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dollars, practically the same as School District 108, YET GLENCOE'S TAX RATE IS \$66.20 for each \$10,000. property valuation contrasted with \$146.00 for District 108. Other School Tax rates for neighboring Districts for each \$10,000. of property valuation are: No. 67 Lake Forest \$39.60; No. 36 Winnetka \$100.00; No. 37 Winnetka \$45.80; No. 38 Kenilworth \$98.00; No. 39 Wilmette \$97.80; No. 107 Highland Park \$93.80; The School Tax rates for the High Schools are No. 203 New Trier \$65.80; No. 113 Highland Park High \$44.80. In the face of these facts is the SCHOOL BOARD ENTITLED TO A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE? This would be the result, should the Caucus sponsored Candidates be elected. The VOTERS' LEAGUE was as worried eight months ago as the spokesman for the Caucus sponsored candidates is today regarding the reasons for the high tax rates in District 108. However the VOTERS' LEAGUE did something about it and presented a petition signed by over 3000 voters to indefinitely postpone the Intermediate School, costing \$1,400,000. Regarding Teachers' salaries, of course there was no mention of this subject in the report that Mr. Brown so strongly criticized as "Half-truths and misstatements." One way, however to raise salaries, without increasing taxes would be to remove the principal and bonded indebtedness for the non-existent intermediate school. If this cost was apportioned over all six school districts, the cost in School District 108 would have only been \$7.20 for each \$10,000.

property valuation. THIS WOULD BE A REDUCTION OF 55% IN THE INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL PORTION OF THE BOND ISSUE FOR DISTRICT 108 TAXPAYERS. In other words, should consolidation be approved, the present disproportionate tax burden would be corrected and the needs of the High School could be met. Other savings in efficient business management, for example one superintendent for the six school districts in place of separate superintendents in districts 107 and 108, each drawing in excess of \$8500. annually, etc., etc. The voters of Highland Park School District 108 have their choice April 8th of continuing High elementary school taxes or electing the candidates sponsored by the VOTERS' LEAGUE, pledged to work for Consolidation, Abandonment of the Intermediate School and Tax Economy, without reduction in educational standards.

F. J. Halton Jr., Chairman  
Fact Finding Committee  
108 VOTERS' LEAGUE

**Caucus Candidates —**  
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The Caucus candidates also scored its opposition for failing to join in submitting the issues to the public in open forum as requested last week by the League of Women Voters. The Caucus candidates promptly accepted the invitation to appear with those from District 107, and District 113, but the Voters' League officers turned it down in the name of its candidates.

In the final challenge during the last days of the campaign, Citizens' Committee Chairman Robert C. Brown, Jr., charged that "The League dares not expose the real issues in public. The real issues are the candidates and how sincerely they have district education interests at heart, how qualified they are to administer district schools, and to what extent they represent the community at large."

Citing the fact that the Voters' League was forced by lack of popular support to choose its own officers to seek school board offices, Mr. Brown accused the League of creating "phony" issues. "The new school is not an issue because the caucus candidates have pledged a new referendum if it should appear that the Intermediate School is urgently needed. Consolidation is not an issue because all candidates are in favor of it. The real issue is the candidates—and when the Voters' League candidates are afraid to face the public in open meeting, one has just cause to conclude that the Voters' League does not dare to expose its candidates to open questioning."

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(a) Residence in Illinois one year, in the county 90 days, and in the election district 30 days next preceding the election.

(b) Citizen of the United States above the age of 21 years.

(c) The law further provides that a permanent abode is necessary to constitute residence.

The School Code further provides that all ballots used at elections to the board of education must remain in charge of the judges of the election. When the voter appears in the polling place, one of the judges must give the voter a ballot on the back of which must appear the initials of the judge. The voter marks his ballot by a cross mark in the proper square or squares and he then must fold the ballot so as to conceal the cross marks thereon and deposit it in the ballot box without undue delay. The voters cannot vote any ballot except the ballot received from the judges of the election. If a voter declares to the judges that he cannot read the English language or is physically disabled, so as to be unable to mark his ballot, he may request the two judges of the election to assist him in the marking of his ballot as he directs. Under no circumstances, however, may the voter or the judges remove the ballot from the polling place for the purpose of marking such ballot. Electioneering or soliciting of votes on election day within the polling place or within 100 feet of the polling place is illegal. The law provides penalties for the violation of these provisions.

Thus, under Illinois law it is illegal for example:  
(a) For maids and other domestic help to vote if such persons do not have a permanent abode in the voting precinct.

(b) For any voter to mark, or be permitted to mark, his ballot outside the polling place.

(c) To assist any voter in marking a ballot unless the voter declares to the judges that he is unable to read or that he is physically handicapped so as to be unable to mark the ballot.

Let's all act to the best of our ability to see that the outcome of this election cannot be questioned for improper or illegal procedures in the conduct of the election.

Very truly yours,  
108' voter

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the persons whose names were placed in nomination are then invited to meet with the caucus members for an informal half-hour before the closed meeting" and that "after the nominees leave, the closed meeting is started and the candidates are chosen by a written vote."

One can't help wondering what promises may have been exacted from the candidates, and why some of the P.T.A. leaders are trying so desperately to elect them that they are apparently willing to violate the national policy of their own organization in the attempt.

Sincerely,  
Harold F. Pfister, Sr.  
2322 Indian Tree Drive  
Highland Park, Illinois

**The District 108 —**  
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**Personalities of the Candidates Are Not Involved**  
No one disputes that all of the candidates enjoy a fine reputation. Their integrity is not questioned. What does count is which of these are the best qualified—which ones have some special ability or experience to offer—

and most important of all do the candidates stand for the policy of continued caucus control or the new policy proposed by the Voters' League.

**We Can Not Have the Intermediate School and Consolidation**

If we are to have the Intermediate School and the continued high rate of taxes in District 108 it is futile to discuss Consolidation, or give the idea lip service. No other district is going to vote consolidation with District 108 if we have a \$1,400,000 Intermediate School which would have no place in the plan of consolidation. No district will vote to take on a share of our \$1,400,000 for such a building, and no district will vote to consolidate with a district whose tax rate greatly exceeds theirs. At present we only have a promise from the School Board to temporarily postpone building the intermediate school. THE PLAN HAS NOT BEEN ABANDONED.

**It is up to each of the Candidates To State His Position Frankly On the Issues**

LORENTZ B. KNOUFF, the candidate for School Board President, RAYMOND C. WARNER and GORDON E. CLAVEY, candidates for Board members, proposed by the Voters' League, have stated their position clearly and definitely as follows:

(1) THAT PLANS FOR THE PROPOSED INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BE AT ONCE ABANDONED and that any school construction within School District 108 be confined to proven need and to type or types of buildings that will conform with a plan for consolidation.

(2) THAT THOSE ELECTED TO THE SCHOOL BOARD NOT ONLY APPROVE CONSOLIDATION of our school districts

but do so without excuse or reservation, and with a forthright pledge to strive for consolidation.

(3) THAT A PLAN BE FORMULATED FOR USE OF THE \$1,400,000 UNEXPENDED BUILDING FUND whereby as part of the Plan for Consolidation the fund will be available for the needs of the consolidated district, and especially the High School, and whereby the indebtedness would become repayable through proportionate taxes levied throughout the entire consolidated district. This is both entirely feasible and possible under the existing Illinois statutes.

(4) THAT ALL CANDIDATES BE WILLING TO STRIVE FOR TAX ECONOMY ever mindful that our main objective shall be a high standard of education, health and safety for our children. In August, 1949 the Voters' League stated that taxes could be reduced \$90,000. The following November the School Board conceded that this was possible without any reduction in the standard of education and announced a reduction of over \$95,000, which reduction will be reflected in our next tax bill. The present school budget includes certain levies for the non-existent Intermediate School in the amount of \$68,824. The claim that further reduction of our high rate can be made in the next year is without basis of fact.

(5) THAT WE INAUGURATE A PLAN FOR OPEN ELECTIONS whereby all qualified persons be encouraged to become candidates and that every effort be made to combat any group or plan proposing that candidates be picked by a select few or the voters be restricted in their choice.

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