



Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association Records.

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Aug. 1, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:

I sent you last evening banners--Social Problems

1. Must be Settled by Both Men & Women
2. We believe in Equal Suffrage Because we -
3. There are Many Arguments but no Reasons -
4. Women Need Vote to Protect Home (Strip)

Have mailed you today a few more (just a few left by the FIFTY autos that bugled their way out of here this morning!!!)

5. Shall Minnesota Block the Path of Progress?
6. Women Vote in Norway, Denmark, New Zealand, -
7. Women are Citizens and wish to do their - - duty
8. If Not, Why Not (Small banner)

I have also included in today's package, a bunch of the booklets from the Library Commission, 12 Objections Answered and some more of the baby flyers. Found none of the rainbow stuff. Sent 6 copies of History, Arguments and Results last evening.

Have more trouble now; came out 20 programs shy yesterday and have the envelopes all stamped. Think I shall send them to you to save time. There could have been full 150 programs in yesterday's consignment, could there? Our count was only 145 envelopes left unfilled. However, there was room enough for slip-ups, with so much volunteer help on the job.

I am not going to say one word about the start this morning; you'll have to ask "Ri" and I hope it looks different to her by the time she gets to destination. If you both went back to New York, Virginia, Ohio and other places I should not be surprised. With all good wishes for the success of the conference,

Cordially

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August 1st, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland, President,
State Woman Suffrage Association,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:

We are doing such a big piece of constructive work in our State with our Suffrage Correspondence School lessons, that we are going to have them revised and printed for the use of other State Organizations that may care to do the same kind of work.

By ordering the lessons in large quantities, we can sell them for 10 cents the set of 12 lessons- less than a cent a lesson- and shall be ready to fill orders by September 10th.

After much experience, we know that this price is much lower than you yourself could possibly have the lessons written and reproduced.

New York State has a Supplementary lesson which we include in our course, entitled "How to Work for Suffrage in New York State". If you decide to use this Correspondence Course, I would suggest that you have a similar lesson written and printed which would be appropriate to your own special State needs.

Our lessons will be printed on white paper, size 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, four pages each, in black ink, and will bear the simple title "Suffrage Correspondence Course, Lesson I, II, III," etc. I mention this in case you want to print the Supplementary lesson and have it uniform with the others, and ready by September.

I am mailing you a full set of our lessons that we are now using, and would be very glad if you would make any suggestions that you think, in revising them, would render them more useful to the states in general. Such suggestions would have to be received within the next ten days.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. Howard)

Helen C. Mansfield

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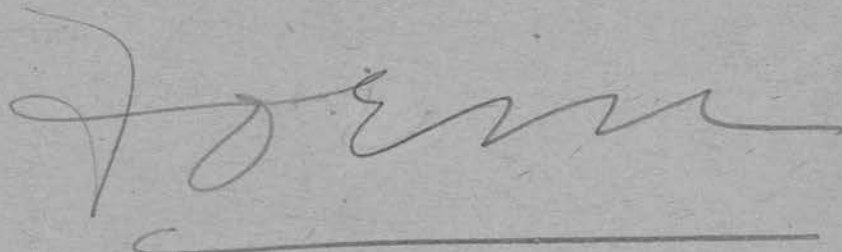
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To all women mentioned in letter to Mrs. Catt, attached.

[July 14]

Aug. 3 --5, 1916.



Aug. 3, 1916.

Miss Margaret Sweeney,
Dean of Women, University of Minnesota,
424 - 5th Ave. S. E.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Miss Sweeney:-

You will receive an invitation to attend the annual Convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, to be held in Atlantic City, Sept. 6 to 10. I want to specially urge you to go to this meeting. It promises to be one of the most important meetings in the history of woman suffrage.

Questions of national policy will be discussed and decided upon, and the splendid outlook for the movement will be presented as never before.

Do go and be a delegate from Minnesota.

Most sincerely,

CLARA UELAND, President.

By

Secretary.

CU:B

Form

Aug. 4, 1916.

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

My dear Mrs. Noyes:-

Mrs. Catt is calling an "emergency convention" at Atlantic City, for Sept. 6th to 10th. This will take the place of the annual convention of the National Association which heretofore has met in November. It is a very important meeting, to consider and decide what should be done about the Federal Amendment and other legislative matters.

Will you not go as one of our Minnesota delegates?

Most sincerely,

CLARA UELAND,

By

Office Secy.

Dictated and not
read by Mrs. Ueland.



THE **CALUMET**
Lee W. Lockwood, Prop.

Pipestone, Minn., 8-6 1916

Dear E.D.B.

Not having received three letters a day from you for the past three days I'm sure you must be feeling lonely. The precipitous decline in my mail receipts since Friday morning leaves me gazing into a gulf of epistolary vacancy.

The weary and worn ones who must take trains at the witching hour of midnight and 4 a.m. have gone to lie down for a few minutes rest. I am writing this line ^{at the hotel} before returning to my happy home -

The meeting at Flensburg last night was heartening,

not to say brilliant success. [2]

We went over three strong (the auto group with the two local stars, did not materialize. Mrs. Heland will understand this allusion), listened to the usual warnings that "it would n't make a pleasant impression to wear Votes for Women sashes in Glendreau" - that people were not ready to buy buttons, that it would n't make ~~any~~ ^{horrible} effect to take up a collection etc, etc, etc; (I jamed some but the other girls kept sweet and well mannered) Then we met and wore the badges and tied pennants on the car; pinned badges on others scattered literature, sold buttons, took a collection, and Mrs. Moler and Mrs. McMahon made cooking good speeches. (I talked for the collection) every body was breathless with interest and the "before-taking" group of



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pessimists were too joyous for words after the liberal dose of "how to put it over" was administered and had taken effect.

There was such a response to our effort that it seemed advisable to learn Mrs. Molen right there to hit some good blows before the iron cooled - if only the local group could be made to understand the opportunity. After sleeping on it I proposed to Mrs. Perley this morning that if they would provide entertainment for Mrs. Molen we could spare her to help work up the sentiment

[4]

started - She snatched at the
chance - her face lighting
with real enthusiastic hope -
Mrs. Moler came back with
us because she had left her
things here but tomorrow she
returns to Flandreau -

I will go on wishing dignities
upon the reluctant women of
Pipestone and Pipestone County
until we hear from Mrs.
Pyle - It seems to work pretty
well -

It seems to me there were
a lot of requests I wanted
to make, or is that only
the clinging sense of a habit
suddenly abandoned? - Any
way mail to Mrs. Moler, please
at Flandreau one of the
National's Catalogues so that
she may teach the women to
order a few things -



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This letter and Mrs. McMahon
will reach you about the
same time - The living
word is a ~~much more~~ ^{more} forcible
and dynamic thing
and when the lips speak
it from a fervid heart -
who would stop the ear
to listen with the eye to
the voiceless whisper of the
insensate pen! - But
then I wanted to write
you - so here it is.

Tell Mrs. Ueland that
^{have tried to}
many ~~of~~ conveyed to me
their sense of her sweet mis-

dom or wise sweetness
or that intangible something
which makes her her and
affects so satisfyingly those
upon whom her presence
is shed -

Also many of the natives
hon. commented, in very high
words of praise, upon the quali-
ty of the banquet speeches.
and so perhaps it was tired
and our strained sensibilities
that made the function ^{one} of
~~questionable~~ ~~doubtful~~ ~~delection~~
to us - Good night - Please
excuse double scratches and
ambiguous spelling -
Yours ever
Stevens -

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Pipertone, Minn.,
8/7-16
My Dear ED -
Today I shipped (collected) by Wells-Fargo
Express suffrage properties as follows -
All the dolls
2 Dg. & Packs. Playing Cards. - ok
80 - Kewpie Post Cards -
See paper pennants left - some had been used
but seemed good enough to
use again.
Set of picture Posters.
✓ 1 Clack Back - Rose O'Neill Poster -
✓ 1 " " Map - U.S.
✓ 5 Blue Books - (I loaned to Nance McE)
✓ 11 Objections Answered -
Banners -
There are many Arguments etc -
If not why not -
We Believe in Equal Suff. etc
Women Vote in Australia "
Social Problems - must "
Women need vote to protect home
" are Citizens etc
Shall Minn. block the way etc,
(continued)

Yellow cambric and Satin -
Creme paper ribbon -
1000 Paper napkins -

Inclosed letter from National explains the napkins. I paid 89¢ express on the napkins which they will deduct with a possible other 89¢ it would cost them to get them back - As you will no doubt perceive twice 89¢ is \$1.78 - The napkins are catalogued at \$2.00 per 1000 - for the 2000 napkins sent me at least ^{most} should be billed for \$4.00 less 1.78 Express - or \$2.22 -

With fairs and such coming it seemed to me we might dispose of these getting them so reasonably - I have kept a 1000 package here hoping to dispose of at least part of them to S. D. They apparently have nothing - on this eastern border of the state - Those shipped to you are in the doll box inside the big box. I have kept the fly swatters not sold hoping to dispose of them here -

The dolls need redressing and repairs. Traveling this hot weather in such close quarters has melted their glue and standing in the hot sun has faded their garments. Two of the little standards that hold the explanatory cards are missing.

When the auto went home it inadvertently took with it on the enrollment boards Pipestone enrollments taken at our ~~meat~~ meeting

I wonder if I might have copies of these at
once while I am yet here.

Mrs. Moler went to Flandreau this
afternoon loaded for bear - I think she
is a brick.

I've heard nothing more from Mrs Pyle but
owe her a letter which with some 100
others I shall try speedily to despatch -

You will receive another in-
statement of this tomorrow.

Did Ri get home all right? She
is terribly in need of sleep but so
determined and capable she does things
efficiently and lovably any way.

No doubt you are in need of
sleep yourself - When I have time to think
I wonder how you get so much done
Love and haste -

Reece

I wrote the Nat'l that I would assume
the state would keep the napkins under
circumstances and at fair discount,

[See also statement in Suffrage Conference at Pipestone, Aug. 1916]

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Dear E.D.

This is the next chapter -

Mrs. H. J. Leigh of Lakefield took and asked to be billed for the following:

Songs.

Votes for Women - Nellie Evans -	.15
Woman's Battle Song - Eliza Bulluck -	.15
Suffrage Rallying Song, Zimmerman -	.15
Woman Suffrage Songs, Pauline R. Brown -	.25
2 Pks. Playing Cards - @ 30¢ -	.60
10 "Votes for our Mother" Post Cards @ 2 for 5¢ -	.25
1 Outline (Mrs. Wilson)	.55
	1.80

She had been temporarily in charge of Sales table at Convention and helped pack up but she gave me some of these items by word of mouth on the street instead of in writing - It leaves me with a sense of doubt as to whether she took the post-cards but they were gone and so I think I remember she said she took them -

Mrs. Moler has ten which she will try to sell and which makes a full accounting

of the 100 sent - She has also ² two packs of the playing cards.

Mrs. Leigh kept no list of her sales but as she was the only one who made any at the Conference, I fitted the things gone to the cash taken in as follows.

Sold at Conference - Friday Aug. 4th

3 pks. Cards	----- @ 30¢	----- .90
1 Objections Answered	-----	----- .05
Paper Pennants	-----	----- .05
5 Swat the flies	----- @ 5¢	----- .25
		<u>-----</u>

\$ 1.25

Sold at Mass. meeting Aug. 3rd

Buttons	----- @ "anything you like"	----- 1.67
Fans	-----	----- 5.15
		<u>-----</u>

6.82

Collections

Mass. Meeting Thur. Aug. 3 rd	-----	7.80
Conference Fri. " 4 th	-----	7.49
		<u>-----</u>

15.29

Total Conference Receipts. 23.36

Sold to Local Organization

Job lot of paper pennants (used)	-----	50
Job lot " Napkins	-----	50
96 Swat the flies	-----	2.00
		<u>-----</u>

3.00
26.36

My order of 200 Napkins came net on one end and some thing over half of them stained brown - We got out all we needed for the banquet ~~and~~ but I could not have been able except for the 90 you had sent. They came by parcel post - were not insured - I had paid in advance because the order was under \$1.00 so there seemed no redress for the 25¢ or so of damage.

The swat the flies ^{local organization} they will sell if they can if not will give them away so I gave the Club the benefit of near wholesale price.

Total receipts from Conference	\$ 26.36
" expenditure (printing)	23.50
Receipted Bills attached	
Balance on hand	2.86

The Catholic Ladies had all the expense and all the receipts of the banquet - A few more than our guaranteed number of 100 plates were sold.

The Presbyterian Church was given entirely free for the business sessions

Grounds, lights, music, chairs etc given entirely free for the mass meeting -

I brought with me 200 buttons and have 112 left. We used buttons instead of badges to mark delegates - We also sold them at the Flandrean meeting and turned the receipts (about \$1.15) to the Flandreanites -

The balance on hand does not, obviously, cover the original cost of material consumed which I much regret.

The conference part of our program I feel was one of great value to the women - but there was no real money raising effort made which I doubly regret - but as it turned out there was no money raising expert to make the appeal and no definite objection for a fund - I believe a good organization in this district will come as a result of conference - and I know the cross country speaking and press publicity did a world of good -

I am inclosing check for \$2.86 and am sending this report to you so that you may square it with goods sent out - We have our final meeting (over)

before my departure into new fields - tomorrow evening and it looks as tho' there is going to be interest enough to do some thing this winter.

I haven't heard from Mrs. Moler on her progress in Glendreau but probably will tomorrow. I have been working over time drawing plans and specifications for the various chairmen who have accepted - in other countries as well as this - in the hope they will do if what is made definite enough for them.

Please mail Mrs. Mark H. Slaymaker a National H. S. Publishing Co. Catalogue if you have one to spare. I shall try tomorrow night to have them order a suffrage library and one of Miss Wilson's Suffrage Study Course outline -

Guess this is all. If not I'll no doubt remember after this goes to the office - They comment there on the abrupt falling off of mail receipts and say they no longer need "that extra clerk".

Love to you all

Rene E. H. Stevens.

I have single copies of pamphlets with sale price on them and which were not included in the packages.

Nance wants the dolls for Sioux Falls. I think she has written you -

Ask Ri the next time she goes to the Northwestern Bank to get me a filler for the little basket check book if she can remember and slip it in a letter which I hope she will write soon -

Aug. 10, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Mrs. Ueland has not been down today but requests that I write you of the action of the Board yesterday; they voted that you and Mrs. McMahon should both go to South Dakota if they wish your help, and I am writing Mrs. Pyle to this effect today. You will no doubt hear from her right soon so that you can move from Pipestone over into South Dakota. Mrs. McMahon of course will be busy here until Sept. 1st.

Florence Monahan wrote Mrs. McMahon that she has had reply from Mrs. Pyle, asking her to come over to Sisseton and work. Miss Monahan has written to Hilda Humphner there, that she may go ahead and get up some street meetings if she likes.

Mrs. Ueland very much desires that you will be working near Mrs. Moller, in order Mrs. Moller may benefit and learn from your experience and I have mentioned this to Mrs. Pyle. Sent Mrs. Moller catalog yesterday as per your request, and have asked for several more copies from the National so I shall soon have some to send out where needed. Has Mrs. Jacquot one? Would the Marshall women use one, do you think? Too bad you can't go over there and organize--and strike while the iron is hot. Well, we can't strike every spot while the iron is hot--have to start out with a fresh iron every now and then, nicht?

Must run awa'-as ever in a rush- Love and all good wishes on your noble head.

Yours,

The ass'n here is planning to
send for the Suffrage Library

Pipestone - 8-11-16 -

Dear E.D.

Your letter just received. After sending you an accountⁱⁿ of supplies received and used I discovered I had not sent you invoice of goods shipped direct here - I slipped it into an envelope addressed to you to go with my next "Chapter" and here it is. The Julia Ward Howe thing you will note is listed in the invoice as "Ministers on Equal Suffrage". It is one of the pennig single sheet leaflets and not what I believe the original Julia was. I think this is contracted but possibly I am mistaken and it is only printed in different form. It contains the information any way. The invoice also explains that the Nat'l does not carry Susan's Defense -

The thing I was asking might be tried on politicians is the "American Plank for American Platform" of which I received twelve and am giving them simply to actual candidates so far - Have six or seven more.

The "Logic for Business Men" is a baby flyer we used by the ton in N.Y. They had it also in Iowa and I am of the belief I have seen it in the cupboard some time or other at Minneapolis. I just had the happy thought to consult the Catalogue and find it is not listed which probably means it is out of print.

I don't know whether Mrs. Jarquet has a catalogue but it might not be amiss to send her one. Also Mrs. John Stube at Clayton - The Marshall women are a fine bunch and a catalogue sent to Mrs. W.W. Cook might per-

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Want this for file?
August 15, 1916.

Minnesota Woman Suffrage Ass'n.,
Minneapolis,
Minn.

Attention - Mrs. Edith Briggs.

Dear Friends:-

✓ We sent the North America maps with your order the other day without their being muslin-backed. We are not carrying this North America map in stock with muslin backing. If you can use these in any quantity, of course, we could have them specially backed for you, in which case they would probably cost 25¢ to 30¢ each, depending on the number.

~~We are not paying express on orders of \$25.00. We are not paying on any orders at all, no matter what the amount is. This rule went into effect with our new May 1916 catalog and was made necessary by the advance in paper and merchandise of all kinds. We did not raise our prices, but we found it impossible to prepay transportation.~~

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Manager.

Called the Hudson people about backing these for us. They want \$40¢ a piece - Have not given them the

Do you think we can back them ourselves? Sept 12

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Aug. 16, 1916.

Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd,
Secy, Data Department,
171 Madison Ave., N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Boyd:-

We are sending today a few things for your
Data Department, at Mrs. Ueland's request. Included
are:

Minnesota Woman Suffrage Assn. year book (1916)
Dr. Ethel Hurd's HISTORY OF SUFFRAGE IN MINN.
Miss Essie Williams' Laws on Women and Children
three plate pages issue by State Assn. in last year
a letter from Dr. Hurd concerning families and occu-
pations of our suffrage workers
press material on

Mrs. Ueland (Press matter on Dr. Hurd)
Mrs. Simpson (enclosed herewith.)
Mrs. Stevens (organizer)

3 programs published for Mississippi Valley Con-
ference held in Minneapolis May, 1916.

We will send you other things from time to time. Mrs. Thorp
will prepare press stuff on Mrs. Eugenia Farmer our oldest
suffragist, and on Mrs. McMahon, state organizer.

Yours very truly,

(Mary) Edith Drake Briggs
office secy.

P.S. Enclosed also leaflets and Progressive Party plank.

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Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association,
403 Essex Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

Mesdames:-

The cuts were shipped to you July 24. It is apparent that they have gone astray. We are starting a tracer at this end, but have no hopes of success, or experience having been that when an express company loses a package it is lost forever. Luckily we did not return the original cuts, and will be able to make a new set of plates. These will be shipped, this time by parcel post, not later than Monday, next. While it is not our fault that you have not received the cuts, it is also true that you are not at fault, and we will have to supply you the new set without additional charge. If the other ones happen to come through later on, accept them as a gift for the cause,

yours very truly

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August 19, 1916.

Dear Friends:-

We just received in stock an edition of two new Voiceless Speeches - one of which we call our "Women in the Home" and the other our "Political Speech". The titles describe the speeches as well as they can be described without seeing them. They can be used in the regular Voiceless Speech way, or they can be taken apart and used as window or other poster decoration.

We think you will like these speeches and find them useful and we want you to see them, hence we are taking the unusual liberty of sending you a copy of each and will bill you for the same. If you do not like them or cannot use them, we offer you the privilege of returning them within a week. This method has seemed to be the only way we could introduce the speeches quickly and effectively, since we do not feel we can afford to give them away to all the State associations, as has been out custom with cheaper new material for some little time past.

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ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

Aug. 21-16

Mrs. Andreas Ueland

Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mrs. Ueland,

The Flying Squadron has just passed on to the next point and for the first moment since Saturday Aug. 12th a.m. I am stopping to draw my breath and pick up the scattered debris of ideas and things - "A situation" exists in Aberdeen and we came here, or rather were sent, to see if we could not get the people to respond to the thrill of the Flying Squadron. We worked day and night - The suffragists took to their cyclone cellars and hid behind trees - I was in Albany when the "basses" fire combed the tall

grass and scented out the secret place
 of the "Moor Law" to find enough
 members of the Legislature to impeach
 Sulzer. This was just like it. A most
 exciting game of hide and seek with
 no guess as to results until the final
 show down. The street meeting was
 an unqualified success in spite of
 every possible obstruction by an
 opposed city government (an owned
 city government the opposition being on
 the part of the owner). The indoor
 meeting not so much what it should
 have been. It poured rain all
 day ^{Sunday} and continued to day - but in
 spite of this the churches were
 fairly packed where the Suffes
 filled the pulpits.

After studying the case here
 for a week we diagnose S.D.'s ail-
 ment to be prostration from re-
 peated defeats. Every body has
 made a try in one campaign or
 another, fought, bled, gone
 down to defeat and been made
 the goat. Every one capable of
 taking a leading ^{part} is maimed
 from past battles or suffering



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of old rounds. There is no question about there being a Situation in Aberdeen —

Mrs. Moller has been a great aid and comfort to me. She has "delivered the goods" right straight thro'. She is interested and likes to do the work. I think she will be able to take full ^{responsibility} ~~initiation~~ and act upon her own initiative, and with advice from headqts (I mean keeping in close touch with Hdqts.) carry on regular and effective organization work. She makes an attractive appearance and people like her. She will stay with me until about the first of September.

Now, with regard to the letter from Mrs. Brown I am inclos-

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ing: While I was in Pipestone I had two or three letters from Mrs. Carrough regarding my returning to her district, but I did not realize she was so much in earnest. I wrote her that Minnerata was contemplating sending her organizers into S. D.'s campaign and that being the case I could consider nothing else until after the election and I have written Mrs. Brown that I could only go ^{to help} on the condition that I took with me your blessing. I had wanted to speak of Mrs. Carrough's letters when you were in Pipestone but the crowded program of our days and nights even pushed it from my memory. I then had the feeling that future policy and plans depended much upon the outcome of the Sept. Nat'l Convention, and the state

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Convention in October and that
 there might be such changes
 that the organization could be
 undertaken with local unpaid
 workers under supervision of
 an organization Chairman
 and that I might not be urgently
 needed - But I don't know why
 I'm writing out all this imag-
 inative program. All I
 need to say is I should be happy
 to go to New York if Minnesota does
 not particularly need me. but
 that Minnesota has made my
 life and work very happy since
 I have been with her and I would
 not ^{wish} to transfer my part of duty
 at any loss or inconvenience
 to her. I'm going ask you

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to overlook the glaring short
coming of this letter. I am trying
with perhaps too much haste
to reduce the pile of correspond-
ence which should receive at-
tention - I am all interest
to know how plans and delegates
for the Nations are developing -

Faithfully
Rene E. Hevens.

August 22, 1916.

Mr. L. H. Wilson,
Bridgeport "Y" Plate Co.,
Bridgeport, Conn.,

My dear Mr. Wilson:

Thank you for your nice letter
which was received today. We appreciate your gener-
osity in making up for the lost plates. Evidently you
are a suffragist.

When the new ones (or the old ones) arrive, we
will let you know immediately.

Sincerely,

Minnesota Woman Suff. Ass'n.,

Per

Office Sec'y.

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8-22-16

My Dear Mrs. Ueland.

I just discover that I did not inclose Mrs. Brown's letter last night and cannot tell whether I inclosed something else or nothing. Truly haste does not insure speed. I am now also inclosing two leaflets which will explain to Mrs. Briggs what I have sometimes been asking her to supply, thinking they were put out by the Nat'l. Socy.

Hastily
Rene E. Stevens

Aberdeen, S.D. 8/22-'16

My Dear E.D.B.

Sum as tho' it had been a long time since I've seen one of those welcome letters from you - but I don't dare start in to earn one this morning for there's so much that would be interesting to tell you my day would be gone. Before it was concluded and I must write a few volumes to Mrs. Pyle - You know there is always a "situation" in any town you tackle with a suffrage campaign - Aberdeen is no exception and with this foundation I am sure your imagination can erect the whole baffling structure - Old wounds, old hatreds, old biases, some old "expedient" job loving politicians, some old laziness, indifference, selfishness, fearfulness and stupidity not to mention old Dame Grundy and the whole prolific spawn of prejudice ignorance and superstition - But on the whole Aberdeen is a pretty nice town and if we're clever enough we may make some progress.

I'm sending some tag ends

of Pipestone - and probably forgetting others.

Mrs. Pyle yesterday relieved me of napkins by taking over the whole thousand. I sent them by Mrs. DeVoe thus avoiding cost of transportation and told her she might have them at the price made to us - viz. \$1.50 per M. However, if the Nat'l does bill us at 1.50 ~~net~~ pay in all \$3.89 on the 2000 and my rate to Mrs. Pyle is below actual cost to us - She of course has not remitted. And I will explain this detail when I write. If we were to retail them of course we could make up but I understood from Mrs. Pyle that they were going to use theirs at some "fair or 'sich'" as souvenirs or conveniences for the public -

Tell "Pi" her good letter this morning was like manna (if that's the way to spell it) in the desert - and that I will send her a little of the desert in exchange at the earliest opportunity. It seems years and years since I saw any of you -

Much love to you all -

Stevens -

Of course the visit of the Flying Squadron is a work in itself but must wait for the writing

S -

If my child calls at the office be good to her. I have not been able to make connections with her to let her know where I am since Pipestone - She is visiting

^{about now} cousins who are summering at Minnetonka and expects to see me in Minneapolis -

August 23, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Boostrom:

Enclosed is the list of suggestions for the State Fair Committee which you asked for.

The Glenwood-Inglewood Water Co. will furnish spring water and a cooler free for us if we will advertise them on a card to be distributed, and also if we will pay the drayage out there. They have no delivery to the grounds. Mrs. Ueland said that someone in St. Paul was looking up the matter there. If there is a company in St. Paul which delivers water and ice etc. out there, it would be much better. They ought to furnish the water, ice and cooler free for the advertising. Will you please let me know whether or not you can get it in St. Paul.

* We can get the cards advertising the booth printed for:

5000 for \$10.00.

3000 " \$ 8.50

~~This is of course cheaper than the water would be for the week and we would get all that advertising free, too. The Glenwood-Inglewood Co. wanted \$1.50 for the rent of the cooler and the water is 5 cents a gallon. I should guess that we would use four gallons a day.~~

LIST OF SUGGESTIONS FOR THE STATE FAIR IN 1916

Have illuminated sign and large sign for the front of building.

Have large state flag to float.

Have a chairman who is in charge for the whole time and who will be responsible the whole week.

Begin work and have committees organized one month before.

Have telephone in booth.

Have printed card telling place of booth on ground to give to each policeman.

For rental of any equipment see the C. J. Hoigaard Co.

30 Washington Ave. N. J. T. Hetland, Mid 5292

For drayage call G. Widholm, (Packard Truck)

For deliveries inquire at transportation & R. R. office.

Mr. Lambert of live Stock show has wagon to meet deliveries, 25 or 50¢

Mrs. J. C. Holman was chairman of arrangements with the State Fair commission.

Each club had a special day for use of the booth as follows:

Political Equality Club of Mpls.	Monday
Woman Workers Suffrage Club.	"
Political Equality Club, St. Paul	Tuesday
Socialist Suffrage Club	Wednesday
Scandinavian Woman Suffrage Club	"
Equal Suffrage Club	Thursday
Womans Welfare League St. Paul	Friday
1915. Club	Saturday

Each committee from each club should report to the central committee just what their plans are for their special day and said committee can plan for the necessary equipment.

Be careful about possessions. Danger of stealing.

Ice water and cooler can be obtained from the National Pure Water Co., 917 Hennepin Av., Mpls. at \$5.00 for the week, with a 5 gallon bottle every day & ice.

See Mr. Robert Crickmire of Owatonna about Concessions.

August 26, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E.L. Stevens,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

It comes to me as a good deal of a blow that New York wants to take you away from us. I had it nicely settled in my mind that we would keep you and Mrs. McMahon next year, and develop, if possible, workers like Mrs. Mohler for each Congressional District as our year's work; so I do not know quite what to say to your friend, Mrs. Canaugh.

This much I am sure of that you should stay in South Dakota until election time, because we have promised you to them. After that I am not so sure what should be done. What is best for the cause I suppose must be our guide, and also what you personally like to do. My own feeling about New York is that it is not likely to win, and that you are just about as useful in Minnesota as there, doing general educational work. If you want to be near your friends and perhaps members of your family in New York, that should have something to do with our decision.

Do we have to make up our minds right away about this, Tell me how you feel about it yourself.

Cordially yours,

President.

CHU/M.

ARTHUR MARKVE
LAWYER
411 NEW YORK LIFE BUILDING
PHONE N. W. MAIN 1466
MINNEAPOLIS

August 28th, 1916.

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

Dear Mrs. Ueland:

Yours of the 25th inst. has just arrived, and I will state in answer thereto that I am most emphatically in favor of the enfranchisement of women by the submission and adoption of an amendment to our Federal Constitution. In every speech I have delivered as candidate for Congress I have vigorously stated my position in favor of woman suffrage.

I will copy my platform plank on this question. It is as follows:

" I will work for, vote for, and we are going to win for, the the equal suffrage to women by the adoption of the Susan B. Anthony Amendment to the Federal Constitution."

I should like to meet with you and any other members and officers of your association to talk over and plan how best to proceed in order to secure and establish the inherent right of woman to be a part of the governing as well as governed.

Respectfully yours,

Arthur Markve
(Proh)

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ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

8-29-16

Mrs. Andreas Ueland

Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mrs. Ueland-

Replying to your letter of the 26th I hasten to say that I told Mrs. Canough from the beginning that I was loaned to Dakota until Nov. 7th and no change could be made until after that date.

The reason, I think, that Mrs. Canough particularly wants me is because I know the field better than any one else she could get. I planned their system of records and have been to her a mainstay when she was City Chairman, President of the old Club that had to be managed with tenderness, tact and skill, and Chairman of an Assem-

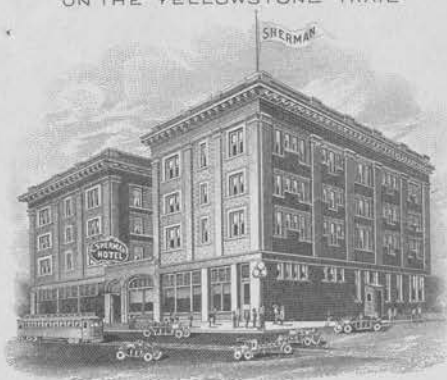
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bly Dist. I have done all the different kinds of work there are to do in her District (the 5th Campaign Dist) and ^{understand} her personal predilections, obligations and handicaps. Tell you all this so you will understand her insistence - I think with you that what is best for the Cause should be the deciding factor and I am sure she would feel the same, tho; with New York in a Campaign, it might be difficult for a New York woman to feel other than that N.Y. was most important -

Since the National, at Atlantic City, is to attempt determining where the work should be pushed with most vigor - I thought possibly some help in deciding might come from that source -

There are no personal reasons why I should go. I think very highly and affectionately of Mrs. Canough and know that her confidence in and reliance upon me would make my presence

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There particularly reassuring to her, but that I would be so immensely valuable but it is the way she feels about me.

Now: I wish to say very frankly that I do not imagine there are people in the suffrage world, to look rich or far, who are finer, fairer, more sympathetically understanding or generous than those directing and financing the suffrage cause in Minnesota.

As to making up our minds at once. I told Mrs. Canough how much you have, and would have until after the State Convention in October, to occupy your time and thought, so she is not expecting a decision at once - She will, of course, be

glad to know as soon as possible
if I do not go as she must find
some one else -

Now as to how I feel about it my-
self - I think it is about like this -
I want to help Mrs. Canough personal-
ly for a number of reasons, if it
could be done without loss to Minn-
esota's plans - But it seems to
me in the circumstances that
Minnesota has first claim upon
my allegiance -

Very sincerely

Rev. E. A. Stevens

HERMON W. PHILLIPS
ATTORNEY AT LAW
630 GLOBE BUILDING

ST. PAUL, MINN. August 29, 1916.

Mrs. Clara Ueland
Pres, Minn. Woman Suffrage Association,
403 Essex Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Madam:-

Answering yours of the 25th inst. inquiring what my position would be on the proposed amendment to the Federal Constitution for woman suffrage, I have to advise you as follows;

Being the candidate of the Socialist Party I necessarily would follow the principals of this party on this question, and as I understand the socialist position, woman is to have the same position as man as voter and eligibility to hold office.

This was my position for many years, before I became an active member of the party, and I cannot change on this position.

You are well advised in this matter and I trust others working for woman suffrage may also become fully acquainted with the position of the Socialist Party on this question.

Ofcourse I am for the amendment.

Very truly yours

Hermon W. Phillips
(Sd)

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August 29, 1916.

Mr. Carl E. Swansson.

Dear Sir:—

I have read your book with GREAT
interest and thank you for your cour-
tesy.

(Signed) Adolph O. Eberhart,
Governor of Minnesota.

Mr. Carl E. Swansson.

Dear Sir:—

The book is well written and reflects
great credit upon you, showing as it
does fine powers of expression and evi-
dencing a wide knowledge on your part
of social conditions.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) J. Emmet Wolfe,
Circuit Judge, F. J. D. of Florida.

I wish you indeed all success in your
great work.

Cordially yours,
(Signed) Gustav Andreen, PH. D.
President Augustana College.

I earnestly desire to see you succeed
and I believe the book to be worthy of
general attention.

(Signed) Joseph R. Dunlop,
(Former President Chicago Press Club.)

I have read your book with interest
and it ought not to find great difficulty
in receiving a public hearing.

Cordially yours,
(Signed) Eugene R. Pendleton,
Pastor First Baptist Church, Pensa-
cola, Florida.

I have just had the pleasure of read-
ing your book.

To me it appeals as a work of real
merit, a practical and possible dealing
with what we all consider a problem de-
serving of the most immediate attention.

(Signed) Marcus Skarstedt,
Professor Augustana College.

Mr. Swansson's book is well written,
interesting and readable, and it contains
much food for thought, regardless of
how his proposition itself may be re-
garded.—Extract from an editorial in
the Pensacola Journal, March 27, 1913.

I have read your book and found it
very interesting. You deal with social
problems in a rational, business-like
manner, not in a visionary, impractical
way. I see no reason why it cannot be
put into operation.

(Signed) L. Bonander,
President Luther College, Wahoo, Neb.

It is impossible to deny the sincerity,
earnestness, and the spirit of enlighten-
ed inquiry which prevades the book.

Yours very truly,
Sir Gilbert Parker, M. P.

We are convinced that Mr. Swansson
in his book has rendered an inestimable
service to the American people.—The
American Anti-Socialist.

Mrs. Clara Ueland,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Madam:—

Your favor of the 25th at hand, in which
you ask my stand on the question of Women
suffrage.

As a man who believes in progress I favor
women suffrage and if I am elected I shall
certainly work for the passing of the federal
amendment if it comes up in Congress.

Yours Very Truly.

Carl E. Swansson

Democratic Candidate for Congress 9th D. Minn.

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St. Cloud Minn Aug 27. 1916.

Minnesota Woman

Suffrage Association

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Lady:-

I have your letter of the 25th inst before me and I am very glad to express my self on that subject. I am a pioneer advocate and agitator for independence of woman's right and suffrage.

The man who denies woman the right to vote is himself the strongest evidence of his unfitness to have woman in his political power and at his political mercy. If I am elected to congress and I expect to be, I shall vote and work for an Amendment of the Constitution of U. S. and that subject with all my might.

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The campaign this year is going to have some surprises for the Alcohol Devils and the grafting old politicians when the returns are announced in Nov., and I hope that you will do your share, I know you will. "The hand that rock the cradle is the hand that rocks the world." The break up of political parties is just ahead of us, for the first time since 1856, there is a question of such vitality that men will re-align ~~them self~~ selves and sever old ties. You see the 40,000 licensed saloons, prostitution and wage slavery is the question this time over which the nation is to be rent, and liquor, prostitution and wage slavery is destined to go, well This grand country of ours where we have a congress of 400 men to make laws and a supreme court of nine men to set them aside, and where niggers can vote and women can't. Yours respectfully
John Knutson *John Knutson*

NEIL M. CRONIN
LAWYER
454 MCKNIGHT BUILDING
MINNEAPOLIS

August 30, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
President Minnesota Woman
Suffrage Association.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:

I have your inquiry of the 25th inst. relative to my attitude as a candidate for Congress on the question of woman suffrage. The Democratic party in its national convention inserted a plank in its platform expressing the party's position on this question. I am in sympathy with the position taken. You have perhaps observed that the Republican party in its convention took a like stand on the question.

Very truly yours,

Neil M. Cronin
(Denn)

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ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

8-30-16

My Dear Mrs. Briggs-

Labor Day there is to be a demonstration here one feature of which is a baby show - I am desperately anxious to have the Better Babies leaflet for it and I know the S.D. Hdqrs does not have any - Do you? and will you send me what you can spare as a pure gift to the cause here - by return mail?

You know if they don't get here by Saturday they may never get here at all - but Monday is the psychological hour for their distribution. I sent Mrs. Fraendle a check today, for \$194 to cover the 1000 raffles sold Mrs. Pyle at \$.50 and 44¢ for transportation charges from N.Y. to Pipestone - Because I had

letter from Mrs. Ueland written
by some one other than yourself
I am hoping you are having a
vacation and a good time

Work here is not thrilling -
tho! I am beginning to feel a
little glimmer of encourage-
ment -

We are to have Harvest Festival the
first week of October - I talked
with the Chairman of the con-
trolling committee - he treated me
as tho I were worthy of human con-
sideration and has promised to
give me a good position for dis-
tributing literature and taking en-
rollments - I put in a bid for Mrs
Benedict during the time
I am going now to see the

Central Labor Committee regard-
ing Monday's festivities -
Love and haste

REHS -

Richville Minn Aug 31st /6.

Clara Ueland

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Madam:

Your letter of the 20th
inst at hand in reference
of my support of Woman
Suffrage.

I beg leave to say
that I am a Socialist and
Woman Suffrage is a
fundamental principle of
Socialism.

1879?
If I should be elected
to Congress from this the
9th district I shall do
all in my power of
supporting a Federal

enactment granting
to women the full right
to vote without any
reservation whatever;
even though I knew I
should never receive
a woman's vote for any
office.

Anything I could do for
you, will I gladly.

With Best Wishes
I am

Truly Yours

T. A. Thompson
Doc

E. E. LOBECK
ALEXANDRIA, MINN.
SENATOR 47TH. DISTRICT

State of Minnesota
SENATE CHAMBER

August 31, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Madam:-

Yours of AUGust 25th at hand and contents noted.
As to the question if I will , if elected, favor the Federal amendment for woman suffrage will say that I will.

Yours very truly,

E. E. Loback
Brok.

1879?

LATIMER & LATIMER
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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

September, 1st, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
403 Essex Building,
City.

Dear Madam:

On my return to the City I find your letter requesting a statement regarding my position upon the important question of Woman's Suffrage. I wish to say that as a candidate of the Socialist Party for the office of Representative in Congress, I am pledged by the Party Platform to support any measure which will extend the right of suffrage to women.

Personally I am in favor of equal suffrage to men and women, and favor the Susan B. Anthony Amendment to the United States Constitution as one of the best means of securing the franchise for women, as this will give them a limited suffrage in ALL the States, and thus a lever with which to secure complete suffrage in the various states, which otherwise will require a long hard struggle.

Having been an advocate of Woman's Suffrage for many years, I shall continue to do what lies in my power to help secure the franchise for women whether I am elected or not.

Wishing the Cause an early success, I am

Very truly yours,

TEL/H

Thomas E. Latimer
Soc.

1879?

Sept. 6, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:

Just a line to say that Mrs. Briggs is still on her vacation, but she will be back the fifteenth. Mrs. McMahon and I have been nearly overwhelmed with the State Fair, Mrs. Ueland's and Mrs. Simpson's going to the National Convention, and with the Golden Flyer.

They descended on us last Friday a week ahead of time, and have just left this morning. They lost their mail and instructions in Dakota and so came directly here. We had three street meetings on Friday and Saturday, and they drew big crowds at the Fair on Monday, and yesterday. Last night was a street meeting in St. Paul.

"The Better Babies" were sent to you right away and I hope reached you in time.

I hope that you are pretty well. It seems too bad for Mrs. McMahon to go into the campaign next week without a bit of rest. She is pretty tired, now.

With best wishes,

Henn. Co. Sec'y.

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Representative Woman's Journal

Aberdeen S.D. 9-10-16

My Dear Miss Fisher

The "Better Babies" leaflet arrived in time and was very useful at the Labor Day picnic where one feature was a "pretty" baby show. Thank you very much -

This afternoon I go to Huron for the week of State Fair festivities. I feel about as festive as the tag end of wash-day - but will brighten up I'm sure when I get with sympathetic souls -

I should think Mrs McMahon would be dead in her tracks - I really don't see how she goes on as she does -

If there is mail for me please forward to Huron Rooms 13-14 Masonic Temple - until the fifteenth then back here to Aberdeen again. Are there no papers for me - I don't know "where I'm at" when I don't receive my journals - The papers here have no suffrage news in them. The woman's Party is a mere memory its so long since I heard anything of their activities.

Must be packing my trunk for flight.

Sincerely, Rene E. H. Stevens -

Have been for'd.

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Minneapolis Minn
Sept 11, 1916

Dara Island
Pres Minnesota Woman
Suffrage Ass'n.
403 E 3rd St Bldg.
City.

My Dear Madam
Your letter of the
25th of Aug, has been
received today, as I was
out in the District, working.
I am in favor of
unrestricted woman suffrage,
and, as a Socialist have
advocated it for the
last 10 years. Moreover,
our platform has embodied
woman suffrage for the last
16 years.
Yours Sincerely
J. B. Soltis Sec

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My Dear Mrs. Tassendle -

Your letter containing
checks for \$7.50 and \$24.48 respectively
was forwarded to me at Huron where
^{we} were leading the strenuous life at
the State Fair. Returned here
today and for the first moment
have time to acknowledge with
thanks -

A good deal of valuable work
was done at the Fair and the fa-
vorable comment quite encour-
aged us - The hope of winning
increases -

Very Sincerely

Rene E. Stevens

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 ARRANGE MEETING FOR YOU OR SOME OTHER SPEAKER WRITE ME

MRS CHAS F MOLLER

CARE CROOKSTON HOTEL CROOKSTON MINN

1115 P

Sept. 21, 1916.

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
Crockston Hotel,
Crockston, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Your night letter received this morning and was telephoned to Mrs. Ueland. I have sent you package of literature (some already folded for giving out) and enrollment blanks, as you request. Glad you are speaking and doing some work in that section and hope you meet with good success. If there is anything else in the way of supplies that you can use, please let us know. We are pretty low on everything since the state fair but will try to keep you supplied if you need things to work with.

As to speaker, we are sorry to have to say that Mrs. Ueland cannot come, first because she is not at all well since coming back from Atlantic City. She has had a bad cold and in spite of it has been working two days at the Anoka convention meetings, so today is confined at home. Second, because she must speak at the luncheon which we are giving tomorrow to hear reports of the returned delegates from the National Convention, and Saturday will be engaged at the Headquarters here. As to someone's coming at a later time during the next two weeks, I cannot now say and will have to take it up with you later on. Will you not write us again after your meeting tomorrow, tell us what the prospect is for a real good meeting later, and what sort of speaker would be preferable. Mrs. Simpson will be home sometime next week and it might possibly be that she would come up if it is a big enough meeting. I am not promising, for she may be very tired.

With all good wishes,

Office Secy.

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September 22, 1916

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
Minneapolis, Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Ueland,

We are sending by this same mail the full revised set of Suffrage Correspondence School lessons. You will see that it includes a supplementary lesson, and therefore that it will not be necessary for you to add any special leaflet making the course applicable to your State, unless you find it desirable to do so.

We can sell these lessons to you, provided you place an order for as many as fifty sets or more, at 10 cents a set of twelve lessons and one supplementary lesson, you paying the charges on the package. In offering them to you at this low rate, it is with the understanding that you do not sell them for less than 20 cents a set. This is the price we are obliged to ask here in order to cover the various expenses connected with sending them out to our correspondents, and we feel that for the protection of all, this uniform minimum price must be maintained in other States.

The plan we have for sending out these lessons to our correspondents is to put two lessons in one envelope, unsealed-one cent postage-once a week-completing the course in six weeks time. The supplementary lesson is sent with the eleventh and twelfth lessons.

We know from experience in our own State, that these lessons fill a long felt want and do a great deal to stimulate interest in Suffrage. They have been a great success.

So many of the State Presidents have already expressed the desire to use this Correspondence Course that we fear the Edition will soon be exhausted and urge you to place an early order.

With cordial greetings,

Heleen C. Mansfield

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Mrs. Andreas Ueland
Minneapolis, Minn.

Aberdeen - 9-24-16

My Dear Mrs. Ueland -

It is after midnight but I am awake which is more than I will be at rising time in the morning so I'm writing now just a line to know what you and Mrs. Brown decided about the relative importance of the work in your two states for the ensuing year and if I should go to N.Y. until Nov. 1917 would Minnesota let me be "the cat that came back"? The 5th Campaign Dist. is waiting a decision with plans more or less suspended -

The work here is different from any thing I ever encountered on the same scale. If only the National or some Fairy God-mother could finance a bunch of trained workers. (not speakers) and turn them in here the day could be won. The men are ripe to vote yes but the women are wholly asleep to the character and methods of the thing that defeat us. They are indifferent too, in cases circumstances that give less sure for work - and means to contribute - I am inclosing a letter from Mrs. Hipple, press chairman to show just how handicapped the work is for money. The men are largely interested in the Dry fight and the wives of these - no matter

how good suffragist - find no money left in the family exchequer for suffrage campaigning - I get this explanation on every side and can't do any thing to speak of for lack of funds.

How much I should have liked to be at the luncheon and hear the reports of the National - I trust the Cruise is booming in Minneapolis.

Most Sincerely
Rene E. H. Stevens

In glancing over this I note my statement about the S.D. women is rather sweeping. I want to make exception of a few who are leading the work. I think Mrs. Pyle and four or five others are doing their conscientious utmost - My appreciation of Mrs. Pyle grows with acquaintance.

Sept. 26, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Finsterbach:-

As you will recall, the fiscal year of our state association ends during October, when the accounts must all be closed and books audited. The treasurer has for this reason asked me to write to everyone on whose pledge there is still a balance outstanding, reminding them of this fact so that the work of closing and auditing need not be held up.

Our records show a sum of \$2.50 still remaining on your pledge; does this agree with your memorandum? Would it be possible for you to send the amount to Mrs. Troendle or leave it with me at the office, somewhere around the first of the month? She will be very glad to have it, if you can do this, so that she can go ahead with her reports for the year.

Yours most sincerely,

Secretary.

We dislike very much to mention this to so faithful a giver as yourself, but you will understand how the treasurer wants to have everything "cleaned up" before reporting time.

E D B

Sept. 26, 1916.

Mrs. Gertrude Hunter,
2632 Emerson Apath,
Minneapolis.

My dear Mrs. Hunter:-

As you know, the fiscal year of the state association ends in October, when the accounts must all be closed and the books audited. The treasurer therefore is most anxious to get all pledges "cleaned up" so she can go ahead with her work with the closing and making out of reports.

Our records show a balance of \$2.50 still remaining on your pledge; does this agree with your memo? Will you send check for the amount to Mrs. Victor Troendle, 1636 West 26th Street, Minneapolis, about the first of the month. Mrs. Troendle will much appreciate it if you can do this, so that the auditing of the books be not held up.

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

Sept. 26, 1916.

My dear Mr. Faude:-

The fiscal year of the State Association ends during the month of October, when all accounts must be closed and the books audited. The treasurer has, for this reason, asked me to write to all whose pledges show a balance still outstanding, reminding them of this fact so that the work of closing and auditing need not be held up.

We have it that there is a balance of \$5.00 still remaining on your pledge; does this agree with your tally? If so, would you find it convenient to send check to Mrs. Victor Troendle, 1636 West 26th Street, City? We dislike very much to mention the subject to so faithful a giver as yourself and certainly would not were it not for the fact that the books are to be closed. The treasurer is most anxious to make out her reports and will deeply appreciate it if you can favor her.

Very sincerely,

Secretary.

Sept. 26, 1916.

Mrs. Charles Moller,
Hotel Crookston,
Crookston, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

As you will recall, the fiscal year of the state association ends during the month of October and the accounts must all be closed and the books audited before the annual convention. The treasurer has therefore asked me to write all those who have a balance still outstanding on their pledges, reminding them of this fact so that the work of closing and auditing be not held up.

We have it that a balance of \$20 still remains on your pledge. Will you not send check for the amount to Mrs. Victor H. Troendle, 1636 West 26th Street, Minneapolis, around the first of October? She will most deeply appreciate it if you will do so as she is most anxious to go ahead with her work.

Thanking you,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

P.S. How did the meeting go? I referred your wire to Mrs. Ueland yesterday while she was in the office and she is most interested in hearing whether you will need a speaker from here.

E D B

Sept. 26, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Jackson:-

As you know, our State Association's fiscal year ends in the month of October and the accounts must be closed and the books audited at that time, before the annual convention. The treasurer has asked me to write every one who has a balance still outstanding on their pledge, reminding them of this fact so that the closing of the year's business need not be held up.

We have it that there is still a balance of \$25 remaining on your pledge. We dislike so much to mention this to so faithful a given and worker for suffrage and certainly would not again except for this fact that the books are to be closed. Would you find it convenient to send check for the amount to Mrs. Victor Treedda, 1636 West 26th St. about the first of the month? She is most anxious that her work be not held up and will appreciate it if you can do this.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

Sept. 26, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Searle:-

As you probably will recall, the fiscal year of the State Association ends in the month of October, when all accounts must be closed and the books audited before the annual convention. The treasurer has therefore asked me to write all those on whose pledges there still remains a balance outstanding, reminding them of this fact so that the auditing need not be held up.

Our records show \$50 still outstanding on your pledge; is this correct? If so, will you not be so kind as to send check to Mrs. Victor Troendle, 1636 West 26th Street, City? She will very much appreciate it if she might have this somewhere near the first of the month. We very much dislike to mention this subject to such a faithful and cheerful giver and would not but for this fact of closing and auditing the business, but years will end!

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

Sept. 26, 1916.

Mr. Sumner McKnight,
McKnight Building,
Minneapolis.

My dear Mr. McKnight:-

The fiscal year of the State Suffrage Association closes in the month of October and it necessary to have all accounts closed and the books audited before the annual convention. The treasurer has therefore asked me to write to all those on whose pledges there is still a balance outstanding, reminding them of this fact, so that the auditing need not be held up.

We have it that a balance of \$50 still remains on your pledge; is this correct? If so, will you not kindly send check to Mrs. Victor Treadle, 1636 West 26th St. City. She will appreciate it very much if you will do so.

Yours very sincerely,

Secretary.

Sep 26, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Bright:-

As you know the Association's fiscal year ends in October, when the accounts must be closed and the books audited before the annual meeting. The treasurer has, therefore, asked me to write to all those who have a balance still outstanding on their pledges, reminding them of this fact and requesting that if it is at all possible, they send in whatever balance is still unpaid.

Our record shows a balance of \$15.00 on your pledge; is this correct? Could you not send this to Mrs. Troendle around the first of October; she will be most appreciative if you can do so, so the auditing will not be held up.

Sincerely,

Secretary.

September 27, 1916.

DESCRIPTION OF TABLEAU

In connection with Amendment Day the Board felt that a reproduction of the effective tableau used as part of the St. Louis Demonstration would be helpful in carrying the idea of the need of a Federal Amendment. The New York Suffrage Party, under Mrs. Laidlaw, were good enough to put on a similar one in Central Park and the photograph is enclosed.

In the background is Liberty with the torch; on either side Justice, blindfolded. To the right are figures in gray representing the partially enfranchised states; left - black draped figures with shackled wrists and hands outstretched in pleading attitude. Center front - enfranchised states in order of entrance of women into full citizenship. Filling out and adding to the picture - flower girls with garlands, four trumpeters also in Greek costume and an appealing figure of mother and child, which last I should suggest be the central figure, thus connecting the whole movement with the future of the race.

The posing in St. Louis was somewhat more artistic as steps were used, thus enabling a pyramid formation rather than a flat grouping, which was necessary in the enclosed photograph.

You will readily see that such a tableau gives the best kind of publicity and will carry conviction to many whom abstract reasoning would not effect.

The costumes were of cheap cheese cloth pinned into artistic lines. The shields were of pasteboard which can be made by anyone with clever fingers so that the Demonstration need not be an expensive one.

Sept. 28, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E.H. Stevens,
Aberdeen, So. Dakota.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Your letter enclosing that of Mrs. Hipple received. The most important thing I want to say to you is that you must have some regard to your own health and strength. I am afraid from Mrs. McMahon's letter to us that you are working much too hard. I want to tell you that it is not worth while. A reasonable day's work is all that we can ask of you.

It will interest you to know that the National is to circularize 100,000 South Dakota voters. Mrs. Catt got me to buy the stamped envelopes here and they are being printed by our printer and beginning to be sent to Mrs. Pyle. - The queer and exasperating thing about the situation in South Dakota is that they do not seem to know how to utilize help that is offered them. Mrs. Catt offered a Mrs. Frazer of New York, a woman experienced in circularizing, to come to South Dakota and take entire charge of that big job, and Mrs. Pyle wrote that they would do the work themselves from Huron. Perhaps I ought not to tell this so do not repeat it.

About your going to New York: I had a talk with Mrs. Brown at Atlantic City and came to the conclusion that we should let you go, that is if you wish to. The new idea that we are all subscribing to is this greatly centralized work, and if Mrs. Catt thinks (as she seems to) that New York has a pretty good chance, we must all work together to help bring it about; so you can write to Mrs. Canough that you can go there when you get thru in South Dakota, but I would stipulate a week or two of rest.

Cordially yours,

Sept. 29, 1916.

Mrs. Charles Moller,
Crookston, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

The National Association has planned that in October in all the non-suffrage states, there shall be meetings and demonstrations in behalf of the Federal Amendment. In Minnesota we have decided that we will have all these meetings on Oct. 21st. Can you get up some meetings in your part of the state? The National has sent us programs and we will have maps, literature, a special voiceless speech, etc. all of which we will send you for as many meetings as you can get up.

The difficulty with you would probably be to get speakers. The program as outlined by the National makes it very easy as it tells everything that is to be done and if there were not any woman speakers some man could be gotten perhaps who would make a short speech for suffrage.

This is written hurriedly to find if you can undertake anything in this line and if you can, we will send you full particulars as soon as we hear from you.

Cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND, PRESIDENT.

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

Dictated and not read
by Mrs. Ueland.

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Washington, D. C.
September 29, 1916.

Dear State Congressional Chairman:

Our recent convention passed the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, That the 48th Annual Convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association instructs its Congressional Committee to concentrate all its resources upon a determined effort to carry the Federal Amendment through the last session of the 64th Congress. It pledges the support of the state organizations and authorizes the National Board to take such direction of the work in the states as may be necessary in its judgment to accomplish this end."

Our congressional conference in Atlantic City showed that if we are all to do comprehensive, efficient and up-to-date work on the Federal Amendment, certain activities must be undertaken and pushed more vigorously than ever before. For those who were not able to attend the conference, I will repeat some items briefly now. I will ask those who were at the conference to check off these items, making sure that they are covering them in their plans for the coming year.

May I just remind you that the National Board appoints the National Congressional Committee which thereby becomes its authorized agent for congressional work and with which therefore each state should cooperate fully and heartily.

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN: Appoint the congressional district chairman for your state early. Do not wait until Congress opens to find the right people. Secure them in advance, give them full information and instructions, let them study the plan of work and have a chance to be efficient.

Do your very best to have a good chairman of each congressional district in your state by November 15.

FINANCES: It is absolutely essential for your state organization in its budget to make an appropriation for the congressional work within your state. Too many of our state congressional chairman have been hampered in their work by lack of funds or no funds and have tried to finance their own work. This is not only unfair but wholly unsatisfactory. I beg, therefore, that you appeal to your state board to make some definite appropriation for the congressional work in your state. Inasmuch as your state budget probably has appropriations for organizers, publicity and literature, it will not be necessary for the congressional appropriation to be as large ^{as} it would need to be otherwise, but it is necessary to have some definite understanding with the state board.

Our congressional work like every other kind cannot be done by imagination alone. It needs money and needs it right away, as Mrs. Catt's letter of September 18th states also.

PUBLICITY: Plan at least one state wide publicity story on the Federal Amendment each month. (You can probably do this in connection with the Monthly National demonstrations which it is planned to have). If you are using plate matter, use pictures in it as often as possible in connection with a story on the Federal Amendment! Start off with a picture of your state congressional chairman! I recognize that it may be delicate for you to suggest this to your publicity department but you can put all the blame on me. If you are still very shy, you might have a group picture made of the chairman with three or four of the district chairmen or members of the state congressional committee, in case you have committee members who are not district chairmen.

LITERATURE: Congressmen and Senators have never been circularized enough with suffrage literature. You know, or should know from your own records, which of your congressmen are opposed to suffrage or to the Amendment, and you should send them literature frequently just as you provide literature for men in the states in campaigns. The literature for congressmen can be more carefully chosen to fit each case because the number of men is fewer. Please plan to circularize with literature at least once a month any congressmen from your state who are indifferent, non-committal or opposed.

The National Association is preparing some special literature on the Federal Amendment. Copies will be mailed to you when ready. It can be secured from our National Publishing Company at 171 Madison Avenue, New York City.

If you can issue Federal Amendment literature of your own so much the better. I enclose a sample of card which the wide-awake suffragists of Kenosha County, Wisconsin are using, both by distribution and enclosing in mail. I suggest one change, and that is ~~that is~~ on the back where it says WHITE, the names of both United States Senators be used. This card could easily be adapted for state use by using the names of both senators and omitting the name of an individual congressman.

CLIPPINGS: If you have not already done so, plan a campaign of clippings for your congressmen. Send them clippings

on suffrage, especially interviews with prominent men who are favorable, that appear in any of the papers in their district and in the leading papers of their section of the country which are considered organs of their party. I can assure you that the congressmen read such clippings with interest. I have seen them do it often. Even the secretaries of the senators see that the senators know what is being published in the papers. As an evidence of their interest many of the men subscribe to clipping bureaus, but ordinarily they do not include woman suffrage in the list of subjects for which they subscribe. Therefore, it behooves us to see that they get the clippings on our subject.

Plan the work on the clippings systematically. It will give the women in each district something to do. See that every paper in each congressman's district is taken and clipped regularly by some district worker. If you get enough to make a good showing, be sure to send clippings about the October Amendment Day demonstrations in each district to all the candidates in that district.

FOLLOW UP WORK: Not any of us do enough of what I call follow-up work with our congressmen and senators. Most of us think that when we find out how the men stand, we have "covered the situation". We have only begun to find out where to work! The more obstinately opposed a man is, the more must you use your wits and ingenuity in planning tactful ways to overcome that opposition. Never give up. Remember that the more the man is opposed the more diplomacy is required, but that only makes the work the more interesting. Apply the same patient skill and art to those who are non-committal. The use of literature and clippings as above suggested are two kinds of follow up work. Another kind that has been sadly neglected is the cultivation of the families of the congressmen and senators, especially their wives. The younger members of the family should also be cultivated. Congress provides many illustrations that "a little child shall lead them".

NON PARTISANSHIP: Our convention heartily reaffirmed our policy of non-partisanship. As a state officer, don't ever forget all that non-partisanship means - that it means including in everything you do the representatives of every party in your state including the prohibition, socialist and independent parties. Remember that it is often the action of the minor which make the majority parties take notice and finally yield. In any event, the minor parties have always endorsed us and their candidates and members must not be forgotten or neglected. Also we cannot afford to take it for granted that because the parties have endorsed us every man in their columns is with us. We know that is not always the case.

This reminds me to beg you not to neglect friends. It is not necessary to keep on interviewing those strongly favorable nor to pester them, but let them know occasionally in some pleasant way that you have not forgotten their support.

NATIONAL COMMITTEEMEN: The Republican and Democratic parties each have a national committee consisting of one committeeman from each state. I find that only one of our state chairmen has appealed for the help of the national committeemen of her state in connection with obstreperous congressmen and senators. These committeemen are of course interested in the record of their party in Congress and I suggest that you apply for their assistance in the future. Do it by a personal interview if possible. Get some members of your Men's League to appeal to the committeemen. Do your work with these committeemen quietly and without publicity. You will seldom get results if you accompany your activity with these men with any kind of "demonstration" or newspaper articles.

PLANKS: Do not give up work on behalf of a plank in every party platform in your state endorsing the principle of woman suffrage, even if it takes until 1920 to get them. We must begin planning our work NOW for the Republican and Democratic National Conventions of 1920. Any of you who have had experience in getting planks into state party platforms know that it takes long work, hard work and constant work. Let us set for ourselves the ideal of having a plank endorsing woman suffrage in every party platform in every State before 1920. Then we will get the kind of National planks we want.

HEADQUARTERS: In every headquarters in your state see that there are signs in large letters advertising the Federal Amendment. I was horrified to find that in only two states did the suffragists have adequate Federal Amendment signs even in the state headquarters! See that not only state but all local headquarters have large signs.

VOICELESS SPEECH: Do not let the use of the voiceless speech on the Federal Amendment stop with the October Amendment days. Use this voiceless speech in drug store windows, empty shop windows, and at meetings from this time on until the Amendment is passed by Congress.

CHRISTMAS: When you are doing your Christmas shopping early, remember Christmas cards for all of your congressmen. The National Committee will send them Christmas cards but you should be sure to send them Greetings from every state organization, and also from your district organizations if possible. Again I give you my testimony that the men are immensely pleased with such Greetings. This suggestion may seem insignificant to you, but more than one decision in this world has been turned by a very small act.

LETTERS: Please read immediately and carefully each letter from our committee. It is not a circular letter - it is a letter directly to you. Even though the same letter goes to every state we count upon you individually to act and respond for your own state. In other words, we must hold you responsible just as you must hold your district chairmen responsible when you send the same letter to each one of them.

I wish to make one explanation about these letters. They are addressed to state congressional chairmen but a copy is always sent to each state president for her information.

Occasionally a state president feels that it is incumbent upon her to act upon these letters. Our National committee does not expect the state presidents to act upon our letters unless there is a vacancy in the state Congressional chairmanship.

DATES: Please be sure to date your reports and every bit of data of any kind that you send to this office. I regret to say that too often important interviews and data are sent to us undated and are therefore of no use.

REPORTS: Please do not fail during the coming year to send a regular monthly report of the progress of the congressional work in your state to our committee. The report on your congressional candidates which I have asked you to send to this office by October 3 will be considered as your report for September. Thereafter, send your monthly report so that it will reach us by the 3rd of each month if possible.

The report blank sent in Mrs. Catt's letter of September 18, a copy of which you are to fill and return to this office on November 1, will serve as the main portion of your report for October. In addition I wish to ask you to include in your October report the number of district chairmen in your state, with names and addresses of each. It helps us if we know who each district chairman is, as we can bring her name into the interviews here and show that we are in touch with the local work. In case all of your district chairmen are not secured in October, please send us their names and addresses as rapidly thereafter as you can secure women who will act.

I cannot give you an exact form for each month's report at this time because the work of each month varies. I suggest, however, that you be sure to cover the work in each district by mentioning any special work done therein. That helps us more than I can tell you when we are lobbying here.

So much for the future - now for the present.

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HUGHES MEETINGS: We must cover all the meetings at which Mr. Hughes speaks in every State from now to election day. As his October itinerary will not take him into every state, we will send a special letter to you if he is to be in your state. This is just an advance notice.

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CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES: A tabulated list of the replies received by our committee from congressional candidates in your state will be sent to you by October 4, so that you can use them in connection with your October 7 Amendment Day demonstration. We shall release them here for publicity on October 7. We shall ask you not to release them for publicity before the 7th. We will send them to you before that day so that your press department can prepare the story it desires to go with them.

OCTOBER AMENDMENT DAYS: On September 18 a long circular letter was sent by Mrs. Catt from our New York office to the state presidents with regard to October Federal Amendment Days. When I asked if copies had been sent to my dear state congressional chairmen I found that they had been overlooked in the pressure of work and that the supply of letters had been exhausted. I therefore asked Mrs. Catt to send a letter to each State president telling her to forward her letter or a copy thereof to her state chairmen at once. This letter Mrs. Catt sent on September 25. I therefore hope that you have received this valuable letter of Mrs. Catt's by this time. If you have not done so, please write your state president to send it at once.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE: Miss Ruth White was appointed Secretary of our committee by Mrs. Catt last July as you may remember. Miss White returned here from Atlantic City, and will live here from now on. Miss Heloise Meyer, one of our new National officers, has also come to Washington and will reside here in order to give her whole time to the work of our committee. A number of inquiries have come to me regarding the next National congressional chairman. I wish I could tell you who she will be but I do not know! Mrs. Catt and the new Board have asked me to continue as chairman and I have consented to do so for the present, although I do not feel that I can continue through the short term. I recognize fully the weakness of having a change in the middle of a Congress but I think that you do all know that my life is not at this time my own to determine. I will do my utmost to retain the chairmanship until such time as a change can be made most expediently. October first I leave Washington for a month's rest, which is the first vacation I have had in four years, so that you will agree I ought to go. Miss White and Miss Meyer, and a little later Mrs. Walter McNab Miller, our new First Vice-President, will be here so that you may feel assured that the work will go on without a day's relaxation.

I wish to thank the many state chairmen and presidents who have done their utmost to cooperate with our committee and with me as chairman during the past year. The work here is strenuous and full of grave responsibility. Often you have made the sun shine by your faith and deeds on what would have been otherwise a gloomy day. I wish I could tell you how convinced I am that we can get the Federal Amendment through in the near future if our workers in every state will carry out comprehensively and thoroughly the plans for the coming year. After all, we cannot blame other people if we do not succeed in our job; equally we may be assured that if we do our work well, none can long delay our victory.

Yours for the best year ever,

Jessie Bradley Rossing
(Mrs. Frank M. Roessing,)

National Congressional Committee Chairman.