



Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association Records.

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REPORT ON TWELVE COUNTIES WORKED BY MRS. MCMAHON

EMMET COUNTY

[Iowa]

We voted to organize a county association in Estherville at a small meeting of women on April 15th, appointed a nominating committee which spent the next ten days in selecting officers and advertising a mass meeting for the evening of April 24th. Senator Francis of Spirit Lake and Mrs. McMahon were the speakers, Judge Lee presided, County Attorney Byron Coon and the Reverend Mr. Catlin made short talks. Organization completed. Mrs. Byron Coon made chairman; Mrs. C.D. Osgood 1st Vice-Chairman; Mrs. W.P. Galloway, 2nd Vice-Chairman; Miss Birdie Trimble, Secretary; Mrs. A.L. Halderman, Treasurer; Executive Board--Mrs. N.J. Lee, Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. C.J. Wilson, Mrs. I.G. Willey, Mrs. M.E. Bingham, Mrs. N.E. Gehu, Mrs. H.H. Davidson, Mrs. Geo. Murray, Mrs. J.E. Stockdale, Miss Ida Davis, Miss Pearl Bemis. Collection, \$48.36.

The organization began active work at once. The following week meetings were held in Armstrong, Wallingford and Dolliver, and plans were made to go into every township at once, by automobile. The polling list was secured from the court house and every voter circularized with five pieces of suffrage literature. Later a second circularization was made with a letter from the men's league signed by a committee of 33 of the most prominent and influential men in the county, and enclosing the sample ballot. They made a canvass of the town for money, held food sales etc. in order to finance the work.

J. Stitt Wilson's automobile tour began at Estherville on May 15th; when he arrived the town was decorated with yellow bunting, the lamp posts were wrapped in yellow and black, every store window was decorated and a decorated automobile was parading the streets announcing his meeting. Decorated automobiles also met him at the depot and took him to his hotel. In spite of the severe rain storm which prevented the street meeting, a large crowd gathered in the court house to hear Mr. Wilson. This would not have been accomplished under the circumstances if it had not been for the very thorough advertising given to the meeting, by means of the moving picture shows, the bill posting, the red fire burned on the streets, and the splendid newspaper publicity all over the county.

This county carried for suffrage 2 to 1, although it gave the majority to Harding. Only one township was lost and that by only ten votes. The largest vote was cast that had ever been cast in the history of the county. These results would have been impossible without the very earnest, systematic and thorough work of the suffrage association. In spite of the very short time in which to work and the extremely adverse weather conditions, in every town of the county meetings were held, literature was freely distributed, school houses were visited, house to house canvassing was done in the larger places.

DICKINSON COUNTY

Mrs. Ella S. Stewart spoke at Spirit Lake on the 21st of April. Mrs. McMahon met her there, made a short talk at the close of her meeting and suggested that the women meet the next day to organize a Dickinson County Association. The request was made that the meeting be held immediately to accommodate many who could not be present the next day. They voted to organize and appointed a nominating committee of which Mr. C.S. Arthur was made chairman. Owing to the fact that Mrs. Francis had resigned the chairmanship of

the county, an unfortunate situation had arisen which made the securing of officers for an association exceptionally difficult. The nominating committee promised to report within a week and arrange a meeting to complete the organization.

Later Mrs. Illingworth was in Spirit Lake and arranged for the advertising of the automobile meetings. This advertising however was neglected and when we arrived at each place in this county, we had to arrange the meetings ourselves. In spite of this we held comparatively successful street meetings at which Mr. Wilson and Mr. Lovejoy spoke in Spirit Lake and in Lake Park. The meeting in Milford had to be given up because of rain and bad roads. Mr. Lovejoy spoke twice at Arnold's Park, once at the picture show and again at the intermission at the skating rink.

Dickinson County carried by a small majority.

OSCEOLA COUNTY

Mrs. Williams (wife of the Congregational Minister) served as chairman in this county and was ably assisted by Mr. E.M. Taylor. Headquarters were opened at Sibley and this town was well covered with posters, pennants, etc. A stretcher was used across the street. Mrs. C.R. Richards of Ocheyeden did excellent work in her township. A number of successful meetings were held in Osceola County. Mrs. Illingworth spoke at Sibley, (also Miss Anna Donovan of Emmetsburg) at a meeting arranged by the Commercial Club. Mrs. McMahon spoke at an enthusiastic meeting at Ocheyeden.

A committee of Sibley people under the direction of Mr. Taylor provided automobiles (decorated) to escort Mr. Wilson and the party as far as Rock Rapids, stopping at several places on the way for street meetings, distribution of literature, etc. This was done in Ocheyeden for Mr. Lovejoy by Mr. and Mrs. Richards.

Osceola County lost by a small majority.

LYON COUNTY

Mrs. Agatha Ramsey was chairman of Rock Rapids and assisted throughout the county. Rock Rapids was well worked; it was covered with posters and canvassed and circularized. This organization also raised considerable money and circularized the county.

They made a real demonstration for the automobile trip; decorated machines met us upon our arrival and the town was quite elaborately decorated. The band played and the president of the bank presided at the meeting. Such a large crowd gathered to hear Mr. Wilson that it was impossible to get into the hall which had been provided on account of the cold and rain. In spite of weather conditions the meeting had to be held in the street. Mr. Wilson also spoke in Little Rock to a most enthusiastic audience; and the following day the Rock Rapids suffragists provided five or six decorated automobiles to escort the party to Rock Valley; successful meetings were held in both these places, good collections were taken, and the local people in each place joined the party with their cars. Later Mr. Lovejoy spoke at Innwood on Memorial Day; every courtesy was extended by the mayor who delayed the Memorial Day program in order that Mr. Lovejoy might not be curtailed.

Lyon County carried.

CLAY COUNTY

Mrs. J. W. Cory, Chairman. This county was well worked. Mrs. Cory saw that there were meetings held in all the towns and that the voters were circularized and much of the county was canvassed. A number of prominent men and women spoke at Spencer, among them Senator Allen, Mrs. Raymond Brown, Mrs. J. Stitt Wilson and Mr. Faville. It was unfortunate that Mrs. Cory had to go to New York before the close of the campaign and could not be in the city on the day of the automobile meeting (at Spencer.)

Clay County carried.

O'BRIEN COUNTY

Mrs. F. E. Frisbie, Chairman. This county was exceptionally well worked. The voters were circularized and the towns were well covered with posters, etc., meetings were held everywhere. Mrs. Illingworth spoke at many of the meetings and gave Mrs. Frisbie valuable assistance in the organizing. At Sheldon and Sanborn stretchers were placed across the street, windows were decorated, etc. and during the last week headquarters were opened at Sanborn.

Plans for the automobile trip were carefully and systematically made and carried out; in this county the return trip was equally successful with the first. At Sheldon about a thousand people were on the street to hear Mr. Wilson; at this place five hundred school children were on the street and gave the chautauqua salute with yellow handkerchiefs as the automobile party passed on to the grand stand. At Paulina the band played and several hundred people heard Mrs. Brown and Mrs. McMahon; at Primghar a most enthusiastic crowd greeted Mr. Wilson; at Sanborn in the evening Mr. Lovejoy spoke to at least five hundred; at Sutherland a noon meeting was held and an ~~good~~ crowd heard Mrs. Brown and Mr. Lovejoy. At all of these meetings the band played and the meetings had been well advertised. At Hartley a good deal of antagonism was felt; Mr. Lovejoy however handled the crowd in such a way as to win its good will. Because of this apparent opposition we held another meeting the following week and Mrs. Raymond Brown spoke to a very large audience (several times as large as the first) and found a very different spirit. The women of this county had watchers on the streets on election day and saw that one judge at least at every polling place was favorable.

Because of this very excellent work, the county carried by a large majority.

SIoux COUNTY

Organization work in this county was begun very late, not until the 7th of May, when Mrs. F. E. Fuller was appointed chairman. Mrs. Fuller was supplied with literature, posters, pennants, etc. immediately and began the distribution as rapidly as possible with no real organization behind her. She planned at once for the automobile trip and a very successful meeting was held in Orange City on the 18th of May when Mr. Wilson spoke. Expressions of opinion that came to us the following day from prominent men, editors, etc. convinced us that favorable sentiment was started at that meeting and if the work could have been continued long enough, Sioux County would have made a different record on election day. Mrs. Fuller planned for several decorated automobiles to escort the party to Alton the next morning. Mrs. Slagle of Alton had the town decorated and the band playing and a good crowd gathered when we arrived; several Alton people took their cars on to Primghar that afternoon. On our return trip, Mr. Lovejoy spoke

at Hull, Ireton and Hawarden. At the first two places, the meetings were successful although at Ireton little preparation had been made in advance. At Hawarden we met apathy, indifference and a great deal of antagonism. We heard in Sioux County continuously that it was best not to stir up any interest in the election so that the farmers would stay home and not vote at all. The fallacy of this was proved when in spite of the short time of our activity and the small amount that we were able to do in that county Sioux County polled one of the heaviest votes in the district, with a large majority against us.

BUENA VISTA COUNTY

Mrs. Lucy B. Smith was appointed chairman the latter part of April and had just begun to work when she was called to Boone. Mrs. G.S. Nordstrum was appointed to take her place. The work in this county was as well done as could be expected in such a short time. Mrs. Nordstrum used her own machine and visited every township, arranging for meetings, distributing literature and canvassing. Headquarters were opened at Sioux Rapids and were so well managed that Mrs. McMahon made her district headquarters there. At the opening of this office a luncheon to which 60 people accepted invitations was given at the Sioux Hotel, followed by a meeting at the theatre at which Mrs. McMahon was the speaker, and the Sioux Rapids Club was organized with Mrs. Davidson as chairman.

At the time of the automobile tour, an automobile parade of twenty-five decorated cars preceded the meeting at which Mr. Lovejoy spoke, in Sioux Rapids.

Storm Lake was effectively worked by Mrs. Ernest Ballou following her election to the chairmanship of the Storm Lake organization at a meeting at the Princess Theatre at Storm Lake. Mrs. Ballou used the ward plan of organization in Storm Lake and the house to house canvass which her workers made showed only four voters opposed to suffrage. A stretcher was placed across the street bearing the inscription, "Vote 'Yes' on the Woman Suffrage Amendment, June 5th." The automobile trip meeting had to be given up here on account of heavy rain, but Mr. Wilson spoke at the intermission at the moving picture show.

On our return trip when Mr. Lovejoy was the speaker, Mrs. Nordstrum met us at Newell and helped arrange the meeting there. Five machines came from Storm Lake and joined us. Mr. Faville of Storm Lake made a most effectual speech following Mr. Lovejoy. These Storm Lake people spent the rest of the afternoon in circularizing the farmers of the county, as well as the residents of the small towns through which they passed. From Newell the automobile tour was continued to Marathon where a successful meeting was held.

This county carried by 300 votes.

CHEROKEE COUNTY

Mrs. W.A. Sanford, chairman. A good deal of friction arose in this county early in the campaign and Mrs. Sanford had resigned. About the first of May she was persuaded to continue to serve until the end of the campaign. All her efforts were seconded by Mrs. Richards of Cherokee; Mrs. Guy Gillette served as chairman of the publicity committee. The county was partially circularized twice. A booth was had at the baseball fair and a short suffrage play was put on one evening. Mrs. Sanford organized in Marcus, arranged for meetings there and in Aurelia. During the automobile trip Mr. Wilson spoke on Sunday in Marcus to about 150 people. On the return trip Mr. Lovejoy spoke on the street in Cherokee to a large and enthusiastic

audience. Cherokee County lost by 48 votes.

IDA COUNTY

Mrs. Bertha Wilcox of Ida Grove, chairman. This county was most excellently worked. The voters were circularized several times, the last time with a letter signed by prominent men of their own county. The towns were covered with suffrage posters, etc., a stretcher was suspended across the main street at Ida Grove. Several times the suffragists made automobile trips through the county, holding meetings and distributing literature.

Every preparation was made for the automobile trip. Decorated automobiles literally lined the streets, the band played and an immense crowd greeted Mrs. Raymond Brown and Mr. Lovejoy. Later Mr. Lovejoy spoke on the street at Holstein and Battle Creek.

This county carried by a large majority.

SAC COUNTY

Mrs. J. R. Slacks of Sac City, chairman. Mrs. McMahon spoke several times in Sac City in an effort to stir the workers, with some measure of success. Some circularizing was done.

The automobile trip covered Wall Lake, Lakeview, Sac City, and Odebolt. Mrs. Brown and Mr. Lovejoy spoke at all these places. Mrs. Brown returned to Odebolt and held two meetings there the following week.

An organization was formed at Lakeview as a result of the street meeting, and Mrs. Gilbert was made chairman. (Mrs. Gilbert would make an excellent worker.) Lakeview and Sac City provided automobiles for the automobile trip.

Sac County carried.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

Mrs. J. M. Fettes of LeMars, chairman. Some circularizing was done and a big demonstration was made in LeMars at the time of the automobile trip. A stretcher was kept across the main street for ten days before the election; On the day of the automobile trip practically every store in the town was elaborately decorated. Fifteen machines artistically decorated and almost completely covered with suffrage propaganda were in line for the parade. The band played and the mayor (who had ridden in the parade) presided over the street meeting, at which Mr. Wilson spoke to several hundred.

On the return trip Mr. Lovejoy spoke to a large crowd in Akron, the details of which meeting were arranged by Miss McMahon, at Kingsley and at Ramson. At Ramson we met with open antagonism, Mr. Lovejoy was heckled while trying to speak and the party insulted in many ways. Mr. Lovejoy handled the situation so tactfully that the belligerents finally left, after which he made a speech which we were assured afterwards created much favorable sentiment.

Plymouth County lost.

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BOOKS ON WOMAN'S POSITION.

(This list includes only books catalogued under the three headings given below. It does not include biographies, etc.)

Woman Suffrage.

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| Am. Academy of Pol. & Soc. Sci. | Significance of the woman suffrage movement. |
| Buckley | Wrong & peril of woman suffrage. |
| Carter | Woman with empty hands. |
| Crothers. | Meditations on votes for women. |
| Goodwin | Anti-suffrage? ten good reasons |
| Horack | Equal suffrage in Iowa. |
| Oklahoma-University | Woman's suffrage, arguments for and against. Bulletin March 1914. |
| Parker | Fundamental error of woman suffrage |
| Phelps | Selected articles on woman suffrage. |
| Sams | Shall women vote? |
| Squire | Woman movement in America. |
| Sumner | Equal suffrage. |

Women Industry.

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| Abbott | Women in industry. |
| Henry | Trade union woman. |
| Minnesota-Bureau of labor.
industries & commerce Dept.
of women & children. | Biennial report. |

Woman's position.

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| Abbott | Home builder. |
| Allen | Woman's part in government. |
| Am. academy of political and
Soc. Sci. | Women in public life. |

Am. academy of Pol & Soc.Sci.

Woman's work & organizations.
Am. academy of Pol & Soc.
Sci. 1906.

Beard

Woman's work in municipalities.

Bennett

American woman in civic work

Bullock

Selected articles on the employment of women.

Burrell

Woman's club work and programs

Burrell

Complete club book for women.

Candee

How women may earn a living.

Cass

Practical programs for women's clubs.

Chatauquan

Library has v56-58

Dorr

What eight million women want.

Hale

What women want.

Hecker

Short history of women's rights

Laselle

Vocations for girls.

McKeever

Training the girl.

Mozans

Woman in science

Richardson

Girl who earns her own living

Roberts

Club woman's handy book of programs and club management.

Schain

Laws of Minnesota relating to women and children,

Schirmacher

Modern woman's rights movement

Schreiner

Woman and labor

Schreiner

Woman and war.

Spencer

Woman's share in social culture

Tarbell

Business of being a woman.

Wisconsin woman's suffrage association.

Social forces, a topical outline.

Wood

History of the General federation of woman's clubs.

Williams

Legal status of women and children in Minnesota.

Wilson

Legal and political status of women in
the U.S.

Minnesota-Labor Bureau.

Biennial report of the woman's de-
partment.

Pamphlets.

Woman suffrage.

Association.

Association approved to the further extension of Suffrage to Women

Miscellaneous pamphlets.

Magazine articles.

News Paper Clippings.

Constructive Policy of Wisconsin Woman's Suffrage Association

AND ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1917

What we are doing:

1. Organizing suffrage committees in every county.
 - a—To keep us informed of local conditions.
 - b—To carry out requests from headquarters.
 - c—To bring pressure to bear from all parts of Wisconsin on our national and state representatives.
2. Maintaining state headquarters.
 - a—To carry on press, publicity and educational work.
 - b—To act as clearing house for county work.
3. Maintaining organizer in the field to connect state association with old branches and to form new.

What it costs to do this:

1. State headquarters, 429 Jefferson St., Milwaukee.	
Rent	}
Telephone	
Janitor	
Light	
Office Secretary	
Estimated extra Steno. work	
Stationery	
Stamps	
	\$2,415
2. Organization expenses for 12 months	2,400
3. Press, literature and incidentals	1,000
4. Expenses of legislative work and standing committees	1,000
	<u>\$6,815</u>
10% to be sent to National Suffrage Association	681
	<u>\$7,496</u>

This is the most systematic line of work we have ever undertaken. As soon as financial support permits we anticipate doubling the work of each committee and adding new departments.



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WISCONSIN WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

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4,000,000 WOMEN MAY VOTE FOR PRESIDENT IN
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WHY NOT IN WISCONSIN?

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My dear Madam:-

Only two more weeks remain of the time limit of the state wide "dollar campaign" for the support of equal suffrage in Wisconsin.

The success of this plan in your locality depends on you but we have received no response to the urgent appeals already sent you. Surely you will not allow your town to fall below the standard of cooperation set by villages and cities, all over the state. You have only to make a beginning to find how readily your friends will respond to your request.

Wisconsin "dollar day" November 15th is now so near that we are greatly embarrassed by your lack of cooperation. If you cannot act some one else in your district must be chosen. Once more we appeal to you to send us your acceptance and to try for at least a few signatures if you cannot secure the 25. If this is impossible please appoint your substitute, turn over the materials to her and send us her name to file on our roll of honor.

We learn that many women are doing this work without returning card of acceptance. Please return yours that our file may be correct and no unnecessary requests sent you. The women of the state are responding enthusiastically to this call.

We want you with us.

Theodore M. Youmans, President.

Address reply to
Harriet Bain,
454 Prairie Ave.
Kenosha, Wis.

Harriet F. Bain,
Chairman Finance Committee.

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Charles H. Kennedy, President.
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Dear Fellow Worker:

Many thanks for your willingness to become one of our state wide finance committee. You will be glad to hear that the campaign is also being successfully conducted in Milwaukee, Green Bay, Oshkosh, Platteville, Janesville, Madison, Kenosha, and many other cities and villages.

One friend writes she secured twenty three dollars in one morning and three more after dinner! You will want to know how this money is to be spent:

1- Headquarters have been moved to Milwaukee, the Bradley building, 428 Jefferson St. When you come to the city give us a call.

2- The expenses of an organizer in the field all the time are being covered. If you wish her to visit your town write for a date.

3- Press work and publicity are to be pushed as soon as our bank account permits. A budget is being prepared and an outline of the constructive policy of the Wisconsin Woman's Suffrage Association. Copies of these will be mailed you soon for your own use and for distribution among your subscribers. Please write us of the special needs of your locality and give us an outline of your methods of work. We will gladly send you literature and suggestions. A state officer or our able organizer will visit you at any date you set. We will have some important special information to send you after Nov. 7th.

Thanking you for your generous and prompt cooperation.

Gratefully yours,

Theodora H. Young
President.

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454 Prairie Ave.
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Deputations

[1916]

LOCAL DEPUTATIONS: I do not hear enough through the press of deputations visiting the delegates. You should make as much publicity about it as possible. Every delegate to the Republican, Progressive and Democratic conventions should be visited by a delegation of women with the request that he shall stand for a plank in the platform. If they want to know what plank, say we shall ask both to include words to this effect: "We favor the extension of suffrage to women" -- nothing more.

Keep your state stirred from center to circumference over the plank campaign. We shall surely succeed if we are active enough in our campaign. No delegate should be allowed to go to Chicago or St. Louis without a very emphatic knowledge that the women of his state want him to vote for a plank in the platform. If we can but write those planks in the platforms, you will find it comparatively easy to get endorsement planks in your state platforms, and victory will be near at hand.

Please send us copies of all circular letters you send to your local organizations with regard to these matters.

DEMONSTRATIONS IN CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS It is positively necessary that we know how many people are going to St. Louis and to Chicago. Women are appealing to business men in both states for contributions. We have given the pledge to St. Louis that a thousand women will come to that city. There should be many more in Chicago. We need numbers. Make your advent as spectacular as possible. Get all the publicity out of it you can. Let those states which can command a considerable number travel by special train. It is possible that you may be able to get a special train to carry you to Chicago, from Chicago to St. Louis, and from St. Louis home again. Our Solons will surrender if we are there in sufficient numbers. They believe we are a noisy, but a small group.

In St. Louis suffragists will be expected to carry hallow umbrellas and these must be ordered there. They cannot secure final estimates until they get some idea as to the number to be ordered. Please notify us at once of the prospects of numbers from your state.

The St. Louis Committee will provide appropriate banners to indicate the various states so that representatives of the state need only to come provided with uniform sashes and hats or similar regalia. In order that we may have an artistic and harmonious color scheme, we hope that only the colors of yellow, white and blue will be used in the two demonstrations.

The Sawyer

OSCAR OSTROM, PROPRIETOR



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Ans

STILLWATER, MINN.

Jan. 6 1916
10 am.

My Dear Miss Trimble -

Your note and
the literature just received. Thank
you for promptness -

I have somewhat got my bearings
have proved up on the lists furnished
and have the address of all but two -
called upon Mrs. Mary Hayden last
evening but she escaped me by hav-
ing an engagement - Have an appoint-
ment with arch. librarians (librarian
ill) for 10:30 this morning - Then
I shall just go thro' the list until some-
thing is started or I am congested.
They tell me the thermometer stands
at 16° below this morning -

Sincerely, yours
Hence H. Stevens

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Pinewood, Jan. 6, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Ueland,

Mrs. Briggs' letter just came - our rural mail service has been quite uncertain lately - and I shall be immensely pleased to have the chance to work with Mrs. McMahon.

I could go at any time were it not for the fact that I must have some dental work finished before going. However, I'm going to have that rushed, and will be able to join Mrs. McMahon by the 15th of Jan. How will that be? Write me detailed instructions to Pinewood as to where I am to go, etc.

I would like one each of every kind of flyer and literature you have on hand

at headquarters. I'm fixing up a compact "scrap book" for handy reference while I'm at work. Also, when you get your new stationery, may I have a supply?

I'm so anxious to begin work. I've read everything I could secure with a bearing on suffrage during the holidays.

By the way, will Mrs. McClung come back into the state? I've arranged to pave the way to the heart of the Bemidji "exclusive" thru her if she's to be secured. and the papers in Bemidji want the earliest possible information about her. If Mrs. Mc. can't come, then I have another plan I want to talk over with you of having a group of Mpls women come up for for a luncheon and mass meeting in the evening.

My very best wishes to you for a
Most Happy New Year

Sincerely
Bertha C. Moller.

Hello! E.C.B. The grip's gone - glory be. Happy New Year to you + I'm looking forward to seeing you when I'm in Mpls again. B.C.M.

The Sawyer

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AMERICAN PLAN

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Ans

Stillwater, Minn.

Jan 7 1916

My Dear Miss Trimble -

Can you tell me whether Mrs. Sharpe supplies suffrage material to any newspaper in Stillwater and am I right in my supposition that she does supply material to any of the county papers that will take it?

In notations Mrs McMahon handed me was " Mrs. Williams will mail list to the office. Will also call Stillwater people on telephone and speak of Mrs. Stevens " Has any additional list been sent to the office? I have not yet run across any one who has been telephoned about ~~me~~ Perhaps if I understood who Mrs. Williams is I might use her name as a helping wedge - As soon as you have

definite dates for the Albert Lea Conference. will you give them to me.

Mrs. Masterman was the woman here who was made Leader but the honor was wished upon her in her absence and without first gaining her consent. She feels she cannot serve. There has been a long siege of illness in her home which accounts at least in part for her lack of responsiveness.

Sincerely yours
R. E. H. Stevens.

Copy of organization plan
by Mrs. McMahon received. Thanks
for same

Same to:

Mrs. W. W. Cook,
Mrs. W. A. Marin,
Mrs. E. H. Loyhed,
Mrs. Walter N. Carroll,

Jan. 8, 1916.

Mrs. C. L. Atwood,
Saint Cloud, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Atwood:-

I wrote you before the Holidays asking if you would take the position of chairman of the congressional committee of the 6th district. Will you please let me know as soon as possible if you can undertake this work?

If you can do so, we wish to send you a file containing the necessary letters, reports and other information which every congressional district chairman should have on hand.

Cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND, PRESIDENT.

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland,)

U:B

The Sawyer

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Stillwater, Minn.

Jan. 9

1916

My Dear Miss Trimble

Have a meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Judge Wilson. Can you send me by return mail - Samples and prices of following -

Back of the Ballot - Middleton

How the Vote was Won

Suffrage Monologue - - Howe

Why Equal Suff. has been Success - - Thomas

The Modern Woman Helen Keller

What Have Women done with Vote Creel

Chevalry versus Justice ~~et~~ "

If you have it there, some of the more readable ~~than~~ pamphlets - for beginners
One copy of each sufficient -

cordially yours -

Rene E H Stevens -

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505 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK CITY

January 10, 1916.

Minnesota W. S. Ass'n.,
403 Essex Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friends:-

We have your order for three muslin backed Suffrage maps and the same have been sent to you today.

We wish to call your attention to a new map which we have just put in stock. This map is the same map as the one we sent you, but it has been muslin backed, mounted on top and bottom with a black wooden roller (light in weight) with two brass rings at the top for hanging up and with tape for tying when the map rolls up. The states having suffrage on this map have been marked with a bright suffrage yellow. Altogether this makes a most attractive and useful map. We brought it out at the special request of suffrage speakers.

Price is 75¢ each.

We thought you might be interested in knowing that we had such a map for sale.

Very truly yours,

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Stillwater, Minn.

Jan 12 1916

My Dear Miss Trumble

Your letter and card received. Mrs. Masterman says she will be glad to follow but thinks she has no organizing and leading qualities. She will help hold up the hands of the leader.

With the thermometer at ten below and falling and the wind and snow behaving some-thing awful. We still had twenty-two women at our meeting this afternoon. Got Mrs. Judge Frank L. Wilson - at whose home the meeting was held - to accept the leadership until some one ^{is} ~~was~~ developed for the place. She is fine but not physically strong.

Mrs. Dr. G. A. Newman (State Prison)

Will act as Leader in South Stellarton
and rally to Mrs. Wilson's standard

A Mrs. Nuzum - bright and interest-
ed will - if her husband consents
act as local press chairman and
utilize the weekly bulletin from
Mrs. Thorpe. This, however, is pend-
ing.

If there is a customary letter
of welcome or encouragement to
new recruits in the leader line

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Newman
should receive these letters -

Mrs. Nuzum offered her home for another
meeting and we will decide in the morning
upon date.

Sold today

Suffrage Monologue

Buttons

\$

1.05

1.25

1.00

1 Subscription to Journal

and received one pledge but as I
am unable to decide whether it was
meant for \$1.50 or 5.00 I will com-
municate with her before reporting



Stillwater, Minn. _____ 191__

Send me 10 copies of Suffrage monologue

The Modern Woman by Helen Keller,
was published in the Metropolitan Magazine
Dec 1912.

Henry George Jr. got it printed in
The Congressional Record Sept 17-1913
It was franked and sent out free in
large numbers and could be obtain-
ed I suppose upon request to our
Minneapolis Representative in Cong.

The publishers of the Metropolitan would
know if it is issued otherwise.

Those rolls rec'd for me need not
be forwarded - the long one is a map of
the U.S. - showing all counties and if
you haven't one might be useful on
the wall - The other is posters -

Your supply of sample leaflets
come duly -

I think this covers all the points
I should mention - If you know
anything I ought to and don't
pass it on -

I wish I might have a copy
each of the Woman's Journal and the
Suffragist forwarded me as they
come - I need the information they can
tain - May I open an account with
you to that extent and begin by having
three of Jan-2^d and 9^d right away -

It is now 22° below in this burg.

Sincerely Yours -

Wm E. A. Stevens -

Jan. 11, 1915



STATE OF MINNESOTA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,
SECRETARY OF STATE

ST. PAUL. Jan. 13, 1916.

✓ Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Madam:

I have your letter of the 11th.

This department is not in a position to
furnish this information. I am of the opinion that a
never
vote was taken in the House of Representatives. I believe
that a vote was taken in the Senate and if you will address
a letter to Senator Geo. W. Peachey, Owatonna, he may be
able to give you the information.

Yours truly,

Julius A. Schmah
Secretary of State.

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505 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

January 13th, 1916

Miss Minie Trimble, Sec'y.,
Minnesota Woman Suffrage Ass'n.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Trimble:-

We enclose one of our new pins. This pin was first put on sale at the recent Washington Convention, proving most popular.

Shortly after the close of the Eastern campaign, enthusiastic suffragists pledged themselves to wear a "Votes for Women" button or pin until our cause was won. Then came requests for a good quality pin and the result is the little enameled sterling silver brooch sent you today.

We want to make this a universally worn emblem and we ask you to help. Please place this sample in some conspicuous place in your Headquarters and try to take orders for it. Do this even if you do not feel that you can order a stock to carry on hand.

Prices:- 35¢ each; \$3.50 a dozen; \$25.00 per hundred.

We are also sending sample of the "Suffragist's Map Pocket Calendar". This calendar needs no word of introduction; you already know its daily usefulness as propaganda. The cheapness of the cardboard will appeal to all of us, as we have to "make our pennies go so far".

Prices:- 10¢ a dozen; 75¢ a hundred; \$5.00 a thousand.

Specially attractive prices quoted in larger quantities.

If you care to have the calendars printed with the name and address of your Association, there is space on the calendar side of the card. For this there is an additional charge of \$1.50 in thousand lots.

Try them.

Very truly yours,

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Stillwater, Minn.

Jan. 15

1916

Ans.
1/20/16
My Dear Miss Trimble -

The Suffragists,

the map, the monologues and your kind letter came today - Thank you especially for all of them and the Modam who keeps your-house flyer - I think it is one of the best ever -

I don't know whether I wrote

you we are going to try to pull off an evening meeting here - date now favored - the 24

I shall want whatever ware is in stock for ^{sale upon} such occasions and some of pennants banners or what not for decorating the audience room -

I know I want 700 True Democracy flyers for that is the one we will use as a hand bill and I have only about 300 on hand. 1000 will be a

small number of hand bills to
get out. These I shall need by
return mail —

Before leaving Minneapolis overlooked
the matter of learning what system with re-
gard to expenses is used by the Headquarters
here — I am inclosing a statement
which should no doubt have some
official O.K. and go to the Treasure —

Will you kindly put it through
the routine so that I may receive
remittance not later than the 20th —

Do you have an arrangement with
the Monahan's Journal where by the
Association gets credit for subscriptions
& paper? I sent straight from here
for order I took the other day — but paid
in my note the Minn. Assn was to be
credited with having received I took
another order today but think I will
await your advice before forwarding.
Sincerely - Yours - R. E. Stevens

January 17, 1916. ///

Mrs. A. H. Bright,
1004 Mt. Curve Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Bright:

Our records show that your state suffrage association had introduced or was to have introduced a bill for Presidential Suffrage in the 1915 legislature, but I cannot find anything about the fate of the bill. Will you let me know the vote in both Houses?

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd)
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Mrs. Mary Sumner Bayd.
505. 5th Av. N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Bayd:-

In reply to your letter to Mrs. Bright I want to say that we did have introduced into the House of Minnesota in the session of 1915. a bill giving women Presidential Suffrage. I enclose a copy of the bill and a leaflet sent out by our association. The bill was introduced rather late in the session after our amendment had been defeated ^{in the Senate} by a vote of 33 to 32., and on account of a crowded Calendar was not voted upon. An effort was made to have it placed on Special orders, and it polled a large majority vote but not the necessary $\frac{2}{3}$ vote.

Sincerely yours
Clara Ueland.

HAMMILL
BOND

A BILL for

An act extending to women the elective franchise pertaining to the nomination and election of president, vice-president and presidential electors.

Section 1. Every woman of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, possessing the qualifications requisite to a male voter, shall be entitled to vote the same as men, at any election held for the purpose of nominating or electing presidential electors, at any primary election held for the purpose of choosing delegates and alternates to the national conventions of political parties, and at any presidential preference primary election held for the purpose of allowing a popular expression for the party nominations of president and vice-president.

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*Ans
1/18/16*

Stillwater, Minn.

1/18 -

1916

Dear Miss Trimble:
Your letter and the flyers.
just received - Thank you -

I shall want what ever you can spare
in the way of decorations for the hall (by
the 22d to make sure) -
And especially about a dozen Votes for Women
badges for ushers, literature girls
sales-girls etc. - I want to produce to
the greatest extent possible the atmo-
sphere of enthusiasm - I will pack
every thing that night and forward it
at once the following morning to Albert
Lea. Please give me exact address
for forwarding -

As to the literature for sale a
small quantity of that I am sure
will meet the demand - but be
sure it is price marked -

Send the following amount of

Rainbow flyers.

50 Each

Women in the Home

People say: We say:

About Voting

Women Are Citizens

Women Workers Want Vote

Baby size -

Facts worth knowing -

Women do Want to Vote -

Also send me about the same
number of pledge slips for
those people will give but I want them to
have the opportunity -

I've looked answering your question
with regard to Mrs. G. A. Newman - She will
take the Chairmanship in So. Stillwater.
I'm hoping Mrs. Huntson can be persuaded
to accept Vice-Leadership her - She
has great possibilities within her -

Sincerely Yours in haste

Rene E. H. Stevens -

I shall need more buttons
Say 50

The Sawyer

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ans.
1/24/16

Stillwater, Minn.

Jan 20 1916

My Dear Miss Trimble -

Replying to yours

of this morning - I should like to go to Albert Lea via Minneapolis to freshen up a bit as to wardrobe as I am "flying high" in the matter of luggage - my trunk being in Minneap. I should be more than glad to go down with "the bunch" but I think Mrs. McMahon has me down to speak some where the evening of the 26th I've written her to know just where and when but have n't yet had time for reply - Will advise at the earliest definite moment - I have an afternoon meeting at Forest Lake Tues. the 25th so I shall have to travel on the 26th if that date is confirmed - I'm inclosing this a dodger for our meeting here Monday - After all

my sending for the baby flyer could not use it as it would not carry the mass of information we are desirous of handing out - Will give out the "babies" with the dodgers as far as possible.

The club rooms are free and Mrs. Masterman contributed the dodgers so no expense is incurred beyond a little postage. I just discovered the appalling omission of the hour on the hand bill.

That means an all night job for me putting it in, so here's where I stop corresponding and get busy -

Sincerely yours
Rene & H. Stevens

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505 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK CITY January 21st, 1916

Miss Minnie Trimble,
403 Essex Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Trimble:-

Now that the January inventory of stock has been taken, we want to do a little house-cleaning and under separate cover, we are sending you several samples which we are offering at specially attractive prices. Two or three of these, it seems to me are very well adapted for use in your State and in very large quantities and some of the others, I should think you could use - on account of their low price - in smaller quantities.

Christian Citizenship ----- \$1.00 per C; \$7.00 per M
Organizing to Win ----- 2.00 per C
Where Women Vote ----- 2.00 " "

(This is a great reduction and in offering it, we feel we are bound to call attention to the fact that it is not quite up to date, some minor new data not being included in this book, i. e., Denmark and Canada, but in fact we have no pamphlet which includes these concessions to women!)

Cost of Living ----- 1.00 per M
Man and Women Made Laws ----- 2.50 per C
Home and State (Swedish) ----- 2.00 per C

(We have only a few hundred of this pamphlet, but there seems to be a very little or no sale here in the East. It has been suggested that there are a good many Swedish people living in your state and possibly you would be able to use these pamphlets to advantage, as we believe the article is considered to be a very scholarly one.)

The supply of some of these titles is not very large, and we are offering the same assortment to several Associations, so if you want to secure any of these "live bargains", you had better send in your order without delay.

Very truly yours,
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Anna DeBaur
Manager/ *AD*

DeB/OT

The Sawyer

OSCAR OSTROM, PROPRIETOR



1/21/6

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Stillwater, Minn.

Jan 23 1916

My Dear Miss Trimble

I am to be in Win-
dora for a meeting on the afternoon
or evening of the 26th so shall
be obliged to forego the pleasure
of being with the party from
St. P. and Minn.

As my plan now runs I shall
leave here Tuesday for afternoon
meeting at Forest Lake - go from
there ^{at 5:46} to Minneapolis arriving I sup-
pose some time between seven and
eight - Will go out to Mrs. Ramsdell's
for the night and on to Windora
some time between 10 and 11 Wed. a.m.

Should I come to Hdqts for ^{any} thing. Of course I should like to for the mere pleasure of looking in but I shall probably be hurrying some as I shall need to buy a few articles like stockings etc -

The things all came and our hall is decorated - looks fine. The hall has just been freshly painted and papered in tones with which our yellow is an enriching blend - I believe there is a real interest in the meeting, of course chiefly do to the local people who are taking part - but I'm hoping that some of the interest "may be glued on to" The Cause.

Awfully sorry not to go down with the party from Twin Cities it would be distinct pleasure and advantage to me. Have any press bulletins been sent to Mrs. Muzzum?
Affely Yours R E F Stevens

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Stillwater - Jan. 24 - 16

Dear Miss Trimble

Inclosing herewith 92 signatures
for preservation in the archives. They are precious.
Reported and remitted tonight to treasurer as follows:

Pledges -	11.00	
Collections	5.75	
Sales Buttons & Novelties	6.00	
" Literature	.30	
		Total \$23.05

Two subscriptions to Woman's Journal sent
direct to Boston -

Meeting to night was good - Probably
seventy-five in attendance - but interest enour-

aging

Sincerely Yours.

The Saenger

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*I certainly hope to have something
tangible*

*You are invited to a Votes-for Women meeting
Wed. Jan 12th 2:30 p.m.*

*at
Mrs. Frank T. Wilson's Home
623 S. Broadway*

*Your and your friends are invited to be present
at a*

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Wednesday Jan 12 - 2:30 pm.
Speaker:
Mrs. Rene E. H. Stevens
of Syracuse N.Y.

Object - Organization

Home sent to

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Mrs. C. E. Benson 306 N. 4th

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W. Olive St -

Mrs. Emma Jaccory ✓
200 3d St -

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Mrs. J. Q. ~~McIntosh~~ Mackintosh ✓

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W. Olive

Mrs. Geo. Wilson ✓
North Williams

Mrs. P. F. Murphy ✓

Miss Johnson Prin H. S. ✓

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Miss Lumber's list -
 handed in by Mrs. Hunter -

LIST OF NAMES IN STILLWATER.

✓ Beatrice Cayou)	
✓ John Roy)	This list wa
✓ Olive Murray)	was handed
✓ Katherine Nelson)	in but were
✓ Ethel Murray)	not signatures
✓ Mrs. M. E. Sullivan.)	
✓ Mr. W. B. Hall)	
✓ Dougan McDonald, R.F.D. #6)	

List of Signed "I Believe Slips"

✓ Mrs. N. Beuschoter
 ✓ Wm. Kronke ?

Signatures on enrollemnts,
 to M.W.S.A.

✓ Mrs. Edith Wilbey ?
 ✓ Chester S. Wilson

121. Cherry St.

This List signed at
Previous meetings. held
in summer -

✓ Mrs. D. A. Connors (Saxel)
✓ L. H. Seymour S 3rd
✓ Rev. F. L. Palmer N 4th
✓ J. H. Warren Surgeon
✓ Mary G. Hayden
✓ S. Blair McBeath
✓ L. W. Clarke
✓ Geo. Schuttinger
✓ John M. Coy
✓ Ostrom (Oscar)
✓ Stella Conrad

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✓ Mrs. L. B. Taylor
✓ Miss Gertrude Bundlie
✓ " Mary E. Conson
✓ J. A. Newman
✓ C. H. Gardner
✓ J. M. Schaffer
✓ J. B. Northey
~~✓ L. W. Clarke~~
✓ O. E. Lee
✓ Donald L. Mackintosh
✓ J. T. Whelan ^{Priso}
✓ Mrs. Arthur Mulvey
✓ Miss Georgia Postes
✓ Mrs. E. L. Gillespie (club)
" A. Burtzloff

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- ✓ Mr. H. A. Dean 306 N. Allen St.
 ✓ Miss ^{alice} Murslack
 ✓ Mrs. Max Kellner 149 E. Cherry.
 Mrs. Walter Prince -
 ✓ H. D. Campbell 306 N. Pine
 ✓ " Geo. Sullivan
 ✓ " Joseph Fagender
 Miss L. M. Staples
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 Mrs. J. Q. Mackintosh
 ✓ " Forest Parkhurst
 ✓ " W. H. Hollands

- ✓ Mrs E Sydney Boleyn
- ✓ " L Sargent
- ✓ " R.S. Davis
- ✓ " J.D. Bronson
- ✓ " H.J. Jassary
- ✓ " J.R. Kalliner
- ✓ " Geo. Wilson
- ✓ " Miss Draver -
- ✓ " Fred Lammers
- ✓ " Mrs Frank Berry
- ✓ " L.E. Mannering +
- ✓ " A.M. Dargisch
- ✓ " Frank Mithrow

- ✓ Mrs. Martenman 189 Feb.
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 - ✓ W.G. Bronson
 - ✓ Harry Huntton
 - ✓ T.E. Ross
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 - ✓ L.B. Costle
 - ✓ Robert Dlaughter
 - ✓ Adda Pennington
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 - ✓ Mrs. Rasmussen

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" J. D. McQuish ✓

" H. P. Barclay ✓

" H. K. Humlorn ✓

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" Gordon Tolson ✓

Miss Alice Murdock ✓

" Adda Slaughter ✓

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" Robert Slaughter ✓

" Caroline Millard ✓

" Carl Neumier ✓ 1022 N. 3d

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Robert Slaughter

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" 13 2d

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" Brodeen ✓

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February 2, 1916

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Dear Miss Fisher:

If you saw some of the fifty million small flyers that were distributed during the Eastern campaign you will be interested to know that the nine best flyers have been carefully edited, strengthened, and fitted for general use.

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Yours very truly,

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ANNA DE BAUN

Manager

February 5, 1926.

Mrs. R. E. H. Stevens,
c/o Sawyer House,
Stillwater, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

(Please excuse the slide.)

Your card of the 4th received this morning and was the first I knew that you had gone to Stillwater. I called up the boarding house and when they told me you had gone that morning, asking if they knew whether you had gone to Saint Paul Park and they said "Yes."

So I have been forwarding your mail to that place. I am very sorry, but have written to the post master and asked him to forward to you what mail he has there. However, the Legislative Manual will not of course be forwarded and before sending him additional postage for it, I thought it best to write you to learn if possibly you went thru Saint Paul Park and stopped there a short time. The book was sent out on the 3rd as soon as it came up from Murphy-Travis Co.. If you have not gotten it yet, I will send postage for its forwarding from Saint Paul Park to Stillwater. Would you please advise me. There were not many letters went to Saint Paul Park, one was something which had followed you about down in the southern part of the state and came back.

Wishing you success, warmth and comfort,

Yours,

B

The Sawyer

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Febr. 5 1916

My Dear Mrs. Ueland -

Yesterday morning I went over to St. Paul in time to do a little telephoning before going out to St. Paul Park. Communicated with Mrs. Frank Williams and Mrs. Quib. Got names of women in St. Paul Park also a few men names of interest and here - Went out to the Park

in a train nearly an hour late but had time to learn that Mrs. Lorraine is in New York for several months. Mrs. Henry Bailey, lives several miles in the country, Mrs. Saffery away for some time to come. But the source

of my information Mrs. J. M. Trickey of the Park - while she would not sign

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our slip said she was sure I could
speak before the Newport Woman's
Club at their next meeting which is the
afternoon of Febr. 16th. The club has
a membership of over eighty and
Mrs. Trickey says they are the rep-
resentation - women of all that
region rural as well as the
villages - She named certain ones
she knew to be suffragists and thought
I would be sure of seeing a large
percentage of them at that meeting.
In an emergency one could stop
over at the hotel there but they ex-
pect no one, rooms are without
heat and general desolation held
sway so I came on to Stillwater to
stay last night where today I have been
making calls, getting enrollments
(and ~~two~~ subscriptions to the Journal) bol-
stering up courage and calling with local
press-woman upon news-papers -
The two weeklies here - aside from the
Gazette - The Gazette is beginning



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to hedge are giving us any more than a bare statements of meetings - cuts out every thing that has the ^{least} suggestion of propaganda -

Mrs. Trickey told me her husband and Mr. Sullivan are the best of friends which no doubt accounts for her hesitancy in signing for suffrage - I'm sure in her heart she is with us.

I have two appointments for tomorrow and Monday promises to be quite full - Am planning now to go to Marine Tues. if I can make the connections -

If Mrs. Wilson plans a meeting for some time between the 14th and 19th Can we be sure of you or some other fine speaker to win the doubting

ones - I think Mrs. Wilson is ^[4]
quite interested but our evening
meeting was so successful that
the opposition is showing itself
a little - This however may act
as a stimulus rather than a deterrent.
Any way we are out to give them
a run

Sincerely Yours

Rev E. H. Stevens.

Stevens

File under

Feb. 8, 1916.

Postmaster,

St. Paul Park, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find 14¢ in stamps
for the return of book mailed to

MRS. RENE E. H. STEVENS

SAINT PAUL PARK

Please return same to 403 Essex Building,
Minneapolis and oblige.

Yours truly,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSN.,

E D Briggs,
Office Secy.

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Please return

February 15, 1916.

Dear Presidents:

I enclose a list of things which ought to be done in every State to ensure planks in the platforms of the two great parties. Some of these things we shall do; some you must do, if they are done.

When these two great conventions espouse our cause, our path onward will be made much smoother. It is worth all the effort we put into it.

We shall ask for a plank endorsing suffrage per se. Probably the Congressional Union will ask for an endorsement of the Federal Amendment, but they have already driven the Democrats to oppose such a move. A considerable movement in the South is at work to get the Democrats to say that when suffrage is granted it should be by State action. This would be most unfortunate, and could easily be construed into an expression of opposition. Therefore the National will ask for an endorsement of the principle of suffrage which leaves us all free to work for National or for State suffrage as before.

Cordially yours,

Carrie Chapman Catt
President

NAT'L. AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASS'N.
Burrell Building, NEW YORK CITY

How to get a Plank in the Platform of the
Two Dominant Parties.

Make copies

*Please return
to office*

✓ 1. The National Congressional Committee will prepare the plank which will endorse suffrage per se and not any method of securing it. Men have already agreed to introduce and to fight for the plank in the convention. Work in connection with the plank will be handled by the Congressional Committee.

✓ 2. A hearing will be asked as usual before the Resolutions Committee, but the effect is usually educational only.

✓ 3. The greatest demonstration of our strength, dignity and insistence will be made in each convention city in which the suffragists of the nation are urged to join.

✓ 4. Special literature will be prepared to hand to delegates in attendance upon the conventions.

5. Special literature will be mailed to the delegates at their homes.

6. Special literature should be given to the delegates in conventions called to elect delegates to the National conventions or at primaries.

7. A deputation of the most influential women in the suffrage ranks should be sent to the political leaders of each party in each State and an appeal made for the plank.

8. A deputation should wait upon every delegate with the same appeal.

9. Letters from influential party men should be directed in large numbers to each delegate urging him to vote for the plank and to see that one is included in the platform.

10. At all meetings possible have resolutions passed calling upon entire State delegation to urge a plank in platforms and a copy of the resolution should in each case be sent to each delegate.

11. In every way human ingenuity can devise see that your delegates are made aware that women and men in your State in large numbers want the plank. Make your effort a campaign - an earnest, emphatic, insistent but intelligent, tactful political campaign.

February 19, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:

Mrs. Thorp came in this morning and tells me that there is a cut of Mrs. Ueland still with the paper in Stillwater. She sent it to the "Trade News" as you perhaps know.

In asking Miss Fisher about the office copy of "Are Women People" I learned that this one was bought for Mrs. Thorp's use especially and that she dislikes to have it leave the office. As it is good stuff to have on hand, I ordered a couple copies and mailed one on to you this morning. Put the stationery around it and hope all reaches you O.K.

This forenoon I have put up most of the things you want to have for your Wednesday meeting in Stillwater and will get them off the first thing Monday A.M. Am waiting for the banners to come back which were used at the LaFollette mass meeting this week.

Wish you were here to come to our 1915 Club tea across the street.

Sincerely,

B

The Sawyer

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Yard for office
My Dear Mrs. Briggs - The attached signatures represent mother and daughter. The mother is a domestic science demonstrator and holds schools of a few days or a week's duration all over the state in towns of 5,000 population and up. She is a good suffragist and will be glad to have local suffragists, where ever she has classes, send a speaker for short talk, give out literature, or take enrollments. I spoke at her class here Thurs. and Mrs. Wilson got the increased enrollments the next day.

Mrs. Fisher will be in Faribault next week Thurs. and Fri. 24th and 25th. She has a good effective publicity scheme and gets out a good big class - She will be at the Brunswick Hotel in Faribault but can always be reached thro' her St. Paul address -

It seems to me if we could keep in touch with her dates and advise our local leaders and workers to avail themselves of her audiences it might

work advantageously - What think you?

On that list of things specified for our meeting Wed. evening did I mention Votes-for-Women Bashes and badges for ushers? I sure want em - Twelve will suffice. —

Tell Mrs. Thorpe the Trade News ran the picture and notice just as she wrote it.

I'm sure there was another item on my mind but the space evidently was so limited it slipped off - I'll try to pick it up for another time.

Sincerely Yours -
Rene E. A. Stevens -

February 21, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Enclosed please find cut of Mrs. Ueland. Hope it reaches you in plenty of time.

I attach list of the material sent you for Wednesday's meeting. This bundle of stuff is coming by (American) Express. The package of free literature will be mailed parcel post, I think.

Have just called Mrs. Ueland to ask that she let me know as soon as she has decided how she is going to Stillwater. Will write you at once when I hear from her.

By the way, I have Mrs. Frank Mazum, your Press Chairman, on a "I believe" card; she should be on an enrollment of course and I suppose it is only by chance that she signed the yellow slip instead of the enrollment blank. Could you send in her signature so I can put her among the members rather than the "I Believe's?" Also, I had her husband marked Press Chairman; Mrs. Thorp tells me that is a mistake--it is Mrs. Mazum, is it not?

Mrs. Thorp thinks your suggestion in regard to Mrs. Fisher is a good one.

Cordially

B

Material sent to Stillwater,

for Weds. Feb. 23 [916]

LITERATURE

*Feb 24
Returning*

Woman Suff. & Liquor Interest,	3	@	5¢
Ballot for Woman of Farm	3		2¢
Woman's Ballot to protect City			
Child	3		2¢
Facts & Dates to Remember	6		1¢
Partial Democracy & Child	4		2¢
Why Equal Suff. Been a Success	3		5¢
Effect of Vote of W. on Legislation	2		5¢
Suffrage & Temperance	3		2¢
Mrs. Ueland's Advantages of E.S.	5	To be given away.	
A Brief History	1		5¢

Baby Flyers & "Madam, Who Keeps -"

Pledge Slips	25	
Buttons	50	5¢
Rose O'Neill's Baby Poster	1	
Small Pennants	50 46	
Sample Copies W. Journal	6 3	
" " W. Voter	3	
3 packs playing cards	3 2	25¢

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"ARE WOMEN LESS CONCERNED THAN MEN - "

"Government is Home-Making & Housekeeping" (blue & white)

"Shall Minn. Block Path of Progress?"

"Simple Justice is What World Needs." -- LONG STRIP

"Votes for Women--Eventually, Why not now?" "

"Many Arguments, No Reasons"

"Women are Citizens and Wish to do - "

"If you Think Cause is Just, Join - "

12 Sashes, Votes for Women

12 Usher Ribbons.

Voteless Speech

*Why don't we have Votes for Women Lead-pencils?
men will buy them -*

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Laura Rice

Ushers

Feb. 23

Zelma Grady

Helen Wohlers

Pauline Russell

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Alice Grandstand

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My Dear Mrs. Briggs,

Started the banners

etc on their return trip yesterday but
neglected
to put in list which is here with inclosed.
Was awfully well pleased with our meeting
Mrs. Heland got a lot of them -

There were a good many young people there
and some 20 or 25 under 21 years of age sign-
ed - We - or rather Mrs. Wilson is carefully
keeping these as valuable aids but I
am not sending their signatures to you
for the reason they are minors. Does
Minnesota have some ruling with regard
to age attainment before signatures are count-
ed?

As you will note four of the pennants
got away - I'm hoping they may be
found. Think maybe the boys who were
impersonating "Suffrogettes" may dig them

Sold 1 pk cards - \$.25

37 Buttons \$4.50
(Other 13 gone to Mrs. Wilson)

Collection 5.96

Pledge 5.00

15.71

Will make remittance to Treasurer with my monthly statement.

Including 18 "Hereby join" cards signed by adults at Wednesday evening's meeting and five that were handed to me the day I went to St. P. Park - There were a good many more signed that day but the rest were given to Mrs. Frank Ford who took the chairmanship of Newport trip. I have asked her to keep copy of signatures and forward the originals. Only very exceptionally business-like women respond to this official duty and I may have to go after them -

We have a ten x ten meeting planned and invitations accepted for next Wed. afternoon at Mrs. Wilson's. This means ten women have agreed to come to Mrs. W.'s for suffrage program next Wed. - and each bring a friend - Tea will be served and each guest separated from a dime. Then each of the original ten will have a

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similar clinic, at her house with some surgical operations - extraction of coin. It remains to be seen how it works out. If they really do it will keep something on the suffrage topic going for practically three months -

Geo. Sullivan aspires to be delegate to Chicago Convention in June. He must be visited by a deputation and instructed how to act with regard to a suffrage plank in the Republican platform - This would ^{be} a good thing to do all over state as far as possible - but I suppose it is being planned for - I shall probably go on with work here until get word from Mrs. Ueland and Mrs. McMahon as to the particular part of the southern tier I should attach to assist Laura. Am returning Mrs. Ueland's cut in this mail. -
Yours - Rene E. H. S. -

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Aug 27 - 16
My Dear Mrs. Briggs
One of the letters you forwarded to day was from a farmers club and they are giving place for a suffrage talk on their program next Tuesday at Cottage Grove. I have answered (they asked for reply at once) saying the speaker will be there. I hope I can go myself as I want to link them up with the movement already started in the County. The Marine women want a meeting next Monday afternoon and I've told them to go on and get the meeting and I'll be there. I thought if it seemed imperative for me to go on to the south side of the state earlier than these dates we need some one just as good as" which in this case would no doubt be better only I want to tell them just how they fit in with the rest. Mrs Ueland thought we'd better hear from Mrs McMahon just what, on the southern side, would best

complement her work in Loma - Perhaps I can get
there in with a trip to Hugo and Forest Lake sandwiched in
between ^{before receiving her advice} - We're having the first of a series
ten times ten meetings here - at Mrs Wilsons - to-
morrow and it looks today as though it would
start off with a bang -

How goes every thing and body at hdqts?
You're in bed time hostess which
is clearly revealed in appearance -
Rene E. A. Stevens -

This is a specimen
of work

The Sawyer

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Stillwater, Minn.

3/1 1916

My Dear Mrs. Trondle -

I am inclosing herewith statement of my expense account for the month of February together with check for \$10.71 covering collection and sales at Mrs. Velands meeting February 23d and pledge for \$5.00 made by Mr. A. Clapp on same date.

Sincerely Yours

Rene E. A. Stevens.

~~Account of collection~~

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My Dear Mrs. Briggs-

Your note received
this morning - I am very glad to stay
as there is plenty to do to encourage the
growth of activities here - The first
of the ten times ten parlor meetings ^{went}
yesterday with a great deal of inter-
est and Mrs. Wilson says the women
who took part are of the best - I in-
sisted on their running the meeting just
as tho' I were not present - but the
day before it took place every thing seem-
ed so illuvinly vague that I made up
a program - got the material - listed
future suffrage events, local, state
and Natl which should be kept be-
fore the attention in every possible

[2]
possible way, made a chart of the organization we are aiming at. (Large so it could be pinned on the wall for every one to see) and then, between you and me, nearly had nervous prostration, watching the timid, groping, ineffectual way. The really important features were presented. At the last minute when the party was leaving without the least definite idea of a future step - with all the tact, sweetness and appearance of a sudden new thought I could command. I proposed that before we broke up it be decided just who would hold the meetings (with an 3) next week. Nice, they all looked pensive and abstracted and most of them remembered some perfectly good nameless reason why they could ^{not} do anything next week - but one finally said she would have her meeting next ~~week~~ Tues, so at least one more will be pulled off - I have got it driven in to their minds I hope that it will be an ineradicable disgrace if they don't have a bigger mass meeting

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Stillwater, Minn. _____ 191__

There ever some where between the 21st & 28th of this month - and have Mrs. Simpson come down for the main address. They think now they will do it.

I am inclosing some lists of names Mrs. McMahon sent me, and which she is anxious should be returned to her as she fears they may become lost - I fear they will be come worn out if I carry them around and so I am asking will you kindly make typed copies for me - hold the copies until I come in to Adpts - but return to me the originals so that I may in turn forward them back to her with some other data. I am not copying -

I shall leave here early Monday morning for Marine Mills and either stay there Monday night or come in to St. Paul

and go down Tues. to Cottage Grove.
 In the note from Cottage Grove was
 the advice that Dr Steen's wife would en-
 tertain me - I do not know whether this
 means that it will be necessary for me
 to stay all night or not (It may be an
 evening meeting) but in any case I shall
 try to show up at the office sometime
 Wednesday. By return mail

(Please send me for my personal use -
 a copy of Passages from Dr Anna Shaw -
 " " " Chivalry vs Justice - Crel -
 a pad " Enrollment blanks (white))

If you have any thing new that's "terribly
 good" include a copy of it -

I'm short the last three numbers of the
 "Suffragist" - Perhaps the solution is to
 send subscription direct to Washington.

Please give me the Nationals' new ad-
 dress - I want to send for the News

Letter - Thanking you for all your kind-
 nesses and with very best wishes

Yours truly E A Stearns

March 3, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Yours of the 2nd at hand and I have hurried off a few things I thought you might find of interest and from which you may be able to draw some new "enthuse" over Sunday. Some pertain directly to suffrage--all are interesting. Had copies of the last two numbers of the "Suffragists" here in the office and sent you one each.

Miss Fisher has only file copies of Chivalry vs Justice and Passages from Dr. Anna Shaw. These she will not let go out of the office--the Passages has only just been printed, as you know. I have ordered a few of each of these, and Miss Fisher and I plan to place a large order of different things as soon as we have their new catalogue.

Will you please tell me just what was the arrangement about your copy of the Suffragist? My mind is hazy on the subject and I should like to put right about the matter. Mrs. Potter gets a bunch of each copy of it, I think, for they keep coming here to the office, sometimes more, sometimes fewer. Are you to get one of these?

Have made note of big meeting for Stillwater, Mo. 21-28. Hope it materializes. Will speak to Mrs. Simpson about it.

Am making copies of lists and will enclose as many as are finished.

Address of National is 171 MADISON AVE.

Miss Fisher ^{and I} have much enjoyed your description of the first ten by ten meeting (this was our first interpretation of it and we thought it a very "nifty" name for them) and hope the following ones will be more highly seasoned with ginger.

Cordially

March 4, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Mrs. Troendle has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your note of March 1st, enclosing expense account, check to cover collection and sales at meeting of 23rd, and pledge for \$5.00 made by Mrs. Clapp. Check was most acceptable and very much appreciated, as was the pledge of \$5.00. Mrs. Troendle and the other ladies of the Board are most appreciative of your good efforts and results.

I enclose checks for salary, expenses and deficit. Mrs. Troendle has asked me to send it by special delivery in order that it may reach you before leaving Stillwater. Otherwise I would not know where to reach you.

Miss Fisher wishes to ask that you give her a little time when you are next in the office, in regard to card files for the organization work of the County. She and the District leaders are working it out, and would be grateful for your suggestions as you have had much experience along that line.

Wishing you a sweeping success with the Farmers,

Cordially

Office Secy.

B.

March 9, 1916.

Miss Clara Baldwin,
State Library Commission,
State Capitol,
Saint Paul.

My dear Miss Baldwin:

Will you please give me, at your
earliest convenience, full information as to
how one goes about securing a traveling library.
As I am leaving the city within a few days, I
would be grateful for response by return mail
if possible.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) RENE E.H. STEVENS,

(Address) 403 Essex Building, Minneapolis.

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March 14, 1916.

Mrs. Charles P. Noyes,
89 Virginia Ave.,
Saint Paul, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Noyes:-

We are sending out more and more press matter to the country papers and very much feel the need of more photographs of prominent suffragists. Pictures in the newspapers, especially in the country papers, get more attention than anything else, and it is important that we furnish all they will use. Will you not send photographs of yourself--several kinds if you have them--for our use.

If you haven't any, wont you please have some taken, for the cause? This is really very important and we want your picture very much.

Cordially yours,

CU/B

Same written to:

Mrs. Bacon,
✓ Tomlinson,
Holman,
Burt
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Partridge,
✓ Hodgman,
Searle,
Thompson
✓ McKnight
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✓ Paige
Jones
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Our district convention will
 meet in Thief River Falls May fourth & fifth and
 it would be very kind of you to send us a good
 speaker on the subject of "Suffrage."

We liked Mrs. Simpson very much last year.
 Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Stearns have been suggested
 as very good speakers.

Hoping you can send some one
 I am very cordially

Ethel Doris Russell

Mrs. Bryant White
 of

Soma Miss. Valley Conf. Speaker—

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NEW YORK CITY

March 18, 1916

Miss Edith D. Briggs, Office Sec'y
Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association
403 Essex Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Here is a sample of our Easter postcards.
There are three varieties, all exceptionally good
both in color and design. The other two cards have
attractive figures of little children combined with
Easter flowers and Easter bunnies - all with "Votes for
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We know how all good suffragists use the op-
portunity of a holiday occasion to impress that slogan
upon the minds of their friends.

Price is: two for five cents; twenty-five
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Yours very truly,

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Anna D. Baun
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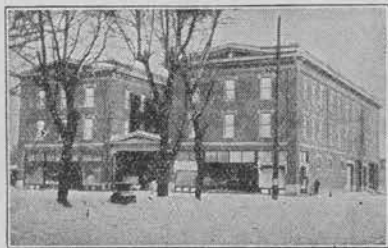
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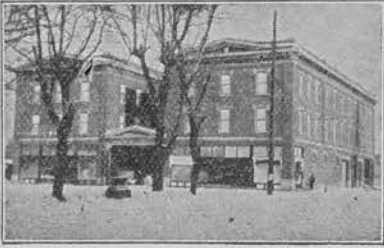
3/19 1916

My Dear Mrs. Griggs,

Arrived here without adventure about five last evening. As there is but one hotel in the place I had no choice but to stop here. However, now at five o'clock Sunday my more or less permanent lodgings are secured at 420 Eleventh Street, my trunks and hand luggage are installed and I have the promise of good home cooking next door. I myself, tho' like the pinks, smell of the roses, am hanging round still - to write a letter or two. Last night I had my last hot bath for some time to come. I suspect, shampooed my hair, and with my fingers bade adieu to all such effeminizing and enervating indulgences. As I walked from station to hotel on arrival I perceived the office of the Worthington Progressive, newspaper, entered

and made inquiry as to rooming and boarding facilities in the town. Among several he named the place I have chosen - I went, however, first to another which being filled to capacity answered my SOS by also naming this place - It then being ^{dark} evening I discontinued my search till this morning - Calling upon Mrs. Shell this am. and being most kindly received I repeated the inquiry and was told I could probably not do better than go to Miss Joh's, and so Miss Joh (pronounced Jo), spinster, is my hostess at a modest weekly consideration.

But the main motive of this note comes now. On my way down here yesterday as I sat with my eyes closed to keep out the smarting - it kept growing up on me that mention of the effort that is being made by the Stillwater women, in the columns of the Journal, would greatly please and inspire them and so between my dodgings in and out ^{last night} I tried to write out some thing to send up early this a.m. There did not seem to be any "early am." by which to send it however. I want to send it now, and ask you to type it into legibility and if Mrs. Ueland approves send it to the Journal directly or through



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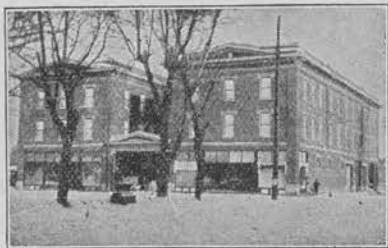
the authorized channels. Who is supposed to supply the Minn. notes to the Journal? Of course if there is other matter this, ~~or~~ or such portion as is approved, should be incorporated with it. It is needless to say that my news writing talents are sadly undeveloped, but I feel the work in the H³^d deserves mention especially now that the women are so valiantly pulling off their meetings alone. ^(my companions) If it does not go down in time to come out before the Simpson meeting that should not be mentioned in the future tense.

I have ²tentative engagements for tomorrow - I should wonder if I'd get in on both. One in afternoon the other in evening. Women's Club - and Tourist Club -

Please pardon this unsightly communication and keep me informed as to important things -

Yours with feelings deeper and near than
Cardinal - Rene E. H. Stevens -

Please be charitable to spelling
The only reference book avail-
able is a Gideon Bible and it
took too long to hunt out
the words in it.



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Dear Mrs Ueland.

After the concert Friday evening I made two more of the small bulletins for out-door posting and they Saunders had not yet risen when I left yesterday morning. I think he got them up some time during the day - He meant to at any rate.

I am located - in fact quite settled, and ready for whatever fortunes tomorrow - My lodgings are simple but clean and I am told quite the best I could probably get.

I had a pleasant visit this morning with Mrs. Lee Shell. She thinks personally she can not act - but while I do not accept this decision I did not press her at all and found her full of suggestions and helpfulness. There's a club meeting tomorrow

afternoon and another in the evening
at each of which I probably will have
an opportunity to talk a little.

I hope your district meeting at the
Harriet School brings out lots of
people and gains the needed new
workers. I should love to hear you
and Mrs. Simpson myself.

I'll write you more fully as
there is more to write.

Very Sincerely
Rene E. Stevens.

P.S. I forgot to tell you I had the heart
to heart talk with Saunders about the
division of his spending money, irreg-
ularity of meals etc. He seemed rather
glad of my interest and talked very frankly.
He said he had gone without lunch a
time or two because he spent his
money for the Athletics Meets ^{missing} which
would be a greater privation ^{to him} than going
without an occasional lunch. He prom-
ised for the sake of his health and his mother
to consider carefully the division of his
expenditures. He has a little money each
week for diversion - R.E.S.

[March 19, 1916]

EXCERPTS FROM MRS. STEVENS' LETTERS FROM WORTHINGTON

For Minnesota Board Mtg.

3/19

"Arrived here without venture about five last evening "(Saturday 3/18.)
- - "On way from station I perceived the office of the Worthington Progressive, entered and made inquiry as to room and boarding facilities in the town. (Found location in private home and board next door.)
- - - I have two tentative engagements for Monday, one in afternoon and other in evening, Womans club and Tourist Club, to speak to them.
- - -, When I asked how the paper (above mentioned) stood on suffrage, young man said the policy of the paper was determined by "Dad" but that they had had a lot of anti Assn. which they had not published. Send me the bulletins and I will try to see that they run something for, while I am here; I mean to see "Dad" at early date and also the other papers dad (Worthington Globe.)"

3. 3/29-

Farmers Club program with suffrage paper by Miss Erie mentioned
"Will write Mrs. Jacquot today" (Copy of Mrs. J's letter had been sent her)
- - "Saw the attached in the Worthington Globe, made inquiry, learned that the Erie family are permanent at Kinbrae (rural), wrote Miss Leone that we were deeply interested in all such events, asked her if she would not take the chairmanship of the township, sent leaflets for distribution at the meeting, enrollment blanks with the request that she enroll those she could and return same to me, etc. etc, with the effect no doubt, of scaring her until she will be wary of ever letting her name filter into the press again, attached to so jeopardizing a topic. - - -

Am delighted that the five additional copies of the Journal are to go into Washington Co.

Monday I had quite a halfday school with Mrs. Lamb on the press side of the work. - - - I turned over to her the bulletins and for this week's issues of the papers she is to be wholly responsible for what is said for suffrage, I will forward copies to Mrs. Thorp.

Monday evening we had a business meeting of the entire local force of officials (every member present) to consider an evening meeting and how to get the men there. - - - decided that Worthington precincts of the 11th Legis. Dist. Equal Suff. Assn. would give a Leap Year Banquet. It had to be done rapidly and so the banquet part of it was turned over to the Presbyterian ladies and their church will have the work and the revenue from the food, if any accrues. The ladies will take the gentlemen, and pay for their entertainment. This makes no money for suffrage but the women count on getting out by this process about 75% of the representative men of Worthington. Can seat about 150 at table in church parlors. Are selling tickets now. Mrs. Shell wants to give every one attending a button, so I made her the price of 1¢ each for 150 buttons. Young ladies who wait will wear Voted for Women sashes; we will not undertake any sales, but will decorate walls with banners, and table decorations will be yellow. - - want full quota of material for decoration from Headquarters, not later than Monday. Banquet to be Tuesday, April 4th. Among the speakers will be a doctor, lawyer, preacher and I hope a "chief" -- yours truly, to make the principal speil.

Yesterday morning arose at 3 A.M. to catch train to Luverne. Got back at 3 this morning -- just 24 hours on the job. Made a lot of calls - -

2. Letter of 3/25

"We had an organization meeting today, accompanied by the inevitable blizzard - - about 25 women came. They were interested and chairmen and assistants were appointed as follows: - - - -

One, Mrs. Upton, will go to the Mankato conference and speak. Perhaps with working up others will go.

Spoke the other day at a church meeting at Supt. Patchin's home.

Shall be glad to go to Iowa or anywhere the Lord and the campaign seems to need me.

The women here want an evening meeting and I believe they will make a success of it. Of course they want me to make the main suffrage speech, and until I know when I am to go to Iowa, I cannot fix a date.

There is a large Swedish Lutheran congregation here, the minister and wife both suffs, but she tells me that the women of the church are very uninlightened. Some of those "Home and State" in Swedish tongue might do good if they are cheap enough for distribution. There is a Norwegian congregation also. 50 or 75 of the leaflet by Luth Jaeger could be used.

3/26 --- Must hurry now to Methodist church." - Sunday Morning

"spoke in the evening at Tourist Club, 25 of leading women (of Luverne) made a good impression. The one man I pursued vainly -- tried three times to see Senator Nelson while he was in town. Wanted to ask him to speak at Mankato conference.

The person who interested me most was Mrs. C.H. Christopherson. Husband a lawyer, was elected delegate at large to Chicago Convention. She is reputed an anti and is to debate on anti side April 25. I spent most delightful hour with her and left her with the assurance that I fully expected to see her before long Suffrage Leader of the 11th Dist. She was very much pleased and being an educated woman with a heart, I really count on her complete conversion."

3/30 --

4 "Need more flyers of every kind.

Spent 1½ hours with the Swedish women (Aid Society) this afternoon. About 100 present of whom 18 or 20 were men. Spoke to them for 15 or 20 minutes, then took coffee and sandwiches and talked personally to 12 or 15. Minister & Wife are fine, progressive and fully convinced suffragists. Three others (women) had courage to sign up. Majority understood vaguely and Swedish flyers will be necessary in their education.

Send me at once:

500 Enrollment blanks,
100 buttons,
100 Baby maps.

There is greater demand than places at the banquet. We are going to use the enrollment blanks as place cards, only they are to be signed after eating.

Tell me what Mrs. Simpson had to report on the Stillwater meeting; am much interested in it."

Rene C A Stevens

Vice President

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Cloquet, Minn., March 21st, 1916.

Miss Anna Fisher,
Suffrage Head Quarters,
Essex Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Fisher: --

The Eighth District Federation of Women's Clubs will hold a Convention at International Falls, May 2nd and 3rd. Can you send us a good suffrage speaker? Last year we had Mrs. Simpson, and she certainly was fine. Can you send us as good a one this year? Let me know what her subject will be, so that I may have it printed on the program.

Thanking you very much in advance, I am,

Yours very sincerely,

Anna Oleson
President Eighth Congr.
District. M. F. W. C.

NAT'L. AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASS'N.
171 Madison Ave., New York City.

March 21, 1916.

To State Presidents:

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: As no State President proposed any business for a Council meeting in St. Louis, and nearly all who voted "yes" upon the question, "Shall a Council meeting be called?" added "provided there is business to be transacted," the National Board have decided not to call such a meeting. We hope and believe, however, that a good many presidents will be there for the demonstration and we will arrange an informal conference for all presidents who are there. Such a meeting can of course do no business officially.

DEMONSTRATIONS: We shall soon issue a small leaflet to jog the memory of suffragists concerning the demonstrations in Chicago and St. Louis. We shall send some to you. Please enclose them in all letters and do your utmost to swell the numbers in both cities.

WHAT TO DO FOR THE CONVENTIONS: I enclose a revised list of things to do. I entreat you to urge your organization to do its very utmost to meet every number on this program. It will pay. Make your plans carefully and boldly and you will be proud of your results.

MAY DAY: As a part of your May Day celebrations which we hope will be more extended than ever before, we ask you to prepare for the adoption of a resolution calling for a suffrage plank in the platforms of the Republican and Democratic parties. The larger states should find it possible to have from 500 to 5000 such resolutions passed. Make a specialty of getting these adopted on May Day, but do not stop there. Let them be put at every meeting of any kind; clubs, churches, societies, as well as public meetings. A copy of each resolution should be presented to the National Committeeman from your state and to each delegate to Chicago or St. Louis. You can make this the most thorough campaign you ever had. You can fill your papers with talk of it and have the whole state talking of it. Set your machinery for planks. They would prove the biggest boost to our movement it has ever had. If every State would turn its energies unitedly, powerfully into this campaign for planks, we should get them.

Let us know what your state can do,

Most cordially,

Carrie Chapman Catt

PRESIDENT

NAT'L. AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASS'N.
171 Madison Ave., New York City.

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CAMPAIGN FOR SUFFRAGE PLANKS
IN THE PLATFORM OF THE TWO DOMINANT PARTIES

THINGS TO DO

1. Send to National American Woman Suffrage Association, Burrell Bldg., 171 Madison Avenue, New York City, the complete list of delegates and alternates from your state, together with their home addresses. Do this as soon as they are appointed. A letter of appeal containing a specially prepared leaflet will be sent to each delegate. Do not fail to send this list.
 2. Organize a deputation of the most influential women in the suffrage ranks of each state to visit the political leaders of each party and to make an appeal for a National plank. Your aim should be to pledge as many delegates as possible to vote for a national suffrage plank in their convention.
 3. A deputation should wait upon each delegate to Chicago or St. Louis with the same appeal.
 4. Get letters from influential party men sent to political leaders and to delegates urging them to vote for a suffrage plank.
 5. Get resolutions calling upon your entire state delegation to the two conventions to vote to include a suffrage plank in the platform. Make a specialty of this at the May Day meetings and have copies sent to your National Committeeman and each delegate.
 6. Join the forces in Chicago and march in the great parade. Come to St. Louis and join the "walkless" parade. There, specially prepared literature will be given the delegates, a hearing will be conducted before the Resolutions Committee, and everything possible will be done to climax our campaign.
 7. In every way your ingenuity can devise, see that your delegates are made aware that women and men in your state in large numbers want the planks. This is a campaign. Make your state hum with it.
 8. The plank will be an endorsement of suffrage per se and not a support of the Federal Amendment or State Referenda. The greatest demonstration of our strength, dignity and insistence will be made in each convention city to emphasize our demand! Numbers will count.
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March 22,, 1916.

Miss Clara Baldwin,
State Library Commission,
Capitol, Saint Paul.

My dear Miss Baldwin:-

Under date of March 9th our Mrs. Stevens wrote you in regard to traveling libraries; we now wish you to tell us, if it will not put you to too much trouble, about how the two reading courses enclosed correspond with what you have in these libraries. We want to give our people a guide as they know so little what to ask for--that is in the smaller towns--and would send out the reading course which mentions the greater number of things you have.

Will you also advise us if your Package Library on woman suffrage (last question given under heading "Debates.") is of the latest pamphlets, clippings, etc., about how much there is of this material and if there are any books sent with this package. There is so much new material coming out right now on this subject that we would be glad to supply you additional matter if you could use it. Have you more than one package on this subject? And how many?

Thanking you for early reply, we are

Very truly,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSN.,

Office Secy.

Form

March 23, 1916

Mrs. Mary Ashley,

Madelia, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Ashley:-

The second Quarterly Conference of the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association will be held on Thursday and Friday, April 13th and 14th, in Mankato. We hope you will begin at once to create interest in the event in your district. See that each of your members is personally urged to be present.

The inspiration that comes from these meetings was shown by the phenomenal success of the Conference held in Albert Lea in January. No suffragist can afford to miss them. Every phase of our work will be discussed by those who understand it best, and many of the finest speakers of the State will be present. We aim to make these meetings truly conferences and wish every one who has any difficulty in her work, to come prepared to discuss it and get help if possible. Also, if you have found success easy, tell us how you have worked in order to encourage others.

We hope that every leader will feel in honor bound to let nothing prevent her being present and having a full report of her work ready. Your report should consist of the--

Increase in your enrollment,
Number of meetings held,
Number of townships organized,
Amount & kinds of literature used,
What press or publicity work you are doing,
How much money you have raised and how it has been expended.

Also include your plans for future work, or any ideas you may have which you think would be helpful to others.

Mrs. Ashby, -2-

Our State President, Mrs. Andreas Ueland, wishes to meet all the leaders on Friday the 14th at 10 A.M. for a special conference.

We believe that with weather conditions in our favor, we may expect a much larger attendance at Mankato from the out-of-town districts than we had in Albert Lea, therefore please notify Mrs. G.H. Trafton, 133 Coy Street, Mankato, as soon as possible if you wish entertainment. A room and breakfasts will be provided for all who send in their names. Luncheon and dinner will be arranged for conveniently at a nominal rate.

Hoping that you will do your best to create interest in the Conference and see that you have a large delegation from your District and from your Branch association,

Very cordially yours,

McM/B

March 23, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

It is very near to closing time but I must take a moment to write you and Mrs. McMahon.

Yours of the 19th was duly received and the story of Washington County typed off and given to Mrs. Stoolwell. She thinks however it will not be in time for this week's Journal and I called her attention to the meeting at which Mrs. Simpson is to speak, March 29th, asking her to make the reference to that in the past tense. She doubts if they will use that particular part of it as they usually cut out the mention of Mrs. Ueland's speaking tours in the state.

Mrs. Ueland has made the suggestion to Mrs. McMahon that you go into Iowa to take her place while she comes up to Mankato to manage the conference there; as yet we have not had time to get reply from Mrs. McMahon as to what she thinks of it, but Mrs. Ueland thought it best to mention it to you at once, so that you might plan accordingly. Mrs. McMahon wanted to be in Mankato at least a week before the conference, possibly more, and yet felt she could hardly leave Iowa for so long.

I enclosed copy of letter by CU to Supt. there, simply for your information. Hope you find everything pleasant at "Miss Joh's."

Yours,

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March 23, 1916

Miss Aimee Fisher, Exec. Sec'y
Hennepin County Woman Suffrage Assoc.
403 Essex Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Fisher:

We wish to announce to you the February, 1916, edition of HISTORY, ARGUMENTS AND RESULTS, perhaps better known as "The Blue Book."

In compiling this new edition so many changes have been made that we thought we ought to write and re-introduce the book to all State Associations.

The Where Women Vote section has been greatly strengthened by substituting the matter of our "Effect of the Vote of Women on Legislation" pamphlet in place of the former Effect on Legislation paragraphs. As this made the Man and Woman-Made Laws section superfluous, it was consequently dropped. The subject of laws is far more effectively handled through the new arrangement and, further, each law is given a separate paragraph, making the whole section easier to read or consult. The section on Canada has been greatly enlarged and the winning of equal suffrage in the province of Manitoba noted. The victory in Denmark is also included.

Miss Alice Stone Blackwell has answered seven more objections, besides making a number of other additions and corrections in Objections Answered. No less than forty-five new sentiments have been added to The Sentiment for Woman Suffrage, including President Wilson, Secretary McAdoo, John Mitchell, Samuel Gompers, Frank P. Walsh and Rabbi Wise.

The books are ready for immediate shipment. Price remains the same: postpaid, twenty-eight cents a copy; Express collect, \$2.50 a dozen; \$20 a hundred.

Yours very truly,

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*I'm prospering with
quite nicely with
hot water on back - All in
getting used to it - To be
fair I am quite comfortable
with miss Joh -*

My Dear Mrs. Briggs,

Northington Minn.
3/25-16-

Your letters, forwarded mail
and papers I think have all been received.
We had an organization meeting today accompan-
ied by the inevitable blizzard - I must say
I was plain mad - Yesterday it was too warm
for comfort - This afternoon at meeting
time you'd have thought it was January
just getting down to business. Otherwise I
believe we would have had a big meeting
as it was about 25 women came - They
were interested and Chairmen and assistants
were appointed as follows -

1st Precinct { Mrs. Ethel Gauld Chairman
Mrs. F. M. Manson Asst "

2nd Precinct { Mrs. Stella Smith - Chairman
" Hayden R. Upton Asst "

Local Press: Chair, Mrs. H. E. Lamb.

Mrs. Upton will go to the Mankato Con-
ference and speak. Perhaps with more
working-up she will go -

I spoke the other day at a church meeting at
Supt. Patenius's home - She couldn't come to

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to the meeting to day, because they had to go to
the Golden Wedding of Mr P's father and Mother.

I neglected to say, in its place, that Mrs. Lee Shell
will retain the office of Asst. District Leader
and Mrs. Ed. Jones that of Secy - It is desirable
to split the District honors, I think, between this
town and Luverne - Co. seat of Rock Co. Mrs. Shell
says there are a lot of bright Club women there
and she will give me letters to some of
them. I had planned to go up there Mon.
and if nothing unexpected turns up I shall follow
that plan out.

I shall be glad to go to Iowa or any where
the Lord on the campaign seems to need
me -

The women here are inoculated with the
idea of an evening meeting and will be quite able
I believe in carrying it out. Only they of course
were expecting me to make the main suffrage
speech and until I know just whether and where I'm
to go to Iowa I can't fix a date. I wonder if Thurs.
April 6th would be safe.

With regard to that stuff for the Journal I know it
was a mess - When I wanted once to give the Still-
water women a boost and Sullivan a shove but
the Journal of course has its room for all sorts of
stuff. But if it was stated rightly I think the Journal
would be glad to announce that an organization had been
launched there with enough vigor to carry off weekly
meetings and monthly mass meetings.

Thank you for all your money benefices -
More another time - Tomorrow me for at least
two church stunts - Yours R. H. Stearns

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P.S. Sunday morning - fairer than the gods!

There is a large Swedish Lutheran congregation here. The minister and his wife are suffs - but she tells me that the women of the church are very uninlightened. Some of those Home and State in the Swedish lounge might do good here if they are cheap enough for distribution - There is a ~~Danish~~ Norwegian Congregation also - I think 50 or 75 more of the enclosed leaflet would be consumed - I must now hurry to Methodist church, in spite of my Unitarian and Christian Science predilections.

R.H.S.

March 27, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Yours of the 25th came in this morning and must say I think you are getting on "swimmingly," if you will excuse the slang. One exception, however, should be made; I referred that part of your letter telling of the inevitable blizzard to Miss Fisher and we both decided that there must some distant relationship between you and the Flying Dutchman (we had both seen VanDerDecken last week, you will infer), each bringing his own bad weather with him!

Note you have secured a delegate and speaker for Mankato; splendid. No doubt there will be a goodly number from Rock and Nobles, by the time you get through with them, who will come to the conference. We will let you know about going into Iowa just as soon as we hear something on that subject from Mrs. McMahon. She hasn't gotten our letters yet, I fancy, referring to that as I have a communication from her this morning without mention of it.

I do hope the Woman's Journal will print your story of Washington County; I feel as you do that it will be a fine boost for your "babes in suffrage" over there. I enclose a letter from the Journal received this morning, in which you will be keenly interested, I judge. You can send it back at your leisure. It is answered from this end; you can write 'em too if you like. Miss Ryan must be back; things seem to be getting some attention.

Mrs. Thorp has asked me to say to you that the plate page was for your own edification. The inquiries for the plate matter is all done through the American Press Assn. The editorial stories sent she wanted you to get put into the papers. By the way, do you ask these women for their photographs; we should have Mrs. Lamb's if she is to be one of the speakers at Mankato. However, I can write her direct, as I am doing with all the officers in the southern part of the state. Hope she proves to be all you hope for her.

I note the mention of literature. Will look it up tomorrow as the meeting here this afternoon will take up the rest of the day. Our pretty Mrs. Schwartz has

Mrs. Stevens, -2-

just come in from a noon-hour talk at the Hennepin Laundry, bringing a bunch of enrollments with her and glowing with enthusiasm over the cordial way her remarks were received. I ask how can suffrage be anything but abundantly popular when presented by a "perfect picture" like herself.

There I did not mean to run over onto the second page, but now that I am here, I notice you mention April 6th as date for your evening meeting. I would say, just off-hand, that if you go into Iowa to take Mrs. McKim's place, I rather think she would want to be in Mankato fully a week before the conference comes off which would be not later than the 6th. It is too bad to break into your work that way but of course there must be a break somewhere. Will let you know just the minute we hear from Mrs. M.

Cordially (?) yours,

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March 27th, 1916.

Miss Aimee Fisher,
Hennepin Co., Woman Suffrage Ass'n.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Fisher:-

Mrs. Wilson of White Plains and author of the "Suffrage Study Course" has turned over to the Publishing Company, yours of March 22nd for attention, as we are handling Mrs. Wilson's "Study Course" exclusively.

This books sells for 25¢ a copy; \$2.50 a dozen, and we will be glad to fill your order promptly if you write us to send the books. This book is finding a ready sale and the New York Suffrage School like it very much.

Very truly yours,

NATIONAL WOMAN SUFFRAGE PUBLISHING CO., Inc.

Anna L. Baum

Manager.

DeB/OT

March 28, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

I am enclosing copy of a letter we have just received from a little woman up in Lincoln county, (second north of Rock) in regard to organization work. Do not know that you have heard of Mrs. Jacquot (pronounced the French way, zhä kö) but she has been working in her county for a little over a year; wrote into this office as out of a clear sky, asking for suggestions, literature, etc. It seems to me she is nothing short of a "pearl of great price" to the suffrage cause--with "no other cares at present." What think you? Could you write her?

I will write and give your name and address so that she can first write to you for details as to how to proceed. I think it would really be a great deal better (and very much worth while) for you to go into her county a couple of weeks and get things started, don't you? How truly she speaks when she says "then we went home and waited----learned they were doing nothing." I think you can sympathize with her in that! I do not know, of course, what Mrs. Ueland will think of your going up there--it can't be done of course until after the Mankato conference--but I will refer Mrs. Jacquot's letter to her when she is in this afternoon. As for me, I fancy that the county of Pipestone will not be as hard a nut to crack after both counties adjoining it have been organized--and Pipestone is reported to be a bad one. But so was Washington Co. for that matter; I have much hope that the reputation of Pipestone also will be different when Rene E.H. Stevens has set foot upon its soil!

We must ask Mrs. Jacquot to come to Mankato, by all means. Perhaps if you talked with her there, it would be sufficient advice for her to make a beginning. I will write her today, unless Mrs. Ueland can take time to dictate a letter to her, and we will urge upon her to make plans to come to Mankato, and meet you there. In the meantime, you might write her if you find the time.

By the way, are you getting your Suffragist now?

Am sending decorative material to Mrs. Wilson today for the evening meeting of the 29th.

Yours,

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Mar. 29, 1916

Mrs E.D. Briggs
403 Essex Building
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs Briggs;-

I have checked the two Reading Courses that you sent us. We have not nearly all the books on your list but we have a good many that are not on the list. The Package Libraries on suffrage are made up as the requests come in. Some times the request is for Anti-suffrage only and sometimes for suffrage only. The greater number however are for debates and both sides are needed. We usually send one or two books, and about twenty pamphlets & clippings on each side. As we have so many package libraries out all of the time we send the best material that is in at the time of the request. If the borrower is to write a paper or is reading up on the subject we send a history of the suffrage movement. If you have any new material on the suffrage side we would be very glad to have it. I do not know just how many libraries are out now but there are usually from 25 to 100. We have the colored leaflets obtained from the Suffrage League here but we have nothing of recent publication (within the last six months) I would be glad to have a duplicate copy of Suffrage Reading Course by Florence Bennett Peterson.

yours very truly

Mary P. Pringle
Reference Librarian

Am. academy of Pol & Soc. Sci.

Women's work & organizations.
Am. academy of Pol & Soc.
Sci. 1906.

Beard	Woman's work in municipalities.
Bennett	American women in civic work
Bullock	Selected articles on the employment of women.
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Burrell	Complete club book for women.
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Cass	Practical programs for women's clubs.
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Hecker	Short history of women's rights.
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Richardson	Girl who earns her own living.
Roberts	Club woman's handybook of programs and club management.
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Schreiner	Woman and war.
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Tarbell	Business of being a woman.
Wisconsin woman's suffrage association.	Social forces; a topical outline.
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Williams	Legal status of women and children in Minnesota.

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Crothers	Meditations on votes for women.
Goodwin	Anti-suffrage: ten good reasons.
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Oklahoma-University	Woman's suffrage, arguments for and against Bulletin March 1914.
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Minnesota- Bureau of labor, industries & commerce. Dept. of women & children.	Biennial report
Sumner	History of women in industry in the U.S.

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Wed. Mar. 29th - [1916]

Dear Mrs. Briggs

After a day, like yesterday, your letters came with the blessings of rain on the desert - I shall try this day to write Mrs. Jaquith tho' many letters are due to be written. But any thing so rare and precious as volunteered effective initiation - well I shall write to day - I saw the attached in the Washington Globe made inquiry - learned that the Erie family are permanent at Linbrae (rural) wrote Miss Leane that we were deeply interested in all such events, asked her if she would not take the chairmanship of her township - sent leaflets for distribution at the meeting - enrollment blanks with the request that she enroll those she could and return same to me etc, etc - with the effect no doubt, of scaring her until she will be wary of ever letting her name filter into the press again attached to so jeopardizing a topic. - But may^{be} not - there hasn't been time for a reply.

I am delighted that the five additional copies of the Journal are to go into Washington Co.

Monday I had quite a half day school with Mrs. Lamb on the press side of the work (you know how efficiently she must have been instructed)

my aim, being chiefly to imbue her with the proper ^{degree} ~~amount~~ of deference and flattery that should embellish a quite genuine spirit of frankness and sincerity in dealing with the makers of public opinion. I turned over to her the bulletin and for this week's issues of the papers she is to be wholly responsible for what is said for suffrage - I will forward copies to Mrs. Sharp.

Monday evening we had a business meeting of the entire local force of officials (every member present) to consider an evening meeting and how to get the men there. It was decided that the Northampton precincts of the Eleventh Legislature, Dist. E. S. Allen would give a Leap Year Banquet. It had to be done rapidly and so the banquet part of it was turned over to the Presbyterian ladies and their church will host the work and the revenue from the food if any accrues. The Ladies will take the gentlemen and pay for their entertainment - This makes no money for suffrage but the women count on getting out by this process about 75 of the representatives men of the town - They can seat about 150 at table in the church parlors and they are selling tickets now. Mrs. Shell wants to give every body present a button and so I made her the price of 1st space for a hundred and fifty. - We are not to undertake sales but the young ladies who wait tables will wear the Vocs for women's shoes

and dress in white - we will adorn the walls^[3]
with the suffrage banners and slogans
and the table decorations will be in yellow.

We shall want the full quota of decorative material from head quarters, not omitting the Oriel Boly poster, and should receive this by Monday. Banquet to be Tuesday evening April 4th - There will be among the speakers - a doctor - a lawyer & a preacher and I hope a "chief" - Yours truly to make the principal speil - not a toast nor yet a roast but just straight suffrage sense -

Should think we ought to have 18 of the votes for women

sashes -
Now please don't send me word that I am to go to Iowa on the 3^d -

Yesterday morning I arose at 3 o'clock stole forth under the starry sky which as yet showed no sign of dawning morning and took the train for Duvergne. At three o'clock this a.m. I crept back into bed having put in a day of just 24 hours on the job - I made a lot of calls, with one exception on women - Found some with heads of bone and hearts of stone, but more very lovely and responsive to the suffrage idea. but not the work - I spoke in the evening to the Lariat Club - 25 of leading women. Made a good impression - The one man, I pursued vainly - I tried three times to see Senator Nelson while he was in town he was always "somewhere else." I wanted to ask him to speak at Mankato. He bears the reputation among his neighbors of being anti. Of course it is known he

voted against at last legislature;

The person who interested me most is Mrs. C. H. Christopherson. Her husband, a lawyer, was elected delegate at large to the Chicago Convention. She is reputed an anti and is to take anti side in a debate in Suverne Apr. 25th - I hope to be there. I spent a most delightful hour with her and left her with the assurance that I fully expected to see her, before long, Suffrage Leader of the Eleventh Dist. She was very much pleased and being an educated woman with a heart I really count on the complete conversion to the right side in a short time.

I receive the Journal and since coming here have had one Suffragist - Perhaps that is all that is due but another should come very soon -

Mrs. Hunter spoke at Suverne a week or two ago so I was told. Had made a favorable impression no one knowing apparently that her brand of suffrage was different from any one else -

I'm getting to write so you can't read this so will stop -

It is not Mrs. Lamb but Mrs. Hayden R. Upton who will speak from Worthington at Mankato - Mrs. Lamb wishes to be there as does Mrs. Shiel but it is doubtful if they can go - Well so long - I'm starving and have not yet eaten since rising up at 9:30 -

Yours - Rene E. H. Sumner

KINBLAE

The Farmer's Club will meet at the Denton school house Friday evening March 31 as usual. The following is the program:

Roll Call—Anecdotes.

Rec.—Pearl Schumm.

Solo—Harry Clark.

Reading—David McLeod.

Rec.—Elizabeth Clark.

Violin Solo—Albin Nelson.

Solo—Miss Rudman.

Reading—Mrs. Cunningham.

Reading—Geo. Bristol.

Trio—

Lecture on Suffrage—Leone Erie.

Local Paper—Mr. E. H. Smith.

Everybody welcome.

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March 30, 1916.

Miss Mary P. Pringle, Ref. Librarian,
Minnesota Public Library Commission,
Saint Paul.

My dear Miss Pringle:-

We are in receipt of your favor of March 29th and thank you very much for your full reply as to how your package libraries are made up and sent out. We think the subject is very well taken care of and that debaters or persons preparing papers on the question would find your help invaluable to them, in cases at least where there is no public library. Furthermore, we find that public libraries are not at all up to date, on the material they have on hand, in many cases.

We will be glad to send you the latest pamphlets we have; some of them may be of the same title as some you have now but revised and brought up to present date. Do you have the Hearing before the Senate Committee? We find this a great favorite for debate material as it gives both sides so well.

I enclose herewith copy of Mrs. Florence Bennett Peterson's reading course. May I ask if the second page of our reading course was omitted from my letter? I notice you return but the first page; I may have overlooked page 2, and send you a complete copy herewith. Will you be so kind as to check off on this page also the things you have and return it to me. We would be grateful to have a list of the books you have that are not mentioned on our courses; you say you have a good many that are not given on our lists. We do not wish to burden you with copying, but you may have lists already printed perhaps.

Again thanking you for so thoroly looking after our many requests,

Very truly yours,

OFFICE SECRETARY.

March 30, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

I am sending you underseparate cover, several copies of the leaflet written by Mr. Luth Jaeger, sample of which you enclosed. I also send you copy of the last Suffragist. Mrs. Potter tells me that she thinks your subscription has not yet gone in to the head office.

We have none of the Home & State by Selma Lagerloff on hand but will add this to an order Miss Fisher is sending in tomorrow. There is a special price on them of \$2.00 per hundred. Presume we can use a hundred.

My dear Lady, if you could hear the things Mrs. Simpson brought back from Stillwater of what they say of you over there, you would nevermore be cast down because of meeting heads of bone and hearts of stone. The way you turn antis into ardent suffragists is almost miraculous--they confess it themselves. Cannot take time to tell you more now.

Yours,

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*Kvindens Grunde
Stemmer for Kvinder*

3/30-16

Dear Mrs. Briggs -

Not having a copy of my letter
of yesterday to you, nor a very trustworthy memory -
I may be duplicating but any way I need more
flyers of every kind except these I am listing.

Indirect Influence Increased by Illinois N.D.

Women Workers Want Vote -

Women In the Country

Catholic Opinions -

When I went to prepare my material for the Swedes
this afternoon I found my stock practically
exhausted - I need more at once for daily
use -

I spent an hour and a half with the Swedish
Aid this afternoon - About 100 present of whom
18 or 20 were men - I spoke to them collectively
for 15 to 20 minutes took coffee and sandwiches
and talked personally with dozen to fifteen -

The minister and his wife fine, progressive and
fully convinced suffragists with an understanding
of the uses of the ballot - Found three other
women who in addition to believing had

the courage to sign up. The majority understood vaguely and Swedish flyers in speech will be necessary in their education. The minister wife told me (not so bluntly as I state it) that their understanding of my subject was quite up to the average of their understanding on any subject. It is clear that her life among them is disciplinary - what I mean is that she must constantly discipline herself to patience. I gave them an average of 2½ flyers a piece - one being the map straight thro', the others all kinds - I watched carefully - none of it was dropped on floor or left on chairs.

Send me at least

✓ 500 Enrollments blanks

✓ 100 Buttons

✓ 100 Baby maps - none on hand

It seems that there is greater demand for places at the banquet than there are places - and they are limiting the sale to 200 tickets. We are going to use the enrollment blanks for place cards only. They are to be signed after seating - to the extent conviction will permit.

I feel I'm forgetting something so there may have to be a follow-up -

I'm much interested to know how the meeting at ✓ Stillwater came out last night. Tell me what Mrs. Simpson had to report on it -

Don't tell any body but I'm rather rapidly disintegrating - Was under gas this afternoon while being treated of another tooth that had set up chaos in my nervous system with an anarchistic militancy which defied all dental science. I'm enjoying relief from the tooth but feel the effects of the oxygen.

Which I might have seen Warfield - he was the flying Dutchman man with me - with you -
More again - yours ever Rene E H A -

March 31, 1916.

Mrs. Peter Oleson,
Cloquet, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Oleson:

It has been several days since your letter came, asking for a suffrage speaker for the district meeting at International Falls.

This delay in answering has not been due to any lack of interest on our part; on the contrary, we have been at considerable trouble to send you the best speaker available, and we are very glad to say that Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington of Northfield will give you a talk on "Woman Suffrage". We feel certain that you are as pleased as we are.

You see, there is to be the big Mississippi Valley Conference of Suffragists here, May 7-10, so that our local women are all greatly occupied with that work.

It would be nice if you and your friends could come to hear some of these women. I will enclose a list of some of them, and will mail you a program later.

Would you want Mrs. Huntington to speak in the evening? She will leave here on the Northern Pacific and arrive in International Falls May 2 at 6:25 A.M. She speaks also at the Ninth District meeting in Thief River Falls, so she will go there via Bemidji, leaving International Falls, probably on the train, May 3, which leaves at 6:45 P.M. She will probably speak in Bemidji, while there.

When your program is arranged, please send one to us and one to Mrs. Huntington.

Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Ueland are delighted that you are to have another suffrage talk on your program.

Sincerely,

March 31, 1916.

Mrs. William Russell,
Moorhead, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Russell,

It has been two weeks since we received your letter asking for a suffrage speaker for the district meeting in Thief River Falls.

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Would you want Mrs. Huntington to speak in the evening? She will speak in International Falls, May 2; then leave the third for Bemidji, speaking at the Woman's Club, probably (because she has to stay over nearly a day) then she will leave on the "Soo" for Thief River Falls and arrive at 7:25 P.M. on the fourth.

a program of the Mississippi Conference. Probably it would be safe to put her on the program for that night, if you wish. When you have arranged your program, please send us ~~one~~ ^{one} to Mrs. Huntington.

Mrs. Simpson is so pleased that you want another suffrage talk, and so is Mrs. Weland.

I will send you

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Northington, Minn.
Mar. 31 '16

My Dear Mrs. Troendle

Enclosed herewith is
statement of my expense for the month of March -
my personal pledge for \$10.00 and my
check for \$8.55 - Check to cover pay-
ment of \$5.00 on pledge - and sale of
Buttons to the amount of \$2.55
Collections made this month have gone into
local treasuries -

Sincerely Yours
Rene E. H. Stevens.

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3/31-16

Dear Mrs. Briggs - This isn't suffrage business - just human business - and in the Easter sense Divine. Sending to you, under separate cover, sample Easter cards sent me by a friend in New York (real artist) who hand-makes little things like these - I suppose, as pot boilers. I sent an order direct for what I will use but they are so very attractive and unusual that I wanted you - all (perfectly good African-Kentucky American) to see them. I don't wish to burden you with anything extra but if there are admirers who want some of them will you take and send in their orders returning samples to Mrs. Frances Mummaugh -
#81 Lincolnton Terrace - Bloomfield, N.J.,
by the 15th or there about -

I'm inclosing price list - but price is on back
of each card -

The Easter Parade (IX) is for place or score
card or to write on and inclose with package
and has no envelope -

Think this makes every thing clear -

If there a nothing doing - just return samples
to address given and let me know - so I can
tell Mrs. Mummaugh to expect them -

No - I did n't know Mrs. Ueland is in Dubuque
but am glad to hear it for I know that means more
votes for the cause -

Those were cheering words from Mrs. Simpson
but I'm yet eager to hear if she had a good au-
dience - if Mrs. Huntoon entertained her etc etc.

The ^{Nomineur} ~~Danish~~ leaflets received -

Mr. never paid for the suffragists and if I were to do so
I'm almost sure it would cure the whole matter of irregular-
ity. I shall be as soon as I'm a dollar ahead - my checking
balance is low at the present writing - Received a
copy this am. O.K. Yours with more haste than elegance
So I have good luck am going to Adrian this afternoon -
Rene 3/4. I