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Dec. 16, 1916.

Meeting of the new Board called together by the President at Suffrage Headquarters in Minneapolis.

Present Madams Tomlinson, Kenyon, Holman, Crassweller, Stockwell, Trondli, Burt Jaeger, Farmer, Hurd, Harrison, Burt Morse Severance.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Pres. of Pol. Eq. Club, Dr. Hurd reported for that club.

Treas. of the Hennepin Co. Ass'n reported through Mrs. Harrison.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$89.88 in the treasury. Report accepted on motion of Mrs. Stockwell.

Mrs. A. J. Ridgway reported as chairman of Convention Entertainment Committee that only four of the visiting delegates took advantage of entertainment offered. For benefit of future conventions, the chairman of Credentials Committee of the recent convention, Mrs. Jaeger, and the chairman of elections committee, Mrs. Nicholson, made a number of practical recommendations as did various

members of the Board in discussion.
The president, Mrs. Ueland, announced the following names of Chairmen of standing Committees, for the year, which were all ratified.

Finance	Mrs. S. H. McKnight.
Press & Publicity	Mrs. Walter Thorpe
No. Jour. & Inf. Period.	Miss Florence Monahan.
Congressional	Mrs. Chas. Moeller.
State & Co. Fair	Mrs. Wm. Fulton.
Public Demonstrations	Mrs. Joseph Jorgens.
Mem. Nat. Ex. Council	Mrs. Chas. Hayes.
Legislative	" A. Ueland

In the case of the Chairmen of the Press & Publicity, Mrs. Thorpe, the motion ^{to ratify} was amended to read "and that she have a vote on the Board"

After discussion regarding possible chairman for the Leg. Com., Mrs. Burt moved that the president with St Paul members of the Board, be authorized to select a chairman for the Leg. Com. Carried.

A discussion of the results of the election followed.

Moved by Mrs. Troendle that the president consult a constitutional lawyer and report at the next meeting. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Hurd that the Sec. work necessary before our next regular meeting be left in the hands of the president. Carried.

The following Congressional Chairmen were announced by the president.

1st District	Mrs. Peter Schwaner.
2nd "	Mrs J. W Andrews.
3rd "	Mrs E. H. Loybed
4th "	" A. W. Burt
5th "	" Walter Carro.
6th "	" C. S. Alwood.
7th "	" W. M. Crook
8th "	" Peter Oleson.
9th "	" W. W. Marri.
10th "	Mrs Marguerite Wells.

Moved by Mrs. Harrison that Mrs. Mc Mahon be given a two weeks vacation with salary. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Harrison that the new year book be left to the two secretaries. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Hurd that we engage Mrs. Mochler to do organization work at the rate of \$10 per week and expenses when traveling. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Harrison that we pay Mrs. Mc Mahon during her vacation, her usual expenses in addition to her

regular salary. Carried.

Bills for November read by Treasurer. Moved and seconded that all bills be allowed. Carried.

At this point a delegation of 16 women from the Hen. Co. Association was admitted and plans laid before our Board for a project to move headquarters to the ground floor.

Madames Simpson, McMahon, Jordan and Lonne presented the matter which was then discussed by Madames Tomlinson, Bright, Hurd, Kenyon, Troendle, Holman and Miss Monahan. Moved by Miss Monahan that a committee be appointed to consider the question of moving, confer with members of Hen. Co. Assn and report to the Board at a special meeting in the near future. Carried.

Mrs. Holman, Mrs. Troendle and Mrs. Stockwell were appointed to act with the president on this committee.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Maud C. Stockwell

Sec. Pro Tem.

Jan. 6, 1917.

The Ex. Bd. of the M. W. S. A. met in regular session with the president, Mrs. Andrus Ueland in the chair.

Those present were madams Ueland Farmer, Severance, Jaeger, Thorp, Hurd, Holman, Tomlinson, Stockwell, Kenyon, Havisin, Bright, Troendle and Morse.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Thorp said that the press chairmans ~~was~~ was chiefly engaged in making arrangements for the Suffrage editions of all the prominent newspapers in the state. It was hoped that one newspaper in each county could be induced to produce a suffrage edition the last week in February. Three pages of plate matter would be furnished by the National. Mrs. Severance was asked to invite the St. Paul Daily News to put out a suffrage edition.

The Cor. Sec. Mrs. Stockwell reported that Mrs. Hayes and Mrs. Jorgens could

not serve on the Board.

Mrs. Holman reported that the Ramsey Co. Ass'n was forming an association separate from the Welfare League.

Mrs. Harrison reported that the Hennepin Co. Ass'n had engaged rooms in the Myers building where they could have first floor frontage on Nicollet Ave. There was some discussion as to the advisability of moving the State Headquarters to the Myers Bldg. and Mrs. Kenyon moved that this be left to the president. Carried.

Mrs. Jaeger presented plans for a suffrage building to be erected on the State Fair Grounds. The Scandinavian Suffrage Association proposes to raise \$500 toward this building fund and asked that the State Board be responsible for the other \$500.00. That it would be necessary to have to complete the structure.

Mrs. Harrison moved that the State Board guarantee the \$500.00.

This motion was carried.

In behalf of the Board.

Mrs. H. J. Harrison guaranteed
Mrs. Kenyon

100.00
50.00

Mrs. Thorpe guaranteed the necessary dues Mrs. Kenyon and Mrs. Harrison were asked to find other guarantors.

As the chairman for the Leg. Com. was not appointed at the last meeting Dr. Hurd moved that Mrs. Ueland act as chairman. Carried

The president spoke of the financial budget and Mrs. Holman moved that the counties that raise more than their allotment be asked to give 50% of what they raise to the State.

Mrs. H. G. Harrison presented her resignation as director which was accepted on motion of Mrs. Tomlinson.

Mrs. Kenyon moved that Mrs. J. O. Sylvester be appointed director to fill the vacancy created by Mrs. Harrison's resignation.

This motion was carried with one dissenting vote (Mrs. Jaeger)

Dr. Hurd moved that Mrs. Simpson be appointed a member of the National Executive Board. Carried.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved that in case Mrs. Simpson would not accept this position that Miss Lusk be asked to serve. Carried.

Advices from the Nat. were to the effect that C. B. Miller of the 8th District and C. R. Davis of the 3rd (St. Peter) were the only members who had not come out for the Federal Amendment.

Mrs. Harlin moved that the Board secure the services of Miss McMahon and give her \$10⁰⁰ a week and pay her expenses. Carried.

Mrs. Heland told of a Mr. Martin who would translate English Suffrage literature into Swedish and who would do suffrage organizing work for a small consideration.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved that Mrs. Heland and Mrs. Jaeger take this matter under advisement. Carried.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1010²¹ on hand and the bills presented were ordered paid.

The president assigned the Board members to committees as follows:

Social: St Paul.

Mpls.

Mrs. Kuyper.

Mrs. Bright.

" Tomlinson -

" Burnquist -

" Severance

Organization:

Mrs. J. C. Holman.
Stockwell

Circularization

Mrs. Wm. Fulton.
Dr. Hurd.
Mrs. Farmer
Mrs. Tomlinson.

Finance

Mrs. Mc Knight.
" Severance
" Troendle
" Hamlin
" Irvine.

Legislative

Mrs. Burt.

Data

Mrs. Stockwell
Mrs. Morse.

On motion the meeting adj.
Eva W. Morse Sec.

Feb. 3, 1917 - The Executive Board of the M. W. S. A. met in regular session with the president, Mrs. Andrus Ueland, in the chair. Those present besides the president and secretary were madams:

Harrison, Stockwell, Hurd, Farmer, Thorp, Tomlinson, Sylvester Jaeger, Troendle Holman, Bright and Miss Monahan. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Cor. Sec., Mrs. Stockwell reported that Mrs. J. O. Sylvester and Mrs. David Simpson had accepted a position on the Board.

Mrs. Thorp said that the Pres. Chairman was principally engaged in engineering the special Suffrage Edition that was to appear the last of Feb. Already 26 papers had expressed themselves as willing to put out such an issue.

The treasurer Mrs. Troendle, reported a balance of \$953.43 on hand.

The bills presented were allowed on motion of Mrs. Stockwell.

Mrs. Holman said that Ramsey Co. had nothing new to report but that they had completed their organization.

Mrs. Harrison told of the plan

to celebrate Susan B Anthony's birthday in the Hennepin Ave Methodist church. It was hoped to secure Beatrice Forbes Robertson Hale as the principal speaker. The meeting to be under the auspices of the Hennepin Co. Association.

Mrs. Jaeger spoke of the plans of the Scandinavian Society for raising money for the State Fair Building Fund. A Swedish play to be staged in February being arranged.

Dr. Huld reported that the Political Equality club were holding their Legislative luncheons every two weeks. They had presented a successful entertainment and were now giving teas for different groups of people. The girls of the North Star Woollen Mills would be entertained at a tea in the near future.

Mrs. Tomlinson reported on the work she and Mrs. Mc Mahon had done in Representative Davis' district.

The president reported that Mrs. Moller, Miss Mc Mahon and Mrs.

Oleum were bringing pressure to bear upon C. B. Miller in the 8th District.

The question of having a new office desk came up and Mrs. Harnsin moved that this matter be left to Mrs. Troendle and Mrs. Thorpe with power to purchase.
Carried.

Mrs. Thorpe & Mrs. Troendle were asked to attend to insuring the office property.

Mrs. Monahan moved that fifty copies of Mr. Buell's book on the Minn. Legislature be ordered.
Carried.

Mrs. Thorpe moved that Mr. Jones' offer to help in the circularization of suffrage literature be accepted.
Carried.

The president asked the secretary to obtain the lists of names suggested for circularization by the national president.

It was reported that the Elections

Committee gave a hearing Thursday Feb. 1, to the group of women known as the Equal Franchise League, on the advisability of submitting an amendment to the voters of Minn. The general trend of the discussion was that this was the Democratic thing to do. Those who spoke for this measure were

Miss Pegton	Mrs. Lyons
Mrs. Kingsley	Mrs. Lawrence
Mrs. Thompson	
Miss Petri	

Members of the M.W.S.A. were present and urged that the Committee recommend a bill for Statutory Suffrage on the grounds of Political Expediency.

Mrs. Heland outlined the reasons for supporting this bill:

- 1st. Because we are working under a National Plan to get suffrage for all women not for the women of Minnesota alone.
- 2nd. Because nothing succeeds like

success.

3rd Because those who would have to put the amendment across do not want to undertake either the work or the financial responsibility at this time.

4th. It is bad policy to put out both a prohibition and suffrage amendment at this time.

Those who spoke in favor of Statutory suffrage were

Mrs. Ireland

Mrs. Stockwell

Mrs. Jaeger

Mrs. Sylvester

Mrs. Hayes

Mrs. Holman

Mrs. Thorpe

Mrs. Harrison

The speakers were each asked to leave their names and a statement as to group of people she represented, and in what capacity, with the clerk.

The elections committee decided to meet in Ex. Sess. to decide the question. On motion etc.

Eva W. Morse Sec.

Special Executive Board Meeting.

Sat. 10 A.M. Feb. 17, 1917.

Meeting called to order by the President Mrs. Ueland.

Present were Madams

Ueland,	Holmes	Stockwell
Hurd	Trindle	Miss Monahan
Jaeger	Burt	
Thorp	Tomlinson	

Two guests were present from N. Dakota, Mrs. Weible and Mrs. McNeil and Mrs. Torne of the Hennepin Co. Association also came in for a short time.

The President appointed Mrs. Stockwell Sec. pro tem and asked her to read the letter received from Mrs. Catt, calling a meeting at Washington Feb. 23 to 25 inclusive, of the Nat. Council, to consider what the suffrage organization would do in the event of a war with Germany.

Mrs. Torne was called upon to state the action taken by the Henn. Co. Assn.

She stated that they had been

unanimous in voting to work as an association in the event of war. Would spare suffrage work and would offer their headquarters for relief work.

Moved by Mrs. Tomlinson that we stand by Mrs. Catt's propositions, recorded, and discussed at length by each member present.

Moved and recorded that the motion be laid on the table. Carried.

An informal discussion of the legislative situation followed.

Moved by Mrs. Troendle and recorded that the president be sent to the Washington Conference and in the event of her inability to go that Mrs. Stockwell take her place. Carried.

The following resolution was then adopted.

Resolved that the M. W. S. A. express to the Nat. Am. W. S. A. our unwavering loyalty to the cause of peace and our belief that the highest kind of patriotism demands unceasing

efforts to solve international complications by peaceful means. In the event of war, which we devoutly trust may be averted we declare our belief in maintaining our organization and rendering patriotic assistance to our country.

As Mrs. Simpson, the member of the Nat. Council from Minn. is in Missouri and unable to attend the Conference, Miss Marguerite Wells, who is now in the East was chosen to take her place.

Respectfully submitted,
Maud C. Stockwell
Sec. pro tem

April 7, 1917.

The regular meeting of the Ex. Bd. of the M.W.S.A. was called to order by the president, Mrs. Andreas Ueland.

Those present besides the president and secretary were.

Madams	Thorp	Miss
Jaeger	Hurd	Monahan
Fanner	Tomlinson	Harrison
Stockwell	Troendle	Simpson
Bright	Holman	Sylvester

The press chairman, Mrs. Thorp reported that most of her work during the past month had been devoted to the big things being done by Hennepin Co. and to getting advertising under way for the Duluth conference. She had been careful not to commit the suffragists to an attitude on the war. Clear statements had been sent out as to the Board's position on the Suffrage bills before the legislature.

Mrs. Jaeger supplemented the press report with the statement that suffrage articles that she had had translated had been sent to the Scandinavian papers and she asked the Board's advice about paying

for this work.

Mrs. Thorp moved that Mrs. Jaeger use her judgment about paying Mr. Martin on delivery of material. Carried.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$40.38 on hand.

Mrs. Moller, chm. of Cong. Committee said her work in the past month had been devoted principally to the 8th & 3rd districts where she hoped to bring sufficient pressure to influence Miller & Davis to vote for the Nat. Amendment.

Miss Monahan asked if it was worth while to put the Woman's into the library branches and if she might send this paper to individuals when she thought it worth while.

Mrs. Stockwell moved that the chm. of periodicals be instructed to use her judgment in laying out any money she might have on hand. Carried.

Mrs. Jaeger suggested that a new map of suffrage be printed on the reverse side of the out of date maps. It was the sense of the Board that this should be done if they could be issued a reasonable time before school closed.

Mrs. Jaeger announced that Professor Stromberg would speak on Frederica Bremer before the Scandinavian Club.

Mrs. Simpson announced that the Hennepin Co. Association was interested in many activities. The Jeanette Rankin lecture would take place in the near future; the suffrage bazaar had been a success and she hoped \$1000⁰⁰ would be realized. A picnic and another sale of flowers & receptacles would be held two days before Easter. The organization was chiefly working on Red Cross work and gardening and household thrift, with the object of doing work that was not only intrinsically valuable in itself but to ^{also} ~~interest~~ ^{excite} women in suffrage activities who had never shown interest in suffrage.

Mrs. Holman, Chm. of Ramsey Co. reported that the Hall luncheon was a distinct success and was especially good propaganda material - that the Woman's Journal had been placed in doctor's offices and that they were especially concentrating on organization.

Dr. Hard announced the program to be given by the Pol. Equality Club entitled "Catching up with Father". The president spoke of many phases of the work.

The financial situation and the need of wisely retrenching and how this could best be done. She informally presented Mrs. McKnight's resignation as chm. of the finance committee which was accepted on motion of Mrs. H. G. Harrison.

The president presented Mrs. Zonne's name and Mrs. Tomlinson moved that Mrs. Zonne be invited to take the chairmanship of the finance committee. Carried unanimously.

The president spoke of the work in the senate where the Suffrage bill was defeated by a small majority, and gave it as her judgment that the only way to secure favorable action was to see that suffragists were elected to office.

The president announced the Miss. Valley Conference to be held in Columbus May 12 & 13th.

She spoke on the relation of the

State Association to war and asked what position the Board wished to take on the activities that had been made prominent thru the declaration of war.

Mrs. Jaeger moved that the state association ~~move~~ use its best efforts to promote and increase the food supply. Carried.

Dr. Hurd asked that Mrs. Thorpe be instructed to send this motion to the papers as the movement on the part of suffragists to patriotically do their part in supporting the war movement. After some discussion it was agreed to let Mrs. Thorpe present the context to the motion which was accepted as follows:

Believing that the furthering and of the conservation and increasing of the food supply of the country so necessary in this period of stress is the most salient service that can be rendered by women at this time, the following resolution etc.

Mrs. Simpson moved that it be suggested to suffrage organizations thruout the state that if they intend to engage in Red Cross Work to do it as a suffrage unit wherever practical.

Carried 8 ayes 6 noes.

Mrs. Thorpe moved a vote of thanks be extended to the president for her sacrificial devotion to the cause as chairman of the Legislative Committee Carried by a rising vote and clapping of hands.

On motion the meeting adj.

Eva W. Morse Sec.

May 5, 1917

The Board met in regular session in Minneapolis with the president in the chair.

Those present were

Madams.	Ueland	Tomlinson
Sylvester	Bright	Simpson
Kenny	Fulton	Morse
Burt	Troendle	Miss Morahan.
Holman	Fanner	
Severance	Hurd.	

The treasurer reported a balance of \$47.46 on hand.

Mrs. Simpson spoke of the reliability of the Red Cross work that had been done at headquarters, the garden work was a success and both activities had helped greatly in enlisting new members.

Mrs. Holman reported that there did not seem to be an opening for the St Paul Organization to go into the Red Cross Work but that the organization work was being carried on under Mrs. Forrestal and a canvass of ministers and teachers had been undertaken.

The St. Paul Political Equality Club had a unit of ten that was doing Red Cross Work.

Mrs. Jaeger asked if it was the sense of the Board that the Scandinavian Club go on with the Building at the State Fair. The Board approved such a course.

Mrs. McMahon gave a very interesting report of the Duluth conference which she pronounced a great success.

After the conference the president went to Eveleth and Miss Monahan to Virginia and both reported good meetings.

Mrs. McMahon made a little farewell talk in which she advised.

Literature committee to see that there is material in each language.

Automobile tour thru each county
Chataqua's should be provided with speakers.

Carry on circularization
Street meetings
County Fairs.

Mrs. Fulton moved a vote of appreciation for Mrs. McMahon. Carried.
Mrs. Farmer presented the following Resolution which was adopted on motion of Mrs. Farmer.

Letter from Mrs. Catt was read urging that women in industry be cared for at this time of stress.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved a committee be appointed to co-operate with the Committee from the Red Cross Committee to create a proper atmosphere in the camps. Carried.

The president appointed Mrs Burt and Mrs. Sylvester.

A letter from Mrs. Catt was read asking for \$50⁰⁰ for Russian Suffrage. Mrs. Troendle offered to raise that sum.

On motion the meeting adj.
Eva W. Morse
Secretary.

Meeting State Suffrage Board.
 June 2, 1917. - Treasurer's Report.
 April expenses, paid June salaries,
 Hennepin Co. paid to July 1st. Ramsey
 Co. in arrears. Approximately \$1,000
 in the treasury.
 Mrs. Zonne chairman of the finance
 committee.

Notices to be sent thruout the state
 about financial obligations apportionment
 Mrs. Troendle told of endless chain,
 card parties.

Mrs. Harrison moved that we recommend
 starting card parties for suffrage and
 national aid and that cards be prepared
 for it, and the amount paid be limited
 to 50¢ for each player. Carried.

Mrs. Thorpe gave her report. Suggested
 using national material. Decided to
 wait two months as we received one in
 May for nothing.

Hennepin Co. - Red Cross and garden
 work. Lectures by Mrs. Hickok on fruit
 lectures in gardens sent to schools.
 Red Cross boxes sent.

Hennepin Co. will fix three suffrage
 windows to travel through state, Mrs.

Thorp reported.

Mrs. Holman - Ransey Co. sold home cooked food at Fort Snelling Y.M. C.A. beginning with officers, guardsmen's tent to be fed by 42nd district.

Mrs. ~~Stellwach~~ has charge of this tent.

Mrs. Burt reported on social conditions at Fort Snelling. Government taking it in hand - asked to get more information.

Mrs. Jaeger reported about State Fair. They see their way clear to raising the money for the State Fair Building.

Mrs. Heland, Troendle and Kenyon will meet at the Fair Grounds and choose a site. Have Secretary arrange a meeting with Fair Ground Board as soon as possible.

Mrs. Harrison moved the committee be empowered to act. Carried.

Report by Mrs. Moeller on Dr. Effie McCullum Jones. She talked in National Aid and Suffrage, talked in 26 towns, only four of which had been organized before. Reached 9255 people in the state.

\$ 234.45 in cash.

246.25 in pledges.

670 enrollments.

Literature distributed everywhere,
talked to High School Students and in
churches.

At Federation meetings.

Mrs. Heland spoken in New Ulm
and Mrs. Simpsons spoke in Benson
Mrs. Tomlinson at Hastings.

Mrs. Olsen in Aitkin.

Mississippi Valley Conference -
Mrs. Heland's report. Congressional
drive - will call special meetings.
Report of Mrs. McMahon from Maine.
Three organizers want Miss Monahan.

Adj.

Mrs. Burt.

July 7, 1917 - The State Board met in regular session with the President, Mrs. Andreas Ueland, in the chair.

Those present were Madams Ueland
 Havrison Moeller Bright.
 Farmer Stockwell Simpson
 Sylvester Holman Dr. Hurd
 Tomlinson Kenyon Miss Monahan
 Jaeger Troland Mrs. Morse

The treasurer's report showed a balance of 201.62 on hand

As the treasury was low the Board decided to ask the finance committee to consider what was best to do about the \$750 now due the National.

The Press Chairmans reported that she had sent bulletins and the plate work sent out by the National to the country papers.

The president asked the Board if it was willing to contribute to the National Aid thru Mrs. Thorpe by letting her use part of her time in that work. Mrs. Tomlinson moved that the Board grant this privilege to Mrs. Thorpe.

Mrs. Kenyon moved to amend Mrs. Tomlinson's motion by inserting "for one month".

The amendment and amended motion were carried.

On motion of Mrs. Tomlinson the bills presented were allowed.

Mrs. Heland and Jaeger interviewed the State Fair Board and were given to understand that a site would be granted for the Suffrage Building.

The President suggested that this building be known as the Woman Citizen.

On motion of Dr. Hurd this suggestion was adopted.

As the war situation has affected the treasury the president that the Board could not promise more than the amounts individually pledged toward the erection of this building.

The president appointed the following building committee, Jaeger, Troendle, Kenyon & Stockwell.

Mrs. Simpson moved that the \$100 legacy left by Julia B. Nelson be used in this building in some distinctive way as a memorial to Mrs. Nelson. Carried.

The president emphasized the fact that the most important work now in hand was the Congressional Drive for the Federal Amendment.

Miss Marahan would go Mon. to the 8th District and Mrs. Moeller to the 6th to further this work; after which both would go into the 3rd if that seemed wise.

In other districts the work would have to be carried on by Correspondence. As Mrs. Moeller could not continue as chairman of Congressional work Mrs. Holman moved her resignation be accepted. Carried.

Mrs. Stockwell moved the President act as Congressional Chairman. Carried.

Mrs. Harris moved Mrs. Fulton's resignation as chairman of the State Fair Committee be accepted.

with regret. Carried.

The president suggested Mrs. Forestall be named chairman of the Demonstration Committee.

Mrs. Stockwell moved the president's nomination be ratified. Carried.

The president suggested that it was time to consider the program for the next State Convention which would occur the second Fri. & Sat of October.

Mrs. Holman was appointed chairman of the preliminary convention committee.

Mrs. Jaeger moved the chairman appoint a committee to plan the week's work at the State Fair.

Carried.

The president asked the members of the Board to individually state their views of the relation of the Board to the National Party.

On motion the meeting adj.
Eva W. Morse

August 4, 1917. The State Executive Board met in regular session at the home of the President, Mrs. Andreas Ueland.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Those present were

Madams	Ueland.	
Tomlinson,	Thorpe	Simpson
Burt	Kenyon	Stockwell
Harrison	Holman	Miss Monahan
Jaeger.	Troendle	Dr. Hurd
	Morse	

Mrs. Thorpe reported that the press work had been mainly answering derogatory editorials on the suffrage movement because of the picketing in Washington.

Mrs. Thorpe asked the judgment of the Board on plate matter as the sentiment in the state seemed to be largely against doing any suffrage work.

Mrs. Jaeger moved that plate matter be sent to not more than twenty papers. Carried.

Mrs. Thorpe explained her connection with the conservation committee.

Mrs. Stockwell moved that the Board go on record as glad to trust Mrs. Thorpe's judgment in her work. Carried.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$425.61 on hand. The treasurer also reported that at a special meeting of the finance committee arrangements were made whereby the August expenses could be met and two hundred (\$200) be sent to the National, which had been done.

Mrs. Holman reported that St. Paul suffragists would be glad to entertain the state conv. Mrs. Foustall had had most satisfactory experiences in petitioning the St. Paul lawyers.

Miss Monahan spoke of the work in the 8th district on the Congressional Drive. Committees were formed

in all the range towns and plans were made for carrying on the petition work which should be finished by Sep. 15.

Mrs. Jaeger reported that work had begun on the State Fair Building.

Mrs. Burt reported a resolution which the Red Cross in St. Paul were putting into every comfort bag.

Mrs. Burt moved that a copy be sent to Secretary of War, Baker and to the President explaining what had been done with it and that it be used in every way possible. Carried.

The president got a deputation to wait on Resolution Committee of Editorial Association, but they would not present a resolution that was not related to editorial work. A suffrage resolution was presented to the association from the floor and passed with no dissenting vote.

After talking with different

leaders the president decided it was wiser not to present a suffrage resolution to the the State Federation at Faribault as it would surely be voted down.

The president appointed the following state fair committee: Burt, Holman, Kenyon, Tomlinson, Trondle, Stockwell Thorpe & Jaeger.

It was decided to have dedication day for the new Woman's Building the first day of the Fair. If possible Miss Sanford and Professor Frank Nelson were to be engaged to speak.

The President asked each member of the Board to adopt a Congressman and be responsible for his upbringing.

The following were assigned.

Mrs. Simpson	Nelson
Miss Monahan	Miller
Mrs. Kenyon	C. R. Davis
Mrs. Heland	Harold Knutson
" Tomlinson	Von Dyke

Mrs. Troendle
Marguerite Wells

A. J. Volstead.
Frank Kellogg

On motion etc.

Eva W. Morse

Sec.

Sep. 1, 1917.

The regular monthly meeting was called to order in mpls with the president in the chair.

Those present were

Madams:

Ueland	Forestall	Sylvester
Farmer	Holman	Miss Menahan
Stoeckwell	Thorpe	Morse.
Jaeger	Tomlinson	

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$500.24 on hand.

The financial statement for the garden party was not complete but it was estimated that about seven hundred fifty dollars was cleared.

Mrs. Thorpe reported that the plate matter had been sent to the papers in the district of doubtful Congressmen and the material had been quite generally used.

Mrs. Thorpe moved suggested that the same amount of the next plate be sent out.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved that this suggestion

be acted upon and the motion was carried.

The ~~Record~~ Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stockwell, read a letter from Secretary of War, Baker, to the effect that altho he very highly approved of the Resolutions sent him that he felt it would be a duplication of effort to use it.

Miss Monahan reported she had finished six counties in the Third District. Each of these counties has a chairman and working committees in the larger towns.

Mrs. Moeller sent word that each county in the 6th District had its chairman.

Through Mrs. Forestall's efforts the Stationary Engineers of the State in Convention Assembled in St. Paul send a resolution endorsing suffrage to the different Congressmen.

Mrs. Holman reported that Ramsey County Suffragists would serve refreshments to the 2nd Camp at Fort Snelling.

The president read a letter from

Mrs. Catt in which she asked to have the Minnesota Suffrage Convention deferred until later as the National wanted Mrs. ~~Catt~~ McClung and it was feared she couldn't come if the Minnesota convention was held in October.

It was the sense of the Board that the date of the Convention be left to the Convention Committee.

The president called attention to the fact that the State Federation would meet in Mankato the first week in October.

Mrs. Jaeger announced that the Women's Building on the Fair Grounds was finished and wholly satisfactory.

At the dedicatory services on Monday there would be short speeches in the Scandinavian language and that Mrs. Harrison, David Eversen and Mrs. Sanford would also speak.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

Eva W. Moore

Secretary

Oct 5 1917

The regular monthly meeting of the Executive Board of the Minn. W. S. A. was held Sat. Oct 5th 1917 at the Old Capital St Paul - Present Malama Ueland, Harrison, Hurd, Tomlinson, Kenyon, Farmer, Jaeger, Truendle and Forrestal.

The resignation of Mrs Eva W. Morse was presented and accepted with regret. Mrs Forrestal was appointed Sec. to fill out the term.

Mrs Farmer reported the Pol & G. Club elections as follows Pres. Mrs Armstrong Vice Pres. Mrs Graves Mrs Brewster, Mrs Brodie; Treas., Mrs Carling; Sec Mrs Farmer.

Mrs Tomlinson reported deplorable conditions at Ft Snelling - girls enter grounds with liquor concealed on their persons - also reported the non-distribution of Kitchener Pamphlet.

Treas. reported bal. of 115¹³ to Sept 30th

Mrs Ueland reported assessment since National Assn 750

Bills ordered paid for Sept

Report of finances read + approved. Hurd moved that each district stipulate whether or not assessment or pledge sent from dist. includes dues - Carried

Pres. reported 24 countries besides Hen. + Ramsey, organized for Cong. work -

A motion was made that Ch. of Cong. Dist. be made delegates to the Convention - whether Ch. be of Dist. or County. Carried. Constitution be thus amended at Convention.

Later motion to lay on table until next meeting. Carried

Mrs Jaeger reported deficit on bills of W. K. Bldg on Fair Gr. Dr Hurd moved that the Sec. Adv. investigate legal questions involved as to possession of ground etc. and for the disposition of the building after women are enfranchised, and that all questions relating to the building be left to that association. Carried. Mrs Tomlinson moved that

The State Sup. Assoc. assume expense
of boarding up windows in some
permanent manner. carried
Meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted
O. F. Forstall
Sec. for term

Board Meeting Nov 3

The State suffrage Association
board met Saturday morning Nov 3
403 Essex building

Mrs. Nelson suggested patriotic
resolutions - strong ones of appreciation
of the men for the convention.

Treasurer reported fulfillment
of \$30,000 for the year probably raised.

Mrs. Hobbs reported that
St Paul's White Elephant Sale closed
\$1000.

Mrs. Thorp suggested a bulletin
every two weeks.

Mrs. Nelson asks to raise
Miss Hester's salary \$10 per
month.

Mrs. Farmer moved Mrs. Barnard
seconded that we allow Mrs. Thorp
\$50 to go to the National Convention

at Washington

Dr Hurd moved Mrs. Hoverson
seconded that the following be
appointed delegates to the
national convention at Wash D.C.
Mmes. Walter Sharp M. D. Purdy
Julie Flint Wilson H. G. Hoverson
Sarah Cassmore A. E. Gonne, &
Miss Essie Williams

Dr Hurd moved Mrs. Hoverson
seconded that the president be
empowered to appoint the other
delegates

Members Present were

Mmes. Meland Sharp, Farmer
Hoverson, Keigson, Lombardson,
Sylvester, 'Hobbs' Bunt, Dr Hurd

Mrs. Cro' made suggestions about
the elections rules. That a chairman
of elections be appointed and
rules for elections voted on at
the convention only.

Mrs. Johnson read program for
convention in St Paul Dec 16-17-1912

Adjourned

Mrs. Bunt

Sec. pro tempore

Minutes of the 36th Annual Convention held in St Paul at St Paul Hotel Fri. and Sat. Nov. 16 and 17 1917

Friday A.M.

Convention ^{was} called to order by ^{the} president Mrs. A. Heland

Invocation followed by Rev. J. R. Smith. The program was then presented by the chairman Mrs. J. C. Holman of St Paul moved by Mrs. Atwood that the program be made the official order of business. ^{Seconded} Carried. Mrs. J. Grise then read the following Election Rules

- (1) Only accredited delegates vote
 - (2) A delegate may represent but one organization
 - (3) No proxies or alternates shall be allowed
 - (4) The names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be placed on the formal ballot.
 - (5) No name shall appear on the formal ballot until the nominee has accepted.
 - (6) No nomination shall be ^{considered} accepted if the nominee has only one vote
 - (7) No talking in the election room
- Moved and seconded that these rules be adopted. Carried.

The president announced the follow

ing committee

Credentials - Mrs J M Schwartz, Mrs Howard Pillsbury, Miss Nellie Merrill
Elections - Miss Cornelia Lusk, Mrs A. T. Coe, Mrs Glimmer, Mrs Jas. Forrester
Mrs J. H. Taylor, Miss Rank, Agnes Peterson
Resolutions - Mrs Walter Chapin,

Mrs Walter Thorp Mrs Stiles Burr.
The Report of the Cor. Sec was read by
the Secretary moved & sec. that the report be adopted
Carried

The Report of the Treasurer was read by
Mrs Victor H. Trumble

Auditor's Report by Mrs H. A. Tomlinson
Public Auditor's Report

Moved ^{and sec.} that the Treasurer's Report as
audited be accepted Carried

The Chairman of the Press Com ^{Mrs W. Thorp}
his report - Moved & sec. to adopt ^{Carried}

Report of the Chairman of Finance Mrs
A. E. Gonne then given. Moved and
sec. to adopt. Carried

Report of Minn. Member of Nat. Comm.
all Mrs D. F. Simpson reported the
Council Meet. at Washington in Feb.
Moved & sec. to adopt report. Carried

At the request of the president, the Sec-
retary read a proposed Amendment to
the ^{By Laws} Constitution which would stand
as Sec. 5 of Article VI in By Laws
"The Congressional Chairmen of each
Cong. Dist and the Chairman of each
County, shall be entitled to a vote at
any meeting of the organization."

Moved & sec. that the amend. be adopted
Discussion followed during which an
amendment to the amendment was pro-
posed by Mrs Atwood, by striking out
the part referring to County Chairmen

The amendment carried
The original amendment as amended
was then put to vote and carried
It would read - The Congressional Chair-
men of each Congressional Dist shall be
entitled to a vote at any meeting of
this organization.

Report of Ramsey County given by Mrs
John Grise
A Talk on War Service was given by Mrs
C. A. Severance

Report of the Woman Citizens Building
was given by Mrs Jaeger
A War Service Talk was given by Mrs

A. E. Gonne of the Hen Co. Assn.
 Mrs Alfred Bill of Faribault followed
 with a talk on the same subject
 Mrs Eugenia B. Farmer then read a
 paper entitled A Voice From the Crucible
 Was after which she was presented
 with a corsage bouquet of yellow and
 white flowers.

At 12 o'clock the report of the Credentials
 Com. was read by Chairman Mrs Schwab
 Moved and sec. to adopt ^{partial report} carried
 Announcement was given by Mrs Bright that
 she would later introduce an amendment
 regarding dues, members in good standing
 etc.

Report of Welfare League of St Paul read
 by Mrs Bacon

A further report of Cred. Com. was made
 Moved & sec. to adopt - Carried
 Moved & sec. to adjourn - Carried

Friday P.M. Nov. 16

Session opened by singing of the
 Stars Spangled Banner by the audience
 Reading of Minutes followed
 Adoption of Minutes

Report of Mpls. Pol. & G. Club read
 by the Secretary Mrs J. Congdon

Messages were then extended from
 the following organizations

The Woman's Christian Assn. Mrs Jas Paige

" Chris. Temp. U. - Mrs Bessie L. Scoville

" " " " Miss Rosette Hendricks

" Y. W. C. Chris. Assn. Mrs Chas. P. Noyes

" Minn. Fed. W. C. Clubs - Mrs Geo. Allen

The President's Address was then read

by Mrs Ueland

An address "Suffragists in War Time"

followed by Mrs Peter Olson

A Collection was taken amount-

ing to \$28.12

The report of Every Woman's Suffrage

Club of St Paul was given by Mrs W. E. Francis

Report of the St Paul Pol. & G. Club was

given by the president Mrs Armstrong

Mrs M. Almstead reported for the

Excelsior Suffrage Club

The Chairman of Elections Com. Mrs

Lusk reported the results of the

informal ballot as follows -

Pres - Mrs Ueland 166 Mrs Schwab 42 ^{Mrs} King 4

1st Vice - Mrs Noyes 176 Mrs Sudden 7

2nd " - Mrs Harrison 204 Grannis 3

3rd " - Mrs Grannis 196 Colton 2

4th " " Davidson 156 Mrs Lloyd 41

5th Vice P. Mrs Stockton 135 Irvine 31
 Cor Sec. Mrs Stockwell 179 Burt 8, Almstead 31
 Rec Sec. - Guise 159 - Almstead 27
 Treas. " Wendle 183 Zonne 7 Kercher 16
 Aud. " Bennett 195 Armstrong 4
 Directors Burr 168, Holman 164, Severance 163
 Hurd 148, Burt 147, Colton 155, Snyder 143
 Paige 149, Jaeger 62, Bright 50, Killew 46,
 Ball 87, Armstrong 16, Tomlinson 3,
 Sylvestor 16 Bacon 3. Many others
 received one vote -

Moved and sec. that the report be adopted - Carried -
 Moved + sec to adjourn - Carried

Adjournd
 Respectfully Submitted
 Maud C Stockwell

Sat. Nov 17 10 A.M.
 Convention called to order by president
 Minutes of previous session read
 and approved.

Add. Report given by Credentials Com.
 Moved and sec. that report be accepted
 Announcements - Carried

The Report of the 1917 Legislature
 given by Mrs J. C. Sylvestor.
 Moved and sec that report be accepted
 Carried

Several exceptions were ~~afterward~~ ^{then}
 made by Mrs F. Kingsley
 Moved by Mrs Hayes and sec. that the
 Report be ^{adopt} tabled - Carried

An address "Suffrage Gains" was
 given by Mrs Forrestal

Dr F. Schess of St Paul was given per-
 mission to speak in the work being
 done by the W. M. D. Assn of Minn.
 in France and Belgium for the babies
 The Credentials Com. gave an add.
 report. Moved + sec. to adopt. Carried

The Congressional Situation was
 discussed by the following

1st Dist by Mrs Peter Schwarz
 5th " Mrs Milton Purdy

Mrs S. D. McKnight announced that
 the work by Anti Tuberculosis League
 at home and abroad, had been started
 and would be vigorously pushed.

Mrs Brostrom moved that the
 Convention send greetings to the
 older suffrage workers not able to
 be present & Sec. and Carried

Following were suggested
 Mrs Lizzie Cathamwood Austin
 " Julia Lowry "

Mr + Mrs Wm B Reed Lake City
 Mrs Mary E Chute Mpls
 Miss A A Connor "
 Mrs Hannah Eggleston "
 The 6th Dist work was presented by
 Mrs Atwood

A brief report by Crid Com. was adopted
 The 3rd Cong Dist. was reported by Mr.
 C M Stockton of Fairbault.

Mrs T J Winter of Mpls was introduced
 and spoke on "The Government's Plea to
 Women"

President announced that Mrs Nellie Mc
 Clung would speak in even. at Mpls and
 Loyalty Meeting.

Final Report of Crid. Com. made and adopted
 The 9th Cong. Dist. was reported by Mrs
 Chas Moller

The 5th Cong Dist. ... Mrs C C
 Colton of Duluth

Miss Monahan spoke of her work in
 the 3rd and the 8th Cong. Dist.

Mrs Malone of Rochester spoke of the
 suffrage work being carried on there

A message of cheer was extended by
 Mrs R M Pakesmore who has been out in
 the state doing Red Cross work

Dr Hurd announced a meeting of his club
 for Mon. Eve. and made sev. statements
 Mrs Kingsley spoke to a question of
 privilege

Mrs Jaeger spoke for the Scandinavian
 Assn

Chairman of Resolutions Mrs Chapin
 reported the Resolutions which
 were then read separately to permit
 of amendments

Mrs Jaeger wished the res. thank-
 ing the newspapers be modified
 Discussion - Com. retired
 with Mrs Jaeger.

Mrs Oberg spoke to a question of
 privilege - concerning election
 Res. Com. reported

Amend by Mrs Brub to strike out
 "before the Convention" Carried
 Amend. proposed by Dr Hurd

regarding Domestic Science for
 girls of main campus at U.
 and that it be urged as a war measure
 Motion to table this resolution
 (by Mrs Simpson) carried

Moved by Miss Barbour to take
 it from the table Lost

The Elections Comm. reported the following result of the Formal Ballot. Votes cast 234

Pres. Mrs. Ueland 181 Schwarz 94

1st Vice Royce 113 Sundan 36

2nd " Harrison 168

3rd " Grammis 166

4th " Davidson 160

5th " C M Stockton 137 Irvine 34

Rec Sec. J M Quise 154

Cor Sec. Stockwell 144 F. Burton 20

Treas. Proendle 155

And Bennett 163

Directors

Mrs J. B. Holman 146

" Stiles Burr 143

" F B Snyder 141

" C E Severance 137

" C C Colton 120

D N Hurd 120

Mrs Burr 117

" Jas Paige 107

" Gauger 91

" Bright 53

" E. Keller 38

" W C Armstrong 43

Miss Ball 39 Mrs J A Sylvester 40

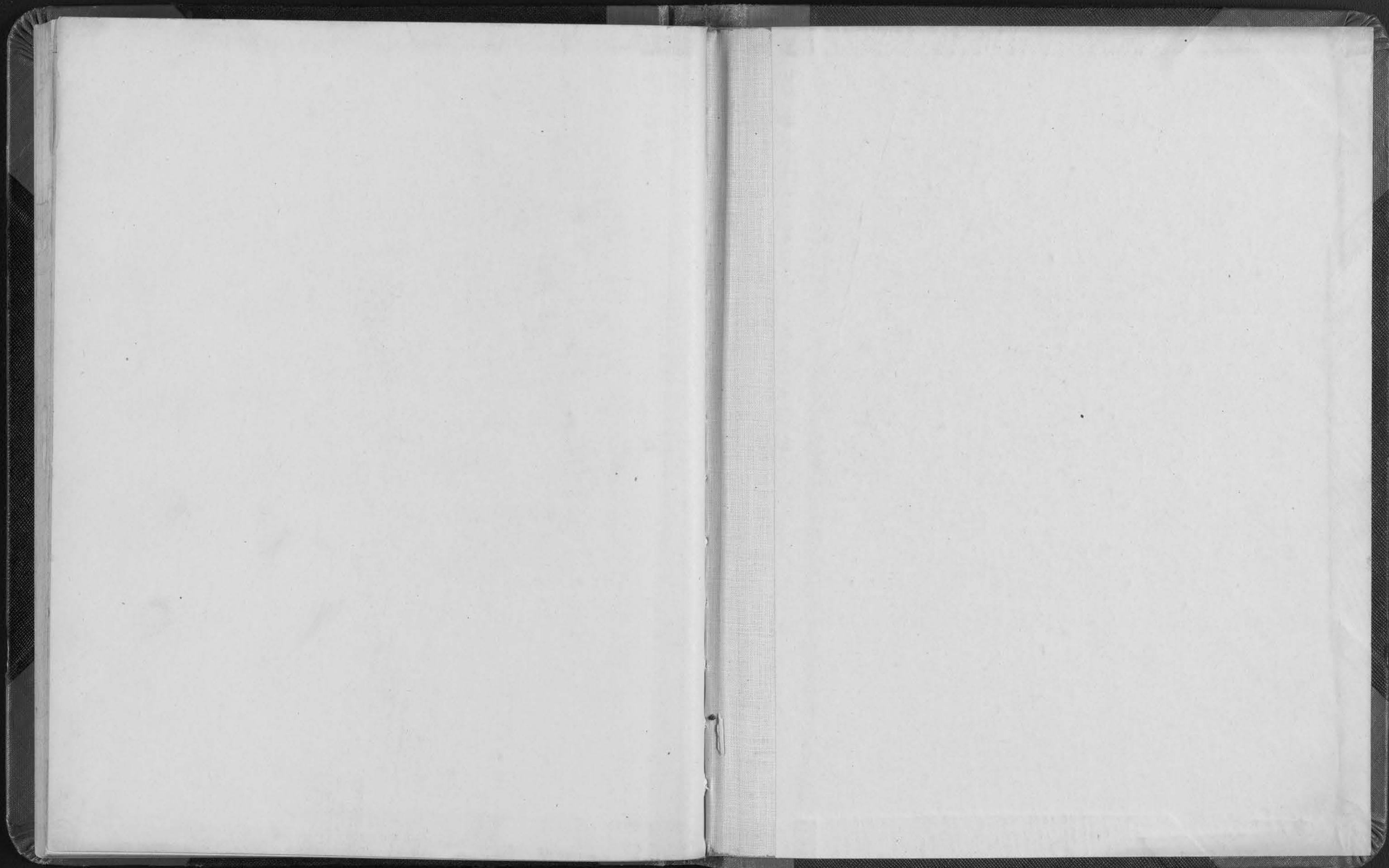
The president called the newly elected members of the board to the platform and presented them to the convention. Moved and sec. to waive the reading of the A M Session carried

President then adjourned the 36th Annual Convention

Maud L. Stockwell

Rec Sec

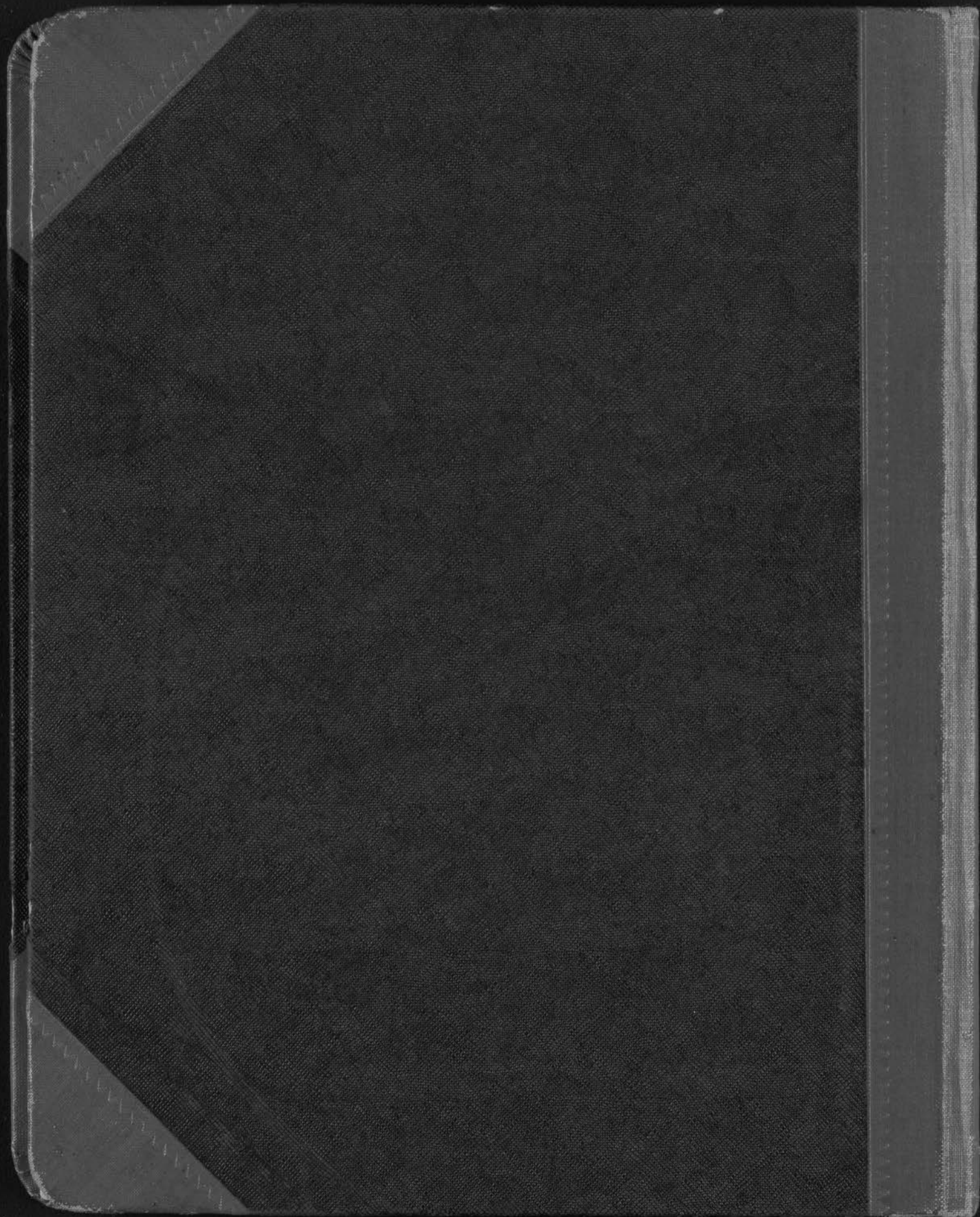
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MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

For Year Commencing October 1, 1916 and Ending September 30, 1917.

RECEIPTS.

Balance as at October 1, 1916.....	\$	94.41
Contributions		
Hennepin County	5,144.50	
Ramsey County	2,735.00	
St. Louis County	305.00	
Legislative Districts	588.83	
Dues from Clubs and Districts.....	231.80	
Julia B. Nelson, Legacy.....	100.00	
State Fair Receipts	38.05	
Conventions and Demonstrations.....	20.81	
Suffrage Garden Party	704.59	
Suffrage Bridge Parties	27.50	
Sundry Receipts, Literature, etc.	62.85	
		\$10,053.34

DISBURSEMENTS.

Dues to National Woman Suffrage Association.....	\$	2,250.00
(\$750.00 sent to National Assn. October 30, 1917).		
Organization: Salaries	\$1,453.34	
Expenses	1,802.97	3,256.31
Press:		
Salaries: Mrs. Thorp	416.50	
Mrs. Farmer	120.00	
Expenses	54.78	
Plate, Photos and Cuts	183.10	
Press Clippings	79.50	853.88
Office:		
Salaries	935.50	
Rent and Light	409.25	
Equipment	150.85	
Multigraphing	18.60	
Postage	298.74	
Telephone and Telegraph	147.25	
Printing	278.00	
Office Supplies	64.02	
Exchange on Checks	1.49	
Petty Expenses	73.82	
		2,377.52
President's Expenses—		
Railroad and Hotel	331.67	
Petty Expenses	11.80	
		343.47
Minnesota State Fair Expenses.....	\$	40.50
Julia B. Nelson Memorial in Woman Citizen Bldg. at State Fair	100.00	
Literature for Propaganda	304.76	
Conventions and Demonstrations	278.07	
Garden Party	104.30	
Miscellaneous	29.40	
Balance at Bank as at September 30, 1917.....	115.13	
		\$10,053.34

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PUBLIC AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that I have verified the items contained in the Cash Receipts and Disbursement Book with the Bank statements for the period of October 1, 1916 to September 30, 1917, and I have pleasure to report that the statement of accounts as presented by your Treasurer, Mrs. Victor H. Troendle, showing a balance in hand of \$115.13 as at October 1, 1917, is a correct record of the funds of your Association.

The accounts were correctly kept by your Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

Minneapolis, Minn.
November 14, 1917.

DAVID T. JONES,
Accountant Auditor.

AMOUNTS RAISED FOR SUFFRAGE IN MINNESOTA DURING THE YEAR Sept. 1, 1916 to Oct. 1, 1917.

MINNESOTA WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSN.....		\$10,507.87
Hennepin County W. S. A.	\$16,224.32	
To State Treasury (Cont. & Dues).....	5,1889.50	
Bal. for county treasury		11,034.82
Welfare League & Ramsey Co. W. S. A.....	\$10,096.05	
To State Treasury	2,865.00	
Bal. for county treasury		7,231.05
St. Louis County W. S. A.	\$ 583.00	
To State Treasury	305.00	
Bal. for county treasury		278.00
St. Paul Political Equality Club.....	\$ 55.98	
To State Treasury	5.50	
Bal. for club treasury		50.48
Mpls. Political Equality Club	\$ 300.00	
To State Treasury	160.00	
Bal. for club treasury		140.00
Winona Political Equality Club	\$ 84.86	
To State Treasury	45.85	
Bal. for club treasury		39.01
Wilkin Co. Suffrage Assn.	\$ 21.00	
To State Treasury	10.50	
Bal. for club treasury		10.50
Scandinavian Women Suffrage Assn.	\$ 1,252.62	
To State Treasury	30.00	
(Not taking into consideration the Women Citizen Bldg.)		
Balance for S. W. S. A. treasury.....		1,222.62
TOTAL		\$30,514.35

CONTRIBUTIONS BY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS.

1st	\$ 2.00	16th	50.92	49th	19.70
2d	42.85	18th	10.00	50th	24.85
3d	12.60	19th	9.00	51st	23.54
4th	57.15	20th	2.25	53d	40.02
5th	5.00	25th	10.85	62d	43.20
7th	25.00	44th	6.00	63d	14.01
8th	7.70	45th	24.65	64th	13.25
11th	24.47	46th	18.10	65th	16.50
13th	20.95	47th	6.00	66th	15.95
14th	41.11			67th	1.21

Oct.1,1917

AMOUNTS RAISED IN MINNESOTA
DURING THE FISCAL YEAR

Minn. W.S.A.....\$ 9,958.93
September..... 548.94

The following outside of what was given
to state

Ramsey Co.& Welfare League...7,231.05
Hennepin Co. 11,034.83
St.Louis Co..... 278.00
St.Paul P.E. Club..... 50.48
Mpls. P.E. Club..... 140.00
Scandinavian Suffrage Assn...1,222.62
Winona.P.E. Club..... 39.01
Breckenridge..... 10.50
\$30,514.36

R E P O R T
O F
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
FROM
OCTOBER 1916 TO OCTOBER 1917.

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

During the past year there have been held alternately in the Twin Cities, twelve regular and two special meetings of the Executive Board of this Association with an average attendance of fourteen members.

Our work has been carried on by standing committees, special committees and by the continuous daily activities of our president and our office secretary.

In addition to these committees, the officers and directors were this year assigned by the president to the following committees:

Social,
Circularization,
Organization,
Finance,
Legislative and
Data.

The state correspondence as shown by the files at headquarters, has increased enormously this year. The activities of our organizers out in the state, in the interest of Legislative and of Federal Amendment work, have been responsible for a generous share of our correspondence and frequently necessitated the calling in of volunteer office workers. The office mail has amounted to over 14,000 letters. Prompt attention to headquarters' letters on the part of state suffragists would greatly facilitate the work of the association.

ORGANIZATION:

We have kept several paid organizers in the field continuously this year. The National called for Mrs. McMahon in May for work in Maine, and as in past years, we yielded to the pressing demands of campaign states and gave our most experienced organizer, first to Maine and then to New York. The other organizers who have served us are Mrs. Charles Moller, Mrs. Forestall, Miss Florence Monahan and Miss Nancy McMahon. We were fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Effie McCullom Jones of Iowa for the month of May. She spoke to approximately 10,000 people, succeeded in securing 670 new members, and raised \$480.00. Dr. Jones spoke of suffrage and war service in 26 towns in Southern Minnesota, often speaking two and three times in one place, and made many enthusiastic friends for suffrage. Mrs. Moller acted as advance agent on this trip, advertising the meetings, securing chairmen for the meetings and entertainment for Dr. Jones. During the sessions of the Legislature when our Bill for Presidential Suffrage was pending, the organizers

were out in the state securing signatures to letters addressed to doubtful senators and representatives. Thousands of these letters were written at headquarters and sent to the organizers who obtained the signatures in the various districts and mailed them to the legislators.

Starting last June, the organizers went into the Congressional Districts where our representatives were doubtful, to secure signatures of prominent men and women to petitions to their Congressmen, urging their support to the Susan B. Anthony Amendment in Congress- and this work is still in progress.

Committees were appointed in at least one town of importance in each county and thus many new workers and sympathizers have been secured.

The office secretary has not only kept pace with the demands made by the organizers, but has registered the results of their work on a state map, showing by means of colored tacks, the towns where suffragists have been set to work.

RESOLUTIONS:

The work of securing resolutions endorsing the Federal Amendment has been successfully handled by our president in the following organizations:-

National Editorial Association,
Minnesota Ass'n. of Stationary Engineers,
Minnesota State Graduate Nurses' Ass'n.,
Women's Christian Temperance Union,
Norwegian-Danish Editorial Ass'n.,
Northern Minnesota Conference of Methodist Episcopal Church,
Brainerd Musical Club,
Minnesota Educational Ass'n.,
The Baptist Ladies' Union of Park Rapids,
The Methodist Ladies' Aid of " "
The Ingleside Study Club of " "
The Woman's Club of Sauk Center.

Ladies Aid of M. E. Church of St. Cloud
The Favored Recipe Club " "

LEGISLATIVE WORK:

Early in the year our most important work was with the Legislature and instead of putting this work into the hands of a chairman, our indefatigable president took charge herself, rallying many women to her assistance and making a splendid campaign for the Presidential Suffrage Bill.

Two hearings were granted other organizations by the legislators and our association participated with logical and brilliant speakers, calling the experienced and convincing Chicago lawyer, Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch, for the Senate hearing.

On the occasion of her visit to the Twin Cities in March, Congresswoman Jeanette Rankin addressed both Houses of the Legislature.

Altho our bill met defeat in the Senate by four votes after successfully passing the House, the work with the legislators was worth while and gave suffrage much publicity.

DULUTH CONFERENCE:

A conference for Northeastern Minnesota was held by our association in the city of Duluth in April. The meetings were well attended and much enthusiasm aroused. The chief speakers were Catherine Waugh McCulloch and Professor Maria Sanford.

WAR ACTIVITIES:

Our association has cooperated with the Woman's Auxiliary Committee of the Public Safety Commission in Red Cross work and Food Conservation. Several of our local associations have opened Red Cross

headquarters, notably the Hennepin County, Faribault Suffrage Club and Martin County Association. Naturally, the war work has interfered with many a suffrage plan and hosts of workers have turned their entire attention to Red Cross work. Believing that suffrage work should not be abandoned, Mrs. Ueland found it necessary to write a special letter "To Those Who Say We Should Not Work For Suffrage Now," and this was sent broadcast thruout the state. It was considered of sufficient merit to be reproduced in our national organ, "The Woman Citizen," and thereupon used by several other state presidents who felt that it met their needs satisfactorily.

CONGRESSIONAL WORK: The association has endeavored to carry out the plans of the National along Congressional lines. Each Congressional District has a ~~at~~ chairman and chairmen have been appointed in many counties. As I have before stated, the petition work and Resolution work have been vigorously pushed by our organizers in doubtful Congressional Districts.

ADDRESSES BY THE
PRESIDENT:

Mrs. Ueland
Our president has spoken to audiences this year in Wabasha, Brainerd, Springfield, Eveleth, Duluth, Willmar, Faribault, Rochester, Mankato, besides addressing many gatherings of various kinds in the Twin Cities.

GARDEN PARTY:

The annual Garden Party at the attractive home of our president was given in August this year, proving as in the past, a success socially and financially, as well as serving a valuable purpose from the publicity standpoint.

THE WOMAN CITIZEN
BUILDING:

A long felt want of the association has this year been filled by the erection on the State Fair grounds of a most attractive and complete building by the Minnesota Scandinavian Association. This Fair home was christened the Woman Citizen Building and formally presented to the State Association on the opening day of the Fair in September, with appropriate exercises. This gift is perhaps best appreciated by the older suffrage workers who for many years have advised the State Fair crowds, along suffrage lines from hot and unimpressive tents but all rejoice in the possession of this charming and convenient new building.

OUT OF STATE
CONFERENCES:

When the special call came last February from Mrs. Catt for the National Council meeting in Washington our association sent Mrs. Ueland to represent Minnesota.

Our state members of the National Council, Mrs. David F. Simpson of Minneapolis, also attended this meeting.

In May the Mississippi Valley Conference which convened in Columbus, Ohio, honored us all by inviting our president, Mrs. Ueland, to preside over its sessions. Our other delegate to this conference was Mrs. Sumner T. McKnight of Minneapolis.

Respectfully submitted,

Maud C. Storchell

May 5-

Was I am considering
chairmanship of Finance
Committee

Report of Finance Committee

Bal. 89,800

Expenditures

\$ 472,54

Total \$ 1520,00

Bal. \$ 47,46

Dr. Effie McCullum Jones
working in Division.
Many discussed

Legislative work - Organiza-
tion of Assn. to push Consti-
tutional Amendments by
Sen. O'Neil

Prent-
Oxlaester
Kenny
Burt
Holman
Severance
Monahan
Ueland
Bright.

Tulter
Troendle
Jaeger
Farmer
Hurd
Tomlinson
Simpson
More

Sentiment of Board that
circularization work be
deferred.

Mrs. Simpson spoke of feasibility
of Red Cross work that had been
done at headquarters - gardening
work a success - this work
helped greatly in enlisting new
members.

Mrs. Holman did not seem opening
for B.C.W. in St. Paul. Organization
going on under Mrs. Forestal,
canvass of school teachers and
ministers

St. Paul Equality Club unit of 10 to
do Red Cross Work.

Mrs. Fulton moved a vote of
appreciation for Mrs. McLeod

Resolved that the State Board
extend a vote of
adopted on motion of
Mrs. Farmer.

Letter from Mrs. Catt urging
that women in industry be
cared for at this time of stress
Tomlinson moved a committee
be appointed to cooperate
with the com from the
Red Cross Com to create a
proper atmosphere in
the Camps. [apt Mrs. Burt
Mrs. Sylvester]

Letter from Mrs. Catt asking
for \$5.00 for Russia's suffrage.
Mrs. Trendle offered to raise
the sum.

Garden Party at Ueland's in June
Sense of Board that the
Scandinavian Club go on with
the Bldg at the State Fair.

McMahon Duluth Conference -
was a success - special
train created fine spirit.

84 at breakfast - meeting in
afternoon well attended -

Soda fountains
delightful reception -

Business meetings

1400 at Banquet
Rained a little more than 40°

President went to Eveleth good meeting
Mrs. Monahan to Virginia

Mrs. McMahon parting advice
Lit. com. that sees there is
material in each lang.

Automobile tour thru ^{up} County

The Chibiquas should be provided
with speakers -

Carry on circularization
Stivers meetings
County Fair

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

Special Meeting of Ex Bd.

Pres. 2³⁰ P.M. Dec. 19-1916

The following members gathered at head quarters on the above date to consider the question of moving headquarters to the ground floor, as proposed by the H. Co. Assn.

Assn. ^{deland} Madams, Kinyon, Bright, Burt, Jaeger, Holman, Draville, Pomlinson, Fulton, Thorp and Stockwell

There had been a meeting of the Committee appointed to go over the matter, with two members of H. Co. Assn., previous to the special meeting, and the Committee reported the results of their deliberations.

After considerable discussion, it was voted not to leave the present headquarters, and to send several suggestions to the H. Co. Assn. regarding future plans -

One suggestion was that one store be taken for the meetings and the publicity that the decorated windows would give, while the office work should be conducted in present headquarters, with additional office rooms. Another, that the office be moved to new quarters, and meetings carried on as at present at 404⁵⁺⁶ Essex Bldg -

Some of the Board members considered that a separation of the two associations would be unfortunate, others felt that it would ~~was~~ ^{mean} expansion and be ~~indicative~~ ^{indicative} of growth

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*The meeting adjourned to inspect
the proposed new locations of the
Hum. Co. Assn.*

*Respectfully Submitted
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