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This sheet is submitted by Lyle Nyberg, independent historian, February 2020. It adds information about a notable early tenant of this building.

The Boston Equal Suffrage Association for Good Government (BESAGG) was founded in 1901 by Pauline Agassiz Shaw, Maud Wood Park, and others. It promoted woman suffrage and other causes. It moved its headquarters here from 585 Boylston Street in early 1919, when this building, now owned by Emerson College, was new.¹

In 1919-1920, BESAGG became the Boston League of Women Voters.²

EQUAL SUFFRAGE QUARTERS TO BE OPENED NEXT TUESDAY The new headquarters of the Boston Equal Suffrage Association for Good Government will be opened in the Little Building, Boylston st, next Tuesday afternoon. From 3 to 5 o'clock members and guests will be received informally by Mrs Robert Gould, president of the Boston Equal Suffrage Association; Miss Alice Stone Blackwell, president, and Mrs Charles Sumner Bird, vice president of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association, and Mrs Langdon Frothingham, chairman of the hospitality committee. The public service committee, of which Mrs Evelyn Peverley Coe is chairman, will assist the American Committee for Devastated France, in the great membership drive which is under the direction of Mrs James Lawrence.

Boston Globe, January 9, 1919, 9

¹ Chauncy Hall Building, 585-591 Boylston Street, <u>BOS.2651</u>, MACRIS (continuation sheet in process February 2020); "Equal Suffrage Quarters to be Opened Next Tuesday," *Boston Globe*, January 9, 1919, 9; David Ertischek, "Then and Now: The Little Building's Big History," *Emerson Today*, online, posted September 5, 2019, https://today.emerson.edu/2019/09/05/then-and-now-the-little-buildings-big-history/.

² "Election of League of Women Voters," *Boston Globe*, April 1, 1921, 18; "Suffrage Organizations," Research Guide, Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America, https://guides.library.harvard.edu/c.php?g=512561&p=3562670; *The Woman Citizen*, November 15, 1919, 487, https://books.google.com/books?id=qtYRAQAAMAAJ&source=gbs_navlinks_s.