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Lady Astor was the first woman to serve as a member of Parliament. (Another woman was elected in 1918 but did not take her seat). She was elected from Plymouth in 1919 when her husband, Waldorf Astor was forced to forfeit his seat in order to ascend to the House of Lords upon his father's death.

Scope and Contents

Three letters written from Lady Nancy Astor to Mrs. John (Margaret) Bailey dated January 2, 1952, May 28, 1953, and November 17, 1953. Also included is a blank card with a pencil sketch by John Singer Sargent of Lady Astor's profile. Writing in the bottom corner of the sketch reads, "To a Virginian from a Virginian- Nancy Astor as she never looked." In the correspondence Lady Astor mentions getting ready for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, an upcoming trip to Rhodesia in order to open a Women's Congress in connection with the Rhodes Centenary, and her upcoming travel plans to New York. The letters are very personal in nature from Lady Astor to Margaret Bailey.

Related Materials:

John Garland Papers, Mss. 70 P76.

Virginia Taylor McCormick Papers, 1873-1957 Mss. 65 M13.

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