

# **National Woman's Party collection**

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Maine Women Writers Collection

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#### **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Maine Women Writers Collection

**Title:** National Woman's Party collection

**ID:** 0263

**Date [inclusive]:** 1853, 1914-1923, undated

**Physical Description:** 1.25 linear feet 3 boxes, 1 flat file drawer

**Language of the** English

**Material:** 

#### **Preferred Citation**

National Woman's Party collection, Maine Women Writers Collection, University of New England, Portland, Maine

## **Biographical/Historical Note**

The Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage was an organization dedicated to the passage of a constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote. The organization was created in April of 1913, and was active until 1916. Alice Paul and Lucy Burns were the key organizers of the union. The group was comprised of a smaller executive committee and a larger advisory committee as well a larger group of general members. Paul and Burns were the Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of the executive committee. This group eventually gave way to the National Woman's Party. That group was organized along similar lines as the union, and shared the same goal. The party lasted past the passage of the 19th amendment and worked to further equalize the position of men and women in both Massachusetts and national law. Though the National Woman's Party ceased its lobbying efforts in 1997, it continues to exist as a non-profit educational organization with the mission of sharing the untold stories of women's history.

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#### **Collection Scope and Content**

This collection includes numerous documents relating to both the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage and the National Woman's Party. This encompasses personal diaries, organizational reports, legislative guides, posters, pamphlets, leaflets, and broadsides. These documents chronicle the development of both the national and Massachusetts chapters of the Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage and the National Woman's Party.

Some noteworthy items in the collection are an anonymous diary kept by a woman who was arrested during a suffrage protest, a complete guide to Massachusetts legislation relating to women, a collection of broadsides campaigning for women's suffrage, and numerous photos of some of the women who fought for suffrage and further rights for women before and after the passage of the 19th amendment.

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#### Arrangement

Arranged in chronological order as a single series.

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#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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#### Access

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

- Women -- Suffrage
- Women's rights
- United States -- Constitution -- 19th Amendment
- Massachusetts
- Clippings
- Broadsides
- Pamphlets
- Diaries
- Correspondence
- Maps
- National Woman's Party
- Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage (U.S.)

## **Collection Inventory**

Title/Description	Instances	
Sermon on the function of women by Theodore Parker, 1853	Box 1	Folder 001
Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage, 1914	Box 1	Folder 002
Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage report, 1914	Box 1	Folder 003
Campaign textbook, 1916	Box 1	Folder 004
Congressional Union for Woman Suffrage literature, 1916	Box 1	Folder 005
Itinerary of the "Suffrage Special", 1916	Box 1	Folder 006
Journal of Agnes H. Morey, 1916	Box 1	Folder 007
News Clippings, 1916	Box 1	Folder 008
Boston Post Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 009
Boston Globe Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 010

Christian Science Monitor Clippings, 1916-1917

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	Box 3	Folder 011
Advertiser Record Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 012
Boston Herald & Boston Traveler Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 013
Transcript Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 014
Journal Clippings, 1916-1917	Box 3	Folder 015
Congressional Records, 1917	Box 1	Folder 016
Journal of unknown National Woman's Party member who was arrested during a protest, 1917	Box 1	Folder 017
News Clippings, 1917	Box 1	Folder 018
Congressional Records, 1918	Box 1	Folder 019
News Clippings, 1921	Box 1	Folder 020
National Woman's Party Convention report, 1921	Box 1	Folder 021
Address of Mrs. O.H.P. Belmont at the National Woman's Party headquarters dedication, 1922	Box 1	Folder 022
Massachusetts laws affecting men and women, 1922	Box 1	Folder 023
Legal position of women in Massachusetts, 1922	Box 1	Folder 024
Letter from Gail Laughlin, 1922	Box 1	Folder 025
Letter to Gertrude B. Newell from Benjamin Loring Young, Massachusetts Speaker of the House, 1922	Box 1	Folder 026
News Clippings, 1922	Box 1	Folder 027
National Woman's Party membership forms, 1922	Box 1	Folder 028
Bill equalizing the rights of men and women in Massachusetts, 1922	Box 2	Folder 029
Various Massachusetts Senate Acts/Bills, 1922-1923	Box 2	Folder 030
Letters to Katherine from Gertrude (likely Gertrude B. Newell), 1923	Box 1	Folder 031
News Clippings, 1923	Box 1	Folder 032
Various Massachusetts House of Representatives Acts/Bills, 1923	Box 2	Folder 033
News Clippings, undated	Box 2	Folder 034
Photographs of National Woman's Party members at a protest in a prison, undated	Box 2	Folder 035
Photographs of National Woman's Party headquarters, undated	Box 2	Folder 036
Photographs of National Woman's Party organizers, undated	Box 2	Folder 037
Photograph of National Woman's Party members in Boston, undated	Box 2	Folder 038
Postcards from the National Woman's Party, undated	Box 2	Folder 039

Photographs of unknown women, undated	Box 2	Folder 040
Photograph of National Woman's Party Lobby Committee on Capital Hill, undated	Box 2	Folder 041
Photographs of various National Woman's Party members, undated	Box 2	Folder 042
National Woman's Party press releases about protests, undated	Box 1	Folder 043
Massachusetts Legislation Guide, undated	Box 2	Folder 044
Travel brochures/pamphlets, undated	Box 1	Folder 045
Photograph of National Woman's Party Ad against the election of Woodrow Wilson, undated	Box 3	Folder 046
News Clippings, 1914-1917	Folder 047	
"Suffrage Special" map, undated	Folder 048	
National Woman's Party Marshall sash, undated	Folder 049	
National Woman's Party banner, undated	Folder 050	