**Educated Citizenship**

**Questions:**

1. This letter was written by the “Chairman” of the League of Women Voters Florence Brown Cotnam to a person named Louis Wynn (we do not know anything about Wynn). How long after the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment did Cotnam write this letter?
2. Why does Cotnam refer to “western states” in the opening paragraph? If you are not sure, research the first five US territories and/or states that granted women suffrage. Note that some states gave women limited voting rights in some elections (e.g., school boards) before they granted them full voting rights. Research first five territories/states that granted women *unrestricted* (full) voting rights.
3. What is the purpose of the League of Women Voters? Explain in your own words.
4. What examples does Cotnam use to argue that women have already had a positive impact on their communities and on government? What causes have women led according to Cotnam?
5. In her letter, Cotnam suggests that women are more moral and honest because they elect “clean candidates” and support “moral advancement.” Do you agree with her? Do women vote differently than men? Research demographic data from any recent election to support your argument.
6. Cotnam and her collaborators worked to educate women about their rights and responsibilities as citizens. In what ways can we be more educated citizens today? List three strategies that can help us be more educated about our rights and responsibilities as citizens.