be determined on basis of public need and allocated to those who will use the licenses.

15. It appears that we need additional arterial routes, more one-way streets, more off-street parking facilities, and a co-ordinated system of traffic signals such as the Denver plan.

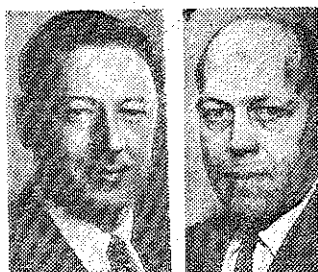
**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. As the incumbent and a lawyer he has had excellent training for the job. He is co-sponsor of metropolitan transit commission proposal.

**AARON KIPP**, 45, 5133 Abbott avenue S., married, four children. Owner of realty company. Attended Kansas State college, one year military service. Active in American Legion, PTA, United Nations association, Moose lodge, Minnesota Real Estate association.

1. I favor private enterprise for such redevelopment.

2. Our city needs a complete up-to-date revision for the present zoning ordinance as there are now inherent conflicts with state laws covering the subject.

3. Such a revision will



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ally in the future development of the city of Minneapolis.

3. Yes.

4. Capital improvements this time should be held to minimum except in those where the need can be clearly shown.

5. I believe city employees entitled to a cost-of-living increase in pay and this increase can be met this year by using funds in capital improvement account for Upper Harbor development — as such development looks to be very much the future.

6. In general, I believe city council should go to Minneapolis voters for changes in the city charter. The public has to be educated that cost of city services is borne by themselves and if they want increased services they must expect to pay for them.

7. I favor any changes which would eliminate political favoritism being required to obtain license to do business in Minneapolis, consistent with the principle of opportunity and constitutional guarantees.

8. A 13-man council necessarily mean more responsibility for each alderman. Committees established by the council will become more effective and the job of alderman will be a full-time job.

9. Public transportation can be made more effective to meet the needs of all the people. Because a given branch of transportation does not make a profit at a certain time, real reason to cut service that section.

10. No. I believe the appointment by the mayor without consent of the council is ineffective. I believe the mayor will get good police administration this way and I find fault with the present police administration.

11. Council committee should take a more effective part in our city government and assume more responsibility for good city government.

12. I have not made a decision on this hypothetical question.

13. I believe the city must see that adequate transportation is available to the entire city and that profitable parts of the city must be continued as the price paid for the monopoly given by the city.

14. I am not convinced that there is a public need for more cabs to make downtown traffic congestion more intolerable.

15. The council should encourage a reasonable way to encourage more parking facilities in downtown Minneapolis.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has a good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. He has had good training in this or related fields.

**JOHN S. WEISS**, 37, Bryant avenue S., married, four children. Taxi owner, Elementary school, 4th military service. Active in Name society, American Legion.

Did not submit answers to questions on questionnaire.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced. Has had little training for the job.



# Eight Candidates Entered in Race for City Mayor

A field of eight Minneapolis mayoralty candidates will be trimmed to two Monday when Minneapolis voters pick the nominees for the June 8 general election.

This field of eight includes the incumbent, one of the present aldermen and six other candidates.

When the newly-elected mayor takes office in July, he will receive a salary of \$10,750 a year.

This is a raise of \$1,750 over the present \$9,000 salary. The increase was voted by the 1953 Minnesota legislature.

The mayor is the city's chief executive, but his powers are limited.

He is the director of civil defense for the city. He has supervisory authority over the police department. He has veto power over ordinances and resolutions passed by the council.

HE CAN MAKE certain appointments with the consent of the city council.

He also is an ex-officio member of five city boards (this means he is a member by reason of holding the office of mayor, and has all the privileges of board membership including a vote). He also is an ex-officio member of certain state-authorized agencies.

The eight candidates for the mayor's office were submitted a questionnaire by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis. Here are their answers to the questions submitted:

## MAYOR

**FRANK J. HESS**, 49½ Glenwood avenue, single. Truck driver in the Minneapolis freight station of Northern Pacific Railway Co. Active in Bearcat post 504, American Legion; Townsend club number 130; Union North Star lodge number 2, and the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks and Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an appointment.

**C. EDWIN HOLMBERG**, 3208 Thirtieth avenue S.

**CITIZENS' LEAGUE Comment:** Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an interview.

**ERIC G. HOYER**, 55, 1934 NE. McKinley street, married, two children. Incumbent since 1948. Alderman from 1936 to 1948. Active in numerous civic, fraternal, club and church organizations as well as business and labor groups.

1, 2, and 9. I am of the opinion that traffic, zoning and housing and urban redevelopment must be considered as a unit, and I have many times gone on record favoring complete re-examination of our long range master plan of community development. Such an all-inclusive plan should of neces-



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## Candidates for Mayor Answered These Questions

1. Do you have any specific proposals as to housing and urban redevelopment?
2. Do you have any specific proposals as to zoning?
3. Do you favor any specific or general changes in the city's organization structure?
4. Do you favor present policies of enforcement of laws relating to liquor, gambling and vice?
5. What is the best solution for the city's financial problems?
6. Do you favor any changes in licensing procedure?
7. Do you have any specific proposals as to mass transportation?
8. Do you have any specific proposals as to taxicabs?
9. Do you have any specific proposals as to traffic?

sity be altered periodically in order to keep our thinking up-to-date. We have accomplished many improvements in these fields, but we still seem to lack the foresight as to a plan of development for Minneapolis based upon future needs. I further favor metropolitan area of co-operation in such a master plan, including the city of St. Paul and surrounding suburban areas.

3. I favor a change in the city charter as regards the duties of the board of estimate and taxation, whereby this body will have complete budget control over all tax levies and operating budgets. Other general changes in the charter should be carefully considered.

4. I favor strict and impartial enforcement of all state laws and city ordinances.

5. A central budgetary body empowered to levy such taxes as the city charter or state law permits and to distribute such levies to the various boards, commissions and departments, to be expended under budgetary control by said central budgeting body.

6. This is a problem for the legislative body of the city of Minneapolis. However, in any changes made, I would like to see the duties of the police department and other departments clearly defined in order to expedite investigations and so that enforcement will not be too cumbersome.

7. I have long been concerned with the problems of mass transportation, and 18 months ago I appointed a very able citizens' committee to study transit problems. This committee, after careful study and research into the problem, submitted an excellent report of their findings and recommendations, in which I have publicly concurred. This report calls for certain changes at both the state and city levels with respect to jurisdiction over our transportation system. It is imperative that remedial legislation be enacted by the legislature to assist in solving our transportation problems and to be of benefit to the street car and bus riders of our city. I urged the state legislature to at



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least amend the Brooks-Coleman law at the recent session.

8. The licensing of taxicabs in the city of Minneapolis is a legislative matter and therefore under jurisdiction of the Minneapolis city council. However, enforcement of the taxicab ordinance is the duty of the Minneapolis police department. I am pleased to report that all those concerned — the taxicab companies, government officials, civic leaders and businessmen — have expressed praise both concerning enforcement of this ordinance and the splendid co-operation given our taxicab system by our police department.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has excellent understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. His many years in municipal public office give him good practical training for the job. He has shown some initiative, particularly in reorganizing the police department.

**JALMER O. JOHNSON**, 1343 Queen avenue N., widower, one child. Bookkeeper. Graduate of Minnesota Business college. Active in Northside Commercial club, Plymouth lodge 82 AOUW, Hiawatha Rebekah lodge 2, Fifth Ward Republican club, Hennepin County Republican



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club, Hennepin County Work shop, Second Church of Christ Scientist, Hennepin lodge 4 IOOF. Was chief investigator for the state railroad and warehouse commission for 10 years.

1. Yes.
2. Yes.
3. Yes.
4. No.

5. This question requires extensive research before making recommendations.

6. Yes. Any person of legal age complying with the ordinances of the city of Minneapolis and the laws of the state of Minnesota upon the payment of the required fee shall be entitled to a license.

7. Yes.
8. Yes.
9. Yes.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** His training for the job is between fair and good. He has a limited understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and the problems to be faced.

**ROBERT E. LUNDQUIST**, 2110 E. Thirty-six and One-half street.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an interview.

**JOSEPH NOWAK**, 52, 1 E. Hennepin avenue, married, three children. Restaurant supervisor. University of Minnesota graduate, four years military service.

1. Much to be improved.
2. Should go back to the old limits. The East Side should be given some consideration. The Ryan baths are neglected, with thousands of dollars spent in other areas. This east area needs attention instead of neglect.

3. Simplify many of the operations. Especially the school structure, mostly the operation of the eighth grades and up.

4. Many improvements can be made.

5. Reduce the taxes and thus the expenditures would be also reduced larger percentage-wise.

6. Too much red tape without results.

7. The streetcar people should improve their services.

8. Did not answer.

9. A thorough survey and study surely could improve the present conditions.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Failed to schedule interview.

**STEPHEN G. PALMER**, 39, 58 Groveland terrace, married, four children. Seventh ward alderman since 1949. Attorney. Attended University of Minnesota three years, graduate of University of Virginia law school, three years military service. Active in Junior Chamber of Commerce, Gethsemane



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Episcopal church, St. Mark's Episcopal church, Minnesota State Bar association, American Bar association.

1. I believe that slum clearance is the most important item now under the jurisdiction of the housing authority. Lower loop redevelopment should be given careful study and if it can be carried out in a sound financial way the city should proceed with it.

2. The bill passed in the last legislature and endorsed by the city council and various organizations in the city will go a long way toward bringing improvement in the zoning situation.

3. (a) I would definitely favor a greater centralization of financial authority. There should be an integration between various boards having the power of taxation so that spending is on the basis of need rather than what funds

Mayor

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## Procedure Used to Rate Candidates

Today's Voter's Guide — last in a series of four devoted to the city primary election Monday — presents candidates for mayor, municipal judge, the school board, library board and the board of estimate and taxation.

The information in today's Voter's Guide—all gathered by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis—includes answers to a series of questions, biographical information about each candidate and comments about each candidate made by the Candidate Review committee of the Citizens league as the result of candidate interviews.

Co-chairmen of the committee were Josiah E. Brill, 4827 Queen avenue S., and Harry E. Leonard, 2939 NE. Grand street.

**THESE COMMENTS** express the conclusions of a committee of representative citizens, drawn from the whole city, as to the candidate's knowledge of the duties and responsibilities of the office sought and of the problems to be faced.

Comments on training for the job also are included.

The committee used a rating scale of excellent (1st), good (2nd), fair (3rd) and poor (4th).

The committee concluded it could not attempt to rate candidates as to the very important qualities of integrity and judgment.

The committee's report emphasizes that even where a candidate is rated low on understanding or training, it does not mean that he could not within a reasonable time acquire competence if he has the personal characteristics and willingness to do so.

**ON THE OTHER** hand, candidates rated excellent as to these qualities judged may, nevertheless, be undesirable because of—for example—lack of integrity. Voters must bear both of these facts in mind in using the comments and in determining for whom they will vote.

# Three Places to Be Filled on Board of Education

Three seats on the Minneapolis board of education will be filled at the general election June 8.

Two persons will be elected for full six-year terms. One will be named to fill out the balance of the term of Mrs. R. E. Rustad, who resigned.

There are four candidates running for this two-year term. This field will be trimmed to two at the city primary Monday.

Seven candidates seek the two six-year terms, but there will be only four survivors after the primary.

Each of the 11 candidates was asked to submit answers to a series of questions posed by the Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis. Here are the candidates' answers:

## School Director (2-year term)

**FRANK ADAMS**, 37, 2555 NE. Ulysses street, married. Hennepin county veterans' service officer. Graduate of University of Minnesota, three years military service. Active in Veterans of Foreign Wars, mayor's advisory committee on housing, Community Chest, Citizens Committee on Public Education.

1. Policy making.
2. The school board should make policy and the superintendent should administer the policies decided upon.
3. Recruiting qualified teachers. Making provisions for adequate school facilities for Minneapolis. Sufficient salaries for teachers. The education system should be free from any political or municipal control.
4. None—I feel that the school board of Minneapolis has been very effective.
5. Veterans of Foreign Wars state chairman for this year's oratorical contest. Delegate for

the Citizens Committee on Public Education.

6. No children.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has fair understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and limited understanding of the problems to be faced. Has had good training for the job.

**KNUTE E. CARLSON**, 71, 5429 Elliot avenue, married. Retired economist with federal government. Ph.D. degree from University of Pennsylvania. Active in federal employees union, First Covenant church.

1. Draw up an adequate budget for the school system, within the charter limitation to levy school taxes. Operate the school system with the superintendent as executive officer.
2. Speaking generally, the school board is the board of directors and the superintendent is the executive officer to carry out the program.
3. Since the problems in an educational system are always changing, it is difficult to determine at any one time, from the outside, which is most important.
4. Did not answer.
5. Since I have lived in Minneapolis only four years, I have not taken a large part in ac-

tivities here, but in Washington, I took a large part.

6. I have no children, but if I had any they would have attended the public schools.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has good understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job but limited understanding of the problems to be faced in the Minneapolis system. Has excellent training and background for the job.

**CARL H. JOHNSON**, 46, 100 W. Fifty-second street, married, three children. General insurance agent. Graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology. Active in Mount Olivet Lutheran church, Masonic Blue Lodge, Scottish rite, Shrine, Insurance Agents association, Minnesota Fire Underwriters association, Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis, Washburn Community council, Ramsey Junior High school P.T.A., Page school P.T.A.

1. To review and establish policies under which the school administration, through its executive officer, the superintendent and his assistants, operate the school system.
2. School board is responsible for continuous review of policies and administration as performed by superintendent. Superintendent is responsible for actual administration of schools.
3. (a) Financial aid. (b) Rehabilitation or maintenance of school properties. (c) Shortage of teachers. (d) Curriculum study. (e) Public relations.

**SOLUTIONS:** (a) Continue to

seek increased state aids and other methods of increasing income. (b) Protect capital investments by comprehensive repairs and alterations when necessary. (c) Study positive ways and means to attract and hold qualified teachers. (d) As a board member, encourage staff in constant attempts to improve curriculum as required by our changing times. (e) Continue active public relations program to create understanding between school personnel and citizens of Minneapolis.

4. Minneapolis has a good system and in the last few years definite progress in school administration has been made. I believe this progress should continue.

5. Member of Citizens Committee on Public Education, superintendent's lay advisory committee, Washburn Community council, Washburn P.T.A., Ramsey Junior high school P.T.A., Page school P.T.A.

6. Yes. One daughter was graduated from Washburn high school in 1952 and is now attending college. One daughter is a sophomore at Washburn high school. One son is in seventh grade at Ramsey junior high school.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has very good understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and a good understanding of the problems to be faced. Has very good training for the job.

**OLIVER E. JOHNSON**, 1728 Third avenue S.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an interview.

## School Director (6-year term)

**HUB IRMITER**, 58, 3248 Stevens avenue. Building contractor.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire and declined interview.

**FLORENCE LEHMANN**, 49, 3801 Upton avenue S., two children. Incumbent for past two years. Public relations counsel. University of Minnesota graduate. Active in Lake Harriet P.T.A., Southwest P.T.A., Citizens Committee on Public Education, Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis, Theta Sigma Phi—journalism fraternity, Minneapolis Council of Parents and Teachers.

1. It is the duty of the school board to make the broad, overall policies for the school system, to elect the superintendent who will administer the schools within the framework of these policies, to provide the funds with which the schools will operate, to appraise and evaluate constantly the results of the educational program and to interpret the schools to the community and the community to the schools.

2. The board of education is a policy-making body. The superintendent is the expert hired to run the schools. The school directors must leave to the superintendent professional matters such as determination of curriculum, appointments and promotion of personnel, purchasing of textbooks and supplies. The most important thing a school board does is to pick the superintendent. A good school board member stands firm for the welfare of the children, even in the face of adverse local pressure. He insists on a good professional staff, he insists on adequate and modern tools of learning, he promotes sound and educationally-defensible school budgeting, he backs up the administrative staff.

3. (1) The day-by-day, year round effort to make the most efficient use of every educational tax dollar. (2) Determination of ways to meet the



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elementary teacher shortage. Minneapolis schools are and will be increasingly affected by this nationwide crisis. (3) Completion of our rehabilitation program in the earliest possible period of time. (4) Orderly progress with needed new construction so that Minneapolis will be able to maintain its standard of public education and not have to resort to such devices as double sessions and too much costly transportation because of lack of needed school rooms. (5) Study of our secondary school districts so that needs can be determined, plans made and finances found before the increased elementary enrollment hits the high schools. (6) Improvement of the "climate" for teachers both to attract more persons to the field and to enable those in the system to do their best job. (7) Continuation of sound personnel practices. (8) Continuation of solid advancement in curriculum. (9) Maintenance of a sound financial basis for the schools despite the problems inherent in the over-all tax structure.

There is no quick magic solution for these problems. We can solve them only by a devoted school board and a competent administration working closely with an informed community. I am a strong believer in citizens study and advisory committees such as the superintendent's committee on curriculum and the citywide committee now studying secondary school needs.

4. I believe we have in Superintendent Rufus Putnam one of the finest school superintendents in the country. The real progress made in the Minneapolis schools since he assumed office testifies to this fact. As a school director I am 100 per cent behind him.

5. I have devoted the major part of my leisure time to school activities for the last 17 years. I have worked in various capacities in the PTAs of both elementary and senior high schools as well as on the board of the Central Council. I have been an active working member of Citizens Committee on Public Education and in 1952 served as co-chairman of Citizens School week. I worked professionally as director of the 7.5 mill school referendum and as publicity director of the preceding school amendment campaign.

6. My daughter is now graduating from the University of Minnesota after having received her entire education in the public schools. My son is graduating from high school after 13 years in public school. My nephew, who makes his home with me, is in the sixth grade of Lake Harriet school.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has excellent understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problem to be faced. Training in this and related fields also considered excellent.



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## School Board Questions

1. In your opinion, what are the most important duties of a school board member?
2. In your opinion, how should responsibility be divided between the school board and the superintendent of schools?
3. What do you consider the most important problems facing Minneapolis schools, and what are your ideas for solving them?
4. Do you have any criticisms of the present administration and school board? What would you do differently?
5. To what extent have you participated in school activities in the community?
6. If you have children, do they attend public schools?

## Mayor

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are available. (b) Assistance should be provided for the city council so that aldermen have more time for legislative duties and need not put in so much time on administrative detail.

4. Too long a time tends to elapse between law violations and hearings on whether or not there should be a suspension or revocation of license. This brings about a weakening of public confidence in city officials. I believe this could be overcome by the mayor demanding complete reports on law violations be regularly presented by the police department to him and to the city council. As soon as a violation is reported the mayor should take the lead in seeing that immediate action is taken on that violation.

5. (a) There should be a more realistic approach by the city council as to what monies it has to spend for purposes under its jurisdiction. (b) Spending for luxury services by all units of Minneapolis government should be sharply curtailed. (c) A greater centralization of financial authority would be of aid.

6. I have supported and will continue to support the proposed licensing ordinance now before the city council.

7. I believe the mayor should take the lead in seeing that the interest of the car-riding public is protected by bringing together the various groups who could bring about a more harmonious situation.

8. The ordinance might be

made more flexible so that cabs were available in sufficient supply at all times to provide for the convenience and necessity of the public.

9. The traffic engineer has done an excellent job in the matter of surveying situations which are troublesome and bringing about correction. Much more needs to be done, but it should be left completely with the traffic engineer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comment: Has excellent understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. His legal education and service as an alderman give him good training for the job. Has shown considerable initiative in attempting to revise liquor licensing procedures.

**LLOYD G. PETERSON**, 34, 2550 University avenue NE., married, two children. Service chief at Northwest Airlines. High school graduate, four years military service. Active in Elks, Moose, Veterans of Foreign Wars, union locals 1833 and 359.

1. Devise a plan between city government and private enterprise to provide low-cost housing which would encourage more home ownership, consequently adding to our city's finances.
2. Did not answer.
3. The present form of government is too complicated in establishing the responsibilities of any one official. If we could eliminate some of the unnecessary boards and commissions, it would give us a more direct form of government. By doing this, we could raise the salary of some of our officials so that it need not be necessary for

them to hold other positions. This, in turn, would increase the efficiency and the will to better our city government.

4. Police officers do not have sufficient authority. I believe a police officer, regardless of rank or classification (uniformed or plainclothes) should have the authority to make arrests, whether it pertains to liquor, gambling, vice or petty charges, without fear of reprimand. It should also be mandatory that no officer be allowed to work extra in liquor establishments.

5. I believe some sort of plan should be devised to assess non-residents who are making their livelihood in our city.

6. Yes. The system we now employ is lacking in investigational powers. Our councilmen do not have the time to probe thoroughly into the backgrounds of all these applicants and still carry on all their other duties. The direct licensing proposed by the citizens committee is a step forward, but further clarification along with possible modification is necessary.

7. Yes. The abolishment of streetcars in favor of buses should give us efficient and safer transportation.

8. No answer.

9. We should add more one-way streets throughout different sections of the city. The one-way streets we now have should be extended wherever possible to the outskirts of the city.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** Comment: His training for the job is quite limited. He has little understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced.

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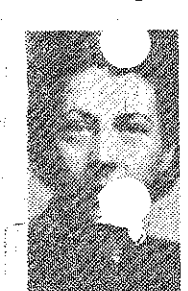
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schools. I have always co-operated with and assisted teachers with their problems. I have relayed information and made suggestions to the board and the superintendent. Have attended school board sessions and many educational meetings of various kinds.

6. Was active in the Page PTA. I have three children who attended Minneapolis public schools for a total of 35½ years. One daughter has a B.S. degree in nursing education. (University of Minnesota 1952) and a second daughter will receive a B.S. in elementary education (University of Minnesota 1953) and will start teaching in the Minneapolis schools next fall. A son is a sophomore in the college of pharmacy (University of Minnesota).

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced—good. Training in this and related fields—excellent. Has strong opinions regarding the philosophy of education.

**MRS. PAMELA WILLIAMS QUIERS**, 38, 3232 Holmes avenue, married, two children. Librarian. University of Minnesota graduate. Active in First Universalist society, Special Librarians association, Zeta Phi Eta.

1. School finance, management of school properties (inclusive of new construction, acquisition of sites, rehabilitation, etc.), maintenance of school facilities for every child and every district, charting of long-range plans and goals for school system; arbitrating cases of discipline, dismissal, etc. concerning staff and students; and so on.

2. The board should deal with generalities and the superintendent (in his capacity as the board's paid administrator) with particulars. The former should set the goals, and the latter activate machinery to accomplish them and apprise the board as to how its plans are developing in practice. The board should delegate whatever powers it deems necessary to the superintendent, but once having so done should allow him and his staff freedom to work out the details without interference. The board is a liaison body interpreting the public will to the schools, while the superintendent in turn interprets board policies to his staff and staff problems to the board.

3. (1) Finance. (2) Teacher shortage. (3) Overcrowded and poor facilities in some districts. (4) Lack of sufficient co-operation between schools, youth organizations and home. (5) The preschool child of low-paid working mothers. (6) Relief of present staff loads. (7) Staff morale. (8) Curriculum. Solution: (1) Get all tax support and other aid provided by law and cut all budgetary corners feasible in areas not directly concerned with the main objective of the schools, that is, the education of the child for effective citizenship in all its ramifications. (2 and 7) Review entire qualification, incentive, salary and advancement schedule in view of revision to meet current needs; aim at definition and equalization of duties and responsibilities of staff. (3) Sur-

tinue rehabilitation and construction program currently under way with reservations. (4) Work with other youth groups and parents toward a broader extra-curricular activity program to eliminate rampant juvenile delinquency. (5) Consider extending facilities downward to accommodate younger children, whose mothers must work, but who are not financially able to provide for their care; if this is not done, these children are going to present a bigger problem, once they arrive at school age. (6) Make more extra-curricular areas. (7) Investigate certain curriculum changes of recent years to determine bases of criticism and their fairness. (8) The question of an independent school district should be worked at constantly in order to keep up the standards of our school system.

4. A community is no better than its schools; there have been complaints about inequality of facilities between various districts; about failure of children to learn as they used to under certain new curricula; about seeming unfairness in qualification scheme for teaching staff, which militate against obtaining good new teachers and do not contribute to the well-being of older ones. I have made a few tentative suggestions toward relief of these conditions under question 3. I am thoroughly convinced that in general by far the majority of our teachers and administrators are doing an excellent job despite adverse criticism and under almost insuperable odds. I wish to see that the good work continues not only to be good, but to get better. As a member of the board, my aim on one hand would be to alleviate present staff burdens and on the other to assure all of our children the education due them as future citizens.

5. Have attended PTA meetings since children's entrance into school, and have been present at special graded meetings for parents. Have tried to keep abreast of problems and to think out solutions. Inasmuch as I myself am a working mother, hours set for many activities in which I was interested have precluded my attendance.

6. Yes, I have a son almost 9 and a daughter 6, who attend Calhoun school.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Training in this and related fields—good.

**ARTHUR D. RUSSELL**, 72, 3236 Clinton avenue, married, two children. Retired accountant.

1. Keeping the educational bark afloat on the wild waves of the inflationary floor while soft-soaping the pressure groups on their prospects for getting the salary raises they demand.

2. Reminds me of a trick question in a teachers' examination 45 years ago, "Bound the states of Mexico."

3. Lack of the necessary funds, of course. And stopping our "Inflationmaker's war in Korea."

4. No.

5. Did not answer.

6. They did, through high school and four years at the University of Minnesota.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has poor understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had little related training.

**MRS. ARTHUR J. SMABY**, 43, 1531 E. River Road, married, three children. Housewife.

Graduate of Winona (Minn.) State Teachers college and attended the University of Minnesota. Active in Minneapolis League of Women Voters, Hope Lutheran church, Girl Scouts.

1. The school board member must be aware of the issues and informed as to the facts pertaining to those issues. He must, at all times, consider the children, the teachers, and the school system and its welfare.

2. The board is the policy-making group; the superintendent the administrator of policies established by the board.

3. Modernizing and expanding our present facilities. Meeting the problem of shortage of teacher personnel. Meeting and solving the financial problems posed by the first two.

4. I have no criticisms of the present administration and board.

5. I have been an active mem-

ber of the PTA at Pratt school.

6. Yes.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had excellent training for the job.

**ANDERS THOMPSON**, 59, 3441 Forty-fifth avenue S. Real estate and tax consultant. Attended Minneapolis public schools and Gustavus Adolphus college, St. Peter, Minn. Graduate of Minnesota College of Law. Active in Minneapolis PTA council, Minnesota PTA congress, Citizens Committee on Public Education, Community Chest, Hennepin Avenue Methodist church.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Failed to return questionnaire or schedule an interview.



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ward alderman since 1949. Graduate of University of Minnesota and Minneapolis-Minnesota College of Law. Active in American Institute of Accountants, Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants, Hennepin County Bar association, St. Stephens church, Moose, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Minneapolis Athletic club, Visiting Nurse service, Community Chest, Red Cross, YMCA rebuilding drive, Sister Kenny, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Alpha Kappa Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma, Delta Theta Phi, Beta Alpha Psi.

1. The board's powers should be at least restored to the same level it originally had when the board was created under the charter, and in addition the board should have the power to control appropriations and allocate revenues from state and federal agencies in accordance with the needs of the several tax-levying bodies. The Minneapolis taxpayer isn't interested in what body levies a tax. He is only interested in what the total bill or levy will be and what services he will get in return. Therefore, if the voters understood our financial structure they would insist that the financial control be centralized in one unit, namely the board of estimate and taxation or a similar unit. As it now exists, control of the taxing power is so dispersed that it's like a family having five check books for one bank account and no one knowing the bank balance!

2. Yes, I favor the continuation of this policy if, in doing so, no necessary services to the people will be curtailed. In 1950 the council and the board of estimate adopted the policy of net debt reduction of at least \$2,000,000 a year for the next five years. In 1951 it was agreed that at least \$3,000,000 would be slashed off our debt, the additional \$1,000,000 reduction being reserved for major capital improvements in the future. The policy resulted in actual reduction in net debt bonds outstanding of \$2,031,000 in 1950, \$3,603,000 in 1951, and \$2,700,000 in 1952 and a corresponding decrease of over 9 mills in the debt rate for the 3 year period. This policy is sound.

3. Briefly, the best solution for the city's financial problems is twofold:

(a) More concerted effort by officials and department heads to improve management, efficiency, and economy in the use of present resources.

(b) Broaden the tax base so as to reduce the continual drive for higher property taxes.

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**JOHN R. O'KEEFE**, 28, 2434 Clinton avenue, married, two children. Lawyer and certified public accountant. Eighth



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## Five Seek Seat on Estimate Board

Five candidates — including the incumbent — seek the single vacancy on the Minneapolis board of estimate and taxation.

This is the agency that fixes maximum Minneapolis tax levies—within charter limits—for all purposes except general school needs and teachers' retirement.

The Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis asked each candidate to answer a series of questions and submit biographical information. Here are their answers and Citizen League comments on each candidate:

### Board of Estimate and Taxation

**BERNARD E. ERICSSON**, 60, 3628 Chicago avenue, single. Landscape man, has interest in a publishing company. Central high school graduate, 28 months military service. Active in Commonwealth club, American Legion, the Veterans federation, Seabee veterans, T. C. veterans. Served four years as Minneapolis library director.

1. The board should not be "just another" board. Give it definite rights and responsibilities or abolish the board and assign duties to council or other boards.

2. This policy sounds good on paper, but we need some new public improvements and the only way to obtain them is by bond issues—within reason.

3. Millage can be cut without loss of service to the public. Too much of our tax money is just squandered. Minneapolis realty owners are plagued by "special assessments." Our present zoning ordinance is stifling local progress and causing stagnation.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced—fair. Has had limited training in this or related fields.

**WALTER E. JOHNSON**, 55, 3826 Zenith avenue S., married, six children. Investment counselor. University of Minnesota graduate, one year military

service. Active in Wesley Methodist church, Six O'Clock club, Swedish Art institute, Scottish rite, Shrine, University of Minnesota Dads association. Member of Minneapolis board of education from 1928 to 1945 and represented school board on board of estimate and taxation for five years, on the city planning commission for one year and on the library board for one year.

1. I think that the board's powers should be left as they now stand.

2. I would say that the present rate of retirement of municipal debt is a fair percentage on the total debt. To accelerate the rate of retirement I think would be unwise. Real estate taxes should not be increased to accomplish more rapid retirement of the debt. Furthermore, debt service is not too burdensome at present low interest rates on municipal bonds.

3. The board of estimate and taxation should exercise greatest care in analyzing the budgets of various city departments when they are submitted to this board for the purpose of allocating millage and setting the final tax rate. The board cannot tell these various departments how to spend the money, but they can tell them how much they are going to get.

City officials should co-operate with business in every way possible in an effort to bring in new industries and new business, as this gives us more jobs, more payrolls, and broadens the base of taxation to ease the tax load on all of us.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE** comment: Has a good understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and a good understanding of the problems to be faced. Has extensive training in related fields.

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### Estimate Board Questions

1. The board of estimate and taxation formerly had the final word on all tax levies for city purposes and on nearly all city borrowing. Legislation and court decisions have curtailed this authority. Do you think the board's powers should be left as they are now, or should some of its powers be restored? If the latter, which ones?

2. The city has been retiring its debt at a rate of two to three million dollars per year. Do you favor continuing this policy?

3. What is the best solution for the city's financial problems?

# Four in Race for One Judgeship

Minneapolis voters will elect three municipal judges June 8, but the voters' job already has been simplified for them.

Two of the incumbents — Judges Dana Nicholson and Thomas Tallakson — have no opposition. Their names will not appear on the primary election ballots Monday.

But four candidates — including the incumbent — are seeking the third judgeship.

The two primary winners will compete in the general election June 8.

Minneapolis has a total of six municipal judges. They serve 6-year terms at a salary of \$11,000 a year — which includes a \$1,000 annual increase voted by the last legislature.

The Citizens League of Greater Minneapolis submitted a series of questions to each of the candidates. Their answers follow:

**CARL J. BENSON, 47, 2523 Aldrich avenue N., married, one child. Attorney and tax consultant, former office and credit manager of an iron works. Graduate of Minnesota College of Law and attended University of Minnesota extension division. Active in North Side Commercial club, Masonic lodges, Railway Brotherhood local 8, AFL, Community Chest, Phi Beta Gamma legal fraternity.**

1. No. The present traffic laws appear to be adequate. Ordinances are amended by the city council when necessary.

2. Proper scheduling and assignment of cases to eliminate time wasted between hearings.

3. Our present laws should be strictly enforced.

4. Yes. Since the municipal court calendar is approximately two years behind, the establishment of a night police court to dispose of numerous cases involving misdemeanors would permit the municipal court to speed up the hearing of civil cases and in addition, it would be a convenience for persons who otherwise would be held in jail overnight.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Did not appear for interview.

**C. ALFRED BERGSTEN, 57, 1005 Mount Curve avenue, married. Lawyer. Minneapolis College of Law graduate. Active in Bethlehem Baptist church, Gideons, rifle clubs, Swedish Cultural society.**

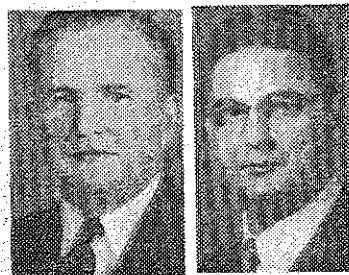
1. Would prefer to make some specialized study on this matter before answering this one.

2. I believe increasing the time of actual trial of cases as much as one hour per day would likely take care of it, as that would be an increase of about 25 per cent in actual trial time.

3. I believe that we should strive to get at the root of the evils, such as a two-year revocation of license of any place willfully selling intoxicants to minors. If it becomes unprofitable to sell to minors, I think



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that problem will soon disappear.

4. As I do not know just what this would encompass, I cannot answer.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Did not appear for interview.

**IRVING BRAND, 34, 3445 Emerson avenue S., single. Incumbent since 1951. Graduate of University of Minnesota and University of Minnesota law school. Active in American Bar association, American Judicature society, Minnesota State Bar association, Hennepin County Bar association, University of Minnesota Law Alumni association, Percy Villa Boys club, Jewish Family & Children's service, Mount Sinai Hospital association, Emanuel Cohen center, Minneapolis Youth center, Adath Jeshurun synagogue, Hillel Advisory council at University of Minnesota, Standard club, B'nai B'rith and Masonic organizations.**

Formerly law secretary to United States circuit Judge Seth Thomas, formerly associate attorney, United States department of justice, Washington.

1. I favor the following legislation: (1) A statute which makes the killing of a human being through careless or heedless driving a gross misdemeanor punishable by a maximum of one year in jail or \$1,000 fine, or both. (2) A statute which provides that before a new license is issued to a driver whose license has been suspended or revoked, he shall take the same examination as is required of a new driver.

(3) A statute authorizing the court to impound license plates in cases of driving after suspension or revocation of one's driver's license.

2. (1) Continue the present practice of periodic calendar calls, and (2) encourage the use of pre-trial conferences in those cases which lend themselves to this procedure.

3. I favor legislation which would increase the maximum monetary fine which the court could impose in such cases.

4. No.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Training—excellent. Understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of problems to be faced—excellent.

**FRANK P. RYAN, 53, 3754 Sixteenth avenue S., married, two children. Lawyer engaged in general practice and teaching. Attended St. Thomas college, St. Paul. Law school graduate. Served four months in World War I. Active in Elks and American Legion.**

1. Yes, I think improvements

## Library Board Questions

1. Do you favor the present policy of closing the public library system on Saturdays?
2. Does Minneapolis need expanded public library service?
3. Do you favor the proposed civic center site for a new main library building?

can be made on the loop traffic conditions during rush hours by preventing parking during those times.

2. Invoke more calendar calls.

3. I believe we should use every possible means to protect our youths and minors from the use of intoxicants and make iron-clad rules to prevent sale of same to them. I believe each case of drunken driving must be judged on the particular facts, and punishment be accordingly administered.

4. The possibilities of a night police court should be explored and probably tried out for a time to see what improvement it might add to the present system.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has good training by education and experience for the job.

## Estimate Board

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**K. L. (KEN) PETERSON, 51, 4405 Forty-third avenue S. Incumbent.**

Did not answer questionnaire or furnish biographical information.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** As the incumbent he has had good training for the job. Has very good understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced.

**M. W. THOMAS, 31, 104 Sixth**

**avenue NE, married, three children. Public accountant. Graduate of Minnesota School of Business, three years military service. Active in St. Maron Catholic church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Eagles, East Side Vet's club, Third Ward DFL.**

1. A board that has its limitations or has its hands tied on certain powers is not an efficient one, though its members may be very capable. The board should have the full power to exercise its judgment on all issues.

2. Any policy that will reduce our city debt I am in favor of.

3. This problem is big and so important to all that a full and accurate study would have to be made by me before I could answer this question fully. But there have been instances where city spending has been foolish, and this should be checked. No one likes taxes, but they are a necessary evil. Our tax structure for personal property and real estate should be carefully studied.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Has a fair understanding of the duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced. Has had limited training in related fields.

# Voters to Select Two for City Library Board

Responsibility for acquiring and operating the public library, its branches and a science museum rests with the nine-member Minneapolis library board.

Voters will elect two members to non-paying six-year terms this year.

**JIM W. FARNHAM, 22, 3428 NE. Benjamin street, single. Railroad clerk. Attended University of Minnesota. Active in Sons of Norway, Scandinavian American fraternity, St. Petri Lutheran church, Hennepin County Young Republican league.**

1. I am opposed to the policy of closing the public library system on Saturdays because it discriminates against the student and the worker.

2. I believe Minneapolis needs more library service, but I think this can be obtained without building additional libraries.

3. The present library could be improved and renovated enough to make building the new main library unnecessary.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has limited understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job and of the problems to be faced, and has had little training in this or related fields. Is greatly interested in library services and has some original ideas.

**CHARLES ST. DENIS, 52, 2600 Portland avenue. Incumbent since 1951. Attorney. Graduate Minnesota College of Law, attended University of Minnesota, five years service with United States merchant marine. Active in Sons of St. Patrick of Shanghai, China; fifth and eighth ward Republican clubs; Friendly Sons of St. Patrick of Minneapolis; YMCA; International Association of Machinists, AFL; Northwestern Gymnastic society, Yeomans lodge.**

1. I do not favor the present policy of Saturday closing, but, until the budget can be balanced, our system must operate as efficiently as possible on the funds permitted by the citizens of Minneapolis.

2. After investigating the budget, the personnel system and the present physical condition of the branches, the central library and its stations, I would hesitate in a policy of expanding library services. Present current revenue will not support further expansion.

3. I am in favor of the site. It was approved by boards since 1947, city agencies and many civic groups. Erection of a new library, however, rests solely in the hands of nine aldermen by voting or not voting for the sale of capital improvement bonds.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE Comment:** Has good understanding of duties and responsibilities of



St. Denis



Farnham



Sherman



Strong

the job and of the problems to be faced. Has good training for the job. Has shown considerable initiative. Strong for independence of library board.

**FRANK A. SHERMAN, 1102 Thomas avenue N., single. Manager of clothing business. Attended University of Minnesota, two years military service. Active in Friends of Public Library, B'nai B'rith.**

1. Other units of the government maintain a 5-day week and library personnel are entitled to the same working conditions; with itated funds to operate the library and limited personnel the 5-day week will give the city a more effective work week.

2. I honestly believe we continually improve, and expand our public library system.

3. Yes, it is easily accessible to all parts of the city.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Fair understanding of problems to be faced. Understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job—between good and bad. More interest in financial problems. Has had little training in this or related fields.

**HARLAN B. STRONG, 5041 Aldrich avenue S. married, two children. Incumbent since 1941. Attorney. Graduate of University of Minnesota, three years military service. Active in Hennepin County Bar association, Minnesota State Bar association, American Legion, Legation society, Chamber of Commerce.**

1. No. The closing of libraries on Saturday was instituted by lack of funds. Adequate funds are available strongly favor opening libraries on Saturday.

2. Yes. Minneapolis needs a new, modern, additional main library building. Have worked toward this during my tenure on the serving on the architecture committee and the building committee. In addition, new libraries are needed.

3. Yes, provided the center becomes a reality.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Excellent understanding of duties and responsibilities of the job. Very good understanding of the problems to be faced. Training for the job very

**FLORENCE EARLE MAN, 58, 11 W. Minneapolis parkway, married. Home and professional musician. Attended Chestnut Hill School Girls, Philadelphia, Pa., and New England Conservatory of Music. Active in National League of American Pen Women, Woman's club, Daughters of the American Revolution, board member of Hennepin Mrs. W. County Historical society three years, Community Red Cross, Sister Kerdrives, choir director Harriet Christian church, Hennepin Avenue Methodist church.**

1. I would favor opening the library on Saturdays if adequate funds are available.

2. It does. There are areas without community branches.

3. Yes. I understand the approved site for the library board and the planning commission.

**CITIZENS LEAGUE comment:** Unable to attend view.

## Judgeship Questions

1. Do you favor any changes in traffic laws or ordinances?
2. What would you do to speed up the calendar in municipal court?
3. Do you favor any changes in penalties for such offenses as drunk driving and selling liquor or beer to minors?
4. Should Minneapolis have a night police court?