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This correspondence was sent and received by Kansas State Temperance Union secretaries T.E. Stephens, A.D. Wilcox, and J.E. Everett. Each exchanged letters with religious leaders across the state, including Rev. H.G. Fraser from Ottawa, Rev. C.C. Brown of Tonganoxie, Rev. J.M. Leonard of Iola, Rev. R.A. Bolton of Junction City, Rev. James Kerr of Scandia, Rev. J.K. Miller of Manhattan, Rev. A.W. Cummings of Canton, Rev. John A. Holmes of Harper, Rev. W.H. Eaton of Cherryvale, Rev. H.H. Bowen of Glen Elder, and Rev. Fred Grey of Alton. Organizations involved in the temperance movement include the Kansas State Temperance Union (KSTU), the Twentieth Century Total Abstinence Union (TCTAU), the Anti-Cigarette League, the American Anti-Saloon League (AASL), the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) and others. This collection also includes local subscription lists for those supporting the Kansas State Temperance Union in Phillipsburg, Lakin, LeRoy, Cimarron, Dodge City, Liberal, Greensburg, Cunningham, Sedgwick, Mount Hope and Colwich. Other correspondents include attorney John Wiswell in Columbus, Elmer Lawrence, publisher of The Sunbeam, a weekly Christian journal in Galena, and several members of the Independent Order of Good Templars, including George F. Fullinwider of El Dorado, S.S. Jackson of Scranton, and Mrs. Kate A. Billings of Clyde. Much of the correspondence concerns efforts to advance anti-liquor agendas in local, state, and national politics. Considerable correspondence with organizations in other states is included. Although Kansas was the first state to adopt a constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in 1880, the law was largely unenforced.

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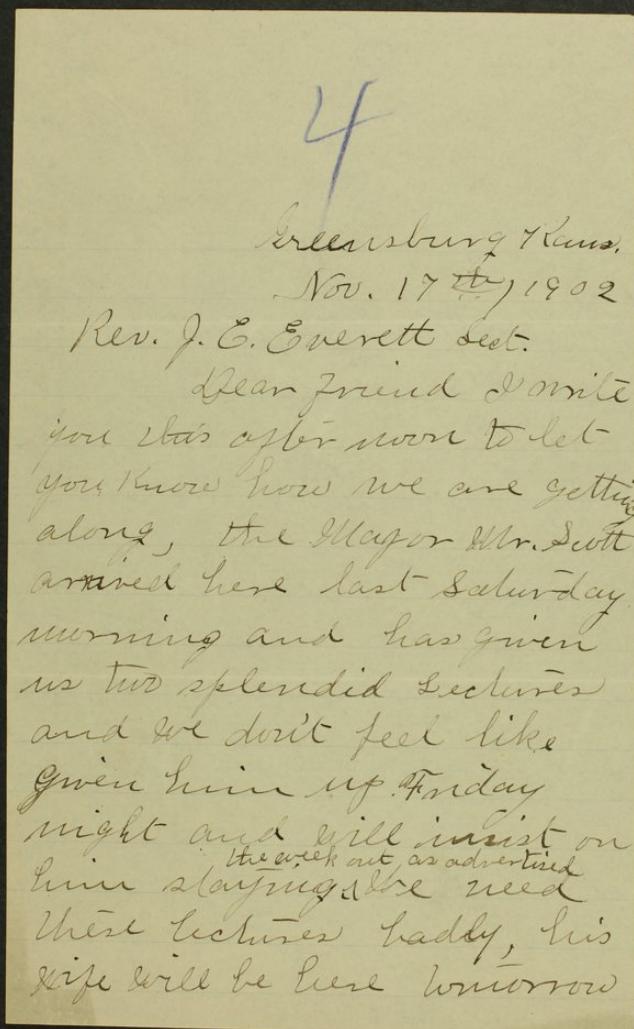
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night and we hope she
will live us up in the
A. C. T. U. work which we let
go down and I was the
Corresponding Secy.

Mrs. Sylvia Parcel.

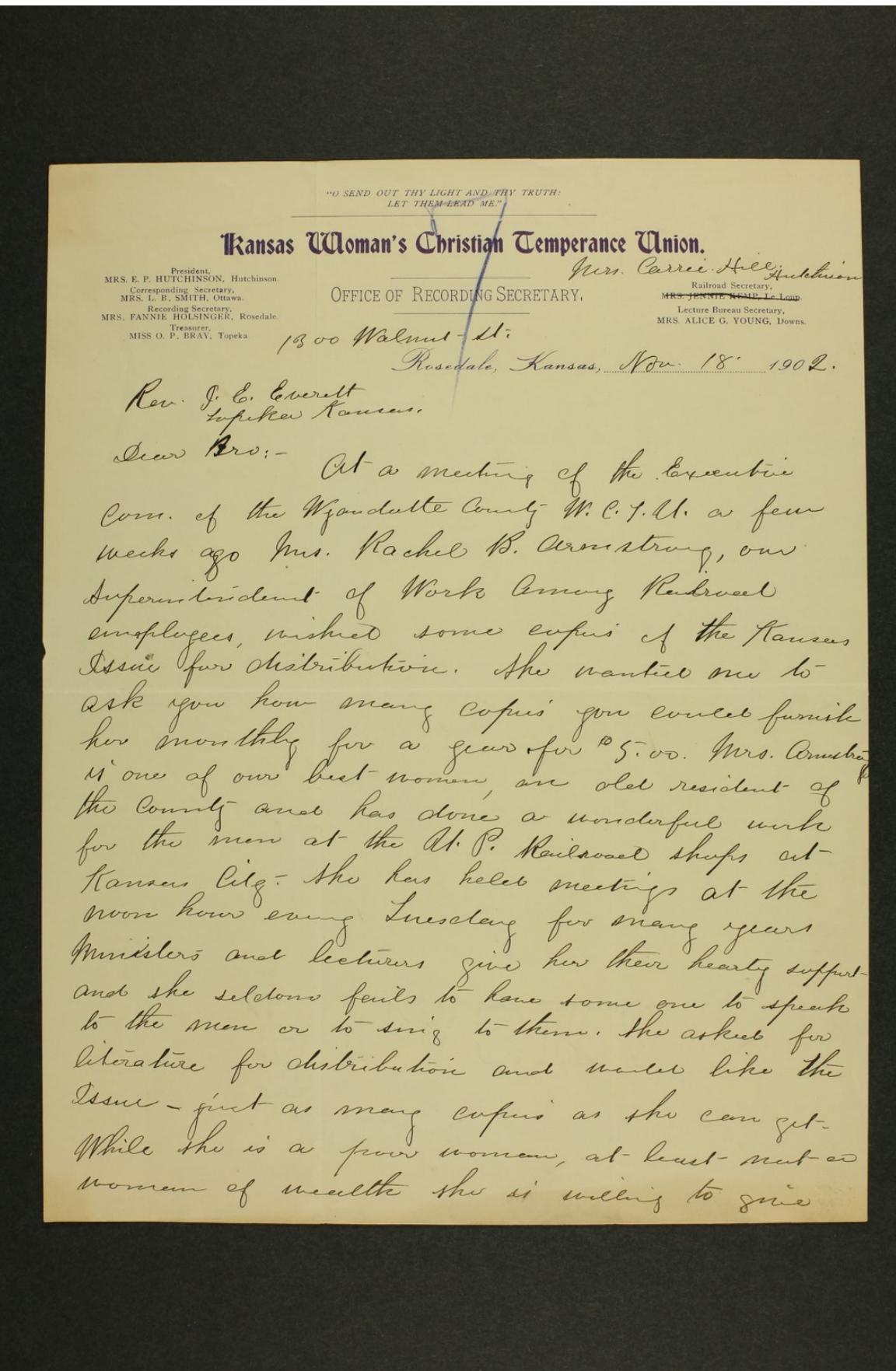
P. S. Every body is awfully
pleased with Mr. Scott's
Lectures

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as I have stated \$5.00 from her own pocket
and I wish you would give just as many
copies as you possibly can for that amount
of money for I am sure she will make good
use of them. She works so hard and is so
faithful and is so much interested in the
men and for this reason I told her I
would intercede with you for her and the
work's sake.

I never received the copy of "Prohibition in
Kansas" which you sent me.

I wonder what Mr. Baily will do for the cause
of prohibition when he takes the reins of
government in his hands. I confess I do
not hope for much, ~~but~~ it is not fair to condemn
a man until he is given a trial but I have
my prelections upon the methods that were
used to secure his election.

Yours for Righteousness,

Pannie Holeniger

P.S. If you wish to correspond with Mrs.
Armstrong address her at Kansas City, Mo.,

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The Kansas State Temperance Union

LOCAL SUBSCRIPTION LIST

(To be filled out by Collector and sent to State Secretary)

Secretary Kansas State Temperance Union,
703 Jackson Street, Topeka, Kansas.

DEAR SIR: The following persons on Nov 20 subscribed at Greensburg (City) Iowa County, to the support of the Kansas State Temperance Union. The collections for quarter, beginning Nov. 20 are as follows:

Collector.

(Please write this Blank with Care)

| NAME | ADDRESS | AMOUNT DUE PER QUARTER | DATE OF PAYMENT FOR QUARTER | AMOUNT COLLECTED QUARTER |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Mr. R. M. Grove | Greensburg | | On full | \$1.00 |
| " N. W. Wats | " | | | 1.00 |
| " G. E. Batten | " | | 30 Nov. 20 | .30 |
| Dr. Mary Bennett | " | | | 1.00 |
| Mr. F. Burt | " | | | 1.00 |
| James S. Parcel | " | | | 1.00 |
| Mr. Reed | | | | |
| " L. M. Strain | Mullenville | | | .30 |
| " J. Lawrence | Greensburg | | | .30 |
| | 2 Books, 65cts each | | | |
| Ordinary Collections | | | | \$6.90 |
| | | | | 1.30 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | 17.80 |
| | | | | \$26.00. |

Churches packed tightly.
Collections smaller yet well sized,
proportionately. However, there seems
to be a revolution in sentiment. Now
there is a disposition to get rid of the
joints. Mrs. James S. Parcel, with her
husband, are blanch workers. Mrs. Parcel
holds the three (3) Sub. cards for collection.
83 signed pledge, a number hard
drinkers.

Respectfully

To Rev. J. E. Everett
Secretary

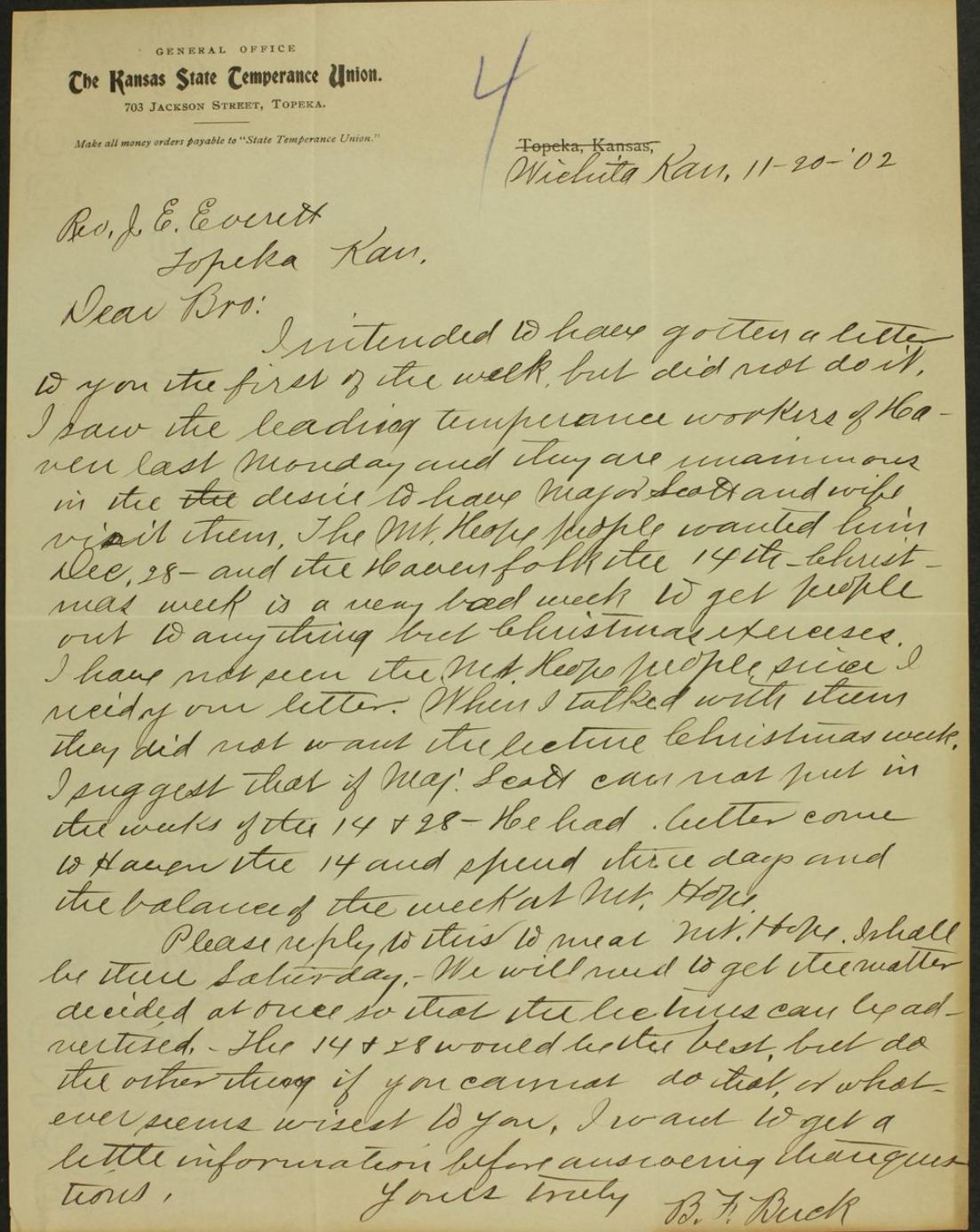
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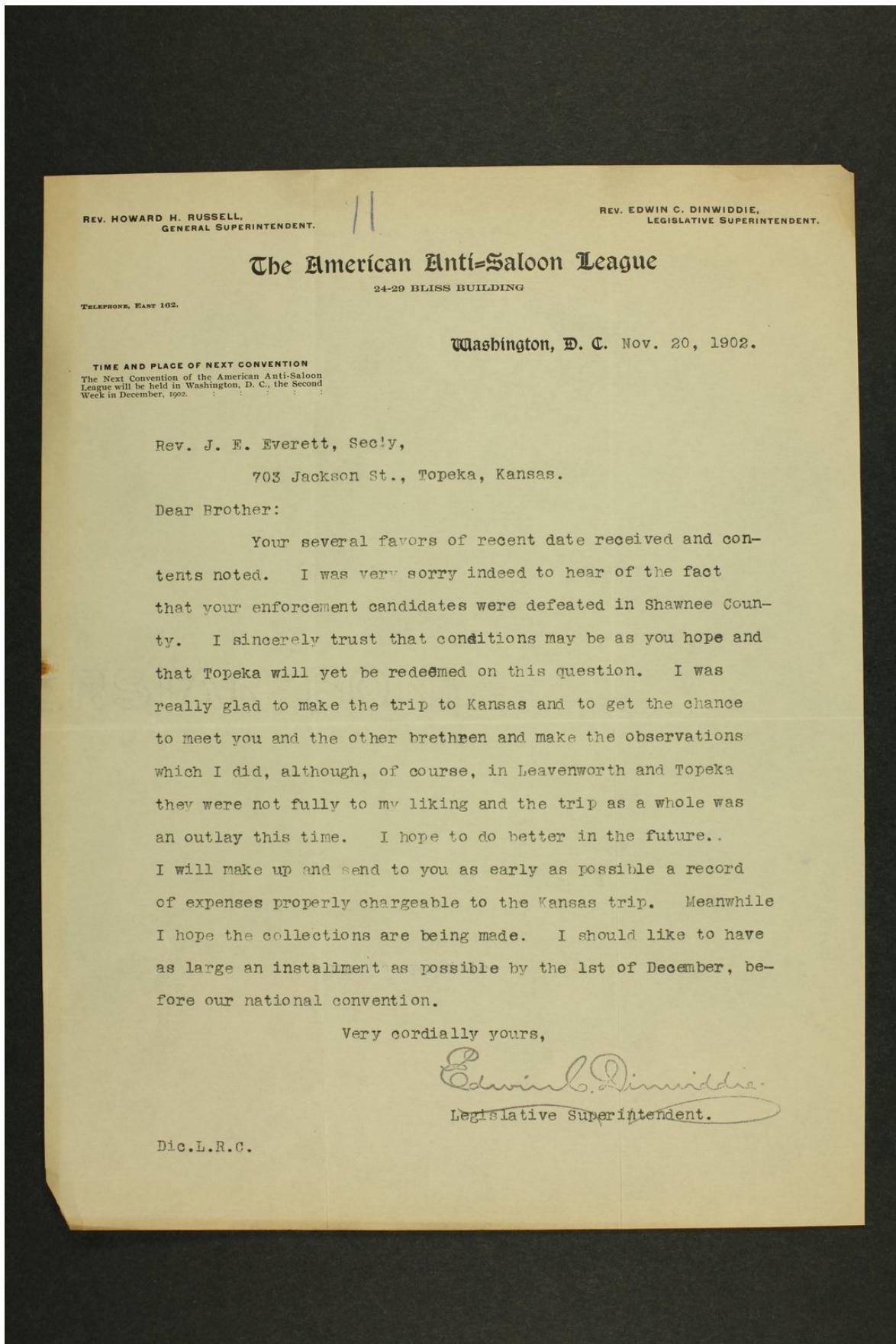


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Superintendent's Office
of the
American Anti-Saloon League,
Rev. Howard H. Russell, General Superintendent.

ROOMS 27-28, BLISS BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C.

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.
November 22, 1902.

Dear Brother:

I enclose herewith a copy of our provisional program for the coming National Convention; we shall have printed copies soon and will send you a number of them.

I write especially to-day to ask you, if you have not already done so, to return to me soon the information for which I asked in my letter of recent date. I hope your State is to be represented by several delegates at the conference and convention. You will see by the enclosed program that the sessions from beginning to end are all to be very practical, having direct bearing upon the very work we are doing through our League organization in the various States. We are rapidly making history in connection with this phase of the temperance reform and it is very important that we should come together often and discuss plans, methods and tactics of campaign.

I am just starting for an organizing trip to the South and West, and shall be on the wing until the convention meets at Washington. Any information you desire concerning the convention you will please address Superintendent Rev. E. C. Dinwiddie, 24 Bliss Building, Washington, or to our Corresponding Secretary, Mr. James L. Ewin, 200 F. Street, northwest, Washington, D. C.

If for any reason you are compelled to be absent from the convention, will you kindly see that a written report is sent to me at 24 Bliss Building, condensed into not exceeding 1000 words, to be read at the convention so that your State will be represented in that way, if not by a personal representative. I trust, however, that you can be present, or will have someone to represent your organization.

If you have written me in detail as to your plans regarding the convention, you will understand that this is a general letter sent to all the superintendents. Please prepare a written report and bring it with you to the convention and see that it goes to the recording secretary, even if you speak extemporaneously regarding your work.

Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you soon, and wishing you continued and abundant success, I am,
Yours very cordially,

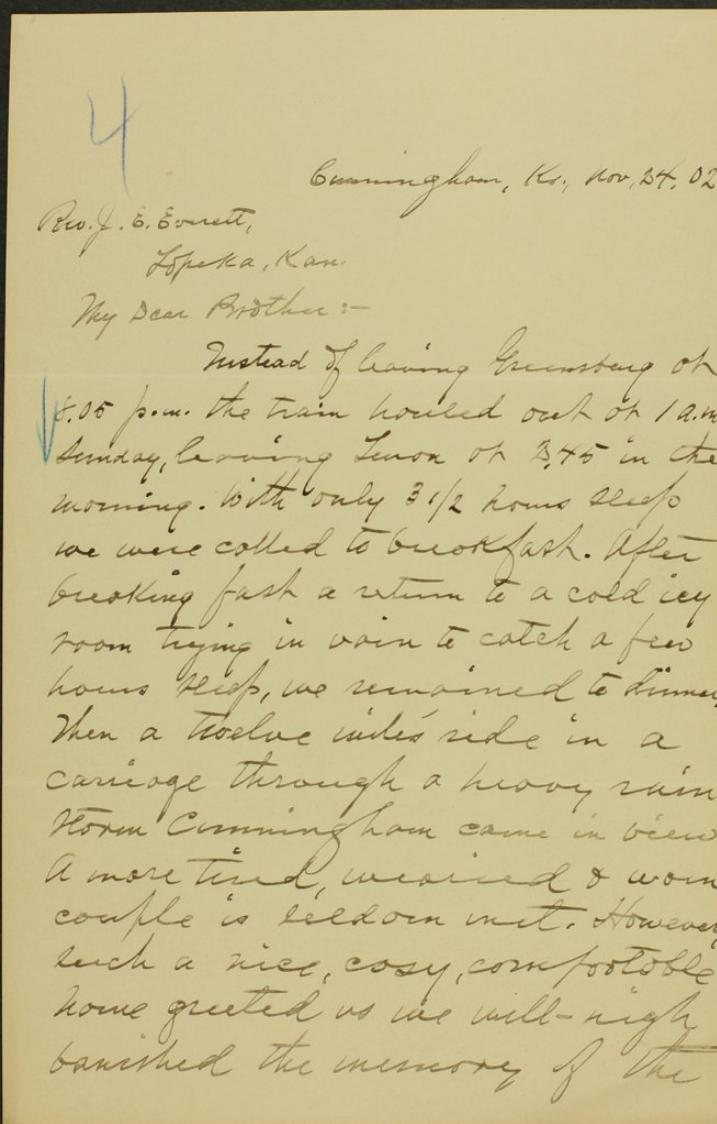
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Superintendent

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discomforts just experienced.
A big purse could not tempt
me to go through what I have since
leaving Speakeville. Saturday was
the heaviest burden—not a rest.
Night came, but no cessation
of rain. Would there be a meeting?³
Mrs. Foster thought not. I said
yes, if only a prover meeting. There
were 73 present, two-thirds men.
I gave the opening address better
than I ever did. An oration was
given at the close. But the offering
was \$1.79. There were 17
pennies in the amount. I am
thankful I live in that ~~part~~
part of America where pennies
are only a memory of the
stingy Lection. Give us western
Kansas. The nearer we come to
central & eastern Kansas
the narrower seems the world.

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A larger collection is made in a school house audience of 20 or 40 people than a full church in many towns especially in western Kansas School house districts. I made a religious vow that if eastern & central Kansas repeated itself in the way of collections I should cut the acquaintance. I do not forget Butler county nor Franklin county. Think of fine full lectures at Ottawa in four of its largest churches with good audiences yielding a total of \$1326!! At the request of Rev. Dr. Wharton, M. E. church, Eldorado, I returned for a Sunday night. House well filled. Collection \$35.!! I mention these matters to you confidentially that you may

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I know we approach the east
with doubt & misgiving.
"He laughs best who laughs best,
Some times at last." All
will think ends well.

You will recollect that I
asked for subscription blanks
to be used in making weekly
reports, etc. Instead of send-
ing me such there were a
paltry four (4) blanks with
a dozen of total obstinacy
blanks. I had & still have
a superabundance of the
latter. Please tell that person
who puts up such things
to obey orders. The first repre-
sentation of a soldier is - obedience.

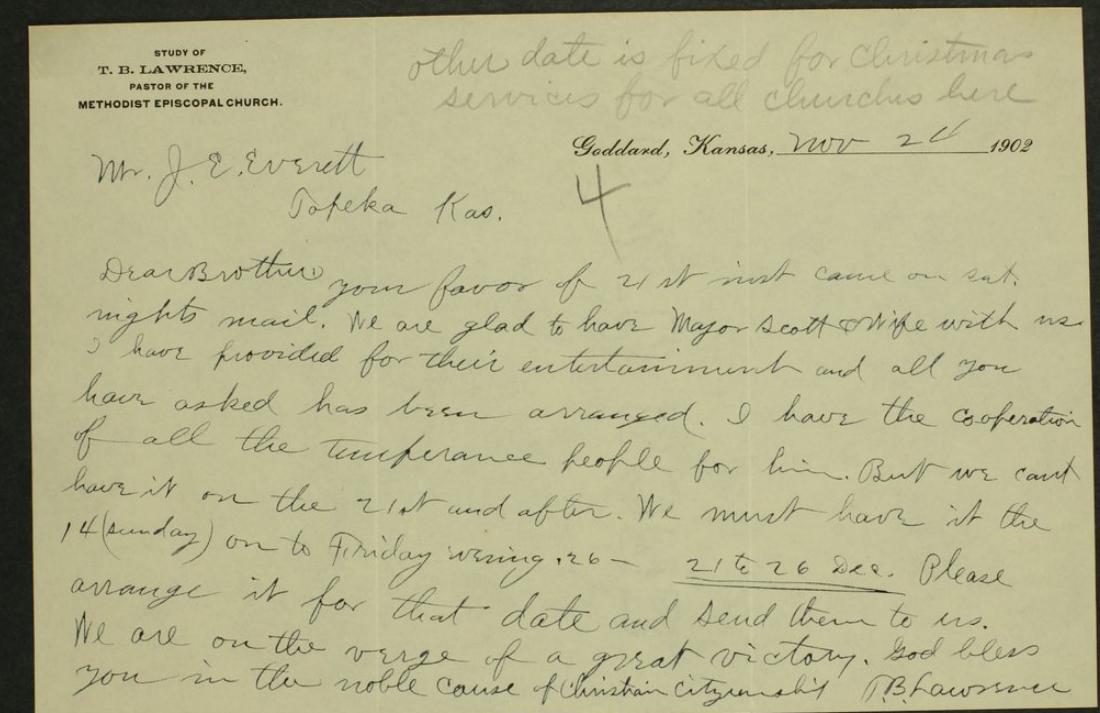
Cordially yours
E. T. Scott

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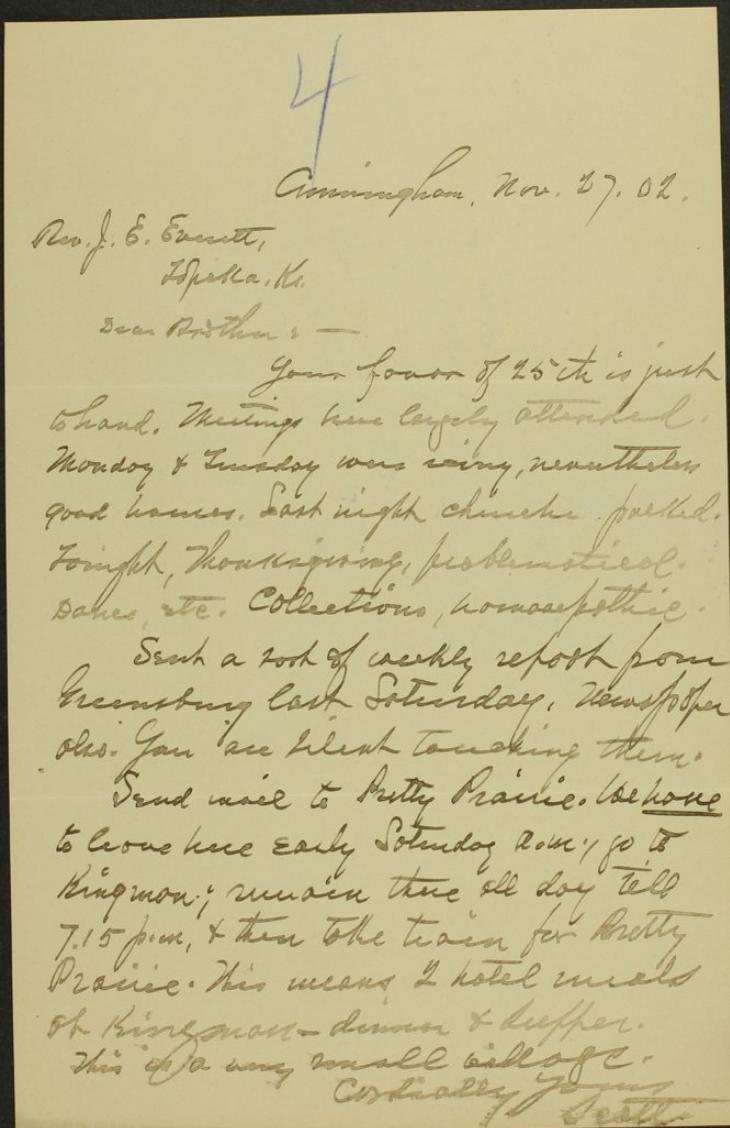


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Secretary Kansas State Temperance Union,
703 Jackson Street, Topeka, Kansas.

DEAR SIR: The following persons on Nov. 27 subscribed at Cunningham
(City)
Kingman County, to the support of the Kansas State Temperance Union. The collections for quarter, beginning Nov. 27 are as follows:

Collector.

(Please write this Blank with Care)

| NAME | ADDRESS | AMOUNT DUE PER QUARTER | DATE OF PAYMENT FOR <u>1st QUARTER</u> | AMOUNT COLLECTED QUARTER |
|---|------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Mrs. G. W. Jones | Cunningham | In full | | \$1.00 |
| Wm. J. A. Hoagland | " | .30 | Nov. 27 | .30 |
| " Roy Sandford | " | .30 | " " | .30 |
| " J. C. Watkins | " | .45 | " " | 1.00 |
| " Geo A. Breider | " | 63½ | " " | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Mabel Breider | " | In full | | 1.00 |
| " Hattie Sellon | " | 62½ | Nov. 27 | 1.00 |
| | | | | <u>\$5.60</u> |
| Ordinary Collections | | | | 24.67 |
| 1 Book | | | | 65- |
| amount due \$5.20 | | | | <u>\$30.92</u> |
| | | | | <u>\$36.10</u> |
| <p>As Mrs. Breider and Mrs. Sellon paid \$1.00 each so their subscriptions of \$2.00 they were delivered each a "Prohibition in Kansas".</p> <p>57 abstinence pledges signed. Bush average attendance in this campaign. Scars turned away ^{the} last night.</p> <p>Apparently the community is revolutionized. One hundred dollars to fight a joint could be raised in an hour. A permanent result of the work here is the fact of a determination to keep the town dry, was never more pleased with recent manifestations of universal approval.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Rev. H. T. Purcell, Mrs. F. N. Sellon,</p> | | | | |

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Mrs. M. Foster, are true as steel. Mr. Russell is
lion-hearted, fearless, active & reliable. He
is your man in any emergency. Mr. Sellen
is collector.

To Rev. J. E. Everett,
Lecty, K. S. T. U.

Most Respectfully
E. T. Scott,

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HOTEL BRIGGS.

W. G. BRISTOW, Prop.

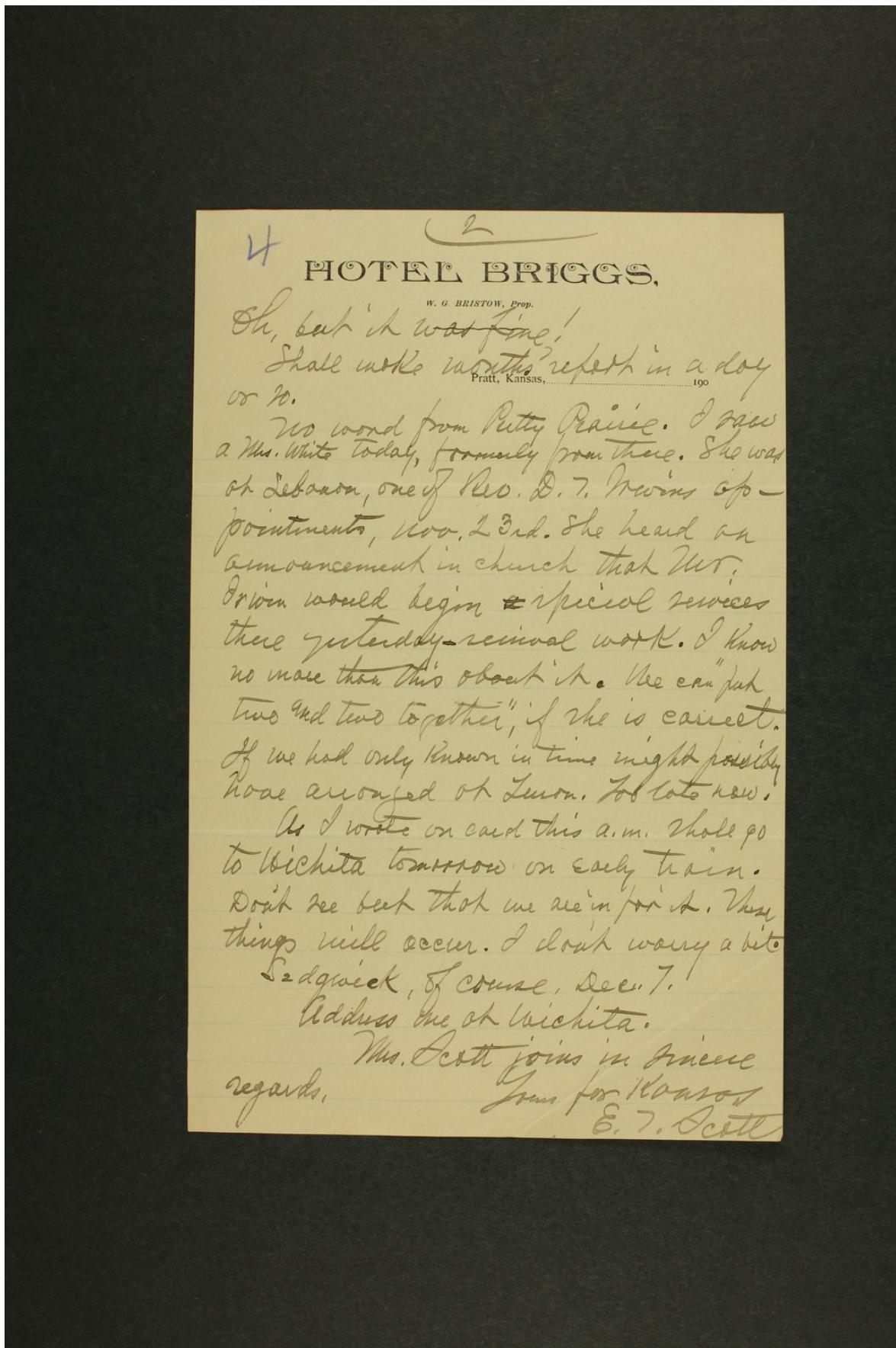
Cunningham, Kansas, Dec 1. 1902
Rev. J. E. Everett,
Topeka, Kans.
My Dear Brother:-

Please find inclosed weekly report for Cunningham; also list of abstemious beginners.

Cunningham came to the scratch in the round up as report evinces. I firmly believe our meeting over the Sabbath was providential. The work was fairly climbed though. Collection last night an even \$100. The amount due on instalments are absolutely good. Every body delighted so far as we may judge. It would not be wise to continue just now. The tide was high last night a tidal wave. That is the time to quit. We always did like Sunday, you know, to close a series of meetings.



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P.S. There is considerable due
at Lakin, Cimarron, Dodge City, Liberal,
& Hesston, as well as here. If we
should include the \$25. or \$30. collec-
ted at Spearville by Mrs. Hollister
that I might have raised, and
add all to cash absolutely received,
the total is far from discouraging;
in fact pretty good for a tenderfoot
I think.

E. T. R.

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J. E. Everett

Topeka Kas.

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you
that Maj E J Scott & Mrs
Scott have been with us
for a full week.

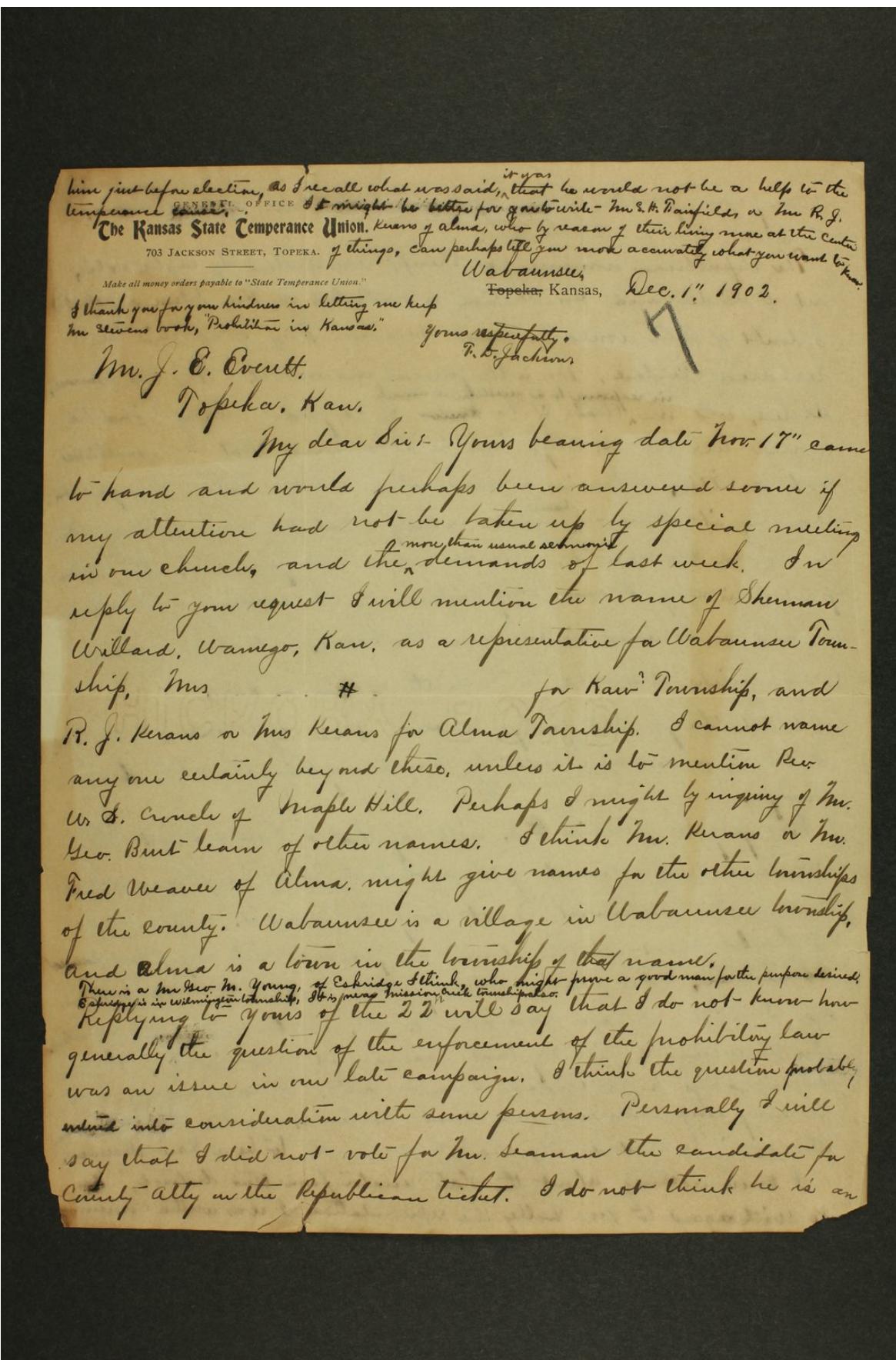
Their Lectures have done more
to stir up the people on prohibition
and Law enforcement Idea,
than anything we have ever had
here. There was no place large
enough in our little Town
to hold the people who came
to hear them at the last.
And should they ever return
to our grand little City we

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energetic pusher for temperance, at least not seen Alma.
Seaman won in the election.

The Republican nominee for Sheriff was elected by eight votes, but I understand his election is contested by Treg (dem or pop (?)) I doubt if there would be much help from Treg if he did he declared elected. He is the present incumbent. - The Rep. nominee, elected, told me ^{in response to a question or remark} that if he knew of a place selling liquor he would tell the Co. Atty., but he also said that he sometimes took a little. When in a conversation a little later I urged his leaving it alone, - I ^{have} forgotten exactly what he said, - perhaps, that he would consider it, but he would not promise. The latter part of his reply I am very confident of his making. I believe he said he believed in enforcing the laws. But of a man who drinks I should be a little afraid, at least.

I think the probate judge chosen, Theo Spilman, is all right. I know, or remember certainly, hardly anything about the district Judge.

In reply to question # 3. will say that I should doubt the strenuous enforcement of the prohibition law in places where the public sentiment is not strong in favor of it. In Alma I should doubt whether it will be pushed with any great ~~severity~~ ^{severity}. In places where public sentiment will back it up I think perhaps Seaman, Co. Atty., would use some ~~caution~~. In answering 4. will say that Seaman succeeds himself. The sheriff's office is undecided I understand. I can hardly hope for any improvement over what has been, unless the ^{Republ.} Sheriff, if declared elected, shall prove himself to be a law observer.

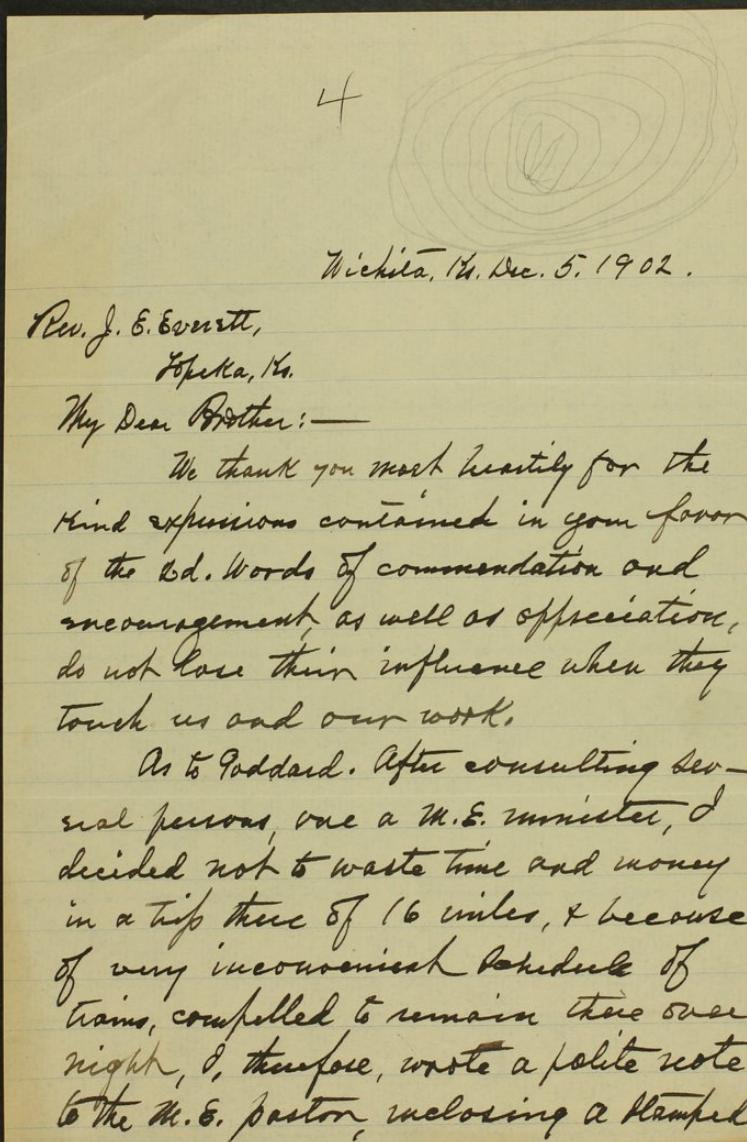
I know nothing about the state senator from this district. In regard to New Dolly the representative, & was written concerning

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envelope, self-addressed, stating that we could come there, and one of us could give them Sunday. I knew Mrs. Scott could "hold the fort," whilst I could proceed to Sedgewick & open up, thus hitting two points simultaneously, which would nearly make up for loss of time this week. I particularly asked for answer at once, flattery reason. Not a word. I conclude the pastor is holding a meeting at one of his outside appointments as was hinted he might be by one I consulted here.

Our expenses here are comparatively low. We long ago learned how to economise. We rented a room till Saturday for \$2.00, including coal; take our meals at "The Grey Gables," adjoining, for twenty-five cents each. Thus we have a regular hotel bill. I mention this that

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You may know we do exactly the same by the K. S. T. C. as by unanimous vote go to Sedwick tomorrow. The Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick is holding revival meetings at Bentley this week. I hope he will be on hand to cooperate with us. I wrote him saying train we would be on, &c.

No advice has come as to appointment following Sedwick. This is important, (Oh, you did not give name of any person at Goddard.) as I must instruct our correspondents, friends, in advance where to address us, especially those in far-away California. We anticipate fine results from our orange crop and much keep informed. We rented our house for several months at \$76.00 per month, furnished, and so we have to be on the qui vive, you see.

Mr. Scott holds afternoon meetings when advisable thus keeping

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in close touch with the women, exciting them, getting them interested in the K. S. T. U. work incuring their aid & sympathy, consequently their male friends. Net result: good audiences & better offerings. Then she gives the lecture at night, occasionally, and as a drawing card we announce, for instance, a lecture by both tomorrow night. A full house is usually guaranteed. Mrs. J. makes a big plea for abstinence pledge pins or red ribbon. Here you have it.

Coming from Southern California at this season is a dangerous experiment for Mrs. J. It is barely palable she may return. She affirms (not fears) in such case she won't go alone.

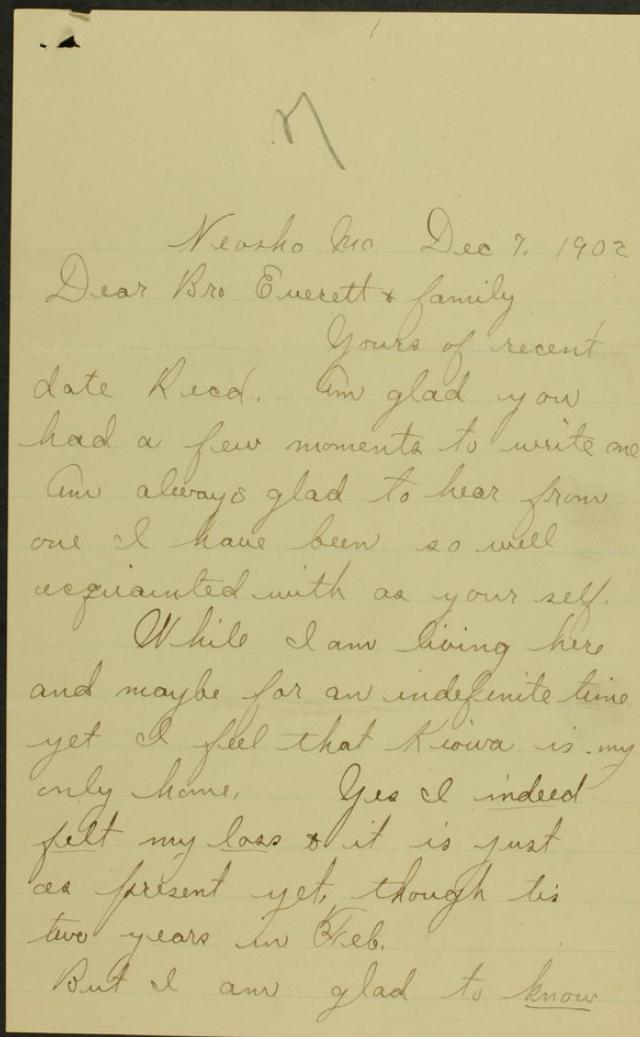
Address me at Sedgwick,
and send some subscription cards there.
With sincere regards from us both
I am as ever, E. T. Scott

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The has^{n't} not the trials & trouble
or hardships that we do now.
She has passed beyond that, bles^s
the Lord, & tis only a matter
of a little while till ^{you} & I will
be done here & will reap if
we faint not. And while we
some times go with tears,
we will doubtless come again
bringing sheaves with us.

I trust you & family
are getting along nicely.

My heart is in the work
at home, & if good people
are true they are sure before long
to drive out the whisky demon,
there, as well as all over our
United States.

May God speed the work

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Now Bro Everett: If I am
indebted to the cause & if not
I will send the \$5.00 any how
I believe it has been less
than a year since I gave \$100
to the cause. But it is all
right tis for good & God's
glory. I will close
Believing ^{*praying} your influence
for Righteousness will continue
May God bless your labor,
Truly Chas Barkley,

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"The Saloon Must Go!"

SEVENTH NATIONAL ANTI-SALOON CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, D. C., DECEMBER 9th to 11th, 1902.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM.
(Eastern Time.)

PLACE OF MEETING

The Convention, including Evening Sessions, Meetings of Board of Directors and Committee Meetings, unless otherwise announced, will be held in the Lecture Room, Parlors and Auditorium of the Calvary Baptist Church, corner of H and 8th Streets, northwest. The National Headquarters of the League, 24 and 29 Bliss Building, B St. and Arthur Place, N. W., will be open and delegates will be welcome during the Convention.

SERVICES, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS BEFORE AND AFTER THE CONVENTION.

ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH and SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH, Anti-Saloon League services will be held in various churches in Washington under the auspices of the National League.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, December 8th.

2:00 The Committee of Thirteen appointed by the last Convention to report a plan of closer union of national and state leagues will meet at the National Headquarters and prepare report.