

Issues, Not Looks

The League of Women Voters is the one organization in the United States determined that candidates for public office should discuss issues.

Too many candidates would like to slide into office on the basis of the size of their family, their oratorical abilities, their devotion to God, mother and country, or their wavy white hair.

But the ladies insist that the candidates stick to the issues. By distributing questionnaires to candidates, the league forces them to take a stand.

Anyone who read the full page of questions asked by the League of Women Voters of Macon County of persons running for the state legislature and county offices and the candidates' answers, published in the Sunday Herald and Review, is a better

informed voter.

The questions ranged from court reform to legislation controlling subversives, from the size of the county treasurer's office to the election code.

Few of the questions went unanswered. It is difficult for a candidate to dodge the pertinent kind of questions the League of Women Voters always asks.

Every year a greater percentage of the candidates answers the questions. Soon every candidate may be replying to them.

Now that the League of Women Voters is getting the views of candidates on the important issues before the voters, perhaps it should try to work out a way to get candidates to perform on their promises.

Impossible? Never underestimate the power of a woman!