

# BEWARE, WEAK MAN!

## Women of Kansas Are Preparing for a Big Battle.

### THEY ALL WANT EQUAL RIGHTS.

### And the State Association Says They Shall Have Them.

### BE HOLDING A GRAND RALLY.

### Many Noted Women Gathered Together in Kansas City, Kan.

### THEIR CHEERING FIRST NIGHT.

Kansas City, Kan., is honored with the presence of some of the most noted women of the country, who have assembled there to attend the first grand rally of the Kansas Equal Suffrage association. The meeting is being held at Bancroft's Tabernacle on State avenue. The first session was opened last evening under flattering auspices. There will be three sessions today, and the rally will close tonight with a big oratorical demonstration.

This meeting, so the women claim, is the opening gun of the hottest campaign ever waged in the State of Kansas. It is in favor of equal rights and the women propose to do



FUSAN B. ANTHONY.

everything in their power to win a glorious victory. Last winter the Legislature of Kansas decided to submit the question of equal suffrage to a vote of the people at the general election in '94. It is for this battle that the equal suffrage advocates are now concentrating their forces. The question is of vital importance to the suffragists of the nation at large, and all of their noted speakers will stump the State for the next fourteen months trying to

It gives no great pleasure to meet you, to greet you and to welcome you. Permit me to say also that not only in my official capacity, but also as a citizen I extend to you this greeting. We are proud to be the metropolis of this great State, and we are proud to have such a gathering of people here as you bring to us. We hope that this meeting will not only be enjoyable, but that it will also be one that will be in every sense profitable.

Up to this time you have been laboring to have a submission of the question to the people; in this you have succeeded. At the next State election the people of Kansas are asked in your behalf to strike out the word "male" from the qualification of electors.

There is no chance to evade the issue. Every man who votes in Kansas a year from this fall must meet it. I trust that this meeting, and all similar meetings that shall be held in this State, shall help every man to meet and answer that issue as it ought to be answered.

For my part, I have said before, and I say again, that I know of no way to make politics better than by getting a better set of voters. Increase the number of good voters and you will take a great step toward better government. So, believing that your movement ought to succeed, hoping that it will succeed, and promising to do what I can to make it succeed, I wish you a successful meeting.

I do not know that I can present you with the freedom of this city. It is often done by cities to guests and it sometimes happens that the gift is slyly abused, but if it could be done it could never be as well done as now.

In cities of Europe, I am informed that the freedom of the city is often presented in a gold box. I would that it were in my power to present to you, and to every woman in Kansas, not only the freedom of this municipality, but to you and to them that box, greater than all other boxes—the ballot box—the free and untrammled right of suffrage.

Again I welcome you and wish you God speed.

Mayor Barnes' remarks provoked great applause, and the women will, no doubt, remember him while making their rounds through the State.

Mrs. Laura M. Johns, president of the State association, responded, and after thanking the local club and people for their hospitality, proceeded to give her views on the "all-absorbing topic of the day"—equal suffrage. She reviewed the suffrage movement in the State and predicted a victory for the women in '94. Mrs. Johns is full of enthusiasm, and in her speech last night endeavored to inject some bubbling spirits into the sisters who seem less interested in the movement.

Mrs. Bina Otis was the next speaker. She said that the suffragists had not met there to review old history, but to release themselves from political bondage. She declared that the Eastern States had their eyes on Kansas, and that a victory there this fall would solve the question. "Our claims," said she, "are for justice, pure and simple."

Chairman Johns then introduced Mrs. Carrie B. Chapman of New York as the "Gatling Gun" of the party, which title she earned in the Dakota campaign.

Mrs. Chapman is a very pleasing speaker, and held her audience almost spell-bound during her entire speech. Someone has said, she began, that lovely and lofty sentiments are flying in the air. Those sentiments say that mankind must progress, and, in her opinion, they required women's assistance. Woman today was three paces behind man, but sentiment said she was fast catching up.

Mrs. Anna L. Diggs, the Populist fire-eater during the last campaign, spoke, next. Mrs. Johns, when she introduced her, said: "You have heard of party lines the last few years in Kansas, but the suffrage club knows no politics, consequently we have with us Mrs. Anna L. Diggs."

Mrs. Diggs came to the front of the stage. She has strong features, a strong voice and much force. She began: "What do you suppose women want to vote for? Good purposes of course. There are many things that are out of joint and we propose to take the kinks out. We demand the enfranchisement of our sex. We have seen men who lose their temper when debating and discussing great questions, but I will guarantee you that woman when she gets on the heated side of an argument will retain her kind and loving nature. She will not assault you. She will remain in

# RUSHING THEIR

## Department Officials Preparing for the Opening.

## LAND OFFICE APPOINTMENTS

## Men Named to Take Charge of Work of Registering

## LOCATION OF THE

## Great Crowds Still Arriving from Every Direction.

## WHY TRAINS HAVE BEEN

Special to the Kansas City Times.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 1.—The big rush made by the Interior department in preparing for the Cherokee opening. All the nominations were made to the Senate for the land offices by the department, and no sooner had Commissioner Reaux been informed than he telegraphed to the successful candidates to have their readiness and report for duty from the respective localities not later than Sept. 14. Following are the outlet appointments: Registers of land offices—R. W. of Georgia at Enid, Oklahoma; J. of Wisconsin at Perry, Oklahoma; Hammerock of Tennessee at Oklahoma; F. P. Alexander of Texas at Oklahoma.

Receivers for public moneys—J. of South Dakota at Enid, Oklahoma; K. King of Alabama at Perry, Oklahoma; H. Patton of Indiana at Woodward, Oklahoma; R. H. Allen of Mississippi at Oklahoma.

It will be seen that in no instance in Kansas or Oklahoma men appointed to the department have no claim on the department other than contiguous to the Outlet lands. It was not given representation because the department did not wish to have a claim in any way interested in the Outlet land schemes which would result in many frauds whenever lands are sold. Six of the land department clerks were instructed to leave for the new department to take charge of the booths.

M. A. Jacobs, chief of the general office, will have temporary charge of the department and also look after the local land office and they get in running order. He was assisted by L. C. Hicketts, George McClellan and James Cole, all of whom were acquainted with the details of the work performed. Monday next forty clerks from the department will leave for the field among them Mr. Bennett, private Secretary Smith.

While these orders are being carried out there was an important hearing in the Attorney General's department in which Indians who had claimed rights in severalty allotments were given an opportunity to present their claims, and there were more than 100 of these represented by attorneys. It was impossible to dispose of

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Among those who are in attendance at the meeting are: Miss Susan Anthony, president of the National Equal Suffrage association; Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman of New York, Mrs. Emma Smith De Voe of Chicago, Mrs. Laura M. Johns, president of the Kansas State Equal Suffrage association; Mrs. Helen M. Gouger of Indiana, Miss Amanda Way, Mrs. Anna Diggs, Mrs. Bina L. Otis, Mrs. Mary Lease and Mrs. T. J. Smith of Kansas. The programme for the morning session is as follows:

"The Amendment Campaign," discussion led by Susan B. Anthony and participated in by Anna L. Diggs, Mrs. Otis and Miss Amanda Way.

"The Relation of the Australian Ballot System to the Campaign," Laura M. Johns, Helen Kimber, Ella W. Brown and Mrs. E. F. St. John.

"The Kansas Outlook," by Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman.

In the afternoon the resolutions will be introduced and a general discussion will take place on them.

#### ENTHUSIASTICALLY OPENED.

Mayor Barnes Indorses Equal Suffrage—Many Women Speak.

The Tabernacle in Kansas City, Kan., was crowded to overflowing last evening and the final meeting was a big success. All of the prominent speakers were lined up on the elevated platform, and during the evening almost all of them make brief addresses. The address of welcome was made by Mayor Nat Barnes, a probable candidate for the nomination for Governor on the Republican ticket next year. The Mayor indorsed equal suffrage from A to X. His address follows:

Lab. and Friends of the Equal Suffrage Association:

As Mayor of this city, on behalf of its citizens,

# The Social Season

is close upon us. Intending entertainers should remember that Silver Churn Butterine is the most acceptable article for fastidious guests. Always fresh, sweet, and fragrant, it delights the senses. The Silver Churn trade mark on each wrapper is our guarantee of excellence.

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She called that monstrous unwise. Mrs. Emma Smith De Voe, the "Iowa Cyclone," made her first appearance in Kansas last night. Mrs. Johns said she would tell a few things needed. Mrs. De Voe was of course surprised and pleased with the "bleeding Kansas" audience, and her few words were thankfully received. It was getting late. But the need she was going to tell was soon made evident when she asked for finances to run the campaign with. Because women did not get large salaries for staying at home rocking the cradle and baking bread, she thought men should help a little and drink a few less schooners.

Mrs. Helen Gouger, the celebrated suffragist from Indiana, followed with the remark that a great many men have heavenly thoughts when their hands should be in their pocket-books. She wanted to say a few words and



CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN.

gave warning that the jingle of silver dollars would not interrupt her. She had just come from the encampment at Garnett, and paid a glowing tribute to the Kansas militia and Governor Lewelling.

She also served warning on the heartless men in Kansas that if the suffrage movement was lost this year they would learn that the agitation among the women would continue just the same.

Mrs. Eugenio St. John, the local minister, was next introduced. She made a strong appeal to the sympathies of men and undoubtedly made a vote or two.

In opening she said: "I am the woman who speaks without a prelude. I always jump into the middle of my subject, but I am not going to say much tonight. Woman is a picture of a problem that must progress. We have been taught that we are a people, but when we come in touch with the government we are relegated to another sphere. Men treat us like gold bugs do silver. Us women demand that we be put on par with men on the morality and intellectual basis."

Here she roasted the men generally because they deceived women and made them sin. "It is our inherent right to vote," she said, "and not a privilege. We challenge you men to a successful contradiction. I once saw two men lead a drunkard to the polls and give him a ballot to deposit. Do you tell me I am not as capable as that man was to vote?"

She promised faithfully to study both sides of the question if she was allowed to vote.

Miss Susan B. Anthony, whose very presence infuses new life and enthusiasm into the workers, could stand it no longer in silence, and said: "Twenty-six years ago I entered your State in that memorable campaign for the purpose of..."

to Secretary Emmitt. While these orders are being carried there was an important hearing in progress in the Attorney General's department. Indians who had claimed rights under several allotments were given until to present their claims, and there were than 100 of these represented by attorneys. It was impossible to dispose of all of but a large majority were decided upon.

Commissioner Lamoreaux stated that the government would have every ready by opening day, but it would require quick work. A larger force of men had sent to look after the booths than was expected. This change was made on account of the dispatches received from the territory yesterday and today. Some of these patches stated that fully 100,000 men would be on the Strip border by September 10. They were coming from all directions and from other points were that more intended to follow.

Great complaint has been made to the department because of the ruling forbidding homesteaders to enter the Strip by rail. Secretary Smith is out of the city, but Commissioner Lamoreaux explained to THE TERRITORIAL correspondent today the reason why the order was made. No trains will be permitted to enter the Strip on the day of the opening until 3 o'clock in the afternoon. "We have this order," said Commissioner Lamoreaux "because of the opportunity it gave us to jump in and secure the best land for speculative purposes. When Oklahoma was opened great crowds rushed in on trains laid out town-sites and gobbled up all the land in the vicinity for speculative purposes. Speculators would buy up the men and hundreds secured places on the train for the sole purpose of selling out. I investigated the question carefully and found out that not 10 per cent of those who boarded the trains were bona fide settlers. In some cases as high as \$200 was paid for places on the trains."

#### LOCATION OF BOOTHS.

Where You Can Make Your Declaration and the Reason.

Special to the Kansas City Times.

ARKANSAS CITY, KAN., Sept. 1.—The location of the booths where the homesteaders will be expected to get their certificates before entering the Strip are as follows: Township 20, range 2 east, at a point in the strip just south of Arkansas City and within a mile of the point where the Santa Fe road enters the Strip. Township 20, range 2 west, at Hunnewell, Kan., and can be reached by the Beaumont branch of the Frisco road. Township 20, range 4 west, at a point southwest of Caldwell, and can be reached by the same railroad or the Rock Island road. Township 20, range 4 west, is south of the town on the Strip line, at a small town called Cameron, at the terminus of the Hutchinson and Southern railroad, which makes close connections at Hutchison with all lines from Kingman, Raco, Hennessey and Anthony. Township 20, range 8 west, immediately south of Kiowa and is reached by a branch of the Santa Fe from Wichita. It is eighty-five miles from Kiowa to the western line of the Strip, with no town further west than Kiowa on the northern border. On the southern border, township 20 north, range 2 west, an inland point twenty-four miles west of Orlando. It is miles northeast of Stillwater, Ok., and miles northwest of Ingalls. People from north who wish to reach this booth can get to Orlando on the Santa Fe, take stage line to Stillwater and there will be plenty of conveyances running to the booth from that place. Township 20 north, range 2 west, north of Orlando on the Santa Fe. Township 20 north, range 7 west, on the line north of Hennessey, and can be reached by the Hutchinson Island route. "The next booth is 115 miles west, in township 20 north, range 20 west, the very last township in the southern corner of the Strip. It can be reached by the Panhandle extension of the Santa Fe."

These booths will be ready for business Monday, September 11, from 7 a. m. to 12 and 1 p. m. to 6 p. m. each business day on the same shall be discontinued by the Secretary of the Interior, who is authorized by proclamation to discontinue the same at discretion. All the booths are handy to railroads except the one northeast of...



