

The Whole World for Woman Suffrage

And the United States Senate Lags Behind!

ITALY TO GIVE WOMEN BALLOT

November Parliament to Grant Legal Freedom.

SUFFRAGE WILL FOLLOW SOON

War Has Wrought Political Wonders.

Evening Sun 11/21/18
ROME, Nov. 5.—With the reopening of the Italian Parliament in November Italy will grant to its women that legal recognition of equality that almost every allied country has been forced to give as a consequence of woman's contribution to the war. A law to this end has been favorably passed upon by the proper parliamentary committee and unquestionably will be adopted before the close of the year with little if any opposition. The acknowledgment thus won by Italian women constitutes an unusual tribute to them, inasmuch as the question of equal rights was not nearly so far advanced in Italy before the war as in most countries.

Washington Star
The coming session of the Italian parliament is expected to grant women legal equality, in recognition of their services during the war.

WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE STEPS IN JAMAICA

10/8/18
Movement Takes on Definite Form and Newspapers Are Friendly—Measure to Come Before Legislative Council

By special correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor
KINGSTON, Jamaica, B. W. I.—For the first time the movement to gain woman's suffrage has appeared here in a definite form. The Hon. H. A. L. Simpson, O. B. E., who represents Kingston, the capital of the island, in the Legislative Council, has announced his intention of bringing forward a measure that will provide for giving the vote to women. The newspapers are friendly to the step and the proposal is being discussed with vigor.

House Votes to Seat Women in Parliament

Commons Passes at the Third Reading Bill Backed by British Peers

LONDON, Nov. 7.—The House of Commons, to-day passed, on third reading, the bill permitting women to sit in Parliament. The agitation which has resulted in the passage of this bill began last April when a number of Peers petitioned the House of Lords to pass a clause in the reform bill so they might be permitted to vote. This is a privilege which the Peers themselves do not possess, the right to a position in the House of Lords being considered compensation for disfranchisement. Wives and widows of Peers who suffered the same disability without any compensation demanded the franchise.

16 Suffrage States Are Counted On to Rule 1920 Election

Though the Presidential election is still virtually two years away, attention already is centering on the part the women voters are to play in it. The sweeping suffrage victories at the polls on November 5, which enfranchised Michigan, South Dakota and the full suffrage another million and a twenty-one years old potential electorate. Women of voting age having full Presidential franchise is about 11,016,964. In states in which woman suffrage, and this number which sixteen by the end of the adoption of the constitution which will vote upon December 1 to have its immediate standing of the amendment in the sixty-fifth Congress. In countries in which all suffrage are Great Britain, which granted full suffrage in 1906; Germany, which was held to a programme of universal suffrage without regard to sex throughout its revolutionary upheavals, and Norway, which granted full suffrage in 1907. In Italy one of the important reforms which Parliament is expected to institute is the granting to women of the right of legal equality. Enfranchisement of Italian women no doubt will be the next step. In Germany indications point to the extension of full suffrage to men and women alike. In Hungary arrangements have been made for an election at which both men and women will vote upon the question of the form of government to be adopted. Universal suffrage is one of the basic principles of the Czech-Slovak Republic. In both France and Sweden equal suffrage is imminent.

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE IN INDIA

Special to The Christian Science Monitor
CALCUTTA, India.—The question of woman suffrage was discussed at the All-India Congress, when a resolution was passed referring the subject to the Provincial Congress committees. One of these, the Punjab Committee, has already passed a resolution that no distinction of sex be made in the coming reforms. The recent meeting of the Madras Provincial Conference was presided over by Mrs. Sarojini Naidu. The significance of the fact that an Indian woman should preside over a public gathering is commented on by New India, which says that her presidency "marks the coming of a new great force into modern Indian political life—the Indian woman." It was Mrs. Sarojini Naidu who at the meeting of the Bombay Provincial Conference held in May, moved a resolution supported by over 100 educated ladies of Bombay recommending the extension of the franchise to women at the same time as to men, under suitable conditions. *9/24/18*

Paris to Ask Suffrage Law

PARIS, Nov. 13.—The Municipal Council of Paris will request Parliament to adopt a law granting suffrage to women, according to Le Petit Parisien. *NY Journal 11/13-18*

WOMEN VOTE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTRY

For the first time in the history of Mexico, women are to be permitted to vote, the State of Guanajuato enjoying this privilege. The newly adopted constitution of that State confers the privilege of suffrage in all municipal matters upon women, the only restriction being that they must be of reputable character. Such an election is to be held shortly, and it is re-

40,000,000 Germans To Vote, Says Berlin

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—By the end of the month there will be between 39,000,000 and 40,000,000 Germans on the voting list, according to Berlin newspapers. "Of these, 18,000,000 are men, more than 21,000,000 are women. Of this list can be added 500,000 war prisoners, now abroad, who most likely will vote in the next election."

BADEN WOULD BE REPUBLIC

Grand Duke Renounces Power
National Assembly Call
Post 11/2
BASEL, Saturday, November 16.—The former Grand Duchy of Baden will come a republic, according to a patch from Karlsruhe. The patch is in the hands of the Provisional Government, the Grand Duke having renounced his leadership. A National Assembly to fix definitely the form of Government will be elected on January 5, and will convene within ten days after the election. The voting will be by secret ballot and both sexes twenty years of age or over will be eligible to vote.

WOMEN TO VOTE WITH MEN ON A HUNGARIAN REPUBLIC; REFERENDUM NEXT MONTH

Evening World 11/4/18
Both Sexes to Have Same Rights in Deciding Future Form of Government for Their Country.

LONDON, Nov. 4.—The population of Hungary a month hence will take a public vote to decide on the question of a Monarchy or a Republic, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen to-day. The balloting the women will have the same electoral rights as men.

LITTLE DISORDER IN AUSTRIA NOW

Formation of Republic Effected Without Much Violence—Old Empire Restrictions Abolished.

VIENNA, Nov. 18. (via Geneva, Associated Press.)—One of the most notable political changes has been the granting of equal franchise to women. In the republic all done away with. No passports are required to travel nor must one have a residence permit.

BERNE, Dec. 4.—A bill providing for election in January of a Constituent Assembly to convene March 1 has been published by the Provisional Government of German Austria, according to despatches received here to-day. This body will be elected on the basis of one Deputy for each 48,000 inhabitants. Women will vote, also all males of 24 years old or over. The Catholic party has issued a manifesto formally indorsing the republican form of government. This is regarded as a death blow to the Hapsburgs' hopes. *Even. Sun Dec 5/18*

"113 LOST WITH SCOUTSHIP"

The Franchise in Canada

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THE Canadian House of Commons passed House Bill No. 3, an act to confer the electoral franchise upon women, amid a calm, matter-of-fact approval from all corners of the nation that is a commentary on the strange differences between northern North America and the United States. The bill was a government bill, far more immediate in its effect and more generous in its provisions than the Federal amendment now before the United States Senate. Its smooth course in passage was enough to make an American suffragist wistful for the simplicity of British procedure in legislative bodies.

British Women Get Full Suffrage

Pittsburg Dispatch Nov. 5 '18
THE women of all nations are bound to take a special, but not exclusive, interest in the new franchise law which had just gone into effect in Great Britain. This law gives women the right to vote for members of parliament, and places Great Britain almost on a level with the Australian Commonwealth in respect to woman's political recognition. Generally speaking, there remains but one step for Great Britain to take, and that is to bestow upon its women the right to become members of parliament as well as vote in parliamentary elections. It cannot but be pleasing to Great Britain's allies in the war for world democracy that she is proving her democracy not by mere words but by deeds of this inspiring sort. We in America have not gone as far as the British now have in womanhood's political emancipation. And our democracy will not be as genuine and as complete as we must wish it to be until we follow the British example.

SWEDEN TO GRANT VOTE TO MEN AND WOMEN ALIKE

Declaration of War and Peace Will Be Placed Under Riksdag's Control.
STOCKHOLM, Thursday, Nov. 14.—The Swedish Government has decided to carry out, without delay a programme of reforms giving the franchise to both sexes on equal terms and placing control of the foreign policy, as well as declarations of war and peace, with the Riksdag. *Evening World 11/6 18*

WOMAN TAKES HER SEAT IN NORWEGIAN PARLIAMENT

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CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 5.—Miss Sara Christie has taken her seat in the Norwegian parliament as a conservative representative of the city of Trondhjem. At parliamentary elections in Norway substitutes are always elected at the same time to take the member's place in case of illness or death, so elections to fill vacancies never take place. All members of the storting are engaged in special committees to prepare legislative work or dealing with the government's proposals before they are submitted to the storting. In this way Miss Sara Christie, who is now summoned to take the seat of Prof. Soeland, becomes a member of the defense committee to consider the army

Women Celebrate Suffrage Victory In Three States

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw Calls on Men to Aid in Senate Fight

Progress Is Described

11/25/18
Workers Tell How Michigan, South Dakota and Oklahoma Were Carried

Tribune Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—It is time for men who favor woman suffrage to take up the fight. This is Dr. Anna Howard Shaw's belief, expressed this afternoon at the victory celebration at the National American Woman Suffrage Association headquarters over the success of suffrage in Oklahoma, South Dakota and Michigan. "Every new democracy springing into being gives women equality and justice," said Dr. Shaw. "The United States has led the world in democracy too long for it to lag behind now. We women have worked hard and long. I wish that every man who believes in woman suffrage would come forth and work as the women have done." Dr. Shaw told of the long years she had worked for suffrage. The campaign that bore fruit in the winning of the vote in Michigan was started by Susan B. Anthony in 1874. Dr. Shaw, a college girl at that time, was converted to the cause, to which she has devoted herself. The winning of South Dakota, Oklahoma and Michigan brings the total of full suffrage states to fifteen. As an answer to one who says he favors suffrage by state action and believes woman should be content with winning state by state, Dr. Shaw pointed out that our men who went to fight in France were not content with taking fifty yards or one trench. So, she maintained, the women of this country were not content with winning suffrage state by state. "Just as our soldiers wanted the enemy's surrender, the suffragists want surrender," she said. "In the early days woman suffrage had few friends. I remember years ago when sixteen men in the Senate voted for the amendment and were known afterward as the 'sweet sixteen.' Now woman suffrage has nothing but friends everywhere—except in the United States Senate. "If in the Senate it had been a matter of winning only a majority, we would have won long ago. Now for the necessary two-thirds margin we lack only one vote. Personally I would just as soon win by one vote as by twenty." Part of the celebration was devoted to an appreciation of the work for suffrage of Senator Shafroth, of Colorado, who was defeated in the last election by Mr. Phipps. Senator Shafroth made a short address and said that he believed the Federal amendment would pass before March 4. Dr. Caroline Bartlett Crane, of Michigan, described the last campaign in Michigan and outlined some of the work that the women in that state expected to help put over with their newly acquired vote. Senator Sterling sent a message expressing gratification at the passage of the citizenship amendment by which South Dakota enfranchised its women and disfranchised its aliens. "It was the silent vote turned talkative that put Oklahoma women across," said Miss Marjorie Shuler, who campaigned in Oklahoma with her mother.