



## Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association Records.

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 Mrs. F.W. Miller, Seawington  
 " Richardson Barrett, 1772 Dupont So  
 " Eugene Best, 1705 Emer. So  
 " Geo. V. Doerr, V 2611 Euclid Pl  
 " J.G. Fullerton, & daughter Georgia 1920 Vine Pl  
 " Luther Farrington, " Elizabeth 2100 Spruce  
 " Erle Savage, 2619 S of 1st  
 " B.B. Sheffield 909 Euclid  
 " Carl Struck 2432 Bryant So  
 " Clark Fletcher 2416 Russell So  
 " C.E. Wales Station 7  
 " F.M. Warren 3427 N. 1st So  
 " R.W. Webb 1920 Pillsbury  
 " J. Frank Frazer 1904 Foster St

John A. Barry (Mrs. Jackson will ask)

403 Essex Building,  
 Minneapolis,

April 3, 1916.

Mrs. Orren Safford,  
 1519 Spruce Pl  
 Minneapolis.

My dear Mrs. Safford:-

We are sending out more and more press matter to both city and country papers, and feel the urgent need of photographs of women who are prominent in suffrage work. Pictures in the newspapers, especially in the country papers, get more attention than anything else and it is important that we furnish all that they will use.

The Minneapolis Anti Suffrage leaders seem to have resigned themselves to this fact and are using pictures of themselves for publicity. We must not let the public think that the only personable women are antis. Will you not send photographs of yourself--several kinds if you have them, one if you have not--for our use? If you have any, would you please have some taken for the sake of the cause?

*Wearing dress preferable*

This is really very important, particularly just now when we are asking for so much space in connection with the Mississippi Valley Conference.

Cordially yours,

STATE PRESIDENT

CU:B

6 p.m. Mon. 4/3.16

My Dear Mrs Briggs - your card rec'd  
this am. but the package of decorations  
not yet. I'm hoping  
they'll be on the midnight  
train - I did not ask for things to  
sell because it did not seem  
as tho. there would be much  
opportunity for sales.

This afternoon Mrs. Shell said  
she was sure she could dis-  
pose of a lot of the playing  
cards and asked for a couple  
of dog. packs. I did <sup>not</sup> tell her I fear  
there were not so many on hand,  
so send her what you can and  
complete the order later. I had a  
pack of my own which I gave her one after-  
noon when they were playing and  
they made quite a hit - Send them  
direct to Mrs. Lee Shell - 1215  
5th Ave - Worthington -  
Yours - R. Z. H. B.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. Edith Drake Briggs  
Minneapolis Minn.

403 Essex Bldg.-



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Cloquet, Minn., Apr. 4th, 1916.

Miss Amy Fisher,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Fisher: --

Your letter to me evidently crossed with Mrs. Russell's, of Moorhead, for I have received Mrs. Russell's letter addressed to me, but in it I see, that we are to have Mrs. Huntington with us at International Falls, on May 2. You can scarcely imagine how delighted we are with this arrangement. I will expect, then, to place Mrs. Huntington on the program, the evening of May 2nd. Does that fall in all right with your plans.

I expect to be present at the Mississippi Valley Conference, May 7th to 10th. I hope to meet you there.

Thanking you very much for your helping us to secure Mrs. Huntington, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Emma D. Olsen*  
President Eighth  
Congr. District.

April 5, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Your card of Monday 6 P M doesn't look a bit good for the reputation of the American Express Co. The idea of their not getting that bundle of stuff to Worthington inside of forty eight hours! They got the parcel the last thing before 6 o'clock Saturday and I thought, having all day Sunday to travel, it would surely reach you early Monday. Perhaps they began keeping the Sabbath at 6 o'clock Saturday eve. Anyway I do hope you got it in time to put things up, but sorry you wouldn't have more time to do it. I think perhaps parcel post is better, after all, even though we have to carry the stuff to a sub-station.

Ed. Shell's request for playing cards has been met with the full two dozen packs. We have more also, if this should not meet their need. Do you know, I wanted to put in some playing cards into the bunch of decorations, but as it was all going to the Presbyterian Church, I thought it hardly the thing so omitted the cards. Now I am glad to learn that they are the normal, small town women after all.

I have suggested you to take the place of Mrs. Simpson at Wells, Monday April 10th, as she is unable to fill this engagement. She and Mr. Simpson will leave for Hot Springs tomorrow, I believe, it is. Mrs. C.E. Young has not yet written me whether they prefer to postpone their evening meeting until after the Mankato conference or hold it as they had planned and ask you to come and make the address. Things certainly are crowding just now, in all directions. Mrs. McMahon has not yet decided when to go to Mankato, and the time is drawing perilously near, it seems to me. Mrs. McMahon's address is Mason City now--will be until she goes to Mankato, I presume.

Mrs. Stevens, -2-

Find list below.

Sincerely,

Office Secretary.

LIST OF MATERIAL SENT WORTHINGTON FOR LEAP YEAR BANQUET.

15 VOTES FOR WOMEN SASHES, To be returned.  
Year Books  
10 each of four kinds of cards. These the Worthington women  
can keep and sell as they can.

Banners

"Are Women Less Concerned than Men- -"  
"Social Problems must be Settled by- - -"  
"Failure is Impossible - - -"  
"There are Many Arguments - - -"  
If you Think Cause is Just, Join - - -"  
"Simple Justice is What World needs - - -" "Long Strip

Small Banners

"Justice and Equality"  
"More Ballots less Bullets"

KEWBIE POSTER

LITERATURE

2 -	Partial Democracy and the Child	@ 2 1/2
2 -	Coming of Democracy	2 1/2
2	Woman Suffrage & Liquor Interests	5
4	What have Ill. women done with vote	2
4	Motherhood & Government	2
4	Womens Ballot to Protect City Child	2
4	Working of Equal Suffrage	2
4	Facts & Dates to Remember	1
2	Women Should Mind Own Business	2
2	Women & Public Housekeeping	1
4	Suffrage & Temperance	2

(Literature left should be kept and sold at later)  
(meetings. Let local association make the money)



April 5, 1916.

Mrs. Margaret Huntington,  
109 Winona St.,  
Northfield, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Huntington:

Under separate cover, I am sending to you some of our latest pamphlets on "Woman Suffrage" at the suggestion of Mrs. Ueland.

When I told Mrs. William Coe, president of the Minnesota Federation, that you were to go to the meetings in International Falls and in Thief River Falls, she said that we could not have sent anyone who would be more welcome to the meetings.

Since you have to stay over nearly twenty-four hours in Bemidji, when going from International Falls to Thief River Falls, I took the liberty of writing the President of the Woman's Club in Bemidji to ask if they would not be having a meeting at which you might speak. I have not heard from her as yet.

Mrs. Coe will go up north with you, but she plans to stay for both days of the conference at both of the cities.

With best wishes,

Exec. Sec'y.

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4/5 - '16

Dear Mrs. Ueland-

I have had a busy and interesting time here in spite of the impossibility of getting into the country. I believe the work will actually go on here in Worthington for there are a number of women who are thoroughly in earnest suffragists and two or three who can stand on their feet and talk, and some who really have an idea of what canvassing means.

The days that I spent in Luverne and Adrian I met many women who were interested and would like to do things but they of course have family duties and the family attitude toward suffrage has not yet advanced to the point of making any self denial so that mother's path is roughly strewn with stumbling blocks but more work would develop material I'm sure.

Luverne is a prettier looking town than Worthington but the latter has a lake and a better hotel so I hardly know which will

be better for the <sup>summer</sup> conference. More work must be done in Luverne before the spirit of the place can really be determined.

I sent a somewhat detailed report of my two weeks here, to Mrs. Briggs with the request that she type it and give it to you.

Wish I might hear about your visit to Iowa and how the Campaign is progressing - I hear more here about what the Antis are doing in Iowa than of what the Pros are doing. Some Harvard professor's wife has found that 285 or more women in East Dubuque voted "Wet" and it sounds as tho' the Antis find <sup>more convincing</sup> ~~absolute~~ evidence of woman's unfitness even than their unholy, business-destroying "dry" vote. The woman anti is the unsolvable mystery to me.

I am waiting eagerly to know what my next move is to be. - I have declined to make any fixed appointments after to day. - Could have had a meeting at Kinbrace tonight or tomorrow night but did not think it safe to late up. - If I am still here am engaged to address the W. C. T. U. on Friday -

With sincerest regards and awaiting  
your commands  
Rene E. H. Stevens

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4/5-16

Dear Mrs. Briggs I've written - suffrage stuff to  
different people to day, until my head is in a state of con-  
fused exhaustion - Our banquet <sup>last night</sup> was swell.  
Have outlined it in the sheets I am inclosing,  
Marked "for Mrs. Ueland" - Will you type them  
into legibility please and hand to her -

I wanted to get the banners etc. - shipped back  
to day - but always some unplanned for feature  
introduces itself - The young ladies who were  
The Votes for Women sashes and waited to be  
while the speaking was going on calmly,  
went home wearing said sashes and sadly  
marking the close of the program as they were  
to have passed pencils, collected enrollment  
slips and offered pennants for sale - I  
don't know how the misunderstanding arose  
or whether they played a joke but the sashes  
have not yet been rounded up. The girls  
are college girls home for the spring va-  
cation and maybe they have visions of those  
ribbons waving as trophies when they get  
back to the Campus -

I have the money for 22 pennants and  
12 pennants <sup>on hand</sup> - How many did you send down?  
I had 18 - Sold Mrs. Shell 250 button @ 1¢ each,



The checks from Mrs. Froendle were duly received with thanks.

I had a letter from Miss Eric to whom I wrote at Kinbrae - She was very responsive in her suffrage attitude (if that is English) and I could have had a meeting there tonight or tomorrow night had I been at liberty to date up - Hope definite plan for my immediate conduct may reach me soon - It is hard to do anything worth while when I cannot make a date ahead. I am urgently invited to be here to address the W.C.T.U. Friday of this week - Am trying to get work so definitely planned that the women here will go on with it.

Several of them are real live wires, I am hoping.

Tried to get Representative Dealand for the Manitoba Conference but he is a farmer and could not promise to be free at that time. He made a good talk last night.

I apologize for the report I am asking you to type - Don't think I shall make so detailed a one again. It's a good deal like a diary that reports daily - Rose, washed and had breakfast -

Am including enrollments taken to date. Curiously, awaiting orders from my Commander.

Very sincerely  
Rene E. H. Stevens.

For Mrs. Ueland

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Work In Eleventh Legislative Dist.  
Mar 18<sup>th</sup> to Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> Inc. Rene E. A. Stevens -

Saturday

Mar 18 Left Minneapolis 9:30 a.m.

Reached Worthington 5:00 p.m.

Called at the office of Worthington Progressives (news-  
mildly favorable paper) for information regarding the town - Spent <sup>an</sup> hour ~~four~~ looking for rooms but staid all night at  
the Thompson Hotel -

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Called on Mrs. Lee Shell who referred  
me to suitable rooms - which I engaged and moved  
into - Wrote accounts of work in Washington Co. for  
Journal - Other correspondence -

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Spent in making personal calls -  
Got the offer of Mrs. Upton's home in  
which to hold meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> - Spoke in the  
evening before the Tourist Club (all women) -  
Tues. 21<sup>st</sup> Called on business men, at the City  
office (substitute for City Hall), on the County  
Super (noted) on Worthington Globe (newspaper) on  
Ministers, made appointments to speak at the  
Presbyterian Missionary Society and the M.E. Ditto  
on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and at a Congregational Tea on  
the 24<sup>th</sup> -

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Wed. 22. Called on Swedish minister and made appointment to speak before <sup>aid</sup> ~~meeting~~ society (attended by both men and women) on the 30th.

Spoke at Presby. Missionary Society 40 to 50 Women  
" " M.E. " " 25 to 30 "

Got Press stuff into both local papers -

Thur. 23d - Principal event - conference or "Caucus" of interested people - to select before hand our appointees for Saturday's meeting -

Fri. 24 - Spoke to both men & women at Cong. Lea,

Sat. 25 - Organization Meeting - at Mrs. H.R. Upton's (Presby. minister's wife) Chairmen and Assts for both precincts appointed and 4 or 5 precinct workers promised. (Attended by 18 women and a blizzard)

Sun. 26 - Church twice - Wrote to Miss Leone Eric, Nimbria who was announced, in local papers, to make a suffrage address in that place before farmers Club - sent literature and enrollment slips, invited her co-operation - (Later got nice letter in reply. Said she wanted to help)

Mon. 27 - Morning spent in telephoning - Arrangements made with rural Sunshine Clubs to have literature distributed at their monthly meetings Apr. 13 -

Called on County Supt. He was out of city but I learned the County teachers have a week institute in February and no other general meetings during the year -

Spoke at Century Club in afternoon

Committee meeting in evening to plan Suffrage Leap Year Banquet -

Tues. 28 Spent day in Suverne - Made 13 personal calls, spoke before Tourist Club in evening (25 women)  
(Over)



(Rise at 3 a.m. to take the 4 a.m. train. - Came back on train that leaves there after midnight. - Crept back into bed at 3 a.m. Wed. having put in just 24 straight hours. The great handicap in conserving time is the impossible hours at which we have to travel, and the miles between trains whenever a connection must be made.)

Wed. 29. - Correspondence -

Thurs. 30. Calls a.m. - (Dentist p.m.)

Swedish Lutheran Society 4:30 to 6 p.m. Spoke 20 min - partook of refreshments with them. - Talked personally with dozen or fifteen - Literature in the Swedish language is necessary, for their stage of development.

Fri 31. Mostly spent in making District Chart for Mrs. Shell and outlining organization work - Correspondence -

Sat. Apr. 1. Rise at 3 a.m. and went to Adrian. Made twelve personal calls. Left literature, got 6 enrollments, but found no one who was sure she could go to Mankato Conference. Found the Catholics numerous and the priest bitterly opposed to suffrage -

Found the M.E. Minister, Elihu Mead, very warm suffragist - He was advertising a suffrage sermon for the following morning. He is Secy of the local Chautauque Board. Spoke in a bid for Suffrage address on Chautauque program and he promised to try to get it in.

Sun. 2. One Church service and entertained at dinner the Pres. Ministers -

Mon. 3. Spoke at Young Woman's Art Club. Helped with details of banquet -

Apr. 4. " Suffrage Leap Year Banquet -  
 Presbyterian Church Parlors -  
 188 Sat. down down at table - 6:30 p.m.  
 Rev. Hayden R. Upton, Toast Master -  
 Speakers -  
 Geo. W. Dealand - Representation from Nobles,  
 Stelle Smith - Lawyer,  
 Dr. J. M. Manson,  
 Rev. Milton S. Shuman (Methodist)  
 Mrs. Stevens -

It was really very successful -  
 Mrs. Shell gave votes for women buttons as  
 favors. Every one received literature and a  
 chance to enroll (Sorry to say all did not avail  
 themselves of this latter opportunity)  
 We made no attempt at sales but even  
 so 22 of the pennants were bought.

April 6, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E.H. Stevens,  
Worthington, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

I enclose check to cover deficit, and wish to say for Mrs. Treendle that the Board appreciate very very much your personal pledge and check to apply on same. They all felt it meant much more than larger sums from others, coming from a hard-working organizer, and they wish you to know that they appreciate your generous contribution. The \$3.55 for buttons also received, with thanks from the Board. (I would whisper to you that they think you quite a wonder.) - excerpts were made from your letters from Worthington and read at the Board meeting Saturday.)

We had letter from Wells today and then called them on the phone in regard to their meeting Monday. They were loath to give up Mrs. Simpson, but as she left town today, will you please arrange to go there for Monday evening and speak to their association? I would have telegraphed you but did not know that you would be in Worthington and so thought a letter would reach you as quickly. Mrs. C. E. Young, wife of the school superintendent, is the District Leader there and has been doing the corresponding with us. Mrs. Bertha Holm, wife of the leading doctor is the local chairman, having just taken the office since Mrs. Ueland was down there to speak. They have a very promising association now and seem to be very keenly interested. Many of them are coming to Mankato to the Conference.

Must get this into the mails.

Cordially,

Dear Mrs. Briggs - Am shipping banners and sashes. [April 6, 1916]

"I should like to say that for women to work against the woman's vote seems to me entirely unnecessary. If Suffrage is granted, no wrong is done the women who do not wish to vote—nothing will compel them to do so. But it is only fair that the women who wish to express themselves on social, moral and political questions should have an opportunity so to do."

PROF. CYRUS NORTHROP

President Emeritus, University of Minnesota  
in Minneapolis Tribune, Jan. 26, 1915

Kept the literature for local people but left out the 14 remaining pennants thro' error so will carry them

with me or sell them. Think I told you had sold

22 - I got the express package by going to the office for it at 3 pm. Tues. The local man is a grouch and I don't know how much he was responsible for the delay. - He thought it was for one R. Sterns and we had quite a time. He is deaf as a post so I could not with dignity, adequately impress him with the quality of my esteem for his abilities -

Also have things in all ages  
all unalike themes  
as manifest 1914



# Post Card.



Mrs. Edith Drake Briggs

Minneapolis

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Northington - Minn.  
4/6 - 16

My Dear Mrs. Thorp -

Your Press Bulletins and the two welcome letters came in this morning's mail - I am sorry indeed to hear you are so far from well - Do not, pray, overdo and have a relapse - you're too much needed to say nothing of the discomfort and expense of illness. The press material must be in the hands of the printer on Wednesday and so your bulletins of this week will not appear until next.

I haven't seen the local Press Chronicle today but I think the Globe, too, made its own report of the banquet as she had intended to run something about both the small and the large Conference - and you see they are not mentioned -

I have heard from the women here that there is a long standing "row" between two factions in Mankato - Believe the women of the Federated Clubs all know about it. Some one here told me that when the club women here heard Mankato was to have the "Suff" Conference they all began to sit up and take.

which faction was running it. Horrible  
isn't it. But cooperation is what we  
got to learn —

I shall "duck" if I meet the Barclay  
person — but let us hold the thought  
that Mrs Peterson will be able to restore  
the proper degree of dignity to the lady's speech  
and Manners —

I shall be glad to be in all your sweet  
presences again. but at this moment I  
feel the happy date to be a most uncer-  
tain quantity — If spring ever should come  
I should have to get some where where clothes  
grow or lose votes for the cause.

At this distance from Washington Co. I am  
beginning to hear the familiar rumors of  
back-sliding so I have ~~have~~ some reinforce-  
ing epistles to dispatch yet this evening.

With all my heart I wish you speedy  
recovery. Yours R. E. Stevens —

FORM LETTER SENT ABOUT LIBRARY,  
WITH COPY TO MRS. BURTON  
JUNE 17, 1917

*Shelburne*  
+ Mr. Mrs. Shell  
For form see file

*Come to  
Miss Valley  
son*  
Shelburne, Minn. Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> 1918.

State Suffrage Association,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Our Pres. has appointed  
three of our ladies as a  
Committee to get up the  
programs for the rest of the  
year and I thought perhaps  
you could give us some ideas  
or suggestions - what can we  
take up to make our meetings  
helpful and interesting - we  
are going to take up Civics  
gradually but possibly you  
have material, or at least  
suggestions, that might be just  
what we need. Mrs. Mac Mahon

was here last summer & we  
organized but somehow the  
interest died out & we could get  
only a few out to the meetings—  
we have reorganized, with new  
officers & Mrs. Burton of Granada  
gave us a talk at our last  
meeting and there were a dozen  
present—We have not considered  
any means of raising funds,  
as yet—the first thing is to  
get people interested & keep them  
so—Any suggestions that you  
may have to offer or any  
literature that you may send  
us will be gratefully appreciated.  
Thanking you for your trouble,  
I am,

Very truly yours,  
(Mrs. C. F.) Hattie B. Nicholson,  
Sec. Sherburne  
Suppage Assn.



(Mrs. Young, will you please telephone to those of your  
(Wells women who were planning to go to Mankato? We  
(would be very grateful to you if you could help us get  
(word around that the Mankato conference has been post-  
(poned for the present. We are very sorry to have to do  
(this but it seemed best. Wont your women plan to come  
(to Minneapolis for the bigger conference instead; try to  
(get a large number to do so. They will gain inspiration  
(and enthusiasm from hearing the prominent suffragists of  
(national reputation. They should all try to hear Mrs.  
(Catt at least. Calls will be mailed next week giving  
(the full program so you will all know what days you want  
(to plan for, if it is not possible for you to be here for  
(all four days, the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th.

April 7, 1916.

(Copy to Mrs. C.E. Young,  
of Wells, Minn. )

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Your letters of the 5th to Mrs. Ueland and myself, with full report on Worthington organization work to date, duly received this A.M. Report has not been typed yet because of lack of time at secretary's desk, but will be soon.

I have to write you tonight that the Mankato Conference has been postponed to some more convenient time. There were so many difficulties about finding a place to hold the meetings, no big speaker seemed available for the mass meeting, and with Mrs. McKim under so much pressure in Iowa and the Minneapolis women working so hard with the Mississippi Valley Conference plans, it seemed best for every one concerned to drop the Mankato conference for the present.

You will therefore have only the Wells engagement to keep, Monday evening. Will you get in touch with Mrs. Young about this meeting and arrange any necessary details with her. Will you want banners, etc. for decoration? Would you like to have blanks and literature sent direct to Wells, so you need not carry it with you from Worthington?

Then, will you, at Mrs. Ueland's request, hold your future open for a little while longer until we have had time to hear from Dubuque as to whether or not they will want you. We are so sorry to keep you at sea in this way, but it seems unavoidable. Too bad you couldn't keep the date (or make the date rather) at Kinbrae. But as Mrs. Ueland says, We are all giving Iowa the right-of-way. We should hear from Mrs. Adams of Dubuque tomorrow, I think, and will let you know just as soon as possible.

Cordially,

Office Secy.

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Washington - 4/7-16

Dear Mrs Briggs - Your letter, the check and package of Selma Lagerlofs received. Thank you for them all and for your whispered parenthetical words of cheer - I need them. There has been for a period of time out of reach even of a daily paper. ~~They~~ get to running awfully flat and needs inflating.

My hair stands on end at the thought of trying to pacify those people who were expecting Mrs. Simpson. I had a letter from Stillwater the other day and the writer said Mrs. Simpson's address was the best she'd ever heard and that she would like to hear the same one right over word for word so she could take more of it in -

I'm inclosing enrollments Miss Ericson in as a result of the farm club meeting at Kinbrae. She is from Montana and so knows what volunteering means. I am quite sure she will act as temporary chm of Kinbrae Graham Lakes Trip and help to get a success to fill her place. She, as I understand, will be here until summer. She over looked sending in her resignation so I am putting it in merely as information. All the Kinbrae enrollments were taken March 31.



Had a good meeting this afternoon - with the  
M.C. Ill. and a business meeting, for getting  
down to work, with the group of Chm &  
workers here - Seem as tho' they would go on  
with the game - They say every one is talking  
about suffrage - If I was it as scared  
I'm tired enough to go to bed and to sleep, but  
as it is I must sit up and begin to dig  
out some thing for Wells - My head is as  
empty as an exploded shell -

Is it sure that the conference will come off  
as planned the 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> - Mrs. Sharp's letter  
implied some uncertainty - I take it the  
<sup>meeting</sup> place for my going to Iowa to relieve Mrs. M.  
Mahon did not materialize -

I must go stick this in the P.O. for  
tonights mail - I hope the pressure is not run-  
ning so high at Hdqts. I know had strenuous  
times when a thousand details demanded attention at  
once - With sincerest regards - Good night

Rev. E. A. Stearns,

MRS. W. E. BARKLEY  
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# Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference

Minneapolis, Minnesota

May 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th, 1916

MINNESOTA  
WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION  
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WISCONSIN

Minneapolis, April 8, 1916.

To Leaders and Officers of  
District and Branch Associations,

Dear Suffragist:-

Mrs. McMahon has just been in Mankato conferring with the Leader and her committee there and now writes us that it seems best, for the time being, to postpone the Mankato Conference. Many of the speakers we had hoped to have on the program could not be present, and with Mrs. McMahon under so great pressure in the Iowa campaign and with our Minneapolis and Saint Paul women almost overwhelmed with the work of the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference, there seemed to be no choice but to postpone the quarterly Conference until some later date.

Now that your members are not to go to Mankato next week, will you not all of you advertise as widely as possible the Mississippi Valley Conference to be held here May 7 to 10, and make your own plans to come to Minneapolis at that time. This conference is the most important suffrage meeting that has ever been held in our state and will bring to Minnesota some of the most distinguished suffrage speakers and women of national reputation.

How big a delegation can you get up from your local association? Can you not send us a list of those who plan to come? A special plate page will go out April 20th to advertise the conference and our press chairman would like to know how many Minnesota people expect to come to Minneapolis at that time. The Call to the conference will be mailed to you next week.

Most cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND, President.

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(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

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Worcehington 4/8-16

Dear Mrs. Briggs - Your letter Re: Wells meeting received this morning - I telegraphed about the materials to be sent because a letter could not reach you until Mon. am. I have written Mrs. Young on what train to expect me, and I will do my darndest to make a satisfactory impression. So bad about the Mankato Conference but it means a pretty large and competent force with no interruptions by sickness to pull off two big stunts so close together.

When I realize how busy you are I am ashamed to have sent that long illegible report for typing - Probably it isn't worth it anyway. I'm kind of hoping Mrs. Adams will want me. I'm so interested in the Iowa Campaign. - L. P.

I shall enjoy working on out here just the same -

I suppose every one will be notified as to Mankato postponement. I urged Mrs. Jacquot to meet us there - when I wrote her -

Awfully glad to see the sun again this morning after yesterday's all day snow.

Ever yours

Rene E. Stearns

Am inclosing checked list of things returned from Worthington - overlooked it last night.

Mrs. Shell has sold 15 pks of Cards and thinks she can sell more than she two doz. Can she have them <sup>at</sup> wholesale and make the two three cents profit or are they straight 25%?

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Mrs. Stevens, -2-

Find list below.

Sincerely,

*Edith D. Briggs*

Office Secretary.

LIST OF MATERIAL SENT WORTHINGTON FOR LEAP YEAR BANQUET.

- ✓ 15 VOTES FOR WOMEN SASHES, To be returned.  
Year Books  
10 each of four kinds of cards. These the Worthington women  
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- ✓ "Are Women Less Concerned than Men- -"  
✓ "Social Problems must be Settled by- - -"  
✓ "Failure is Impossible - - "  
✓ "There are Many Arguments - - "  
✓ "If you Think Cause is Just, Join - -"  
✓ "Simple Justice is What World needs- - - "Long Strip

Small Banners

- ✓ "Justice and Equality"  
✓ "More Ballots less Bullets"  
✓ KENBIE POSTER

LITERATURE

2 -	Partial Democracy and the Child	@	2½ ¢
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2	Woman Suffrage & Liquor Interests		5
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4	Working of Equal Suffrage		2
4	Facts & Dates to Remember		1
2	Women Should Mind Own Business		2
2	Women & Public Housekeeping		1
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(Literature left should be kept and sold at later)  
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✓ Returned

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April 10, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E. H. Stevens,  
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Wire from Dubuque says COME for one month as soon as possible  
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Dubuque

Clara Ueland

Nite Letter.

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April 10, 1916.

*Please return to office*  
Dear Madam President:

Upon my return from my last tour afield I found many letters in the office from Presidents of Auxiliaries reporting progress concerning the proposed campaign for platforms. I am leaving again today and have had only four days in the office. I am going to stop in Chicago for a meeting with the Parade Committee there, then to Kansas for a Congressional Conference, and after that to Iowa. I am to hold conferences with workers by day and to speak at night, so that each and all of you will recognize that correspondence becomes an impossibility.

I wish to take this informal method of acknowledging your letters and to tell you that I am rejoiced at the results in many of your states and somewhat disappointed that there are other states from which I have not heard at all.

PLANKS: Several Democratic and Republican State Conventions already held this year have given us a plank favoring woman suffrage. I therefore want to urge the Presidents of states in which conventions are yet to take place to do your utmost to secure planks endorsing woman suffrage. If we get a good showing we shall print the list of state planks and send them with other literature to the delegates. Do not forget to send to us the complete list of delegates and alternates with their home addresses.

LITERATURE: We shall have a beautiful deluxe booklet to send to each of them. We shall send you a sample as soon as it is ready. We shall send a letter with this literature. Those states whose conventions are held too late to permit the list of delegates to be sent us, may have the letters shipped to them for mailing. If yours is such a state, please notify us in ample time.

*list sent*

Please return  
to office

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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.

As the National headquarters has agreed to assume the correspondence with the states in reference to their delegates, I ask you to report at once what we may expect from your state in the two convention cities. Miss Patterson will continue this correspondence and will report progress to me.

Do not fail to read the News Letter this week. It is our means of making announcements to the membership of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. The April number contains many messages.

Cordially yours,

*Carrie Chapman Catt*

PRESIDENT

*Please return  
to office —*

Miss Margaret L. Lann  
Deerwood, Minn.  
April 10, 1915  
Equal Suffrage Association,  
Minneapolis.  
Secretary—

Dear Madam,

The Sixth district, <sup>annual</sup> ~~convention~~  
of Federated Clubs will be held  
in Deerwood May 9th & 10th.

We should be glad to have  
a suffrage speaker on the  
program, and I am told the  
Association pays the expense  
of speakers on this subject.



Can you send me some  
one for either of those dates?  
Inasmuch as we have  
had ~~no~~ lectures on equal  
suffrage in Deerwood,  
I feel that an address  
would be an addition to  
our program, especially  
if we can have a good one.

Please let me know if  
you will loan a bright  
magnetic speaker to spare

at that time, and oblige

Yours very truly  
Mrs. [M.] Mary S. Gough.

President Deerwood Civic League

April 10, 1916

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Washington - Minn.

Dear Mrs. Ueland -  
Your telegram - caught me this  
morning just as my train pulled out of Wells. I  
am all ready and will take a train some time  
near four am. That will deliver me in Dubuque  
some time late afternoon - tomorrow -

We had a real good meeting in Wells  
last night - I think there would have been more elaborate  
preparation and a larger attendance. Had Mrs. Simp-  
son been able to keep the engagement - But I'm in  
low with the spirit of the Club and I think Mrs.  
Young is a little wander -

Meeting was held in Hotel Dining  
room. There was an audience of just 40 - 12%  
men. Collection of \$3.35 - some few sales. Good  
interest and discussion after my spiel. - There  
was a young Episcopal Rector (Educated in Washington

State Uni. and a Jeff) who wanted to discuss  
further some of the phases suggested by a  
reference I made to economic causes  
"why girls leave home" so he carried a bundle  
for Mrs Young and walked up to the house with us.  
It was too this morning when he took his  
departure and the four of us had had one  
real "fract of reason and flow of soul" to be re-  
membered - It seems as tho Mrs. Conant is  
likely to become a constantly diminishing mi-  
nority - Good night - I'll do my utmost at Da-  
buque - Affectionately  
Rene E. Stevens



WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB  
OF  
BEMIDJI

ORGANIZED 1903; FEDERATED 1905

BEMIDJI, MINN. April 11 1916.

Miss Aimee Fisher;  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Miss Fisher:

The "Woman's Study Club," will be  
pleased to meet Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington.

As the ladies wish to give a reception for  
Mrs Huntington, they would like to know as  
soon as possible, when she will be in Bemidji.  
Sincerely,

Mrs C. J. Johnson, Cor. Sec'y.  
1002 Bemidji Ave.  
Bemidji.  
Minn.

[April 11, 1916.]

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My dear Mrs Ueland,

Your  
letter of April 8<sup>th</sup> received and  
I hope to attend the coming  
Conference in May. Can tell  
later how many from here  
can attend.

Enclosed find one dollar  
for dues as member of the

Woman Suffrage Association

In regard to Miss Polly I know many would like to hear her. In the 18<sup>th</sup> of May at Dodge Center the Tourist District have the annual Club Federation. Why can't arrangement be made and have her speak at that time. She would meet many of the women of Southern Minnesota. You could write to Mrs Geo Allen of Rochester Minn.

I wish you success in the great work you are doing.

Very truly,  
Mrs A C, Carrie Quickley,  
Claremont Minn  
April 11<sup>th</sup>

April 12, 1916.

Mrs. J. A. Gough,  
Deerwood, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Gough:

Thank you for your nice letter which came today. We are delighted that you want a suffrage speaker at the meeting of the Sixth District May 9 & 10.

Since the date coincides with our Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference, which is to be held May 7 to 10; we prefer to send a speaker for the second day.

We are to have the services for a few days at that time of Miss Margaret Foley of Boston, a splendid speaker, and shall be able to send her to you.

Shall you want her to speak in the evening or in the day time? She is touring the country making suffrage speeches, and will be here for the Conference.

You could program her subject as "Equal Suffrage." We have written for some press material about her and I will send you some, if you wish. She is young and good-looking and magnetic.

Yes, the State Association pays her expenses.

Thanking you,



Mrs. P. A. Gough,  
Deerwood, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Gough:

Thank you for your nice letter today.  
We are so glad that you wish to have a suffrage speaker  
at your

April 12, 1916.

Mrs. Peter Olesen,  
Cloquet, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Olesen:

Thank you for your nice letter of April fourth. We knew that you would be pleased to have Mrs. Huntington.

Yes, she will be there to speak at the evening meeting on May second. You see, she arrives about 7:00 A.M. on that day, then she goes to Bemidji at 6:45 P.M. on the third. The Woman's Club there is to have a special meeting for Mrs. Huntington.

Her subject will be "Equal Suffrage".

I am so glad that you are coming to the Mississippi Valley Conference. It is going to be splendid to hear and meet so many of these women we hear of as doing things. I shall be very glad to meet you at that time.

Thanking you,

April 12, 1916.

Mrs. William Russell,  
Moorhead, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Russell:

The Woman's Club of Bemidji are arranging a meeting for Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington, because she has to spend some time there en route to Thief River Falls.

In that case she will arrive in Thief River Falls at 7:25 P.M. on the fourth of May. Unless you, think it safe to count on the train being on time, probably it would be best to put her on the program for May fifth. Maybe you are not having an evening meeting on the fourth anyway. She need not leave until the sixth, so that you can place her at any time you think best on the fifth.

You know we are having the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference here May 7 to 10. I hope that you can come here to it. It will be the biggest suffrage event that has ever happened or may ever happen in our state. We are to have many prominent women from Chicago, the east and the Mississippi valley. We will send you the notices.

Thanking you,



April 12, 1916.

Mrs. C. G. Johnson,  
1002 Bemidji Ave,  
Bemidji,  
Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Johnson:

Thank you for your nice letter, which came today. We are so glad that you can arrange a meeting for Mrs. Huntington.

Since she will not speak at the meeting of the Sixth District, but Miss Margaret Foley of Boston, you may not have an opportunity to hear her for some time.

Mrs. Huntington speaks in International Falls on the evening of May 2; she will leave there at 6:45 P.M. of the third, arriving in Bemidji at 11:45 that same night.

Because the only train to Thief River Falls leaves at 4:55 in the afternoon, I think that she ~~can~~ <sup>will</sup> stay over in your city the fourth of May. Since the train leaves so late, it would give time enough for a reception, don't you think? You see, the Ninth District meeting is the 4 and 5, so that she would have to leave Bemidji on the fourth.

Her subject will be "Woman Suffrage", but you can give her another, if you think it more tactful, such as: "The Home and the State". Some people are still a bit frightened by the name of woman suffrage.

You know the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Ass'n. is sending her on this trip to talk on suffrage, so please plan to have her give at least a brief talk on the subject.

Thanking you,

Exec. Sec'y.



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## THE ELMS

AMERICAN PLAN

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO.

Apr 12<sup>th</sup> 1916  
Dear Miss Fisher:

I have a letter just received from Margaret Evans Huntington saying, she is willing to speak at Bennetts.

Mrs. Cox should be notified at once, should she not?

This is an ideal place. The thermometer is 88°; the water wonderful, flowers abundant birds, ditto, scenery lovely.

I had the misfortune to take another hard cold, but am throwing it off, and am gaining.

I expect to reach home a week from Saturday.

Sincerely, Josephine Bates Simpson

# POST CARD

CORRESPONDENCE

Just myself out of envelopes. I have  
the picture postcards. Are ready to make  
a bundle for Dubuque - Sent the  
14 boxes - Remained good with  
the former returned from  
Waco waiting last night -  
Will you ask Mr. Clark to  
mail these selections to Mrs. Ida  
Stankin, Northburg, Iowa. Think  
she will be able to have something  
ready - Duquene to May 7-11 -  
Yours - *PETA*



Mrs. E.D. Briggs

Minneapolis  
Minn

403 Essex Bldg.



Here you saw Mrs. Lee Hall, the woman, and Miss Jane Davis  
 No. 1. Lake Okabena, Worthington, Minn.  
 Remembered by many of the old-timers for fishing?

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*Monroed Meier.*  
*April 13<sup>th</sup> 1916.*

*My dear Miss Fisher:—*

*I have placed Mrs. Huntington on the program for Thursday night May 4<sup>th</sup> but if she can't be there that night to speak on account of late train or it sometimes happens, I can put her on Friday sometime.*

*I should like very much to attend the Suffrage Conference and I thank you for your kind invitation but on account of a Dist. W. C. T. U. convention in Monroed that week I can't get away. I shall be glad to get the notices. Thank you for sending Mrs. Huntington to our district meeting.*

*I am very cordially*  
*Esther Davis Russell*



April 14, 1916.

Mrs. William T. Coe,  
Wayzata, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Coe:

Just now an inquiry for a suffrage speaker has come in from the first district, so that now we have four. Isn't that splendid? I thought that you would like to know about what we are doing and so am writing you.

Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington goes to International Falls on the evening of May first, and is to speak at the evening meeting, May 2. She goes on the third to Bemidji, and is to speak at a special meeting of the Study Club there on the afternoon of the fourth. She is to speak at the District meeting on the fifth of May at Thief River Falls.

The Sixth District wants a speaker for May 9 or 10 and we plan to send Miss Margaret Foley of Boston, who is to be here for a few days while on a speaking tour of the country. She will be very good.

I am writing to Mrs. Hinckley of the First District to ask if they would not like Mrs. Huntington to speak there May 18.

Sincerely,

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April 14, 1916.

Mrs. Mary Summer Boyd,  
c/o National Suffrage Assn.,  
New York.

My dear Mrs. Boyd:-

In Minnesota there are no conventions held by the different political parties as the Primaries take their place, so there are no suffrage planks in any of the platforms. The Progressives, four years ago, had such a plank but I do not suppose you care for anything of so long ago.

Cordially,

*Andreas Ueland*

STATE PRESIDENT.

CU:B

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

April 14, 1916.

Mrs. A. C. Hinckley,  
Claremont, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Hinckley:

Mrs. Ueland has turned your letter over to me to answer. In the first place, she wishes to thank you for your contribution of \$1.00 to the state funds. There are no dues, but the money is raised for the work entirely by voluntary contribution.

We are only too glad to send you a suffrage speaker for the First District meeting in Dodge Center May 18. However, Miss Foley is not to be here at that time. Would you like to have Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington of Northfield? She is speaking at the meetings of the Fifth and Ninth districts.

If you would prefer another speaker, we shall of course give you somebody else. Possibly, Mrs. David F. Simpson of Minneapolis could speak for you. We like to spare her as much as we can because she is not very well, but she is one of our best speakers.

Please let me know as soon as you can so that I can make the necessary arrangements.

Sincerely,

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198 Eleventh St.  
Dubuque Ia.  
4/16-16.

My Dear Mrs. Briggs -

*She must be because  
of no other at hand*

Please excuse lead pencil.  
I am writing with such tools as I have at hand.  
Arrived here Wed. p.m. and have been busy  
as possible since - Mrs. Lumble was  
here Thurs. and we had two meetings for her,  
but not nearly enough publicity preceding  
them - She was most convincing. About  
500 people in all heard her of whom 350  
were women - The only reason she got so many  
men was she spoke at the Theological Sem.  
At the evening meeting - practically all au-  
dience women -

Mrs. Ueland's visit here did great good - Every-  
body loved her and are following her ad-  
vice as far and fast as possible -  
She makes a magic impression - The peo-  
ple at Wells could not say enough nice  
things about her -

Now this is what I want to ask. Do  
I make my report and experience state.

ment as formerly to the Miss. Office or  
only up to the time of coming here - report-  
ing for La work to the office here <sup>I do not know which office of La work</sup> <sup>of La work</sup>  
stopping so far with Mrs. Adams, (She  
is the finest example of applied Chris-  
tianity I have come close to in a long  
time) - but her daughter whose room I am  
occupying is, I suppose, likely to return  
and then a change will be necessary.

The principal handicap just now in our  
work is lack of material - Slogans - posters -  
window decorations - banners - buttons.  
We have none of these - not even the lost  
named - Haven't seen a pennant ex-  
cept my own two which I brought  
with me since I arrived - We got  
a stretcher across the street - "Vote Yes on Suff  
Am. June 5th", yesterday - and are on the  
way to get some vacant windows  
on main street to Advertising but  
have nothing to put in them - They say  
this delay is occasioned at Des Moines, Ia.  
I suppose they are swamped.

We did (50 us) a dandy day's work in the  
County yesterday - Saw a lot of people  
and got things started in two largest towns  
outside of Dubuque - Seems as tho'  
there was some thing else I wanted to go about  
but it's gone - Great success to the Conference.  
Yours ever - Phil E. Stevens.

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April 17, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,  
Woman Suffrage Association,  
403 Essex Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:

Please send on the Progressive plank endorsing woman suffrage even if it is four years old. We want to take stock of all we have. Have there not been prohibition and socialist endorsements also? I ask about this because there are such planks in the national platforms of these two parties.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd.)  
Secretary Data Department.

/ESB



April 18, 1916.

Mrs. S. H. Johnson,  
Appleton, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Johnson:

There is to be held in our city from May 7 to 10, the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference. This meeting will bring to our state many of the most prominent suffragists in the United States.

We are to have the services of an exceptional speaker from Boston, Miss Margaret Foley, for a few days after the Conference.

We should like to send her to speak on "Woman Suffrage" at the meeting of the Seventh District May 11 if there is an opening for her. She could speak either in the day or evening, as you wish.

She is speaking in Michigan after leaving us.

Her expenses are paid, so that there will be no charge for her talk. Should you decide to have her, we will send you some publicity about her.



April 18, 1916.

Miss Agnes Ryan,  
Woman's Journal,  
585 Boylston St.,  
Boston, Mass.,

My dear Miss Ryan:

We are so glad to have Miss Foley  
to speak for us for even a few days.

We have booked her to speak at the annual  
meeting of the Sixth District of Federated Clubs  
at Deerwood on the tenth and hope to have her  
speak at the meeting of the Seventh District  
in Montevideo on the eleventh.

Will you please send us some publicity for  
Miss Foley, as soon as you can.

We shall be so glad to see you here at  
the Conference.

Sincerely,

April 18, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E.H. Stevens,  
c/o Mrs. Herbert Adams,  
198 West 11th St.,  
Dubuque, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

I rather think you better make report and expense statement to us up to the time of your reaching Dubuque. They are to pay your salary and expenses while you are there. I suppose the Dubuque women, rather than the State Headquarters, will take care of that. Anyway, we leave the matter to you and Mrs. Adams, and do not mind saying that it is a relief to us to have this taken off our hands at this time because we have not much money in the treasury and are too busy to go out and get more just now.

I am so thankful that you are in Dubuque. I am sure no one could do better and I want to say that you are entirely welcome to anything we have, just as if it were for Minnesota. Mrs. Briggs will send you a package of things at once, but it is only the beginning if you want more. How would it be for us to send the dolls, and would you like a Voiceless Speech?

Very cordially,

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CU:B

"Give her the Fruit of her hands" & "Vote  
Yes" pennants as I think tomor-  
row morning we'll get under  
headway with our windows - We're  
going to hook the window scheme in oth-  
er parts of the city -

Have a Third ward meeting planned  
for next Monday evening in the School  
house - The Prim. is the Brother of Col.  
John P. Irish and a warre anti. John  
P. is booked for a speech here to tell the  
horrors of Roman Suff. in California -  
We think we have Mrs. McCullum Jones  
booked for 15th of May - Mrs. Cobb for 19th  
and have written to Bishop Dowling to have  
him if possible before the 3rd of May -  
Think we're going to have Mrs. Ueland  
for a week after the conference - We are to  
have a rally in each ward or "bush" a good  
many ministers will give us a suff. sermon  
and we are trying all the time to increase  
the number of house to house canvassers  
We hear there are no opposed in some of the interior  
towns but the river counties are bad

~~Opposition is not expected in some of the  
interior towns but the river counties are bad~~  
Dear Mrs. Briggs -  
Your note and  
4/18/16

inclosure just received - It was  
an impulse I followed in sending  
you the Easter cards, they seemed  
so attractive to me I wanted you  
to see them - I hope you did not feel  
you had to try to take orders - Thank  
you for sending them on for me -  
I have mine but don't know as I  
shall get an address on them  
and so may have them for all  
future time -

Remember a lot of <sup>big</sup> cards at  
the back of the Lecture Room with  
suffrage printing on them. You  
remarked that good money had



been invested in them and they were not being used. Iowa is awfully short on big educational posters. I have not seen one nor do I see any listed in their catalogue (other than the Rose O'Neill babies and the Leffroge Map) - I'm wondering if Minnesota would lend those cards to Dubuque - We are getting some vacant Saloon windows cleaned for publicity purposes and if the matter on them is suited to Iowa could use them fine - I suppose it would be cheeky to ask if the doll parade could come for a week or so - but I'm just asking for information,

have not said any thing to any one here. At this juncture I rushed away to catch my window cleaner and now we have good publicity windows facing two streets at Fourth and Main and at Tenth and Main. Our stretcher across the street is between 8th and 9th on Main so even tho our working office is on the sixth floor they will know on that street at least - we are a live - The Anti headquarters are very busy - They seem to be circularizing every body in the county - Just now it is the men in industry -

Yesterday we received new literature doz. or so of Rose O'Neill Posters - The Map,



*Copy*

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April 19, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Ueland,--

CONVENTION SEATS: For some time we have been negotiating for tickets to the Republican and Democratic National Conventions in Chicago and St. Louis, in order that we might have at least a reasonable number of seats reserved for the women who expect to participate in the suffrage demonstrations in these cities. We have just learned that the demand for the seats is so great that we shall be unable to secure seats from the National committees.

I am therefore writing you at once to advise you to request your republican delegates and your democratic delegates to give you tickets to their respective conventions. Each delegate to each National Political Convention is entitled to a certain number of seats. The best plan would be to have some one of the county officers of the suffrage organization in each congressional district or a number of such officers ask the delegates from each congressional district in your state for tickets. If you could secure more tickets in this way than are required to accommodate the suffragists who expect to go to Chicago and St. Louis from your state we would appreciate it if you would send such tickets to us in order that we may give them to suffragists from other states who will be unable to secure tickets. You will understand that the suffragists in the states near Chicago and St. Louis will be able to secure few, if any, tickets as there will be such a great demand for the tickets made upon delegates in these states. On the other hand suffragists in the states far distant from Chicago and St. Louis ought to be able to secure more tickets than they will need, in which case if the tickets were turned over to us we could distribute them among the suffragists in those states where tickets are exceedingly hard to get. Will you let us know what you can do in this matter.

REPORT ON DELEGATES: In Mrs. Catt's letter of April 10th she urged that local deputations call upon every delegate to both conventions to request that he shall stand for a suffrage plank in the platform of his party.

Mrs. Catt has just written to me from Iowa, where she is taking part in the campaign, directing me to ask you what progress is being made in your state in sending these deputations and what the result of each interview is. Will you please send me the name of each delegate interviewed, the district which he represents and his attitude toward the inclusion of a suffrage plank.

Sincerely yours,

*Harriet Patterson*  
Corresponding Secretary.

Will we  
need banners  
in store windows?

198 Eleventh St. Dubuque  
4/19-'16

My Dear Mrs. Meland:

This morning I went out at eight and only got in at 6:30. When we sat down, at once, to supper. So now, having got to my room, just read your letter. You certainly are a dear. - Everyone will be so delighted to have all the aids you so generously offer. You know the evening of Mrs. Trumble's big meeting there was not even so much as a scrap of yellow on a "votes for women" button in the Hall. - But things in that line are looking up a bit. - In my letter to Mrs. Briggs last night I mentioned the material that had arrived and a thousand buttons ordered will be here soon. -

We will welcome the dolls and voiceless speech, as well as the banners, with outstretched hands. -

To day saw the windows of our first temporary headquarters on the ground floor, completely decorated. They looked fine and attracted crowds. Splendid corner on Fourth and Main diagonally across from the best "Movies" in town. - Tomorrow we do another one



at Lenth and Main.

The other day Mrs. Adams said to me that they thought it would be a convenient way for me to make my statement of expenses weekly - and so I asked her whether my expense to the Dubuque Assn began with my departure from Worthington or my arrival in Dubuque. She said it would seem to her that ~~my~~ <sup>the</sup> expense of getting me here belonged to Dubuque - That seems entirely just from my point of view, and so I think I'll ~~just~~ make my statement upon that understanding and say nothing more to her about it.

Know you must all be completely occupied with the coming Conference. Every one is looking forward with pleasure to having you here for a week after it is over.

Tell Mrs. Adams about the dolls and other propaganda you're loaning us - in the morning - Philip is having a party tonight -

With Affectionate Regards -

Rene E. H. Stevens -



April 20, 1916.

Mrs. Rane E. H. Stevens,  
198 West 11th St.,  
Dubuque, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

We are sending you today by Parcel Post a package of banners, pennants, etc. They were done up and left at the collection box last night but the post office brought them today for additional postage! And I stamped the package to the full amount called for by our scales. A package of flyers was also mailed you last evening--that did not come back.

By American Express you will receive a bunch of card posters, quotations from people of more or less note in U. S. These are some of those you referred to in back of room; they belong to the 1915 Suffrage Club and have that epithet on each poster--"1915!" I am sorry for it looks so meaningless. Perhaps you would like to paste a bit of card board over the figures. And may be you would like to add quotation marks around the statement. But I suppose you will not be able to take the time to do these things even though you consider it desirable. We thought it best to hurry them forward. You will notice some of the posters bear the picture of the man or woman quoted; it was the intention of the 1915 Club to have all the pictures pasted on, but it is really difficult to find suitable prints just at the time one wants quite a number, so this collection was never finished. However we hope you may be able to use them and that they will contribute some little munition to the Iowa campaign.

The package of banners contains also a Kewpie Poster and the Map. I note you have many of these but you might keep the ones I am sending you for your own special property. (I am not forgetting that you have before this carried a map--if you need a new one, let some other organizer have this one--I leave it to your very good judgment.)

Mrs. Stevens, -2-

The banners sent are:-

Are Women less Concerned than Men in --  
There are many Arguments but no Reasons  
Women are Citizens and wish to do their Civic Duty.  
Simple Justice is what the World Needs --Lucy Stone

Two Small banners,  
Justice & Equality  
More Ballots less Bullets

300 Buttons  
20 small Pennants

As Mrs. Ueland, in her letter of two days ago, wrote--"This is only the beginning." You will want more buttons, will you not? We have a fresh thousand from the National for which they charged us \$6.00. They used to be \$5.00 per thousand, Miss Fisher tells me. I see I am talking as though we had lots of money - which we have not - but you shall have plenty of buttons anyway.

We are all so enthused to read of what you are doing already in Dubuque. I think the suffrage decorations in saloon windows ought to be very effective, and should furnish the necessary incentive for reflection. Perhaps general sentiment in Dubuque, however, is wet as in East Dubuque; do you find it so?

The program for the Mississippi Valley Conference came into the office today and we have all been more than busy with that. Miss Merrill has taken a copy to the printer this afternoon.

If we had any calls left here after supplying our entire mailing list, would you think you could use them in Dubuque for propaganda? It may be but a few that we have left over, and you on the other hand may get a good supply from the Iowa headquarters. What would you think of it?

Hastily and none the less cordially,

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*Pine wood, Minn.  
April 20, 1916.*

*My dear Mrs. Ueland:-*

*I am wondering whether I am  
a real loyal suffragist or not, as I  
find, after a severe mental tussle  
with myself, that I simply can't  
give up one single item of feminine  
vanity on which I have planned  
in order to make the enclosed  
check a little larger.*

*When I pledged \$25 last fall, I  
had visions of collecting part of it.*

*But collecting in the abstract, so to speak,  
is mighty difficult; at least I find it so  
up here. This winter I have had no  
time to do anything to raise funds. After  
my trip last fall with Mrs. Lutz and  
sending the Woman's Journal to a number*



of women, I do not feel able to contribute more this year to suffrage work, much as I should like to give more substantial support to the splendid work you are doing. Last fall I was given to understand that I might use what I had pledged in Northern Minn. On that assumption I accompanied Mrs. Lutz. However, next year I will know that the interests of suffrage can best be served by working as a harmonious unit.

I am planning on attending the Mississippi Valley Conference in May. Although I know you will be very busy, I hope to have the pleasure of a little talk with you.

Yours Very Sincerely  
Bertha C. Moller.





# The Prohibition State Committee Minneapolis



April 21, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,

C I T Y.

Dear Mrs. Ueland:

I hand you herewith copies of the Prohibition platforms of 1906, 1910 and 1914. I find no copies of the platform of 1912.

The platform of 1914 was not adopted at a convention, no convention having been held that year. It was adopted at a meeting of the candidates in conformity with the present law.

Most sincerely

Yours for Humanity,

WGC\*AP

The  
Prohibition  
National  
Convention  
Twin  
Cities  
July  
19  
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# The Prohibition Party of Minnesota Its Policy and Achievements.

## A BRIEF HISTORICAL SUMMARY.

**T**HE Prohibition party stands for the overthrow of the liquor traffic by state and federal legislation, statutory or constitutional, prohibiting the manufacture as well as the sale, importation, exportation and transportation of alcoholic liquors of every character for beverage purposes.

In the battle for the total suppression of the traffic it despises no measure that tends to reduce its evils. It has been said that the party demands "the whole loaf or no bread." The party does demand the whole loaf, but it has fought many hard battles for a half loaf, a thin slice or even a dry crust. It has always been a leader, if not the leader, in the fights for local prohibition under the local option laws, and has often achieved victory in contests so hopeless that other organizations discouraged instead of helped. It dug up a forgotten ordinance in the city of Minneapolis and closed every saloon within 400 feet of a schoolhouse or 200 feet of a parkway. (In this contest it made one saloon move twelve feet, which is not a whole loaf, but a microscopic crumb.) It has always supported all legislation that "enlarged the right of the citizen to protect his home against the criminal rapacity of the saloon."

### Supported County Option

It was constantly and consistently for county option and is the only organization that never supported a man for the legislature who failed to work for county option both before and after election, excepting in 1914 when it was governed by a legislative campaign committee where its members were in the minority. County option could not have passed in 1915 had not the party's legislative leader, Senator Lobeck, supported it in the Senate Temperance committee and had not every party Prohibitionist supported it in the Lower House.

The party always stands for all measures for driving the traffic from any area, however small, but objects to any law that will introduce a saloon where there is no saloon, just as Lincoln opposed any measure that would "permit a slave where there was no slave." Therefore, while we were for county option we did not believe it to be the wisest measure, nor do we now so believe. The same amount of money and energy and talent expended for statewide prohibition would have achieved it. None the less, we had more men actually in the field, fighting county option fights than all other state organizations combined.

### Educating the Masses

In the educational field it has printed and circulated tons of literature. One single year's output exceeded two and one-quarter million pieces, more than one piece for every man, woman and child in the state. It has done a vast amount of original research work and has kept on the platform continuously batteries of capable speakers, including the ablest and most noted of the nation.

It maintains a Press Bureau, that, through the columns of the daily and weekly press reaches tens of thousands of voters who read no religious or other temperance literature, and the circulation of which furnishes material to millions of readers in Minnesota annually.

Several years ago the Committee found that the Church, the W. C. T. U., the A. S. L., the I. O. G. T. and a number of other organizations were taking good care of the man and woman who go to church or attend temperance meetings. But there is a vast number of voters, possibly a majority, who rarely attend such meetings. Therefore, we held noon meetings in shops. We put a speaker and a bugler in an automobile and held a public meeting on the streets of every accessible town, village and city in the state. We talked to the rough and ready miner on the range; the blue blouse brigade in the factory districts of the cities, to the brusque business man and farmers everywhere. We now own three campaign autos. With the autos each speaker addresses from four to seven audiences per day, and figures show that it costs less in proportion to the number of people addressed than the old method, and we reach voters who need to be reached.

### Street Meetings

There was another unoccupied field—the rural community. To reach this, and to further cover the towns and cities, 40 stereopticons were provided and speakers especially equipped for outdoor speaking were trained to handle them. Our purchase of stereopticons was the largest single purchase for exhibition purposes ever made in the Twin Cities. The cut on this page shows a group of men (less than half the total number), who were out in various capacities in last summer's campaign.

### Prohibition in Pictures

In addition to their illustrated street talks in the evenings, these men interview people through the day, organize clubs and precinct committees, arrange for conferences, and commission personal workers to do local work. Literally thousands of people, young and old, are stimulated to helpful patriotic service.

### The Highways and Byways

The Prohibition party has always maintained that the only method by which those who are opposed to the liquor traffic can effectively fight an enemy so powerful, is to meet frequently in council, where all organizations and individuals may study and discuss the different proposed methods and measures and select the best and most practical.



MR. CALDERWOOD at his desk. The man under whose leadership marvellous results have been achieved.

and we would have had county option two or four years sooner. The best way to get a half loaf is to DEMAND the whole bakery.

### Offered to Withdraw

In the "Get-Together" Council of 1914 we yielded three distinct and vital contentions. The resolutions finally adopted, put the organizations represented on record for "Prohibition at the earliest practicable moment." We went to Wm. E. Lee, the Republican nominee for governor, offering to withdraw our candidate and support him for election if he would take a fearless and manly stand for statewide prohibition. He declined. Then we renewed the offer provided he would announce himself for "prohibition at the earliest practicable moment," and he again refused, stating that his hands were not free in the matter.

### For Constitutional Prohibition

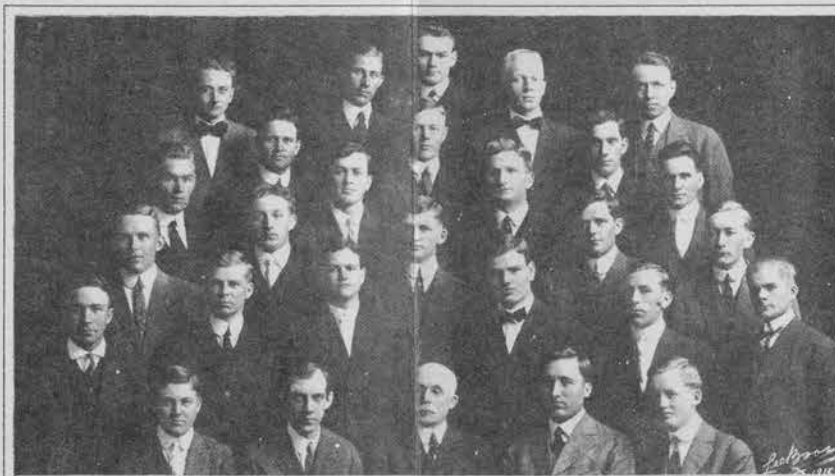
The Prohibition party is for Constitutional Prohibition for Minnesota. It introduced the bill for submitting that measure to the people in 1907 through its then chairman, the late George W. Higgins. It introduced a like measure in 1909 and 1911 through one of its members of the legislature. In 1913 and 1915 it heartily supported the constitutional measures introduced by the W. C. T. U. and during the coming campaign will support legislative candidates who are fearlessly committed to BOTH constitutional and statutory prohibition.

We advocate statutory as the next step—(1) it is easier, quicker, surer; (2) it is the one absolutely necessary step. If we should adopt the constitutional amendment we would still have to pass a statute to enforce it; (3) the constitution of Minnesota is exceptionally hard to amend. Since the liquor interests "put over" the present unfair method, we have never carried an amendment with less than a three-to-one vote nor against organized opposition. At the last election but one out of eleven amendments passed. Initiative and referendum was demanded by every political party, it received 168,004 affirmative votes, with only 41,577 negative (more than four to one) and still failed by 10,449 votes.

Kansas, North Dakota, Colorado, Washington and North Carolina have adopted prohibition by popular vote, but all of them would have failed under the Minnesota provision, and no other state with the Minnesota plan ever adopted constitutional prohibition. In 1883 Ohio was under the same provision that now holds in Minnesota. That year the voters gave a prohibition amendment 96,534 majority, but failed to carry the measure by 27,626 votes.

It was the liquor interests that purposely made our constitution impossible of amendment against opposition. It was put point blank to W. W. Dunn, attorney for the Hamm Brewing Co., and the member of the legislature who introduced the unfair provision, in 1897, if his purpose in introducing it was to "put the bars so high that the constitution could never be amended in order to make it impossible at some future date for the people to adopt prohibition." He unblushingly admitted that that was the purpose of his measure. So, in the 1915 session of the legislature when it seemed possible that the county optionists would support statutory prohibition, it was a legislator who was recognized both before and after election as a decided "wet" who introduced constitutional prohibition in the lower house, and fought and voted for its passage, with the evident purpose of defeating the prohibition statute (the Lobeck-Anderson bill).

On the other hand it is said that the legislators, and particularly the senators, are unwilling to take the responsibility of supporting a prohibition statute, but would submit the question of a constitutional amendment. This, it is urged, would be better than nothing. It would. A constitutional amendment contest would bring on a great educational campaign. The Prohibition party is for it, altogether for it. We are for statutory prohibition first, since in all human probability it is from four to ten years quicker. But we will support no man for the legislature who is not for constitutional as well as statutory prohibition. Some of the organizations are for constitutional prohibition first. If they will take a stand to support no man for the legislature who is not for statutory as well as constitutional prohibition the unity of the organizations will be complete, whole hearted, and full handed. Then the triumph of neither measure, nor the interest of the Cause will be jeopardized by divisions.



A Group of the 1915 Field Men of the Prohibition State Committee, Equipped with Stereopticons. They Reach the Masses on the Street Corners and at Out-of-the Way Rural Points.



## CRIMPS IN THE BLIND PIG'S TAIL.

The most notable of the many achievements of our law enforcement efforts is the successful fight for the enforcement of the Indian treaty of 1855. We followed this treaty from its "discovery" to the Supreme Court of the United States and back again, finally closing over 400 saloons, and drying up 22,000 square miles, or more than a quarter of the area of the state, including Detroit, Bemidji, Brainerd, Chisholm, Hibbing, Mahanomen, Park Rapids, Bagley, Walker and other cities and villages. For fifteen years, through Mr. Calderwood, its chief executive, the Committee prosecuted a campaign for the closing of the saloons in Minneapolis on Sunday creating a public sentiment that demanded and supported that action in 1905. While there were various organizations that took spasmodic interest and lent temporary aid, there was but one man who was active in the first "crusade" in 1890, and was on the job in every succeeding effort till victory was achieved. Following this action there was a general movement for the closing of the saloons on Sunday throughout the entire commonwealth. It instituted the suit which established "judicial recognition" of the intoxicating character of malt, an intoxicating drink which was sold to young and old indiscriminately from "soft drink" joints in dry as well as wet territory. It has successfully co-operated in hundreds of local law enforcement campaigns.

## THE GATHERING OF THE CLANS.

Prohibition has swept over this country and the world like a whirlwind. We have gained more dry states during the past year than during the preceding century! And Minnesota is to be the host of the gathering clans of the reform in July, 1916.

The quadrennial nominating convention of the Prohibition Party, to name candidates for President and Vice President, and the first National Rally of the Five Million Voters' Movement are to gather in the St. Paul Auditorium on succeeding days. The Rally is to be held on Tuesday, July 18, and the Convention on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, July 19, 20, and 21.

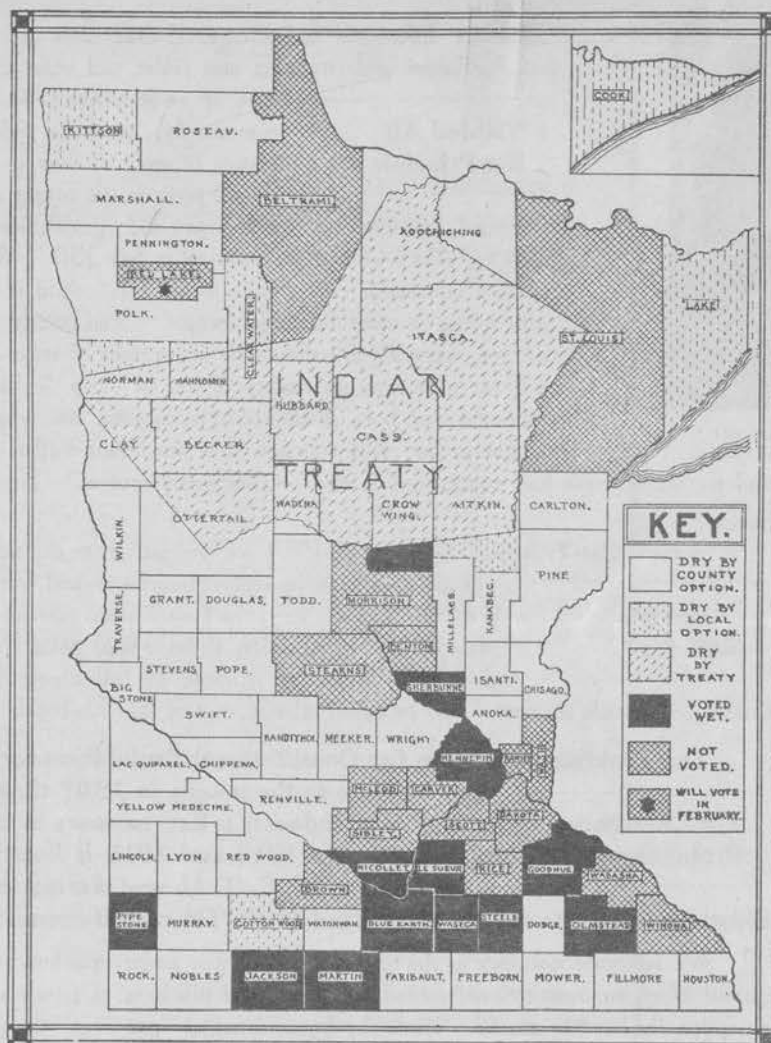
And folks are coming from EVERYWHERE! Of course they will come on the trains, for special rates are to be made from every city and village in the United States. And more than a year ago there were "Hiking parties" pledged to walk to the convention. Bicycle brigades and automobile parties are being formed all over the nation. The hikers and joy riders will stop in all the cities and villages through which they pass and hold meetings, distribute literature and tack posters in the interest of the Cause. The machines will be decorated with banners and streamers announcing their destination and blazoning the doctrine of Prohibition.

COME! You can't afford to miss it. It will be a historic event. It is not likely that anything of its kind will ever be held in Minnesota again.

YOU COME! Get up a party. An opportunity of a life time. Write us for further particulars.

## A GREAT NEW MOVEMENT.

They are swinging into line! Possibly organizations will never unite or get together. But the individual voters WILL. And, in point of fact, that is the only important union of the Prohibition forces. If all the organizations were in flawless unity and the voters were divided at the ballot box, it would count for nothing. But if all the voters were united in



"MAKE THE MAP ALL WHITE  
by electing Legislators who are Fearless Champions of the People"

political action, the divisions among organizations would be negligible.

That is the purpose of the 5,000,000 Voters' Enrollment Movement, which has the backing of many organizations and influential individuals. The first part of the enrollment used by this Committee is the resolution of the National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League held in Columbus, and the latter part is that of the Young People's Citizenship Committee. The whole enrollment simply means that the VOTERS who stand against the liquor traffic GET TOGETHER! It binds to no party nor individual. It is a compact among patriots for practical unity for practical results in practical politics.

WILL YOU help? Write us.

## THE BEST PAPERS.

The best Prohibition papers published in the United States are:

The Vindicator, 16 page weekly, with research department and general news review. \$1.00 per year.

Reform, Norwegian, 8 page weekly, \$1.00 per year. Either of these free for one year with all pledges of \$5 or more to this committee upon which \$2.50 or more is paid cash.

The Patriot Phalanx (National Edition), 4 page weekly, 50c per year. Free for 40 weeks with all pledges from \$2.50 to \$5.00 upon which \$1.00 or more is paid cash.

National Prohibition, 4 page monthly, 10c per year. Free with pledges of \$1.00 to \$2.50 upon which 25c or more is paid cash.

The Minnesota Patriot, 4 page quarterly, 10c per year. Free to all pledgers.

Durwood, Minn.  
April 21, 1916.

Miss Anne Fisher,  
Dunnepole,

My dear Miss Fisher,

I am so glad we  
shall have the pleasure  
of having Mrs. Foley  
at our district meeting.

I should have acknow-  
ledged your letter earlier,  
but many duties have



prevented my doing so  
until now.

We have announced  
Miss Foley for the  
evening program of  
Wednesday May 10th.

Miss Rowe, of the  
State Farm will be the  
other speaker for that  
evening, and there  
will be some music.

So you see she will  
have plenty of time.

I shall be glad to  
have some literature,  
or press material.

Yours very truly  
M. P. G. Mary S. Gough.

Montevideo Minnesota

April 21, 1916

Mrs Andreas Ueland  
Minneapolis  
Minnesota

Dear Mrs Ueland:-

Mrs Johnson wrote  
to us about making room on  
the program of the district  
federation for May 10 and 11 for  
Miss Margaret Foley of Boston.  
We will gladly make place for  
her on our program for May 11.

Mrs Johnson spoke of the  
agreements which you make to  
her and they would be satisfactory

to us.

Cordially

Mrs John A Simons  
Sec.

April 22, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E. H. Stevens,  
c/o Mrs. Herbert Adams,  
Dubuque, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

It makes us all happy to think that you are in Dubuque. I wish there were ten more like you and Mrs. McElhannon. I am learning that there is a good deal of difference between an organizer who can give a talk for a literary club and thinks that is organizing, and one who really gets down to rock bottom.

It think you can count on me for the first week after the Conference. Of course I am glad to go to Dubuque; the question in my mind is wouldn't somebody whom they had not heard be better. But you can utilize me in some of the other towns perhaps.

Cordially yours,

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(ENCLOSE FOR MRS. THORP)  
(several copies press )  
(material on Mrs. Ueland)



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April 22, 1916.

Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd,  
c/o Natl. Woman Suffrage Assn.,  
New York.

My dear Mrs. Boyd:-

I enclose herewith copy of the plat-  
form adopted by the Prohibition Party of Minnesota.  
(three different years.) We have sent for the  
platform of the Progressive Party and will send it  
to you if it is forthcoming.

I will find out about the Socialist Party  
as soon as possible.

Cordially,

CLARA UELAND,

By

*Edith Drake Briggs*  
*Secy*

CU:B  
Dictated and not read  
by Mrs. Ueland.

198 Eleventh St., Dubuque  
4/23 - '16

My Dear Mrs. Briggs -

Replying to your special delivery just received. I have never had experience of such a bonus plan as you offer for consideration. Of course the expense involved in attending the Conference is the chief obstacle to most women who would like to attend. In my experience this obstruction is best overcome by the creation of great enthusiasm - A stumbling block almost equal to the financial one is the general attitude of the family that mother must be losing her mind to contemplate such an unprecedented thing as renouncing, for four or five days, her sacred right to serve us exclusively - "Votes for women indeed!" "If that's what it means" etc. etc. It requires a sort of sacrificial determination to overcome this. What I am driving at with so many words is this. The only effective way I know of getting out large delegations is to set the flame of zeal a burning. - <sup>forming a group in each of the districts</sup> Quite universally this is done by sending an organizer whose spirit is a torch. Well, Minnesota's generosity has contributed her organizers to what she deems the larger cause. Whether the offer of a prize would get action where there is not already active work is in my opinion very doubtful. It takes a great amount of explaining to make the terms of a competition clear and the conditions must be pretty carefully worked out to avoid misunderstandings, dissatisfactions and

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and charges of unfairness in awarding — This also takes  
time, work and money —

\$500 would cover the expense of quite a number of  
follow-up circular letters which would, I believe, have  
greater propaganda value and would in the end  
bring as many delegates — \$1000 would of course be  
doubly effective in carrying the message, <sup>same</sup> as it would  
be doubly attractive as a prize bait — It is too bad  
not to get the state to that conference and every possible  
effort <sup>effort</sup> to <sup>to</sup> have suffragists in the remotest counties know  
they are not only welcome but expected, However, you  
have the Twin Cities in the palm of your hand, so to speak.  
Do intensive work there. That will get out the full quota  
of representation from every precinct, and haul in  
the public to every open session so that there  
will be a tremendous sentiment created there for  
leaving the state more gradually.

If the prizes are offered it will be necessary to work up  
the spirit of competition. How will this be done? There  
quite possibly would not be more than three or four  
contestants — The teaching that really should cover  
the state is that local communities should send  
delegates with a contribution instead of coming  
because they're paid — don't you think?

Iowa is the paramount suffrage issue of the  
moment in the Miss. Valley — and Minnesota can  
not lose in the long run by her altruistic action  
in the matter —

I'm perfectly sure the Mississippi Valley Con-  
ference will be a great success and vastly  
beneficial to the cause in Minn., but in a  
sentence, I do not believe the offering of a prize



Could in two weeks, be worked up so as materially to increase the interest or attendance.

Every thing you sent has arrived safely - Literature, buttons, Banners and big cards - and been most gratefully and appreciatively received. More things are coming from Des Moines too, the local women are learning better how to work and increasing in courage. One of the appalling obstructions at first was the constant reiteration - "Other would not do here!" "That would be awfully criticized!" etc. But as their enthusiasm mounts and the time grows short they think less about other people will say - We have two fine looking temporary headsto-ground floors on Main Street and will get up the ~~second~~ "Volunteers etc" stretchers across the street tomorrow. Its a dandy big one sent to Mrs Adams by a friend in U. S.

The Cards you sent together with maps and other posters go into vacant places tomorrow or as soon as possible - we have several other things to do - The signs are that our 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Rally will be well attended tomorrow night. Tues. we are to hold forth from the stage of the biggest theatre at Farley - Don't know, however, how big that is. The town has 600 inhabitants -

I'm inclosing some names I'm not sure you have. That might be circularized at Luverne and Adrian. The <sup>Club</sup> at Luverne belongs to a past generation and I think is not hopeful. Some of the women of the



Lauriat Club might get to the Conference. [4]

Luverne

Mrs. C. J. Marten - Pres. Lauriat Club -

" C. L. Sherman

" C. H. Christopherson - Thinks she's an anti - but if she heard a real presentation of the Suffrage side I am sure would be for it to me, a very attractive woman and I believe is really much liked. Husband - delegate to Chicago Conf.

" Bert LaDue ✓

" Geo. C. Huntington -

" B. G. Bertram ✓

" P. N. Gillham ✓

Adrian

Mrs. Laura Lindgren

" ~~J. E.~~ Becker ✓

" G. E. Finnes ✓

" P. J. Carter

" A. J. Rice

P.S. In Buffalo and Syracuse we offered prizes for securing enrollments. The woman got the prizes, who won got the enrollment any way. In Syracuse where the prizes were cash it was returned by the recipients to the treasury - This constitutes the whole of my personal experience with prizes for suffrage work. 1892

I think maybe Miss Eric of Kimbrae would have leisure to attend the Conference. She expects after this summer to reside permanently in Montana and might not think attendance important for her - I must spend some time now thinking up things for the 3d ward to do -

The adopted baby here is wonderfully cute. We've just been laughing our heads off at her - Affectionate regards to everybody - You're just at the discouraging stage of the conference but a "strong pull and a pull all together" will bring results - Yours - Rose E. H. Stevens -

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April 26, 1916.

Mrs. Luth Jaeger,  
403 Essex Building,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Jaeger:-

Thank you for the list of delegates and alternates elected to the Republican and Democratic Conventions. I am glad to note that you are sending deputations to these men in the near future and that you will send us information regarding their attitude as rapidly as such information is secured.

Very truly yours,

*Hannah J. Patterson*  
Corresponding Secretary.

HJP:P

My Dear Mrs. Briggs - Thank you so much

April 26, 1916

4/26-16  
"I should like to say that for women to work against the woman's vote seems to me entirely unnecessary. If Suffrage is granted, no wrong is done the women who do not wish to vote—nothing will compel them to do so. But it is only fair that the women who wish to express themselves on social, moral and political questions should have an opportunity so to do."

PROF. CYRUS NORTHROP

President Emeritus, University of Minnesota

in Minneapolis Tribune, Jan. 26, 1915

for - everything -  
thing. If you are  
not using the rest  
of the dolls I'm  
just whole "large" enough  
to want them - Next  
week is publicity week and we have  
some fine big windows in which to dis-  
play them - Awful hurry -  
may we have some Yours & Renee E.H.S.  
& Mrs. Meland's "Cuts" ten days before she comes -

Post Card



Mrs. Edith Drake Briggs -  
Minneapolis  
403 Essex Bldg - Minn.



198 W. Eleventh St. Dubuque  
4/26-'16

My Dear Mrs. Heland -

Your favor of the 22<sup>d</sup> received Monday noon on return from Board meeting. All are disappointed that you cannot come to Dubuque on the 11<sup>th</sup> but very glad you can come later. Miss Lawther wishes me to ask if you can give us three days when you do come. Will you arrive on the 16<sup>th</sup> so that we can plan engagements for that date or had we best advertise you not earlier than 17<sup>th</sup>? We have in mind auto tour of the county - with meetings in as many towns as possible. - Spread of literature of farm houses, and thorough advertising of Mrs. Calk who will be here the evening of Sat. May 20<sup>th</sup>. (Awful bad time in week for Dubuque but could not arrange for better. Mrs. Calk couldn't get here.)

We had a fine ward rally Monday night (and are planning others). I persuaded them to let me sell buttons and take up collection. Got \$14.<sup>85</sup>

Last night at Farley had the one auditorium in the town of Farley - full - about 200 - A very enthusiastic meeting - Collection only \$2.<sup>50</sup>. We had advertised Silver offering and so purse did come.

Miss Green, the Congressional Dist Organizer was here for twenty-four hours. I suppose it should not be repeated abroad but she says the state is going to lose for want of organization.

I feel that it is going to win thro' sheer intelligence tho' I fear Dubuque County may reduce the majority. Big (Pro-German) Peace Rally here last night. Of course this was part of the preconcerted plan to impress Congress.

We got in from Farley about ten and stopped at the opera house getting just the conclusion which was indorsing resolutions, to the effect, it seemed to me, that Wilson is to be regarded as the servant of the people and the Kaiser as the master, each to be <sup>traced</sup> regarded with the respect due their relative positions.

Generally speaking all this German element is wet and the liquor interests have their anti-suffrage gum-shoes on the job here doing business by the usual saloon submarine methods.

A lot of the fine men are forming a league for woman suffrage and we feel great encouragement from this. Next week is publicity week.

Bishop Dowling whom we had hoped to have for a Mass Meeting cannot come.

Hope the Conference is coming on fine. So sorry the state branches respond so feebly. Yesterday I had a note from Chairman at Cottage Gr. She would love to attend but is a pub. school teacher.

I'm hurrying to get some new slogans in our publicity windows. The second "Vote-yes" stretchers went up across Main yesterday.

With affectionate regards Rina & Steamer

April 27, 1916.

Mrs. A. C. Hinckley,  
Claremont, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Hinckley:

After writing you that Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington of Northfield would speak for you at the meeting of the First District Federated Clubs, May 18, we learn that Mrs. Huntington is far from well and has had to cancel all engagements.

When I was talking to Mrs. David Simpson about this meeting, she said that she would like very much to go.

Mrs. Simpson is our best speaker and is a charming woman, if you do not chance to know who she is. I am enclosing some publicity about her which was used in New York when she spoke in the Suffrage Campaign there last fall during October.

You can call her subject, "woman and the State", if you like, for that is one of her favorites.

Are you not coming up for the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference, May 7 to 10 at the Radisson Hotel? It is bringing many nationally prominent women, whom we may never hear again, and who have not been here before. It is a golden opportunity. Can't you get a group to come up for that time?

Sincerely,



April 27, 1916.

Mrs. P. A. Gough,  
Deerwood, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Gough:

Enclosed is some publicity about Miss Margaret Foley of Boston, who is to speak at the meeting of the Sixth District.

We are so glad that she is to speak on the evening program on May 10.

She will leave here on the N.P.R.R. May 10 at 9:05 A.M., arriving in Deerwood about 4:00 P.M. and will probably leave that same night at 11:28 for Minneapolis, going via Staples; because she is to speak in Montevideo at the meeting of the Seventh District the afternoon of May 11.

If you would like it, I could send you some material on her speech for the papers next week. Please let me know if you want such material.

We are so sorry that the dates conflict with those of the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference because we should like so much to have you come and hear such nationally prominent women as: Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Miss Harriet Vittum of Chicago, Miss Alice Stone Blackwell of Boston, Mrs. Nellie McClung of Canada, and many others.

We think it will be a real treat and inspiration to meet and hear them.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andreas Ueland, President.

Per \_\_\_\_\_



April 27, 1916.

Mrs. John A. Simons,  
Montevideo, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Simons:

Enclosed is some publicity  
about Miss Margaret Foley, who is to speak  
at the meeting of the Seventh District on  
May 11. Is

Since Miss Foley is to speak in Mankato  
after your city, she will leave soon after she  
speaks. She will arrive at 3:19 P.M. on the  
C.M. & St. P. R. R. and will leave at 6:22 P.M. that  
same afternoon.

Will you please arrange your program accord-  
ingly. She speaks in Deerwood at the Sixth  
District meeting the day before your meeting.

I can send you some of her speech for the  
papers if you would like it next week. If you do  
want it, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Exec. Sec'y. of Hennepin County  
Woman Suffrage Association.

Claremont April 27

[1916]

My dear Mrs Heland,

Will you  
see that we have a speaker  
at the meeting of the Women's  
Club Federation at Dodge Center  
May 16<sup>th</sup> and write Mrs George

Allen 720 W College St Rochester  
Minn.-as the program, must be  
in the printer's hands by Monday  
next. You know that a good speaker  
will accomplish more than I can  
do. I was in hopes you could come  
but please see about it right away.  
I am in hopes to attend all the  
meetings. Have advertised it thru here  
in this weeks paper's very truly  
Hinchley.

April 28, 1916

My dear Mrs. Russell:

We are extremely sorry to say that Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington is quite ill with laryngitis and is unable to fill her engagements in the northern part of the state.

She says it is only the second time in her life that she has had to break engagements to speak.

We have tried very hard to get an equally fine speaker to take her place, but the Mississippi Conference is taxing all the time of our people.

We will surely have someone who is first class to send you. Miss Maria Sanford arrives home from California May first, and we hope that she will feel rested enough by Wednesday to come to Thief River Falls for we know that she would be most welcome.

We tried Mrs. James Morisson and Miss Marian Drake of Chicago but they, too, were too busy to leave.

We will wire you the minute we have the speaker engaged. I am only writing this letter in explanation. You are surely coming to the Conference, aren't you? It is a rare and golden opportunity. Mrs. Nellie McClung of Edmonton is coming.

With best wishes,



April 28, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Johnson:

We are extremely sorry to say that Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington is quite ill with laryngitis and cannot fill her engagements to speak in the northern parts of the state next week.

She says it is only the second time in her life that she has had to break such engagements.

I hope that you had not done a lot of work in getting up the special meeting for her. We have tried hard to get another equally acceptable speaker to make the trip, but could not do so. Miss Maria Sanford would have done so had she been here we feel certain.

We have now arranged for one speaker to go only to International Falls, and another to Thief River Falls.

I hope that a number of your women are going to the District meeting in Deerwood, because Miss Margaret Foley of Boston will give a suffrage talk there.

We shall hope to send you a fine speaker some other time. Please forgive us for making you any trouble and also also for disappointing you.

With best wishes,

April 28, 1916

My dear Mrs. Olesen:

We are very sorry to say that Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington is quite ill with laryngitis and is unable to fill her engagements in the northern part of the state next week.

We have tried our best to send another speaker but, because the time is just before the Mississippi Conference, no one can go.

However, we have made this arrangement, which we hope you will like. Mrs. W. I. Thomas of Chicago is a strong suffragist, and wires that she will either make two addresses, one on Suffrage and one on Peace, or that she will combine the two subjects whichever you wish.

Not knowing how you have placed her on the program, we could not tell. Won't you please fix it as you think best and let her know so that she may be prepared.

We tried to get Mrs. James Morisson and Miss Marion Drake of Chicago. Miss Maria Sanford comes home the early part of next week, and might have gone, if it were not at the end of a long trip for her. The fates seem to be against us. However, we understand that Mrs. Thomas is a fine speaker.

With best wishes,

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C O P Y

Minneapolis, Apr. 28, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Farmer:-

I have just read three letters, one written by Mrs. Hartman and signed by you, one by you both to Mrs. Ueland, and one by you to Mrs. Stockwell. They make me sick at heart and discouraged. Do you ever recall the past? Do you remember how we used to toil along with a mere pittance in the way of funds? Do you ever reflect upon the source of the income of today that enables so much work to be done? Why, Mrs. Farmer, the pittance paid by your club and my club would not be enough to pay even the salary of one clerk or secretary. The work now done at Headquarters is amazing. Mrs. Thorp does more work in a day than you had funds for in six months, to say nothing of the vast amount of other work. Go to Headquarters and spend a day if you do not believe it. Where does the money come from? All the club dues from all over and all the pledges of clubs are mere pittances compared with the amount used and found necessary. Who pledged the \$6000 and upward at the last state convention? Mrs. Ueland's friends right here in Minneapolis. And more they gave because they have faith in Mrs. Ueland. If she had not been at the head they would not have pledged thus liberally.

I do not mean to belittle what clubs do at all. We do all we feel that we can. My club has given \$150 only, so far; we wish we could give without limit and I do not doubt that you and your club feel much the same. Now Mrs. Farmer, ask yourself if Mrs. Ueland is not just the woman we have long wished for--able, generous, untiring, devoted, able to give almost unlimited time to our cause? She is popular everywhere except perhaps in your club. She is doing a work for Minnesota never before equalled or found possible. This being true, I ask are we going to make her way unpleasant and trying, by unjust criticism? Those letters seem to me much like the child that gets cross and cries "If you don't play as I want you to, I won't play." I always feel like saying to such, "Well if you can not play pleasantly with others, go and play by yourself."

You complain of receiving no notices to meetings in Minneapolis. Do you remember what Mrs. Ueland said at the last board meeting? She said that meetings would be held every Wednesday morning at Minneapolis Headquarters, that anyone and all were welcome. These meetings are to arrange for the Conference.

Minneapolis is entertaining the Conference, not the state. It is not Mrs. Ueland's fault if you do not see fit to come or tell your club to come, after her announcement. The hue and cry about the Congressional Union is absolutely without foundation. The state association stands for the national, and let me assure you, will do so as long as Mrs. Ueland is at its head.

Do you really imagine that Mrs. Ueland would withhold for one instant notices of, or call for, the convention from any suffragist, let alone your club? What could be the object? If that really happened, rest assured it was an error of some one who volunteered help and would be deeply regretted by Mrs. Ueland.

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How do you suppose Mrs. Peterson happened to ask you to give a welcome to the Conference? I know. Mrs. Ueland asked her to and I am in the same boat, only you have much the best hour, which pleases me.

I do not feel that it is Mrs. Ueland's duty to settle matter between your club and the Welfare League. I would suggest that you do not let the League do more work, nor do it with less friction than the P. E. Club. My club is not only the oldest in Minneapolis, but the oldest and largest in the state. Do you think we spend our time watching to see whether other clubs or individuals are better treated than we, or that we are the victims of unjust discrimination? Not by any means; being the oldest we ought to know better how to work. Real pioneers care not for persons or personality, they work for and care solely for the advancement of the cause of suffrage. I should hate the name of pioneer if it had to carry with it a carping criticism of everything done by new people in a new way.

In looking over I find I have omitted saying that Mrs. Ueland gave two lawn fetes at her home for the cause, and each one netted over three hundred dollars. Mrs. Ueland has tried to be entirely just to all; it was she who asked that we vote for Mrs. Boostrom on the Board, as in the case of placing you and me on the program, not because she would do better than anyone else but because she saw the justice, or possibly better to say she felt it was best. You say Mrs. B. feels resentful that Mrs. Ueland turned the Austin club over to the district organization. How could she do so? The club probably voted to go. Mrs. Ueland could not nor would not wish to force them. All clubs are given their choice in the matter.

Let us play and work together amicably. There is absolutely no friction in Minneapolis. Let us be real pioneers, broad-minded and cheerful, doing our good work in unison with others, without criticism and with justice to all.

Very sincerely,

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*Written by,  
Ethel E. Ward M.D.*

April 29, 1916.

Miss Agnes Peterson,  
Old Capitol,  
Saint Paul.

My dear Miss Peterson:-

Replying to your letter of the 27th to Mrs. Ueland,  
I give you below list of names to whom you might write about  
taking boxes at Saint Paul Mass meeting, May 10th. I do not  
know of course how much good they will be to you but are the  
best we can furnish, I think.

*Done*

Mrs. Frank T. Wilson,	(Chairman)	Stillwater, Minn.
	(of Township)	623 So. Broadway.
Mrs. T.E. Ekstrand,	"	Forest Lake, Minn.
Mrs. J.P. Munro,	"	Marine Mills, Minn.
Miss Emma L. Watson,	"	Cottage Grove, Minn.
		(teacher in schools there)
Mrs. Frank Ford,	"	Newport, Minn.
Mrs. A.L. Cedarholm,		Marine Mills, Minn.
		(wife of artist and would)
		(be good to write to.)
Mrs. Arthur H. Steen,		Cottage Grove, Minn.
		(not an officer in the Assn)
		(but a live member. Wife of doctor)

*do* ✓

Mrs. E.L. Frink,	President	All of Faribault, Minn. (members of P.E. Club)
Mrs. W.L. Whitson,	Treasurer	
Miss Mable Pierce,	Vice Pres.	
Miss Rosamond Grant,	Secretary	
Mrs. E.H. Leyhed,		

*do* ✓

Mrs. J.N. Weir,	President	All of Winona, Minn. (Members of P.E. League.)
Miss Florence Youmans,	Vice Pres.	
Miss Annabelle Ross,	Secretary	
Mrs. W.D. Abbott,	2nd Vice Pres.	
Miss Florence Richards,		

*Done*

<del>Mrs. Clyde Hayden,</del>	District	<del>Albert Lea, Minn.</del>
Mrs. Ed Stanley,	Chairman	
	Township	Alden, Minn.
	Chairman	
Mrs. T.K. Tree,	"	Emmons, Minn.
<del>Mrs. I.C. Campbell,</del>	"	<del>Freeborn, Minn.</del>
Mrs. A.M. Ringland,	"	Mantorville, Minn.
Mrs. Peter Schwarg,	"	Dodge Center, Minn.
Mrs. J.H. Frazer,	Dist. Chairman	Austin, Minn.
Mrs. C.E. Young,	" "	Wells, Minn.
Mrs. P.F. Holm	Town. "	Wells, Minn.
Mrs. D.F. Southwick,		Wells, Minn. (mother of Claude Southwick)
Mrs. Harold Crassweller, 2016 East 6th St.,		Duluth, Minn. (Chairman of new County Assn. formed in Duluth) (Will be here for conference.)
Mrs. G.H. Trafton,	Dist. Chairman	Mankato, Minn.
Mrs. Mary Ashley,	Town. "	Madelia, Minn.
Miss Gertrude Norrish,		Hastings, Minn.
The Misses Gardner,		"
Miss Asa Gardner, <i>(Achsa)</i>		"
Mrs. Wright,		"
Mr. and Mrs. Sloninger,		"
Mrs. Alfred Schaller,		"
Mrs. ? Schaller,		" (Wife of former senator.)
(these names from Mrs. Wm. Fulton)		
Mrs. S.A. Bullis,		Kenyon, Minn.
Elizabeth F. Blaker,		"
Mrs. M.T. Gunderson,		"
Pearl M. Haling,		"
Mrs. R. Leland,		"
Rose Marshall,		"
Elizabeth Shepard,		"
Belle H. Sands,		"
(these names Dr. Hurd got when in Kenyon recently)		
(we know nothing about them--simply pass them on)		

*Do* ✓

*So* ✓

You no doubt have the Congressional Union folder which gives names through out the state; could you not include those from nearby towns, also?

Hope you will get something out of these. I send program under separate cover.

Cordially,

*Mrs. W.W. Lawrence*  
*Dr. Mc Coy*



April 29, 1916

Mrs. A. C. Hinckley,  
Claremont, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Hinckley:

Your note just received, and I have sent by special delivery the name of Mrs. David Simpson and press material to Rochester as you suggest.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter sent to Mrs. Allen. Doubtless you have received the letter written to you April 23 about Mrs. Simpson.

Did you not receive a letter written to you on April 14 asking about using Mrs. Simpson or Mrs. Huntington of Northfield. I have been waiting for a reply from you in order to make final arrangements.

We hope that you are planning to come up for the Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference, May 7 to 10 at the Radisson Hotel. It is the biggest event we have ever had, and gives us the unusual opportunity of hearing and meeting many of the nationally prominent women, such as: Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, of New York, Miss Harriet Vittum of Chicago, Mrs. Nellie McClung of Canada, Miss Anne Martin of Nevada, Miss Alice Stone Blackwell of Boston, etc.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andreas Ueland, President.

Per \_\_\_\_\_



April 29, 1916.

Mrs. George Allen,  
720 W. College St.,  
Rochester, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Allen:

In a letter just received from Mrs. Hinckley of Claremont, she asks that I send you at once the name of the suffrage speaker who will go to the meeting of the First District.

Our best speaker, Mrs. David Simpson of this city will go to Dodge Center. What is the correct date for her speech. In the Annual Report of the State Federation the date of your meeting is given as May 18; but in Mrs. Hinckley's letter she gives it as May 16, which is Sunday.

Will you please let me know at once, because Mrs. Simpson must plan accordingly.

I will enclose some publicity material for your papers on Mrs. Simpson, which was used when she was in New York last fall during October speaking for the Suffrage Campaign.

Her subject is: "Woman and the State".

What time are you giving her on the program? She will doubtless go to Dodge Center on the train which arrives at 3:25 P.M.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andreas Ueland, President.

Per \_\_\_\_\_

April 29, 1916.

Mrs. Margaret Evans Huntington,  
Northfield, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Huntington:

This morning Mrs. William T. Coe telephoned me that she had a letter from you about the meetings in International Falls, Bemidji, and Thief River Falls, where you were to have spoken.

We had made other arrangements for those meetings, but not in time for the program. You see, Mrs. Simpson was away for over two weeks, coming home last Monday, so that delayed matters.

Since returning, she has probably been too busy to write you. The Mississippi Valley Suffrage Conference here May 7 to 10 is taking every second of every suffragist's time now.

We made arrangements for Mrs. W. I. Thomas of Chicago to give a suffrage talk in the International Falls meeting; she was going up to speak on "Peace". Since the Bemidji meeting was especially for you, we had to cancel it. We hope to send Miss Maria Sanford to speak at Thief River Falls, and we shall soon know; because she arrives from California on Monday.

We are extremely sorry that you are ill and hope that you are feeling better. It is too bad that you were unable to make the trip, because they were so delighted to have you. Mrs. Coe said that we could not have chosen any one who would be more welcome. However, we shall call on you again.

With best wishes,

April 29, 1916.

Mrs. G. H. Trafton,  
153 Coy St.,  
Mankato, Minn.,

My dear Mrs. Trafton:

We have just received word that Miss Margaret Foley will speak for you in Mankato on May 12, so that you can now make your arrangements.

I enclose some press material about her, and can send you next week part of her speech, if you wish. Please let me know.

Miss Foley will leave here on Friday, May 12 on the C.M. & St. P. R. R. at 11:25 A.M. arriving at Mankato at 2:55 P.M. and will leave your city for Minneapolis the next morning at 7:25 in order to speak at noon at a luncheon given by the Teacher's Club.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andreas Ueland, President.

Per \_\_\_\_\_