Until 1920, women in the United States were not granted suffrage (the right to vote) on a national level. Then, the 19th Amendment was ratified on August 18, 1920. This addition to the US Constitution meant that states could not prevent people from voting based on whether they were a man or woman. (Still, though, many people continued to be barred from exercising that right.)

These caricatures, created around 1915, show Katherine Jamieson and Mary Carnell, two women who were strong supporters of the suffrage movement. In the 1910s, postcards played an important role in raising awareness of suffrage movements.

Waldemar F. C. Thode (American, b. Denmark, 1864–1946), photo postcards (Katherine Jamieson, left, and Mary Carnell, right), ca. 1915, gelatin silver prints, George Eastman Museum, gift of the 3M Foundation, ex-collection Louis Walton Sipley.
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