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indeed. This campaign has been a social revolution if it did fail to
be a political revolution. There are many women who will never be
contented to spend their time hereafter playing bridge, and they
will be joined by many more let us hope.

Now for election reports. Milwaukee as I told you casts a very
light vote on referendum, ordinarily, always less than twenty thou-
sand; I believe but the attorney general is Wisconsin's most corrupt
politician. Every ruling he made was against us. First the pink
ballot and then taking the referendum out of the machine in cities.
We consulted lawyers and did all we could but to no avail.

The socialists have twelve thousand party members in Milwau-
kee. Mr. Berger thought we could count on them. The heads of the
Socialist ticket did their best, never failing to speak for suffrage.
The rank and file are mostly foreigners and like their beer and hold
selfish ideas of liberty. The socialist spoke for us.

Sen. and Mrs. LaFollette conducted a strenuous suffrage cam-
paign. The anti-saloon people got out personal letters
to their members and the outlook was good I thought, except for the
pink ballot. Election day we worked at the polls. I was in the
eighteenth ward which is largely aristocratic and decidedly democra-
tic but my precinct went for suffrage. The polls closed at eight
o'clock and when I went downtown to wait for returns I found our
ward had only lost suffrage by 36 votes, a difference of 17 votes and
we would have carried. The sixteenth ward went for suffrage and as
I was overjoyed. I said, "Of course we will carry the ten socialist
wards", but on the contrary they turned us down two to one and even
three to one.

This is what I have learned, leaders do not deliver the vote.
We must reach the individual voter.

Superior is second in size to Milwaukee and as it is also a
lake city, it has foreigners and a large floating population. We
continually urged Superior women to make a house to house canvass. They were too remote to have many speakers so were compelled to depend on their own efforts. They divided the city and made certain women responsible for their own precinct. They faithfully pushed the house to house canvass and this is the result, the whole country went for suffrage 2 to 1—only one precinct in the county was lost and that by four votes only. We carried every town that pushed the house to house canvass.

I am sorry that it seems best for me not to go to Philadelphia but I think I must stay here and get our work in shape. I am in hopes you can return when we have our state convention and that you can become well acquainted with Wisconsin women. Miss Paul will be in Philadelphia as a delegate and others of course. I hope Miss Gale will go also. I think it is of the utmost importance that we should be well represented at the convention but Mrs. Benedict can fill my place better than I could. Mrs. Benedict has worked night and day and like the others has not had a cent for her hard work since last June. At the start I felt sure Mrs. Benedict had ability but was not at all prejudiced in her favor. After working with her for a year I cannot tell you how splendid, how big, broad and capable she proved.

There have been several times when Miss Willis and Miss Heide have asked Mrs. Benedict to co-operate and every time it was she who carried their plans to completion. Their criticisms, snubs, she ignored entirely. Wisconsin women owe her a debt and they owe the National a debt for making it possible for us to have her for campaign manager. Miss Grim with her tact had ability as a speaker made more votes than any one person. Miss Curtis and Mrs. McCreaery did excellent work and these must be added in our debt to you—you made it possible for us to put the best women in the field.

The Illinois women mothered our campaign almost from the start.
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I hate to think what a puny struggle we would have made had the women from without the state not extended to us such wise and cordial assistance. May Wisconsin women be able to repay the women who have done so much toward securing for their political freedom.

For me, I love and appreciate you all and only pray that you do not feel that your efforts were wasted.

Sincerely,