

Suppage

125 EAST THIRTY NINTH STREET

Dear Miss Tarbell,

We have had a letter from a prominent official at Albany asking if Mr Lane be come an avowed Suffragist. I have instructed the Secretary Mrs Phillips to defer her answer. -

I wonder if you would be offended if I give you the word of advice in your dilemma? If you thought that by giving your individual influence against universal Woman Suffrage in this Country

at this time you could present  
it's coming - would you give  
your influence? If you would  
then I don't think that any  
course is open beyond best to  
say you are Anti - and remain  
on our Executive Committee.  
I think that is the right thing  
to do, no matter whether you  
think it will come some time or  
not. That is the lecture  
which has always influenced  
me and I fancy we agree  
pretty thoroughly on all points,  
except that it is coming!  
I regret that your thought  
incorporation of our Association  
is a radical step. - When it  
was finally decided on after  
much legislation last year,  
it was even then conservative,

and now with recent-  
developments in our ranks,  
it would be imperative. If  
Lad opposed it last year,  
I should urge it thro'. Mr. Loring  
followed the meetings of the  
executives, you will naturally  
lead to rely on the judgment  
of those of us who. Lad. - It  
would be almost impossible  
for me to explain details inside  
of a couple of hours. - Please  
go to the office and judge of  
the atmosphere. That too has  
an absolute necessity. -

With sincere regards, and  
the belief that you will do what  
you think is right, no matter  
if it does not agree with what  
I wish you would do -

I am sincerely

Mo. 26<sup>th</sup>

Josephine Dodge