



Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association Records.

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Oct. 4, 1916.

My dear "Es:"

Have just opened your letter of yesterday in regard to trunk. Philpot's took the trunk from Mrs. Ramsdell's Monday afternoon so it ought to arrive in Aberdeen about today--unless it miscarries, in which case tracer will have to be put out at once. Please let me know if it does not come promptly.

I asked Philpot's to call on me at the office here for the \$1 charge for getting it down town. Will pay it out of office money and you can send it to me. As yet, I have not heard from them.

As to the storage, Mrs. Ramsdell has of course said nothing to me about that. That is like her isn't it? But of course that item is between you and her. Is it a reasonable charge she is making? I was so glad to hear, on my return from my vacation, that Mrs. McMahon had moved from that place. To me, life seems much too short to spend it in such surroundings. I neglected to say in the beginning that I had fired the American Express people Monday, just before giving Philpot's the order to bring the trunk down town. I asked that it be sent over the Wells-Fargo line so you will look for it there, rather than at the American.

Have been looking for Mrs. Brown's letter; will send same when I locate it. Mrs. Ueland did not seem to remember it.

Yours, hastily but as ever yours,

Oct. 4, 1916.

Mrs. Charles P. Moller,
Pinewood, Minn.

(copies to Crookston)
(and Fargo, No. Dak.)

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

I have a fine idea. I only hope it will seem as brilliant to you as it does to me. Mrs. A. H. Potter of Minneapolis can not do our congressional work this year and the National Association is asking so much along that line that we must have a chairman of our congressional committee, and I want you for that position. That would bring you on the Board (State Board) and you also should go out into the different congressional districts, trying to get them organized in some kind of way. We should appoint a congressional chairman in each of the congressional districts (there are ten in all, as you know)--but I can tell you all about the work and send you copies of letters from the National, after I hear from you.

What we want immediately is the best looking picture of yourself that is to be had now. We want if possible to send it out in our plate page which Mrs. Thorp is getting ready now. Please write at once and enclose your picture. I am afraid there isn't time to have a picture taken--send the best looking one you have. You might send a few prominent facts in your life, for sort of a biography if we need them.

Cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND, PRESIDENT.

DICTATED AND NOT
READ BY MRS. UELAND.

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MUNSEY BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, D. C.
October 4, 1916.

Candidates

My dear State Congressional Chairman:

I am enclosing herewith the tabulated list of replies received by our Committee from congressional candidates in your state.

We are releasing this list to the press correspondents here in Washington on October 7th. We are sending it to you a few days in advance in order that your press department can prepare any story it may desire to send out with it. Please be sure not to let any of the information it contains get to the newspapers before October 7th. You will, of course, see that it is important to save all our ammunition for the nation-wide demonstration on the First Federal Amendment Day. A copy of the list goes also to your state press chairman.

REPORT: Please do not forget to send to this office a duplicate of the report on the Federal Amendment Day demonstrations which you prepare for Mrs. Catt. This information will be of great value to our committee in our lobby work this winter, as well as in our work with members of the next Congress. Figures as to the number and size of demonstrations in each congressional district and the number of resolutions passed will be evidences of sentiment in his district which no congressman can evade.

With best wishes for the success of the demonstrations in your state,

Sincerely,

Ruth White

Secretary, National Congressional Committee.

Enclosure.
RW/M.

Replies from Congressional Candidates

Minnesota.

Answers to Questions.

<u>Name</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
- Kelly	3	Dem.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Phillips	4	Soc.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Latimer	5	Soc.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Lundeen	5	Rep.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Markve	5	Proh.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Knutsen	6	Proh.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Steenerson	9	Rep.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Swannson	9	Dem.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Thompson	9	Soc.	Yes	Yes	Yes
- Cronin	10	Dem.	Non-Com.	Non-Com.	Non-Com.
- Jepson	10	Rep.	Yes	Yes	Yes

Calderwood	Senate	Proh.	Yes	Yes	Yes
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Sherman Hotel

Aberdeen S.D. 10-9-16

My Dear Mrs. Ueland.

Further correspondence from Syracuse emphasizing their former appeal has led me to write Mrs. Brown regarding terms which, if accepted, will commit me to New York until Nov. 1917. The terms include expenses to New York and return - I have asked for a few weeks in which to draw a free breath and renovate my wardrobe. There I should like to spend with my sister in Omaha. I have wondered if for any reason I should come in to Minneapolis. I have thought too if New York is not in too much of a hurry and I go to Omaha it might be worth while for me to spend a day or two in each of my last summer towns of Pipestone, Sverre and Worthington as I go. I have letters now and then from Pipestone indicating that they are trying to keep alive the work. I think I owe Mrs. Jacquot a letter now. I wonder how poor old Stillwater is coming on. -
Huron had a strenuous week here with the Harvest Festival and more to follow in a Mass meeting

for Mrs Bryan tomorrow -

Women are "coming across" a little. The men hardly know what to make of my persistence but it is making a dent in some prejudices and ways. It almost seems as tho' we were going to win. If only we could have a painstaking count - The antis are submerging the state with their stock lies but in general there seems to be a clearer comprehension of the force behind this than in other states where I have watched its effect.

Mrs. Pyle writes me that the "Fair Play" letters are proceeding and she is sure they will all get out in time -

Just in passing I want to say that Mrs. Bryan is in the hands of the Socialists and Prohibitionists here - The Democrats - who are split in to three factions have all taken to the tall timber. I asked every man of standing among them in turn, to introduce her and they all had to be out of town - It is funny. - This town presents the most curious social and political situation I ever encountered. Must get my trimming ready for the hall tomorrow morning - With affectionate regards -
Rene E. A. Stevens.

ABERDEEN WOMEN PREPARE TO RECEIVE MRS. BRYAN

SOCIETY MAIDS AND MATRONS
TO ASSIST AT MEETING
TUESDAY EVENING

Mrs. William Jennings Bryan will speak in Aberdeen Tuesday evening on "Why Women Should be Given the Franchise in South Dakota.

Mrs. Bryan will give her address in Maccabee club hall at 315 South Main street at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Among the young society maids and matrons, who will assist at the meeting are Mrs. W. W. Bassett, Miss Carrie Crofoot, Mrs. Reese Roberts, Miss Marie Jewett, Miss Mary Meek, Mrs. George Schwieger, Mrs. A. E. Chilson and Miss Olive Taubman. The young women will act as ushers under the chairmanship of Miss Harriett Narregang.

On the platform with Mrs. Bryan will be Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Behrens, whose guest Mrs. Bryan will be during her stay in Aberdeen, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bickelhaupt, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Herreid, Mrs. Zillah Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Narregang and others.

Mrs. Bryan will be introduced by S. W. Narregang.

MRS. W. J. BRYAN

Wife of the world-famous presidential candidate and former secretary of state

WILL SPEAK IN ABERDEEN

===== ON =====

VOTES FOR WOMEN

===== AT =====

K. O. T. M. CLUB HALL

315 SOUTH MAIN STREET

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10th, 1916

AT 8:00 O'CLOCK P. M.

ADMISSION FREE

EVERYBODY WELCOME

Whether you believe in this question or not come and hear it discussed by one of the ablest and most noted women of the United States.

Vote YES on Amendment 6, Nov. 7th

HUB CITY PTG. CO.  ABERDEEN, S. D.



Hotel Crookston

W.S. LYCAN,
PROP.

Crookston, Minn. Oct 16 1916

My dear Mrs. Heland,
Reached Crookston
this evening after a trip
with Mr. Moller and found
your letter which makes
me feel very elated and
flattered and at the same
time I feel horribly
insufficient to fulfill
the duties which will
devolve upon a Congressional
Chairman. I realize that
all I am bringing to
the work is a willingness
to do what I'm told, and
would not dare to attempt
the work at all were it
not for the fact that



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W.S. LYCAN,
PROP.

Crookston, Minn. 191

I can always come to you for council and advice.

The more I think of it the less brilliant I think your idea is of placing me upon the state board. There are any number of women who are so much better fitted in every way to represent suffrage ~~in~~ the state I never felt so humble in my life as now when facing the thots of this new work. I'll let you have another



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chance, and if you're
not sorry you asked
me, I'm yours for the
job - heart, soul and
gizzard.

I have no picture
here with me but will
pose in the morning
and will have the
work rushed so ought
to be able to get a
photo to you in a
couple of days.

Cordially yours

Bertha C. Moller.

Oct. 11, 1916.

Miss Clara Baldwin, Secy.,
Minn. Public Library Commission,
The Capitol, - Saint Paul.

My dear Miss Baldwin:-

We are sending you under separate cover this afternoon, ten sets of pamphlets on Child Labor, thirteen different pamphlets or leaflets in each set. We have thought you would like to include these in the free traveling libraries which you were so kind as to make up for us in the summer dealing with the question of woman suffrage. The subjects are closely connected and many of our people have shown interest in this subject--Child Labor. Will you not put these ten sets in as many of the libraries, and if you can make use of more, we will send others, perhaps ten or twelve more sets.

We know of only three requests the suffrage clubs thruout the state sent you last August and September for the library and are wondering if there are other requests which you have received and complied with. Do you keep record of the ones that go out, so that you could give it to us with little trouble? And could you have one of your secretaries or clerks make out for us the complete list of the material the libraries contain? I ask this because our Organization Chairman, Mrs. Milton D. Purdy, wishes to make up a study outline based on the free traveling library. I hope that you can favor us in this.

Yours very sincerely,
MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION,

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Sherman Hotel

Aberdeen. Oct 12-16

My Dear Mrs. Froendle -

Please pardon my delay in
acknowledging receipt of check for \$37.50.
I have been almost submerged with Harvest
Festival, Foot Ball game, and mass meet-
ing for Mrs. Bryson - Now it's a
Men's League - but some progress
is made so the founts of hope do not
run dry - Hoping that the work in Minn-
neapolis goes steadily and encouragingly for-
ward

Sincerely Rene E. H. Stevens.

40 Crookston Hotel
Crookston Oct. 12. [916]
[1]

My dear Mrs. Ueland:-

I am sending
by tonight's mail
four pictures of myself
as per your and Mrs.
Thorp's request. I trust
they will be "useable"
and not arrive too
late. I paid for
them (\$4.00) and
can this be counted
in as part pay-

ment of my pledge? [2]

Tomorrow I am
going to see what
can be done to
observe Federal Amend-
ment day here and
will write you in
the evening about
my success. If it
promises to be a big
thing we'll want some
good speaker from
the city don't you
think? Cordially
Bertha C. Moller.

Oct. 15, 1916

Mrs. Andreas Heland
Minneapolis.

My dear Mrs. Heland:

We expect to entertain the
7th District - Federation of Women's
Clubs here, next - May 16th & 17th.

What speakers, ^{on Suffrage} have you
available for that time
and what expense would
there be in connection with
them.

Thanking you in advance
for reply, I am

Yours Cordially,

Mrs C. R. DeField
Local Chairman

Benson Minn

Oct. 15, 1916.

Reason
Education



Hotel Crookston

W.S. LYCAN,
PROP.

Crookston, Minn. Oct. 15 1916.

My dear Mrs. Ueland

Plans are well under way for a good meeting here Saturday but we must have a good suffrage speakers to come up. The women here are very anxious to have you come. Do you think you could? I hardly dare hope as I know you'll be busy in Mpls that day. At any rate, send someone and let me know at once whom it will be so I can begin advertising.



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W.S. LYCAN,
PROP.

Crookston, Minn. 191

I have some of the leading women on my committee a charming & popular woman to read the "Protest." and women who will help with the voiceless speech and the leading minister here as chairman in case I can't secure a Mr. Loring tomorrow. But ~~they~~^{they} all hold up their hands in horror when I suggest speech to them. and I can't do it alone in fact I don't want to speak at all if I can help it. So unless some



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PROP.

Crookston, Minn.

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one
I can come up here for
the principal part of the
program it will be like
"Hamlet" with Hamlet
left out. I am feeling
quite shaky about
attempting this - the
first thing I've tried
to do alone. However,
I'm promising an
audience to whoever
comes.

Will you please send me The Voiceless Speech, maps of U.S. & N.A. the 6 arguments by Mrs Livermore, a few banners and pennants



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also some of the paper
pennants for window
trimming and I'll
try to decorate the
towers a little for the
occasion.

I'm anxiously awaiting
your reply.

Cordially
Bertha C. Moller.

[post Oct. 15, 1916]

LIST OF THINGS SENT TO CROCKSTON

Long strip--"Votes for Women, Eventually, Why not now?" —
Large U.S. Map (muslin back)
small paper pennants

BANNERS:

"Women vote in Norway, Finland, - - - - - —
"Shall Minnesota Block the Path of Progress" —
"All this comes of teaching Girls to Read." —
"We believe in equal suffrage because we believe in democracy!" —

Large North American map poster (not muslin back) —
Political Voiceless speech
Literature
Enrollment blanks. } These last two please do not return.

N.B. We had none of the paper pennants 8" x 18" left after State Fair.

You had best keep the North America map if you can use it in your talks and in your work generally.

REPLIES RECEIVED FROM CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES TO THE
SECOND CIRCULAR LETTER SENT OUT BY THE
NATIONAL CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.

October 9, 1916.

October 18, 1916.

MINNESOTA.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Party</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Bowler	5th	Dem.	Yes	Noncommittal ^{no}	Noncommittal ^{no}
Knutsen	6th	Prohi.	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lobeck	7th	Prohi.	Yes	Yes	Yes

The second letter was sent to all candidates who failed to reply to
our first letter sent in August.

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Oct 18" - 16

Mrs. Andrew Heland
Minneapolis - Minn -

My Dear Mrs. Ueland.

A letter from Mrs. Raymond Brown tells me that if I am to come into the N. Y. Campaign it is most important that I be there for the State Convention at Albany beginning Nov. 20th. This means of course that I could not do any picking up of funds in South Western Minnesota ~~after~~ before going. It takes the best part of three days to make the journey and my wardrobe must be regenerated as it now ^{is} almost a thing of disgrace. Mrs. Brown wishes me too, to be definite as to the point ^{from} ~~at~~ which New York is to assume responsibility for my traveling expenses. I had hoped to go to Omaha for a rest but it seems that is out of the question. In trying to think it over in the midst of a multiplicity of pressing details it seems perhaps best to go straight on to New York from here and to take the week ^{remain} ~~inter-~~ing before the Convention for rest and my own ~~use~~ there. I do not know whether South

Dakota was expected to return me (that is bear the expense) to Minneapolis or not - Do you want me, for any reason, to come to Minneapolis before going to N.Y.? I am writing Mrs. Brown that if I am released by Minnesota, here on the 7th, New York's responsibility with regard to Transportation will begin at Aberdeen but if I am to go in to Minneapolis it will begin at that point. Does this statement meet with your approval?

There is much more respite coming to my efforts here than a few weeks ago - but the continued strain of carrying the whole responsibility and never knowing how any particular effort is going to turn out is making inroads on my nerve reserve - I fear South Dakota will always be one awful memory to me. It is said on every side that the indications for victory are brighter than in any previous campaign but this is one of the dark spots. Just now I am making herculean effort to bring to completion a ^{League} ~~League~~ ^{organization} of Mrs. DeVoe to come and nail it down Friday night. Mrs. Bryan's meeting was a splendid success and helped us much -

Mrs. Miller was fine but no time for adequate publicity - I miss very much not hearing how every thing is going at the Minneapolis Adpts -

Love to you all

Very Sincerely
Reverend E. H. Stevens.

Oct. 20, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Mrs. Thorp, our press chairman, would like to have another set of your pictures, one each of the four views. Will you kindly order them printed and sent to us.

Also, will you please write out some data about yourself, something about your early life, how you came to be a suffragist, etc. etc. Don't leave anything that could possibly prove of interest to any one, even though it may seem commonplace to you. Mrs. Thorp is the best judge of what will be most effective and she will re-write it and do any "cutting" necessary. We want to make a stencil to have ready to send out upon occasions.

I wrote you last evening, I believe, about the bill for the photographs, that is that Mrs. Ueland would prefer that you pay the charges and send bill on to us who will then reimburse you. Now that you are to be a member of the Executive Board, I must know where I can reach you with notice of the board meetings, which regularly are held the first Saturday of each month, as you may know, alternating between Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

Yours very sincerely,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION,

Secy.

Oct. 20, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

I do not recall, nor find record in letter file, that I have written you about the standing of the 9th district candidates. As you no doubt know, they are

Halvor Steenerson, Rep.
Carl E. Swanson, Dem.
T. A. Thompson, Socialist.

Letters have been sent to these candidates asking, 1. Are you in favor of woman suffrage? 2. If elected, will you vote in Congress to submit to the states a Federal Amendment to enfranchise the women of this country? 3/ If appointed on a committee in whose jurisdiction such an amendment should fall, will you do all in your power to expedite the passage of such a measure?

The three candidates from your district have answered all three questions in the affirmative, but we want to send them report of the meeting held, with copy of the resolution, in order to show all the sentiment possible existing in their district for the Federal Woman Suffrage Amendment.

Yours sincerely,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION
by E D B

NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

171 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK

October 20, 1916.

To the Presidents of State Auxiliaries:

Owing to the lack of time for more discussion at Atlantic City, the details of several items of the constructive policy adopted were left unsettled. Under the circumstances, the most practical and time-saving plan seems to be to issue instructions from our National Headquarters for the next few months as though these details had been agreed to, in the hope that each state will do its utmost to carry them out. At the spring convention we must make time to discuss and adopt the details as well as the general plan for the year to follow.

LITERATURE - Although the platform of work adopted at Atlantic City included "A nationalized scheme of education through literature," and we had in hand a complete scheme for the year, as worked out by Mrs. Livermore, there was no opportunity to present it. The plan was as follows:

- January: Circularization of the entire political machine in each state.
- February: Circularization of as large a part of the rural vote as possible.
- March: Circularization of Catholic clergy and laity.
- April: Circularization of Protestant clergy, by way of preparation for Mothers' Day sermons.
- May: Circularization of business men.

The Literature Committee is hard at work upon the leaflets to be used for these purposes and as soon as figures can be quoted full information will be given you.

The most important class to convert is the politicians. They should be circularized at least twice EACH year in EVERY state until the vote is won. I enclose a booklet which we have prepared for South Dakota. It will be enclosed in a government stamped envelope (one cent stamp) upon which is printed in large type "Fair Play - that's all." No clue is given on the outside that it comes from suffragists. It will be mailed to 100,000 voters. We suggest it for the January political circularization, revised, of course, so as to be national in scope. If orders for 100,000 copies come in at once, we can use some of the standing type and furnish the booklets at \$5 per 1000. The government envelopes can be had at local post offices at \$11.24 per thousand and the total cost will therefore be \$16.24 per thousand, plus the cost of printing some curiosity awakening slogan on the envelope, which we strongly advise doing. Those states which desire several thousands could have their own imprint and could substitute paragraphs of local significance by paying extra for the additional work involved.

These booklets should be mailed:

- (1) To the State Central Committees of all political parties;
- (2) To all members of the Legislature;
- (3) To all judges of Courts;
- (4) To all County political officers;
- (5) To all County party Committees;
- (6) To all township, ward and precinct party chairmen.

The number of men in these combined lists, after eliminating duplicates, will vary from 1000 for such a state as Arkansas to 20,000 for such a state as New York. As this persistent constructive kind of education is bound to pay in the long run, we advise those states which are financially able to do so to circularize other classes of voters with this booklet.

Although this circularization is assigned to January, the booklets should be mailed to Legislators in December. The revised booklet under national imprint will recommend the Federal Amendment, but if enough demand for the booklet is sent in from those states which prefer straight propaganda, we will print an edition with that part eliminated.

These booklets cannot be ordered after November 15th. Will you kindly order at once; we will revise, print and ship booklets as soon as possible and will allow you until January 1st to pay the bill.

THE LISTS - All of these lists can be obtained from the Party Central Committees, but to obtain the lists through those Committees, the right person must ask the right man for them.

OTHER LITERATURE - February: The lists of registered voters can be obtained in each county but as such lists are probably in the hands of State party Committees now, a friendly suffragist would lend them after election and save the trouble of slow collection. We suggest a Congressional leaflet which will cost from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per thousand and will be enclosed in envelope and franked. As it takes a long time to get printing from the government office, we should order them early. For a February circularization, the leaflets should be in your hands not later than January 15th. I advise placing the order for the Shafroth speech with the addition of some further matter which at our request he read into the record. We cannot place an order without knowing how many. We earnestly urge you to decide how many you will take. The National will pay for them (they must be paid for in advance) and will allow you until January 15th to reimburse the National treasurer. March and April: We suggest a letter specially prepared by each state, mailed in a two cent envelope, and enclosing leaflets now being prepared. Each envelope including stamp, stationery and literature would probably cost five cents or \$50 per thousand. There will be from 1000 for each class to 5000 and even more in the most populous Eastern states. May: We are unable at this date to quote prices of the circularization of business men. They are repeatedly circularized where suffrage is active by opponents with various statements alleging that business interests suffer where women vote. We are trying to answer all these charges. This circularization, you will readily see, is the fundamental way to convince and convert and make ready. If you haven't the money, it should be included in a money-raising campaign at once.

DEMONSTRATIONS - On a separate sheet you will find instructions for the November Demonstration. In a previous letter it was suggested that the Demonstrations for December and January be money raising affairs, but some of the Presidents have objected upon the ground that Christmas would interfere with money raising in December and that January is an equally bad month as people are recovering from their Christmas extravagances. We will therefore substitute a simple, easy, unimportant thing for December, but if any state is ready for money raising in November or December, we entreat you not to wait. In January

we must go after our Million Dollar Fund without fail. Directions for December and January will follow soon. For February we wish to concentrate all our forces upon special editions of newspapers throughout the country. Our plan is so simple that it can be carried out without the usual exhaustive methods and our aim is one special edition in every county in each state! Directions will follow.

EFFICIENCY SQUAD - We shall be prepared by January 1st to provide the services of an Efficiency Squad either in a group or singly. It will consist of:

(1) Dr. Effie McCullom Jones, Field Director, who will assist in planning and carrying out a money-raising campaign. Or, if preferred she will inspect the form of organization, advise how it is to be transformed into more modern and effective form. Where desired she can supervise the transformation. Not less than a month should be assigned to a thorough money-raising campaign, and not less than two months to an organizing campaign.

(2) Mrs. Rose Geyer, Press Director, who will establish an efficient press bureau or inspect one now in operation, note its weaknesses and bring it up to the standard.

(3) Mrs. Florence Maule Updegraff, Field Director, will undertake the above organization work where Dr. Jones is wanted for money-raising campaign.

(4) Miss Alice Curtis, Headquarters Director.

Those states which desire to put themselves in order for campaign will do well to call this squad to its assistance.

Miss Curtis should first spend about two weeks in getting the Headquarters in order to efficiently care for the campaign and in the event the state has no trained headquarters' worker, she should remain through the following month. The other three should then come on and plan for their three departments. With a competent person ready for the press work, Mrs. Geyer need not stay longer than two weeks. Dr. Jones should remain a month and Mrs. Updegraff one or two months. As many organizers in the field as possible under her direction should be provided. In two months, properly managed, your organization will have quadrupled and the cause be the chief topic of conversation. Entertainment must be provided. The cost for all four - Miss Curtis, 6 weeks; Mrs. Updegraff, two months; Dr. Jones, one month; Mrs. Geyer, two weeks, would be about \$1000. The cost of six extra paid organizers for two months would be about \$1800. All receipts from meetings would apply upon the cost and the outlay should not only be returned but a fund for future work raised. What state applies first to make itself the noble leader in a better efficiency campaign?

SUFFRAGE SCHOOLS - We propose to charge all students \$5 for two weeks learning, \$3 for one week, and 25¢ for admission to a single session. It will be necessary to guarantee 100 students. It will be necessary to provide a place for the school and we may find it necessary to ask entertainment for some

of the instructors. The instructors will consist of -

(1) A manager and an instructor of organization; (2) A teacher of public speaking; (3) A teacher of suffrage history and argument; (4) A teacher of press and publicity for one week. Instruction will also be given in parliamentary law and money raising. We shall endeavor to have all the instructors experts in their respective departments.

When the places are decided upon, we shall print an announcement leaflet which will be provided free for those who arrange for the school. The school will close with a public meeting to be largely arranged by the students. I should like to learn what states desire to entertain a school before making the itinerary. It will be necessary to hear from you soon. My prescription for any state which is ambitious for a campaign is (1) strict adherence to the suggestions for circularization; (2) the efficiency squad for two months followed by (3) a national suffrage school.

A BIT OF ADVICE - From three states I have chanced to learn that instruction concerning the October demonstrations did not get through the local workers. It is absolutely necessary for each state to have some process of duplication in its working office and instructions for each monthly demonstration based upon national suggestion, but with such additions or variations as may apply to local conditions, should be prepared and sent out promptly together with blank for return report. A delicate situation often arises when a County Chairman insists upon taking the responsibility of passing instructions on, yet does not do so. If she does not make suitable reports, I think the good of the work demands that you go over her head next time, direct to the locals. You may well explain that instructions came to you tardily for October. So they did; but there was a limited time after the convention, and hereafter we shall have the instructions in your hands in ample time.

REPORTS - Attached to each Demonstration sheet will be a report blank upon which we ask you to return the report of your state after the demonstration to which it refers. These reports will not get lost if you file them with the letters of instructions from the National Headquarters.

REPORT PARTY PLANKS - Will you kindly fill in the report on Party Planks on enclosed blanks.

NATIONAL BOARD - The National Board will meet on November 7 & 8 in New York. Among other business it will decide when and where the next convention will be held. We have written those states presenting invitations to learn what advantages their states can offer. Invitations were presented by New York, Detroit, St. Louis, Little Rock or Hot Springs, Arkansas, Dallas, Indianapolis and Chicago.

If your state has any preference will you let me know before November 7th?

Most cordially,

CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT

President

Enclosure No. 1
Program

Minnie W. S. Allen
NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION
171 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY
403 E. 12th St. N.Y.C.

September 15, 1916.

Suggestions
PROGRAM FOR FEDERAL AMENDMENT DAYS

Oct 21, 1916

Music by Band for half-hour preceding regular program if possible.

Call to Order by Chairman.
"America" sung by audience.

1. VOICELESS SPEECH. SPEAKER shows Political Voiceless Speech (price 75 cents) and turns leaves without comment. It contains all the suffrage planks and quotations from President Wilson and candidate Hughes. At the end show map of North America and explain that in all white territory women vote on same terms as men. ~~(The allusions to George the Third and George the Fifth sent out with our convention call might be made with good effect.)~~ Speech 10 minutes.
2. SPEAKER NO. 2 shows suffrage map of United States (price 15 cents). A leaflet by Mrs. H. W. Livermore gives six arguments from the map. An easy and effective speech, 20 minutes (or less).
3. SPEAKER NO. 3 must have forceful delivery and good voice. Reads "The Woman's Protest." ~~Copy to be sent later to all State Presidents.~~ 10 minutes.
4. SPEAKER NO. 4. Best speaker obtainable who will give a ten minutes argument for woman suffrage; and ten minutes to an argument for getting it by the Federal Amendment - 20 minutes. Speaker closes with resolution and vote must be put to the audience. 10 minutes.
5. Announcement by Speaker #4 or by Chairman as to the attitude of all candidates for Congress in district in which the meeting is held and of candidates for United States Senate (if any) upon woman suffrage per se and upon the Federal Amendment Appeal to the voters to aid in persuading the candidates most likely to be elected to espouse the Amendment; and if the candidate each voter most desired to see elected will not do so, urge him to choose a candidate favorable. 10 or 20 minutes.
6. COLLECTION. To be used exclusively within the state for the Federal Amendment campaign and to be counted on the Million Dollar Fund. 10 minutes.
7. TABLEAU. Emancipation. Photograph and directions upon application (25 cents). ~~These will probably not be ready in time to organize the tableau for October 7th, but should be made the feature of the October 21st demonstration. Reader of Protest might stand before the tableau and read if preferred.~~

Where two meetings are held, use for first meeting - No. 1 (Voiceless Speech and Map North America); No. 2 (Map United States of America); No. 3 (Protest); No. 4 (Original Speech with resolution); No. 5 (Attitude of Candidates); No. 6 (Collection). Begin and close with music if possible. Distribute the new Federal Amendment leaflet provided for the purpose.

Use lanterns, flags and yellow bunting for decorations to make the scene attractive. Get as many automobiles as possible and after decorating each one, drive in a procession through the town disbanding at place of meeting.

Send or deliver in person to candidates resolution passed.
For second meeting open and close with music, if possible; decorate gaily; employ the automobile parade as before. Use No. 7 (Tableau); repeat No. 4 (with different speaker or same speaker with different speech); repeat No. 5 with latest information concerning attitude of congressional candidates and make the same appeal as before; repeat collection and distribution of literature; *Send or deliver in person to candidates the resolution passed.*

Order

20,000 Fed. Amend. leaflets

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1000 Mrs. Sivermore's leaflet

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Sherman Hotel

Aberdeen S.D. 10/22-16.

Dear E.D.,

Your note and the press sheet received and I have written Mrs. Brown what will be the cost of getting me to Syracuse. - If it proves to be more than she thinks I'm worth (you know it will be fully \$50.00 and I stipulate return to Omaha or Minneapolis) I hope you will let me stay in Minnesota. -

The press sheet is great but I am sorry that cut does not flatter me more. - There seems to be just something lacking in the smile that leaves me looking as tho I had a dark brown taste in my mouth. But no matter. - Just the aftermath of Iowa, perhaps. Our Mens Club organized with a bang and the best men in town as officers. Looks as though they might really help.

Lucy Price is here next Thursday evening it seems always to be my luck to draw her in my train. -

Mrs. Devo was with me yesterday and day before (for the Mens League) and she says Mrs. Pyle has her work on circularizing ahead of the supply of circulars - none have come up here as yet. -

We are going to be a little dull here in the Northern tier, suffrage by speaking. So far as I know I am not to have another speaker of importance. Just keep on doing drudgery -

The Prohibitionists - that is the State Anti-Saloon League in the State is putting up some Campaign here - This County I am told has put up one fourth of the entire fund for the state - in figures - \$10,000. This is the chief reason we can raise no money for suffrage. But now at the last the campaign Supt. says all prohibition speakers are instructed to boast for suffrage and that will help here because there is a majority of dry sentiment.

Clarence D. Darrow spoke here for the wets last night - He is reputed to be a very brilliant man but he had a hard time trying to say something last night. He talked about everything but the advantage of saloons to society. He even said that alcohol was no help to the human system. His only plea was that of freedom of choice - He put up a pretty good talk for the poor - that is regarding real cause of poverty, and arraigned the prohibitionists for not telling real causes. No crowd to hear him and mighty inferior quality at that.

Youngdahl of Minneapolis is to speak before a Union of the Churches at the Opera House here Sunday am. last before election. He is said to be great and will include suffrage tho' he comes for the Dregs. Is he one of the stand-bys for suffrage in Minneapolis?

If he isn't get him - for according to reports here he is powerful.

A committee of women are on the trail of the ministers for suffrage sermons but we have no special literature to give them. In fact I have not anything along the church side of the question like Christian Citizenship or Julia Ward Howe's questionnaire.

Will you slip one of those study courses of Florence Bennett Petersens in to an envelope and send it by return mail - I seem to have not any - and there is a reference one if I want to use much -

Was your Saturday demonstration a satisfying one? I know it was well directed -

I've been writing to precinct workers(?) and must resume. If they'd work we could win this Co.

Love to you all

Re.



Hotel Crookston

W.S. LYCAN,
PROP.

Crookston, Minn. Oct. 22 1916.

Dear fellow suffragists at headquarters;-

Well, it's all over but not quite time to shout. There may be a suffrage organization completed here this week. Then I know you'll join with me in one big Hip! Hip! Hurrah!!!

Miss Monahan came and gave two of the finest talks imaginable here and at Fosstown. I've seen some of those present last evening and they were immensely pleased with her and



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PROP.

Crookston, Minn.

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the people of Crookston feel that they really had a treat. The city hall was full - about 200 or 250 of the very best people here, which, I think, is pretty good when you consider that there was a big counter-attraction - a real road show "It Pays To Advertise" and a real show only comes to Crookston once in an age, so the people are hungry to see one. I want to thank you for the splendid co-oper-



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ation I have received from Headquarters. I put the banners up in the windows of the dry goods stores at once so the place assumed a real suffrage air the last part of the week.

I was slightly handicapped in advertising Miss Monahan as she has had no mention in the twin city papers and no matter at headquarters. You know how these people in a place like this are - they want to shine



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in the reflected glory of someone they read about in the city dailies. The women were slightly dissapointed at first as they wanted a well known person but after last evening I know they feel as if they have had their "money's worth."

Miss Morahan will undoubtedly be up at headquarters and give you the details of the meetings and in a day or two I'll send in clippings of the



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will be most thankfully received. I have never organized a club of any kind so this is absolutely new to me. However with a ready made constitution I'll try to put it over.

Tell Mrs. Thorp I'll send her the story of my life and the extra pictures in a day or two.

There are so many things I want to write about but am tired so I'm going to a Sunday evening vaudeville for a change. Cordially
(Mrs Chas F. Moller) Bertha C. Moller.

[4]
The account of the meeting was
put in before I arrived on the
scene this morning - the Lin. sure-
oil hair gotten front page. space-
as I did for most of the other
articles.

The organization meeting is set
for Thur. Please remember me
in your prayers until then as
this is my first attempt.

Cordially

Bertha C. Moller

Crookston Oct. 23-16

Minnesota Woman's Suffrage
Association.

I am enclosing bill
for my expenses in
connection with my
suffrage work. It was
Mrs. Stevens's suggestion
that I charge up my
fare from Aberdeen to
the Minn. Assn., as the
S. Dak. people were so
frightfully poor and my
experience gained there.

wer, I've had to eat upstove
fence the Crookston meals on
my bill.

As soon as I receive your
check I will return the \$20
remaining on my pledge.

You'll find enclosed clippings
from the Crookston Daily Times

Also secured good publicity in
the Press, a bi-weekly paper, but
can't get the account of the meeting
until Wed. morning.

[3]

would be to the benefit
of the Minn. Assn. It's a
big question as to what
benefit you'll derive from
my work there, but any
way I followed Mrs Stevens
suggestion + did not
charge up my fare back
home to the S. Dak. Assn.

[2]

Here in Crookston I've
been fortunate enough
to have a brother with
whom I've been staying
while getting up last
weeks meetings. When
I've been busiest, how-

Oct. 26, 1916.

Mrs. C. L. Scofield,
Benson, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Scofield:-

We shall be very glad indeed to send you a suffrage speaker May 16th and 17th. We think these Federation meetings are most important and we want to cover them in the best possible way. I should like very much to come myself as I really want to reach the Federation women and I see no reason now why I cannot come, if you will accept me.

If for any reason I cannot come, probably Mrs. David F. Simpson, who is one of the best speakers in the country, will.

You ask about the expenses: if you can pay something toward traveling expenses we shall be very grateful. There will be no other expense. If you are not able to meet that, we want to come anyway.

Yours very sincerely,

STATE PRESIDENT.

CU:B

Oct. 26, 1916.

Mrs. Charles P. Moller,
Crockston, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

I am so pleased that you got up two such successful meetings in Crockston and Fosston. You do not know how thankful we are that we have found you. We think you are fine! I know you will find the congressional work splendid opportunity for service. I want to tell you all about it. We have some splendid letters here from Mrs. Roessing telling us what is to be done. If you are not to be in Minneapolis before long, I will have Mrs. Briggs make copies of them and send to you. They want us to appoint a chairman in each of the different congressional districts at once and we shall want your help in that. It is comparatively easy to find some one in the

4th District--	Ramsey Co.
5th	" Hennepin Co.
10th	" part of Hennepin and others,

and I believe that Mrs. Peter Olesen of Cloquet would be a good one for the 8th District around Duluth. As to the others, we will have to talk about that with you and Mrs. McMahon. I am quite eager to begin that end of the work as almost nothing has been done by our association in that direction and it is certainly one of the most important, if not the most important, branch of our work.

Cordially yours,

CU:B

STATE PRESIDENT.

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Men's Equal Suffrage League

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Sherman Hotel -
 Oct. 28 - '16

Dear E.D.

The study outline your letter and check duly and gratefully received - I can't buy any thing here and they trust me for my board so I have been in great need -

I want to ask if you know where Mrs. Moeller is and how she can be reached by letter or telegram? The matter is the return of a check for \$10.00 (she gave the hotel here) - with the information "no funds" -

When she was leaving - while we were at the station - she remarked that she wished she had not given them the check for while she had asked Mr. Moeller to place money at the bank (Bemidji) to her credit she had not heard in reply and so was not sure he had received her letter and done so. This was the first of Sept. and the hotel has been trying ever since to get in touch with her. They did not speak to me until a week or so ago and I gave her address as I had it - Pinebrook - Minn. Heard from her since at Crookston in which letter she said they were going Detroit and some other points I've forgotten - and a business & pleasure

trip combined - She will be very much cut
up I know at all this hunting after her, and
the non payment of the check. But as
the time draws near for my departure
the young man who is held responsible for ac-
cepting the check grows uneasy - So I am
trying to help him get in touch with her
and will write if I can learn her address.
Aunt Elsie here for a street meeting to-
night and a few million things to do
before she arrives -

Love to you all -
Re -

Tell "Vivie" that the Pipestone mothers are
anxious if possible to get back the pictures
of their daughters, that went up for news
purpose in connection with Conference.
Can she dig them up?

Oct. 28, 1916.

AN APPEAL TO THE LEGISLATURE.

To the Governor and Members of the Minnesota Legislature:

The government of Minnesota and of other states recognizing the value and importance of the franchise to its Citizens, have thought it wise and just to call a special session of the Legislature in order to enact a law permitting the soldiers on the Mexican border to vote.

Agreeing in the belief that the franchise is of the utmost importance and that no citizen should be deprived of this privilege unnecessarily, we a Committee of women representing thousands of women Citizens of Minnesota wish to call your attention to the injustice of continuously withholding the franchise from the women of the State.

Disfranchisement is one of the penalties meted out to criminals. Those who are guilty of treason and bribery, the most serious crimes against the State are disfranchised.

The mentally defective are not allowed to vote. Minors are placed in the group of the unenfranchised, until at 21, they have attained their intellectual growth.

Aliens become voting citizens when they have lived in the State for five years.

We declare that it is an injustice and an indignity for the women of Minnesota to be treated in the same way as those who are morally unfit or mentally defective or undeveloped.

The home, the woman citizen's especial sphere, is the foundation of our Republic. The school maintained in large part by women citizens is the conservator of a self-governing nation, and the church is supported and upheld in large measure by women citizens. Without these the state could not endure. We declare that to be an unsound policy that does not give to those upon whom the home, the school and the church depends, a voice in government. We declare that a government that guards so carefully the rights and privileges of the citizens on the border should be equally solicitous to do justice to its women.

We appeal to the Legislature of Minnesota to do all in its power to right this wrong and to give to the women of the state the share in Government to which their services entitle them.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland
Mrs. David F. Simpson
Mrs. H. G. Harrison
Dr. Ethel Hurd

Mrs. C. J. Holman
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on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Minneapolis, Oct. 30, 1916.

Mrs. Charles P. Moller,
Pinewood, Minn.

Letter from Mrs. Stevens advises your check given to hotel at
Aberdeen is being held while they try to get in touch with
you Better take care of this before you leave for east
~~We would also love to have your check for balance of pledge~~
~~from you go~~

Edith D. Briggs.

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Dear Friends:

I want to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 6 with \$2.00 in stamps enclosed to pay for a subscription to the Woman's Journal for Miss Mary Murphy, 74 Spruce Place, Minneapolis and one for Mrs. J. D. Donahue, 914 - 6th Street, 3 Minneapolis.

These subscriptions have been entered on our list for one year from October 21. Thank you very much for sending them to us.

Yours sincerely,

Marie Spink
Circulation Manager.

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[Nov, 1916?]

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My Dear Friend:—

Under separate cover we are sending you material which we believe you will find useful in your work. Page 21, Article 2, of the State Course of Study, suggests debates as a part of the work in English. Could you not use a Suffrage debate? Then on page 70 (history), "Voters of England" and page 86, "Topics of Special Interest" might well include Suffrage. If you should like additional material we will be glad to send it.

You will also find enclosed an invitation to a lecture and tea given at our headquarters Saturday, November 25th, at 2:30 P. M. We hope to see you then, but remember you are always welcome whether we have a special program or not. We hope, however, that you will come Saturday, because we especially want to honor Miss Maria Sanford with a large audience.

Do we want to know your views on Suffrage? Yes, we would like to, but that is not our purpose in writing this letter. We want to give you the best information on what you and I know is one of the great public questions of the day. We also would like to have you know the hopes, ideals, and aspirations of the great body of thinking women numbered in our ranks. Miss Maria Sanford is most representative, and in that she is one of our greatest educators, we feel that she is the one woman to present those views to you.

Hoping that we may be of some service to you in the future, we are,

Yours very sincerely,

HENNEPIN COUNTY SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION,

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President.

MRS. MILTON D. PURDY,
Chairman of the Organization Committee.

HILDA HUMPFNER,
Leader, Thirty-sixth Legislative District.

Nov. , 1916.

My dear Mrs.-----,

It will give us great pleasure to have you serve as hostess at our Convention luncheon held at Hotel Radisson Tuesday, Dec. 5 at one o'clock.

It will add greatly to the interest of the occasion, we think, to have as hostesses some of our prominent women who are suffragists. Mrs. Nellie McClung of Alberta will be our guest of honor.

Some suggestions that have been made as to methods of helping the attendance and interest are:

1. The hostess may persuade members of her club or a group of friends or neighbors to form a party.
2. She may invite a number of friends to go as her guests.
3. She may act as one of the hostesses at the table of out-of-town delegates.

None of these things are to be considered as obligations.

May we ask for a prompt reply and if you wish to arrange for a party, please notify Miss Aimee Fisher at Suffrage Headquarters and places will be reserved.

If you are willing we should like to use information about such parties as are planned for in our Press work. Tickets for the luncheon are \$1.00.

Cordially yours,

Isabel Troendle,

Mabel Fullerton,

Mary Fulton.

Committee.

Nov. 1, 1916.

Mr. J. C. Simpson, Secy.,
State Argicultural Society,
Hamline, Minnesota.

My dear Sir:-

The Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association wishes to erect this year a permanent building of its own on the State Fair Grounds. We would like to have you advise what are the regulations and details, when the ground can be gone over with someone from the State Fair Committee or whoever has this in charge, and whether we may make choice of location, etc.

If you will take this up at your next board meeting and let us hear from you at once, we will much appreciate it.

Yours very truly,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION,

Secy.

At request of Mrs. J. C. Simpson

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Pinewood, Minn
Nov. 1, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Briggs - Your
night letter just came and
I'm quite concerned. Every
check given the Sherman
Hotel, Aberdeen were returned
to me by my bank the first
part of Sept, paid. Every stub
in my check book is accounted
for. Furthermore, the hotel
has my forwarding order
and my husbands business
address (given when I cashed my
first check) but I have had no word
from them in regard to this matter.
I know Mr. Moller has had no
communication from them, or he
would have mentioned it to me
quite emphatically. Anything

like that would make him
furious.

I'm writing both Mrs. Stevens
and the Hotel to find out what
it's all about. Sincerely

Bertha C. Moller.

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Shuman Hotel

Aberdeen

11/1-16

My Dear E. D.-

Thank you very much for your efforts to land
Mrs. Moller - It would be a solar plexus to the type
"suffergette" in this community and especially
in this house ^{if she did not materialize} - It is terribly wet and anti-
but I have to stay here because there are no board-
ing houses and all the hotels are under the
same directorate - Do you know I'd just
like to come here and stay until the spirit
of the place was reconstructed - I have
never encountered anything like it - Wish
I had time to tell you - but everything social
(in larger sense of word) so far as the women are
concerned is in a disintegrated state - They
can't work together because they have the tra-
dition and inheritance of immemorial cliques
In this particular County the men are simply
obsessed with the "Dry" bug. (Not but what it's
all right and I hope they win) I am told by

one of them who knows, that this county has put
up one fourth of the entire dry campaign fund for
the entire state - that is why we can't get any
money for suffrage - Ar. Groton, for example
the dries got \$2,300 - we got the promise of \$12³⁸
and haven't been able to collect quite all of that.
Well, now on top off all this when I've come
here and worked, until I see black all the time -
and got a little sign of suffrage life started
The News comes out with an editorial that
"such intensive work for suffrage is being done"
that there is danger of prohibition being push-
ed to second place and the Dry speakers
are cautioned not to speak for suffrage and
when Father Cleary of Minneapolis spoke here
Monday evening the chairman who claims
to be a suffragist and did give \$500 to the
men's league would ^{not} let Judge Whiting's
address for to night be announced!
The Democratic rallies would let us announce
Mrs Bryan's coming and no Democrat had the cour-
age to introduce her - Aint it H-L!

But what I started to write you for, really was to say that serious-
ly, I don't know but New York will learn me here. I asked them
to return me after the campaign but they seem
to think I ought to ^{want to} walk back - I shant know probably
before Monday what their final decision is. Do you ever
hear from Al? I don't - I must hurry now to the men's meeting
they are doing it all themselves - That's why I can write this long letter before
love to all Re -

Nov. 3, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Enclosed please find check for salary in full. Our White Elephant Sale is on and that is why we are all getting our money so promptly after the first. Proceeds of the sale were about \$1000 the first day, Wednesday, about \$500 yesterday and they think a little better than \$500 today. We have had mobs of people surging thru the store since it was first opened, and as it is a small place there is little room to spare. We copied after Chicago and can hardly copy their figures, I think. Was it \$20,000 they made at their sale? Seems to me that is sum Mrs. Ueland mentioned.

A letter from Mrs. Moller says she is writing you and the Hotel about the check. Seems there must be a mistake somewhere for she states all her checks are back. Well, I hope they get it straightened out without more delay.. Mrs. Moller was much concerned when she got my night letter. The hotel need not have worried for we would have paid any honest debt for Mrs. Moller had she gotten away before receiving word.

Yours sincerely,

Nov. 7, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens,

The New York people are evidently still considering the question of your expenses from Aberdeen to New York and back to Omaha before finally closing their contract with you, because they have written to us again about you.

I have little doubt but what they are going to send for you, but if they do not, by all means we want you in Minnesota. I think you understand that.

You will want to rest in Aberdeen for a few days, I should think, and they will surely communicate with you before long.

Sincerely yours,

Clara Ueland,

President.

Dictated and not
read.

U/F

Forget to say no Aberdeen return on
suffrage - but I will be close

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On Train

Headed for Huron

Wed. evening. 11-8-16

Dear E. D. & Alice -

My Brain is pulp so I can't remember
anything except that I received communica-
tions from each of you - and meant to
acknowledge at once -

Thanks for the Check ^(salary) so promptly
received and for the message regarding
N.Y. I am on the train but do not know
where I'm going - and as mail cannot reach
my I don't know just how I am to find out.

The workers in the campaign are
gathering in Huron for jubilee and
receiving of return ^{tonight} - As you know we
are supposed to bring word with a good
majority - but remembering past dis-
appointments I find it impossible to let
my heart leap at the established fact
will make it -

I wrote Mrs. Brown ten days
ago that unless I heard from her by
the 10th - that I was to come to New York I
should proceed to Omaha for a rest (and then
would hope to resume work in Minn.)
Now I hear thro' Mrs. McMahon

That the Minn. State Convention is still
a head of us instead of having taken place
in Oct. as I supposed - Of course if I
remain in Minn. - I would miss the
convention for any thing - I am hoping
to get lighter by some means before
leaving Huron -

I think your people are won-
derful with your Congregational stunts
and white elephants - I hope you
are not worn to the point of breaking.

I nearly forgot to speak of that I should
to apologize for and that is that little old
wicker case which will, I suppose, reach you
collect - It was my intention to send it
Parrel P. prepaid of course - The Amer.

Exps. was taking some other things
and with out my noticing he took
it, too - All the rest was for Huron
and my parting word to him was "Send
all collect -" I was forwarding the
case for the little baskets - and just put
in the other stuff to fill up -

Will write again as soon as I know
any thing to write -

I love to you all
Re

171 Madison Av., New York City.
Nov. 8, 1916.

RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE BOARD OF THE NATIONAL
AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8TH.

WHEREAS, It has been brought to our attention that in filling positions in the civil service officials of the Federal Government discriminate against women applicants because of their sex; and

WHEREAS, Public records show that since Sep. 8, 1916, among 120 appointments and 33 transfers to clerical positions in the War Department at Washington only one woman was included, altho it does not appear that the positions were such that sex would have been a factor in efficiency or suitability; and

WHEREAS, The civil service registers of eligibles from which said appointments were made reveal no lack or corresponding disproportion of qualified women as compared with qualified men, there being 937 women and 1,208 men on those registers on Oct. 23, 1916; and

WHEREAS, The discriminatory attitude of officials of the Government is further reflected in the fact that women are not admitted to the special civil service examinations for stenographer and typewriter now being held monthly in 400 cities of the United States, and are similarly excluded from many other examinations which they are competent to take; and

WHEREAS, This discrimination appears further in the fact, as set forth in the Civil Service Manual, that the usual entrance salary for men stenographers and typewriters is \$900 a year, while for women stenographers and typewriters it is \$720, and we are informed that men are also given preference in promotions, upon grounds of sex alone; therefore be it

Women Workers Club

RESOLVED, That the National Board of the National American Woman Suffrage Association express to the President of the United States and to the head of each of the executive departments of the States and to the head of each of the executive departments of the federal government their emphatic protest against this discrimination on the part of appointing officials, and demand, in behalf of the women of the country, who are taxed equally with men, to support the government establishment, that women be admitted to the civil service and promoted therein upon the same terms as men; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a copy of this protest be sent to the women's organizations in each of the various states, to the various suffrage journals and women's periodicals, and to the newspapers throughout the country, that the public in general and women especially may be informed in this matter.

Rec letter of Jan. 3, 1917

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*Resolution referring to
women in Civil Service*

November 13, 1916.

My dear President:

The enclosed resolution, based upon careful investigation, was passed by the National Board on November 7th.

We shall be glad when you get it passed by your Convention, Board, Club or any other meetings possible and give such publicity as you can to the facts it contains. A letter to favorable papers soliciting editorials on the subject will help. You will at once see the connection with our cause and the value of the publicity of these facts.

Cordially,

CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT,

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Nov. 8, 1916,
171 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Omaha, Nebr. Nov. 16- '16
804 Park Ave.
% Mrs. Louise B. Mann -

Mrs. Andrew Heland
403 Cass Bldg -
Minneapolis -

My Dear Mrs. Heland

A telegram here from Mrs. Raymond Brown says they will expect me in Albany next Tuesday morning, the 21st, complying with terms that return me to the West after the Campaign is over. I go on from here Saturday or Sunday evening - probably the latter - I am trying very hard to put my wardrobe in order so that I may plunge at once into the campaign. It is almost as strenuous as pursuing the elusive vote and not much more successful.

I have been very happy in my work with Minnesota - and if you have a place for me shall come back gladly and I hope wiser and more efficient, when New York concludes another campaign -

With love to you all -

Sincerely
Rene E. A. Stevens
416 So. Selina St.,
% Mrs. Wm. J. Conough
Syracuse, N. Y.

This form used in writing to

✓ Mrs. Loyhed,
Mrs. Aiton,
Miss Ross,
Miss Robinson, (Northfield)

Nov. 17, 1916.

Mrs. A. D. McRae, *✓ Paid*
Redwood Falls, Minn.

My dear Mrs. McRae:-

You have, I am sure, received the Call to our Annual Convention to be held in Minneapolis Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 4 and 5. I do not know who is the president of your club this year but am writing to you so that you can present the matter to the proper officers and bring it before the club.

I enclose a marked copy of our Year Book by which you can be guided in appointing your delegates. A few credential blanks are enclosed also. If the membership of your club is about the same as it was last year, this will perhaps be sufficient. It would be fine if you could send a full delegation! It is very important that the suffragists of our state come together once a year and I do hope your yourself, will come and that you will persuade as many other suffragists as possible to come, in addition to the duly appointed delegates.

We are to have a fine meeting. The complete program will be sent you before long. The chief speaker is to be Mrs. Nellie McClung of Canada of whose splendid ability as a speaker I am sure you have heard. The last meeting of the Convention is a conference of the out of town delegates with our State Board and the leaders of the districts, at an informal dinner Tuesday evening.

Mrs. McRae, -2-

I have also marked the section which refers to the dues from each auxiliary club. If the ten cents per member has not been sent in as yet by your club, they can be sent to our Treasurer before or at the time of the convention. You may very likely have read that the National Suffrage Association is expected to raise one million dollars this year and that Minnesota's share of that is \$30,000. Plans for raising this will be presented and discussed at our convention. We must devise some plan to so divide this task that it will not be burdensome upon any one section of the state.

The president of each club should be prepared to give a report of the year's work. Will you please see that this report is written and handed to the secretary at the convention as we want to keep it with our records.

The Minneapolis women wish of course to entertain the out of town delegates and we should like to have the names of those who will come. These should be sent to the chairman of the entertainment committee, Mrs. J. A. Ridgway, 4255 East Lake Harriet Blvd., Minneapolis.

Hoping that I may see you at the convention and that you may be able to bring a large delegation with you, I am

Cordially yours,

STATE PRESIDENT

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland.)

Similar Ltr sent to
all Dist. Leaders out of town
H. C. Clarke
enclosing Year Books (marked)
asking that the \$5. be sent in
or paid at Convention
& asking leaders for report

Signed by Mrs. Ueland

Sent to

Mrs. Young -

" Burton

" Trafton

" Gurley

" Martin

" Crasswell

This sent to

Form

all district leaders
in Twin Cities

Nov. 20, 1916.

Mrs. H. A. Tomlinson,
696 Grand Ave.,
St. Paul.

My dear Mrs. Tomlinson:

As you know, the Annual Convention of the State Association is to be held in Minneapolis Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 4 and 5. I enclose a copy of our Year Book with clause marked which refers to the number of delegates from each Legislative District. Will you please send a full delegation? Ten credential blanks are enclosed. It is very important that the suffragists of the state come together once a year. I hope you will plan to attend most of the meetings of the Convention and that you will persuade other suffragists besides your regular delegates to come also.

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Plans will be discussed at the Convention for raising and spending the \$30,000 which is Minnesota's share of the million dollars to be raised by the National Association this year.

Mrs. McMahon will write you about your reports for the Convention. I hope to see you at many of the meetings.

Cordially yours,

STATE PRESIDENT.

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

This meant for them
to leaders - St Paul
leaders communicate
with Mrs. Nelson

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Nov. 23, 1916.

It will give us great pleasure to have you serve as hostess at our Convention luncheon held at Hotel Radisson Tuesday, Dec. 5th, at one o'clock. It will add greatly to the interest of the occasion, we think, to have as hostesses some of our prominent women who are suffragists. Mrs. Nellie McClung of Alberta will be our guest of honor.

Some suggestions that have been made as to methods of helping the attendance and interests are:

1. The hostess may persuade members of her club or a group of friends or neighbors to form a party.
2. She may invite a number of friends to go as her guests.
3. She may act as one of the hostesses at the table of out-of-town delegates.

None of these things are to be considered as obligations.

May we ask for a prompt reply and if you wish to arrange for a party, please notify Miss Aimee Fisher at Suffrage Headquarters and places will be reserved. If you are willing we should like to use information about such parties as are planned for in our Press work. Tickets for the luncheon are \$1.00.

Cordially yours,

Isabel Troendle,
Mabel Fullerton,
Mary Fulton, Committee.

Sent to:-

✓ Mrs. S. T. McKnight
✓ Miss Florence Moahan
✓ Mrs. L. C. Bacon
✓ Mrs. Alva H. Boostrom
✓ Mrs. O. H. Potter

Put in Form 1st
file below

Nov. 25, 1916

Mrs. C. J. Holman,
557 Dayton Av.,
St. Paul.

My dear Mrs. Holman:-

Just a word as a reminder of
the written report due from each chairman
of a standing committee, at the annual
convention. Yours is no doubt ready
before this.

Sincerely,

M. W. S. A.

Secy.

(At the request of Mrs.)
(Ueland.)

Form

Sent out by Miss H. Humphreys
Leader of 36 Dist

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 27, 1916

You will find enclosed credentials for our state convention to be held at the Radisson hotel December 4th and 5th Monday and Tuesday. I have enclosed a program. This convention is one of our big affairs. I sincerely hope you will be at the meetings on

The report of the work in our district will be given. I wish we might make that a sort of a 36th District Day; all come to the meeting and possibly have our luncheon together. Will you let me know definitely whether or not you can attend. I will be at the Radisson Headquarters much of the time. I hope to see a great deal of you.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Sent to-

Mrs. Henry Youmans
Mrs. Robert Clendening
Miss Ann Lawther
Mrs. John Pyle

form

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 27, 1916

Mrs. Robert Clendening,
Wimbledon, N. Dak.

My dear Mrs. Clendening:

Our state convention is to be held at Minneapolis December 4th and 5th at the Radisson Hotel. It will give us great pleasure if you could be present. Can you arrange your affairs so that you will be able to come? Mrs. Nellie McClung is to be our chief speaker.

We will be more than pleased to entertain you.

Very cordially yours,

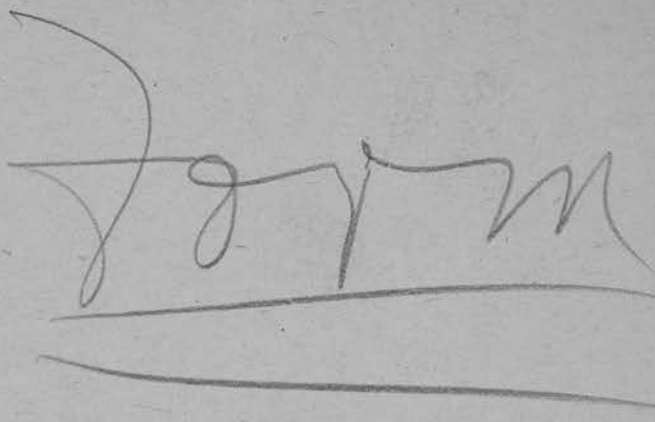
CLARA UELAND State President.

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland.)

Dictated but not read by
Mrs. Ueland.

Sent to-

Mrs. C. W. Gillam
Mrs. Frank Putnam
Mrs. Alexander Campbell
Mrs. Theo. Christianson
Mrs. ~~Alan~~ A. Lande
Mrs. Ole Sageng



Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 28, 1916

Mrs. C. W. Gillam,
Windom, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Gillam:

Mrs. Ueland has asked me to write you enclosing program of the 35th Annual Convention of the Minnesota Women's Suffrage Association, and ask if you can not arrange to attend the meetings of our Convention if you are in Minneapolis on the 4th and 5th.

The State Association would like very much to have you attend the luncheon Tuesday at one o'clock, as the guest of the Association. If you can come, will you please let us know by letter at once as good seats are being held for you in case you can accept. If we hear from you that you can come to the luncheon we will reserve a ticket for you, and you will ask for it at the door of the Roof Garden giving your name to the ticket man. Mrs. Nellie McClung of Edmonton, Canada is to be our chief speaker at the Convention, and will talk at the luncheon also.

We hope that we may have the pleasure of associating you.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary

416 South Salina Street,
Syracuse, New York,
December 2, 1916.

Dearest E. D.:

Of course you are literally submerged with Convention. Tuck this letter into some safe pigeon hole until after that strenuous event is over and then kindly see if you can help my defective memory and restore to me some of my scattered possessions.

In one of the drawers of that beautiful center desk, I left correspondence, booklets, and I think my academic synonyms, and ^{as I have} dictionaries. Perhaps you can judge from the contents what there is there that I would need here. There may be things that could be as well thrown away in the waste basket. I only know I used to stick things in there that I thought sometime I would sort out. That map of the United States with all of the counties on it is convenient to have, but it can be mailed any time so do not send it unless I write for it. I left things at Worthington also expecting to come back that way on my return to Minneapolis. Never returning, naturally I did not get back to Worthington and I am not sure whether my dictionaries might be at the last named place. Anyway, don't bother with this until you have time.

Wish awfully I was going to be at your Convention. The New York one was fine and interesting and held before us tremendously high standards which make me a little anxious when I think of having to live up to them.

Just begun work here. Started in Friday morning. Haven't got settled. Me and my trunk scattered in one place and my permanent abiding place to be clear across town.

If there ever comes a lull in the crush of your duties, write me a real letter, but if that lull never comes, write me something anyway.

Ever yours with love,

Rene

I have written to have my periodicals sent direct here - but it usually takes some time to effect the change - so if you will continue to forward such as arrive at 403 Essex Bldg I will appreciate it greatly

Dec. 5, 1916

TO THE SUFFRAGISTS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

On behalf of the American Citizens Civic League, I take great pleasure in presenting this American Silk Flag to you, with the following requests:

First: That at the opening of every session of your organization, the members all rise and give a standing salute to OLD GLORY.

Second: Any one addressing your organization be requested to salute OLD GLORY in the same way.

Third: A copy of the League Pledge and Comments be read at the presentation of this flag.

The writer who is the founder of this League hopes and desires to organize this League all over the United States and one of the many things he proposes to accomplish is to give the women the right to vote and hold office. For he knows that when that is done, we will make these United States of America a nation of patriotic and civic righteousness. He knows what glorious work the women in California have done for the interest of mankind.

If ever I can be of service to the ladies in Minnesota, in assisting them in their just fight for equal rights under the stars and stripes, command me.

I trust that every suffragist can and will subscribe to the principles of this League.

Yours for true patriotism,

Dec. 5th, 1916.

Royal C. Stephens
1107 First Ave North,
Minneapolis, Minn

Stephens



AMERICAN CITIZENS' CIVIC PLEDGE.

I pledge my first allegiance to God, home and country, to the Constitution of these United States and the principles for which it stands. I will study the public affairs of my country so I may be able to perform my public duty as a loyal American citizen; to work for a cleaner and better government in the affairs of city, state and nation, I will support and uphold any public official who is working for a clean and moral government. I will register so I can vote on all public issues, and will urge all American citizens to do the same. I will place my duties as an American before my personal or social duties. I will not uphold nor support any public official who does not hold his first and entire allegiance to our Constitution and its principles. Nor will I fail, whether at home or abroad, to give proper respect to our Flag and National Airs.

By failing to keep the above pledge, I acknowledge myself unworthy to be called a true loyal American citizen.

COMMENTS.

After careful thought I have come to the conclusion that the American citizen in his mad scramble for the Almighty dollar has become indifferent to his public duty. And feeling as I do I have written the above pledge, hoping that my fellow citizens, after reading it, would pay more attention to their public duty than they have in the past.

The situation becomes even more critical to our mind when we realize how few Americans know what the duties of our public officials are and how recklessly they are performed. It is a well known fact that the graft that has been done by some of our public officials is largely due to the indifference of the citizens as to what the officials do after they are put in office. The time has come when the public office will seek the man, and not the man the office. Can the public expect honest public officials when they, the citizens, hold up and squeeze all the money they can out of these men before they are elected to office? The so-called American Citizens who sell their votes for money, or otherwise, have no moral right to the privilege of voting. When found guilty of selling their vote, the right to vote should be taken from them. I hope to see that law enforced in the United States of America.

I believe that the work of our public officials should be carefully watched by every citizen, and if they are doing good work, praise them for it; if they are not, let them know it at once. Give them to understand that they will remain in office only so long as they do what is right and no longer. An American who does not fulfill his public duty has no moral right to call himself an American citizen, nor should he receive nor be allowed the privileges the same as one who does perform his duty as a patriotic citizen.

The American people do not give the proper respect or reverence to their Flag and National Airs. For instance, note how few men take off their hats in reverence when the Flag is passing them in parade or being hoisted to the flag-pole. The same may be said of the American women. Shame on those Americans who remain seated or talk while our National Airs are being sung! It is thoughtlessness on their part I feel quite sure. Patriotism does not only call upon you in time of war, but all true patriotic citizens respond to the unheard call of their country and perform their public duty daily. I wonder how many true patriotic American citizens there are in the United States of America today? Let all who read this put themselves on the witness stand and ask themselves if they are doing their public duty as loyal Americans.

If in writing this, I have caused the people to think, I believe my time has not been spent in vain; for when they begin thinking, some are going to act.

There is need of and should be such a civic league organized in every city and town in the United States. If there are any true American citizens who have the welfare of their country at heart, and desire to revive the spirit of true patriotism in their city or town, I would be pleased to hear from them and I will be at their service whether it be day or night.

Yours for true patriotism,

ROYAL C. STEPHENS,

1107 First Avenue North,

Minneapolis, Minn.

7 days

Dec. 15, 1916.

Mrs. Rene E. H. Stevens,
416 So. Salina St.,
Syracuse, N. Y.

My dear Rene Stevens:-

How is Syracuse using you? Is it 10° to 16° below every morning this week? If they do not have enough weather to suit you, you just come back to Minnesota and I am sure we can make you comfortable! Of course our friend from Virginny doesn't like it and huddles from one set of radiators to another, shivering on the way. I took her over to Saint Paul last evening to a hearing before the Child Welfare Commission on birth control (your notice and mine were delivered at the door here by hand, and Mrs. McMahon said she felt quite like a Russian Nihilist going to some secret meeting) and on the way back the air was beautifully misty with fine white particles of snow while the walks and streets were sprinkled with sparkling diamonds, but, alas! poor Maria was aware of nothing but the bitter cold and said she knew the out-of-doors was "doing something it ought not to do."

Yesterday I cleared out the drawer you used to have in the big desk and wrapped up the books for mailing; they will go out today. I sent you last night some of the letters that were in the drawer, not knowing but that you might want to keep some of them.

Another matter: in making up our statements to the different districts for their proportionate assessment and figuring up our credits with the National on our \$3,000 to them, I cannot find where you received any salary for the first week of November which you spent in South Dakota.

Mrs. Stevens, -2-

Your salary ran from 1st to 1st, did it not? Who, then paid you for the days from Nov. 1st to 7th when you put in the last good strokes before election day? Or did you perhaps contribute those days? Looks to me as though you did, the way it stands at present. How do you figure it? We want to send you a check right away if you are out, and I would have it sent in this if I could get hold of Mrs. Ueland, but she is down doing her Christmas shopping today and I am afraid she wont come into the office.

Anyway you write me at once, upon receiving this. Another week's salary to you will be that much added to our credit with the National you know, as we are getting credit for all money spent in South Dakota after Sept. 1st. We want to finish paying our first quarter's dues to the National on Jan. 1st so must fix this up promptly.

tell you

Mrs. McMahon says "we miss her and we love her still" and hopes you got her letter of a few days ago. We hope you will get on beautifully with the work there and wish you ^{all} happiness for the Christmas Season.

As ever, yours,

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Washington, D. C.
December 16, 1916.

My dear Congressional Chairman:--

As you have doubtless learned from the press notices, our suffrage resolution was reported out of the Judiciary Committee, December 14th, without recommendation.

Now that it is before the House, it may come to a vote at any time, and it is imperative that you line your men up. Will you, therefore, at once begin renewed work on your representatives, urging a favorable vote on the Federal Amendment?

If you have not already sent in your report on past interviews, please do so at once. In your reports carefully differentiate their attitude on the federal amendment and their general sentiment toward suffrage, telling us definitely -

First, whether or not they believe in the Federal Amendment, and whether they have definitely promised to vote for it;

Second, what is their feeling toward woman suffrage as a general principle.

This definite information is most important for our records. Help the committee in Washington in every possible way, by bringing pressure on your congressmen.

Cordially yours,

Walter McNab Miller

(Mrs. Walter McNab Miller,
First Vice President.)

Same to Sen. Ole Sageng,
Rep. Larson.

Dec. 19, 1916.

Mr. C. J. Buell,
1528 Laurel Ave.,
Saint Paul.

My dear Mr. Buell:-

I enclose copy of Mr. Schmahl's list of Representatives in the Legislature of this year and would like very much to have you go over these names, marking the representatives as to whether, in your knowledge, they are favorable to suffrage, opposed to it, or doubtful; and then return the list to me.

If you can find the time to do this for us, we shall be very appreciative.

Cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND, STATE PRESIDENT.

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

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1626 Rhode Island Ave.,
Washington, D. C.
December 19, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:-

I am sorry to trouble you on the eve of the holidays but the pressure of DUTY permits no other course. To save time I have had this letter duplicated.

The November election has introduced a wholly new and amusing element into the Federal Amendment situation. The Republicans are sore over the fact that the women voted Democratic so largely; although we believe that fact has lost us no votes. The Democrats are sore over the campaign against them by the Congressional Union, but are largely mollified by the fact that the women seem to have supported them. The effect upon both groups is to RESTRAIN any enthusiasm for the Federal Amendment they might otherwise have felt. It is our duty to seize this situation which clearly proves their opposition to be mere expediency and to turn it to the advantage of the Amendment by very insistent determined effort at home and in Washington. If we are clever enough we shall get the required two-thirds vote, although now our pledges stand far short of it. The vote will probably come the last of January, so there is no time to lose.

We need MORE votes; and so we are sending this hurry call to all the states where there are members listed as "uncertain." There are 59 such in the House and 7 in the Senate. We need them ALL.

On an enclosed sheet you will find our poll of your members. In all probability the Senators and Representatives from the nearby States, including yours, will go home for the holidays. Please do everything your ingenuity can invent to secure the positive assurance of the "uncertain" men that they will vote right for the Amendment. We suggest a deputation of men or one of men and women, and personal letters from many men and women, preferably from those who

know the member. More than one deputation would be wise procedure. Please do not let these men think of anything but suffrage by Federal Amendment while they are home.

If you can modify the feelings of those listed as OPPOSED by deputations and letters, please do it. You will find Democratic hostility softened not a little, and the advantage is well worth pushing.

Please do not let this appeal pass unheeded because the time for activity is not opportune. If the members you should influence do not come home please inaugurate a deluge of letters to them from their constituents at home.

Here is a suggestion I hope you will act upon: Get as many women as possible to write a brief New Year's letter of greeting to each Senator and member. In the letter sent to members or senators who have announced their favorable position on the Federal Amendment thank them for having done so and urge that they do all they can to get the Federal Amendment through. In letters sent to those who are opposed or uncertain make the request that they will vote "Yes" on the Federal Amendment. Tell the women who do this to get it signed by as many prominent men and women as possible. As these letters should be duplicated in order that each members may receive one, names can be solicited by 'phone. A "shower" of such letters will help tremendously. Try to get your women to put this idea through.

Let us know at once what you have done and the result.

Most Cordially,

Carrie Chapman Catt

President.

CCC/LA.
Enclosure.

C O P Y

Minnesota Poll

House

<u>Yes</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>
Anderson,		Miller
Lindbergh	:	Davis
Volstead		
Steenerson	:	
Schall		
Ellsworth	:	
Van Dyke		
Smith		

MINNESOTA POLL

December 20, 1916.

<u>HOUSE</u>			<u>SENATE</u>		
<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Uncertain</u>
Anderson		Miller	Clapp		
Lindbergh		Davis	Nelson		
Volstead					
Steenerson					
Schall					
Ellsworth					
Van Dyke					
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Dear Edie -

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Dec. 20th 16 -

The books and the enclosed letters ^{as well} as your own good epistle were received duly and gratefully - I wish I had time for a real letter - I come in from the wilderness, so to speak, last night and go again early tomorrow for three days - you see that takes me right up to Sunday before Christmas. Tell Rin I'll try to write her a Christmas letter on Christmas day. Hermapia has nothing on Onondago when it comes to snow - the thermometer does not go so low but it's just as cold or worse.

Nobody as yet sent me a check for that first week of November but I was not remembering it - I knew it would come out in the wash and since taking up the white woman's burden here I have not had a chance to remember

I go tomorrow in pursuit of Farmers Institutes
and continue the again. After the first
of the year - My love to Dear Mrs Heland
and all of you - More anxiously
Merry Christmas
Re

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C.

12/21/16 -

Mrs. J. Andrews,
Maunat. Minnesota -

My dear Mrs. Andrews;
Your recent
communication received -

It is my expectation
to support the proposed
amendments to the Con-
stitution

Sincerely;
Franklin F. Ellsworth

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HEADQUARTERS 1706 EUCLID AVENUE

CLEVELAND, OHIO Dec. 26, 1916

Mrs A ndreas Ueland
403 Essex Bldg
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs Ueland,

You have asked me to state the advantages and disadvantages of headquarters on the street as we have experienced them. To my mind there are no disadvantages except the distinct disadvantage of too high rents.

In our 1912 campaign, we had our headquarters on the ground floor in the shopping district, but only for the six months of the campaign. Then we sought cheaper quarters on the 3rd floor until we had found ourselves again and began to prepare for the 1914 campaign. In 1913 we moved to the place we now occupy. It is slightly beyond the shopping district on the main thoroughfare, quite convenient for workers. The rent is the most reasonable to be found in so good a place.

During the last months of the 1914 campaign we took an empty store in a busy section and used it as campaign headquarters with lots of posters, literature, speeches, etc, there day and night. It was a noisy, lively place and did us considerable good I think. The general gathering place for workers and women was at the main headquarters on the 2nd floor where we kept the lunchroom and general organization offices. For after all it is the keeping of many women all over the city on the job all the time that counts and that requires a quiet place where you can think and plan and talk uninterruptedly both vis-à-vis and over the telephone.

Therefore from our own experience, I would consider the best arrangement to include a propaganda or publicity headquarters on the street and a quiet office away from the street. If you can put up partitions to construct committee rooms and offices for your executives, you could easily have the entire headquarters on the street. If you don't provide in some way for these quiet offices you will find either that not enough publicity is done to warrant the change, or the office workers are harassed and nervous. When you are not in the rush of a campaign, you can manage street headquarters quite well, I should think, without such care for the executives, as there will be many hours when the headquarters will be quiet. If you have the money, I should not advise you to wait any longer.

Sincerely yours,

Grace D. Treat

Exec Secy

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NEW YORK, Dec. 26th, 1916.

Mrs. Andreas Neland,
403 Essex Building,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Neland,

The State Headquarters of New York have never considered getting one on the street, not because of cost but their work is largely by correspondence and I consider would be too noisy and too much local, so they have their Headquarters in an office building.

New York City Headquarters as you know is on the street, a house, as our work is entirely local and we want to be convenient for people to run in, ask questions and get interested, and I think all local work should be on the street. They can accomplish much more than being in a building, and I do not believe the cost should enter in when it is local work you want to do, but if it is only State work, the work would be entirely by correspondence and I think an office building would be just as well.

Wishing you and Minnesota all
success, I am

Yours sincerely,

MGH/S

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Lincoln, Neb. Dec. 26, 1916

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
403 Essex Bldg,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Ueland:

It is a question of expense that stands in the way of Nebraska Suffrage Association having headquarters on the ground floor. The rental of such headquarters in Lincoln is practically prohibitive, except for the last few months of the campaign. I consider it a great advantage to have a desirable location on the first floor as the publicity side can hardly be estimated, particularly if you could have a tea room in connection where suffrage favors, literature, etc, could be sold.

As a substitute, Nebraska had headquarters on the parlor floor of the Lindell Hotel, which is the headquarters for the legislature. The Republican headquarters were on the same floor, also the Progressive. In this way we had many callers from over the state every day. The number of callers can be increased by looking over the register each day and leaving cards for men registered from over the state. It also made an excellent place for holding banquets, luncheons, etc, and all our speakers and guests were entertained at the same hotel.

WE will probably have similar headquarters during our next campaign and during the last six months have Lincoln and Lancaster County headquarters on Main street.

We expect to get out new letterheads in a short time and will mail you a copy. There may be some suggestions.

With best wishes for the New Year, I remain

Mrs. W. E. Barkley,
1919 D St.

Very sincerely yours,

W. E. Barkley

Minneapolis, Minnesota, Dec. 27th, 1916.

Within the past two years the members of the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association have unanimously agreed that it is not wise to ask the Legislature for a suffrage Amendment to the Constitution. With a Constitution that calls for a majority of the votes cast upon an Amendment, it seems best for the present, at least, not to enter into such an unequal contest.

In the way of partial suffrage there is one thing the Legislature can grant to the women of the state, and that is the right to vote for President.

This power is given to the Legislature by the Federal Constitution, which declares in Section I. Article II. that

"EACH STATE SHALL APPOINT IN SUCH MANNER AS THE LEGISLATURE THEREOF MAY DIRECT a number of electors equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled by Congress."

It was through this provision that the Illinois Legislature was able to give the women of that state Presidential suffrage, and the decision has been upheld in the Courts since the bill was passed.

On several occasions State Legislatures have passed regulations for the presidential election enabling persons to vote who by the State Constitution would have been debarred, and the right to do this has always been upheld by the Courts.

A bill giving the women of Minnesota this right will be presented to the Legislature about to convene. We urge that you will allow us to enroll your name among those who are in favor of giving the women of this state this measure of recognition and justice.

Sincerely yours,

President Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 28, 1913.

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
Pres. Minnesota Woman Suffrage Ass'n.
Minneapolis, Minn.

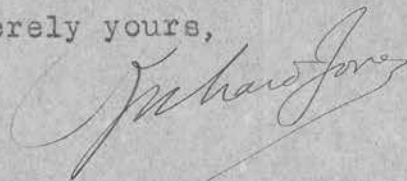
Dear Mrs. Ueland:

I have your letter of Dec. 27 and, of course, you may enroll me as one of those in favor of any legislation that will give the franchise to the women. During the recent special session of the legislature Mrs. Peyton asked me to introduce the "Presidential Elector" bill and I have the copies with me now. I did not introduce this because Senator Campbell had already tried to get the Absent Voters law considered but the members of the Senate would not consider any legislation except that for which the legislature was called to act upon.

Can you tell me who will have charge of the bill you speak of in your letter?

Sincerely yours,

RJ:EH



Dec. 28, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Stevens:-

Your letter of the 20th duly received and referred to Mrs. Ueland. She thinks there is a better way than letting it "come out in the wash" and has told me to have our treasurer send you check. It would be for one-quarter of the month, would it not, or \$18.75? I am trying to hurry it to you so it may arrive as a New Year's gift but the mails are much congested so it may fail in that.

Ri's letter I noticed arrived this morning and as we called her in for a consultation, tho she is on her vacation, she got it. Hennepin County Association is in the throes of trying to decide whether to move to the ground floor of a business street and we, the State, may be left blooming alone in the Essex Building. They would not hesitate but for the fact the vacant places are not just to their fancy but they seem determined to take something, soon.

Don't take the wilderness too hard, especially in these bitter cold days. Are you doing organizing, too?

With all good wishes for your success and happiness,
Sincerely,

Secy.

State of Minnesota
SENATE CHAMBER

JOHN T. ALLEY
BUFFALO, MINN.
SENATOR 27TH. DISTRICT

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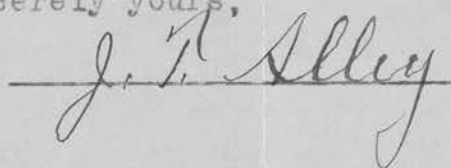
Mrs. Clara Weland,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Weland:

Your favor of 27, inst. is at hand and in reply thereto will say that I will vote for a bill giving women the right to vote for President. This will amount to a very small measure of recognition so far as suffrage is concerned but I think the Association is wise in its determination not ^{to} ask the legislature to submit to the voters a proposed constitutional amendment. It is quite clear to my mind that such an amendment would not be adopted if submitted. Our present constitution is such that but very few proposed amendments are adopted.

Wishing you success with the measure you purpose having introduced,
I am,

Sincerely yours,



Dec. 29, 1916.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Mrs. Ueland has asked me to write you to say that the plan now is for Mrs. McMahon to go to the 8th Con. District shortly after the first of the year and work upon Mr. Miller's constituents, then a bit later to go into the 3rd District and bring what influence to bear that we can upon Mr. Davis. She rather thinks that you had best hold yourself in readiness to help in these two campaigns instead of starting anything in Crookston.

Also, wont you write her about what date you will want to begin work. She authorizes me to say that the State Board voted to hire as per the arrangements she has already talked over with you, ie. \$10 per week and expenses while working.

Mrs. Thorp will write you shortly seeking information about the papers in your part of the state, also Miss Wells chairman of the 10th Con. District may write you to know something about your home town, Rush City. There is MUCH we want of you, you see. A Happy New Year to you.

Sincerely,

Secy.

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Dec. 29, 1916.

Miss Julia Clifford,
Leader 29 Legislative District,

My dear Miss Clifford:

On Monday, January 8 at 2:00 P.M. we will hold our first Organization Committee meeting of the new year. We hope you will not fail to be present, and urge your precinct chairmen; section chairmen; and all friends of suffrage work in your district to do so, also.

The past year has seen our organization grow from infancy into adolescence. We are now ready for grown-up work, and we want to put a spirit of consecration into it which will insure success. If we, of this committee, take as our motto "Suffrage First" and live up to it, before another year ends we will see every precinct and every section of a precinct with an active working chairman, and our enrollment growing by leaps and bounds. We would like Hennepin County to be a model for every other county association, and because "no chain is stronger than its weakest link" we cannot do this unless every district does its part. Will you not therefore pledge yourself for the coming year to a conscientious, earnest, determined effort to see that your district is not the laggard that throws discredit upon the whole? If you find the work hard and people unresponsive, remember that, after all, these things are common and are only additional reasons for extra exertion. Our greatest foes are the apathy, indifference, and self-complacency of well-meaning people, and to combat them successfully we must keep ourselves at a white heat of enthusiasm. The best possible way to do this is to be continually in close touch with other devoted workers. Begin by resolving to attend every one of our monthly organization committee meetings. At these we both get and give inspiration; plan our activities, and correct our mistakes. In other words it is where we aim to become efficient.

If you have not already appointed your treasurer, please do it at once, won't you?--and bring her to the meeting with you.

Our new system of money raising demands that the treasurer of each district be a member both of the County Association's Finance, and Ways and Means Committees. These committees begin

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2. District Leader.

their conferences early in January, and any member who is not in attendance will be handicapped in the start on her district appropriations.

We will appreciate it if you do not wait for another meeting to present her name, but send it to the Headquarters as soon as possible.

With the season's greetings and very sincere wishes for your health and happiness in the new year,

Cordially,

Maria S. Mc Mahon

Organizer.

Do not forget January 8 at 2:00 P.M.



SIXTY-FIFTH DISTRICT
OSCAR T. STENVICK,
Bagley, Minnesota.
Clearwater County.

December 29th, 1916.

Minnesota Suffrage Assn.,

403 Essez Bldg.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Madam:

In reply to your letter of December 27th, relative to proposed bill for granting the women of this state the right to vote for President, will say that I am in favor of that bill, and am also in favor of the amendment to the Constitution allowing suffrage to women.

Yours very truly,

Oscar T. Stenvick.

A. M. PETERSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
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December 29, 1916.

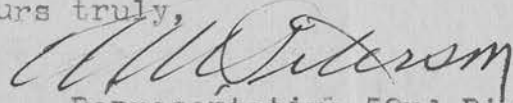
Mrs. Clara Ueland,
Pres. Womens Suffrage Assn.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Madam:-

I have your letter of the 27th inst., advising that the Association has determined not to submit to the Legislature this winter a proposition for an Amendment to the Constitution giving full suffrage, but that instead a bill asking for the right to vote for presidential electors is to be introduced.

I am sorry to hear of this decision, as I should be glad to add my vote and support to a bill for a Constitutional Amendment giving women full suffrage, - and I believe that such an amendment would carry; I will not, however give my support to any such makeshift as a proposition for suffrage on the election of presidential electors only. I shall feel it my duty to oppose such a proposition, but will give my whole hearted support and vote to the proposition of a Constitutional Amendment giving Women full and equal suffrage. That, I believe is what they are entitled to, and now is the time to strike for it; they need not and should not ask for anything less.

Yours truly,



Representative 52nd Dist.

FRANK L. PALMER
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.
SENATOR 29TH. DISTRICT

State of Minnesota
SENATE CHAMBER

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 29th, 1916.

Mrs. Clara Ueland, President,
Minnesota Women Suffrage Ass'n.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

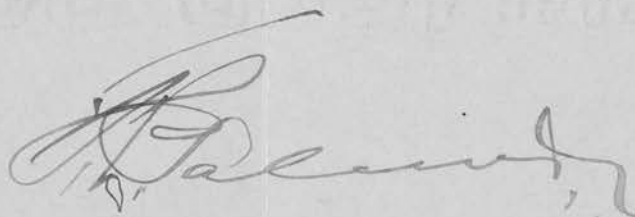
My dear Mrs. Ueland:

Your favor of Dec. 27th came duly to hand. I think your Association is wise in not asking the Legislature at this session to authorize the Constitutional Amendment, but I certainly am in favor of the proposition as my vote for the last several sessions shows and trust the legislation you desire as to voting for President may be passed.

With very kind personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FLP/E.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "F. L. Palmer", written in a cursive style.