

#### Council of National Defense Woman's Committee correspondence

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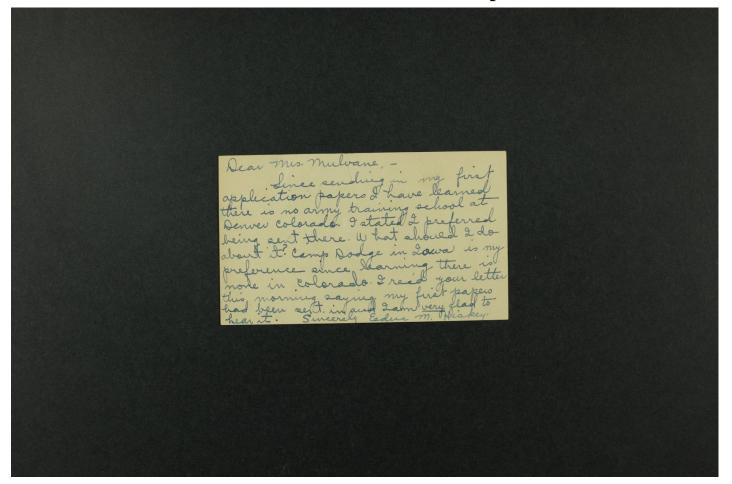
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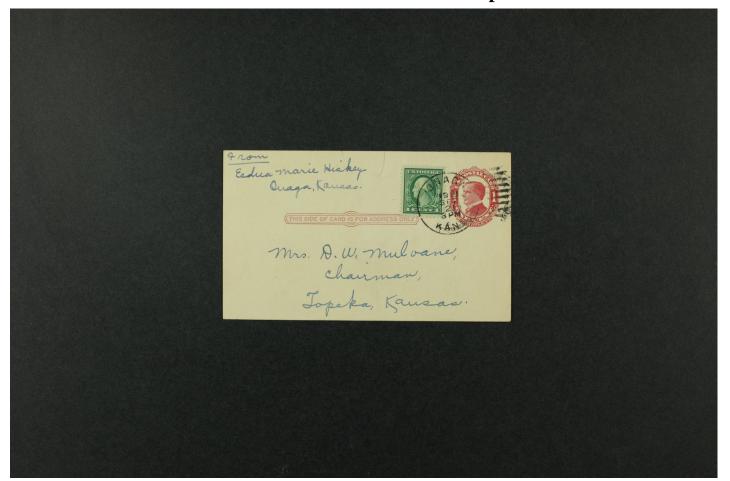
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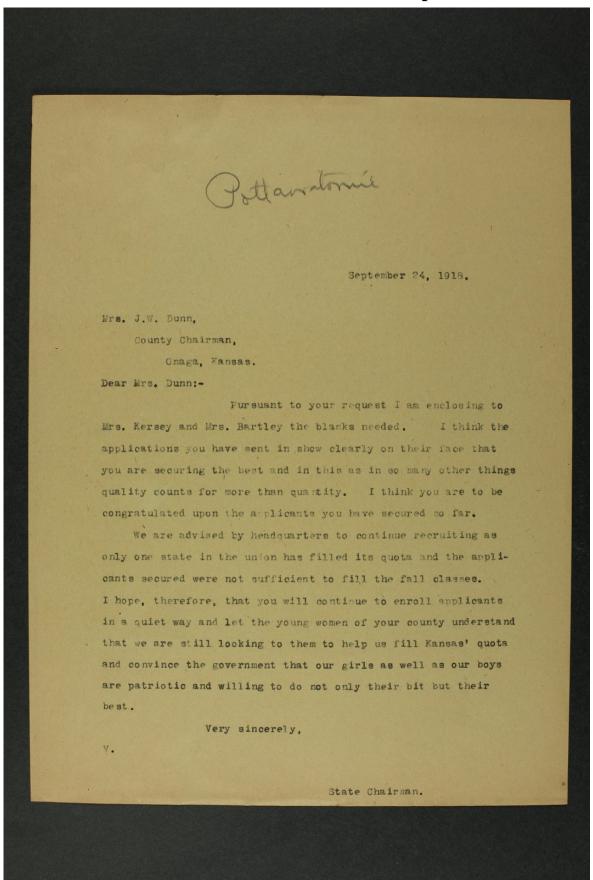




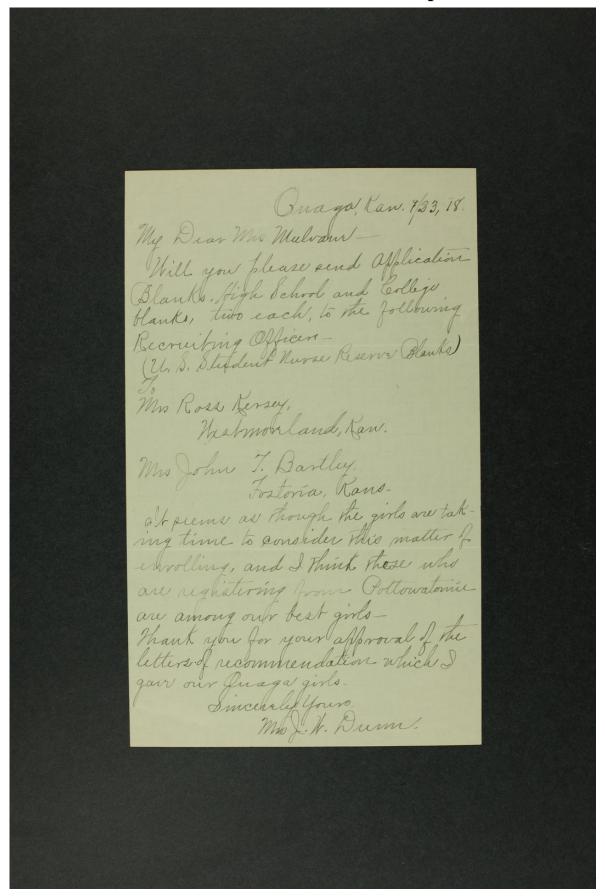
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September 23, 1918. Miss Edna Hiskey Onaga, Kansas. Dear Miss Hiskey:-I have your card of recent date indicating your preference for Camp Dodge, Iowa, since there is no training school in Colorado and I have written to Washington to-day asking them to consider this with your papers which were sent several days ago. I hope this will reach the Committee on Assig ment in time to secure for you the appointment which you desire. So many of the girls have signed the enrollment cards but have lacked interestedater in filling out and returning the papers promptly that I feel sure when you take the trouble to duplicate a complete set of papers in such a short time and send them to me you are really in earnest and I appreciate your spirit and wish I am still very sorry you were you the best of success. bothered even for a few days by the thought that your papers had been overlooked. Very sincerely, State Chairman.

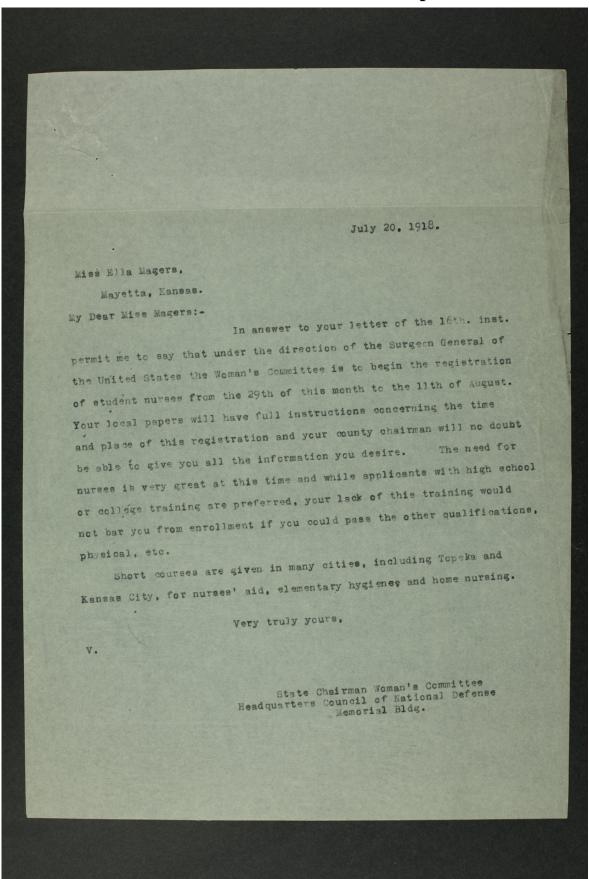




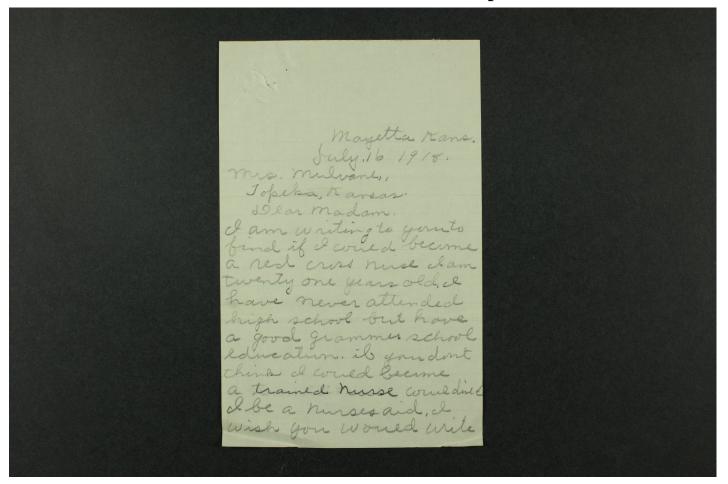




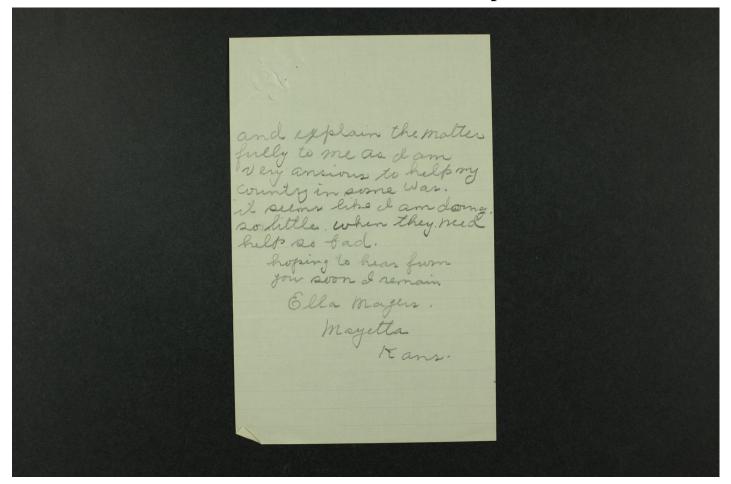




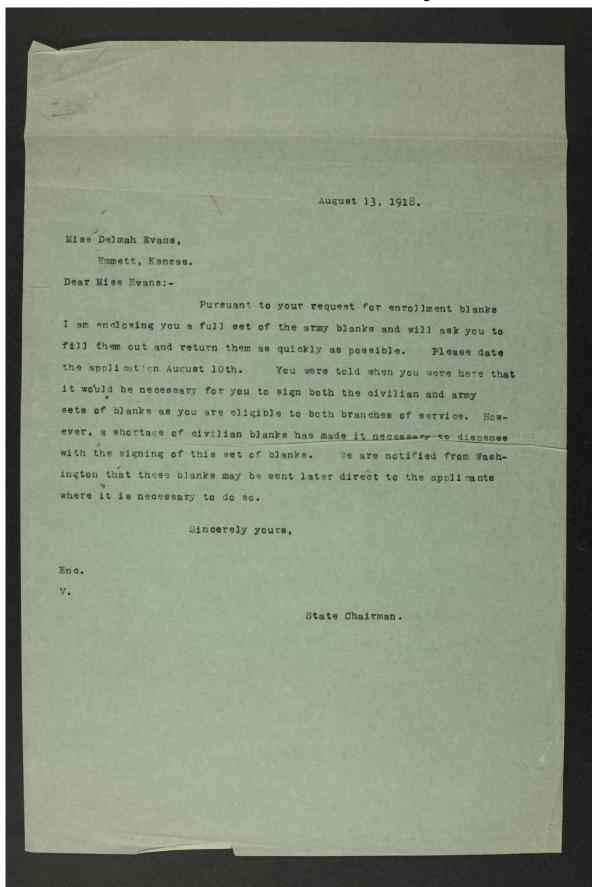




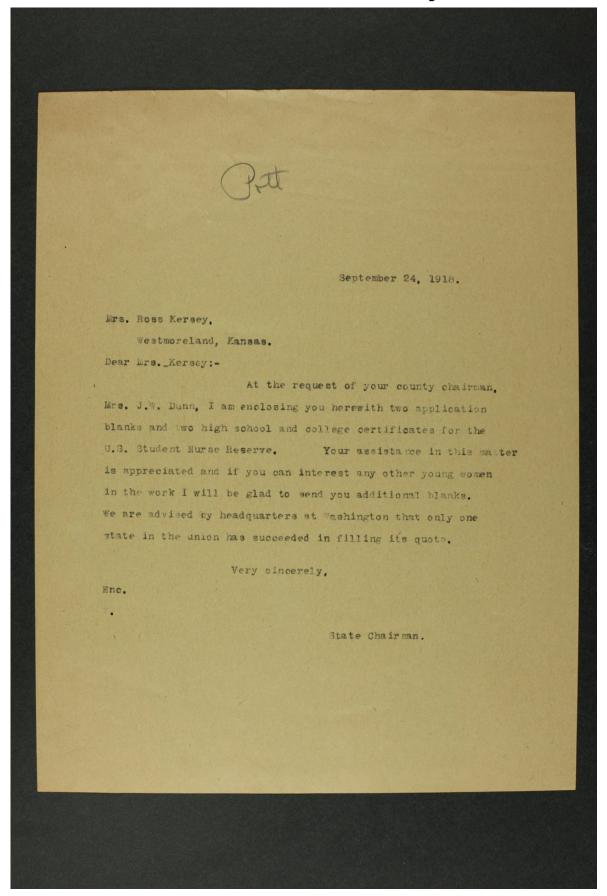




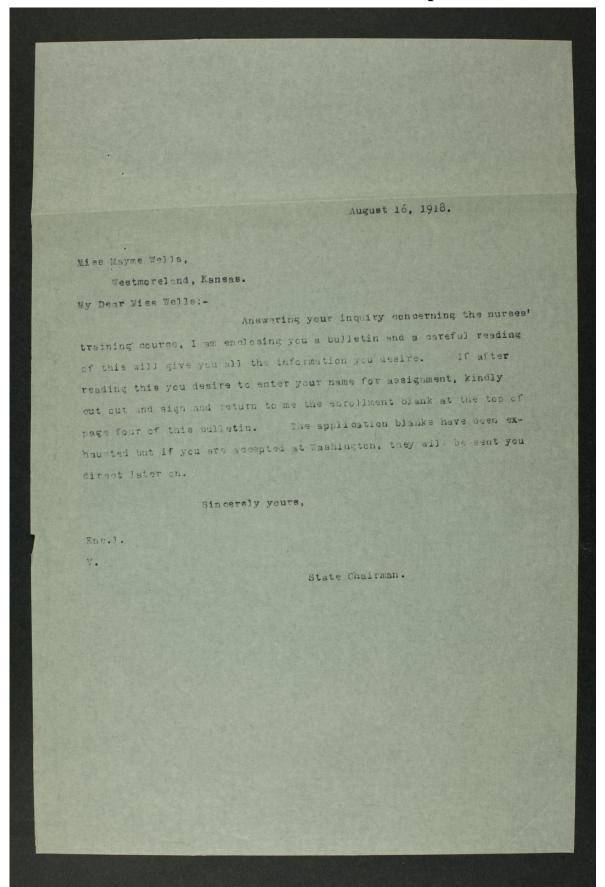










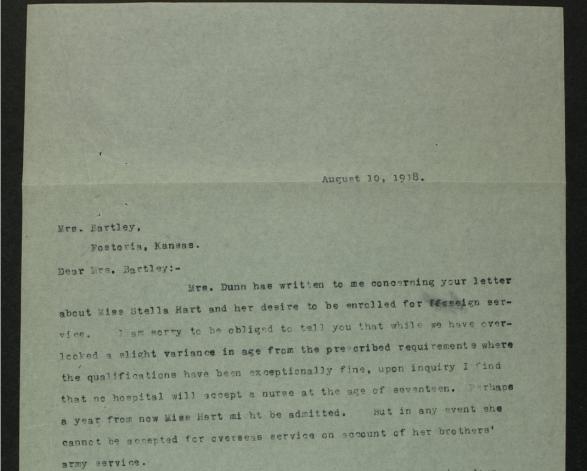




Westmoreland Kans,
Mrs. D.W. Mulvane, august 15-1918.
Topeka, Kansas.
llear madain:
Thill was blease aim on
the information dam seeking in regard
to the rea cross curse duly.
a graduate from Westmoreland Sigh School
in 1917, have taught one year of school,
and am taking a business Course at
the Central Karesas Business Callege.
Talways have keen very nevel
That we are at war and nurses are
needed, I believe this is my opportunity.
Can you tell me where I can go to enlist
what wages one goven, and the Justification
required? Thanking you for your trouble " I am Gratefully yours Dayn Wells,
Westmoreland Rans.



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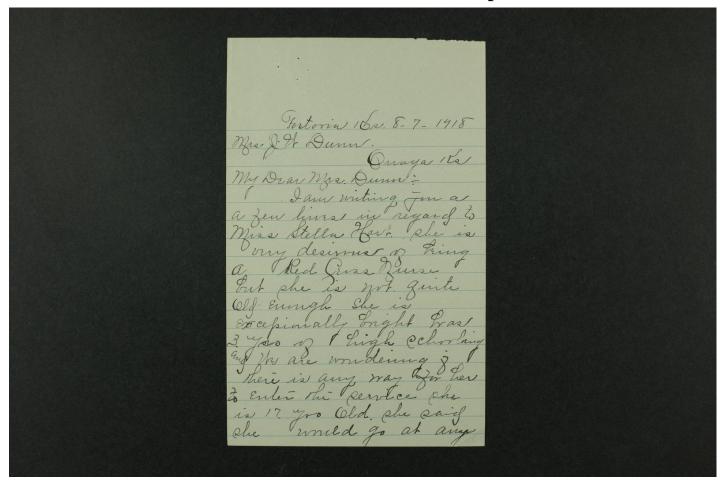


Mrs. Dunn asked me to send you some army blanks but owing to a scarcity of meterial sent me I cannot do this unless more is sent me from Washington and I am not sure what they can do for me, perhaps nothing at all as their supply was exhausted immediately. If you have applicants who can qualify for army service and wish to enlist and will send me the number you require, I will do the best I can to furnish them to you later.

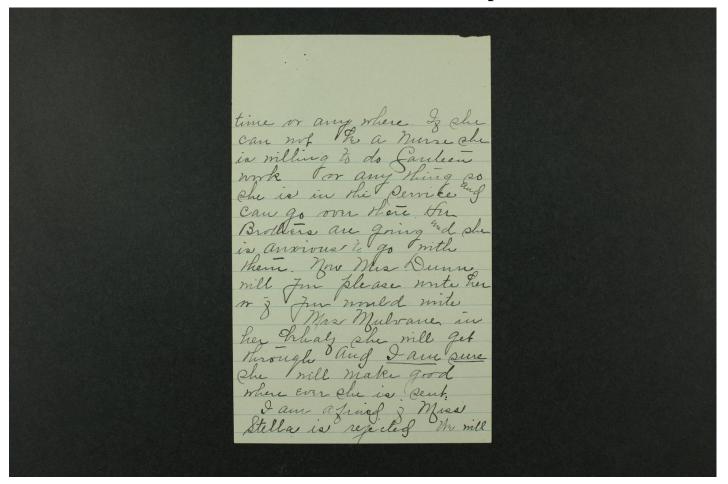
Cordially yours,

State Chairman.

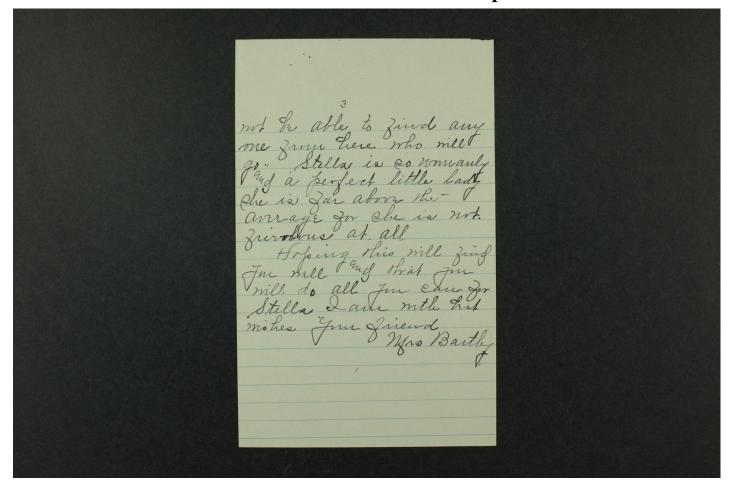




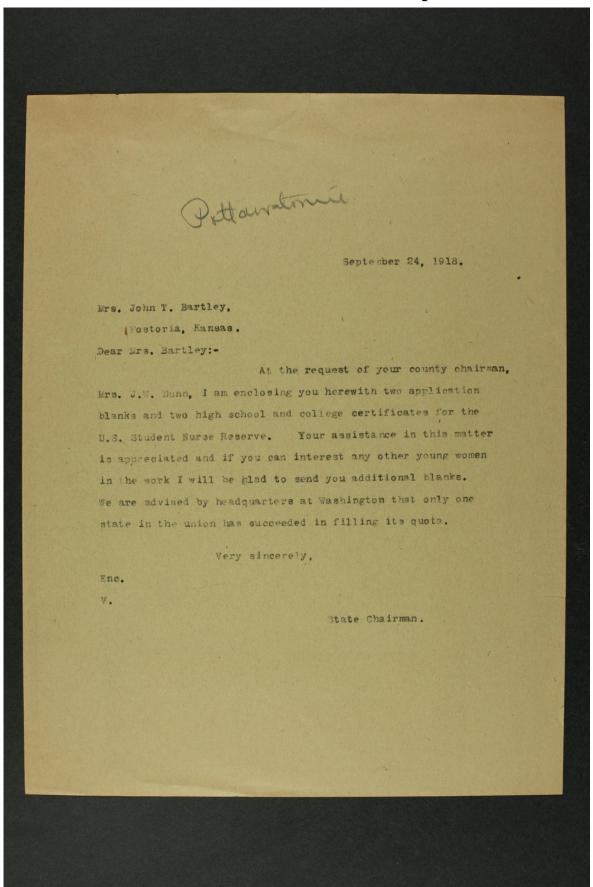










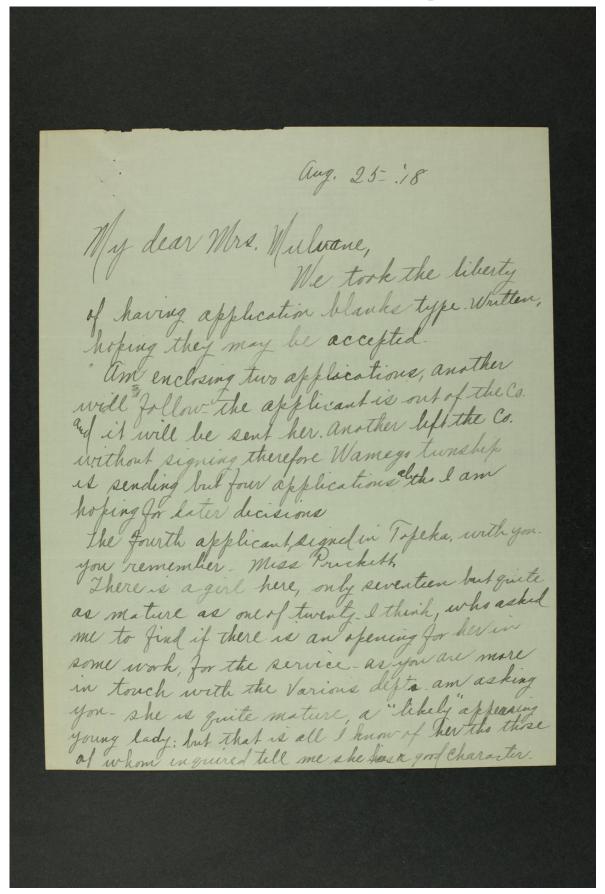




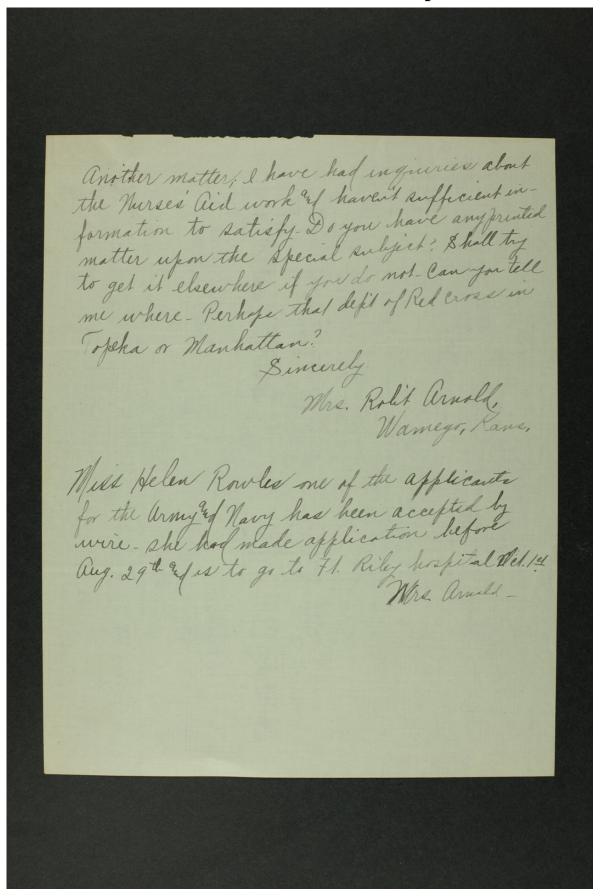
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August 27, 1948. Mrs. Robert Arnold, County Chairman, Wamego, Kansas. Dear Mrs. Arnold:-We have received your typewritten application cards and have forwarded them to Washington. You are not the only chairman who has done this. Mrs. Henry Allen of Wichita had eightysix enrollment cards typewritten and sent to me and I was glad to send yours and here to Washington to show them the initiative of cur Yansas women who undeterred by a shortage of material made their own blanks. I doubt very much if the seventeen year old applicant can be sccepted anywhere in war service. I know she could not secure admission to a hospital. If you will write to Mrs. Kurt Bredel, 316 Taylor St., Topeka, Kansas, she will give you the complete information concerning Murses' She has had charge of a hospital and is a Red Cross nurse and is conducting classes at this time such as you inquire about. refer all the first aid questions to her. She was one of my recruiting officers during the campaign here. Very cordially yours, State Chairman.

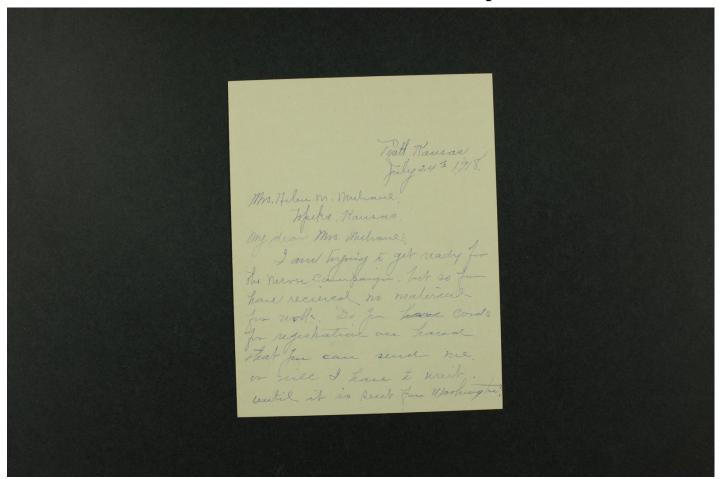




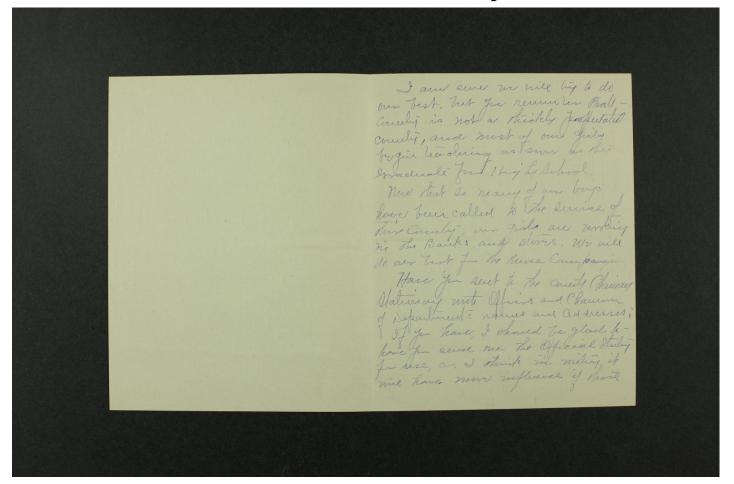




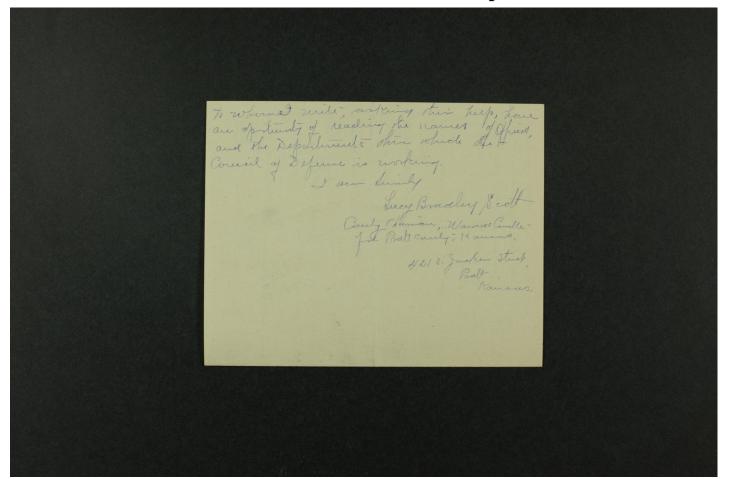




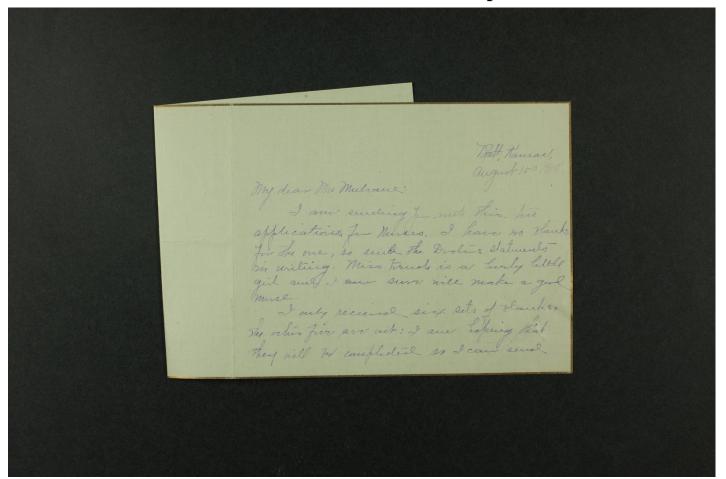




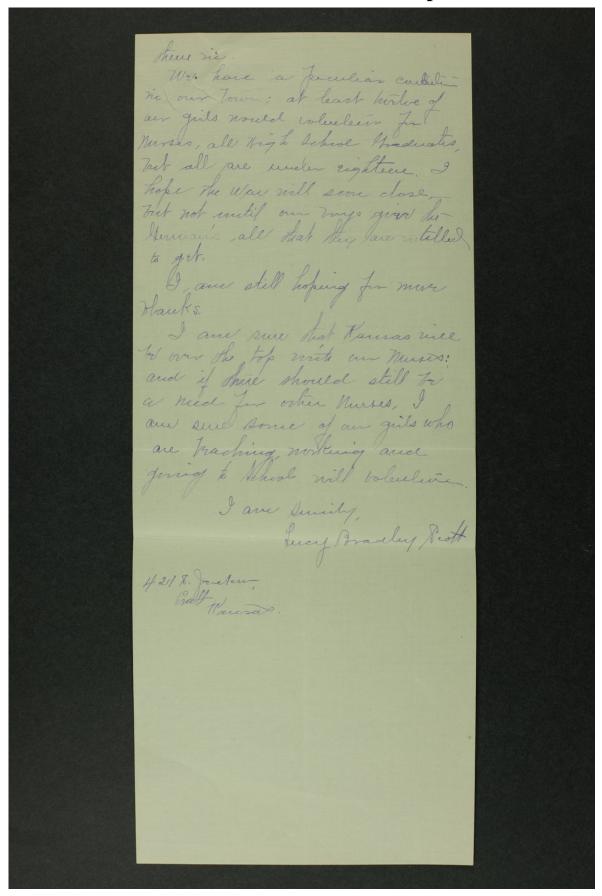














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August 19, 1918.

Mrs. Lucy Bradley Scott,

421 S. Jackson,

Pratt, Kansas.

My Dear Mrs. Scott :-

I acknowledge with thanks your letter enclosing two sets of application blanks and the same have been sent on to Washington. I am sorry not to be able to furnish you with more blanks but the supply was exhausted almost before the drive began and we are told now to have enrollment cards filled out and I will send those to Washington and the blanks when reprinted will be mailed direct to the applicants. This is the best we can do. If you need more enrollment cards let me know, as a new supply of those is being sent to me. Please send in cards and blanks as rapidly as possible as assignments are being made now in Washington.

Let me call your attention to the importance of community singing. Professor P.W. Dykeman, Chairman of the National Conference of Music Supervisors, has kindly furnished us a list of influential musicians and people interested in community singing who might be of service to our Woman's Committee in organizing liberty charuses and in developing community singing for war purposes. The list is:

Frank A. Beach, Kansas State Normal, Emporia, Wm. B. Kinnear, Larned, Blanche Rumbley, 21218. Evergreen Ave., Chanute, Catherine E. Strouse, Faculty Club, Emporia, Minnie Raylor, 515 Walnut St., Leavenworth.

Very cordially yours,



