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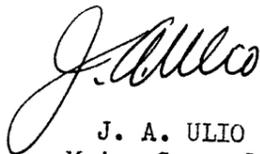
Halena Wilson, International President,
The Ladies Auxiliary,
The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 S. Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam:

I am directed by the Secretary of War to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 22, 1942, addressed to the President and transmitted to this Department for reply, in which you inclosed a copy of the action taken by the Second Biennial Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

The War Department will not tolerate discrimination against any soldier because of race, creed or color. Specific instances of discriminatory action with factual circumstances on which an investigation may be based are made the subject of inquiry.

Very truly yours,



J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By: *WLD*



TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dear Mr. President:

The Auxiliary has purposely refrained up to now from commenting on the many grievous conditions which are constantly creating great consternation amongst a people who are finding it increasingly difficult to understand the manner in which the principles of Democracy are being applied in this country.

Dark America has listen closely and attentively to your many radio addresses and has observed with an ever gratifying and increasing interest the position invariably assumed by you, thus revealing you as a true champion of genuine democracy. Because of this conviction and the Negroe's innate sense of loyalty to his country he keenly resented the blow that had been dealt his country by the treacherous Japanese nation and proferred his service with a grim determination to help wreak vengeance upon the aggressor nation. The Negroe's belief in the present head of his government filled him at least for a time with more of a feeling of oneness with his country than perhaps, many ever had felt before.

We trust, Mr. President, that such a statement does not appear too harsh, but we believe you really desire to know the true sentiment of all the groups here in America. As women with husbands, sons, brothers, etc. who are likely to be lost to us forever we are compelled to rise up to decry and to deplore the treatment being accorded these love ones, particularly, in certain sections where even the uniform of the country is not sufficient to guarantee personal safety. Time was, Mr. President, when many of us felt that the soldier's uniform was a sacred garment and

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that it was jealously guarded and protected by its Government, but recent events have all but dispelled this belief.

As a group of women we do not mind, Mr. President, that our men may die in the service of their country, but we implore you to do your utmost to protect them and to spare them the humiliating experience of being denied food while traveling about the country and to prevent their being mobbed, shot, and otherwise manhandled while fitting themselves to help in the defense of their country as well as to help perpetuate that very illusive thing called "democracy."

Yours very truly,

Halena Wilson
International President
Ladies Auxiliary to the
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

September, 1942.

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THE LADIES AUXILIARY
TO
THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
TRAIN, CHAIR CAR, COACH PORTERS AND ATTENDANTS



1128-7th Street N. E.
October 6, 1942

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Mrs. Halena Wilson
International President
Ladies Auxiliary B. S. C. P.
4231 So. Michigan Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sister Wilson:

On Saturday Mrs Ruth Ayers, Chief of Program Activities Board, Consumers Division O. P. A., who called you from Washington some time ago, called at my home to ascertain just what help the Agency can give us as consumers concerning and relating to price control and rationing.

Speakers are available over the Country of course, but since the Agency is being reorganized, the officials will build their program upon what the consumer needs. This plan is to save time and unnecessary waste of effort.

Please think this over and send some ideas to Mrs. Ayers immediately, by return mail because as she said they were hurrying her.

Before starting my Fall work, I had the doctor to look me over, and he advises that I take it a little easy for a while as my pressure is up some

Mrs. Halena Wilson

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October 6, 1942

so, I am trying to rest a little each week so as to be able to keep my work going if only slowly.

Hoping that you are continuing to improve in health.

I am,

Fraternally yours

Rosina C. Tucker
Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer

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October 8, 1942

Dear Friend:

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, Founder and President of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., will be the principal speaker at a meeting to be held at the DuSable High School, 49th and South Wabash Avenue, on Thursday, October 15th, at 8 o'clock.

You, the members of your Organization, and your friends are cordially invited to come and hear Dr. Bethune's vital message which is of particular importance in these confused times.

The meeting Thursday evening will be the opening of the National Council's executive committee Workshop. We are welcoming you to attend two important sessions of the Workshop. The one on Friday afternoon, October 16th, at 2 o'clock, at which time "Employment for Negro Women" will be discussed, and the other on Friday evening at 8 o'clock when the subject matter will be "The Role of the Negro Woman for Peace Time Planning". Both of these sessions on Friday will be held at the South Side Community Art Center, 3831 South Michigan Avenue, and experts in these particular fields will lead the discussions, and will also act as consultant in a discussion period.

On Saturday evening, October 17th, at 8 o'clock, you are invited to attend the Council's dinner-meeting at the Chicago Woman's Club, 72 E. 11th St.

Outstanding women from various parts of the country are coming here to participate in these important meetings, and we are anxious that all Chicago women take advantage of this opportunity to hear them.

Very truly yours,

Blanche Thompson
Chairman of Promotion Committee

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OFFICIAL ORGAN: "THE AFRAMERICAN WOMAN'S JOURNAL"
(A QUARTERLY REVIEW)

October 12, 1942

Mrs. Bertha Batson
4843 Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sister Batson:

Sorry to have missed you Saturday.

I had the applications in my room in an envelope.
Am sending these so you may have them in time for
the meeting Thursday evening.

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson, President
Chicago Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

HW:le

October 12, 1942

Mrs. Bertha Batson
4813 Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sister Batson:

Sorry missed you Saturday.

October 12, 1942

Mrs. Mattie Owens, President
Minneapolis Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
3900 Clinton Avenue, S.
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sister Owens:

Your lovely card containing the request for the following information was received.

The balance in the bank as of September 9th, 1942, was \$2687.28, however, this amount will be reduced very greatly when the Convention expenses have been subtracted.

Have just returned to the office and find a great deal of work awaiting to be disposed of.

Very glad to know you enjoyed the outing and hope it will be possible for me to have an opportunity to do more to show my deep appreciation for the kind hospitality extended me while in your lovely home. Remember me to all.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

542 South Twenty-first Street
Louisville, Kentucky
October 12, 1942

Mrs. Heena Wilson
International Office
Ladies Auxillary to the Brotherhood of
Sleeping Car Porters
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

I hope this letter finds you
in good health and feeling fine.
We are all well and send best
regards.

I am writing this letter to ask
you a favor if it is not too much.
During my return I misplaced
my minutes for Friday for the
Convention, and I would like
to know if you would please

Send them to me, as my group has to have every thing to give them.

Will you please write them a letter concerning the changing of the meeting. They still want to have it once a month and I don't feel that it's the thing to do, as I can not keep them together as it is.

I am enclosing a stamp in order that I may get it back by next Monday. If there are any charges please let me know and I will be glad to send it to you. Thanking you for the same.

Mrs. Cora Chatman
President of Local Auxiliary
Louvaine District

October 13, 1942

Mr. T. D. McNeal
Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
11 North Jefferson Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

I wish to take this opportunity to compliment the St. Louis Division upon the splendid arrangements that ^{were} made for the comfort and pleasure of the convention delegates. All left with a feeling that the hospitality of the St. Louis Division could not be excelled although I suppose the aftermath is proving to be quite a headache; the same that is likely to ~~prove for me~~ ^{afflict my head}.

It was decided this year that the auxiliary would take over the responsibility of compiling its own proceedings, however, it has occurred to me that since you, no doubt, will be ordering the necessary materials that there would be a bit of a saving for the auxiliary if you were to order enough for the auxiliary also. I realize this request comes a bit late, but I have not been to the office to work until this week.

May I hear from you regarding the price of the covers for the proceedings, the paper, etc. so, I may know how to proceed.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le
P.S.

Brother Clark was just in the office and requested that his regards be enclosed. H.W.

October 13, 1942

Mrs. Fannie J. Caviness
3rd International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary-Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
209 Maryland Street
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sister Caviness:

Your letter of September 21st was received and I was glad to know of your safe arrival back home and also that you found the family none the worse from your absence. I have just returned to the office hence the delay in sending the information that was requested.

Your president did send a lovely letter explaining why no delegate would be present at the convention, however, the letter arrived after I had left the city. A copy of the same is being enclosed.

I am not so sure I am in possession of the facts concerning the difference you speak of in Houston. Will you kindly send me an account of the same.

If you will ascertain the transportation cost to Houston and the other divisions in your zone it will be of help in arranging a schedule for such visits since it is hoped one or two visits for each of the zone supervisors will be possible some time within the near future. About how far is El Paso from Houston or from San Antonio and how far is Houston from Dallas, etc.

I wish to compliment you once again on your fine report and the splendid paper you prepared for the Consumer Forum. Both were greatly enjoyed.

Keep up the good work.

Faternally yours,

Malena Wilson
International President

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October 14, 1942

Mrs. Bessie Patton, President
Memphis Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
776 Neptune Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Sister Patton:

While in St. Louis I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Cora C. Raiford, 766 North Speed Street who expressed a desire to become affiliated with the Ladies Auxiliary. I promised Mrs. Raiford I would write to you so you could make the necessary contact.

Mrs. Raiford is the wife of a Train Porter and stated that she could be instrumental in interesting the wives of other Train Porters. While a separate auxiliary may be organized for this group I advise, if possible, for the two groups to work in the one auxiliary now in existence since one large auxiliary would be more effective than two small ones. I shall be pleased to hear from you regarding this matter.

I hope you enjoyed the convention and that it gave you the needed information and inspiration to carry on to bigger and better things.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 14, 1942

Mr. Ashley L. Totten
International Secretary-Treasurer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Sir and Brother:

Just a few lines to say how very much I enjoyed the sessions of the Brotherhood's Convention and especially the financial report given by you. Many of us still find it hard to believe that such a report can be true.

I trust you and the madam are in the best of health.

Fraternally yours,

Malena Wilson
International President

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Encl.

October 14, 1942

Mr. E. J. Bradley
3rd International Vice President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
11 North Jefferson Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

Now that I have returned from a much needed rest I wish to take this opportunity to compliment the St. Louis Division and to extend my appreciation for the splendid and thoughtful efforts exerted by the division in the interest of the entire delegation. Nothing would add to the happiness and the comfort of the delegates remained undone. We are all deeply grateful.

I have written to Brother McNeal regarding the Convention Proceedings on the assumption that he will again see to their being compiled.

The case of the Little Rock Auxiliary was placed before the Executive Board as you suggested and it was agreed by the Convention to empower Sister Dailey to remove the president or take whatever action that appears necessary. Sister Dailey will be instructed shortly to make a trip for this purpose. I had a long talk with Brother Gray so he knows something is being contemplated.

Kindly remember me to Mrs. Bradley and tell her it was indeed a pleasure to meet her once again.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

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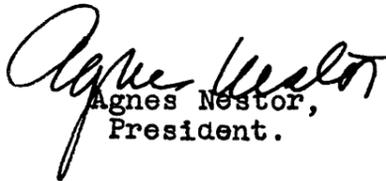
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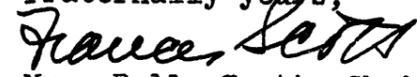
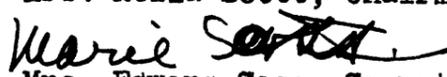
This is to advise you that the meeting for Auxiliary members will be held Monday, October 26. You will notice that the date is changed from the announcement in our Bulletin, as we found we could get Miss Margaret Bondfield, the noted English labor woman, who was Minister of Labor in the McDonald Cabinet several years ago and who is here now and can speak for us on that day.

It will be a luncheon meeting at 12 o'clock, at our headquarters, 630 South Ashland Boulevard. The luncheon will be 55¢.

We hope that you will have a good representation here and that you will try to get reservations for the dinner. We will send out some cards for it but we do depend upon the Auxiliaries working this up among their own members as well.

Trusting for your co-operation and that we may make this a very successful meeting, we are


Agnes Nestor,
President.

Fraternally yours,

Mrs. Rolla Scott, Chairman,

Mrs. Edward Sass, Secretary,
Auxiliary Committee.

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1128 Seventh St., N.E.
Washington, D.C.

October 15, 1942.

Mrs. Halena Wilson, International President
Ladies Auxiliary, Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Yesterday I received a notice from local executive board of Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, to vacate the office room which I occupy as Secretary-Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary by October 31. Altho, I sent the letter to Brother Totten, in the absence of Brother Randolph, I feel you should know also. My only comment is, that it is a continuation of the persecution started by the same person several years ago. Kindly inform Brother Webster of this action when he returns to Chicago. I am by no means disturbed by the above action, because the law is, that all work concerning the Brotherhood and Auxiliaries, must be in the same place.

I made out a check for \$50.00 for my conference expenses, allowing \$21.00 for my ticket, \$21.00 per diem for seven days and the balance for incidentals, but when Brother Tucker bought my ticket it cost \$31.00, leaving me only \$19.00 which was \$ 2.00 short of my per diem expenses, so kindly approve a supplemental check for \$14.44 (for 4 extra days \$12.00, transportation of records, taxie fare, Red Cap service \$1.30 and two telegrams \$1.14 making a total of \$14.44).

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Also for your information, I asked the International Executive Board of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters for an increase in salary. While I have not heard from the Board officially, I understand the request did not go through. It was suggested that the International Auxiliary Board be asked to supplement my salary. What is your reaction?

Also, will you approve, in the meantime, the payment of my car fare to and from the office, which would be \$1.25 weekly for a weekly street car pass.

The weather has been rainy all week, making it dreary and inconvenient for travel, yet we are here and very busy.

I have just received a call from Mrs. Ruth Ayers, of whom I wrote you, desiring to hear from you. Please write her at once.

Remember me to every one, I am

Fraternally yours,

Rosina C. Tucker

International Secretary-Treasurer, Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

October 15, 1912

Mrs. Cora Chatman, President
Louisville Ladies Auxiliary B. .C.P.
542 - 21st Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sister Chatman:

Enclosed is an outline of the Friday session of the Convention as requested by you.

The convention was very informative and interesting and I feel all the delegates were richly benefitted.

Fraternally yours,

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Halena Wilson
International President

October 16, 1942

Mrs. Ruth Sayer
Chief of Program Activity Board
Consumer Division
Office of Price Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Sayer:

I am in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker of Washington, D. C. in which she informed me of the re-organization of the Consumer Division of the Office of Price Administration. I understand this was done with a view toward building a program around the needs of the consuming public.

Since rationing and price control is new to most of us it is somewhat difficult to know what is a constructive suggestion and what is not, however, it appears that greater emphasis might be placed upon the legal and illegal aspects of price control and rationing in so far as the local merchant is concerned. For instance, many such require consumers to purchase stipulated amounts of foods in order to obtain a pound of coffee, etc. It would also appear that where boards are set up that the persons of the same racial identity should be employed especially in neighborhoods where that race is in the majority.

Leaflets containing information as to what is in the law and what is not, if properly distributed, should be invaluable if the consumer is to help police the various neighborhoods where many irregularities are said to exist.

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

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October-16th-1942.

Mrs. Helena Wilson.
International President,
Ladies Auxiliary
4231 S. Michigan Ave,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Many thanks for your very kind letter expressing the splendid time all had at the Convention here. I am indeed proud to know that everyone went away from here satisfied. In making my plans to entertain the Convention, I told all committees that we MUST do everything possible to make the delegates feel quite at home while here and since that seems to have been accomplished, I am very well satisfied.

I note your action relative to the Little Rock situation and I believe I did not advise you wrong in the premises. I am glad that you have instructed Sister Dailey to go into the matter. I know just how the Gray family believe in themselves and feel that they should take instructions from no one. We have had some trouble with her husband but we managed to get him straightened out.

There is still some very unfriendly feeling here among the women but if they are let alone, I believe they will work out their own salvation to a friendly, favorable conclusion.

I was sorry that I could not devote some time to you and your husband while you was here, but you know just how busy I was kept during the entire week of the Convention. I wanted to have you folk out to my Apartment for dinner or lunch but never could get around to it. However, I hope I will not be so busy the next time you are here. Give my kindest regards to your "Hubby" and kindly remembering you,

Fraternally Yours,

E. J. Bradley
E. J. Bradley, 3rd. Int'l Vice-President.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

October 17, 1942

- B U L L E T I N -

Resolutions pertaining to the laws of the Auxiliary that were adopted by the Second Biennial Convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters - September 17-19, 1942:

Resolution #28
Biennial Convention

WHEREAS: Conventions are costly and would be likely to work a hardship upon the local divisions if held annually, and

WHEREAS: The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters has amended its Constitution so as to hold its Convention biennially instead of annually

BE IT RESOLVED: That Article II of the Constitution be amended to read that the Convention of the International Auxiliary Order shall meet biennially instead of annually during the third week in September

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Resolution #17
Convention Delegates

BE IT RESOLVED: That Article VI, paragraph 2, page 62, Rules and Regulations for the Local Auxiliary, 1938, Convention Proceedings, be amended to read; No member shall be elected as a Convention delegate or officer in local divisions who has not remained continuously financial for two years proceeding elections except where new divisions are established.

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Resolution #13
Discipline of Auxiliaries

WHEREAS: The future of the International Auxiliary depends largely upon the cooperation, discipline and a respectful compliance on the part of the local auxiliaries and their officers, and

WHEREAS: There may develop an harmful tendency on the part of the local auxiliary or its officers to refuse to comply with or to recognize the authority vested in the International President thereby endangering the entire structure of the Ladies Auxiliary

BE IT RESOLVED: That the International President shall be granted the authority to discipline either by reprimand, suspension or expulsion any officer, member or auxiliary who or that arbitrarily refuses to subscribe to the edicts, ruling or decisions that may be rendered by the International President.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That said member or auxiliary shall have the right of appeal in accordance with provisions as contained in Article XVIII of the Rules and Regulations for Local Auxiliaries.

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Resolution #20
Nominations

WHEREAS: Members of the Ladies Auxiliary are not required to be out of the city in the line of duty or in quest of a livelihood, and

WHEREAS: The degree of the members interested can be determined only by the member's faithful service and regular attendance

BE IT RESOLVED: That no member who is not present during the nomination of officers shall be eligible to be placed in nomination in the local auxiliary.

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Resolution #21
Charges against International Officials

WHEREAS: Representation in and affiliation with the International Auxiliary is restricted to members in good standing in the local auxiliaries to the International Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

BE IT RESOLVED: That no member shall retain her office in the International Auxiliary whose affiliation with her local auxiliary has been terminated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That when the loss of membership in the local auxiliary is due to action growing out of charges preferred against said member that said member shall not lose her official standing in the International Auxiliary until or unless the charges are sustained by the International President, the International Executive Board and the International Counsellor of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Resolution #29
Convention Tax

WHEREAS: The total cost of the Biennial Sessions of the Ladies Auxiliary including transportation, per diem, stenographic work, printing, entertainment, etc. reduces the International Treasury no small degree, and

WHEREAS: The auxiliary has been informed that it is expected to assume more of the every increasing costs of these necessary items, and

WHEREAS: It is not thought to be sound judgment or good business methods to deplete the treasury for any reason whatsoever

BE IT RESOLVED: A Convention Tax of 50¢ per year per member be levied against the entire auxiliary membership, said tax to be payable at anytime within 60 days of the Convention date, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That said tax be kept in a fund separate from all other receipts, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the remainder of this Convention Tax should there be one be used to help defray the traveling expenses of the Zone Supervisors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That no member shall be considered financial who has not paid the tax within the time specified in this resolution.

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Resholution #10
Charters

WHEREAS: The question has been raised on numerous occasions regarding the names of officers and members to be placed on the local charter

BE IT RESOLVED: That regardless of the length of time the local auxiliary has been organized that only members in office when the charter is granted shall have their names affixed to the charter.

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Resolution # 12
Article XVIII

WHEREAS: Article XVIII, page 65, Convention Proceedings, 1938, stipulates that charges made against an auxiliary member shall be preferred in writing to the president, and

WHEREAS: The Article contains no stipulation relative to the procedure to be taken should the president be personally involved,

BE IT RESOLVED: In instances where the president is either the accused or the accuser that the local Executive Board notify the party accused in accordance with the provisions contained in said Article, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That where the president is involved that the vice-president shall preside over said proceedings.

Resolution #6
Vacancies

WHEREAS: Neither the Constitution or the Rules and Regulations contain provisions for filling vacancies that occur in the local auxiliary other than that of the office of the president and vice-president

BE IT RESOLVED: That the local Executive Board be empowered to make recommendations in such instances to the general membership

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That all members be notified of the Executive Board's recommendations and that the subsequent action of the auxiliary in filling the vacancy be submitted for approval to the International President of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Resolution #16
P.P.B. of A.

WHEREAS: The Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is the only bona fide auxiliary to the Sleeping Car, Train, Chair Car, Coach Porters and Attendants, and

WHEREAS: All other organizations said to represent these groups of workers are dual organizations since no other organization has a legal right to represent these workers, and

WHEREAS: The P.P.B. of A. Auxiliary has been used by the employer to confuse and to divide the workers thereby lessening their bargaining power

BE IT RESOLVED: That any member of the Brotherhood's Ladies Auxiliary who becomes affiliated with the P.P.B. of A. Auxiliary will automatically lose her membership in the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Fraternally yours,



Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

October 17, 1942

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL AUXILIARIES, GREETINGS:

The International Ladies Auxiliary desires to extend its deepest appreciation to the members and the officers of the local divisions for the fine spirit of cooperation which helped to make the recent Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, such a splendid success. Much credit is due those charged with the responsibility of arranging for the Convention as well as to those who responded so whole-heartedly to the various requests that were made of them.

The Convention this year was the auxiliary's best and it is earnestly and sincerely hoped that each subsequent Convention will be better than the previous one since such improvement denotes the progress and success of all our endeavors. Everything was done that could have been done under the present conditions to make the Convention informative and beneficial to the end that each division might have a clearer insight into the duties, responsibilities and the purpose of the Ladies Auxiliary.

That each member may have an opportunity to become better acquainted with the more pertinent Resolutions that were adopted by the Convention a bulletin comprising the same is enclosed herewith.

Additional information or clarification regarding these Resolutions will be sent upon request.

My very best wishes to all.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson

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International President

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October 19th, 1942.

Mrs. Helena Wilson,
International President,
The Ladies Auxiliary
4231 S. Michigan Blvd.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Just a word to thank you for your letter of October 13th. I am happy to know that you enjoyed your stay in St. Louis at the Convention.

Relative to the filing of the proceedings of the Convention this is to advise that we do not plan to mimeograph or duplicate the proceedings of the '42 convention. We plan to have the proceedings printed. This will make unnecessary the purchasing of any supplies such as paper and covers.

With kindest personal regards to Brother Wilson, I am

Fraternaly yours,

T. D. McNeal
T. D. McNeal,
Int'l. Field Organizer.

TDM/m
Dictated but not read.

CHICAGO LADIES AUXILIARY
TO THE
BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

October 19, 1942

Dear Members:

It was learned since having the first tickets printed for the Auxiliary's Card Party that the Bacon's Casino was being taken over by the U.S.O. This greatly affected the plans of the Ways and Means Committee which knew of no place of a similar size that was available on such short notice. The Committee was able to secure the Federated Club House, 4941 South Parkway thus causing the card party to be on a much smaller scale than was originally planned.

This change also required the printing of another set of tickets. As these tickets were held up for several days the committee is taking this means of contacting the membership in the hope that each will be responsible for from two to four tickets.

New tickets are being sent to the members who already have tickets in their possession, however, it will be necessary in some instances to send fewer tickets than were originally requested by these members. This is being done to give each member an opportunity to support this affair and because the space is limited.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson, President

Mable Bryant, Chairman

HW:le

October 21, 1942

Mrs. Letitia Murray
4th International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.F.
4715 Compton Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sister Murray:

Now that I am back in the office and beginning to get a bit caught up, at least on some of my old correspondence, I want to take this opportunity to thank and to congratulate you on the splendid job you did on the Consumer Program. I think, even inspite of the extreme heat, the program was quite a success. Miss Frances Williams was in the city yesterday for a few hours and phone to say how very much she enjoyed the session and to compliment the auxiliary on the splendid work being done. She also stated, if a list of the auxiliary's officers were sent to her that publications and other information will be sent to them directly thus reducing the postage expenses of the auxiliary. A list will be sent within the next few days.

I enjoyed Sister Johnson's visit very much eventhough I was not able to do as much as I had liked to do, no doubt, there will be another time.

I regret very much that we did not have more time to enter into a discussion as I understand conditions aren't so very favorable and yet for very obvious reasons nothing is said to this office where only changes of making adjustments are very likely.

Remember me to Brother Murray and give my best wishes to all.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 21, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

I have just written to Brother Randolph to express my indignation over the action of the Washington Brotherhood and to express the hope that he will not approve any such action on its part. Brother Webster will be in Washington the latter part of the week and I doubt very much that he will be in accord with such a request. The present arrangement has been satisfactory thus far and I can see no need for a change at this late date. Therefore, I am suggesting that you remain where you are unless requested by your superior officer, Brother Randolph, to do otherwise.

Relative to the remuneration being given the International Officials of the Auxiliary; as a salary it would be admittedly inadequate. However, nothing has been said by me because I realize the other officials receive nothing for the work they are doing and it hardly seems fair to increase your or my remuneration when taking this into consideration. At present the revenue of the Auxiliary is far too uncertain to make specific commitments, but I will consult Brother Randolph regarding the expense item mentioned by you and if he approves it is certainly alright with me.

You are also authorized to reimburse yourself the additional expense that was incurred while in St. Louis and I hope the coming months will so add to the Auxiliary's treasury that some definite consideration may be given this matter.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 21, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

Your recent letter pertaining to the re-organization of the Consumer Division, Office of Price Administration was received and as I have not given much thought to rationing and price control I did not feel that I had anything constructive to offer. However, I have written to Mrs. Sgyer expressing what views I have on this matter.

Sister Dailey submitted an expense account of Seven Dollars and Fifty-eight Cents, (\$7.58). Kindly place same upon receipt of an itemized statement.

My office advanced Forty-one Dollars (\$41.00) for expenses of my secretary to the Convention. Please credit this to the general expenses account and refund this amount with an additional amount of Fifty-nine Dollars (\$59.00) to be used as office expenses.

I should like to know as soon as possible the total Convention expenses and balance in bank so as to know how to proceed with the Convention Proceedings.

I was indeed sorry to know that you are not feeling so well and hope you will arrange to take more rest since that will do more good than any amount of medicine.

Fraternally yours,

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October 22, 1942

Mrs. Helena Wilson, Int'l. President,
Ladies Auxiliary,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Wilson:

Permit me to thank you for your bulletin dealing with new resolutions pertaining to the laws of the Auxiliary adopted by the second Biennial Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brotherhood.

I am certain that you had a successful convention and that the next two years will bring many new improvements in the progress of the Auxiliary. I shall do my bit in the securing of new members and activising the divisions in my zone.

I should be very happy to you for a copy of all new officers of the Auxiliary.

Please advise me if anything came out concerning the wives of train porters whose husbands are affiliated with the Brotherhood. It seems to me that there should not be any need for new organizations but that those wives and relatives should be permitted to join as full fledged members of the organization. Let me know about this at your earliest convenience since I plan to make a tour of my zone in the near future, and this will be one of the problems that I might face.

For an instance, the B. & O. train porters are affiliated with the organization. The same thing is true in Richmond, in Montgomery, in Jacksonville, in Tampa, Florida, and other places. Rather than have separate units of the auxiliary, I feel it would be to our advantage to have just one going organization of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Mrs. Helena Wilson

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October 22, 1942

Thanking you for your fine spirit of cooperation and wishing
you continued success in the grand work you are doing, I am,

Fraternally yours,



B. F. McLaurin,
Int'l. Field Organizer.

BFM:GS

October 22, 1942

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Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 23, 1942

Miss Helena Wilson
International President
The Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
4231 S. Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Miss Wilson:

It was a real pleasure to talk with you, even if it had to be over the phone, when I was in Chicago.

I am sending you herewith the materials on fuel rationing. As new price, rationing and rent programs develop, I shall send the material both to you and your local units.

Would you include us on your mailing list for any general bulletins sent to your locals? I would be happy to pay whatever cost there is involved.

Sincerely yours,

Frances H. Williams
Frances H. Williams
Department of Information

Enclosures



October 23, 1942

Mrs. Mary E. Ryder, President
St. Louis Women's Trade Union League
4383 Westminster Place
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mrs. Ryder:

Just a few lines to let you know how very much the Auxiliary's delegates enjoyed the splendid message on trade unionism that was delivered by you during the Auxiliary's recent Convention. A number of the delegates who were attending their first labor convention was eager for all the information that was available on that particular subject and each expressed herself as being greatly benefited by your talk.

Miss Nestor was pleased to know that you had accepted the invitation and said she thought you to be a very good speaker which we all can attest to.

The Auxiliary thank you very sincerely and desires for you much success in your role as a labor organizer.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 23, 1942

Mrs. Nell Hunter
Staff Assistant
War Saving Staff
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Hunter:

The International Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters desires to express its appreciation for the splendid presentation that was made by you in the interest of the United States Treasury Department during the Auxiliary's recent Convention in St. Louis, Missouri.

The Auxiliary is pleased to inform you that your talk did much to stimulate the members to an even greater participation in their country's war efforts. At present practically all of the ladies' husbands and other male relatives who are employed by the Pullman Company are subscribers to the ten per cent pay roll plan and a large majority are contributing even more generously of their limited income.

The Auxiliary would be glad of the opportunity of hearing from you again and desires for you the utmost success in your present endeavors.

Very truly yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

October 24, 1942

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Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 27, 1942

Mr. R. J. Murray
4715 Compton Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Brother Murray:

The International Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is taking this means to acknowledge the greeting sent by you during its Second Biennial Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, September 17-19th inclusive.

The Pacific Coast Zone contributed much to the success of the Convention and its efforts were very well received.

Sister Murray, in her usual soft and gracious manner made a deep impression on all those who were present and your thoughtfulness could not but add to the success and pleasure of her trip.

It is the wish of the auxiliary that you will continue to enjoy the very best of health.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 21, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
Intl. Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

I received a letter a short time ago from the president of the Indianapolis Ladies Auxiliary stating that the secretary-treasurer was having some difficulty with her records and requested advice regarding the same.

The president was instructed to have the auditing committee call in all dues cards and to request the secretary-treasurer's book as well, in an effort to check one with the other and to report the outcome to your office and to mine.

Will you kindly work as closely with this auxiliary as possible until the difficulty has been adjusted.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 27, 1942

Miss Agnes Nestor, President
Women's Trade Union League
630 South Ashland Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Miss Nestor:

The International Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is taking this means of acknowledging the greeting sent by you during its Second Biennial Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, September 17-19th inclusive. The Auxiliary is pleased to inform you that the sessions were very constructive and thoroughly enjoyed by the largest delegation yet to assemble.

Mrs. Ryder gave a very interesting talk and it was all the more appreciated by the delegates upon being told of the close relationship that ~~has~~ existed between the Auxiliary and the Women's Trade Union League ^{and the} result of your keen interest in the Brotherhood and Auxiliary throughout the years of ~~its~~ ^{her,} existence.

Both organizations wishes for your continued success and good health.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

October 28, 1942

Mr. B. F. McLaurin
Int'l. Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
217 West 125th Street
New York, New York

Dear Sir and Brother:

The assurance of your continued cooperation in the development of the Ladies' Auxiliary is greatly appreciated. The fine spirit being displayed in all divisions and the general attitude of the Convention delegates was indicative of the understanding being acquired by the Auxiliary' membership and should mean much to the future development of the women's organization.

A list of the new officers in your zone is being enclosed. Asheville is being omitted since we are not sure of the changes that were made there; will send this information later.

With regards to the auxiliaries to the Train Porters. It is the policy of the International Auxiliary to strongly advise that the women relatives of this group of workers become affiliated with the auxiliaries already in existence. However, if the women insist upon a separate auxiliary permission will be granted, but regardless of the number of groups of Train Porters in a division only one Train Porters Auxiliary may be set up in that division. It is agreed that one large auxiliary would be far more affect then two small auxiliaries, but if we can not get the two groups together one auxiliary to the Train Porters and one to the Sleeping Car Porters to a zone is advised by Brother Randolph. I trust your visits in the zone will meet with much success.

Please remember me to Mrs. McLaurin.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS

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October 28, 1942

Miss Frances Williams
Consumer Program Advisor
National Office of Price Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Williams:

The International Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is taking this opportunity to again express its sincere approval of the splendid service rendered by you during the Auxiliary's Second Biennial Convention in St. Louis, Missouri.

Your ability to make yourself one with your audience had a very pleasant affect and caused the delegates to feel that you were genuinely interested in the social and economic betterment of those whom you were addressing. A number of the delegates were attending their first labor convention and were eager for the information that you had to give which, no doubt, accounted for the interest ^{that} which so impressed you.

Your offer to be of additional service to the Auxiliary is greatly appreciated and a mailing list of the Auxiliary's presidents is being enclosed for the purpose of receiving such information as your office may be releasing from time to time. Previous acknowledgments of such communication will be greatly appreciated by this office.

Very truly yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le
Encl.

HALENA WILSON
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THE LADIES AUXILIARY

TO

THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
TRAIN, CHAIR CAR, COACH PORTERS AND ATTENDANTS



1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C.

October 29, 1942.

Mrs. Halena Wilson, International President,
Ladies Auxiliary, Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Please accept my gratitude for your two letters dated October 21st. I appreciate the position you take on all the proposals I submitted. Brother Webster was in my office and told me you have not been so well, please take care of yourself.

The total expense for the Convention was \$ 836.67 not including the check I gave you at the Convention on September 18th. Please add the amount of that check to the above amount. I had so many interruptions at the Convention that I failed to place the amount on the check stub. Do you remember if it was \$ 5.00 Sister Rosie Taylor returned; how much and to whom did we give some money to complete coverage of her Convention expenses? I think it was Sister Ella Johnson from Tampa, and I think it was \$ 2.00. I have it jotted down somewhere, but I have not come across all of my notations. The bank balance is \$ 1,663.37. Enclosed please find check book. Try to return it to me as soon as possible, also find check for \$ 100.00 as you requested.

Would you advise that I rent a safe deposit box for the safe keeping of the bonds? I find that the \$ 364.00 received from the patriotic stamps will almost cover the cost of the \$ 500.00 bond the Convention authorized me to buy.

Please excuse the fact that you do not hear from me immediately after you write. I have to have my typing done out of the office, because the typist here, although employed with the understanding that she was to do my work, does not find time to do it. I will speak to Brother Randolph about it as I understand he will be here soon.

Thanking you again, I am

*P.S. Kindly clarify the law on
reinstallments to me.*

Praternally yours,
Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary Treasurer, Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

ROSINA C. TUCKER
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October 30, 1942

Mrs. Mary Hobbs
5522 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Member:

Enclosed please find the names of two prospective members whom I hope you will contact at your convenience.

Mrs. Anna Whitney 6021 Indiana Avenue
Eng. 1343

See Mrs. J. Wright 5356 Michigan Avenue
1st Apt.

Very truly yours,

Halena Wilson, President

HW:le

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THE LADIES AUXILIARY

TO

THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
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Oct. 30 th 1942.

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Mrs Halena Wilson .

International President.
Ladies Auxilliary of B.S.G.P.

Dear Sister Wilson..

Your letter of Oct. 13th, was received I was glad to hear from you and to get the copy of sister Burlerson letter, as some of the ladies thought she did not send it, you know how our people will do. she said she sent it to St Louis . and you should have got it their. *did you ?* about the Houston Auxilliary, you may not have remembered I talked with you over at the Bro. meeting one ^{morning} and you told me to have them call an Executive meeting, and let them recomend a sec.y this is what it is, when they held their Election Mrs Myers got beat . the Lady y that was Elected was Mrs Mathews. and latter this Mrs Mathews ran of from her Husband .now she is in Calif. so the fight was on who should be Secretary .so I was informed by sister King that they had settled the matter, and sister Margourite ~~Scott~~ Scott. was selected by the Aux. now that sister Myers did not get it, she tells them that she has lost the Charter. what shall I do about that? otherwise I think they are doing alright at present .

I got the information on the Transpotation. from San. Antonio to Elpaso

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is \$25.62 to houston \$ 5. 78 to Dallas is \$ 12.98 these are round trips tickat good for 90 days .

how ever I think Bro. Mc.Neal all ways Routs^o that Ft. Worth and Dallas so both can be visited on the same tickat. I can get that from him , I have wrote to all of my Divisions since I.ve been home . I am very happy to know that some time in the near future that these Auxiliarys can be visited it will mean so much to them .

did you get your picture that you ordered at the Desk in the Y? ,I got the large group but not the Excutive group. since I am not President of the Auxiliary I wont one of the convention minints if I have to pay for one .

this president that we have she is inclined to let a Bro. of the Bro. Hood tell her that she dont have to get no Information from me that she can get it from you .that will be all right but if we are to work with the Auxiliary . and they dont Co-operate with us then we dont have any thing to do. I find that some of the men are dding more meddling into the Ladies and not enough of their own work . I am sure that you will have them to know that we are to take ordes from you and it is their duty to work with their Zone Supervisors. once they under stand I think ever thing will go all right .

I know you under stand just what I mean.now I am determed to make a go of my work these two years. wishing for you success and lots of happyness.please give my best wishes to all the ladies I meet of your Auxiliarry.

Fraternally Yours.

F. J. Caviness
F. J. Caviness.

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October 31, 1942

Dear Friend:

This is a time when many of the rights which workers have always guarded jealously are in danger of being lost. Anti-labor elements are using the war as a cloak to destroy these hard won rights. At the same time, race discrimination still exists in industry, in certain departments of the government, and in the armed forces. The anti-poll tax bill to extend political democracy to millions now disfranchised, is in danger of being throttled in the Senate.

To rally progressive forces against reaction and for the rights of workers, J. R. Butler is now touring the country under the auspices of the Workers Defense League. For seven years (1935-42) president of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union, organization of Negro and white sharecroppers, in which he led many militant struggles, Mr. Butler is well qualified for the task he has set out to accomplish.

The Chicago office of the WDL is arranging a luncheon meeting for Mr. Butler to which we are inviting a number of people whom we believe to be actively interested in getting and maintaining total democracy at home as well as abroad.

Speaking alongside Mr. Butler at the luncheon will be Francis Heisler, well known labor attorney and member of the National Executive Board of the Workers Defense League. Both of them will discuss with those present the problem of Workers Rights in a Democracy.

The luncheon will be cafeteria style and will be held this Wednesday, November 4, at 12 noon, in Room A of the Central YMCA cafeteria, 19 South LaSalle Street.

You are cordially invited to attend and bring any friends or associates who may be interested in the vital questions to be discussed.

Very truly yours,

Virgil P. Vogel
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Acting Secretary

VJV:HH

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November 2, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh, Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

Thanks very much for your information and the check contained in your letter of October 29th. I regret that you are having difficulty getting your work done, but I am sure Brother Randolph will see that this matter is straighten out.

Sister Taylor returned the amount of five dollars and I thought Sister Johnson was allowed an additional three dollars. No doubt, Sister Sappington will give the correct amount in the copy of the minutes that are to be sent to the Board members.

Yes, I would suggest the rental of a deposit box for the bonds. It is my intention to send another letter soon reminding the auxiliaries to purchase the remainder of the stamps now on hand since these will more than cover the additional amount required to make up the five hundred dollars.

A member becoming delinquent may reinstate simply by pay up arrears and filling out an application blank. See Article XIV, 1938 Convention Proceedings, page 57.

I am taking things fairly easy since my return from the Convention and am feeling much stronger. I am a great deal improved only required to be a bit carefull for a while. I trust you are feeling well and will take more rest.

I am enclosing the check book.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

This is to inform you that my supply of stationery including letter heads and both sizes of envelopes is running low and request that you kindly place an order as soon as the supply on hand is used up. If you have extra stationery please send all that you can spare.

Since it is about time to have new dues cards printed I would suggest that you look into this also.

Have you consulted Brother Totten regarding the financial sheets that were suggested by Sister Garrett?

I shall write ^{WJ}Ornburn, temporary secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Women's Auxiliaries of Labor and will send the information necessary to take out a membership in that body.

Regarding the National Council of Negro Women I would suggest we wait a while longer before affiliating. I attended a session of the Council's Convention here and was not ~~very~~ satisfied with the discussions given to the lower income working groups. I should like to make these observations to Mrs. Bethune before proceeding further. Some reference was made from the floor regarding labor unions, but there was not much response either from the chair ~~and~~ the other delegates. Until a clearer understanding is obtained I can not say what our group can contribute or receive from such a set up. Brother Randolph feels that be becoming affiliated wiat we might be aboe to exert the necessary impetus need to stimulate a trade union conscious on the part of the others affiliated with this organization.

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Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker

November 4, 1942

Since this may be possible it will, no doubt, be worth while to investigate further. I will let you know later what is decided.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Cora Chatman, President
Louisville Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
542 - 21st Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sister Chatman:

I was informed while in St. Louis by Sister Hughes that she had been unable to purchase the picture that were taken of the group at the reception given by the auxiliary during my recent visit. Since the picture is not available I have written to Sister Hughes requesting that she present the price of the picture to the auxiliary the same to be applied toward the purchase of the patriotic stamps that were sent the auxiliary. I trust this will meet with the approval of the members and that it will be accepted in the spirit it is being given.

I trust also that the auxiliary is continuing to make progress and that you will feel free to write any time any information is needed.

Remember me to Brother Chatman.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Anna Hughes, Secretary-Treasurer
Louisville Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
156 North Charlton Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sister Hughes:

It was quite a pleasant surprise meeting you in the Convention City. I was sorry that the business of the Convention prevented a discussion of conditions in the auxiliary, but I sincerely hope the spirit of the organization will continue to grow there as else where.

I should like very much since you were unable to purchase the picture that was taken during my recent trip here to contribute the price of the picture toward the auxiliary's ~~patronage~~ stamps. I am informing Sister Chatman of this desire in the hope that such action will meet with her approval,

I trust the membership attendance is regular and that the International Auxiliary will receive the financial reports regularly also.

Kindly remember me to all. I have had a good rest since my return and am continuing to improve.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Letitia Murray
4th International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B. S. C. P.
4715 Compton Avenue
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sister Murray:

I should like to suggest that some time when you are not so busy that you ascertain the rates to the various divisions in your zone, that is, the fare from Los Angeles to your furthest point also rates to other divisions in your zone.

If there are any stop-offs on a direct route I should like this information also since this will help to arrive at an itinerary for your zone when such a trip is advisable.

Hope you are well.

Fraternaly yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary E.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sister Lassiter:

I suppose you have been very busy since your return from the Convention with so important an election claiming your attention, but now that the election is over you probably will have a breathing spell before starting out in the spring. I trust you will find it convenient to devote as much time as possible between your busy periods to the work in your zone.

I think the zone supervisors have done a very splendid job during the past two years but the only way that each officer may hope to retain her office is to do such a good job that it will be difficult to find a satisfactory opponent. It is my desire to see the closest cooperation exist between the International officers so that they may set an example for the local auxiliaries. I hope the two years before you will be your most successful.

I enjoyed seeing you again and had wondered whether you suffered any ill affects from your fall. Remember me to Sisters Toogood and Wilson. It was indeed a pleasure seeing them in St. Louis.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

P.S. Will you kindly submit as soon as possible your zone report given by you at the Convention. The Proceedings are now in the process of being compiled.
H.W.

November 4, 1942

Mrs. Fannie J. Caviness
3rd Intl. Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
209 Maryland Street
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sister Caviness:

The enclosed letter is self-
explanatory.

Fraternally yours,

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Halena Wilson
International President

November 6, 1942

Mr. Harry O'Leary
Chairman of the Speakers Bureau
Chicago Federation of Labor
666 North Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir and Brother:

The Chairman of the Education Committee is outlining a program for a six months period during which time the committee desires to present various speakers to the auxiliary's membership. At present there are so many derogatory statements concerning the labor groups appearing in the daily papers that the committee feels that the labor side of each controversy should be thoroughly explained to those interested in the labor movement.

As the Musician's Union was recently much maligned by the press and since the workers are being termed unpatriotic because of the various strikes being called the auxiliary feels it should hear directly from labor regarding these matters.

Therefore, if you can arrange to have a speaker from the Musician's Union appear at the auxiliary's regular meeting on the evening of Thursday, November 19th at 8:30 P.M., the committee will be deeply grateful.

If a speaker from this union cannot be secured at this time a speaker to cover the strike situation will be equally as acceptable. The average attendance is about fifty.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
President

HW:le

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THE LADIES AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD
OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS

November 6, 1942

Dear Member:-

Our plans for our Annual Christmas Sale and Turkey Dinner are now under way and we are counting on making this our most successful one. This is one time in the year that we call on all members and delegates to help us to raise funds through this Sale. Donations from members and delegates and attendance at the Sale are our source of support for it. If every member will do something it will be a big affair.

We need articles to fill our booths and buyers on the day of the Sale so please put Saturday, December 5, down on your calendar to come here and if you can, bring someone with you. Many members make up dinner parties, some collect articles from their friends as well as contributing, so there are many ways you can help.

We depend upon this affair to make up a large part of our budget. Last year we cleared \$728.92 and we hope to pass that mark this year and can if everyone helps. So that we may know what we can expect will you kindly fill out the enclosed slip and return it to us?

Trusting for your co-operation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Agnes Nestor
Agnes Nestor,
President.

NOTICE: Our NOVEMBER MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY EVENING,
NOVEMBER 12, at 7:30. SPECIAL BUSINESS - NOMINATION
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OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 7, 1942

In reply refer to: 434:FHW

Mrs. Halena Wilson
International President
Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
4231 S. Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thank you for sending us a list of the
Auxiliary's presidents. We will be glad to let
you have previous knowledge of any information
we send the presidents from time to time.

Sincerely yours,

Frances H. Williams
Frances H. Williams
Department of Information



1128 7th Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C.

November 9, 1942.

Mrs. Halena Wilson,
International President,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 So. Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

I am again dividing my stationary, which you should receive even before you do this letter. I shall write Brother Totten to place an order for both of us. When he was here a few weeks ago I talked with him about the report sheets or dues books and he told me he thought the change could be made.

When I was at the bank the clerk told me the amount necessary to pay for a \$500.00 bond would be \$370.00.

I agree with you regarding the National Council of Negro Women. While I know nothing about this particular group, such women are seldom interested in the economic side of our race, but interested rather in what the race can do for them.

Just for your information, may I state that I understand the Washington Local is planning to move into one or the other basement of two members of the exsistant Vacation Club. This means that office space for me will not be provided. I reiterate my statement that this is a continuation of the persecution against me. I have not been ordered by Brother Randolph to move from here, so those in power are planning to move out. The place is very convenient, clean and beautiful and satisfactory but Brother Randolph did not have the courage to stop this thing altho he had all the necessary information from the Field Organizer, Brother Mc Laurin who had been here several times to investigate and report his findings from the beginning. It pains me to write you that many of the former staunch Brotherhood men; men who risked their jobs for the Brotherhood; men who have never failed to give of themselves or their means at all times for the Brotherhood; men who always had faith in Brother Randolph and the Brotherhood, even during the darkest hours. They are now discouraged, disheartened to the extent that they are all but fed up with the Brotherhood and Brother Randolph. The feeling is that Brother Randolph has been too busy otherwise to care for this, his zone, and yet he did not act upon the result of the investigations.

Enclosed please find a copy of the letter from Brother Totten, which is self-explanatory. Kindly return immediately.

Just at this point a committee of three came into my office to talk with me about moving. Brother W.S. Anderson was the spokesman and he stated that he had talked to Brother Randolph in New York and he had suggested that maybe there was some other spabe that I could occupy. Brother Anderson said they

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had decided that I take the space as you enter the door, which is by no means private, besides being very draughty and cold.

This letter is rather straggling because I have had so many interruptions. Brother Webster had just dropped in and dropped out. He is always so reassuring.

I truly hope I have covered every thing.

Take care of yourself, I am

Fraternaly yours,

Rosina C. Tucker.

International Secretary-Treasurer,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

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1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
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November 6, 1942.

Mrs. Halena Wilson,
International President,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Please sign enclosed voucher and return.

I will be happy to help the Indianapolis Auxiliary in
any manner necessary.

Fraternally yours,

International Secretary-Treasurer,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

P.S. May I suggest that a bulletin be sent to all the auxiliaries' presidents and secretary-treasurers explaining reinstatements because the proper method has not been used. Some members have been accepted as often as twice a year by paying the 50 cents.

R. C. T.

A. PHILIP RANDOLPH
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November 9, 1942

Mrs. Helena Wilson, International President
Ladies' Auxillary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Madam President:

Just a word to say that Brother Randolph and I met with unusual success with respect to organizing the C.P.R. porters in Montreal and Toronto. We succeeded in setting up what I believe will be a most aggressive Ladies Auxillary in both Montreal and Toronto.

At Toronto and Montreal the President's and Secretary Treasurer's name and address are respectively, Mrs. Nina Jackson, 848 Ossington Avenue, Mrs. Garda Chevalier, 528 Ridelle Ave., Mrs. Maisie D. Dash, 950 La Porte Ave. and Miss Thelma Coward, 3781 Notre Dame West.

In as much as I only had one of the 1938 Constitutions and General Rules I gave that to the President of the Montreal Division, so, I am suggesting that you write them immediately informing them when they can expect the amended Constitution and By-laws, and all the other necessary paraphernalia and such instructions as you deem necessary at your earliest convenience.

Unfortunately the new President of the C.P.R. at Toronto misunderstood his authority and caused some little controversy between the newly setup Auxillary of the Brotherhood and the Brotherhood officials, however, it is of a minor nature and I think it will be straightened out without any difficulty.

I will see you on my return from Canada, but will appreciate you contacting these Auxillaries in the two Divisions at your earliest convenience.

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Mrs. Helena Wilson

November 9, 1942

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Fraternally yours,
Bennie Smith J.W.
Bennie Smith
Second International Vice President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters

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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

November 10, 1942

TO MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Dear Sisters:

This is to call to your attention the Resolution relating to the Little Rock Auxiliary that was presented by me and approved by the International Executive Board.

In discussing this situation with Brother Randolph he advised that I explain the future possibilities of this Resolution and request the Board's permission to withdraw the same.

While the Resolution was meant to deal only with a specific situation there is danger of such a resolution setting a precedent that could cause no end of conflict in the future. Brother Randolph explained that no person has a right to remove a local official from office but the International President, however, the International President may delegate either of the vice presidents to represent her in such matters.

As the Convention Proceedings are being compiled an immediate reply regarding this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally yours,



Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 10, 1942

Mrs. Fannie J. Caviness
3rd International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
209 Maryland Street
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Sister Caviness:

Relative to the charter of the Houston Auxiliary I would advise that you instruct the auxiliary to inform Sister Myers that since the charter was in her possession that she will be held responsible for the same and that the auxiliary may request after ascertaining the price of a new charter that Sister Myers pay the cost, whatever it may be. A bulletin including instructions regarding charters will be issued within the next few days.

Instructions regarding the auxiliary cooperating with the zone supervisors will be issued also. Thanks for the information regarding transportation rates. It is hoped that a certain sum may be set aside for such a trip within the near future.

The Convention Proceedings are being compiled and will be submitted to each delegate and one to each auxiliary as soon as they have been completed. Your report to the Convention indicated the good work being done by you and I hope the next two years will be your most successful. Your kind wishes are deeply appreciated.

The picture of the International Officials was received. No doubt, you will have yours also by this time.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

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THE LADIES AUXILIARY

TO

THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
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November 11, 1942.

Mrs Halena Wilson
International President
Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
4231 South Michigan Street
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Having the greatest respect for Brother Randolph's advise ,
given through his long experience in this line of work, I
readily agree to the withdrawal of the Resolution referred
to in your letter.

Will write you again real soon.

Fraternally
Letitia Murray
Letitia Murray
Int'l Vice President.

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November 11, 1942

Mrs. Helena Wilson, Int'l. Pres.,
Ladies Auxiliary,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois,

My dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thanks for your letter of October 28th informing me of the position of the organization relative to the train porter members of the Auxiliary.

I wish to inform you that I have reasons to believe that a reorganization of the Richmond division will be a real benefit to you and the Auxiliary. For some time we have had a group of women holding offices but who gave little time to the actual program and since we have now about 75 new porters I have every reason to believe that we can build a good going Auxiliary there. I shall write you at length after my next campaign in that division. I also would like to say that we have there about 50 train porters and their wives who also should be organized in the Auxiliary.

You did not send a complete list of the officers of the Eastern Zone. I have a list including Atlanta, Jersey City, Tampa, and Washington, and a reference is made about the commission of Ashville. I wish you would complete the list and forward it to me.

Thanking you for your fine spirit of cooperation and remember me to Brother Wilson. Mrs. McLaurin wishes to be remembered.

Fraternally,

B. F. McLaurin,
Int'l. Field Organizer

BFM:GS

November 12, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

Your letters have been received for which I thank you. A bulletin containing instructions relative to the dues cards, reinstatements, etc. is being prepared. Your suggestion regarding the reinstatements was appreciated.

The copy of the report that was made by Brother Totten was received also.

The situation there is extremely unfortunate and I regret that you are in the midst of so much unpleasantness. However, I think you will find enough support to sustain you. The local president has no authority whatsoever in this particular instance, therefore, remain where you are until told otherwise by the proper authorities. We are all trying to approach matters such as these in a purely impartial manner which is the proper way for the officials to act, but right is right and whatever influence I have is on your side in this particular instance.

I have been informed by Brother Smith that an auxiliary to the Canadian Pacific Sleeping Car Porters in Montreal and Toronto have been organized. The secretary-treasurers are Mrs. Garda Chevallier, 528 Ridell Avenue, Toronto, Ontario and; Miss Thelma Coward, 3708 Northdame West, Montreal, Canada. Please send dues cards, financial report sheets, application blanks, etc.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

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Mrs Helena Wilson.
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4231 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago Ill.

Dear Sister Wilson:

I was indeed glad to hear from you, and how I enjoyed that friendly letter of yours. Our reunion in St. Louis was very wonderful.

The Campaign is over, and oh! how hard we worked, but we only for see behind Mr Dewey. but we had several Local Candidates, we went over the top, and we are still shaking. Mrs Calo was down for us

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Albany. The situation there grows worse
"She said it is utterly impossible for
them to go on with Mrs Williams, as
unless there is a reorganization, there
won't be an Auxiliary. Have you heard
from them recently?"

Kindly send me the
name & address of the newly elect Pres.
Philas Buffalo Durham, Norfolk, Wash
ington. Vashville Alabama.

Your love my
special permission to withdraw the said
Resolution.

kindest regard to all.
fraternally yours.
Katherine Lassiter.

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November 13, 1942

- B U L L E T I N -

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The Educational Program of the Ladies Auxiliary is as follows: Man, Woman and Child Labor; Consumer Education including the Consumer Cooperative Movement and Current Topics.

To effectively arrange such a program the program year should be divided into four parts. Three months being allowed to make a study of each subject. Speakers from various A.F. of L. local unions or affiliated bodies to explain all controversies involving labor is highly desirable since most articles as they appear in the newspapers are more or less unfavorable to labor organizations. Write, U.S. Department of Labor for suggested lists of publications.

The woman worker is becoming increasingly more in demand thereby giving rise to conditions that should be of the utmost concern to all women since these deal with rates of pay, hours of work, health hazards, working conditions, unionization of women workers, etc. The Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor has some very interesting data concerning the woman worker.

The disruptive forces of the present world struggle is having an affect upon child labor in particular and the youth of the world in general. The Children's Department, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. can supply information that will prove helpful in arranging this part of the auxiliary's program.

For the Consumers Program the Consumer Council Division of the local branches of the ~~Price~~ Office Administration will gladly supply speakers upon request. Price control, rationing, conservation of clothing, household articles, etc. are among the topics that may be included in this program. Your auxiliary is being placed on the mailing list in the Office of Price Administration in Washington, D.C. Bulletins will be mailed direct to the auxiliary from that place. Current Topics should be discussed at each meeting and may embrace any subject except religion and politics.

PATRIOTIC STAMPS

The International Secretary-Treasurer reports a total of \$364.25 received to date from the sale of the patriotic stamps. This represent a little better then half the number of stamps that were printed. The recent Convention authorized the purchase of a \$500.00 war bond now and additional ones at the discretion of the International Executive Board, therefore, it will be necessary for the local divisions to purchase additional stamps as soon as possible. The stamps have

had a very strong moral affect and should be continued in use for the duration of the war. Auxiliaries are being requested to purchase stamps for their secretary-treasurers since a large number of local secretary-treasurers are not using these stamps upon their envelopes.

CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

The Convention Proceedings are being compiled and will be sent one to each local division and one to each Convention Delegate as soon as they are completed.

CHARTERS

To prevent the local charters from being lost or misplaced the auxiliaries are being instructed to have the charters placed in a frame. In the event the charter is lost the official to whom the charter has been entrusted may be held responsible for its loss and may be required by the auxiliary to replace the same.

DUES CARDS

New dues cards are to be printed and will be sent to each division within the next few weeks by the International Secretary-Treasurer.

REINSTATEMENTS

Members whose dues are now in arrears may not reinstate by paying the 50¢ joining fee. Article XIV, paragraph 25, 1938 Convention Proceedings, provides that delinquent members may be restored to good standings upon ~~the~~ paying all arrears of dues and assessments. The resolution that was adopted by the 1940 Convention cancelling back indebtedness applied only to members who were unfinancial as of September, 1940. Members becoming unfinancial since that time are required to pay all arrears. This need not be done in a lump sum but may be paid in instalments. In instances where reinstatements already have been affected by paying the 50¢ joining fee, such action may be permitted to stand, but the auxiliaries are advised against this procedure in the future. Additional instructions will be released in a subsequent bulletin.

It is important that this bulletin be read in the auxiliary meeting and that the secretary-treasurer and other officials be governed accordingly.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 16, 1942

Montgomery Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
c/o Mrs. Emma Starks, President
624 Cleveland Court
Montgomery, Alabama

Dear Members:

Now that the Convention is over and the auxiliary is setting out upon another chapter in its development it is hoped that your auxiliary will be even more determined to add its mite to the growth and progress of the type of program that the auxiliary is in the process of building. I think all are agreed that conditions generally point to an urgent need of organization. Nations today are uniting and organizing perhaps as never before in an effort to remain in existence, surely an under-privileged group such as ours would be unfair to itself to do anything less. The modern world is passing through its greatest struggle for economic advancement and economic security. We might consider for example the shortage of rubber, silk and other raw materials including a number of much needed imports to visualize humanity's attempt to obtain the necessities of life even to the extent of sacrificing millions of lives. In all this struggle for survival the Negro is lowest down and is least considered because he has neglected to build where he is weak or to unite for concerted action where he is strong.

Speaking in terms of dollars and cents the Negro race is an extremely poor race but speaking in terms of natural physical possessions the race has much to its credit, therefore, the race must learn to bargain with its one possession which is its physical strength or in other words its labor. Such bargaining cannot be done unless both husband and wife, man and woman unite for the purpose of getting as much as possible for the one thing that the race has to bargain with. So, should you become discouraged at any

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Unity, organization, self-respect, dependability and cooperation must be taught and encouraged by the mothers of a race. Mothers can build a strong race or a weak race according to the training and the teachings instilled in the minds and hearts of their children from the cradle upward. So, remain steadfast for what we as an organization are attempting to do is a mighty step in the right direction.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

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November 17, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York City

Dear Sister Lassiter:

Your letter of November 13th was received. I was truly glad to learn that your candidate had emerged victoriously and I trust you will realize some personal benefits as a result of this victory.

The information regarding the Albany Auxiliary came just as I was about to write the entire membership. With the knowledge of conditions there before me I shall withhold the letter until a later date. Brother Randolph is in the city and I have made known to him the observations that were made by Sister Coles. He suggested that you be instructed to go there and re-organize the auxiliary if conditions warrant. Kindly let me know in advance when it will be possible for you to arrange a visit and I will send you a letter authorizing you to take the necessary action. It probably will be necessary to call a meeting for the purpose of hearing complaints and grievances so as to determine what is to be done. When I hear from you we will go into greater detail.

Thanks for your permission to withdraw the resolution.

We have not as yet received a copy of your Convention report. Will you kindly send this at your earliest convenience.

Brother McLaurin writes that a re-organization would be a great help to the Richmond Auxiliary. If this proves necessary Sister Tucker, because she is nearer to Richmond than you, will be instructed to make the visit there for this purpose.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 17, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st Intl. Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York City

Dear Sister Lassiter:

Instructions regarding monthly remittances are to be sent to each local division. It is evident that the auxiliaries tend to become lax if permitted to withhold monthly reports, therefore, each auxiliary is being required to submit a report each month even if to report that no dues have been received.

Kindly remind your zone at various intervals. Auxiliaries failing to report will be called to your attention.

The Convention Proceedings are being compiled by my office. The By-laws will be printed here also.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

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Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

I have been informed that an auxiliary has been organized in Winnipeg, Canada. Please send these divisions in Canada dues cards, application blanks, financial reportsheets, etc.

I wrote sometime ago regarding the auxiliary handling the charters and seals. Did Brother Totten turn these over to you? I wrote him requesting that he do so. If this has not been done I will write to him again.

The auxiliaries in Canada are being instructed to deposit their per capita tax, joining fee, charter fee, and all other monies due the International Auxiliary in a bank in their respective cities. These deposits will be made to the credit of the International Auxiliary for the duration of the war. A monthly report of these deposits are being required. The Brotherhood's auxiliary in Toronto will be required to do likewise from now on since the auxiliaries are inclined to become too lax if permitted to withhold their tax reports, therefore, they are being requested to make a report even if no dues have been collected in any given month. Instructions regarding these remittances will be sent to all local secretary-treasurers. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated. Brother Randolph strongly advised that this be done. The zone supervisors are being notified to this affect.

Regarding the car fare recently referred to by you. I have been informed by Brother Randolph that in point of view of the future to allow the car fare would be to set a precedent that might pave the way for future complications.

The Convention Proceedings are being compiled by this office and it has been noted that your financial report to the Convention did not contain the last

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker

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November 17, 1942

half of 1940 and one or two other semi-annual reports. Will you kindly send reports for each six months period covering this time including the first half of 1942 or will the semi-annual reports already made by you make a satisfactory record. If these can be used I will make use of the ones on hand.

The By-laws will be printed here also. Will send details of expense, etc. as soon as I have a complete account.

The secretary-treasurer of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada is Mrs. Helen Iola Hudson, #1, 198 Euclid Avenue.

Fraternally yours,

Halera Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 17, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1123 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

Your telegram was received by Brother Webster who informed me of its contents. Fortunately, Brother Randolph just arrived from Canada and informed me that he will be in Washington next week at which time this whole situation will be strenghten out.

I pointed out to Brother Randolph that the Washington affair is no longer a local matter, but that the action of the Washington Division directly involves the International Auxiliary since it has improperly handled one of its officials.

The Auxiliary will wait to see what the outcome will be but there is one thing certain that the International Auxiliary is in this to the finish.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 18, 1942

Mr. B. F. McLaurin
International Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
217 West 125th Street
New York City

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your letter of recent date was received for which I thank you. Relative to the Richmond Auxiliary. If you will send additional information Sister Tucker will be instructed to go to Richmond for the purpose of re-organizing that auxiliary. I understand the Albany Auxiliary isn't doing so well either. Sister Lassiter will be instructed to go there to re-organize if necessary.

With regards to the names of the officers in the Eastern Zone. Your letter requested only those of the newly elected officers and not the names of the entire zone, however, I shall be pleased to forward these to you.

I have written to Ashville for verification of its official list but have had no reply up to the present time. Do you have any information regarding the Philadelphia Auxiliary? According to the financial reports being received from there I should say that the auxiliary is not in the very best of shape.

It will be greatly appreciated if you will stress the importance of the auxiliaries remitting monthly since this lack of information makes it almost impossible to check on the auxiliaries and to know exactly from time to time whether or not progress is being made. A general letter to this affect is soon to be issued to all local secretary-treasurers.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

November 13, 1942

Mr. Bennie Smith
2nd International Vice President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
1308 Broadway
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir and Brother:

The enclosed list of members of the Winnipeg
Ladies Auxiliary was requested by Brother Randolph to be
forwarded to you.

Fraternally yours,

HW:le

Halena Wilson
International President

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WHILE WAITING FOR INSTRUCTIONS FROM BROTHER RANDOLPH AS YOU SUGGESTED MEMBER OF THE LOCAL LAST FRIDAY NIGHT MOVED ALL OF MY OFFICE FURNITURE INTO THE VESTIBULE OF THE HEADQUARTERS I CANNOT RETURN TO WORK UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES IF YOU DEEM IT NECESSARY WIRE ME FRATENALLY YOUR-

ROSINA C TUCKER.

MALENA.

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
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4231 South Michigan Avenue
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November 19, 1942

TO ALL SECRETARY-TREASURERS:

Dear Member:

Because it is difficult to make a proper check on the general condition of the auxiliaries when financial reports are remitted at uncertain intervals it is the decision of this office and that of the International Counsellor that the provisions governing remittances are expected to be complied with.

Therefore, all auxiliaries are required to submit monthly reports regardless of the amount to be remitted. When no dues have been collected a report to that effect is required also. In instances where the secretary-treasurer is remiss in this requirement letters will be sent to the auxiliary to ascertain why.

It is not the desire of this office to be drastic but a business organization must be run on a more business like basis otherwise the present laxity will be evident in the future affairs of the organization.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson

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International President

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Dear Friend,

The fight in the Senate on the poll tax is in a critical stage. The poll tax Senators are not allowing the Geyer - Pepper Bill, passed by a 3 to 1 vote in the House of Representatives, to come before the Senate for discussion. They are staging a disgraceful filibuster so that a vote will not be taken on the bill at this session of Congress.

In the enclosed Repealer, specific actions are suggested for you and your organization to take. We can defeat the filibuster and pass the Geyer-Pepper Bill within the next few weeks.. ..if we work hard....if our voices are heard in the Senate. Your actions will guarantee victory.

We have one more appeal to make. In the past, we have requested financial assistance and we received enough money to keep the Committee going. At this critical time, we are again appealing for money. We are confident that your response will make it possible for the Committee to carry on its work.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the thousands of organizations and individuals who have made possible the progress on this bill.

Sincerely yours,

Sylvia Beitscher

SYLVIA BEITSCHER
Executive Secretary

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encl.



November 20, 1942

Mr. Bennie Smith
2nd International Vice President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
1303 Broadway
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your advice regarding the financial reports was greatly appreciated. A general letter to the secretary-treasurers has been sent from this office calling the attention of each to this provision and stating that in instances where the secretary-treasurer failed to comply that a letter will be sent the auxiliary requesting an explanation. Sister Tucker was advised of this action and the zone supervisors have been informed also and instructed to help in the enforcement of this requirement. I have been thinking about this matter for the past several weeks and had decided to write Sister Tucker as the reports have been especially slow since the Convention.

I have written to the auxiliaries in Canada and will send additional instructions as soon as I have received a reply.

Enclosed is the list that was requested by you.

It is my intention to make a trip to Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and other auxiliaries in my zone in the spring, in fact, I hope from now on to make at least two visits a year, that is, in the spring and fall and to visit as many auxiliaries as possible each time.

Hope you and the madam will enjoy a very pleasant Thanksgiving Day.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le
Encl.

November 20, 1942

Mrs. Betty McLendon
5424 Prairie Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Member:

Mrs. Roberts has the names of twenty-one members who have expressed a desire to join the First Aid Class. Will you please contact Mrs. Roberts and select one or two others from the list, if necessary, to help ascertain whether or not all of the members still desire to participate in this class. If possible try to find out which evening will be more suitable for the largest number of members and let me know the outcome after which I would suggest that arrangements be made to obtain an instructor.

I phoned, but could not reach you so I am writing instead.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
President

HW:le

Copy to Cooper and Blakely

November 20, 1942

Mrs. Ellen Warren
445 Oakwood Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Member:

As we are having a special meeting at the Headquarters Monday evening at 8:00 o'clock at which time we should like to have as many members present as possible and as we are trying to save extra trips for the members it would be greatly appreciated if you could come to a meeting at 7:00 o'clock to discuss the Dressmaking class that was referred to in one of the auxiliary's recent meetings. Three members of the auxiliary are being asked to this meeting in the hope that something may be decided upon.

If you are willing to serve and cannot be present at that time may I hear from you. Call ATLantic 1346-1347 before 5:30 P.M.; after that time call OAKland 6431.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
President

HW:le

November 20, 1942

Mr. Abrams Goldstein
1200 West Belen Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Goldstein:

I should like to inform you that Mr. Boguardus of the Central States Cooperative has promised to come to the Monday evening meeting to discuss more fully conditions as they now affect the Consumer Cooperative Movement. Your advice in this matter was greatly appreciated.

I have discussed the Bookkeeping class at length with two or three members and would like to talk this over with you.

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson

HW:le

November 20, 1942

Mrs. Bertha Batson
4843 Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Member:

Will you kindly return the publication
given you at the auxiliary's last meeting to Mrs.
Willie Bell Redding upon finishing the same.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
President

EW:le

November 25, 1942

Mr. T. D. McNeal
International Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
11 North Jefferson Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

If available I would like to have a copy of the Proceedings of the Mass Meeting that was held prior to the opening of the Convention, Sunday, September 13th.

The Auxiliary's proceedings are coming along nicely and we hope to have them ready for distribution within the very near future.

Fraternally yours,

HW:le

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November 27, 1942

Mrs. Halena Wilson, Int'l. Pres.,
Ladies Auxiliary,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thanks kindly for your letter of a few days ago and for the addresses of the officers in this zone. I appreciate also your desire to instruct Miss Tucker to go into Richmond during our campaign. My only thought at this time is that unless we are able to relieve Miss Tucker of the obsessions she has relative to the difficulties in the district, we would be of little service to anybody. It appears that she cannot think of nothing but her own problems, therefore, we are meeting with them this week and may be able to adjust some of the injustices and treatment that she feels she has been the victim of.

I shall send you within a few days, information concerning the Ashville Auxiliary and, no doubt, during the first of the year will give some attention to revitalizing the program. I shall also keep in mind the financial remittance to the national office, and with your authority I think it might be wise to audit their books once in a while which will give them a sense of coordination in finance and may help to clear up some of the difficulties Miss Tucker has in adjusting local discrepancies.

I talked with Mr. Randolph about a meeting in Albany and Buffalo. We shall be happy if Mrs. Lassiter could join us at that time. We shall give you sufficient information as to dates so that the arrangements could be made. Thank you again and again for your fine spirit of cooperation and wishing you continued success in the work you are doing.

Fraternally yours,

B. F. McLaurin
B. F. McLaurin,
Int'l. Field Organizer.

BFM:GS

November 30, 1942

Mrs. Cora Chatman, President
Louisville Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
542 - 21st Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sister Chatman:

Your letter of recent date was received and I was indeed pleased to be informed of the plans being made by the auxiliary. I trust the auxiliary will be successful in its Bond Rally and that it will be able to secure Mrs. Hunter as its speaker. I can see no reason why she would not be glad to lend her services since it appears her duties are to help stimulate the purchase of bonds in our racial group.

I have just been informed that Brother Randolph will be here on the 4th of December. What his plans are beyond this date I have not been able to learn, however, I too, hope his trip there will not be in conflict with the auxiliary's plans.

Perhaps, the reference to the patriotic stamps was not entirely clear. It was not my intention to send additional stamps, but to contribute the amount that was left with Sister Hughes for the purchase of the group picture to the auxiliary to be applied toward the price of its first stamps.

Remember me to Brother Chatman and to the entire auxiliary membership.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Mrs Helena Wilson, International Pres.

Dear Mrs Wilson, I received your letter and was very glad to hear from you. I am sure the group will be glad to receive the stamps I am thanking you for the same. The auxiliary is planning a stamp and Bond Rally at Beecher Terrace on Dec. 6. I heard that a group of people were having Mr. Randolph down here in December. I hope it is not on our date which is Dec. 6. Have you heard anything to that effect? Mrs Hughes sent a night letter Mrs Nell Hunter asking her to be our speaker for that day. As yet we haven't an answer. Does she go out to small groups like ours? Thanks a lot for the minutes you sent me we are still meeting once each month. This coming Tues is our meeting. If you know anything good that will help us I will appreciate it.

Fraternally Yours
Cara Chatman Pres

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Dec 1st. 1942.

Dear Sister Wilson: -

I know you'll be kind enough to forgive me for my delay in answering your letter. When I tell you that I've been for the past three weeks working with the Benefactor Commission and State Hospital Problems, we are through. I can go to Albany any day after Thursday of this week. I am also involved in the

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report. Mrs Wilson had the book
of her house. She brought it from
St Francis and she sent it up
Sunday.

Kindly send me Mrs
Thomson's address. Thank you very
much.

I am
fraternally yours.

Katherine Lassiter

P.S.

Mrs Strickland has not lived the time
for more than a year, they have a new
one. I do not remember her name.

K.R.

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38 West 136th St.
New York, N. Y.,
Dec. 3, 1942.

Dear Sister Wilson:

In response to your letter of
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Lusk three applications of new
members.

Hoping you & yours are
well, I am

Fraternally Yours,
Sara D. Harper

December 3, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sister Lassiter:

Just a few lines to inquire whether or not you have heard from Sister Sappington regarding the minutes of the Executive Board meetings that were held in St. Louis. As you know individual copies are to be sent to each Board member so, I thought I would send this as a reminder.

Hope you are feeling well.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

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Mrs. Helena Wilson, Int'l. President,
The Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 S. Michigan Blvd
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

In reply to your letter of November 25th relative to securing a copy of the proceedings of the Mass Meeting held prior to the opening of the Convention, may I say that we only have two copies of this matter and it in turn is part of the general convention proceedings.

I have just received an okey from Brother Randolph to have the proceedings printed. We will need both copies, one for the printer and one for proof-reading.

As soon as I possibly can I will get into your hands a copy of the Mass Meetings minutes. I think this matter would be proper and fitting for the Auxiliary's proceedings in view of the fact that one of the best speeches made during the convention week was that made by you at the Mass Meeting. I have had occasion to read it two or three times and it is good.

With the hope that you will be able to wait until I can get this matter into your hands and with kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternaly yours,

T. D. McNeal

T. D. McNeal,
Int'l. Field Organizer.

TDM/m

3137 St. Antoine Street
Montreal, Quebec

DECEMBER 4th, 1943.

Air Mail.

Mrs. Helena Wilson
International President
Ladies' Auxiliary to the
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4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sister Wilson:

This will acknowledge with thanks receipt of your Bulletin dated November 13th.

We have been deeply impressed with its content, and the extent of the Educational Program suggested and shall endeavor to follow same during the calendar year of 1943.

You will be pleased to know that we now have seventeen ladies who have paid their joining fee, and expect this number to be greatly increased in the near future.

I have this day forwarded Sister Tucker the names of the ladies who have paid joining fees and Money Order (.5.00) to cover application for Charter.

RE: Patriotic Stamps -- would appreciate fuller detail in regard to the Patriotic Stamps as mentioned in your Bulletin. Are these Patriotic Stamps adaptable for Canadian Auxiliaries' use and what is the price of the Patriotic Stamps?

We were greatly encouraged on hearing the Letter addressed to the President, and the reply from the War Department.

With kindest personal regards.

Fraternally yours,

Velmer I. Coward

Velmer I. Coward (Miss)
Secretary-Treasurer Mtl. Div.
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Mrs. Halena Wilson, International President
Ladies' Auxiliary
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sister Wilson:

Just a word to hope that you and Ben are enjoying nature's best gifts, and to inform you that I have received a letter from the Winnipeg Division Ladies' Auxiliary, Sister Williams, who informs me that she has received the paraphernalia sent her by you and that the Ladies' Auxiliary most favorably accepted Mrs. Victoria Brown and Miss Elsie Baker, and the Auxiliary has now grown to twenty nine ladies.

They have appointed the following Committees, Sick, Entertainment, Educational and Auditing, also a Sentinel and Chaplain.

The Entertainment Committee is already at work so I am informed in sponsoring a Whist Drive on December 28th to raise money for the treasure, and they have had the fee of five dollars for the charter donated already, and everything else is moving forward in that particular Division.

Here is hoping that you will enjoy a very merry Christmas with many happy returns in the New Year.

With kindest personal regards. I remain

Fraternally yours,

Bennie Smith
Bennie Smith
Second International Vice President
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

BS/fw

Department of Information
OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 4, 1942

In reply refer to: 434:FHW

Mrs. Rosina Tucker
1812 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Tucker:

Here is the article for the "Black Magazine". Change it in any way that you like.

Sincerely yours,

Frances Williams —

Frances H. Williams
Group Services Branch
Consumer Division

Enclosure



December 9, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York City

Dear Sister Lassiter:

Your letter of December 1st was received and I was glad to know that you are free to make the trip to Albany. I understand that the Brotherhood is planning a visit there and I would suggest that you try to make your visit at the same time as it would be more effective. A joint meeting, no doubt, would be arranged and then a closed meeting for the auxiliary at which time existing conditions could be freely discussed.

After making your report on the findings there we could decide what would be the best thing to do for that division.

If the Brotherhood does not make such a trip I think the auxiliary should carry out its plans to investigate and to make whatever changes that are necessary.

Mrs. Agnes Thornton address is 433 East 45th Street.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 9, 1942

Mr. B. F. McLaurin
International Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
217 West 125th Street
New York City

Dear Sir and Brother:

Your observations regarding Sister Tucker's difficulties in Washington was appreciated. I have not heard from her concerning the outcome of Brother Randolph's visit, but I was informed of the decision that was made by him and have heard indirectly that his orders have been complied with. It is hoped this compliance will ease conditions there.

I have mentioned the Richmond trip to Sister Tucker and I am sure if she feels too much effects by what has happened in Washington that she will decline to make the trip.

Sister Lassiter has been informed of the proposed visit to Albany and has expressed a willingness to go there. As soon as I know the date of your visit she will be informed of your plans which I am sure will include a closed meeting for the auxiliary.

I am writing to the Asheville Auxiliary requesting its official roster and I think this time a reply will be forth coming.

I don't know what instructions Sister Tucker has given the local secretary-treasurers but since the work is so new to these officers an audit might prove confusing and such a number of mistakes are likely to be uncovered. Therefore I would not advise an audit at this time, but would greatly appreciate any suggestions which you feel would prove beneficial to the ones submitting these reports.

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Mr. B. F. McLaurin

December 9, 1942

It is very kind of you to refer to the cooperative attitude of this office. It is my opinion that those working for a common objective can ill afford to be other wise. Both the Auxiliary and I feel deeply indebted to you for your helpfulness and your friendly attitude.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 10, 1942

Mrs. Sara Allen, President
Indianapolis Ladies Auxiliary BCP
2514 Highland Place
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sister Allen:

It has been my intention to write to you for quite sometime, but the work of compiling the Convention Proceedings and the general shortage of office help plus sickness has prevented my doing so before now. I have wondered about the auxiliary's financial reports and if you were able to get the matter adjusted. If information other than that contained in the bulletin which has been issued since the Convention is needed I shall be glad to send it to you.

Relative to the Educational Program. If you feel there is not sufficient response on the part of the members then push certain phases of the program at first with a view of embracing the whole as time goes on. You, no doubt, will conclude by now that much of the success of this program will depend on you so, I would advise you to read short articles pertaining to labor; that you attempt to create a strong labor point of view on the part of your members being careful to help the members to differentiate between newspaper attacks on labor organizations since said newspapers are supported by the capitalist who advertise to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars a year as against the working man's need for an adequate working wage. The same procedure should apply to women who are now taking the place of men in the field of industry. The advantage of cooperation and organization have made the theme of your talks in the auxiliary will leave an impression upon your members. If you believe deeply in the things you are talking about you will eventually convince the others. At present your efforts may seem small but you are definitely on the right road. The efforts of your division may not appear so much the same as the efforts of another division, but when the efforts of all these divisions are put together they assume a much greater significance.

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Mrs. Sara Allen

December 10, 1942

As an organization of such magnitude we are forced to work in small units if we are to build a strong whole.

So, keep up the good work.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:te

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December 10, 1949.

Mrs. Malena Wilson,
International President, Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Both your letters dated December third are received. I have not heard from Brother Totten concerning the charters and seals. He has had my International Seal all this time.

I will be able to make the trip to Richmond, although, I have not noticed any difficulty from their records. In the report for November there was an application for a membership.

Brother Randolph ordered that my office be re-established as it was, and the furniture was moved back on November 30th. I came in the next day, December 1st, after having been out of my office two weeks.

Brother Webster talked with me over the phone while he was here. There were a few things I asked him to tell you as it would take too long to write them.

The step taken by the president of this local was a grave one, a step too far in the wrong direction. However, I don't know if it would be wise for me to take any further action, certainly not without your suggestion and co-operation. What is your reaction as to placing charges or as to letting the matter rest? Allow me to state that vouchers for November and December rent checks have not been returned by him, nor has

the November cancelled check come in with the others from the bank. Under ordinary circumstances I would not notice this, but in this case I am constrained to think that there is something brewing.

Enclosed find check for \$228.71 to cover refund of \$ 28.71; \$ 135.00 for printing matter and \$ 65.00 for office expense.

I thank you for planning to send the Convention Proceedings from your office, because it will give me the much needed relief.

Please find enclosed a letter from Dr. Leonard, Chief of Group Services Branch, Consumer Division, Office of Price Administration; also an article for the Black Worker, by Miss Frances Williams, at the last conference held here. If you think it can be condensed, please return it and I will write an article, unless you prefer to do so.

Thanking you for your sympathetic cooperation, I am

Fraternally yours,

Rosina C. Tucker

International Secretary-Treasurer,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

December 10, 1942

Mr. T. D. McNeal
International Field Organizer
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
11 North Jefferson Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir and Brother:

Thanks very much for your reply to my inquiry concerning the proceedings of the Mass Meeting. The Auxiliary's proceedings are being compiled in my office and it will be several weeks yet before they are ready. The proceedings of the Brotherhood, no doubt, will be available by the time we are ready. I was indeed pleased to know that the Auxiliary was able to make a favorable impression and I am glad the speech met with your approval.

I am sure it was an oversight that the Auxiliary was not included in the plans for the joint mass meeting. I reminded Brother Randolph of this meeting on the part of the New York Division and was informed that the Auxiliary would be included in the plans for the next joint meeting. When this was not done I was inclined to be a bit difficult, but Brother Randolph prevailed against any obstinacy that existed on my part. Such recognition means a great deal to the women of the organization since the majority of them are sincerely striving to make a worth while contribution to the development of the trade union consciousness within the Negro race. *omission*

We had a splendid time in St. Louis and the women feel that this Convention was their best.

Ben and I send best wishes for the coming holiday season.

Faternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 11, 1942

Mr. Seymour C. Jordan
5326 Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge and to thank you for the announcements relative to the Patriotic Forum which have been received by me. I am sure the forum contains much of interest and regret that I have been forced due to ill health to curtail many of my activities.

I trust your efforts will meet with much success and that I shall be able to attend some of your future discussions.

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson

HW:le

December 11, 1942

Collector of Internal Revenue
City Hall
Chicago, Illinois

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a tax receipt and an explanation relative to the tickets printed for the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters by the Clarke-McElroy Publishing Company.

The first tickets, one of which is being enclosed, had to be recalled because the building where the card party was first scheduled to be held was converted into an United Service Organization Center thereby making it necessary for the Auxiliary to make other arrangements. Unfortunately, advance notice was not given by the owners of the building and the second arrangements which were made for much smaller quarters had quite an affect on the original plans and will explain the small tax being remitted which is for the amount of Six Dollars and Eighteen Cents (\$6.18).

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson
President

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Dec 11, 1942.

Mrs. Helena Wilson
International Pres.
4231 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sister Wilsee:

You forgot to give me the
O.K. to work on my ticket for my trans-
portation. I want to go up no later
than next Thursday or Friday.
Thanks for the beautiful card.

Best wishes

fraternally yours,
Katherine Lassiter

December 11, 1942

Miss Velmer I. Coward, Secy-Trea.
Montreal Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
3137 St. Antoine Street
Westmount, Quebec
Canada

Dear Sister Coward:

It is encouraging to know that the auxiliary finds the Educational Program of sufficient merit to meet its approval. It is the hope of the Auxiliary through such a program to impress upon Negro women the advantages which accrue as a result of a people accepting and putting into practice the principles of unity, organization and cooperation.

Self-help through collective action is one of the constant utterance of the organization. So firm is this belief that the conclusion has been reached that one race is not justified in asking another to do for it that which it is unwilling to do for itself. As other races band together for development, protection and survival so must the Negro race and there are no better disciples of this doctrine than the mothers of the race for it is they who are charged with the training of the men and women of each successive generation. If children are taught racial unity and racial pride in their youth they surely will be present in the adult. So, it appears that it is just beginning to be recognized by the Negro that the development of the race depends largely upon the teachings of its mothers. Seventeen women imbued with this belief can do a marvelous piece of work in any community so, press onward.

I did not start out to make these observations but as I have done so it will be necessary to send another letter containing the information that was requested in your letter.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 11, 1942

Miss Velmer I. Coward, Secy-Trea.
Montreal Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
3137 St. Antoine Street
Westmount, Quebec

Dear Sister Coward:

Owing to present difficulties the auxiliaries of Canada are being instructed to deposit all monies to the International Auxiliary to the credit of the International Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. A monthly report of such deposits are required; one report to Sister Tucker, a duplicate report to this office and a copy to be kept for the files of the local auxiliary.

The patriotic stamp referred to is the one affixed to the outside of the envelope which contained this letter. This stamp is being used to help create favorable sentiment in the interest of a loyal group of citizens here in America. It is doubtful whether such a stamp would be adoptable for use by the Canadian Government, but for your information the stamp sells for three cents (3¢) each and the International Auxiliary sold \$364.00 worth of these to the local auxiliaries over a very short period. The Convention delegates authorized the purchase of war bonds with this money.

The Auxiliary appreciate your comments on the letter sent by the Convention to the President of the United States.

Best wishes to all.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

317 R Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
December 11, 1942

Mrs. Helena Wilson
International President, Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
4231 S. Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sister Wilson:

The bulletin of November 13 was received and read at our last meeting. I had previously outlined the program to the ladies so they knew how our Education Program was to be carried on.

I had also made contact with the O.P.A. in reference to us having a speaker at one of our meetings. I shall keep you informed of our program as we have them.

Current topics are given at each meeting, since there is so much to be informed on.

Our organization committee is very busy in carrying out the program and would like to have any suggestions you may have to offer.

We are doing our best to make the Auxiliary 100%. The smiles on the faces of the ladies as they come in to the meetings is very encouraging to me.

Yours fraternally,

Elizabeth V. Craig

Elizabeth V. Craig, President
Ladies Auxiliary, B.S.C.P.
Washington Division

December 12, 1942

Miss Clementine McConico
Chicago Division
March On Washington Committee
4559 South Park
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Miss McConico:

Mrs. Wilson requested that I submit the following information to you.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters accept your invitation to serve as a hostess at one of the tables at the tea to be given December 27th. Mrs. Mabel Bryant of 5611 Michigan Avenue, Eng. 2539, will represent the Auxiliary and I would appreciate it if you would make all arrangements through her.

Yours truly,

Lucille Edwards
Secretary to Mrs. H. Wilson

December 12, 1942

Mrs. Agnes Thornton
Secretary-Treasurer
Chicago Division
Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
433 East 45th Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Thornton:

Mrs. Wilson requested that I forward the enclosed material to you for your files.

Trust you are well and looking forward to the holiday season.

Yours truly,

Lucille Edwards
Secretary to Mrs. H. Wilson

Encl.

December 15, 1942

Mrs. Katherine Lassiter
1st International Vice President
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
103 West 141st Street
New York City

Dear Sister Lassiter:

Your letter of December 11th was received. If you feel it would be more convenient for you to go to Albany at the time specified in your letter than to wait until the Brotherhood makes its visit there it is quite alright with me. However, I was wondering if you might experience some difficulty if the trip is made the first of the year since travel is so heavy and everyone seems so occupied at this time with their holiday arrangements. I shall instruct Sister Tucker to send your transportation upon request which can be made at your own convenience.

I would suggest also that you pay the Jersey City Auxiliary a visit and get information regarding a club called "The Helena Thrifty Club." Make inquiries concerning its activities, when and how it functions and under whose auspices. I received a letter regarding this club while I was ill and while pleased that it was named after me I was too ill at that time to make inquiries regarding it. However, it now appears to be a saving club composed of Auxiliary members who divide the monies that has been accumulated throughout the year. I understand that the club is known as the New Jersey Ladies Auxiliary Thrifty Club. This, of course, definitely connects the club with the Ladies Auxiliary and because of this connection all monies so raised should be placed in the treasury of the Ladies Auxiliary and should not be divided among the members. An individual is not to profit as a result of his connection with the organization. Because of this close connection it would be to the best interest of the division that this club be disbanded.

I would suggest that you make this assertion only. Get the facts so I may present them to Brother Randolph and get his opinion regarding the action

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Mrs. Katherine Lassiter

December 15, 1942

that should be taken which will be communicated to you later. If questions are asked, state that there is some question regarding the propriety of such clubs.

Fraternally yours,

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HW:le

Halena Wilson
International President

December 15, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

The check and other information contained in your letter of December 10th was received. I shall write Brother Totten and advise that he send the necessary instructions including the seal. This will enable the Auxiliary to proceed a step further in discharging its own obligations.

Regarding the trip to Richmond. I have not received a financial report for quite sometime, however, I intend to take this up with the auxiliary after the first of the year. Personally, I know of no difficulty there, but wrote you on advice received from Brother McLaurin. I felt if a re-organization was necessary that an Auxiliary official should participate. I shall write Brother McLaurin for greater detail. It appears from his letter that the present office holders do not devote enough time to the auxiliary's development. I understand there are about 75 new porters and about 50 train porters now in the Brotherhood there and that an organizational drive would probably be very affective in so far as the Auxiliary is concerned which I suppose was Brother McLaurin's reason for suggesting the re-organization. I shall take this matter up with Brother Randolph before proceeding further.

I was very pleased with the ruling made by Brother Randolph with regards to the re-establishment of your office. You have emerged from a very difficult situation very victoriously and I would venture to say that the entire organization is behind you as a result of what has transpired there and I think if I were you I would let matters rest as they are since to institute charges would only prolong an unfortunate situation and give greater publicity then would otherwise be given this matter.

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Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker

December 15, 1942

If the delay in returning the vouchers have too great a bearing upon the work of your office I will write Brother Randolph and request that he ask that they be sent to you. I think it would be better to handle all such instances in this way since all Brotherhood officials are under the direction and supervision of Brother Randolph.

Relative to the rent checks. Just keep your stubs as evidence of payment and ignore the rest. I believe by doing this that you will be materially strengthened.

I am returning the article on Point Rationing so you may condense this article since you are more familiar with what is transpiring, however, it is possible that this information will be sent the local auxiliaries as a mailing list has been furnished Miss Frances Williams who promised this would be done regarding all such releases.

Will you kindly submit upon request transportation cost for Sister Lassiter's trip to Albany, New York.

We have sufficient small envelopes but would advise that you have only the large size envelopes printed for this office.

My best wishes to you and Brother Tucker for the coming holiday season.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le
Encl.

December 16, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary BSEP
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

I neglected to send you the membership of the auxiliaries recently organized in Canada. The membership to date in Montreal is over 17; in Winnipeg 33; do not have a figure for Toronto but would suggest that you send over 20 dues cards. If you are short of supplies kindly let the auxiliaries know so they will understand the reason for the limited items being sent.

Will you send me a report of the last financial statement remitted by the Little Rock Auxiliary. Sister Dailey is going there after the first of the year with specific instructions to re-organize that division. This will include the removal of the president and secretary-treasurer and, if necessary, the lifting of the charter. It is my desire to contact the entire membership before Sister Dailey's arrival since it is likely that the members do not know the full extent of these official insubordination. Please send me the names and addresses that were submitted on your latest report sheet.

I understand there is an auxiliary being formed in Parsons, Kansas. Final arrangements are to be made soon after the first of the year. This will be a group of Train Porters' women relatives and will be in Sister Dailey's zone.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le



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December 16, 1942

Mrs. Helena Wilson,
International President,
Ladies Auxiliary,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thanks for your letter of December 9th in which you have given observation involving the trip to Richmond by Sister Tucker and Sister Lassiter. We shall be very glad to let you know in time of our plans.

I am also of the opinion that the situation in Washington is less intent and that sooner or later we can hope for a great deal of peace. I was down with Brother Randolph when the last matter was handled and found that there was much more of a desire to cooperate without injecting their own personal opinions and attitudes in the matter. I spend three days there last week and found that the whole atmosphere is cleared and that it is much more conducive for our program to succeed.

Thanking you for your interest in securing official roster of the Asheville division.

May I hope that you are well and that you and Brother Wilson will be able to enjoy the happiest of all Christmases and that your New Year will be very bright with success. Keep up the good work. I am,

Fraternally yours,

B. F. McLaurin
B. F. McLaurin,
Int'l. Field Organizer.

BFM:GS



December 16, 1942

Mr. J. Paul Leonard
Chief, Group Services Branch
Consumer Division
Office of Price Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In replying to your letter of recent date please be advised that the official journal of the organization is entitled "The Black Worker" and is edited in New York by the International Brotherhood.

I shall consult the Brotherhood regarding the space available in "The Black Worker" for the articles referred to in your letter and will submit this information to you.

Yours truly,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 16, 1942

Mrs. Alice Payne
447 Oakwood Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Payne:

This is to notify you that your recent application for membership in the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters was accepted and to inform you of the auxiliary's regular time of meetings which is the first and third Thursday evenings of each month at eight o'clock at 4231 South Michigan Avenue. I am indeed pleased to extend to you in behalf of the auxiliary members a cordial welcome.

The auxiliary has a program quite different from most organizations here on Chicago's great South Side in that it is endeavoring to impress upon its members the part they can contribute in helping to develop unity, solidarity, organization, cooperation and unionization within our racial group, the lack of which is responsible for most of the races ills. We trust you will find such a program interesting and that you will feel free to contribute to its greater development.

Very truly yours,

Halena Wilson
President

HW:le

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December 17, 1942.

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Mrs. Helena Wilson,
International President, Ladies Auxiliary
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Your letter of December the eleventh, with the enclosure of a money order for \$ 10.84 from the Cincinnati Auxiliary is at hand. I was puzzled when I saw they had sent you the money order, to the extent that I looked over my records. I find that on July eighth I received a report sheet that was not made out and a money order for \$ 9.67. I returned the sheet with the request that it be made out so I could give the members the credit due them. I heard nothing from the secretary, then on August ^{26th} ~~giving~~ ^{part} her a copy of a sheet, ^{made out} as best I could, as it should look when made out according to the amount of money sent me. I have the records before me while writing you. I find that all through 1941 I have written her in detail the standing of her members. This takes patience and time, and now I am wondering if sending the money to you without a report is a method to ignore this office. I know you will not think this sensitiveness on my part, but since I have not received any word since July, it makes me wonder.

Enclosed, please find 332 stamps which I hope is the correct number.

With kind remembrances to all, I am

Fraternally yours,

Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

December 18, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1128 Seventh Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

It has been advised by the auxiliary in Canada that when submitting supplies and other printed material that you place on the outside of the envelope or package "Printed Matter, U.S.A." or "Printed in U.S.A."

This is a requirement of the Canadian Government.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 21, 1942

Mrs. Elizabeth Craig, President
Washington Ladies Auxiliary BSCP
317 "R" Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Craig:

Your letter under date of December 11th was received. I am glad you found the information contained in the bulletins to be of service to you and I am also glad to know that everything is moving along in a satisfactory manner. Other bulletins and additional information will be released from time to time which it is hoped will help in furthering the work of the auxiliary. I shall be pleased to help in every way possible.

Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and A Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

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1128 Seventh St., N.E.
Washington, D.C.

December 22, 1942.

ROBINA C. TUCKER
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Mrs. Halena Wilson,
International President,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters,
4231 South Michigan Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sister Wilson:

Many thanks for your letter of December fifteenth and for your favorable reaction expressed therein to the contents of my letter to you.

I wrote Brother Totten about our supplies, but I have not heard from him. I will write him again.

You can't imagine how surprised I am to hear you speak of Sister Lassiter's transportation to Albany. I have before me the stub of check number 175 issued July 6th, 1942. Has she been there again?

The last financial report came from Little Rock on August 8th, 1942, with \$ 5.00 for Convention assessment and .78 for six members for the month of August, making the total amount sent \$ 5.78.

The names on the report are:

Sister Janie Gray - 1516 Bishop
" Anna Napier - 1407 W. 17th St.,
" Rosalee Keith - no address
" Rhoda Martin - " "
" Blutie Terry, -1510 W. 16th St.
" Louise Smith - 1517 W. 17th St.

Other members are:

Sister Birdie Brooks - 1205 W. 20th St.
" Ollie Dozelle - 2717 Center St.,
" Katie Freeman - no address
" Annie Gray - 2608 W. 16th St.
" Mozelle Hicks - 1823 Bishop St.
" Minnie Purifoy - 1409 9th St.

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It may be, that if the delinquent members are contacted, Sister Dailey may be able to find the trouble and correct it, and build up the Auxiliary with them and others who are already faithful.

I am trying to take off a few days for the Holidays, if I can. Of course if my mail becomes heavy, I will have to work and if the supplies come I will get them out.

Your suggestions concerning checks and vouchers are well taken.

Thanking you again, I am

Fraternally yours,

Rosina C. Tucker

International Secretary-Treasurer,
Ladies Auxiliary,
Brotherhood Sleeping Car Porters.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
4231 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

December 28, 1942

Dear Member:

This is to inform you of the intended visit of Sister Mae Dailey, the International Supervisor of the Zone in which the Little Rock Ladies Auxiliary is located. Sister Dailey, in keeping with the constitutional provisions will represent the International President of the Ladies Auxiliary on this trip and has been fully authorized to proceed according to instructions while visiting the Little Rock Ladies Auxiliary.

For more than a year and an half it has been the wish of this office to establish contact with the Little Rock Ladies Auxiliary. Letters requesting specific information have remained unanswered and remittances to the International Secretary-Treasurer have been very irregular. In January, 1942, the auxiliary remitted for April, May and June, 1941. In February, 1942, according to records before me the local secretary-treasurer sent in a remittance paying the per capita tax from July through December, 1941. The International Secretary-Treasurer in making her bi-annual report in July, 1942, showed that the local secretary-treasurer had last remitted for the month of February, 1942. Bulletins containing instructions pertaining to the affairs of the Auxiliary have been submitted throughout this period, but in so far as this office is concerned they have not been complied with or acknowledged. So, in view of this attitude on the part of the auxiliary's officials it was the decision of the International Executive Board and that of the Convention Delegates in the recent Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, that a re-organization be effected in the Little Rock Ladies Auxiliary.

This brief outline of the situation in Little Rock is being sent the members so they may know why such action has become necessary. It is the sincere desire of the International Auxiliary to retain a local division in that city. This is evinced by the very liberal and tolerant attitude on the part of the International Auxiliary for a period of more than a year and an half in which time many efforts have been made through bulletins, etc. to bring about a better understanding between the International Auxiliary and the local auxiliary in Little Rock. Since these efforts have proven unsuccessful the International Auxiliary has no alternative but to proceed with a re-organization of that division.

I trust the women there will see the wisdom of helping to build unity and solidarity within the race by assisting to build strong organizations within the race. To do this discipline is essential and it is my sincere hope that you will cooperate with the International Zone Supervisor and the International Auxiliary in maintaining the discipline needed to develop unity and solidarity. A race cannot advance without honest and sincere leadership or without a loyal well-informed membership; neither can an organization exist without these requisites hence the need to take the action being contemplated in the Little Rock Division.

Fraternally yours,



Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

December 29, 1942

Mrs. Rosina C. Tucker
International Secretary-Treasurer
Ladies Auxiliary B.S.C.P.
1123 Seventh Street, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sister Tucker:

The stamps and the stationery were received for which I thank you.

Relative to the Cincinnati Auxiliary. It is my intention to make a visit there either in March or April at which time I am sure I shall be able to learn whether or not there is anything wrong. I have not heard of any difficulties so far, however, it may be that the secretary-treasurer is having some difficulty adjusting herself to the work.

I understand Brother Totten's duties are extremely heavy which, no doubt, some delay in handling the extra duties imposed upon him by the Auxiliary, however, we hope in the future to relieve him of these responsibilities.

Regarding Sister Lassiter's trip to Albany. This will be her second visit there. It was brought to her attention that the auxiliary was not making the progress that it should make and that there was some possibility that the auxiliary might become inactive unless something was done. As a result of this information Sister Lassiter has been advised to make a trip there to ascertain the present state of affairs so that everything can be done to strengthen the division. Her request for funds will be for another trip to the Albany Division.

Thanks for the information regarding the Little Rock Auxiliary. Sister Dailey plans to be there on the 15th of January and I wanted to contact the membership before her arrival.

Hope you enjoyed the holiday and that you were able to get a good rest.

Fraternally yours,

Halena Wilson
International President

HW:le

C 8, '43

445 Oakwood Blvd
Atlaw. 1802.

Tues. Dec. 29, 1942

Dear Helena,

Here are the names of the ladies
who attended our first class.

Mrs L. Benbo - Ind. 9295

Mrs Evelyn Harris - Kans. 4335

Mrs. Bertha Butson - Dues. 3963

Mrs. F Mc Cann - 5037 ... 7857

Mrs Mabel Bryant - Eng. 2539

Mrs. Clara A. Mitchell

Sincerely Yours
Ellen

WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE OF CHICAGO

630 South Ashland Boulevard

Telephone: Seeley 1526

December 30, 1942

Dear Member:-

At the regular meeting in November, you were nominated for member of the Executive Board.

Inasmuch as our regular meeting will be on January 14, will you please advise us not later than January 7, whether you will accept the nomination. An addressed postal card is enclosed for your convenience in sending your reply.

We might remind you, too, that the Executive Board meeting will be on January 7, for present Board Members.

I am With best wishes for the holiday season,

Fraternally yours,

Agnes Nestor
Agnes Nestor,
President.

OEU #20732 - AFL

HALENA WILSON
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT
4231 S. MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

THE LADIES AUXILIARY
TO
THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS
AN INTERNATIONAL A. F. OF L. UNION

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Mrs Halena Wilson
4231 S. Mich. Ave
Chicago Ill.

Dear Sister Wilson:

In reply to your letter of Jan. 20th inst
'42 beg to I do think a tax of ^{\$}5.00
to go is adequate, however if do to the
changing conditions the majority
think otherwise, I am in accord
for what ever is the best for our
organization.

Am so sorry for my long delay
but due to illness of first me and
my husband, it has put me back
in my work.

Fraternally yours

Anna Wilson
282 W 132nd St
Apr 48. N.Y.C.

Mrs Helena Wilson President of
International Ladies Club B.S.C.P
4231 S. Michigan Ave

Dear Sister Wilson

Sometime ago I received
a general letter from you
in regard to copies of the
Constitution and Rules and
Regulations, and the Convention
-proceeding.

We discuss the matter and
Voted to pay 25 cents or less
if we could get them for
less. They all would like
to have one

We had a Very nice Meeting
Tuesday Aug 25

A Lady call me up the next day

after you had gone said
Mrs. McWatt was going to transfer
to Minneapolis Auxiliary
did she talk to you about it.
Will you please let me know
at once what to do

Fraternally yours,
Mattie Brown
Minneapolis President

DECLARATION OF THE OBJECT, PRINCIPLES and
AIMS of the
LADIES AUXILIARY
to the
BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS

1942

Foreword

The Ladies Auxiliary was first organized in New York City in August, 1925, as the Colored Women's Economic Council and bore that title until September, 1938, when the International Ladies Auxiliary was organized, at which time it was decided to change the Economic Council to the Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

The Council, while being a pioneer labor organization among Negro women, did find in each city where the Council had been organized, women strong and fearless enough to face threats, opposition and even ostracism, to remain loyal to the principles for which the Brotherhood was fighting.

The Council members who remained steadfast in the face of such overwhelming odds worked untiringly under the most unfavorable and depressing circumstances.

The meeting places which usually were in the Brotherhood Headquarters were poorly heated and poorly lighted and most of the time the outlook so gloomy that nothing but the desperate economic conditions that faced the porter and his family could have forged bonds urgent or strong enough to cause the few in either or both organizations to press onward.

The Council was a great help and inspiration to the Brotherhood in those days even though it was young and inexperienced in the ways of the great labor movement. Its primary function during those trying times was an implementation of the ever present need for funds and the lessening of the general opposition of the women as a result of the fear that membership in the organization would bring about the loss of jobs thereby cutting off the family income.

During this time, the Council engaged in numerous social, civic and economic activities in its gradual steps toward a complete integration into the Trade Union Movement. Such cities as New York, Washington, Denver, Chicago and St. Louis, and I am sure a few others, while occasionally at a very low ebb, were, so far as I have been able to ascertain, never entirely without a women's organization. In a great number of instances there were re-organizations along the way and repeated attempts to encourage the women to carry on in the interest of the group as a whole.

The Council, and later the Auxiliary, in the early days was the lone Negro women's organization connected with labor to walk picket lines, to join mass demonstrations against the high cost of living, to advocate with other groups observance of meatless days in an effort to force prices down as well as to obtain higher quality in Negro neighborhoods, to attend labor and legislative conferences as well as to take an active part in the Consumers Cooperative Movement.

With the advent of the International Ladies Auxiliary, the aim has been to increase and encourage participation in such matters on an ever wider and more forceful scale in every local division. To this end, the International Auxiliary has continuously sought to keep the object, the purpose and the aim of the Auxiliary before the local officials and members with the conviction that time, experience and greater knowledge, plus the conviction of the worthwhileness of the Auxiliary program will eventually result in the numerical increase in the membership rosters generally.

(From the International Office of the Ladies Auxiliary, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, Halena Wilson, President.)

OBJECT

The object of the Ladies Auxiliary is to unite the families of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, to promote and advance their welfare economically, socially, morally, intellectually and to stimulate interest in all matters pertaining to the good and progress of the Brotherhood.

To work for the best interest of the Brotherhood in general and for the welfare of both organizations through a mutual good feeling and clear understanding that should at all times exist between the Brotherhood and the Auxiliary.

PURPOSE

To build a program of organization, legislation and cooperation for the purpose of developing leadership among women thereby inspiring them with a sense of personal responsibility for the Auxiliary and for the progress of the race as a whole.

THE AIM

To organize Committees, to watch all forms of economic and legislative discrimination against Negro workers.

To challenge and oppose any movement or agency calculated to segregate Negroes and to study the Trade Union Movement particularly as it relates to the Negro.

To participate in activities intended to encourage and stimulate the employment of Negroes so as to open wider occupational opportunities for this group of workers.

To cooperate with all bonified social, civic, religious and educational agencies which tend to increase the Negro's interest in the community.

To provide a common meeting ground for women who endorse the principles of democracy and who wish to see them applied to the basic field of industry.

DIVISION OF INTERNATIONAL
LADIES' AUXILIARY
to the
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING CAR PORTERS

1942
(Date of Election)

This is to certify that _____
(Name of Delegate)
at a constitutionally prescribed meeting was
regularly elected and is duly accredited dele-
gate from _____ Division to the
(Name of Division)
2nd Biennial Convention of the International
Ladies Auxiliary to the International Brother-
hood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Total Paid Up Membership _____
Number of Votes Cast _____
Number of Votes Cast _____
for this Delegate

(Signature) President

(Signature) Secy-Trea.



National Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax

Number 10 Independence Avenue, Southwest
Washington, District of Columbia

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SUBJECT: Mass Campaign Against the Poll-Tax
During the Next Two Months

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The present anti-labor wave in Congress is the direct result of the large block of Southern poll-tax representatives. If this anti-labor drive is to be defeated, it is necessary to show the public that these poll-tax congressmen do not represent the people of the South. It is necessary to link the poll-tax to every anti-labor Southern congressman in order to expose the anti-democratic character of the attack on labor.

In our opinion we cannot successfully fight this war unless we do so with democratic means at home. The poll-tax must go. The drive against labor must be defeated. These measures are inseparable as steps for a democratic war program.

The Senate Judiciary Committee has completed four days of fruitful hearings on Senator Pepper's anti-poll-tax bill. We believe that the time is propitious for a mass anti-poll-tax campaign to stress these two points:

- (a) Its anti-labor character (tying the present anti-labor drive to the poll-tax congressmen).
- (b) The Fascist nature of the poll-tax as a hindrance to fighting the war.

A budget of \$3500 is needed now so that in the next two months we can carry out the following steps in a mass campaign:

1. Mailing of 100,000 copies of a four-page leaflet summing up labor's viewpoint on the poll-tax, 25,000 to the South, 75,000 nationally \$ 600
2. Mass meeting on Jefferson's birthday, April 13, in Washington at the National Press Club Auditorium with national figures from the South, from labor, and from Congress 200
3. Distribution to the entire labor press of full-page mat of advertising. This page would highlight the two points (a) and (b) above, using the statement of labor leaders in support 100

4. Advertising in the Washington and Southern press - a full-page ad in the Washington Post or the Evening Star; a half-page ad in the leading state papers of each poll-tax state. These advertisements would bear directly upon the anti-labor drive of the poll-tax congressmen. They would call names. \$2000
5. Running expenses of the office (salaries, rent, telephones, clerical help). 500

This campaign is vital to the defeat of the anti-labor drive in Congress but it has to be done NOW.

THIS COMMITTEE HAS A RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

First, hearings were held in the House on the Geyer Anti-Poll Tax Bill. As the result of this Committee, 100 congressmen have signed the petition to get the bill out of the Judiciary Committee and on to the floor for a vote. The Committee has just completed four days of hearings on the Pepper Bill in the Senate. Additional witnesses will be heard shortly. If sufficient pressure is brought to bear, it is possible to obtain a favorable report of this bill to the Senate. The support of church, women, farm, and Negro organizations was channelized by this Committee through the recent set of hearings.

Despite the fact that the Committee has had only \$1900 at its disposal in the past year, several pamphlets, brochures and much mimeographed material have been mailed throughout the country. A monthly news service (The Poll-Tax Repealer, a copy of which is attached to this memorandum) has been inaugurated. Numerous handbills have been distributed to labor organizations.

This Committee has the support of outstanding liberals throughout the country, of the leaders of every part of the American labor movement, and of many representatives in the Congress. If \$3500 is made available, the Committee guarantees that the program outlined at the beginning of this memorandum will be carried through with vigor, with promptness, and with efficiency.

WE ARE CALLING ON YOU TO MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION NOW !

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To be submitted at
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S. McFadden

FOURTEEN REASONS FOR JOINING THE LADIES AUXILIARY TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF SLEEPING
CAR PORTERS

1. Because the Brotherhood feels the women relatives of porters are essential to the success of its future plans.
2. Because the Brotherhood needs the cooperation and the support of every porter's wife, sister, daughter, mother, and other women relatives.
3. Because the Brotherhood controls the job which provides the necessities in the lives of these women.
4. Because the Brotherhood has made it impossible for the Company to fire its members without first proving them guilty of an offense grave enough to justify such action, thereby giving greater protection to their women relatives.
5. Because the Brotherhood believes that once our women have a complete understanding of the purpose and the power of the Brotherhood, they will insist that their men-folk keep their dues paid.
6. Because the Brotherhood will not represent a porter who is not in good standing and because no other organization has the power to represent the porter.
7. Because the Brotherhood has proved its effectiveness in representing the porter by securing for him a \$12.00 a month increase in pay at a time when other workers were being forced to take a reduction.
8. Because through the power of the contract that was written by the Brotherhood, porters have been put back on runs from which they previously had been fired.
9. Because through the efforts of the Brotherhood, men have been put back to work who had been fired all the way from a few days to, in one instance, ten years-- in the latter case, without a loss of seniority and with a substantial cash settlement.
10. Because the Brotherhood has won by far the majority of the cases in which it represented porters and attendants before the National Railroad adjustment Board.
11. Because any of these men might have been Your-breadwinner, Your daughter's breadwinner, Your mother's breadwinner, or Your sister's breadwinner.
12. Because the Auxiliary is interested in promoting better housing, protection of civil liberties, more adequate unemployment insurance, old age pensions and retirement benefits, low cost medical care etc. Consumers' education is also a study of much interest to the Auxiliary.
13. Because the Auxiliary offers opportunities for advancement in fields previously unknown to Negro women.
14. Because your membership in the Auxiliary will help strengthen the position of the Brotherhood officials when once again they face the Pullman officials with new demands in behalf of the porters.

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207. Wacker drive, Price Adm.
15 mil. dollars more 1944 than ever before
"earnings" scarcity produces high
bargaining practice. Control raw
commodities at source - wholesale.

Control retail price for control.
Report high prices on all articles.

Standards on machine sheets
Compulsory - 4 grades of sheet at
wholesale. "not retail"

Refer to waste of A. half shell gas tanks.

"Consider compulsory savings"
England tax 4B. to refund at
end of war. to help reconstruction

"Consumer retain standard of
living" - center for information
dealing with all con. problems

Rationing fair distribution.

Money no longer important when
commodities are scarce.

Egypt: "high grade of cotton"
not grown in A. "long fibre"

Rationing standards

Adm. 3600 ext 257
Endover

25 tons of sugar wanted
in coffee tea cup etc along
family.

Mrs. Edith W. Pennecker,
Consumers Division
Office of Price Administration
25 N. Wacker Dr.
Aud: 3600 Ext: 257

For info: determine center
being set up in group
"Con. Info. Bureau"
Many thanks - 228 N. Wacker Dr.

● Women's Trade Union League Camp

THE PLACE TO ENJOY A DELIGHTFUL OUTING
LONG HIKES, WATER SPORTS, CAMP FIRES, and GAMES



View Showing Dining Porch Facing Des Plaines River

The Women's Trade Union League Camp, for its members and affiliated members, is in the Forest Preserve at Dam No. 2 in Wheeling, north of Des Plaines. It is a beautiful place on the Des Plaines River, surrounded by wooded land. The house sets back about two hundred feet from River Road. It is near enough to the Dam to enjoy the privileges of that lovely public park, but separated enough to be very private.

The camp is for the use of the members and affiliated members of the Women's Trade Union League. When accommodations are available, other guests may register.

The house has a large living room with an open fire place, a dining room and a well-equipped kitchen, where the campers can prepare their meals. Bring your own food. There is a large screened-in-porch across the rear of the house, used as an outside dining room and an open porch across the front of the

house. Upstairs, there are sleeping rooms, accommodating twelve over night and a bath room. There is running water, electric lights and gas for cooking. You can enjoy camping with modern conveniences. There are large picnic tables on the grounds and outside grills for cooking.

RATES — for members and affiliated members:

One day and night\$.50
One week 3.00

There are special rates for large groups and picnics.

HOW TO REACH THE CAMP:

BY AUTO - Take any road that will lead into River Road and ride north, passing All Saints Cemetery and St. Mary's Training School. You then pass a group of houses in the Forest Preserve to the right; then a little bridge, and then our house, set far back from the road, on the right side driving north. It is gray trimmed with green.

BY BUS--Sundays and holidays the bus leaves for Dam No. 2 from Milwaukee Avenue and Lawrence Avenue every hour; thirty-five minutes after the hour, beginning at 8:35 in the morning until 7:35 in the evening. The bus passes our Camp.

On week days the bus leaves Milwaukee and Lawrence at 15 minutes after the hour every 20 minutes for Des Plaines where you will have to take a taxi from the station to the camp.

FARES--The bus fare is 30 cents one way or 45 cents round trip. Round trip ticket must be used same day. The fare from Milwaukee Avenue and Lawrence (Jefferson Park) to Des Plaines is 15 cents, but the taxi fare from Des Plaines to the camp is 50 cents for one or more passengers. Tokens can be bought 10 for 75 cents, thereby reducing fares.

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations must be made at the League office, 630 South Ashland Boulevard, or by telephone Seeley 1526; Auxiliary members may call Mrs. Hattie Hayman, Prospect 2203. *Remember*, we are limited in accommodations for those wanting to stay over-night. We want everyone to be comfortable. There is a care-taker at the camp so guests will find it open. Guests register at the camp on arrival.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY !

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You represented your union at the autumn conference of the Women's Trade Union League. We there suggested that you take the lead in a discussion group on world order.

Since that time our country has entered the war. As President Roosevelt constantly tells us, we must win the war and win the peace.

The peace for which Samuel Gompers worked so hard must not fail again. Therefore, we must know the kind of a world we're fighting for.

How can labor standards be improved--and be made secure? How can the International Labor Organization serve the best interests of America's workers? How can peaceful change overcome injustice? Should we build an international police force to prevent another war? Labor must decide on the answers so that unionists can work for the world they want.

The enclosed leaflet explains the program which will help find the answers to these questions. As you will see, surveys are made available for use in the study groups now organized within your union, or in a group that you start. Or you may wish them for your personal reading.

You'll probably want to begin with the Labor Survey. Its contents are explained on the enclosed sheet. By placing the facts quickly at your disposal, you can become the leader of your own discussion group.

We heartily recommend this program. Would you like to help make it successful among unionists? If so, fill out the slip at the end of the leaflet, returning it to us. Will you take two minutes to do this, right now?

Cordially yours,

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