



Minnesota Woman Suffrage Association Records.

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HOW WILL DO YOU KNOW YOUR MAP?

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the subjects considered.

At the head of the Research Committee is Mrs. Mary Sumner Boyd, whose department has prepared 27 maps showing the status of laws in the United States. These maps cover education, Americanization, jury duty for women, equal guardianship of children, laws for public health and for disease control.

Mrs. Boyd points out, for example, in a map of the United States solidly black but for California and Washington, that these are the only two states where women's right to serve on juries is protected by statute law. Four states have deprived women of the right after they had exercised it, without statute law, as a part of their citizenship right. In five states, attorneys general permit women to serve at present, but in these they may at any time be deprived of their privilege.

Two classes of law to which the League of Women Voters is specially alert are those which have been brought about by the war. To take one case, 9 states are exhibited as white on the Americanization map prepared by Mrs. Boyd. This means that nine states have already enacted legislation to provide for night classes for adults. Fifteen states have made English the basic language of schools. There are but ten states with a bona fide educational test; others have an alternative test, such as a property or tax-paying qualification.

These American citizen maps are of paramount interest to the League which is working for an improved electorate. The age-of-consent for young girls is a question which has been first to come up in suffrage states. In almost all states where women have the vote, one of their first acts has been to have the age-of-consent raised to 18. In eighteen states, including all the older suffrage states, except Oregon, this age is the standard.

The League's Committee on Unification of Laws is created for the purpose of putting the best law in each case into effect in every state. One map in particular which will interest women everywhere is that which shows three full suffrage states - Washington, Michigan and Montana - with laws securing equal pay for equal work to women and men.

Another series of maps shows the eye at once which states have adopted child welfare commission standards, and which have not.

The League of Women Voters has spent this past year in laying a foundation for its next step in advance - that of working for improvement state by state.

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JANUARY SEVENTEENTH
1920

OFFICE SECRETARY
Clara M. Heckrich, 403 Essex Building
Telephone, Nicollet 6270

Mrs. Walter Thorp:-

Mrs. Jaeger makes us a proposition in regard to the State Fair Building which I will ask you to consider.

She asks that she be empowered to sell the building, and that the proceeds be divided equally between our Association and the Scandinavian Woman Suffrage Association with the condition that if it is sold before ratification of the Federal Amendment is complete the money shall all be used for ratification purposes. For myself, I am in favor of this plan - particularly as Mrs. Catt has sent us bulletins urging us to contribute to a special fund to be used for hastening ratification. Will you please vote upon the following questions?

Shall we accept Mrs. Jaeger's proposition? _____

Are you willing that negotiations should be left in the hands of a Committee consisting of:

Mrs. Troendle
Mrs. Ueland
Mrs. Jaeger ? _____

Sincerely yours,

Clara Ueland
State President.

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(Mrs. Andreas Ueland)

[Jan. 22, 1920]

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION
ESSEX BUILDING - MINNEAPOLIS

MRS. ANDREAS UELAND, PRESIDENT

CLARA M. HECKRICH, BUSINESS SECY.

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My dear Mrs Ueland

It would seem to me that
the building on the Fair Grounds could be used
to good advantage each year, by the League
of Women Voters -

But I am willing to leave the whole matter
to the committee that you suggest.

Cordially yours

Maude Stockwell

Date Rec'd	Jan 23 - 20
Read by	
C. U.	—
M. W.	
V. S. T.	
G. H.	
Ack.	
Remarks	

State of Minnesota
Executive Department
St. Paul

J. A. O. PREUS, GOVERNOR

Feb 11, 1920

To the League of Women Voters:
The ballot given to the
women will be a
powerful weapon for
the good of humanity.
no valentine could
be fatter, nor more
deserved.

Yours truly
J. A. O. Preus

MARCH SIXTH
1920

Dear Suffragist:

We want to make an appeal to you to help in making the declining years of our oldest suffragist, Mrs. Eugenia B. Farmer, happy and free from anxiety.

You probably know that our Association has been sending her for several years a small sum each month for her expenses. She has kept the little office in the Old Capitol as headquarters and has done some work for us as the occasion arose. She has been given the use of this room by the Governor as long as she lives. She busies herself in various ways for Americanization, League of Women Voters, etc. She lives at an Old Ladies Home in St. Paul, which gives her a roof and her board. Otherwise she has nothing. We found she was making inquiries among her friends for work, explaining now that our suffrage work was finished, she would need to earn something.

After looking into the situation, we have decided that the suffragists should make up the amount she has been receiving - \$17.00 per month, and send to her regularly.

She is now 86 years old and has done valiant suffrage work for more than 50 years. You may know that she met with an accident recently - she was thrown down by an automobile and was in the hospital for a time. Her vitality is so great that she is recovering from this shock.

Mrs. S.A. Stockwell, 3204 E. 51st St., Minneapolis, has consented to act as treasurer for this fund. In order to raise the necessary amount for the year, the following schedule is suggested. If your quota is not satisfactory, we shall, of course, be grateful for whatever you wish to give.

- \$15.00 - Mrs. H.G. Harrison, Mrs. Stiles Burr,
Mrs. Charles P. Noyes, Mrs. Andreas Ueland.
- \$10.00 - Mrs. Sumner McKnight, Mrs. George H. Part-
ridge, Miss Marguerite Wells, Mrs. Walter
Thorp, Mrs. David F. Simpson, Mrs. F.B.
Snyder, Mrs. Russell Bennett, Miss Cornelia
Lusk, Mrs. C.A. Severance.
- \$5.00 - Mrs. James Paige, Mrs. S.A. Stockwell,
Dr. Ethel Hurd, Mrs. John M. Guise, Miss
Hope McDonald, Mrs. Milton Purdy, Mrs. A.E.
Zonne, Mrs. J.W. Andrews, Miss Florence
Monahan, Mrs. Tamazine Evans, Mrs. Victor
Troendle.

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If it is desired, the quotas may be solicited from other suffrage friends of Mrs. Farmer.

Please send checks to Mrs. S.A. Stockwell, 3204 E. 51st St., Minneapolis, who has consented to act as treasurer of this fund.

Sincerely yours,

Clara Ueland

Elizabeth W. Harrison

Jane Burr

Ethel Hurd, M.D.

Isabel Troendle

Maud C. Stockwell

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June 26, 1920.

Dear Board Member:-

You will remember that you were asked to vote upon the question of selling our building at the Fair grounds. The vote in favor of this action was unanimous as I remember, and the matter was left in the hands of a committee composed of Mrs. Troendle, Mrs. Jaeger, and myself. The building has been sold and \$800 has been turned over to Mrs. Troendle as our share. The question comes up as to what we shall do with this money and I am going to ask you to vote upon this also.

At the convention in Chicago we subscribed \$1500 to the newly formed National League of Women Voters and a number of our Board members including Mrs. Troendle and myself would like to use the money from the State Fair Building as well as the small balance, about \$100, towards paying this subscription. When I was in New York recently I saw Mrs. Rogers, our national treasurer, and she told me that there is enough money in the national treasury to carry thru any ratification work.

If you are in favor of this disposition of the money, will you please return this letter voting "yes" or "no" upon this question.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andreas Ueland,
321 Meyers Arcade,
Minneapolis, Minn.

President

Chas Ueland

JOSEPH A.A. BURNQUIST
SAINT PAUL

23 February 1921.

Mrs. Frank J. Shuler,
National American Woman Suffrage Association,
171 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Shuler:

In response to your letter of February eleventh, copies of the telegrams received by me from the various governors concerning the calling of special sessions of the legislatures to ratify the Suffrage Amendment have been made and are herewith enclosed.

Trusting that the enclosure will prove to be what you desire, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

J. A. A. Burnquist

On June 9, 1919, Governor Burnquist telegraphed the governors of all the states as follows:

"I believe Minnesota Legislature will ratify suffrage amendment at this time if sufficient number states will do so. Will you call special session of your legislature this year to consider ratification of suffrage amendment if legislatures of thirty-five other states will be in session or called into session this year? I desire to call such a session in Minnesota if a sufficient number of governors of other states will call sessions within their states.

J.A.A. Burnquist,
Governor of Minnesota."

The following replies were received:

ALABAMA. Montgomery, Ala. June 9, 1919.

Message received. Alabama Legislature meets July eighth in regular session.

Thos. E. Kilby, Governor.

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ARIZONA. Phoenix, Ariz. June 10, 1919.

Unless Welfare of State demands, I decline to call special session of Legislature for sole purpose of rectifying Federal suffrage amendment. If thirty-five states evidence intention to take such action, Arizona doubtless will join movement.

Thomas E. Campbell,
Governor of Ariz.

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ARKANSAS. Little Rock, Ark. June 10, 1919.

I am in hearty sympathy with the proposed amendment, but since women are permitted to participate in primaries in Arkansas I see no reason for a special session. Think there is no doubt that Arkansas Legislature will ratify it in January 1921.

Ben E. Mc Ferrin, Acting Governor.

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CALIFORNIA. San Francisco, Calif. June 11, 1919.

I am a pioneer in support of women's suffrage and campaigned for it when it was adopted in California I worked and voted for it in Congress. I would like to see the National Amendment effective in time for all citizen women to vote at next Presidential election. I will gladly call special legislative session whenever convinced that enough state legislatures will convene. To insure that result I believe California's legislature will ratify by practically unanimous vote.

Wm. D. Stephens, Governor of Calif.

COLORADO. Denver, Colo.

June 10, 1919.

Will join with thirty-six states in calling special session. Kindly notify result of your investigation as soon as possible. Have hesitated for fear Colorado would act prematurely and not be met by action of sufficient other states.

Oliver H. Shoup, Governor.

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CONNECTICUT. Hartford, Conn.

June 10, 1919.

No special session to be called.

Marcus Holcomb.

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DELAWARE. ~~None~~. No reply.

FLORIDA. Tallahassee,

June 10, 1919.

I have your message of the 9th, asking if I will call my legislature into Extra Session to ratify the Suffrage Amendment.

The Florida Legislature finished its regular session last Friday, June the 6th, and the day before it adjourned, I sent up a message, urging that they ratify this amendment, but they refused to do so. I do not see what could be gained by calling them together in extra session when they have just refused to pass on the matter.

Thanking you for your message and regretting that the Florida Legislature would not take this step, I am,

Yours very truly,
SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

GEORGIA. Atlanta,

June 10, 1919.

Your telegram of the 9th inst., in regard to convoking the Georgia Legislature in extra session for the purpose of considering the Suffrage Amendment, received during the temporary absence of Governor Dorsey.

In reply, you are advised that the Legislature of this State convenes annually on the fourth Wednesday of June.

Trusting this is the desired information, I remain,

Yours truly,
Marshall Nelins.
Private Secretary.

IDAHO. No reply.

ILLINOIS. Springfield,

June 10, 1919.

Our Legislature is still in session and I expect it to ratify the amendment today.

Frank O. Lowden.

INDIANA. Indianapolis,

June 11, 1919.

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I have your telegram of the 9th. I have already advised Miss Mary Garrett Hay, at the head of the Suffrage movement in America, that Indiana will act if enough other states give assurance of their conduct. I have suggested a sort of round robin to be signed by the various Governors of the various states in which they agree, in case enough Governors sign, to call their legislature to ratify the suffrage amendment. Indiana will ratify beyond doubt if given the opportunity.

Very truly yours,
J.P. Goodrich,
Governor.

IOWA. Des Moines, June 10, 1919.

Legislature convenes in special session next January to revise code suffrage amendment will be taken up at that time and its ratification is assured.

W.L. Harding, Governor.

KANSAS. Topeka, Kas. June 10, 1919.

Issued call yesterday for extra session Kansas Legislature, June 16, to ratify suffrage amendment. Believe the only way this can be done before next national election is for States favorable to take steps for immediate ratification. Kansas legislators have offered unanimously waive mileage and per diem and will accept actual expenses for extra session.

Henry J. Allen.

KENTUCKY. No reply.

LOUISIANA. Baton Rouge, June 11, 1919.

Our next regular session of the Legislature will be held in May, 1920. Indications are that Louisiana will be strongly opposed to national suffrage amendment. The State next time would probably vote for State Constitutional amendment granting equal suffrage.

R.G. Pleasant, Gov. of Louisiana.

MAINE. Augusta, June 10, 1919.

I expect to call a special session of the Legislature some time this fall. I shall have the Federal amendment on hand at that time and shall present it, with the recommendation that it be endorsed at once.

Very sincerely yours,
Carl E. Milliken.

MARYLAND. Annapolis, July 31, 1919.

Sometime back I received a telegram from you stating that the Minnesota Legislature would ratify the Federal amendment at this time if sufficient number of the States would do so, and asking if I would call a special session of the Legislature to ratify the amendment. I greatly regret that it has been impossible for me to do so. In the first place, it is very doubtful if the Legislature would do so. Furthermore, the next Legislature will meet in January next in full time for them to act in time for the election of 1920. I have had one special session, and I do not care for another during my administration. If I were to call one the amendment would be fought very bitterly by

both leading political parties, and, therefore, it would be a long drawn out session, and special sessions are not always popular.

While I am inclined to favor suffrage, the sentiment of our State at this time I fear is very strongly against it.

With high regard, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
Emerson C. Harrington.

MASSACHUSETTS. Boston,

June 9, 1919.

Massachusetts Legislature now in session. Suffrage amendment transmitted to them by me today.

Calvin Coolidge, Governor.

MICHIGAN. Lansing,

June 10, 1919.

Michigan Legislature now in extra session. Certified copy of suffrage amendment adopted by Congress received today and will be submitted to Legislature today. They will undoubtedly ratify.

Albert E. Sleeper, Governor.

MISSISSIPPI. Jackson,

June 20, 1919.

I will call special session of Mississippi Legislature this autumn.

Gov. Bilbo.

MISSOURI. Jefferson City,

June 13, 1919.

Extra session Missouri Legislature called for July second to ratify suffrage amendment.

Frederick D. Gardner,
Governor.

MONTANA. Helena,

June 9, 1919.

Your telegram has been received. In reply will say that the Montana Legislature will not be in regular session until the first Monday in January, 1921. I do not want to call a special session unless it is absolutely necessary. In this state it involves a great deal of expense and trouble.

I will not make any pledges as to what I will or will not do at this time because, as you understand, the exigencies of the case may make it seem expedient to take action later that does not seem wise at this time. We have women suffrage in Montana and it has worked out very well, and, of course, our people generally are in favor of it. Nevertheless, I do not want to pledge myself to the calling of a special session of our Legislature for the purpose of ratification, and certainly would not make such a pledge without at least feeling out the sentiment of the people of this state.

With kind personal regards, I remain,

Very truly yours,
S.V. Stewart,
Governor of Montana.

NEBRASKA. Lincoln,

June 12, 1919.

I shall call a special session of the Nebraska Legislature if enough other Governors take similar action to make it appear that approval of the suffrage amendment will be materially hastened thereby. I shall appreciate it very much, therefore, if you will advise me of the action that you have taken or intend taking in this matter.

Thanking you for the kindness of an early reply, I remain,

Very truly yours,
Samuel R. Mc Kelvie,
Governor.

NEVADA. Carson City,

June 11, 1919.

In answer to your telegram of June 9 asking whether I will call a special session of the legislature this year to ratify the Federal Suffrage Amendment if a sufficient number of Governors of other states will issue a call, I beg to send you a copy of a telegram which I sent to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Chairman of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, on practically the same subject.

I believe that you will realize that with suffrage as a practical fact in Nevada the initiative in urging or in calling an extraordinary session of the legislature for the purpose of extending suffrage elsewhere does not properly rest upon me although I will be guided as are all Governors by such public sentiment as may manifest itself in the future.

At the present time there is practically no expression from the people and if the indication means anything now it means that there is no widespread public demand in Nevada for extraordinary action in this matter.

Very truly yours,
Emmet D. Boyle,
Governor.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. Concord,

June 10, 1919.

If thirty-five other states seem reasonably sure to ratify the suffrage amendment in season to enable women to vote at the next presidential election, I shall call an extra session of our legislature in the fall unless it develops that there is no hope of favorable action here which I do not anticipate.

Joyn H. Bartlett, Governor of
N.H.

NEW JERSEY. No reply.
Santa Fe, N.M.

June 12, 1919.

NEW MEXICO. Present New Mexico Legislature has rejected woman's suffrage proposition twice over my urgent request for affirmative action. Do not think anything gained by convening this Legislature to pass on the question.

O.A. Larrazolo, Governor.

NEW YORK. Albany,

June 10, 1919.

Governor Smith has today called an extraordinary session of the legislature to convene at Albany Monday June 16th. at 8:30 P.M. to act on the National Woman's Suffrage amendment. Am sending copy of proclamation by mail.

George R. Van Namee.

NORTH CAROLINA. Raleigh,

June 10, 1919.

Your telegram of June 9th has been received. The North Carolina Legislature will be called in special session next summer to consider taxation matters and will act on the Suffrage Amendment at that time. I do not think it advisable to call an extraordinary session for this purpose now, especially in view of the fact that we have already arranged for the special session in the summer of 1920.

Very truly yours,

T.W. Bickett.

Governor.

NORTH DAKOTA. Bismarck,

June 13, 1919.

Do not think there is any question but that North Dakota Legislature will ratify woman's suffrage amendment at first opportunity, but do not favor calling special session for that purpose alone.

Lynn J. Frazier.

OHIO. Columbus,

June 10, 1919.

Ohio Legislature now in recess and will convene June sixteenth. It is my judgment that the Legislature will ratify the suffrage amendment.

James Cox, Governor of Ohio.

OKLAHOMA. Oklahoma City,

June 11, 1919.

Governor Robertson at Washington. Personally do not think he will call special session Legislature to ratify Federal suffrage amendment.

H.R. Christopher, Sec. to Gov.

OREGON, Salem.

June 20, 1919.

After an absence of several days from the city, I find your telegram of June 9th relative to ratification of the Suffrage Amendment upon my desk.

In response to same I beg leave to advise that I have telegraphed to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt as follows:

Legislature but recently adjourned.

Think it ill advised to reconvene an extraordinary session.

As far as I know now this will continue to be my attitude unless some materially new development arises.

Very sincerely yours,

Ben W. Olcott,

Governor.

PENNSYLVANIA. Harrisburg,

June 10, 1919.

General Assembly of Penna now in session and federal amendment on suffrage message to them today for consideration. Feel certain some action will be taken before adjournment on twenty-sixth.

Harry S. McDevitt,
Secy.

RHODE ISLAND. Providence,

June 11, 1919.

As we have our next session of the Legislature starting January first at which time the ratification of the amendment will probably be adopted, I do not think it advisable to call a special session for this purpose.

R. Livingstone Beeckman, Governor.

SOUTH CAROLINA. Columbia,

June 13, 1919.

Do not see necessity for extra session to consider equal suffrage amendment.

R.A. Cooper, Governor.

SOUTH DAKOTA. Pierre,

June 12, 1919.

South Dakota will ratify suffrage amendment prior to election. Looks now as if extra session might be necessary next winter and for that reason do not think best to convene legislature at this time.

Peter Norbeck, Governor.

TENNESSEE, Nashville,

June 12, 1919.

It is provided in the constitution of the State of Tennessee that an amendment to the constitution of the United States cannot be acted upon by the Legislature of Tennessee unless such legislature shall have been elected after the date of the submission of the amendment by congress. Our Legislature was elected in November last, hence the present General Assembly cannot act upon it. January 1921 is the earliest date on which action may be had in Tennessee.

Yours very truly,

A.H. Roberts,

Governor.

TEXAS. Austin,

June 13, 1919.

I will call the Texas Legislature to convene June 23 and in my judgment the amendment will be ratified.

W.P. Hobby, Governor of Texas.

UTAH. Salt Lake City,

June 14, 1919.

Am favorably inclined towards special session to ratify suffrage amendment if enough other states meet in special session to bring the matter to decision. Probably will not call special session in Utah until this fall so that we may consider legislation affecting soldier settlement program as outlined by Federal government.

Governor Simon Bamberger.

VERMONT. Montpelier,

June 13, 1919.

We have commission to be appointed this year to consider proposals for amendments to our constitution matter referred to in your telegram will be referred to that commission and extra session of the legislature will not be called.

Percival W. Clement, Gov.

VIRGINIA. Richmond,

June 11, 1919.

Your telegram addressed to Governor Davis has been received, and will be forwarded to the Governor who is at present on an inspection tour of State institutions and is not expected to return to Richmond for a week or ten days.

LeRoy Hodges,
Aide to the Governor.

WASHINGTON. Olympia,

June 14, 1919.

When it is made to appear that favorable action by the Legislature of Washington would result in ratification of the suffrage amendment by sufficient number of states to insure the franchise to the women of the nation in time for the election of 1920, I will consider the matter of calling an extraordinary session of the Legislature of Washington.

Louis F. Hart, Acting Gov. of Wash.

WEST VIRGINIA. Charleston,

June 10, 1919.

I am not disposed to call another special session of the legislature this year if I can properly avoid it, having just had one long special session, however, if but one more state was needed for ratification, I would of course feel inclined to act.

John J. Cornwell, Gov.

WISCONSIN. Madison,

June 10, 1919.

Your wire today our Legislature is still in session. Will receive the suffrage amendment today.

E.L. Phillipp, Gov.

Wyoming. Cheyenne,

June 12, 1919.

For the reason that Wyoming Women enjoy the rights of suffrage and that a special session of the legislature to ratify the national amendment would be of no advantage to the people of the State I do not expect to call an extra session.

Robert D. Carey.