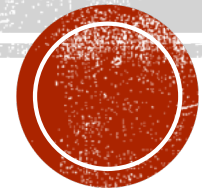


LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS®
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WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

The Why, the How, the Who,
the When, and the What of It



"THE LAW OF THE THUMB"



MATILDA JOSLYN GAGE

**“A proper self-respect cannot inhere
in any person under governmental
control of others.”**



WOMEN'S RIGHTS

HAUDENONSAUNEE IROQUOIS VS EUROAMERICAN WOMEN'S RIGHTS



SOCIAL

CHILDREN WERE MEMEBERS OF
THE MOTHER'S CLAN.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN WAS NOT
PART OF THE CULTURE AND DEALT
WITH SERIOUSLY.

CLOTHING FOSTERED HEALTH, FREEDOM
OF MOVEMENT AND INDEPENDENCE.

SOCIAL

CHILDREN WERE SOLE PROPERTY
OF FATHERS.

HUSBANDS COULD LEGALLY PHYSICALLY
DISCIPLINE OR ABUSE THEIR WIVES.

CLOTHING WAS RESTRICTIVE,
UNHEALTHY AND DANGEROUS.





ECONOMIC

WORK IS DONE COMMUNALLY.

**WOMEN WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR
HOME AND AGRICULTURE.**

**WOMEN OWNED PROPERTY AND HAD
RIGHTS TO DECISIONS ABOUT HER
BODY AND CHILDREN.**

ECONOMIC

WORK IS ISOLATED DRUDGERY.

**WOMEN WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR HOME
UNDER SUBORDINATION TO THE HUSBAND.**

**WOMEN HAD NO RIGHTS TO PROPERTY OR
TO DECISIONS ABOUT HER BODY
OR CHILDREN.**





POLITICAL

WOMEN CHOSE THEIR CHIEF.

WOMEN HELD KEY POLITICAL OFFICES.

TRIBAL LAW ENSURED WOMEN'S POLITICAL AUTHORITY WHETHER SINGLE OR MARRIED.

DECISION-MAKING WAS BY CONSENSUS AND EVERYONE HAD A VOICE.

POLITICAL

IT WAS ILLEGAL FOR WOMEN TO VOTE.

WOMEN WERE EXCLUDED FROM POLITICAL OFFICE.

COMMON LAW DEFINED MARRIED WOMEN AS "DEAD TO THE LAW".

DECISION-MAKING WAS BY MAJORITY AND MAJORITY RULED AMONG THOSE MEN.

SOURCE: *SISTERS IN SPIRIT* BY SALLY ROESCH WAGNER



QUAKERS ➡ **ABOLITIONISTS** ➡ **SUFFRAGISTS**



The 1860 World Anti-Slavery Convention in London



LUCRETIA MOTT

"The world has not yet seen a truly great and virtuous nation because in degradation of woman are the very fountains of life poisoned."



ELIZABETH CADY STANTON

“The best protection any woman can have is...courage.”



FIRST WOMEN'S RIGHTS CONVENTION: JULY 19-20, 1848 IN SENECA FALLS, NY



THE DECLARATION OF SENTIMENTS

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

-Thomas Jefferson

When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for **one portion of the family of man to assume among the people of the earth a position different from that which they have hitherto occupied, but one** to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes that impel them to **such a course**.

- Elizabeth Cady Stanton



We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

-Thomas Jefferson

We hold these truths to be self - evident: that all men **and women** are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted **among-**
men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

- Elizabeth Cady Stanton



11 Resolutions all passed unanimously

Except #9-the most controversial:

That women should be allowed to vote.

That resolution finally passed, but barely.

Our Roll of Honor
Containing all the
Signatures to the "Declaration of Sentiments"
Set Forth by the First
Woman's Rights Convention,
held at
Seneca Falls, New York
July 19-20, 1848

LADIES:

Lucretia Mott	Sophronia Taylor	Rachel D. Bonnel
Harriet Cady Eaton	Cynthia Davis	Betsy Tewksbury
Margaret Pryor	Hannah Plant	Rhoda Palmer
Elizabeth Cady Stanton	Lucy Jones	Margaret Jenkins
Eunice Newton Foote	Sarah Whitney	Cynthia Fuller
Mary Ann M'Clintock	Mary H. Hallowell	Mary Martin
Margaret Schooley	Elizabeth Conklin	P. A. Culvert
Martha C. Wright	Sally Pitcher	Susan R. Doty
Jane C. Hunt	Mary Conklin	Rebecca Race
Amy Post	Susan Quinn	Sarah A. Mosher
Catherine F. Stebbins	Mary S. Mirror	Mary E. Vail
Mary Ann Fink	Phebe King	Lucy Spalding
Lydia Mount	Julia Ann Drake	Lovina Latham
Delia Mathews	Charlotte Woodward	Sarah Smith
Catherine G. Paine	Martha Underhill	Eliza Martin
Elizabeth W. M'Clintock	Dorothy Mathews	Maria E. Wilbur
Malvina Sevmour	Eunice Barker	Elizabeth D. Smith
Phebe Mosher	Sarah R. Woods	Caroline Barker
Catherine Shaw	Lydia Gild	Ann Porter
Deborah Scott	Sarah Hoffman	Experience Gibbs
Sarah Hallowell	Elizabeth Leslie	Antoinette E. Segur
Mary M'Clintock	Martha Ridley	Hannah J. Latham
Mary Gilbert		Sarah Sisson

GENTLEMEN:

Richard P. Hunt	William S. Dell	Nathan J. Milliken
Samuel D. Tillman	James Mott	S. E. Woodworth
Justin Williams	William Burroughs	Edward F. Underhill
Elisha Foote	Robert Smallbridge	George W. Pryor
Frederick Douglass	Jacob Mathews	Joel Bunker
Henry W. Seymour	Charles L. Hoskins	Isaac VanTassel
Henry Seymour	Thomas M'Clintock	Thomas Dell
David Spalding	Saron Phillips	E. W. Capron
William G. Barker	Jacob P. Chamberlain	Stephen Shear
Elias J. Doty	Jonathan Metcalf	Henry Hatley
John Jones		Azaliah Schooley

SUSAN B. ANTHONY

“There is not a woman born who desires
to eat the bread of dependence.”



JOINING FORCES



**"The right is ours. Have it we must.
Use it we will."**



"Failure is impossible."



CIVIL WAR

The Women's Loyal National League



THE RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS

Section 1: 13th Amendment:

“Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.”

Section 2: 14th Amendment:

Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each State, excluding Indians not taxed. But when the right to vote at any election for the choice of electors for President and Vice-President of the United States, Representatives in Congress, the Executive and Judicial officers of a State, or the members of the Legislature thereof, is denied to any of the male inhabitants of such State, being twenty-one years of age, and citizens of the United States, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion, or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens twenty-one years of age in such State.

Section 1: 15th Amendment:

The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.



EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION IN 1869 “THE NEGRO’S HOUR”

“Sambo, like the immigrant newcomer, isn’t ready for the vote.” – *Elizabeth Cady Stanton*



“I do not see how anyone can pretend that there is the same urgency in giving the ballot to woman as to the negro. With us, the matter is a question of life and death, at least in fifteen States of the Union.” – *Frederick Douglass*



SPLIT IN THE MOVEMENT

National Women's Suffrage Association



American Women's Suffrage Association



Come, come, my conservative friend, wipe the dew off your spectacles, and see that the world is moving. —*Elizabeth Cady Stanton*

There never will be complete equality until women themselves help to make laws and elect lawmakers. —*Susan B. Anthony*

But I do believe that a woman's truest place is in a home, with a husband and with children, and with large freedom, pecuniary freedom, personal freedom, and the right to vote. - *Lucy Stone*

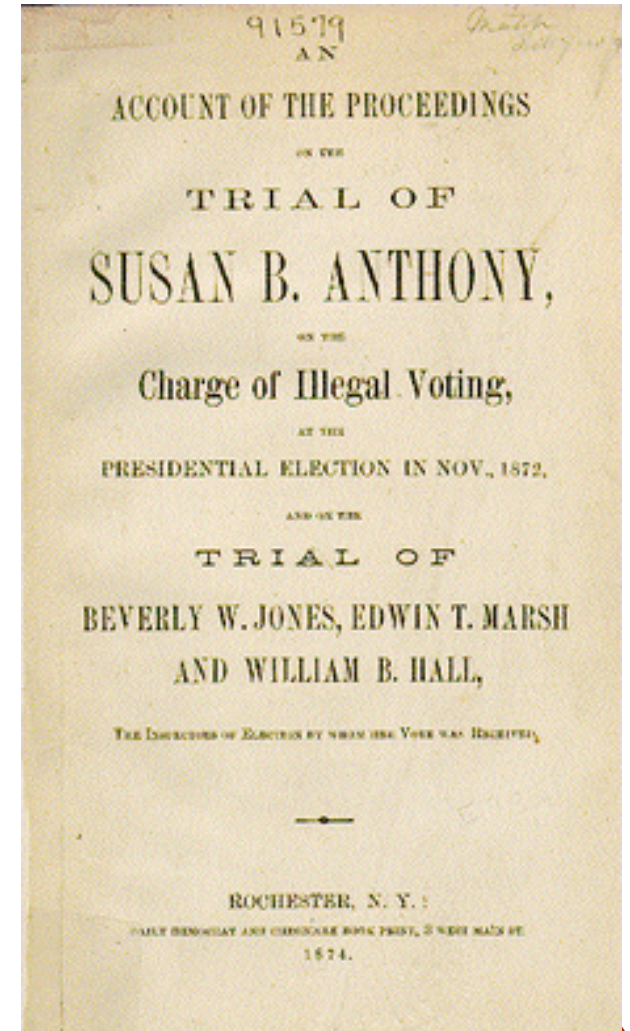
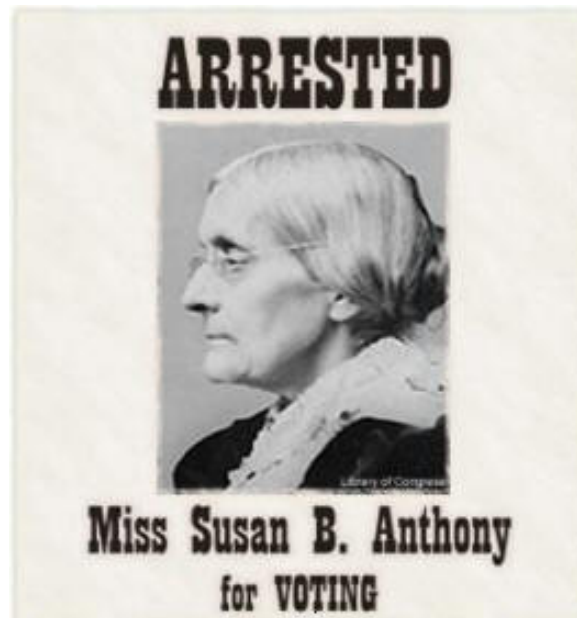


THE CHALLENGE

“Resistance to tyranny is obedience to God.” – *Susan B. Anthony*



SUSAN B. ANTHONY IN 1872, BEATEN AND ARRESTED FOR TRYING TO VOTE.



THE WEST LEADS THE WAY



RECONCILIATION

“Justice is better than chivalry
if we cannot have both.”

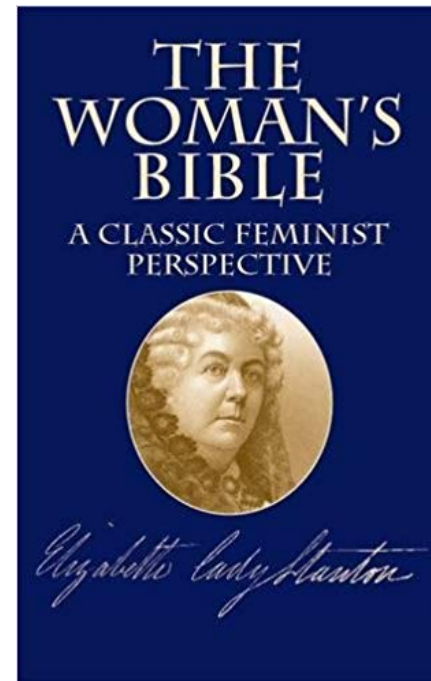
- *Alice Stone Blackwell*



TENSION

“The bible and the church have been the greatest stumbling block in the way of women’s emancipation.”

-Elizabeth Cady Stanton



EXCLUSION



“There is a great stir about colored men getting their rights, but not a word about the colored women; and if colored men get their rights, and not colored women theirs, you see, the colored men will be masters over the women, and it will be just as bad as it was before.”

— *Sojourner Truth*



“What becomes a crime deserving capital punishment when the tables are turned is a matter of small moment when the negro woman is the accusing party.”

- *Ida B. Wells-Barnett*

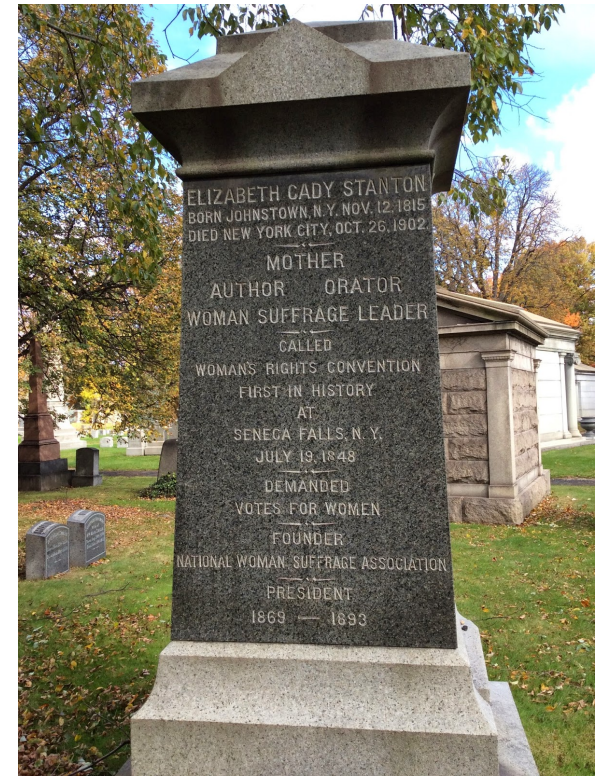


"A white woman has only one handicap to overcome-that of sex. I have two — both sex and race...Colored men have only one — that of race. Colored women are the only group in this country who have two heavy handicaps to overcome, that of race as well as that of sex."

- *Mary Church Terrell*



THE TORCH IS PASSED



NEW ENERGY FOR A NEW CENTURY



THE RADICAL WING

"I never doubted that equal rights was the right direction. Most reforms, most problems are complicated. But to me, there is nothing complicated about equality."

- Alice Paul



1913 PARADE IN WASHINGTON, DC



THE SILENT SENTINELS



NIGHT OF TERROR



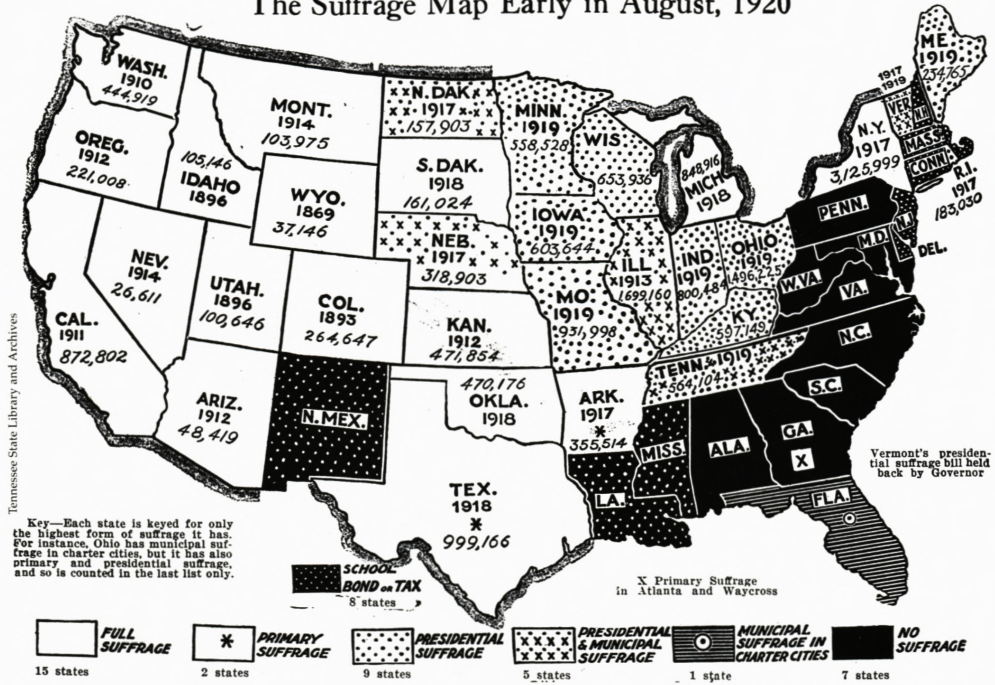
THE GENERAL: CARRIE CHAPMAN CATT

"There will never be a true democracy until every responsible and law-abiding adult in it, without regard to race, sex, color or creed has his or her own inalienable and unpurchasable voice in government."



THE WINNING PLAN

The Suffrage Map Early in August, 1920



THE SUSAN B. ANTHONY AMENDMENT

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."



VICTORY AT LAST

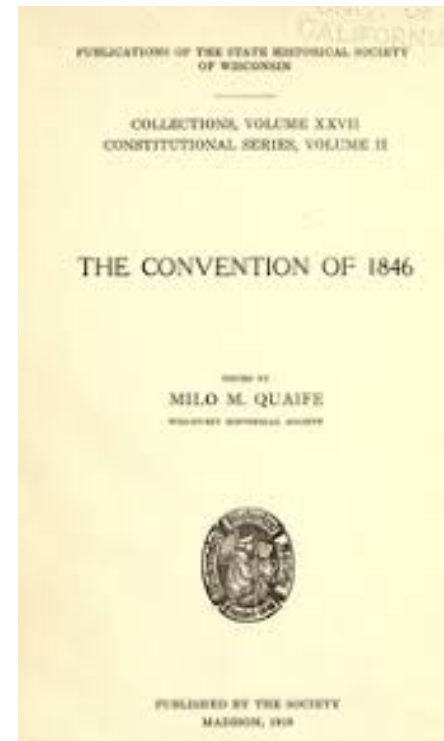


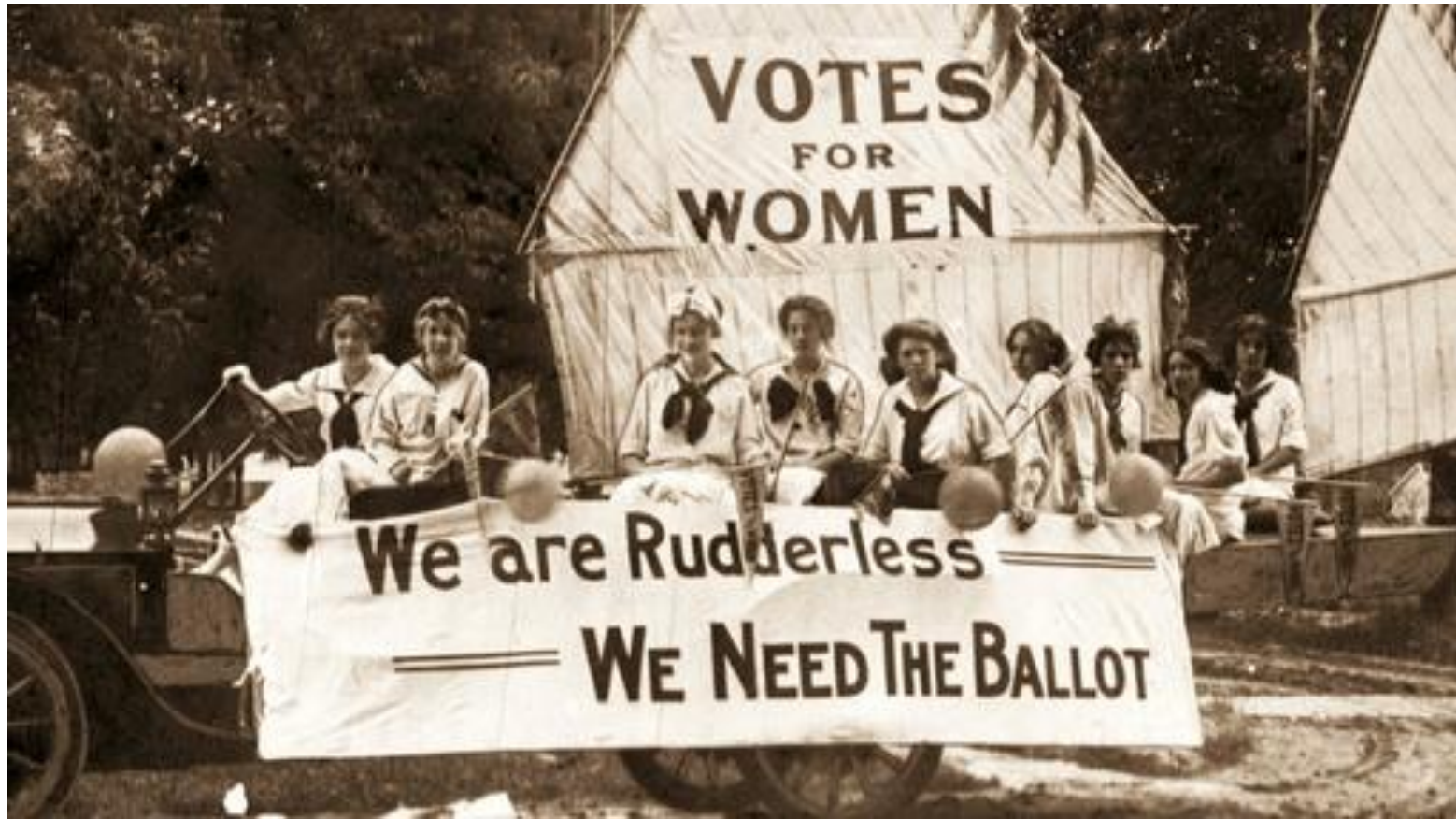


MEANWHILE IN WISCONSIN...

At the Wisconsin Constitutional Convention in 1846 a proposal that the word “male” be omitted before the word “suffrage” was met with laughter.

Wisconsin entered the union in 1848 without women’s suffrage.





THE WISCONSIN LEADERS

Reverend Olympia Brown

The first woman to be ordained a minister in the US. She was president of the Wisconsin Woman Suffrage Association and later worked for passage of the a federal constitutional amendment. She lived to cast a vote in 1920 at age 85.



Belle Case LaFollette

The first woman to graduate from Law School in Wisconsin, she served as First Lady of Wisconsin and was an outspoken writer and orator for women's right to vote. She traveled the country between 1915 to 1919 giving speeches in support of women's right to vote. She was in the US Senate gallery in 1919 when the 19th Amendment was approved.



Dr. Laura Ross Wolcott

The first woman physician in Wisconsin; active in the early women's suffrage movement. She was denied admittance to the medical society of Milwaukee in 1857. She then went to Paris where she attended lectures at the Sorbonne and worked in a hospital. Upon her return to Milwaukee, she was accepted as a physician. She organized meetings in Milwaukee and Madison at which she met Susan B. Anthony.



Jesse Jack Hooper

Women's suffrage leader and president of the Wisconsin League of Women Voters; she ran for the US Senate in 1922 as a Democrat against Robert LaFollette and won a remarkable 16% of the vote only 2 years after the passage of the 19th amendment. She was an ardent peace activist as well.



Ada James

Women's suffrage leader who was very active in the 1912 referendum efforts and other reforms in the early 1900s. She was president of the Political Equality League in Wisconsin which combined with the Wisconsin Women's Suffrage Association after the failure of the 1912 referendum on women's suffrage in Wisconsin.



Theodora Winton Youmans

A journalist and active member of the women's club network which subtly advocated for women's rights in society. The articles she wrote provide some of the best sources on the Wisconsin Women's Suffrage Association. A lifelong Republican, she remained politically active all her life.



1886: WISCONSIN WOMEN CAN *SOMETIMES* VOTE



1888: BROWN V. PHILLIPS

In this case, in a unanimous opinion, the Wisconsin Supreme Court declined to expand women's suffrage, reversing the Racine County Circuit Court.

In doing so, the Court narrowly interpreted a state statute which gave women the right to vote only on school-related matters.

In the opinion, the Court emphasized that the power to grant suffrage belonged to the Legislature.



1912 REFERENDUM



1916 PARADE IN CHICAGO



FIRST TO RATIFY!



ON WISCONSIN

On Wisconsin, On Wisconsin,
Grand Old Badger State,
We shall surely win the ballot,
Be it soon or late.

On Wisconsin, On Wisconsin,
“Forward” be the cry,
Slow but surely, late but coming
Bound for Victory.

On Wisconsin, On Wisconsin,
We thy daughters true,
Bound to make a land of Freedom
We are, our of you.
On Wisconsin, On Wisconsin,
Cannot stop of stay
‘Til thy children all are equal.
Hail the mighty day!

Lyrics by Theodora Winton Youmans for the 1914 Convention of the Wisconsin Women’s Suffrage Association





“Oh, if I could live another century and see the fruition of all the work for women! There is so much yet to be done.”
-Susan B. Anthony



ALICE PAUL'S "JAILED FOR FREEDOM" PIN

"Well behaved women seldom make history."



