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Selma, Ala., June 24th. 1918.

Senator Howard Sutherland  
Washington D.C.

My dear Senator.

Just a line from a Country  
woman in the far south,  
begging you not to add  
the horrors of Civil War, to  
our already over burdened  
hearts & shoulders.

For black, as well as white,  
I ask, as they too beg, not  
to be dragged into politics!

Let Woman Suffrage wait  
until we win the War! If  
we can carry it on, without  
the Suffragettes, who have only  
time to shriek for votes,  
then surely their voting



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can mail. You, an Ambassador  
from the state of West Virginia,  
are much fortunate, in that  
the people of your state  
have declared against it,  
but I am appealing to  
you as a statesman,  
alas that are too few ministers,  
a true man to a gentle-  
man, to vote against Woman  
Suffrage, even if our great  
Brother Wilson were twins,  
making it, instead of just  
one poor man, almost  
doomed of women!

Mr Wilson doesn't want  
Woman Suffrage. You must  
help us to save him, and  
ourselves. The poor man





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has had so much trouble, such heavy responsibilities, and anxieties, that these women have made him give up, in perfect despair - He is in the same fix I saw a young man in, <sup>once</sup> many years ago. He was dancing with a very homely girl. He winked & blinked, at every man he passed to save him, while smiling constantly, when his partner looked up. Still no one came to the rescue. Finally a \$5.00 bill appeared; a man stepped up, appropriated the bill, but not the girl, who would





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dance on, & did, until the music stopped & saved him. Our President is in the same fix - He can't stop the music, & he can't stop the girl, & he is compelled to act the same part as the Prince of Wales in years gone by - you know, when an English Judge told him, "he had lived like a gentleman" - The President sends for you to come, you go - but his lips he urges Suffrage, & with his heart eyes, he prays you will understand - stand, <sup>man to man</sup> and save him, & you have all been





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too thick-headed to see  
it - He wants it to come by  
stages - He has said so, time  
& again - Women working &  
winning the War - Why shouldn't  
they? Aren't they more vitally  
interested than any one else?  
My mother, Grandmother  
& sister made ammunition  
in the Arsenal here, during  
the Civil War & counted it  
a privilege to do it - I never  
heard of their recommending  
it as a permanent or temporary  
joy, either one, or a need of  
reward - To exploit the  
sufferage of women we need  
have to keep up the War



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Indefinitely, so they can see  
what other women are doing -  
Real workers are never talkers.

Woman Suffrage is a war <sup>woman against</sup>  
Measure in my truth, <sup>and</sup>  
<sup>woman</sup> ~~to~~ be unto that man who  
votes strife into his own  
hands, while the enemy  
pushes hard at the door!

Senator, take an old woman's  
advice, well versed in the  
needs of woman, & the history  
of our Country. Stick to States-  
Rights - Then a Nolleitor in  
some future century might  
be our President, & do  
so much harm -  
he will do well to live





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up to, & preserve our Constitution without weakening it with Amendments. I make the assertion that there is an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, that has been done an atom of good, & helped the people. Right as well but a lot of trouble if, and but to the Commandments.

When we have settled with the Hohenzollerns & the Hapsburgs, then we need let you know what to do with the Shans, & Catts & Susans!

"One at a time please" for its "pay as you enter"!

Sincerely - Mrs. J. P. Parrish.





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Selma, Ala., June 29<sup>th</sup> 1918.

Senator Howard Sutherland

Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator.

Your very courteous reply to my letter regarding the Swan B. Anthony, was received and greatly appreciated.

I have great hopes of a statesman who gives his duty "serious consideration."

The word "statesman," I use very sparingly these days, because politicians are plentiful, & alas, statesmen, very scarce.

I was born & brought up here in Selma the house of both John T. Morgan, &





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✓  
Edmund H. Pettus; both of whom  
were valued personal friends -  
They could neither have tolerated  
this Amendment - both were  
statesmen - both safe to follow.  
Of unquestioned integrity, superb  
intellect, & great wisdom.  
Senator Borah, is a fine  
type of man, who from a  
suffrage state, will not  
consent to force the vote  
upon unwilling protest-  
ing millions - If a majori-  
-ty of women wanted to  
vote, that would settle  
the matter, but they do  
not. Woman Suffrage Leaders  
do nothing but shriek





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promoted that most dangerous  
of all things, "a little learning",  
& on women are craged with  
what they call "intellectuality",  
when mediocrity is true - I love  
women, and I have spent my  
life & means, as far as possible  
in trying to keep them. I love  
them for what they are not,  
& not for what they are.

There is a working woman  
who has to work, who would  
not gladly seek a house  
& rest, if given the choice.  
I am very familiar with their  
lives & hopes, as friend, not  
as social worker - Had you  
thought of the fact, that Suffra-





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getters seek working women, only  
as a means to an end. They  
care absolutely nothing about  
them. This cry of "the working  
woman", came with a <sup>society</sup> woman  
ambition, & it will die as quickly.

Women pay themselves, the  
majority of working women &  
are proverbial for their stinginess  
one to another. They dress-making  
for awhile, & cater only to  
Duff-packets, who shriek Equal  
pay on the Irish corner, & ask  
fish of all - "Mrs Jones can't  
you make this dress cheaper,  
it isn't worth any such  
price!" - Cooks, washerwomen  
all fare the same -





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If Suffragettes were sincere, wouldn't the orphan asylum disappear over night, & heart-hungry, affection starved children find homes & love? The vote should be taken away from the hands of the men - not given to women - particularly in time of war - Have you read The Eden Ophir - The Crisis - The Official History of Suffrage - The Liberator, the New York Call? Judge Suddys' Beast? In the Times-Picayune of New Orleans, as soon as Suffrage agitation started, "What Mormons Believe," came in well written paid-for columns - they go hand-in-hand - Do you





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believe in Mormonism?

If the women are to perform such wonders, why haven't they done so in the West? You find no excess of heaven brought to earth there. I am an average woman, fairly good executive ability, and I frankly confess, this day is long enough for me to do well. The woman's work that is my share, & my honorable part in life, without trying to keep any, in the part that the men around me are as nobly doing - perhaps much better than I am doing mine - You hear





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bread column of what women  
are doing, & I can answer  
two for one, with what they  
are not doing. If the Pankhurst  
variety had their hands in  
the star, would the leader  
be taking up ship space, &  
occupying a seat in the  
gallery of our Senate? She'd  
better be at home. If there  
was ever a time when the  
Roman hood of our Country needed  
protection it is now, &  
you men must save us,  
save the others from  
themselves. You would  
familiarize me with our  
role. I do not believe





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There would be a question for good in my community to be voted upon, that I could not depend upon fifty or one hundred men to vote for it. An humble Country man, I sat here in my room, & in the great state of New York a few years ago, heard from men whose interests through former years of old friendships were still with me, and obtained their written promises to the number of at least two hundred to vote against Suffrage. Would you take from





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any woman her birthright of influence & sell it for a mess of pottage! My dear Senator Austerland, save your women—They will realize in time, and thank you—

I ask you this—If women are really more moral than men, & better, which I do not admit, all things being equal, would they wear the clothes, or rather the lack of clothes of the present day? Can one thing be demonstrated, and another preached & good results obtain? Your President makes the fearful mistake of playing





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polite men and women. He'd better  
try slippery eels. Every woman  
Reader, between now & 1920  
will change her mind forty  
nine times, for Mr Wilson  
exists. You know that. His  
latest argument "that some  
of the masses of the European  
nations do not understand  
the difference between state &  
federal jurisdiction," is appalling.  
"Peoples" is his latest. The  
question to be answered  
is, does he represent the  
Democratic Party & its  
platform, or the ignorant  
"masses" of the peoples of  
Europe? If we much





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be lowered to their standards -  
then don't you keep the -  
telling down. By recent vote  
at the polls your state  
turned down Suffrage, be-  
cause the women in the  
majority told them men  
they did not want it -

It is Biologically unsound -  
Contrary to all the laws of  
God & Nature. Women of property  
have men to thank for  
the property, & usually lose  
it, just as fast as possible.  
Women fight vote in Russia.  
From Russian conditions,  
"we beseech thee, God Lord to  
deliver us" If the





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United States Government  
stands today the best on  
earth, under the guidance  
of men. What for all  
these years, then don't  
you think we'd better  
not try a colch in a  
high creek?

Forgive my long letter—  
but oh, it means so much  
to the south! Please  
read Mr. Verbeke's pamphlet  
it is so fine—so con-  
-vincing—keep us from the  
Alice Pauls!

Gratefully yours—  
(M.) J. B. Evans



How many of these has fresh Virginia?



#### MAJORITIES WIN AT THE POLLS

Suffragists of Ward 2, Chicago, advertised for a candidate for alderman. From several applicants they selected "Al Russell," saloon keeper, as the best vote getter. This hand-picked suffragist candidate for alderman was defeated on April 6, 1915, by a negro candidate, whose workers are seen above.



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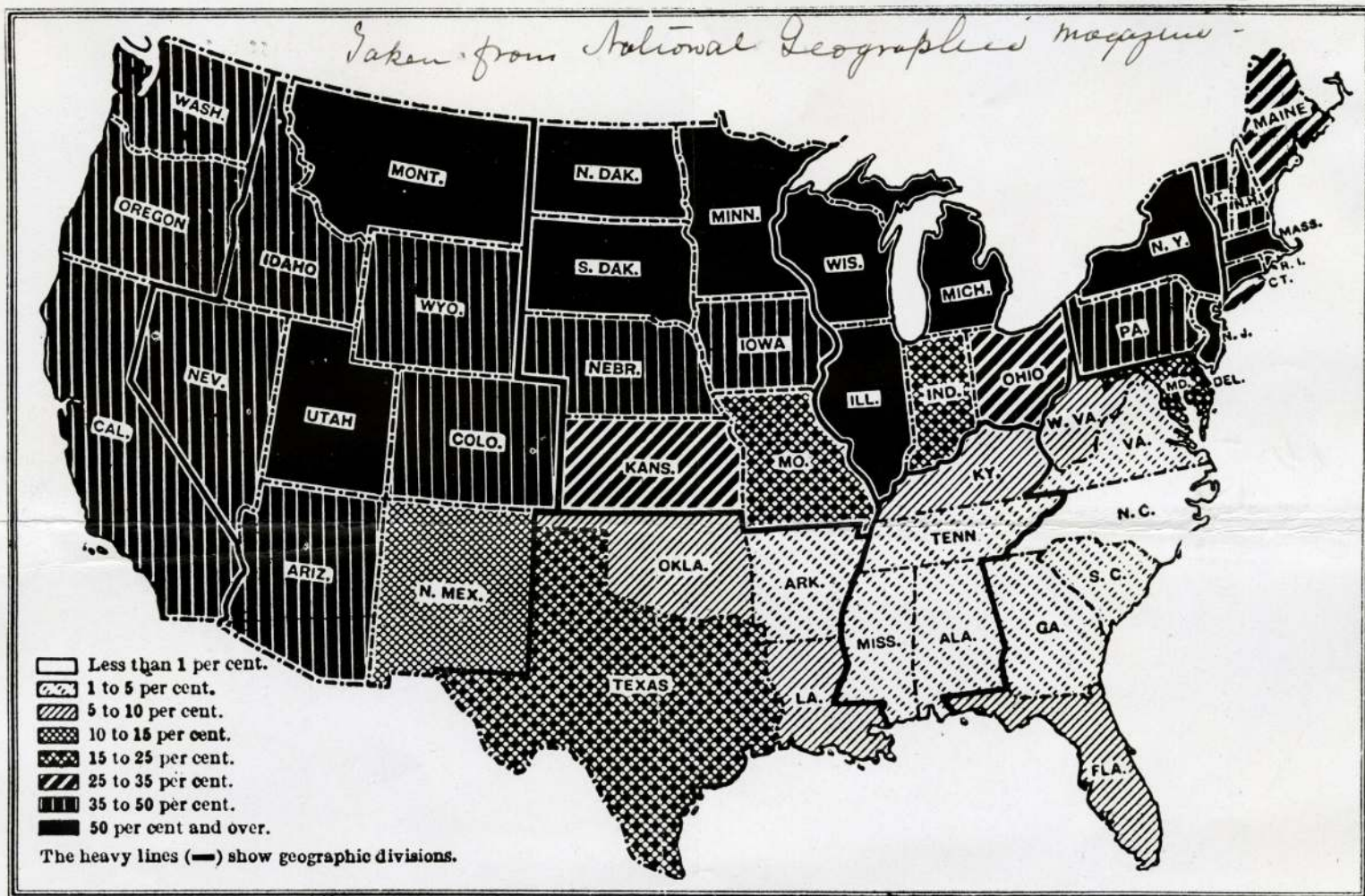
What Votes for Women, under the Susan B. Anthony Amendment means for the South.

"THINKING MEN SHUDDER, BUT SO MANY DO NOT THINK"

*Our Hohenzollerns - & Hapsburgs -  
Save the women of the South!*



Why Women Suffrage flourishes - compare with suffrage map.



MAP SHOWING THE FOREIGN STOCK IN THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES—BY FOREIGN STOCK IS MEANT FOREIGN BORN AND CHILDREN OF A FOREIGN-BORN FATHER OR MOTHER

The States in black have more people who are either immigrants or the sons and daughters of immigrant parents than they have of native stock. The immigrants of the United States and their children would populate to its present density all of the United States west of the Mississippi, with Alabama and Mississippi added.

*Only 1/5- of the population of Chicago is of native born parents.  
New York City - the same -*



Suffrage

June 26, 1918.

Mrs. C. B. Evans,  
Selma, Ala.

My dear Mrs. Evans:-

Your letter of the 24th instant in regard to the Susan B. Anthony Amendment has been received, and I was interested in noting the views expressed therein. I assure you that I am giving the matter my most serious consideration in an effort to discover what my duty is in this connection.

With kindest personal regards, and thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,



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*Some of the masses of this people of our  
own nation who do understand.*



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July 2, 1918.

Mrs. J. B. Evans,  
Hotel Albert,  
Selma, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Evans:

I have your favor of June 29th with enclosures regarding Suffrage which I will carefully read. I am still continuing to give this matter my very closest attention.

Thanking you for your views on this subject, and with kindest personal regards, I am,

Very truly yours,