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October 2, 1912

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Haverford, Pa., October 5th, 1912

Miss Laura Clay, Chairman
Membership Committee of the
National American Woman Suffrage Association,
c/o Mrs. Johnson, Mills Building,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Miss Clay:

The Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League wishes to make application for membership in the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Enclosed please find a membership list revised and corrected up to date, with an affidavit certifying the list to be correct.

We also enclose a copy of our platform showing that our principal object as a Society is to obtain the suffrage for women, but a special plank in the platform shows the necessity of restrictions on the vote of both men and women.

In your letter written to me last July, you ask "What are the limitations?" Enclosed please find a copy of the suffrage bill now under consideration by the Commission to Revise and Codify the Election Laws of Pennsylvania. The Bill shows what restrictions we are asking for, although we are not pledged to introduce precisely similar restrictions in every bill that is presented to the Legislature.

We are very anxious, if possible, to obtain membership in the National before the meeting of the National Convention in Philadelphia, as we would like to be represented at that convention. Our League was the originator of the Suffrage Bazaar held at Horticultural Hall, Philadelphia, Feb. 27th and 28th, which resulted in sending \$700.00 to the National.

Hoping that you will make it possible for us to be admitted at once, I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Mary Winsor

P. S.

We have members in and are active in more than two counties of the State and are spreading our propaganda over the whole State.

M. W.

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Oct 5, 1912.

Miss Laura Clay; My dear Miss Clay:

This is in the nature of a
postscript to the type-written letter as I want to
call your attention to the copy of our annual Report
for 1911. In case any question arises as to
whether our principal object is Woman Suffrage;
The Report shows an activity in Woman Suffrage
which is, believe us, quite unprecedented in
Philadelphia, and has a very stimulating effect
on the other Woman Suffrage. The report also
shows how ~~little~~ few of our lectures meetings etc
have taken up the question of Limited Suffrage.
The name of the League does not indicate that we are
primarily interested in Woman Suffrage but neither

does the "Just Government" League show that.

I hope it will possible for us to join the National in time to be represented in the Convention in Philadelphia.

I think the members of the League will be very ready to go on raising money for the National if they are an Auxiliary, especially if we can send delegates to the Convention.

I want to congratulate the women of Kentucky on their success in obtaining the educational qualification in the School Suffrage.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary Winsor

P.S. Don't you think we fulfilled my pledge given at the Louisville Convention to raise money for the National through a Bazaar?

Philadelphia, Pa., October 6th, 1912

Miss Laura Clay, Chairman Membership Committee,
National American Woman Suffrage Association,
c/o Miss Johnson, Mills Building,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Madam:

In re list of members of the Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League mailed you yesterday by Miss Mary Winsor from my office, I wish to explain to you that by an inadvertence I neglected to affix my seal as Notary Public to Miss Winsor's affidavit attached to the list. I have discovered the omission and taken the precaution to obtain Miss Winsor's signature again which you will find enclosed, with my signature and seal of office. Will you kindly attach this paper to the list instead of the one sent, and return the detached incomplete affidavit to Miss Mary Winsor, Haverford P. O., Pa.?

Very truly yours,

Belle B. Frame
543 Land Title Bldg.
Philadelphia, Pa.

St. Paul, Minnesota Oct. 5th. 1912.

My Dear Miss Clay:-

I am enclosing the list of members of the new state organization known as the Minnesota Equal Franchise League and shall send more names to you the first of next week, as I had not the time to get all the names listed and checked up. I hope that everything will be all right and that we will be allowed our representation in the coming convention.

I am sending on advice of Dr Anna Shaw, the \$30.00 to the National Treasurer as that she may have it before her books are are closed and hold the same until we hear from you.

The new organization is specializing in county organization plans to work and prepare the state in that way, we have always felt that this was one of the weak points in the older association and for that reason will supplant the city work with out of town work.

Hoping to hear from you soon and trusting that

there will be time to arrange other details of the work

I remain

Most respectfully yours

Theresa B. Peyton

President of the Minnesota Equal Franchise League,
581 Selby Ave.

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October 8, 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,

Chairman of Membership Com. of N.A.W.S.A.

Dear Madam:-

Your letter of October 2 received. I wish to thank you for your kind assistance in regard to the interpretation of the Constitution of the N.A.W.S.A.

Yours sincerely,

Ida B. Neepier.

Field Secretary.

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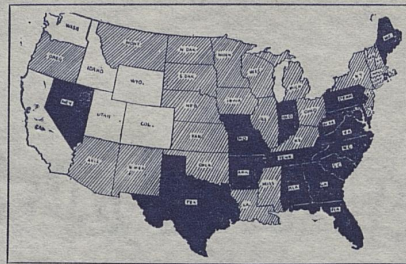
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October 9th, 1912.

Dear Member of the Executive Committee:-

I have sent the enclosed notice to Miss Blackwell, with the request that she print it in "The Woman's Journal" of October 12th.

I think you should know at least these brief facts. Of course the whole situation will be thoroughly discussed at the Convention.

Yours sincerely,

Jessie Ashley
Treasurer

Oct 9, 1912

IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is my duty to announce that "The Woman's Journal" is no longer the official organ of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. The connection was severed by Miss Blackwell on September 30th, 1912.

Miss Blackwell, who owns a majority of the stock of "The Woman's Journal", had made a proposition, in September, to the Official Board of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, that the contract between the Journal and the National Association, be terminated by mutual consent. But the legal adviser of the Association decided that the Board could not accept this proposition and that only the Convention had power to terminate the contract. This opinion had been formerly held by Miss Blackwell, herself, and was also held unanimously by the Board, when a similar proposition was made on June 29th.

When, by reason of the heavy expenses of maintaining the National work, including "The Woman's Journal", the Board voted to reduce expenses all along the line, Miss Blackwell refused to cut down the expenses of "The Woman's Journal". She then announced her intention of taking "The Woman's Journal" back, whether the Board had power to terminate the contract or not.

She justified this course on the ground that the National Association had already broken the contract by failure to pay the bills incurred by "The Woman's Journal". The National has NEVER refused to pay the bills of the paper, and has done so to its utmost ability.

Jessie Ashley
Treasurer

National American Woman
Suffrage Association.

Thurston & Van Kirk,
Room 34, Crawford Building.

Topeka, Kansas, Oct. 10, 1912

My dear Miss Clay,

I have this morning arranged to have your trunk forwarded to Kansas City, Mo., per American Express as directed, and herewith enclose receipt for same.

You don't realize my disappointment at not being able to have you in our home the few hours you were in Topeka last Sunday, but I was not able to be up, but a short time during the day.

I wanted to hear your opinion of things, and how you enjoyed your trip, which information came to me thro' my sister.

I'm getting my throat in good condition from the bad cold, and guess after this week, I can do some work if they want me to.

Will write you at some length, later.

Hurriedly, S. A. Thurston

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---Abraham Lincoln.

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Topeka, Kansas, October 12, 1912.

Miss Laura M. Clay,
Leavenworth, Kansas.

My dear Miss Clay:

I can write you but one letter more before you leave the State and that should be one of thankfulness for all the good that you are doing us. I hope some of our number may be in Kansas City to see you off when you leave for home on the night of the 15th or the morning of the 16th. I am quite sure some one will go with you from Leavenworth to Kansas City. I had already written to them asking them to do this before I received Mrs. Johnston's letter suggesting it.

You will find, I think, the Leavenworth women very enthusiastic and very anxious to make your meeting a success. This First District trip must have been a very hard one, but when it is all over you will look back over your Kansas experiences, I trust with pleasure. Have you any idea how many talks you have made, how many towns you have visited and how many miles you have traveled?

I trust that this will find you well and hopeful, I am

Yours sincerely,

Helen N. Eacker,

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Oct. 13th 1912.

My dear Miss Clay:

Thank you very much for your kind
advice. Our Treasurer has been instructed to send
a check for membership dues at once to the National
Treasurer.

I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you
in Phila.

Very truly yours,

Mary Winsor.

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--- Abraham Lincoln.

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Topeka, Kan., Oct. 24, 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,

Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:

We had hoped to hear from you ere this, telling us of your safe arrival in Kentucky.

Each day we have talked of you, but so many things have crowded in these last days that there is scarcely time for a friendly letter.

I went out to Dodge City as planned, and neglected to have the Capital sent to you until after my return, but ordered all of the back numbers from the 13th, and subscribed for one month.

Hope you are receiving them and if not please notify me. I also mailed you this morning a copy of last night's Journal. The papers are doing very well by us, as you will note by this morning's Capital, wherein is a splendid editorial by the managing editor. We are very busy this week, getting ready for the visit of our National President, and I believe that we are going to be able to get a large crowd out to hear her.

The Dodge City women reaffirmed their endorsement of the amendment which they gave up last year, but some women, who had been to the federation meeting in California succeeded in preventing any action being taken in the sixth district. Of course,

I was not there. Margret, Miss Herron, the society editor from the Capital, and one of the men reporters, started out on an automobile trip this morning, to the western part of the county. Will be gone all day. We are having delightful autumn weather now which we should have had while you were here. I want to send you the weather man's report of September and early October. It was to the effect that there had been more rain than at any other time during the same season for 26 years. So you see I was not all together in error when I advised you that you would not need your overshoes in the sixth district. The prospects continue good.

Thanking you for all you did to help us, and rejoicing in the fact that I had this opportunity to extend my acquaintance with you, I am

Affectionately yours,

Lucy B. Johnson
President K. E. S. A.

P. S. A Preacher Alongs Wilson, Sec. of
The Methodist (National) Temperance
Association came with his wife. Put
up at best hotel and proceeded to dis-
tribute anti S. literature. Our men's League
got after him and had him silenced and
prevented from doing any more of that
kind of work.

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October 25, 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,
189 N. Mill St.,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Miss Clay:-

Miss Blackwell
I recently wrote you a letter which has been returned. I am hoping that this one will reach you.

Mrs. Johnston of Kansas tells me that you are in Lexington. Will you, therefore, kindly tell Miss Blackwell how you would vote if you could cast a vote for President this year. Would you vote for Taft, Roosevelt or Wilson? Please give us your preference, even if you do not like any of them. Miss Blackwell wishes me to say in asking this that she shall not quote you or use your name in any way.

I enclose stamped addressed envelope, and shall be very grateful for a reply by return mail. If there is any delay, I shall be grateful if you will telegraph.

Yours sincerely,

Agnes C. Ryan

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Topeka, Kansas, October 26, 1912.

Dear Editor:

We have been informed from a reliable source that Kansas will be flooded with anti-suffrage literature during the last ten days before election. This literature, it is reported, will be sent out by the liquor interests and those opposed to good government and clean living.

Will you kindly co-operate with us by printing the following letter in your next issue in an effort to defeat such an attempt?

Yours truly,

Lucy B. Johnston
President K. E. S. A.

Kansas Equal Suffrage Headquarters.

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 26, 1912.

A report is current that during the last ten days before election, Kansas will be flooded with anti-suffrage literature. This letter will be cleverly worded and very insidious in its influence. The letters and circulars are sent out under various names, the Merchants' and Manufacturers' League, State Business Men's League, Progressive Protective League, Progressive League, Progressive Headquarters and other misleading titles. Postal cards are sometimes sent to every voter in the state. These are said to emanate from those interested in the liquor traffic. Posters with such captions as: "When In Doubt, Vote No," are hung in conspicuous places. All persons interested in good government and clean living are warned against them.

Lucy B. Johnston, President,
Kansas Equal Suffrage Association.

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October 26th.1912.

Dear Member of the Membership Committee:-

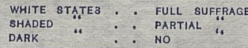
To facilitate matters while Miss Clay is campaigning and, therefore, difficult to reach by mail, and the time before the Convention is so very short, I am sending you a letter, copy of the application of Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch, for the affiliation of her association The Women's Political Union with the National Association. Her dues have already been paid and are being held pending acceptance of her application from the Membership Committee, which, I suppose, is a foregone conclusion.

Very truly yours,

Mary Ware Dennett
per J.

Corresponding Secretary.

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October 26th. 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,
c/o Mrs. Wm. Johnston,
217 Mills Bldg.,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Miss Clay:-

I have sent copies of Mrs. Blatch's letter to the individual members of the Membership Committee, to save time, and I have to-day had still another note from Miss Flora Worthington of the Ohio Equal Franchise society, saying she has not heard from you that the membership application has been accepted. The society has, however, paid its dues, and I have given Miss Worthington the assurance that, since they have evidently complied with every membership qualification, there can be no doubt of their actual acceptance by the membership committee. Am I right?

Hoping the Kansas campaign is not wearing you out too much and knowing that it has been an enormous help to the Kansas situation.

Cordially yours,

Mary Wallace Demmett
per J. L.
Corresponding Secretary.

Oct 26, 1912

October 16th 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,
Chairman of Membership Committee of the
National American Woman Suffrage Association.

My dear Miss Clay:-

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We shall of course, pay ten cents on the three hundred membership basis, and I have arranged with the National Headquarters here, to send a check for \$30. direct to Miss Ashley immediately, in order to expedite our joining the Association.

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Byrd Harriot Stanton Blatch

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I write yes - as soon as technicalities are fulfilled. Susan D. Freeman

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Oct. 17th, 1912.

My dear Mrs. Roebuck,

Just got home today, and am throwing myself into the convention work, ~~this~~ the convention coming off next Thursday and Friday. I have just telegraphed tonight asking if you have secured a speaker for the convention. If not, Mrs. Cramer and I think Mrs. Ella S. Stewart, of Chicago, former president of Illinois W. Suffrage Asso: and former secretary of National, will do finely.

I got your letter about the National dues paid by Mrs. Shepard in Kansas. I hope you have heard all particulars from her about the finances. I shall try to have all our local members pay state dues. We now have about 350 members.

How ~~many~~ delegates will likely come from Covington and Newport? We fir the hotels will give rates of \$1.00 and upward for room, and meals can be gotten close to the hall for \$1.00 a day. Or room and meals for two dollars a day at a good boarding house near the hall, with two in a room. Of course the ~~board~~ ^{board} of ~~all~~ ^{all} the state officers will be paid; and I shall select which place will be ~~most~~ ^{most} convenient. If I had been at home, I should probably have had them entertained by their friends; but our local president is much overworked, and is only holding the place till we can elect some one else.

Please send all ^r the items for the programs at once. I shall barely have time to have them printed; that is, if you have not already ~~xxxxxx~~ them printed. I have ~~most~~ ^{most} of my last letters in Madison. If you think we should entertain the lady who promised to contribute a paper, just tell her that we will do so. My machine needs oiling badly; but I cannot do it tonight

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You can now express the minutes; if you prefer to send them without waiting for the convention.

I come back from Kansas very hopeful of the result; but our defeat in Ohio warns me not to be too confident.

I hope your health has improved.

Write me as particularly as you can how many delegates are coming; and they want us to engage rooms for them.

Very cordially yours,

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Newport, Ky. Oct. 17, 1912

My dear Miss Clay:

I am writing now so as to let you at once just what I have done in your absence. I have just received (yesterday) Mrs. Shepard's books, accounts and money. I deposited the money in bank, \$55⁵/₁₀₀.23. There are one or two printing bills, for which appropriations were made last year, which I shall pay before the convention.

I had some difficulty in getting a speaker but finally succeeded in getting Mrs. Ella S. Stewart of Chicago. I hope that will be satisfactory to you. Her terms are \$30.00 and expenses. I knew we had never paid Miss Shaw anything but expenses, but did not think we could get any others for that.

The Programs I have not had printed as I thought you could arrange that more practically than I.

I see from an examination of Mrs. Shepard's books that the following Free Will offerings have not been paid: Madison County C. R. A. \$100.00. Miss Laura White \$10.00. Miss Laura Clay \$10.00. Mrs. Thomas J. Smith \$5.00. Mrs. Mary B. Clay \$5.00. So far no dues have come in except

from Bowling Green. Four dollars, which makes 559.23 in the bank.

Will send you today a package of the last minutes, by Express, for the Fayette C. R. A. Have not sent them before as I had ~~no~~ no one's correct address in Lexington except yours & you were away.

Please let me know if you think of anything I have neglected and I will do it as soon as you let me hear from you. I know you must be tired out after your arduous trip and hope you may get a little rest before the convention.

Hope you are real well. I am much better.

Very sincerely,

Emma M. Roebuck.

313 York St.

P.S. Since writing the above I have received the enclosed card from Mrs. Stewart. It explains itself.

Please let me know which Hotel will be Headquarters. — Had you heard of Mrs. Trimble's death? It occurred in New York about three weeks ago and was sudden Apoplexy.

E M R.

Lexington, Kentucky.

Oct. 17th, 1912.

Mrs. Crystal Eastman Benedict, .

Campaign Manager Political League of
Wisconsin.

Dear Madam,

I have just returned from six weeks' campaign work in Kansas;
and I see your appeal for funds in the Woman's Journal of Sept. 14th. Whilst
I suppose that particular object is no longer on hand, I am enclosing a
N. York draft for fifty dollars to be used in the campaign as your judgment
advises. Your address is not given, but I am trusting my memory that
Milwaukee is the proper city.

My machine needs oiling; but as I have not been at home a half day, I ask
you to excuse the bad printing.

With my best wishes for success in Wisconsin, such as I am expecting
in Kansas, I am

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My dear Miss Clay:—

Your letter just ~~to~~ received. Very glad and much relieved when I received your telegram this morning and knew you were back in the state. I do not see how we can ever spare you from the chair. I have just telephoned the Covington ladies and found that they expect to pay for 100 members but say they are only sure of 7 delegates. Mrs. & Mrs. Giltner, Mrs. McLaughlin and daughter; they I suppose, will want rooms together. Then Mrs. Firth, Mrs. Murray Hubbard and I have forgotten the ~~the~~ seventh lady's name. Mrs. Murray Hubbard, the lady who is to speak on "Organization" on Thursday afternoon, will not arrive in Lexington until some time Thursday morning and expects to stay only one night as she does not like to leave her little child more than one night. From Newport I am not sure of any delegates except myself. There may be one but I think no more, from

present indications. All those who would go seem to have either sickness or family cares. I have not heard one word from Louisville. I sent them a package of minutes by express and wrote telling them that I was acting Treasurer and asked them acknowledge the receipt of Minutes, but have never heard.

As I will likely be alone from here, I shall ask you to reserve a room for me, either at a boarding house or hotel, whichever arrangements you feel will be most likely to be convenient.

I think I told you about the finances in my letter of yesterday. Mrs. Shepard paid National dues for 742 members. - If it would help you for me to come Tuesday or earlier in the day on Wednesday, I could do so. Let me hear.

Hoping to see you soon, I remain

Very Sincerely,

Emma M. Roebuck.

Thurston & Van Kirk,

Room 34, Crawford Building.

Topeka, Kansas, Oct. 18

1912

My dear Miss Clay,

Enclosed you will find receipt for \$100 donation to our campaign fund, for which I wish to thank you most heartily. After having given yourself for six weeks, it seems too much for you to give us money.

I was very sorry not to see you on your return to Topeka, but I was so sick that I scarcely sat up at all during the day. I had anticipated much pleasure in a little visit with you, and was anxious to discuss conditions, as you saw them.

In about three weeks we shall know the results. I am hopeful, but not confident, knowing full well the many things that are against us. Many workers are doing their best, but there are so many indifferent ones, both men and women! If we could have even ^{one} of our ordinary home speakers go to every town in the State between now and election it would mean thousands of votes from those who will simply never think of the amendment, in the excitement of the political campaign.

If we do win, I want our organization kept up, for the purpose of helping other States to win.

also, If we do not win, we must continue a campaign of education, till we try for the amendment again.

Some of our women are out in the County on an Automobile trip to-day, and I am going with another party to-morrow. Mrs. Johnston is at a Club meeting. We are all busy in our various ways. My sister addressed a meeting of women on the question Tuesday. Late for women's meetings, but they invited her, and she went hoping to get them all busy.

Surely you deserve encouragement in Kentucky for your kindness to others.

My sister & Mr. Johnston join me in kind remembrances.

Hoping that some day I may see you again,

I am, Cordially Yours,

L. A. Johnston,

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MILWAUKEE, WIS., Oct. 19, 1912.

Miss Laura Clay,
189 North Mill St.,
Lexington, Ky.,

Dear Miss Clay:

Your check for \$50.00 came yesterday and it brought great rejoicing to the campaigners of Wisconsin. I wish you might have come to Wisconsin too. We should have given you a hearty welcome. But I knew that you had gone to Kansas and the Kansas people naturally would not like to have us urge women to come from their campaign to ours.

Just at present, we are optimistic. We are receiving such splendid help from many of our politicians and the opposition is not especially active, although there is no telling what they may do between now and election.

Yours for victory,

Ada L. James

[Mrs. Eiker] My dear Miss Clay. [Oct 20, 1912] Haverdsburg

Pardon me for a delay so unreasonably that I fear that the only way to in any manner remedy it is by asking our President to kindly help me again. Your letter was received and a P.C. from Mrs. Roluch. but illness in my family and a number of immediate demands - made me forget that the time was so limited.

I am enclosing my personal

check for dues as the Treas. has failed to collect same to date. I may later have a larger amount to send.

I am quite sorry but the organization here is weak in activity although the sentiment seems to be growing in strength.

The Cause needs leaders. I have surely not been such in any manner. The fear of becoming too much interested in a cause.

in which I am a very firm
believer, and again going beyond
my slowly accumulating
strength has held me back
and although I would most
gladly hand all responsibility
over to some one more able
than I to lead to more
strength, I have failed to find
one willing to take the
Chairmanship or the active
part necessary for success.

We will have a meeting
early in November and I
trust before then will have
full reports of our State
Meeting in Lexington. I have
appointed several to act as
delegates from Haverdeshung
but as yet have no promise
making sure of representation.

Last year while the E. P. A.
was meeting in Cornington
I was in Lexington attending
the Synodical Missionary
Meeting of which I am Pres.

Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 21st, 1912.

Dear Mrs. Temple,

I received your letter of Sept. 25th, enclosing check for \$5.00. Last Saturday, the letter not having been forwarded to me during my six weeks' absence campaigning in Kansas. I enclose a receipt, with thanks.

This makes the dues for state and National for 100 members. Your club will be entitled to send ten delegates to the state convention to be held in Lexington Oct. 24th and 25th. I hope your delegation may be full. We shall have a fine speaker, - Mrs. Ellen Stewart, of Chicago, and all the program will be interesting.

I suppose you know that all persons enrolled on the membership cards are bona fide members of the Ky. W. R. A. whether they pay annual dues or not. It is only the representation in the state and National convention which is limited by the annual dues. Some members of the Ky. W. R. A. have been in the habit of making a donation to the National; but they agree that the money shall go as membership dues as far as our bona fide state membership will allow. Therefore, we are very desirous to hear from every auxiliary the entire number of their enrolled members, so that their National dues may be paid out of what would otherwise be simply a donation to the National. I have understood that the Louisville Assn. has enrolled several hundred members since last year; and therefore I am very much obliged to you to send me the entire number immediately. I presume your Assn. has elected the National delegate to which your thirty or forty hundred paid up members entitle you. But as the state association

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will probably be entitled to elect a number of delegates over and above those chosen by the local associations. I should be very glad if you could furnish a list of Louisville members who might probably go to the National convention at Philadelphia, and I shall be pleased to present their names at the Lexington convention if there are places to spare.

For some years past the State has not asked entertainment for the delegates from the local associations inviting the convention. But in order to assist the delegates in finding accommodation the Fayette F.R.A. has found that rooms can be obtained at the Phoenix hotel and the Seal-back hotel at one dollar a day and upwards, on the European plan. The Fayette F.R.A. is inviting all of the out-of-town delegates to take supper on Thursday and Friday luncheon and supper as its guests at Mrs. Kimbrough's, which is just next door to the Arts Club building on Second Street, where the convention meets. We hope in this manner to have a social hour or two in which the delegates can meet each other.

Hoping that Louisville will send a full delegation to Lexington, and that you will write me the full number of your enrolled membership and names of those who may go to Philadelphia, I am

Very sincerely yours,

P.S. Rooms can be obtained from Mrs. Kimbrough at one dollar a night, including breakfast. She would probably expect two ladies to occupy a room.

Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 23rd, 1912.

My dear Mrs. Riker,

I received your check to Mrs. Roebuck for \$3.50, for which we thank you. I am very sorry you are not to be at the state convention, as it is particularly important and interesting.

I have cards for 33 Harrodsburg members; and if you have any more, I wish you would send the number of them as soon as you can conveniently. I suppose you understand that every person signing our enrollment cards is a bona fide member of the State E.R.A., whether dues are paid each year or not. The dues limit only the representation at State and National conventions. The Ky. E.R.A., through some of its members, has been in the habit of paying a donation to the National each year; and we desire that such donations shall preferably go as National dues for members of the State Asso. In this way, we are able to pay National dues on all, or most of our members; and we want to know all the increase we have made. If you could send me the list of any additional members you have within the next week or two, it would be a help in making out our increase of membership for the National Convention to be held in Philadelphia Nov. 21-26.

I am glad your health is better; and I hope it will continue to improve. I should be sorry to have you give up the leadership in the E.R.A. in Harrodsburg, as I consider you have done very well, considering all your difficulties.

I am much interested in what you write of the school election.

Very cordially yours,

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Burlington Green Ky.
Oct 23rd 1912

Dear Miss Clay.

I hoped that
Mrs. Mitchell would
be able to represent
Burlington Green this
year, but I found
this morning that
she would not go to
Lexington, so I sent
the report to you.

Our registration was
a mere formality, but
it set an example which
I know will help when
the next registration day
comes. The ward in which
I live made the best
showing and I take a
little credit for this.

What will you think
of me when I tell you
that after asking your
advice I went and
joined the Progressive
Party? I simply couldn't
help it. Whether the
leaders are sincere or
not they have forced
every party to take up
the question of woman
suffrage and I joined
out of gratitude for this.

I am going to work
on a suffrage play
in a few days. Just
now I am slowly getting
over a bad case of grippe.
I wish, Oh I wish I could
be with you, but I
can't. It is all I

can so to keep my head above water
living the quietest sort of life.

Sincerely yours,

Lila Calvert O'Brien

309 N. Main Street
Amisville

My dear Miss Clay.

I am more than sorry to tell you that we are finding the greatest difficulty in filling our delegation not only to the National - but to the State Convention - It seems strange in an Association as large as successful meeting ours - but the Board has made every effort without success. Only two names. Mr Emil Tachau

& Mrs J. B. Judah are suggested as far possible delegates to the National -

I doubt very much if there are any Amisville representatives at Lexington.

The present membership of the State Amisville Association is 424.

We best wishes for a most successful meeting

Very cordially
Kate G. Sample

October 23rd 1912.

Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 23rd, 1912.

Mrs. W. T. Hopkins,

K. C. Kansas.

Dear Madam,

I thank you very much for the dress belt, which I received by mail this morning. I feared I had lost it out of my grip in opening it on the way, as I thought I had put it in.

I remember my evening with you and Mr. Hopkins with much pleasure. I feel encouraged by his hopeful spirit for the success of the amendment. We are rejoicing over the good accounts we hear of the restoration of Colonel Roosevelt. I find some of the negroes in Kentucky are going to vote for him; which I think is very wise for them to do. Mr. Hopkins may remember we discussed the attitude of the Progressives to the negroes.

I am now very busy in preparation for the State convention of the E. R. A., which meets in this city tomorrow. I am enclosing a leaflet concerning what the Asso. has accomplished. Now we are looking towards a Constitutional Amendment from our next legislature. If Kansas wins, it will be worth a campaign in Kentucky.

Please remember me to Mr. Hopkins, and with thanks for your kindness, I am

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---Abraham Lincoln.

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Topeka, Kansas, October 28, 1912.

Miss Laura M. Clay,
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Lexington, Kentucky.

My dear Miss Clay:

I have been planning ever since you left us to write you a brief letter expressing our appreciation of the work you did for us during your six weeks stay in Kansas. We certainly owe you a great deal, but the only part that we can pay is to reimburse you for expenses incurred in the state. I feel sure that you never have had any returns for your trip from Salina to Kiowa and back to Topeka, nor from Seneca to Kansas City, and there may be some other expenses. If so I wish that you would include everything in the bill and send us the amount. Mrs. Thurston and I were talking about it this morning, and we feel that the debt should be paid. *Mrs. Johnston concurs in this.* Please let us hear from you and thus be able to meet our obligations..

We are working as hard as we know how, and feel very hopeful, but are waiting with no little anxiety the enemies' last move. We are looking anxiously for it and are trying to forstall anything that would harm the cause.

Anna Shaw is in the state and is meeting with great success. She is a wonderful woman.

I hope that we may hear from you soon Miss Clay, and I want to assure you of my hearty appreciation of your work.

Very sincerely yours,

Helena N. Eacker.

189 N. Mill St.,

Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 28th, 1912.

My dear Mrs. Johnston,

Well, I arrived safely in Lexington about noon on Oct. 17th, and immediately telephoned to the suffrage friends that I was at home. I found there was to be a meeting that afternoon of the local suffrage club to complete arrangements for the State E.R.A. convention to be held the next week. I went to that, and afterwards spent the rest of the afternoon and the next morning at the telephone, attending to business preparatory to the convention. On the afternoon of the 18th I fulfilled my engagement of speaking to the Woman's Club; and that same evening went to Richmond on imperative business connected with my farm. I stayed in Madison county till Monday afternoon, busy all the time except Sunday with writing letters, riding over my farm, etc., and returned to Lexington Monday afternoon. I went to work again on the telephone, getting the programs printed, and other arrangements for the convention, which came off very successfully on Thursday and Friday. We had the president elected whom I desired very much and was afraid she would not consent to be elected; but the election passed off very satisfactorily. Saturday I spent with the Ex.Com. meeting and other convention business, and I was glad to rest Sunday. Today, I have been busy writing; and am glad at last to have a little time to answer your letter and to tell you of what I am doing. I am receiving the newspaper you sent regularly; and I promise myself much interest in reading it. So far, I have not had time to open one of the papers, but I am keeping them to look over as soon as I find time. I thank you very much for sending it.

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I missed you dreadfully after you left me, though I received great courtesy every where I went. At Leavenworth Mrs. Vantuyl went with me to Kansas City, and did everything possible to make the trip pleasant. I suppose you have heard of the meetings from the local people. Tell Miss Backer that some time later I will try to send her my itinerary, - that is, the places I actually visited after I left Mrs. Smith in the Sixth district, and you at Atchison. But just now I have a mass of correspondence which must be finished for the National Convention, relating to the National Membership Committee, of which I am chairman, and which has already waited too long, together with other correspondence which has accumulated during my absence.

I note what you say about that Methodist minister. The Prohibitionists, or some of them, are now calling on the women voters to stand loyally by their party. I think their attention should be directed to such proceedings as this of that minister, and also of some other prohibitions of whom I know. They should be discredited in all Temperance associations.

I do hope you will have money enough after the campaign is over to get to Philadelphia to rejoice with the convention over the success in Kansas; for I am going to believe that Kansas will win. I expect still to go myself, and to help in the rejoicing.

I shall always remember my trip through Kansas with pleasure, and the many delightful people I met. It was a great pleasure to learn to know you, and, I hope, to make you my friend. I have learned to love you.

Please remember me to the "best man on earth", to Mrs. Brandenburg, and to all my suffrage friends as you may meet them, and with love to yourself.

I am

Cordially your friend,

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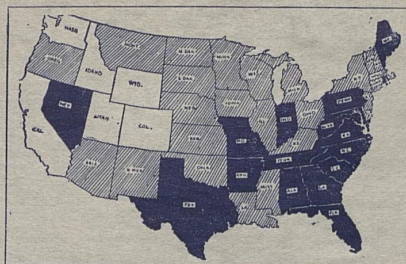
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October 28, 1912.

Dear Madam President:-

I enclose credentials and alternates for the use of your society at the National Convention in November 1912. This is based on \$159²⁰ dues paid before October 25, 1912.

If this does not agree with your records will you kindly let me know at once. Considerable difficulty has followed our change of fiscal year, but I do not want to omit from representation the full present membership of your society.

Cordially yours,

Jessie Ashley
Treasurer

Lexington, Ky.
189 N. Mill Street.
Oct. 28th, 1912.

My dear Mrs. Thurston,

I have been busy to the limit ever since I reached Kentucky, or else both you and Mrs. Johnston would have heard from me before this, in answer to your letters, and to tell both of you how much I appreciate all your kindness whilst in Kansas, and to say that in spite of the work and anxiety for success I shall always remember my trip to Kansas with great pleasure. Just to think! One more week, and we shall know our fate!

I have just finished my state convention; and as you see from the lines at the head of this page, we have had a change of officers, the election having turned out to my great satisfaction. For a year, - that is, ever since California and Washington have entered the suffrage ranks, I have been convinced that new methods and new officers were needed in the Kentucky E.R.A.; and now we have succeeded in having the ones which I would have selected chiefly if I had had nothing to do but choose.

On another page I am sending you the account of the collections I took up and the expenses. I never took charge of the collections except when there was no one travelling with me.

I am receiving the newspaper Mrs. Johnston ordered sent to me; and I shall read the news with intense interest.

Please remember me to Mr. Thurston and to Miss Bray, and with my most cordial regards to all my Kansas friends, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Oct 28, 1912

Collections and Expenses in Kansas.

Sept. 30th.

Salina//.....\$4.44, with hotel expenses paid.

McPherson.....1.87; out of which I paid hotel expenses/

Wichita.....5.00. and entertainment.

October 14th.

Leavenworth..... 10.00. Paid hotel bill out of this, which was handed me
by the treasurer, Mrs. J. J. Edie.

~~2x5x51~~

Total//...../\$ 21.31

Expenses.		\$	cts.	\$	cts.
Oct. 1	Telephone to Linborg.....	.10			
"	'Bus and ticket.....	.51			
"	Ticket to McPherson.....	.30			
				Total Receipts.	21.31
"	Hotel at McPherson....	1.00		Total Expenses in	16.49
Oct. 2	Ticket to Hutchison.....	.55		Kansas	4.82
"	'Bus.....	.25			
Oct. 2nd,	Ticket to Harper.....	1.24			
2 "	Ticket to Kiowa.....	.66			
	Breakfast.....	.15			
	'Bus to and fro.....	.50			
Oct. 4th	Ticket to Wichita.....	1.72			
	Breakfast.....	.75			
5th	'Bus.....	.25			
"	Ticket to Emporia,	2.00			
6th...	Ticket to Topeka.....	1.24			
Oct. 12	Baggage and St. car at Atchison..	.30			
Oct. 14	Hack..	.50			
Oct. 14	Ticket to Leavenworth.....	.42			
	Hotel at Leavenworth.	3.10			
	Porter	.25			
Oct. 15th	Ticket to Kansas City	.50			
	Baggage.....//	.10	66		

The balance of \$4.82 I applied to travelling expenses to Kentucky; and I make this a receipt for those expenses in full.

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October 29th 1912.
#292 City of Portland Ore.
My dear Miss May:

Of the many hundreds of post cards, letters, telegrams and telephone messages in honor of my 78th birthday none have given me more pleasure than your postal, just received. I got, alone and unaided, the sublimation of our pending Amendment and all ready to submit to active organized work by January 1st then, when everything was on its feet, I collapsed from the long strain; and now, since Feb. 8 February 12th I have ^{been} confined to bed and chair, as sufferer from blood poisoning and ^{into} ^{them} rheumatism; and this is my first attempt to use a pen for 9 months. But my fortunes have rallied everywhere, as they have never done since our defeat in 1906. Many thousands of friends old and new are carrying us to victory. I have discharged my private Secretary so as to spare her salary for headquarters. She arrived the State Association to the amount of a dime; but our noble men and women have carried our work along faithfully and harmoniously through the State Association and numerous auxiliaries.

and names kept the Anna Shaw ~~very~~
secret, and shall be held so till after our
election & but the time is at hand
when the Nationalists must ~~discuss~~
Anna Shaw or take the consequences.
I have found her utterly divided as
possible. Oregon does not pay National
 dues this year, nor will we till we
get a National President we can
rely upon in emergencies & We must you
or James Tolson for National President
We are hoping to hold a jubilee after
election which you and others
National workers can be present.
But I fear you cannot read these
Spider tracks, so I close.

God bless and speed you!

Ever your friend,

Alfred D. Sullivan

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Oct. 29th, 1912.

My dear Mrs. Hubbard,

I am so sorry you did not get to the State convention of the Ky. E. R. A. I looked for you both days. By this mail I am sending you two papers with an account of the convention, and also the minutes of the conventions of 1910 and 1911. Both of them are in the same pamphlet, for we were very late in getting them out.

You will observe that at the convention in Louisville we altered the constitution so that five of the officers were ineligible for re-election this time. I am very glad to say that Mrs. Breckinridge accepted the nomination for president, and was elected to the very great satisfaction of the convention. I was elected Cor. Secretary, and so I suppose I shall still have plenty of work to do. Shortly after I saw you in Montegale I started for Kansas, and remained there six weeks, speaking every day, and sometimes several times a day. I hope we will win the amendment in that state. I was so hurried in my preparations that I had not time to answer your last letter, enclosing the signed check for One Hundred dollars; but I received it whilst I was in Lexington, preparing for my trip, and I had time to put it in the savings bank, where it is drawing 3% interest.

You will observe from the paper that the convention voted to go straight to work trying to obtain a constitutional amendment submission from the General Assembly of 1914; and I believe Mrs. Breckinridge will be very efficient in that work.

We are now all much interested in electing a school board in Lexington. We have a ticket with two women on it; and women will work at the polls try- to get our ticket elected.

In Lexington 1440 women registered, and at the convention we heard good reports of the registration in other cities.

Our membership now consists of nearly two thousand, though we did not pay state or National dues on the whole of them. However, we did pay National dues on nearly 1600, and will send all the delegates to Philadelphia whom we could find who wished to go. I hope to attend myself, as I am expecting to have several states to jubilate over.

The general feeling at the convention was one of great hopefulness; and all expressed a belief that the time is ripe to try for a Constitutional Amendment. In that case, I trust we shall be enfranchised at the general election of 1916.

I trust it was not sickness which prevented you from attending the convention.

Please notice on page 8 of the minutes the names of some of the ladies who belong to our lecture bureau. Perhaps sometimes you can help to make a route for them in your part of the state.

Since I commenced writing this, my niece, Mrs. T. J. Smith, has come to visit me and attend the D. A. R. meeting; and she tells me that the Board of Directors of the Ky. Federation of Woman's Clubs yesterday endorsed the movement for woman suffrage. I consider it good news.

Hoping to hear from you sometimes, I am

Very cordially your friend,



Oct. 29, 1912

My dear Miss Clay,

How would you
like to oversee a lecture
tour for me through
Kentucky? If you will
undertake it, I am
willing to go for \$50.00
a week, and my expenses
from Miss. to your state,
and back to my home.



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All realized over that,
you could keep for
yourself or for your
suffrage work. I have
~~been~~ lectured in Ky. so little,
in all the years that
I have been upon the
platform. I feel that
I have lost much. I
could give you one or



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two months next Spring.
You could arrange for
me to speak on all
sorts of subjects for all
sorts of organizations.
You might place me
with the churches and
the Y. M. C. A.'s, on the
Sabbaths; and, in the
week, with clubs, the



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W. C. T. U. - and last and
greatest - the Woman Suff-
rage Leagues. I am now
in Mo. on this basis,
except that I am to re-
ceive stated sums for
each lecture. For years
I have been doing Chou-
langua work - and -
last winter, fall and
spring, was in the Lyons



field. Let me hear from
you soon, relative to
the proposition made
in this letter. Address
me at Welkville, Mo.,
& Mrs. Georgia Blackwell,
until Dec. After that, to
Balfour, Miss.

With love and
best wishes for you, I am,
Yours Faithfully,
Belle Kearney.

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Indianapolis, Indiana

October 29, 1912.

Miss Laura May;

Dear Madam:

Our League after sundry apparently unavoidable delays finds itself ready to apply for membership in the national association; and as soon as you instruct us as to our eligibility will forward our check to the treasurer.

We have more than three hundred paid up members in our association. It is a state-organization, with branch leagues in many towns, some of which have reported no dues and some not. I am counting only the paid ups.

I enclose our constitution, and the names of the head officers of the branch leagues. Our ^{names} ~~own~~ ^{former} members are at the head of this page.

There is one matter I must bring to
your attention. You ask for the names of our
members. That necessitates a great deal of
correspondence on the part of our secretaries
and copying of lists - lists which change from
day to day, and which can be of no immedi-
ate service to ^{me} the State Treasurer of ^{the} old State Association ^{which} has
the privilege of doing as ^{it} reports on dues ^{and} ^{which} is
recd, with names of heads of branches, and
forward you ten cents per capita - accordingly.

Should the affidavit of the Treasurer be
signed by the Secretary or other officers, or
attested by a notary?

Respectfully,
Harriet Nott -
Secy - pro - tem.

Oct 29, 1912

Branch Leagues of Indiana Maclise Leagues

<u>Places -</u>	<u>Presidents -</u>	<u>No. of Members</u>
Anderson,	Mrs. Van Petten	60
Crawfordsville,	Miss Mary Grant	54
Elwood	Mrs. A. D. Woffett.	13-
Lafayette,	Dr. Adah W. Mahan	54
Richmond,	Mrs. P. W. Trauer	39
Tippecanoe	Mrs. H. G. Read	14
Vincennes,	Mrs. Lloyd Allen Johnson	42
Indianapolis -	Dr. Amelia Keller.	140
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Our annual dues are just coming in for the year. There are some seven hundred names on our official list. But several of our twenty-odd branch leagues are very new

and have not made a treasure report yet.

H. Noble.

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Oct. 30th, 1912.

Dear Member of Committee on Membership of the N.A.W.S.A.,

I have received an application for membership from Miss Mary Winsor, in behalf of the Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League, of which she is president. This application was made some weeks ago; but on account of the fact that I was campaigning in Kansas I was not able to take a vote on it earlier. I notified Miss Winsor that the fact the her League was limited would cause inquiry from our Committee. She assures me that Woman Suffrage is the chief object of the League, though it stands also for excluding the criminal of both sexes, and an educational qualification for both. She has sent a certified list of more than three hundred members; and at my suggestion, has already sent on dues to the National, as I knew I could not write my letters to our Committee in time for her to do so after the answers were received.

To my mind, the educational limitation is not an obstacle, since many state constitutions now require one. The other limitation, excluding the criminal, is also a provision of most states, and seems to me to be no obstacle. *Also, shall be in U. S. five years* It only seems a waste of time for any suffrage association to make specific mention of it. I have already told Miss Winsor that I should vote for admission. Of course, nothing which has been done lays any obligation on any other member to vote for admission. As time before the National convention is now short I will ask a prompt vote on the question:

Do you vote to admit the Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League to membership in the N.A.W.S.A. as a state Association, it having auxiliaries or working in more than one county?

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(2) I have received an application, dated Oct. 16th, from Mrs. Harriet S. Blatch, for admission of the Women's Political Union. Mrs. Dennett writes that she has already sent a copy of Mrs. Blatch's letter to each of you; so all that is necessary for me is to ask your vote:

Do you vote to receive the Women's Political Union, on terms stated in Mrs. Blatch's letter?

(3) I have received application, dated Oct. 5th, from the Minnesota Equal Ave. Suffrage League, signed by Theresa B. Peyton, President, St. Paul, Minn. 561 Selby

The application is accompanied by a certified list of 304 members, under the heading: "We, the undersigned, President and Cor. Secretary of the Minnesota Equal Franchise League, a State Suffrage Society operating in two and many more counties of the State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that our organization is composed of the following members, viz:-

Mrs. Peyton says, "the new organization is specializing in county organization work and plans to prepare the state in that way, we have always felt that this was one of the weak points in the older association and for that reason will supplant the city work with out of town work."

She says she hopes they will be allowed their representation in the coming convention; and on advice of Dr. Anna Shaw, is sending \$30.00 to the National treasurer so that she may have the dues before her books are closed.

The Cor. Secretary's name is Abraham I. Levin.

Do you vote to admit the Minnesota Equal Suffrage League as a State Association to the National A.W.S.A.?

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(4) I have received two letters in one envelope as follows:

" 29 East 17th St., North, Portland, Oregon.

October 2, 1912.

"Everybody's Equal Suffrage League of Oregon wishes to apply for membership to the National A.W.S.A. We have enrolled over three hundred members from three counties of the state. I believe that this is all that is necessary for membership.

Yours truly,

Helen Gillespie, (Treasurer

Sarah Whiteside, Sec. pro. tem.

Ether Pohl Lovejoy, President.

The second letter reads:

" Portland Equal Suffrage League of Oregon wishes to apply for membership to the National A.W.S.A. We have enrolled over three hundred members from three counties of the State. I believe that this is all that is necessary for membership."

Yours truly,

(Mrs. Solomon)

Josephine Hirsdo (I think I must decipher this
wrongly!
Pres. Portland E.S. League,

171 St. Clair St., Portland, Oregon. "

The two letters are in the same handwriting, apparently Helen Gillespie's; and I do not know why they should have remain separate associations. However, I know nothing of them except what these letters convey. Mrs. Ether Pohl Lovejoy I think I knew as Mrs. Pohl in 1906; and she was a prominent worker in the campaign of that year.

As far as I understand these applications they are both eligible as local

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(that is, not State) associations under Article III, Sec. I. of the constitution. Possibly the first one desires to be admitted as a State League. I shall write to them for further information; but in the meantime, if they wish to be represented at the Philadelphia convention they must be admitted at once. Therefore I am asking some votes about them:

(1) Do you vote to admit the Everybody's Equal Suffrage League of Oregon as a member, but not a state League?

(2) Do you vote to receive it as a State Association, if it so desires?

(1). Do you vote to admit the Portland Equal Suffrage League as a member, but not a state League?

As these applications are dated Oct. 2nd, and would have been considered in time for representation, on payment of dues, if I had been at home to receive them, I am also asking you to vote on recommending their representation at the convention in Philadelphia, provided they are considered eligible, pay even belated dues, and have representatives in person at Philadelphia. We are hoping they will come as representatives of victory, and therefore ought not to be excluded on technicalities. Therefore;

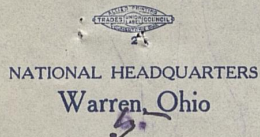
Do you vote that if the vote is favorable to the admission of these Leagues, it shall take effect, or at least, that you will recommend the National Convention to suspend rules for their benefit, so that their representatives may have seats and votes at the Philadelphia Convention?

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Dear Member of Committee on Membership of the N.A.W.S.A.,

I have received an application for membership from Miss Mary Winsor, in behalf of the Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League, of which she is president. This application was made some weeks ago; but on account of the fact that I was campaigning in Kansas I was not able to take a vote on it earlier. I notified Miss Winsor that the fact the her League was limited would cause inquiry from our Committee. She assures me that Woman Suffrage is the chief object of the League, though it stands also for excluding the criminal of both sexes, and an educational qualification for both. She has sent a certified list of more than three hundred members; and at my suggestion, has already sent on dues to the National, as I knew I could not write my letters to our Committee in time for her to do so after the answers were received.

To my mind, the educational limitation is not an obstacle, since many state constitutions now require one. The other limitation, excluding the criminal, is also a provision of most states, and seems to me to be no obstacle. *Now shall be in U. S. five years.* It only seems a waste of time for any suffrage association to make specific mention of it. I have already told Miss Winsor that I should vote for admission. Of course, nothing which has been done lays any obligation on any other member to vote for admission. As time before the National convention is now short I will ask a prompt vote on the question:

Do you vote to admit the Pennsylvania Limited Suffrage League to membership in the N.A.W.S.A. as a state Association, it having auxiliaries or working in more than one county?

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(2) I have received an application, dated Oct. 16th, from Mrs. Harriet S. Blatch, for admission of the Women's Political Union. Mrs. Dennett writes that she has already sent a copy of Mrs. Blatch's letter to each of you; so all that is necessary for me is to ask your vote:

Do you vote to receive the Women's Political Union, on terms stated in Mrs. Blatch's letter?

(3) I have received application, dated Oct. 5th, from the Minnesota Equal Ave. Suffrage League, signed by Theresa B. Peyton, President, St. Paul, Minn. 581 Selby. The application is accompanied by a certified list of 304 members, under the heading: "We, the undersigned, President and Cor. Secretary of the Minnesota Equal Franchise League, a State Suffrage Society operating in two and many more counties of the State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that our organization is composed of the following members, viz:-

Mrs. Peyton says, "the new organization is specializing in county organization work and plans to prepare the state in that way, we have always felt that this was one of the weak points in the older association and for that reason will supplant the city work with out of town work."

She says she hopes they will be allowed their representation in the coming convention; and on advice of Dr. Anna Shaw, is sending \$30.00 to the National treasurer so that she may have the dues before her books are closed.

The Cor. Secretary's name is Abraham I. Levin.

Do you vote to admit the Minnesota Equal Suffrage League as a State Association to the National A.W.S.A.?

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(4) I have received two letters in one envelope as follows:

" 29 East 17th St., North, Portland, Oregon.

October 2, 1912.

"Everybody's Equal Suffrage League of Oregon wishes to apply for membership to the National A.W.S.A. We have enrolled over three hundred members from three counties of the state. I believe that this is all that is necessary for membership.

Yours truly,

Helen Gillespie, (Treasurer

Sarah Whiteside, Sec. pro. tem.

Esther Pohl Lovejoy, President.

The second letter reads:

" Portland Equal Suffrage League of Oregon wishes to apply for membership to the National A.W.S.A. We have enrolled over three hundred members from three counties of the State. I believe that this is all that is necessary for membership."

Yours truly,

(Mrs. Solomon)

Josephine Hirsede (I think I must decipher this
wrongly)
Pres. Portland E.S. League,

171 St. Clair St., Portland, Oregon. "

The two letters are in the same handwriting, apparently Helen Gillespie's; and I do not know why they should not remain separate associations. However, I know nothing of them except what these letters convey. Mrs. Esther Pohl Lovejoy I think I knew as Mrs. Pohl in 1906; and she was a prominent worker in the campaign of that year.

As far as I understand these applications they are both eligible as local

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(that is, not State) associations under Article III, Sec. I. of the constitution. Possibly the first one desires to be admitted as a State League. I shall write to them for further information; but in the meantime, if they wish to be represented at the Philadelphia convention they must be admitted at once. Therefore I am asking some votes about them:

(1) Do you vote to admit the Everybody's Equal Suffrage League of Oregon as a member, but not a state League?

(2) Do you vote to receive it as a State Association, if it so desires?

(I). Do you vote to admit the Portland Equal Suffrage League as a member, but not a state League?

As these applications are dated Oct. 2nd, and would have been considered in time for representation, on payment of dues, if I had been at home to receive them, I am also asking you to vote on recommending their representation at the convention in Philadelphia, provided they are considered eligible, pay even belated dues, and have representatives in person at Philadelphia. We are hoping they will come as representatives of victory, and therefore ought not to be excluded on technicalities. Therefore;

Do you vote that if the vote is favorable to the admission of these Leagues, it shall take effect, or at least, that you will recommend the National Convention to suspend rules for their benefit, so that their representatives may have seats and votes at the Philadelphia Convention?

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28 Lincoln Ave., Cinn.

My dear Miss Worthington,

I received the list of three hundred members of the Ohio Equal Franchise Association; and as the other preliminaries had been complied with, I am glad to notify you that the Association is received by the Membership Committee of the National A. Woman Suffrage Association as an auxiliary.

My stay in Kansas, immediately followed by my state convention, is the explanation of my delay in notifying you of the admission of your Association.

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Miss Harriet Noble,

Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Madam,

I have just received your letter of Oct. 29th, making application for membership in the N.A.W.S.A. for the Woman's Franchise League of Indiana.

I am very desirous of having your League auxiliary to the National; but it is out of my power to change the requirements for admission which are stated in the minutes of the N.A.W.S.A. for the convention of 1911, on pages 195 and in the Constitution, page 204, Art. III, Section I. These requirements were voted after a heated discussion, and it is impossible for me to change them. I will explain, however, that it is necessary only to give the names of three hundred members, as that is the minimum for admission when there is another state association, as there is in Indiana. These names should be certified before a notary-public, in due form. After this is sent to me, I believe you have all the requirements for admission.

I am sorry your application is made so late; for the time required for the payment of dues prescribed by the constitution so that you might have representation at the Philadelphia convention is now passed. The National treasurer's books are closed four weeks before the convention, which this year is to be held Nov. 21st - 26th inclusive.

I shall at once notify the other members of the Membership Committee of your application, so that you can have their vote, which I have little doubt will be in the affirmative, as soon as you meet the requirements of a certified list of three hundred names.

I note what you say about the returns of your local treasurer, and that the basis of your membership is the payment of dues. It is not part of my Committee duties to give any advice; but as I have long been a state president myself, and have had opportunities for much observation, I am going to venture to ask, Why do you not abolish the dues system, and substitute voluntary donations? It has been tried with eminent success by many associations, and in every case, as far as I have learned, the result has been more money and a much larger membership. I am enclosing a membership card of the Ky. Equal Rights Association, and an explanation of our system.

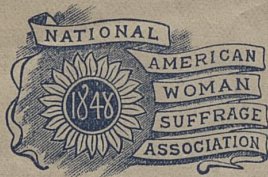
Please let me hear from you, whether or not you are going to get the certified list; and whether you desire representation in the coming National Convention. If you do, and if you fill out the certified list and send dues for the three hundred members our Committee might ask the Convention to suspend the rules on account of the lateness of your application. I could not promise that this would be done; but I feel that I can promise that your delegates would be assigned a place on the floor, with privileges of discussion, but without the right of voting.

Very truly yours,

Lexington, Ky. Oct. 31st, 1912.

Have just received renewed application for membership from Woman's Franchise League of Indiana, 816 Odd Fellow Building, Indianapolis. Pres. Dr. Amelia R. Keller, Treas. Miss Helen Noble. They have twenty odd branch leagues, in more than three counties, and have sent presidents' names of 8 of them, and number of members, which number 399. They have not sent a certified list of 300 names, nor paid dues yet. I have notified them that the 300 names must be certified by notary. Do you vote for admission, which list of certified names are sent?

Chairman of Membership Com. of N.A.W.S.A.



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