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On the way to Stamford

My dear Mrs Cunningham:

Gov. Hobby is going to do just what we wanted him to do "something" and it was to bring about this very situation. that Miss Blanton and I got together on, - and an extra session is going to be called.

We wanted the women from every source to write him, saying if the constitution could not be amended to find a means of bringing about the very result he is going to produce now. We wanted to strike while the iron was hot and get all the credit we could toward our cause out of it, that was why I urged quick action on the part of the organization for suffrage. We wanted letters to go in right away, day after day to Hobby. Miss Blanton went right ahead and wrote Hobby, and he has immediately come out and called an extra session and found a way to put the thing through. If I could have been near enough to run in on you I could have made plainer what purpose we had in view, and, how to get any credit out of it we had to act at once. We were all right on our conclusion for he has acted.

The thing to do now is to write commending him
on the move and get club women and
individuals to do the same in great numbers.
The legislature will not turn it down, the
public is with the soldier, I wanted a claim
on his gratitude, so did Mrs. Blanton, and
from a political standpoint we knew Hobby
would recognize the advantage to himself.
But I could not act unless you wished,
it was a dandy chance though for a quick move.
We were wise all right on a referendum to the
people, true, etc., but, "all things are possible"
and you see there was a way out. That
was the point we wanted to urge through
pressure from women everywhere, to encourage
Hobby to act in some legal way.

Senator Westbrook thought it a good move
to produce action.

Senator was very nice indeed in Greenville
so was Judge Pierson. We talked things over at
Mrs. Sherrell's where we were all entertained at
dinner. Judge and others will start their new
call to campaign for suffrage right away and
issue a statement for the paper signed with their
names. Did I tell you Mrs. Plummer ^{Joan (Hunt Co)} Sherrell
would be County Chairman of the county in which
Greenville is. Had a fine meeting at Sulphur
Springs, big crowd at Court House, of both men

few weeks, that will about cover the situation
I have led her up to.
Lots of Editors I have seen would use plate
matter if you had it to send them but they
do not want supplement or news bulletin.
Do you send any plate out at all? Following would use
Editor Lee Rountree - "Gazette" of Sulphur Springs
" J. S. Bagwell - "Echo" " " "
" E. M. Tate - "New Telegram" of " " "
" R. D. Dorbitz - "Enterprise" of New Ulm
" { Tom Perkins
" { Walter B. Wilson "Courier-Gazette" of McHenry
Don't think for a moment that the suggestions
and thoughts I put down in ink when writing you
are poured out on my audience. You do not
know me well of course, but, the Nation has
an abiding faith in my tactfulness not my
tactlessness, but I always keep my ears attuned
to public sentiment and all incidents that
animate the public, endeavoring, if worth while,
to turn such things to our advantage. I always
like the suffrage bodies to be one step ahead
in these efforts too, do not ever, therefore, let
any proposition I may present, disturb you
as to what use I may be making of it
"over here". Is Mrs. Catt coming to Texas?
Best wishes to you.

Very cordially

Edna Annette Beveridge -

Hope you sent "American Citizen" leaflets to the points at
which I speak.

Hope you can interpret this letter; my pen follows motion of the hand

and women. Judge Connor introduced me. the women worked up the meeting nicely. ^{Red River} Mrs. Polk says the county in which Clarksville is located has no chairman at all, woman resigned after two and one half months of inactivity.

The women in Sulphur Springs seem to be doing their best but no where do I find they have worked up petitions well, so I try to stir them into getting busy on this everywhere I go.

Received my first lot of literature in McKinney, my, but I was happy to get it and gave the largest amount of it to women who wanted to take it home to their counties and distribute. Mrs. Spence of Dallas was at Federation, spoke on suffrage and the social evil and helped me get at the women too.

I could find no trace of a County chairman in McKinney, if you have ~~one~~ ^{all} right, but if you have none, write to ^{W. H. F. L.} Mrs. Fred E. Everett McKinney and formally ask her to be chairman she will do it, I prepared her for that but I know she would like to have the request come from Mrs. Cunningham. She was very active at the Federation, seems to be very nice too. I left her a package of literature which she promised to get out to rural women through the rest room. Tell Mrs. Everett I spoke of meeting her and mentioned her interest in the success of the amendment and will she not take County chairmanship and do all she can in remaining

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