

planned and plotted with a sense of the imminent end, and there was colorful, new zest about it, as if they had never done it before. Confidence in the Senate, speed passage of the Federal Amendment was the base from which there was promptly projected a plan for a ratification campaign that received the unanimous approval of the members. State ratification committees were outlined to cover the work of organization and education. Plans were perfected with the amazing sense of direction with which Mrs. Catt is wont to steer the suffrage ship over un-charted seas. Every detail worked out all kinds of organizations favorable to suffrage, religious, educational, industrial and political. Civic philanthropic were asked to co-operate in the ratification program.

The Solid South and near South made an exhilarating showing with Alabama, Texas, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, Missouri, and West Virginia in line. The Suffrage Ass'n of the Northwest and Middle west were there in the persons of their Presidents or proxies. Texas the latest State at that time to extend suffrage to women was naturally the subject of much rejoicing. The Texas women were showered with congratulations.

The public and social events of the convention were huge successes. At the work a day part, April 17th, Dr. Shaw held the great audience in the convention in the usual frankly spell-bound attention, with which she is wont to grip an audience. Mayor Jewett of Indianapolis extended the welcome at this meeting that made a happy prelude to an excellent suffrage speech. The Banquet, on Wednesday night, in the Riley Room was a brilliant occasion. Luncheon Indiana Franchise League. The State had chosen an original way of entertaining the council members, each town in M was a host, and I had the good fortune to be the guest of Munice, and your Pres. Mrs. South, Peru. Wonderful decorations. All Patriotic. The speeches all war work topics. The gracious toast-master Mrs. Richard Edwards, State Pres. Mrs. Catt's speech: "Over the Top" was the greatest one she ever delivered, it was full of the fire of patriotism. Just and hoped for Victory, Florence Allen. A great speech on Democracy, Mary Garrett Hay. The Big Boss—Subject "On The Firing Line" full of hot-shot. She had found to vanquish enemies. Mrs. Gilford Dudley, whose southern wit and grace filled the gap where Maude Wood Park was expected to be. Alice Stone Blackwell, before whom the audience rose as one. Mrs. Pennybacker who introduced happily, Mrs. Cunningham of Texas, who had just carried suffrage over the top in Texas, and who told about it with great enthusiasm and Mrs. Laidlow, of New York, who stirred her audience