

WOMEN VOTERS BREAK RECORD

**First Chance To Participate
In Mayoralty Contest
Eagerly Accepted.**

LEADERS ARE PLEASED

**Miss Doetsch Defeated For
Council But Runs Ahead
Of Ticket.**

The high-water mark in Baltimore women's interest in politics was reached yesterday in the Mayoralty election, according to reports from all sections of the city. Women voters turned out in masses unprecedented in any election since the passage of the equal suffrage amendment, their leaders said.

Workers from all three parties covered wards and precincts on foot and in automobiles, bringing out the largest woman vote on record.

The Mayoralty campaign, it was said by the women leaders, came closer home to the women than any of the preceding political contests in which they have shared. Women who had not registered, precinct workers reported, expressed regret that they had no voice in selecting the city's chief executive.

Expect More Next Time.

The lesson learned by this exclusion, they pointed out, would result in listing a large number of women on the books at the next opportunity.

Whereas other elections have taken arguments and inducements to bring the women out, they came out of their own accord to vote for Mayor. Many of their workers were on the streets by 6 o'clock and they kept up their efforts until the polls closed.

Democrats Best Organized.

The most completely organized women's group was said to have been put in the field by the Democrats. Having formed a Jackson-Bryant-Graham Women's League of 1,100 members, under the leadership of a committee of six, the Democratic women sent electioneers into every precinct in the city.

Although the Republican women had representatives in each ward, their efforts were most limited. The Preston women, in spite of having few ward branches, sent women into every quarter of the city. They were even called into service to haul reluctant male voters to the polls in automobiles provided for women.

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Fifteen hundred votes ahead of her ticket were scored last night by Miss Emilie A. Doetsch, defeated candidate from the Fifth district. Miss Doetsch, first woman to enter the contest for membership in the City Council, running seventh in her district, polled more than 8,000 votes.

Whether leading to victory or defeat, the experience of running in the campaign is worth all it involves, Miss Doetsch said last night when informed of the returns. She called upon other women not to accept her defeat as ground for discouragement in political ambitions. There is every reason, she insisted, why women should go into politics and make themselves a part of it.

Says Women Will Win Yet.

"The day will come when women will win out," Miss Doetsch said. "I should like to urge them to keep trying until they do. There has been nothing whatsoever in my campaign that would make anyone say 'Never again.' It has meant work, but my family and friends have borne a large part of that. The expense was less than might be imagined.

"There has been nothing disagreeable. In fact, it was a wonderful experience. It enabled me to learn more about the city and practical political workings than I have ever known before. It also offered splendid opportunity for contact with interesting people.

"My share in the campaign convinced me that, though women have a great deal more to learn, they have acquired considerable information, especially on such matters as the tax rate."

Praise Democratic Women.

Credit for the Democratic victory last night was assigned by the Republican women to the Democratic women's organization. Miss Grace Spofford, chairman of the Women's City Committee, said that the Democratic women had taught the Republicans the necessity of campaigning with the men from the start.