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gest Mrs. Woolsey in our letter to Governor Wilson.

Please write instantly on receipt of this letter.

Very cordially yours,

Diet.

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Miss Laura Clay,
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:-

Our class at High School
have a debate Mar. 3rd
subject, resolved,

that woman's suffrage is
right. The girls have the
affirmative & boys the
negative.

I called up my Aunt, Mrs.

Joseph Shaw of the Highlands
she has referred me to you
saying you as well as herself
were heartily in sympathy
with the work & she knew if
you would receive this in
time would gladly send
me some literature on the
subject.

The girls are so anxious to
produce some good argument
& make the debate interesting,
I am the last speaker of
affirmative & fully realize
my inability unless I get
some assistance.

Thanking you for any information
which you may give me on this subject
I remain very truly,

John Houston,

Alexandria

Ky.

Per Mrs. H.

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My dear Mrs. Reynolds,

After leaving you at the station I had a ~~place~~ an opportunity of talking with Mrs. Weaver about the local arrangements in Louisville for the National Convention, and she promises to do what she can to help. Our train was much behind time, ^{when we reached} and we found the ~~ladies~~ ~~at~~ as Woman's Club ladies all assembled at the station ready to take their guests from the train to the University where we were entertained by a luncheon prepared and served by the Department of Domestic Science. I had to

hurry home to meet my guest,
~~when~~ I my niece, Chie Bennett
Smith; and I found her luggage
there, ~~but she was~~ but she
had gone on to the University.
The lunch was a very pleasant
occasion. At the evening meet-
ing I delivered the fraternal
Greetings of the Ky. C. R. A. to
the Ex. Com. of the Federation.
They were appreciatively re-
ceived, and I was asked to
give an account of our vic-
tory in Washington. So Equal
Suffrage had quite its share
of the attention of the
meeting. I feel that the

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A Among the slides that illustrate these lectures, are a number of colored views of the New Chicago—according to the Burnham plans—obtained through the courtesy of the Chicago Commercial Club.

Springfield. O.

My Dear Miss Cley:

Your letter followed me here -
Am so glad - so happy over the passage
of the Co. Guardianship bill -
Mr. Saughton has removed here to live -
found a house Friday she liked and
wished me to come on (wanted my opinion)
so I left hurriedly leaving my trunk to
come by express (fountain pen
exhausted) I do have not any writing
materials available. Fortunately
filled cheque before commencing
this - am several blocks from
my daughter - will write my
feelings over the conduct of that
specimen from Doerington, later

Hurriedly

Sincerely yours
H. Shepard

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To the Voters of Oklahoma:

The women of Oklahoma ask the men of our State to support with their votes their petition for an amendment to the Constitution, striking out the word "male" in the clause defining the requisites to vote.

We ask that women be allowed to vote on equal terms with men because women need the ballot equally with men for the protection of their interests and because it is a conceded fact that the interest of any class of people can be better protected when possessing power to protect itself. This is the true application of that fundamental principle of our government "that governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed."

We women of Oklahoma ask our fathers, brothers, husbands and sons to consider by what right they vote and where they secured the power to determine whether a woman shall be clothed with the dignity and responsibility of citizenship which they enjoy, or whether her opinions shall remain, to the dishonor of the state, classed baneful with those of criminals, useless with those of idiots and the insane, and irresponsible with those of minors.

A woman's title to vote is identical with a man's title to vote. Men in the United States vote for the simple reason that they live under a form of government which declares taxation without representation to be tyranny and that power is derived by consent of the people. In such a government the ballot becomes the symbol through which these principles are expressed. Ask yourselves two questions - Are women taxed? and are women governed? and it becomes apparent that the woman's title to vote in our boasted self government is identical with that of men. Then, logically, how can any man cast an honest vote to the contrary and proclaim faith and allegiance to

the american principles of government?

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We ask your vote in favor of conferring citizenship on the women of our state because we believe the nation is imperiled because of the trend of all legislation towards commercialism, which necessarily results from the opinions of men alone crystalizing into law. Many evils of vital interest to the life of the nation are demanding that women be granted power to co-operate with men for the best protection of the home and child, not the least of which interests are those of child slavery and white slavery.

We beg to call attention to the great changes brought about through inventions. Under a condition termed "modern industrialism" and which has invaded the woman's sphere, "the home," the work of women in the home has been transferred to the mills, factories, stores and offices. So in turn the home commodities formerly made under the watchful supervision of the women in the home, are returned from the marts of the world and the only safeguard from disease and death rests upon the conscientious responsibility of the official whose duty it is to care for the public's interest. It would seem, therefore, self-evident that if women are to be able to protect themselves and conserve the best interests of the home they must be accorded the ballot to help choose these officials.

Recognizing the ballot as the only effective weapon of our day and generation for the protection of the women of all classes we submit a classified list of the women in Oklahoma who need the ballot and a few reasons why they need it.

Oklahoma women want to vote, because

- 1: WOMEN ARE CITIZENS, and they need the ballot to accomplish their civic duties.
- 2: WORKING WOMEN, need the ballot to enforce thro a constituency their demands for shorter working hours, equal pay for equal work, better sanitary conditions to work under, safeguarded machinery, etc.

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3: **HOMEMAKERS**, need the ballot in order to influence the outside conditions which today control the home, such as Boards of Health, Boards of Education, the food supply, the water rates; in short, to influence municipal politics whose activities deal almost exclusively with the "woman's sphere."

MOTHERS, need the ballot in order to control moral conditions and wage effective war upon the powers of evil which revel in the debauching of youth.

TEACHERS, need the ballot to fit them to teach the ideals of citizenship. The state needs their trained intelligence, because they represent the most valuable public officials in the employ of the state - "State Mothers," as they have been justly termed.

PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS WOMEN, need the ballot to secure for themselves fair opportunities in their respective callings.

THE WOMAN ON THE FARM, needs the vote because she is interested in good roads, good schools, tax levies, and the best conditions for the rural district. She would double the farmer vote. Two good votes where but one vote now exists.

TAX-PAYING WOMEN, need the ballot to protect their property interests.

WOMEN OF LEISURE, need the ballot for their own self-development.

BAD WOMEN, need to vote to protect them from the graft of corrupt police officials as well as to free them from conditions which make them share their illgotten gains with the "panderers."

ALL WOMEN, need to vote for the sake of their own self-respect, and in order to command the respect of others. Disfranchisement means degradation, and no juggling with words nor the uttering of the usual platitudes can alter this interpretation.

ALL MEN, need to confer the ballot on women today to justify their advocacy for a "square deal." Therefore, men of Oklahoma, in the interest of according the women of our state a "square deal," we ask you to arm them equally with yourselves with the weapon of civilization, the Ballot, and together let us wage war for human betterment. Let us follow suit with our neighboring states of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho and vindicate our national principles by giving to the State of Oklahoma a "government of the people, by the people and for the people." For women are people.

We close this earnest appeal for your vote by calling to your attention the conclusion of that earnest student, philosopher and writer, Charles Kingsley, who said: "One principal cause of the

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failure of so many magnificent schemes, social, political, religious,
which have followed each other, age after age, has been this:
that in almost every case they have ignored the rights and powers
of one half the human race, viz: WOMEN.

May Oklahoma men heed this advice, is the prayer of the
Oklahoma Woman Suffrage Association.

Kate H. Biggers
(President)

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Dear Member of the Official Board,

I am writing to express my point of view on the subject of the letter of Miss Shaw of the 9th inst.;, in which she encloses the votes on the proposition of leasing headquarters, and of the disposal of the subrents.

I have Miss Shaw's letter of Aug. 9th, in which she encloses the votes on the proposition of leasing headquarters; and I write to submit my point of view on the disposal of the subrents.

In my opinion we have voted to lease for the Association the whole of the 17th floor of 505 Fifth Avenue with the understanding that all donations for rent and all sub-rents belong to the Association and should be turned into the General Treasury, and from the General Treasury the rent should be paid, whether these helps amount to the whole rent, more than the whole rent or less than the whole rent. In all letters from headquarters enumerating the helps we had a right to expect was a certain sub-rent of \$1400 from the College League, on terms agreed upon between it and Mrs. Dennett, whereby Mrs. Dennett was to do certain secretarial work for the College League in part return for this amount. Miss Intimates that possibly the representation made to the distant members of the Board from ~~Headquarters~~ ^{Shaw} does not rightly represent Miss Thomas's understanding of the contract on the part of the College League. I will say that in such a case I think those members of the Board who have been instrumental in taking a vote from the representation which did not accurately and definitely represent the terms offered by Mrs. Dennett or Miss Thomas should hold themselves personally responsible for making proper reparation to Miss Thomas or Mrs. Dennett, and not expect the Board ~~to take any steps towards~~ to take any steps towards doing so. If a part of that sub-rent can be retracted on account of unexpected circumstances the whole of that and of all other helps can be retracted on account of unexpected circumstances; and the Board has been led to involve the Association in a serious expense beyond its means without any certain promise ~~what~~ of help whatever. Unless we can and are prepared to set aside