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Miss Mary W. Oliver
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Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Dear Mary:

I have just been looking over the By-Laws for our Chapter and realize that our election will be by mail. So I am trying to get on the ball. I have written to Kate Wallach to see if she will accept the nomination for president and hope that she will. If she turns me down I will ask Jane Oliver. If Kate accepts we will probably ask Jane to accept the nomination as president-elect.

In looking at the By-Laws it seems to me that our method of elections should be spelled out a little more specifically. If the Executive Committee appoints the Nominating Committee and the election is by mail this could turn into a rather undemocratic process. I think some provision should be made for contacting the membership and giving them the name of the Chairman of the Nominating Committee with a deadline, before which they can send in their recommendations. The ballot, of course, should carry space for other persons for whom any of the members might want to cast their votes.

I will let you hear from me as soon as I hear from Kate.

With best wishes I am,

Yours sincerely,

Harriet L. French
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