



From LWV of West Virginia

- ❖ LWVWV recently sent a letter to the USDA asking them not to change a rule that allows states to grant SNAP benefits (food stamps) to those whose resources are slightly above the usual limits in hardship cases. If an eligible recipient manages to accumulate even a very modest emergency reserve, they might lose eligibility for the SNAP aid that helps feed the family. More than 300,000 West Virginians benefit from SNAP.
- ❖ The WV Public Service Commission was asked to approve AEP's 2019-20 proposal for energy efficiency programs and continue to improve energy efficiency programs across the state.
- ❖ On February 17, 2020 LWVWV will mark the 100th anniversary of Congressional approval of the 19th amendment by participating in Centennial Day at the WV Legislature.

From The New York Times

Environmental rules that were repealed, altered, eased, or are not enforced under the current administration.

	Total	53	32	85
		Rollbacks completed	Rollbacks in process	Total rollbacks
Air pollution and emissions	10	14	24	
Drilling and extraction	9	9	18	
Infrastructure and planning	12	1	13	
Animals	9	1	10	
Toxic substances and safety	4	1	5	
Water pollution	5	2	7	
Other	4	4	8	

Details of the changes are described in the article at: www.nytimes.com/interactive/2019/climate/trump-environment-rollbacks.html




BEFORE the 19th amendment.....

Most are familiar with Abigail Adams' admonition to John Adams to "Remember the Ladies" as he served in the Continental Congress as the founding fathers were deciding what sort of country they were founding. She went on to say "If particular care and attention is not paid to the Ladies, we are determined to foment a Rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any Laws in which we have no voice, or representation."

An institution chartered as the Georgia Female College in 1836 in Macon GA and later renamed Wesleyan College, was either the first in the country (or among the first) to award bachelor's degrees to women. Standards for degree granting varied widely at the time, but this college's curriculum was considered the equal of that offered at men's colleges.

In 1916 Jeannette Rankin became the first woman elected to the US Congress. She represented Montana, one of the states that had already granted suffrage to women. Soon after taking office, she had to choose whether to vote for US entry into WWI, which, as a pacifist, she had campaigned against. Some in the suffrage movement feared a no vote would harm their cause. She voted her conscience, one of 50 no votes, and lost her seat in the next election. She ran and won again in 1940 and was confronted with the same choice about war with Japan in December of 1941. Hers was the only no vote. Two days later she abstained from voting on a declaration of war against Germany. She did not run for reelection in 1942.

Source: What Every American Woman Should Know About Women's History, © 1994 and www.wikipedia.org.

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September 23 Meeting
6:30 p.m. Pksbg-Wood Co. Library
Medicaid

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