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[June, 1917]

Indianapolis.

Dear Lady -- You will recall
that I gave you the amount of
the Fergus Falls pledges from
memory, hence the mistake of
\$25.- I enclose that sum in
stamps to balance report.

E. M. C. J.

[Effie McCollum Jones]

Am making 2 towns daily
down here. -

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1626 Rhode Island Ave.,
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June 9, 1917.

To State Congressional Chairmen:

PRESENT SITUATION IN CONGRESS.

Woman Suffrage Committee: We are glad to be able to report to you that the Rules Committee has at length acted on the question of creating a woman suffrage committee. A motion to report the rule immediately was made by Mr. Cantrill of Kentucky, but only carried as amended by Mr. Lenroot of Wisconsin, with the provision that the report should not be made until after the pending war measures should be disposed of. The vote was 6 to 5 in favor.

AYES

Pou of North Carolina, Dem.
Cantrill of Kentucky, Dem.
Foster of Illinois, Dem.
Lenroot of Wisconsin, Rep.
Schall of Minnesota, Prog.
Wood of Indiana, Rep.

NAYS

Harrison of Mississippi, Dem.
Garrett of Tennessee, Dem.
Kelly of Pennsylvania, Dem.
Riordan of New York, Dem.
Snell of New York, Rep.

Representative Kelly of Pennsylvania, who is a very good friend of suffrage, explained his negative vote as being in opposition only to Mr. Lenroot's amendment. He was in favor of an immediate report. Mr. Harrison of Mississippi voted no because of his disapproval of the picketing policy of the Woman's Party. Mr. Campbell of Kansas, the twelfth member of the Committee, was absent.

Present indications are that pending war measures will be out of the way in about ten days or two weeks. The rule for a woman suffrage committee should then be reported at once, and a vote on the question in the House should come very soon, if not immediately after the report is made.

Federal Amendment: Not only did we gain a positive victory in the Rules Committee on Wednesday, but a threatened calamity to suffrage was fortunately averted. The circumstances leading to the events reported by the Congressional Record of Wednesday are complicated but most interesting, and we shall try to give you as briefly as possible an idea of just what happened. This information we are giving you strictly in confidence and we ask you not to let it reach the press or any persons except your own workers.

Several weeks ago Representative Mann, the minority leader in the House, moved to discharge the Judiciary Committee from consideration of Miss Rankin's resolution proposing a federal suffrage amendment. His motion took first place on the so-called "discharge calendar." Three other republican members followed with similar motions in reference to the suffrage resolution, thus showing their friendliness toward suffrage without committing themselves to further action, as the discharge calendar is a bit of legislative formality which for many years has had no real significance. According to the rules the discharge calendar should be taken up on the first and third Mondays of the month, but we were assured by members of long experience in the House that there was no chance in the world of its ever being reached. We were, therefore, greatly surprised to discover a few days ago that the Republicans were planning for the consideration of Mr. Mann's motion this week. It was evident that, in their opinion, there was a possibility of bringing it out. We at once made investigations and discovered that, owing to the present limitation of legislation to the President's war program, there were very few bills ahead of the discharge calendar, and that it would be possible for the motion to come up. Mr. Mann's motive in this move seemed to be purely a desire to secure political advantage for the Republican party, and by placing the resolution on the calendar -- the automatic result if his motion carried -- to make the creation of a woman suffrage committee superfluous, thus depriving the Democrats of the advantage they would secure by granting the committee or, if his motion failed, placing the Democrats in an awkward position by putting the responsibility for its defeat on them. His position was a strategic one for the Republicans, since the Democrats would have been placed at a disadvantage in either case.

We were eager to have the motion averted if possible, because we had learned that there was an intention on the part of some Democrats to take political revenge on the Republicans if Mr. Mann's motion carried, by demanding an immediate vote on the suffrage amendment. An adjournment of Congress over Monday and Tuesday, with postponement of the usual business of Monday to Wednesday, would have made this proceeding possible, in their judgment, as a part of the program of "calendar Wednesday," which it had been previously ruled should follow this week immediately upon the conclusion of the business of "unanimous consent Monday." This political move certain Democrats were eager to make in spite of the fact that they admitted that the time was most unpropitious for a vote on the amendment. The policy of excluding all general legislation until the President's war program has been disposed of is receiving such ardent support from a large proportion of the members that our measure, if brought up at this time would be certain to receive a far smaller vote than it would get if postponed until the pending legislation has been disposed of. We urged our friends among the

Democrats to make every possible effort to avert such a political move as this by their party, and, as it developed, they were able to accomplish their purpose without endangering the suffrage amendment.

When Congress convened at 12 o'clock, it soon developed that there was only one measure which could be taken up before reaching the discharge calendar. This was a resolution to permit the niece of President Buchanan to erect a monument to his memory in Washington. This motion was on the unanimous consent calendar. When the Democrats failed to obtain unanimous consent to consider this resolution their next move was to permit its consideration under suspension of the rules. In this effort they succeeded, and proceeded to discuss the question, of course, merely to occupy time and prevent the Republicans from reaching the suffrage measure. One of our friends told us afterward that he had with him a volume of the Life of Buchanan and intended, if necessary, to read chapter after chapter from this book, with the intention of prolonging the day's session through the night into the following day, if necessary. This, however, he did not need to do, for the first Republican who spoke, unconscious, as it happened, of the real significance of these proceedings, made an indignant appeal to the Democrats not to violate the decision of their caucus to take up nothing but war measures! He asked them in most eloquent language whether they could by any stretch of the imagination consider the erection of a statue to President Buchanan as a war measure. This gave Mr. Kitchin, the Democratic floor leader, his opportunity, and he rose to say that he was in thorough accord with the gentleman from the other side of the House in thinking it improper to consider such a measure at this time, and he therefore moved that the House adjourn. This, of course, was exactly what the Republicans did not want, but many men on that side evidently did not understand the situation, and therefore voted with the Democrats in favor of adjournment. Many men of both parties from suffrage states who saw the situation clearly also voted for adjournment in spite of the danger of such a vote being misunderstood by their constituents.

As it proved the event was most satisfactory to us, but the suffrage amendment had a narrow escape, and it is painfully evident that there are some men in Congress, even among the good friends of suffrage, who will sacrifice our cause to party advantage in an emergency.

Sincerely yours,

Maud Hood Park.

Congressional Chairman,

Ruth White

Congressional Secretary.

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Enclosures

- 1- Directions for Work;
- 2- Form letters.

1626 Rhode Island Avenue,
Washington, D.C.,
June 9, 1917.

To State Congressional Chairmen:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WORK.

It is probable that the vote on the question of a woman suffrage committee will be taken within ten days or two weeks. It is therefore most important that we should do all in our power to assure its passage.

LETTERS TO CONGRESS.

Official Letters: We ask you to send an immediate appeal to each member of your state delegation requesting his support for the measure. We enclose two form letters which may be suggestive to you in drafting your appeal. The first form is for such men as are known to be in favor of the Federal Amendment; the second is for those who are opposed or noncommittal. The letter should be signed by the state president or the state congressional chairman. The enclosed forms are meant only as suggestions. Do not feel obliged to use them exactly as they stand. Your acquaintance with the man to whom you are writing and the peculiar circumstances in his district will probably suggest something different which would be better in his case.

Other Letters: Will you not in addition to this official letter have as many appeals as possible sent by prominent men and women from each district to their representatives, especially to the noncommittal and opposed members. We have already found some men opposed to the federal amendment who are willing to vote for a suffrage committee, and we think that there may be many who, especially if their attention is called to the matter, may feel the justice of giving us a committee to consider the question, whether they are in favor of it themselves or not.

Telegrams: We ask you to have ready a list of men and women of political influence, voters if possible, who will be ready to send telegrams to their congressmen just before the question is voted upon. You should have the list ready so that on receipt of telegraphic notice from us you could have the telegrams sent at once.

Sincerely yours,

March Hood Park.
Congressional Chairman.

Ruth G. L.
Congressional Secretary.

1. Sydney Anderson
2. Franklin Ellsworth
- No 2 3. Charles Dams
- No 2 4. Carl C Van Dyke
5. Ernst Lundgren
- No 2 6. Harold Knutson
7. A. J. Valstad
- No 2 8. Clarence B. Miller
9. Thompson

Form No. 1.

Hon. _____
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. _____

I write to remind you, knowing you to be a friend of woman suffrage, that the Committee on Rules has voted to report a rule creating a woman suffrage committee in the House. This rule, I understand, will be reported as soon as the pending war measures are disposed of, and the question will be submitted to the vote of the House.

The Suffrage Association of your state, of which I am president (or congressional chairman) is affiliated with the National American Woman Suffrage Association, which has been working toward the creation of such a committee and is in complete accord with the plan. We ask you, therefore, not only to vote for the measure yourself but to use your influence with other members to assure its passage.

Assuring you of our appreciation of your support,

Very truly yours,

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Form No. 2.

Hon. _____
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. _____

I write to call your attention to the fact that the Committee on Rules has voted to report a rule creating a woman suffrage committee in the House. This rule, I understand, will be reported as soon as the pending war measures are disposed of, and the question will be submitted to the vote of the House.

As president (or congressional chairman) of the _____ Suffrage Association, an organization of _____ members, I urge you to give this measure your support. The Judiciary Committee, which now has charge of the resolution for a woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution is so burdened with other measures demanding its consideration that it has very little time to give to our question. Whatever your views on woman suffrage itself may be, will you not vote to grant to the women of our country an opportunity to have their claims and requests fully and carefully considered by a committee free to give them the necessary time? Congress has given the people of our island possessions and the American Indians committees to which their claims may be submitted. Are you not willing that the American women should be given this bit of legislative machinery to facilitate their work? I feel confident that you will not fail to see the reasonableness of our request and that your sense of justice will lead you to vote for the creation of a woman suffrage committee in the House.

Very truly yours,

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Pinewood, Minn., June 12, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich;-

I imagine you are waiting patiently for the "grand totals" you asked me for, but I really have had no chance to mail a letter until to-morrow. You see, we are up at our place in the woods, not on our farm, and we are pretty much isolated.

Here they are;-

	Attend.	Cash.	Pledges.	Enrollment
Page 1.	4630	\$134.73.	\$138.00	277
Page 2.	4625	\$ 99.72	\$108.25	373
Total	9255	\$234.45	\$246.25	670

I am still deep in the miseries of cleaning my house and putting things to rights after my half y years absence from home, but will get it all nicely done by the end of thenweek. Then I will write you a real letter telling you about how I enjoy life up here, because then I will really be enjoying my "vacation". I would love to hear from you, too, and do tell me all the office gossip.

Lovingly,

Bertha C. Moller.

This letter sent to

Hon. Clarence B. Miller
Harold Knutson,
Carl C. Van Dyke
Charles R. Davis

June 13, 1917

Hon. Clarence B. Miller,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Miller:--

I write to call your attention to the fact that the Committee on Rules has voted to report a rule creating a woman suffrage committee in the House. This rule, I understand, will be reported as soon as the pending war measures are disposed of, and the question will be submitted to the vote of the House.

As president of the Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association, an organization of over 15,000 members, I urge you to give this measure your support. The Judiciary Committee, which now has charge of the resolution for a woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution is so burdened with other measures demanding its consideration that it has very little time to give to our question. Whatever your views on woman suffrage itself may be, will you not vote to grant to the women of our country an opportunity to have their claims and requests fully and carefully considered by a committee free to give them the necessary time? Congress has given the people of our island possessions and the American Indians committees to which their claims may be submitted. Are you not willing that the American women should be given this bit of legislative machinery to facilitate their work? I feel confident that you will not fail to see the reasonableness of our request and that your sense of justice will lead you to vote for the creation of a woman suffrage committee in the House.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

State President

This letter to the following:-

Hon. Sidney Anderson
Halvor Steenerson
Andrew J. Volstead
Ernest Lundeen
Franklin Ellsworth

June 13, 1917

Honorable Sidney Anderson,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Anderson:--

I write to remind you, knowing you to be a friend of woman suffrage, that the Committee on Rules has voted to report a rule creating a woman suffrage committee in the House. This rule, I understand, will be reported as soon as the pending war measures are disposed of, and the question will be submitted to the vote of the House.

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Assuring you of our appreciation of your support,

Very truly yours,

State President

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

June 24, 1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
Pinewood,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

I am studying the plan sent to us by Mrs. Catt for Federal Amendment Work. This is a very big and important plan and is based on the idea that we may very likely get the Federal Amendment through this coming winter, so there is no work so important for us as just this.

I am going to call a conference to submit plans wither Monday June 25th or Wednesday June 27th, and I think it is so important that I want you to come if you possibly can to the meeting. I shall lay out plans of work for you.

Clara will send you in a few days copies of Mrs. Catt's letter with plans of what they call "How to Win and Win Now" plans. I hope you will be ready to go to work in July.

We have a letter from Mrs. Van Houten of Breckenridge. They want you to help them when they have their annual meeting, which will probably be sometime towards the last of July. I will write her that it may be possible for you to be there at that time.

Very cordially yours,

State President

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816 Odd Fellow Building

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Miss Helen C. Benbridge, Terre Haute

Writing from Campbellsburg, June 14, '17.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

I have been slow in acknowledging the arrival of the check which balanced my account with the Minnesota Suffrage Association but must plead pressure of other business. You Minnesota people have yet to learn the fine art of getting your money's worth out of a field worker. I am doing the most strenuous piece of work that has yet come my way and am glad that I can see the definite end of it.

The problem of getting the women out to register and vote for delegates to the Constitutional Convention is a tremendous one and if they should not make good in this unique case it would be a serious argument against us in neighboring states. The great mass of them need to be evangelized and stirred to enthusiasm & I am making two towns a day, often partly by machine and it has been my lot once already to be stuck in a mud hole. However, I am having a fine time and like Indiana very much indeed.

You are very good to say kind things about my work in Minnesota and I want to retaliate by saying that there never was a nicer group to work with than the Minnesota women and you were the one that I saw most of, perhaps. Anyhow, Mrs. Ueland, Mrs. Moller and you were all three a source of joy and satisfaction to me.

I have not yet heard from you about the cost of that Red Cross yarn. I dictated a letter to my daughter to be sent to you about it and hope that she sent it along. I do not want to leave any unpaid bills behind me, so tell me about this one, please.

Yours, most cordially,

Effie M. Callum Jones

Leslie Woman Suffrage Commission, Inc.

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171 Madison Avenue

New York, June 15, 1917.



Mrs. Andreas Ueland,

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Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:-

I am sending two enclosures on Married Women's Property Rights for you to make changes for your State based upon legislation which may have been passed in 1917. One is the schedule which you sent me last year; the other covers the "black spots" in all States. If the latter is of interest to you please keep it, but let me know in what respects you think it to be inaccurate or inadequate.

I should like to know also whether there has been any change in your State Guardianship Law.

If possible please send me the text of any 1917 Legislation on either property rights or guardianship.

Yours very sincerely,

MARRIED WOMEN'S PROPERTY RIGHTS

Under the Common Law the husband in exchange for furnishing the necessities to wife and children is entitled to the wife's (1) time and labor in the home; (2) earnings; (3) separate property or its income; (4) after death he (by Courtesy) inherits all wife's property whereas the wife - continuing the theory of "necessaries" - inherits only one-third to one-half of his property. (Dower)

In the states statute law has modified the provisions of the Common Law.

The ideal law would seem to be that which, if she has nothing else to give, requires of the wife her full time and services in the home, in return for necessities for self and children. If she contributes to the income from her separate property or her earnings, she should be responsible to the family for her proportion of the family support. In the latter case her husband should have no more right to her full time and service than she has to his, nor should he have any more right to her separate property than she has to his.

The best form of inheritance law secures to either wife or husband a certain proportion, to the children a certain proportion and leaves the spouse free to dispose of the rest by will.

Some statute laws are almost as bad for the wife as the Common Law. A certain number of states whose legislation is descended from the French or Spanish settlers have a law providing that - aside from the separate property of each spouse - the family income shall be held to be Community Property, in most cases shared equally, but completely under the control of the husband.

NECESSARIES In no state has the law relieved the husband of the Common Law duty of supplying necessities. In almost all the responsibility is made more effective by non-support laws. The following states have, however, no non-support (a) laws:

Mississippi	Tennessee
Kentucky (b)	Georgia (b)
Ohio (b)	
(No equal suffrage states)	

- (a) Or desertion laws; desertion without non-support is not a crime.
- (b) Has a law covering non-support of children and, in Ohio, of pregnant wife.

In all equal suffrage states and in about one-third of the male suffrage states the wife is held responsible in her due proportion, depending on her separate income, earnings or share in community property.

The following four headings show in what states wife is discriminated against unjustly by comparison with the husband.

1. COMMUNITY PROPEETY (a)

Arizona	Nevada
California	New Mexico
Idaho	Oklahoma
Louisiana	Texas (but her earnings are her own)
(South Dakota)	Washington (")

Five of these are equal suffrage states which lay in the line of Spanish settlement. Agitation is now being made in each state where Community Property exists. This educational work is especially vigorous in California.

2. WIFE'S SEPARATE PROPERTY OR EARNINGS

Arizona - Earnings own if living separate, otherwise Community.

California - like Arizona

Colorado - Cannot control real estate given her by husband.

Delaware - Cannot dispose of her separate property without husband's consent.

Florida - Separate property managed by husband, and wife cannot sue him for rents or profits. Her earnings own only if living separate.

Georgia - Earnings belong to wife only if she lives separate. House in which husband and wife live is property of husband even if wife pays rent and supports husband.

Indiana - Cannot convey real estate without husband's consent.

Kentucky - Like Indiana

Louisiana - Like Indiana. Income of wife's dowry belongs to husband for maintenance of family, unless stipulated in marriage contract. Returned on dissolution of marriage

Maine - If separate property was given by husband must have his consent to convey.

Massachusetts - Work performed for husband is not separate earnings. May not sue husband except for divorce.

Mississippi - May not receive pay (earnings) for work performed for husband.

- Montana - Tho' earnings are not liable for husband's debts they are only wife's separate property if living separate.
- Nebraska - Property acquired by gift of husband not separate property.
- Nevada - Earnings own only if living separate; otherwise community property.
- New Jersey - May not sell or mortgage real estate unless living separate. Earnings for work carried on with husband not her own.
- New York - Court decisions in 1914 and 1915 decree that wife's earnings, as well as her savings out of the family income belong to husband.
- New Mexico - Earnings own if living separate, otherwise common.
- No. Carolina - Cannot convey real estate without husband's consent.
- Oklahoma - Earnings own only if living separate, otherwise common.
- Oregon - Tho' wife's property is not liable for husband's debts, it is only her own if living separate.
- Pennsylvania - Unless living apart a year husband must join in conveyance of wife's separate property.
- South Dakota - Tho' wife's earnings not liable for husband's debts, only her own if living separate.
- Tennessee - Husband entitled to rents and profits from wife's land but cannot be sold for his debts or disposed of by him without her consent. Where wife supports family husband cannot claim her wages.
- Texas - Husband must consent to transfer wife's estate. Signatures of both necessary to convey her stocks and bonds. Husband may sue in respect to wife's separate property with or without her. If he fails to do so she may sue alone. May apply to court with his consent and have these encumbrances removed.
- Vermont - Except under certain circumstances cannot convey real estate without husband's consent.
- West Virginia - Unless living apart cannot convey real estate without husband's consent.
- Wisconsin - Earnings from labor for husband not hers.

(Only six equal suffrage states in this group of 28 states and in none of these is the discrimination grave.

3. COURTESY AND DOWER (a)

Alabama (with homestead)
Arkansas
Delaware
Florida (homestead not in addition but as part
of dower)
Georgia
Michigan (with homestead)
New Hampshire (with homestead)
New York (b)
North Carolina
Pennsylvania (c)
Rhode Island
Tennessee (d) (with homestead)
Virginia
West Virginia
Wisconsin (with homestead)
(In Connecticut Dower and Courtest exists for per-
sons married before 1877, otherwise inheritance is
equal)
(No equal suffrage states)

4. OTHER BAD INHERITANCE PROVISIONS (e)

California - Husband inherits all community proper-
ty, wife only half.

New Mexico - Like California

New Jersey - Husband may will away all his proper-
ty, leaving widow nothing.

(One equal suffrage state)

- (a) In South Carolina and Utah dower for wife exists but no
courtesy for husband. The words "with husband" refer of
course to wife.
(b) Courtesy can be evaded by will or deed.
(c) Husband has courtesy only if there is a child.
(d) If wife leaves children they get half.
(e) See also for some states - Wife's Separate Property and
Earnings.

REGARDING THE LAWS AND WOMEN OF MINNESOTA

1. Has a married woman a right to her personal property? Yes.
2. Does she own her clothes? Yes.
3. Can she make contracts or enter into partnership without the consent of her husband? Yes.
4. Are her rights in his real estate equal to his rights in her real estate? Yes.
5. Has he any control over the rents of her real estate?

Ans. - No legal control, but he can easily secure actual control.

6. What share has the wife in the increase of property accumulated by their joint efforts after marriage, or does the husband usually take this surplus in his own name?

Ans. - Wife has no share whatever in property accumulated by their joint efforts. Husband usually holds legal title to all property accumulated during marriage.

7. Is there any statute securing to the wife any portion of the family income subject to her own control without a husband's dictation?

Ans. - None whatever.

8. Is a wife responsible by law for the support of the children if the husband does not support them? Yes.

9. Has she a right to share in the children's earnings?

Ans. - Probably, yes, although the question has not been definitely decided by the Supreme Court. However the husband is regarded as the head of the family.

10. Is the father liable for the expenses of wife and child if it is for something necessary of which he disapproves?

Ans. - He is liable for the family necessities without regard to his approval or disapproval.

11. Is she liable for his expenses for necessities?

Ans. - The statute provides that "where husband and wife are living together they shall be jointly and severally liable for all necessary household articles and supplies furnished to and used by the family." Only to this extent is the wife liable for the necessities of her husband. It has been held that this does not include the husband's clothes, i.e. the wife is not responsible for the husband's clothes.

12. Does she inherit from her husband as much as he would inherit from her? Yes.

13. Does she inherit equally with her husband the property of a deceased child? Yes.
14. Is the wife entitled to a share in the control of the children, so that her wishes may guide in the choice of church, school, slothing, medicine and work?

Ans. - The guardianship law provides: "The father and mother are the natural guardians of their minor children, and, being themselves competent to transact their own business and not otherwise unsuitable, they are equally entitled to their custody and the care of their education." Only in the above instances -- as to the custody and care of their education -- has the common law, giving full control of the child to the father, been changed. However, our courts have repeatedly held that "The cardinal principle is to regard the benefit of the infant the paramount consideration", therefore, the wife's equal rights over the child are pretty well protected.

15. Is the wife entitled to a voice in the choice of a family home?

Ans. - No. The husband is the head of the family and should the wife refuse to accept the home he provides, she becomes guilty of desertion, a ground for divorce.

16. What punishment is provided in case of wife desertion?

Ans. - There is no punishment(except as a ground for divorce) for wife desertion. It is a felony, however for a husband "without lawful excuse to desert wife and family when such family includes children unable to support themselves",

It is a Misdemeanor for a man "without lawful excuse, to wilfully fail to furnish proper food, shelter, clothing or medical attendance to his wife", but there is no punishment for wife desertion, as such. However it is exceedingly easy for a man to evade the above laws.

17. How many causes does your statute recognize as ground for divorce?

Ans. - Six.

18. Are they the same in the case of both wife and husband?

Ans. - Yes.

[cc. June 17, 1917]

SUMMARY DR. JONES' LECTURE

Attend.	Cash	Pledges	Enrollments
9,255	\$234.45	\$246.25	670

\$29.75 (paid up pledges 6/16/17)

Receipts		Disbursements	
\$264.20	Cash	\$65.31	Dr. J. expenses
216.50	Pledges	117.12	Mrs. M. "
\$480.70	Total	20.93	Mrs. F. "
		12.50	Hand BILLS
		\$215.86	
		200.00	Dr. Jones' salary
		\$415.86	

264.20 Cash
 215.86 Expenses
 \$48.34 Cleared (without counting pledges)

480.70 Total Receipts
 415.86 Total Exp. (inc. Dr. Jones Salary)
 \$64.84

234.45
 246.25
 480.70
 215.86
 264.84

REPORT, IN BRIEF, OF DR. BETTIE MC COLLUM JONES'
TOUR IN MINNESOTA

Date.	Place.	Where.	Att.	Cash.	Pledges	Enroll.	Lit
5/1	Moorhead	College Meeting	125 50	\$7.20			
5/3	Northfield	Meeting College	35 250	\$	\$18.50		Yes
5/3	Anoka	Theatre	28	\$5.00	4.00	16	Yes
(Gives names of people who will be of assistance there)							
5/4	Hastings	High Sch. Aud.	30	2.25		10	Yes
(Needs reorganization and new workers)							
5&6th	Red Wing	Y.M.C.A.	30				Yes
		Luth. Seminary	50				
		Meth. Church	80				
		High School and	350	2.00	7.00	65	
		Civics and					
		Teachers Training					
(Consult Miss Eleanor Wilson re reorganization)							
7th	Wabasha	High Sch. Aud.	80	4.75	6.50	12	Yes
(Local club wants to raise \$50.00 --many enrollments on file)							
8th	Winona	Episcopal Parish Hall	85	5.05	43.00	12	Yes
		Normal School	300				
		Jrs. & Srns. H.S.	125				
		Tra'g Sch. above					
		4th grade	500				
		Morey Hall	200 (at luncheon)				
9th	Rochester	High School	600				
		Universal Chrch	90	35.05	35.00	8	Yes
(Rochester wants to organize immediately) Many enrollments on file.							
10th	Owatonna	Universalist Ch.	87	26.62	8.50	39	Yes
(Old workers have lost interest - must have new leaders)							
11th	Mankato	Library	40	7.70	none	59	Yes
		Normal School	175				
		Brandrup Com. Col.	175				
		Girls Dormatory	75				
(Mankato needs a re-organization and uniting of different factions)							
13th	Waseca	Palace Theatre	250	21.30	none	26	Yes
		Methodist Chur.	150				
		High Sch.	140				
(Good spirit at Waseca - no organization)							
14th	Redwood Falls	Court House	100	6.11	6.25	10	Yes
		High School	200				
(The club needs to be reorganized into a county suffrage association,)							
15th	Granite Falls	Cong. Church	50	11.70	9.25	20	Yes
		High School	160				

(Fine suffrage sentiment - want organization)

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Date	Place	Where	Att.	Cash	Pledges-En.	Lit.
16th	Willmar	Masonic Temple	50	\$10.85	\$ 2.00	6
		High School	160			
		Conf. Meth. Minis.	25			

(Very hard place - no organization)

17th	Benson	Cbrt House				
		7th Dist. Meeting of				
		Federated Clubs	60	(no collection)	30	

18th	Litchfield	Opera House	200	(no collection & no enrollments		
		High School	250	allowed)		

Gives names of helpers - want organization)

18th	St. Cloud	Library	40	2.65	18.00	8
	He	Normal School	450			
		High School	350			

(Needs intensive work - suggest College Branches - no organization in cit.)

19th	Sauk Center	High Sch. Aud.	160	8.60	14.50	19
		Cong. Church	80			
		Industrial Sch.	250			
		Jrs. & Srs. - H.S.	300			

(No organization - great deal of interest shown)

20th S. C. (included above)

21st	Long Prairie	Community Hall	100	15.60	3.50	27
		High School	130			

(No organization - suffrage needs active agitation here often)

22d	Wadena	Court House	60	2.94	3.25	13
		High School	200			
		Womans Club	12			

(No organization - lack leaders)

23d	Park Rapids	Auditorium	225	3.61	7.00	38
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(No organization - Great interest - clubs will have suffrage committee)

24th	Brainerd	Library	100	(Food Conservation Mass Meeting)		
		Commercial Club	225	28.82	4.00	10
		High School	350			

(No organization - Want to organize in fall - Good leaders)

25th	Benidji	Comm'l Club	125	8.60	7.50	20
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(No organization - some follow up work could be done right away)

26th	Thief River					
&	Falls	Auditorium	100	9.50	8.00	137

27th		Methodist Ch.	85			
		Woman's Club	30			

Steiner - School House 150
(No organization - keen interest manifested - a good place for follow up work)

28th	Crookston	City Hall	75	3.70	23.25	20
		Thrift Conference	18			

(Good organization but need stirring up from time to time)

29th	Ada	Commercial Club	65	7.50	5.75	15
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(No org organization - very indifferent to suffrage)

30th	Fergus Falls	Fed. Church	150	4.10	7.25	28
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(No organization - may organize in fall - good suffragists)

31st	Detroit	Baptist Church	50	4.10	7.25	28
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(No organization - Very few suffragists - much work to be done)

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(over)

June 20, 1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
Pinewood,
Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

We have decided to have our meeting Wednesday June 27th, at 10 A.M. Miss Monahan is taking her vacation and will begin work about the 1st of July, so she will hardly come to the Conference, so if you prefer, you might finish up your month at home and come about the 1st, and we could talk things over together. I do not know that it is absolutely necessary that you be here at that Conference. I shall want to explain things in detail if you want to have a few days more at home. Please do as you think best.

Cordially yours,

State President

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June 20, 1917

Dear Suffragist:--

A very important Suffrage Conference will be held at 403 Essex Bldg., Minneapolis, Wednesday June 27th at 10 A.M. Carefully worked out plans of our National Association for securing the passage of the Federal Amendment next winter will be presented.

With the co-operation of the States in this plan, Mrs. Catt and Mrs. Maud Wood Park assure us we have every reason to hope that our government, impressed by the example set by Canada, England, Russia and France, will pass this measure.

Since we have been drawn into a war in order "to make the world safe for Democracy" it behooves us to do what we can for the cause which will make our Country a democracy in fact as well as in name.

I earnestly entreat that you will be present at this Conference in order that together we may be able to carry out Minnesota's part in this great national plan for the Federal Amendment.

Sincerely yours,

Clara Ueland

State President



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Duluth, June 21, 1917.

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

Dear Madam:

Replying to your letter of the 27th in reference to the use of our building at the fair grounds, it is not yet fully decided that we will not use the building. There is considerable talk of its being used by different sections of the county and until this is settled I will be unable to give you an answer.

very truly yours,

HVE

HVE-M

Secretary.



DISTRICT COURT
EDWARD F. WAITE, JUDGE

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., June 23, 1917.

Dear Mrs. Heland:

Our bills that did not pass
were No. 5, 10, 12, 13, 33, 34 & 37.

I am not sure about 29, but
think the substance was contained
in another bill that did pass.

Sincerely,
Ed. Waite

816 Odd Fellows' Building,
Indianapolis, Indiana,
June 25, 1917.

My Dear Miss Heckrich,-

At Thief River Falls the women did not seem to understand that future remittances were to be made to the state headquarters office and I have just received from there the enclosed check, as part payment on pledges received there. I infer from the tone of the letter which accompanies the check that something yet remains to be collected.

The weather has greatly improved down here and I am now enjoying Indiana. The first ten days nearly finished me with rain and rheumatics. The work is fairly well in hand here but they have a big struggle on to get the women out to register and vote for the special election for delegates to the Constitutional Convention. Of course, if they fall down on this they will stand little show of getting full suffrage into the Constitution, which is the goal of all our hopes.

I shall be with the Indiana women until the end of July, then shall get to Webster City, where I hope to hang up my clothes and rest in bed a few mornings until I want to rise, about the first of August. I am not likely soon to forget all the pleasant women who have helped to add joy to what might otherwise have been drudgery and I shall hope that some sort of good Providence may make our paths to cross occasionally in the future.

Please remember me affectionately to Mrs. Celand and believe me always,

Yours, most sincerely,

Effie McCallum Jones

Please return these
blanks to proper
person



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EDWIN R. SPOONER, MGR.

June 26, 1917. 191

NEW AND FIRE PROOF

My Dear Miss Heckrich,--

It is vastly interesting to see how closely some of those people identify me with the "Minnesota Suffrage Association. I am certainly flattered but it is a strain upon my honesty to have to send these check back to you. However, you will witness that I am honest in spite of all this temptation.

Your good words about the clippings warm the cockles of my heart. I did have SUCH a good time with a lot of you dear folks and shall hope to see you again in the coming days.

Thanks about the yarn. I have almost finished a pair of wristers for the Navy League, the socks being unusable by the directions sent out by the Red Cross, at least unless I knitted them on woden needles, like a shawl.

My days flow on in an endless procession of speeches. Doubtless you may have seen that the lower court has decided that the law allowing the women of this state to vote at the special election to name delegates to the Constitutional Convention is not constitutional, so that the court has also enjoined the County Clerks from receiving their registration. The whole matter will be appealed, of course, but it makes a miserable matter. However, it is a thrilling sort of experience to have things doing.

Yours, very heartily,

Effie M. Colleen Jones

June 28, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Fargo,
North Dakota.

My dear Miss Monahan:--

I have just had a conference with Mrs. Colton, who is the new Congressional chairman for the 8th district. She seems very competent to me and I feel very hopeful for the work there. I tell her that we are going to send you there as soon as you are ready to work, and I believe that together you will get a good deal done.

I write this rather in haste to tell you that if you have not left Fargo and would like to take a little longer vacation, I see no reason why you should not. Two weeks seems rather short for one who has worked as hard as you have, and we should not complain at all if you want another week. Mrs. Colton is quite willing that the work should begin a little later, but if you are ready and want to go to work at once, we will be very glad to have you.

Very cordially yours,

State President

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AGNES L. PETERSON,
SUPT. BUREAU OF WOMEN
AND CHILDREN

June 27th, 1917.

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

My dear Mrs. Ueland:

Thank you so much for the bulletins. I will greatly appreciate all you get along that line.

In reply to your inquiry about laws passed by the late legislature in regard to women, regret that I am not in a position to say positively, except that no labor legislation was enacted which effects women exclusively. The workmen's compensation law was amended and some other labor legislation enacted which effects women, as well as men.

What we wanted especially was legislation which would give us a code on sanitation and amendments to the hour law for women.

The bill introduced, which had to do with sanitation, was not specific enough to meet with our approval and the hour law died from neglect.

The state teacher's pension law was not changed but the Minneapolis teacher's pension law amended so as to allow for a two mill tax in place of the one mill tax.


Very truly yours,

Agnes L. Peterson

Supt. Bureau of Women and Children.

St Paul. Minn
June-28-1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich:



Please ~~leave~~ my name on
the list for the "News Bulletin," for
I send the "Woman Citizen," weekly to
our Historical Society - and the Bulletin
I keep for reference. Sincerely, E. B. Farmer.

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Pinewood, Minn., June 28, 1917

Dear Mrs. Ueland;-

Will it be satisfactory if I come to Mpls for our conference on Monday after the Fourth? Charles will be home the entire week of the Fourth, and I really feel that I should spend that time home with him. I know he will feel very neglected if I do not. Do you think that will be all right?

I did not come to the conference as it would cost about \$20, for hotel and traveling expenses and I felt that I could not contribute \$20 worth to the success of your board meeting. I will get more out of the talk I will have with you before I begin work.

Mother and father have been with me at the lake this entire month, and it has been very delightful and restful. Feeling very fit and anxious to be at work again.

Sincerely,

Bertha C. Moller.

This letter to all Members of House & Senators

June 30, 1917

Hon. Harold Knutson,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Knutson:--

You understand, I think, that our Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association is a part of the National Association, of which Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt is president, and that the National Woman's Party, which is responsible for the picketing in Washington, is another and different organization. To set ourselves right in this matter, we are publishing in many of the Minnesota papers the enclosed statement of our position in the matter, hoping in this way to counteract some of the harm that has come to our cause through the picketing.

I am sure that I need not tell you that the great body of suffragists in this state, and the other states, are distressed and saddened by this exhibition of the lack of judgment on the part of those responsible for this demonstration.

Sincerely yours,

State President
(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

Copy.

UNITED STATES SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

June 30, 1917.

Mrs. Maud Wood Park,
National American Woman Suffrage Assn.,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mrs. Park:

I know that you and your associates are very anxious for the Committee on Woman Suffrage to make a favorable report to the Senate of the resolution which our Committee has had under consideration since early in the session of Congress. As I have frequently expressed to you, I have been anxious to present such a report and may do so within a short time, but I am afraid that the atmosphere surrounding this proposed amendment to the Constitution has been so clouded by recent events around the White House that it may be inopportune to make such a report at this session of Congress, or at least for a time. It is needless for me to recount the expressions which I have heard from the Senators regarding these recent occurrences. I want to do whatever I can to make a real advancement of this cause and bring it to successful fruition, and I only mildly express my feelings when I say that the present situation is giving me real concern. I fully appreciate the great support which you and your organization are giving to our common cause and I trust that you will be assured that whatever course the Committee may pursue later will be actuated by an earnest desire to do what should be done for the advancement of the cause in the circumstances.

With my very kindest personal regards, I am

Most sincerely yours,

A. A. Jones.

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June 30th; 1917.

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My dear Mrs. Ueland,

The Lecture Bureau of the Joseph Fels International Commission is in a position to help your organization get in touch with the best lecturers in the country.

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If you will indicate to us exactly your needs we shall be very glad to put you in touch with good speakers.

Cordially yours;

A. Lyle de Jarnette
Director.

to-day we would take the chance ^[4] of
being stuck a frog in the ditch with
will have to stay here - we have no ~~time~~ ^{choice} ^{of going}

Dodge - Mrs Dolly Languanthy -
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[1917]
Dodge Center
July 6 -

My dear Mrs Ireland

I was equally disappointed
not to have a chat with you
but my time is so short in the
city and it is not always easy
to be away that every second has
to be planned before leaving home -
Hotel bills do not stop when in
the city -

I am enclosing a list of possible chairmen, some of the women I know, thus I have taken from the ^{Club} year book as I know something of their club work - You will notice that I have not given the names of any woman in Austin, Chautauque or Albert Lea - And for reasons - Chautauque is a very sensitive town

each club seems to be jealous of each other, Austin & Albert Lea have never responded to any club work. I find that I am so handicapped by residence on the farm that possibly I ought not to try to do anything - Your letter reached D.C. Tuesday - there was no delivery until Thursday - & you will not receive this until Sat - a whole week altho I am replying in next mail after seeing it - We have so many hard storms that for a car the roads are impassible especially as you have to drive 15 miles to town - I expected to be in town yesterday but it rained all day & poured all night and

[July 6, 1917]

My dear Mrs Heland,-
I am enclosing
my bill for expenses
of my work in the 9th
district.

The auto to Detroit
may have been an
extravagance but that
was the only way I
could reach Warren
during that week.

In a couple of weeks

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I will know definitely
when I can begin
organizing work with
Mrs. McMahon. Then
I will write you. I am
very anxious to begin
but will not be able to
leave for a month or
~~six~~ weeks.

I may be in Mpls
next week on my way
back to Pinewood.

Cordially Yours

Betha C. Moller

Rush City July sixth.

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July 7, 1917.

To State Congressional Chairmen,
Copy to State Presidents.

SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE IN THE HOUSE.

When we last wrote to you we hoped that by July 1st the matter of a Suffrage Committee in the House would be settled. We expected a vote to be taken as soon as the House had passed its various war measures. Our friends had told us that there would be opportunity for consideration of our measure while the House was waiting for the Senate to act on the Food and Revenue Bills.

The recent action of the National Woman's Party in displaying the Russian banner has, however, aroused such resentment in Congress that we have decided, on the advice of our friends, to make no effort at the present time to secure a vote. The feeling of bitterness is so intense that an effort to force consideration of suffrage at this time would only injure our cause. The group of men from suffrage states who have been most actively working for the Committee now say that they are afraid even to mention the question. Chairman Pou of the Rules Committee, tells us that the vote taken by his Committee which provided that a report should be made "after the pending war measures have been disposed of", means when the Senate as well as the House has disposed of such legislation. He assures us that he will be willing to make the report as soon as the finance bill has gone to conference. We can not be sure just when this will be, but it is probable that our vote can not be taken before August first and, if discussion in the Senate should be prolonged, we could not hope for action until after that date.

When we stopped our lobby work, immediately after the Russian banner incident, we had very nearly finished our poll of the House, and the outlook for a favorable vote on the Committee resolution was very good indeed. We are, therefore, hopeful

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that when the vote is taken, if time is allowed for the present feeling of bitterness to disappear, the vote will give a good majority in our favor.

SITUATION IN THE SENATE.

The action of the pickets has had its effect on the Senate as well as on the House and we find our work there also blocked. We had been assured of a unanimous report from the Woman Suffrage Committee, but when we last interviewed Senator Jones, Chairman of the Committee, he told us that he was unwilling to make a report at this time, as the sentiment of the Committee was no longer unanimous. A Southern member of the Committee, who has voted for suffrage in the past, now says that he will not sign a favorable report nor even attend a meeting of the Committee because of his intense disapproval of the action of the Woman's Party. Another member of the Committee on whom we had counted is unwilling to sign under present conditions and Senator Jones fears still further defections. We are enclosing a copy of a letter from the Senator, explaining his position in the matter. In his opinion a report on suffrage at this time would be met with resentment in the Senate and would injure rather than help the cause. It may be that we shall have to wait until the next session for this report although we are doing everything possible to secure it during the summer.

DIRECTIONS FOR WORK.

SUFFRAGE COMMITTEE: While we are not pressing for a vote in the House at the present time, we are still hoping for it before the end of the Session, so you need not stop the writing of letters to your representatives in accordance with our previous directions. Kindly forward us as promptly as possible any replies that you may receive. They will be especially helpful to us as indications of sentiment now, when we are not attempting to interview the men personally. You need not have telegrams sent at present. We urge you, however, to have your lists of influential persons who are willing to send such messages ready so that the telegrams may be sent out immediately on notification from us. These should go just before the vote is taken.

PETITIONS: We trust that you are getting well started on your Federal Amendment petition work. We shall be glad to have reports of your progress in this work from time to time.

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RECORD SHEETS: We are sending you today, under separate cover, the new sheets to be filled out with records of your representatives and senators. You will receive twice as many sheets as the number of your men in Congress; in order that you may keep a duplicate of each man's record for your own files. Kindly answer all questions carefully as soon as you have opportunity to gather the information asked for, and return the records to the Washington Headquarters.

Replies to our last letter have come with encouraging promptness from most Congressional Chairmen and we wish to assure you of our appreciation of your spirit of ready response. Nothing can contribute more to the progress of our cause than such close cooperation between states and central committee.

Sincerely yours,

March Wood Park
Congressional Chairman.

Ruth White
Congressional Secretary.

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See next page
Rev. *St. Cloud, Minnesota, July 9, 1917.*

Dear Miss Heckrich:-

Mrs. Atwood had not arranged a meeting for this afternoon, but we had a very nice gathering at her house this evening of 11 women, who are all now very enthusiastic about the Federal Amendment. The following Congressional Committee was appointed for the City of ST. Cloud.

Chairman- Miss Charlotte Clark, 356-3rd Ave. S.
Mrs. Robert Harrison, 605-2nd Ave. S.
Mrs. H.C. Ahlers, 394-2nd Ave. S.
Miss P.L. Quayle, State Normal School.

The work thruout the county will be taken care of by Mrs. Atwood and Miss Quayle. The women really insisted that Mrs. Atwood be the County Chairman, and I manouvered so that Miss Quayle is to help her so send the vital parts of your correspondence to her also. It seems to work out best to have a county chairman and a chairman in each of the townso of importance in the county. What do you and Mrs. Ueland think about it?

Secured 4 enrollments, which I enclose, and the following pledges which Mrs. Atwood is to collect;- Mrs. Robert Harrison, \$1.00
Mrs. Mary M. Dunn, \$1.00

I am returning the ST. Cloud report, and will do so with each one as I finish with it.

I need a great many of the "Directions to Petition Workers", and an extra suply of flyers to give to the assistants. Then I will need to give those things you have pinned together to the chairmen only. Please mail me some of each to Sauk Center. Will be there day after tomorrow, (Wed.)

I am still mapping out my itinirary, and must spend tomorrow morning at that and writing to women in each place where I am to be and when.

If there is anything you would like to know that I have forgotten to mention just write me and I won't leave it out of my next report. Sincerely,
B.C. Moller.

July 10, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Duluth,
Minnesota

Dear Florence:--

I am glad to hear that you are getting the work well under way. I am sure that you will get a good deal done.

Mr. Clarence Miller's letter in reply to the one I sent him enclosing a statement of our policy in regard to the picketing was unusually friendly. I feel encouraged to think he may want to keep on good terms with us.

In reply to your question asking about Mrs. De Voist's position, please explain to Mrs. Grannis that the treasurer of our National Association, Mrs. Harry Wade Rogers, asked to have the names of women in different parts of the state to be on the National Finance Committee. Mrs. Rogers hoped that this Finance Committee would raise money outside of the effort made by the state association, although it was to be credited to our \$30,000. I gave her several names in the Twin Cities and Mrs. De Voist's from Duluth, so that Mrs. De Voist is on the National Finance Committee, she and the other members of this committee representing Minnesota. This has nothing to do with the state association.

Enclosed find list of enrollments, apportionments and some resolutions.

Very sincerely,

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St. Cloud, Minn. July 10, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich:-

Have spent this entire day going over the plans with the members of the committees, interviewed by both newspapers, writing letters to the places where I am going, making out my itinerary, and typed a number of "concentrated" directions to petition workers, which will really be an aid to me when we are going over the plans together, (petition workers and myself,) and gotten a real grip on the things I am to do. So altogether it has been a very strenuous day, it is now 10:15 P.M., and just getting this letter off to you

Dr. Jones really did an awful lot of good at her talks at the high and normal schools here. Two of the women at Mrs. Atwoods last night had become interested because their daughters had come home with such glowing reports, and were so enthusiastic. So there is no measuring the good she did while in the state. Mrs. Atwood is waking up, I think. She is rounding up the women of the Reading Room circle in great style so that they will endorse the Federal Amendment at their next meeting.

Mrs. Cobb came to see me this afternoon, her husband is at the Normal for the summer session and that is how she happens to be here. In talking of Dr. Jones talk at Brainerd, I reminded her that I was afraid that the audience would not like it to be gotten together and not know that suffrage was to be discussed also. She replied, "Well, it was the only way to get an audience, and much better than advertising it as a suffrage meeting and having no one at all." So she can blame no one but herself, but we can't tell her that. She will be a member of the Brainerd committee but not the Chairman, which is just as well. Forgetting that little incident she is a fine suffragist and gave me a lot of pointers for my visit to Brainerd, and my visit with her was very delightful.

the club of the city

Foley and Elk River should be made, both are county seats. Foley is especially important as Mr. Knutson edited a paper there for a good many years before he came to ST. Cloud, and he no doubt has strong friends and supporters there whose help we should enlist. But as I am not to try any new places on this trip, it is with reluctance that I pass on to Sauk Center in the morning. It probably will be well for Mrs. Ueland to send Miss Monahan there later.

I enclose itinerary of the towns I will visit and the order in which I will make them. That is as close as I can let you know where I will be. I have Aitkin on my list, but if Mrs. Ueland thinks best, will leave that out as I have never been there before. I put it on in case you had some strong suffrage supporters there to whom I could go. You can write me about it.

I am also enclosing the list of the things county and city chairmen should do, which I have gotten up. Please suggest improvements and mail back to me.

Sincerely,

Bertha C. Moller.



EUROPEAN PLAN

THE SPALDING

DULUTH'S
LEADING
HOTEL

GEO. W. REYNOLDS,
PROPRIETOR.

DULUTH, MINN.

Wed. July 11 1917

Dear Mrs. Heland,

Yesterday we had our meeting - about twenty-five women. The old workers like Mrs. De Voist and Dr. McCoy turned out to it. They all thought the petition idea a good one and promised to help.

Mrs. Seanniss that it best to appoint the committee to have charge of the different groups of men and women later. She is coming down this afternoon and we will talk that over. I think things are started enough now so that I can go



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up on the range. I
am leaving today. I
shall make Virginia
my headquarters and
work from there. After
I have seen the women
in Virginia and Eveleth
I will start on the un-
organized towns. Mrs.
Colton will come up
next week and help
me in some of them.

This morning I
wrote two articles
for the newspapers which
Mrs. Grannis is going to
try to have them take.
I think a little publicity
in the Duluth papers
will help on the range.
Mrs Colton needs some



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DULUTH'S LEADING HOTEL

GEO. W. REYNOLDS,
PROPRIETOR.

DULUTH, MINN.

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of the flyers to be given
to petition workers. I
will give those I have
to the women on the
range.

To morrow I will try
to get the Virginia women
together, and will finish
Enclath this week if
possible.

Sincerely,
Florence Monahan

Mailed 7/14/17

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

Dear Madam:

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Your signature to the enclosed blank, and a ten dollar check, is the answer we shall hope to receive in the attached stamped and addresses return envelope.

Very truly yours,

F. F. Hendrickson
Manager.

July 12, 1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
Little Falls,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

Your letter received enclosing itinerary. The day before I sent a bundle of literature, etc., to you at Sauk Center. Did you get it? If not, you might write the postmaster direct to forward it to you.

Mrs. Ueland read your letter and tells me to write you to go to such places as you think best, that there is no hard and fast rule as to where you should go. The same applies to Foley and Elk River as well as Aitkin. She told me that it was because of your being with us only during July and not August that she was anxious to have you cover as much territory with reference to the Federal Amendment as possible.

Mrs. Ueland was here such a short time, I did not get to talk to her about your "Duties list." Personally I would suggest that instead of 9 reading as it does, you would say "Get names of people (influential) who will send personal letters and telegrams to senators and representatives in Congress next winter, if called upon at that time, and mail to Mrs. Andrews Ueland, 103 Essex Bldg."

I believe that would cover No. 6 also. Don't you?

Sincerely

Clara M. Heckrich

July 12, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Virginia,
Minnesota.

My dear Florence:--

We are glad to hear that you are getting things well under way. Just as soon as you get people to work for some special object, will you please send their names?

You remember, I think, that we believe it is just as well not to have any newspaper publicity about our petition work. Of course, any publicity you can get in the papers in regard to the value of the Federal Amendment or suffrage in general is to the good, but we think it is better not to give to the papers an outline, for example, of our general plan of work, which the National has sent us. I hardly think they would use it anyway.

Very cordially yours,

State President

in Duluth and see what
the prospects are for
organizing.

I hope to have some
help from Mrs Colton
next week, and get a
meeting in. Tiddling about

Wednesday I may be able
to finish St. Louis County by
the end of next week, and
will then go back to Duluth
and work out of there.

Sincerely,

Florence Monahan

Virginia Friday ¹¹
4/13/17

Dear Mrs Ueland,

Yesterday I saw
the president of the
Virginia Suffrage
Assn. and arranged
to meet the active
suffragists Monday
evening in the li-
brary. Mrs Ala, the
president, also wants
a real suffrage
meeting here before
I leave so she is
going to arrange
for it, with plenty

of publicity and advertising. ⁽²⁾
She thinks she can get
up a big meeting. Mean-
while I shall at the Mon-
day evening meeting get
the petition work started.

I have talked to Mrs.
Tellepson, president of
the Exeluth Assn. and
she is arranging for
a meeting of suffragists
Monday afternoon. I
am expecting a call
from her now to tell
me what the final
arrangements are.

Then I have telephoned
to Miss Edith Ellepson of
Ely and arranged for
a meeting there to or-
ganize - this is for Tues-
day night.

This afternoon I am
going to Chisholm to
call on the three women
there whose names I got

The Buckman

R. L. Palmer, Proprietor
Little Falls, : Minnesota

Little Falls
(nothing there)

July 13, 1917.

My dear Mrs. Ueland:-

Too bad Mrs. Brown is not at home as her opinion carries quite a bit of weight here I find, and expresses herself in favor of suffrage so I am sure she would have helped me in some way. The only other person is Mrs. Clara Fuller of Woman's Party sympathies who is not at home either. The women I saw this afternoon seem to hesitate to do anything unless led by either one of these women. And I sensed this much;- that the women here are not at all likely to do anything for the suffrage organization to which Mrs. Fuller does not belong, they work harmoniously together in clubs etc., and would not care to make that pleasant relation in any way. Knowing the Congressional Unionists as we do, you may be sure that anything done for us would arouse Mrs. Fuller, so I am finding that I must go to Brainerd to-night. It seems the better plan to me just now to let sleeping dogs lie. I do not believe that any harm has been done. Knowing a little about the situation I might expect, I really felt my way as cautiously as possible. This place is not very strong for suffrage. Can't help but feel that Mrs. Fuller with her paper and personal popularity could have done so much for the cause if she had only preached the right kind of suffrage. I am enclosing clippings from to-night's paper so you see that the lady feels pretty strongly on the subject. I will be anxiously waiting to hear from you about what you think should be done here, and in the meantime not knowing just what step to take next, I am doing nothing until I hear from you. Let's hope for better results ~~in~~ at Brainerd.

Sincerely,

Bertha C. Moller.

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*Re Sauk Center
Steamer Co*

Little Falls, Minn., July 13, 1917.

My dear Mrs. Ueland;-

I was so pleasantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Halvorson while at Sauk Center that I have found no time until now to make my report on that place. Mrs. Halvorson is getting along nicely, but feeling very badly over the loss of her baby. Wasn't that sad. They had been planning so much on that baby, so it was quite a blow. They both send their kindest regards, and Mrs. H. is just hungry to see you.

Now, about the suffrage situation in Sauk Center. A good number of the leading men and women are good suffragists, but do not care to be closely identified with anything which will "advertise Dr. DuBois", as a certain Dr. Lewis there put it. The men dislike Dr. DuBois and the club women dislike Mrs. Fanny French Morse, so they proceed to take their dislikes out on suffrage because both of these are strongly avowed suffragists, which shows you at once what narrow people we have to deal with there. This feeling seems to have come to a head quite strongly when Dr. Jones was entertained by Mrs. Morse and Dr. DuBois was to preside at the meeting, but did not as he was not in town that evening. However, Dr. Jones made an excellent impression there and won a lot of converts, but they are hesitating to identify themselves too closely for the above named reasons. You see, local gossips are connecting Mrs. Morses' and Dr. DuBoises' names, and any unjust suspicion like that is carefully nourished and cherished in a small town like Sauk Center. Of course, this is confidential and for your own information. Sometimes, knowing local gossip is an advantage.

Mrs. Ueland #2.

Mrs. Halverson told me all this when I first came, and so as not to hurt the feelings of anyone, she thought best not to have a congressional committee there. She prefers to do the work herself quietly and inconspicuously rather than try to work with some others who would not work harmoniously with each other. Mrs. H. is a mighty good one to do this as she is new and stands well with all sides. So that is the way I left things in Sauk Center, Mrs. Halverson is the local chairman, and will do all there is to be done. I spent the time there going over the work with Mrs. H., and then we called "unofficially" on the women I met last spring and the ones she thought should be cultivated, with very pleasing results.

I did not go to Long Prairie as Mrs. Christie, whom I want for County Chairman is in Chicago just now. Will run down from Wadena instead. DR. Jones in her report thinks that Mrs. Christie is the person who will do things, possessing so much more initiative than Miss Lewis, and that is the way I sized up the situation while there. Mrs. Christie helped me so much and wants to entertain me when I come back again. She is quite prominent in club work in this district, pretty well known and liked in these other towns I find.

[Little Falls]

Prairie
I have not done anything here as yet. Mrs. L.D. Brown, Pres. of this dist. of Fed. Clubs is not in the city so I am interviewing some of the club presidents this afternoon to extract some suffrage information. Sorry Mrs. Brown is not here Mrs. Cobb said she was a good suffragist and gave me a letter of introduction to her, so her being here would have facilitated matters.

Guess this is all I have to tell you this time, but hope that by tomorrow evening I can report a good committee for Morrison CO.

Most Sincerely,

Bertha C. Moller.

Mrs H Halverson only Chair

Minneapolis, Minn.
July 14, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Virginia,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Monahan:--

I am mailing you under separate cover, a supply of enrollment blanks and also a pad of pledge blanks-- all of which I hope you will be successful in sending back filled in.

I hope you don't mind my trying to put a little spoke in your wheel, and asking you to do certain things in a certain way. I "boss" Mrs. Moller to beat the band, as I know she don't mind, but I am not just sure of my ground with you as yet, so I am tapping for the wheel, you see.

In with the enrollment blanks you will find some blank white paper, and I am going to ask you if you would mind writing your letters thereon, as they must be filed in a special manner, and these short pages are bulky and not easy to bind. Further, if you don't mind, I would be glad to have each report separately. That is, for instance, your report on Virginia. Head it at the top RE. VIRGINIA. Then follow with the names of the officers and such committees as you may appoint. Then give your general information below. Then use another sheet for another town.

Mrs. Ueland asked me to figure out some special way to keep all information in regard to this Federal Amendment drive together, and I have done so. Of course, in the case of reports from individuals I cannot take the liberty I am with you as to how they should send in their reports, but if they only all would it would make things so much handier. But having yours and Mrs. Moller's reports that way makes it better

Will you not soon be in need of further petition heads, etc.?

Sincerely,
Clara M. Heckrich

& Mrs. Carl Schuster said
 they would take care of
 the petition. Mrs. C. Schuster's
 husband is a young lawyer.
 Mrs. Lacker, however owns a
 brewery in Rochester so he
 may object to his wife's
 suffrage activities. Mrs.
 Bray, doctor's wife, the lead-
 ing woman of the town
 says she believes in suf-
 frage and will boost it
 among all her friends but
 she has been sick for a year
 and can do no active work.
 Birwadek is town with

Virginia
 July 16, 1917

Dear Mrs. Ueland,
 Friday I went
 to Chisholm and found
 three good suffragists.
 The women of the
 town have just started
 Red Cross work and
 are deep in surgical
 dressings. Mrs. E. L. Casey
 promised to get the
 petition signed. She is
 the wife of a prominent
 business man and
 very energetic. Mrs.
 Palmer the librarian
 is also a worker.

There is also a Miss Nell Peterson who keeps a hardware store, who is a suffragist I was told. The town was having a holiday for some reason or other and all the stores were closed, so I couldn't find Miss Peterson. The prospects for organizing there are rather dismal, but I shall try to get some one in Hibbing who knows people there to go with me for a day, and see if we can get an organization started.

Miss Nell Peterson

These range towns are the queerest little places. The women are all afraid to do anything unless it is being done in all the other towns too. Saturday I spent in Biwabik, somewhat smaller than Chisholm. Here I found a Miss Grace Heitzel who knew your daughter in High School. She and

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petty quarrels and
gossip and I think
getting an organiza-
tion there is quite
hopeless. I am going
to suggest to the
Eveleth women at
our meeting this
afternoon that they
invite the Biivabik
women to join their
association. Biivabik
is always flattered
by attention from
Eveleth women.

These towns are

all very near to each other and are connected by street cars and bus lines.

Virginia is the most central town so I go back and forth from here.

~~For~~ For a few days I am staying at The Fay Hotel because my sister has a new baby and her flat is crowded with the nurse and my mother. When the nurse goes I'll move over there.

There was a little something in the Duluth Herald about the petition. I told Mrs. Grannis and Mrs.

Colton that we didn't want publicly on it, but they forgot to tell their press chairman who put it in before it could be stopped. However I think it has helped in the range towns.

Sincerely yours,
Florence Monahan

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(Sealed page)
[Filed with Organization data]
Re Brainerd, Minn., July 16, 1917.

My dear Mrs Ueland;-

I have my committee appointed for Crow Wing County. So far I have been able to get only three persons whom I think are good, but to-morrow morning I am going to see Mrs. Hartley Co. Supt. who is a good suffragist they tell me and may help us thruout the county. It is extremely difficult to get at the people here as they are all out at the lakes, and just come in for Red Cross committee meetings, etc.

Must tell you what Mrs. Gemmel said when I saw her Saturday evening. She said that she had been slightly opposed, but your talk and personality showed her what a natural thing it would be for women to vote, and now she was convinced that there was real need of the ballot for women. She would help but she is the chairman for this Dist. for the Minn. Safety Commission, and ^{there} ~~that~~ is quite an bit of work connected with that. Tomorrow afternoon I go to Aitkin Have met a Mrs. Murphy, Pres. of the Civic League there thru Miss Mahlum, and she will help me.
Sincerely, Bertha C. Moller.

July 18, 1917

Mrs. Charles F. Moller,
Wadena,
Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

Mrs. Ueland has been out of the city since Monday afternoon, and is at home but not in the office today, so I am acknowledging, hereby, your letters covering Sauk Center and Brainerd. Thanks for your very businesslike and detailed reports. They are very handy for reference filing.

We are writing each Chairman as you appoint them. Please note the enclosed carbon copies of our letters to them. Do you want us to send them any material for the petition work, or do you find that you have sufficient on hand to distribute?

"I was wondering" whether you could not appoint some suffragist with an auto to "make" the rounds of the lakes in the case of those who are out there for the summer (This refers to Brainerd.) However, you seem to have the situation pretty well in hand without comments from me. I will send a bunch of the resolutions to Mrs. Johnson tomorrow--also some to you.

Enclosed find the Deficit Checks, one for \$17.12 and one for \$13.07.

Also find several copies of your "Concentrated Directions" slightly modified. I believe they cover the bill pretty well. We will probably run some of these on the multigraph, leaving out names, if they are found practical. Let us know what you think of them.

Sincerely,

Office Sec'y.

Mrs. O. H. Johnson,
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We will send you several
copies of resolutions to be passed,
which may be used. However, it is
preferable to have the assembly
pass its own, original resolutions,
when possible.

Ely, Minn. July 18, 1915

Dear Mrs. Ueland, (also see next 2 pages)

I am enclosing a number of enrollment blanks and the data on the Ely Suffrage Association which was organized this afternoon. We had a small meeting last night and an organization meeting this afternoon. There are fifteen members enrolled and Miss Ellefson thinks they can get a good many more in the fall when people are home.

To morrow I hope to meet Mrs. Collow in Hocking and start the work there. It is easy enough to get a few women in each town to take care of the petitions, but it is very hard to organize. The reason I haven't sent the names of women who will do the petition work is that I am trying to get an organization started in these towns and intended to send the

data in all at once.

The women in Eveleth failed me completely and I shall have to go there and work as tho there was no organization. In Virginia they are planning a big meeting with a program as well as suffrage. This is to be Wednesday July 25. I hope to be ready to leave the range then and go to the other counties in the 8th district.

If I didnt stop to organize I could do a town a day. Do you think I had better spend the time it takes in these towns to organize?

Sincerely,

Florence Monahan

P. S. I need more sets of pamphlets for petition workers.

Re Ely

Ely Woman Suffrage Association
organized July 18, 1917.

President Miss Edith Ellefson

Vice-Pres. Mrs. Norton Mills

Sec. Treas. Mrs. Anna Leino

Chairman Congressional Committee
Miss Edith Ellefson

7/23 Wrote Miss Ellefson

23 Enrollments

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NOTE:

July 19, 1917

Mrs. Alfred Bill,
Faribault,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Bill:-

I am sending you material for the petitions. Your plan of doing this petition work all in September is satisfactory, unless you find your Red Cross Work getting easier and you wish to get it started before.

I am also sending you some of our enrollment blanks. I find in looking over our files on Faribault that we have the names of very few suffragists on our list so I am going to ask you if you won't get the women at your Red Cross meeting to sign these blanks and send them to us whenever it is convenient for you.

I want to tell you that I enjoyed meeting you and the rest of the Faribault women very much, and hereafter I hope to come to Faribault more frequently.

We need your help and co-operation in getting this Federal Amendment through.

Sincerely,

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(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

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Dear Suffragist:--

Two things I want to ask of
you:--

FIRST: To be one of the hostesses of a
Garden Party to be held at my home Wed-
nesday, August 15th.

SECOND: To attend a meeting at my house
next Monday July 23d at 3 o'clock, to
arrange for the Garden Party.

We are planning to make this a
big food sale - cooked food, dairy pro-
ducts, vegetables, etc. The University
Farm School will probably give demons-
trations of canning and drying, and exhibit
samples of war bread. There will be a play,
a concert, Scandinavian dancing, speeches,
as well as a Picnic Supper.

Please come to the meeting Mon-
day prepared to present ideas to make the
affair attractive and to help make plans.

Cordially yours,

CLARA UELAND

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

State President

July 19, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Virginia,
Minnesota.

My dear Florence:--

In regard to organizing the smaller towns on the range, you will have to use your judgment, as you will in fact in every place.

Our big job just now is to get a good committee in as many places as possible to help with this Congressional drive.

That is perhaps all we can hope to do in most of the places.

I am glad to have you send us the names of your committees in every town. I wonder if you have any enrollment blanks. You can write on the back of them what you think they might be able to do. These names are in our files in that way and we always have them to refer to.

I suppose you are telling these women to send the signed petitions to Mrs. Colton, and that you are also sending Mrs. Colton the names of these women to take care of the petitions.

We send you a copy of a letter from Mrs. Catt. She seems to make a good deal of the point of not having the details of this Federal Drive in the paper.

Sincerely

Ormonde Hotel

Operated by Ormonde Hotel Co.

Virginia, Minn.

July 20, 1917

Dear Miss Heckrich,

We are going to have a regular suffrage meeting here July 25, and would like four of our large pen-mante - send those you think have the best sentiments.

Send collect to Mrs Edward Ala, Virginia.

The Virginia people will pay the express. We are going to take a collection too.

I was quite cheered

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up by the success in
Ely. Miss Ellefson
worked hard and
deserves the credit
for getting out the
people and starting
the organization.

This morning I
am going to Eveleth
to see what is the
matter with the
women there. To
morrow Mrs Colton
will join me in
Hibbing and we will
arrange for a meeting.
I hope to be there

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on the range Wednesday, July 25:

At Ely they are having Old Settlers' week next week, and they expect a large crowd. Miss Ellefson is going to see the committee on arrangements and ask if I can speak at one of their meetings. If permission is gained I'll go back there for a few hours.

Was the report on Ely correct or full enough? Send me all the orders you like, because I am

European Plan

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Virginia, Minn.

used to obeying orders
I'll send in a complete report of every town I've been in when I get thru here but now I am getting names and data every day.

Sincerely,
Florence Monahan.

July 21, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Virginia,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Monahan:--

Your various letters addressed to Mrs. Ueland (and also one to me) received, and as Mrs. Ueland is not at the office today, I am to answer them. I have given her the general information via telephone - and she will see the letters upon her return to the office.

In your letter from Ely, you ask about organizing. Mrs. Ueland says to tell you to use your judgment about the organizing - that in case the Federal Amendment does not pass, it will be well to have such organizations, and in case the Federal Amendment does pass, we will need all such organizations to bring pressure upon our State Senators and representatives; at the same time in small towns where it is difficult to organize, we must remember that the first and foremost object at present is the passage of the Federal Amendment. I probably have not used her exact words, but the gist of them is the same.

Thank you for "falling in line" with the suggestions as to size and style of reports. You don't necessarily have to use a separate page for your list of officers, when your whole letter is in

reference to the same subject. In answer to your query as to whether you have given sufficient information for our files--they are O.K.

I sent you a supply of "pamphlets" yesterday. I presume you mean the pages and directions which I pinned together. If that is not what you wish, just let me know.

Today I sent the banners to Mrs. Ala via mail as that is cheaper. They can pay us the postage if they wish 14¢ on the banners and 8¢ on some literature which I also sent, altho' you had not instructed me to do so. If you do not want it distributed or if you find they have some of their own for that purpose, you can appropriate it for use elsewhere. I also enclosed some enrollment and pledge blanks.

We will write all the chairmen you appoint and send you copies of letters--which do not have to be returned here.

When you get to Hibbing you might call up the Missaba Range Parish (it might be at Eyeleth or Virginia - I've forgotten) and ask for Miss Sadie Edes. She is the welfare worker up there on the Range and travels around considerably. She is a very good friend of mine and a very good suffragist and I believe she might be of considerable assistance. Her central location I believe is Iron Mountain--anyway the "Parish" ought to be able to give you her present address.

I sent the banners--there is not much choice as we haven't many on hand. I should have sent "More Ballots-less Bullets" and see what commotion could be raised, but I refrained. The Socialist banner probably would have been quite effective with the I.W.W.

Sincerely,
CLARA M. HECKRICH

Ormonde Hotel

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Virginia, Minn.

July 22, 1917.

Dear Miss Heckrich,

Please send me
some more copies
of resolutions, and
paper to report on.
I have to use the
paper to write articles
for the newspaper. I
would also like some
foolscap paper.

The sets of directions
and "Do you know" came
yesterday. Thank you
very much.

Sincerely,

Florence Monahan

Mailed
7/24/17

July 23, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan
Virginia,
Minnesota

Dear Florence

I enclose clippings from a Virginia and a Duluth paper. You had probably better go a little slow in your public speeches. I think when you give a public suffrage talk, it ought to be along general lines. I don't believe we had better say anything in public about our plan for the Federal Amendment. Of course, it is bound to get out more or less but evidently from Mrs. Catt's letter the National Association want this campaign rather quietly pushed.

Of course, I imagine the reporter made the most of what you said and perhaps manufactured some of it.

We do not want to antagonize unnecessarily the friends of Clarence Miller. Public sentiment

Public sentiment just now is very touchy in regard to anything that might be considered unpatriotic, so we have to be unusually guarded in order not to give any one any opportunity to twist what we say into an unpatriotic utterance. There never was a time in which we have to be to such an extent "as wise as serpents and as harmless as doves."

I am sure a word to the wise is sufficient.

Very sincerely,
Clara Ueland

(Dictated but not read by
Mrs. Ueland)

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July 24, 1917

Dear Miss Hickrich,

The letters to chairmen with instructions are just fine. Do you intend for me to give out the instructions? It would do just as well to mail them direct with the letter I think.

I leave here Thursday and will be at the Spalding in Duluth at first. If Mrs. Cook of Duluth is in town she will probably ask

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me there to stay and
I'll save expenses. How-
ever address me at
the hotel.

Sincerely,

Florence Monahan

P.S. Please send me some
paper for reports. I've used
up what you sent.

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July 24, 1917

Dear Mrs. Geland,

Your letter with the newspaper clippings just came. I had not seen either of them and was very much surprised.

Whatever was published in Duluth was given out by local women, and as I told you before I warned them about mentioning the petitions.

The Virginia paper with the lead three is the yellow sheet

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of the town. As yet I haven't had any public meetings and whatever was printed must have been put in by some of the few women I have talked to. Every where I have told these women that we did not want publicity on the petitions, resolutions and plan of work.

We are to have a meeting here Wednesday night - our first

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public one and I shall
be very careful and
discreet in all I say.

Mrs Colton and I
have our committee
lined up in Hibbing.
It was hard to get
them for every one is
doing Red Cross work,
but we think we have
the right women.

I plan on going to
Duluth Thursday, Friday
Mrs Colton and I are going
to Cloquet and Carlton.

Sincerely yours,

Florence Monahan

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July 24, 1917.

To State Congressional Chairmen:-
Copy to Presidents

Judging from letters received at this office from presidents or members of their Boards, there is a considerable difference of opinion and not a little confusion over possible conditions in Washington.

Some have accepted the contents of Mrs. Park's last letter from Washington as meaning that conditions there are so bad that it is quite unnecessary to go on with the work. Others, especially eastern workers, have been naturally excited over some very misleading headlines to the effect that the President was likely to come out for the Federal Amendment as a result of the rather excessive penalty put upon the militants when arrested recently. It was said that two men were polling Congress and that the militants had given out that they had 2/3 pledged in the Senate and 240 in the House.

I write this letter to tell you the truth and to give you assurance. There is no 240 in the House and 2/3 in the Senate pledged to anybody. Representatives of newspapers polled the Senate and found a less number than really is pledged to our amendment. We have sounded out the situation and find that there is no possibility of the President saying anything or doing anything on behalf of the Federal Amendment during this extraordinary session. He will live up to the agreement made by Congress itself that nothing except strictly military measures must be considered in this session. We have further learned what we did not know before, that the prohibitionists secured promises from leaders of both parties not to bring up the suffrage amendment unless they should be permitted to bring up the prohibition amendment also and there is nothing which Congress is more averse to doing at this time than to consider the prohibition amendment.

You may rest assured that there is nothing very important going to take place in this extraordinary session of special interest to us.

On the other hand, it is equally wrong to jump to the conclusion that because the situation is just now unpromising, no work on behalf of the Federal Amendment should be done. We must all understand now that there is no hope whatever of getting the bill through in this Congress at all, IF NO WORK IS DONE. The success of the Federal Amendment depends absolutely upon the effect of the work which our auxiliaries do. Each state association should make its plans to carry out the program given it by the National Board to the fullest possible extent. If any better plan can be devised, of course we are perfectly willing that it should be substituted, but we do want to know that it is a better one before the substitution takes place. We shall hold each state responsible to secure additional votes in its delegation. In the event any state has already secured a fully pledged delegation in Washington for the Federal Amendment, it is important that the work be done in order that these men will not be merely content to vote for the amendment, when it comes up, but to fight for it.

I repeat that in my judgment the door of opportunity stands open to us if we make our plans wisely enough. Our work must be the better done because without any question the Washington militants are harming, not helping, the general situation.

Cordially yours,

Carrie Chapman Catt

President

P. S. - This letter is not for the Press or the Public.

July 25, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Virginia,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Monahan:--

We are so pleased with the reports which you are sending in of your activities. We are getting letters telling what a favorable impression you are making. I am sure you are doing a wonderful amount of good.

I came across a memorandum stating that Mrs. Daniel D. Morgan was the president of the Virginia Club and Mrs. E.D. Philbrick Vice President. I believe Mrs. Morgan had a baby, or something. I remember Mrs. Mc Mahon was enthusiastic about her and we don't want to lose her if it is not necessary. What about Mrs. Philbrick? As I remember Mrs. Mc Mahon did not think Mrs. Ala was the best woman to lead in Virginia, but if she has been elected I don't know what there is to be done about it. Do write us what you know about this situation.

This same memorandum has Mrs. F.C. CORRELL of BIG FALLS, KOOSKICHING County as doing good work on Mr. Miller and Senator Nord. Are you planning to go to Big Falls? If you are, look her up the first thing. If you think it better than you should not go so far, we might get her to work by correspondence.

Sincerely,

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Virginia, Minn.

July 26, 1917

Dear Miss Heckrich,

The supplies came
and are enough to do
for some time.

We had about a
hundred at the meeting
last night, which sur-
prised me as it was
very warm. The
hottest day this summer
people said.

Write me the
next time at Duluth.

Yours sincerely,
Florence Monahan.

July 27, 1917

Miss Frances Boynton,
Hastings,
Minnesota.

My dear Miss Boynton:--

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones told us that you were interested in Woman Suffrage and would be willing to do some work for the cause. She spoke so highly of you that I want to ask you if you will be Chairman of the Congressional Committee of Dakota County.

We are just getting under way a very important campaign for getting the Federal Amendment through Congress next winter. This comprises,

1st, Petitions in each county from influential people, men and women,

2nd, Resolutions favoring the Federal Amendment from meetings of various kinds, Conventions, Temperance Meetings, Farmers' Institutes, etc.,

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7/27/ - Miss Frances Boynton, Page 2

The petitions should represent, as Mrs. Catt says, quality and not quantity. They want names of ministers, professional men, merchants, bankers, labor-union leaders, politicians, etc. We would like to have at least 1,000 names from Dakota County.

We will send you specific instructions with literature, petitions, etc., as soon as you accept this position.

Our National Officers assure us the prospect for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter is excellent if the states will carry out their plans. I feel sure you will want to help in what may be the final effort to get Woman Suffrage.

Cordially yours,

State President

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

*Miss Boynton replied she
could not do so*

Durham, July 27
[1917]

Dear Mrs Ueland,

Just received your letter asking about the Virginia situation. Last spring Mrs. Morgan, president and Mrs. Philbrick, vice-president both resigned their offices at the same meeting because they were going to have new babies. The babies have now arrived, but the mothers are not able to do any outside work. Mrs. Morgan has three children and no maid. Mrs. Philbrick has two children and is not well.

Mrs. Gla was 2nd vice president and following these resignations, took charge. She is an active business woman, the leader of the Finnish people, of whom there are many in Virginia, and a hard worker. She doesn't want the office and would be very glad to give it up to some one else.

While many of the women believe in suffrage they will not get out to meetings nor do any work. The most promising

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woman I met, is Mrs. Tretlowey who is chairman of our Congressional committee. She has been president of one of the two women's clubs and will do all she possible can for suffrage. She would probably take the presidency of the local suffrage organization ^{at the election} and is a fine one to have. After she has done this petition work you might write to her and suggest that she take it. If I tell Mrs. Ala. to see that she is elected, she will do so. Mrs. Ala. feels herself that it would be better to have an American woman at the head.

To day we had a full day's session at Mrs. Diehl's getting the Duluth committee worked out, and we feel they are well started.

To morrow Mrs. Cotton and I are going to Cloquet to get things going there. We hope to finish the committee work in one day.

We decided that Big Falls was too small and too far away to go to. Mrs. Correll can probably do all the work necessary, if you write her about it. Sincerely,
Florence Monahan

P. S. I am going out to Mrs.
Cook's to stay to save expenses.
Address 2305 E 2nd St., Duluth.

July 30, 1917

Miss Florence Monahan,
Duluth,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Monahan:--

I have been filling out
some of these petition heads for
Hennepin County workers and I
find there are any number of ways
in which mistakes might be made.
Have you been filling them out
yourself? I believe you should
do that or we should send them from
headquarters -- at least sample sets.

I enclose a set made out
as I understand they should be.

Very cordially,

President

July 30, 1917

Mrs. Charles Moller,
Long Prairie,
Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Moller:--

I have been filling out some of these petition heads for Hennepin County workers and I find there are any number of ways in which mistakes might be made. Have you been filling them out yourself? I believe you should do that or we should send them from headquarters--at least sample sets.

I enclose a set made out as I understand they should be.

Very cordially,

President

[July 30, 1917 P.]

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*Do not write
until hearing from
J.M*



- 1st. - ^{Mrs Schwab's suggestion} Hanston ^{Miss Alice D. Hurlbut} ^{Spring Grove} Dr. Jones
- 1 Fillmore Mrs W.A. Thompson ✓
- Mower Mrs A.E. Humlin, Le Roy ✓
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- Steele " J.P. Calahan, Blooming Prairie, ✓
- Dodge Mrs Dolly Langworthy, Dodge Center ✓
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- Wabasha " E. Schwanbeck, Plainville ✓

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6 Freeborn Mrs Nora Munson, Albert Lea.

16 Wauca

16 Steele.

5 Dodge Mrs A.C. Hunkley (Mrs Dolly Langworthy)

4 Olmsted

2 Winona Mrs. Weir (Agnes H. Kratz)

3 Wabasha Mrs Paul Mow (Mrs E. Schwanbeck, Plainville)

Dodge Mrs A.C. Hunkley
Mower Claremont

Freeborn Mrs Nora Munson

Ask Mrs Elizabeth Hall about Mrs Dolly Langworthy

Goodhue County

July 30, 1917

Miss M. Eleanor Wilson,
Red Wing,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Wilson:--

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones told us that you were interested in Woman Suffrage and would be willing to do some work for the cause. She spoke so highly of you that I want to ask if you will be Chairman of the Congressional Committee of Goodhue County.

We are just getting under way a very important campaign for getting the Federal Amendment through Congress next winter. This comprises:

1st, Petitions in each county from influential people, men and women.

2nd, Resolutions favoring the Federal Amendment from meetings of various kinds, Conventions, Temperance Meetings, Farmers Institutes, etc.

3rd, In October Editorials in the leading papers in each county, favoring the Federal Amendment,

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7/30/17- Miss M. E. Wilson, Page 2

The petitions should represent, as Mrs. Catt says, quality not quantity. They want names of ministers, professional men, merchants, bankers, labor union leaders, politicians, etc. We would like to have at least 1,000 names from Goodhue County.

We will send you specific instructions with literature, petitions, etc., as soon as you accept this position.

Our National officers assure us the prospect for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter is excellent if the states will carry out their plans. I feel sure that you will want to help in what may be the final effort to get Woman Suffrage.

Cordially yours,

State President

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

Steele Co.

July 30, 1917

Mrs. J. P. Cahalan,
Blooming Prairie,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Cahalan:--

Mrs. Peter J. Schwarz, the
Congressional Chairman of the First
Congressional District of Minnesota
thinks that you would be the right
person to be chairman of Steele County.

We are just getting under way
a very important campaign for getting
the Federal Amendment through next
winter. This comprises,

1st, Petitions in each county from in-
fluential people, men and women,

2nd, Resolutions favoring the Federal
Amendment from meetings of various
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ing papers in each county, favoring the
Federal Amendment.

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ential people, men and women, to call
upon the representatives and senators,
presenting the petitions, editorials
and resolutions. We want to ask you to
be the Chairmen of Congressional Work
in Steele County. You would need a
good committee to carry out these plans.

Mrs. J. P. Cahalan,

July 30, 1917

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The petitions should represent, as Mrs. Catt says, quality and not quantity. They want names of ministers, professional men, merchants, bankers, labor union leaders, politicians, etc. We would like at least 1,000 names from Steele County.

We will send you specific directions with literature, petitions, etc., as soon as you accept this position. Our national officers assure us the prospect for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter is excellent if each State will carry out the plans. I feel sure you will want to help in what may be the final effort to get Woman Suffrage.

Cordially yours,

State President

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

Houston Co

July 30, 1917

Miss Alice D. Hurlburt,
Spring Grove,
Minnesota

My dear Miss Hurlburt:-

Mrs. Peter J. Schwarz, the
Congressional Chairman of the First
Congressional District of Minnesota
thinks that you would be the right
person to be chairman of Houston County.

We are just getting under way
a very important campaign for getting
the Federal Amendment through next win-
ter. This comprises,

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2nd, Resolutions favoring the Federal
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ings, Farmers Institutes, etc.

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ing papers in each county, favoring the
Federal Amendment

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upon the representatives and senators,
presenting the petitions, editorials and
resolutions. We want to ask you to be
the Chairman of Congressional Work in
Houston County. You would need a good
committee to carry out these plans.

July 30, 1917

The petitions should represent, as Mrs. Catt says, quality and not quantity. They want names of ministers, professional men, merchants, bankers, labor union leaders, politicians, etc. We would like at least 1,000 names from *Linton* County.

We will send you specific directions with literature, petitions, etc, as soon as you accept this position. Our national officers assure us the prospect for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter is excellent if the States will carry out their plans. I feel sure you will want to help in what may be the final effort to get Woman Suffrage.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland) State President

Olmsted Co

July 30, 1917

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Hall,
Rochester,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Hall:--

Dr. Effie Mc Collum Jones reported that while she was in Rochester, pledges for our State Suffrage Association to the amount of \$35.00 were left in your hands to be collected.

We are making a special effort just now to get money to pay our quarterly apportionment of \$750.00 to the National Association, so may I ask you if you will make an effort to get in these pledges at this time?

Dr. Jones spoke so enthusiastically of you, that I am wondering if you would not consider being Congressional Chairman of Olmsted County. We are getting under way a very important plan for getting the Federal Amendment through Congress next winter, and we want to find women all over the state who will set in motion the machinery of this plan.

If you should be unable to undertake this work, will you please tell me who in Rochester, in your opinion, would be the best person to do this. We need the ablest and most enthusiastic woman who can be found to do this very important work.

Cordially yours,

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

State President

Winona County

July 31, 1917

Mrs. J. N. Weir,
Winona,
Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Weir:--

As I have written to Miss Ross, we are just getting under way a very important plan for getting the Federal Amendment through Congress next winter. We want to find just the right person to be chairman of the county work, and we want you to help in Winona.

Mrs. Schwarg, who is the Congressional Chairman for the first Congressional District recommends Miss Agnes Kratz of Winona. You know better than Mrs. Schwarg who would be the right one in your city. This is the most important work we have ever undertaken. Mrs. Eatt and Mrs. Maud Wood Park think the chances are very good of the Federal Amendment passing Congress next winter, so we don't want to make any mistake.

I am not sure but that it would be better for Mrs. Moller to go to Winona to help you get this work under way, or it might be that I could come down myself.

Too bad that Florence Youmans has gone off on this tangent. She would be just the one if she were wise enough to see that we are going to get this by constructive, sane methods.

Mrs. J. N. Weir,

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July 31, 1917

It might be that you yourself should undertake this work. The plan comprises getting petitions signed by the most influential people in the county, getting resolutions favoring the Federal Amendment from every possible meeting of any importance; getting editorials in the local papers favoring the Federal Amendment in the fall, and finally sending influential deputations to the Congressmen.

Please think this matter over and tell me how you think we should go about it for Winona County.

Very cordially yours,

State President

Freeborn Co

July 31, 1917.

Mrs. Nora Munson,
Albert Lea,
Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Munson:--

We are about to undertake a very important campaign for getting the Federal Amendment through Congress next winter, and we want to find someone from each county to do this work. Mrs. Peter J. Schwarz, who is the Chairman for the 1st Congressional District, recommends Mrs. E.W. Beatty of Alden. I do not know Mrs. Beatty and want to get your opinion of her. Do you think she is the best one we can get for Freeborn County, or do you think that someone from Albert Lea would be willing to take care of this work?

Please let us hear from you at once as to whom you would recommend in this work. It needs some one who is active and enthusiastic and can give some time toward the plan, which comprises, first of all, getting petitions from influential men and women (from all counties,) and second, getting resolutions favoring the Federal Amendment passed at all meetings.

Hoping to hear from you within a few days, I am,

Very cordially yours,

(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

State President

Koochiching Co

July 31, 1917

Mrs. F. C. Correll,
Big Falls,
Minnesota.

My dear Mrs. Correll:--

We are just getting under way a very important campaign for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter. This comprises,

1st, Petitions in each county from influential people, men and women.

2nd, Resolutions favoring the Federal Amendment from meetings of various kinds, conventions, temperance meetings, Farmers' institutes, etc.

3rd, In October, editorials in the leading papers in each county favoring the Federal Amendment.

4th, In November deputations of influential people, men and women, to call upon the representatives and senators, presenting the petitions, editorials and resolutions. We want to ask you to be the chairman of Congressional Work in Koochiching County. You would need a good committee to carry out these plans.

The petitions should represent, as Mrs. Catt says, quality and not quantity. They want the names of ministers, professional men, merchants, bankers, labor union leaders, politicians, etc. We would like at least 1,000 names from Koochiching

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We will send you specific directions with literature, petitions, etc., as soon as we hear from you saying that you will look after this very important matter for us. Our national officers assure us that the prospects for getting the Federal Amendment through next winter is excellent if the States will carry out their plans. I feel sure you will want to help in what may be the final effort to get Woman Suffrage.

Cordially yours,

State President
(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

P.S. If you do not feel that you can take care of the entire county of Koochi-ching, (altho' we hope you will) would it be possible for you to take the northern half? Or if not that, at least Big Falls and surrounding territory. Your county is so far north and so large, we do not feel that we can afford to send an organizer up there at present, and yet we must have this work done.