

OFFICE REPORT

Since the annual convention of the Just Government League of Maryland at headquarters, 817 North Charles street, Baltimore, there have been 32 meetings held in the office rooms. There have been 1133 visitors, 1277 incoming telephone calls and 1132 outgoing telephone calls registered.

An idea of the number of letters received and sent out can be had from the number for one month. During September 209 letters were received and 287 letters sent out. This does not include circular letters.

The expenses for telephoning, stamps, errands for office, etc., are \$104.78.

Totals.

- Telephone—In, 1277; out, 1132.
- Visitors, 1133.
- Letters, Average per Month—In, 209; out, 287.
- Errands, 41.
- Meetings, 32.
- Expenses, \$104.78.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Statement, Just Government League of Maryland.

April 1, 1914, to September 1, 1914.

Receipts.

Cash on hand April 1.....	\$36.31
Contributions and pledges (including Garrett county fund)....	3455.49
Dues and membership fees.....	2.75
Literature	21.32
Office maintenance and expenses.....	12.87
Properties	23.91
Maryland Electric Railroad tickets.....	8.80
Annual convention.....	30.50
Loan from Calvert Bank.....	195.00
Supper, March 17, on account.....	1.04
Strawberry festival.....	107.91
May 9 parade.....	83.50
November bazaar.....	25.00
Check 598, upon which payment was stopped.....	1.00
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	\$4005.40

Disbursements.

Salaries and expense accounts, organizers and secretaries, including Garrett county campaign.....	\$869.35
Office rent, maintenance and expenses.....	611.89
MARYLAND SUFFRAGE NEWS.....	1740.00
Christmas seals account.....	27.95
Loan from Calvert Bank.....	200.00
Annual convention.....	39.50
Legislative work.....	9.75
Properties	84.50
Strawberry festival.....	14.00
May 9 parade.....	83.50
1913 parade.....	10.00
National dues.....	100.00
November bazaar.....	25.00
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	\$3977.24
Total receipts.....	\$4005.40
Total disbursements.....	3977.24
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Cash on hand.....	\$28.16

REPORT OF THE MARYLAND SUFFRAGE NEWS

The actual receipts of the SUFFRAGE NEWS in dollars and cents from March 28 to September 30, 1914, reached \$521.38—\$141.31 for papers and \$380.07 for advertisements.

This, with our guarantee fund totaling \$1990 during that time, has enabled us to pay off our running expenses of the paper, \$1942.78; our office expenses (stamps, wrappers, stationery, etc.), \$79.13, and a refund on our guarantee account of \$536.59, leaving us still a neat surplus of \$570.48.

This means that in the last six months we have come within \$882.93 of being self-supporting. When that goal has been reached the SUFFRAGE NEWS will soon become a very important earning factor in dollars and cents for the State suffrage work.

If every suffragist in Maryland took the SUFFRAGE NEWS, the paper would now be an asset to the Just Government League. We are laying aside the consideration of the paper as a method of propaganda, the most comprehensive and influential method of education that we know of. We wish only to consider now the dollars and cents involved.

We want to make the SUFFRAGE NEWS self-supporting. Therefore, we are asking you to do several things:

First—Keep at it until every member of your league is a subscriber. We will give you 30 cents on every dollar subscription!

There are many things you could do to encourage the subscriptions. Why not have an honor roll of SUFFRAGE NEWS subscribers? Have debates on articles in the NEWS or five-minute talks on SUFFRAGE NEWS current topics! Use the papers as a textbook. Have a monthly review of suffrage progress in the world at large as given in the SUFFRAGE NEWS, etc. Lastly, do not elect anyone to an office who is not a bona-fide subscriber to the SUFFRAGE NEWS.

Second—Buy paper in quantity—over 10, two cents apiece—and sell them at five cents, a profit of 150 per cent. on every paper.

Subscribe for your suffrage library!

Third—Get us ads. We will give you 20 per cent. on all ads. you send in.

And don't forget to use the green stamps—the one thing we have to prove that we patronize our advertisers.

That is all we ask—subscriptions, ads, and more papers disposed of. Help us to lighten the load of \$882.93 before the annual meeting!

It is your paper—it is your responsibility!

DORA G. OGLE, Business Manager.

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

During the half year just passed the work of the Anne Arundel League has gone on about as usual.

Realizing that there is always work for suffrage organizations to do, as well as something to be learned by them, and that vacations are costly, our league has continued to hold weekly meetings, although absence from home of some of our town members, and the difficulty of our county members in getting to meetings, to say nothing of the intense heat of the past summer, made it difficult to get a quorum at times.

Until June the first speakers were provided for our weekly meetings either by the State League or by the Congressional Union, the speaking following a brief business session; but during the warmer weather meetings were held for business only, and at them plans were made for working at the county picnics, carnivals, tournaments, etc.

Perhaps our busiest day since the annual meeting in April was May 1, when an "educational rally" brought several hundred school children with their teachers, parents and guardians to town. A large quantity of literature was distributed, lead pencils sold, and \$58.49 worth of ice-cream cones disposed of.

At the time of this rally announcement was made that the league would give to the boy or girl who should compose and submit the best essay favoring woman suffrage \$5 in gold, \$2.50 to each, and the prize will be bestowed on the 19th of October at the mass-meeting in Annapolis.

Most of the tournaments, picnics and carnivals were visited by some member of the league, literature distributed and signers to the petition secured.

During the latter part of the summer a piece of unexpected good fortune came to the Anne Arundel League through the kindly thought and generosity of a group of its members living at Round Bay.

A most artistic performance of Hiawatha was given at the shores of the Severn River, Mr. Folgar McKinsey, the "Bentztown Bard," known to all readers of the Baltimore Sun, reciting Longfellow's beautiful lines, and the summer colony of Round Bay taking the various characters. A real treat was afforded all who saw this delightful play, and \$67.65 were added to our treasury.

The Anne Arundel County League enjoys a membership of women who co-operate most heartily in all the work that is undertaken, and if a very large number of our members did not live so far from Annapolis, and so far from one another, much more work could be accomplished.

Our league is just starting a circulating library, with Mrs. W. O. Stevens, whose idea it was, as librarian. Contributions of books and good magazines will be appreciated.

During the past six months 25 meetings have been held. Our receipts have been \$284.68; expenditures, \$192.75. Amount on hand, \$91.98. Our present membership is 246.

M. A. Moss, President.

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