Telephone conversation, held January 31, 1956, at 10 a.m. between Mrs. Sargent Wild of Rutland, and Mrs. Louise Spiess, BTS, Brandon.

I called Mrs. Wild at 10 a.m. After introducing myself as Mr. Russell's secretary, I asked her for the names of the members of the Committee that had called on Mr. Russell on November 22, 1955. She gave them as

herself,
Miss Bernice Tuttle, of Rutland
Mrs. Charles Nassau, of Rutland
Mrs. Harold Brown, of Castleton,
Mrs. Haven Green, of Proctor

Miss Fredericka Abraham, of Rutland and) the latter two were also on the Mrs. M. J. Terenzini, of Rutland ) Committee but did not attend the ) November 22 meeting.

Mrs. Wild stated that the Committee would very much like to keep the AAUW out of the controversy, that personally she and the committee members felt the administration was in the right and she thinks will be able to prove its case, but that the association never takes any stand or action against any person; that the Association was interested in the matter to the point of appointing a committee to find out why the Colony House seemed to be closing up, that they as individuals could see at least some of the reasons before coming to Brandon; that she as chairman of the committee had filed a report, that no one seemed stirred up about it at all, particularly since at that time the matter had been taken care of in their opinion by Miss Dolan's discharge.

I mentioned that if the association itself did not wish to take a stand, we hoped we might perhaps have the help of the committee members as individuals, that the papers had been very good to us, very neutral, very objective, but that probably after this morning's news the letters to the editor would be pouring in; that perhaps someone could bring out another point of view.

Mrs. Wild answered this by stating that her husband was on the editorial staff of the Rutland Herald, and that he had told her that the only "letters" that had come in were from Miss Dolan's personal friends, which was to be expected, that otherwise there have been no letters to speak of; that those people Mrs. Wild had spoken to felt the action taken by the administration was quite in order; that if she personally could do anything for Mr. Russell, he should not hesitate to call on her.