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Breckenridge, Minn., Mar. 1st 1917

My dear Mrs. Troendle,-

I am herewith fowarding you my expense account for February. I trust it is properly added - I'm never any too sure that my arithmetic is correct.

I am also enclosing a check for $9.00 to pay my January, February and March pledges.

The work is really progressing splendidly. It will now be possible to communicate with good suffragists in every place where we have been to arrange meetings, organize etc and Most Cordially

Bertha C. Moller -

were securing stacks of letters to representatives + senators.

March 1, 1917

Mrs. Bertha C. Moller,
Fergus Falls,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Indeed I do rejoice with you and send you my heartiest congratulations. We are delighted to hear about Wilkins County. We think you did splendidly in getting those subscriptions, and so forth.

As for your speech, I know that it was successful. You know I have always told you you had it in you to make a good speech and all you needed was to screw your courage to the speaking point and not let one or two or even half a dozen rather trying experiences depress you.

The names of the County of Wilkin officers are going on record at headquarters and the president has already been mailed a copy of the constitution and all sorts of information we thought would be helpful.

We have made a note of everything that you have asked for in your letter and will see that the letters go to you at the places designated. We sent one bundle of Moen letters to you at Fergus Falls yesterday and will send a similar bundle today.

It is fine that you are doing such good work. Let us hear from you if we can help you in any way further.

With love,

Maria S. Mc Mahon

Minneapolis, Minnesota

March 2, 1917

Mrs. Bertha C. Moller,
Fergus Falls, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller,

Enclosed find a letter for you sent to this office,from Bemidji.

There is also a package here for you (which looks like a book) from A. Anderson, Crookston, Minn. Do you wish it forwarded, or shall we hold it here.

You know I am new at this "job" here and so don't know what has been done along the line of keeping track of you people that travel so rapidly around the country, but I am wondering whether it would be possible to make out a "route list" every Saturday giving the names of the towns where you intend going the following week, in a separate sheet of paper, which I can keep on my desk for reference. This would enable me to give any one information as to where to reach you at a moment's notice and would save looking up letters and reading them all the way through to find just where "Mrs. Moller will be Friday." Then if any plans for changes of time or place are made by you, it can readily be changed on the original sheet.

Trusting that I am not too bothersome, I am,

Cordially

Office Sec'y.

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OWNER AND PROPRIETOR.
T. J. KARP,
MANAGER.

Fergus Falls, Minn. Mar 2nd 1917.

Dear Mrs. McMahon;

Forty-seven letters to Burrows from Breckenridge and 18 from Campbell ought to make him sit up and take notice. Resolutions were passed by ~~from~~ both clubs in Breckenridge and several petitions are being circulated, so I think the sentiment is being pretty thoroly expressed.

The one girl whom to negotiate in Campbell is Mrs. Laura Mullens. its only a small place and it may not pay to try to

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get up a meeting there.
Will there be time for me to go to Rothsay on Mon- another place in Wilkin Co, which ought to be made, & go to Elbow Lake on Tues- Could not make Rothsay from Breckenridge - having to come here first.

The Moss letters were here waiting for me - for which I'm very grateful. It will be necessary to send only about half as many envelopes as letters as I get business envelopes

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whenever possible. It is so much easier to secure signatures to short letters. Where there is a choice, the men select a shorter sign readily. When I get down to the last few long letters it's more difficult to get them to sign on the dotted line. So, may I suggest that the letters be quite brief with a simple request for a vote on the Presidential Bill and a few trimmings to make them sound gracious

Mac Hill-Warnock Co. St. Paul

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and a statement about the justice of suffrage etc?
I hope I've not forgotten to tell the things I wanted to say - at any rate I can't think of any more -
With love
Bertha C. Moller -

Greetings to Miss Heckrick our new Secretary - I want to thank you for the very kind letter of introduction to Miss Winther - I am going to meet her this P.M. Hoping to meet you very soon - Sincerely Bertha C. Moller

Same letter to

John W. Andrews
C.W. Gillam
Oluf Gjerset
P.A. Gandrud
E.P. Peterson
J.T. Alley
Frank L.Palmer
Geo. A. Turnham
E.E.Lobeck
Edward Rustad
F. H. Peterson
Fred D. Vibert

March 3, 1917

Senator E. E. Lobeck,
State Capitol,
St.Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Senator Lobeck:-

I enclose with this letter a list of the legislature with the names of the Senators marked. Those with the question mark are the ones we might possibly persuade to vote for our Presidential Bill.

All of these doubtful men have been hearing from their constituents and several of them are quite hopeful. If you can do anything with any of them by speaking to them in favor of our bill, I feel sure you will be glad to do so.

Cordially yours,

State President

(Mrs.Andreas Ueland)

Dictated but not read.

March 7,1917

Mrs. Bertha C. Moller,
Elbow Lake,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs.Moller:--

I fancy by the time you get tis letter you will be about through with Elbow Lake. It seems the to me the next thing for you to do is to make a strenuous effort on Senator Baldwin of the 63d District, and representative E. R. Hinds. The 63d District is Hubbard and Becker Counties.

The Becker County representative Mr. Bjorge I believe is safe. Senator Baldwin, who comesfrom Frazee in Becker County talks ina non-committal way, tells us that he is not going to give us any trouble and not to worry, etc., but we are not able to get him to say inso many words that he is going to vote for this bill.

Mr. Hinds told Mr.Stenvick the other day in my presence that his speech, Mr.Stenvick's, at the time the vote was taken on submission of the bill to the house had converted him, and he had voted for the bill. Of course, I at once asked him if that extended to the Presidential Suffrage Bill, and he said no he had not gotten that far, but he did not know what he might do by the time the vote was taken; perhaps,afer all the Senate would defeat it, and the House would not have to commit itself. Of course, we don't want him any longer inthis non-commital frame of mind because we have a fighting chance in the Senate and the house may vote also immediately after the Senate passes upon it.

So plan your own itinerary to take in every place of importance in those

two counties and flood the gentleman in question with all sorts of requests fron their constituents, personal letters written by the men themselves are, of course, the best thing. Next to that come our form letters or a petition. Requests from organizations, also, rate very high with these men, so they tell us.

Then we would like you to get after Mr. Moen of Fergus Falls. He is very doubtful. I do not know how much you were able to do while you were in Fergus Falls. Perhaps you covered the ground there, but there must be a good mag other places in Ottertail County that Mr.Moen should hear fro. The work on Senator Baldwin ought to come first, as the Senate will vote on the Bill before the House does.

Glad to hear that you are getting on so nicely. Let us know what your plans are so that we will have your post office address and can send you letters for use when you fail to get the persaal ones.

With love,

Maria S. Mc Mahon

Dictated but not read.

COPY

Chicago, March 8, 1917.

Mrs. Catharine Waugh McCulloch,
2236 Orrington Av.,
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Having charge of Elections held in the City of Chicago and Cicero where the registered vote is the largest of any City in the world (being over 800000 November 1916) divided approximately as follows: Men 500,000, Women 300,000, I would say that since the right of suffrage has been granted to the women of Illinois they have taken an active interest in governmental affairs and have greatly increased the standard of efficiency and honesty in elections.

In a great majority of our 2200 precincts women serve on the Board as Judges and Clerks of Election, and in some precincts the entire board is composed of women election officials. The conduct in the polling places is orderly and respectable, and this is due almost entirely to the presence of the women in or about the polling places.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) THOMAS F. SCULLY
County Judge.

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Probably be there later [illegible]

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2218 Dupont Circle

Minneapolis, Minnesota

March 9, 1917

Mrs. Bertha C. Moller,
Detroit,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Enclosed find letters for Senator Baldwin. Your telegram of last evening chased me home, and then chased me to the place where I was visiting and finally was delivered at the office at the same time your letter came in this morning, so I did not get the letters out in time for you at Detroit. However, I am sending a bunch of form letters, which Mrs. Mc Mahon said would be all right at this tale end of the game, showing the representatives that the signers are in favor of the Presidential Bill.

Mrs. Mc Mahon told me to write you, in response to your last letter to her, that you were pursuing exactly the right methods.

Enclosed find a letter and a card. I still have your shoes on top of my desk. I am sending your year book to Frazee, as I fear it will not reach you in time at Detroit, being second class mail.

Yours cordially,

Clara M. Heckrich,

Office Sec'y.

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[1917]

Algona, Iowa, March 8 191

My Dear Mrs. Ueland,-

Mrs. Catt writes me that I may possibly stay in Iowa until the 24th of this month, but that some plans are pending for me to go to Minnesota for some days beginning with March 19th. You will readily see that if I am to remain down here I need to know as soon as possible so as to be arranging my appointments far enough ahead to make useful meetings. I am, therefore, taking the liberty of asking you if you will be so good as to write me directly what are the plans and outlook so far as Minnesota is concerned. You can reach me at Onawa, Iowa, care Mrs. Olive Park, next Tuesday, March 13th, and I should like to know at least as early as that whether I am to work in Iowa or not during the week of the 19th.

I regret that it seems necessary to trouble you, but it takes so long for Mrs. Catt to reach me from Washington, thru Dubuque and Des Moines.

Yours, sincerely,

Effie McCollum Jones.

March 10,1917.

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o Mrs. Olive Lark,
Onawa, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Jones:--

Mrs. Ueland has asked me to answer your letter to her of the 9th, received this morning, as she will not be down to the office today.

Mrs. Catt wrote us regarding your coming to Minnesota, and we are sorry you did not hear of our plans sooner, but as you say, it takes so long for mail to pass from this part of the country to Washington.

We wrote Mrs. Catt as per the enclosed copy of our letter to her,on March 3d, but she apparently did not get the letter in time to advise you.

We are really very sorry, but our copy will explain the situation to you fully.

With very best wishes,

Cordially yours,

Office Secretary

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Detroit, Minn., March 11 1917

My dear Miss Heckrich:-

I am enclosing my route card for the coming week. You will notice that I am making Lake Park and Audubon before proceeding to Frazee. Both are small places, but trains run so accomodatingly that I can make both in a days work & each place is good for 15 letters or so. I will have to get them typed here in the morning before leaving Detroit.

The Presidents of the two leading clubs here are violently anti, so we can get no resolutions

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from them. However, there is a Mrs. Jenson here, the County Attorney's wife, who went with me Saturday afternoon and will accompany me again in the morning to finish up the work here. She's a splendid little woman and is doing a lot here to change sentiment for suffrage by her popularity and tact, and wants some assistance by having a good speaker sent up etc. We are pretty sucessful - 17 letters yesterday and 6 refusals, and we tackled the hardest ones first because they were

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not as busy as the others.
Some of the men, close to Baldwin told me that he (Baldwin) would not vote for the Amendment, but judged that his vote for the Presidential Bill was highly probable, as per recent utterances of the pompous senator.
May I ask for about 30 letters each to Baldwin & Hinds to await me at Park Rapids on Thur; about 20 each at Nevis on Fri; and 30 each at Akeley on Saturday?
Most Cordially
Bertha C. Moller.

Minneapolis, Minnesota

March18, 1917

My dear Mrs.Moller:-

Enclosed find letters for Nevis to go to Baldwin and Hinds. Also two personal letters for yourself.

I am very sorry I didnot understand about sending letters to Frazee. Both Mrs. Mc Mahon and I read your letter to say that you were to have these written at Long Prairie--no, I mean Detroit, but after your phone call on looking up your letter I see that you refer to only Lake Park and Audubon. I am sorry I did not read with a whole mind. I shall try and not have it happen again.

Thanks for the route slip. It helps a lot.

Sincerely,

Clara M. Heckrich.

No extrahelp today - so sent half and half. I mean part multigraphed and part form letters.

Minneapolis,Minnesota

March 13,1917

Mrs. Bertha C. Moller,
c/o General Delivery,
Grand Rapids,Minn.

My dear Mrs.Moller:-

Enclosed herewith find a packet of letters to E. R. Hinds and under separate cover another bunch for Mr.Baldwin.

I am also enclosing three letters addressed to you.

Am still holding your shoes and two papers for you here. I don't suppose you want them forwarded or you would have written? (Question mark is not out of place.

Sincerely,

Clara M.Heckrich.

The letters for Nevis will go out tomorrow-also those for Akeley. Am speeding up to exceed the speed limit, Mrs. Donahue and Miss Murphy are fine at helping out on these.

This letter to the following:-

Mrs. H. J. Leigh - Lakefield
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March 13, 1917

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Northfield Equal Fran-
chise League

Mrs. J. N. Weir, Pres.,
Winona Political Equality Club,
Winona, Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Weir:--

We find there is misunderstanding among our members in regard to the Presidential Woman Suffrage Bill now before the legislature, for which the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association stands.

In order to correct this misunderstanding, we are sending you the enclosed statement.

Will you not call a meeting of your organization as soon as possible and read this statement before it in order that the situation may be explained, and discussed?

Cordially yours,

STATE PRESIDENT

(Mrs.Andreas Ueland)

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March 14, 1917.

Dear Treasurer:

I am sending you herewith the blank form of report to the National Treasurer for the second quarter of our fiscal year. This quarter closes April 1st, and I beg that you will use every endeavor to have your report ready to forward to me by that date. This is very important, as the National Association in adopting at the Atlantic City Convention the new Million Dollar Fund plan, relied upon prompt quarterly payments of the amounts pledged by the States to the National Treasury. Unless these come to us at the proper time the Treasury will be greatly embarrassed for funds for its running expenses. The National Association planned for a much larger work during 1917 than ever before and this necessitates a larger budget. The rapid progress of our work, we feel, justifies the larger expenditure.

I will forward you by March 27th my quarterly report of moneys received direct from individuals and local leagues in your State between January 1st and April 1st. I shall be very grateful for a prompt report from your Association accompanied by a check for the amount of your quarterly pledge to the National Association.

If there is anything in connection with the report that you wish information about, kindly let me know at once.

Cordially yours,

Emma Wainer Rogers

Treasurer

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-of the-

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to the

NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

FOR QUARTER ENDING APRIL 1st, 1917.

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Respectfully submitted -

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Treasurer

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the said

_____, this_____, 1917.

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Notary Public

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Copy of this letter to
Mrs. H.H. Emmons, Emmons,Minn.
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Mrs. T. K. Trowe, Emmons,Minn.
MissRuth Hanson, Alden, Minn.
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Mrs. Ed Sranley " "
Mrs. Ella Morrison, Glenville, Minn.
Mrs. Geo. P. Latin, Freeborn, Minn.

March 19, 1917

Mrs. H. H. Emmons,
Emmons,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Emmons:--

Knowing that you are a good suffragist, I am writing to ask if you would not be willing to contribute something to suffrage work in Minnesota this year. Our State Association has undertaken to raise $30,000, and in order to do this, we need the co-operation of every one who would push the work in the state.

I am enclosing a pledge slip in the hope that you will fill it out and return it to us. If you prefer to send a check, it can be made payable to the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association. Of course, anything which you may do will be credited to Freeborn County. We are endeavoring to have Freeborn County raise $200.00, half of which is to be used for county work and half for state work.

Thanking you in advance,

Very cordially yours,

STATE ORGANIZER

(Mrs.Albert McMahon)

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March 21, 1917.

My dear Congressional Chairman:-

The 65th Congress has been called together on April 2nd. Although we cannot tell what the extra session may bring forth, we hope that the need of political justice for women will be more apparent than ever before and that openings may arise which we had not foreseen. It is imperative that we should take advantage of every possibility in our favor. For that reason, there is urgent need for activity in the home districts of Members of Congress. Will you therefore please give immediate attention to the following requests.

I. REPORTS.

There are several new members with regard to whom we have had no word from their own state. Please send us immediately a statement, as full as you are able to make it, about the men whose names are enclosed.

CAUTION. Although we are most anxious to know how the Members of Congress stand with regard to the Federal Amendment, we beg you to take the utmost care that no Member is allowed to commit himself against the Amendment when he can be prevented from doing so. If you think he is inclined to be opposed, let us know your opinion; but in your letters to him and in your interviews, frame your appeals in such a way that they will not offer opportunity for a negative answer.

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Mrs. William Severin
Mrs. Hannah G. Solomon
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Mrs. T. Jefferson Smith
Mrs. Henry R. Whiteside
Mrs. Joseph Alderson
Mrs. Herbert W. Mengel
Mrs. Robinson A. McDowell
Mrs. Edward M. Post

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Mrs. Gertrude Halliday Leonard
Mrs. Samuel Powers
Mrs. Oakes Ames
Mrs. Robert Gould Shaw
Pres. Mary E. Wooley, Mt. Holyoke College
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VERMONT:

Dr. Grace W. Sherwood
Mrs. Oliver C. Ashton
Mrs. Henry W. Clement

WEST VIRGINIA:

Miss Florence Hoge

WYOMING:

Mrs. Joseph Carey

II. DELEGATIONS.

If time allows and unless you have already done this work, delegations should visit your new members before they leave for Washington. Delegations should be sent also to the old Members who are reported as "non committal" or "opposed". Old Members who are in favor should be seen less formally, thanked for their position in the past, and given to understand, in a friendly and cordial way, that we are confident of their continued support.

In this connection, we ought all to remind ourselves constantly that Members expect to be treated as individuals. Do not permit circular letters to be sent them; but in writing or visiting them be sure to make clear that you differentiate the individual from the group. In the case of friendly men, great harm has been done by writing or speaking as if their previous records were unknown and their support unappreciated.

Care should be taken in forming delegations to choose, if possible, women whose families have political influence in the man's own party and who are representative of the different sections of his district. It is well to have a small group of persons of real importance in the district rather than a large group of less prominent people. Effective use should be made of our recent remarkable gains in Ohio, North Dakota, Indiana and Canada. For example, copies of the maps giving the increase of suffrage territory might be shown and a statement made of our gain in electoral votes.

Please let us know what you are able to do in this matter.

III. WORK BY MEN.

INDIVIDUAL CALLS. The best advice that we have been able to get with regard to our work in the coming session bids us lay much more emphasis on work by men in the home districts. We therefore urge you to try to get men of political prominence to call, apparently casually, on your Congressmen before they return to Washington to express to them the hope that they may support the Federal Amendment. The more men you can get to make these calls the better, for they will be enormously effective. They should be quite apart from the delegations.

COMMITTEES OF MEN. While you are seeking men to make these personal calls, it would be well also to start in each Congressional District a committee or group of men prominent in politics or in other ways who will agree to help as the need may arise by sending letters and telegrams to the Congressmen. When such a committee or group has been formed, a list of its members with addresses should be

sent to our office with the name of the District Congressional Chairman through whom they can be reached. Mrs. Catt in her letter of March 12th wrote you in this connection. We are merely reminding you and urging you to make every effort to secure as many influential men as possible for these committees.

IV. COMPLETION OF STATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.

Mrs. Catt urged you also to complete your list of District Congressional Chairmen if such list is not already filled. The Chairman of each district should make herself responsible for the accumulation of all information with regard to her Congressman which could possibly be of use to the workers in Washington. She should know about his political, social and personal standing, what influences effected his election, what pressure he would most quickly feel, his previous record in Congress and any earlier political record he may have. If he is a former member of the State Legislature, she should know what kind of bills he sponsored in the legislature and whether he is progressive or reactionary with regard to social and humanitarian measures. In short, she should know all about him, and most important of all, she should pass that information on to us in Washington in order that we may make the best possible use of it.

SPECIAL. In addition to your chairman for each Congressional District, you should appoint two members "at large" each of whom should hold herself responsible for one of your Senators in the same manner in which the Congressional District Chairman is responsible for the Representative from her district. Will you kindly send us the names of these two members at large as soon as possible?

V. STATE ORGANIZATION WORK.

When your State is planning its organization work, can you not arrange with the State Organization Committee to put its full force into the districts whose representatives in Congress are on your "doubtful" list? It is possible that the reason why that reoresentative is "doubtful" is that the suffrage organization in his district is weak. If you could send an organizer into that district to stir up new suffrage sentiment or to make articulate and effective the feeling that is already there, the man might be swung into our ranks for the coming session. If you can accomplish this with even one of your "doubtful" men, you will have done much toward the end which we are all hoping to attain in this coming Congress. We look to the State Congressional Chairmen and their lieutenants in the congressional districts to make this hope an accomplished fact.

SUMMARY.

We shall then expect from you:

I. An immediate report on the new members whose names are enclosed.

II. An early report of any delegations that you are able to arrange.

III. A list of members of your men's committees with their addresses.

IV. The names of the two members at large on your State Congressional Committee and the names of any District Chairmen who may have been appointed since your last report to us.

Your National Committee hopes to hear from you more frequently during the coming year. We are convinced that our fighting strength must lie chiefly in a connection with our state organizations represented by the State Congressional Chairmen. We urge you, therefore, to share with us freely all the wisdom which you may have. Your suggestions and criticism at any time, as well as your active cooperation, will be heartily appreciated.

Very cordially yours,

Maud Wood Park (Chairman)

Ruth White (Secretary)
National Congressional Committee.

~~My dear Senator Dunkum,~~

~~We are very sorry that you~~

~~are,~~

a.

4/3/17

My dear Senator Vermilya,-

We want to thank you for your support of our Presidential bill. If we had a majority of senators who as consistent ~~believers~~ friends of the cause of justice to women, as you have been the work in Minnesota would soon be finished.

Sincerely yours -

J J Vermilya
C. W. Gillam
Olai Lende
L. E. Potter
N. J. Holmberg
P A Sandbrud
E. P. Peterson
J. T. Alley
Frank L. Palmer
Carl Wallace
Geo A. Lumham
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Edward Rustad
William A Campbell
Fred D Velvert

B.

4/3/17

Written

My dear Senator Putnam.

We want to thank you for all your efforts in behalf of our Presidential bill, ~~and~~ as well as your able championship of our cause at all other times ~~through all the years~~

~~We regret that we proposed~~

~~It is some compensation to us in defeat to know that those who work for the cause of justice to woman are~~

The character of the men who are on our side in the legislature, is a compensation to us even in defeat.

Sincerely yours

Frank E. Putnam
John W. Andrews
F. H. Peterson
Ole O. Sageng
Richard Jones.
D. P. O'Neill

[April 3, 1917]

C.

My dear Senator Nelson, We want to thank you for your support of our Prohibition bill. You will do us a very great favor if at any time you feel in doubt as to the wisdom of woman suffrage you will give us an opportunity of trying to answer your questions. ~~Are you sure you will agree only an extension of democracy~~ While we do not think that this extension of democracy brings the millennium we do think that where it has been tried it stands the test of time and experience very well. And certainly works for righteousness and the education of women.

Thank you again, I am

Sincerely yours

Samuel Nelson
Henry N. Benson
Olof Gerst
Joseph Jackson
James D. Dingee
Charles N. Orr
George H. Gardner
R. T. Buckler

[April 3, 1917]

D 1

My dear Senator Bailey,-

I am very sorry you were unable to support our Presidential bill. ~~You state~~ ~~I understand~~ ~~that you~~ ~~believe~~ ~~told~~ You told I think that it should be submitted to a vote of the men. May I point out that this method imposes a difficult and humiliating condition upon the women of the country which no group of men has had to meet. All the men of this country, the foreign born, Indians, Negroes, Filipinos and Porto Ricans received their enfranchisement through Federal or State action and not by referendum and further, that the women of other countries supposed to be less democratic than ours have received political liberty by ~~act~~ legislative act and not by referendum.

I feel sure you agree with me in thinking that, however imperfect democracy

maybe, it is the very best system of government yet devised, and it is certainly a part of the divine plan that it be fairly tried out.

The march of one group after another throwing off bondage has been impressive and moving, ~~and I beg that you will not make continue to demand advocate~~ and I ~~feel~~ wish I could ~~arouse~~ awaken your sympathy for ~~here~~ the struggle of the last group, the women for political freedom, ~~must awaken your sympathy advocacy~~

I beg that you will not continue to hold the opinion that this can only be accomplished by referendum. This is not only the most difficult, but in some states, such as Indiana and New Mexico literally an impossible way, and you must know that at best the struggle is, ~~and has been~~ long and costly ~~has been~~.

Hoping that you will come soon to admit that women are entitled to gain their enfranchisement not only on the same terms as men, but that also the way may not be made unnecessarily hard

Susan - Sincerely Yours

James A. Carley
W. S. Drummell
Theodore Blomgren
R. C. Dunn

[April 3, 1917]

My dear Senator Briggs.

We are very sorry and disappointed that you ~~was not~~ did not support our prudential bill

When the legislative session is over and ~~and~~ you are not so crowded for time would you not write me why you are opposed to suffrage? I cannot believe you ~~that you are the type of mind~~ ~~that would~~ that you will continue to be against it if the matter is fairly presented to you.

Sincerely yours

N. S. Hegner

[April 3, 1917]

My dear Senator Adams

~~I am~~ We were very sorry and disappointed that you did not support our presidential bill.

We have in some way not been able to make you see that what we are asking is only an extension of democracy. I feel sure that you believe that however imperfect democracy may be, it is the very best system of government yet devised and it is certainly a part of the divine plan that it be fairly tried out.

The march of one group after another throwing off bondage has been unceasing and moving, and I wish I were able to arouse your sympathy for the struggle of this last group of the women for political liberty. You are not one of those who believe it is necessary that this question be submitted to the voters

so that it is doubly disappointing to us
that you did not avail yourself of the
opportunity of helping the cause
of justice to the women of Minnesota.
Sometime, when the Legislature session is over,
I would like to have you write me
just why you are not in favor of
woman-suffrage. I cannot believe
that you will continue to oppose it
when it is presented to you fairly.

Sincerely yours

Charles E Adams - Duluth

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April 5,1917

Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd,
Sec'y Data Department,
171 Madison Ave.
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Boyd:--

Replying to your letter of March 30th, regarding a list of associations in Minnesota who have endorsed woman suffrage, the following is the list we have on file. Undoubtedly there are others, but this list covers all those which we have on file at present.

State Dairymen's Association
State Local Option Association
State Editorial Association
Good Roads Conference
National Universalist Convention
State Letter Carriers' Assn.
National Spiritualists' Convention
State Federation of Women's Clubs
Minnesota Educational Assn.
Laundry Owners' Assn.
Minn. Christian Endeavor Union
Farmers' Grain Dealers Assn.

Trusting this will be of help to you,

Very truly yours,

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSN.

BY Clara M. Heckrich
Office Secy.

[April 9, 1917?]

Minnesota. 1917

Feb. 21.	Amendment passes House	(85-41)
March 29,	Presidential Bill fails Senate	(35-31)
April 9	Amendment defeated Senate	(40-14) 49-14

My dear Mrs Boyd. The dates are correct except the one on April 9th. The vote on that date was 49-14.

We send you a manual of our 1917 legislature. The bill for a Constitutional Amendment voted upon April 9th we wished to have defeated, as it is practically impossible to amend our Constitution. Most of our friends voted against the Amendment.

Cordially yours
Clara Ueland

See also WS - Laws Intro 1917 v

WS - Legis Hist (Calendar)

Route #2, Rush City Minn. April10, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich;-

You are a perfect dear to send me the letter from Dr. Jones. I am very much interested, of course, in what my first club is doingand I feel very gratified to know that the ones I selected seem to be the ones whodo things, and were properly approved by Dr. Jones. I feel confident that my work at Breckenridge is in a great measure responsible for the response she recieved. You see I don't believe in hiding my light under a bushel.*** However I am very sorry that she appointed Mr. Bott to the task of organizing a Men's League. He completely gums anything he undertakes;they told me he put himself at the head of the County Option fight,and because of his unpopularityand the way he goes at things,it was nip and tuck that it carried. Every one told me the same thing, and judging from his personality, I can well see how that happened.

He made me the most flattering promises of assistance, and wondered what he could that would be of special service to the cause, but I managed to side-step his offer by saying that he had already done very much by giving usfinancial assistance and moral support, both of which meant so much to us. You see the main objection to him is that he a moral reprobate of the worst type, and has a chronic itch for publicity.(I hope this letter doesn't go in the files)

The women, however are fine,- the very ones I secured and will do all they can She only appointed the committes, which I did not have time for, and they said they would do that themselves after they had thot about just whom to get.

Indeed it was alright for you to ask me to write Mrs. Battles and Mrs. Cameron., in fact it was the thing for me to do.I wrote them very nicely on my typewriter.(By the way, what do you think of my efforts? It's not taken me much more than 15 minutes to write this,and I'm not as tired as if I had written by hand.)

I am having a most glorious rest, even tho I am very busy doing things to my wardrobe, which surely nee ded lots of attention after my strenuous winter. I beaded a collar and made a real cream cake today, wish I could send you a generous slice.

By the way if you come across anything pertaining to county organization, will you please send it to me? Perhaps Mrs. Ueland has something along that line. You see I am to speak on that subject at Duluth, and want to be perfectly "orthodox".

Much love to you all.

Sincerely,
Bertha C. Moller.

April 21, 1917

Mrs. Charles Moller,
Rush City,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

We find that we are to have Dr. Effie Mc Cullum Jones in Minnesota for the month of May. We tried to fight shy of this because we did not feel equal to making a success of it just now, but the situation is such that the only thing for us to do is to accept the offer of the National.

I think we should use her in the Northwest, along the North Dakota border, first.

Mrs. Clendenning, president of the North Dakota association, has offered to help us get up a meeting in Moorhead and I am writing her this morning accepting her offer and asking her to make suggestions as to what we should do. Now I want you to write her, perhaps giving her the names of people whom you know in Moorhead who might be interested. It is a kind of a three-cornered affair, but hope it will work out without too much confusion.

I think we want you to go there, to the northwest, with Mrs. Mc Mahon immediately after the Duluth conference, so please be ready.

Cordially yours,

State President.

Bismarck, N. Dak., April 22, '17.

My Dear Mrs. Uel nd,-

I have just received a telegram from Mrs. Shuler saying that I am to report to you for the month of May. I am very glad to be able to have some experience with what many of us feel is one of the very best state organizations in our ranks and shall hope to be of use to you.

As My work in this state ends at Fargo on April 30th, will you please let me know there where I am to begin in your state? Also, write me what special matters you want me to stress and the kinds of work I am to do. I came here ostensibly to raise money but have been breaking virgin soil in a number of small towns where suffrage had never been mentioned, so that my main work has been organization. In that I have been very successful and have gotten some money also, of course.

Awaiting your directions, I am

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones

April 25, 1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
Fargo,
North Dakota.

My dear Dr. Jones:--

In regard to your campaign in Minnesota, I am going to ask you if you will not suggest some tentative plans of the work you think you might do for our consideration.

Minnesota is much like North Dakota in that there are whole tracts in which there has never been so much as a suffrage speech, so that organization is primarily what is needed here also.

Mrs. Mc Mahon is to be with you when you are here, and at least part of the time Mrs. Moller, one of our young Minnesota organizers, so I am hoping we can make quite a campaign in the month of May.

We have Thursday and Friday of this week one of our quarterly conferences in Duluth, with which Mrs. Mc Mahon has been working terribly hard. We are finding it up hill work to do suffrage work with this war excitement, so Mrs.McMahon has not had time to make plans for your being here, and I am afraid we are not going to be quite so well prepared as we should be. That is why I am asking you for suggestions.

Mrs. Clendenning has offered to assist us in doing something in Moorhead, and we will take all these ideas and work out something after I have had a conference with Mrs. Mc Mahon in Duluth.

I am sorry that I have to be away from the 11th to the 25th -- two weeks out of the middle month. I have to go to the Mississippi Valley Conference in Columbus May 12th, 13th, & 14th, and from there I am going East to be with my daughters a few days, but I expect to see you part of the time anyway when you are in Minnesota.

Looking forward with pleasure to meeting you again I am,

Cordially yours,

State President

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

[April 26, 1917]

CALL TO SUFFRAGE CONFERENCE

April 26th - 27th

TIME and PLACE	The Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association will hold its first 1917 Quarterly Conference in Duluth on Thursday and Friday, April 26th and 27th.
SPECIAL FEATURES	MRS. CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT, President of the National Suffrage Association will be present and will speak twice. Notable men and Women from various parts of the state will also speak. There are to be many delightful Social Features.
IMPORTANCE	Every Suffragist in Minnesota should attend.
ENTERTAINMENT	If you wish entertainment, send your name to Mrs. Harold Crassweller, President, St.Louis County Association, Duluth, Minnesota.

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April 27, 1917

Dear Suffragist:-

As representative of the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association, GOVERNOR BURNQUIST appointed me a member of the Food Production and Conservation Committee.

One of the chief activities of the Commission is giving publicity to the plans adopted and in sending out information which has been gathered in regard to increasing the food supply in Minnesota.

I am sending your name to the Secretary and you will receive from time to time bulletins published by the commission, and I want to ask you to do your best to pass on to your organization, to your friends and neighbors the ideas contained in the bulletin.

I do not need to tell you how serious is the world's shortage of food, nor how much Minnesota may help if we are able to organize in such a way that every one will do his part.

And further, I want to urge you to co-operate to the best of your ability with organizations or committees formed for the purpose of furthering plans for increasing the food supply, and if necessary to take the initiative in forming such committees. Patriotism calls upon you for no higher service!

Sincerely yours,
Clara Ueland

P.S. Enclosed herewith find a letter sent out by the Commission which goes to all the large organizations in the state under the signature of their respective presidents or leaders.

STATE COMMITTEE

of

FOOD PRODUCTION AND CONSERVATION

Minneapolis, Minn.
April 30,1917

Dear Madam:-

It has been suggested to the mayor of your community that that he call a mass meeting to organize a war committee to co-operate with the state committee of food production and conservation, recently appointed by Governor J.A.A.Burnquist to aid in keeping up the food supply of the nation through the present war. The organization of such a committee along with similar committees in every community in the state is imperative. Will you not, therefore, consult with the mayor of your community to forward the plan?

Enclosed you will find a statement of the organization of the state committee and of the things that may be done by a local committee of the kind proposed.

Prompt action is extremely desirable.

Of course, if such an organization or a similar one has been effected in your community, it would not be desirable to duplicate it by another. All interests ought to get together in one committee and push the work with all their strength.

Yours for the speedy ending of the war through combined and patriotic effort,

Clara Ueland, President

MINNESOTA WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION.

Food Production and Conservation

Issued by the State Committee of Food Production and Conservation, Appointed by Governor J. A. A. Burnquist, Friday, April 13, A. D. Wilson, Chairman.

UNIVERSITY FARM, ST. PAUL, APRIL 24, 1917

State's Organization Plan in Line With President's Suggestions

President's Appeal to Nation's Farmers

"The supreme need of our own nation and of the nations with which we are co-operating is an abundance of supplies and especially of food stuffs. The importance of an adequate food supply, especially for the present year, is superlative. Without abundant food, alike for the armies and the peoples now at war, the whole great enterprise upon which we have embarked will break down and fail. The world's food reserves are low. Not only during the present emergency, but for some time after peace shall have come both our own people and a large proportion of the people of Europe must rely upon the harvests in America. Upon the farmers of this country, therefore, in large measure, rests the fate of the war and the fate of the nations. May the nation not count upon them to omit no step that will increase the production of their land or that will bring about the most effectual co-operation in the sale and distribution of their products? The time is short.

"It is of the most imperative importance that everything possible be done and done immediately to make sure of large harvests. I call upon young men and old alike and upon the able-bodied boys of the land to accept and act upon this duty—to turn in hosts to the farms and make certain that no pains and no labor is lacking in this great matter."—Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States.

State Organizing to Increase Crops

President Woodrow Wilson's appeal for the largest possible increase in crop production and for the utmost conservation of food supplies by farmers and people is being met with enthusiasm by every state in the union. Commissions of public safety—and public safety includes safety from the possiblities of grim hunger—are being appointed in the various states and provided with means to prosecute their work.

Minnesota has fallen into line, as it did in the days of the civil war, with the appointment of such a commission and the appropriation of funds with which to prosecute its work. To co-operate with this commission has been named a state committee of food production and conservation. This committee has been fully organized and has developed a plan by which every town and community in the state may also be quickly organized.

The various subcommittees of the state committee of food production and conservation have drawn up programs of work that will enable the state to do its full share as the "bread and butter state" in helping to feed the people and their armies through the crisis of the world's greatest war.

It remains now for every town and community, and every man and every woman, and every boy and girl to do his or her bit. To fail in either food production or conservation is to fall short in patriotism, when patriotism is demanded as never in the history of the nation.

But no town or community or true American will fail.

Governor Names Food Committee

The call to the people of Minnesota to exert themselves to the limit in food production and conservation went out from the office of Governor J. A. A. Burnquist Friday, April 13. It was a business-like call. It took the form of a letter to a group of citizens to serve on a committee to increase the food supplies of the state and to prevent waste. To each member of the group went the following letter:

Dear Sir:

You are hereby appointed a member of a state committee of food production and conservation, and are respectfully requested to attend the first meeting to be held at University Farm, St. Anthony Park, at 3 p. m. Saturday, April 14, 1917.

This committee is to be under and to co-operate with the state public safety committee when appointed.

The response of the members of the committee was complete. Practically every member named was on hand at the first meeting, and within two hours and a half the committee had perfected a plan of organization and a program.

Organization of Food Committee

The state committee of food production and conservation, appointed by Governor J. A. A. Burnquist on Friday, April 13, organized the following day at University Farm, electing A. D. Wilson, director of the agricultural extension division of the University of Minnesota as chairman and approving the appointment of the following sub-committees:

Crop production:
D. A. Wallace, chairman
C. P. Bull
Thomas Cashman
R. W. Thatcher
Clifford Willis
C. G. Selvig

Livestock:
L. E. Potter, chairman
Thomas Canfield
E. H. Ulrich
J. J. Farrell
S. H. Ward
C. G. Selvig

Finance and credits:
E. G. Quamme, chairman
G. H. Richards
E. D. Durand
A. F. Woods
L. E. Potter
John H. Rich

Home economies:
Mrs. W. T. Coe, chairman
Josephine T. Berry
Mrs. J. B. Gilfillan
Mrs. G. Guttersen
R. W. Thatcher
Mrs. A. Ueland

Labor:
W. F. Houk, chairman
Mrs. A. Ueland
Thomas Canfield
A. D. Wilson
J. J. Farrell

Marketing:
Hugh J. Hughes, chairman
E. D. Durand
R. A. Wilkinson
L. H. Bugbee
A. F. Woods
Fred Lorenz

Publicity:
John E. Casey, chairman
W. P. Kirkwood
F. W. Murphy
Fred Sherman
Clifford Willis
J. L. Crump

An executive committee to consist of A. D. Wilson, chairman, C. G. Schulz, and the chairmen of the various subcommittees was also approved.

The organization of the general committee having been perfected, adjournment was taken subject to the call of the chairman.

The Food Supply Situation in Minn.

The proposition to increase the crop production of the country in order to meet the exigencies of war is sometimes—though rarely, let it be said—met with the suggestion that the proposed increase may lead to over-production and a consequent slump in prices for the producer.

There is little ground for the belief behind this suggestion. Conditions point to continued high prices. Besides, there is little danger that the nation will let those who rise to the present emergency suffer because of their patriotic service in raising large crops.

A. But here are the facts pointing to continued high prices:

(1) The present world's food supply which is far below normal.

(2) The large amount of labor that has been diverted from farms by the war, both as fighting men and to fill other positions paying high wages.

(3) The very poor present condition of the winter wheat crop.

(4) The excessive price of seed, farm machinery, and farm labor which will have a tendency to decrease rather than increase the production of the country.

Farmers can, therefore, with reasonable assurance, undertake the production of maximum crops. It is hoped that a minimum price for staple farm products may be guaranteed at an early date by the government.

B. It is the patriotic duty of every one in the state, especially those in towns and cities, to give every possible assistance, both directly and indirectly, that will increase the amount of labor available on farms. Everything should be done possible to guarantee producers against loss by encouraging the government to guarantee minimum prices for farm products and to secure the economical distribution of farm products and supplies.

C. To meet serious labor situation:

(1) Make use of family labor by giving members financial interest.

(2) Organize towns to release farm labor.

(3) Use labor-saving methods as hog pastures, self-feeders, tractors, large team and machines.

D. Increase wheat acreage at expense of oats and barley. Sow clover seed with all grain crops for feed and fertility.

E. Increase corn acreage. Use all manure that available labor can get out. Break up for corn 500,000 acres of timothy sod by use of tractors run 24 hours per day where possible.

F. Increase as much as possible the production of meat, especially pork.

G. Plant Potatoes.

(1) Economize in seed.

(2) Treat all seed for scab and wilt.

(3) Spray for bugs and blight.

H. Every family a garden.

(1) Can or otherwise preserve fruit and vegetables for two years.

I. Economics in food and clothing:

(1) Utilize all food.

(2) Eliminate waste.

What Every Town Can Do For the Nation

Every town and community in Minnesota can do its bit to help feed America and the other countries fighting for peace and human liberty. To fail in this is unpatriotic; it is to be untrue to the principles on which the nation is built, and to the traditions of which Americans are so proud. No Minnesota community will place itself in such a position. As a suggestion of some of the things a town may do, the following is of value:

1. Develop a strong public opinion in favor of work at productive employment by every able person—man, woman, or child; in favor of labor as honorable, and against those who shirk, thus causing others to overwork and do more than their share.

2. Mobilize all labor suitable for farm employment.

(a.) See that every experienced farm hand possible is employed on farms.

(b.) See that every town boy and girl has a chance to raise at least an acre of some crop.

(1). Ten boys can raise from 10 to 40 acres of corn, beans or potatoes.

(2) The baseball team can raise from 40 to 100 acres of crops at least.

(c.) Encourage schools to dismiss, with full credit for the remainder of the school year, all boys capable of doing farm labor, so far as such labor is needed.

(d.) Provide light employment and outdoor work NOW to get every one used to the more strenuous labor required later in the season.

(e.) One man and boy can be equipped with a hand-feed potato planter which can plant an acre of potatoes on each of 25 farms in one week.

(f.) One man can be equipped with a sprayer and spray 100 or more acres of potatoes in a week.

(g.) Two men can be equipped with a one-man tractor and plow in 24 hours six acres for each 14-inch plow.

(h.) Automobiles can be provided to deliver and distribute labor where needed in each locality.

(i.) **Let places of business be closed or left in charge of women during the few days of each extra-busy period, such as haying, harvesting, threshing, etc., and every available person go to the farms of the locality where labor is needed to help with the field work. Many of the women of the towns can assist with the extra work required in these periods in the farm homes.**

3. Make a survey of the local situation and organize to

(a.) Determine how much labor will be needed.

(b.) Determine how much is locally available.

(c.) Secure plenty of good seed for the locality, particularly seed wheat.

(d.) Secure the machinery needed.

(e.) Encourage the sowing of more clover and alfalfa and the purchase of good seed.

(f.) Secure an ample supply of rape or other seed necessary for good hog pastures.

(g.) Have gardens for every home on the farms planted so that field tools can be used in cultivating so far as possible; if not, so that wheel hoe or similar tools may be used to reduce labor. Encourage ample planting of such products as may be canned, preserved, or otherwise stored for winter use.

(h.) Encourage the building of more silos and assist in their construction.

(i.) Provide spraying equipment and chemicals.

(j.) Provide canning and evaporating equipment to fully conserve perishable food products raised.

(k.) Utilize vacant lots in production of food and all idle ground. Let village boards be encouraged to take care of anyone loafing and put him to work.

(l.) Organize to make use of everything produced.

(m.) Organize a definite campaign to economize in food and clothing.

Aid in Publicity Work to be Given

Assistance in publicity work will be given by the publicity subcommittee of the state committee of food production and conservation.

Already the general work of the organization has been clearly presented to the people of the state through the press, so that sentiment is ripe for practical work. Therefore, the publicity subcommittee urges the appointment of a local subcommittee on publicity to work in close co-operation with the various other local sub-committees, and with both the rural and city press. Through the rural press such a committee can keep the whole countryside advised of what is being done, and through the city press and central publicity subcommittee it can let the state know its community is doing its full share to meet the war burden placed upon it.

One of the duties of such a committee is to keep the fires of enthusiasm burning brightly, and another is to keep the public informed of every movement and every bit of news that will be of service to the farmer in helping to ward off the food shortage which threatens to bring grim hunger next winter.

By keeping in touch with the central publicity subcommittee valuable material may be had for use in the local press and valuable aid can be rendered through the central committee in getting such material used.

Local Committees to Co-operate With State's Central Committee

Organization the First Great Need

The mayors of Minnesota's towns are being asked to call a mass meeting of all the citizens of their communities both in the country and in town to organize a war committee in order that no agency may be left unemployed in getting the largest possible food supply with which to carry on the great struggle just entered upon.

Every mayor in the state has been forwarded a letter which is both an appeal to patriotism and common sense in an effort on the part of the state committee of food production and conservation to see that Minnesota does its full share among the great sisterhood of states. The letter, prepared by the chairman of the committee follows:

To Minnesota Mayors:

War is the call to team work. Our country has been forced into a war for the defense of the rights to peace and human freedom. Its president has appealed to Minnesota to do its full share, in meeting the enemy on the field if need be, but just now in providing for increased food production in order that neither those who go out to give battle nor those who remain at home to serve in other capacities may come face to face with grim hunger in the coming winter. This appeal comes with special emphasis to Minnesota because it is the "bread and butter state."

Fully realizing the situation, Governor J. A. A. Burnquist appointed a state committee of food production and conservation. This committee, after a careful review of the situation and opportunities, feels that the problems of greater production and conservation are largely local. The local unit in which every individual is interested is his trade center. Farmers and townspeople alike are deeply interested in the town and the country tributary thereto. These trade centers, like your own, therefore, should be organized along lines parallel to those of the state committee.

No possible doubt can exist as to the urgency of the need of larger acreages of crops this year. This big problem involves others: Seed, labor, money, markets, home economies, livestock, etc., and, to solve these, sub-committees of the state committee have been appointed as follows:

Executive	Home economies
Labor	Livestock
Finance and credit	Marketing
Crop production	Publicity

The state committee, therefore, urges that every town or market center be organized. If you have not already done so, we ask you as mayor to call a meeting of all of the people of your community at the earliest possible moment, the call to include farmers, merchants, bankers, school men, editors, women, and, in fact, every interest. We suggest, further, that the evening is the best time for such a meeting. If you have a live community club, use that. If you have none, organize a **war committee** immediately, and appoint working sub-committees, seeing that all interests are represented on them.

The state committee will be glad to give every possible assistance and will hope to co-operate with your committee in furthering any measure tending to promote food production and conservation.

Kindly notify us as soon as you have organized.

Yours for success in meeting the war emergency,

Chairman State Committee
of Food Production
and Conservation

Labor Problems May Be Easily Solved

The labor subcommittee of the state committee on food production and conservation believes that the labor needs of Minnesota even with a largly increased acreage can be met throughout the season with the cooperation of a local war committee's subcommittee on labor.

The labor subcommittee of the state committee urges each local subcommittee on labor to constitute itself a clearing house for placing local men on local jobs by listing men seeking work and local farm-trained labor able to do farm work and by making a survey of the labor that will be needed throughout the crop season. If any local committee does not find that its labor supply is likely to be equal to its demand, it is urged to communicate with W. F. Houk, state labor commissioner, Old Capitol, St. Paul, who will endeavor to supply the deficiency from transient labor sources.

The local committee should include in its survey of available labor, high school boys able to do farm work; also clerks, town employers and others who would be willing to go into the fields at harvest times or other times.

To aid in lightening the burden of labor of the farm women at stress periods, the home economics division of the Minnesota College of Agriculture, cooperating with home training teachers of public schools, will endeavor to organize local clubs of young women and young girls to assist the women of the country when the pressure of work is especially heavy.

Practical Ways of Increasing Crops

The crop subcommittee of the large state committee on food production and conservation, of which D. A. Wallace of The Farmer, St. Paul, is chairman, has prepared a very definite program adaptable to the various parts of the state for the increase in the acreage and value of foodstuffs. The committee urges in the first place, that every Minnesota farmer should produce staple, non-perishable food crops such as wheat, corn, beans and buckwheat and the other seed crops such as flax and millets. Then it makes very definite recommendaions as to the means of increasing the acreage and the production of foodstuffs as follows:

That farmers in the seventh and ninth congressional districts should sow from 5 to 20 acres more of wheat than usual, reducing the acreages of oats and barley, and breaking up new lands, old pastures and meadows suitable for wheat production.

That farmers south of a line drawn across the state through Ortonville and St. Cloud should plant from 5 to 25 more acres of corn than usual by breaking up worn out pastures and timothy meadows, and by the reduction of the normal oats and barley acreages.

The sowing of more flax in all parts of western, central and southern Minnesota.

The growing of beans on light and sandy soils in odd corners and gardens of farms.

The sowing of buckwheat on light soils for late June planting.

The planting of more than enough potatoes for home use on every farm.

The planting of millet as a filler for emergencies to supplement hay, and possibly as a food supply.

A kitchen garden for every farmer and every townsman.

The use of flower beds if need be for growing vegetables.

The careful preparation of the seed bed for all crops.

The conservation of pasturage by feeding silage this spring and early summer, and by sowing peas and oats; with the planting of corn and sorghum for green forage in July and August, and of rye for fall pasturage.

The sowing of clover for fall pasturage and soil fertility.

Provision for hog feed through the planting of early varieties of corn, such as Minnesota No. 23, Northwestern dent, and Minnesota grown flints, which ripen in August; these to be hogged-off.

The building of silos and the utilization of roadsides for such crops as potatoes, alfalfa, clovers, and beans.

The committee urges the use of plump, clean seed of good germinating power; the treatment of seed grains with formaldehyde if smut is apparent, and the treatment of seed potatoes with formaldehyde or corrosive sublimate (a poison). All seed corn, the committee says, should be tested before planting.

For available seed supplies farmers should address the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association, University Farm, St. Paul.

Livestock Industry Must Be Built Up

Pointing out a decrease in the production of meat animals in the United States in the last 16 years with the number of sheep falling from 60,000,000 to about 49,000,000, and the number of beef cattle from 45,000,000 to 39,000,000, the livestock subcommittee of the state committee on food production and conservation has suggested a definite program for the livestock breeders in Minnesota for the present war emergencies. This program calls for:

The retention of all breeding stock of every type, on account of the supply needed to replenish the breeding farms of Great Britain and Europe after the war.

The growing of leguminous crops—clover, alfalfa, and so forth—for the retention of nitrogen in the soil and to supply protein feeds needed in livestock production.

The growing of clover with all grain crops and the sowing of alfalfa, wherever possible.

The growing of pastures to reduce the cost of pork production by eliminating the use of cereals in such large quantities.

The raising of fall litters of pigs, and wherever possible the leaving of gilts on the farm for fall production.

An increased corn acreage to supply, in addition to the regular feeds, larger amounts of corn by-products.

The building of silos.

The retention of the entire lamb crop until the spring of 1918 for the sake of the wool clip and a larger mutton return.

The use of ewe lambs for breeding stock where good growth and development have been given.

Discouragement of the shipping of immature animals, especially of beef cattle, for slaughter, because such cattle could use a large amount of waste feeds during the coming season.

Discouragement of the purchase of breeding stock from other states, on account of the danger of importing diseases.

The reporting of all diseased livestock to the Minnesota Livestock Sanitary Board.

Greater horse production throughout the state to meet the present shortage and demand for good animals.

Women of State Will be Mobilized

Students and staff of the division of home economics of the Minnesota College of Agriculture, teachers of home training in public schools throughout the state, and women's organizations of every sort, are to co-operate in organizing the girls and young women in towns and communities into groups to promote food preservation and to render emergency household service during harvest and other stress periods.

This is a part of the program agreed upon by the household economies subcommittee of the state committee on food production and conservation.

This subcommittee will, with the co-operation of the Minnesota Federation of Women's Clubs, endeavor to get every woman in the state to sign a pledge to practice economies in the amounts of foods served, and to prevent waste.

It has asked the division of home economics of the college of agriculture to prepare bulletins for the press, presenting the principles of an adequate diet, the comparative food values and costs of common food materials, and suggestions as to specific economies for the conservation of foods; also, to prepare outlines for discussion and study by clubs, schools, and other organizations, covering similar topics and the added topic of wool supply.

It urges all women's organizations to encourage gardening and poultry raising by girls and women, and to promote community gardening and community organizations for food preservation.

It will ask the Minnesota Federation of Women's Clubs to arrange a list of speakers to be available for community mass meetings, for the encouragement of patriotic effort and service.

Financing Great Crop Campaign

The bankers throughout the state are urged to encourage larger crop production by helping to gather information as to possible shortages of seeds and by financing farmers in need of funds with which to buy seed supplies. Recommendations to these effects have been sent out in a letter from the finance and credits subcommittee of the state committee of food production and conservation of which E. G. Quamme, president Federal Land Bank, St. Paul, is chairman.

The letter to the bankers calls attention to three facts: That there is a shortage n f ood supplies and that unless a larger acreage is employed, this shortage will be greatly increased; that elements besides the law of supply and demand are at work, and will insure good prices for production; that it is very safe to assume that the difficulty in laying in a good supply of help for harvesting the crop will be overcome.

In case there is a shortage of seed supplies or difficulty in financing farmers who need money with which to provide seed, bankers are requested to notify the secretary of the state subcommittee, G. H. Richards, 611 Northwestern National Bank Building, Minneapolis.

To Co-operate in Marketing Crops

The subcommittee on marketing will endeavor to bring together all persons concerned in the marketing of the products produced by the farmers in response to the appeal of the state committee on food production and conservation. The marketing subcommittee will study not only the problem of handling grain crops, but smaller crops, and will try to unite the railroad, cold storage and packing interests to see that the business of disposing of crops is handled with expedition and profit to the producer.

In this effort the state subcommittee on marketing will keep in touch with local subcommittees in order to obtain information of the acreages of the different crops in each locality, especially the surplus to be marketed, also, of the numbers of domestic animals; to obtain figures as to the needs of different outside markets to prevent monopoly and to avoid a glut on any market; to investigate storage facilities, to send information to local subcommittees as to the handling of crops locally, and to co-operate with the federal bureau of markets.

In short, the state committee will endeavor, by acquiring knowledge of the demand for the various products in different markets and by its knowledge of the amount of such products grown in the state, to see that all products are so placed on the market that they will bring satisfactory prices to the producer.

Fargo, N. D., April 28, '17.

My Dear Mrs. Ueland,-

I have received your letter upon my arrival here and have wired you, in the hope that you might be able to reply yet tonight. As the first of May is next Tuesday and I finish near here Monday evening I am anxious, of course, to get busy at once in Minnesota, so as to make the month there count for as much as possible.

Since your plans are chaotic I fear that the National has rather forced me upon you and I am sorry if you were not especially wanting me at this time, but if I am to be on your hands I shall hope that some real results may be accomplished by means of my time spent with you.

Now, as for plans - I am glad if you want the stress placed upon organization, because that is the least difficult part of the work now that the war has distracted so many of our women. Of course, I presume that you will want us to raise as much money as possible and that you may think it wise to send us to some places that come in our itinerary that are already organized and where information and inspiration will be the main ends sought but certainly our best course now, in view of the fact that this war is likely to bring along the Federal Amendment at almost any time, is to get our outlying districts organized and educated so as to be ready to influence the election of legislators in the event that we get to where a ratification is all that we need.

It will be pleasant to have Mrs. McMahon and Mrs. Moller travel with me, but it seems to me that we ought to spread ourselves over a district instead of concentrating upon a single place with two or three people in a day. I do not know how your railroads are arranged for that sort of thing. I have suggested that you send Nancy McMahon out at once to begin to arrange dates ahead of me. In that way I would find a prepared community and would get a much larger hearing. If she goes, she might arrange to schedule two of us for parallel meetings in small towns and then have us gather in the larger towns for several speeches. It is often good business to send a speaker to the High School or to some ready made gatherings so as to increase the hearing and societies that are meeting regularly should always be addressed if possible.

Of course, if we are to do intensive organization and ask for money and try to do several speeches in a place then we shall be all right staying together in most places.

We ought to be in a different place each day, unless you want us to do much house to house work - and that is a rather extravagant way to use travelling helpers. The local women should do that as far as possible, but you will know your territory better than I.

I asked in my telegram whether we should have lithographs and fliers printed, since they have a large out of me here. I trust that you will decide for us to do that, as we can get them out into the field so much more quickly than you could. I will see to them and get them to Nan wherever she goes if that is settled. A few good window cards and a quantity of fliers to be sent about the morning of the day of the lecture or the day before are worth many times their cost.

We should also have a supply of pledge cards and membership blanks and whatever other printed matter we shall need for the various sorts of work that you care to have us attempt. Of course, some sort of publicity of the other workers who are to go with me should be added to mine , but I shall need your orders for that.

The present hope is that I am to arrange a meeting for Tuesday in Moorhead and one for Wednesday in Breckenridge, where they have asked for me. Beyond that I shall await your directions. I hope that the foregoing suggestions may serve to clear the situation a little.

You would better send any word thru this office for a few days until I have an itinerary. Yours, cordially, Effie McCollum Jones.

I am having my mail sent to your office & you can have it forwarded wherever I am to be at - General Delivery in the town where I am to be.

May. [1917]

Leslie Woman Suffrage Commission
Bureau of Suffrage Education
171 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

DR.EFFIE MC COLLUM JONES

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones has always been an ardent suffragist but not until the last few years, when the call for leaders becaome so urgent, did she devote her entire time to the suffrage cause. Having been elected Dean of Women at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois, she was just about to take up her duties when she was prevailed upon to take the platform in the interest of suffrage.

Dr.Jones has filled many positions of honor and trust, among them the very responsible position of trustee of Lombard College. This institution conferred upon her the honorary degree of D.D. She is one of less than half a dozen women in the country to be so honored. Vice President of the Associated Charities of Waterloo Iowa, Vice President of the W.C. T. U. of Waterloo and Berre, Vermont, and Vice President of the Iowa State Suffrage Association are some of the positions filled by Dr.Jones. She was twice elected president of the Twin-City Ministerial Assn.

Born on a farm and having received her very early education in the district school, Dr.Jones is thoroughly conversant with the problems that confront the farm man and woman and the residents of the small communities.

Dr. Jones has been on the lecture platform for some time having lectured many times on the Passion Play and other subjects at Chautauquas and similar large gatherings.

As an orator she is at once eloquent and forceful, a keen thinker and carries her discourse to a logical conclusion.

Those who know Dr.Jones intimately think of her not as a lecturer or as a magnetic leader in a big cause, but as a home woman, the mother of two beautiful daughters and a charming hostess over a home where many distinguished persons have been entertained.

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Minnesota Woman Suffrage Assn.

DR. EFFIE MC COLLUM JONES.

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones, who is travelling through Minnesota giving talks on Suffrage and National Aid Work is a suffrage worker who is known all over the United States although her closest affiliations are with the western States, as she is a western woman by birth and has lived in the west during the last 12 years.

Dr. Jones has an educational background which peculiarly fits for the work to which she is at this time devoting herself. She was educated in Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois, and received her degree of Doctor of Divinity at that institution. She is a minister of the Universalist Church and has held twelve year pastorates in Barre, Vermont, and in Waterloo, Iowa. The last charge she held until the opening of the recent campaign for suffrage in that State when she decided that she must do her "bit" to help the enfranchisement of women, which she believes of the deepest importance.

Dr. Jones' excelent work, her magnetic power of speech and her constructive platform caused Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt to make an effort to secure her for National Suffrage work and since that time she has worked in practically every campaign State and was one of the women whose work and word helped to win the North Dakota victory. Her official title in national suffrage circles is National Field Director of the National Woman Suffrage Association.

Born and brought up on afarm in Kansas, Dr. Jones is naturally keenly interested in the movement to increase crop production in this country which has taken such hold on the western population. To her it is the most valuable part of the National Aid scheme, and it is upon this brach of National aid work that the emphasis of her lectures is placed.

Dr. Jones has two splendid daughters, one of whom is studying in her mother's Alma Mater in Galesburg, and one of whom is a student in the Iowa State College.

Dr. Jones' itinerary in Minnesota, mapped out by the President of the State Suffrage Assn., Mrs. Andreas Ueland, will include the most important towns of the State both north and south. She will remain in the State for a month, at least.

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Wabasha, May 3rd, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich;-

I have made out a form by which I will report every meeting ,if it is satiafactory to you and Dr. Jones. Please let me know what you think of it. After you have made note of the things you are to do, you can mail the report to Dr Jones at the placepreceding the one which I am reporting. I don't know if that is very clear or not but you can probably guess what I mean. For instance this report should be sent to Red Wing, so as to reach her on Saturday.

Oh, yes, on Dr. Jomes Window cards which you will get up with the cut, please do not omit to put on "Men and Women Cordially Invited" and "Admission Free". Then if Mrs. McMahon will select a pretty little piece of Suffrage Propaganda to tack on at the finish, she will be a darling.

Ileave for Winona this evening, tomorrow afternoon I go to Rochester and Saturday afternoon to Waseca. Please forward mail accordingly, as I am expecting a letter from Charles.Then can my check be sent to me this week? It'$ quite essential as I am not as flush as I thot I was.

Will mail you My schedule before the end of the week so you will know how to send window cards,etc. Be sure to send cuts as soon as Mrs. Thorp gets them from the National.

With Love,
Bertha C. Moller.

[May 2-4, 1917?]

P E O

Miss Eliza C. Morrell (South 4000) Pres.

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WABASHA, MINN., May 3 1917

My dear Miss Heckrich;
Made a mistake in saying I would be at Waseca Saturday. I overlooked Owatonna. That is where I'll be on Sat. Shall try to finish Winona & Rochester tomorrow the 5th so as to get ahead of Dr. Jones. I'm only 4 days in advance of her now & I want to hurry up & get at least a week ahead of her, especially when I get in the northern part of the state. I'll begin next week at Waseca - Bertha C. Moller

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The reason I'm having Dr. Jones take a late train (5 00 P.M.) from Red Wing to ~~Wabasha~~ Wabasha on Monday is that her hostess Mrs. Murdock won't be ready for her until that time of day.

Minneapolis, Minnesota
May 4, 1917

Mrs. Charles Moller,
c/o Gen'l Delivery,
Owatonna, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:-

Wrote a letter to you yesterday addressed to Rochester--but you are ahead of your schedule, as originally planned. So I'll write the news contained therein. No, I'll enclose the copy herewith, which please return, for our files.

Received your letters this morning and think your report is A No.1-- Mrs.Mc Mahon too. I might suggest that you place a carbon sheet in your typewriter when you are making it up, and mail the thing in duplicate-- one for our files and one to forward to Dr. Jones--which will save me copying it. This is not much for every little helps, you know, in these busy times.

If you prefer to have me fill in the cards -- no, it can't be done, for of course you yourself have to place the window cards. I started off to say something I can't finish.

However, I am writing the postmaster at Rochester to send the package there to you at Waseca--it ought to get to Waseca by Monday. I suppose you are leaving your forwarding address with all the postmasters--altho' some of them I dare say don't know what that means.

Mrs. Ueland has written the following people:

Sauk Center { Mrs.Hator Halvorson
Mrs.Fanny French Morse -School for Girls-
Mrs. W.O.P.Hilsdale

(Sen A.L.Hanson - Ada
Mrs. Bernad Tenney - Ada

I will send you carbons of letters of those to whom we write today.

May 5,1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
Wabasha,
Minnesota.

My dear Dr.Jones:-

Enclosed herewith find The Daily Program - covering Winona.

I am keeping a record which I believe will prove rather interesting. I enclose a sample of the heading which will give you an idea.

When you send in your reports, I wonder if it would be too troublesome for you to give me this information, that is, the number present, I can count the enrollment myself, also amount, and then give just a sentence which I can embody in the report- such as is shown on the sample.

I do not want to burden you with a lot of unnecessary detail, but I believe such a sheet will be of interest to you as well as to us here at headquarters. It shows up pretty fine already.

All officers' names are put on file, as well as names of chairmen.

With bestwishes,
Cordially your

Enclosedherewith find a letter from Redwood Falls.

We also received a telegram from Waseca from Mrs. R. P. Ward reading "Cannot arrange for meeting. Have written."

Now, for your information, and your own judgment, we willsay that practically the same thing happened at Hastings. They said they could not have a meeting, but Mrs.Forrestal got there before we got word to her, and arranged a meeting and Dr. Jones will speak there tonight. Mrs. Ueland says for you to use your own judgment about those matters, but suggests that if no meeting can be arranged for at Redwood Falls, one can be managed at Brainerd.

Mrs.Troendle will be here this afternoon and we will send your check out just as soon as the ink is dried. Will forward it to Owatonna- it should surely reach you Saturday.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Clara Heckrich

to change of opinions and will welcome anyone who is interested along lines of progress.--I am sorry that Mrs.Jones and Mrs.Moller are coming at this time as I should so like to have them for my guests. If Mrs.Moller comes before, I shall entertain her, for I am perfectly well and have a maid, so it would not put me out. (Mrs.Halvorson expects a baby about the 20th). Hoping I can be of service in securing much co-operation of interest in Dr.Jones' expected visit, I am--"etc. Mrs. Halvor Halvorson, Sauk Center.

I am sorry about the cut. I cannot imagine why they have not sent it. In the first place they said they were going to send it of their own volition, and even with my letter they are slow in doing so. I sometimes think if women were only a little more business like about little things, the sooner they would get the vote, but then, of course, we have not been "in business" so very long, and men cannot expect women to be business like anymore than we can expect them to sew.

I am staying in this perfectly lovely Saturday afternoon to get out that "darn" stencil. I have been head over heels in work. Mrs.Mc Mahon leaves tomorrow, and of course there were some odds and ends to pick up here and there, and then we had a Board Meeting this A.M., and Dr.Jones being in the office kept me from doing certain things, - so maybe you willforgive me for not getting it out sooner.

The ladies bought a Corona for Mrs. Mc Mahon. Wasn't that nice of them? At first they talked about a real nice bag, but later decided to give her the machine.

With love,
Clara.

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May 5, 1917

Mrs. Charles Moller,
Waseca,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs.Moller:-

I am addressing you at Waseca as I do not know whether you are going to Redwood Falls or not.

We have some good news for you. Mrs. Ueland's friends at Sauk Center write as follows (partial copy):-

"Yours regarding Dr.Effie Mc Collum Jones and her visit to Sauk Center comes to my desk this morning. I would be very glad to further in any possible way the success of her meeting in Sauk Center. I wish I might be allowed the pleasure of her entertainment while she is in the city. I should be delighted to arrange for her to talk to the girls. -- Thanking you for giving me the opportunity to be of service and hoping to hear from you that her entertainment may be mine, believe me--Sincerely yours, Fannie French Morse. "

also

"--I regret to say that Sauk Centre is not on the list of enthusiasm as far as suffrage is concerned. I shall bring the matter before our Woman's Club which meets next Wednesday, and also phone all those I think would be interested in helping the good cause along. I feel sure Dr.Jones will have a large gathering. While there are not many very interested suffragists, there are many intelligent people here, and they are open

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The most useful and satisfying person whom I met is Miss Frances Boynton, who runs an office and handles real estate and insurance. She is a woman of initiative and resource and would make a good leader but she is not likely to stay in Hastings much longer. Miss Judkins, a teacher in the schools, is also useful. Mrs. Russell, a transient resident for a year or two, is a former Iowa woman and so was nice to me. She will do what she can. I am not so sure about Miss Kiles. She is a recent convert and apparently enthusiastic, but the hotel has been "pulled" several times for illegal liquor selling, so she may not be altogether an asset to the movement. Miss Stevens at the Hospital is the only other woman whom I discovered whose name I dare pass on to the organizer.

Of course, you will understand that this is wholly confidential to you and Mrs. Ueland. I felt that you need all the facts.

One other line on Hastings is at any rate illuminating in this connection. Saturday afternoon, while our called meeting was flatting out, the State Agricultural Agent was in the town with a specially advertised speaker to hold a mass meeting about the food supply problem and he traversed the streets to get a few men to go into the hall provided on the Main street and was unable to get anyone inside and the meeting was abandoned.

One suggestion to the dear women who are preceding me would be that they ask a few socially prominent women to act as hostesses to the meeting and personally invite by telephone a considerable number of their acquaintances. I am not a snob but I want to save these people's souls.

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones.

Send no more blanks until I say so. I had a good supply and with these small audiences they go a long way.

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RED WING, MINN.

Hastings

The two signatures on the small cards were handed it at N. Dak. meetings.

Enrollment 10 — Collection $2.25

May 5, 1917

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

Hastings was not an especial joy to my soul. No one met me but Miss Norrish called me up and came for me at the hotel. The meeting was in the High School auditorium, seven blocks from the Main street, up a hill and up two flights of stairs so I felt sure at first that we should have a small audience - tho later indications were that we should not have had a large one anyway.

About thirty persons were present, mostly women. The celebrity who was to have introduced me was compelled to be out of town so Miss Norrish did it. The interest was apparently normal, but when I asked for collection and pledges Miss Norrish got up and tried to forbid me to do so saying that the meeting had been advertised as free. Of course, I turned the matter off with a laugh and went ahead, but after that sort of objection the total result was $2.25, from three persons. Similar reluctance was shown about signatures, as some of them had signed some sort of enrolment before. When I came to discuss future work we had another interference from Miss Norrish, who told me that this was not the way to conduct a suffrage meeting,- that we should sow our seed and wait a good while for it to fructify, and so forth. Consequence, no one willing to do anything at all then. Afterward, two women, a Mrs. Russell who lives at the hotel and Miss Helen Klies, one of the hotel proprietors walked home with me and offered to get together another meeting the next afternoon. They telephoned to forty-four women, none of whom were at the meeting the night before and secured the attendance of three besides themselves, so we simply talked informally.

The net conclusion is that Hastings is truly a difficult town. To get results the organizer who goes there must leave out the old workers, who have grown despondent and infect everyone else with their depression. Miss Norrish means well, but she is middle aged mentally as well as physically, her mother is a confirmed invalid and a great care and Miss Norrish will never take hold of any movement with alacrity. She and others feel that they are over burdened by war work but they have done nothing at all thus far. The idea of finally doing something wearies them before the effort is undertaken.

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a better leader, if she could be gotten to take hold, and she probably could be if she knew that suffrage was not to be run exclusively along W. C. T. U. lines.

You will notice that several signatures are of people not from Red Wing. Most of those are the rural teachers, who promised to try to stress suffrage in the local clubs for community betterment which they are pledged to form. The two Hastings slips were left out because they were secured separately. For both of those places you will have to hold the enrolment cards until the organizer can go and appoint someone to have charge of the local records. I left the pledges that were unpaid with Miss M. Eleanor Wilson to collect and forward to headquarters.

I believe that is all. Red Wing was virgin territory and needed a lot of agitation, so I worked on that line.

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones

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Red Wing

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Red Wing, Minn.,- May 5-7

The scheduled meeting on Saturday evening was small, not over thirty being present, largely members of the W. C. T. U. My advice would be not to hire halls in any of these places, as even a meeting in a private house would apparently get about the same people and the hostess would make a special effort to get her own friends out. However, I managed to reach a large part of Red Wing in the course of my two days.

Sunday after-noon I spoke at four o'clock to about fifty people, more than half men, at the Lutheran Red Wing Seminary and in the evening I had the Methodist church pulpit, reaching nearly eighty people and getting a large number of signatures, tho a collection was not permitted. On Monday I spoke to 350 pupils and the teachers in the High School, with excellent response. Afterward I spoke to the Civics class for a lesson period and they asked many questions and it was most useful. Then, I also spent part of an hour with the Rural Teachers' Training Class, secured their signatures and gave them definite outline of work to do in the rural sections where they will teach next year. All told, I spoke six times in my two days in Red Wing and reached about five hundred people. I would have gone out after personal subscriptions but these speeches and the plans for them, newspaper interview and other matters made it impossible and there was no local woman to go with me, and I do not like to venture alone for that work.

The organization work should follow soon. Better not use the W. C. T. U. women here. That was a main trouble with my Saturday evening meeting. I will tell you later why they are not popular here.

Consult Miss M. Eleanor Wilson about people for orgaization as she knows the situation. It would have been unwise to try to organize even a committee Saturday evening, as ~~only~~ Miss Wilsin and Miss Case, two High School teachers, were the only persons present who were not Members of the W. C. T. U. The local Woman's Club is not very interested but some member of that would be

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Red Wing, Minn.,-

Cash collection -	$1.00	
Arthur Bryan - -	1.00	Pd
Miss M. Eleanor Wilson-	1.00	June 8
Mrs. D. V. Hall - -	1.00	"
Mrs. Isabelle Sterling -	1.00	"
Mrs. A. H. Allen - -	1.00	"
Mrs. Susie V. Stageberg-	1.00	July 1
Miss Florence D. Case -	1.00	May 15
Mrs. C. Bryan - - -	1.00	July
Total	$9.00	

May 8, 1917

Mrs. Charles Moller,
c/o General Delivery,
Granite Falls,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

I don't know where to address you. You promised to send me an "itinerary" but I have not received same. However I am taking a chance at Granite Falls--also sending a bunch of our new posters there. Another bucnh with the new wording on will go to Willmar. After that we expect to have some with the cut of Dr.Jones on it, which we trust will come in--has not yet arrived.

Mrs. Thorp has been ill in bed for almost a week--came down this morning.

Mrs.Ueland at first decided that she could not change Dr. Jones' topic "Woman's Political Responsibility" without consulting her, but finally gave in to adding "And National Aid Work." I must now write Dr.Jones about it. Hope she will not mind. You now have had sent to you 35 of these window cards. Tell me, about how many will you need . There are fourteen towns left after Willmar. How many about will you need in each town.

Mrs.Jones writes that the meeting at Hastings was very poor. The lady who introduced her at the small gathering of 30 would get up and object to her calling for enrollments or pledges.(Wouldn't that frost you?) Dr.Jones suggested that we advise our organizers to appoint some socially prominent

women to act as hostesses to the meeting and personally invite by telephone a considerable number of their acquaintances." She also adds, "I am not a snob, but I want to save these peoples' souls." (Idon't think she meant that from a ministerial standpoint.) In writing her today I shall tell her that I believe you have done that down the line.

At the Hastings meeting Dr.Jones had only about 30 people present and collected $2.25-- enrollment amounted to nine. This small result was due of course to inefficient people backing the meeting. However, don't let it dismay you. It was not your get-up, and was really the fault of the "Hastings Spirit."

Sincerely

Clara H.

May 8, 1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o General Delivery,
Rochester, Minn.

Dear Dr.Jones:-

Your letter regarding Hastings received. The women in the office, Mrs. Thorp and Mrs. Ueland said they rather expected that of Hastings--and the strange part of it is that our association was organized at Hastings in 1881.However, I am sure that only a minister could look at such a disturbing meeting with such good humor as you put into your report. I fear that in spite of the unfortunate news, Mrs. Thorp and I had a good time reading your letter. (That is to be frank, is it not?)

Your suggestion about appointing "socially prominent women" to look after suffrage meetings was handed on to Mrs.Moller, who is now preparing the way for you - beginning with your Wabasha meeting. That one, of course, was not advertised for any length of time before your coming, but Mrs. Moller is gaining ground now and is about five days ahead of you today and wants to make it a week--so your meetings in Minnesota should grow as you progress.

One thing Mrs.Ueland told me to write you about. In regard to the window cards--Mrs.Moller phoned and requested that we add the words "And National Aid Work." Mrs.Ueland did

not want to do this without consulting you, but we had to send them on to be printed immediately, so she gave her consent. We had just 35 printed for immediate use, and will have more printed Thursday morning. If you are averse to this addition to your topic, please notify me. Mrs. Moller said the women simply insisted upon National Aid Work being brought in somehow and consequently her request. The cards now read "Woman's Political Responsibility and (2d line) National Aid Work."

Sincerely,

Clara M. Heckrich

Office Secretary

P.S. You mention your report being confidential between Mrs. Ueland and yourself and me-- Mrs. Thorp is in the office nearly all day long--at least half of the week, so she naturally belongs to our "official family." However, outside of that you may be sure anything you say will be kept inside.

TAKE THE ENTIRE BULLETIN NEXT TO YOUR LOCAL PAPER OR PAPERS and ask the Editor to print any portion of it which appeals to him. Select, if he agrees, the part which seems of most interest and importance to you. As the bulletin is broken up into short items with suitable heads, it should be easy to place at least one item of each bulletin. If you have two friendly papers, take a different item to each paper.

IF YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PLACE A SUFFRAGE TALK AT OTHER MEETINGS, such as those held by the W.C.T.U. , Church Aid Societies, etc., use the bulletin as the basis of your talk and you will be telling your audience something that they do not already know. Use "ready made" meetings for suffrage talks wherever you can; in this way you will reach people who are not already suffragists.

THINK UP OTHER WAYS OF USING THE BULLETIN which are particularly suited to your neighborhood.

Very cordially yours,

State Press Chairman

(Mrs.Walter Thorp)

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May 8,1917

Dear Suffragist:--

Through the Leslie Woman Suffrage Commission of which our National President, Mrs.Carrie Chapman Catt,is the head, we shall be able to send you at short intervals bulletins containing the very last word in suffrage news. This is saying a good deal as suffrage is making such rapid progress the world over, that each week brings some new victory or at least some significant change in the status of the woman movement both in this country and in Europe.

The facts stated in these bulletins can always be relied upon as authentic and may be quoted and printed with safety.

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These bulletins will be for - warded to member of our Board of Directors and to our district leaders and presidents of suffrage organizations all over the State as often as they are issued by the Leslie Commission, which will probably average about once in ten days or so.

We believe that they will be of inestimable value in knitting together the State and County Organizations in a more comprehensive knowledge of the scope of the suffrage movement and its steady on- ward march in this country and in Europe.

Very cordially yours,

Vivian Stanley Thorp
cst

State Press Chairman

(Mrs. Walter Thorp)

May 8, [1917]

TENTATIVE ITENERARY BERTHA C. MOLLER.

Tuesday	May 8th	Mankato.
Wednesday	9th	Lake Crystal
Thursday	10th	Redwood Falls
Friday	11th	Granite Falls.
Saturday	12th	Willmar
Sunday	13th	Litchfield.

Shall try to finish Mankato and Lake Crystal in one day but in that case will devote more time to Granite Falls, and Willmar.

May 8, 1917

ST. JAMES HOTEL
RED WING, MINN.

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May 8, 191__

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

An excellent meeting at Wabasha last night, in the High School Auditorium, with about eighty present, including quite a few representative men. Splendid attention but all the questions and pre-occupations were about war, partly on account of the big patriotic demonstration scheduled for today. Collection disappointing, list of which is enclosed. The enrollments are not so numerous as they seemed to promise because so many had enrolled when Mrs. Ueland was here a short time ago. The collection was affected by the fact, also, that the Woman's Club has undertaken to pay the $50.00 which is this county's apportionment and they want some of the outside clubs to help. I left the unpaid pledges with Mrs. John Murdock to collect and she also took some blank pledges and said she would try to have the rest of the money raised by that means.

Mr. Towle, Superintendent of the schools, had refused to allow me to speak in the school when Mrs. Moller was here, but at the end of the meeting last night he asked me to take the first period of the morning and I did so, speaking to about a hundred students and teachers, with fine enthusiasm manifested and splendid expressions form the Superintendent. Mr. Towle asked for a number of enrolment blanks so as to secure other names for us, which he will turn over to Mrs. Murdock.

Local organization here must wait a little for the wave of patriotic hysteria to settle into serious work for big ends. I tried to make them see that our main effort now must be to get the women a chance to be heard in the settlement of the after-war questions. This is a town with good sentiment, but the Woman's Club must lead and Mrs. ~~Corle~~ the President, is in Colorado with a very sick daughter.

My pleasantest experience thus far in Minnesota was at these two meetings.

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones

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No Time to Copy.

ST. JAMES HOTEL
RED WING, MINN.

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Wabasha, Minn.,- May 7, '17.

Cash Collection -	$ .75	
W. J. Dornief - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. V. L. Smith - -	1.00	Pd
R. E. Jones - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. John Murdock -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. W. B. Webb - -	1.00	any time
L. H. Towle - - -	2.00	Nov. 1
Mrs. J. G. Lawrence -	2.00	any time
Belle Anderson - -	1.00	
Mrs. M. J. Shaughnessy -	.50	at club meeting
Total	$11.25	of which $4.75 is paid.
	4.75	
	6.50	

Winona

Report of Winona meetings, May 8 - 9- '17.

The twenty-four hours here were strenuous ones but a large part of the population was reached in some way.

At 12.30 on Tuesday a dozen ladies met with me at luncheon that I might tell them of the War Work plans of the National and they were deeply interested. Also, they went to work to get out more people in the evening, as soon as they felt sure it was worth while.

At 8.00 P. M. about eighty-five people met in the Parish House and it was a delightful and representative audience, and very responsive. Four leading men of the city spoke briefly and everything was favorable.

At 8.45 Wednesday morning I spoke to about three hundred students in the State Normal School, by invitation of the President, Mr. Maxwell, and the enthusiasm was very satisfactory.

At 9.30 I talked both Thrift and Votes for Women (as usual) before about 125 High School Juniors and Seniors. A good time, well spent.

At 10.15, by special invitation sent after my Assembly speech at 8.45, I spoke to the mebers of the Training School above the Fourth Grade about Thrift. It was a unique experience and the teachers seemed to think it useful. About five hundred children, I should say, who will pass along to their homes the appeal of the Suffragists.

At noon I dined with Dean Richards at Morey Hall and talked to the girls - 300 or more, for a few minutes about their opportunity to do constructive work for Suffrage in their several teaching fields. Miss Richards will enroll the girls and send slips to Headquarters.

All told, I probably was heard by nearly a thousand persons, of all ages, and I dwelt especially on Woman's War service, first because it is a proof of women's patriotism and their fitness for citizenship and then because our biggest war work is to secure the right to help settle terms of peace after the war. One has to get at them from this angle, apparently, but one does get the main idea across. There is always a great deal of applause in the schools when suffrage is mentioned. The Winona women preferred for me not to ask for enrolments so the few enclosed are a few of the Normal teachers. Others will follow.

Only one collection was possible - at the Tuesday evening meeting. The results, as they are tabulated in the enclosed report, show a

cash collection and paid pledges	$5.05
Pledges to collect - -	43.00
Total	$48.05

Pledges are with Miss Annabelle Ross, Treasurer of local League, for collection.

This was my best day thus far, partly because preparation was well made, partly because there was previous organization. Everyone who met her seemed to like Mrs. Moller and the Winona women are fine-spirited and delightful.

Effie McCollum Jones.

Union Hotel

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Report of colections

Winona, Minn.,- May 8, '17.

Mrs. Emil Leicht - -	$1.00	Pd
J. N. Weir - - -	5.00	on demand Pd
Mrs. Waldemar Putsch - -	2.00	
Susan Jones - - - -	1.00	
Jennie A. Burns - - -	1.00	-Pd
Mrs. J. T. Hennessy - -	1.00	-Pd
Mrs. D. E. Taney - -	1.00	
Annabelle Ross - - -	5.00	-Pd
Alice F. Rosenberg - -	2.00	
Mrs. Wm. M. Potter - -	5.00	-Pd
Maude L. Harris - -	1.00	-Pd
Howard Halran Thorne - -	5.00	annually -Pd
Harriet Folger - - -	2.00	-Pd
Ethel M. Orr -- - - -	2.00	June 1 Pd
Mrs. John Shannon - -	1.00	—
Mrs. G. E. Maxwell - -	1.00	
Lillian M. Schain - -	1.00	June 1 -Pd
B. D. Blair - - - -	5.00	July 1 -Pd
Lorena M. Abbott - - -	3.00	on demand -Pd
Cash - - - -	4.05	
Total	$48.05	

of which $5.05 is cash. Pledges in hands of Miss Annabelle Ross for colection.

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Rochester, Minn.,- May 9, '17.

Mrs. Grace Van S. Malone - - 419 S. Glencoe St., -	$10.00	Pd
Mrs. F. R. Van Dusen - - - - - - -	5.00	
Mrs. G. H. Newhouse - - - - - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Mary E. Wentworth - - - - - -	1.00	Pd.
Mrs. W. F. Klee - 503 S. Franklin St. -- - -	1.00	
Mrs. Gertrude E. Berkman - 532 Zumbro St. - - -	5.00	June 1
Mrs. Laura B. Wilson - 830 Wilson - - - -	10.00	Sept.1
Mrs. J. Jenewein - 925 South State St. - - -	1.00	July 1
Mrs. Chas. Case - 438 Dubuque St. - - - -	1.00	June 1
Mrs. A. H. Clemens - 908 East College St. - - -	2.00	Sept.1
Miss Margaret Nystuen - - - - - - - -	3.00	June 3
Mrs. F. B. Case - 514 Genesee St. - - - - -	1.00	August
Mrs. M. K. Johnson - Woods Building - - - -	1.00	Aug.15
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hall - 529 W. Second St. - - -	5.00	Pd
Mr. T. J. Dansingburg - 134 Line St. - - - - -	3.00	
Mrs. Mabel Van C. Kahler - 523 W. College St. - -	5.00	Pd
Mrs. John Rowley - 312 Prospect St.- - - - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Geo. N. Sherman - 427 S. Dakota St. - - -	1.00	Pd
Miss Margaret J. Quillard - 925 State St. - - -	1.00	
Mrs. E. A. Buck - - - - - - - -	1.00	Pd
C. Van Campen - - - - - - - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. Geo. J. Allen - - - - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. Wm. W. Allen - - - - - - -	1.00	Pd
Cash - - - - - - - - - - -	2.50	
Total	$70.50	

Cash and last four pledges collected
atmeeting totalled $13.05
Collected later

Mrs. Grace Van S. Melone - -	10.00	check enclosed
Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hall - - -	5.00	
Mrs. Mabel Van C. Kahler - - -	5.00	
Mrs. Mary E. Wentworth - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Geo. N. Sherman - - - -	1.00	

Total collected	$35.05
" uncollected	35.00
	$70.05

Rochester

Rochester, Minnesota, May 9 - 10, '17.

The evening meeting in the Universalist church was attended by about ninety people, very representative and interested. As shown by itemized report enclosed, receipts were as follows,-

cash collected at meeting and on pledges	$35.05
uncollected pledges - - - - - -	35.00
Total	$70.05

Following the main meeting, I asked all who were willing to hear something of the State Board's plan for an educational campaign to remain for a little while. More than a dozen did so and then we talked seriously about getting Rochester on the suffrage map. Practically every women who stayed raised her hand when I asked how many would be ready to help with the organization work when the organizer got back for follow-up work. Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hall took charge of pushing for enrollments and also kept the pledges to collect and will transmit the money. They expect to send in the whole amount subscribed and they will try for more subscriptions so I said nothing about their apportionment being only $50.00. Please never make it so small again. There is an excellent spirit here and they will do as well as Winona or better with a little gentle encouragement. Thay ask especially that Mrs. Moller be sent to organize them.

This (Thursday)morning I spoke to over six hundred pupils and ~~xxxxx~~ teachers at the High School with a good deal of enthusiasm shown. Red Cross work was going forward so vigorously that no other plans were made and I was glad to have a few hours for rest and writing, as I am hopelessly behind and I was very tired after Red Wing and Winona, but it seems unwise to refuse to speak wherever I am invited.

On the whole, Rochester was the best yet and should be followed up at once.

Yours,

Effie McCollum Jones

8 enrollments

Rochester, Minn., May 10, '17.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

Thanks for your comforting letter about Hastings. Of course, you are at liberty to use whatever I write where it is safe within the fold, but I am trying to be perfectly frank with you, so do not want to get the reputation of an ill-natured gossip. But if you had gone up against Miss Norrish you would have wanted to hit someone (naming no names) quite as much as I did. However, Winona and Rochester have been so delightful that they have made me feel amiable toward the world once more.

Of course, I should prefer to talk straight suffrage, but Mrs. Moller had sent me a personal note saying that only promise of war talk would avail to get me a hearing at all so I am handling the matter as indicated in my Winona report, - Thrift and so forth with a strong plea for suffrage as a war and after-war measure. Announce ANYTHING that will get me the folks. You see by the Rochester collection that even when people are absorbed with Red Cross work (you may know that these local women are raising the money to buy the material - $4000.00- and doing the sewing of all that amount of material for half the equipment of the base hospital the Mayos are helping to furnish) when we can get them to come to a meeting we get good interest and large collection.

Mrs. Moller is making an excellent impression and these Rochester women want that she should come back here for their organization. This is going to be a good suffrage center hereafter.

When my salary check comes I will remit cash for collections but I am reduced to living off the country. This delay is unusual - but not in the Pickwickian sense in which we use that word about the

California weather, you understand.

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones

Send another lot of blanks. - both kinds

May 10,1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
Waseca,
Minnesota

My dear Dr. Jones :-

Enclosed herewith find your letters. I am sending these c/o Mrs. Cummings as I believe the Post Office is closed on Sundays and wanted you to have your "Sunday-Correspondence."

I am also sending enrollment blanks to you--have also sent a few hoping to reach you at Mankato.

Your reports are too good to be true. I know when I send copies of them to Mrs. Ueland at Columbus she will be simply delighted.

Aren't the trees pretty and feathery-looking these days? I think you have struck the nicest part of Minnesota weather.

Sincerely,

HENNEPIN COUNTY WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION
930 NICOLLET AVENUE, MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.
TELEPHONE N. W. MAIN 698

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AIMEE FISHER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

May 11, 1917.

Gentlemen:

The Hennepin County Woman Suffrage Association, in common with the national and all local woman suffrage associations, is endeavoring to increase and conserve food supplies.

It is also our aim to prevent waste of human resources by conserving the children and women workers.

We recognize the danger in having conditions and laws to protect women and children in labor, obtained by years of effort, suddenly swept away under the stress of military and economic necessity.

We ask your co-operation in granting equal pay for equal work where women fill the places of men drafted for military service, and in refusing to lengthen hours of work.

We ask this, not alone as a matter of justice to women, but in fairness to men, that cheap labor may not lower standards below the living wage.

Very truly yours,

President

OFFICE OF
C. S. CRANDALL
TELEPHONE 31

Owatonna - May 10 *

39 enrollments

Mankato, Friday, May 11,
OWATONNA, MINN., 1917

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

The Owatonna visitation was less valuable than some of the others, partly because my time there was so brief that I succeeded in gettin ta only the group at my evening meeting, partly because the old time suffragists have grown weary in well doing. When efforts are made to organize there it will be necessary to spend quite a little time and enlist a new group of women. Mrs. Crandall, for instance, who is the conspicuous suffrage leader, talks very depressingly about organized work and says that she is not to be counted in on any plans that may be made. Of course, she will change her mind, but I speak of that to show what the local problem is - a sharp contrast to Rochester.

About eighty or ninety people were present at the meeting and a fair degree of interest was shown. Enrollment blanks are enclosed.

Cash collection	$2.62	
Mrs. Irene Crandall-	10.00	Pd
Mrs. C. E. Heathman-	5.00	Pd
Anna F. Smith - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. J. F. Rogers -	1.00	Pd
Dr. Emma A. Lewis -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. A. B. Stewart	2.00	soon
Mrs. Wm. Darby -	1.00	"
Miss Elda Garrison -	1.00	"
O. G. Colegrove -	1.00	"
Mrs. Minnie Colegrove	1.00	"
Mrs. C. L. Pound -	1.00	"
Miss F. E. Palmer -	.50	"
Mrs. Lyman D. Warren-	.50	"
" S. V. Robinson -	.50	"
Total	$28.12	

of which $20.62 is paid. Pledges unpaid in hands of Mrs. C. S. Crandall

Effie McCollum Jones

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Mankato

Mankato, Minn., May 11- 13, '17.

Somehow, the places that have had suffrgae organizations for some time are not quite so pleasant to work in as the newer ones. The women who have done a little something are so much more sure that they know how to manage a meeting that they interfere a great deal. Mankato, so far as the main, scheduled meeting was concerned, comes into this category.

I arrived on Friday morning barely in time to speak at the Normal School chapel hour. President Cooper gave me thirty minutes, but he asked me to emphasize war work, so I got in only a few minutes of suffrage at the end, tho I always manage to make that a part of a war program. It was a good meeting, with plenty of applause for the mention of suffrage.

In the afternoon, I spoke to the 175 or more students and faculty of Barndrup's Commercial College for a short time, to good attention.

At eight o'clock, the scheduled meeting was held in the Library Hall and in spite of what was apparently good advertising there were scarcely more than forty present - only one faction of the local suffragists being represented at all. Collection $7.75, with little interest in seeing the apportionment paid. Few enrollments made that evening, because they all felt sure that their names were already "written there" at headquarters. Of course, a meeting like this must do some good, because "no endeavor is in vain" but it is hard to be patient with these professed suffragists that block the wheels.

175
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However, I got full compensation for the Friday night flatness at noon the next day. Dean Field, of the Woman's Dormitory at the Normal, invited me to dinner and to speak directly on suffrage to the girls afterward, since so much of my talk the morning before had been taken up with Agriculture and Thrift. I had probably seventy-five girls, who listened attentively anf then asked questions. Meeting lasted about an hour and practically all of the girls were willing to try to stand for suffrage wherever theyteach. A large number of them enrolled, which accounts for the scattered addresses, as I asked them to enroll their home addresses, so that communications would reach them.

Among the four speeches I reached between three and four hundred people. For active propaganda these extra meetings seem most valuable, but since they produce no money they are disappointing in that regard.

I scarcely know what to say about future work in Mankato. There are two distinct factions who love either as the devil takes to holy water. If a neutral group could be found to go ahead something could be done. Mrs. Trafton, the leader of the faction that looked after my meeting, is greatly interested in mobilizing woman labor and otherwise helping with war work and I had a long conference with her about methods of procedure. I urged immediate practical attention to the food supply and leadership in canning activities, and so forth, and hope they will let their light shine in that way, but I do not know. Mrs. Andrews is deeply interested but seems hardly able to unite the factions. I do not know what advice to give Mrs. Moller, beyond saying that both sides should be placated as far as possible. Possibly Dean Field at the Normal might prove to be the neutral force that could unite them all, but I am not sure and there was no one else whom I could suggest, so I did nothing to help with reconstruction of the organization.

3 Enrollments (scattered in different towns)

Effie McCulloch Jones

(Entertained by Mrs. J. W. Andrews. Dare writer)

. . Mississippi . .
Valley Suffrage Conference

Columbus, Ohio
May 12th, 13th, and 14th
1917

Participating States: Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

GENERAL TOPIC

Victory—How, Why, When and Where

Six states, maybe more, will have **VICTORIES** to report. Come and hear about them!

National and state workers will give expert advice on legislative work, press, literature and finance. Come and learn how to gain more **VICTORIES!**

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, our International and National President, will review the history of the years which have elapsed since the first Mississippi Valley Conference was held, and tell of the **VICTORIES** of these five years. Come and listen to her!

Hon. James M. Cox, Ohio's Governor, will tell about the State he helped to **VICTORY.** Come and honor him!

Mrs. Catharine Waugh McCulloch, Mrs. Ella S. Stewart, Mrs. Raymond Robins of Illinois; Miss Laura Clay, Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Smith of Kentucky; Mrs. Myron B. Vorce of Michigan; Mrs. Felix McWhirter of Indiana; Miss Florence E. Allen, Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton of Ohio; Dr. Effie McCullom Jones of Iowa; Mrs. Arthur W. Livermore and Miss Esther Ogden, representing the National Association; Mrs. Maud Wood Park, new chairman of the National Congressional Committee; Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, editor of the Woman's Journal and many other distinguished persons will take part in the program.

Can you afford to miss this opportunity to see and hear so many persons of national reputation? Surely not.

Come and help make this the best Mississippi Valley Conference yet held.

Mrs. Florence Bennett Peterson,
1320 Glenlake Ave., Chicago
Mrs. Andreas Ueland, 403 Essex Building,
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Miss Elizabeth J. Hauser, Acting Chairman,
Warren, Ohio

Mrs. Dora Sandoe Bachman,
General Local Chairman,
505 Grand Theatre Building,
Columbus, Ohio

The Hotel Deshler will be headquarters and the meetings of May 12 and 14 will be held there, the Sunday afternoon mass meeting (May 13) in Memorial Hall.

Write directly to Hotel Deshler, Columbus, for reservations, $2 a day and up.

Additional information as to program, hotels, entertainments, local committees, etc., will be sent later.

Address all inquiries to

ELIZABETH J. HAUSER, Masonic Building, Warren, Ohio.

I M P O R T A N T

Michigan and Nebraska of the States in the Mississippi Valley Conference have just extended Presidential suffrage to women. So has Rhode Island. These victories come so fast that the program has to be revised almost daily. It seems wise therefore, to defer the printing of it yet a little longer.

In the meantime, this is your official notice of the following important items.

Dates, May 12th, 13th, and 14th. Place, Columbus Ohio. May 12th. and 14th. meetings Hotel Deshler; May 13th. Memorial Hall.

Write directly to the Deshler for reservations. Rates $2 00 and up. Other hotels listed on separate sheet.

Columbus suffragists will entertain in their homes a limited number of out-of-the-state visitors for lodging and breakfast. Those desiring such entertainment should address Mrs. G.B.Flagg 519 Grand Theatre Building, Columbus, Ohio, who requests that all applications for entertainment be in by Monday, May 7th. Upon arrival in Columbus, those who have asked for private entertainment will call at the local headquarters- 519 Grand Theatre Building- for their assignments.

Reservations for the dinner to be held at the Deshler at 6:30 p.m. May 12th. must be made through Mrs. Wm McPherson, 198 East 16th. Avenue, Columbus, and must be accompanied by check or post office order ($1 50 per plate) Reservations are limited to 300 and visitors from other States are requested to write as early as possible in order that Mrs. McPherson may know how many places she can allow for Ohio people. Orders must be in Mrs. McPherson's hands by Wednesday, May 9th. All persons who have reserved their tickets but not received them may get them at the Deshler between 2 and 5 p.m. Saturday May 12th. from Mrs. McPherson or someone representing her, who will be in a corner of the reception room where the afternoon session of the Conference will be held.

Mrs. Julius F. Stone, Columbus, is chairman of the Trains Committee, and requests all visitors to wear a suffrage button or yellow ribbon so that her Committee may recognize them at the station.

Street cars from the Union station go directly to the Deshler Neil, Southern, Chittenden and Hartman Hotels. Other hotels are also easy of access. It is easy to find one's way about in Columbus.

ELIZABETH J. HAUSER
ACTING CHAIRMAN.
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CONFERENCE.
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$3 50 and up with bath- two in room

HARTMAN HOTEL
FOURTH & MAIN STREETS
$1 oo without bath
$2 00, $2 50 and up with bath

NEIL HOUSE
HIGH & CAPITAL STREETS
$1 50 and up
$2 50 and up with bath

CHITTENDEN HOTEL
SPRING & HIGH STREETS
$1 50 - two in room $2 50-three in room $3 50
$2 00 shower bath- two in room $3 00
$2 50 tub bath, each additional person $1 00

THE VIRGINIA
GAY & 3RD. STREETS
$1 00 and up
$1 50 connecting bath
$2 00 private bath

VENDOME
THIRD ST. OPPOSITE STATE HOUSE
$1 00 one in room (Without
75 two in room) bath
$1 50 With bath

NORWICH HOTEL
STATE & FOURTH
$1 00, $1 50 and $2 00

DENNISON HOTEL
793 DENNISON AVENUE
75¢ without bath
$1 00 with bath
Meals 40¢

COLUMBUS HOTEL
5TH.& LONG STREETS
$1 00 without bath
$1 50 with bath

Waseca

Waseca, Minn., May 13-14, '17.

The mass meeting here on Sunday afternoon was well planned and carried out, with an attendance of probably 250, or more, at the Palace theater which was donated for the occasion. Music was furnished by the Community Chorus, men had been secured as ushers and to take the collection and everything was delightful. Of course, as the advertisement had been made that it was a patriotic address I had to stress war work again and add suffrage as a measure for the settlement of the after-the-war questions. Naturally, one doesnot get as large collections as if the meeting was pronouncedly a suffrage one. The general impression was that the Cause had been greatly helped by the afternoon's effort, tho.

Collection, including all pledges, paid during my stay - $19.00 plus $1

In addition, I spoke by special invitation at the Mothers' Day service in the Methodist church in the morning and had probably 150 hearers, stressing the idea that full opportunity to help make the world safe for children was the best memorial for all mothers.

Monday morning I spoke at the High School to about 140 people, as usual, approaching suffrage by the Thrift route. I shall be glad when we can hold straight suffrage meetings again, but perhaps we shall have complete suffrage before that time comes.

Enrollments were fairly general at the afternoon meetings, tho I discover that some people are fearful of enrolling lest they be annoyed by floods of literature later.

Altogether, a pleasant and profitable time.

The ~~Mankato~~ Waseca Security League paid my extra travelling expenses, $1.30, so their contribution should be listed as $20.30 so as to keep accounts straight.

Dear Lady — I trust that you got my message on the outside of the envelope to add $1.00 to the Waseca collection, making a total of $20.00 for the Sunday collection & $1.30 paid on my expenses. It apparently isn't safe to write reports until the town is left behind — as see enclosed changes

E. M. L. J.

Mrs. D S Cummings understanding

Letter received from Miss J. M. J. Byrne Pres — City Imp. League

Minneapolis, Minnesota.

May 14,1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o General Delivery,
Granite Falls, Minn.

My dear Dr.Jones:-

We are going to relieve you of the trip to Benson between your Willmar & Litchfield meetings. I dare say you will not be sorry, and that will give you a little extra time to give to Willmar and Litchfield, if you care to.

The situation is this. Mrs. David Simpson is booked to speak at Benson on the evening of the 17th,and her topic is "Preparation for Democracy." It seemed to us here (Mrs.Moller was in town yesterday, and I told her about the situation) that it would be duplication, in a way. When Mrs. Simpson heard of your proposed trip, she asked if you could not take her place at the evening meeting--but we told her that your meeting at Litchfield had been booked and advertised, and there was no getting away from it. It is too bad--if we had only not arranged the Litchfield meeting, it could have been fixed up so as to please everyone all around, but now Mrs. Simpson, (who is not very well) will go to Benson as originally planned, and you are booked to go direct from Willmar to Litchfield.

The train from Willmar to Litchfield, Grt.Nor.leaves Willmar at 7 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.--and it takes about an hour--they tell me at the office here.

Enclosed find mail matter for you.

Sincerely,

Clara M.Heckrich

May 14,1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
c/o Gen'l Delivery,
Long Prairie,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

Enclosedherewith find check for $50.00. Now, don't blow it all for candy-- or baked beans either.

I see that you saw all the nice things about yourself in Dr.Jones' reports.

Mrs. Constant Larson of Alexandria and her daughter were in to see us this morning. Mrs. Zonne happened to be here,so we had a nice little visit. She was in the city and came in to tell me that they could not use Dr. Jones on the 30th as they were going to have a big Memorial Day program and did not want to exploit woman suffrage. They are very enthusiastic suffragists there and are doing all sorts of good work in the name of the suffrage association, both gardening and thrift and Red Cross Work. I think Mrs. Larson left with the idea tho' that they would not get anyone quite as good as Dr. Jones in many a day to come. (Mrs. Zonne said afterwards that I handled the situation O.K.) I suggested that they have Dr.Jones at their big meeting, and let her talk suffrage the next morning, altho' to tell you the truth, they have had Mrs. Mc Mahon twice this spring for a suffrage speech, and they liked her very much, and are going ahead very enthusiastically. Mrs. Larson left saying that she would take it up with the women at Alexandria when she got home, and would let us know. If they decide they don't want another speaker at their big-day, I believe it would be just as well to have Dr.Jones at some other town where they will be sure to need her and want her too. I will let you know.

Mrs. Weir of Winona wrote a lovely little letter to Mrs. Ueland thanking her for sending Dr. Jones--(where they did not want a meeting.) She said she and Mrs. Burr and Mrs Blair (I am not just sure about those names and have sent the latter on to Mrs.Ueland) went five times to hear Dr. Jones give her various speeches to entirely different groups of people and were amazed at the scholarly way in which she presented her topic. I presume they took her in their machine. Furthermore, they are so enthused they are taking up the Conservation Work as suffragists. Good, conservative Winona is awakening.

Well, I guess that will do for this time. I am sending window cards to you to Wadena. If they are not there by the time you are, leave 5¢ with the postmaster and ask him to forward. I don't just know where you will be day after tomorrow. Please write out a little route slip and slip it along.

Sincerely,

Clara Heckrich

May 15, 1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o General Delivery,
Willmar, Minn.

My dear Dr. Jones:--

Enclosed herewith find two more "Daily Programs." Also cards showing you apportionment and what suffrage associations there are (mostly a minus quantity).

In regard to the apportionment--I note your remark at Rochester "Please never make it so small again." To tell you the truth, when they apportioned the $50.00 to the unorganizeddistricts it was with the idea that they couldn't possibly get the $50.00 even at that - but of course, we have not any Dr. Jones es travelling about our state all the time. In making up the chart, they automatically levied $50.00 to the unorganized districts, and Mrs. Mc Mahon"automatically" raised this amount after an association was formed, but of course, that cannot be done in all instances.

In regard to St. Cloud, I dare say Mrs. Moller has written you direct, but for fear she has not, I will give you the gist of the situation as I got it from Mrs.Moller over the phone on Sunday. It seems that not long ago they had a similar meeting at that town and Mrs. Pennington, one of our strongest Antis, and a prominent woman in this city (her husband President of the Soo Line) spoke, and made a very poor impression. The idea is that you, as a suffragist, can make a very splendid impression for the other side, even tho' you are not supposed to talk suffrage. I am sorry Mrs. Moller assured the"astute lady" that you would not talk organization, for St.Cloud surely needs it. I wonder

though whether you will not get "around" in some way.

At Sauk Center you will meet two of Mrs. Ueland's personal friends, Mrs. Halvor Halvorson and Mrs. Fanny French Morse, who asked for the privilege of entertaining you. Mrs. Halvorson in writing to Mrs. Ueland gave the situation in Sauk Center as follows: "I feel sure that Dr. Jones will have a large gathering. While there are not, as I said before, many very interested in suffrage, there are many intelligent people here and they are open to change of opinions and welcome anyone who is interested along lines of progress."

Mrs. Ueland received a very nice letter from Mrs. Weir of Winona, thanking her for sending Dr. Jones. She said many nice things about you, and said she was "impressed with the scholarly way in which you presented your topic." I opened the letter (as I am taking care of Mrs. Ueland's mail) and forwarded it to Mrs. Ueland, who is now East.

Many thanks for your reports of conditions in the towns you cover. I am tabulating the information for organization work later. It is just what we need.

Sincerely yours,

Office Sec'y.

Redwood Falls

[May 15-1917 ?]

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

Enclosed is the Redwood Falls report. You will see that my previous statement about the comparative inefficiency of those places which have old clubs is again illustrated by this day's small collection. However, there were doubtless some local causes to partially account for the smallness of the visible results. No one said they liked my speech, either, which is an unusual experience and apparently goes to prove, either that they are more exacting in such places or that I am not up to par. Anyhow - this is the report.

Thanks for the relief from Benson. I am dee-lighted to do every possible thing and am unwilling to let any opportunity escape, but at the same time I do rejoice occasionally when I can get an extra hour or so of rest without playing truant. I am having a very good time, tho.

My salary check still does not show up - which I interpret to mean that it has been forwarded to me somewhere, been overlooked by the postman and is lying there until someone thinks to forward it. As it has always been perfectly prompt before I can account in no other way for this delay. Of course, I have a good deal of money that has been coming in cash collections, but not enough to settle up to date. Perhaps you would better send me fifty dollars as expense money and then I can send you all that I have collected and go along until the end of the month, even if the salary check still hides its shy head.

I am having a most restful afternoon here in Granite Falls, with nothing worse than a lot of letters and reports to attend to. I am about to decide that I will seek an office job and try sleeping a week in one place. What do you think?

By the way, do you realize that those cards which you made for me, giving specifications about the different places to which I was to go only included ~~XXXXXXX~~ Granite Falls? I have nothing except Mrs. Moller's instructions to guide my wandering footsteps further and so am in ignorance as to what sort of conditions I am going to meet. Even Wilmer is terra incognita, and yet I must go there tomorrow! Please send me some further data. You will be glad when I amm off your hands, I fear.

Sent 5/14

If it is not too much trouble, I should be grateful if you would send me enough of the official Red Cross yarn to knit a pair of socks for a soldier. I am unable to get anything that I could be sure was right out here on the plains and it strikes me as good business for me to do some Red Cross knitting as I journey. Only enough for one pair, please, as that will be likely to furnish me occupation for the rest of my Minnesota travels. Send the bill & I will remit at once

Yours, most heartily,

Effie McCollum Jones.

(Don't know who entertained)

#12 Necklace
Kitchener Leeds

Redwood Falls, Minn.,- May 14, 1917.

Two speeches here, besides condiderable social activity. A meeting of the women for Red Cross work was in progress when I arrived, and afterward I was taken for a picnic of the members of the Suffrage League, with their families at Ramsey Park for supper.

The evening meeting was held in the Court House and the band was present and played for us. Probably about a hundred people were present, but they were not an especially enthusiastic crowd. The acoustics of the Court Room were bad so that the speech went rather heavily. Only a few enrollments because everyone who was interested was reported as already enrolled at Headquarters. A few slips are enclosed. Following is the result of the collection;-

Cash collection	$2.11	
W. A. Brand - - -	3.00	Pd
P. O. Callaghan - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. A. E. Kent - -	1.00	soon
Miss Tillie Gold - -	1.00	"
Mrs. G. P. Smith - -	1.00	"
Miss Annie E. Ward - -	1.00	
Miss Mary E. Sanders -	1.00	
Caroline A. Lines - -	.50	
Mrs. F. Welch - - -	.50	June 1
Alice Gray - - -	.35	" "
Total	$12.36	of which $6.11 is cash

This morning I spoke to about two hundred pupils and teachers at the High School for twenty minutes, with splendid enthusiasm.

Effie McCollum Jones.

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Granite Falls.

Granite Falls, Minn.,- May 15, '17.

Altho everyone told me that there was not a great deal of suffrage sentiment in this town, over fifty people came together in the Congregational church for the scheduled meeting and there was quite a general sentiment shown in favor of the Cause and some of them said - what it seems impossible to impress upon the minds of many of our local workers - that this is the very time for active work. Mrs. Moller should spend a few days here soon. Mrs. J. A. Johnson (who entertained me and who took the unpaid pledges to collect), Mrs. Charles Hall and Miss Olds, Superintendent of schools, will all be helpful. There is a pioneer suffragist here - Garndma Barnes, 86 years old, who is most interesting.

Following are pledges and collection;-

A. J. Johnson -	$2.00	Pd
Mrs. J. W. Swan - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. I. P. Flaten - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. F. T. Cressy - -	2.00	Pd
Miss Lue A. Olds - -	1.00	soon
Mrs. E. Whitney - -	2.00	Pd
E. F. L. Blecken - -	1.00	"
Mrs. Olaus Lende - -	1.00	Pd "
Rev. G. Melby - -	1.00	June 1
B. E. Morrill - - -	1.00	" "
Charles F. Hall - - -	1.00	Aug. 1
A. J. Hanson - - -	.50	July 1
Mrs. Charles F. Hall - -	1.00	June 1
Mrs. C. L. Christianson -	1.00	May 30
Ina C. Gillingham - -	1.00	June 1
Mrs. E. W. Williams - -	.50	soon
Mrs. W. P. Baker - -	.25	May 25
Cash collection - -	2.70	
Total	$20.95	of which $11.70 is cash

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9.25

I also spoke this morning for a half hour to the High School of about 160 members.

Effie McLoldum Jones

May 16,1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o Gen'l Delivery,
Litchfield, Minn.

My dear Dr. Jones:--

Your letters and reports re meetings at Mankato, Waseca and Redwood Falls received today.

I was not at all surprised about the meeting at Mankato. Some of the Mankato suffragists have been walking around with a"pick" on their shoulders, but others are just fine.

Redwood Falls as you knew before you left had one of those "exclusive suffrage clubs." Women as a whole have not yet learned that "good-fellowship" feeling which men in the business world have attained. So we are not surprised. I think those two towns are simply "difficult."

If anybody else ever expresses the idea that they might be "swamped" with literature, just tell them that they are more apt to have their feelings hurt because of the lack of mail matter from the State Office. Our enrollment has grown so tremendously the last few years that it is simply impossible to send mail matter to everyone, so it is only presidents, leaders, etc., who get the information which really all ought to have.

Enclosed herewith find check for $50.00. It is queer about your check from the National. In forwarding your mail, I am sure I have sent it far enough ahead so as to reach you, but as you say, the postmasters sometimes are

delinquent. Do you usually call for your mail upon your arrival, or do you call again before you leave? This letter for instance, mailed this morning, should reach Litchfield tonight, but you will be in Litchfield until noon on Friday the 18th, so I am allowing 48 hours in case of delay.

Yes, I knew about the cards containg information, and I sent a new supply to Willmar, also giving the information about that town, which I presume you received this morning.

I would call the Waseca meeting very successful. You did not mention who might be a leader there. Is Mrs. D .S. Cummings sufficiently interested?

Sometime when you write,would it be possible to state about how many heard you at Moorhead-both at the meeting and at the College? This just for the record which I am getting together.

Sincere yours,

Office Sec'y.

25th Sept

Willmar

Willmar, Minn.,- May 16, 1917.

My meetings here were as diversified as usual. Soon after my arrival I spoke to about 160 at the High School with splendid enthusiasm shown for the suffrage part of my program.

At 4.00 o'clock, I spoke to the District Conference of Methodist ministers and secured a good spirit of recognition of the need for pressing suffrage activity just now with assurances of co-operation.

The scheduled meeting at 8.00 o'clock was attended by about fifty people, perhaps, and the club women who were supposed to give me a good backing were noticeably absent. However, the meeting was doubtless useful, tho the small number of enrollment slips enclosed seems to indicate that they need a great deal more stirring up on the subject.

The collection was so small that I showed my disappointment very strongly, I fear, so Mrs. Tallman added five dollars extra to her two dollars which she had put into the collection beforehand. The results were -

Mrs. Russell Spicer	$1.00	Pd
Mrs. Tallman - -	7.00	Pd
Mrs. Geo. Thomas - -	2.00	Sept. 1
Cash collection - -	2.85	
Total	$12.85	of which all but $2.00 is cash

Mrs. Tallman entertained at dinner not there overnight. Dr. J displeased with sentiment there.

Benson

Benson, Minn.,- May 17, 1917

I was given exactly seven minutes to speak to the Federation meeting here, with possibly sixty women in attendance, so I simply alluded to the National Aid matter, enumerating the items of our National Suffrage progra and them spent the rest of my time on the war aspects of the suffrage question, enforcing the fact that we have no right to leave so fundamental a matter unsettled when its right settlement would give us assurance of a lasting peace after this war. Mrs. CC. L. Scofield and Mrs. W. E. Lawson took some enrolment slips and will try to secure names to send in to headquarters. They will help organize also.

Litchfield

26th

Litchfield, Minn.,- May 17- 18, '17.

The evening meeting here was in charge of the Red Cross and the Woman's Club and Col. C. H. March presided. As he and his wife are understood to be mildly Anti - to use a phrase which I heard, the place of suffrage in the meeting was problematical. However, I asked what I might do and say and was told by the women in charge that I must not think of taking a collection and they would not even allow the asking for signatures to the enrolment blanks. However, I stood out for the freedom to say my say and was rather grudgingly conceded that much. Afterward they assured me that they felt that this handling of the matter would give them enought leverage in the community so that they can now organize, and they promised me, in an interview this morning that they will do so when Mrs. Holler can come to them and they promise to raise their own apportionment, so perhaps it was as well to let them have their way. Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Essbjornson will be principal helpers, also, Miss Helgren, Principal of the High School.

This Friday - morning, by invitation of the Principal and Superintendent, I spoke for forty minutes to about 250 students and teachers at the High School. For real suffrage progress I incline to think these school speeches a most valuable part of my work.

Effie McCollum Jones

Enrollment 6

Mr + Mrs. C H March - (8 Cm)

Minneapolis, Minn.
May 18,1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
c/o General Delivery,
Bemidji, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

Just a line to tell you that your letter to Mrs. Ueland cannot be forwarded. She gave me her address until the 19th, which is tomorrow, for after that she intends moving from place to place with her daughters and did not know what their plans were. I will hold it until her return on the 25th. It is too bad, but I do not know what else to do under the circumstances. If she writes me in the meantime as to where to forward her mail, I will do so. She will be in Springfield, Minn., on the 24th, and will take the train that night to be here on the 25th.

I received a postal from Mrs. Cobb at Brainerd this morning, but inasmuch as you will be there today, there is not a chance of forwarding it to you. She says they cannot have a "suffrage lecture" now, but you will have arranged that with her before this.

I might tell you that according to Dr. Jones' reports up to Granite Falls (and inclusive) she has reached some 4,500 people, has collected $117.48 in cash and $148.00 in pledges (which remains with the local people) and has sent in enrollments amounting to 277- this last item is rather low, due to many people saying they had already enrolled and in two towns they asked that enrollments be not called for, namely Hastings and Winona. Moorhead enrollments are not yet at hand.

Dr. Jones reports that organization should follow soon at Granite Falls, and

very enthusiastic about the spirit there. She said they had a very well planned meeting at Waseca last Sunday, and that about 250 people turned out. They took a collection there which amounted to $20.00, all told; she also spoke at the church and high school. She was not so keen about Redwood Falls (it's queer that wherever we have a suffrage CLUB, suffrage itself seems to have struck a snag) altho' they had 100 atthe meeting. They had some sort of a picnic in the afternoon to which they took Dr. Jones-- but between me and you, did you ever go to a lecture after a picnic and manage to get anything out of the lecture? Bed is the only place for me after an outdoor anything. But then all folks are not constituted the same. The same thing is true about Mankato (not the picnic idea) - but they had only about 40 at the meeting. It seems to me that Dr. Jones was handed about the hardest places in Minnesota to go to, i.e. Hastings, Red Wing (might be included), Winona (in a way), Mankato and Redwood Falls.

There, that ought to do you for a while. I think the detail information she sends us for use in future organizing is worth ster so much, and when the time comes for you to go over the territory again, I think I will copy those reports for your benefit, if you wish.

About window cards, I have kept 20 on hand for emergency. I sent you a bunch to Bemidji and Brainerd - about 40 each place. The balance, some 65, I have divided into two parcels, sending one to you at Thief River Falls and the other to Detroit. That finishes the cards and just about finishes your itinery. Where do you go then? I suppose that is one of the questions you ask in Mrs. Ueland's letter. I am going to try to reach her to ask about you c/o National, but I doubt whether the letter will reach her. Anyway, there is a Board Meeting on the 2d where I suppose all this will be taken up. I think the idea is to have you go after Dr.Jones and organize, but I cannot say for sure. In several places.(I dare say you will want about 20 cards to go to Park Rapids, so I am holding these as aforesaid.) This paragraph is slightly mixed.

Do you want a small cut of Dr.Jones?

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St Cloud

St. Cloud, Minn.,- May 18, '17.

The meeting here was disappointingly small - since we had run into a Methodist District conference and several other items of public interest. However, I am beginning to wonder whether Library Halls are not rather obscure places for such meetings. As I look back it seems as tho all Library meetings have been sparsely attended. Perhaps that is simply a coincidence, tho once or twice it has been spoken of beforehand by outsiders as a place to which the public has not formed the habit of going.

We had about forty people - less than a half dozen of them men- and few except Normal teachers signed the enrollment cards. This place evidently needs intensive work. However, perhaps the Monday morning meetings may help out with the general effect.

The collection was rather better that usual in proportion to the attendance;-

Pledges as follows;-

Charlotte E. Clarke - -	$5.00	within a week
Mrs. C. L. Atwood - -	$.00	June 1
Margaret Dunn - - -	3.00	soon
Hannah Turnquist - - -	1.00	Aug 1
Anne E. Hunter - - -	1.00	
R. W. T. Hunter - - -	1.00	
Stella R. Root - - -	1.00	
Anna Erickson - - -	1.00	
P. L. Quayle - - -	1.00	
Ella Ready - - -	1.00	
Mrs. C. A. Hoyt - - -	1.00	June
Cash collection - - -	3.65	
Total	$20.65	of which only $3.65 is cash.

The pledges were left with Mrs. C. L. Atwood to collect and forward.

After going to Sauk Center for Saturday night and Sunday, I went back to St. Cloud and spoke to the 450 or more students and teachers of the Normal School for a half hour and to 350 students in the High School for twenty minutes. Both meetings were well greeted and Mrs. Atwood, who went with me, felt that they were very profitable. You need to find some new workers here, because of the tradition that it is difficult town - which any town is when you expect it to be. The Normal teachers seem to be much interested and it seems to me that you could easily establish College Branches and get some good work done thru the teachers who go out over the state.

Enrollment
Entertained by
Mrs C L Atwood

Effie McCollum Jones

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May 18, 1917.

To the Presidents and Congressional Chairmen:

In accordance with my promise, I enclose herewith the plan of congressional work which is going to open the last door into the Kingdom of Emancipation, if each state does its full duty. Please observe that we want to send someone to meet for a conference composed of all state officers, organizers, state and district chairmen, in order that every one of your staff may be inspired with the same faith of immediate victory that possesses us. It will not be necessary to visit every state, for some already possess the faith that will move the congressional mountain.

Please note the following items:

1. The petition to Members and Senators is to represent influence, first of all.

2. That the object is not only to effect the members, but to educate the constituents that the way to get the vote now, is by the Federal route.

3. The work should be done in district where Member is favorable, in order to change the general sentiment from belief in suffrage to belief in getting it now.

4. The National provides 1st, the petition heads (the workers provide the paper); 2nd, directions to petition workers; 3rd "Do You Know" to be given to persons solicited.

5. Each member of Congress should receive 1st, petitions, 2nd, coupons, 3rd, resolutions, 4th, editorials and 5th, another leaflet to be provided later entitled "Perhaps".

6. "Perhaps" will be provided for the editors also.

7. Better buy additional Federal Amendment literature in order that all workers may be thoroughly posted.

In addition to this work to be carried on in the states, we propose a nation-wide petition of 1000 names, each one well known throughout the country. This will be printed and given to the Members in Washington.

We shall plan some entirely new arrangement for getting delegations from each state to meet the congressional delegation from that state in Washington, which we shall present to you later.

We are now printing the necessary material and will send the supply as soon as it is ready to those states that have agreed to do the work. We ask all others to write at once what we may expect.

We urge that the petition work be done NOW; the calls upon editors in October; coupons in October; resolutions all the time; deputations in November.

Our aim is to get the Federal Amendment through by March 1st and ratified not later than 1919. Work hard now and get it over. Don't forget that any man in America CAN be convinced if Mr. Asquith can and he has surrendered. Don't forget that no woman should be content or satisfied so long as women of Great Britain and Canada have the vote and we do not. Demand justice NOW. Put this spirit into your workers and your state will do its part.

Shall this take precedence over war work? Yes. Our struggle is "to make the world safe for democracy". We should take the mote from the American eye before we go after that in the Prussian eye!

Yours for Victory Now,

Carrie Chapman Catt

President

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HOW TO WIN AND WIN NOW

PLANS FOR CONGRESSIONAL WORK TO BE UNIFORM FOR ALL STATES

1. Recommended by the National Board of Officers, May 2nd, 1917.
2. Accepted by State Board Members and Congressional Chairmen present at Mississippi Valley Conference, Columbus, Ohio, May 12, 13, 14.
3. Sent to Presidents, State and District Congressional Chairmen.

1. That a conference be held of the Board of Officers, the State Congressional Chairman, the District Congressional Chairmen, the State Chairman of Organization and all State organizers, two or more invited delegates from each District to meet a representative of the National Board or Congressional Committee, in private session, for the purpose of planning ways and means for the execution of the following plans. The date of this conference to be fixed by joint agreement between the state and national officers. Such conference will not be necessary where an energetic Board agrees to push the plan.

2. Complete the appointment of District Chairmen in those states where necessary; appointments to be made by State Board of officers.

3. Complete the appointment of County Chairmen (or chairmen of whatever is the unit of congressional organization in your State) in territory unorganized; appointments to be made by Congressional District Chairman and ratified by the Board of Officers unless other means is preferred. Each Congressional District Chairman will then have a committee including the Chairman for each County in her District. She should add a few other women of influential standing. These should be well informed on the suffrage question and particularly on the need for a Federal Amendment. They should read all our Federal Amendment literature as outlined in the enclosed yellow slip.

4. Be sure to push organization and work in weak districts and where Senator or Member is undecided. This work may decide the whole question.

5. Set the County Chairmen at the task of circulating the petition hereto appended. The heads of the petition will be provided - the petitioners must provide the paper. Full directions will accompany the petitions. There should be one petition for the Representative and one for each United States Senator, so that each person will sign three. The aim is not quantity but quality as judged by influence upon politics.

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6. In October write the newspapers in your state and ask editorials favorable to the immediate submission of the Amendment. Furnish the facts of suffrage in other lands. Better still send deputations of women and men of influence in the community to see

the editors. They are busy people and do not know all that we do of the recent happenings in the big world. Give each editor "PERHAPS". Beg for editorials. Ask each editor to run the petition head with space for signature as a coupon and print brief request for those interested to sign and return to the newspaper from which the County Chairman will collect them.

7. Get as many clubs, groups, meetings, church societies, etc. as possible to pass resolutions calling on Congress to submit the Federal Amendment as a war measure and to send copies to their Representatives and two Senators. Keep careful record of the number passed and forwarded.

8. In October or early November, each Congressional District Chairman should make an appointment to see the Representative of her district and should then call for a deputation of the most influential men and women in each county to join her in the Congressman's home town. A speaker from each county should make a brief appeal to the member of Congress and should present the petition from his (or her) county, the coupons from newspapers, the collection of editorials, the resolutions passed and "PERHAPS". In canvassing for the petition and in the speeches made to the member, it should always be mentioned that the women of Great Britain have all suffrage rights NOW except the vote for Parliament and that the Government has promised that; and that the women of nearly all Canada now have full suffrage.

9. The county petitions to the Senators should be delivered in the same fashion by a deputation from each Congressional District led by the State Chairman with a statement as to the number of coupons, editorials, resolutions, etc.

10. Get each County Chairman to keep a copy of the most influential names on her petition, and send a copy to her District Chairmen, the State Chairman and National Chairman. It may be necessary to wire these persons to send letters and telegrams to their member upon emergency. A New York Senator made the statement that he received ten thousand letters, postals or telegrams asking him to vote against war. That is probably a fair gauge of what we must be prepared to do for <u>every</u> Senator on our question.

HOW TO DO IT

If your own staff is too limited to do this additional work, interest other women to make it their business. Get women especially placed for political influence. If you are short of money, beg or borrow it. You will need to "follow up" continually the instructions sent to Chairmen. You will need to keep check upon them in order to learn whether they are doing the work. If not, an officer or organizer must go to learn why and to find a more dependable chairman. Be sure to get organization going in every county. This plan will furnish the motive for doing it.

Sauk Center, Minn., May 10, '17.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

Now for the reply to some of your inquiries;-

In Moorhead, I spoke to about eighty people at the Congregational church on Sunday night, to probably four hundred students at the Normal (tho this is approximate, of course, after the lapse of so much time) and to twenty women at the Library Hall on the afternoon of the first of May.

At Waseca I scarcely know whom to say is the best adviser for the organizer. Mrs. D. S. Cummings is excellent but with an aristocratic outlook, if you know what I mean. For a touch of the view of the working woman ~~'s point of view~~, try Miss Effie Pryne, a teacher, and her sister. These two latter will give excellent advice.

At last I have the mystery of my April salary solved and shall soon be seeing the check itself. The National understood that North Dakota was to pay it to me directly, instead of sending it thru the National Treasury. I do not know why this arrangement was been adopted in this particular case, because it has not formerly been done so. However, we will soon have it straightened out now and I shall get my affairs with the Minnesota Convention into shape. I enclose draft and statement - or will do so on Monday. Am staying out at the School here, so can't get to the bank today, for everything up to and including Granite Falls. Your records will show that I paid you before leaving Minneapolis $7.30 from Moorhead and $5.00 from Anoka. Also, I sent a check which was made payable to the State Convention for $10.00 from Rochester, leaving only $20.35 of the cash collected there yet to transmit. I believe everything will be clear besides these items. As soon as my check arrives you will receive another remittance.

About my mail - I always go as soon as I arrive and ask in person for it, then go again as ~~soon~~ as possible before leaving, if I am in a town long enough to allow of two visits, then leave a forwarding order to have anything that may appear later sent directly back to headquarters. Perhaps some of things that seem to have gone astray have simply not been sent - like the check. However, I want to thank you for getting my mail to me so regularly. Of course, it seems long before letters reach me but that is inevitable with this constant moving about. It will seem good to live regularly again after so much being unsettled.

You did not say how much the yarn is to be but perhaps the bill is to come later. I shall be glad of the directions, because I loaned mine which were cut from the Minneapolis four at. I mean to knit publicly as much as possible, because the Red Cross folks are afraid that we are not cooperating with them sufficiently, I discover.

More later if anything else comes up. Will hold this to send with my remittances and reports Monday.

The blanks which you spoke of sending me at Mankato did not get to me, altho, I was at the office at the very last minute. Probably they will notify you that they are undelivered but it might be as well to send postage for their return to you. Do not send any more for a few days, as I shall have plenty for quite a little while now. I will let you know when the stock begins to run low.

I mean to mail some of my heavier things back to Minneapolis to be held for me there and will mark them clearly so that you will know that they are not to be forwarded. When they get there, simply put them with my trunk until I arrive.

By the way, I wrote Mrs. Koller that it seemed to me it might be better not to schedule me for the 31st, as I shall need to go to Minneapolis and make some more detailed reports and get my trunk and Mrs. Shuler wrote me that I was likely to spend June in Indiana, so that will require a good deal of time for the journey. You and Mrs. Koller will know which place would better be dropped off the list if this is done. However, if it seems unwise to shorten my month by one day, then Indiana can lose the extra time.

Yours, faithfully,

Effie McCollum Jones

Thru a mistake, the checks and drafts total only $101.53 so I am venturing to send the other $5.00 in bills to make up the total sum named as being transmitted. Also, I enclose Mrs. Fanny French Morse's check for $5.00 of the Sauk Center collection as the check is made to the Suffrage Association directly.

to Minn. Suffrage Association

Items of cash collections included in enclosed dra

Hastings - -	$2.35 ✓
Red Wing - -	2.00 ✓
Wabasha - -	4.75 ✓
Winona - - -	5.05 ✓
Rochester - -	25.05 ✓
Owatonna - -	20.62 ✓
Mankato - - -	7.70 ✓
Waseca - - -	21.30 ✓
Redwood Falls - -	6.11 ✓
Granite Falls - -	11.70 ✓
Total	$106.53

+$1.0 rec'd

Effie McCollum Jones

Remitted May 21, '17

Long Prairie

Long Prairie, Minn.,- May 21-22, '17.

Quite a good meeting here in the Community Club room, which is the Commercial Club of the city. About a hundred people present and good interest apparent. After the general meeting a group of women stayed for further talk about local activities along food lines and I urged them to form a Suffrage Committee which would do its bit for National Aid under the suffrage name. This was finally done and the following women were placed on the committee, which arranged to meet soon and try to organize the activities of all the local women toward Food Conservation and such other war work as is possible for them where they are;-

Miss Marion Lewis, Chairman
Mrs. Isabel Kerr
Mrs. Katherine Anderson
Mrs. Maude Handy
Mrs. Margaret Barber
Mrs. Ida Christie

~~Of all~~ these, I imagine that Mrs. Christie has most initiative.

Collection -

W. E. Lee - - -	$5.00	Pd
Mrs. Mary M. Church -	3.00	Pd
C. A. Wood - - -	1.00	Pd
Mr. & Mrs. L. A. Losey -	1.00	Pd
Miss Marion Lewis - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. G. R. Christie - -	1.00	Pd
J. D. Van Dyke - - -	.50	Pd
Mrs. T. M. Barber - -	1.00	July 1
Grace Hart - - -	1.00	May
Mrs. A. L. Harkleroad -	.50	
F. M. Harkleroad - -	.50	
Frances Schomaker - -	.50	
Cash collection - -	4.10	
Total	$19.10	of which $15.60 is cash and $3.50 is in the hands of Miss Marion Lewis to collect

1910
1560
350

This (Tuesday) morning, I spoke to 130 or more people at the High School. Good feelin but suffrage needs some active agitation here often. Miss Lewis has been reviewing the Woman's Journal at her Club every two weeks, but that is a slow method, reaching very few. This committee will probably do little except war work for a while, but they should furnish a nucleus for further suffrage propaganda. Miss Lewis also distributes leaflets from the Public Library, of which she has charge. Keep her busy at that and encourage her.

Enrollment 27
Entertained by
Miss Marion Lewis

Effie McCollum Jones.

Park Rapids, Minn., May 23 [1917]

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

I have just received a letter from Mrs. Emma S. Pierce, of the North Dakota headquarters, asking the exact date of my going to Detroit, Minn., as the Fargo women have some friends there who would be useful as advertising aids and Mrs. Pierce herself would like to go over and meet me there. I have written her the exact state of my schedule as far as I know it and that some pieces will have to be dropped if unless I stay longer than this month because I am behind my schedule now, so wish that you would write to her directly, at 324 de Lendrecie Building Fargo and tell her whether I am to go to Detroit and if so on what date.

More tomorrow, including further remittances. I am sorry that Mrs. Moller is getting so tired but she is certainly doing excellent work and making a fine impression everywhere.

Yours, cordially,

Effie McCollum Jones

Thief River Falls, May 23, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich;-

I am two days late, had to spend Monday in Crookston to get those women started right, and two days here instead of one. Am leaving this afternoon for Ada and will try to get to Detroit to-morrow, and Fergus Falls on Friday. At any rate I will be thru by Saturday, I may go to Fergus Falls first and then Detroit, if I can make better train connections that way, and reverse Dr. Jones's dates likewise. Connections between Ada and Detroit are not very good.

I think the meeting here will be pretty good. Dr. Jones has friends here whom I unearthed and they will entertain her. Mrs. Miller was on the faculty at Lombard while Dr. Jones was trustee of the instution.

Sincerely,

Bertha C. Moller.

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Park Rapids, Minn., Park Rapids - [May 23, 1917]

Splendid meeting here at 8.30 P. M. in the Community Hall, with fully 225 people present. Afterward some of them said that they would have liked more suffrage talk and less National Aid, but it is not possible to know the exact dilution which it is necessary to make in order to meet the present intense public feeling and keep faith with your public generally. However, the net results are - a large number of enrolments and a very small collection. I was amazed, because the indicatio ns were that we should get a generous sum. Mrs. L.L. Hamlett promised to take the matter up with the two clubs and ask them each to give something, so we may get further returns from there.

Collection -

Cash	$3.61
Mrs. H. Wallin	.50
J. I. Brown	.50
E. L. Armstrong	1.00
Freda M. Rice	1.00
F. A. Vadderpoel	1.00
E. C. Lincoln	1.00
Mrs. Otto L. Wright	1.00
M. J. Woolbey	1.00
Total	$10.61

of which $3.61 is cash.

1061
361
700

Enrollment 32

Mrs. L.L. Hamlet Entertained

At an after meeting for which I asked any interested women to stay, we discussed the matter of organization thoroughly and all of those present seemed to feel that they could not try to start any other work in the community just now. Those women who are interested enoughto be useful are already members in everything that is at work for the public, so they suggested that the two Woman's Clubs should make this a part of their work. Two women subscribed for the Woman's Journal, with a view to having it reported in the Club meetings and they will try to do considerable suffrage work. Probably some general activity can be gotten thru these Clubs and if we get a Federal Amendment that may be sufficient. Mrs. Nygard and Mrs. Cannada, who are the Presidents of the two Clubs were willing to try for this sort of activity, and Mrs. L. L. Hamlett, who took the pledges to collect, is a most useful and capable woman.

Effie McClellan Jones.

Journal Subscribers
Mrs. L.L. Hamlett
Mrs. F.A. Vadderpoel.

Park Rapids, Minn, May 24, '17.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

My former remittances have included all cash received up to and including Granite Falls. I now enclose draft for the following cash collections,-

Willmer - -	$10.85
St. Cloud - -	9.65
Sauk Center - -	3.60
Long Prairie - -	15.60
Wadena - -	2.94
Park Rapids - -	3.61
Total	$39.25

You will see that I sent Mrs. Morse's check for $5.00 from Sauk Center previously leaving above amount unpaid until this date.

Effie McCollum Jones.

COPY FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

Washington, D. C.,

May 24, 1917.

TO STATE CONGRESSIONAL CHAIRMEN:

President Wilson's program of war legislation, followed by the decision of the leaders in both houses of Congress to admit no other legislation at the special session, has necessarily complicated and retarded the work for the federal suffrage amendment. It has been possible, however, for the Congressional Committee of the National Association to make some progress.

In the House.

The House situation, by reason of its immediate difficulties, is the first concern. Under existing rules our measure, being a constitutional amendment, is referred to the Judiciary Committee. This Committee has so many duties that it has never had time for full consideration of the suffrage question. The best the Judiciary Committee has ever done for the suffrage resolution is to report it without recommendation, and even this action was obtained with great difficulty and after long delay. A woman suffrage committee, on the other hand, corresponding to the Senate Committee on Woman Suffrage, has long been desired as a labor-saving device and a practical necessity in our Congressional work.

Resolutions to create such a committee were introduced in the House at the beginning of this session and referred to the Rules Committee. Especially at this period, when there is no immediate chance to secure action on our amendment itself, we have thought it

good policy to turn our energies to securing this bit of machinery instead of trying to force the amendment out of the Judiciary Committee. Accordingly no effort was made to obtain a hearing before the Judiciary Committee, and the National Association took no part in the hearings which were granted by the Judiciary Committee on April 30 to the committee headed by Mr. J. A. H. Hopkins of the Progressive Party and to the National Womans Party. Our efforts were devoted entirely to the object of securing the woman suffrage committee, in the belief that to appear before the Judiciary Committee while we were asking for action from another committee would put us at a disadvantage with both.

Our work for the establishment of the woman suffrage committee began early in April, when Mrs. Catt sought and obtained the approval of Speaker Clark and a promise of his assistance in gaining such a committee. At the same time the six members of the House who had introduced the suffrage resolution -- namely, Representatives Raker, Rankin, Keating, Taylor, Hayden, and Mondell -- formed a voluntary committee to circulate and present a petition to the Rules Committee from the members of Congress from suffrage states, asking for the creation of a suffrage committee. This committee of members of the House and the Congressional Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association requested Chairman Pou of the Rules Committee to grant a hearing on the question.

Meantime we learned that the chance of securing favorable action by the Rules Committee was complicated by the impression that this might conflict with the President's legislative program.

To clear up this doubt, President Wilson himself, on request of Mrs. Catt, through Mrs. Helen Gardener of our Congressional Committee, wrote a letter to Chairman Pou, endorsing the idea of a suffrage committee as "a wise move of public policy."

Under these favorable conditions, i.e., with a recommendation from both the President and the Speaker of the House, the Rules Committee held a hearing Friday morning, May 18, with every member of the committee present. Those members are as follows:

DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS
Edward W. Pou, of North Carolina;	Thomas D. Schall, of Minnesota;
Finis J. Garrett, of Tennessee;	Philip P. Campbell, of Kansas;
Martin D. Foster, of Illinois;	Irvine L. Lenroot, of Wisconsin;
James C. Cantrill, of Kentucky;	William R. Wood, of Indiana;
Pat Harrison, of Mississippi;	Bertrand H. Snell, of New York.
Daniel J. Riordan, of New York;	
M. Clyde Kelly, of Pennsylvania;	

Representative Raker of California, in behalf of the committee of members of the House who had worked up the petition, and our Congressional Committee, in behalf of the National Association, made the request for the hearing. The National Woman's Party, although it did not join in the original request, was also heard.

For the National Association, Mrs. Park and Mrs. Gardener spoke and presented written arguments from Dr. Shaw and Mrs. Catt, neither of whom could be present. For the committee of members of the House the speakers were Representatives Raker of California, Rankin of Montana, Taylor and Keating of Colorado, Mondell of Wyoming, Hayden of Arizona, McArthur of Oregon, and O'Shaunnessy of Rhode Island. Judge Raker presented the petition from the suffrage congressmen, 85 in number, including the solid delegations

of all the equal suffrage states except such members as are members of the Rules or Judiciary Committees, and the solid delegations of all the presidential suffrage states except Illinois, Michigan and Ohio, whose complete round had not been made at that date. The National Woman's Party was represented by Miss Anne Martin, Miss Maude Younger, Mrs. Richard Wainwright and Miss Mabel Vernon.

In view of the recommendations of both President Wilson and Speaker Clark, the friendly attitude of Chairman Pou, and the offer of Representative Cantrill of Kentucky, formerly an anti-suffragist, to make a motion in the committee for a favorable report, together with the expected support of friends we already have on the Rules Committee, there seemed every chance that the Committee would recommend the appointment of the suffrage committee. A vote was expected even as promptly as that day or the next. Representative Harrison of Mississippi, however, a Democratic member of the Committee, gave a statement to the afternoon papers which read as follows: "I shall never vote to create a special committee on woman suffrage so long as any suffrage organization continues the practice of picketing the White House and the Congressional office buildings." Mr. Harrison added, in conversation with friends, that two other members of the Rules Committee shared his attitude, and it has since been learned that these members are both suffragists and both Republicans.

At this writing, the action of the Rules Committee is still pending. Every means is being used by the National Congressional Committee to persuade these three members of the Rules Committee to alter their attitude. If they do not, our chance in the Rules

Committee is seriously endangered. It is evident, moreover, that the picketing, which is strongly objected to by every member of Congress who has ever been heard by this Committee to express himself on the subject, is likely to be made an issue when the resolution comes to vote on the floor of the House.

In the Senate.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, introduced by Senator Jones of New Mexico, and embodying the federal woman suffrage amendment, is now before the Woman Suffrage Committee of the Senate. A hearing was granted to the National Association on April 20, to the National Woman's Party on the 26th, to the anti-suffragists on May 2, and to the committee headed by J. A. H. Hopkins on May 15th. The committee is composed of the following senators:

DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS
Andrieus A. Jones, of New Mexico;	Wesley L. Jones, of Washington;
Robert L. Owen, of Oklahoma;	Knute Nelson, of Minnesota;
Joseph E. Ransdell, of Louisiana;	Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa;
Henry F. Hollis, of New Hampshire;	Hiram W. Johnson, of California.
Ed S. Johnson, of South Dakota;	

There is good reason to hope that the report will be favorable, and that the resolution will be on the calendar of the Senate during the present session.

Besides Senator Jones, Senators Shafroth of Colorado, Owen of Oklahoma, and Thompson of Kansas introduced the suffrage resolution. Their resolutions, however, being later in order of introduction, will yield to that of Senator Jones, who sought first place for his measure, but did not press the point because of the urgency of the war resolution. Senator Jones introduced his resolution with the following statement:

"Mr. President, I introduce a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States conferring upon women the right of suffrage. This joint resolution is identical with one introduced in several previous Congresses and generally known as the Susan B. Anthony amendment. I have been requested by the National American Woman Suffrage Association and others to introduce this joint resolution in such order as would cause it to bear number "1" as in previous congresses. I had planned this course, but the exigencies of this extraordinary session of Congress have not made this purpose practicable or advisable, owing to the tremendous importance of the joint resolution introduced on Monday night. I know that the supporters of this joint resolution are quite willing that it shall bear a subsequent number. I therefore introduce the joint resolution and ask that it be referred to the Committee on Woman Suffrage."

In the House, as already stated, the resolution was introduced by six members, namely, Representatives Raker of California, Rankin of Montana, Taylor and Keating of Colorado, Mondell of Wyoming, and Hayden of Arizona. Representative Raker's resolution is No. 1.

Sincerely yours,

Maud Wood Park

Chairman, Congressional Committee

Washington, D. C. May 24, 1917.

Miss Alice Paul,
Chairman National Woman's Party,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Paul:

I write you because I believe it to be my duty, as president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association and spokesman for its two million members, to urge the National Woman's Party -- the Congressional Union -- to withdraw its pickets stationed at the White House and the Capitol. I ask this in behalf of the great cause for which all suffragists are working.

The National American Woman Suffrage Association, as you know, has always disagreed with your "anti-party-in-power" policy, and has considered the picketing an unwarranted discourtesy to the President and a futile annoyance to the members of Congress. But whatever the difference of opinion on these points has been in the past, there is now clear proof that the presence of the pickets is hurting our cause in Congress.

The Rules Committee has before it a resolution for the creation of a standing committee on woman suffrage in the House. The National American Woman Suffrage Association has been working for this resolution and has obtained the cooperation of Speaker Clark and a statement from the President that he considers the creation of such a committee desirable at this session. We believe that the securing of this piece of machinery would materially advance the suffrage amendment in the House, and the presence of your speakers at the recent hearing before the Rules Committee indicates that you are of the same opinion.

Representative Harrison, a member of this Committee, although he has expressed himself as not opposed to the creation of a suffrage committee, has nevertheless issued a statement declaring that he will never vote for it so long as any suffrage organization continues the practice of picketing the White House and the Congressional buildings. This is a specific instance of a feeling which is known to be shared by representatives of both parties on the Rules Committee.

The National American Woman Suffrage Association feels deeply the injustice of charging against the cause as a whole what is disapproved in the conduct of a small group of the advocates of that cause. But the fact remains that the picketing has aroused serious antagonism. For the sake of the political freedom of women, and our hope of success in this country in the near future, I urge you, as head of your organization, to make our progress easier by removing your pickets, and with them a cause of hostility in the minds of people who would otherwise be friends of the suffrage movement.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT
President.

May 25, 1917

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones,
c/o Mrs. Ruth Chamberlain Miller,
Thief River Falls, Minn.

My dear Dr. Jones:-

At Thief River Falls I will send all mail to you c/o Mrs. Miller, as you do not come in there until after the P.O. is closed.

I receivedyour letter containing reports, etc., this morning; also your letter regarding sending of notice to Mrs. Emma Pierce as to your Detroit meeting, which I will do.

You will note by the programs that you are booked for Fergus Falls on the 30th, and Mrs. Moller apparently did not get your letter regarding your not speaking on the 31st for she is making plans for you to go to Detroit that date. I will wait until tomorrow morning, so as to see her, before writing Mrs. Pierce.

Mrs. Moller did not know that I was forwarding her original programs to you, or else she probably would not have written some of the things she meant as personal to me, but I think she will survive the ordeal, don't you? We tall people seem to have enough vitality and strength to keep us going forever.

We will be glad to see you when you come back this way.

Sincerely,

P.S. I am also sending you some literature under separate cover. Mrs.Moller said not to send any as the"City Fathers" forbad its distribution in the Auditorium. That is no reason why it should not be given the people as they come out, or some other use made of it. I did not send a great deal nor a large selection.

[May 25, 1917.]

HOTEL RANSFORD
O.H. JOHNSON, PROP
BRAINERD, MINN.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,- I am enclosing draft and checks for twenty- eight dollars and twenty-two cents, ($28.22) which covers the cash received at Brainerd, $25.82, plus $2;40, being the 30% commission upon the eight Woman's Journal subscriptions which I have taken to date. I believe that I did not include these commissions or any part of them in my former remittance. If I did so the matter can be adjusted when I arrive.

I am tired as a whole procession of dogs but am glad that the work is progressing in what you feel to be a satisfactory manner. My Minnesota experiences are in the main very pleasant. I have made some ridiculous blunders and hope to get an hour for confession with you and Mrs. Ueland in Minneapolis but am yet uncertain as to my future fate. If I need to report very far away for the first day of June I shall have to run directly away after my last meeting. Thus far I have only my Thief River Falls assignment, so do not know about next week. Am hoping to meet Mrs. Moller somewhere on the road.

I shall be greatly interested to know what your questions are. I am getting to feel like a specialist in all branches of human knowledge, so will try to answer.

Yours, most heartily,

Effie McCollum Jones

Thief River Falls, Minn., May 26-27-28, '17.

As has so often proved to be the case, the principal meeting here was only a small part of the efficiency of the visit. We met in a large Auditorium, seating probably 1100 or more and we had less than 100 present, all told. However, the spirit was excellent and nearly every one present enrolled. Senator O'Neill told a friend of mine that the meeting opened his eyes to several things, which I suppose is a real compliment, as compliments go.

Collection as follows,-

T. C. Orme - - - -	$1.00	Pd
C. Frissell - - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. F. L. Kilgaard - -	1.00	Pd
W. W. Pritchard - - -	1.00	pd
Miss Mabel Norman - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. H. A. Pratt - - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. Ethel C. Pitkin - -	1.00	Pd
Mrs. Andy Craik - - -	.50	Pd
Miss Mildred Ingle - - -	1.00	May 28
Martha Birkeland - - -	1.00	
M. I. Kohl - - - -	1.00	
Mrs. C. R. Halgrim - - -	1.00	
Mrs. C. A. Wangenstein - -	1.00	June 1
Mathilda Anderson - - -	1.00	" "
Miss Cora Bleisner - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Gertrude M. Swanson - -	1.00	
Cash collection - - -	9.00	
Total	$17.50	

of which $9.50 is cash and the other $8.00 in pledges are in the hands of Mrs. Ruth Chamberlin Miller to collect.

Entertained by Miss Ruth Chamberlin Miller (formerly of Chambard faculty)

On Sunday morning I spoke at the regular Methodist church service and secured a large number of enrolments but no collection was allowed.

Sunday afternoon, by invitation of the Rev. Mr. Garrish, pastor of the church in which I had spoke in the morning, I took his afternoon meeting in a school house in Steiner, eight miles from Thief River Falls, but in Marshall County, so the people may not all belong in the 65th District, tho they mostly get their mail thru Thief River, R. F. D. Fully sixty people were present and the attention was most gratifying and nearly everyone present signed the enrolment slips. It was a splendid opp-ortunity

Monday morning I was scheduled to speak at the High School but when I arrive at the school house it was manifest that the Principal had entirely forgotten the whole arrangement. He said that as State examinations were going on and the students were not to be brought together again for a general assembly meeting it would be impossible for him to grant me a hearing, so I had to smile and make the best of it.

Monday afternoon at 2.30 I spoke to the thirty or more members of the Woman's Club and a few guests for an hour, going more into detail than on Saturday night with directions for work, secured a few more enrolments and am promised a few Journal subscriptions to be sent to me later.

Altogether, I managed to reach over three hundred people and found a very general interest. A good place for follow-up work.

Effie McCollum Jones.

Enrolment 137-

Will bring in rest of enrolments
& cash Opening with
Thus Rivth.

Minneapolis, Minn.

May 28,1917

My dear Dr. Jones:--

Received your reports on Bemidji and Brainerd. Hope the rest of your stay in Minnesota will be as enthusiastic. Brainerd is a fine town - Bemidji is a "Fraidie Cat", but I think your meeting was a success even if you did not feel quite that way about it.

Enclosed find a receipt covering finances.

Mrs.Moller was in the city today, but had to leave this afternoon, and in her haste and many business matters, neglected to leave the Detroit program with me. I wrote her about an hour after she was gone, to send it to you direct, but if there should be any slip-up, I can give you the following information. You are to speak at Detroit the evening of the 31st and Mrs. Shruth and Mrs. H. N. Jenson have charge of the meeting. I wrote Mrs. Pierce at Fargo as you requested in regard to this Detroit meeting.

You will note by the enclosed circular that the Woman's Journal is soon to be absorbed by"The Woman Citizen." This may help along the good work.

Mrs. Ueland is back - and it is surely nice to have her here again. I believe I could love her almost as much as I do my own mother - she is so dear.

Sincerely,

Clara M. Heckrich

(I am still wondering how you managed to pronounce and spell my name.)

Crookston

Crookston, Minn., May 28, '17.

A great many counter attractions, such as the regular Red Cross knitting class, the First Aid class, some sort of a patriotic drill class, with an Elks Minstrel affair, combined to make our attendance at a Court House meeting s aller than I had expected. Beginning with scarcely more than forty people, about one sixth of whom were men, we had about 75 when we finished. As many of these were already enrolled the number of new enrolments secured was not large, but the net results of the meeting were very good. Collections as follows,-

Mrs. W. A. Marin - -	$1.00	soon
Lola E. Roemer - -	.50	
Margaret Arnold - -	.50	"
E. H. Spendley - - -	2.00	July, '17
Mrs. Winifred G. Wilde - -	1.00	soon
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Skoug -	2.00	Aug.1
Mrs. Grace Bickhart - -	2.00	
Gus Johnson - - -	.25	
Mrs. H. W. Misner - -	1.00	
Mrs. C. M. Graves - -	4.00	
Mrs. Alma Levins - -	3.00	July 1
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Loring -	5.00	soon
E. E. Shawl (Rev.) - -	1.00	soon
Cash - - - -	3.70	
Total	$26.95	

of which only $3.70 is cash. Pledges left in hands of Mrs. Graves to be collected by local Treasurer.

26.95
3.70
23.25

(15) I could have made some collections but that a meeting of women informal conference was called for the next morning from which I had to extr myself to rush to the train.

The difficulty here is the double one that all the women of any leisure and vision are already burdened with trying to carry every desirable sort of activity and that the leaders, who have been drawn into office because they are interested and willing, seem mostly to lack initiative. I gave them a lot of concrete directions as to how to run meetings and get affrage on the map. They promised to set at once about the enrolling of women who would promise to give a day a week or occasionally a day to helping country women with their rush house work like cooking for harvesters or thrashers or any other needed co-operation between town and country women. Also, they promised to hustle up some Thrift meetings and demonstrations. Be sure to give me a chance to tell you some of the stunts I am recommending. Mrs Voller must be prepared to approve all the crazy items I have recommended.

Two new subscriptions to Woman's Journal, -
Mrs. Bertha Darrow Loring
Mrs. C. M. Graves

Effie McCollum Jones

Don't approve who entertained - let send to Mrs C. M. Graves & arrangements & meetings in her care

Enrolments 20

Copy for your information

Washington Headquarters,
May 29, 1917.

Mrs. Chas. F. Moller,
403 Essex Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Moller:

On May 18th, Mrs. Catt sent out from the New York office a letter to all state presidents and congressional chairmen, enclosing a comprehensive plan of state work for the federal amendment. The Congressional Committee trusts that you have given this letter and plan your careful attention and will follow out the various suggestions so ably presented by Mrs. Catt, and report your progress from time to time to the Washington headquarters.

We have received no recent report on the congressional work in Minnesota, Mrs. Moller and do not know whether the suggestions made in our letter of March 21st. are being carried out or not. We should be very glad to know whether you have started the work of organizing men's committees in the various congressional districts to serve in emergencies. These committees should be quite informal and should be made up of men who have influence with their representative in Congress, and who would be ready to be called upon for telegrams and letters as emergencies arise. We also asked in this letter that two members "at large" be appointed on your state congressional committee to be responsible for your senators. We should be glad to know whether such appointments have as yet been made.

Mrs. Moller.
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We shall send you at an early date a question sheet on which to enter the records of your members of Congress. We shall send these in duplicate, so that you may return one copy to us and keep one for your own files. We sent you last week an account of the situation in congressional work as it now stands here in Washington, which will, we hope make it easier to realize the difficulties with which your Congressional Committee must contend, and the extent to which we are dependent on the cooperation which the states give us. We enclose herewith two editorials, one from the Washington Times and one from the New York Evening Post, which you will, we are sure, find illuminating. If the Rules Committee reports our resolution for a suffrage committee to the House, as we trust it may at an early date, we may call on you to help us secure its passage by bringing all possible pressure to bear on your Minnesota delegation. It is useless to approach them in this connection until the question is reported out of committee.

IMMEDIATE: The preparatory work for the drive on Congress for the federal amendment should begin now. In this connection may we ask that you re-read Mrs. Catt's letter and the plan of work, especially points 1 through 5? Mrs. Catt requests that the petition work be pushed at once, and in this connection you will be able to secure members for the committees of influential men in the various congressional districts, in regard to which we wrote you on March 21st.

IMPORTANT: In case you have mislaid either Mrs. Catt's letter of May 18th or our letter of March 21st. will you please let us know at once, in order that we may send you additional copies? These letters are absolutely necessary to your understanding of the work that is planned to make possible the passage of the federal amendment by next March and its ratification by 1919. Every suffragist should do all in her power to this end. May we not have an early reply from you, Mrs. Moller, telling us what your own plans in this connection will be?

Cordially yours,

Congressional Chairman,

RW/CB.
Enclosures.

Congressional Secretary.

Ada, Minnesota, May 29, '17.

A fairly good audience, about sixty men and women, assembled in the Commercial Club rooms at 8.30 and while there was not nealry so much enthusiasm as is sometimes shown there was a very good feeling. However, when I suggested some sort of organization I was met by the utmost opposition to the idea. This will be one of the hardest places which I have seen to organize.

Collection as follows,-

Sen. A. L. Hanson	$5.00	Pd
G. R. Nichols	1.00	
Mrs. C. J. Lofgren	1.00	
Mrs. O. O. Uggen	1.00	July 1
Mrs. Peter Sharp	1.00	Sept 1
Mrs. J. J. Boraas	1.00	July 1
Mrs. A. O. Rolfe	.50	
Mrs. G. R. Nichols	.25	
Cash Collection	2.50	
Total	$13.25	

7.50
5.75

of which $7.50 is cash. The pledges are left with Mrs. A. L. Hanson for collection.

No other meetings could be arranged as Memorial Day was occupying everybody's attention.

Entertainment by Mrs. A. L. Hanson (Senator Hanson)

$1.15 Enrollments

Fergus Falls, Minn., May 30, '17.

In the number of people in attendance and in the large proportion of apparently representative men in the audience, this was the banner meeting for the whole state. Altho it was the evening of Memorial Day and consequently a holiday, the Methodist church pretty well filled - fully 150 being present. While they were not specially demonstrative they were nevertheless responsive and attentive to a gratifying degree. In view of these statements it may not be easy to explain the smallness of the collection, but I somehow felt that some of the men felt that more mention should have been made of suffrage if it was our intention to use the meeting as a means of securing support for our organization. Thatwas simply a feeling on my part, tho, and it may not be the reason why we received so little money. Following is the statement of the collection,-

Miss Dorothy Quincy Adams - -	$1.00	
Mrs. C. V. Lambert - - - -	1.00	June 15
Mrs. E. L. Barnard - - - -	1.00	
A. F. Beardsley - - - - -	1.00	July 1
Mrs. Martin T. McMahon - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Geo. B. Wright - - - -	1.00	
Mrs. Hannah - - - - -	1.00	
Cash - - - - - - -	4.10	
to balance report formerly made -	.25	
Total -	$11.35	of which $4.35 is cash.

Mrs E E Adams entertained

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Pledges are with Mrs. E. E. Adams to collect and transmit. She also promised a personal pledge, the amount of which she was not quite ready to state but which should properly go to my account.

Detroit, Minn., May 31, '17.

The attendance in the Baptist church was about 50 and the chairman, Mrs. Carmen, leader of the local Red Cross work, is an Anti, so the situation was "peculiar", as usual. However, Mrs. Carmen did everything possible for the success of the meeting. It was quite useful, in the opinion of Mrs. Carrie Conway Schruth, who was my hostess and is the strongest suffragist in the place, apparently, and who will help in organization later.

Collection as follows,-

Mrs. O. O. Larsen - -	$1.00
Mrs. Alice Carmen - -	1.00
Mrs. Carrie C. Schruth -	1.00
C. R. Hickey - - -	.50
Mrs. N. E. Nelson - -	1.00
Birdie Thorkelson - - -	1.00
Mrs. Myrtle R. Stewart -	1.00
Miss Leonora F. Bauer - -	1.00
Cash - - - - -	2.40
Total	$9.90

240
750

of which $2.40 is cash. Pledges in hands of Mrs. Carrie C. Schruth for collection.

Effie McCollum Jones

Meeting arranged by Mrs Schruth