

1347 S. Floyd St.,
Louisville, Ky.

Wed. Jan. 6, 1915.

Dear Mrs Breckinridge,

The accompanying letter from Miss Ryan is so good & sets forth so clearly what I am to do that I want you to see it, also Miss Clay if you will forward it under stamps enclosed, then she can return it to me to file. I had a dear letter from her last week.

I return your report. It is so good I wanted Miss Ryan to read it & she

made a dandy news item
of it, I thought, in the issue
of Dec. 12.

Saturday I mailed Miss
Ryan a pithy account of our
local work during 3 school
elections. It is just a sort
of "feeler". She may be able
to use some of it.

I have planned to hold my
Wednesday mornings to pre-
pare such Journal "stuff" as
comes in so it will reach
the office Saturdays at the
latest & have choice of space
the following week.

Now, for goodness sake!

tell folks to send me anything
of real news value & then tell
them not to "laud" on me if
they don't see it in the jour-
nal. I'll edit it & send it
if it is half-way interesting.
And when you & Miss Clay
have anything & don't want
to lose time by sending it
via Louisville, please send it
direct. I won't be sensitive!
I don't know who sent the
item for the current issue but
I am glad to see it for it is
good.

Don't forget please, to let
me have Miss Ryan's letter

back.

Cordially yours
M. J. Graham

Richmond, Ky.

Jan. 1st, 1915.

Mrs. John Graham,

Louisville.

Dear Mrs. Graham,

A. Happy New Year and many returns!

Mrs Breckinridge has sent me your letter in which you say you are all "balled up" about the Woman's Journal. I think the trouble is that at Owensboro we did not understand Proposition E, and ~~thought~~ thought we were bound only to pay \$33.00 for 1-8th of a column, whilst it appears the proposition was that we were to take in addition \$137.00 worth of papers in bundles for sale on the streets or free distribution, and get 50 new subscribers, we to have 30% of the subscription price. On receipt of a letter from Miss Ryan I wrote her asking her to modify the last two items, so that we would have the choice of more subscriptions and fewer in bundles. I believe, by vigorous work, we might get more subscriptions than 50, but I do not see what use we could have for 100 a week in bundles. I offered, if she would modify the offer, to do the work myself in getting new subscribers, as I did not think our one clerk at headquarters, could spare the time to do it. I have not yet heard from her, but will let you know when I do. In the meantime, she asks for our Ky news. I did not offer to send her this, and shall not do so. My work, if any, will be on the business line.

I am so glad to know that you are willing to undertake the task of editing our 1-8th of a column, for I believe the Journal is valuable in our state, and will be more so when we have our space regularly.

Very sincerely yours,

Richmond, Ky.

Jan. 1st, 1915.

My dear Mrs. Hubbard,

A Happy New Year and many returns!

I want to thank you for myself and our Board for your consent to use your donation of \$1000.00 for current expenses. On account of the war this is a particularly hard year to raise funds, and your kindness now makes it possible for us to go on our work energetically.

As I had placed the money in the Savings Bank, with instructions that it was not to be drawn on like other deposits, I wrote the Bank of your desire that it should now be subject to Mrs. Breckinridge's order, as president of the Ky. E. R. A., and asked if that would be sufficient for the transfer. In reply, I received the enclosed letter. Will you kindly write to the bank, as requested?

I am sorry to hear you fear return of la grippe. I had it last winter, but as yet have not had a return; and I sympathize with any one who has it.

I am glad to know what you are doing for the Woman's Journal. At Owensboro, we voted to take 1-8 of a page, according to Proposition E; but we did not then understand that we would also have to take 100 papers in bundles, and get 50 new subscribers. I am now in correspondence with Miss Ryan, trying to change the offer so that we can have more subscriptions and fewer papers in bundles. For we have not had success in selling papers on the street, and we do not need 100 a week for distribution as literature. If I succeed in getting a change of terms, I shall let you know, for I shall hope for your help in getting new subscriptions.

2.

I should be glad to have your Florida address, as I would like to send mail to you from time to time.

With many good wishes for your health and happiness, I am

Very cordially yours,

Kentucky Equal Rights Association

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LEXINGTON, KY.,

Jan 1, 1915.

Dear Madam President:

With the beginning of the New Year I am in hopes that all our local suffrage leagues will turn over a new leaf and begin to do active work for suffrage.

We have just one year before our bill must be presented in the Legislature when the acid test will be put to the amount of work done in winning adherents to the cause and in developing a spirit of earnestness and self-sacrifice in those already won. Suffrage is not going to be handed to us on a silver waiter in Kentucky. It will only be won if all of us who believe in it are willing to make some effort and sacrifice to obtain it.

Regular meetings of local leagues, preferably pursuing a study course in civics; down-town headquarters for propoganda work, when that is possibly; as many public meetings with distinguished speakers on suffrage as possible during the year; and continual effort by every member to get other persons to sign membership cards are some of the means I should like to suggest for increasing your influence.

But there is one thing I must call attention to. The constitution of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association says: "Any local organization may become auxiliary to the State Equal Rights Association by endorsing the Constitution and paying dues to the State Treasurer.

* * * Each local association shall pay annually to the State Treasurer, the amount of thirty-five cents per member of each auxiliary; 10¢ of which shall go to the National American Woman Suffrage Association."

There are enrolled in our eighty-six local leagues more than 10,000 persons. Yet, I find from the treasurer's report that in the past year only fourteen leagues paid into the State treasury any dues at all, five of these paying less than \$3.50; the total amount paid in was \$175.55. Technically speaking, we have a right to claim for the K. E. R. A. only as many members as are actually affiliated by the dues paying process with the State and National, i.e. 495 persons, instead of 10,577. Our first and most insistent duty this year, I take it, therefore, is to instill into local leagues some sense of financial responsibility to the State organization.

Jan 1, 1915

While the constitution which has been adopted by practically all of our local leagues provides for the non-dues-paying basis for local membership- it distinctly ~~provides~~ says: "The treasurer is expected to ask at least once a year for voluntary contributions from members for the objects of the league. Out of these funds 25¢ for State dues and 10¢ for National dues for every member represented are to be paid to the State treasury. Representation in the State and National Convention being on the dues paid." For every ten paid up members, that is, for \$3.50, the local league is entitled to one delegate in the State Convention. This is of course the minimum amount which any local league should pay in.

I hope that before our next annual convention every one of our eighty-six local leagues will at least have paid in his minimum amount to the State treasury.

I suggest that you call a meeting of your league, lay this matter before the members, asking each one present to make his or her free-will offering for the year 1915. Further instruct your treasurer to make a personal request of every member not present at the meeting for a free-will offering. As soon as possible thereafter send in to the State treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Judah, 2115 Murray Ave., Louisville, Ky., the sum ~~xxx~~ which your league may decide to pay for the year 1915. You can, of course, increase this amount later in the year, paying in even at the Convention for as many additional delegates as you desire to send. But I think it should be a New Year's resolve on the part of our local leagues to at once become affiliated with the State organization, and to build up a sense of financial responsibility among those who believe in suffrage to do something for the cause.

While the Kentucky Equal Rights Association earnestly advocates the non-dues-paying basis of membership it is quite consistent for any local league to offer two classes of membership, a regular and an active membership. I would advise that the non-dues-paying membership be considered the regular membership, so as to avoid any possible look of depreciating the value of those persons who desire to join without incurring financial responsibility. Then an active membership of those persons who are willing to do something more for the cause, setting the annual dues for these persons at 50¢ or \$1.00 or whatever amount your league may decide on. Even after these two classes of membership are adopted it would continue to be the duty of the treasurer to give all non-dues-paying members an opportunity once each year to make a free-will offering.

As soon as you have called your league together and laid this matter before them be kind enough to write me as to the decision and the action of your league in the matter.

Hoping that every person in Kentucky who believes in suffrage for women will this year work for suffrage, I am

Cordially yours,

Richmond, Ky.

Jan. 2nd, 1915.

Mrs. H. Wade Rogers,

New York.

Dear Madam,

As the Kentucky Equal Rights Asso. last year was an auxiliary to the National, and not an affiliated member, the name of a Ky. member of the National Ex. Council did not appear. But this year, according to the constitution amended at Nashville, Ky. will be an affiliated member; and as it will pay dues for 1500 members or more, the Ky. E. R. A. is entitled to a member of the Executive Council. You have probably by this time received the dues from our State treasurer, Mrs. J. Judah.

If it is not yet too late to put the name in the minutes of the Nashville Convention, will you kindly see that the name of Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Smith, Frankfort Kentucky, is entered as the Ex. Council member of the Ky. Equal Rights Association?

Mrs. Desha Breckinridge, 726 McClelland Building, Lexington, is still the proper address of the President.

Wishing you a Happy New Year!, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Cer. Sec. of Ky. E. R. A.

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Dated, New York, January 2nd, 1915.

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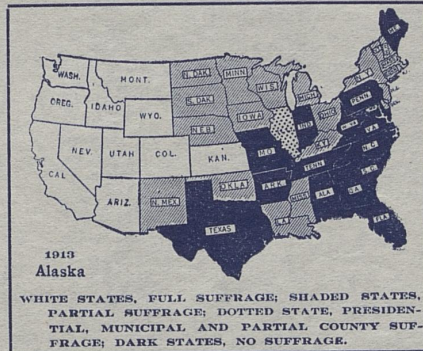
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January 4th,

1915

Miss Laura Clay,
Richmond, Kentucky.

My dear Miss Clay:

Your letter is just at hand and contents noted. I will at once send to Mrs. FitzGerald the name of Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Smith as member of the National Executive Council for the Kentucky Equal Rights Association. I think it will be in ample time. The check for affiliated membership dues of the Kentucky State Association has been received. We thank you very much for this and a receipt will be sent to Mrs. Judah, the Treasurer.

I hope this will be a very prosperous year for Kentucky suffrage workers as well as for the National. Anything that you can do to help us in the way of making known the general work of the National, and especially of ~~having to~~ ^{helping} circulate the literature which seems to me one of the most effective methods of propaganda work, will be warmly appreciated here at Headquarters.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Trimmer Rogers
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Perhaps I can get Mrs. Smith to go on my General Finance Committee, & thus keep informed on the National work & help all around.

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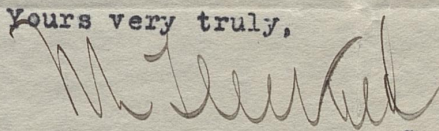
January 9th
1915

Miss Laura Clay,
Richmond, Ky.

Dear Miss Clay:-

We are to-day in receipt of instructions from Mrs. S. M. Hubbard confirming, as we were sure she would, the advice of your letter of a short time ago, that the \$1000.00 now on deposit with us should be subject to check.

Yours very truly,



Cashier.

WLT MS.

*Mr. Brewster ridge has just called and we have advised her & she has given a check to Mr. Judah Treasurer for \$1000⁰⁰
W. L. T.*

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January 11 - 1915,

My very dear Miss Clay:

Words cannot express the pleasure your letter of Dec. 26th gave me. I did not think you had forgotten me, for through the journal I keep the run of your movements. I do not wonder that you had the grippe, going about some place to place speaking. You remember the time you were forced to drop work for awhile, while I was with you, on account of overwork. I do hope you will be careful now. I was disappointed in not seeing you last November. But Anna Shan did not want the National to meet here. She is not very friendly with Minnesota suffragists because our state board opposed some of her decisions at the time that Pres. Taft was invited to address the National. As to the Southern Conference I shall be glad as best I can take an interest in the organization. I did not receive the new Southern Critique. I will subscribe for it, when I receive a copy. I keep in close touch with the National Congressional Committee. They send me weekly

communications, which keeps me informed as to Congressional work. In this mail just received from the letter from Representative James Manahan of Minnesota to Mrs Edmund Pennington on Anti-Slavery; he is solid on woman suffrage.

A good one; he is solid on woman suffrage. I will quote from his letter: "When the matter comes before the House, it is my purpose to do everything in my power to give the women of the United States political equality with men, for it is the duty of every man and woman not only to vote but to put into that vote every bit of patriotism and judgement possible. In my mind, election day should be a holy day of obligation to every man and woman in the country." The enclosed circular and resolution I have just sent out to my 500 editors.

Our Legislature is now in session. We have a Democratic opposed to Suffrage Governor. County option and woman suffrage are first to be considered. The Boewers say "get these out of the way first." We hope to succeed.

We have a new State president, Mrs Neland, but she leaned somewhat to the Congressional Union. I am opposed ^{to} it. I am no militant. We are

I was so glad to hear about all your family. How pleasant for you and Mrs May B. to be near to each. Give my best love to all your loved ones.

Yes! we could have a real good talk, if we were together.

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I shall not lay up anything against you. never.
I received a letter from Mrs Charles about Jennie's
marriage. She did not want Jennie to marry, but
the gentleman was so in love, he could not do
without Jennie - Not a line have I received since
that time. Since dear Mrs. Patterson passed away.
I have not been in touch with her daughter.
She assists her father in his office and perhaps
has no time for letter writing.

I do hope you will be careful of your
health - Tell Mrs. Mary B. I will write to her.
With best love to her, Mrs Bennett and your
dear self. I cannot forget the kindness I have
received from your dear mother & her daughter.
I shall always love you.

Truly and Sincerely,
Eugenia B. Farmer.

I keep very well, am on duty every day in the
week in my headquarters here except Saturday.
I live comfortably and happily in the "Home".
E. B. F.

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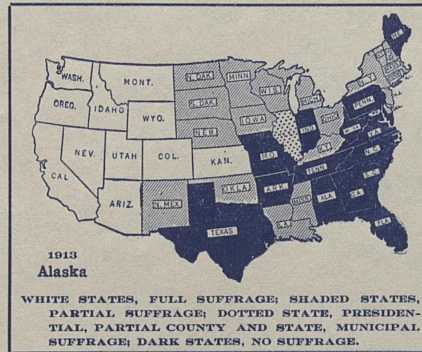
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January 15, 1915.

Miss Laura Clay,
Lexington, Ky.

My dear Miss Clay:-

I thank you so much for your kindness in answering my letters so promptly. As you will know, I have not had time to give consideration to anything at all except the matter of getting the greatest strength possible out for the Mondell amendment, which was voted upon last Tuesday.

I hope to write you at greater length or to see you personally in the near future. Will you present my compliments to your sister and say that I will write her shortly? If it is not too late I wish to extend to you and Mrs. Bennett my good wishes for the new year.

Sincerely yours,

Antoinette Funk

AF-LA

1704 Broadway,
Nashville, Tenn.

Jan 23, 1915

My dear Miss Clay. Everything
seems to be most favorable
for securing a hearing before
the legislature on Friday
next week, hence the necessity

The legislative committee
has the arrangements in
charge, and just as soon
as they notify me of the
date, I will write you.

Very sincerely yours,

Wm. P. Thompson

1347 S. Floyd St.
Louisville, Ky
Sat. Jan 30, 1915

My dear Miss Clay, I want
to thank you for your very
cordial & helpful letters of
the 1st & 18th inst.

It seemed as tho I
should never get to it
but I know you will par-
don the delay when I tell
you it was suffrage
work of some kind which
prevented!

I hope the avalanch of

"literature" descending upon you in this will not cause you to call the doctor. I just believe you will be interested in glimpsing the letters recently sent out by the Louisville Association in its search for new members. An account of this campaign was sent to the Woman's Journal 2 weeks ago & will perhaps appear in the coming issue. I have to anticipate almost 2 weeks & you will readily un-

derstand how careful I try to be.

The editors of the Journal have been most kind: haven't edited my "stories" tho they exceed the space to which we are entitled.

So far I have been obliged to send only local stuff because no out-State news has come to me till this week. Mrs Breckinridge sent a good bit about Helen Myers prize work & I askt that this be used as a "lead", putting the Louisville news

after if there's space. That
was mailed Thursday - will
go to press Wed, Feb 3 & we
will get it the week after!

This is a new wrinkle
to me for I'm used to getting
right back a day or two
after a thing occurs which
can, of course, be done in
the daily press.

I hope our hardworking
women outside of Louis-
ville will not think us
greedy. Certainly, they will
get the best I can do
for them if they will send
me real, live, news facts.

2.

[Jan 30, 1915]

It will doubtless take some time for them to know just how the Journal news is handled. No help me make it clear & then I shall endeavor to show them their "editor" (isn't that droll?) is fair & puts the Cause before events in any locality. I haven't heard any complaint - but I can readily see how our out-State members would get tired of Louisville news.

I have aspt. Mrs Hubbard & Miss Myers for items. Miss Martin just writes

Alexander Myers will send any
she gets.

I wonder if you know
Mrs Oden Hodges' address?
And is Mrs Hubbard at
Newport? I sent letter there
but had lost her address.

Miss Clay! I do wish
you could have been here
this week! "Your Girl &
Mine" played three days. I
suggested we give Movie
Theatre Parties. Mrs Hen-
ning said "Go ahead." We
got 81 suffragists to pro-
mise to take at least 4
guests not yet suffra-

gists! They took from 4 to
20 or more! Oh! it has
been fun - & profitable. 200
cards were signed Thursday
alone. Raymond Robbins
spoke before our perform-
ance yesterday. He is to
address our Association
this afternoon. He came
as Honor Guest for Men's
Federation banquet & let's
us use him.

Oh! if I were strong,
how much I could do.
So let me know when
your plans mature for
the Journal subscriptions -
or to increase them. I mean.

It may be we can help
a little in some way.

The lines scratched out in
accompanying clipping belonged
to a paragraph I telephoned for
the Post to cut. It was about
age of consent: got it from
George Cecil's article revised
Jan 1915 & its corrag. He says
it's 10 years in Georgia & North
Carolina & it's 14 in the latter
State. My! I was glad to
catch it before it went to
press! Too bad, the Suffrage
Pub Co., let such an error
get-by. If you think Mr B
would have time to glimpse
the letters enclosed & you are
overstocked with stamps, send
them on! Yours very cordially
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January 30, 1915

Miss Laura Clay
Richmond
Kentucky

Dear Miss Clay:

I wonder if you can imagine how trying it is to have so many things to do that one wishes to do and yet not be able to do them. I have been wanting to write you for a long while and am only now able to do so. We are busier than ever but you will be glad to know that the Journal's affairs are looking up decidedly. Things are really going well and if we can only keep them going in the same direction we shall reach the goal we have been aiming at so long.

We received the \$25.00 you sent in answer to the appeal from Mrs. Minnie J. Reynolds. We are consequently able to pour Journals into New Jersey where it seems they are very much needed. I think we shall have to use the whole amount for New Jersey papers. We are sending to quite a list already but I have asked some of the New Jersey workers to pick out some more good papers. It seemed best to let the workers in the State choose the papers themselves.

I am glad to know about the Mississippi Valley Conference. I hope to be there. It will be great if Miss Blackwell can go to it but we cannot tell about that now. She is not well.

I believe it is a good stroke for us to publish the minutes of the Conference as we did before if it accomplishes nothing else than to make the States concerned realize that we appreciate the value of what they are doing.

Did you not receive our second letter about the State proposition? I am sure I sent you a copy and I think it may have crossed your letter to me. I am enclosing a second copy. It seemed better to have a looser arrangement than we suggested in our first letter. I hope I shall see you at the Conference in Indiana and that we can have a good talk. Send us all of the news from your State which ought to be published.

Yours sincerely,

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I hope you noticed in the Woman's Journal of December 12 that we put into effect in a modified form the plan for presenting state news of which we wrote you some time ago. The plan we offered with a choice from five propositions entailed some financial responsibility and you naturally hesitated about undertaking it.

We offered you space in the Woman's Journal for news from your state and we offered you papers and subscriptions in a cooperative arrangement so that neither your association nor the Journal would lose money.

We so thoroughly believe in the plan of cooperation we offered, that we are ready to carry out our part of it even without any guarantee that your association is ready to meet us half way. We are trying to see your side of the question; we ask you to try to see our side.

We have, therefore, decided to print the news from your State each week and we stand ready to meet your State more than half way on the matter of subscriptions and papers for use per week.

We want to make it clear that this is not a money-making plan for the Woman's Journal, it is simply a plan for better service so that we shall print your news, and so that this will not be done at a loss. It is a plan to come out even, not to make money.

We, therefore, ask you to request your leagues and league members to start and follow up an effective subscription campaign in return for the cooperation we are giving your Association. We offer a commission of 30% for every new subscription sent us. And will you ask your leagues and members to use extra copies of the Journal each week as propaganda literature? We offer every paper for propaganda purposes at 3 cents each. In cases where the leagues are enterprising and sell the papers at 5 cents each, they can make 2 cents on every paper. In lots of 10 or more they can make 2½ cents.

The plan we have started is only the beginning of what we wish to do. Realizing, therefore, that we have put this plan into effect at something of a risk, we ask you to back us up to the full extent of your ability, and whatever else you do, will you be sure to have all of the best news in the whole state sent us promptly each week.

The Woman's Journal has entered on a new era and we hope that each state will so cooperate with us that each State will receive the maximum benefit.

Yours sincerely,

1704 Broadway,
Kashville, Tenn.,

Jan 21, 1915-

Miss Laura Clay.

I write with
regard to my telegram of
Friday night.

As chairman of arrange-
ments for your visit to
Kashville, I acted in ac-
cordance with the advice
of our president and me
or two of the legislators
whom I knew personally.

Our first plan was to have you come last Monday or risk getting a hearing before the Legislature, but one of the representatives said that there was no doubt that a hearing could be arranged for, and my strongly urged us to wait for the address until the bill was in the hands of the committee. Hence my

note to you that we would wait.

In the first place there was so much delay in getting the bill ready that we had no idea anything could be done before the recess.

Then they told us the bill would go to the Senate on Tuesday but it went on Monday instead. In fact,

every step was taken
with such rapidity-
that-here we knew
what was being done
the till passed both
houses by an overwhelm-
ing majority-

After that, of course
your visit was unsuccess-
ful as far as the
legislature was con-
cerned, but we will
need your help later.

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on as our hardest-
work is before us, and
we consider that our
engagement with
you is postponed, and
not broken.

I sincerely hope that
this has not put you
to any great incon-
venience. But time
we will have only our
own plans to consult-

and will not be de-
pendent upon the
movement of any other
organization.

With best wishes,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Gray Percival Thompson