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Afternoon, April 18, 1910.

The convention was called to order at 2 o'clock with the President in the chair.

Miss Day moved, and it was carried, that a vote of thanks be tendered those senators who spoke when presenting the petition this morning, and especially to Senator La Follette for the excellent address which he made in our behalf.

It was also moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to all representatives who presented the petitions of the states to the House, with especial recognition of the services of Gen. Sherwood and Congressman Wendell of Wyoming.

It was moved and carried that we deeply appreciate the labors of the International President, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, and we regret her inability to be present at the presentation of the petition to Congress.

Letters of greeting and regrets for their absence were ordered sent to Rev. Antoinette Brown Blackwell and Mrs. Myra Strawn Hartshorn, who arranged the program to-day.

Addresses were delivered by Miss Nettie A. Podell and Miss Bertha Ryskpen on "Political Settlements."

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The Chairman of Tellers reported the nominating ballot for Recording Secretary as follows:

Total vote cast 226

For Ella S. Stewart	196
Mary V. Bennett	24
Mrs. Grenfel	4
Miss Blackwell	2

Mrs. Avery moved, and it was carried, that Mrs. Potter cast the vote of the convention for Mrs. Stewart, and the vote was cast.

The report of the Chairman of Tellers on nominating ballot for 2nd. Vice President was as follows:

Total vote cast 202

Mrs. C. W. McCulloch	122
Miss Clay	35
Mrs. Potter	13
Mrs. Grenfel	11
Mrs. Crossett	9
Mrs. Steinem	5
Mrs. Fitzgerald	4
Mrs. Kelley	2
Mrs. Belmont	3

Miss Clay moved, and it was carried, that the vote of the convention be cast for Mrs. McCulloch for 2nd. Vice President, and the Recording Secretary cast the Ballot.

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Dr. Anna Meroy, President of the first suffrage club on the east side of New York City was introduced and spoke of her work.

Miss Gordon moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Miss Belle Bennett, President of the Southern Home Mission, for her attempt to secure the admission of women to the General Conference of the E. M. Church South. Miss Clay seconded the motion and it was carried.

The Chairman of Tellers reported the nominating ballot for Corresponding Secretary as follows:

Total vote cast 227

Mrs. Mary Ware Dennett	159
Miss Jessie Ashley	25
Miss Elizabeth J. Kensor	12
Mrs. Shuler	11
Miss Gordon	6
Mrs. Potter	6
Mrs. Cronfel	4
Mrs. Perkins	2

Mrs. Thomas moved, and it was carried, that the Recording Secretary cast the vote of the convention on for Mrs. Dennett and the vote was cast.

An address was given by Rosa Schneiderman on

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"Conditions affecting women, especially as wives and mothers of
workers".

The report of the Chairman of Tellers on the nominating
ballot for Treasurer was cast as follows:

Total vote cast 230

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton	218
Mrs. Mary H. Page	9
Mrs. Stewart	1
Miss Gordon	1
Miss Mills	1

Miss Mills moved that the Recording Secretary cast
the ballot of the convention for Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton for
Treasurer, and the vote was cast.

Mrs. Mary Ware Bennett, the newly elected Correspond-
ing Secretary, was introduced.

Mrs. Raymond Robbins delivered an address on "The
Conditions of Motherhood and Womanhood as demonstrated in the
White Slave Traffic."

The report of the Chairman of Tellers on the nominating
ballot for 1st Auditor was as follows:

Total vote cast 217

Miss Laura Clay	148
Mrs. Grenfel	47

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Miss A. S. Blackwell	10
Mrs. Valentine	6
Mrs. Rockett	3
Miss Lucy Anthony	4
Miss Mary C. Ray	1

On motion of Miss Campbell the secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the convention for Miss Laura Clay for 1st. Auditor, and the vote was cast.

Mrs. Florence Kelley addressed the convention on "Laissez-vous faire versus Faire Marcher."

~~Following resolutions were presented:~~

The Chairman of Tellers reported the nominating ballot for 2nd. Auditor as follows:

Total vote cast 231

Miss Alice Stone Blackwell	218
Mrs. Emma Malloy Funch	6
Miss Kate M. Gordon	3
Mrs. Helen Grenfel	1
Mrs. Marie	1
Mrs. Valentine	1
Miss Campbell	1
Miss Peck	1

On motion of Miss Campbell the convention instructed the Recording Secretary to cast the vote for 2nd. Auditor for Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, and the vote was so cast.

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A vote of thanks was tendered the Tellars for their work during the day.

An address was delivered by Mr. Charles Edward Russell on "Self Defense or the Demand for Political Action."

A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Catt and Mrs. Avery for their work on the Petition.

A telegram of thanks was ordered sent to Mrs. G.H.F. Belmont for her generous co-operation, and regretting the illness which prevented her attending the convention.

It was moved and carried that the session to-morrow afternoon be a convention session instead of an Executive Committee meeting as announced.

Mrs. Parak moved and it was carried, that a rising vote of thanks be given the retiring officers, Mrs. Florence Kelley and Mrs. Frances Squire Potter for their faithful services.

After announcements, the motion to adjourn prevailed.

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Monday A.M., April 18, 1910.

The convention was called to order at nine o'clock with the President in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Miss Thomas moved that the motion to adopt Miss Blackwell's proposition to make the WOMAN'S JOURNAL the official organ be reconsidered. The motion was carried.

The chair announced the committee ordered by the convention to plan the business details of the WOMAN'S JOURNAL transaction as follows:

Miss Laura Clay of Kentucky
Mrs. McCulloch of Illinois
Mrs. Bennett of Massachusetts
Miss Garrett of Maryland

The report of Credentials Committee was read by the chairman, Harriet Taylor Upton.

The following were appointed tellers by the chair:

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Chairman - Harriet May Mills.

Counting Tellers - Mrs. Fitzgerald, Massachusetts
Mrs. Olds, Ohio
Mrs. Fisk, New Jersey
Miss Adams

Collecting Tellers - Miss Johnston, Virginia
Miss Grim, Illinois
Mrs. Holton, Maryland
Miss Chant, Minnesota

The nominating ballot for President was collected.

Miss May moved, and it was seconded, that we proceed to the nomination of the 1st. Vice President. After discussion a standing vote was ordered and the ayes were 85 and the nays 68, and the motion prevailed.

Miss Clay gave the following notice.

"That at the next annual convention I or some one in my place will move to amend the constitution whereby it will be definitely settled that if a woman does not receive election to one office she shall not be deprived the opportunity of election in another."

Mrs. Heade moved that in future balloting we do not cast ballots for an officer until the preceding vote has been announced. The ayes were 74 and the nays 63, and the motion

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prevailed.

On motion of Miss Clay it was voted to transact other business in the intervals between votes for officials.

Mrs. Boyer called for the reading of a memorial to Congress recommended by the Board, and it was read by the Corresponding Secy Secretary, and moved its adoption.

Miss Thomas moved as a substitute that the memorial to Congress be recommitted to the National Board with instructions to correct and shorten the same and with power to act. The motion prevailed.

The Chairman of Tellors reported that New York had cast 43 votes while entitled to 47, and on motion of Mrs. Funck New York was allowed to recast its nominating ballot for President and 1st. Vice President.

It was moved by Mrs. Hotchkiss that a telegram of greeting and good will be sent to Julia Ward Howe.

On motion of Mrs. Upton a letter of greeting was ordered sent to Clara Barton, and on motion of Mrs. Crossett a telegram of greeting was ordered sent to Eliz. Smith Muller.

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The Chairman of Tellers reported the nominating ballot for President as follows:

Number entitled to vote 254

Total vote cast 245 of which Miss Shaw received

1892/3 - Mrs. Upton 22 - Mrs. Potter 3 - Mrs. Avery 5-1/3 and Mrs. Belmont 1.

Mrs. Upton, Mrs. Avery and Mrs. Potter withdrew their names and Miss Clay moved that the Secretary cast the vote of the convention for Miss Shaw for President. The Recording Secretary cast this vote.

Mrs. Kelly moved and it was carried, that when the convention adjourns it adjourn to meet at 1-45 P.M. CARRIED.

On motion of Miss Ashley the chair was instructed to appoint a committee to devise a better system of elections for this Association.

The Chairman of Tellers reported the vote for 1st Vice President as follows:

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Total vote cast 243

Mrs. Avery	161
Mrs. Grenfel	23
Mrs. Page	10
Mrs. McCulloch	7
Mrs. Lenox	3
Mrs. Potter	3
Mrs. Belmont	3
Miss Mills	2
Miss Clay	2

On motion of Mrs. Thomas the vote of the convention was ordered cast for Mrs. Avery, and the recording Secretary cast the vote.

It was moved and carried to adjourn.

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Through an oversight, this
section of the Minutes recently sent
out was omitted.

Evening, 8:30 April 19, 1910

Mrs. Avery spoke in regard to the World's Fair in New York in 1913, and the question of women on the auxiliary board.

A committee composed of Miss Shaw, Mrs. Avery and New York women waited on the Board to urge that women be placed on the board of management and that they be selected as experts in their various lines. Mrs. Avery stated that it was hoped a protest would be made to Congress against the appointment of a Board of Managers without women on the Board.

Mrs. Upton announced that California is the fifth state in number of members.

It was announced that the District Association had offered to pay for the theatre for the Sunday meeting.

It was moved by Mrs. Avery that a resolution of thanks be given to the District--CARRIED

Mrs. Avery announced that a petition of 25,000 names from Utah ^{also} had been received containing greetings from Emily S. Richards.

Mrs. Otis of Louisiana inquired the total number of names on the petition and the number of 404,825 was given.

There was discussion of the hearing before the Judiciary Committee.

Mrs. Fitzgerald of Massachusetts suggested that Mrs. Catt's speech be submitted as a part of the hearing and stated it would then be printed at the Government expense.

It was moved that a telegram be sent to Mrs. Catt asking her to dictate a portion of her address to be included in the reports of the hearings, both Senate and House--CARRIED

Moved by Mrs. Crosssett that a Committee be appointed to edit the hearings--PASSED

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Mrs. Hifton, District of Columbia, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Massachusetts, Mr. Rucker, Colorado, were appointed.

Suggestion was made that mention be made in the printed minutes of the hearings and of the petition to Congress. Referred to the Secretary.

Miss Clay introduced the question of membership without dues. Discussion followed. No action taken.

Mrs. Crosssett suggested that roll call of states for presentation of new business be omitted and any ^{state} ~~state~~ having new business present it--- CONSENT

Mrs. Stephens of Oklahoma spoke in regard to the campaign and asked if the question of financial assistance could not be discussed. Attention was called to the fact that this was referred to the Business Committee.

Mrs. Boyer spoke regarding the work of the campaign making a plea for help. Miss Clay spoke to the question.

Mrs. Boyer announced that she had received \$10 from Mrs. Brotherton of Michigan for Oklahoma work.

Mrs. Dennett suggested that an advisory committee of eight active people be appointed to meet in New York City once a month to confer on methods of work.

Miss Thomas moved that the Official Board be authorized to appoint an advisory committee of not less than eight or more than fifteen for consultation, and that the Official Board be authorized to make the necessary appropriations for the meetings--- PASSED

Miss Shaw presented the matter of VOTES FOR WOMEN flags for use on Memorial Day and stated that Mrs. Belmont had sent one hundred flags for that purpose.

It was moved that we recommend to the states that on the

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regular Memorial Day when the graves of the heroes for freedom are decorated that we shall decorate the graves of our heroines--PASSED

Dr. Hussey moved that we thank Mrs. Belmont for the gift of the flags--PASSED

Mrs. Potter read a letter from Mrs. Butlin thanking the Convention for their greetings.

Miss Gordon moved all unfinished business be referred to the Business Committee--PASSED
Motion to adjourn was passed.

MEETING again called to order.

Miss Gordon urged the necessity of watching lest amendments to state constitutions or changes in laws be made providing that only qualified electors shall be eligible to various offices, thus preventing the appointment of women.

On motion of Miss Garrett this was referred to the Corresponding Secretary with the request that she send it to the State Corresponding Secretaries advising that they act upon it.

A vote of thanks to Elizabeth J. Hauser for the splendid work done during the Convention, was passed.

On motion of Mrs. Crossett a vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Harper for the press work of the year at National Headquarters.

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The Convention was called to order at 2:30.

The Minutes of the previous session were read.

On the question of approving the Minutes, Miss M. Carey Thomas
MOVED - "That the paper signed by some members of the Official Board
dealing with the past year's work of the Corresponding Secretary and
the Headquarters Secretary, be referred to the Executive Committee
of the Association with power to consider, modify and place the same
on the Minutes if they so desire."

A point of order on the pertinence of this Motion raised by
Miss Clay was overruled by the Chair.

Mrs. Potter Moved to amend the Motion by substituting the words,
"brought before the Convention while it is assembled with power for
full discussion" for the words, "refer to the Executive Committee."

The Chair ruled the amendment out of order, saying, "we cannot
stop in the midst of adopting the Minutes to discuss a question which
does not bear directly upon something in the Minutes; consequently
we may move to discuss this question if we choose after the adoption
of the Minutes but not in the middle of the Minutes."

The Chair stated that she should decide that all reference should
be stricken from the Minutes, "because it was either a portion of
Mrs. Kelley's address or a portion of business. Any business brought
before the house which is not acted upon by the house has no place in
the Minutes."

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Then Miss Craft Moved and it was carried to strike all reference to the Resolution from the Minutes.

Mrs. Potter Moved the Minutes of the Official Board held in December be read to the Convention, and all members present be given an opportunity to discuss these Minutes.

The Chair ruled the Motion out of order, saying that "The Minutes of the Official Board belong to the Official Board only and not to this Convention."

Mrs. Avery asked for a special order to discuss this matter at 4:15 p. m., and Miss Craft Moved it.

Miss Mills Moved to amend by substituting "to postpone until all other business is finished."

The vote on the amendment was put and carried.

Miss Clay Moved that this Convention is pleased to meet Miss Blackwell's offer regarding the WOMAN'S JOURNAL and desires that the special committee shall make every effort to agree upon terms that will be mutually satisfactory to Miss Blackwell and this Association. The Motion prevailed.

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was read and after corrections, adopted.

It was Moved and carried that a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Rachel Brill Ezekiel for her sacrificing work on the Petition.

Mrs. Crossett Moved that we go into executive session. The vote stood 91 for and 5 against, and the Motion prevailed.

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The visitors left.

Mrs. Avery made a statement and offered her resignation from the office of 1st Vice-President.

Mrs. Upton offered her resignation from the office of Treasurer.

Miss Thomas Moved that the statement signed by members of the Official Board be by order of this executive session spread on the Minutes and that the President be given an opportunity to sign it on the Minutes and if she does not care to sign, to be allowed to make a minority report.

Mrs. McCulloch was called to the chair. The President spoke, after which Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Clay made statements. The Motion prevailed.

The Resolution follows:

"WHEREAS, the undersigned members of the Board, feeling respect and gratitude for the retiring Corresponding and Headquarters Secretaries, both in their official capacity and as private individuals, regret singly and collectively the loss of Mrs. Potter and Miss Peak to official positions in the National American Woman Suffrage Association; therefore be it

RESOLVED that we herewith tender to the outgoing Secretaries our esteem and friendship and ask that this statement be read to the Convention now assembled and be spread upon the Minutes.

Rachel Foster Avery
Florence Kelley
Ella S. Stewart
Harriet Taylor Upton
Laura Clay. "

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Miss Hauser Moved that the resignations of the 1st Vice-President and Treasurer be accepted. After lengthy discussion, Miss Mills Moved the previous question, which being ordered, the main question was put to vote and was lost.

Mrs. Upton on behalf of herself and Mrs. Avery, gave notice that their offices would be vacant in one month.

A Motion was passed, leaving all unfinished business to the Executive Committee.

Miss Walz presented greetings from Finnish Temperance organizations.

It was Moved and Carried to adjourn.

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Wednesday, 2 P. M., April 20th, 1910

Mrs. McCulloch presented trust agreement between Sarah M. ~~xxxx~~ Severance and the National and MOVED that the President and Secretary sign for the National.

Mrs. McCulloch MOVED that the President and Secretary in future be instructed to sign similar documents which would not entail financial responsibility on the National. CARRIED.

It was MOVED and seconded that \$50.00 extra be appropriated for Mrs. Rachel Brill Eckiel for extra work - closing petition and headquarters. CARRIED.

It was MOVED that we allow Mrs. Avery to keep the typewriter which she has in her house in exchange for hers which is in headquarters to avoid expense in exchange. CARRIED.

It is the sense of the General Officers that Mrs. Tinsley allow her name to stand at the head of the headquarters, nominally, if Miss Kauser goes. CARRIED.

That Legal Adviser prepare list of questions to be sent out to states for compilation of laws relating to interests of women and children. CARRIED.

PLEDGE LIST, WASHINGTON CONVENTION APRIL 14-19, 1910

UNPAID

Mrs Andersen, Seattle, Wash (To be used for literature for Washington Campaign)	\$ 2500
Mass. W.S.A. by Mrs. Page, 585 Boylston St. Boston	250
Miss Julia Rogers, Hotel Belvidere, Baltimore	100
Penn. W.S.A. by Jane Campbell, 413 Schoolhouse Lane, Germantown	100
Ohio W.S.A. by Mrs. Steinen, 2238 Scottswood Ave, Toledo	100
Iowa E. S. A. 1074 31st St. Des Moines	100
A Friend (Miss Shaw)	100
Ills. W.S. A. by Mrs Sippy, Fine Arts Bldg. Chicago	50
Mabel L. Sippy (For Life membership) " " "	50
John Hyde Braley, Jr. 201 So. Orange Grove, Pasadena, Cal. Life membership	50
Martha J. Braley " " " " Life Membership	50
Dr. Baker, New York (Life Membership)	50
Miss Maggie J. Waltz, Calumet, Mich (Life membership)	50
Wis. women Suff. Ass'n. by Ada L. James,	50
Maine W.S.A. by Mrs F.J. Fernald, Old Orchard	50
Alice T. Jenkins D.C. (Life membership)	50
Joan of Arc Suff. League of New York (Life Membership) 119 East 27th St	50
Minn. W. S. A. by Mrs. Stockwell for Life Membership of Mrs. C.F. Luce 3204 East 51st St. Minneapolis	50
Friends Equal Rights Ass'n. of New York, Pres. Miss Anna Willetts (Life membership) Roslyn, L.I.	50
M. Anna Hall, Wheeling, W. Va (Life membership)	50
N.J. W.S.A. by Mrs. Laddey, 52 New Lawn Ave. Arlington	25
R.I.W.S.A. by Miss Desha, % Mrs. Tingley, 43 Camp St. Providence,	25
Conn. W.S.A. by Mrs. Eliz. Bacon, 106 Capen St. Hartford	25
Mrs S.M. Otis, % Miss Gordon, 1800 Prytania St. New Orleans	25

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Martha S. Cranston, Newport, Del.	\$ 25
Sara D. Munro, Buffalo, N.Y.	25
Pauline Steinem, 2238 Scottwood Ave. Toledo, O	10
Mrs. Converse for two sons	10
Mrs. Edw. C. Brown, Rochester, N.Y.	10
Mrs Clara Laddey, 52 New Lawn Ave. Arlington	10
Dr Mary D. Hussey, 142 No. Arlington Ave. East Orange	10
Miss M. Carey Thomas, Bryn Mawr, Penn	10
Dr Anna Blount, for her daughter, Oak Park, Ills	10
Eleanor Shaw Smith, Swarthmore, Penn	10
Mrs Geo. S. Blackwell, % Woman's Journal, 585 Boylston St. Boston	10
Mrs Walter Adams	10
Mrs Ella A. Kilborn, 76 Pleasant Pl. Arlington, N.J.	10
East Boston League, Miss Louise S. Hotchkiss, 193 Trenton St. East Boston	10
Miss M. Frances Wills, Fort Hill, Los Angeles, Cal.	10
Equal Franchise Ass'n. Norwood, Penn.	10
Mrs. Brown	10
Fola LaPollette Inwood-on-Hudson, N.Y.	10
Mary C. Sherwood, Cincinnati, O.	10
Emma S. Olds, Elyria, O.	10
Toledo W.S.A. by Mrs Dawley, 3 Old Colony Flats, Toledo,	10
Paula Laddey by Mrs Laddey, 52 New Lawn Ave. Arlington, N.J.	5
Mrs B.H. Ransom, Washington, D.C.	5
Mrs Franklin Walter, Mass	5
Laura E. Hyatt, Iowa	5
A Member	5
Miss Emma Hast, Louisville, Ky.	5
Mrs Lawrence Lewis, Jr.	5
Mrs Lawrence Lewis for her daughter	2

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The Executive Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association met in Parlors A and B of the Arlington Hotel Tuesday morning, April 14, at 10:00 A.M. o'clock.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

It was moved and carried that seats for alternates be reserved immediately back of the seats of delegates at the evening meeting until 7:55 P.M. P.M.

It was moved and carried that a seat be retained for Miss Anderson of Seattle.

The Delegate from Delaware asked where the member of the Executive Committee from states having only one delegate should have a seat.

The Chair ruled that such person would have the courtesies of alternates extended to them.

The roll of the Executive Committee was called by the Corresponding Secretary, showing thirty-three states represented and delegates from two auxiliary societies.

Dr. Russey moved seconded by Mrs. Upton, and carried, that the states be urged to appoint committees to correspond in work and news with the National Committees.

Mrs. Ida Porter Boyer was introduced to report upon the situation in Oklahoma.

A communication was read from Mrs. May Arkwright Button,

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President of the Political Equality League of Washington, asking that a telegram from this body be sent to the Committee in charge of the exercises in Spokane, Wash. to-day in connection with the planting of an oak tree in honor of and named for Susan B. Anthony at the North Central High School.

On motion of Miss Clay the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to prepare and send such a telegram.

It was moved by Miss Clay, seconded by Dr. Elmont, that the recommendation of the Board appropriating \$150 a month for 6½ months to Oklahoma, provided the amendment is submitted in November, be adopted.

The motion of Mrs. Avery prevailed that we adjourn at 12:30.

Mrs. Avery moved, and it was carried, that three minutes be the limit of time for discussion, and that no delegate should speak twice until all have spoken who desire to do so.

Mrs. Bacon moved and it was seconded, to amend the recommendation of the Board by substituting the words TWO HUNDREN DOLLARS for ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS PER MONTH.

Mrs. Crossett moved as a substitute that all appropriations be left to the Official Board for decision after money for the work has been raised in the Convention.

Motion prevailed.

Miss Campbell moved and it was seconded that the National Board

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send to each State a list of questions relating to the inequality of the laws with reference to women and from the answers received compile one or more leaflets.

Mrs. Upton reported the following as members of the Credentials Committee, and the recommendation was adopted:

The Committee Standing-

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton
Miss Caroline Loken
Mrs. Mary W. Donnett
Mrs. Emily H. Bright
Dr. Anna E. Eleunt

Ohio
New York
Massachusetts
Minnesota
Chicago

The letter from Miss Blackwell was read.

Miss Clay suggested that each state should pledge definite work to increase subscriptions to the WOMAN'S JOURNAL and pledged to double the circulation of this paper in Kentucky this year.

The President introduced to the Executive Committee Miss Elizabeth U. Yates, the new President of the Equal Suffrage Association of Rhode Island.

The new President of Virginia, Mrs. Lila Meade Valentine, was introduced, and Miss Mary Johnston of Virginia, the author of well known books, and a new acquisition to the movement.

Mr. Braxley of California, the President of the Men's League for Women's Suffrage in southern California, was introduced; also, Hon. Mr. Rucker, Member of Congress, the proxy for the President of the Colorado Equal Suffrage Association, brought greetings from Colorado.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, it was moved and carried, to adjourn.

8:00 P. M. April 15, 1910

The Executive Committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association met in parlors A and B at the Arlington Hotel, Washington D. C. with the President, Anna H. Shaw, in the chair.

After introductory remarks by the President the roll of the Executive Council was called by the Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. Avery, as member of the Program Committee, presented the printed proof.

It was moved and carried that the program as printed, be adopted as the rule of order of the Convention.

The President asked for a plan of drawing seats and Mrs. Avery moved that each state select a woman not a member of the Executive Committee, to be present at 11:00 o'clock to draw for the seats of the delegation, under the direction of Miss Anthony--CARRIED

The roll call of states was called for the suggestion of new plans of work.

CALIFORNIA--Bulletin Boards, suggested by Mrs. A. L. Park

VOTES FOR WOMEN as names of Clubs.

ILLINOIS-- Equal Suffrage Dramatics

MARYLAND-- Mrs. Funck advised street car advertising. Posters on placards with men to parade the streets as sandwich men.

NEW JERSEY-- Mrs. Laddey suggested that all states get Men's Leagues for Women Suffrage

NEW YORK-- Asked for a new plan of enrollment.

PENNSYLVANIA--Mrs. Avery reported a new plan of organization to organize self-supporting women in their own groups, stenographers, doctors, etc.

Miss Campbell asked in literature will be provided for the National Federation.

VIRGINIA-- Recommended greater co-operation between suffragists and labor Unionists.

WISCONSIN-- Delegate recommended High School Suffrage Clubs.

FRIENDS EQUAL SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION-- Wished plans suggested to bring children into the work.

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The recommendations of the General Officers were presented to the Executive Committee as follows:--

1. That States be urged to appoint committees to correspond with the National Committees.
2. That National Bodies be asked to pass Suffrage resolutions and also to appoint a general day for the discussion of their own resolutions, and that the States be asked to adapt this plan to the state conventions held within their borders.
3. Moved to recommend that \$150 a month for 6½ months be contributed to the campaign in Oklahoma, if the Amendment is submitted.
4. Moved that the National Board send to each State a list of questions relating to the inequality of laws with reference to women and from the answers compile one or more leaflets.
5. That Miss Gordon be asked to report the extension plans of the Susan B. Anthony fund.
6. Moved that the Board recommend the adoption of Miss Blackwell's proposition to make Woman's Journal, National organ-- the price to be reduced to \$1 if possible--the name, general form and heads to remain as now.

Miss Clay moved and it was carried that the Executive Committee extend sincere ^{regrets} ~~thanks~~ to Miss Blackwell for her absence from the Convention and appreciation of her generous offer to make Woman's Journal our National organ.

Moved and carried that a telegram of sympathy be sent to Miss ~~Minerva~~ Minerva Butlin and appreciation of her work in connection with this Convention.

Corresponding Secretary to send telegrams.

Miss Gordon presented a plan to raise the Susan B. Anthony Memorial Fund.

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Miss Shaw suggested that the proposition of Miss Blackwell be considered first.

The letter from Miss Blackwell, offering the WOMAN'S JOURNAL as National organ was read.

Miss Campbell moved that we recommend to the Convention the adoption of Miss Blackwell's proposition to make the WOMAN'S JOURNAL the National organ.

Miss Campbell was supported by Miss Clay, Mrs. Avery, Mrs. Funck, Miss Shaw, Mrs. Laddey and Mrs. Stewart--- CARRIED

Moved and carried to adjourn.

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21.

10:00 a. m. Thursday, April 21, 1910

Miss Clay MOVED that the bulk of the Histories of Woman Suffrage remain in Warren in storage in Mrs. Epton's care, for six months, which is the expiration of the period of insurance. CARRIED.

Mrs. Avery MOVED that the contract between Miss Blackwell and the National Association include statement that the General Officers shall direct the policy of the paper. CARRIED.

Mrs. Avery MOVED that there shall be in the contract a provision that when the WOMAN'S JOURNAL attains a paid up subscription list of 10,000, Miss Blackwell shall convey to the NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION her 101 shares of stock. CARRIED.

Miss Clay MOVED that the General Officers employ Miss Ryan at the salary of \$1,500.00 a year. CARRIED.

MOVED and CARRIED that if at any time the Annual Convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association vote to discontinue the arrangement by which the organization conducts the WOMAN'S JOURNAL and uses it as its National organ, that such vote shall become effective six months after the time such vote is taken.

Mrs. McCulloch MOVED that if Miss Blackwell wishes to discontinue she must give us six months' notice. CARRIED.

MOVED and CARRIED that the contract with Miss Ryan begin with the time of contract with Miss Blackwell. CARRIED.

It was MOVED and CARRIED to adjourn to meet at 2:00 p. m.

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22.

2:30 p. m., Thursday, April 21, 1910

Miss Clay MOVED to readopt the rules governing the rights and duties of officers at Headquarters as amended at the pre-convention meetings of the Board.

It was MOVED and CARRIED to amend the President's section by saying, "She may inspect headquarters activities."

The MOTION as ~~AMENDED~~ amended was carried.

Mrs. Upton MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that the loans of \$2,000.00 for Oklahoma be open for expenditure April 1st.

Miss Shaw MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that we appropriate \$2,000.00 to Oklahoma, to be paid in monthly instalments with the recommendation that it pay Mrs. Boyer's salary of \$150.00 a month, pay for the Memorial and the balance to apply to Headquarters.

Mrs. Avery MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that it is the sense of this Board that the two loans each be the limit of money appropriated to Oklahoma.

Mrs. McCulloch MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that Mrs. Boyer be instructed to try to see if the Woman's National Daily would issue an Oklahoma edition, and send sample copies to as many people as possible.

Mrs. McCulloch MOVED and it was CARRIED, that we call Miss Hauser over to talk over the South Dakota proposition.

Miss Clay MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that we keep Miss Gregg in Arizona, and employ a stenographer at the present salary, and that in the extent of our ability.

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It was MOVED and CARRIED that the President conduct the correspondence and inform Mrs. Munda of these decisions.

Miss Clay MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that Mrs. McCulloch and Mrs. Stewart be a Committee to wait on Anna Nichols and convey the earnest desire of the Board that she go to South Dakota and take charge of the headquarters and on what terms.

It was MOVED and CARRIED to adjourn.

8:00 p. m., April 21st, 1910

The Board met in room 107 Arlington Hotel.

Mrs. Upton MOVED and it was CARRIED that Miss Clay audit Mrs. Upton's books from January 1st to the end of her term of office.

Mrs. Avery MOVED and it was CARRIED that \$3.00 per week extra be paid to Miss Shaw's stenographer to the end of the year.

Mrs. Upton MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that \$3.00 additional per week be paid Miss Barton.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that Miss Shaw be reimbursed from the Susan B. Anthony Fund for such sums as she has paid to the Corresponding Secretary.

The business of appropriations was taken up, and on motion in each case, resulted as follows:

For Headquarters rent, - - - - -	\$ 900.00
President's stenographer, - - - - -	936.00
Headquarters stenographer, - - - - -	936.00
Marjorie, or office helper, - - - - -	600.00
Bookkeeper, - - - - -	1,000.00

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Literature, (\$1,500 from S.B.A. Fund)	\$ 2,000.00
Headquarters expenses, - - - - -	300.00
Chairman Church work, - - - - -	25.00
Chairman Education, - - - - -	25.00
Chairman Literature Committee, - - - -	10.00
Printing Minutes, - - - - -	200.00

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** that the Treasurer pay only the maximum of the appropriation and in case more has to be paid on any of them, a vote of the Board must be taken.

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** that the WOMAN'S JOURNAL shall not be sent to Life Members, if the National takes it over.

NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

April 12, 1910

The Board of General Officers of the National American Woman Suffrage Association met at 10:15 a. m. in Room 107, Arlington Hotel, with the President, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, in the chair. The following officers were present:

President	Anna H. Shaw
First Vice-President	Rachel Foster Avery
Second Vice-President	
Cor. Secretary	Frances Squire Potter
Sec. Secretary	Ella C. Stewart
Treasurer	Harriet Taylor Upton
Auditor	Laura Clay

The Agenda was made out as follows:

Mrs. Upton
 CAMPAIGNS: (Arizona Oklahoma
 (Oregon South Dakota
 (Washington)

Future Organization

Dropping Presidential Suffrage Committee

Convention Resolutions

Instruct Corresponding Secretary to notify States to appoint committees corresponding to National Committee

Appropriation for these committees

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LETTER-HEADS: MRS. J. C. POTTER
HISTORIES: MRS. J. C. POTTER

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- Suffrage Badge
- Book of Recitations
- Compilation of Federal and State Laws
- Finance Committee
- Advisory Committee
- Letter-Heads
- Histories

MRS. CLAY:

- Auditors' Report
- Rules for Headquarters
- Contract for rent of Headquarters
- Enlarged paper
- Literature

MRS. POTTER:

- Communications from
California
New Jersey
Iowa

MRS. AVERY:

- Press Work
- Washington Headquarters
- Vacancies on Board
- Field Secretaries

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MISS GRACE:

- Pledges for Assistance of States
- Susan B. Anthony Fund
- Recommendations to pass resolution to outside bodies for Woman's Day
- Out of Door Meetings
- Political methods of Organization
- Font Meetings
- Literature to Campaign States
- Free Literature
- Missouri and Texas
- Field Secretary for the South

MRS. STEWART

- Theatrical ventures
- Exhibits
- Institutes - or Schools of Method
- Bill boards

Mrs. Upton reported that Miss Gregg pledged \$50.00 worth of out of door meetings at Buffalo. She had not had the opportunity to redeem it, so sent fifty dollars in cash, which she (Mrs. Upton) had returned, as she did not consider Miss Gregg bound to make cash outlay.

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Mrs. Avery MOVED that the Board approve of Mrs. Upton's action. CARRIED.

Mrs. Upton MOVED that Miss Gregg be instructed to work out her pledge for open air meetings at her *convenience*. CARRIED.

Mrs. Upton MOVED that the States be urged to appoint committees to correspond with the National Committee. CARRIED.

On Motion, the Corresponding Secretary read the reports from South Dakota.

Miss Clay MOVED, Mrs. Potter seconded, that both reports be read to convention. CARRIED.

The report of Washington Equal Suffrage Association was read by the Corresponding Secretary.

MOVED and CARRIED that the reports from Campaign States be read by the Corresponding Secretary if there are no delegates present.

NOTION carried that we adjourn at one o'clock, to meet again at two.

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MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION ARE REQUESTED TO BRING WITH THEM TO THE MEETING A CONTRIBUTION TO THE SUFFRAGE FUND. THE CONTRIBUTION SHOULD BE IN THE FORM OF CASH OR CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE NATIONAL AMERICAN WOMAN SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION. THE CONTRIBUTION SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE MEETING BY THE MEMBER WHO IS BRINGING THE CONTRIBUTION. THE CONTRIBUTION SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE MEETING BY THE MEMBER WHO IS BRINGING THE CONTRIBUTION. THE CONTRIBUTION SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE MEETING BY THE MEMBER WHO IS BRINGING THE CONTRIBUTION.

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Mrs. Stewart MOVED that the National Executive Board be asked to pass a resolution and to appoint a general day for the discussion of their own resolution, and that the States be asked to adopt this plan to state conventions. CARRIED.

Afternoon, 2:00 P. M.

(The same officers present)

The situation in Oklahoma was discussed.

It was MOVED and seconded that the Treasurer send \$300.00 to Oklahoma to cover all obligations of Mrs. Boyer's salary and expenses, and the balance to apply towards Headquarters expenses to May 1st. CARRIED.

Mrs. Upton MOVED to recommend \$150.00 a month for six and a half months to campaign in Oklahoma, provided the Amendment is voted on in November. The vote was as follows:

Avery	No
Potter	Yes
Upton	Yes
Clay	Yes
Stewart	Yes
Shaw	

CARRIED

The question of Suffrage badge was taken up and Mrs. Potter pres-

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8.

Mrs. Ida Porter Boyer made statement of political situation in Oklahoma and her opinion of the chances of woman suffrage success in the State.

Asked that J. Luther Langston be given Mrs. Biggers' time on program.

Also that a Committee from the Board call on Mr. Compers to obtain his influence in securing suffrage plank in the new party to be organized soon in St. Louis. Committee to ask Mr. Compers' Secretary to be present when request is made.

Requests that someone call on National W. C. T. U. to request cooperation in Oklahoma, and to secure the cessation of Ellen Stone's Anti-Suffrage speeches in Oklahoma.

Miss Clay MOVED that the Board ask Miss Huggs Gordon to accompany Mrs. Boyer to call on Mr. Compers, CARRIED.

Letter ordered Mrs. Stevens about Ellen Stone's Anti-Suffrage speeches.

Miss Gordon was introduced to report on Susan B. Anthony Fund.

MOVED and CARRIED that Miss Gordon be invited to present her

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9.

plan for raising Susan B. Anthony Fund to Executive Committee tonight.
CARRIED.

Miss Clay MOVED that all campaign and organization expenses
shall be not against the Susan B. Anthony Woman Suffrage Fund. CARRIED.

Miss Clay MOVED that our Legal Advisor be requested to draw
up a contract between Mrs. Belmont and the National American Woman
Suffrage Association for the rental of Headquarters at 505 Fifth
Avenue, New York City, until the time of the next National Convention,
to be signed by both parties before the close of this Convention.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Miss Clay spoke on the rules relative to the rights and respon-
sibilities of officers at Headquarters and MOVED that this be made First
order of business at the afternoon session. CARRIED.

It was MOVED and CARRIED to adjourn.

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Minutes read and approved.

Letter from Mrs. Dancy was read as member of Committee on Bi-
bliography.

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10.

Letter from Miss Blackwell read about making the WOMAN'S JOURNAL
the organ of the N. A. W. S. A.

The outline of duties of officers as adopted at the New York
Board meeting was taken up seriatim, which is as follows:

PRESIDENT:

The President shall have room chosen by herself in
Headquarters and shall choose a stenographer, whose duties and dis-
position of time she shall assign. She may inspect all the activi-
ties of Headquarters at all times, and through the Corresponding
Secretary and with her concurrence shall indicate such plans or al-
terations of plans as may seem to her desirable. If there should
not be agreement between these officers, a vote of the Official Board,
taken in the customary manner, shall be decisive.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Should the presence of a Vice-President at Headquar-
ters be necessitated either by the absence of the President or to
assist in the work at the desire of the Official Board, she shall
be entitled to the use of a desk and such stenographic services as
may enable her to perform her work.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

The Corresponding Secretary shall have supervision
of and assign the duties of the Headquarters Secretary, who, if
there be one, shall be appointed by the Board, and shall select the
stenographer and other Headquarters helpers under her charge, none
of whom shall be persons non grata to the President. She shall
have Headquarters accounts under her charge. She shall conduct
all the correspondence of the organization not belonging to the
province of some other general officer. She shall have charge of
Headquarters supplies, literature, mechanical work in connection
with PROGRESS, etc.

RECORDING SECRETARY:

The Recording Secretary shall supply for file in
Headquarters the Minutes of the proceedings of the National

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Convention and of the Official Board.

TREASURER:

The Treasurer shall have supervision of the accounts at Headquarters; require receipts for all monies expended at Headquarters; pay all bills O. K. by the persons at Headquarters who contracted them, and to which the proper orders are attached.

AUDITORS:

The auditors may examine at any time they are present the records of the accounts kept in Headquarters.

The MOTION was carried to amend the section on Corresponding Secretary to read as follows:

The Corresponding Secretary shall have supervision of and assign the duties of the Headquarters Secretary (who, if there be one, shall be selected by the Board). She shall select the stenographer and other headquarters helpers under her charge.

Miss Clay MOVED and it was CARRIED that the rules recommended be adopted by the Board.

Mrs. Upton read the report of the Treasurer.

Mrs. Stewart MOVED that we recommend that the price of the paper shall be One Dollar, if possible. CARRIED.

Miss Clay MOVED that the whole appearance of the paper and the general heads be preserved as at present. CARRIED.

Miss Clay MOVED that the auditors be allowed to pass a deficit of ten cents in Miss Penfield's report and a mistake of thirty cents in Miss Gregg's and twenty cents in Miss Gregg's. CARRIED.

Mrs. Avery reported on closing the Washington Headquarters.

Miss Clay MOVED that Mrs. Avery be authorized to secure assist-

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ance in closing headquarters, CARRIED.

MOVED that the Petition Committee be credited with Twenty-five Dollars for value of duplicator. CARRIED.

MOVED that the furniture be disposed of at the discretion of Mrs. Avery, or her proxy. CARRIED.

MOVED and seconded that we engage a Field Secretary and organizer. CARRIED.

MOVED and Carried to adjourn.

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13.

Evening, April 16, 1910

The officers of the National American Woman Suffrage Association met in Room 107 Arlington Hotel, Washington, D. C., at 10:45 P. M.

Memorial to Congress was presented by Miss Clay, who **MOVED** that it be presented to the Convention for ratification Monday morning.

Mrs. Boyer was granted the privileges of the floor.

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** that all verbal changes in the Memorial be left to Senator Gore with the exception of one sentence, which we request be stricken entirely. (Section about being inserted at the polls.)

It was **MOVED** and **CARRIED** to adjourn.

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Morning, 10:00 o'clock, April 20, 1910

The Board met at 10:00 a. m. in room 107, Arlington Hotel.

The following officers were present:

- Rev. Anna H. Shaw
- Mrs. Avery
- Mrs. Upton
- Mrs. McCulloch
- Mrs. Bennett
- Miss Clay
- Mrs. Stewart

A letter from Miss Gregg was read, taking blame upon herself for misunderstanding of Mrs. Pettigrew about her traveling expenses in South Dakota while organizer. Miss Gregg had sent a personal contribution to Mrs. Pettigrew to cover the amount.

Mrs. Avery MOVED, and it was CARRIED, that the treasury reimburse Miss Gregg for Mrs. Pettigrew's expenses.

Minutes of previous meeting read, and after correction, approved.

MOTION passed that Mrs. Fairbanks be admitted at 3:00 p. m.

Miss Clay MOVED that the Memorial be placed in Mrs. Boyer's hands to abridge and correct in consultation with Senator Owen. CARRIED.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that as soon as possible the Business Committee select an assistant Press Superintendent who shall be voted for by correspondence.

Chairman of COMMITTEE ON LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS, Miss Lucy E. Anthony.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that Mrs. Avery be excused tomorrow at 11:30 a. m. to correct the proof of the hearing.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that Mrs. Raymond Hobbs be Chairman of COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS AFFECTING WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

Mrs. Marcia Townsend of New York was nominated by Miss Shaw as Chairman of COMMITTEE ON RAILROAD RATES, and she was elected.

Miss Mary Bartalme, of Chicago, was appointed Chairman of COMMITTEE LEGISLATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS.

COMMITTEE ON CHURCH WORK, - Mrs. Mary Craigie, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON PEACE AND ARBITRATION, Mrs. Lucia Anne Hood, Chairman.

LEGAL ADVISER, Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch,

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, Mrs. Pauline Steiner, Chairman.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that the National Organizers be retained as follows:

Miss Laura Gregg
Miss Fannie Penfield
Miss Mary E. Chase
Mr. E. C. Aylesworth

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY AND BIBLIOGRAPHY, Mrs. John Dewey, of New York, Chairman.

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COMMITTEE ON ENDORSEMENTS BY ORGANIZATIONS, Mrs. Mary Ware
Dennett, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS, Mrs. Mary Hutcheson Page of Mass-
achusetts, Chairman.

Afternoon, 2:30, April 26th, 1910

Mrs. Fairbanks was given a hearing on South Dakota.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that the National guarantee the deficit
on salary and expenses of Mr. E. O. Aylesworth for the months of June
and July, provided South Dakota wants him.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that Percie Fenfield's salary be raised
to \$300.00.

It was MOVED by Mrs. Stewart that we send Miss Hauser to assist
Mrs. Tinsley in the Headquarters if the South Dakota people wish, and
we can make satisfactory arrangements with Miss Hauser. CARRIED.

Miss Gordon and Mrs. Boyer were admitted.

(NOTE: If the Bibliography is handed to the Chief Librarian,
Mr. Meyers, he will probably print it free, with the privilege
of selling for ten cents.)

Miss Clay MOVED that \$1,000.00 be borrowed from Miss Shaw
and Miss Anthony from the Mary S. Anthony estate, on the same guar-
antee as to Miss Clay for loan from Laura Bruce Fund for work in
Oklahoma.

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The vote was

Shaw	aye
Avery	"
McCulloch	"
Donnett	"
Upton	"
Clay	"
Stewart	"

The MOTION prevailed.

It was MOVED and CARRIED that a lease be mailed to Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont by the Recording Secretary.

It was MOVED and CARRIED to adjourn.

Oct. 4, 1910

The Advisory Committee held its first meeting September 30 at National Headquarters, with a morning and an afternoon session. The discussion was enthusiastic and the crystalization of opinion was significant of the progress of the Suffrage movement.

There were present Anna Howard Shaw, Mary Hutcheson Page, Harriet Burton Laidlaw, Lucy E. Anthony, Caroline Lexow, Ida Husted Harper, Katherine Houghton Hepburn, Edith Houghton Hooker, and Mary Ware Dennett. Mrs. Catt, Mrs. Blatch and Mrs. Alexander were obliged to decline serving on the Committee on account of the pressure of other work.

Mrs. Belmont, Mrs. Ivins and Miss Mills are members but were not present.

Mrs. Page was chosen Chairman and Mrs. Dennett Secretary.

The morning session was devoted to reports on successful methods of Suffrage work, and the afternoon to the discussion of the points made in the letter sent by the President to the States, which was published in the Woman's Journal of September 24th.

Mrs. Laidlaw reported on the method adopted by the Woman Suffrage Party in Greater New York, and brought out the following points:

The Party has reached thousands of people heretofore unreached by the work of Suffrage clubs.

The Party has worked in cordial co-operation with local Suffrage Associations of various sorts.

The plan of enrollment without dues has resulted in unprecedented strength and numbers.

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The Party work has been supported by subscriptions and donations, and is now considering the systematic raising of money in proportion to the membership in each district.

The Party finds its work in close touch with municipal housekeeping problems,- as for instance, - in response to a request from the East Side mothers, resolutions were passed at a district meeting in protest against the closing of the Strauss Milk Depot.

The Party is absolutely non-partisan politically. It has accepted the use of election district headquarters from the political parties, but accepts from all, impartially.

In response to a question as to whether it was increasingly easy to find suitable women for district leaders, captains and working workers, Mrs. Laidlaw replied that it was,- that mistakes were made and inefficient people not infrequent, but that on the other ~~had~~ hand, a marvelous number of capable women had been found, many of whom had been hitherto inexperienced and untrained.

The work is educational in every way. Mrs. Laidlaw was asked if she thought there was anything in the nature or construction of the Party which would prevent its being applicable over the country in other than congested places like large cities. She replied that she believed the plan was entirely applicable to country districts as well.

Miss Lexow reported on the subject of the Suffrage processions, as exemplified by the demonstration last Spring. The expenditure of relatively little effort was well worth while. The aim was to bring pressure upon the New York Senate to discharge the Judiciary Committee. That action was taken three days after the parade.

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Miss Anthony advocated advertising our Headquarters in magazines.

Mrs. Page reported the success of the "revival" method carried on in Massachusetts this past summer, by which a corps of speakers and workers has spent a week in each of ten manufacturing towns, following and improving on, the program adopted experimentally in Springfield last spring. Headquarters were opened and the meetings held several times a day, hundreds of thousands of fliers were distributed, all manner of people reached, unlimited free advertising given by the newspapers, hundreds of names were enrolled, and all for less than \$800.

The great success of the summer's work in Massachusetts led to the suggestion of developing the same plan for the National Association, whereby, instead of sending out individual organizers ^{who} the National should send a corps of workers ^{who} ~~would~~ join for a certain period the State workers, and do concentrated suffrage work with ^{political} a view to developing organization by ~~political~~ districts.

The question of membership without dues was enthusiastically discussed, and the sense of the meeting was that the time has come when that will be the next wise step in the progress of our organization.

Mrs. Hepburn gave a most interesting report of the work in Hartford, Conn. in buying commercial advertising space in the daily papers, to advertise suffrage meetings. She showed specimens of the advertisements, half pages and whole pages. The Hartford Club raised the money for a year's contract, thereby getting reduced rates. She estimated that the cost of bringing a half page of good suffrage argument and notice of a suffrage meeting to the attention of each family was only .0016. Money for specific undertakings of this sort is easily raised. A definite result has been the change in

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in attitude of the "Hartford Courant" toward suffrage. It used to be violently opposed, but is now ready to give space to articles and testimony in favor. The public has been convinced by this method that suffrage must be surely coming, or it could not adopt commercial advertising.

Mrs. McCulloch sent by mail a very interesting report of the suffrage automobile speaking trips in Illinois, during the summer. There have been six tours of from four to eight days in length. By taking collections at meetings and ^{by} having a machine loaned in one instance, and having several donations, they were able to turn money into the treasury at the end of the season. It took three or four speakers steadily. The results were unlimited newspaper attention including favorable editorial comment, suffrage brought to people who never thought of it before, respectful attention and openly expressed wonderment that women knew so much about Illinois politics, many enrollments, and the promise of men to vote only for suffrage legislators.

After earnest consideration and discussion it was voted to recommend to the National Board the plan of non-dues paying political district organizations, instead of organization by dues-paying Clubs.

It was also voted to recommend to the Board that the National shall do its organizing through a group of workers sent together, the idea being that a group can do more effective work than a single person, as has been demonstrated in the states where this method has been tried.

It was voted that the reports of the meetings of the Committee be printed in the Woman's Journal, instead of being mailed to the State officers as was originally planned.

The next meeting will be on December 1st. All members of the Association are invited to send in reports of subjects for discussion.

Mary Ware Bennett
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The Forty-second Annual Convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association was called to order at 2-30 P.M., Thursday, April 14th, 1910, with the President, Anna E. Shaw in the chair.

Announcements.

An address of welcome was delivered by Miss Harriette J. Hifton, the President of the District of Columbia Equal Suffrage Association.

Miss Habel Foster, President District of Columbia branch of the College Equal Suffrage League, continued the welcome.

The response to the address of welcome was given by Miss Laura Clay, of Kentucky.

The report of the Committee on Church work was read by the Chairman, Mrs. Mary E. Craigie.

Rev. Mr. Simmons, of Washington, D.C. gave a stirring address of greeting and welcome.

The report of the Committee on Petition to Congress was given by Mr. Rachel Foster Avery and Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt.

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Miss Mary Gray Peck, Headquarters Secretary, gave the report of work at National Headquarters.

On motion of Mrs. Stewart the report was adopted with a rising vote of thanks.

Miss Shaw explained that states not having done legislative work would be allowed three minutes for reports, those having done legislative work five minutes, and those in which a campaign is pending ten minutes.

The report from California was given by Mrs. Oulton, proxy for the President.

The report from Conn was given by Mrs. Elizabeth D. Bacon, State president.

The report from Illinois was presented by Mrs. Ella S. Stewart, State President.

Hon. Mr. Snicker, Member of Congress, the proxy for the President of the Colorado Equal Suffrage Association, was introduced, and gave the report of that Association, coupled with warm words of personal greeting.

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(Mrs. Owen, mother of Senator Robt. L. Owen, from Oklahoma, was introduced to the convention. Mrs. Owen said as she could not address the convention herself, she would send her son, Robert L. Owen, U.S. Senator from Oklahoma to do so).

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The convention was called to order at 10-30 A.M.,
with the President, Rev. Anna H. Shaw, in the chair.

The minutes of the previous session were read and
approved.

After announcements, Prof. Frances Squire Potter,
Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, presented the follow-
ing as a preliminary report which, on motion of Mrs. Rachel
Foster Avery, was unanimously adopted by the convention with a
rising vote.

"WHEREAS the President of the United States in wel-
coming the Forty-second Annual Convention of the National American
Woman Suffrage Association has taken the historic position of being
the first incumbent of his office to recognize officially our
determination to secure a complete democracy thereby testifying his
conviction as to its power and growth, and

WHEREAS his seriousness, honesty and friendliness con-
verted what might have been an empty form into an official
courtesy, historic alike for him and for us

THEREFORE be it resolved that we convey to President

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William H. Taft, the thanks and appreciation of this convention for his welcome, assuring him at the same time that the patriotism and public spirit of the women of America intend to make themselves directly felt in the government of which he is the honored head and that at no distant date."

The reports of states were called for and Mrs. Isabel Fairbanks of South Dakota, proxy for the President, read the report of the activities of the campaign committee in that State.

Report from Oregon was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frances Squire Potter.

The report of Washington Equal Suffrage Association was also read by the Corresponding Secretary, no delegate being present.

The report for Oklahoma was given by Mrs. Ida Porter Boyer/ who introduced to the convention Mr. J. Luther Langston, formerly of Tennessee, now secretary and treasurer Oklahoma Federation of Labor, who received the receipt for the Woman Suffrage Petition from the Secretary of State, because no woman could legally receive it.

Mrs. Florence Kelley, 2nd Vice President read

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introduced. Mrs. Kelley has just arrived from the Southern Conference on Woman and Child Labor, and brought greetings from that Conference, and especially Jenn Gordon.

The report of the Senior Auditor was read as follows:

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I have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer, and I find them correct.

Laura Clay,
Auditor."

The report was adopted.

The report of the Treasurer was given to Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton.

Mrs. Finck of Maryland, objected to the arrangement whereby the gain of the College Equal Suffrage League, and auxiliary of national scope, is classed with the gain of states, and moved that the Treasurer should rearrange her report, separating the gains of States and the College League.

Mrs. McCalloch of Illinois, seconded the motion and it was carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Crousett and carried, that the report of the Treasurer be adopted with a rising vote of thanks and

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appreciation of her services as Treasurer for twelve years.

Prof. Frances Squire Potter read her report as Corresponding Secretary of the Association for the past year.

Dr. Blount of Illinois, objected to the use of "militant" in connection with the ED VOTE, ED TAZ LEAGUE of Chicago.

Miss Gordon moved and it was carried, that the report of the Corresponding Secretary be adopted with a riding vote of thanks.

A Memorial Service was held in honor of two of the most loyal friends that the cause of woman suffrage has ever had, Henry S. Blackwell and William Lloyd Garrison. Most beautiful and sympathetic tributes to the character and labor of these men for reform were delivered by Mrs. Henry Villard of New York, Miss Jane Campbell of Philadelphia, Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCulloch of Illinois and the Rev. Anna H. Shaw.

Miss Ryan also spoke of Doctor Borden F. Boase.

Motion to adjourn was carried.

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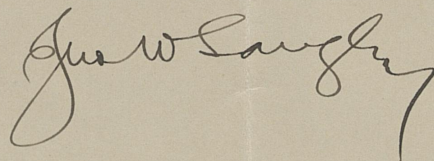
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Miss Laura Clay,
President, Kentucky Equal Rights Association,
The Arlington, Washington, D. C.

My dear Miss Clay:

I have your letter of even date, requesting me to present to the House of Representatives the petition from Kentucky, addressed to the Congress, asking the submission to the Legislatures of the different States, an amendment to the Constitution conferring the privilege of suffrage upon women, and, in reply, I beg to assure you that I shall take pleasure in complying with your request.

Very truly yours,



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My dear Miss Shaw:

I have investigated the one dissenting vote against our message in of regret to President Taft, and find that the lady was not eligible to vote, as she is not even an affiliated suffragist, although a suffragist. She understood you to invite all to vote.

She regrets the mistake and apologizes to the convention.

She herewith signs her name.

MRS. MARGUERITE DU PONT LEE.

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Conference on Practical Methods of Work,

April 15, 9 - 15 A.M.

Mrs. Mary Hutchinson Page presiding.

Mrs. Avery spoke on group organization in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Dennett spoke on organization as the result of a
"Revival" week in Springfield, Mass.

Mrs. Stewart spoke of the card system of advertising Mr.
Aylesworth's lectures in Illinois.

Mrs. Hephurn spoke of successful newspaper advertising
in Connecticut.

Mrs. Catt spoke on district political organization in
New York City.

It was voted that a similar conference be held the follow-
ing morning at 9 - 15.

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2-30 P.M. April 15, 1910.

The convention was called to order at 2-30, with the President, Rev. Anna E. Shaw in the chair.

Rev. Samuel Leach, Chaplain of the United States Senate offered prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The report of the Friends Equal Rights Association was given by the President, Mrs. Mary Bentley Thomas, of Maryland.

The report of the Equal Franchise Society was given by Mrs. Alice Duer Miller of New York.

The chair then made the following statement:

I think one of the saddest hours that I have ever spent in connection with one of our Nat Conventions I spent last night after the occurrence of an incident here for which none of the officers of this Association bears the least responsibility, and we hope none of the delegates of our Association need to bear any of the responsibility, when there was a dissent made to an utterance

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of President Taft in this house by those who listened to him. It seemed to some of us a most unwise and ungracious thing, and we feel the keenest possible regret over it. Because our Official Board did feel, and does feel that regret, we have prepared a letter to the President of the United States expressing to him our regret that the occurrence should have taken place in our meeting by anybody, whether a member of this body, or simply a visitor to the meeting. Of course we all know that it is impossible to control great public audiences, and that an organization is not responsible for everything which takes place in a great public audience, and, while I do not feel that our organization as an organization is at all responsible for what took place, I do feel that since the President of the United States was our guest, it is our duty to express our very deep regret that it did take place. So what I am asking of you now is this:

That without any discussion, without any further speech in regard to it, there shall be concurrence on the part of this body with the action of the National Board in sending a letter of regret to the President of the United States that anything of an unpleasant nature should have occurred during his visit to us last night."

And, - "All who are in favor of supporting the action

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of the Official Board in this matter will please rise"

A rising vote was taken and it was carried unanimously, except for one vote.

Later Miss Shaw read an announcement as follows:

" I have investigated the one dissenting vote against our message of regret to President Taft, and find that the lady was not eligible to vote, as she is not even an affiliated suffragist, although a suffragist. She understood you to invite all to vote. She regret the mistake and apologizes to the convention.

MRS. MARGUERITE DU PONT LEE."

Mrs Harriet Stanton Blatch then took charge of the symposium, Open Air Meeting .

Addresses on the subject of the best methods of conducting such meetings were delivered by

Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch of New York

Mrs. Helen La Reine Baker of Washington

Mrs. Stanley McCormick of Massachusetts

Miss Kay Costello of England

Mrs. Susan V. Fitzgerald of Massachusetts.

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Mrs. Blatch announced that a practical open air meeting would be held at 4-50 P.M. at Seventh Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

Mrs. Ladley moved and it was carried that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the five speakers who were to demonstrate how much they care for suffrage.

Report of the District of Columbia Equal Suffrage Association was read by Miss Harriette J. Hifton, President.

The report of Nebraska was given by Miss May Williams, proxy for the President.

The report of New Hampshire was given by Miss Mary H. Chase, President.

The report from Minnesota was given by Mrs. Maude C. Stockwell, President.

The report of Maine was given by the President, Mrs. Fanny Fernald.

Mrs. Avery reported that the National Petition will be presented to Congress on Monday, and asked that, each state appoint four members to carry the petition for its state; two for House

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and two for Senate. There will be large signs, with names of the states on each automobile.

On account of the crowded ^{program} ~~program~~ the convention will meet promptly at 9-o'clock on Monday morning.

The report of the New York State Equal Suffrage Association was read by the President, Mrs. Ella Hawley Grossett.

The report of New Jersey was read by the President, Mrs. Clara Ladley.

The report of Ohio was read by the President, Mrs. Pauline Steinman.

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2 - 30 P.M. April 16/ 1910

The meeting was called to order at 2 - 30 P.M., with Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery in the chair.

The first order of business was the report from the Indiana Equal Suffrage Association given by Mrs. Sallie Northern Davis, proxy for the President.

The report of the Committee on Peace and Arbitration, with a short address, was delivered by Mrs. Lucia Ames Meade.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Miss Maggie Walz of Michigan, was introduced to the convention.

The report of the National Press Bureau was read by the Vice Chairman, Miss Elisabeth J. Hauser.

Mrs. Pauline Steinem, President Ohio Equal Suffrage Association, announced that she had just received a letter to the effect that the Committee on Judiciary of the House had unanimously reported out the Woman Suffrage bill.

Marlow, Okla., Apr. 16 - 1909.

Received from Miss Laura Clay one hundred
dollars (\$100.00) from the Bruce fund, to use in
campaign work for woman suffrage in Oklahoma.

Kate H. Biggers
Pres.

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Prof. Frances Squire Potter read the following communication:

"The White House

Washington, April, 16, 1910.

My dear Mrs. Potter:

I beg to acknowledge your favor of April 15th. I unite with you in regretting the incident occurring during my address, to which your letter refers. I regret it, not because of any personal feeling, for I have none on the subject at all, but only because much more significance has been given to it than it deserves, and because it may be used in an unfair way to embarrass the leaders of your movement.

I thank the Association for the kindly and cordial tone of the resolution transmitted and hope that the feature of Thursday night's meeting which you describe as having given your association much sorrow, may soon be entirely forgotten.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. H. Taft."

Mrs. Helen Gardner Day was introduced and made an announcement about arrangements for automobiles for the Petition parade on Monday, and read a list of prominent Washingtonians who have offered the use of their automobiles.

The recording Recording Secretary read the following communication:

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Washington, D.C. April 15, 1910.

Chairwoman of Session,
National American Woman Suffrage Association
Arlington Hotel.

Dear Madam:

Local District of Columbia, Socialist Party of America, sends fraternal greetings to its sisters in convention assembled. We recognize that you help bear the world's burdens, that you share the world's work with your brothers, that you should have an equal part in its responsibilities, rights and privileges. We have ever fought consistently for enfranchisement for women. We are engaged in a great struggle for the emancipation of the working class and we realize that we can get nowhere without the co-operation of every worker- man and woman. And as our comrades in Europe work for the universal suffrage for the working class, as a sine qua non of success, so we work for your enfranchisement as a prerequisite of ours.

May the fight for VOTES FOR WOMEN be soon won.

Fraternally,

Committee."

Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, the National Treasurer, took pledges for the work of the coming year resulting in the pledges of

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pledges for the work of the coming year resulting in the pledges of
and no much cash.

Mrs. Catt conveyed to the convention the very sad news
of the death of Miss Peck's mother while Miss Peck was en route to
her home, and moved that a telegram of sympathy be sent from this
convention to Miss Peck.

The motion was unanimously adopted, and the Corresponding
Secretary instructed to send the telegram.

On motion the convention ~~remained~~ remained in session
for the transaction of new business.

On motion the communication from Miss Blackwell regarding
the WOMAN'S JOURNAL as the national organ was considered, and the
recommendation of the Executive Committee that we accept Miss Black-
well's offer was adopted.

Miss Clay moved, and it was carried, that the
President appoint a Committee of three, of whom the President
shall be the ex officio chairman, to prepare the business details
which Miss Blackwell's letter calls for.

Doctor Huxney moved, seconded by Mrs. Upton, and

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carried, that the States be urged to appoint committees to correspond in work and name with the National Committee.

It was moved and carried that the recommendation of the Official Board and Executive Committee shall be adopted.

On motion, the recommendation of the Executive Committee that the National Board send to each State a list of questions relating to inequality of laws with reference to women, and from the answers received compile one or more leaflets, was adopted.

The recommendation of the Executive Committee was presented that \$150.00 for 6-1/2 months be appropriated for the campaign in Oklahoma, providing the amendment is submitted in November.

Miss Clay moved, and it was carried, that this recommendation be accepted.

Miss Craft moved that the speech delivered last night by Mrs. Catt be printed, and copies sent to members of Congress, from the President down, and the rest sold.

The motion prevailed.

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On motion of Mrs. Bennett the vote was reconsidered which authorized a Committee of Three to provide for taking over the management of the WOMAN'S JOURNAL, and an amendment was adopted to increase the number of the Committee to five, with the President as ex officio member, and that others be invited.

It was moved and carried to adjourn.

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SECOND CONFERENCE ON PRACTICAL METHODS OF WORK.

April 16, 9 - 15 A.M.

Mrs. Mary Hutchinson Page, presiding.

spoke

Mrs. Blatch and Miss Castelle on defeating candidates
opposed to Suffrage.

Mrs. Bennett and Mr. Braly both spoke briefly.

Representative Daniel Anthony of Kansas was introduced,
and received with enthusiasm.

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10 - 15 A.M. April 16/ 1910.

The meeting was called to order by the President at
10 - 15 A.M.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and
approved.

The report from Wisconsin was given by Miss Hunt,
proxy for the President.

The report from Kentucky was given by the President,
Miss Laura Clay.

The report from Massachusetts was given by Mrs. Mary
Hutchinson Page, proxy for the President.

The report from Virginia was read by Miss Adelle Clark,
State President.

The report from Maryland was given by the President,
Mrs. Anna Maddox Funck.

The report from West Virginia was given by Mrs. M.
Anna Hall, proxy for the President.

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Lida Stokes Adams, proxy for the President.

The report from Delaware was given by the President,
Mrs. Martha S. Crampton.

The report of the Enrollment Committee was given by
Dr. Mary Hussey, of New Jersey.

The report of the Committee on Education was given by
Mrs. Pauline Steinem.

The preliminary report of the Committee on Credentials
was read by Mrs. Upton.

The report for Michigan was called, and the Delegate
yielded her time.

By consent, Massachusetts and Maryland were given
additional time for reports.

On motion of Mrs. Upton, Mrs. Sallie Martham Davis of
Indiana, was made a member of this convention, with the courtesies
of the floor.

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The report of the Legal Adviser was read by Mrs. Catharine Haugh McCulloch.

Mrs. Crossett moved and it was carried, that a rising vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. McCulloch for her magnificent work as legal adviser for many years.

Miss Kate M. Gordon presented the plan for raising the Susan B. Anthony Memorial fund, and moved that the Association confirm its vote taken at Chicago to raise a Memorial fund in honor of Miss Anthony and as a National Memorial, and that the fund be used for organization, campaign work and specific legal purposes.

Mr. Browley of California, moved to amend the motion by striking out the word "Organization".

The Amendment was carried by a vote of thirty-three for, and twenty against.

The motion as amended was adopted.

It was moved and carried that a time be set apart when Miss Gordon could confer with the Presidents of States upon the plan for raising the Susan B. Anthony Memorial fund.

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The chair stated that the report of the Committee on Literature could not be given on account of the illness of the chairman, Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, and on account of the serious illness of the mother of Miss Peck, which called her suddenly from the convention yesterday.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. Potter.

Mrs. Stewart moved that the report of the Committee on Resolutions be considered a preliminary report, and that the Committee be given time on Monday for final report.

Mrs. Potter seconded the motion and it was carried.

Mrs. Upton moved, and it was carried, that the Corresponding Secretary send a letter of greeting and good wishes to our two organizers, Miss Laura Gregg, in Arizona, and Miss Perle Penfield, in South Dakota.

Mrs. Crosssett moved, and it was carried, that a telegram of regret be sent to Mrs. George Howard Lewis of Buffalo, and also to Mrs. Osborne of Albany.

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Miss Hifton moved, and it was carried, that a letter of regret and sympathy be sent to Mrs. Carrie E. Kent, one of the local committee women, who is absent on account of illness in her family.

Mr. Brawley presented the greetings of Madame Caroline Severance of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Elizabeth Boynton Herbert of Los Angeles, and letters of appreciation were ordered sent.

The report of the Committee on Bibliography was read by the Recording Secretary.

After announcements the motion to adjourn was carried.

{ Dec. 29, 1910 }

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Tuesday, April 12, 2: P.M.

The situation in Oklahoma was discussed. It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer send \$ 300 to Oklahoma to cover all obligations of Mrs. Boyer's salary and expenses, and the balance to apply towards Headquarters expenses to May 1st. Carried.

Mrs. Upton moved to recommend \$ 150 a month for SIX AND A HALF MONTHS to campaign in Oklahoma, provided the Amendment is voted on in November. The vote was as follows:

Avery	No
Potter	Yes
Upton	Yes
Clay	Yes
Stewart	Yes
Shaw	

Wednesday, April 20, 2:30 P.M.

Miss Clay moved that \$ 1,000 be borrowed from Miss Shaw and Miss Anthony from the Mary S. Anthony estate, on the same guar/antee as to Miss Clay for loan from Laura Bruce Fund for work in Oklahoma.

The vote was	Shaw	Aye
	Avery	"
	McCulloch	"
	Dennett	"
	Upton	"
	Clay	"
	Stewart	"

Thursday, April 21, 3:30 P.M.

Miss Shaw moved and it was carried that we appropriate \$2,000 to Oklahoma to be paid in monthly installments with the recommendation that it pay Mrs. Boyer's salary of \$ 150 per month, pay for the Memorial and the balance to apply to Headquarters.

Mrs. Avery moved and it was carried that it is the sense of this Board that the two loans each be a limit of money appropriated to Oklahoma.

[Dec 29, 1910]

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OKLAHOMA CAMPAIGN)))) FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

EXPENSES

RECEIPTS

Jan. 19,				Jan 22	ck	100.00
Traveling expenses and				Mar 21	ck	61.15
Board to Feb. 1,	111.15			Apr 30	ck	500.00
Hqrs. expense	120.75					
Salary to Feb 19.	100.00	331.90				
To Mar 31.						
Hqrs. expense	153.35			May 18		350.00
Personal board, etc.	43.75			May 18		5.35
Salary to Mar. 19	100.00	297.30				
To Apr. 30.						
Hqrs. expense	152.30					
Personal	35.00					
Salary to Apr. 19	100.00	287.30				
Salary to May 19		100.00				
Total		\$ 1016.50		Total		\$ 1016.50

Above completed accounts with Mrs. Upton to May 1st.

CAMPAIGN OF SIX and ONE-HALF MONTHS, for which \$ 2000. WAS PLEDGED.

For May						
Hqrs. expense	202.46					
Salary to June 19,	100.00					
Personal	34.50	336.96		July 6		236.96
For June						
Hqrs. expense	175.66					
Personal	57.32					
Salary to July 19,	100.00	332.98				
For July						
Hqrs. expense	195.55					
Personal	97.15					
Salary to Aug. 19,	100.00	392.70		Aug 22		325.68
For Aug.				Oct. 6		208.01
Hqrs. expense	230.60			Local printing bill		
Personal	94.34			paid erroneously by		
Salary to Sept. 19,	100.00	424.94		N.A.W.S.A.		25.50
For Sept.				Total receipts		1295.15
Hqrs. expense	171.55					
Personal	103.26					
Salary to Oct. 19,	100.00	374.81				
For Oct.						
Hqrs. expense	213.20					
Personal	42.15					
Salary to Nov. 19,	100.00	305.35				
Hqrs. to Nov 15,	75.00					
Board, drayage, etc.,	17.75					
Fare to Centralia	39.40					
Trunks and boxes (heavy)	1.50					
Berth	9.00					
Meals on train	6.00					
Freight on Neostyle						
and boxes	7.00	155.65				
Total expenditures		\$ 2282.39				
memorials		148.50				
		2430.89				

Oct 25, 1911

The Executive Committee of the N.A.W.S.A. met in the Parlor of the Seelbach Hotel October 25 at 10. A.M.

The minutes of the Ante-Convention session were read and approved. Miss Clay and Miss Mills reported the recommendation of the Committee on admission of new auxiliaries. After discussions and amendments, the rules were adopted as follows:- (in addition to the constitutional regulations)

1. Any organization applying for membership in the N.A.W.S.A. shall submit a list of members and an annual affidavit of bona fide membership
2. A state organization shall be understood to be one operating in two or more counties with the intention of extending its work over the whole state.
3. Suffrage organizations shall be interpreted to mean such organizations only as make their main object to secure suffrage for women.
4. All questions that the membership committee feels unable to settle shall be referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion of Mrs. Bennett the five members who constituted the preliminary committee were appointed the permanent committee.

Votes of thanks were tendered the retiring officers; Miss Drake, the stenographer and to the California delegates for a generous gift of supplies.

Miss Drake applied \$10. of the amount she was to receive for her expenses to the Kansas campaign and \$10. to Wisconsin.

It was moved by Miss Gordon and carried that the contract entered into last year between the N.A.W.S.A. and the Corporation known as "the Proprietors of the woman's Journal" be renewed for this year.

All unfinished business was referred to the official Board.
Moved and carried to adjourn