Woman's Christian Temperance Union district books

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These bound volumes contain the records of the third, fifth, sixth, and seventh districts of the Kansas Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The third district included Chautauqua, Cherokee, Cowley, Crawford, Elk, Labette, Montgomery, Neosho, and Wilson County. Jennie M. Kemp was president of the third district (1891-1898) and kept a detailed record of cities within this region that had their own local unions, organizational history, and leadership. Secretaries Ada A. Robinson, Lelia C. Kerwig, Mollie E. Smith, Dora E. Cogdal, and Mary Evelyn Dobbs (later president) recorded the proceedings of the third district from 1895-1908. The fifth district included Clay, Cloud, Davis (now Geary), Dickinson, Marshall, Ottawa, Republic, Riley, Saline, and Washington County. The books for the fifth district include detailed minutes of convention proceedings beginning with the first on March 19, 1885 in Concordia and continuing until 1915. The sixth district included Cheyenne, Decatur, Ellis, Ellsworth, Gove, Graham, Jewell, Lincoln, Logan, Mitchell, Norton, Osborne, Phillips, Rawlins, Rooks, Russell, Sheridan, Sherman, Smith, Thomas, Trego, and Wallace County. The sixth district was organized in Downs on February 24, 1886 under President Eugenia F. St. John. Convention proceedings for the sixth district are recorded in four bound volumes from 1886-1916. The seventh district records, including photographs of State President Mrs. E. P. Hutchinson, District President Anna M. Taylor, and other officers, cover Barber, Barton, Clark, Edwards, Ford, Gray, Harper, Harvey, Hodgeman, Kingman, Kiowa, McPherson, Meade, Ness, Pawnee, Pratt, Reno, Rice, Rush, Sedgwick, Seward, Stafford, Sumner, and Stevens County. There are several other groups of official Kansas WCTU records on Kansas Memory. They can be found by selecting Collections - Manuscript - KWCTU/Mary Evelyn Dobbs.

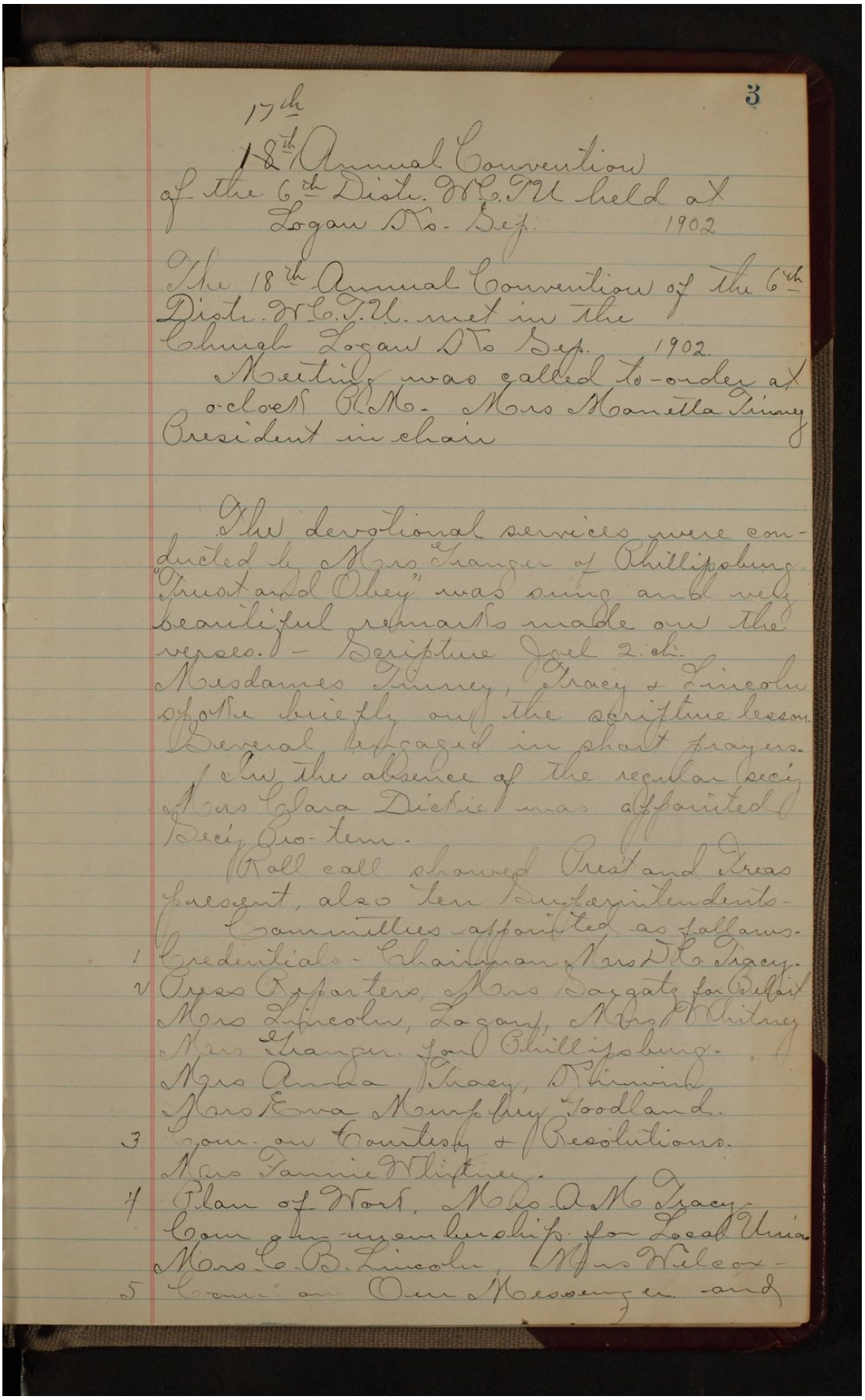
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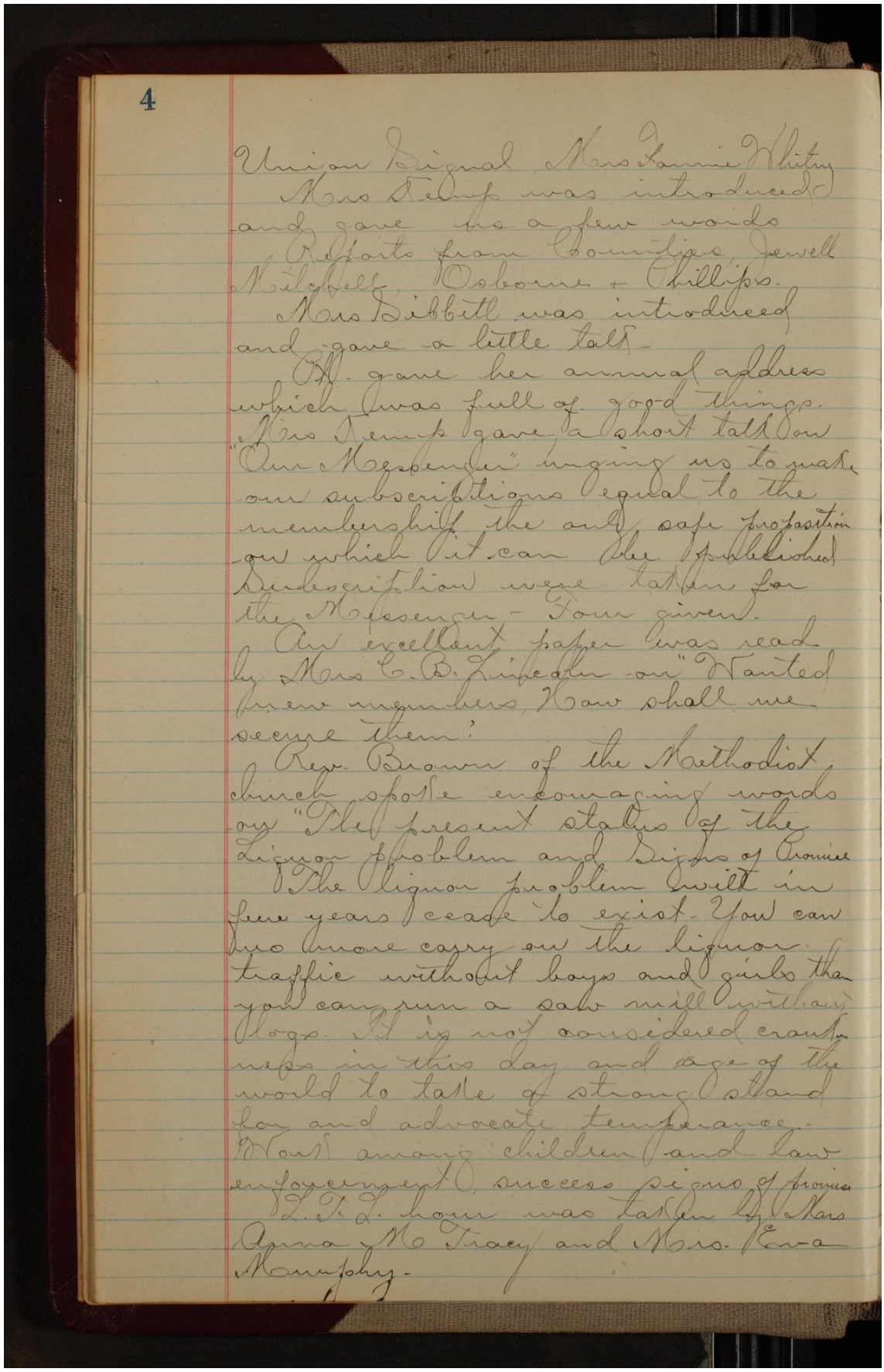


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17th
18th Annual Convention
of the 6th Distr. W.C.T.U. held at
Logan Ks. Sep. 1902

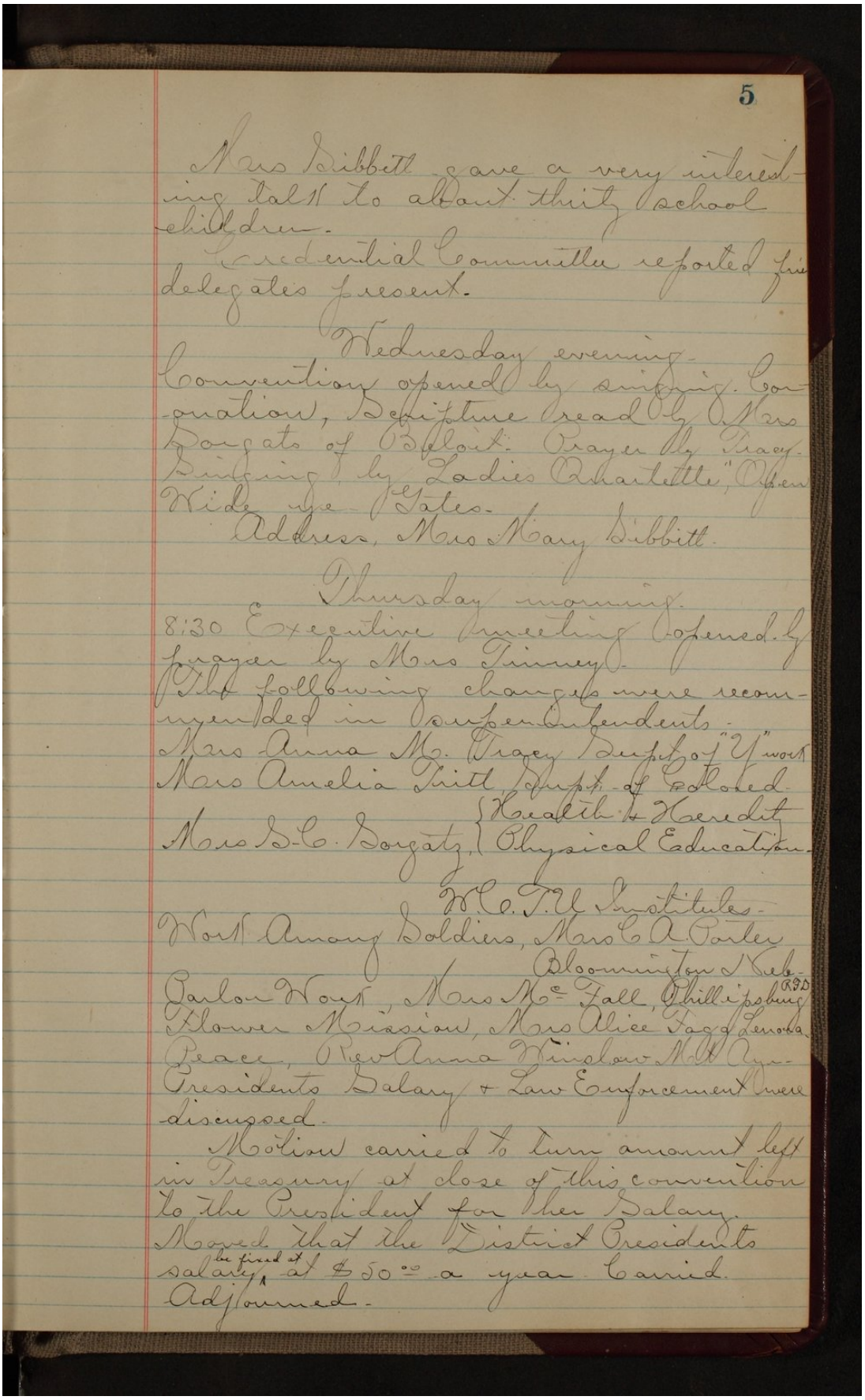
The 18th Annual Convention of the 6th Distr. W.C.T.U. met in the Church Logan Ks Sep. 1902.
Meeting was called to order at o-clock P.M. Mrs Manetta Tinney President in chair

The devotional services were conducted by Mrs Granger of Phillipsburg. "Trust and Obey" was sung and very beautiful remarks made on the verses. - Scripture Joel 2. ch.
Mesdames Tinney, Tracy & Lincoln spoke briefly on the scripture lesson.
Several engaged in short prayers.
On the absence of the regular secy Mrs Clara Dickie was appointed Secy Pro-tem.
Roll call showed Pres and Treas present, also ten Superintendents.
Committees appointed as follows.
1 Credentials - Chairman Mrs D.C. Tracy.
2 Press Reporters, Mrs Daggatz for Beloit
Mrs Lincoln, Logan, Mrs Whitney
Mrs Granger for Phillipsburg.
Mrs Anna Tracy, Plainville
Mrs Eva Humphrey Woodland.
3 Com. on Courtesy & Resolutions.
Mrs Fannie Whitney.
4 Plan of Work, Mrs A.M. Tracy.
Com. on membership for Local Unions
Mrs C.B. Lincoln, Mrs Wilcox.
5 Com. on Our Messenger and



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Union Signal. Mrs Fannie Whitney
Mrs Temps was introduced and gave us a few words
Reports from Comanche, Jewell Mitchell, Osborne + Phillips.
Mrs Dibbell was introduced and gave a little talk.
Pres. gave her annual address which was full of good things.
Mrs Temps gave a short talk on "Our Messenger" urging us to make our subscriptions equal to the membership the only safe proposition on which it can be published. Subscriptions were taken for the Messenger - Four given.
An excellent paper was read by Mrs C. B. Lipsedin on "Wanted new members, How shall we secure them"
Rev. Brown of the Methodist church spoke encouraging words on "The present status of the Liquor problem and Signs of Promise"
The liquor problem will in five years cease to exist. You can no more carry on the liquor traffic without boys and girls than you can run a saw mill without logs. It is not considered cranky in this day and age of the world to take a strong stand for and advocate temperance. Work among children and law enforcement, success signs of promise.
L. T. L. hour was taken by Mrs Anna McTracy and Mrs. Eva Humphry.



Mrs Dibbett gave a very interesting talk to about thirty school children.

Credential Committee reported five delegates present.

Wednesday evening.

Convention opened by singing. Coronation, Scripture read by Mrs Bongats of Beloit. Prayer by Tracy. Singing by Ladies Quartette, "Open Wide the Gates."

Address, Mrs Mary Dibbitt.

Thursday morning.

8:30 Executive meeting opened by prayer by Mrs Finney.

The following changes were recommended in Superintendents.

Mrs Anna M. Tracy Supt of "Y" work
Mrs Amelia Tuttle Supt of Medal. {Health & Heredity
Mrs S.C. Bongatz, {Physical Education.

W.C.T.U. Institutes.

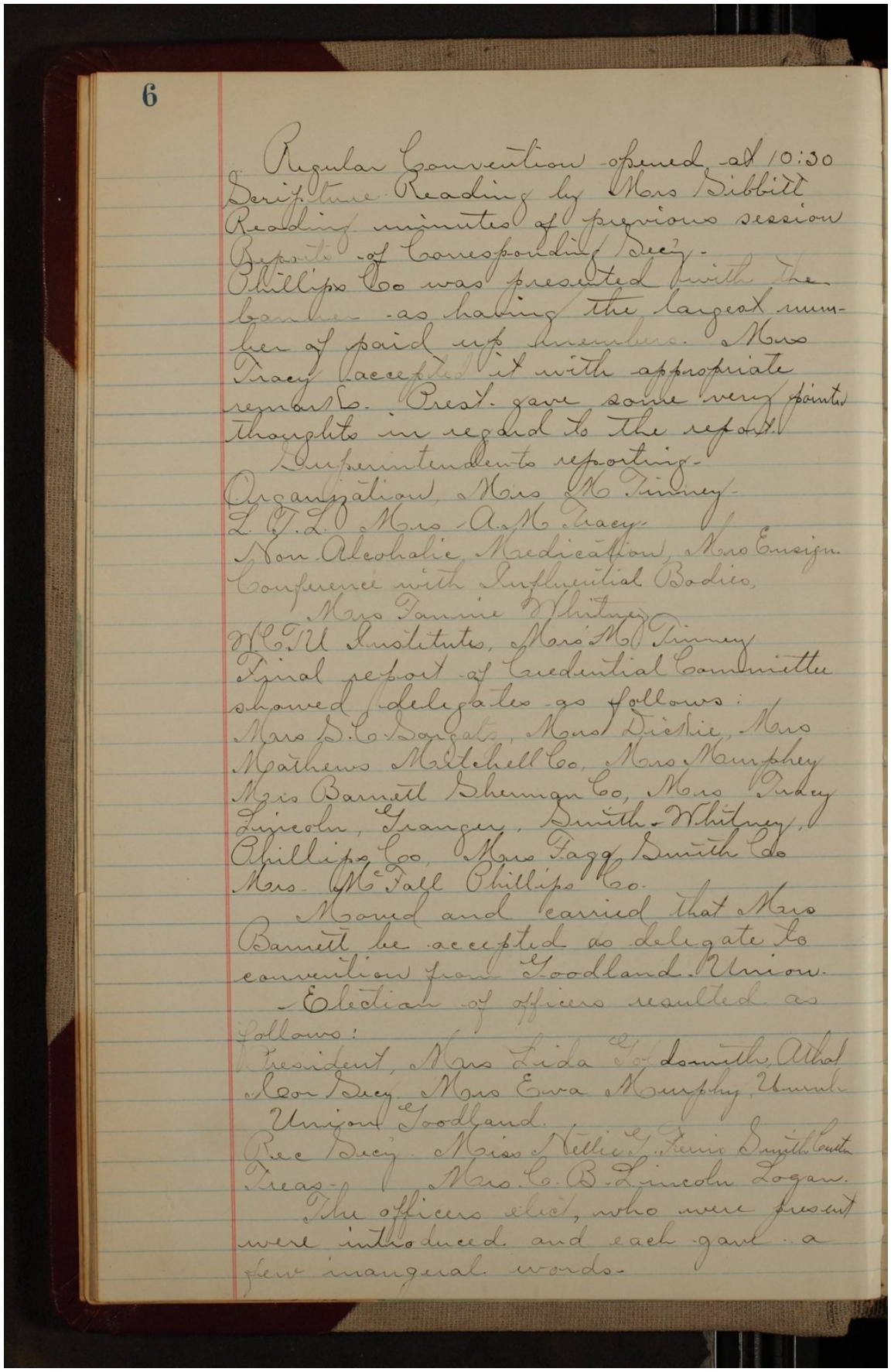
Work Among Soldiers, Mrs C.A. Carter Bloomington Neb.
Parlor Work, Mrs Mc Fall, Phillipsburg
Flower Mission, Mrs Alice Fagg Lenora
Peace, Rev Anna Winslow M.D. Ayr.

Presidents Salary & Law Enforcement were discussed.

Motion carried to turn amount left in Treasury at close of this convention to the President for Her Salary.

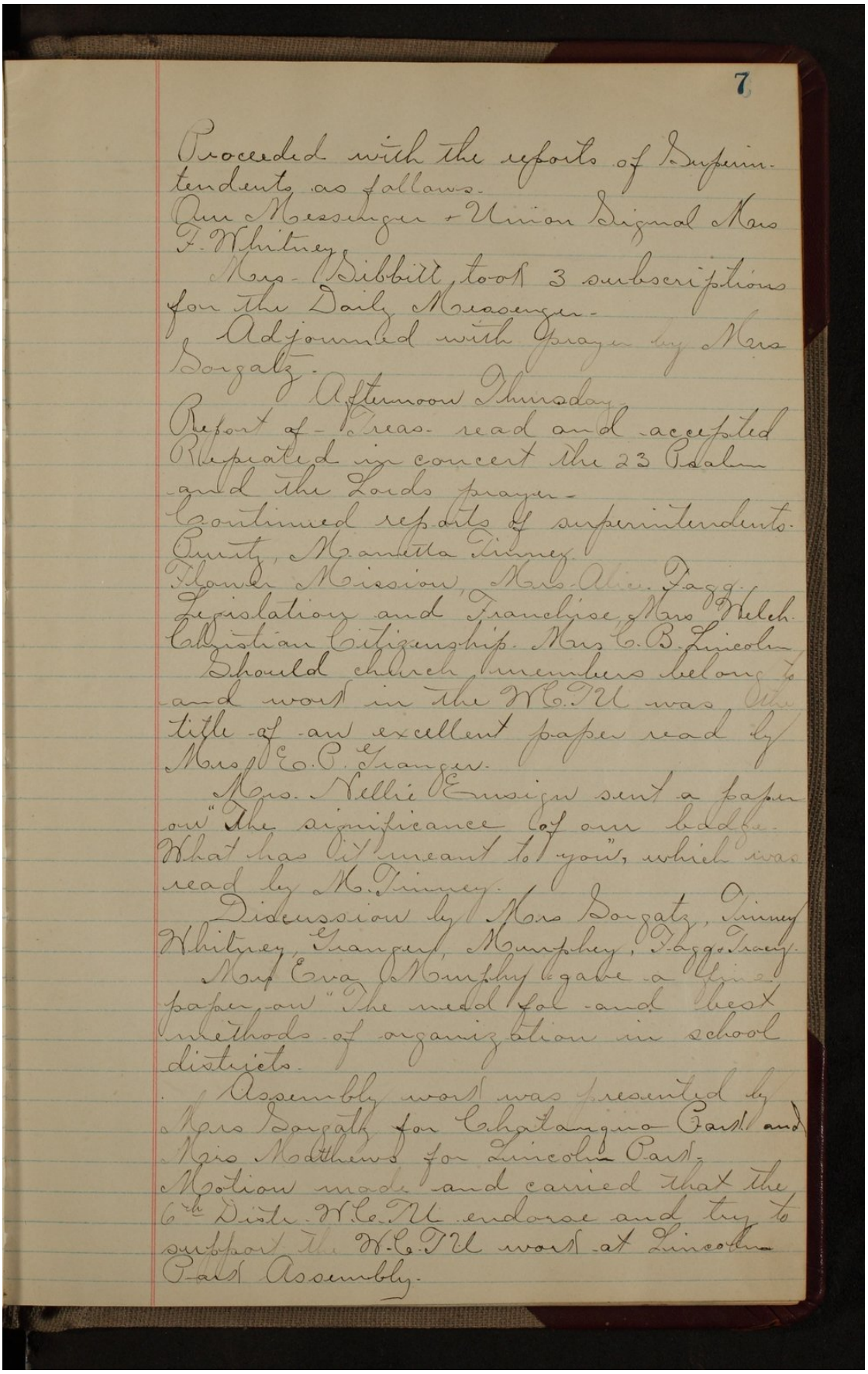
Moved that the District Presidents salary be fixed at $50.00 a year Carried.

Adjourned.



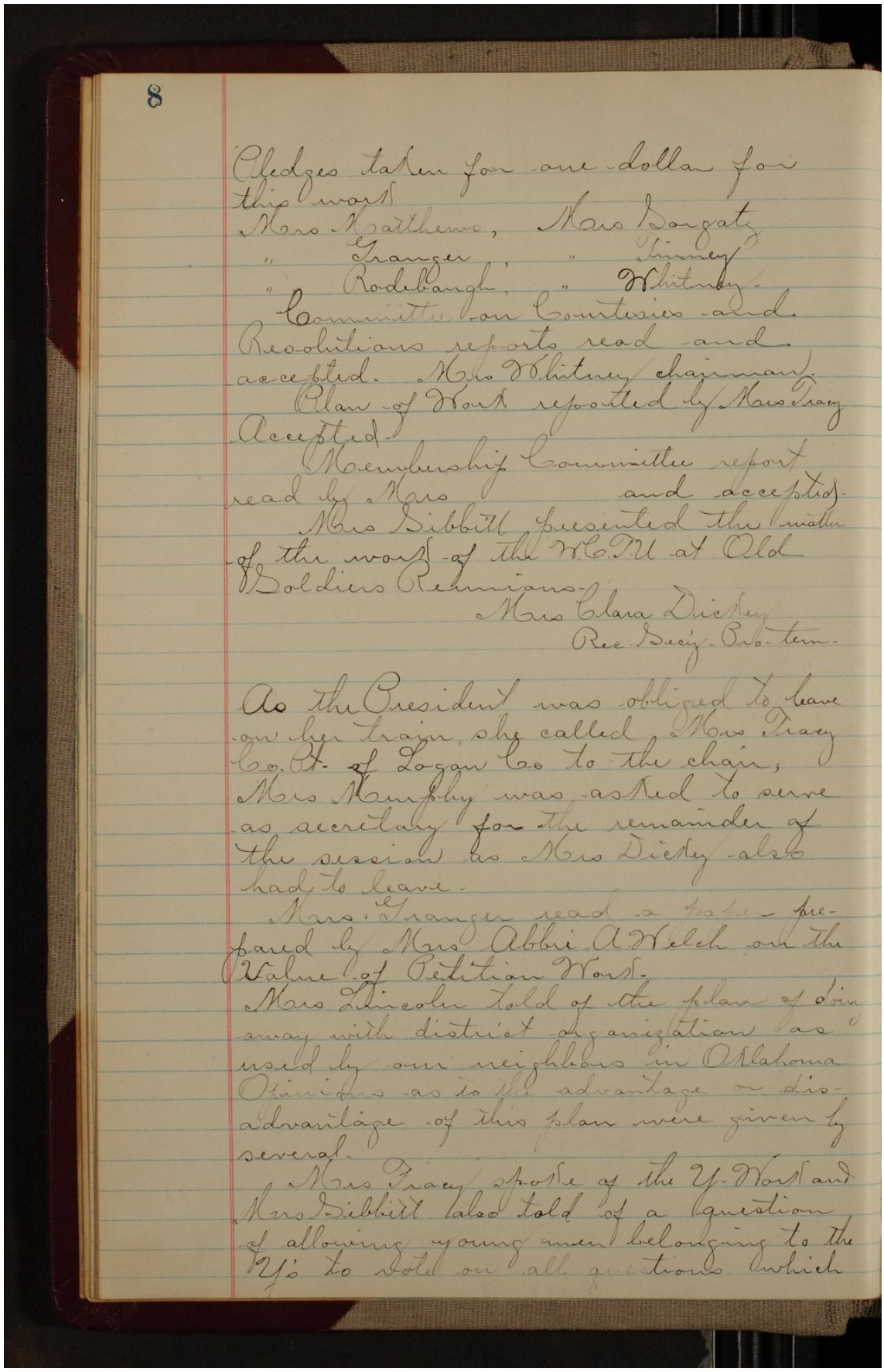
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Regular Convention opened at 10:30
Devotional Reading by Mrs Dibbitt
Reading minutes of previous session
Reports of Corresponding Secy.
Phillips Co was presented with the banner as having the largest number of paid up members. Mrs Tracy accepted it with appropriate remarks. Pres. gave some very pointed thoughts in regard to the report.
Superintendents reporting.
Organization, Mrs M. Finney.
L.T.L. Mrs A.M. Tracy.
Non Alcoholic Medication, Mrs Ensign.
Conference with Influential Bodies,
Mrs Fannie Whitney.
W.C.T.U. Institutes, Mrs M. Finney.
Final report of Credential Committee showed delegates as follows:
Mrs D.C. Dangate, Mrs Dickie, Mrs Mathews Mitchell Co, Mrs Murphey Mrs Barnett Sherman Co, Mrs Tracy Lincoln, Granger, Smith-Whitney, Phillips Co, Mrs Fagg Smith Co Mrs McFall Phillips Co.
Moved and carried that Mrs Barnett be accepted as delegate to convention from Goodland Union.
Election of officers resulted as follows:
President, Mrs Lida [illegible] Smith, Athol Vice Secy. Mrs Eva Murphy, Union Union Goodland.
Rec Secy. Miss Nellie [illegible] Smith Cente
Treas. Mrs C.B. Lincoln Logan.
The officers elect, who were present were introduced and each gave a few inaugural words.



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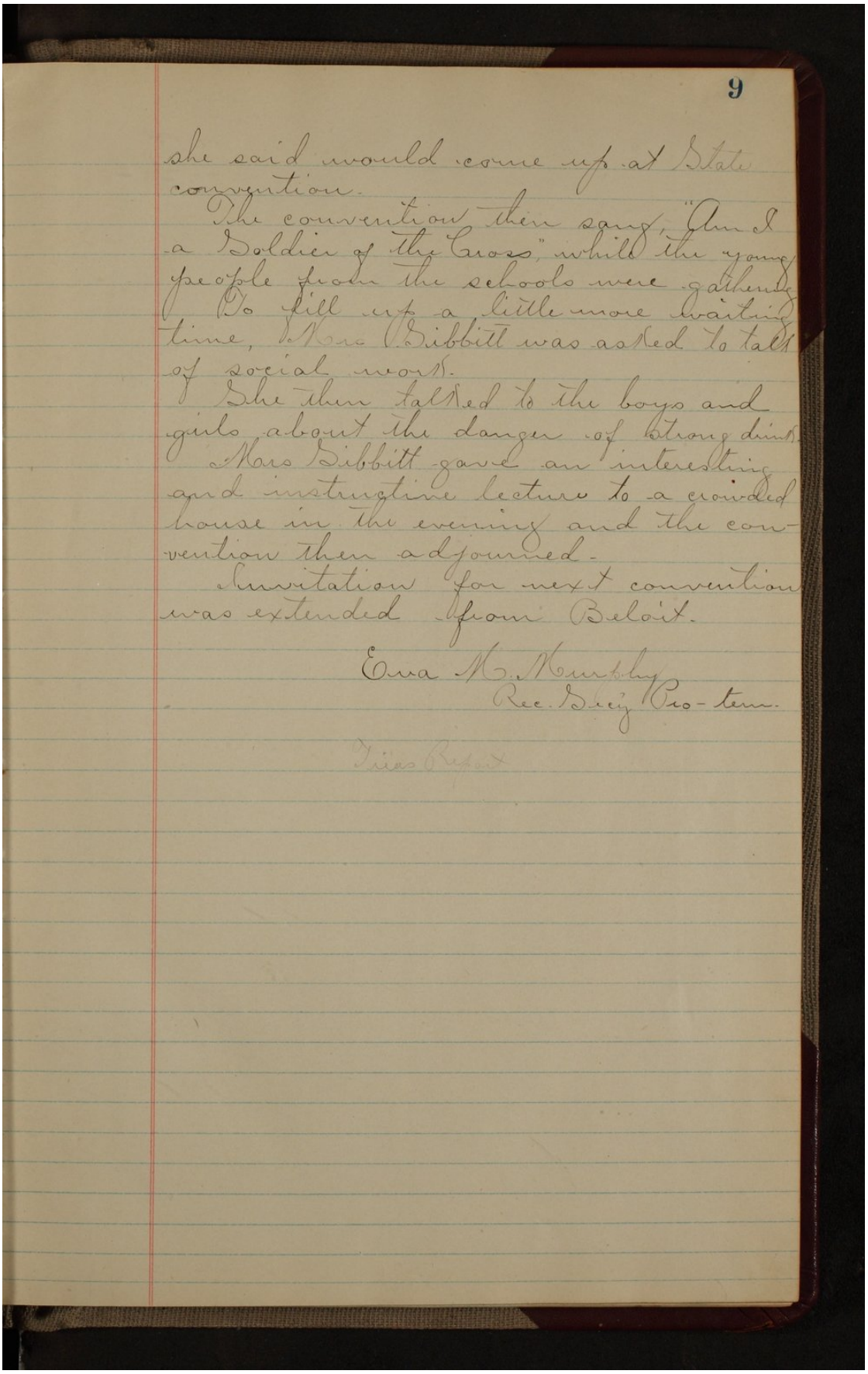
Proceeded with the reports of Superintendents as follows.
Our Messenger + Union Signal Mrs F. Whitney.
Mrs. Dibbitt took 3 subscriptions for the Daily Messenger.
Adjourned with Prayer by Mrs Dargatz.
Afternoon Thursday
Report of Treas. read and accepted
Repeated in concert the 23 Psalm and the Lords prayer.
Continued reports of superintendents.
County, Marietta Tinney
Flower Mission, Mrs. Alice Fagg.
Legislation and Franchise, Mrs Welch
Christian Citizenship. Mrs C. B. Lincoln
Should church members belong to and work in the W.C.T.U. was the title of an excellent paper read by Mrs. E. C. Granger.
Mrs. Nellie Ensign sent a paper on "The significance of our badge. What has it meant to you", which was read by M. Tinney.
Discussion by Mrs Dargatz, Tinney Whitney, Granger, Murphey, Fagg, Tracy.
Mrs Eva J. Murphy gave a fine paper on "The needful and best methods of organization in school districts.
Assembly work was presented by Mrs Dargatz for Chautauqua Co. and Mrs Matthews for Lincoln Co.
Motion made and carried that the 6th Dist. W.C.T.U. endorse and try to support the W.C.T.U. work at Lincoln Co. Assembly.



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Pledges taken for one dollar for this work
Mrs Matthews, Mrs Dougate
" Granger " Finney
" Rodebaugh " Whitney
Committee on Courtesies and Resolutions reports read and accepted. Mrs Whitney chairman.
Plan of Work reported by Mrs Tracy Accepted.
Membership Committee report read by Mrs and accepted.
Mrs Dibbitt presented the matter of the work of the W.C.T.U. at Old Soldiers Reunions.
Mrs Clara Dicksey
Rec. Secy. Pro. tem.

As the President was obliged to leave on her train, she called Mrs Tracy Co. P. of Logan Co to the chair; Mrs Murphy was asked to serve as secretary for the remainder of the session as Mrs Dicksey also had to leave.
Mrs. Granger read a paper prepared by Mrs Abbie A Welch on the Value of Petition Work.
Mrs Lincoln told of the plan of doing away with district organization as used by our neighbors in Oklahoma Opinions as to the advantage or disadvantage of this plan were given by several.
Mrs Tracy spoke of the Y. Work and Mrs Dibbitt also told of a question of allowing young men belonging to the Y's to vote on all questions which



she said would come up at State convention.

The convention then sang, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," while the young people from the schools were gathered.

To fill up a little more waiting time, Mrs. Dibbitt was asked to talk of social work.

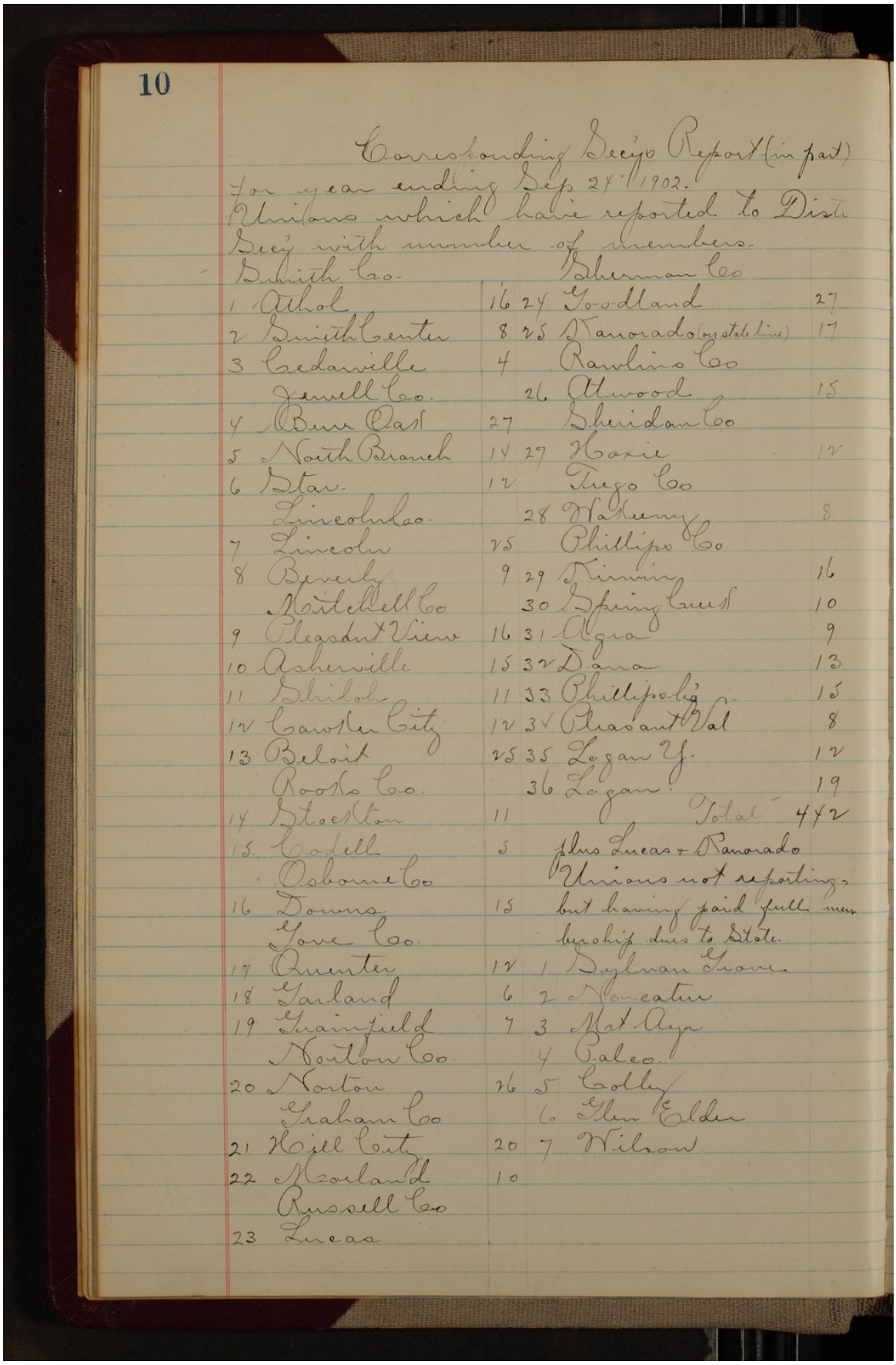
She then talked to the boys and girls about the danger of strong drink.

Mrs Dibbitt gave an interesting and instructive lecture to a crowded house in the evening and the convention then adjourned.

Invitation for next convention was extended from Beloit.

Eva M. Mumbly
Rec. Sec'y Pro-tem.

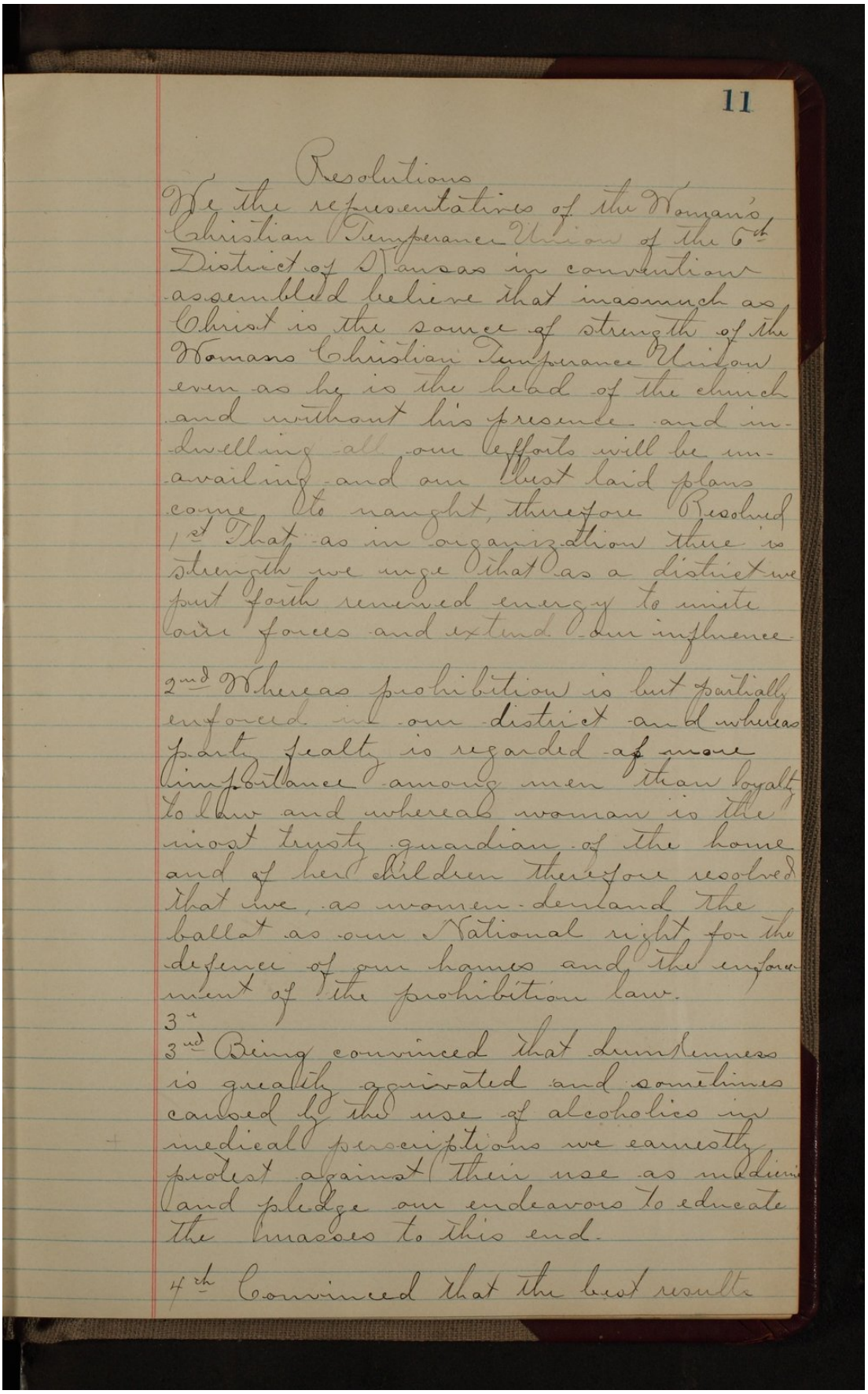
Trias Report



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Corresponding Secys Report (in part)
For year ending Sept 21st 1902.
Unions which have reported to Dist
Secy with number of members.

Smith Co.			Sherman Co		
1	Athol	16	24	Goodland	27
2	Smith Center	8	25	Kanorado (by state line)	17
3	Cedarville	4		Rawlins Co	
	Jewell Co.		26	Atwood	15
4	Burr Oak	27		Sheridan Co	
5	North Branch	14	27	Hoxie	12
6	Star	12		Trego Co	
	Lincoln Co.		28	Wakeeney	8
7	Lincoln	25		Phillips Co	
8	Beverly	9	29	Kirwin	16
	Mitchell Co		30	Spring Creek	10
9	Pleasant View	16	31	Agra	9
10	Asherville	15	32	Dana	13
11	Shiloh	11	33	Phillips-big	15
12	Cawker City	12	34	Pleasant Val	8
13	Beloit	25	35	Logan Y.	12
	Rooks Co.		36	Logan	19
14	Stockton	11		Total	472
15	Codell	5		plus Lucas + Kanorado	
	Osborne Co			Unions not reporting.	
16	Downs	15		but having paid full mem	
	Jewell Co.			bership dues to State.	
17	Quenten	12	1	Sylvan Grove	
18	Garland	6	2	Doncaster	
19	Grainfield	7	3	Nat Aya	
	Norton Co.		4	Calco.	
20	Norton	26	5	Colby	
	Graham Co		6	Glen Elder	
21	Hill City	20	7	Wilson.	
22	Moreland	10			
	Russell Co				
23	Lucas				



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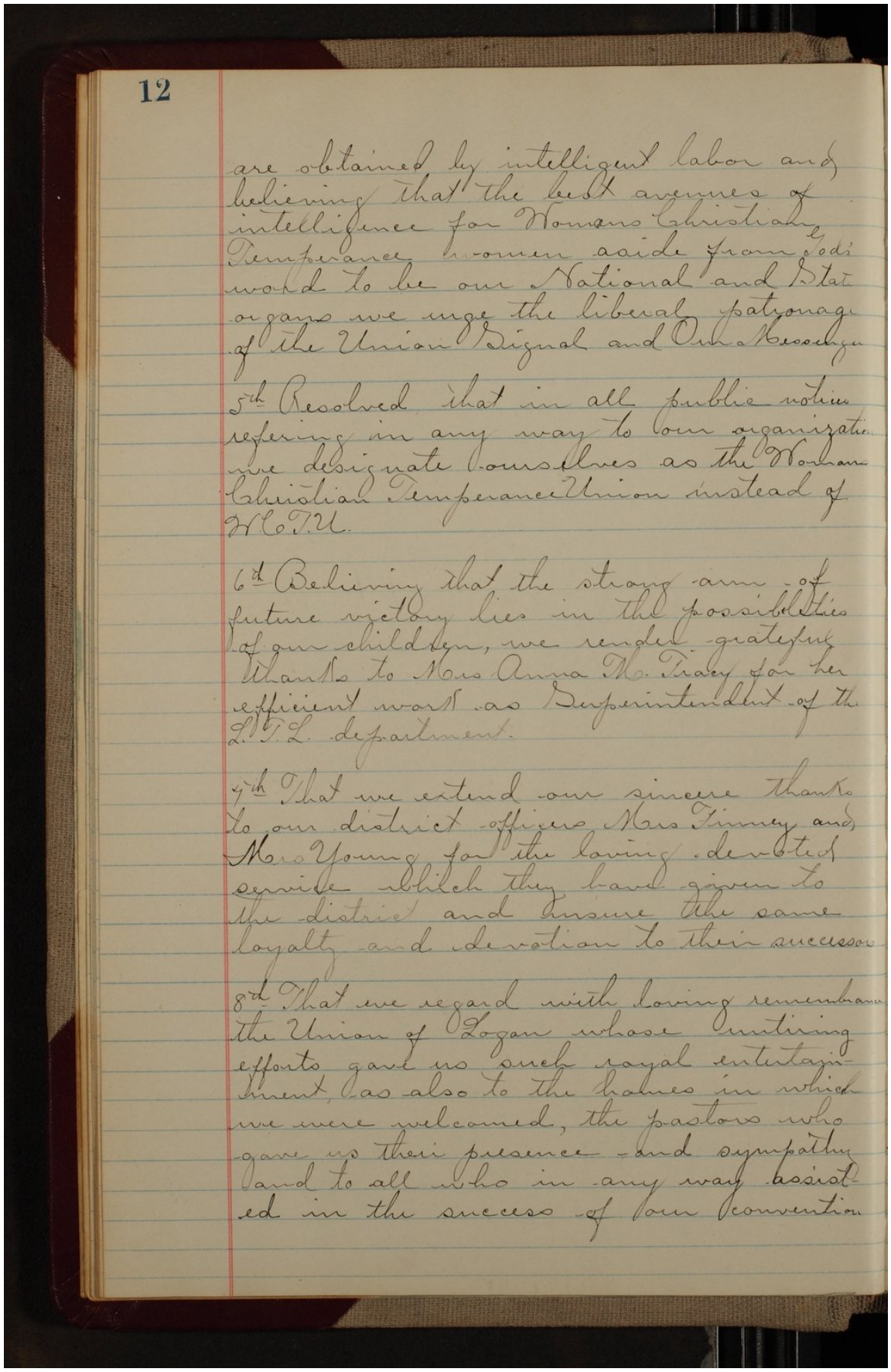
Resolutions

We the representatives of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the 6th District of Kansas in convention assembled believe that inasmuch as Christ is the source of strength of the Womans Christian Temperance Union even as he is the head of the church and without his presence and indwelling all our efforts will be unavailing and our best laid plans come to naught, therefore Resolved 1st That as in organization there is strength we urge that as a district we put forth renewed energy to unite our forces and extend our influence.

2nd Whereas prohibition is but partially enforced in our district and whereas party fealty is regarded of more importance among men than loyalty to law and whereas woman is the most trusty guardian of the home and of her children therefore resolved that we, as women demand the ballot as our National right for the defence of our homes and the enforcement of the prohibition law.

3rd Being convinced that drunkenness is greatly agrivated and sometimes caused by the use of alcoholics in medical prescriptions we earnestly protest against their use as medicine and pledge our endeavors to educate the masses to this end.

4th Convinced that the best results



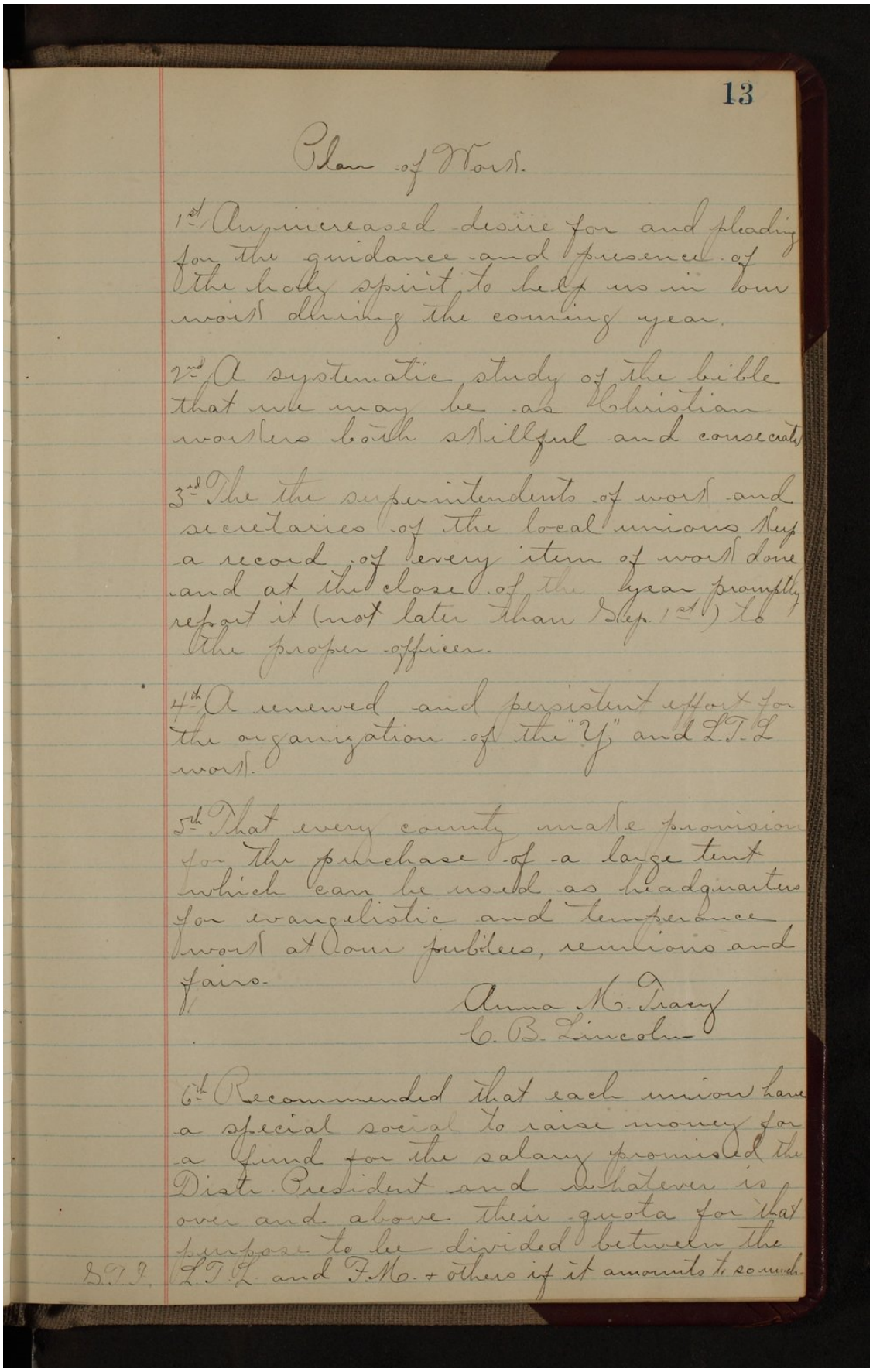
are obtained by intelligent labor and believing that the best avenues of intelligence for Womans Christian Temperance women aside from God's word to be our National and State organs we urge the liberal patronage of the Union Signal and Our Messenger

5th Resolved that in all public notices referring in any way to our organization we designate ourselves as the Woman Christian Temperance Union instead of W.C.T.U.

6th Believing that the strong arm of future victory lies in the possibilities of our children, we render grateful thanks to Mrs Anna M. Tracy for her efficient work as Superintendent of the L.T.L. department.

7th That we extend our sincere thanks to our district officers Mrs Finney and Mrs Young for the loving devoted service which they have given to the district and insure the same loyalty and devotion to their successors

8th That we regard with loving remembrance the Union of Logan whose untiring efforts gave us such royal entertainment, as also to the homes in which we were welcomed, the pastors who gave us their presence and sympathy and to all who in any way assisted in the success of our convention



Plan of Work.

1st An increased desire for and pleading for the guidance and presence of the Holy spirit to help us in our work during the coming year.

2nd A systematic study of the bible that we may be as Christian workers both skillful and consecrated

3rd That the superintendents of work and secretaries of the local unions keep a record of every item of work done and at the close of the year promptly report it (not later than Sep. 1st) to the proper officer.

4th A renewed and persistent effort for the organization of the "Y" and L.T.L work.

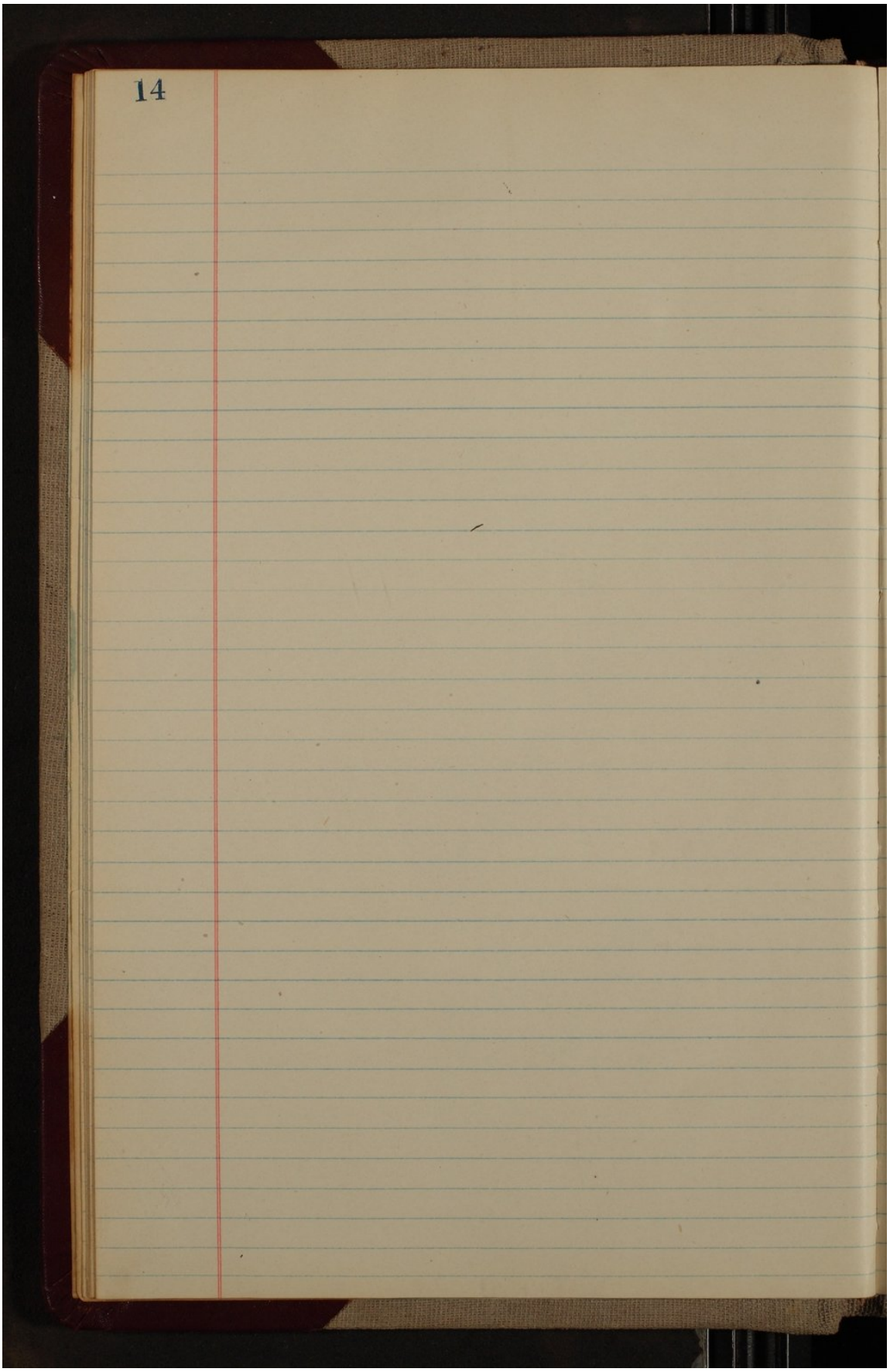
5th That every county make provision for the purchase of a large tent which can be used as headquarters for evangelistic and temperance work at Com jubilees, reunions and fairs.

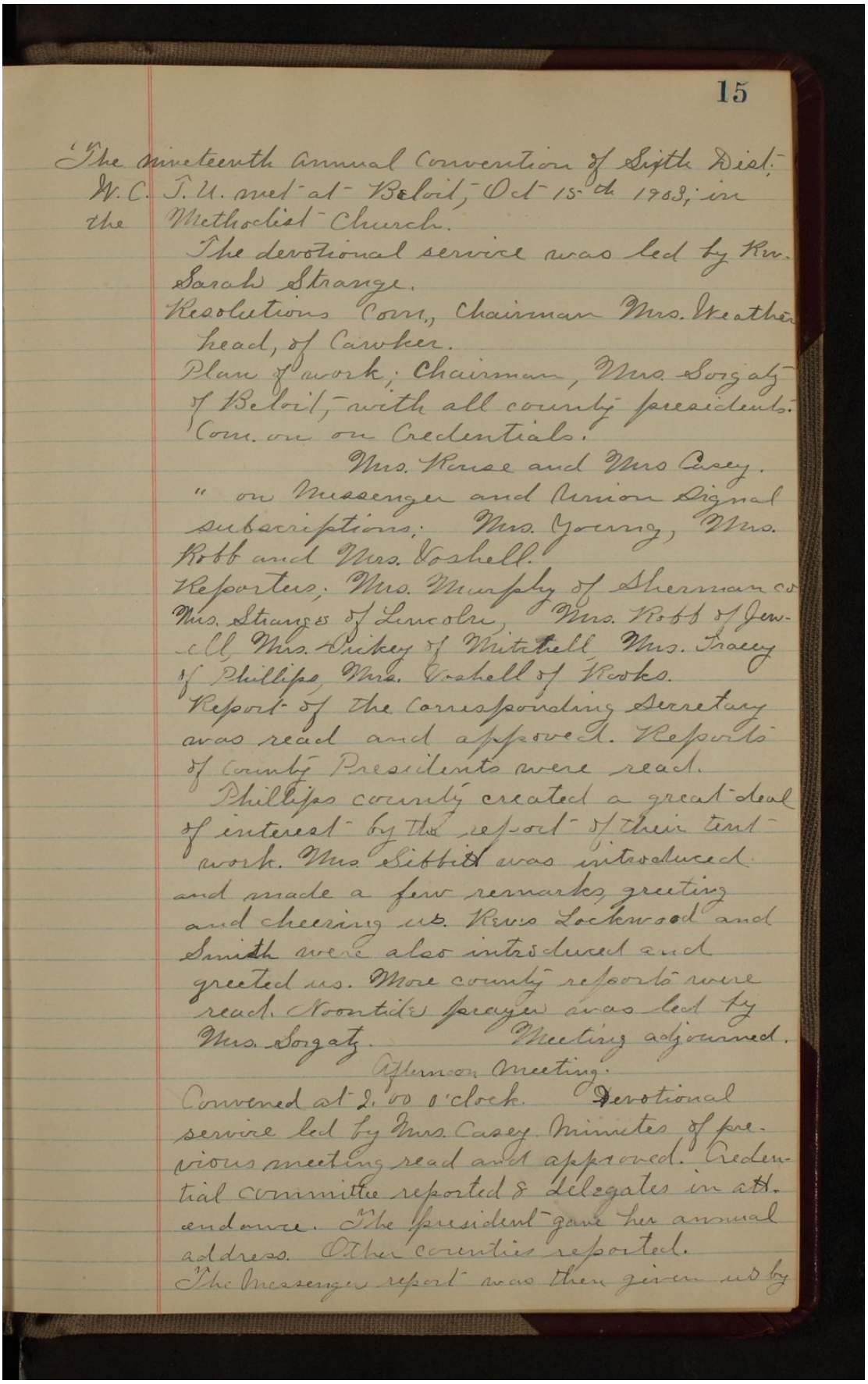
Anna M. Tracy
C. B. Lincoln

6th Recommended that each union have a special social to raise money for a fund for the salary promised the Dist. President and whatever is over and above their quota for that purpose to be divided between the L.T.L. and F.M. + others if it amounts to so much.

S.T.S.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union district books





The nineteenth Annual Convention of Sixth Dist. W. C. T. U. met at Beloit, Oct 15th 1903; in the Methodist Church.

The devotional service was led by Rev. Sarah Strange.

Resolutions Com., Chairman Mrs. Heather head, of Cawker.

Plan of work; Chairman, Mrs. Sorgatz of Beloit, with all county presidents.

Com. on on Credentials.

Mrs. Kause and Mrs Casey.

" on Messenger and Union Signal subscriptions. Mrs. Young, Mrs. Robb and Mrs. Voshell.

Reporters; Mrs. Murphy of Sherman Co Mrs. Strange of Lincoln, Mrs. Robb of Jewell, Mrs. Dukey of Mitchell Mrs. Tracey of Phillips, Mrs. Voshell of Rooks.

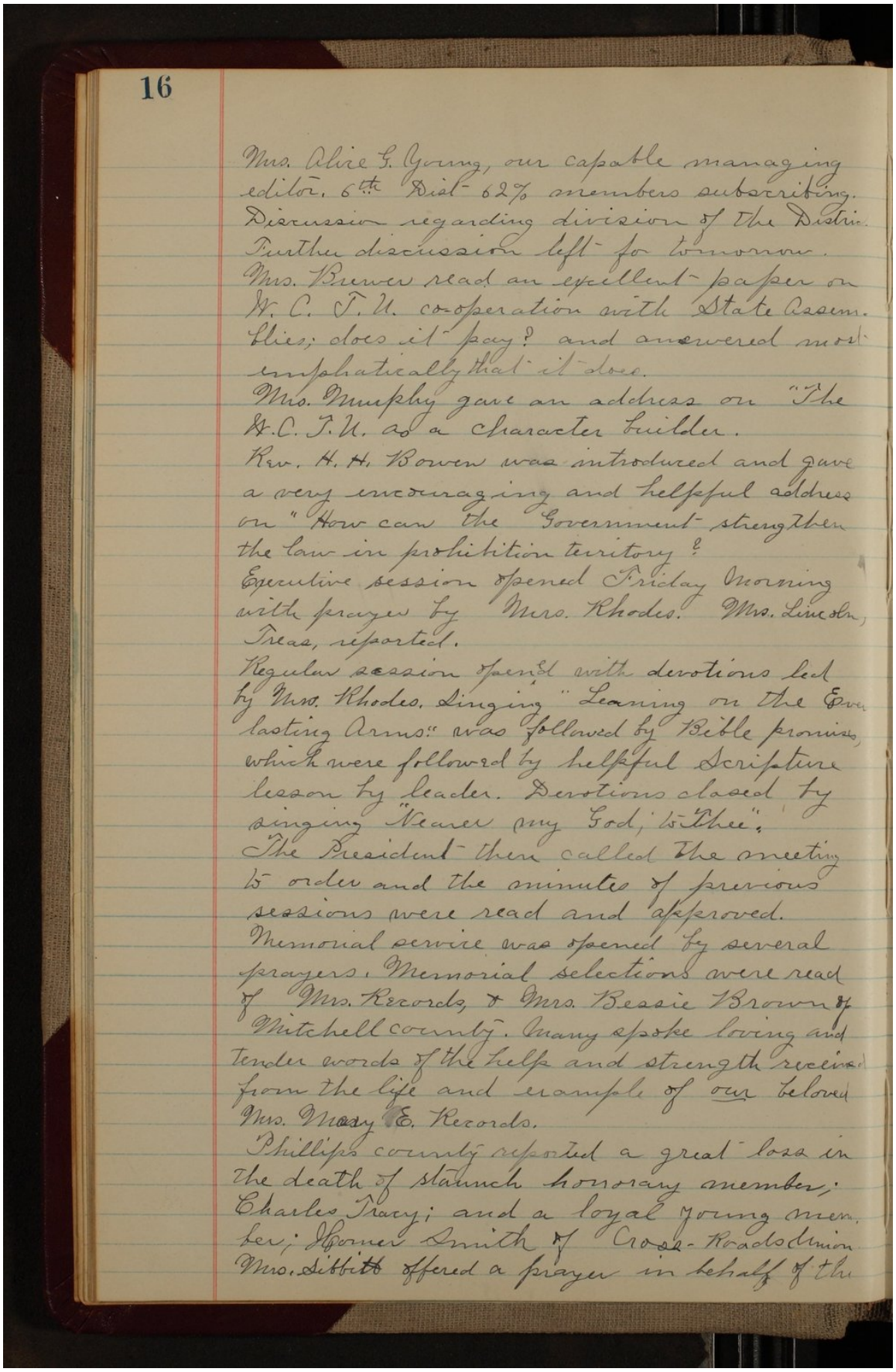
Report of the corresponding Secretary was read and approved. Reports of County Presidents were read.

Phillips county created a great deal of interest by the report of their tent work. Mrs. Sibbitt was introduced and made a few remarks greeting and cheering us. Revs Lockwood and Smith were also introduced and greeted us. More county reports were read. Noontide prayer was led by Mrs. Sorgatz. Meeting adjourned.

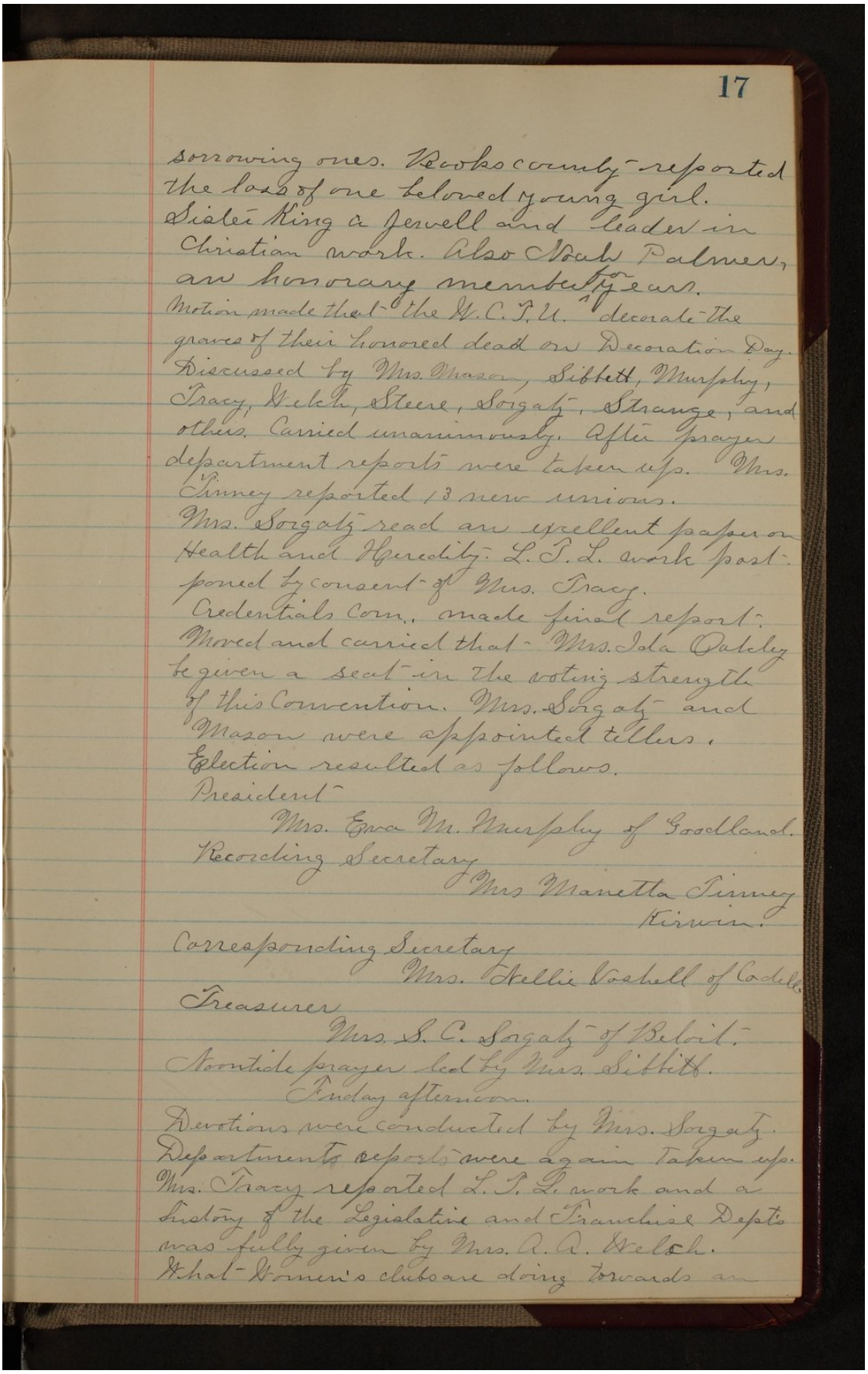
Afternoon Meeting.

Convened at 2.00 o'clock. Devotional service led by Mrs. Casey. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Credential committe reported 8 delegates in attendance. The President gave her annual address. Other counties reported.

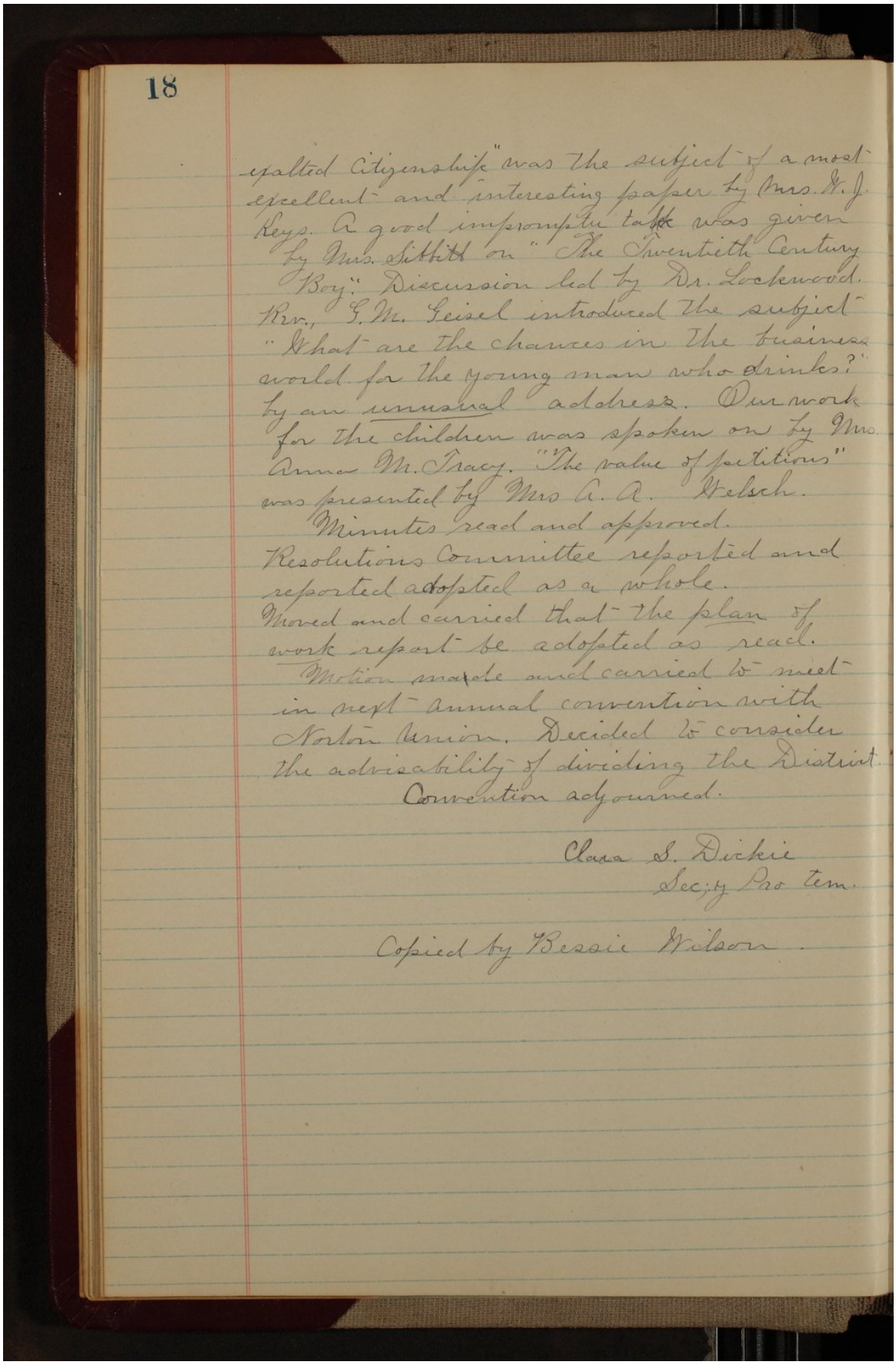
The Messenger report was then given us by



Mrs. Alice L. Young, our capable managing editor. 6th Dist- 62% members subscribing.
Discussion regarding division of the Distin.
Further discussion left for tomorrow.
Mrs. Brewer read an excellent paper on W. C. T. U. co-operation with State Assem. blies; does it pay? and answered most emphatically that it does.
Mrs. Murphy gave an address on "The W.C.T.U. as a character builder.
Rev. H. H. Bowen was introduced and gave a very encouraging and helpful address on "How can the Government strengthen the law in prohibition territory?
Executive session opened Friday morning with prayer by Mrs. Rhodes. Mrs. Lincoln, Treas, reported.
Regular session opened with devotions led by Mrs. Rhodes. Singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" was followed by Bible promises which were followed by helpful Scripture lesson by leader. Devotions closed by singing "Nearer my God, to Thee".
The President then called the meeting to order and the minutes of previous sessions were read and approved.
Memorial service was opened by several prayers. Memorial selections were read of Mrs. Records, & Mrs. Bessie Brown of Mitchell county. Many spoke loving and tender words of the help and strength received from the life and example of our beloved Mrs. Mary E. Records.
Phillips county reported a great loss in the death of staunch honorary member; Charles Tracy; and a loyal young member; Homer Smith of Cross-Roads Union.
Mrs. Sibbitt offered a prayer in behalf of the



sorrowing ones. Books county reported the loss of one beloved young girl. Sister King a jewell and leader in Christian work. Also Mark Palmer, an honorary member of years.
Motion made that the W. C. T. U. decorate the graves of their honored dead on Decoration Day. Discussed by Mrs. Mason, Sibbett, Murphy, Tracy, Welch, Steere, Sargaty, Strange, and others. Carried unanimously. After prayer department reports were taken up. Mrs. Tinney reported 13 new unions.
Mrs. Sargaty read an excellent paper on Health and Heredity. L. T. L. work postponed by consent of Mrs. Tracy.
Credentials Com. made final report. Moved and carried that Mrs. Ida Oakley be given a seat in the voting strength of this Convention. Mrs. Sargaty and Mason were appointed tellers.
Election resulted as follows.
President
Mrs. Eva M. Murphy of Goodland.
Recording Secretary
Mrs Manetta Tinney Kirwin.
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Nellie Voshell of Cadell.
Treasurer
Mrs. S. C. Sargaty of Beloit.
Noontide prayer led by Mrs. Sibbett.
Friday afternoon.
Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Sargaty. Departments reports were again taken up. Mrs. Tracy reported L. T. L. work and a history of the Legislative and Franchise Depts was fully given by Mrs. A. A. Welch.
What Women's clubs are doing towards an



-ipated citizenship" was the subject of a most excellent and interesting paper by Mrs. W. J. Keys. A good impromptu talk was given by Mrs. Sibbitt on "The Twentieth Century Boy." Discussion led by Dr. Lockwood. Rev. C. M. Geisel introduced the subject "What are the chances in the business world for the young man who drinks?" by an unusual address. Our work for the children was spoken on by Mrs. Anna M. Tracy. "The value of petitions" was presented by Mrs A. A. Welsch.

Minutes read and approved.

Resolutions Committee reported and reported adopted as a whole.

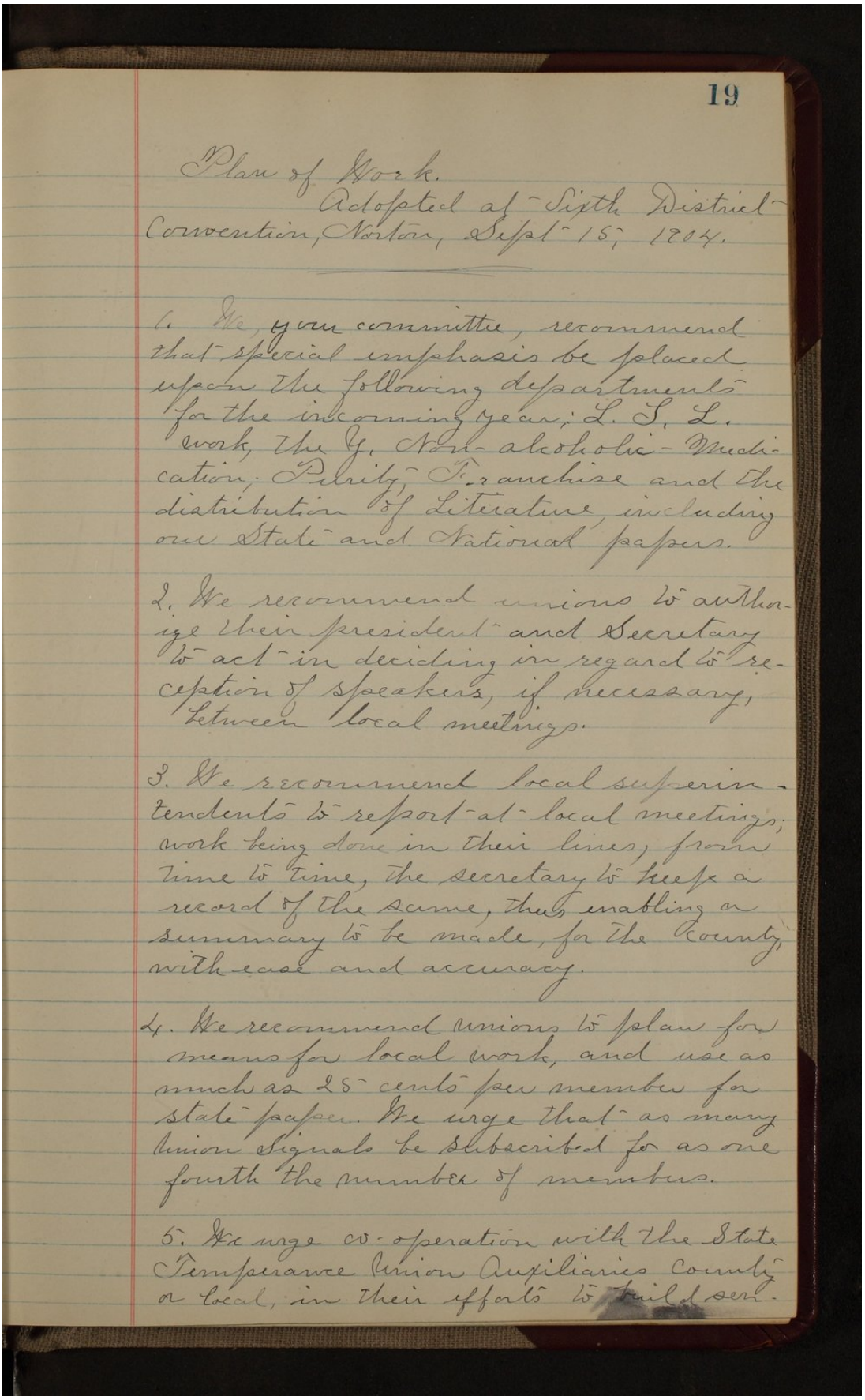
Moved and carried that the plan of work report be adopted as read.

Motion made and carried to meet in next annual convention with Norton Union. Decided to consider the advisability of dividing the District.

Convention adjourned.

Clara S. Dickie
Secy Pro tem.

Copied by Bessie Wilson.



Plan of Work.
Adopted at Sixth District Convention, Norton, Sept 15, 1904.

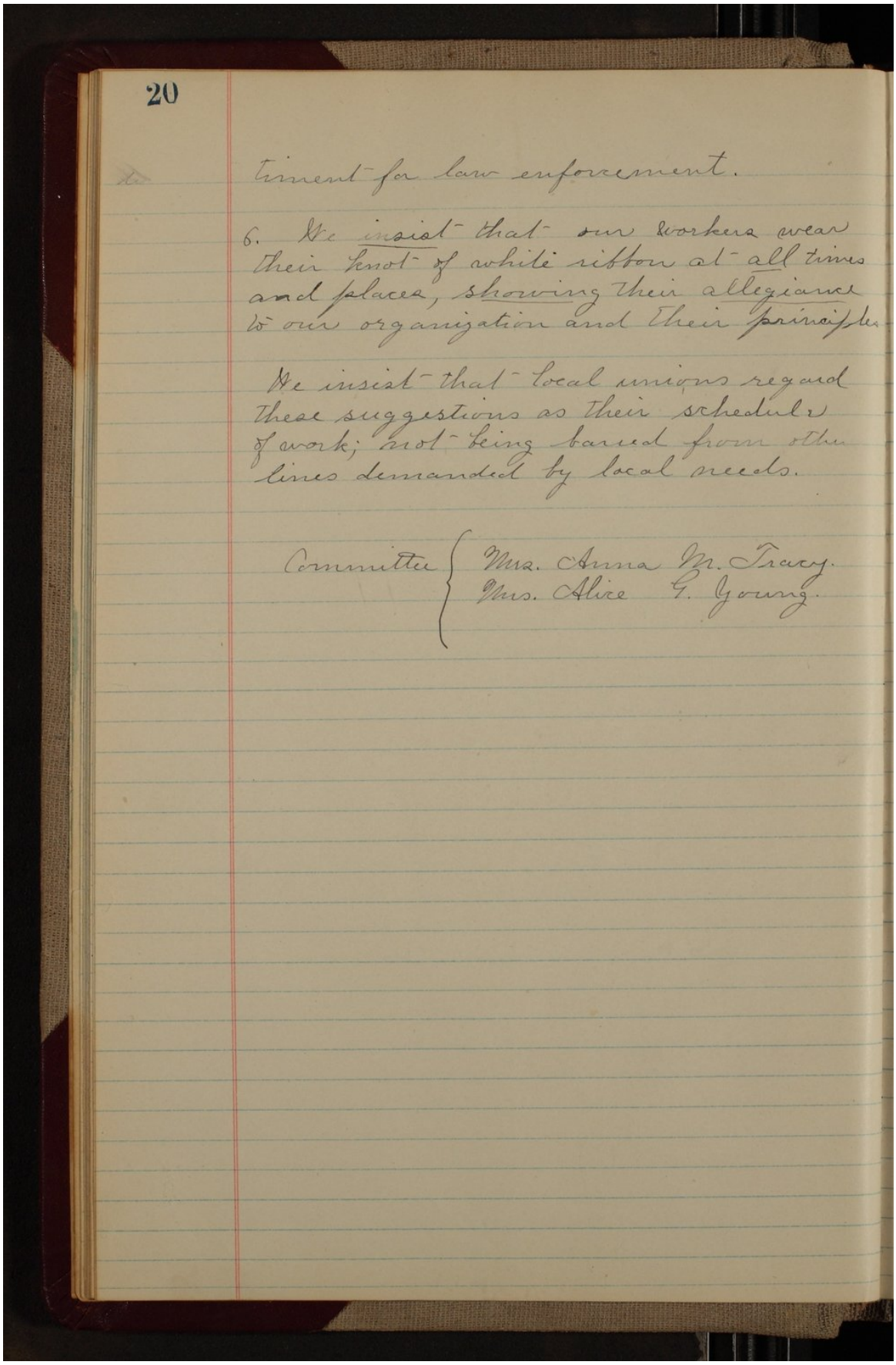
1. We, your committee, recommend that special emphasis be placed upon the following departments for the incoming year; L. T. L. work, the Y. Non-alcoholic Medication, Purity, Franchise and the distribution of Literature, including our State and National papers.

2. We recommend unions to authorize their president and Secretary to act in deciding in regard to reception of speakers, if necessary, between local meetings.

3. We recommend local superintendents to report at local meetings, work being done in their lines, from time to time, the secretary to keep a record of the same, thus enabling a summary to be made, for the County, with ease and accuracy.

4. We recommend unions to plan for means for local work, and use as much as 25 cents per member for state papers. We urge that as many Union Signals be subscribed for as one fourth the number of members.

5. We urge co-operation with the State Temperance Union Auxiliaries County & local, in their efforts to build sen-

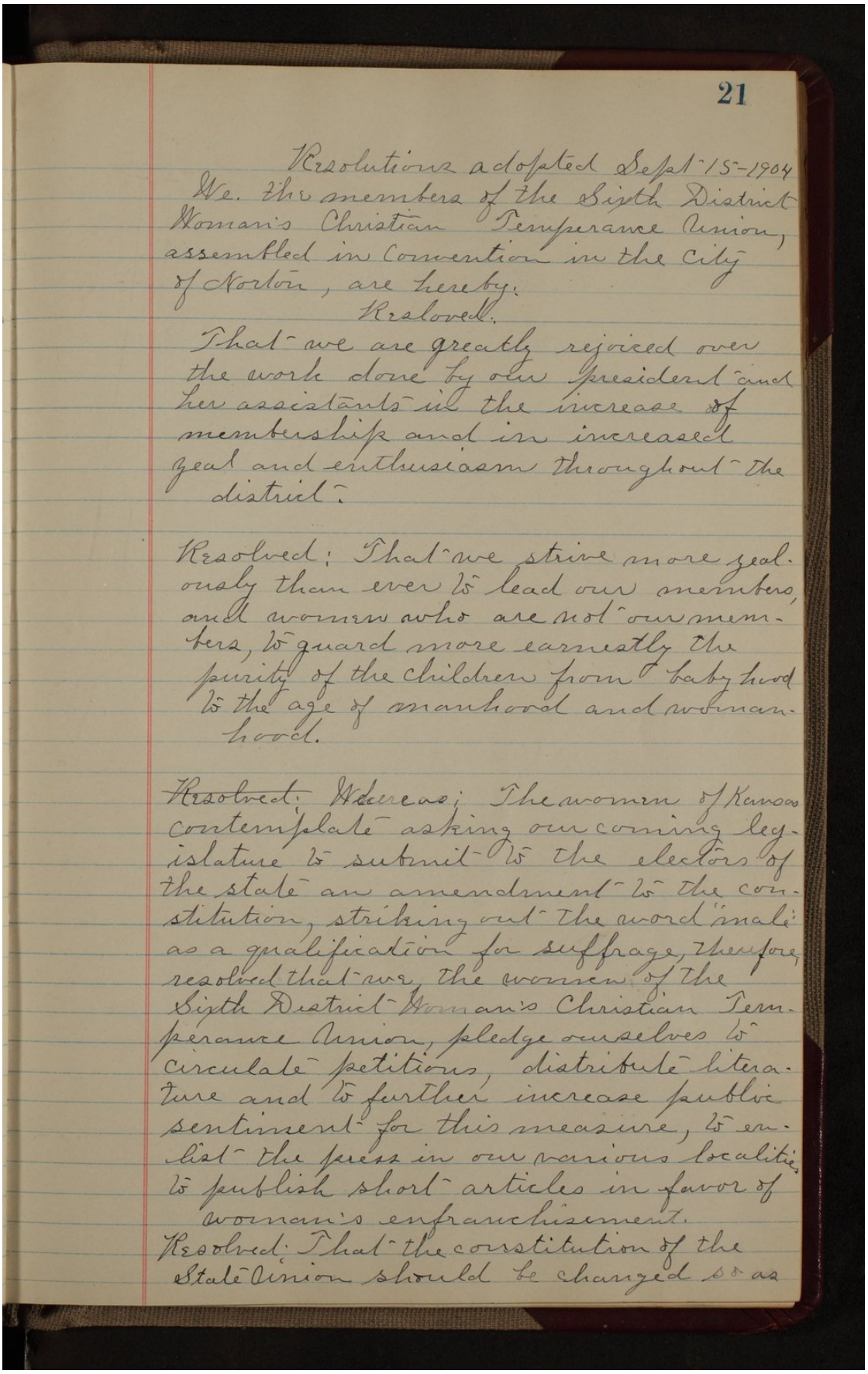


timent for law enforcement.

6. We insist that our workers wear their knot of white ribbon at all times and places, showing their allegiance to our organization and their principles.

We insist that local unions regard these suggestions as their schedule of work; not being barred from other lines demanded by local needs.

Committee { Mrs. Anna M. Tracy.
Mrs. Alice G. Young.



Resolutions adopted Sept 15-1904

We. the members of the Sixth District Woman's Christian Temperance Union, assembled in Convention in the City of Norton, are hereby:

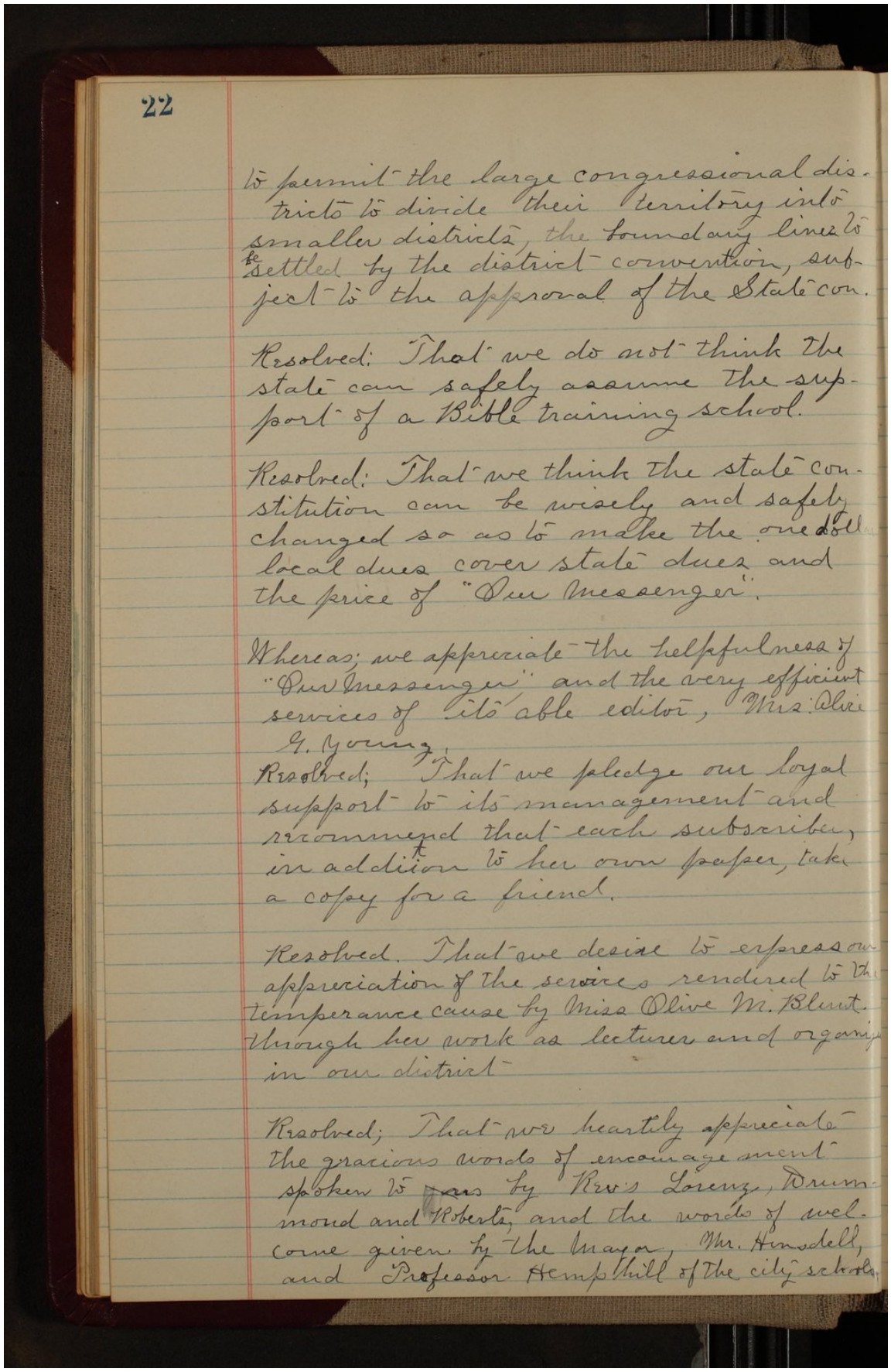
Resolved.

That we are greatly rejoiced over the work done by our President and her assistants in the increase of membership and in increased zeal and enthusiasm throughout the district.

Resolved; That we strive more zealously than ever to lead our members, and women who are not our members, to guard more earnestly the purity of the children from babyhood to the age of manhood and womanhood.

~~Resolved~~ Whereas; The women of Kansas contemplate asking our coming legislature to submit to the electors of the state an amendment to the constitution, striking out the word "male" as a qualification for suffrage, therefore, resolved that we, the women of the Sixth District Woman's Christian Temperance Union, pledge ourselves to circulate petitions, distribute literature and to further increase public sentiment for this measure, to enlist the press in our various localities to publish short articles in favor of woman's enfranchisement.

Resolved; That the constitution of the State Union should be changed so as



to permit the large congressional districts to divide their territory into smaller districts, the boundary lines to be settled by the district convention, subject to the approval of the State con.

Resolved: That we do not think the state can safely assume the support of a Bible training school.

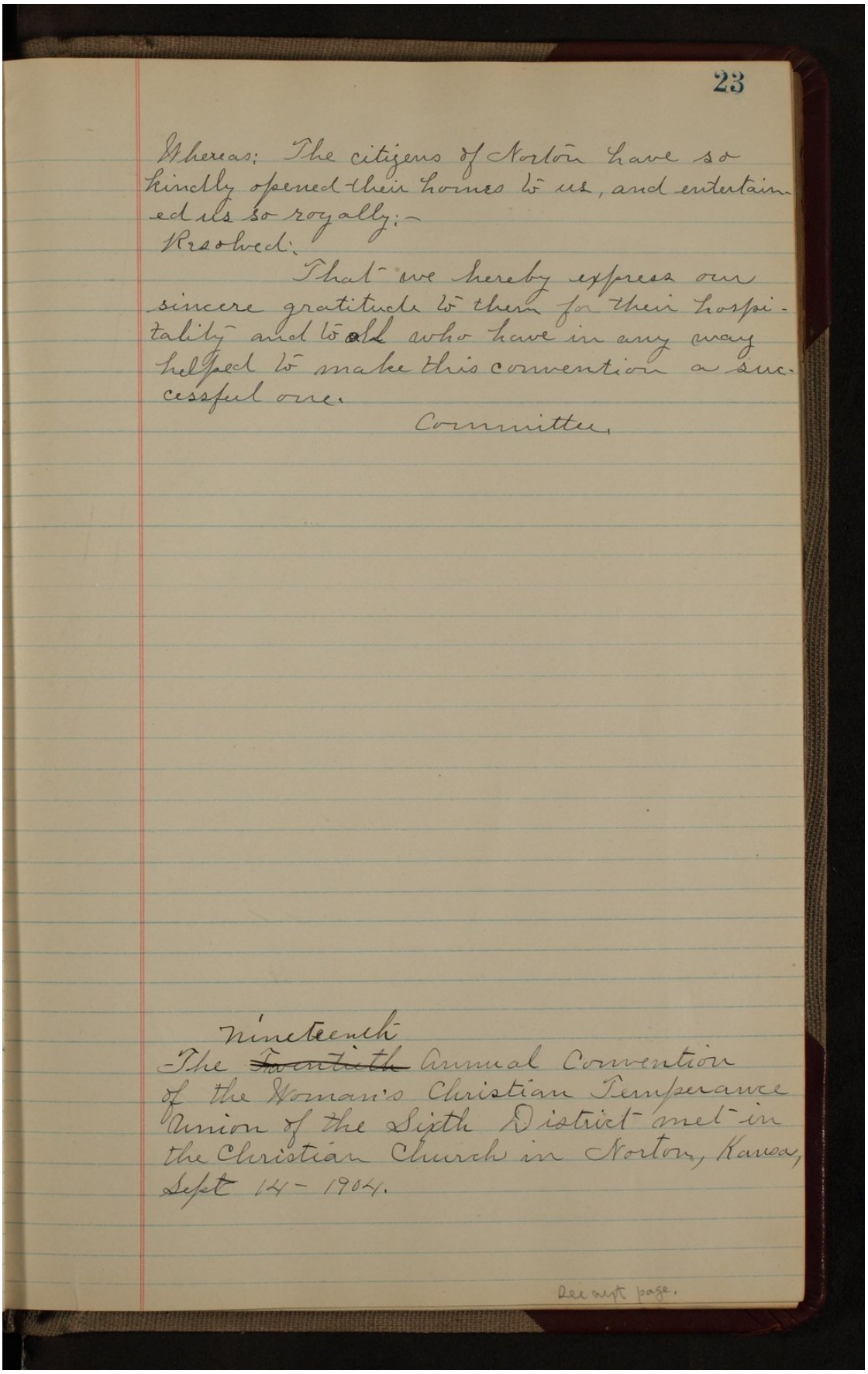
Resolved: That we think the state constitution can be wisely and safely changed so as to make the one dollar local dues cover state dues and the price of "Our Messenger".

Whereas; we appreciate the helpfulness of "Our Messenger" and the very efficient services of its able editor, Mrs. Olive G. Young;

Resolved; That we pledge our loyal support to its management and recommend that each subscriber, in addition to her own paper, take a copy for a friend.

Resolved. That we desire to express our appreciation of the services rendered to the temperance cause by Miss Olive M. Blunt. through her work as lecturer and organizer in our district

Resolved; That we heartily appreciate the gracious words of encouragement spoken to us by Rev's Lorenz, Drummond and Roberts, and the words of welcome given by the Mayor, Mr. Hinsdell, and Professor Hemphill of the city schools.



Whereas: The citizens of Norton have so kindly opened their homes to us, and entertained us so royally:-

Resolved:

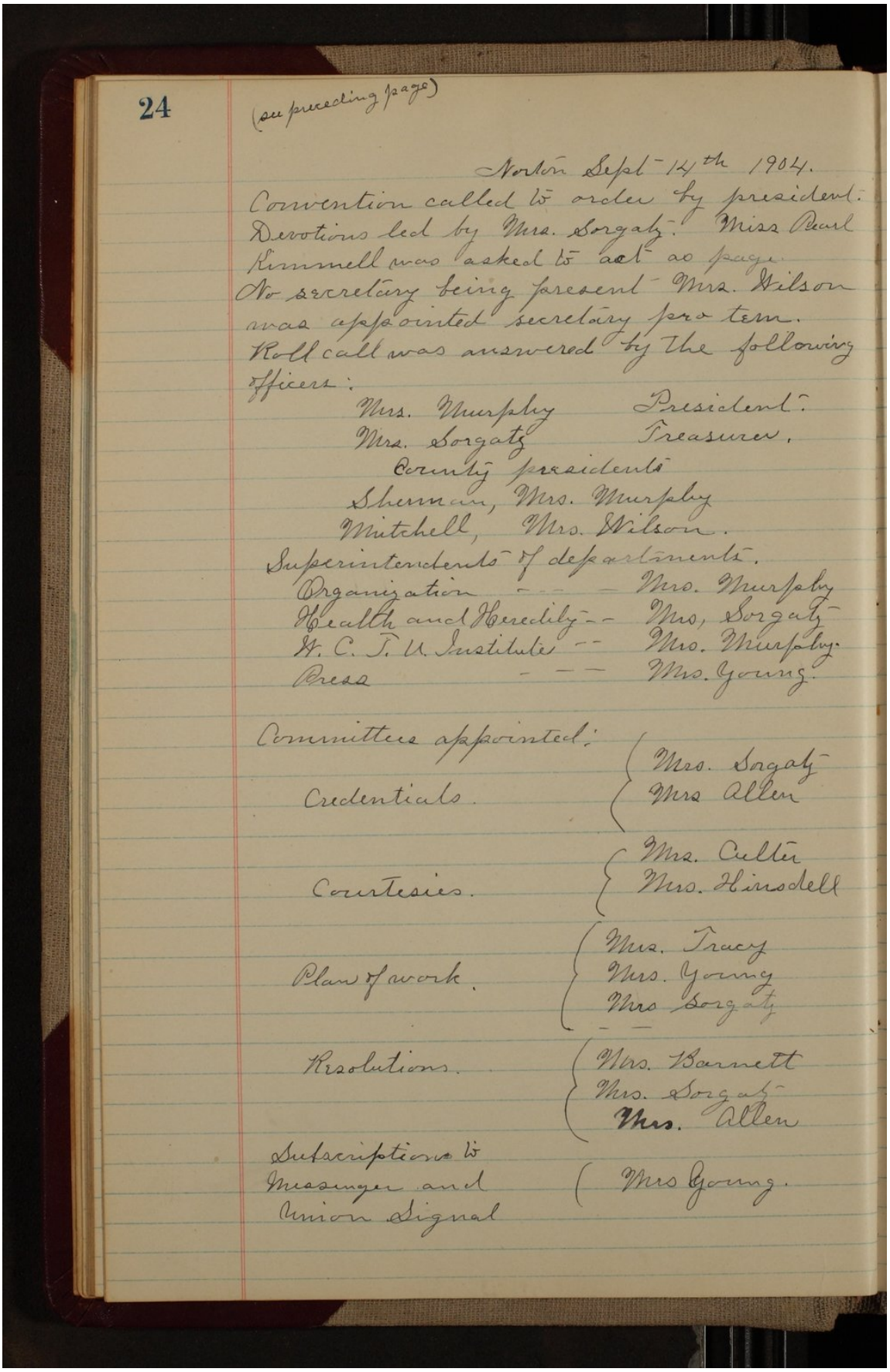
That we hereby express our sincere gratitude to them for their hospitality and to all who have in any way helped to make this convention a successful one.

Committee.

Nineteenth

The ~~Fourtieth~~ Annual Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the Sixth District met in the Christian Church in Norton, Kansas, Sept 14 - 1904.

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Norton Sept 14th 1904.
Convention called to order by president. Devotions led by Mrs. Sorgatz. Miss Pearl Kimmell was asked to act as page. No secretary being present Mrs. Wilson was appointed secretary pro tem. Roll call was answered by the following officers:

Mrs. Murphy — President.
Mrs. Sorgatz — Treasurer.

County presidents

Sherman, Mrs. Murphy
Mitchell, Mrs. Wilson.

Superintendents of departments.

Organization — Mrs. Murphy
Health and Heredity — Mrs. Sorgatz
W. C. T. U. Institutes — Mrs. Murphy
Press — Mrs. Young.

Committees appointed:

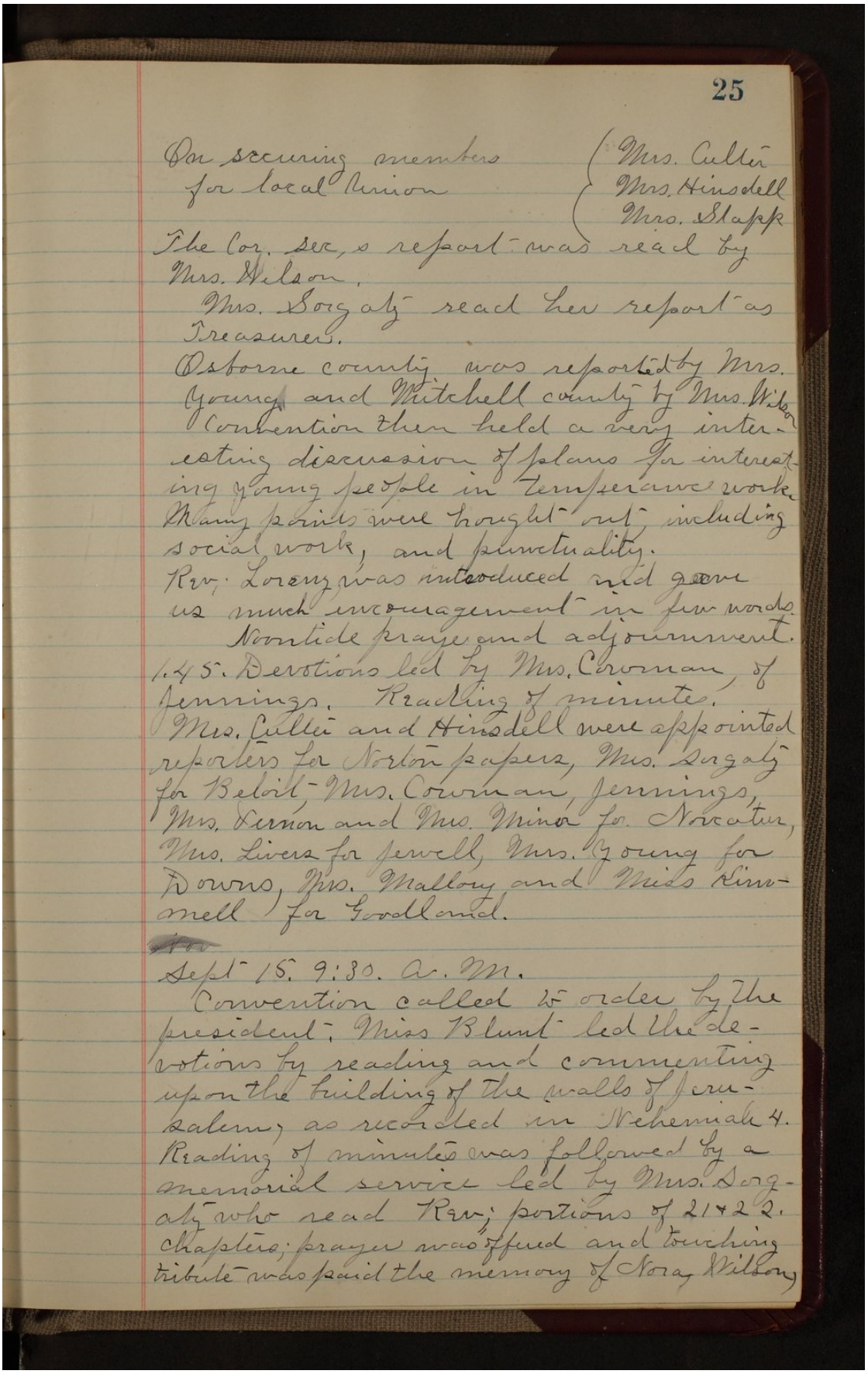
Credentials. — Mrs. Sorgatz, Mrs Allen

Courtesies. — Mrs. Cullen, Mrs. Hinsdell

Plan of work. — Mrs. Tracy, Mrs. Young, Mrs Sorgatz

Resolutions. — Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Sorgatz, Mrs. Allen

Subscriptions to Messenger and Union Signal — Mrs Young.



For securing members for local Union { Mrs. Cullin, Mrs. Hinsdell, Mrs. Slapp

The Cor. Sec.'s report was read by Mrs. Wilson.

Mrs. Sorgaly read her report as Treasurer.

Osborne county was reported by Mrs. Young and Mitchell county by Mrs. Wilson.

Convention then held a very interesting discussion of plans for interesting young people in temperance work. Many points were brought out including social work, and punctuality.

Rev. Lorenz was introduced and gave us much encouragement in few words.

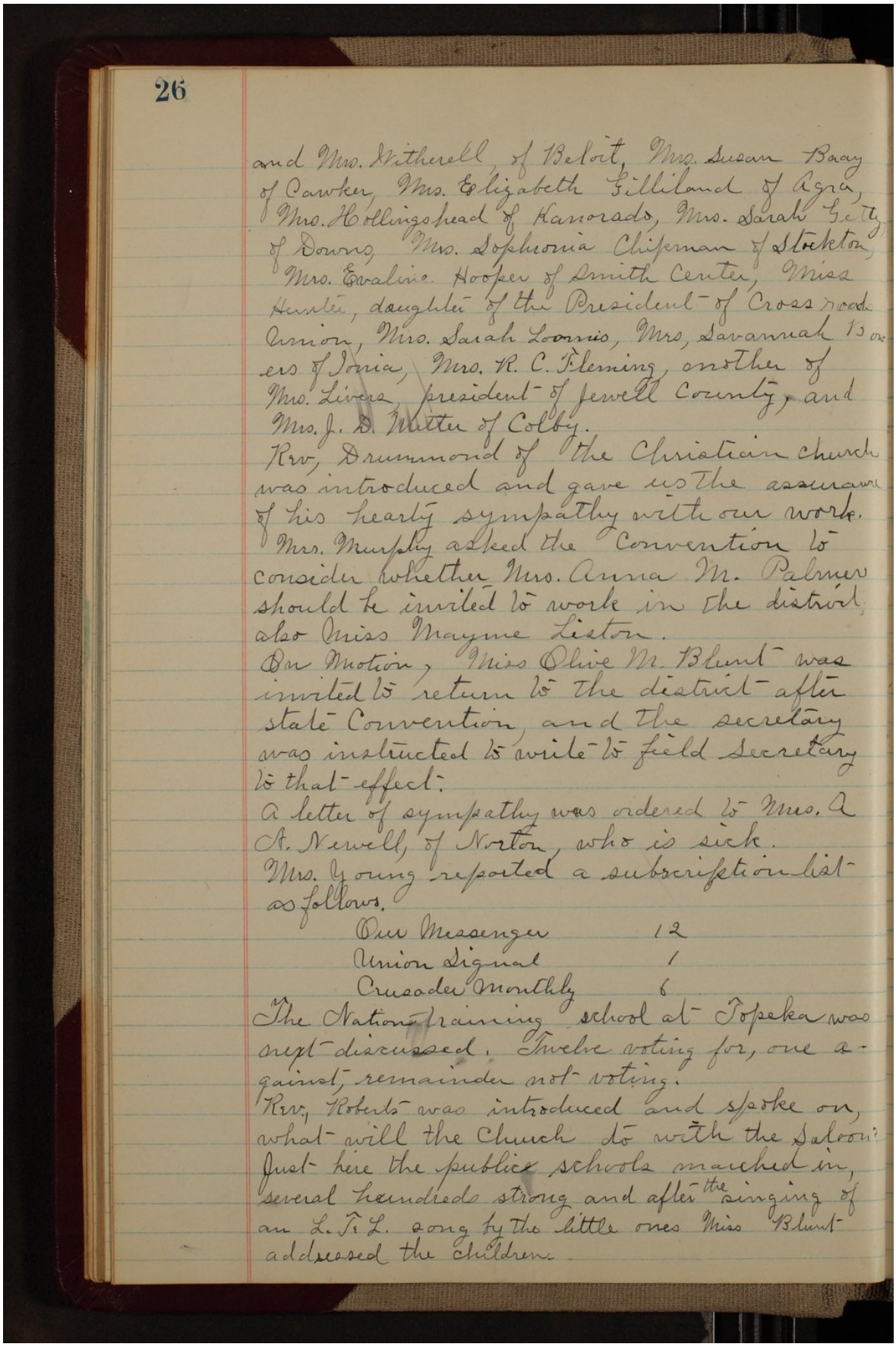
Noontide prayer and adjournment.

1.45. Devotions led by Mrs. Crowman, of Jennings. Reading of minutes.

Mrs. Cullin and Hinsdell were appointed reporters for Norton papers, Mrs. Sorgaly for Beloit, Mrs. Crowman, Jennings, Mrs. Vernon and Mrs. Minor for Decatur, Mrs. Livers for Jewell, Mrs. Young for Downs, Mrs. Mallory and Miss Kinnell for Goodland.

Sept 15. 9:30. A. M.

Convention called to order by the president; Miss Blunt led the devotions by reading and commenting upon the building of the walls of Jerusalem, as recorded in Nehemiah 4. Reading of minutes was followed by a memorial service led by Mrs. Sorgaly who read Rev; portions of 21+22. chapters; prayer was offered and touching tribute was paid the memory of Nora Wilson



and Mrs. Witherell of Beloit, Mrs. Susan Bacy of Cawker, Mrs. Elizabeth Gilliland of Agra, Mrs. Hollingshead of Kanorado, Mrs. Sarah Getty of Downs, Mrs. Sophronia Chipman of Stockton, Mrs. Evaline Hooper of Smith Center, Miss Hunter, daughter of the President of Cross roads Union, Mrs. Sarah Loomis, Mrs. Savannah Bowers of Ionia, Mrs. R. C. Fleming, mother of Mrs. Livers, president of Jewell County, and Mrs. J. D. Mattes of Colby.

Rev. Drummond of the Christian church was introduced and gave us the assurance of his hearty sympathy with our work.

Mrs. Murphy asked the Convention to consider whether Mrs. Anna M. Palmer should be invited to work in the district, also Miss Mayme Liston.

On Motion, Miss Olive M. Blunt was invited to return to the district after state Convention, and the secretary was instructed to write to field Secretary to that effect.

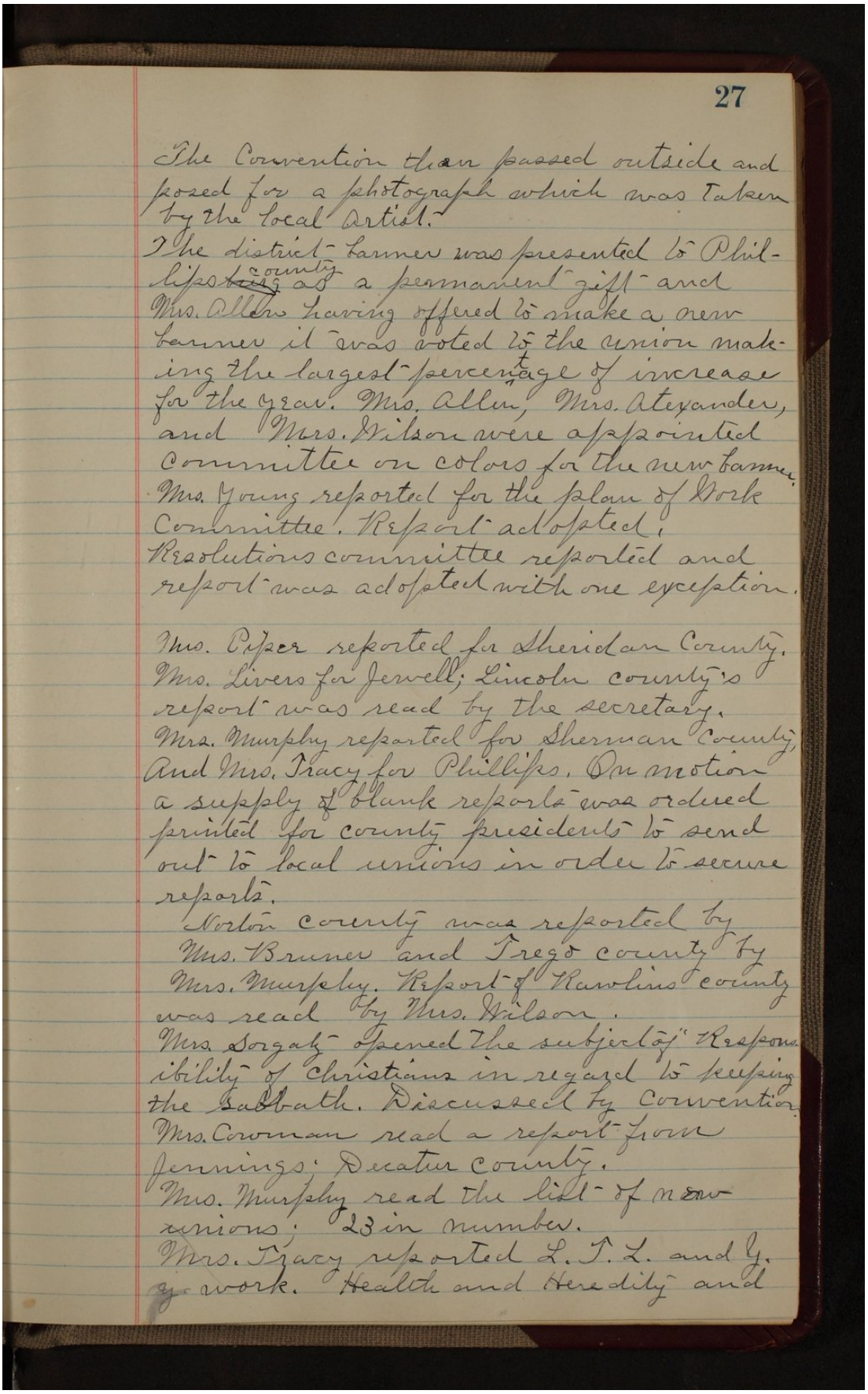
A letter of sympathy was ordered to Mrs. A. A. Newell, of Norton, who is sick.

Mrs. Young reported a subscription list as follows.

Our Messenger	12
Union Signal	1
Crusader Monthly	6

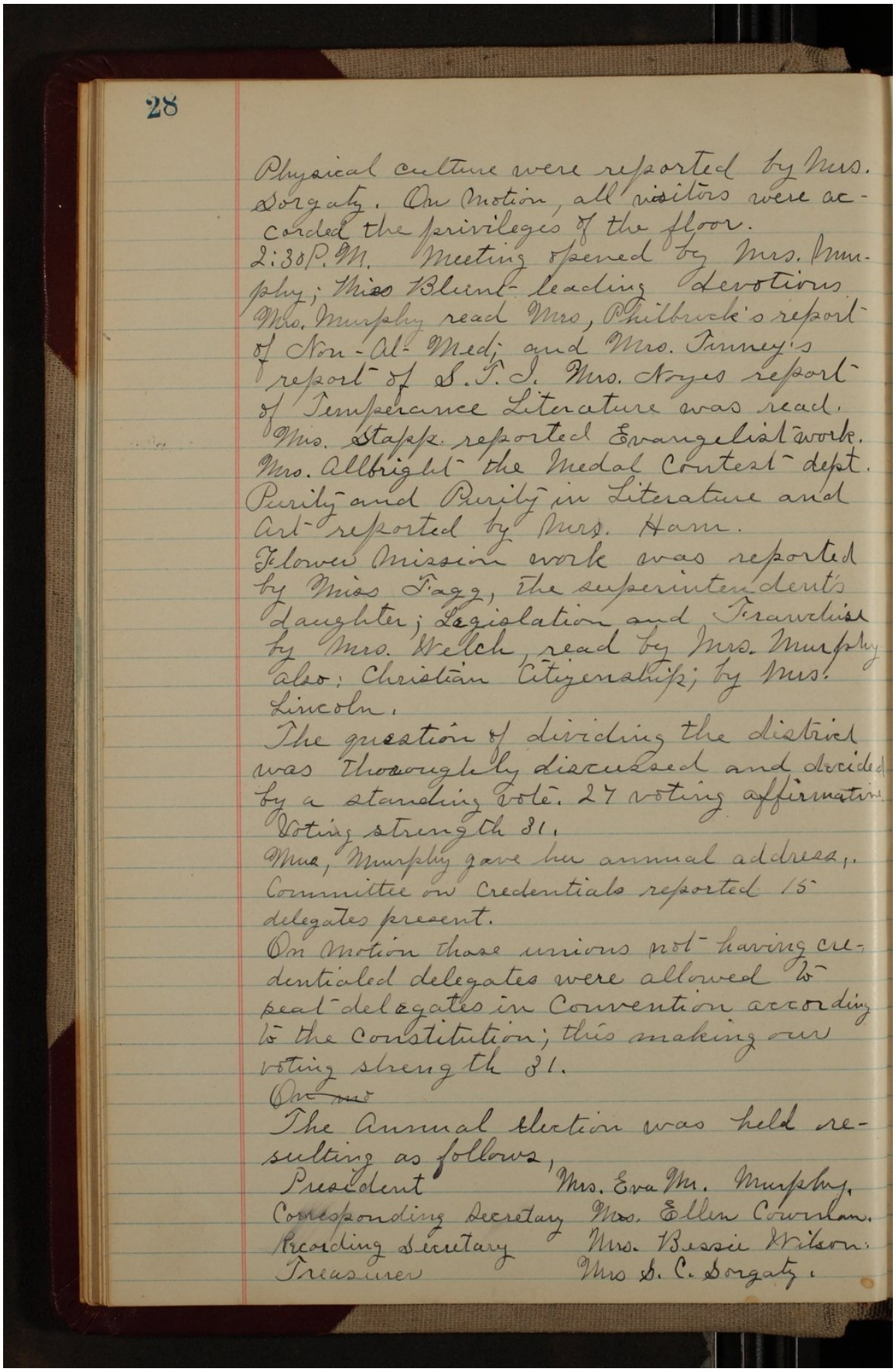
The National training school at Topeka was next discussed. Twelve voting for, one against, remainder not voting.

Rev. Roberts was introduced and spoke on, what will the Church do with the Saloon? Just here the publick schools marched in, several hundreds strong and after the singing of an L. T. L. song by the little ones Miss Blunt addressed the children.



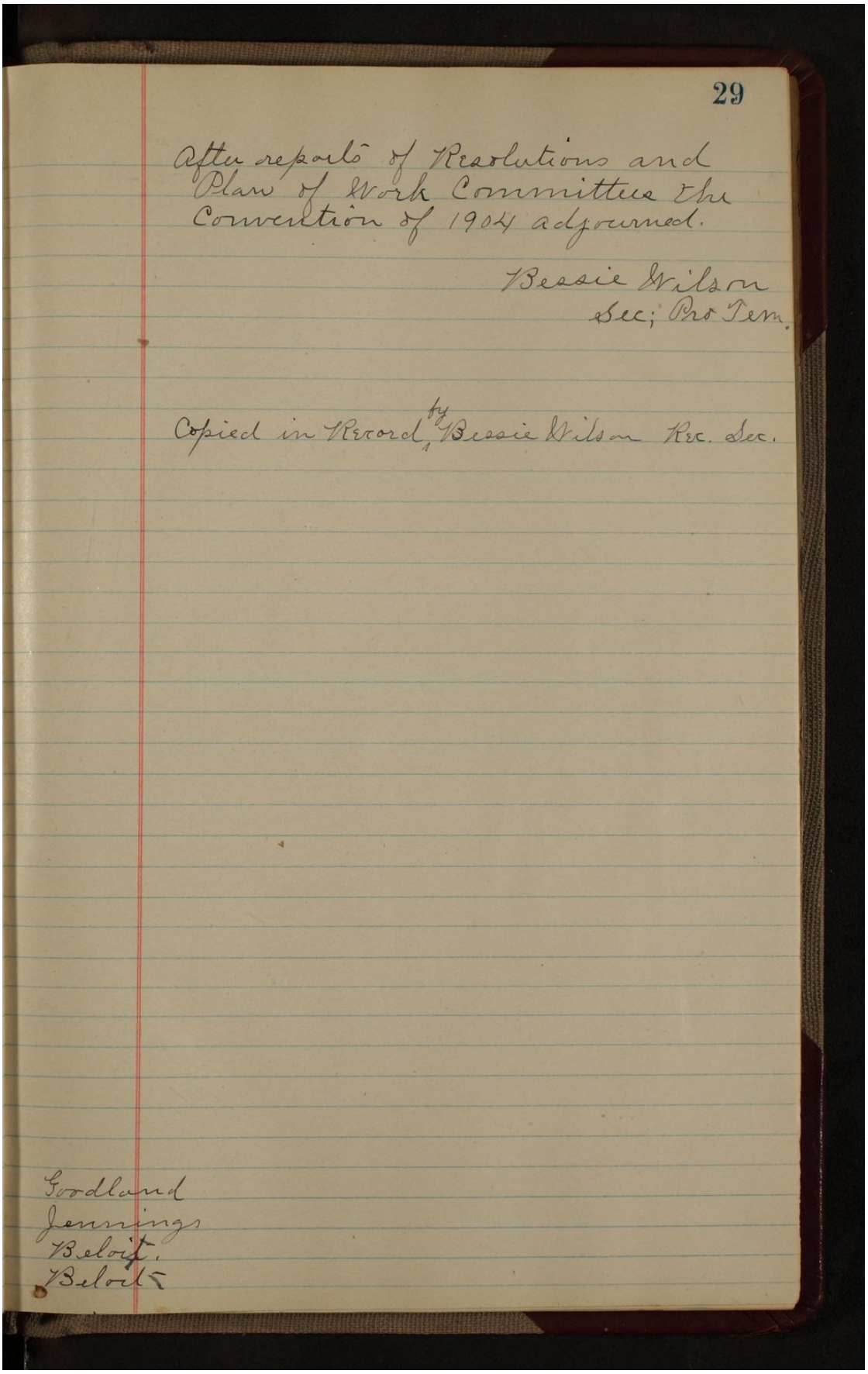
The Convention then passed outside and posed for a photograph which was taken by the local artist.
The district banner was presented to Phillips ~~county~~ as a permanent gift and Mrs. Allen having offered to make a new banner it was voted to the union making the largest percentage of increase for the year. Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Wilson were appointed committee on colors for the new banner.
Mrs. Young reported for the plan of Work Committee. Report adopted.
Resolutions committee reported and report was adopted with one exception.

Mrs. Piper reported for Sheridan County.
Mrs. Livers for Jewell; Lincoln county's report was read by the secretary.
Mrs. Murphy reported for Sherman County, And Mrs. Tracy for Phillips. On motion a supply of blank reports was ordered printed for county presidents to send out to local unions in order to secure reports.
Norton county was reported by Mrs. Bruner and Trego county by Mrs. Murphy. Report of Rawlins county was read by Mrs. Wilson.
Mrs. Sorgah opened the subject of "Responsibility of Christians in regard to keeping the Sabbath. Discussed by Convention.
Mrs. Crowman read a report from Jennings, Decatur county.
Mrs. Murphy read the list of new unions; 23 in number.
Mrs. Tracy reported L. T. L. and Y. work. Health and Heredity and



Physical culture were reported by Mrs. Sorgaty. On motion, all visitors were accorded the privileges of the floor.
2:30 P.M. Meeting opened by Mrs. Murphy; Miss Blunt leading Devotions. Mrs. Murphy read Mrs. Philbrick's report of Non-Al. Med; and Mrs. Tunney's report of S.T.I. Mrs. Noyes report of Temperance Literature was read. Mrs. Stapp reported Evangelistic work. Mrs. Allbright the Medal Contest dept. Purity and Purity in Literature and Art reported by Mrs. Ham.
Flower Mission work was reported by Miss Fagg, the superintendent's daughter; Legislation and Franchise by Mrs. Welch, read by Mrs. Murphy also; Christian Citizenship; by Mrs. Lincoln.
The question of dividing the district was thoroughly discussed and decided by a standing vote. 27 voting affirmative. Voting strength 81.
Mrs. Murphy gave her annual address.
Committee on Credentials reported 15 delegates present.
On motion those unions not having credentialed delegates were allowed to seat delegates in Convention according to the Constitution; this making our voting strength 81.
On motion
The Annual election was held resulting as follows,

President	Mrs. Eva M. Murphy.
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Ellen Courtlan.
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Bessie Wilson.
Treasurer	Mrs S. C. Sorgaty.



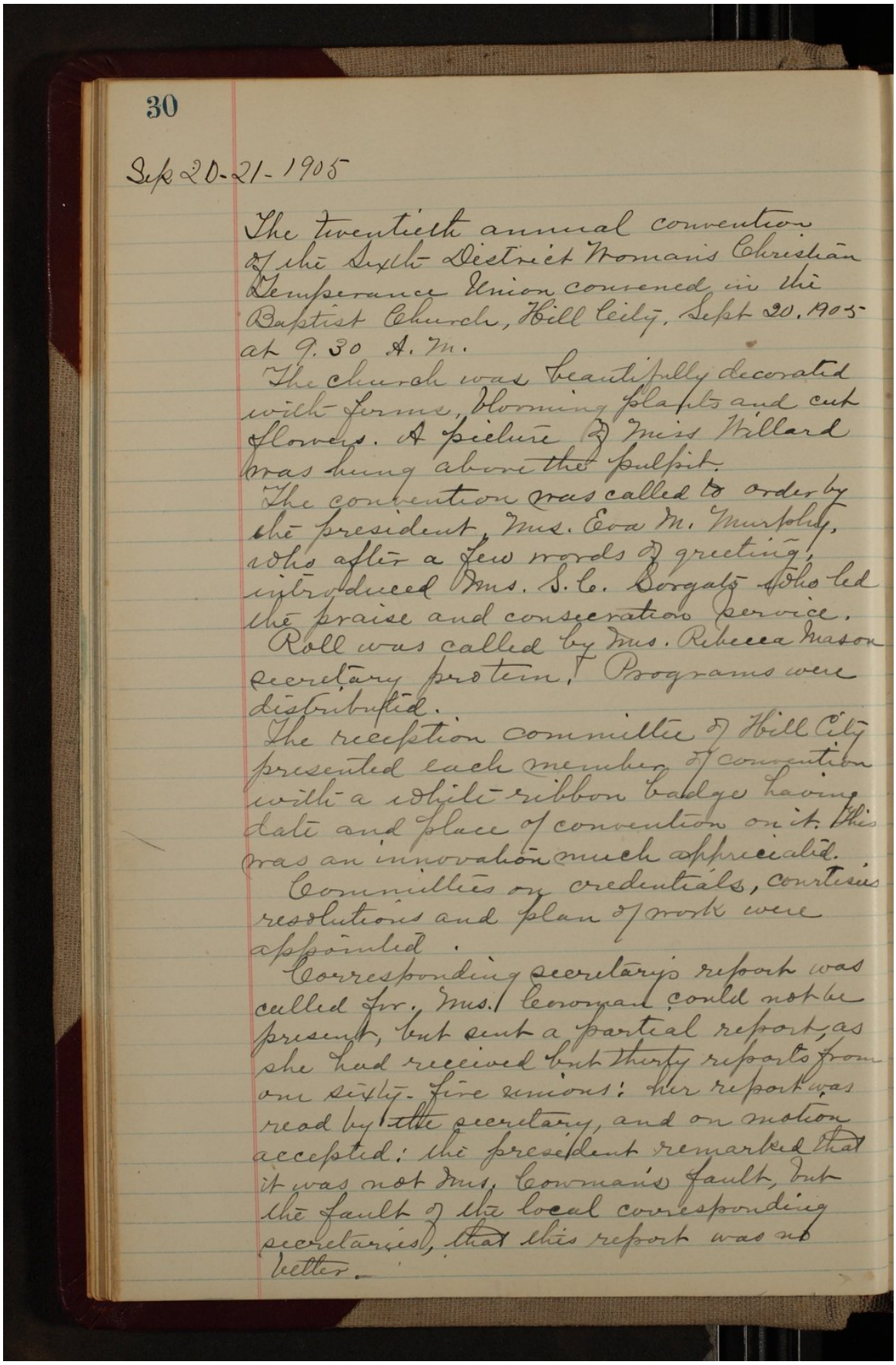
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After reports of Resolutions and Plan of Work Committee the Convention of 1904 adjourned.

Bessie Wilson
Sec; Pro Tem.

Copied in Record by Bessie Wilson Rec. Sec.

Goodland
Jennings
Beloit.
Beloit



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Sept 20-21-1905

The twentieth annual convention of the Sixth District Womans Christian Temperance Union convened in the Baptist Church, Hill City, Sept 20. 1905 at 9.30 A. M.

The church was beautifully decorated with ferns, blooming plants and cut flowers. A picture of Miss Willard was hung above the pulpit.

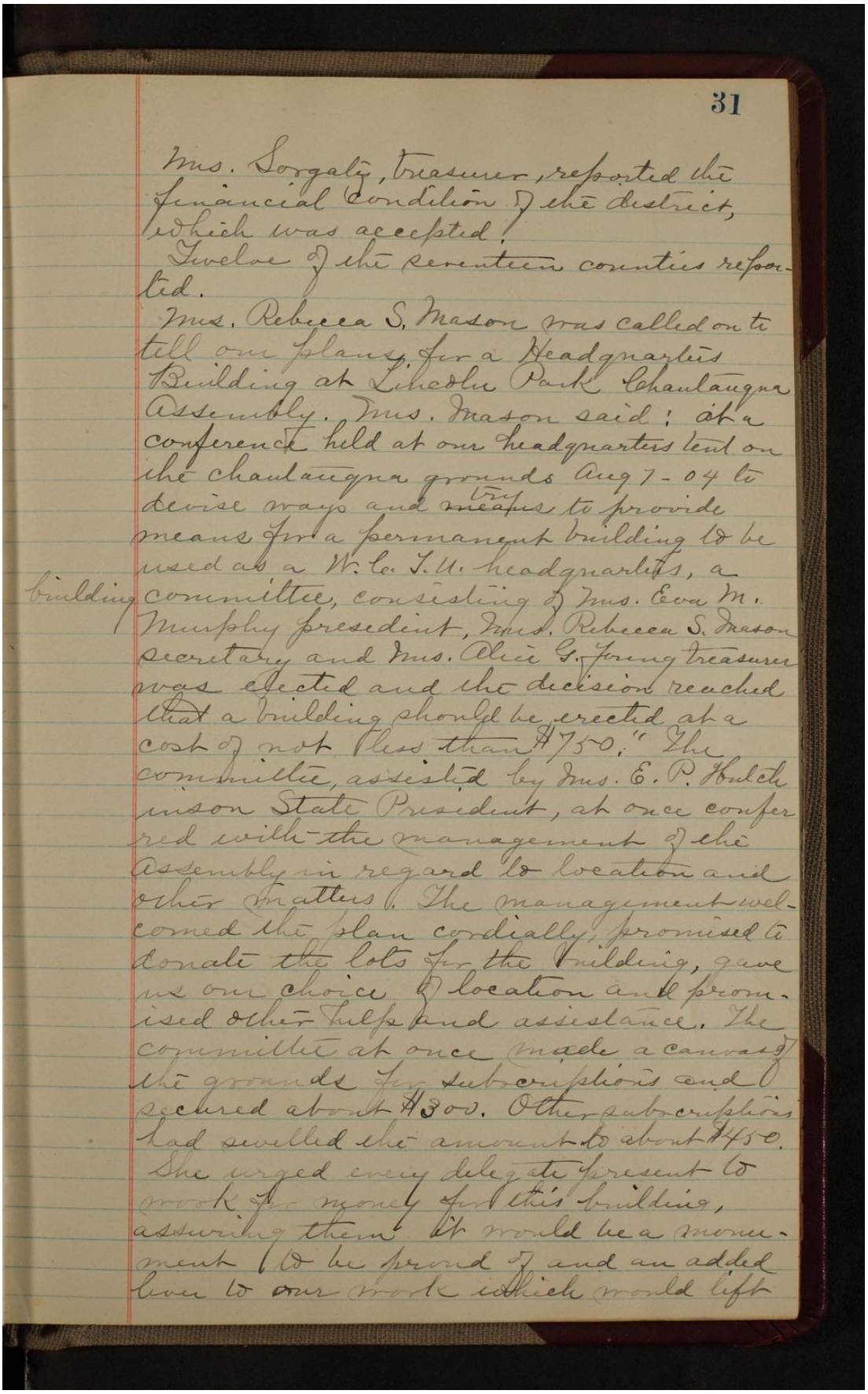
The convention was called to order by the president, Mrs. Eva M. Murphy, who after a few words of greeting, introduced Mrs. S. C. Borgalt who led the praise and consecration service.

Roll was called by Mrs. Rebecca Mason secretary pro tem. Programs were distributed.

The reception committee of Hill City presented each member of convention with a white ribbon badge having date and place of convention on it. This was an innovation much appreciated.

Committees on credentials, courtesies resolutions and plan of work were appointed.

Corresponding secretary's report was called for. Mrs. Cowman could not be present, but sent a partial report, as she had received but thirty reports from one sixty-five unions: her report was read by the secretary, and on motion accepted: the president remarked that it was not Mrs. Cowmans fault, but the fault of the local corresponding secretaries, that this report was no better.



Mrs. Sorgaly, treasurer, reported the financial condition of the district, which was accepted.

Twelve of the seventeen counties reported.

Mrs. Rebecca S. Mason was called on to tell our plans for a Headquarters Building at Lincoln Park Chautauqua Assembly. Mrs. Mason said: "At a conference held at our headquarters tent on the Chautauqua grounds Aug 7-04 to devise ways and means to provide means for a permanent building to be used as a W. C. T. U. headquarters, a building committee, consisting of Mrs. Eva M. Murphy president, Mrs. Rebecca S. Mason secretary and Mrs. Alice S. Young treasurer was elected and the decision reached that a building should be erected at a cost of not less than $750." The committee, assisted by Mrs. E. P. Hutchinson State President, at once conferred with the management of the Assembly in regard to location and other matters. The management welcomed the plan cordially, promised to donate the lots for the building, gave us our choice of location and promised other help and assistance. The committee at once made a canvass of the grounds for subscriptions and secured about $300. Other subscriptions had swelled the amount to about $450. She urged every delegate present to work for money for this building, assuring them it would be a monument to be proud of and an added love to our work which would lift

nightly.
Noonside prayer was voiced by
Mrs. Young.
Wednesday Afternoon

Meeting called to order by the
President. Mrs. C. G. Harrison
read Cor. 4. Convention joined in
singing "My faith looks up to Thee."
Mrs. Harrison led in earnest, heartfelt
prayer for a baptism of the Holy Spirit.
Credentials committee made a
partial report.
Report of Organization was made by
superintendent of that department.
report showed much good work done,
though less than last year.
The secretary had received only a
few department reports. The
president said she was sure much
good work had been done, but she
was nearly desperate because she
could not get reports. She called
the departments in order, and
asked members of convention for
any items of work of which they
had knowledge. Superintendents
present gave their reports and the
secretary read those she had received.
A Round Table discussion on
"Shall our unions take a vacation?"
showed the majority in favor of
"Keeping everlastingly at it."
"When and how shall dues be paid?"
aroused much interest. Three points
were agreed upon, viz: that they should
be paid at the beginning of each half
year, by each member out of her