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Ans. Feb 27, 1909.

*King Edward Hotel
 Toronto Ont*

February 15/09

Dear Miss Clay

*Will you kindly suggest
 the name of some one to represent
 your state on the National Church
 Work Committee, of which I have
 recently accepted the chairmanship?
 I am very enthusiastic about
 the work and think a great deal
 can be done along that line to
 advance our cause.
 Mrs. Geo. Howard Lewis has
 consented to represent New York
 State. In together, intermed most
 of the Clergymen of Buffalo, and
 I have material sufficient to
 publish soon a leaflet of "The Opinions
 of Leading Buffalo Clergymen on
 Woman Suffrage".
 I have a circular letter now at the
 printers which when finished we
 intend to send to the state members
 for them to distribute among the
 clergymen in their states.*

and we hope in time to have - at least a leaflet
for every state and if possible one also for all
the large cities

I am detained in Canada - at the present
time - with my husband - who has business here
but I am using my time to good advantage
in helping the Toronto Suffrage Club - to stir up
the churches here - so far within three weeks
I have - been most successful - and have
attended the following meetings
One Sunday evening I addressed a peoples
religious meeting in the opera house where
2500 people were assembled - taking for my
subject "Christian Citizenship" - and showing
that the power of the Church would be more
than doubled - if the women with the Ballot
could assist the few men who now represent
the churches in Temperance and other
reform - in our cities -

I have spoken at the Local Council of women
at the Peoples Forum in the Congregational
Church - at two other Club meetings
at a suffrage meeting in the Theatre of the
Normal College - and - am to address the
Ministers Association (which includes all
denominations) next Monday a.m. also at
prayer meeting in a Baptist Church on
Wednesday evening - On Sat. Mr. Craigie
and I are invited to dinner at the house
of a Lady who lives in one of the suburbs
She has invited five local Clergymen to
meet us - and - after the dinner there is to
be a Union meeting in one of the churches - to
discuss the subject "Would the extension of the
Suffrage to women give us a higher standard
of Christian Citizenship?" There seems to be great
enthusiasm here in Toronto over this phase of the
work and I am greatly encouraged -! Hoping to have
a good live - energetic member on the Committee from
Kentucky. I am with sincere esteem Yours cordially Mary E. Craigie

Lexington, Ky. Feb. 15, 1909.

Mrs. Mary Cecil Cantrill,

Georgetown, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Cantrill,

Your postal of the 12th at hand. Mrs. Clay asked me write and say that she doesn't know when the next meeting of the Equal Rights Association will be, but I telephoned to Miss Linda Neville, the President of the Association, and she will let you know just as soon as the date is decided by the Committee.

I am enclosing some Petitions which Mrs. Clay thinks you might be interested in circulating, and under another cover I am sending you some leaflets.

The Woman's Journal, published at No. 6 Beacon St. Boston, Mass., is the best paper now published on woman suffrage.

Yours respectfully,

Stenographer.

Phoenix, Arl.

Febr. 16th, 1909.

My dear Mrs. Munds,

I am deeply disappointed that you did not come to Phoenix yesterday, as our business is coming on us with a rush, now that the lower house of Congress has passed the Statehood bill. In sixty days after the bill passes the Senate the members of the Constitutional Convention must be elected. Our proposed plan was to pledge these members before the election, and now we must not lose a day, for time is all too short as it is. I have received letters Washington which are important, but too long for me to copy and which I cannot send, because we need them here. The purport of them is that there is nothing to fear in passing a suffrage bill that it will injure the chances of statehood; that it is possible to gain secure the influence we wish to prevent Kibbey's vetoing a bill if we should get one passed.

Yesterday we got Mrs. Phillips to go to Mr. Peelf and ask him to offer as an amendment to Hampton's Educational Qualification Bill the omission of the word "male"; but he declined to do it, because he said that was too important a bill for the purification of politics to tamper with. In view of the passage by one house of Congress of the Statehood bill we feel we must call out Committee to geth and take steps for work in the territory at once. I shall accordingly call a meeting for this afternoon, in which I shall ask the following questions:

What shall be the name of the Committee.

Shall we use Membership Enrollment cards?

Shall Miss Gregg be the Headquarters secretary?

I send a sheet on which we have written out proposed headings for our official stationery. If there is any in all this which you disapprove, wire immediately. Otherwise we shall take your consent for granted. I wish you could come by the next train.

I give a word of explanation why we propose to put Miss Gregg's name as secretary. If it be the wish of the Arizona suffragists, it is our expectation that the National W.A.A. will assist in the campaign by supplying Miss Gregg as an organizer and in that case she will probably be here before and during the Constitutional Convention. She ought to have an official position on the stationery and residence for that length of time will make her a legal resident of the territory. This is the way they placed Mrs. Boyer's name on the stationery in Oklahoma.

Miss Gregg wants you to send her at once all the names of the persons with whom you have been corresponding all over the territory, as she wants to begin work on making her route; also of all persons whom you know to be suffragists.

Let me hear from you promptly.

Cordially yours,

[Feb 16, 1909]

This is the way we propose the official stationery shall appear.

Arizona Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee.

Mrs. Frances B. Munds, Prescott.

Mrs. O'Neill, Phoenix.

Mrs. E. W. Otis, Prescott.

Mrs. Katherine Akers, Tucson.

Mrs. W. C. Fox, Prescott.

Mrs. Hall

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Mrs. Phillips, Phoenix.

Headquarters Secretary, Miss Laura Gregg, Phoenix.

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DAILY STAR BLDG.
TUCSON, ARIZ.

Tucson, Arizona, Feb. 16, 1909.

Mrs. Frances Munds,
Prescott, Arizona.

My dear Mrs. Munds:

On receipt of your last, I set about to secure the information desired. Col. Wm: Herring lives in Tucson, and he is with us. I think he can control the vote of Moore and Dean from this county and he might likewise have a good effect upon Hogwood. Be sure to write him and have others do so as he appreciates being consulted.

It appears that the bill amending the election for fixing an educational qualification will go through, and as soon as it becomes a law, I think it would be well to have it amended inserting the words "without regard to sex", but by no means should there be any attempt made to introduce them in the present bill. We want the educational qualifications to go through, because this will eliminate the strong element which opposes both suffrage and temperance.

It also appears at this writing, that the Pace majority Local Option Bill will pass. This is also important, as we will have little difficulty, in my judgment, in making both Phoenix and Tucson dry; so if we can get the "educational qualifications" and the Pace Bill, on the statute books, we will have made great strides towards suffrage and prohibition.

I talked with Mrs. Akers over the 'phone. She says she has written to Miss Clay relative to the suffrage movement. She is neither aggressive nor active in the work, but believes in its principles.

By all means do not show your hand on the suffrage question until we get these other bills out of the way. Let me know as soon as you can, all the members who favor the bill in both houses, and those who oppose it, and the non-committal; then I think I can be of considerable service to you on that line. I think I can at least neutralize Mr. Finley's opposition, and might possibly get him with us. Keep us informed of progress, and anything we can do to assist, command me.

Yours very truly,

L. C. Hughes

Prescott, Ariz.

Feb 17, 1909

My dear Miss Clay:-

I see by the paper this morning that the Pace bill has passed the House and now is our time to do something. I am writing to St. Charles by this same mail to go to the Local Option people in the House and demand their vote on the Suffrage bill in return for their support of the Pace bill in the Council. I don't want him to menace the Pace bill, for I certainly do not wish to see it become a

law; but consider that we
have a right to demand
their support on the Suffrage
Bill. I do wish I were in
Phoenix at this moment,
but I cannot possibly
leave now, for my sister-in-
law is away visiting with
her daughter-in-law, and
I cannot leave things now.

As I have thought things
over this morning, it seems
to me that the thing to do,
is to have St Charles
pass our bill through the
Council and hold the
House till until the House
passes the Suffrage Bill.
He will do this if you
go after him right.
I enclose a copy of the

bill introduced ^[Feb 17, 1909] before. It
seems faulty in its
wording, but is copied
word for word. You can
take it to O'Neill and
Mr. Clark and see if
the wording is correct. We
had it passed upon
before, and they all said
it was ~~not~~ all right. I will
take it to a lawyer or
two before I send it to you
and ask for their advice.

Now copy this bill nearly,
I had to do it so hurriedly
that I made several mis-

Take, and take it to St
Charles and tell him to
introduce it in the Council
Monday morning. I will write
by this mail to Gov. Tyler
to produce Finley's vote.
I tell you Mr Clay, I am
convinced now that this
is the only way we can
ever pass this bill. Keep
at St Charles, and you
can make him do as
I have directed. Of course
if this method does not
succeed with your approval
then I must say good by
I know of no other way to pass
this bill at this session.

Farewell,

Frederic N. Mendenhall

Liberty Ky
Feb 17 1909

Miss Laura Clay,
Lexington Ky

Dear Miss Clay:
Please send us
about one dozen
petition blanks
on Woman Suffrage
also leaflets on
same.

Please state
if time is
limited in
getting these

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papers in

Very respectfully,
Mrs Edna Wilkinson,
Pres. W.C.T.U.

Liberty, Ky.

Phoenix, Ari.

Febr. 17th, 1909.

Mrs. D. C. Hughes,

Tucson, Ari.

Dear Madam,

You have learned through Mrs. J. L. Munds that Miss Laura Gregg and I are in the Territory to assist, on the part of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, in the efforts of the Arizona women to secure suffrage in the Constitution of the new state when it is admitted. We have been in Phoenix long enough to form some plans for organizing, after consultation with Mrs. Munds and other suffrage friends. As the former suffrage association had lapsed Mrs. Munds thinks a new start should be made, and a Committee formed to direct the movement. This Committee is called the Arizona Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee, and consists at present of ten members, namely: Mrs. Frances W. Munds, Prescott, Mrs. Katherine B. Akers, Tucson, Mrs. T. E. Otis, Prescott, Mrs. Harriet A. Fox, Prescott, Mrs. Pauline M. O'Neill, Phoenix, Mrs. Mary E. McCormick, Phoenix, Mrs. Hall, Yavapai County, (wife of member of legislature), Mrs. E. St. Charles, Kingman, Mrs. Rebecca C. Phillips, Phoenix, and Miss Laura Gregg, Headquarters Secretary, Phoenix.

It is the Committee's plan to proceed to organizing as rapidly as possible; and it intends to print its official stationery with the names of the Committee, and to get out membership cards for the names of those who will organize for work till the Constitutional Convention.

My purpose in writing this letter is to ask if you will help this suffrage effort by giving your name to be added to this central Com

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Committee. Your long record of devotion to equal suffrage encourages me to believe you will do so; and I find that former co-workers of yours are depending on you to do so.

The Washington news of the progress of the Statehood bill is so encouraging that all feel that dispatch must be used in getting to work; and as the Committee wishes to print its stationery at once, I request that you will kindly telegraph your reply, whether we may add your name to the Committee or not. My address is Adams Hotel, Phoenix, Ari.

I shall be much gratified to receive a letter from you, giving such suggestions for further work as may occur to you from your knowledge of the Territory, and your experience in suffrage work.

I am

Very sincerely yours,

Lexington, Ky. Feb. 17, 1909.

Mrs. Virginia Franceway,

Madisonville, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Franceway,

Your letter of the 14th at hand. I am sending you, under separate cover, a number of petitions with the instructions and also some copies of the 1909 newsletter.

At present Miss Laura Clay is in Arizona, but her sister Mrs. Mary B. Clay is staying in Lexington to attend to the petition work, and any information you may desire about the work can be obtained from her.

If you need any more petitions address Mrs. Clay at 189 North Hill St. Lexington Ky.

Yours respectfully,

Stenographer.

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In case the Statehood Bill does not pass before March 4th, the situation would be somewhat changed. In that case, seeing how many calls the members of the Constitutional Convention must be selected within we have for money. I would not at this writing propose anything more than sixty days after the Statehood Bill passes both Houses, that Miss Gregg should be detailed here till the Seattle convention, to time I should live the official board my view of what should be to set an organization on foot sufficiently strong to guard the suffrage here.

work that none of them are in any way prepared to take hold. If we can get We shall work along organizing lines till the Official Board can air to the bill in with any hope of its passage. We will use every opportunity. circumstances indicate some other line. Miss Gress has rented this machine, so, myself shall not leave Phoenix till Congress has definitely settled. Of course, if we should get such a bill every thing would be fair acquaintance with the members of the Legislature before leaving. Phoenix is easy sailing after that. I have not much hope, though. Next, what shall for any cause, as many of them will doubtless be candidates for the Convention if Statehood is granted before March 4th. In that case, the Constitutional Convention, and a knowledge of their views will have to be made at some time. I am working to elect our friends and defeat our

I received your letter about New Mexico; and accepted the charge of doing
opponents, as has been done in Oklahoma. All work would be done
looking after the situation there as far as possible. Miss Green wrote
by May 4th, at latest. In the case of its passage before March 1st
will undertake to remain here and help all I can. I believe I could do

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because they have not the means to live elsewhere. This means that any attempt to raise any material part of the expenses would be valuable out and organize. I would do any work, though, to help to the best advantage; and, unless something unforeseen should occur, the Official Board could depend upon my remaining here that length of time, if they desire me to do so. In any case, we shall need a type-writing machine and a stenographer. I would advise the purchase of an Underwood; and suppose we could get one for \$75.00 and advertising in progress. Give an answer to this point at once, so we could get the hire of this machine put into the payment of the purchase price. I do not know what a stenographer would cost; but I do know that prices here are higher than any place I have ever visited; and a liberal estimate must be made for the expense account. Miss Gregg will write what trouble she has had to find board; railroad fares are 6 cents a mile; and other expenses are in the same ratio. Personally, I shall contribute something to my own board, without regard to what it actually costs; but other workers could not be expected to do so. I have taken it for granted that Miss Gregg will be detailed here under the supposed circumstances. As the campaign would only be for sixty days, other organizers would be very desirable. Whether they can be supplied or not must be decided at your end of the line. From inquiries I have made, it seems impossible to expect to find any Arizona woman to do field work. Even the W.C.T.U. cannot find them. It is barely possible we might find a man or two, as Miss Gordon suggests; and their help would be very valuable in the rough mining districts. Again, the people here are poor. Many have come for their health; and all others are here on account of the necessity of making a living, and will undertake to remain here and help all I can. I believe I could do

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immediately to Mrs. Bolles, asking her to telegraph if she still thought there was a chance to pass a bill; and telling her in that case to go to Santa Fe, where the National would pay her expenses while there and en route. She sent the letter both to Santa Fe and to Lumberton; and there seems ample time to have heard by telegraph; but nothing has come. Mrs. Bolles was also promised that either Miss Gregg or I would probably go to Santa Fe to help her. I suppose we need not now expect anything in that direction.

I note what you say about Mrs. Olympia Brown's request for a loan. I have not had a financial statement since the convention, and do not feel competent to say whether we ought to make the loan. I would rather make it for some other work than getting a petition; but as I believe we have not assisted Wisconsin for many years, I would be as favorable in my consideration as possible. But I do not feel justified in casting a vote on the information I have received.

I am glad to know times are so lively for us in the East. New signs of hope seem constantly to appear; O, that we could have some decisive victory!

Cordially yours,

If you can do so conveniently, have this letter copied and sent to all the Official Board.

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Guthrie, Okla.,
Feb. 18th 1909.

My Dear Massie:-

Am fairly wallowing in the
Slough of Despond, but in a day or two I shall
put on stilts and wade out. The Senate
voted on our Bill yesterday. Vote stood
15 for; 21 against; absent 7; dead 1.
Of the absentees 5 were pledged to us (one having
signed our Committee report) and the dead Senator
Johnson was our friend.

We have had hard experiences all along in the
Senate and the hardest blow was when the
author of our Bill, Senator Yeager, was nearly
asphyxiated by gas. His removal to the hospital
weakened us. His first appearance was at the
session during which our Bill was debated.
He had the usual insulting references to
the ignorance of women demanding the ballot.
Senator Roddie resorted to such terms as
"de-natured women", "he-women" pedestals
etc. This same gentleman has been
indicted for embezzlement, and I think
these indictments are pending at present
though I am not sure. He also believed

a woman's place is at home though his wife held a job during the legislature last year helping him support the family.

We held our House Hearing last Tuesday. It is my impression there will be an attempt to hold the bill in this Committee as it is known that we have more than a majority vote in the House since the Republicans caucused to vote solidly for us.

Of course it means that future work must be under the Initiative petition. This the Socialists are prepared to inaugurate and carry on an Independent Campaign. I cannot help but feel that such a campaign would forever link woman suffrage with socialism and preclude any help from our friends in Republican and Democratic ranks. Besides it would be quoted against us in every state in which we attempt future work. The Socialist recognize this also, and as they are earnestly hoping to win, they are willing to co-operate with us. We are assured of the assistance of the Federation of Labor, the M. C. T. U., and the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers and Trainmen, in securing the 40,000 signatures necessary. I feel that the National has been more than generous in its aid to Oklahoma so I do not intend to urge a continuance

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of the work here. It resolves itself into this position. Shall we abandon the field to the Socialists? - The point to be considered is not merely the loss or gain of Oklahoma, but the advertisement and association of woman suffrage as a socialistic movement. That means that woman suffrage will naturally alienate its friends in Republican and Democratic parties all over the United States. Up to this time we have been able to control and keep subordinate the Socialist aims. The reason has been chiefly that the State Secretary Mr Braustetter is such a loyal suffragist. He has unselfishly worked for us and kept the Socialist organization in the back-ground.

It looks to me as though we have more to consider in Oklahoma than the question of winning a campaign, but we have to protect our Woman Suffrage organizations in all states from the incubus of socialist identity.

My love to you and your Father.

P.S.

Wesley and I have formed an alliance.

Travelling

Penney

[Feb 19, 1909]

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Suffragist. Kingman

Mohave Co. Miner.

Mrs. Howard Matthews
Bank & Drug Store. Kingman.

Prof Matthew - Supr
Normal School

Mr. Scuttars
Tempe
Both suffragists

Mrs. McCracken
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Feb 19, 1909

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Boston Feb 19

My dear Miss Clay

I have just received the letter of Miss Eddy of Bristolbury R.D. in regard to Mrs Bolles going to work in the Legislature of New Mexico.

From what I can remember of Mrs Bolles she is an old woman, very New England in her manners and not one who could do the kind of work which needs to be done with politeness. I feel the money would be

wasted if spent on her.

In fact there is none
in attempting to organize
New Mexico with its pres-
ent population, and no
use in attempting to do
any thing with the Legislature
if the Governor is opposed
or the leading state boss is
opposed. My idea is that
if either you or Miss Gregg
could be spared from
Arizona to go to Santa
Fe and see the few lead-
ing men and if there
is any chance then
if you think it wise
send for Mrs Bolles it
might be all right. But
I personally do not

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Think she would be very effective in influencing legislators.

Mrs Eddy says she will give \$50. if I say so but I wrote her I would consult with you and let her know what you said about it.

If you think it wise to have her do not wait to hear from me again and if you or Laura think of going to Santa Fe do not wait for the Legislature

sits only a short time longer,
Whatever is done will have
to be done promptly.

Only I think we must not
use the money for Mrs
Bolls unless there is need
of it.

Mrs Avery has written
me of the work done
in Washington. So far
as I see the bill leaves the
convention free to put
W. S. in the new Constitu-
tions and it is better to
make the fight there than
to try to get the bill changed
in Washington to get women
to vote on the convention
candidates. The work to
be done in both ^{territories} states is

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to get good candidates for
 the Constitutional Convention
 favorable to W. S. in the
 Constitution!

Mr Avery says every
 one of the men in Wash-
 ington said W. S. in the
 Constitution would not in
 the least injure the chances
 for Stetson, so you have
 that to go on.

We had a good hearing
 in Maine Wednesday,
 on Tuesday comes Mass
 hearing and on Wednesday
 next N. York, I am

pushing at such a rate that
I have to bind my head
at night so that the throbbing
will let me sleep. It is
hard work but oh such
a pledge of our growing
popularity and the progress
of our cause.

I hope you can read
this scratching but I have
such a lot of letters to
write today that I am
scratching as fast as I
can go.

I am anxious to know
how you are progressing
in Arizona

Please remember me in
love to Miss Peggy

Faithfully

Anna H. Shaw

Prescott Arizona, Feb. 191000.

My Dear Miss Clay:-

I had just finished writing to you yesterday when I received your letter and so I did not reply last night. Your plan as to organizing meets with my approval, and I will help you in every way possible. I cannot write out the list of the suffragists tonight for I haven't time, but will send them as soon as possible. I think it will be best for Miss Gregg to go South from Phoenix, and then come back and go on North. She can go direct to Gov. Hughes and Col. Herring at Tucson, and then there is the Mormon Settlement at Thatcher and adjacent country. She would have to get her route from them as she could. The only places I could direct her to would be Globe, Thatcher Tucson and Tombstone. I should say to go to Tucson and from there get her route to other southern towns. Mr. Hughes and Col. Herring will

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give her names and help her all ~~the~~^{that} can and I will give her the names of ~~all~~ I have. Dr. Woods did not succeed in organizing ~~any~~^{anywhere} in the South except among the Mormons, but I think a number more places can be organized. I will try and fix the list tomorrow. We will not get statehood until the extra session that Taft calls, in which case our present Democratic Delegate will retire from office and the Republican Delegate will take his seat, in spite of what Mr. Clark told us to the contrary. I asked some one who knows, and he tells me that it will be as I have written you, so it is safe to say that we will have statehood at the next short session.

I am anxious to know what you think can be done with our bill next week. If we can make St Charles work it will be plain sailing for us. I will come down as soon as I can get away if we decide to introduce our bill.

Go ahead with your Committee work just as you find easiest and think best, and all you do will be satisfactory with me.

Faithfully,

Frederic W. Woods

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DEAR MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE:-

I am enclosing a little folder which I got up for Miss Penfield. We had nothing in the way of advertising for her, and as she has been in need of something ever since she started her work for the National, it seemed best to go ahead and get out something without taking any time to consult anybody about it.

It has occurred to me that it might be helpful to you in future deliberations about Oklahoma to have at hand a copy of the Initiative & Referendum Law in that State. I therefore take the liberty of enclosing such copy herewith. A careful reading of it will furnish the replies to the questions raised by Miss Gordon's recent letter.

Yours very truly

Elizabeth J. Hansen

Office Secretary

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L. C. HUGHES
DAILY STAR BLDG.
TUCSON, ARIZ.

Tucson, Arizona, Feb. 19, 1909.

Mrs Frances Munds,
Prescott, Ariz.

My dear Mrs. Munds:

I just received yours of the 17th, and I will learn in regard to Mr. Finley as soon as I can. I think we will be able to at least neutralize his influence.

I do hope you will not introduce the suffrage bill until after the educational qualification bill has been signed by the Governor, I likewise the Pace bill. With these two bills on our statute books the fight for suffrage is half won, then we will all join ~~you~~ in the work of getting an amendment to the educational qualification bill by inserting a line or two, then if the suffrage amendment fails to pass, we have the educational bill on the statute books just the same. You can appreciate the advantage this will give the suffrage workers. See how monstrous and unjust the proposition would be to make the educational qualification bill- which is alright - for men only and compel Arizona womanhood to remain politically on the same plane with the ignorant class of the territory.

Send me a list at your earliest convenience of those for and against suffrage, as requested in my last letter.

Most sincerely yours,

L C Hughes

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Copy of a portion of a letter received from Mrs. Ellen M. Bolles.

Lumberton, New Mexico,

Feb. 1, 1909.

My dear Miss Eddy:-

I am keeping house in Lumberton but am alone at present as my son has gone to Cimarron, 300 miles by rail, from here. I shall probably move there in the spring.

I have been corresponding with Rev. Anna Shaw recently in regard to my being sent by the N.A.W.S.A. to Santa Fe to work for a woman suffrage bill in the legislature this winter.... The matter was under consideration in the business committee for a good while but it was finally decided that they could not afford to spend the money here at the time.

I am sorry about this decision for I believe now is the time to work in this legislature before statehood is given the territory. I am willing to do the work if others can pay the bills I couldn't do that. If I had \$200. or even \$150. I would go to Santa Fe and spend two months there and work for a woman suffrage bill this winter. The legislature has been in session two weeks. I ought to be there as soon as possible now, by the middle of February at least. I have found so much woman suffrage sentiment here, among Mexicans as well as our own people, that I feel there would be a good show to secure a woman suffrage bill if it were pushed at this time.

Under the circumstances I have decided to appeal to some of the woman suffragists of means to contribute money to help this work. You have always been so generous and had the cause so much at

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heart that I thought best to lay the matter before you hoping you may feel inclined to help bring in a new woman suffrage state to the Union.

I would suggest that it might be best to send any contribution you may care to make to Miss Shaw, though if you preferred to send direct to me I should give an account of it to her immediately. In case there is not a sufficient amount contributed I would return whatever I received to the donors.

My health which was very poor when I came here, is much better, though I am not any too strong yet.

Hoping this may find you at home and in good health, I am

Yours sincerely,
(signed) Ellen M. Bolles.

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Swarthmore, Pa.,
Feb. 19, 1909.

Dear Friend:-

Some time ago I sent you a letter about the Susan B. Anthony Fund, to ascertain what work your state would do in regard to it. Not having heard from you of course I do not know positively whether you received the letter, but am hoping that it reached you and has met with your consideration.

I enclose herewith several copies of the appeal to professional women, issued by the Fund Committee. This appeal is intended to accompany the coin cards and to be sent to professional women who, we have reason to think, are interested in woman suffrage, or at least awake to its importance.

In doing my work as Chairman of the Sixteenth Amendment Petition Committee for Pennsylvania, by asking the signers to indicate their professions, I am securing a good deal of information about the people who believe in suffrage in this state, and will have a list of suffragists classified according to their employments. I trust that in your state the Petition Committee is going to keep a list of the signers to the petition for future suffrage work, and that you can make use of this list for the Fund.

I shall be glad to hear from you in regard to the matter, particularly as to whether you think you would find this circular useful; or, if you cannot secure helpers in your state ~~work~~ to work there for the Fund, could you send me a list of names indicating whether they are professional women or self-supporting women in other lines, or what you think the line of approach to their hearts and pocket-books would be.

Hoping to hear from you very soon in regard to the matter,
I remain

Cordially yours,

Encl.

Rachel Foster Avery.

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Swathmore, Pa., Feb. 13, 1909

Dear Member of Business Committee:

This is a supplementary report on Arizona:

Yesterday I went to see Mr. Anthony but having been delayed by things which seemed to me of very great importance at the Headquarters, I missed him in the committee room and evidently he did not attend yesterday's session.

I therefore wrote him, asking him that he send to me here the information which he had kindly offered to secure as to the attitude on our question of two of the members of the Committee on Territories of the House.

I asked him also whether in his opinion there was any probability of our being able to secure any statement from either Mr. Roosevelt or Taft which would prevent Gov. Kibbey from vetoing a suffrage bill if passed by Arizona's present legislature.

I then had an interview with Senator Beveridge, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories and he gave me a letter, of which the enclosed is a copy. I sent the original to Miss Clay as it was given for any use we might wish to make of it.

Senator Beveridge seemed quite disposed to talk about the suffrage question and said that while he had formerly been against woman suffrage an address which he had heard made by Miss Shaw had converted him and that he now stood strongly for us. He said he also wished the suffragists to know his attitude in regard to Arizona and New Mexico and felt very strongly against the admission of these two territories at the present ~~time~~ juncture because of the reason of the pressure for their admission was the greed of a number of men who would reap important financial benefit from their admission. He himself offered the women suffragists a time at any hearing which might take place before his committee in case the Senate took up the consideration of the Arizona Statehood Bill, but expressed his opinion very strongly that with the pressure of other business in the Senate (chiefly the necessary appropriation bills) there is small likelihood of the matter being considered at this session. I wrote Miss Shaw briefly yesterday after this interview so that in case she thought best to take any vote on the subject she could have the data in hand today. I thought it best, however to send directly to each member of the committee a little fuller information as to the result of my second day at Washington.

Cordially yours,

Rachel Foster Avery

If you would like to use the enclosed sheets as a leaflet with members of your Legislature, we can supply your society with them at cost of paper and press work - 25 cents a hundred, & postage -

(Immediate and Personal)

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Office Presidential Woman Suffrage Committee

6 Beacon Street, Room 1018

Dear Miss Clay

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 19, 1908

DEAR FRIEND:

(over)

As the State Legislatures will soon meet for the first time since the Presidential election, permit me to ask your attention to the importance of immediately petitioning your Legislature for a change in its election laws so as to enable women to help appoint the Presidential electors.

Under the U. S. Constitution, as interpreted by the U. S. Supreme Court, every State Legislature has the "plenary and exclusive" right to regulate the Presidential suffrage, limited only by the 15th Amendment. Every State but five has limited its State and municipal suffrage to male citizens. To remove this sex limitation will require a change of Constitution by legislative enactment, ratified afterwards by a majority of the male voters. Experience has shown the extreme difficulty of securing such a majority at the polls, the vote being packed against us by special interests, especially by the liquor organizations and the great corporations, which jointly control the machinery of both political parties, and prevent a fair expression of public sentiment.

But the Presidential suffrage, the most important of all, is not subject to any constitutional limitations. The U. S. Constitution, "the supreme law of the land," places it under the control of each State Legislature, which can either appoint the Presidential electors by the votes of its own members, or can delegate its authority to agents. The U. S. Supreme Court, in the Michigan case, has decided through Chief Justice Fuller (see copy enclosed) that

"The appointment of these electors is placed absolutely and wholly with the Legislatures of the several States. They may be chosen by the Legislature, or the Legislature may provide that they shall be elected by the people of the State at large, and it is no doubt competent for the Legislature to authorize the Governor, the Supreme Court of the State, or any other agent of its will, to appoint these electors. This power cannot be taken from the Legislature or be modified by their State Constitutions. Whatever provisions may be made by statute or by the State Constitutions, to choose electors by the people, there is no doubt of the power of the Legislature to resume the power at any time, for it can neither be taken away nor abdicated. From the foundation of the Government until now the practical construction of the clause has conceded plenary power to the State Legislatures in the matter of the appointment of electors."

Here, then, is the open door. The highest form of national suffrage, once conceded, all other forms will soon follow. This has been recently evidenced in Australia, where the Legislature of New South Wales hastened to concede its State suffrage to women, previously excluded, when parliamentary suffrage had been granted them.

The time has come to put political pressure on the choice of members of State Legislatures by combining the influence of suffragists to nominate and elect members pledged to work and vote for Presidential woman suffrage. To this end a committee of men and women, irrespective of party, should at once be organized in every State representative and senatorial district, to secure a change in its election laws so as to extend Presidential suffrage to women. If this be done, State and municipal suffrage cannot long be denied or postponed.

Yours truly,

HENRY B. BLACKWELL,

Chairman National American Presidential Woman Suffrage Committee.

Please reply.

If you see any flaw in my premises or conclusions please point it out. If not, we ought to ask and keep at it till some State does it.

Over

I am afraid you will think me a crank. But I am impressed with the belief that if we can by any method get any Southern State to authorize female citizens to help appoint the Presidential Electors, by passing an act like the one now before the Rhode Island Legislature, it will result in doubling the Democratic vote in 1912 and ~~then~~ as a result, the other Southern States will follow, and the Democratic party will take it up, with the result that the North West will again ally itself with the South, ^{on this is sure,} and enable that section to regain its normal influence in National affairs, instead of remaining, as at present, in a perpetual minority.

It seems to me that the combination of special interests now combined, under the lead of the liquor interest, against any further extension of the suffrage, will henceforth make it impossible to get a U.S. Constitutional Amendment ratified by the male voters at the polls. The great corporations want special privileges. They now manipulate the legislatures at large expense. They don't want what will endanger their hold on legislation. The 16th Amendment is no longer a live issue. Our only hope is in securing a legislative majority for a simple change of election law controlling National Suffrage (Presidential) under art. 2, Sect. 2, of the U.S. Constitution, as interpreted by the U.S. Supreme Court in the Michigan case.

The moment this is done, the status of the women citizens of that State is changed. They at once become a prospective political power, and will command respect. Both the great parties will wish to conciliate the women, & will treat their further demands with respect and cooperation.

The first step is, as it seems to me, to drop all side issues & to demand the National Suffrage by act of Legislature.

The second step is to secure a legislative majority in each State by the creation in every legislative representative district of a district committee of one woman and one man, with power to add to their number, for the express purpose of using their influence to elect members of Senate and House who have given assurances that if elected they will vote for National Woman Suffrage by act of Legislature - This has been done in Great Britain, when a majority of Parliament have promised to vote for it. Why not here?

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Miss Laura Clay,

General Delivery, Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Miss Clay.

I feel that I ought to keep you informed of progress during Miss Shaw's absence.

As you have seen from the printed copy of the Statehood Bill for Arizona, the word "male" does not appear in the clause on Suffrage. Of course, it, in a sense, is there in that it does not state that any class of people is to be disfranchised because of sex. Still it is decidedly not as bad as was the enabling act in Oklahoma, against which the women protested so vigorously.

I had a conference with Miss Shaw on Monday evening after the celebration of Miss Anthony's birthday, which we had at Moylan. Her judgment agreed with that of Senator Owen that it was best for us to arouse as little of the ~~enthusiasm~~ ^{not} at Washington as possible. Senator Owen even did not seem to approve of the suggestion in your letter to try to get President Roosevelt to ask Governor Kibby not to veto the Suffrage measure, should we succeed in getting it passed by the Arizona Legislature.

Miss Shaw decided it would be better for us not to try to participate in any hearing which the Statehood Bill might have before the Senate Committee on Territories. She feels that if we had a lot of Arizona women at Washington for such a hearing, it might count with Congress, but for the National to do it, it would have either no effect or the adverse effect.

Miss Shaw, however, did not agree with Senator Owen that nothing could be done with the President in regard to Governor Kibby. Under her direction, therefore, I have written to Senator Borah of Idaho, Senator Warren of Wyoming and Senator Beveridge, Chairman of the Committee on Territories, ~~also~~ in an interview with me professed himself a warm friend of our cause, a convert of Miss Shaw's and offered to do anything he could for us. Unfortunately Senator Beveridge is away from Washington this week, and just what there will be time for after his return, I do not know. I am writing to each of these gentlemen and also to Mr. D. R. Anthony of Leavenworth, Kas., a member of the House. I have asked the four to confer together and if possible go together to see the President on this mission. I had a very prompt reply from Mr.

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Anthony saying he would gladly confer with the others on this subject and do what he could, but that it was currently reported in Washington that President Roosevelt was against us.

This morning's mail brings me a letter from Senator Borah, in which he says: "I will be very glad to consult with the other parties mentioned in your letter and do what I can in furtherance of the cause of which you write. I will undertake to see them today, or a part of them, as I understand Senator Beveridge is out of the city today." X

The papers here were so full of the discussion on the question of the Constitution, and Senator Knox's eligibility to Cabinet Office that they had no space for the Statehood Bill, which must have been voted on in the House on Monday of this week. I find that it was carried in the House; at least that is what I am told, so I suppose it is now under consideration in the Senate. It was said in Washington that it stood but little chance in the Senate on account of Senator Beveridge and the Committee on Territories being opposed to it. I do not doubt you will have the news in Arizona as soon as I do, if not before, because there will be watchers from Arizona ready to telegraph immediately what course the matter takes in the Senate.

Of course, if the Statehood Bill passes the Senate, there is nothing for us to do at this end of the line, since it will be first up to the Constitutional Convention to accept or rule out the Suffrage clause.

As I know Miss Gregg is with you, I am not going to duplicate, but I know you will be interested in the following information, which I shall want her to have also.: A letter came to Miss Shaw on the 17th from the Governor of South Dakota, stating that he thought it not improbable that the Suffrage Bill in South Dakota, as amended (in other words the full Suffrage measure) might be taken from the table before the end of the session. He gave it as his opinion that with some work done among the foreigners in certain parts of the State, the Bill might be carried. He wrote a very nice letter, at least that was Miss Anthony's impression from it and I got mine from her phone message on the subject, as she felt the letter was very important, and ought to be sent at once on to Miss Shaw, who is in New York state.

On the 13th, Miss Shaw spoke to the students at Bryn Mawr college, and spent the night, and part of the 14th with

much too much
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Miss Thomas and Miss Garrett. They approved of a suggestion of Miss Shaw's that we have some leaflets written by some people in Finland, Norway and Sweden, to be printed in the languages of those countries by us for distribution among these people in states where there are large groups of them settled together. I have already written to friends who are prominent in the work in these three countries and urged them to write one leaflet each and send to me as soon as possible. Miss Thomas and Miss Garrett approved of using part of the money from the fund which was appropriated for publication of literature to publish these leaflets.

If the work is to be resumed in South Dakota we shall probably find use for a good many of them in these Scandinavian languages.

It does seem like the worst of luck, however, that we have had to send Miss Gregg flying about over the country on these long distances. Now, if they need her back in South Dakota, I scarcely know just what we can do for them, for we certainly do not wish to drop the work now undertaken in Arizona.

Cordially yours,

Rachel Foster Avery.

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CYNTHIA WESTOVER ALDEN,
New York.

EDWARD T. DEVINE,
New York.

HON. JOHN D. LONG,
Massachusetts.

SAMUEL GOMPERS,
Washington, D. C.

JOHN MITCHELL,
Washington, D. C.

REV. ANNA H. SHAW,
Pennsylvania.

LILLIAN M. HOLLISTER,
Michigan.

Dear Miss Clay:-

The enclosed letter was dictated before I took up yours of February 13th. It was received two days ago and read carefully on the evening of the 18th. I expected to dictate a lot of letters to one of the stenographers before going yesterday morning to the City, leaving the house at 10 A. M. I did not get all done that I thought, and unfortunately in my hurry I overlooked yours, which was one of the most important.

I see that I have answered several of your questions in the other letter, so will not repeat here. It is very hard, both for you at that end of the line and for us here to know just what is best to be done, because the situation seems to change almost from hour to hour.

I was surprised to hear that the Statehood Bill had passed in the House, because Mr. Anthony felt so sure that all Republicans would vote against the admission of Arizona.

The Washington address is 1823 H Street, N. W., ~~but~~ *and* since we found it absolutely necessary to have Rachel Brill Ezekiel (that wonderfully fine office worker that Mrs. Catt has had for petition work in New York City) to help me handle the petition correspondence. Rachel will be able to manage things in Washington, and I shall be most of the time here in Swarthmore, going to Washington only occasionally for a few days each time.

Of course you will keep me informed of progress, and I surely want to do everything possible to help along .

I am feeling so much better than you have known me in the last ten years.

Cordially yours,

*Address me
here at Swarthmore.*

P. F. Avery.

Prescott, Ariz. Feb. 20, 1909.

My Dear Miss Clay:-I

I note, with great satisfaction that our bill has been introduced in the Council, and that the Pace Bill Has passed. I am glad that it is out of the way, for now the Temperance people can not blame us for anything that might happen to their bill. I hope you have seen to it that our bill was referred to a friendly committee, and that it will be acted on as soon as possible next week. I am preparing to come to Phoenix next week, but our bill should be out of the Council and ready to go to the House when I come. I can stay only so long and don't want to waste any time after I get there. Be sure and have a friendly committee get our bill when it goes to the House -I asked you for a list of the committees, but you have forgotten to send them so far. I think Mr. Webb's committee in the House would be the one for our bill to go to. You must see Mr. Webb and fix this up with him and see that he gets it. You know if they have it

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go to an unfriendly committee, it can be held there until the end of the session, so see to that at once. Now Miss Clay, It may seem to you that I am leaving a great deal for you to do but my time is not my own and it will be utterly impossible for me to give more than a week or ten days to the work in Phoenix, or I mean to say to stay longer than that length of time in Phoenix. I am afraid that it will take us that long to work the bill through the House. For that reason I want you to do all you possibly can before I come down and then when I do come I will stay until we win or lose. I have written a number of letters to people who can help us in influencing the members, and have received very encouraging replies.

Please write me just what our chances are in the Council, and get a poll of the House if you can. If we can only hold those Local Option votes we can pull a couple from the other side I think. Find out what show we stand to carry the

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the republican vote in the House. I see by the vote that the Local Option Bill polled the solid republican vote in both chambers. Oh! if we could only win them to us we would have a plain sailing.

I must write to some of the members by this mail. Will write again tomorrow.

Faithfully,

Frederic N. Woods

Phoenix, Arizona, Feb. 20, 1909.

Mr. Samuel F. Smith,
Snowflake, Arizona.

Dear Sir:

As you have probably observed, a bill has been introduced in the Council by Senator Goodrich, extending the right of suffrage to women. Our Committee working for the bill especially desire that Mr. Morgan, who seems disposed to be friendly to the measure, shall be re-assured by his constituents; indeed this seems absolutely necessary to make sure of his support.

Will you therefore write him at once, asking him to vote for the bill? We have been assured that you are in sympathy with the cause and we feel that your writing at this time will be very valuable.

Very Sincerely Yours,

Member Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee.

Feb. 20, 1909

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James Peterson - Piedale OK.

Phoenix, Arizona.

Febr. 20th, 1909.

My dear Mrs. Munde,

I wrote to you night before last, telling you that Senator Goodrich had consented to bring in our bill. I suppose you have seen by the newspaper that he did so yesterday afternoon. We have been busy all day seeing members both in the Council and the House, finding how they stood, and we have also written many letters to the constituents of some of them, asking them to write letters to encourage them to vote for and support the measure. I wrote to Mrs. Otis, sending her a list of the names of Senators to whom to write. I did not send her a list of the members of the Lower House, as I thought it useless until we see if it goes through the Council.

Miss Gregg goes tonight to New Mexico, to see what help she can give to the suffrage friends there. I felt they would not be effective without some help from her; and the chance may be as good there as it is here. She will return to Arizona to do some organizing, preparatory to Statehood. I had not thought the Statehood bill would go through at the extra session; but we must be prepared for anything which comes up. I shall try to organize Phoenix whilst I am here. Mrs. LaChance has invited a special meeting of the Franchise Department to meet me, at which I am to speak freely on the Suffrage question. We have not yet had our stationery or our cards printed, because the bill has occupied us. I want to get that done early next week. I am sorry to tell you that Mrs. Hall does not wish to remain on our Committee. She said she did not understand that she was giving her name for a Committee, but only that she was expressing herself in favor of suffrage. I am sorry that she withdrew, as she was our only representative of the Labor Unions. I believe I wrote that Mrs. L. C. Hughes had accepted a place on the Committee.

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Now that our bill is in, it would be well if you would get all our suf-

frage friends to write to their representatives and ask their vote and

suffrage friends to write to their representatives and ask their vote and

support. Senator Burns expresses himself as personally in favor of suf-

frage, and yet will not vote for the bill, because he says there is too

much business in the Legislature now. Mr. Morris vote on the wrong

side of the Local Option bill; and that makes me afraid he will not be

steady on our bill. I scarcely think Mr. Hall is a good suffragist. He

may vote for us; but he will not promise to do so. He says he does not

feel bound to do so by his Federation endorsing suffrage. I told him

I did not think he was bound by their endorsement; but that if his conven-

tion endorsed suffrage it was because it thought its interests were in

that direction and therefore it was entitled to his respectful consider-

ation. I had quite a long conversation with him yesterday when I called

to see his wife; but he would not promise me to vote for our bill.

I believe I



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ADMIRABLE CUISINE

COURTEOUS ATTENTION

SANTA FE, N.M.

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Dear Miss Clay: - I have just arrived. I caught an accommodation train this afternoon, and so have gotten ahead of Mrs. Bolles. I had a very pleasant trip, the most delightful thing about it being that the minute I got up into the mountains my cold began to vanish, and now I am almost free from it, and am feeling almost normal.

I did not mind the waiting at Ash Fork. That hotel is so beautiful, and with it and a walk and a magazine, I was very



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Today I had a delightful visit with your friends, Mr. & Mrs. Wolcott of Covington. He is Master of the State Grange. They are such splendid suffragists, and when I told her about the work going on and our plans, she said it gave her new hope. They were going home, having been in Los Angeles.

I read the editorial in the Sunday Republican with much interest. The more I think of it the more I believe in your idea of pitting one party against another, and the more I am in favor of Miss Gordon's plan of

The Palace 3.
WM VAUGHN.

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working in the south for the
emfranchisement of white women.

I trust that the Phoenix
women will go with - you
every day. I hope in your
Wednesday meeting with the
W.C.T.U. you will be
able to rally a lot of them.

I am located at the Palace
at present, but will get
my mail at the General
Delivery.

I shall hope to hear from
you soon. Wishing all
good luck, and Brady's
Eternal good will. I am
Most Cordially,

Laura Gregg.

Prescott Ariz Feb 22/09

Dear Miss Clay:

Mrs Munde did not tell me until a few days ago that you wanted something of me - as to just what she was not quite clear - and that you wanted me to write you regarding the matter.

However I gathered that you wanted to use my name in some way in your work.

Just how or why I don't know but however it is you have my most cordial permission
Very sincerely yours

Agnes M^cKee Wallace M.D.

Brescott, Arizona, Feb. 22, 1900..

My Dear Miss Clay:- *miss*

I am greatly *1* over what you wrote me about Mr. Burns not being willing to vote for our bill, and I don't see ~~any~~ chance for success if he goes back on us, unless Mr. Breen and Mr. Day can be induced to vote with us. I am surprised beyond expression at Mr. Burns conduct and cannot explain it unless what they saw about him is so, that he has been bought. I had already written to his wife, but have not heard from her as yet. I doubt if we can do more than to get him to promise to not vote at all! I ~~have~~ have two letters from Mr. Hughes saying that Mr. Finley's influence can be neutralized, but we ~~have~~ have to have seven votes, and I don't see where *we* are going to get them. If this bill fails in the Council, it is useless for us to spend any more time with it, and we had best turn our attention at once to the work of organizing. I feel very much discouraged over the way St Charles has acted. I thought he could be counted on to the last, but he seems to be afraid to do anything, and I can't understand why.. I am more surprised at his actions than I am at Mr. Burns, although I ~~don't understand him either~~ *take him in hand* I hope his *will* will

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take him in hand and make him mind, but I can't tell what she will do.

I want to give you the name of Mrs. F. M. Wren, for the committee—She is the president of the W. O. T. U. of prescott, and is a devoted suffragist. I wonder why Mrs. Hall took her name off of the committee. I think the liquor men have gotten in their work on the members.

I feel very much discouraged tonight and very much like saying, "let the old Legislature go" and go on with our organizing. However you go on and see the other members of the Council, and get all the promises you can. If we can pass the council, we can afford to make a ~~strong~~ strong fight in the House. Any way we can make the liquor men spend their money. I am glad the bill has been introduced, even if it is lost although I have been advised not to do so unless sure of success.

What show has the educational qualification bill got to go through? I sincerely hope it will pass as that will exclude a great vote that is always against us.

Faithfully,

Francis H. Woods

Mrs. Mary C. Carrier
announces the marriage of her daughter
Laura Bruce

to
Mr. Peter John O'Sullivan, Jr.
on Monday, February the twenty second
one thousand nine hundred and nine
Chicago

At Home
1567 Franklin Boulevard

Miss Clay



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SANTA FE, N.M. Feb 23 1909

Dear Miss Clay:

It certainly doesn't look promising with Mrs. Bolles not here yet, and fifteen feet of snow on the track between here and Lumberton.

I have been studying the newspapers today trying to learn about people and things. A Local Option bill was introduced in the Legislature today. Quite a number of legislators were at the hotel at dinner. They look about like legislators everywhere else.

I shall wait a little while on Mrs. Bolles, but if the blockade continues long



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I shall start out and do some interviewing by myself.

They seem to be talking statehood here very much more than in Arizona.

They seem to think the bill will pass.

I am not impressed with the beauty of Santa Fe. The mountains are great, but I cannot admire the adobe huts. There is a "Woman's Board of Trade" here, whatever that may mean. It seems to have built the Library. I am going to find out about it when I get my bearings. Please keep me posted on Arizona. Most Cordially

Laura Gregg

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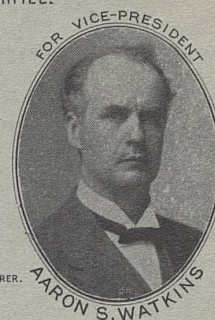


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Chicago,

February 23, 1909.

Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Beauchamp,

Yours in regard to the question as to how we shall raise one third of our National revenue when the internal revenue system is abolished, is before me. I have propounded this question to five or six people and articles are being prepared along this line. I am mailing you under separate cover a copy of the Baltimore Sun with a leading article and editorial that takes the position of the liquor interests in this matter. Of course, the income and inheritance tax advocated by our National platform could be made to solve this problem. I will gather and send to you at the earliest possible date some other suggestions along this line.

Did you read the article by George Kibbe Turner in McClure's Magazine showing the waste in our expenditures through the Navy Department. The legitimate expenses of our Government could very readily be cut down from twenty to forty percent by an economical administration of the Federal Government.

Referring to your letter from Laura Clay, which I return to you herewith, permit me to say that Miss Gordon who recites her experience in Oklahoma is evidently not referring to the position taken by a party Prohibitionist but referred to the position of a Democratic or Republican Prohibitionist in the Legislature. She would doubtless find that our Pro-

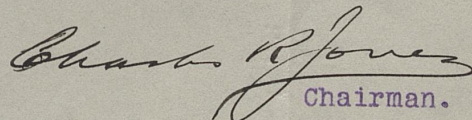
Mrs.F.E.B. -2-

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hibitionists in Oklahoma stand practically unanimously for woman suffrage. We recently sent out in our bulletin an article regarding the petition work of the Woman Suffrage Association, and we now have petition blanks at this office that we are circulating as we have opportunity. I think your correspondent has little reason to distrust the position of the Prohibition party in its position on woman suffrage, and I think I would if I were you, ask her to be a little more definite in giving reasons for such distrust. I will suggest to Mr. Ferguson that he have an article in the National Prohibitionist regarding the suffrage movement.

I am about to leave for a short trip east and while away will see what I can do toward interesting some of our people in the encyclopedia matter. I shall be very glad to advise you as to the time and place for the next meeting of our Executive Committee so that if you wish you may be here at that time. I trust that you will follow up your idea of visiting Carnegie and I wish you success in interesting him in this matter.

Very truly yours,


Chairman.

G.S.

Phoenix, Arizona.

Febr. 23rd, 1909.

My dear Mrs. Avery,

I enclose a copy of the bill which has been introduced into the Council, or Upper Chamber. We are working to get it passed, and while I do not wish to raise too much hope, we believe we have a fighting chance.

Now since Senator Beveridge has been so favorably disposed to suffrage, a bold idea has entered my head. In the extra session of Congress the papers here suppose that the Statehood Bill can come up. If this is so, did it appear possible to you that Senator Beveridge might be more favorable to the admission of Arizona if it should pass a woman suffrage bill at this session? It would enlarge the electorate; and, as I understand, one of his strong objections is that statehood is pressed by interested parties who will make pecuniary profit by their admission. As a large electorate, and especially an electorate consisting partly of women, is not so easily handled by grafters, might it not be an argument with him if women were allowed to vote? If there was the least thing in his conversation which would lead you to think that you might influence him along this line, it would well be worth your while to make a special trip to Washington; for Arizona and New Mexico would do much to gain Statehood. If you feel that you could approach Sen. Beveridge and ask such a favor, do not lose time in doing it; and if you have any success, telegraph at length to me, at Adams Hotel. I would use discretion in any word you sent me.

I let Miss Gregg have Sen. Beveridge's letter: she thought she might make good use of it in New Mexico. Of course, I took a copy of it for
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my use here.

Miss Gregg left here Saturday evening, and was to meet Mrs. Bolles on Monday at Santa Fe.

Cirdially yours,

Phoenix, Arizona.

Febr. 23rd, 1909.

Mrs. Eva M. Marshall,

Flagstaff, Ariz.

Dear Madam,

I see from the suffrage petition which you sent to Mrs. Luella T. Thomas of this city that about forty persons in Flagstaff have shown their interest in woman suffrage by signing it. You have probably observed that Senator Goodrich introduced a woman suffrage bill into the Council a few days ago; and we think it has a fair chance of passage. We feel that it is important that the friends of the bill should let their representatives in the Legislative Assembly know that they wish it passed. Will you kindly help the success of the bill by writing your self and getting other suffragists to write to Senator Green and Representative T. J. Coalter, asking their votes and support for the bill?

I think that you, knowing whom to apply to among the signers of the petition will be able to secure more letters of the kind we wish than our Committee could do by writing to make the request ourselves. Even if the suffragists in Flagstaff do not personally know the members from your county, it is perfectly appropriate that they should write and express their wishes that their representatives should vote for a bill which represents their views on this important subject.

Hoping for your prompt compliance with this request, I am

Very truly yours,

Member Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee.

House of Representatives

Twenty-fifth Legislative Assembly

Territory of Arizona

SAM F. WEBB, SPEAKER
SIDNEY OSBORN, SPEAKER'S CLERK

Phoenix, Feb., 24, 1909.

Mrs J. L. Munds,

Prescott, Arizona.

Dear Madam:-

Your letter of recent date concerning the Equal Suffrage Bill introduced in the Council by Mr. Goodrich, received. In reply permit me to say that the Speaker is a member of but one committee, the Committee on Rules to which no bills are ever referred. It is also impossible at this time to tell just what Committee the bill will be referred to when it reaches this House, but I assure you this matter will receive my earnest consideration when it does reach here.

Very truly yours,

Sam F. Webb

Prescott, Arizona; Feb. 24, 1909.

My Dear Miss Clay:-

yours at hand yesterday, and I was glad to receive the list of committees. You did not tell me what committee got our bill in the Council. I hope that the Judiciary got it. If it did there will be no trouble about getting it reported when we want it.

I have looked over the House committees, and it looks to me as though it would have to go to the Agriculture or Public Buildings Committee. Both of these have favorable chairmen and the majority will report it favorably. Be sure and look after this matter.

I had nice letters from Mr. Doan and Mr. Webb. I do hope Mr. Doan will get his bill for taxpaying women through. That will qualify a lot of us and the "Antis" will soon want to vote if we do.

You have not yet expressed yourself in regard to our bill in the Council.

Do you have any hopes that it will pass the Council? I am getting ready to go to Phoenix as soon as the bill passes the Council. I intended to go down Friday night but Mrs. Cleveland wrote me that there would be no session after Friday until Tuesday, and in that case I do not think I will go down before the 6th or 7th. That will give us two weeks to work. The campaign paper looks nice, but I want my full name when you have some more printed. Please send me some of the paper and I will send the money for it or I will give it to you when I see you. I think I can get a lot of names on those cards. Do you want men's names, or women only?

Send me some of the cards, and I will get some names as I can.

I wish you would find out how De Souza and Reed of Maricopa county are on the suffrage bill? I have hopes of both. I do wish we could win Bailey. Will write whenever anything new develops.

Faithfully,

Francis H. Woods



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SANTA FE, N.M.

Feb 24 1909

Dear Miss Clay: -

I am very much gratified to find two suffrage bills already pending in the Legislature: one to grant school suffrage, and the other a Local Option bill providing that women shall vote on the liquor question. The ministers and N.C.T.U. are behind the latter bill, but so far as I can learn, there is no organization behind the school suffrage bill, and when we consider that no suffrage work has ever been done in New Mexico I think this indicates at least that our cause is growing everywhere.



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I received a telegram from Mrs. Bolles today that she will be here tomorrow.

I have found a Mrs. Patterson here whom I knew in Oklahoma. She is a N. C. T. U. worker and a good suffragist, and she introduced me to a good many people today. I felt quite encouraged when I saw her.

I will write you of our progress from day to day, and I will be glad if you will keep me posted on Arizona. Have you yet forwarded any mail? There are other Greggs here - so I am going to ask that you will address all my mail to the Palace Hotel,

The Palace
WM VAUGHN.

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for I am afraid if it goes
to the General Delivery, I
will not get it.

My expenses here are not
as high as in Phoenix.

I get my room and board
for \$17.50 per week here.

I hope to hear from you
soon.

Most Cordially,

Laura Gregg.

Palace Hotel,
Santa Fe, N. M.

Phoenix, Arizona.

Febr. 24th, 1909.

Col. Wm. Herring,

Tucson, Ariz.

Dear Sir,

No doubt you have observed that Sen. Goodrich has introduced a woman suffrage bill in the Council. The vote has not yet been taken on it; and we are anxious that all friends of the measure should at once use their influence in its favor. Understanding that you are in sympathy with its object, I am writing to enlist your efforts in support of the bill.

It is generally believed that Sen. Finley is opposed. In the House, it is known that Mr. John Doan is a suffragist, and we are counting on his vote. The sentiments of Mr. Kirk Moore are not known. Mr. F. J. Duffy's views are not known; nor those of Mr. E. J. Hogwood.

Any help you can give us with the members of the Legislative Assembly from your county, or with other friends in either the Council or the House, will be very gratefully received by our Committee.

Very truly yours,

Member of Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee.

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Swarthmore, Pa., Feb. 24, 1909.

Miss Laura Clay,

General Delivery,

Phoenix, Arizona.

My dear Miss Clay:-

Yours of February 19th is herewith its information in regard to the status of affairs at Phoenix.

I am this morning in receipt of a letter from Mr. Anthony, forwarding one from Mr. Hamilton, who is Chairman of the Committee on Territories. It is evident from the tone of this letter that Mr. Hamilton favors the admission of the Territories, and the difference of opinion as between him and Mr. Beveridge seems to me to depend more on that than on anything else.

I have the promise of Senator Borah of Idaho and Mr. Anthony to confer with Senators Warren and Beveridge and try to see the President and induce him to influence Gov. Brodie not to veto the Bill, although Mr. Anthony wrote me lately that it was reported in Washington that Roosevelt was against us.

I am writing today again to Senator Beveridge in regard to the matter, for he was away from Washington last week and it will do no harm to send him a reminder of his promise to do what he could for us.

not on good terms
The reason that we are not appealing to more of the men there is because so many of them, even the Republicans, are ~~not on good terms~~ with Roosevelt and we selected these Senators as being on good terms with Roosevelt, and not involved in the various criticisms which have been made of him by Congress.

Very cordially yours,

Rachel Foster Avery.

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Swarthmore, Pa.,
February 24, 1909.

Miss Laura Clay,
Phoenix,
Arizona,

Dear Miss Clay:-

There is a letter from you, or from Miss Gregg, giving a report of Progress, but I was to read Miss Shaw's copy and have not yet been able to take the time to go over, nor have I received the copy from her.

At any rate, the chief point now is that you need a typewriter. Miss Shaw had consulted with Miss Thomas and Miss Garrett in regard to a typewriter for the headquarters, and they have agreed that some of the \$1600. of the Thomas-Garrett Fund, which was appropriated to Washington headquarters, can be taken for furnishing, and surely a typewriter is one of the very first necessities at a headquarters. Fortunately I had ~~not~~ typewriter for Washington, and am lending my own, which I have snatched back, so to speak, from a dear friend who had it while I was abroad. The headquarters can get on there with that one while you are using the new one at Phoenix, and when the campaign there is through it can be sent directly to 1823 H. St., and would be charged to this same fund as the Headquarters' typewriter. *both*

There will be no need of a vote of the Committee on this subject, I am sure, so do not delay purchasing a machine. Personally, I should prefer an Underwood, but if for any reason it seems better to get a Remington of course it is for you to decide.

I am telegraphing you by night message today to buy the machine, and sending this letter to follow the telegram as explanation.

Cordially yours,

R. F. Avery.

Phoenix, Arizona.

Febr. 25th, 1909.

My dear Miss Hauser,

I enclose the special leaflet which Miss Blackwell has prepared. She asked me to look up certain information for her about the address of Pres. Liedman, which is the reason she sent it on first to me.

Miss Gregg left for Santa Fe Saturday, Febr. 20th, where she was to meet Mrs. Bolles. I have not yet heard from her. She expects only to stay there to work in the Legislature as long as she thinks it profitable. I charged her not to promise the suffragists that the National would do any organizing; as I believed the Board was unanimous in thinking other fields were more promising for organizing. I have so much writing to do that I am taking this time to say to Mrs. Upton that if there is any chance of Statehood for Arizona in the extra session of Congress I shall abide by my advice to the Board to let Miss Gregg stay in Arizona till the Seattle Convention. I am repeating this because from a letter received from Mrs. Avery I see that it is possible that our bill may even yet pass the S. Dakota legislature, and there may be a wish to send Miss Gregg to that field. I should advise helping the S. Dakota women with money to do their own organizing, at least till after the Seattle convention. Arizona deserves at least that amount of help, particularly as Miss Gregg is already in the West.

I enclose a copy of the bill we have in the Council. The name of its author was printed wrong, so it had to go to the printer again. Keep this copy, so if I telegraph anything relative to it, you will know exactly what the bill is.

Cordially yours,

Lexington, Ky. Feb. 25, 1909.

Mrs. Edna Wilkenson,
Liberty, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Wilkinson,

Your letter of the 17th received this morning. Am sending you, under two separate covers, Petition blanks and leaflets on woman suffrage. There is no ~~special~~ time set to return the Petitions but it is best to get them in as soon as you can. If you need any more Petitions blanks they will be sent to you if you write and let us know.

Yours respectfully,

500 E. Winchester Ave.,
Ashland, Ky., 2/25/09.

My dear Miss Clay,

We are still working some with the petitions but more slowly, and I have been sending out Mrs. Mead's letters today, and am inclosing one to you. I hope that you will not be too busy to ask the Superintendent of Schools to have May 18, the anniversary of the opening of the first Hague Conference, celebrated in the schools, and if it has not already been done, try to have the newspapers copy the "Thirty Reasons".

Mrs. Morse of Catlettsburg has a married daughter who lives here, and I gave her daughter some of the petitions and asked her to take them to Mrs. Morse or her daughter, Mrs. Runyon at Catlettsburg and she said that she would, but she forgot to take them one day when she went up and I have not heard since, but will ask when I see her and if Mrs. Morse will not attend to it I will ask Mrs. Patton.

Mrs. Hood is circulating the petition at Oakview and telephoned me that she had four sheets of names.

We have all been agreeably surprised to find so many willing to sign the petition.

My Kentucky White Ribbon has just come and that reminds me that Mrs. Minnie J. Garrett of Russell, who is recording secretary of the W. C. T. U. is a suffragist, and her husband is too.

If you would write to her she might take charge of the work in Greenup.

Yours Sincerely

LAURA R. WHITE

Lexington, Ky. Feb. 25, 1909.

Dear Miss Clay,

There has been no news to tell you so I have not written for several days. I have started copying the names of the signers of the Petitions into a book. The Ashland Petitions are the only ones that have come in so far, but there is quite a number of them.

We had a letter this morning from Mrs. Edna Wilkinson of Liberty, Ky. asking for Petitions and suffrage leaflets.

Mrs. Beauchamp has been out of town for several days but she left me plenty of work in the way of circular letters, copying bills and etc.

Mrs. Clay has something to say to you so I will write no further.

Yours truly,



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Dear Miss Clay:

Mrs. Bolles came last evening and today we met ex-Gov. Prince and asked him to introduce the bill in the Council. He did not say whether he would or would not, but said he would see us again. His wife is bitterly opposed, and I think probably he wanted to consult her.

The school suffrage bill was reported unfavorably but a minority report was brought in. I had a long talk with the Chairman of the Committee last night. But he seems immovable. However, Mr. Muller, the



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author of the bill is going to try to get it re-committed, and then give us a chance for a hearing. I felt that I could talk to that bill just as well as a full suffrage bill, and it is really the only thing we can even get introduced in the house. I don't think it will stand much chance, but it is a good thing to get the agitation started. The Mexicans are opposed to woman suffrage because they are ignorant. The Americans are opposed because the Mexicans are ignorant - and there we are.

I was introduced to The



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President of the Woman's Board of Trade this morning and she arranged for me to attend their next meeting a week from Monday. This is the influential organization of women of the town, and I think it was well worth my coming to get a hearing before them. If we can get a hearing before the Legislature too, it certainly will be worth while.

I am going to get Mrs. Bolles started with some correspondence for suffragists all over the Territory. She is anxious to work, and I think we ought to encourage her.



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I do not believe this territory
is as solidly Republican
as we may think. If it
were not afraid of statehood
being delayed, I am not
sure but that it might
go Democratic like Oklahoma.
Do tell me how things
are going in Arizona.

Does Mrs. O'Neill still
stay with you?

Most Cordially

Laura Gregg

Palace Hotel,
Santa Fe, N.M.

I am getting signs as soon as possible; and when I have a dozen
I wish to call a meeting to have them choose their own County chair-
man and any other officer they think best.
Feb. 22nd, 1909.

I recommend this plan to
Dr. A. McK. Wallace,
Prescott, Ariz.
No obligation is assumed. No obligation is assumed.
Dear Dr. Wallace,

Your kind letter of the 22nd was duly received. I re-
spond to you at once. I am glad to hear that you are
giving each signer an opportunity to contribute something to the
cause. I did not hear of you a few days ago; for one of the uses
of this is to collect for the cause. I am glad to hear that you
wanted to make of your name was to put it on the list as one
of the Central Ariz. Equal Suffrage Campaign Committee. You see, as the
former suffrage association had become dispersed beyond the possibility
of usefulness at this critical time, it became our plan to form a Com-
mittee, who should sponsor for the Legislative work; and afterwards
of the organization work. Your name is desired for this purpose; and I

thank you very much for giving it. If you had written a few days earlier
it would have been valuable on the letter heads. However, I had only a
small supply printed, in the expectation of adding to the Central Commit-
tee; and I am glad we have your name to quote as one of the supporters
of the present movement; and when we make new supply of stationery, it
will be a great help to the cause. I am glad to hear that you are
fringe bill on Febr. 25th? It now goes to the voters at the next gen-
eral election, I suppose. The activity of the English suffragettes at
this time is useful to us, I think.

The women of Navajo have sent in a petition asking for the passage of
our suffrage bill. There is no other news about it at this time.

I enclose a few of our Enrolled Membership cards. Their purpose is to
organize in every county committees whose object is to see that Equal
Suffrage is a part of the Constitution when Arizona is admitted as a

state. I am getting signers as I can in Phoenix; and when I have a dozen or so I wish to call a meeting and have them choose their own County chairman and any other officer they think need. I recommend this plan to

you in Prescott. No obligation is assumed by signing the card except what is written on it, - that is, a belief in equal suffrage and a willingness to stand publicly for the principle. It is hoped that the treasurer will

give each signer an opportunity once a year to contribute something to the expenses, but this is not obligatory on the members. Also, the officers will plan such work or the purpose of securing suffrage in the Convention; and while some of our members may decline to do an active thing, yet their moral support will help those who are earnest enough to work actively.

Each County Committee, however, will be left free to formulate its own rules and plan of work for itself. In the meanwhile, it is useful to gather the names of believers by the use of the membership cards. I am hoping to hear from you from time to time, and I am very truly yours,

Very truly yours,
I am glad we have your name to quote as one of the supporters of the cause. I suppose Mrs. Luna has explained to you that we want as many letters written to the Legislators as we can get, asking their support and vote for the bill which Senator Goodrich introduced in the Council on February 1st. It now goes to the voters. The activity of the Legislature is about over, I suppose. This time is useful to me, I think.

The women of Navajo have sent in a petition asking for the passage of our suffrage bill. There is no other news about it at this time. I enclose a few of our pamphlets. Membership cards are being sent in every county committee whose object is to secure equal rights. It is a part of the campaign.

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to adhere to my advice to the Board that you should be detailed to ...
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it is admitte ... winter. I f Heaven should grant us a
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... and defeat us in the
to hear of your safe arrival, I regret Mrs. ...
joined you. You are ...
is the one thing ...
... the woman ...
... from ...
... for ...
... Mrs. ...
er, in which she describes their defeat in Oklahoma. She writes: ...
... well ...
... Nothing ...
converts legislators. They are soulless and conscienceless. ...
came before the Senate yesterday. ...
... of the ...
recently ...
Thomas and Newell broke faith with us. ...
of political ...
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... She sends her love to you. ...
I cannot urge the National ...
just have to wait there for the action of time and success elsewhere.

I enclose Miss Shaw's letter. Please return it to ... You see in the
main she recommends just what you and I determined upon. Please note
that she does not encourage the idea of organizing in New Mexico.
I also enclose Mrs. Avery's letter. You will be gratified at the pros-

pect of good news from S. Dakota. Mrs. Avey seems to think this may involve your returning there. I have thought over it, and I have determined to adhere to my advice to the Board that you should be detailed to Arizona till the Seattle Convention. Arizona is worth that much work, if it is admitted to statehood next winter. If Heaven should grant us a suffrage bill in this Legislature, I think it still worth while to do some work here so the enemy may not steal a march on us, and defeat us in the Constitutional Convention. I shall recommend the National to help S. Dakota with money for its home workers, in the meantime.

You saw in today's paper that the Governor of Washington signed the woman suffrage bill on Feb. 25th. I received my expected letter from Mrs. Devoe, in which she says she is glad I do not approve working for tax-paying suffrage; so I suppose the Washington bill is all right on that point. It looks as if you might be detailed out there after the Seattle Convention.

The suffragettes in England, - oh, yes, - are active again, and have gone to jail. I am sending you one clipping, in case it is not mentioned in your papers. They are some legislators. They had a delightful afternoon with the O'Neills on Sunday. She has been two whole days and one after noon with me at the Capitol; and comes again this afternoon. The women of Navajo have sent in a petition for the suffrage bill. I have more news about it. I always hope; but do not think I shall let my heart break if I fail. Our bill was misprinted, giving Weed's name instead of Sen. Goodrich's as its author. This requires reprinting, and it has not returned yet. I am sure her love to you. I am sure she will give my regards to Mrs. Dolles. Mrs. Kinds writes, but has not yet had time to write for the action of time and success. I have just had time to write for the action of time and success. I have just had time to write for the action of time and success.

I enclose Mrs. Shaw's letter. Please, I am sure, see it in the main she recommends that what you and I determined upon. Please note P.S. Mrs. LaChance is sick; so my meeting there was called off. That she does not encourage the idea of organizing in New Mexico.

I also enclose Mrs. Avey's letter. You will be gratified at the pro-

Prescott, Arizona, Feb. 27, 1909.

My Dear Miss Clay:-

Your letter of today was a great disappointment to me. I am sure that our hopes are blasted. There is no show on earth to get the bill out of committee, unless a miracle happens. Of course it may be true that Mr. Finley's influence may be neutralized, as Gov. Hughes intimated. I have written to Col. Herring and am glad Mrs. Mc Cormick did also. I shall not come to Phoenix unless the bill passes the Council. I think as you do that we must turn our attention to organizing. Is there any show to do anything in Phoenix now? We can organize good and strong up here almost any time. It seems to me that it would be best to go south from Phoenix, and organize in the southern counties and then come back to Phoenix and on up here and then on through the northern counties.

Faithfully,

Francis H. Winslow



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Dear Miss Clay:-

I inclose to you the check I received from Mrs. Upton yesterday.

Will you please take out the hundred dollars I borrowed, and send me a Phoenix check for the balance.

I do not like to present this check or ask any body to endorse it, since I am so much of a stranger, but if you have your bank account already established by telegraph, they would probably feel differently about cashing it for you.

I think we ought to have New York drafts in this far away country.



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I am invited to speak to the "Third House" this afternoon, and I am going to do it.

We haven't been able to see Gov. Prince yet, but if he evades us today we shall go after him Monday, when the Council is in session.

Very Cordially,

Laura Gregg.

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Lexington, Ky. Feb.27, 1909.

Mrs. Minnie J. Garrett,

Russell, Ky.

Dear Mrs. Garrett,

Enclosed you will find two suffrage Petitions which we hope you will be interested in circulating. If you can undertake this work we will be very glad to have you do so and can furnish you with as many Petitions as you need.

Under a separate cover we are sending you some suffrage literature to be distributed. Any information you may desire can be had of Mrs. Mary B. Clay, 189 North Mill St., Lexington, Ky.

Yours truly,

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Dear Miss Clay

Your letters received
and let me say that we most
heartily welcome you to our
Territory and trust that your
labors may be crowned with
success. It is certainly very kind
of you to come to our aid at
this time when assistance is so
much needed. I have great
hope that this Legislature will
enfranchise our women. I am
very anxious to see the Educational

Bill passed first: our greatest enemy is ignorance. The vicious Class Control ignorance against every reform. Letters are being sent to many of the Members of the both Houses. and will continue until we get our rights. We are very hopeful of Mr. Finley. If approached in the right way I think he can be won over to vote for the bill. Have him think that you are depending on him. Not that you doubt him. A little flattery goes a long way with most men. We are not at all

proud of our Asia Delegation. Would you be kind enough to let us know which Members ^{suffer} that you are absolutely sure of. And those who are opposed. Let us know as soon as convenient that we may do some writing to friends of the Measure in other Countries to work with their Representatives to vote for the passage of the bill. We are with you heart and soul. Any suggestions from you will be gladly received.
Most Cordially yours
Mrs L. C. Hughes



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SANTA FE, N.M. Feb. 29 1909.

Dear Miss Clay: I was so glad to receive your letter this morning with the information it contained, and the letters enclosed.

I do not quite understand about Washington. Our last information was that Washington had defeated the Suffrage bill. Now comes the word that the Governor has signed it. Of course if it is true that a campaign is really on in Washington, then it seems to me that changes things all round. But I think it quite likely that Washington will not desire any outside helpers. Mrs. DeVoe is a host

within herself, and she has that wonderful faculty, which it seems that none of the rest of us possess, of stirring up local workers in every community; and probably what Washington will need will be money, and not outside workers.

I inclose to you a copy of a letter I am sending to Miss Shaw. I had to copy it by hand because I cannot get a type-writer here.

I am sorry you feel that we shall have to let go of Oklahoma. What I think ought to be done would be to go right back into the next Legislature and ask



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for suffrage for white women.
I think, with- The Democratic
party quaking in its boots
here, now is just the time
to come in with- that issue.
Of course New England would
throw a fit at such a
proposition, and I suppose
Miss Shaw would be angry
if she thought a Northern
woman ever dreamed of
such a thing, but nevertheless
I think it ought to be done.
It will have to be made the
issue sometime in the
South, and with- The Republicans
in Oklahoma gaining on
the Democrats, now is just
the time for the suffrajists
to butt in to the Democratic ranks.

I am delighted to hear that
there is still the ghost of
a chance in South Dakota.

I felt that we ought not
to let go so easily when the
Gov. was so favorable, but
when Miss Shaw absolutely
refused to maintain the
Legislative Committee any
longer I could see nothing
else to be done. I do
hope the National will
send Mrs. Pettigrew back.
She is the one to go. I
think Miss Bomer is still there.

Most Cordially,

Laura Gregg

Address.

Palace Hotel.

Santa Fe. N. M.