

Letter Welcoming the Texas Federation into the GFWC, 1897

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My Dear Madam:-

I have been ill for several weeks and have not been able to attend to my correspondence. I congratulate you on your decision to form a Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. It is a matter of personal pleasure to me to learn of the movement towards State Federation which is spreading all over the country and I heartily welcome Texas into the General Federation. I have sent you some literature on the subject which may be of interest to you and will certainly be suggestive. Among other things I send you copies of the constitutions of the various State Federations. I suppose that you are in correspondence with the Chairman of State Correspondence for Texas, Mrs. C. S. Cobb, 1105 Bond Street, Denison, Texas. Mrs. Cobb will be very glad to give you all the assistance in her power in forming a State Federation, and I will be very happy at any time to assist you in any way. It has seemed to me the most practical to send you the literature of the different States. The next Biennial of the General Federation will be held at Denver in June of 1898 and I trust that at that meeting the Texas Federation of Woman's Clubs will have its delegates present as well as members from different clubs.

I send you also a copy of the constitution of the General Federation. You have only to form your Federation, adopt the constitution and elect officers and your Federation is at once eligible

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for membership in the General Federation. In a few days I will send you a copy of an article on Federation, which I think you will be interested in reading as it covers the ground of the formation and work of the State Federation quite fully.

I assure you that no future letter of yours shall remain so long unanswered, and it was really unavoidable in this case. I trust that I have sent you all that you desire, and, if not, will you notify me at once. I shall send you a letter to read at the meeting of organization.

Fraternally yours,

Ellen M. Henrotin