



Miss Paul and the President: The Creative Campaign for Women's Right to Vote

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Book Description

Elementary | Biography

Alice Paul grew up watching what her father and other men could do, and she wanted to be able to do the same. Wearing her signature purple hat, Alice organized suffrage parades, wrote letters, protested outside the White House, and met with U.S. President Woodrow Wilson. He dismissed women's suffrage as a minor concern. However, her persistence paid off, eventually convincing President Wilson to support women's suffrage.

Discussion Questions

- Like Alice, do you notice things in the world that need changing? How might you go about helping make these changes?
- Alice was incredibly persistent, particularly when her task seemed impossible. Have you ever continued persisting in an endeavor even when it seemed impossible?

Utah Connection

For nearly forty years, Emmeline B. Wells and other suffragists published a newspaper advocating women's rights, called the *Woman's Exponent*. Emily S. Richards founded the Utah Woman's Suffrage Association and organized local chapters throughout the territory. Utah's suffragists held meetings, distributed pamphlets, signed petitions and wrote memorials (resolutions) demanding women's voting rights in Utah and the nation.



Susa Young Gates wearing a delegate pin for a national suffrage convention. Photo Courtesy of Utah State Historical Society