

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OPPOSED TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE  
Office of Ida M. Darden,  
Director of Publicity for Texas  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS  
Metropolitan Hotel,

April 28, 1919.

*copy of letters  
rec'd by many  
men of all parties*

County Chairman, Democratic Party,

My dear Sir:

On the 24th of May, the men of this State will perhaps decide for all times the question of enfranchising the women of Texas, white and black, for if the proposed Constitutional Amendment is adopted at the coming election, a permanent change in our electorate will be established, and if Woman Suffrage should prove undesirable its opponents will perhaps have lost the right of protest, the question having practically been closed at the polls.

If, as I hope, you are opposed to the Constitutional Amendment giving the ballot to Woman in Texas, May I send our literature to you for distribution in your county, or will you appoint a reliable Anti-Suffragist generous enough to do this much to help save Texas from the demands of Socialism and the Menace of Bolshevism?

I invite your attention to the fact that socialistic pressure menaced legislation at Austin to an alarming degree at the last session of the Legislature.

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Socialists claim and Suffragists admit the truth of the Socialist Slogan: "Every Socialist is a Suffragist". Anna Howard Shaw says: "We welcome every Socialist vote".

Make no mistake. The Societ system in this country now has the official indorsement of the leaders of the Suffragist party.

An overwhelming majority against the proposed Constitutional Amendment is the objective of an intelligent warfare in this Campaign. This alone will insure a real and permanent Victory over Socialist-Feminist Rule in Texas.

We have nothing to fear from the Suffrage Wave. It is not coming but going.

There are now only 14 States for Woman Suffrage and 34 against. We have won 20 campaigns in the last six years, for where we work we win.

Will you help me save Texas from the dawn of the Red Day?

I shall hope for and will much appreciate a favorable and prompt reply, for Time presses.

*Ida M. Darden*

READ, THINK and ACT, I pray you.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Mrs. James B. Wells,

Pres. Tex. Asse. Opposed to Woman Suffrage.

P.S. Please address reply care of Metropolitan Hotel.

Will please give the question of woman suffrage in Texas, white and black, for the year 1901.

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*Handwritten notes at the bottom of the page, including the name "Mrs. James B. Wells" and other illegible scribbles.*