

Edgewood, Philadelphia, Pa.  
June 20, '81.

Hon. Howard Puthland,  
U. S. Senate,

My dear Senator Puthland,  
Your letter  
of May 11 regarding your  
note on the suffrage amend-  
ment was received and I  
should have replied sooner  
had it not been for press  
of domestic affairs.

You said in your letter

that you were in doubt as to  
how to vote because of the vote  
against suffrage in the state  
in 1916. I did not know before  
that you had ever declared  
that you felt yourself bound  
by such a vote. If prohibi-  
tion had been defeated in  
the state, would you have  
felt bound to vote against  
submitting a Federal Pro-  
hibition amendment?

It seems to me that both  
woman suffrage and

Prohibition are moral questions on which a man should vote what he knows to be right regardless of whether his constituents have caught up to him or not - and both at this time seem to be in line with our duty in winning the war.

I do not see how we can possibly claim to be sincere in



our ~~armed~~ war aims of fighting  
for democracy if the Senate fails  
to submit the Suffrage amend-  
ment, therefore I hope you will  
be able to see your way clear  
to vote and use your influence  
in favor of helping along world  
democracy.

I appreciate and agree with what  
you said regarding the espionage  
bill. Very sincerely yours,  
Florence Hoag

Suffrage

July 6, 1918.

Miss Florence Hoge,  
Edgwood, Wheeling, W. Va.

My dear Miss Hoge:

I am in receipt of your letter of June 23rd and have been so terribly busy have not had an opportunity to reply. I believe you will be thoroughly satisfied with my position on the suffrage matter. I am inclined to the belief that there may not be enough votes here to put it over, although it is exceedingly close. Both sides are claiming it.

Very truly yours,

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