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Sunday Jan 20

Dear Mrs C: —

Wrote you this a.m. & this
is the continuation.

Mrs. Call, I think I wrote you told me
four or five days ago that they "had found
out that Atty Postmaster Burleson had
been working against the Fed Amendment
in Texas, and that, under the circumstances,
it was wonderful that the Texas women
could get six votes — surprising they
got any at all."

Since it was at the table — I have
sat next her most of the time, I did
not ask how she found this out.
She is usually closeted alone in her bed-
room with "no admittance" on the door

Her stenographer takes her dictation & goes over
to the office to type her notes till rung for.

Will you report Burleson to Mrs Catt?

I am enclosing an article which calls
the Postmaster General of an administration
"The Political Coxswain" - and his ^{adverse} attitude on
this question of ours might complicate ^{or neutralize} the
favor of the administration toward us. I
believe that the Pres & McAdoo are anxious
for political reasons that the Amendment pass.

It seems to me that a letter of protest
should come from Texas, from you and
from able politicians protesting against
Burleson's anti-administration policy and
asking that there be an investigation of it.
He could work against equal suffrage, as
when it comes up for ratification, but
since he is not a congressman why is
he working against it now?

I see that Mrs Burleson gave a dinner
honoring Margaret Wilson yesterday, so it
may be that a protest to her father & bro'
in-law would do no good.

Suppose you write Mrs Catt at once

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if you are in dark & get a statement about
The postmaster-General. He & Bailey are bitter
enemies & always knocking one another so it is
queer we should have the two to fight.

I would write, saying to Mr McAdoo that we
hear from Texas that Mr Burleson is using his
influence against the Federal Amendment, and
asking him to see if he cant use his influence
with Mr Burleson to "let us get by the Senate"
and postpone his opposition till the ^{ratification}
campaign, for such opposition by a ^{Democratic} Cabinet
member of the is certainly most prejudicial
to the interests of the party and to the
campaign currents that we are trying
to encourage and direct. - but I feel
that such a letter from me would
have but little effect. I am writing
such a letter to Mrs Bass - or vice

This evening. - For she can see Mr Mc
Adoo perhaps & help - You too write such
a letter & tell her will make him look
like a cancelled stamp by joining with
the Republicans in showing up his pettiness if
he does not stop. I'm tired of these Chivalric
gentlemen describing us as "agitators"
and unfeminine - if we are, then lets
make them see we can agitate in their
bailiwicks.

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Anent Culberson

I had a talk with Mr. Guertie Marvin Jones ~~see~~
yesterday aft - he's about 35 and has been
here sev yrs.

He said the newspaper men had little hope of
our "turning Charlie Culberson". But there was nothing
in the report that he would not run -
he had already announced that he would
be a candidate in 1921. He said that
Culberson would ask questions, be courteous
look interested and say almost nothing and
then if able to get there vote against us!

Mrs Catt has been away 4 days
" Park " " " 2 days

I have never been able to hand Cul. the petition
yet. I want to show it to him - leave
it with him and then get it back
to give to the Senate, ^{ding} Steering Com
and Senate Sup Com to use if needed

on Floor of Senate. I wish we had had
a certified copy made. Some of the signa-
tures are so illegible that no stenographer
here could guess them. We made hash of
some of the Dallas petition but I could
not read them.

Dont think I have not been to see
A. — I have — many many times. I
have tried to make appointments only to be
foiled tho' he knows I want to see him.
I will probably make a written appointment
this week — will see Sheppard tomorrow show
him the petition & get his further counsel.

Am expecting Dorothy — or a telegram
from her pretty soon — dear girl
— I decided to let her come. Her braver
keep me nervous — its a terrible time
for girls, so restless and uneasy. &
the gov. wont give wives of enlisted
men positions in France so I do
hope she will be sensible & not get
married. Am wishing wishing for a wife
from her. Love to all — B.