Women and War:

This strikes me as one of those efforts to use a strong organized undertaking to do a specific thing, utilize it for something outside the purpose. Cordell Hull is having a tough enough job that any kind of United effort by the Americans, some code and method of procedure which will lessen the chances of their going to War with one another has enough trouble without having to attempt to persuade this conference to build its offices in Spain. Let them do that and this highly inflammable peace body at Buenos Aires along with a variety of ideas about Spain would protect neutrality and peace in America and those fighting over Spanish problems.

No, it is better to stick to one's trade and stick to the job one is assigned.

This is quite parallel to what happens always when a liberal movement crystallizes into a natural platform and program. It happened with the formation of the Republican party. Every outside radical interest in the country, even to free love, is tied down when demanded to be heard.
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You Who Care About Spain!

Will you give us the very
great help of your signature on the enclosed letter
of appeal to our Secretary of State?

We believe that the letter speaks for itself.
And we believe that many of you who receive it will
share the deep hope of the Women's Peace Union that it
may strike a high note in the Inter-American Conference.

We are well aware that to accomplish so great
a purpose it would be well that our group were
powerful. But we have waited in vain for such a
group to act. All too clearly we know that in these
ominous days faith comes hard. Cynicism and despair
are only too easy. So, caught in the terrible mesh,
the good we might accomplish waits. Specifically,
Spain is destroying herself while we stand aside.

In the name, then, not alone of humanity, but
also in the name of her priceless culture, of her
Goyas and El Greco's, of her churches, will you to
whom we write,--painters and law-makers, authors and
bringers of learning, preachers and sculptors, musi-
cians and executives and physicians and home-makers,
lend her of your strength by giving reality and power
to this appeal?

Speed is urgent. Will you return us the enclosed
signed with your name, and, if feasible, that of any
other women you judge useful. Beside your signature,
please type or print your name and address. We shall
of course publicize as seems best. Send Air-Mail
if you are at a distance.

WE MUST AIR-MAIL THE WHOLE APPEAL TO SECRETARY
HULL NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 16th. If you can send
a little money we shall be grateful.

Hopefully yours,

(Miss) Tracy D. Mygatt, for the W.P.U.