

File Prohibition
"Comm. of 500"

(File under j.) Mrs. I. Jalonick

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306 Trust Bldg,
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----- 2002 San Antonio St
, August 25, 1917.

Mrs. J. J. Hardin,
1803 Moser Ave.,
Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Mrs. Hardin:

Mrs. I. Jalonick, President of the Dallas Equal Suffrage Association, has doubtless advised you of her request that I send to you direct the circular letter issued at the hands of Mr. M. H. Wolfe, Chairman of the Prohibition Committee of 500, in Dallas.

Attached to this you will find carbon copy of a letter today addressed to Mr. Wolfe explaining just how the State Suffrage Association stands on the matter, all of which I trust fully covers the situation so far as the Dallas organization is concerned.

Mrs. Jalonick did not make quite clear as to her absence from Dallas, simply saying she would not be there by the time my reply could reach her, Am I to address you on any Suffrage matters in her absence, and do you know the length of time she will be away?

Sincerely yours,

Encs.

MFC-BHL

President.

Galveston,-----

, August 25, 1917.

Mr. M. H. Wolfe, Chairman,
Prohibition Committee of 500,
Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Mr. Wolfe:

Your circular letter with this notation, "The splendid gifted club women of Dallas have the opportunity of a lifetime to perform a noble service for helpless humanity," addressed to the President of the Dallas Equal Suffrage Association, (and I presume to the heads of all other women's organizations,) has been forwarded to me with the request that I advise them as to the official attitude of the Texas Equal Suffrage Association toward prohibition, in order that they might coordinate their action with the state policy of our organization.

Replying to this, I am informing them that on prohibition as a political issue we have never taken any stand; but that on prohibition as a war measure for the conservation of our food resources, and for making safe the surroundings of our camps and of the homes of the women and children left behind when the men are sent to the front, we have taken a most decided stand, and I am urging them to get into the fight in Dallas with their full strength and help in any way possible.

However, I cannot help wondering, even as I write, how long the splendid, gifted manhood of Texas is going to be willing for us to attack, bare-handed as it were, the most dangerous and most unscrupulous menace to the peace and welfare of the state and our homes that we know, when at any time within the past five years a hundred determined and chivalrous men of the strength and character of yourself and your honorable associates could, if banded together for that purpose, have put into our hands a weapon, - the vote, - with which to defend ourselves and our homes and help the good men of this state to clean up somewhat the disgraceful conditions that have existed in the political life of the state.

Wishing you all success in your righteous fight, I
am,

Very truly yours,

MFC-EHL

President.

COMMITTEE OF FIVE HUNDRED

Dallas, August 20, 1917.

My Dear Fellow Workers:

I am herewith enclosing some prohibition literature, together with cards showing form to be used in organizing Dallas County Prohibition Clubs.

It is exceedingly important that you get other friends to join you in pushing the campaign into every nook and corner of Dallas County. Every man, woman and child, at every school house, cross roads store, and surely every voter must face the question of the evils of liquor traffic

Petty jealousies between the men of different religious denominations have "blowed up" and will remain "blowed up" until this fight against the monster evil is won. This is one time when the pros must exercise more good sense, real good sense, than we have ever shown before, and be sure to let the antis say and do just what they please, but the pros must drive right on, waging the war against the open saloon, keeping the fight vigorous until the last vote is counted on September 10th.

In the small towns and country places, let every citizen who believes in good government, organize speaking campaigns and teams for personal work, having no slackers, but every man do his bit, to help win the War by beginning at home, to save the food supply that is now going into intoxicating drinks. We are cowards if we ask the United States Government to do something for us we are not willing to do for ourselves.

The World War is not a war of militarism and conquest, it is more than that; it is a war to break down freedom, destroy democracy, smash the principles of government by the people and for the people, and to make slaves of the weak and helpless. To fight this unrighteous war we are dedicating the best blood we have, our noble boys, your boys and mine, and will we fail in this critical hour to reinforce them in this struggle of life and death, knowing as we do that the liquor traffic is the greatest menace our government has to face in dealing with this heroic task.

Confidently relying and depending upon you and your leaders, to perform every service possible, I beg to remain,

Yours for the Cause,

M. H. Wolfe, Chairman,
Prohibition Committee of 500

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Aug 23.

My dear Mrs Cunningham

The enclosed card came to me in a letter, personal, but sent I am sure because of the position I hold in the Suffrage Assn. What attitude is the State Assn taking in this matter? We should be of one mind in it, if possible, We have our monthly meeting Sept 6th. I have refrained from committing the Assn as such to the reporters, Col Sterrett, whom you know I am sure and who is one of our best friends, says we should keep out of this

questions and stick to winning the vote.

Every woman is a Prohibitionist at heart
I am sure, but personal jabbing have
to be put in the pocket some times.

Will you please return this to Mrs
J. J. Hardin, 1803 Moser Ave. Duella
with any comment you see fit, I shall
be away after Saturday.

I regret the mistake I made in date of
the Farmer's Union, the resolution was
put to them before we got there, sug-
gested by some man from San Antonio.
I am sorry too not to have seen you
here, Cordially yours
Katherine L. Johnson

Please remember our love to Miss G. I did not answer
her letter direct, as I felt the one I sent you was
really a reply to her request. K. L. J.